Students testify against coed dorm bill

David Dodd. NASHVILLE: MTSU junior, urged during the House Education Committee meeting that legislators consider all of the consequences of the house bill that would ban coeducational dormitories on Tennessee college campuses. The bill, proposed by Marvin

Hopper, R-Nashville, was considered in hearings at the state legislature Tuesday afternoon.

Dodd asked the legislators to consider the cost feasibility, the status of existing coeducational dormitories and trends in university housing.

He told the committee that many students are moving offcampus to increase their pri-vacy and that the effect of the proposal would be to reduce dormitory occupancy.
Mary Anderson, D-Nashville

and member of the education

By Becky Freeman

committee, said her interest was limited to preserving the privacy and rights of young

"I personally would be agree-able to seeing them develop a solution to the problem," Anderson said.

John Jackson, former ASB president, asked the committee to research the results of existing coed dorms for themselves. Jackson cited several studies in "The Journal of College Student Personnel" that said there is no single best solution to the housing needs of students. The studies recommend that students should be able to choose their own style of living.

Six persons testified against the bill. No student spoke in favor of the measure.

One of the bill's proponents Mrs. William Bradford, said that the students opposing coed dormitories would not speak out because of "peer group pressure." Because of the pressure, "no one is willing not to move into a coed dorm," she said.

"I know for a fact that some students this past semester at Vanderbilt were accepted only if they would live in a dorm with open visitation," Bradford

John Civils, president of the Vanderbilt Student Association told the committee Vanderbilt students could decide for themselves what kind of housing they wanted.

Dormitory policies for the school year in the autonomous dorms are determined by student residents vote, Civils said.

James Drinnon, vice-pres-

ident of the University of Tennessee, said that students and their parents could decide the extent of housing restrictions they would have.

Jane McKay, speaking in favor of the bill, said that many students entering college today are "only 16 or 17 years old and were not mature enough to deal with some problems on an adult level."

Jackson told the committee that most college freshman are

at least 18 years old.
Alfred T. Adams, Sr., a former legislator, told the committee that universities have a responsibility to provide "a wholesome atmosphere in the dorms."

"When a young man calls on a young lady at home they don't go to the bedroom to visit,"

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Glass announces expected increase for fall semester

An estimated total of 9,919 students are expected to enroll for the fall 1973 semester, Frank Glass, dean of admissions and records, said.

"This total is a seven per cent increase over last fall," he said.

There has been a leveling off of enrollment in most institutions of higher education, so this is what we consider a significant increase," Glass said.

"From now on out, though, we expect a decline in the enrollment percent-age," he said. "We feel that it will decline because of the decline in draft and the emphasis on vocational and technical schools.

"It is obvious that a large percentage of college males are enrolled simply to avoid the draft.

"There was a small increase in freshman enrollment last fall and we expect this to level off in coming years and stabilize," Glass

"However, the number of transfer and graduate students is increasing and we hope to see it continue to expand."

Registration for the fall semester, scheduled for August 25-28, has been cut from six days to three due

By Janet Basse

to the success of the new registration procedure, he

"Our registration is very student-oriented," he said. "We have tried to make it as convenient as possible for the student.

The decision of who registers first is determined by the number of hours a student has passed, Glass said. Those who have passed the most hours register

facilities "The new should affect the student enrollment number," he "People like nice, new buildings, and if we can just get a kid on the campus, he's usually impressed with its beauty."

Bulletins for the 73-74 school year should be out within the next month, Glass

Responsibilities of the admissions and records office include high school and junior college visitation, registration, admission, maintenance of academic records and the checking out of seniors for graduation.

The office is staffed by administrators, 14 five clerical workers and seven student workers.



Loopy?

Participants in the Loop Race cross the finish line. Winners of the event were Chi Omega and Alpha Kappa Psi. by Nancy Nipper).

Inside

'Cyclists' take chances

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Students tour The Farm (see page five)

Staff applications due Accident prevention for two publications

Applications for editor and business manager of both Collage magazine and Midlander, MTSU year-book, will be screened at a meeting of the Interim Board of Publications Friday, April 27, at 9 a.m. in room 100 of the Memorial Gymnasium.

The positions are for the 1973-74 academic year, according to Edward Kembrell, committee chair-

Students interested in applying for any of the four positions should submit their letter of application, specifying experience and other credentials, to Kimbrell at MTSU Box 300 no later than Monday,

Recording major gets response

Edward Kimbrell, chairman of the mass communication department, saidhe has received a tremendous response from the article in Tuesday's SIDELINES about the recording industry management major.

