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News Briefs

ASHEVILLE, N.C. (AP)—Evidence gained through the use of wiretaps will be admitted as evidence in the upcoming trial of six avowed Nazis, U.S. District Judge Woodrow W. Jones has ruled.

The six are charged with threatening to detonate bombs in Greensboro if six Ku Klux Klansmen and Nazis were convicted on charges of killing five Communist Workers Party members at a rally Nov. 3, 1979. Those defendants were cleared.

The six members of the National Socialist Party of America were indicted by a federal grand jury in Asheville March 2. The trial is scheduled to begin July 13.

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—Iranian authorities have pinpointed the area where Abolhassan Bani-Sadr is hiding and there is a good chance the fugitive ex-president will be arrested soon, a leading member of Iran's Parliament said Tuesday.

Tehran radio said conspirators set off a bomb that killed four people and wounded 58 at a railroad station in the holy city of Qom, 75 miles south of the Iranian capital. Nine more people were executed by firing squad in Tehran, and 27 others were arrested for "provoking riots."

In Cairo, Egypt's information minister, Mansour Hassan, refused to confirm or deny reports that Bani-Sadr fled to Egypt.

CLEVELAND (AP)—John Demjanjuk, a Ukrainian-born autoworker, was stripped of his U.S. citizenship Tuesday by a federal judge who ruled that he broke immigration laws by concealing his past as a Nazi death camp guard known as Ivan the Terrible.

Demjanjuk maintained he was a Soviet soldier captured by the German army in 1942 and held prisoner until the end of the war.

He acknowledged he lied about his whereabouts on his applications for entry to the United States because he feared repatriation to the Soviet Union. But he denied ever helping the Nazis.

PARIS (AP)—President Francois Mitterrand accepted a new Cabinet on Tuesday night, bringing Communists into the French government for the first time in 34 years.

Four Communists were included in the government, the second formed by Premier Pierre Mauroy following Mitterrand's election May 10, and the Socialists' landslide win in the legislative elections ending last Sunday.

Graduation fees due

Students who have turned in their intent-to-graduate form and plan to go through the sheepskin line in August must pay their diploma fee today.

The \$20 fee insures that a diploma will be filled out and on hand the day of graduation and that a cap and gown will be reserved.

Any student who plans to graduate but does not intend to go through the line must fill out an *abstentia* form. The deadline for submitting this form is August 1.

Both forms are available in room 102 of the Cope Ad-

Higher tuition to cut enrollment

By DEBORAH DIGGONS
and
BILL WARD

Higher tuition, increased costs of auxiliary services and stricter retention and enrollment standards are all factors which may cut fall enrollment here, according to President Sam Ingram.

If the State Board of Regents approves the tuition hikes proposed by MTSU at this Friday's meeting, students will pay 24 to 35 percent more in the fall.

Although the increases have not been finalized, Ingram said full-time, in-state undergraduate students may pay \$347 per semester, a \$72 increase over this year's fee; full-time undergraduate students from out of state could pay \$785 instead of the current \$632 per term; and graduate students may expect a fee of \$433, increasing the present rate of \$320 by 35 percent.

"There is no other solution to the problem," Ingram said. "The Regents will approve the increases, I feel sure."

Ingram estimates that the 20 to 21 percent of the education

costs a student currently pays will increase to 30 or 31 percent after the tuition increases. This means that the state will only fund 69 percent of education costs per student.

"This is somewhat misleading because the total cost of educating a student should include the cost of his room and board, his books and other necessary items," Ingram said.

MTSU's auxiliary services, including housing, food and bookstore items, will cost an estimated 10 to 15 percent more, another factor which could prove a deterrent to many for fall enrollment.

Stricter retention standards will also drop some students from the rolls. Whereas a student formerly had four years to secure a GPA of 2.0, he now has only two years to attain a "C"



MTSU President Sam Ingram

average.

"Some students will be unable to stay in school if they don't bring their grades up," Ingram noted. "You would be amazed at

the number of students who have less than a 2.0.

"Many students do poorly their freshman year. They will have to do much better from now on."

CLEP: credit where credit is due

By BILL STETAR
Special to Sidelines

There's more than one way to get through college without going to class. One of these is to attain credits through the College Level Examination Program (CLEP).

Over 1,800 colleges and universities nationwide allow at least some types of college credit to be awarded through CLEP. At MTSU, students may earn up to 66 credits through 30 CLEP examinations in lieu of over 30 courses in more than a dozen departments.

Accepting credits through CLEP was begun at MTSU over a decade ago. The university's Undergraduate Council approved CLEP as a means of allowing students to earn credit by examination.

ACCORDING to the Office of Guidance and Counseling—through whom the tests are administered—nearly 300 students will attempt to earn credit through CLEP this year.

