

Gordon, Livesay Vie In Run-Off For President

Over 2,000 MTSU students went to the polls yesterday to elect ASB officers for the coming year. In the heated race for ASB president, Bart Gordon and Joey Livesay emerged as the leaders, however, no candidate received a majority of the total vote.

The final count was 910 votes for Gordon, 653 for Livesay, and 557 for Bill Phillips. A run-off election will be held today to determine the presidency.

Chuck Furedy who mounted an eleventh-hour write-in campaign was unable to upset Suzanne Smartt in the Speaker of the Senate's race. Smartt received 1242 votes to Furedy's 405.

Running unopposed for Speaker of the House, Roger Hardaway received 1453 votes.

The senior and junior classes each chose five senators in the balloting. Seniors elected were Brett Blevins, Sammy Sells, John Shannon, Erskine Smith, and Eve Watson.

New junior senators include Tommy Marlin, Martha Driver, Tammy Francis, Harvey Sloan, and Janis Lumpkin.

John Dunnivant, Rita Henderson, Dennis Phillips, and Ron Fryar were elected as the four sophomore senators.

The voter turnout this year was almost twice as large as that of last year when only 1,100 students voted. Most of the interest in the election was generated by the presidential race.

Bill Phillips pledged his support for Joey Livesay late last night stating that Livesay's platform was the most feasible for students here.

Bill Phillips, who ran on a platform of changing the student government into a "university government," missed the run-off by a narrow margin of 96 votes.

Upon learning of his defeat, Phillips said, "Basically, I felt like the race was a personal victory considering the handicaps involved."

"It was a strong independent race, and I feel that I have laid the grounds for any in-

By Jim Leonhirth

dividual who later takes this course. I have proven that an independent can make a race in the ASB elections."

When asked if this was merely a Greek versus independent election, Phillips replied, "This was not the complete issue, but the majority of students did not review in depth the platforms of the candidates. If the students had, the outcome of the election would have been different."

"Most importantly, I think it is time for students to look at issues and platforms and no longer let the race be a popularity or sign-making contest."

"I will continue to work for the 'university' form of government no matter who is elected president of the ASB."

Running on a platform of institutional autonomy, curriculum change, reform in the university judiciary, and extended women's rights, Joey Livesay placed second in the balloting.

Concerning the election results, Livesay commented, "I am fairly well pleased with the total of the votes that I received; however, I feel the run-off election will be much closer."

"I would hope those who supported Bill Phillips would consider me and look at my platform. I feel that we are calling for something fairly similar."

"I would ask that each student take an objective look at the platforms and qualifications of both candidates and vote for the candidate which offers the students a larger voice in a new direction."

When asked if he considered the ASB race a popularity contest, Livesay maintained, "Most of the students were concerned about issues and larger student involvement which were represented by Phillips' and my platform, and we received 1210 votes."

Receiving 42.9% of the vote, Bart Gordon ran on a platform of student rights, student activities, and student services.

Gordon said, "I'm real

pleased at the results of the election, and I'm sure that we'll win it tomorrow."

Concerning the type of race run, Gordon added, "It was based somewhat on popularity, but I think that issues were important. I'm proud of the interest and the involvement shown by the students."

"I think Phillips' candidacy brought people to the polls who haven't voted before."

Roger Hardaway, new Speaker of the House, remarked, "I feel there are many areas in which students' rights can be improved. I hope I can involve as many people as possible, and I want everyone to know I will be available for suggestions and criticisms."

"Actually, I hope I will be the last Speaker of the ASB House and there will be a unicameral government implemented."



Joey Livesay



Bart Gordon

Co-Curricular Accepts Applications

By David Word, Managing Editor

and recreational interests of the student body. Harold Smith, night manager of the UC, will serve as the program council chairman. He is currently concerned with basic "ground work" for next year.

According to Smith, everyone who applies will be subject to a screening process to determine who is most qualified and possesses the greatest amount of enthusiasm and willingness to work.

Smith stated that eventually these committees will be putting "on the whole show."

Biggers echoed Smith's words but added "we (the Co-Curricular Committee) cannot condone poor business practices, and we cannot violate policies of the university."

However, Biggers stated that he see no difficulty in dealing with any of the committees because their "primary purpose is to present good quality programs which are in demand and which the committees determine adequate."

Funding of these committees will come exclusively from student activity funds.

The Committees and their areas of responsibility are outlined below:

SPECIAL EVENTS: To bring well known professional entertainers to the campus (pop groups, comedians, etc.); to plan programs such as jam sessions, entertainment in the Grill, etc. The allocated funds (Continued on Pg. 2)

Rebecca Coble Refuses To Serve Penalty

Rebecca Coble, Murfreesboro junior currently involved in an ASB Supreme Court-administration controversy about women's dormitory hours, informed university officials Wednesday that she will not serve the campus handed down as a penalty for disobeying the 6 a.m. women's curfew.

Rebecca -- now Mrs. Skip Burch -- married this week and moved out of her Wood Hall room Wednesday. Mrs. Burch maintains that she will not observe her punishment -- two weeks strict campus and four months sophomore hours -- since she no longer lives on this campus.

The Supreme Court determined while hearing her appeal case last week that all women's dormitory hours are discriminatory and therefore unconsti-

tutional according to the U.S. 14th Amendment and the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

This ruling reversed the decision of the Women's Interdormitory Council. Prior to spring vacation the Council had found Mrs. Burch guilty of staying out of her dormitory past the 6 a.m. curfew and had sentenced her to the minimum penalty. Maximum penalty for the offense is university suspension.

Robert MacLean, Dean of Students, declared a mistrial and informed Mrs. Burch by letter that she could resubmit her appeal to the University Discipline Committee if she chose to do so.

Her second appeal, however, was rejected. On Tuesday -- prior to her announced refusal to serve sentence -- she again

violated the junior curfew.

Trial for the second offense was scheduled for Wednesday night but was postponed until next Wednesday because one of the Council members didn't attend the scheduled meeting.

Mrs. Burch, no longer a campus resident, stated that she planned to appeal the second charge as well. "I don't think it (curfew) is right," she said. She added that every girl who is forced to serve the penalty for deadline violation should contest the decision against them.

Commenting on the rejection of Mrs. Burch's second appeal, President M.G. Scarlett said that student justices "have neither the authority nor the competence to decide on this matter. A student judiciary body has no authority to interpret the laws of the land."

He added that Mrs. Burch is free to carry her case to civil court, where there is jurisdiction to act on the matter of constitutionality. However, the members of the MTSU Supreme Court "just aren't lawyers and judges," he explained.

Scarlett added that the campus court can decide only whether the defendant is guilty as charged and whether the penalty recommended suits the crime.

He said that if Mrs. Burch were to appeal on the grounds that her punishment is too severe for her crime, the case could be heard again. As long as she uses unconstitutionality as her basis of argument, campus bodies cannot reconsider the case, he stated.

Scarlett added that although university officials have re-

searched the question, they can find no precedent-setting case concerning collegiate discrimination on the basis of sex. Cases have been heard and ruled upon concerning racial and religious discrimination, he pointed out. Apparently, however, there has been no test case on the situation here.

"We do have a set of rules here," Scarlett said. "And until such a time as these are termed not valid by a series of civil courts, we will have to enforce them."

Mrs. Burch, however, stated Wednesday that she would not serve sentence for the first decision and did not intend to accept a similar penalty for her second violation.

President Scarlett was not reached for comment concerning Mrs. Burch's response.

Co-Curricular Applications ...

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for this committee provide initially for two big name events annually.

DANCE: To plan college-wide dances through the year (such as after-game dances, fun nights, homecoming, class dances, mid-winter formal, etc.)

IDEAS AND ISSUES: To offer a program of speakers, conduct informal discussions, and assist in departmental speaker forums, etc.

HOSPITALITY AND GAMES: To conduct receptions for visiting celebrities, students, and guests; to hold holiday parties for children of faculty and students; to promote the use of the games area by conducting campus tournaments in billiards, bridge, chess, table tennis, etc.)

INTERNATIONAL INTERESTS: To promote cultural, geographical, political, and economic understanding of the different nations represented in our community by spotlighting different nations and areas; to present lectures, panels, book reviews, movies, exhibits, dinners, etc. in support of this purpose. The committee will in-

clude both American and foreign students in its membership.

FILMS: To sponsor film series on a regular basis; to select films for showing on a regular or special basis; to consider recommendations from special interest groups about films.