He has asked that anyone who is interested come by his office (room 100, AM building) on Tuesday,

April 24 for a handout giving giving information on the new major.

6:00 A.M. to

7:00 P.M.



Safety tips aid cyclists

Now that the temperatures are rising into the 70's, many MTSU students will be taking full advantage of the great motorcycling weather.

There are many scenic country roads blossoming with spring within a few minutes of the campus. As appealing as these roads are, if the motorcyclist is not careful he will be another Tennessee accident victim.

Last year, over 9,000 traffic accidents occurred on Tennessee highways. 16 per cent, or over 1,350, of these involved motorcycles. Yet of all registered vechicles in Tennessee, motorcycles account for less than five per cent.

"There is no way to cut out motorcycle accidents entirely, but there are several ways to help reduce them," explained Lt. Bob Winfree of the

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Tennessee Highway Pat-

Winfree, a veteran of eight years on the force, revealed that not only could automobile operators help prevent accidents, but that motorcyclist could help himself if he took some basic safety precautions.

Winfree estimated that about 70 per cent of the auto-motorcycle ents were auto-caused. Head injuries were the most significant cause of death in the 131 motorcycle fatalities in Tennessee last year. Legs and arms were the other parts of the body most injured.

"Strict enforcement of the existing helmet laws would help prevent ser-ious head injuries or death," Winfree said. Yet a report released by a helmet testing agency claims that nearly 90 per cent of all helmets tested by the federal government failed to meet industry's own safety requirements.

motorcyclist re-The duces the chance of injury if he follows two safety rules. First, in addition to the required wearing of a safety-approved helmet, the operator should have a shield on the helmet or

wear goggles. added that eye glasses or sun glasses would not fulfill this requirement.

In addition the motorcycle should have a crash bar on it to prevent the rider from being trapped beneath it.

Mike Mitchell, a Nashsophomore, reville emphasized this by saying, "Many riders don't like these laws, but both my helmet and crash bar have prevented injury to me and damage to my bike a couple of times."

Winfree said most of the motorcycle accidents involved an operator who was under 18 years old. He felt that making 16 the minimun age for operating a motorcycle would help curb accidents, and that all small motorcycles and mini-bikes should be kept off public roads.

A Metro-Nashville traffic officer explained that most motorists do not respect motorcycles and many are not aware of their presence.

"Motorists should treat a motorcycle as they would any other vehicle and the same applies to the motorcyclist," he said.

The motorcycle may have as much right on the road as any other vehicle. but most people do not grant them this right.

Spring Film Festival Schedule of Events FREE FREE

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| CARTOON 11:30-1:00 The General (Buster Keaton) plus Color Cartoons | | Color Cartoon Festival For Crimes Outloud | Spooks Spectacular Fleeingin the Ring (3 Stooges) Pinch Me Please (Abbott – Costello | Terror Trip, W.C. Fields |
| POTPOURRI 6 p.m. Bonnie &Clyde | Boys In The Band | A Man Called Horse | The Reivers | Phantom of the Opera |
| SCI. FICTION 8 p.m. Marooned | Robinson Crusoe on Mars | Planet of the Apes | The Time Machine | The Illustrated |

Because we had such good support for our films this year, the Films Comm. would like to show their gratitude by

presenting a Spring Film Festival April 23 rd thru the 27th. There will be Cartoons each day from 11:30-1:00.

Then each night at six a potpourri and at eight a Science Fiction Flick. This is all absolutely Free, no charge what so ever.

So bring your Visine and join us at the Spring Film Festival.

News

Completion set for 1974

UC to incorporate offices

June 20, 1974, is the projected end date of the expansion construction on the University Center, Baxter Cook, coordinator for campus planning and construction, said.

Expansion construction of the UC started March 28 and will cost \$938,000 which includes contact, architect fees, equipment and contingency, he said.

The expansion will be 40 feet on the east end (to-ward the High Rise dorms) and 30 feet toward the library, he said. It covers all three floors along with a roof deck expansion which currently does not run all the way across the building, he said.

The first floor will be expanded to allow the bookstore more offices, retail area, check cashing and storeage area. Also included on the first floor are student personnel offices. The post office will receive additional workspace along with 450 more post office boxes, he said.