CLEP is a division of the College Entrance Examination Board designed to assist schools in awarding credit to students who have acquired college-level knowledge outside the usual channels of formal education.

Students who have attained considerable learning through such means as correspondence and extension courses, work experience or self-study are likely candidates to take advantage of this national testing program that can save time, tuition and textbooks.

TWO TYPES of tests are offered by CLEP: the General Examinations and the Subject Examinations. Fifty-two tests in all are offered by CLEP, and MTSU participates in 30 of these.

The five General Examinations measure achievement in such overall areas as the natural sciences,

humanities and mathematics.

The 47 Subject Examinations measure achievement in specific college-level courses such as trigonometry, statistics and American history. These tests are comprehensive in nature and are similar to the final exam of a particular undergraduate course.

The one General and 29 Subject Examinations MTSU accepts are all 90 minute-multiple choice tests. Four of the Subject Examinations in English, however, require an additional 90-minute essay test.

All objective tests are

machine-scored by CLEP and returned to Admissions and Records for evaluation. The essays are graded on campus by the English department.

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President Sam Ingram has approved the observance of Independence Day, which is Saturday, July 4, on Friday, July 3. All university offices will be closed, and Friday classes will not meet.

Counseling designed for women

By MELANIE THOMISON
Staff Writer

The problems which confront re-entry women sometimes require special consideration, and that is what Dr. June Anderson of WISE (Women's Information for Education) hopes to give.

"For example," cites Anderson, "how practical is it that a 50-year-old woman take an exhausting P.E. course, particularly after she's reared four kids?"

"Or how practical is it that a woman who has been a secretary for a number of years take a basic English course, or Math 100 or Typing 131?"

RE-ENTRY women need many of the basic support services provided for traditional 18- to 22-year olds, but existing services may not be equally accessible to them.

"The entire school system is centered around the young people entering college, but WISE is attempting to try to help these women re-entering to help their position to become recognized as well as the special problems they confront," insists Anderson.

WISE also advises adults concerning getting their transcripts evaluated so that they don't take the same course they took years ago.

IN A STUDY by the Association of American



Dr. June S. Anderson, director of Women in Service to Education (WISE), chats with student Pearlina Settles at the WISE office.

Colleges, Roberta M. Hall maintains that re-entry women often encounter obstacles as they make the transitions involved in returning to school.

She says that, in some instances, institutional policies and practices may present barriers to returning women; in others, family and/or job responsibilities may be major factors in making re-entry difficult.

"Beyond this," she adds, "a significant number of re-entry women, particularly those who have been out of school for some time, lack confidence in their own basic skills and abilities."

IN ADDITION to the special problems re-entry women have, many times they also have the same questions younger students have. Often there are loads of questions a student has, however, many times she feels that asking such questions makes her seem dumb. Much like younger students, the re-entry woman often will not ask these questions in public, however she will in private conference.

The study states that 56 percent of all full-time students and almost 94 percent of the part-time students live at home. Most of these students drive their own cars to campus, thus

Demo chief gives Gov. poor report

BY CLAUDIA ROBINSON
Staff Writer

State Democratic Party Chairman Bart Gordon left himself open to the barbs of partisan political humor Monday in his whirlwind tour of the state's largest population centers.

He graded Gov. Lamar Alexander's performance during his first two and one-half years in office by opening each press conference with this report card:

STYLE

Making Commercials - A
Hoodwinking the Public - A
Cutting Ribbons and Playing the Piano - B

Filling the Governor's Office With Slick PR Experts - A
SUBSTANCE

Dealing With Crime - F
Improving the Quality of Education - F

Holding Down Taxes - D
Managing State Government - F
Leadership and Direction for the Future of Tennessee - F

ASB PRESIDENT Mike Williams, who accompanied Gordon on his trek across the state, said this was done to call attention to the points the Democratic Party wants to make about Alexander's record. What it did was to evoke more "humor" from the other side and give the Republicans one more opportunity to remind the electorate about the circumstances under which Alexander took office.

John Parish, press secretary to the governor, provided some of the humor with this statement: "The chairman of the Democratic Party left out at least two things in his list. He failed to hold Gov. Alexander responsible for the invasion of Afghanistan and three years of a national recession."

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On this day in England, Midsummer Day rites recall the pagan festival of the summer solstice. In the country villages it was the custom for young and old to meet together "and be merry over a large fire" and take part in the ceremony of "catching the fern-seed." (No wonder Midsummer Eve was deemed "a season productive of madness and mental vagaries.") In the immortal words of Robin Goodfellow, alias Puck, "Lord, what fools these mortals be!"