FINE ARTS: To select and display various exhibits in the University Center during the year; to sponsor a campus art contest; to present programs pertaining to Fine Arts; to cooperate with the Fine Arts Festival; to sponsor one or more major cultural events on campus (drama, orchestra, ballet, tour group, etc.) to help with, if appropriate, regularly scheduled departmental activities.

PUBLICITY: To be responsible for all the publicity requirements for all the regularly and specially scheduled programs on campus; to see to the printing of posters and flyers; to write appropriate news stories; to work closely with the university public relations office; to distribute material to all public communications media; to distribute posters and other material on bulletin boards on campus and in suitable places in town, etc.



Steve Graves, Consul of the newly initiated MTSU Eta Gamma chapter of Sigma Chi, (right) and Mrs. M. G. Scarlett, listen to the installation address delivered by Norman C. Brewer, Jr., Grand Consul of Sigma Chi.

Local Fraternity Goes National, Now Sigma Chi

Chi Alpha Pi Fraternity became Eta Gamma Chapter of Sigma Chi International Fraternity in Installation Ceremonies held Sunday, April 5.

The installation culminated a week long indoctrination week conducted by Richard E. Mackey, Richard C. Sucher, and P. Brandt McCool, Assistant Executive Secretaries.

Norman C. Brewer, Jr., Grand Consul, delivered the Installation Message at a banquet Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the Student Union Building for new members, their parents, wives, Sigma Chi Officials, alumni, and University Administration.

Gardner B. Allen, Chief Installing Officer, presented Steve Graves, Consul of Eta Gamma Chapter, with the Charter for Eta Gamma during the Banquet. Graves received an award for best reflecting the Ideals of Sigma Chi and Gene Neely received the Best Pledge Award.

The Installing Chapter of Eta Gamma was Alpha Psi Chapter from Vanderbilt University, Gil Jackson, Consul. Also participating in the initiation were chapters from the University of Tennessee, East Tennessee State University, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Memphis State University, and Western Kentucky University.

Wagner Resigns For Martin Position

Harry D. Wagner, for eight years on the staff at MTSU, has resigned his post as assistant to the president to accept the presidency at Martin Junior College in Pulaski.

Wagner announced Wednesday that he will leave the university June 30 in order to accept the position of retiring Martin President Westenberger.

"This is the hardest decision I've ever had to make," Wagner

said Wednesday afternoon. "In the eight years I've been at MTSU I've made many friends. This institution has been very good to me, and my relationships with the president, staff and students has been one of excellent repertoire."

Wagner has served six years as an associate professor in the Physical Education department, one year as assistant dean of men and one year as

assistant to the president.

His duties at Martin, a two-year liberal arts college with an enrollment of about 400, will officially begin on July 1.

He received the B.S. from Tennessee Tech, graduated summa cum laude with an M.S. from the University of Tennessee and earned the Ed.D. from Peabody. He is a member of the Naval Reserve, the Sigma Epsilon Omicron fraternity and the major professional organizations for education and in his discipline.

According to Wagner, no decision has been made yet naming his successor here.

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Rally Discusses Curfew Hours

Two members of the "Knoxville 22," Meredith Katchen and Carroll Bible, are coming to MTSU tonight to speak at a rally against women's dormitory curfew hours, according to Roger Clark, organizer of the rally. Another member of the 22, Peter Kami, may also be in attendance.

Permission has been obtained to hold the meeting at six p.m. in room 324 of the University

Center with the cooperation of Thomas Van Dervort, political science instructor.

Van Dervort indicated that Clark came to him for assistance in getting a meeting place and explained that his assistance is not based upon personal support of the rally but rather his feeling that interested students should have the opportunity to discuss the dorm hours issue.

"I think that students ought to have a right to talk about it and decide whether they want to support it," Van Dervort stated.

Clark intimated that the rally was arranged through contacts with the Tennessee Council on Human Relations and said that the speakers will discuss opposition to women's dorm hours on our campus and will elicit support for the "March Against Repression" to be held in Nashville Sunday.

The members of the Knoxville 22 are out on bail, having been arrested under Tennessee's anti-riot law (which makes it a felony for persons to participate in a campus assembly of three or more persons whose "acts should reasonably be expected to result in injury to persons or damage to public or private property") at the University of Tennessee on January 15.

Clark explained that the position taken by the participating students was initiated by the action taken by the Dean of Student's Office in declaring a mistrial in the case of Rebecca Coble vs. ASB.

Miss Coble, Murfreesboro junior, stayed out beyond her six o'clock curfew hour and was sentenced the minimum punishment by the Women's Dormitory Council (two week's strict campus and four month's sophomore hours).

She appealed to Dean of Women, Martha Hampton, and her case was accepted by the ASB Supreme Court, which dismissed her punishment upholding her appeal that women's dorm hours are unconstitutional as they violate the 14th Amendment and the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

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March Against Repression Announced for Capitol



Campus School first grade teacher, Nannie Rucker (left), tapes a student's voice as a technique for teaching reading.

Campus School Director Sets Enrichment Program

The student revolution for relevancy in education has reached the lower grades—at least at Campus School.

According to Joan H. Moore, director of summer programs, plans for the university-affiliated elementary school from June 8-July 10 include enrichment and individualized programs in all subject areas from

kindergarten through the seventh grade.

Special events also include equitation, swimming, aerobics, swimming, aerospace study and plane ride, field trips and music. Separate classes will be offered in reading and mathematics for those who need special help.



Steve Mathias, McMinnville senior, is congratulated by Major Glen Emery for taking first place in advanced individual drill competition at Fort Gordon, Ga., recently.

A "March Against Repression" from Centennial Park in Nashville to the State Capitol has been organized by the Tennessee Council on Human Relations on behalf of the "Knoxville 22". The march is scheduled to take place Sunday afternoon.

Although MTSU has not officially organized delegation attending, individuals interested in participating who cannot otherwise secure transportation are invited to meet in the University Center lounge at noon Sunday to have transportation arranged for them, according to Roger Clark, Winchester junior.

The goals of the march, according to the literature distributed by the organizational elements of the demonstration, include exhibition of support for the "Knoxville 22". The 22

was arrested about three months ago at the University of Tennessee under Tennessee's anti-riot law (which makes it a felony to be present where three or more persons are assembled and the threat of violence is present in the opinion of a school administrator).

Additionally, the march coordinators have expressed their hope to encourage repressed persons (inclusive of students, blacks, and poor) to work against repression.

Possessing permits to march on the sidewalks of Nashville, to assemble at Centennial Park, utilize the park concert facilities, and to use State Capitol grounds, the marchers plan to begin assembling at Centennial Park at noon to the accompaniment of bands. The march to the capitol is scheduled to

begin following assemblage organization at 2 p.m.

At the capitol, speakers will address the marchers including Rev. James Lawson, president-elect of the Tennessee Council on Human Relations; Baxton Bryant, executive director of Tennessee Council on Human Relations; Don Vestal, President of Teamsters Union Local 327; Joe Paisley, international representative of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; Jerry Rubin, of the Chicago Seven Conspiracy; Roger Cowan, of the Tennessee Democratic Coalition; Jessie Epps, leader in the Memphis Garbage Workers Strike, and Frank Gibbons.

Although the primary objective expressed by the march coordinators is the expression of support for the Knoxville 22, secondary objectives to be represented in the march concerning student repression include opposition to compulsory ROTC (presently in effect at Memphis, Middle Tennessee, and East Tennessee State Universities) dormitory curfew hours for women students, censorship of student media, and dress policies.

Students at MTSU were approached by UT students from Knoxville prior to spring vacation to assist in the planning of the march, according to Roger Clark. Clark indicated that he has been working with Mike Jean, Monterey senior, and other students in cooperation with organizational elements of the march, and emphasized that the "March Against Repression" is to be completely peaceful.

Weems To Deliver Address To Admissions Officers

"The Use of Research in Administration of Higher Education" is the title of the address John Weems, MTSU dean of administration, will deliver at the April 21 meeting of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

Weems' paper will cover the "identification of necessary research needed for proper educational planning" and "the evaluation of research projects in view of their value in solving specific problems in higher education."

In discussing the characteristics of his subject, Weems suggested, that there are definite areas of research and academic predictions that must be undertaken if colleges and universities are to meet the challenge of increased enrollment, faculty turnover, service to community and provision for individual needs of the student

and the factors that influence behavior.

The role of institutional research has been categorized into three concepts largely devoted to routine collection and tabulation of data designed for the purpose of administrative assistance, Weems stated.

William Price, dean of admissions and registrar, University of Oklahoma and Donald Beatty, director of institutional research, University of Minnesota will respond to Weems' presentation.