"One of the primary reasons for this office expansion is to locate student personnel people in By Nancy Nipper

the UC where the students are," Cook said.

First floor offices to be included are director of student relations, associate dean of students, associate dean of men and associate dean of women. These offices are to be located behind the post office, he said.

On the second floor will be the U.C. manager's offices, vice-president for student affairs, dean of student affairs, counseling and conference rooms, Cook said.

The grill will be expanded out on to the present west porch and will include a dining section that can be closed off, he said. The kitchen facilities will also be broadened he said.

There are no plans to "modernize" the existing facilities other than what is needed, Cook said. For those areas included in the expansion, new equipment will be added, he said.

"Most of the existing building is not going to be changed," he said. On the third floor, the table tennis room and pool recreation area will be expanded "just about dou-

ble," Cook said.

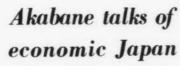
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The placement office and housing office will also be on the third floor, he said. Additional meeting rooms and study lounges are to be put on the roof area that will be added, he said.

"I believe they (the contractors) will be finished by their projected date, unless they have exceptionally bad weather," Cook said.

"We do not anticipate interrupting any activities," he said.

The offices will be connected by corridors, but the corridors will be intergrated into the building and not "tacked on," Cook said.



Takao Akabane, member of the Japan Economic Planning Board and the Japanese Embassy, will speak on "Social Factors in Economic Development of Japan" today at 3 p.m. in the New Classroom Building, room 208.

Here's one!

Gamma Beta Phi honor society held its annual Easter egg hunt Tuesday, April 17 for 130 children from the "Classroom on Wheels."

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Marketing chapter to host 'speak out' for students

A "Speak Out" for all students in the business administration department at MTSU will be hosted Thursday by the collegiate chapter of the American Marketing Association, Freda Blackwell, chapter president, said today.

The one-hour session, which is to be held in room 221 of Old Main, is designed to give student input into course policy for the business department, Blackwell said.

"Fowler Todd, chairman of the department, has promised to review our suggestions and complaints," Blackwell said. "We hope this will help to make the department more responsive to students involved in business administration."

Blackwell said no faculty members would be present for the session.

"Most people feel the students have no voice in planning departmental procedure," Blackwell said, "and if they don't come and speak up, nothing will be done."

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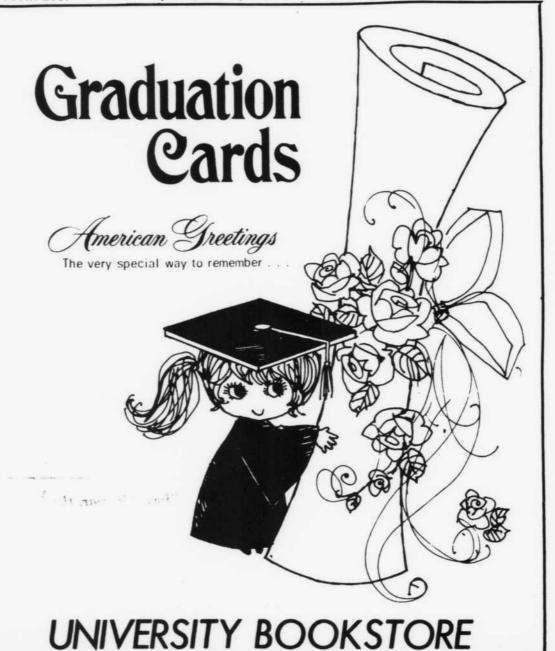
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Opinion

Nixon responds to Watergate

Editorial

President Richard M. Nixon has finally responded to criticism about the Watergate Affair.

Nixon announced Tuesday that he was conducting his own investigation of the charges centering on alleged Republican attempts at political espionage.

During the press conference, the President said he would fire any White House staffmember who was implicated in any illegal political spy activities. Nixon also said he would permit both White House staffers or ex-staffers to testify before the Senate's special Watergate committee.

Apparently, Nixon has found White House Counsel John Dean's investigation of the situation inadequate

Dean's investigation failed to discover any White House involvement in the Watergate case. Recent FBI testimony allegedly revealed that Dean was directly implicated in the alleged political espion-

"I condemn any attempts to cover up in this case, no matter who is responsible."

Wednesday, the Washington Post cited confidential White House and Justice Department sources who said at least two high ranking White House officials were responsible for the bugging at Watergate and other acts of political espionage.