Press falls short in exact reporting of economic issues

In handling technical stories such as the inflation plaguing the country, the press incurs three distinct responsibilities: to provide a chronicle of events and reactions to them, to explain the causes, and to assess the adequacy of the administration's responses and the impact of those responses on people's lives.

Over the last five years the press has failed miserably to analyze and assess inflation problems. They continue to fall short of presenting a broad spectrum of views to the public.

The economists who were consulted were mainstream economists whose ideas varied little. Rarely were experts with differing opinions used as sources.

First-semester economics students know that not much separates the Keynesian economist from a conservative monetarist. Both believe competition is the answer to all economic woes; both believe government intervention is the factor responsible for throwing the entire system off balance. The main difference is in emphasis.

The Keynesian economists focus on public spending while the monetarists manipulate the money supply.

One viewpoint that is rarely seen in columns or editorials is the Galbraithian perspective. Galbraithians perceive the economy as more monopolistic and less competitive. They doubt that traditional economic solutions are valid in dealing with today's problems.

The interesting point about Galbraithian economics is that, according to a 1978 Gallup poll, the majority of Americans are Galbraithian in outlook. This means that no matter what the individual newswriter might think or, more likely, what his sources think, the majority has not been represented.

It is obvious that the way government has been practicing economics is more art than science. The rather shallow predictions made by "experts" through the media in place of careful analysis aimed at the average taxpayer's level of comprehension gives credence to this assertion.

To illustrate, readers may recall that news stories often reveal that a choice should be made between recession and inflation or between decreased productivity and unemployment. Readers may also note that we have been experiencing all these discomforts simultaneously for some time now. To hear the primary sources of economic news tell it, we suddenly have a choice.

Another charge leveled at the press is that when a sincere attempt is made to explain the issues in the interest of educating the public, it quite often turns into trite fare of the guns-versus-butter nature.

It is not often that the press questions the authority of the experts in reporting on the economy, whether through ignorance of the subject or the sheer ease with which they can get a story by parroting the views of someone else.

During the entire Carter administration, a group of researchers at Columbia spotted only one article in the national press dealing with military spending. It was written by Ann Crittendon, a *New York Times* reporter.

Crittendon wrote a dazzling story of how the Carter administration's excessive military spending tended to be one of the most inflationary kinds of government spending. She explained that the increase put money in the hands of the workers without expanding the supply of goods they could buy—the consumer market for missiles being somewhat limited—thereby driving up the prices of other goods. In addition to this, she pointed out a less widely recognized fact—that military spending provides fewer jobs than any other government expenditure.

The Crittendon article was an exacting explanation of how the economy affects people. This is the kind of reportage needed if the people are to be more than sheep tended by incompetent shepherds.

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Perspective



Credit by exam—CLEP'ing English

By Bill Stetar

Must a person be an excellent writer to earn credit through the College Level Examination Program (CLEP)? The MTSU English department believes just that.

To earn credit through CLEP in English 102, 103, 211 and 221, a student must produce a 90-minute, extemporaneous essay of "superior quality." In addition, the student must achieve a rank in the 50th percentile or higher in the one-and-a-half-hour objective portion in each of the CLEP exams for these courses.

When asked if he thought the department's standard of minimally requiring an essay of "A" quality was too stringent, Dr. John McDaniel, Chairman of the English Department, replied: "No. That's the price you have to pay to get three hours of credit."

McDANIEL explained that the department considered the 50th percentile rank "not a very stiff, discriminating number." He explained that the English department felt that the objective portion of the CLEP English exams—taken in lieu of these courses—gave no indication of a person's ability to write.

Why the English department considers a rank in the 50th percentile of the objective test to be less than satisfactory is difficult to understand. The percentile rank compares an individual's level of performance with students who have completed course work in that specific subject area.

For example, a scaled score of 50 in the CLEP College Composition exam would place a person in the 49th percentile rank—meaning that 49 percent of the test group who took the same examination (at the end of a course in composition) scored lower than that individual.

AT THE SAME time, those college students who ranked in the 49th percentile received at least a final grade of "C" in the course. Yet, at MTSU, a final grade of "D" in English 102 will earn anyone three semester hours of credit—while a 49th percentile in the corresponding CLEP exam will not.

THE STANDARD of requiring an "A" level essay as a premise for granting credit in English through CLEP is unique to MTSU—at least among several state universities. Memphis State University, for example, awards credit to students who score at least a "C plus" on the essay in any one of the three CLEP English exams that school honors—which includes an exam on composition.

Austin Peay State University also allows credit to be earned in English literature and composition through CLEP and their essay standard is a "C" or better. Two other state universities—University of Tennessee-Chattanooga and Tennessee State—grant credit in English literature through CLEP and do not require an essay.