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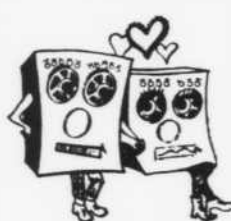
What's Up

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11 a.m. -- Bill Glass lecture, DA Auditorium
5 p.m. -- Fellowship Club, 324, ABC, UC
6:30 p.m. -- ASB House 322, ABC, UC
6:30 p.m. -- ASB Senate, 308, UC
6:30 p.m. -- Campus Scouts, 7 p.m. -- Vets Club, V.A. Hospital
7:30 p.m. -- CAP, 301, SUB
7:30 p.m. -- Fun Night, Tennessee Room, SUB
8 p.m. -- Young Democrats, 324C, UC

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Election Figures, Issues -- What Do They Mean?

Voter turnout for the ASB elections this year more than doubled last year's figure.

That sounds like a great revival in student interest in government. But figures are strange little characters -- they can be used to support almost any point of view.

The 2120 voters number about twice as strong as the 1100 who showed up to elect Van Martin, Sarah Smith and Cliff Gillespie. But when 2120 is compared to the more than 7000 students eligible to vote, the figure doesn't measure up as nicely.

Part of the student disinterest can probably be traced to campus campaigning methods. Too much emphasis is placed on social positions of the candidates while the issues are mostly ignored or glazed over.

Students who are interested in voting for the candidate who will most closely represent their opinions have a hard road to travel during campaign week.

Most posters scream out the candidate's name but neglect to state his platform. Student supporters hand out literature in the UC, saying, "Please consider voting for _____." Then they grab for the next person walking through the door and begin the old routine all over.

Posters, buttons, cards, balloons, pencils, napkins and tents are all very impressive -- at circuses, luncheons or camping excursions, as the case may be. But what do they really prove concerning the election of student government officials?

Circle K again sponsored a Speak Out

this year -- an excellent way of getting the candidates and the issues together and getting the whole show before the student body. But here again the job was incomplete.

Many with legitimate questions were never allowed to ask them because of the time factor. Other questions were unanswered because they pertained to ASB Senate aspirants.

Certainly more such programs are called for on this campus. Students who care enough to prepare questions should be allowed to ask them. And candidates who hope to fill public office should be more than willing to answer them completely and candidly.

This isn't to suggest a marathon lecture -- a sort of amateur filibuster.

But after the allotted time for each candidate is spent, why not let those interested in more discussion carry on?

What about Senator posts? Are they so menial that voters don't even need to understand the candidates position on issues? Time is not so valuable a commodity -- even to busy college students -- that issues should be skipped and fate left to determine election of officials.

In the future Circle K and other organizations interested in this campus would do well to establish several Speak Outs. Individual panels could be scheduled for Senate candidates at each class level.

And it really wouldn't take all that much additional time from the busy politicians. All we have to do is substitute one panel discussion period for every 25 or so irrelevant posters.

Lerner

Terrorists Are More Nihilist Than Revolutionary

Editor's note: Max Lerner has been a newspaper columnist since the 1940s and bases his writing on a background in education, law, government and history.

Working through the Los Angeles Times Syndicate, Lerner writes in-depth commentary on global and national events, not only on politics, but also on education, crime, young people and other topics which strike home to the daily life of every reader.

Lerner's column appears on the SIDELINES editorial pages each Monday and Thursday.

By Max Lerner

CHICAGO--We miss the real point about the slaying of the German ambassador in Guatemala if we think of it only as the crisis of diplomatic security. It is a moral crisis that goes deep to the breaking of the human bond. To understand it, one must focus on the glacial, dehumanized rage in the hearts of Count Karl von Sprengel's assassins.

All life is dangerous everywhere, for everyone. We shall have to learn to live with danger, guarding against it as best we can. Diplomats may have

to live in compounds and move about protected by machine guns. Nor is the story only about the Latin-American kidnappings. It is also about the band of eight young Japanese terrorists who seemed willing to kill a planeload of more than 100 human beings unless they were taken to Pyongyang, North Korea. And it is about the United States and its violence.

Is the answer always to yield to the threats? If the ransom is always paid--in the release of a score or more of terrorists who are political prisoners--the kidnapping of diplomats will spread, and in every country the deterrent against terrorism will be blown sky high because the terrorists will be confident that their lives will always be redeemed by another kidnapping. This is the road not to the security of diplomats but to their eternal jeopardy.

I tried to point out this danger last September when the American ambassador to Brazil, C. Burke Elbrick, was kidnapped and happily ransomed and released. But how long can American luck last? Few diplomats can be as quick-thinking and courageous as Curtis Cutler, the American consul at

Porto Alegre, who fell back on his old Marine experience and got out of a machine-gun trap, with his wife and friend, by driving around the ambush. In addition to their training seminars in economics and geopolitics, diplomats will now have to learn the manual of arms, karate and broken-field driving.

For perspective one must go back to the period in czarist history when the young Russian Populists grew tired of reform, became disillusioned with the peasantry and decided that only an anarchist elite could bring about the revolution. There is a difficult, scholarly book on this period, Franco Venturi's "Routes of Revolution" (Grosset), which will repay some hard study. For there is a striking parallel between the sons and daughters of Russian nobility, peasants and priests from the 1850s through the 1880s and their counterparts in America today.

Americans have a touching faith, derived probably from historical good luck, that the extreme things in life won't happen to them. There was a time when the kidnapping of an ambassador for political ransom or the hijacking of a

plane by a band of young Red Guards waving samurai swords would have seemed alien to Americans and more than a little exotic. Such things are always supposed to happen to others, not to us.

But no longer--at least not since the events here at the Chicago convention in 1968 and the planned bedlam of the trial of the Chicago Seven and the dynamite explosions and caches here and in New York. Now a search is on for the 12 Weathermen who staged their "four days of wrath" as a last open fling and then went underground like their Russian fore-runners -- Ishutin, Karakazov, Nechaev, Tkachev.

They have always called themselves "revolutionaries," a term that invests them with the halo of daring and innovation. But Ivan Turgenev in his novel about them -- "Fathers and Sons" -- dubbed them "nihilists," and the word still seems right. A European liberal and humanist, Turgenev was bitterly attacked by the left when the book appeared in 1862, and his letters show him replying that he meant to portray the young Russian-type figures of his day without rancor, even with admiration. The

attacks continued, driving him out of Russia, but the term stuck.

Turgenev's intuition as an artist was better than his attempts at explanation. Later critics have pointed out the obvious -- the Bazarov in the novel, like the men after whom he was drawn, was far from being a negator. He and they were total believers, so committed to their hatred and their vision that they stopped at nothing, including dynamitings and assassinations.

This is true. But one who has given himself so totally to something that nothing can stay his hand -- not pity or conscience or a spark of human fellow feeling -- is not a believer at all. He is too dehumanized for that. He is a nihilist who has reduced everything to zero except his single objective. He is little more than a projectile seeking its target unswervingly, with a life-hating descriptiveness.

To believe in something, however extremely, there must be a life-affirming and life-loving commitment which gives that belief -- any belief -- meaning. The nihilist, for all his ardor and courage, has had it burnt out of him.

The 'Stupid Vote' Swings Elections

By Art Hoppe

Vicious charges that Judge Carswell is at best a mediocre candidate for the Supreme Court were at last brilliantly answered on the Senate floor.

The great thing about Judge Carswell, said his loyal defenders triumphantly, is that he is, when all is said and done, really mediocre!

"Wouldn't it be better to have a B student or a C student (on the Court) than another A student?" demanded Senator Russell Long of Louisiana.

"A judge doesn't have to have all that brilliance to satisfy this Senator."

But it was Senator Roman L. Hruska of Nebraska who delivered the clincher in Judge Carswell's behalf: "Even if he were mediocre," said the Senator, "there are a lot of mediocre judges and people and lawyers. Aren't they entitled to a little representation and a little chance?"

Here is the democratic ideal at its finest. Finally, the vast body of mediocre Americans will have a justice to represent them on the Nation's highest court.

Is it enough, however? Judge Carswell may be mediocre, but he isn't -- and I hesitate to say this -- stupid. What of the millions upon millions of stupid Americans who are unrepresented today by a single Supreme Court justice? As far as we know.

Now they have hope. There can be no doubt that The Roman L. Hruska Theory of Democracy in Action will sweep the country.

Politicians have long sensed the futility of appealing to The Egghead Vote. Look what happened to Adlai Stevenson, William Buckley and Eugene McCarthy. They have, instead, directed their campaigns toward The Mediocre Voter -- with results we can see around us every day.