These same sources indicated that the staffers will probably resign because of Nixon's investigation.

We congratulate President Nixon for his attempts to reveal the truth about Watergate. While we commend him, we must also ask why he did not break down the barrier of silence earlier.

Perhaps he is the victim of a clever cover-up but surely the President of the United States is aware of what his own staff members are doing?

Only time will reveal the real key to the Watergate puzzle.

Yes, Yes, Yes, Yes, Yes, Yes!

By David Pearcy

Sound Seventy strikes again! Joe Sullivan has really gotten himself together in meeting the wants of the people. Wednesday's fare consisted of an hour of rock by Poco and the three hour assault on the senses by Yes.

When the lights went down for the Poco, they were met by a relatively light but passable crowd reaction. They were much changed from the way I remembered them.

The country-rock atmosphere didn't prevail as much as before and they seemed more concerned with a harder rock approach. Aithough they didn't give half of what they are capable of giving, they were still good.

Highlights of Poco's set were a couple of real nice breaks by the ever smiling Rusty Young on steel guitar and Dobro, and of course the usual reaction getter "It's a Good Feeling to Know."

The crowd wouldn't, for the most part, get up and boogie like I'm sure Poco would have wanted but still showed the band their appreciation.

Famed rock promoter Bill Graham once stated that one of the reasons he closed the Fillmores was that audiences were becoming too easy to please and standing ovations were handed out too easily. Maybe Graham was right for at the close of their set Poco received a standing ovation that they didn't really deserve.

It is too bad audiences aren't more demanding than they are; if they were, bands would put out more to please them. Oh well...

When the lights dimmed for Yes, a definite, almost audible air of tension and excitement gripped the audience. Orchestrated music began blasting from the darkened stage and when the spotlight hit Rick Wakeman, resplendent in a floor length silver sequined robe behind a fortress of keyboard instruments, the audience gasped its startled approval.

From that moment on the crowd belonged to Yes.

The set included "Roundabout," an incredible "Close to the Edge" and some of their other well known album selections. About a quarter of the way through the set guitarist Steve Howe was introduced and proceeded to amaze the crowd with his firewords on acoustic guitar, from Spanish Flaminco on down.

Critics have blasted Yes' music, saying

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that it sounds too phony and contrived and that they never play a wrong note. It is most definitely true that they never play a wrong note. The music is extremely tight and flowing.

The high point of the entire evening was when vocalist Jon Anderson introduced Rick Wakeman. The word virtuoso is thrown around at the drop of a hat now but it never applied to many as it does to Wakeman.

With his silver cape sparkling, Wakeman wove a magic spell that was quite unbelieveable. Hunched over his keyboards, Wakeman, easily the most flamboyant of the band, resembled some evil sorcerer as he switched from instrument to instrument and the incredibly powerful music reached out and gripped the entire auditorium and all those within.

To say he was incredible would be true but couldn't begin to describe him.

When the set ended it was evident that an encore was in the offing. After a long, well deserved standing ovation the band returned and rocked out again. Bassist Chris Squire looked like an Eighteenth Century nobleman as he flitted about like a wounded butterfly.

As the music filled the hall, light reflected off of a multi-mirrored disc behind the stage looking like a rearranging universe on the auditorium ceiling. To say the least, one of the most impressive and professional shows to ever grace Nashville.

Notgrass opposes abortion trends

On the Other Hand

By Ray Notgrass

The trend of opinion on the abortion issue seems to be that most people favor some liberalization of abortion laws, at least up to, if not including, abortion on demand.

As one might expect from a conservative, I am against such action.

Some would question whether males--at least those who oppose abortion--have any right to speak on the subject. If such is the case, then women have no right to speak on the draft, on alimony payments (by and large), on vasectomy operations or any other singularly male problems. But they do, and so I and other males will speak in reference to

Some claim that women are asking only for the right to control their own bodies. But did the young draftee who got his butt shot in Nam control his body? No, he compromised his personal freedom for the defense of the country as a whole. Any government more stable than anarchy requires its citizens to give up certain things.

The compromise in this case is that a woman cannot decide to terminate the life of a fetus, just as she cannot decide to terminate the life of her husband or lover: it harms no one further away than across the street, but we cannot have that and remain a civilized society.

The question arises about possible damage to the mother's health. Granted, there is no clear cut answer to this, but where do we draw the line?