THE CLEP ESSAY standards for these schools were developed by each university's respective English department. While

some of these schools may require higher or lower percentile ranks than MTSU, none requires MTSU's extraordinary standard of producing an "A" essay.

Dr. William Connelly, Director of Lower Division English, explained that MTSU's English department determined its CLEP essay standard by comparing the department's own composition and writing standards with CLEP's guidelines for evaluating an essay.

ON THAT BASIS, he explained, the Committee of Lower Division English, the group that reviewed the CLEP examinations, recommended that an "A" level essay be made one of the minimum requirements for awarding credit in English through CLEP.

CLEP, however, does not issue the type of guidelines Connelly referred to.

"We do not publish any guidelines for grading the essay," notes Jane Flaherty, Associate Director of CLEP. "(The schools) can grade the essay any way they want."

THE RAMIFICATIONS of having such a high standard for the essay are two-fold. One has to wonder if an institution that requires an "A" ever awards an "A."

"That practice would serve as a way of preventing students from getting credit," notes one national testing expert, "no matter how well they did in the multiple choice section."

On the other hand, there is the approach that programs such as CLEP should only be used as a tool in awarding credit to those persons who would not benefit from taking the course.

THE LATTER philosophy is the one that has been adopted by the English department in developing their standards for awarding credit through CLEP. That approach, however, runs counter to the recommendations set forth by the Council on College Level Examinations.

The council—a division of the College Entrance Examination Board—in 1973 enthusiastically supported the granting of credit through CLEP "at least at the 'C' level, the level at which credit is quite generally granted to transfer students."

The council went on to explain that the grade was the "mean score earned by regularly enrolled college students who participated in the national norms sample and received a grade of 'C' in their college course in the subject concerned."

IN AN ERA where controversy surrounds standards that are too low, one seldom encounters disputes over standards that are set too high. Nevertheless, MTSU's English department does require "superior" standards for passing the CLEP exams but not for passing its courses, and the department's standards within the CLEP exams are conflicting.

To pass the objective portion of the tests, students must demonstrate "minimum competence." On the other hand, for the essay to be considered ac-

ceptable, as Dr. Connelly insists, "the writing must be superior."

In 26 of the CLEP exams administered on this campus—which account for 97 credit hours through a dozen departments—a score in the 50th percentile or higher is considered to be passing. In the other four exams—all of which are in English—an individual must demonstrate "superior skills" in order to pass the exam.

IS THE ENGLISH department's CLEP policy reasonable?

Does withholding credit from a person who has displayed "average" or "above average" writing skills serve in the best interest of the student?

If so, why is a student awarded credit for earning a "D," "C" or "B" in the course?

Given the current state of affairs, all indications point toward a policy that is the result of some form of academic backlash. Such a policy tends to discount the fact that many people can and do acquire satisfactory writing skills outside the classroom.

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Last week FORUM asked readers how they felt about a new law which would allow private enterprise, including foreign companies to buy into gene-splicing concerns. Here are some responses.

Admittedly, foreign companies that buy gene-splicing techniques are taking advantage of decades of research funded by the American taxpayer. The question is—is it an unfair advantage?

Isn't this the American way? Apparently, we have set an example for other nations to follow. No one thought we were "bad guys" when we took the results of years of atomic research by the Germans, the Danes and several other nations. Look what horrors we wrought with the information.

Granted, we were in a race against time. Many persons thought the Nazis were on the brink of discovering how to split the atom. But they weren't and they didn't. We did.

Maybe the real issue here is determining the applications other nations will find for gene-splicing. And don't assume for a minute that our country has any higher standards, morally, ethically or scientifically.

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We elected the damned Republicans. Now we'll have to live their brand of reasoning. Open markets, free trade—no regard for the consequences.

The theory and the actual practice of Friedman economics are two entirely different things. The sale of such powerful weapons as gene-splicing techniques and atomic weapons is definitely one of those things which we need to look at and regulate more closely.

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The topic for discussion this week is:

The major league baseball strike has entered its 13th day, and with no further meetings scheduled between the players and owners, there would appear to be no settlement in sight.

The issue separating the two parties is free-agent compensation. The owners want a quality player rather than a selection in the amateur draft in return for a player lost to another team through the free-agent market.

Major league players claim that their options would be limited if the team signing the free agent has to give up one of its own players.

What is the best solution to this dispute? Who is at fault? Who loses the most because of the strike?

Mail your response to Sidelines, Box 42, or come by Room 310, James Union Building. All letters should include the author's name, campus box number, and telephone number for verification.

Perry O'P's perils persist 'Raiders' rousing entertainment; Spielberg spins splendid story

By PERRY "BUBBA" O'PARSONS
TV Critic

Hello, hello, hello! It's me again. Perry O'Parsons. Did you miss me?

Well, I want all my fans to know that I missed you.