But The Mediocre Vote is usually split between the two major candidates. It is, in the final analysis, The Stupid Vote that swings most elections. The Wallace vote almost swung the last one. What else lied behind the Carswell appointment and Mr. Nixon's whole Southern Strategy?

And now that Senator Hruska has justified the need for all intelligence levels to be represented, we can expect our more forward-looking candidates to engage in blatant appeals to the vast Stupid Vote.

"Vote for Gaspar Grommet," the billboards will proclaim. "He's just as dumb as you are!"

"My fellow stupid Americans. . ." speeches will begin. And tributes will be paid on election night to "the confidence the stupid voters have placed in me."

There will, of course, be mud-slinging. Whispering campaigns will hint that Grommet reads The Economist in the original tongue. Photostats will be circulated of his eighth grade report card, showing three respectable C's and -- God forbid! -- an A-minus.

The day will come when Vice President Agnew will deny ever having an I.Q. of 135. And I, for one, will believe him.

But until that brave new era dawns, millions upon millions of stupid Americans will remain disenfranchised, ignored or patronized by the politicians, unrepresented in the hallowed halls of our democratic government.

Except, of course, on the floor of the United States Senate.

Bill Mauldin



"JUST BETWEEN US, BABY, IF CARSWELL STRIKES OUT I'M NEXT AT BAT."

Meanwhile With Lynch

Of Spilled Milk And Campus Logic



LYNCH

By Jim Lynch

The voice of the people has been heard. That is some of the voices of some of the people have sort of been heard. And these voices have said that they don't want Bill Phillips, a few less said that they don't want Joey Livesay, and still fewer said that they don't want Bart Gordon. But the majority couldn't get together on who they wanted.

Out of a student body of over 7,000 students, a few more than 2,000 turned out to vote for the leaders of our student government. That's not even 30 percent. Outstanding!

Where are you people? Are you sleeping in the dorms, or commuting back to Opossum Trot, or simply blown out down at the River?

The majority of those that, for some reason, didn't make it to the polls were probably those independents who squawked about fraternity control of the student government all year. Well, folks, you had your chance.

Perhaps the best candidate in the election was Bill Phillips, the independent. But because of lack of support on your part, Bill will be back at his post in the House. That is, if he doesn't get fed up with the whole process.

Anyone who attended the "Speak Out" session the other night would have realized just how excellent this man is. He would have made one hell of a president.

But no sense crying over spilled milk. The question today is whether Joey Livesay or Bart Gordon will make the best president. Personally, I don't know. My man lost in the preliminaries.

So all you clingers and hanger-ons rush out to the polls today and vote for the man of your choice. It's really pathetic that both candidates that remain are fully qualified for the job and each would probably do a good job if elected, but that so many of their followers are followers for the wrong reasons.

"If Joey wins maybe I'll get invited to a Kappa Sig fraternity party....."

"If Bart wins maybe I'll get invited to a Kappa Alpha fraternity party....."

"If Joey wins maybe they'll rush me....."

Ditto

"If Bart wins and I get to be buddies with Bart, maybe he'll introduce me to some of those little Southern Belles....."

Ditto

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National Environment Teach-In Slated

The "Teach-In on the Environment" scheduled to take place on more than a thousand college campuses April 22 offers hope that further destruction of our planet may be stopped, according to Senator Gaylord Nelson (D., Wis.), the man who started the project rolling.

Unlike similar nation-wide student protests, as the Moratorium, the April demonstration is generally sponsored by many concerned but moderate groups.

In fact, the Teach-In is supported by the President's Council of Environmental Advisors and the U.S. Office of Education. Such non-radical conservation groups as the Sierra Club will also take an active part in the protest procedures.

Writing in the April Reader's Digest, Sen. Nelson recalls that he first proposed the national environmental teach-ins in a speech at Seattle last fall.

"We expected the response to be good," he writes. "It

has been tremendous. A thousand colleges and universities are expected to participate, along with hundreds of high schools; civic groups, garden clubs, the League of Women Voters and conservation organizations have also offered a helping hand to make the day a success."

Local Teach-In organizers are helped in their plans by a national office in Washington which serves as the communications and service center and as a stimulus for the individual campuses. Headed by national staff coordinator Dennis Hayes, the office can be reached through:

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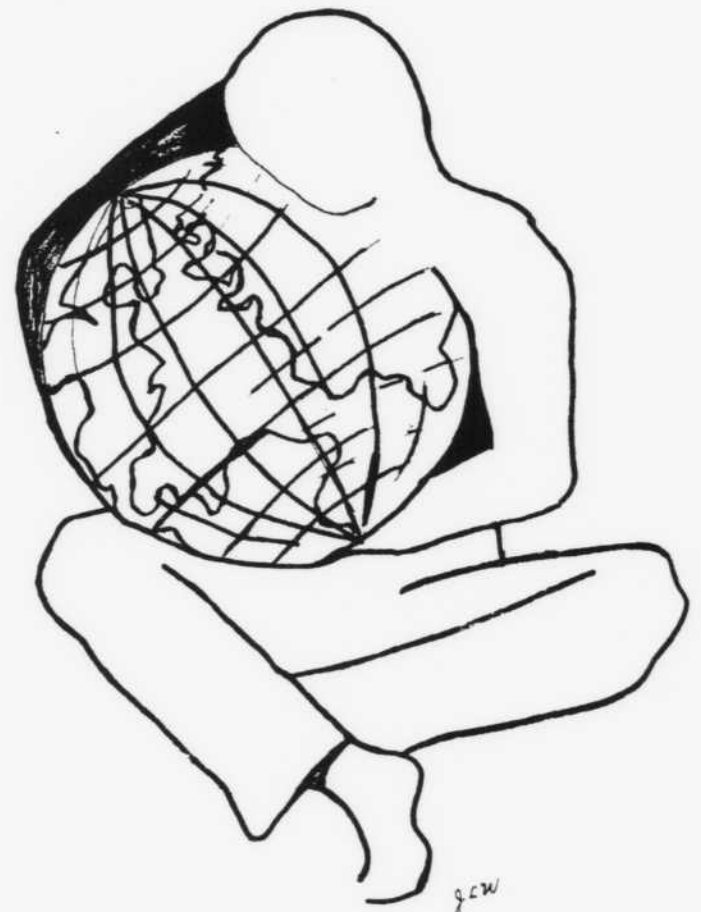
Already, the Senator says, the movement to protest further damage to the environment "has produced a series of small miracles in college communities across the nation." University of Illinois students pulled 30 tons of refuse from a creek near the Champaign campus.

Washington, D.C. law students brought legal action recently to force the transit authority to reduce pollution from its buses. Texas University students managed to save some trees that the university had planned to cut down. Students at the State University of New York prevented the bulldozing of a 50-acre marsh on the edge of the campus. All of these "miracles" have been accomplished peacefully, the Senator notes.

On the campuses already involved in the Teach-In plans are being made to initially cover a broad range of environmental problems and then to focus on sectional issues.

According to THE ALL STATE, Austin Peay student newspaper, the APSU April Teach-In will emphasize the local environmental condition "in order to inform members

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Coble Decision Viewed

Rebecca Coble, Murfreesboro junior, stayed out beyond her 6 a.m. curfew and was sentenced the minimum punishment (two weeks strict campus and four months sophomore hours).

She appealed to Dean Martha Hampton and the case was accepted by the ASB Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court reversed the Women's Dorm Council decision and dropped the charges against her on the grounds that separate rules for men and women is unconstitutional according to the 14th Amendment and the 1964 Civil Rights Act because it discriminates on the basis of sex.

The Supreme Courts decision on the case has been negated by the Dean of Students office on the grounds that the ASB Supreme Court does not have the authority to make decisions on the basis of U.S. Constitutional interpretation.

Six MTSU students responded to the question, "In your opinion, is the major issue involved, the question of women's hours or the authority of the ASB Supreme Court and its ability to render decisions?"--

Ellen Rogers, McMinnville freshman, "In my opinion, if the school goes to the extent of having a Supreme Court, it should have the power to render final decisions."

Terri Roach, Oak Ridge freshman, "If they are going to have a Supreme Court, they should have the right to have the final say so in the punishment of the student."

John Jones, Shelbyville senior, "In my opinion, women have the right to stay out on the basis of constitutionality."

Marilyn Ramsey, Nashville junior, "It seems silly to have a Supreme Court if they can't make decisions which everybody can abide by, but she was out past six a.m. and she should be punished by someone."

Pat Patton, Crossville freshman, "They have to go by the rules of the school not by the Constitution because we have our own rules."