What about rape victims, some say. The argument to legalize abortion on this reasoning would be like legalizing murder, to allow for the possibility that a husband might find his wife in bed with another man; laws are usually passed to cover the majority of cases (in this instance, cases of pregnancy); in addition, morality is difficult to legislate anyway, and splitting moral hairs in legislation is even tougher.

What about the rights of the fetus? Why is the three-month mark magical? How about the fetuses which, while being carried to the incinerator, move? A rare instance, but arguments are made on rare instances.

The eminently more logical thing to do would be to practice infanticide. A newborn baby could be checked for defects, and either passed or rejected. Ignoring the issue of a soul, what is the difference between destroying a fetus and destroying a defective child?

But the issue of a soul is the real problem. For the atheist and for those who believe that a soul is formed at conception, there is no problem. But the idea that a soul is formed somewhere along the path of development runs into the simple question: When?

Abortion comes down, then, to an issue of faith. And as we should be able to see in areas of religious strife, such as Northern Ireland and the Middle East, issues of faith are not easily or painlessly resolved. Neither will the question of abortion.

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Commune members discuss farm life

Underneath a tree a group of students sat in a circle on the grass, asking questions of the couple.

The students were members of the humanities seminar, a campus honors course under the direction of June Martin, who last Saturday visited The Farm, a 650-member commune located on a 1,000-acre tract near Summertown in Lewis County.

Relating the community to the semester theme of "Counterculture and Revolution," Caneta Skelley, seminar participant, planned the trip in preparation for her presentation, which will also focus on the Amish colony in Lawrence County

The couple was Ronald and Paula (first names only are used at The Farm), members of the community which was founded in 1971 by Stephen Gaskin, spiritual leader of the group and former faculty member at San Francisco State.

"We are a family monastery--not a commune," explained Paula, who, like her husband, has been with Stephen for six years.

"Religion is the basic

By Janice Dobbins

difference here; we are a church," added Ronald, who served as guide for the student group.

Following the rap session, Ronald and Paula led the group on a brief tour of the facilities at The Farm.

Of particular interest was the soy dairy, where a soybean milk substitute is prepared. Soybeans are a staple in the diet of The Farm members, who have a spiritual agreement to keep peace with the animals. The seminar members all concluded that the soy milk would take some getting used to, however.

Ronald stopped to show the motor pool where two of the men were busy repairing a tractor. An assortment of cars, trucks and buses were parked near the shop, ready for use at the request of any Farm member.

The guide then paused at the laundromat where several of The Farm's more than 150 children were folding clothes. Equipped with used washers and dryers from neighboring towns, the laundromat is one of three buildings with electricity.

"The group buildings seem to require that level of technology," noted Ronald, "but we use wood to heat our homes."

Home for most of the residents of The Farm is still one of the converted school buses in which they came to Tennessee. Several houses have been completed, however, and more are planned, according to Ronald, one of the carpentry crew.

The students also visited the community kitchen where 200-300 people are fed daily. Rather than interrupting their work to eat at home, they have lunch here and eat with their families at night.

Paula rejoined Ronald with their 7-month-old daughter Nora near the site of a new community building. The foundation is near completion, but one is forced to imagine the 30-foot dome which will rise above it.

After another talk session with the couple, about their lifestyle, the seminar



'Farmers'

Two residents of The Farm relax in the reconverted school bus which serves as their home.

participants trudged back to their cars.

Before leaving, they paused to visit the school. Housed in part of a modern ranch house, the school is accredited by the state and looks like any other elementary classroom.

Adjoining the school is

a modern kitchen where lunch is prepared for the children. Several women were baking whole wheat bread there.

The seminar members soon got into a conversation with them, and several of the students left munching samples of the bread.

Thespians reminisce about their theatre days

"Thieves' Carnival," Anouilh's fantasy-farce produced by the MTSU Theatre, will be the last major production for five students involved in the theatre on campus.

These students, Nancy Clendenin, Thalia McMillion, Ronnie Meek, Tom O'Brian and Michael Steward, will be graduating this semester.

Steward, the master thief in the play, explained that the farce "overplays" the events and does not try to convince the audience of the reality of the performance.

"This kind of play is fun because we can ham it up. I think it is one of the most entertaining shows that we've done," said Mc-Million, who plays a flirty nurse in a Charlie Chaplin

"I feel that this play was well chosen for the actors that we have in the department," said Meek, who plays a thief and a ladies' man

"She (Dorethe Tucker, director of the play) could have picked one more difficult but we could not have done an adequate job.