I've been busy so far this summer with a lot of things. The series I was going to do about the Klan just didn't pan out. I went to one of their commando camps, talked with them, got to know them and everything. I was about to knuckle down to some real investigative reporting and found them to be the most boring bunch I've ever known.

SO, SINCE I quit that business, I've been working for a TV station in town. I'm writing sports copy for Jerry O'Azar. And it's really fun. Broadcasting is my life anyway, and Jerry is just so much fun to be around.

Now you folks be sure to watch for Ol' Perry O's sports copy. And when you hear those scathing editorials (like the one a couple of weeks ago about the threats on Billy Martin's life), you remember who's writing them.

Lately I've been spending time in the hospital. I got into a little fracas at Cheers a couple of weeks ago. Some big hotshot said he didn't like what I wrote. So I just told him to stick it up his kazoo. Then this big clod

started punching me. Luckily Piggy was there. He broke both the guy's arms and then sat on him, breaking three ribs on each side.

BUT I'M ALL right, you'll be pleased to know. The doctors say the neck brace should come off in about a week.

But all this free time gives me a lot of time to watch TV. And there are just a few things I want to say.

"DALLAS" UPDATE: Things are looking bleak out on Southfork. That great actor Jim Davis, who played Jock Ewing, bit the dust a few weeks back. Yes, he made it to the end of the trail.

Now, what are the writers of the show going to do? Put him in Paris for the rest of his life? No, they're going to have to kill the old fella off somehow. And my sources in Hollywood tell me that they're really stumped for ideas.

And what's more, they don't care. All the writers are on strike. So they're just trying to soothe us with reruns from years past. Forgive me, but I just think it's a dumb idea. You boys in Hollywood need to get on the ball.

LET'S JUMP ON THE REUNION BANDWAGON: My sources in Hollywood also tell

me that there's going to be a "Beverly Hillbillies" reunion show. About the oil crisis even.

Let me go on the record as saying that this is going a bit too far. I liked the Brady Brides, the "Father Knows Best" reunion show, the "Gilligan's Island" shows have been a dream, even the "Munsters" show was great. But this is too much.

Let me explain why.

I loved the "Beverly Hillbillies," just as America did years ago. But how can they pull off a reunion with only part of the cast? Has no one taken the time to notice that Irene Ryan, who played Granny, is dead?

I'M SORRY, but she was my favorite. What are they going to do, have her off-camera all the time? "Granny, hurry up with the vittles!" (that word "Vittles" always just slayed me)

It just won't work. It won't work!

Well, as I sit in my hospital bed, surrounded by nurses all wanting to know where I get my energy, I think I shall turn myself to other pursuits for the time being.

"General Hospital" is coming on. And I must get a look at what Luke and Laura and that nasty Scorpio character are doing.

By JIM SEYMOUR
Film Critic

Individually, Steven Spielberg and George Lucas are responsible for four of the seven most successful films of all time.

Together, they have made what is perhaps the ultimate summer movie.

"Raiders of the Lost Ark" is the highly touted collaboration of Spielberg and Lucas. It contains all the action, excitement and pure escapist entertainment that made "Star Wars," "Jaws" and "The Empire Strikes Back" such successes.

SET IN 1936, "Raiders" is the story of the search for the legendary Ark of the Covenant, which supposedly houses the real-live Ten Commandments.

Indiana Jones, played by Harrison Ford, is a college professor/archeologist sent by Army Intelligence to recover the Ark before the Nazis do.

His archeological arch-rival, the Frenchman Belloq, is working for the Nazis, busily trying to find the Ark to add another triumph to his own career.

BUT JONES and his sometime girlfriend Marion (Karen Allen), whom we first see running a bar in Nepal, hurry to Egypt (all cinematic archeological digs seem to be in Egypt) and frantically join the race for the discovery and possession of the Ark.

Lucas' story admittedly emulates the Saturday-afternoon serials of the '30s and '40s. Jones and Marion are thrown from one dangerous situation to another. Yet they always manage to escape, thanks to their ingenuity and Jones' handy bullwhip.

Unlike this summer's other blockbuster, "Superman II," however, "Raiders" does not take itself too seriously. There is always a feeling that the character of Jones is about to snicker at himself.

HE MAINTAINS an aura of



Harrison Ford stars as swashbuckling anthropologist Indiana Jones in the rousing new Steven Spielberg-George Lucas adventure film "Raiders of the Lost Ark."

naivete, or perhaps density, instead of the supercool machismo characteristic of the actual heroes of the original serials.

The script, by Lawrence Kasdan from the original story by Lucas and Philip Kaufman, has a very effective balance of humor, melodrama and pure adventure.

Just as the audience thinks Jones and Marion are at their demise, they manage to escape. Then, just as the audience begins to relax, Jones and Marion are back in serious trouble.