Darrel Matheny, McMinnville sophomore, "I think the Supreme Court should stick to the constitution of the school."



Ramsey



Patton



Jones



Matheny

ROTC Schedules Ball, Features Phi Mu Alpha

"Your Future, Where Are You Going", will be the theme of the annual Military Ball sponsored by the Track & Sabre Club tomorrow night.

The Omicron Tau Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia fraternity Stage Band will present dance music from 8:00 till 12:00. Tony Washer, member of the Stage Band, stated that the band will play selections from Blood Sweat & Tears, The Chicago Transit Authority, the Broadway musical "Hair", and other standard dance band tunes.

The reigning ROTC Queen of 1970, Miss Susan Duke, will

be crowned at the ball. After a special dance for the queen, the Senior ROTC Cadets will be presented.

The dress for the dance is formal. Those with ROTC uniforms should wear them, but regular dress suits will be acceptable.

The dance committee is headed by David Aston, and members are Bill Uselton, Danny King, Michael Flynn, David Nadeau, Kelly Sharbel, James Burkhalter and Doug Guither.

The dance will be held at the St. Rose of Lima Gymnasium.

April 20--25

Greek Week Set

Greek Week, to be sponsored jointly by the Intra-fraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council, will be held April 20-25, according to Larry Gillem, acting chairman of the Greek Week Committee.

Activities during the week are scheduled in the interest of improving intra-Greek and Greek, non-Greek relations, Gillem said. He added that the

concept for this week grew out of Greek Weekends formerly held.

The five days of activities will consist of events inclusive of civic projects and even a tri-cycle race, culminating in a dance for all students from 8 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, April 25. The Champelles from Chattanooga will be featured at the dance.

Scarlett Speaks For Alumni

President M. G. Scarlett, has been invited to address the Lawrence County area chapter of the MTSU Alumni Association. The alumni from Lewis, Wayne and Lawrence counties will assemble in the Davey Crockett Restaurant at 6:30 p.m., May 11, according to Willie Willis, president of the area chapter of MTSU Alumni.

Scarlett is expected to review the recent developments of the MTSU program with emphasis on the new Doctoral program, the juvenile diagnostic center and the building of the new gymnasium.

Van Martin, Associated Student Body President will also speak.

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Impact Symposium Adds Two Speakers

The itinerary for the 1970 Vanderbilt Impact Symposium has been announced by Lo Christy, chairman of Impact's delegations committee.

Two additional speakers have been added to the program which will be held April 10 and 11. These include James Kilpatrick, syndicated columnist and frequent guest panelist on NBC's Meet the Press, and Charles Evers, mayor of Fayette, Miss., and prominent civil rights leader.

The weekend of activities will begin Thursday with the presentation of a play by Eugene Ionesco. The play will be held at the Vanderbilt University Theater and will begin at 8:15 p.m.

On the following Friday, James Kilpatrick will lead off the symposium at the Vanderbilt Memorial gym with an address at 7:30 p.m. William

Kunstler, defense attorney for the Chicago Seven, will speak at 8:30 p.m.

Following these addresses will be a debate between Kilpatrick who will represent the "conservative view" and Kunstler who will represent the "liberal view."

The speakers for Saturday morning include Roy Innes, director of CORE, at 9:30 and Charles Evers at 10:30.

At 12 a luncheon program will give over 1,000 students the opportunity to be in direct association with the Impact speakers.

The afternoon session will include speeches by Fred Friendly, former head of CBS News, at 1:30, Rollo May, psychologist, at 2:15, and Benjamin Demott, head of the department of English at Amherst, at 3:00.

A concert by "The Glass Wall" rock group will culminate the symposium events. The concert will be presented at 6:30 p.m. in Dudley Field.

Tickets are required for admittance to the Impact Symposium. Participants and delegates to the symposium who are registered are entitled to attend all meetings and will receive IMPACT MAGAZINE. This magazine contains biographical sketches of the speakers, essays and interviews.

Persons interested in the Impact Symposium may purchase the necessary tickets at the beginning of the sessions.

Baldwin Participates In Photo Conference

Harold Baldwin, instructor in photography and graphic arts has returned from full participation in the sixth Annual Conference for Photographic Education hosted by the University of Iowa. This conference brings together many of the nation's leading photo-

graphers, teachers, and students of photography for lectures, open forums, and informal seminars on subjects ranging from "Photography's need for an awareness of its own aesthetic..." and the teacher's role" to Photography as a language".

Highlights of this year's conference, according to Baldwin were the sessions with Martin Dworkin of Columbia University and Minor White, Editor: Aperture, of Mass. Inst. Tech., as well as some interesting discussions on the philosophical and psychological aspects of photography when used by students to find more meaningful relationships with themselves, their fellow man, and their environment.

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Within the context of an all-black cast, Orpheus is the most talented of the Mardi Gras singers and dancers, while Eurydice is a beautiful country girl whom he follows into the realm of death.

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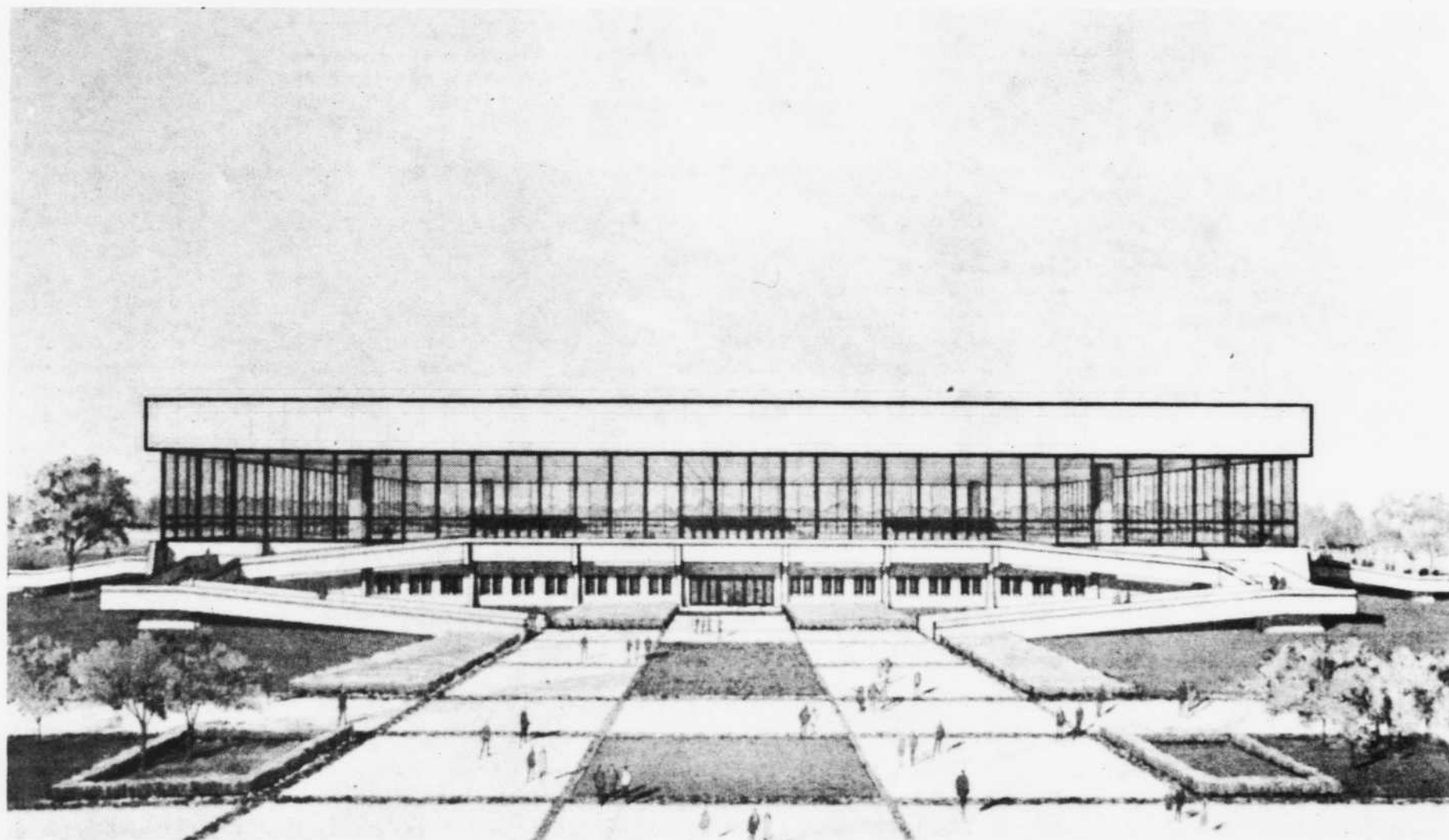
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seats being individual, theater-type, chairback seats, and the rest in roll-on bleachers. For convocations, the seating can be increased to 12,200 by the addition of chairs on the main floor. The center will replace the outdated Alumni Memorial Gym as the site for Middle Tennessee

State's home basketball games. The seating capacity of the existing gym is 4,000, barely half of the current University enrollment. Among Ohio Valley Conference schools, MTSU will rank second in seating capacity, behind Western Kentucky's E. A. Diddle Arena (12,500).