"This one should be well acted," he said.

Performing in her first major role, Clendenin said the play was a lot of fun for her.

"I am sad that this will be my last play but am really excited about the part. I play a young girl who is in love for the first time and who believes that love conquers all," she said. "We have had fun during the rehearshals and feel that the audience will enjoy the play.

"The openness and airiness of the set helps to give lightness to the farce" said O'Brian, stage manager. The set helps to add to the illusion that the play sets up.

"Construction for this set was not as difficult as for some plays but the design is better--more delicate," O'Brian said.

O'Brian commented that the drama department at MTSU has advantages over other departments in preparing students for graduate work.

"This department does

By Diane Johnson

not have graduate students who at many universities get to do all the work. Here the undergraduate gets many more opportunities," he said.

MTSU is a good place to learn basic acting skills and is recommended to students who hope to go into professional acting by Meek.

"This department is professionally oriented enough that students who plan to make acting their career can get a good background," Meek said. "Many students who take

"Many students who take acting seriously find that they can work here."

Meek hopes to continue dramatics in Nashville



Leap frog

The cast includes Randy Thompson (in air) and (left to right) Bill Gilpin, Nancy Clendenin, David Harbin, Melody Darington and Bruce Newman. when he leaves MTSU.

He commented, "Nashville is one of the few cities in the world which has more acting jobs than actors." He mentioned the four network television programs, the community theatre and commercials as possibilities.

Meek, who has performed in 14 major university productions, won a Dot Award for Best Supporting Actor in a major role for his part in the "Rainmaker" last year.

Clendenin was enthusiastic about dramatics and the easy way in which she got into it.

"I am in elementary education but have had alot of fun with the plays. Everyone is so friendly over here and is willing to help," she said.

"All you have to do to get involved is come over. I started attending drama club meetings and acting in their plays, tried out for the touring shows and then the major productions."

After receiving her graduate degree Clendenin plans to teach in Nash-

"Teachers are all actors so that my activities here can only help," she said.

Acting before a crowd would be frightening to some but is not for all actors.

"I am afraid while I am developing a part but by the time I get out on the stage everything comes naturally," McMillion said.

"With all the practicing and studying that we do we don't have much time to be afraid."

McMillion, who is a drama major, plans to work as a social worker but wants to stay in acting.

Reactions to the audience by the actors vary greatly. Some actors love the audience but some feel more like Stewart.

"The audience is the enemy! I try to put them completely out of my mind when I am on stage," said the philosphy major.

Winner of the Best Actor in a Leading Role as Common Man in a"Man for All Seasons" last year, Stewart plans to attend graduate school at Wayne State.

"I have lost interest in acting and after graduation I don't plan to continue acting in any way," he said.

Stewart, married to a former drama student, said the theatre makes married life hard.

"Our hours are long and and it (the play) takes a lot of energy. I am lucky because my wife understands, but it is still hard."

Besides the Best Actor award, Steward has also won the Best Supporting Actor in a Major Role and Best Supporting Actor in a Minor Role.

Thieves' Carnival will be presented April 26-28 in the Dramatics Arts Auditorium.

Sports

Blue defeats Belmont; evens record at 14-14

Rain again played havoc with the Blue Raider baseball schedule, as Wednesday's doubleheader with UT-Chattanooga was rained out.

Weather-permitting, the Raiders are scheduled to play two games at home this afternoon against Austin Peay. The first game will get underway at 1.

Tuesday afternoon the Raiders continued their dominance over Belmont by defeating the Rebels 6-4 in Nashville. The win evened the Blue's record at 14-14.

The Raiders started off the game in the top of the first with a lead-off walk by Roger Cox. Then with two out, Ed Robichaud hit a grounder to short which the shortstop bobbled allowing Cox to score. Robichaud, who made it to second on the error, stole

Belmont's pitcher, Greg Tincher, then walked Tom Owens, Les Price and Scott Sain to force Robichaud

In the fourth inning with two out, Johnny Murray singled. After Marcus Calsor walked, the pair pulled a double steal. An

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error by the catcher allowed Murray to score to put the Blue back in the

In the seventh inning the Raiders regained the lead for good. With one out, Calsor walked and Danny Gibson was sent in to run for him. Robichaud then reached first on an error by the third baseman. After Owens popped up to left, Price singled and two runs scored on another error by the third sacker

The Blue tallied their sixth run in the eighth on Steve Zitney's first home run of the year.