SPILBERG'S direction is sharp and concise, showing the flair for action and adventure evidenced earlier in "Jaws" and "1941." He also shows his

fondness for vast settings and special effects, occasionally reminiscent of "Close Encounters of the Third Kind."

There is no great acting in the film. Ford, in the role of Jones, is merely playing a rehash of Han Solo. But the instinctive, resourceful hero is one which he plays well.

Allen relies primarily upon panicky expressions to get through the film. But in a film such as "Raiders," this trick, like most of the others, works.

The pure entertainment value makes "Raiders of the Lost Ark" a perfect summer movie. There is no message, no requirement of audience members except that they sit on the edge of their seats for two hours and enjoy.

Sip 'n' sup on suds 'n' spuds

Piggy digs Ida-ho's potatoes

By PIGGY O'PARSONS
Food Critic

Hi. This is Piggy O'Parsons again (Perry's brother). I went to another place to eat this week, and I am here to tell you all about it.

The place is a new restaurant called Ida-ho's. It is just down the street where the Sig Ep house used to be. Boy, have they really fixed it up since the Sig Ep people used to live there. I went to a party there once and the place looked like a pig sty. I liked it. (Get it -- "Pig" styl).

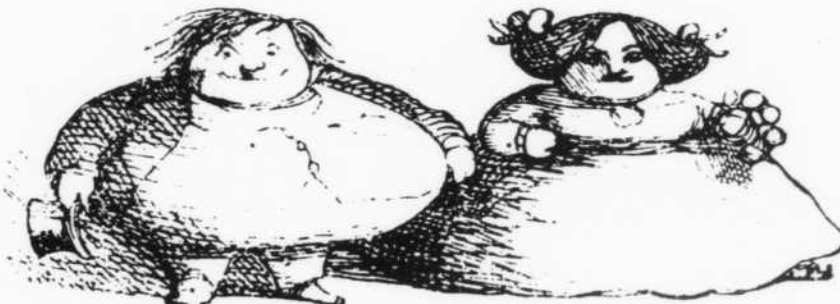
But now it's all fixed up and called Ida-ho's.

ONE DAY last week I took my sister Estelle O'Parsons to eat there. When we walked in, it was real nice. Like I said, the place is really fixed up. There are nice tables everywhere. The neatest part is the fancy chairs that swing around in the seat, while the feet stay in one place.

So me and Estelle walked in and got a menu. It has a choice of sandwiches (better than the grill's) and a bunch of different kinds of potatoes. Well, not different potatoes. They're all baked potatoes. You can just get different stuff on top of your baked potato.

When I found out they specialized in potatoes, I got the joke about the name. See if you get it. Ida-ho's. Now-potato. That's kind of funny, isn't it? That's also where I got the joke about a pig sty.

I ORDERED my food. I ordered a meatball sandwich



Gourmands Piggy and Estelle O'Parsons

and a baked potato. The meatball sandwich was pretty good, but it was real messy. The meatballs weren't too awfully good; I think they put sugar in the sauce or something. I got a baked potato with butter and sour cream. It was pretty good.

Estelle had a grilled cheese sandwich. She gave me half of it and it was pretty good. But I don't get real excited about grilled cheese sandwiches. She had a potato with just cheese and bacon bits on it. She likes cheese.

They have beer there, too. It's always good. They give you big, cold mugs that are full of beer. I drank about two pitchers.

I looked all over their menu and saw a lot of other neat stuff. They can put almost anything you want on a baked potato. They even have mushrooms, some kind of chicken stuff and meatballs that you can get on your potato.

THEY HAVE a salad bar, too. I got to look at it and it

looked like an average salad bar.

I didn't eat anything on it, because I don't like salad. Salad is like fruit. It makes me go to the bathroom a lot.

I think the only thing I didn't like about the new restaurant Ida-ho's is the prices. They charge you 95¢ for just the potato. Then they charge you for every little thing you put on it. And if you're like me, and like lots of junk on your baked potato, that's gonna cost a bunch of money. So that's what I didn't like about it.

But the place is real nice. And the people there are real nice. Maybe some day they could put a bunch of other food on the menu. If they get a good restaurant going, they'll put the grill out of business. (The grill is the place I reviewed last week. I didn't like it.)

So if it's a between-class snack, or even a whole meal like lunch or supper, go to Ida-ho's and eat some of these things I wrote about. And you'll be glad you did.

CLEP

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ADMISSIONS and Records will award credit if the test scores are satisfactory but no letter grades or quality points are assigned. As a result, credits earned through CLEP do not affect a student's grade point average. An unsatisfactory CLEP test score will not appear on a student's transcript.