Earle Presents List of Top Basketball Prospects

Coach Jimmy Earle and assistants Don Newman and Butch Clifton have selected their top 20 recruiting prospects for this year. They are as follows:

1. Artis Jackson, 6-9 center, Ballard Hudson High School, Macon, Ga.
2. Harold Robinson, 6-7, 210 pound center-forward, Summer Hill High School, Clinton, Miss.
3. Bob Watkins, 6-5 forward-

guard, Jeffersonville High School, Jeffersonville, Ind.

4. Chuck Cordell, 6-1 guard, Marion High School, Marion, N.C.
5. Jerry Wilkerson, 6-5 forward, Lenoir City High School, Lenoir City, Tenn.
6. Otis Cole, 6-1 guard, Kings Mountain High School, Kings Mountain, N.C.
8. Danny Kasmeir, 6-7 for-

ward-guard, Holy Cross High school, Riverside, N.J.

9. Jim Southard, 6-8, North Hardin High School, Radcliffe, Ky.
10. Ron DeVries, 6-10 center, Redford High School, Detroit, Mich.
11. Charlie Anderson, 6-5, Mark Smith High School, Macon, Ga.
12. Roy Franke, 6-6, Haddon

Heights High School, Haddon Heights, N.J.

13. John Machiaverna, 6-4, Vailsburg High School, Newark, N.J.
14. Wayne Ellington, 6-1 guard, Vance County High School, Henderson, N.C.
15. Lawrence Mayberry, 6-7, Rogers High School, Canton, Miss.
16. Cooledge Ball, 6-4, Gentry

High School, Indianola, Miss.

17. Otella Burke, 6-5, DeLaSalle High School, Chicago, Ill.
18. Bob Bowers, 6-5, Gloucester High School, Gloucester, N.J.
19. Lonnie Welch, 6-6 forward, Groves High School, Savannah, Ga.
20. Denny Heavrin, 6-2 guard, St. Xavier High School, Louisville, Ky.



Butler Signs Georgia Pair

Much to the delight of MTSU football coach Charles Butler, Tom Bowers, left, and Charles Mathias, right, indicate their pacts with the Blue Raiders. At the extreme right is their high school coach, Ralph Williams, a graduate of MTSU. Both boys hail from Lafayette, Ga.



Newman Captures A Prize

MTSU assistant basketball coach Donnie Newman, right, smiles in anticipation at the signing of junior college All-American James Percy Hairston.

Hairston played his junior college ball at Martin Junior College where he led his team to a 22-3 record.



Jerry Wilkerson, shown above between assistant Don Newman, left, and head basketball coach Jimmy Earle, is one of the many high school prospects visiting Middle Tennessee State.

Jimmy Earle: Man With A Dream

Coach Jimmy Earle, who finished his first year at the helm of the Blue Raider basketball club this year, is a man with a dream, one with two-parts. The first phase of his dream is a winning club, and the other is that of putting Middle Tennessee State on the basketball map. He'll get that dream.

He entered his initial year with a team that had been at the bottom of the league's defensive statistics for a number of years and built an air-tight 1-3-1 defense that finished the season on the top, setting a new team record in the process. He took some "young" boys and built them into a team that lost by only seven points to a powerful Western Kentucky ball

club after leading at halftime. This same team lost 13 games, but half of them came in the first half of the season, and most of them by seven points or less.

And now the second phase of that dream--recruiting. Jimmy Earle has assembled two assistants, who, in his own words, have done a tremendous job: Don Newman and Butch Clifton. Together these men have seen and talked to some of the best high school players in the East. We'll lose most of them, they readily admit this, but, as Coach Earle recently stated, "If we sign just two or three of them it will be a successful year."

A man with a dream. He'll get that dream or die trying.

--Gary Davenport

Recruiting Key To Success

It's been said time and time again, the key to a good athletic program is the recruiting. It's true, and no one believes this more than Butch Clifton and Donnie Newman, assistant basketball coaches under head coach Jimmy Earle.

There has been a remarkable change in the recruiting system since these three "came of power." More and more high school prospects are visiting our school, with the idea in mind of making it their home during their college endeavors, both on and off the field.

Many changes have come into affect since Newman and Clifton have entered the scene. As coach Earle stated, "These men have a tremendous influence on high school players. They are able to talk to them easily, since they're so young, and sort of live like they talk."

Newman and Clifton have been working hard this year on their recruiting, things like this: they contact weekly a list of high school prospects, considered their top -- 50 groups and also make weekly phone calls to these prospects.

"We've contacted nearly 1,100 prospects this season and have heard from nearly 500 of them," the assistant coaches exclaimed.

The coaches fly and drive to see all the prospects, with the process repeated as much as possible during the season. This process, which also allows the prospects to be flown or driven into this city, reinforces MTSU to them.

What is the importance of this recruiting? Jimmy Earle answered it this way: "Middle Tennessee State, due to a lack of a winning tradition, has never received proper exposure to sell the school to prospective players. The number one drawback which has hurt recruiting, is the lack of playing facilities."

"Upon the completion of the new gymnasium," Earle added, "we feel like we will have the best facilities in the South, which will enable us to attract the number one high school players and big name schools to our campus. This will add athletic acclaim and academic standing to our school."

Busy? The coaches have traveled over 6,000 miles already this year. -- Gary Davenport

Martin's Hairston Signs Grant; Top Prospects Sought By Staff

By Gary Davenport

James Percy Hairston, a guard on the 1969-1970 Martin Junior College squad that finished the season ranked eighth on the junior college list, has signed a grant-in-aid with Middle Tennessee State, becoming the first "blue chipper" to sign under head coach Jimmy Earle and assistants Don Newman and Butch Clifton.

Hairston, who averaged 22 points on the squad that went 22-3 for the year and won the Tennessee Junior College title, played his high school ball at Science Hill High School in Johnson City. Carrying his squad to the state finals, Hairston played so well against the eventual champions, Chattanooga Riverside, that he was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

At Martin Junior he did everything. He handles the ball well, can shoot from outside, and shows a team leadership needed by a superstar.

"We're real happy to sign Percy," Coach Earle beamed. "Coach Newman, who coached at Martin before coming here, recruited Hairston to Martin in the first place and used his influence to get him here."

Hairston is only one of many Blue Chippers the coaching squad at Middle Tennessee State is trying to sign. Below are listed some of their top players in the Eastern United States with a thumbnail sketch and comments by Coach Earle.

ARTIS JACKSON, a 6-9 center from Macon, Ga., has excellent hands for a big man and is extremely agile. He runs extremely well for a big man and is an excellent shooter. Considered one of the top big men in the South, Jackson has over 20 offers from major universities and has already visited the MTSU campus.

A 6-5 forward-guard, BOB WATKINS, fares from Jeffersonville, Ind., and is described as an excellent shooter and an aggressive player. He's quick and fast and a fine rebounder. "He's one of the best all round players we've seen all year," Earle commented.

JERRY WILKERSON, a 6-5 forward from Lenoir City, Tenn., is one of the top prospects from the state and has visited the campus already. Wilkerson is extremely agile and is a good shooter, sought by many other Ohio Valley Conference schools. The tall forward was named to the All-East Tennessee team.

TONY BYERS, a 6-3 guard, is one of the top prospects in the state of North Carolina and can do it all. He has been approached by such schools as Kansas, North Carolina and North Carolina State and will visit our campus soon.

Another OVC looker, JIM SOUTHARD, is on the top list. Southard, a 6-8 player from Radcliffe, Ky., is a strong rebounder with good moves close to the basket.

HAROLD ROBINSON stands at 6-7 and weighs 210 pounds and certainly would be a big asset to our program. He is very strong and aggressive and is an excellent competitor. "He's the best rebounder we've seen all year," Earle stated.

Robinson hails from Clinton, Miss.

CHUCK CORDELL, from Marion, N.C., is a playmaker guard that led his team to the finals of the state tournament. He is a great shooter and an excellent ball handler and is

extremely poised. He will also visit the campus at a later date.