Jack Laverty started on the mound for the Raiders and pitched five innings. He gave up three runs (one unearned), walked five and struck out six.

Gary Melson relieved Laverty and was credited with the win. Melson gave up three hits and had three strike outs. The lone run he gave up was unearned.

Tomorrow the Blue Raiders host Florence State for a doubleheader. Game time is 1 p.m.

On Sunday, the Vander-bilt Commodores, eighth ranked in the nation, will come to Murfreesboro.

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Signee

Clint Dennison, a 6-8 forward from Indiana, is the latest Blue Raider basketball signee. Watching Dennison sign the grant-in-aid forms are his mother, Helen, father, Claude (right), high school coach Paul Curtis (center), and assistant high school coach Charles Fiddler, a former Blue Raider player.

Indiana forward

Third basketball player signs

Crawfordsville, Ind., Clint Dennison, is the third basketball player to be signed by the Blue Raiders this

Dennison led his team to a 20-5 record and the conference championship this past season. He averaged 18.5 points per game. His rebounding is also in double figures with a 13.0 average.

Dennison also hit on 75 per cent of his free throws.

"He should be an excellent college player, he has great potential," assistant coach Ray Rich Rich recruited Dennison for the Raiders.

His honors include being named to all-conference, all-sectional, and all-regional teams in Indiana each of his three high school years. Dennison was also honorable mention All-State his junior and senior years.

He was his team's captain, leading scorer, leading free throw shooter and Most Valuable Player this past season.

Besides his laurels in basketball, Dennison has also won acclaim in other

In tennis, he has been all-conference twice and the number one player, Most Valuable Player and team captain.

Dennison is also a twotime all-conference selection in track. He was second in the state meet in the high jump and holds his high school's recordin that event with a mark of 6-9 1/2. Dennison's high inches higher than the MTSU school record.

He also runs the high and low hurdles.

Dennison was voted the Outstanding Athlete in Montogomery Indiana's County.

He joins previous signees Ralph Menar from New York and George Sorrell from Georgia.

Tennis team garners four-match win streak

Two wins this week, coupled with two wins last weekend, give the Blue Raider tennis team a fourmatch win streak going into this weekend's action with Morehead and Eastern Kentucky.

The Blue journeyed to Nashville on Tuesday and defeated Vanderbilt, 6-3. Wednesday the Raiders hosted Millikin (Ill.) University and blanked them,

Tuesday the Raiders split the singles matches with the Commodores as Wally Norwich topped Rip Trammel (6-2, 6-0), Geoff Gilchrist defeated Scott Shaw (2-6, 6-3, 7-0) and Kigongo beat Runge (6-2, Eustace Marschall 6-7. 6-3).

The Blue Raider doubles teams came through, however, to blitz the Commodores. Winning in two sets each were Norwich and Gilchrist (7-5, 6-4), Clyde Smithwick and Kigongo (6-2, 6-4), and Yogi Burgener and Jerry Borysko

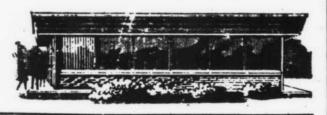
Rainy weather Wednesday forced the netters to play inside. The Raiders completely blanked Millikin, as each match only lasted two sets.

Smithwick, Norwich. Gilchrist, Kigongo, Ted Jones and Borysko were the singles winners.

Norwich and Gilchrist, Smithwick and Kigongo, and Borysko and Burgener paired to complete the white wash.

This afternoon's match with Eastern Kentucky will get underway at 2. Tomorrow the Blue will play Morehead, also at 2 p.m.

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Athletes receive awards

In addition to Barry Mc-Clure being named Athlete of the year at Monday night's All-Sports Banquet, other athletes were also honored.

A Kind Word

By Wayne Kindness Sports Editor

Blue Raider third baseman Marcus Calsor was presented the Athletic Sc-Scholastic Award. Calsor came to MTSU with a 4.0 average after two years of junior college and his average has dipped only slightly while here.

In basketball, Jimmy Powell was named the Most Valuable Player. He also was presented his award for selection to the All-Ohio Valley Conference basketball team.

Ernest "Big E" Abercrombie was given the basketball Spirit Award.

