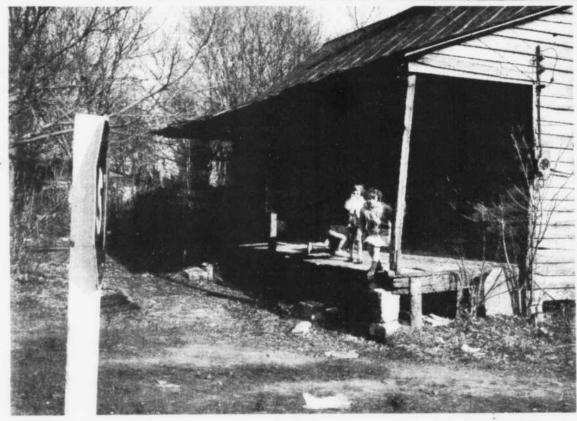
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The city has not been



These children, residents of Murfreesboro's McFadden area, flash smiles from wooded porch of a home typical of that section of town. City planners say an access route to I-24 will mean the destruction of many homes in the McFadden area, creating a need for more public housing.

Some 125 low-rent housing units will be ready by the first of July for residents of subable to improve this area before because there has been standard housing districts in Murfreesboro, John Matheny, no place to relocate these families, Matheny added. city building official, said yes-William Welch, city planning director, pointed out that in the terday.

The new units, located on Sulpher Springs Road, are a part of a program to provide adequate housing for residents of the McFadden and Bradley Holloway areas. An additional 200 units--to be located on Bradyville Pike--are expected to be completed at a later date.

The new units will have central heating, air conditioning and concrete floors with vinyl Each three-bedcoverings. room unit will rent for about \$90 a month, Matheny said. There are about 250 fam-

ilies living in substandard homes in the McFadden area

will enable them to make ef-

fective and meaningful contri-

butions to society in later life,"

Merville stated that the honor

system as proposed, "will be a

compact of mutual trust between

the students and the faculty.

The students will pledge that the

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and the faculty members in turn

shall not question the students integrity."

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portant because it will provide

an atmosphere of trust so essential to the fulfillment of the University's purpose--that of

developing men and women of character who can recognize and live the truth.

oneself more than to cheat others. Here at MTSU, our

first concern is the human in-

tellect, but our ultimate con-

cern is the human being. If

we had to make a choice among

human values, we would choose

"To abandon honor is to cheat

Merville said that, "The

Merville declared.

M'boro Low-Rent Housing Readied

By Michael Goforth

of the property and structures to increase, of course. Nine-Year Plan

The city is currently involved in a nine-year redevelopment plan, according to Welch.

next few years the relocation of Highway 96 as an access

to Interstate 24 will pass through this area. The ac-

cess road will cause the value

Matheny has divided the city into nine districts, and each year one district is concentrated on to upgrade the housing there. Dwellings are inspected to see if they meet with the standards set by the Murfreesboro Housing Codes. If they are found to be substandard, a certain amount of time is given to the owner to make improvements. If these improvements aren't made, the owner is cited to city court and charged on a misdemeanor. So far, no charges have been made, Welch said yes-

The program also provides the owners of substandard houses with aid in acquiring funds and time to raise the condition of the dwelling.

The program in the second year of operation is currently concerned with the northwest area of Murfreesboro. There are about 12 substandard dwellings in this section, Matheny said.

The building official said of less substandard homes were taken first because of the lack of accomodations to facilitate families from the McFadden and Bradley Holloway areas.

Welch added that in this way people who owned substandard property had an opportunity to know they had a certain length of time to meet standards. It also would give city officials time to see how the program



The Lines Were Long

Chaplain Ridicules Evolution, Unbelievers

By Carla Neal

The Chaplain of Bourbon Street, Brother Bob Harrington, has given the righteous of this campus a new weapon with which to lampoon sinners -laughter.

"Lots of kids come home from their first semester of college all upset because their professor taught them that man evolved from the monkeys. Don't believe him -- maybe he knows his ancestors better than you do," he told an audience here Monday night.

'People don't believe in hell anymore. Once I asked a drunk (who was holding up the house) why he didn't believe in hell and he said, 'Man, the way I'm

living, there had better not be a hell!"

"But a lot of you folks must believe in hell. Why, today in the Grill I heard it three times. One old boy yelled at another one, 'Go to hell!' I asked that boy, 'Are you saved?' He said he wasn't. I said to him, 'Well you'd better catch up with your buddy yonder because you're going with him!"

All this is delivered in a dynamic style that soon absorbs his audience completely. "People may not agree with what I say, but they sure don't go to sleep," he said. Brother Bob seems to have

captivated this campus. Reactions of students are highly favorable, for the most part.
"I was really impressed."