OTIS COLE, a speedy 6-1 guard from Kings Mountain, N.C., is one of the state's top prospects, being highly sought after by the Atlantic Coast Conference schools.

Cole is described by Coach Earle as "being a complete ball player with few weaknesses."

Riverside, N.J., is the home of 6-7 DANNY KASMEIR, a forward-guard prospect. Kasmeir is extremely quick, with a good corner shot and a great competitor. He has already received offers from Western Kentucky, Temple and LaSalle.

RON DeVRIES is considered not only an outstanding basketball prospect but also is a whiz at tennis. Only 16-years old, DeVries has great potential for a big man and has amazing agility.

ROY FRANKE, a 6-6 forward from New Jersey is a prospect with a quick, strong shot. Franke is sought by over 20 schools and is cool in the clutch.

LAWRENCE MAYBERRY, a 6-7 player from Mississippi has over 100 schools after him and is one of the top prospects in the South. Mayberry is a great forward and has already visited the campus.

Six-foot four inch COOLEDGE BALL is another of the great ones sought by MTSU, having a good jump shot and a quick, agile determination. Highly sought after by New Mexico State, Ball has already visited the school.

CHARLIE ANDERSON, hailing from Georgia, is a 6-5 high school All-American and is sought after all over the country. Anderson can do it all--shoot, pass, dribble, and provide the leadership on and off the court.

A great competitor and a big guard prospect, JOHN MACHIAVERNA stands 6-4

and played prep ball in New Jersey. He has a good jump shot and is an excellent ball handler.

WAYNE ELLINGTON, a 6-1 guard from North Carolina, is listed as a tremendous basketball player as well as a star player of baseball. Ellington is to visit the campus soon and is a great prospect.

The northern state of Illinois is the home town of OTELLA BURKE, a 6-5 forward listed as a great jumper. Burke is one of the top major prospects in the country and is a strong, capable shooter.

Guards seem to be on the market this year, and BOB BOWERS is another one that is on the top of the list. Standing 6-5, the New Jersey superstar was one of the best in the state and handles the ball well.

LONNIE WELCH, from Georgia, and DENNY HEAVRIN, from Kentucky, round out the coaching staffs top prospects. Welch is very quick, with a good shot, which he follows well. He's an excellent student as well. Heavrin is also a guard, standing 6-2, and is a great competitor and a good ball handler.

"We feel very optimistic about our recruiting this year," Earle commented. "We have established the foundation for a broaden and widespread recruiting program."

"I have tremendous confidence in Coach Clifton and Coach Newman. They have done a great job of both coaching and recruiting and are both extremely sharp, aggressive and they can communicate with the young high school athletes of today."

"The high school basketball players we have contacted this year are all extremely highly sought by other colleges and they are some of the best ones in the United States. We feel we will lose a lot of these to some of the larger universities, but if we can sign two or three we feel we will have had a tremendous recruiting year."

MTSU Individual Records

Leading Rebounders

Jerry Hurst	233 in 13 games, 17.2 (1957-58)
Booker Brown	429 in 26 games, 16.5 (1968-69)
Ken Riley	338 in 24 games, 14.1 (1967-68)
Bennett Jent	330 in 24 games, 13.8 (1961-62)
Ed Cannon	316 in 24 games, 13.2 (1965-66)

Leading Rebounders

Jerry Hurst	(3 seasons) 14.2
Booker Brown	(2 seasons) 13.4
Ed Cannon	(3 seasons) 11.7
Larry Stewart	(2 seasons) 10.1
Render Carden	(4 seasons) 9.8

Leading Scorers

Willie Brown	605, 26 games, 23.3 avg. (1968-69)
Willie Brown	556, 24 games, 23.3 avg. (1967-68)
Render Carden	544, 26 games, 20.9 avg. (1954-55)

Best Field Goal Percentage

John Price	160 of 294, 54.4 (1953-54)
John Price	83 of 159, 52.2 (1958-59)
Jim Spencer	97 of 188, 51.6 (1953-54)
Jerry Bell	73 of 147, 49.2 (1952-53)
Ken Riley	128 of 261, 49.0 (1969-70)

Top Gridders Ink Pacts

There will be several new faces in the MTSU football camp this fall. These new faces are the result of an extensive recruiting campaign conducted by the Raider coaching staff.

Perhaps the finest prospect to enter the "Big Blue" fold this fall will be Dexter Dodson of Whitwell, Tenn. Big Dex stands 6'3" and weighs in at a whopping 240 pounds. He was coached in high school by MTSU graduate David Kirk and will probably see action somewhere in the line.



Archie Arrington smiles as he signs his name to an MTSU scholarship. At left is Archie's father, Louis Arrington and smiling at right is MTSU Coach Bill Peck.

At school already is Arthur Arrington, prep school graduate of Tenn. Military Institute in Chattanooga. "Archie" was coached in his prep career by Richard Cheetam and stands 5'11" and weighs 237 pounds. He will probably handle a guard position and also does some of the placekicking.

From Franklin County High School in Winchester comes 6'1" Larry Sawyer. Larry played his high school ball under Rebel Head Mentor Walter Bouldin. The 207 pounder will

also be in one of the line positions.

From Gene Windom's forces at Murfreesboro Central comes running backs Jesse Carter and Melvin Daniels. Both Carter and Daniels have the ability to "run like the wind", Daniels having shown this asset in a track meet last weekend when he ran a 9.8, 100 yard dash and a 22.5, 220 yard dash.

A highly sought after prospect from Nashville Pearl High School has inked his pact with the Raiders. He is Jack Crawford, a 6'2", 205 pound lineman and linebacker.

From Lafayette, Ga. comes two excellent candidates for the MTSU line. Charles Mathias who stands 6' even and weighs 215 pounds and Tom Bowers at 6'3" weighing 230 pounds were coached at Lafayette by MTSU graduate Ralph Williams.

When asked why all of this seasons new players were so big, Coach Fuoss commented that he felt that the day of the small man in the OVC is almost over.

He cited an example in last year's Morehead contest when one of his guards was practically beaten to death by a huge Morehead lineman. This year he wants to be on the other side.

While the new men are looking tough, the coaches are still hard at work looking for more top grade footballers.



Jack Crawford of Nashville Pearl High School tries on the Blue Raider letter jacket to the delight of Coach Charles Butler, left, and his parents. Crawford will join the MTSU footballers this fall.

Fuoss Endorses Winter Fitness

After the last football game in November or December, the squad can relax to the relative comforts of high calorie meals, a few beers every now and then, and a general life of easy-going through the winter.

Wrong, so very wrong. Contrary to popular belief, the charges of Head Football Coach Don Fuoss don't simply lie around in the off season, but rather they're hard at work keeping themselves in shape, evaluating the past seasons, contemplating certain personnel changes, and a vast variety of other duties that the

common fan is unaware of.

For instance, last winter the MTSU football coaches went through every film of every game to determine what caused certain plays to not work, what certain plays worked the best, which defenses gave up the least amount of yardage, and who performed the best under various conditions.

Also, each member of the squad was enrolled in a course in physical fitness for the duration of the winter. In this course, they are expected to maintain a general fitness somewhat comparable to playing condition. At the end of the

course, each man is graded on procedures varying from chin-ups to the shuttle run and ranked among their peers.

In this manner, certain members of the staff can "show their stuff", indicating their willingness to participate. Many a guy has impressed the coaches by giving an all out effort in the winter fitness program.

As it stands now, the coaches have evaluated every facet of every game last season, made improvements, shaped up the squad, and now as Spring practice begins, they are prepared to put the wheels of a good season in motion.



Larry Sawyer prepares to ink his pact with the Blue Raiders at the office of Head Coach Don Fuoss. MTSU Coach Bill Peck looks on at left while Larry's father stands behind.

Coaches Search Areas For Outstanding Prospects

Have you ever thought how MTSU comes up with an outstanding football player from New Jersey, or Ohio, or Florida? It's because some member of the Raider coaching staff logs many miles and hours in their quest to find outstanding players and students for MTSU.

The way they do it is simple. Each coach has a specific area to recruit. For instance, Coach Gary Whaley has the Knoxville district in Tennessee and several other states in the East. Other coaches have other areas.

All of the coaches work the Nashville area because it is from this area that we sign a great majority of our players. But it doesn't stop there, because there are too many excellent prospects in other places to simply pass up.

The grapevine provides the coaches with the names of specific players and when it is determined whose district the player falls into, that particular coach hustles over to

take a look at him. Also, whenever a name is received by the coaches, films are requested of that player to be reviewed by the coaches.