One stipulation of obtaining credit through CLEP is that the student must not have previously received credit in the MTSU course for which the exam was taken. Also, the number of times a specific test may be taken is limited to twice a year.

The CLEP examinations are offered only to MTSU students by the Guidance and Counseling Office on the third Monday of each month except February and December. The cost for one test is \$22, and each additional test is \$18.

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Gordon speech

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HE FURTHER evaded comment on the substance of Gordon's charges by evoking the ghost of "Governor Past" by saying that the aim of Alexander as governor is, "above all, to behave himself in office and restore integrity, character and dignity to that office."

State Republican Party Chairman Charles Overby added his own humor and took another jab at the Democrats through Blanton when he said, "Bart Gordon's criticizing Lamar Alexander is like Ray Blanton teaching ethics courses."

GORDON'S report contained significant criticisms of the Alexander administration, including cutbacks in education funding, the raising of taxes by \$100 million and other actions that conflict with the governor's campaign promises.

Although he started out on his flight across the state to seriously evaluate the governor's performance in office, Gordon only seems to have drawn remarks about his own experience and performance and to have given the Republicans another chance to beat the old Blanton horse again.

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Baseball hopefuls try out

By NATHAN JERNIGAN
Sports Writer

Never let it be said that opportunity doesn't knock for those who live in the confines of Middle Tennessee. For those of you who dream of being a major league baseball player, you had your chance.

Yesterday, major league baseball's winningest team of the past decade, the Cincinnati Reds, held a baseball tryout camp at the MTSU baseball field.

THE REDS were voted the team of the seventies, when under the leadership of manager Sparky Anderson, they captured two World Series championships, four national league pennants, and six western division titles. Throughout the decade, Cincinnati maintained a regular season win percentage of .599, the best in the majors.

In charge of the camp was Red's scouting supervisor Chet Montgomery. He commented

that MTSU had the best baseball field in this area.

"Kids will come from all around to get to try out at a nice park like this," he said.

THE QUALITY of the facilities plus the fact that a major league team cannot hold a tryout within 20 miles of a minor league park made MTSU's field an excellent site for the camp.

Over 100 young men showed up to test their skills, but not all were considered to be of major league caliber by the Reds.

"We will probably be interested in about 10 to 15 kids,"

Montgomery said. "The ones we look at closely we'll keep tabs on throughout their school years and try to sign them with one of our rookie league teams in Billings, Mont. or Eugene, Ore."

According to Montgomery, two to four percent of the young men present could quite possibly sign a major league contract some day.

Who knows, the little skinny kid who decided to go to the tryout at the last minute may become baseball's next Johnny Bench.



MTSU right-hander Mark Smith has signed a contract with the Atlanta Braves. Smith will report to Atlanta's minor league facilities in Bradenton, Fla. today.

Simpson inks wingers Dorsey and Fowler

By WAYNE PANTER
Sports Writer

MTSU's men's basketball team has signed two outstanding players for the 1981-82 season.

Dwayne Dorsey, a 6-foot-4-inch, 190 pound wing, enters MTSU as a junior from Gainesville Junior College in Georgia.

WHILE in Georgia, Dorsey played wing and was voted his team's most outstanding player. He was also named "Georgia Junior College Player of the Year".

Prior to an injury, Dorsey was averaging 23 points per game. He attended Abendale High School in Decatur, Alabama.



Dwayne Dorsey

Dave Fowler, another 6-foot-4 inch wing at 180 pounds, enters MTSU as a freshman from Moline Senior High School in Illinois.

FOWLER, described as a "blue chip wing man", averaged 18 points and ten rebounds per game.

He was the top player on his high school team and considered a quick forward.

Titles attained by Fowler include All-Conference, All-State, and first team selection on the All-Iowa West-Illinois East squad.

Fowler also played in the Illinois Coaches All-Star Classic.

ACCORDING to assistant basketball coach Larry Slaughter, Fowler's outside shooting ability is what attracted the attention of many coaches.

As a result, Fowler had several offers from both Divisions I and II but chose MTSU on the advice from his high school coach, Don "Whitey" Verstrate.

Verstrate and MTSU head basketball coach Stan Simpson were teammates at Georgia Southern University.

FOWLER plans to study business and computer science.

"Both Fowler and Dorsey will have to play hard to make the senior-dominated squad; however, we are high on both," coach Slaughter said.

Stanford lands twelve recruits

By STEVE PRICE
Sports Editor

With all the success coach John Stanford and his baseball Raiders enjoyed this past season, one would think that all he needs is 12 more diamondmen fighting for jobs.

Well, that's just what Stanford has because he has signed 12 new Raiders for the 1982 season.