"I liked the points he made." "Students didn"t expect to have the finger of sin pointed at them." 'I liked him but I didn't agree with everything he said." "There are denomhe said. There are denominational differences but basically we agree." "He was pretty glib." "I never heard anyone preach like he did."

"He really didn't say anything." "He presented the gospel and he was entertaining."

Harrington's repertoire includes a lot more fast talk and jokes that make him popular not only in strip-tease joints, Lions Club meetings, revivals and churches, but on college

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Honor System

Merville Outlines Need To Eliminate Cheating

Ronald Merville, a Nashville freshman, in a speech to the ASB Senate last Thursday night proposed that the Senate undertake a study of installing an "honor system for students to eliminate cheating" here at

"The main purpose of this honor system is to stimulate in students the realization that as individuals, they must develop stands of character which

MTSU Students Answer Kimberly's Call for Blood

Cross Bloodmobile, which visited MTSU on Tuesday, March 4, was sponsored by the ROTC Track and Sabre Club.

The blood drive came in answer to an acute blood shortage due to the Vietnam War. This drive will also help four-yearold Kimberly Blackman, daughter of Mrs. Marilyn Blackman, instructor in the MTSU Department of Nursing. Kimberly is a victim of leukemia and travels St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis every month for almost complete blood transfusion.

According to Jim Free, ASE president, this was the most successful blood drive that MTSU has ever had. Free states, "I have never been prouder of the student body for contributing to such a worthy cause."

The campaign itself was a contest organized by the Track and Sabre Club. Cadet Tom Helton, chairman of the drive, announced the winners.

First place in the fraternity division went to Chi Alpha Pi, who had the most donars in percentage to the total number of members. Second place went to Kappa Alpha Fraternity. The KAP's will receive a first place

trophy and a couch.
In the club's and organization's division Kappa Alpha Fraternity took first place, and they will receive a trophy, a table, and lamp, a mirror, and two throw rugs. KA's had the largest number of donor's than all other organizations. Second place went to Chi Alpha Pi Fraternity.

The prizes were donated by local merchants, and the ROTC Department furnished the tro-

Keith Fair was the winner of the \$25 gift certificate spon-sored by the Men's Shop, and Sandy Baugh won the \$25 gift certificate donated by the Cotton Patch.

Winners of the Goodyear golf umbrellas were Thomas Francis, Nickey Mackey, Arthur Taylor, Steve Travis, and Gary Watts.

The Red Cross Volunteers provided all the donaters with cookies and cokes. Mrs. Der-

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Low-Rent Units.

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Federal Money

Welch said the city had been applying for federal funding for the past year and a half. The federal government would not approve the application, of course, unless a place was ready to receive the displaced persons.

Since then the federal government has changed this program and suggested the withdrawal of the application since Murfreesboro hasn't met the new requirements, according to Welch.

Welch said the urban renewal program required two steps. First, the money to plan the project had to be provided, and second, the approved plans then go into execution with federal funding.

Water Shared

Two residents of the "Happy Hills" section of the McFadden area commented on conditions there Tuesday.

Both ladies said they rented their houses from prominent citizens in Murfreesboro. One said she paid \$12 rent and the other \$16.

When asked if they had access to city water, both burst into laughter, then told how they had a water hydrant in the back of the house and that it was shared by six families. They added however most hydrants were being shared by only three or four families.

Concerning rats, both said they had problems with them

Alpha Delta Pi

To Go National

Alpha Delta Pi national soro-

rity became the first national

sorority to come on the MTSU

campus when their conony here was initiated as Epsilon Tau

Installation of the colony,

which took place Saturday at

9 a.m., was followed by a for-

mal banquet held in Woodmore

Friday night pledges of the

colony were initiated as pledges

of the chapter. Gifts to the new

chapter from Alpha Delta Pi

chapters all over the country

were also received at this time.

the chapters from the Univer-

sity of Tennessee, University

of Chattanooga, and the Univer-

sity of Tennessee at Martin. Pi

Omega Colony of Alpha Delta

Pi from Tennessee Tech were

guests of the chapter at a tea

Sunday held at the Kappa Sigma

The colony was initiated by

Cafeteria Saturday night.

First Sorority

chapter Saturday.

and that neither the city nor federal governments had offered any help in the controlling of rodents.

Matheny stated that the health department said the best time for rat control was in the winter months, andthat plans now include a program to start rat control in Murfreesboro next November or December.

When asked if the city had provided any recreation for their children, the two McFadden residents said no, but on Saturdays, they added, a woman from a local church picks up some of the children and takes them to a "Project Love" to play. They did not know which church sponsored the program.