MTSU graduates, friends of the coaching staff and other interested people provide the sources for many of the players to be looked at.

So, if you thought that good out-of-state prospects just happened to wander into Murfreesboro looking for a team to play for, forget it.

Clinic This Fall

The MTSU Football coaching staff will sponsor a high school clinic next August, according to a statement issued by Head Football Coach Don Fuoss.

The clinic will involve from four to six teams and the cost per person will be \$25. This price will include 15 meals and housing in air conditioned dorms for five nights.



Melvin Daniels looks over the MTSU scholarship that he is about to sign as MTSU Coach George Catavolous and former MTSU gridder Andy Thompson look on. Daniels is from Murfreesboro Central High School where he

played under Coach Gene Windham. He will bring to the Raider fold much needed speed in the backfield, having run a 9.8, 100 yard dash recently.

Pitching Crushes Governors Twice

The Blue Raider baseball squad deflated an enthusiastic Austin Peay team twice Monday afternoon in Gov-land 7-0 and 2-0 to move into first place in the Ohio Valley Conference Western Division race.

Gary (Buckets) O'Bryan, a control pitcher who was outstanding last year as a freshman, gave up only two hits in chalking up his first shutout of the young season. Buckets also had some good stick support from Scott Corbin, Jim Witherow and Butch Wright.

Corbin blasted a line-drive bases loaded two run single to center in the first inning followed in the third by back-to-back solo homers by Wright and Witherow. The other three Raider runs were unearned on five Gov errors.

Another sophomore, Prestley Guy, upped his season record to 2-0 by hurling the Raiders to their second shutout of the afternoon. In the sixth inning with no runs scored, Guy, who was due to bat, complained of a sore back and was taken out by Coach Butch Clifton.

The Gov fans got a big kick out of a coach taking a pitcher out who had pitched an almost flawless game. However, they quit smiling when pinch hitter (the little man with the telephone pole) Scott Corbin lined a triple into deep center.

The next two batters struck out and Bo Alvarez walked. Mike Townsend stepped up with two men on and lofted a high one to right.

A strong wind carried it away from the Gov rightfielder causing him to loose it off the fingertips as Corbin scampered in and the fleet-footed Alvarez beat the throw to home plate.

Two strong innings of relief by Gary Elrod saved the win for Guy. The losing pitchers, Tim Burns and Dwight Haskins, were both previously undefeated.

Our hardballers have two doubleheaders coming up at home this week, Sewanee Thursday afternoon and Saturday they return to Conference play hosting Murray State.

MTSU Relays

Raiders Host Meet

Seventeen colleges and universities, along with 10 high schools, will be in Murfreesboro Saturday, April 11, for the Blue Raider Relays, scheduled to begin at 12 noon with the field events and followed by the running events at 1:00 p.m. "It's the first time we've had the high school division included in the relays," head track coach Dean Hayes stated.

Mississippi, Eastern, Western, and the Tennessee Tech are only a few of the colleges entered in the competition. "We have to rate as one of the favorites, but some of these schools are tough," Hayes continued.

Along with the close team competition, some individual battles will be decided on the cinders. In the triple jump, MTSU's Barry McClure will do battle with J.B. Wilson, from Mississippi State. "Both of these boys have gone over 49-feet," Hayes stated.

Wilson will also have to conquer Terry Scott, MTSU, in the long jump.

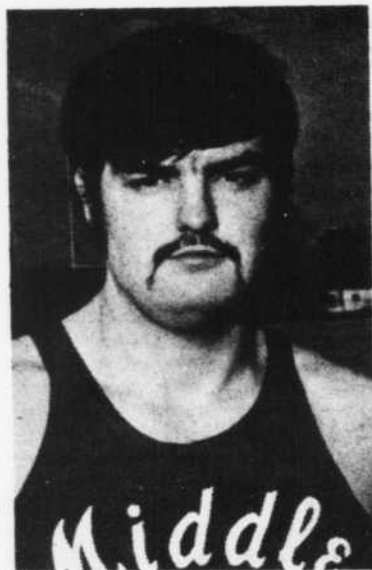
Buck Edwards, Middle Tennessee's ace discus thrower and shot-putter, will be out to top Tennessee Tech's Roy Jones in the shot, but will have a tougher assignment in Ron Stoltman, Western Kentucky's defending champion.

Eastern Kentucky's Gary Scragi will do battle with

Charles Wilson in the 100-yard dash, and Dave Wyatt will be out to defend his title against Tech's Sam Pearson in the 440-intermediate hurdles.

Wyatt set a new Relay record last year in beating Pearson.

The mile relay team of Homer Huffman, Myles Maillie, Scott, and Wyatt will be one of the favorites, as will the distance medley squad of Maillie, Rabbit McWhorter, Huffman, and Gary Robinson.



Big Buck Edwards of the MTSU Track Squad will be featured in this weekends MTSU relays.



Assistant Football Coach Charles Butler prepares to sign outstanding mid-state prospect Dexter Dodson from Whitwell to an MTSU

Grant-in-Aid. Big Dex will probably be expected to hold down one of the positions in the Raider line.

Intramurals In Fifth Week

Intramural basketball action concluded the fifth round this week with a variety of results. The Big "T" crushed the Phantom Knights 89-58, behind the 21 points of Gary Gunn.

The Trojans took the BSA 63-44 as Bonnie Price led the way with 15. Kappa Sigma eased out Sigma Nu 49-45, B. Uselton hitting eight points for the winners.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon squeaked past Kappa Alpha 49-47, as R. Oldhem and Harris contributed 16 points apiece to the SAE cause. Alpha Tau Omega slipped past the new Sigma Chi 40-36, Mike Ray leading the way with 16.

The Pi Kappa Alpha Pledges knocked off the Number Two Team of Kappa Alpha 36-28, Wright leading the Pikes with 14.

SAE No. 2 thumped the Kappa Sigma No. 2 team 41-37, Barnes hitting for 13 points for the winners. Bob Wagner led Kappa Sig with 16.

Beasley Hall had little trouble with the Whole "D" Team, handing them a 67-42 defeat as Richard Reed canned 18 for Beasley.

Sims Hall had to scramble to take Dorm "H" 67-62, Michael Keen popping 23 for Sims. Gracy Hall edged past the Clement Bombers 50-48 as Billy Cothran canned 24 for Gracy.

The UCF's crushed the Beer Belly Bombers 74-36 as Charles Floyd sank 14 markers for

the winners. Danny Marr hit 12 for the Beermen.

Delta Tau Alpha laid it on the Side Splitters 66-45, Benefield leading the way with 24 points. Alpha Kappa Psi had little trouble disposing of the Budmen 52-20, Phil Brown leading the businessmen with 15.

Intramural action was rounded out with forfeit wins by the Draft Dodgers over the

Mercuries and the Vet's Club over the Leftovers.

Certain other intramural rosters will be due soon. All softball rosters will be due by April 13, by 5 p.m. All Badminton rosters are also due at that time. Track rosters will be due on April 28, by 5 p.m. and mixed doubles tennis rosters will be due April 27 by 5 p.m.

Spring Football Begins

The MTSU Spring football practice got under way Tuesday as Head Coach Don Fuoss returned 31 lettermen to the gridiron.

Hopefully back for this season will be defensive back Herbert Patterson, Fullback Gary Wright, linebacker Jim Thompson and lineman Ron Johnson. All of these men missed most of last season due to injuries.

One of the major problems Fuoss will have to face this spring is to find a quarterback to replace last years starter Bill Griffith. "Griff" decided to pass up his last year of eligibility to look after his wife and new baby.

Likely candidates of the signal-caller position will be last years backup quarterback Bobby Gatlin and transfer student Buddy Watson.

Another primary concern in the minds of the Raider coaching staff is coming up with a good offensive line. Changes in this area include moving defensive tackle Chip Street to

center, defensive end Charles Holt to offensive tackle, and center Jim Inglis to guard.

Taylor Edwards will be moved to the split end position after playing last season at cornerback. Last years split end David Stewart will be shifted to the other side at tight end, and last season's tight end, J. W. Harper will move to the defensive end position.

Edmund Miller, who starred last season as flanker, will move into the defensive secondary. Reuben Justice will be back at his tailback slot as will be Tommy Beene at Fullback.

Punting duties will once again be handled by big Ron Taylor and the placekicking job will probably go to freshman Archie Arrington. Arrington will also handle one of the offensive guard slots.

April 18, the coaches and players will conduct a clinic for area coaches, and May 8, the Blue will take on the White in the annual Spring clash at Horace Jones Field.

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