In football, defensive back Ray Oldham was named the Most Valuable Defensive Player, and fullback Joe Pelt was named the Most Valuable Offensive Player.

Oldham, guard Charlie Holt and tackle Bob Orsillo were presented their All-OVC football team awards.

Center Ed Zaunbrecher was presented the Ray Neal Award as the most improved football player.

Myles Maillie was chosen the Most Outstanding Cross Country Runner.

Cheerleaders Sherry Yarborough and Alan Crosby were given gifts of appreciation. Other sports, such as baseball, golf, tennis and track are still in the midst of their season and their awards will be presented upon the conclusion of their schedules.

Track coach Dean Hayes had his "day in court" this week when he testified in a suit against the NCAA.

The suit stems from participation of two college athletes in the U.S.-Soviet Union track meet in March. The pair and their schools are attempting to gain a permanent injunction against the NCAA to prevent action being taken against either the athletes or the schools.

"Action would be taken if McClure competed in the meet"

Coach Hayes told the court that Arthur Bergstrom, in charge of special events for the NCAA, told him that MTSU would have to suspend Barry McClure if McClure competed in the meet.

Hayes quoted Bergstrom as saying that "appropriate action" would be taken against MTSU if Mc-Clure competed and was not suspended.

McClure was withdrawn from the meet to protect both himself and our other premier jumper Tommy Haynes, Hayes said Wednesday. "If the NCAA didn't penalize Barry or the school this year," Hayes said, "then they would penalize us next year and Tommy's chances in the NCAA would be finished."

Auto racing fans were treated last weekend to the opening of the racing seasons at many of the area's tracks.

Joining established tracks at Smyrna, Highland Rim and Winchester in opening last weekend was a new dirt facility at Mc-Minnville.

This weekend Fairgrounds Speedway in Nashville opens its season with the Permatex 200. Fairgrounds has restructured its track, lowering the banking and widening the track . . . all of which should make for some good racing.

Ruffner slates entry deadline for track meet

Deadline for entries in the intramural track meet is noon, April 27, Intramural Director Joe Ruffner said.

The meet, to be held April 30 and May 1, will have events for both men and women. Persons may enter as individuals or as part of a team.

Information regarding regulations and the schedule of events may be obtained at the intramural office (AM 205).

Golf team journeys to Schenkel tourney

"We have to do well this weekend or we're not going to the NCAA Championships," Coach E.K Patty said about the Blue Raider golf team's trip to the Chris Schenkel Invitational.

The tournament is being held in Statesboro, Ga., today, tomorrow and Sunday.

"There is no reason why we shouldn't do well," Patty said, "because we are just now starting to play pretty good golf."

Last weekend the Raiders tied for the Tennessee Intercollegiate Championships with East Tennessee.

In order to raise funds to help finance the Blue's trip to the NCAA Championships in June, Paul Hahn, Jr., a golfer who does trick shots, will put on a show here May 2.

Tickets (\$2 for adults and \$1 for students) are on sale at the Athletic Office.

Sigma Nu to sponsor softball invitational

Sigma Nu fraternity will hold an invitational softball tournament Wednesday through Friday, April 25-27 at 3:30 each afternoon with 14 teams participating, said Stu Gilliam, tournament coordinator.

The teams are comprised of fraternities and independent teams.

The tournament will be double elimination with trophies going to the first and second place teams, Gilliam said.

There will be an organizational meeting of team representatives Monday, April 23, at 8 p.m. in the Sigma Nu house.

Proceeds from the tournament will go to Danny Thompson, Sigma Nu, who was critically injured in a car wreck over the spring holidays enroute to Murfreesboro.

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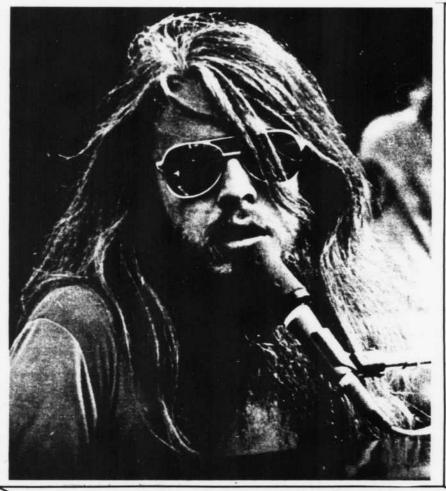
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