CATCHER MIKE Norment is gone so junior college recruits Ronnie Vaughn and Darrell Keeton, twin brother of MTSU third baseman Buster Keeton, will join the fight for the starting catchers job. According to Stanford, (Darrell) Keeton has a good arm and is hard nosed, just like his brother.

Looking to take over first base will be Scott Turner, a .360 hitter from Roane State who led his team in homers.

In the running for the second base position will be Jimmy Petty, a switch-hitter from Vol State, who can hit the long ball but needs work on the fundamentals.

SEARCHING FOR spots in the outfield will be Brad

Story, a left-handed power hitter and Wayne Newberry, the best all-around player signed by Stanford. Newberry is a contact hitter with good speed and excellence defense.

Left-handed pitching landed by Stanford includes Merlin Blackwood, a control pitcher from Motlow with a 13-2 record the past two years, and Doug Paschual, who led Antioch High School to the state championship two years ago.

Pitchers from the right-handed side are Greg Johnson and Mike Clay, both transfers from Vol State along with high school signees Brian Dial and Robert McDonald.

DIAL, A POWER pitcher, hails from Shelbyville, and Sparta's McDonald is much the same type pitcher as Dial but throw the breaking ball more often.

"I feel we've done a pretty good job if filling all the positions," Stanford said.

Stanford signed every player he was after except for southpaw pitcher Virgil Connely, who chose to attend UT Martin.

Leonard featured in 'Astrowars'

By BILL WARD
Managing Editor

Two undefeated champs will be putting their titles on the line at the "Welterweight Astrowars" tomorrow night, but the most popular pugilist in the Astrodome ring will be risking virtually nothing and taking in the most money.

Sugar Ray Leonard, arguably the world's most popular boxer, puts his 29-1 record and little else on the line against unbeaten WBA junior middleweight champ Ayeb Kalule of Uganda.

Leonard will earn \$2.5 million, while Kalule, who is picked by promoter Bob Arum to win the bout, will take home a mere \$150,000.

ON THE same card, WBA



Sugar Ray Leonard

welterweight champion Thomas "Hitman" Hearns will go after his 30th knockout in 32 pro matches against young Pablo Baez, in an obvious tuneup for a big-bucks battle with WBC titleholder Leonard.

Both bouts, as well as under-card fights featuring former welterweight champ Pipino Cuevas and junior middleweight Tony Ayala Jr., will be televised via closed-circuit at Nashville's Tennessee Theater.

Tickets for the telecast, which begins at 8 p.m., are available at all Centra-Tik outlets, including the Theater.

LEONARD has carried on the usual Ali-like sideshow in prepping for the bout, drawing thousands of paid visitors, including Moses Malone and J.R. Richard, to his pre-fight sparring matches and calling his opponent an "advanced amateur."

Kalule, who will enjoy a three-inch reach advantage, has added to the festivity by bringing in a witch doctor to put a curse on Sugar Ray. The 27-year-old southpaw, who is 36-0 with 28 knockouts, will be making his fifth title defense.

MEMPHIS native Hearns, who moved to Detroit at age six, hopes that the Baez fight is a

springboard to a welterweight title bout with Leonard; then, the 1980 Fighter of the Year wants to fight Marvin Hagler for the middleweight crown and eventually shoot for the light-heavyweight and cruiserweight titles. There are many who believe he can do it.

"I've never seen a welterweight hit like Hearns," said the late Joe Louis of the man whose pro fights have averaged less than five rounds, with but two opponents able to go the distance. "Nobody, not even heavyweights, hit that fast or that hard."

HEARNS defeated Cuevas for the WBA crown last August, utilizing a 78 inch reach, powerful left hook and perhaps boxing's most devastating stare.

"The look in Hearns' eyes was really frightening," referee Stan Christodoulou said after that match. "Like he was saying, 'I'm going to kill you.' It was the meanest look I've ever seen."

Another interested observer, Leonard's trainer Angelo Dundee, was recently asked how to fight Hearns.

"With a machine gun, a pistol and a baseball bat," Dundee barked.

LIKE Hearns, Leonard aspires for the middleweight title, and even Hearns will likely be rooting for him tomorrow night, because the inevitable Leonard-Hearns bout would bring the victor the junior-middleweight crown.

Regardless, Sugar Ray will finish the night as he begins it, squarely on top of "Hitman" 's list.

That's the only losing situation Leonard faces, and he has \$2.5 million worth of silver lining that cloud.

Football program cuts season ticket prices

In an attempt to bolster attendance and support of MTSU football, the athletic program

has decided to slice the price of its 1981 football season tickets in half.

Fans purchasing season tickets prior to August 27 will receive a six-ticket package for \$12.

The six home games will feature OVC matches against Murray State, Western Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky, and rival Tennessee Tech along with new conference member Youngstown State and non-conference foe UT Martin.



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