Rumor Refuted

This past week, a rumor which alleged that the city council had misused federal funds was being circulated on the

accusations.

Welch said that to his knowa private development and the

Plan to Eliminate Compulsory Class Attendance : Jean

Mike Jean, ASB House member, plans to introduce a proposal to the House of Representatives calling for the elimination of compulsory class attendance.

In an interview Tuesday, Jean said that his idea has met with a mixed response among both students and faculty.

When asked about the chances of success, Jean indicated that he thought there was a good chance of seeing the issue closed favorably. To accom-plish this end, Jean has prepared a two-pronged approach consisting of the ASB proposal and a Faculty petition in support of the proposal.

The reasons for the abolishment of compulsory attendance are many in number. Among those given by Jean are the thought that this is an "unnec-essary ritual" that takes away from the student the right to assume the responsibility of getting himself to class, and furthermore, how heis supposed to use the money he has paid to attend MTSU. Jean contends ciples of academic freedoms that was so much a part of

the ASB elections last year.
"The purpose of this proposal is to eliminate the time consuming roll call, to do away with the necessisity for the teacher to keep bothersome attendance records, and to allow the student more freedom to determine what actions are in his best interests.

Ed. Dept. Focuses On Student Teachers

for the M.T.S.U. Education Department at the present time. All concern has been focused on student teachers, causing a delay in further plans, according to David Singer, assistant professsor of education.

Students involved in this program will continue to teach until March 28, at which time they will return to M.T.S.U. to continue their studies. A second term of student teaching is scheduled for a period beginning April 7 and continuing through May 23.

Much hard work is required of students showing a desire to enter the teaching profession. Each must have a 2.0 overall grade point average near the end of his sophomore year at which time he must apply for the Teacher Preparation Program.

Students planning to teach grades 7-12 must have a major some teaching field and

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and over understanding. Our concern for honor, for integrity, extends beyond the classroom to all things all students do," Merville stated.

Merville further stated, "The presence of the honor system is important for two reasons. First, a university in which students are responsible for their own affairs stimulates the development of individual character in a setting which is revelant to the democratic society in which we live. Second, a

student organization can deal with violations of honor as justly as the University administra-

The privilege which enables such an organization to handle these cases is at the same time greatest responsibility, "Merville stated.

City Official Questions Use Of Legion Home

City officials will investigate today the use of the American Legion Home, South Hancock Street, by a local fraternity here that utilizes the structure as a party annex, it was learned vesterday.

John R. Matheny, Murfreesboro building offical, said he will notify Lambda Psi members today. He said the city has questioned the fraternity's plans for the structure and the adequacy of parking space at the home, which is located in a residentially-zoned neighborhood. He did not elarorate.

Andy King, fraternity president, could not be reached for comment.

Also a maximum credit of 33 semester hours in professional education courses is needed.

Over-all grade point average for those students wanting to teach grade 1-12 is boosted to at least 2.15 prior to recommendation for certification.

Directed Teaching is offered to the student during his second semester junior or first semester senior year. Either way the student is required to have an average of 2.15 and must have at least 80 hours of college credit.

Applications then must be filed for the teacher education program showing completion of Education III and 211. Each student at this time should have a grade point average of 2.25. This application must be accepted before the student is allowed to enroll in 300 and 400 courses.

An over-all average of 2.25 is required for all seeking a recommendation of certifi-

MTSU Senior portraits will be ready Wednesday at Delbridge Studios, 124 N. Spring Street.

ASB Senate To Consider

Unicameral The ASB Senate will consider

the proposal for a one-house student assembly at its 6:30 p. m. meeting today, Doug Bennett, senate speaker, said yesterday.

The ASB House of Representatives will not meet this week.

For official acceptance of the unicameral representive body, the proposal must be passed twice in both the House and Senate, and it must be approved in an all-campus assembly, according to the ASB constitution.

Bennett said the assembly is tentatively scheduled for ll a. m. March 20 in the UC theater, pending House and Senate ap-

Call For Blood

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rington, head of the Red Cross Volunteers, was pleased at such a turn-out.

Pat O'Neal, speaker of the se, says, "I am really House, says, gratified at the response of the student body, in particular the cadet ROTC Brigade. I would like to thank the student body as a whole for their outstanding response.

LICENSE PLATES may be purchased at the Rutherford County Courthouse ALL DAY SATURDAY as well as Mon. thru Fri.

Ben Hall Mc Farlin

MTSU campus.

This rumor--which charged the council with using urban redevelopment funds to curb streets in the new Riverview suburb--appears now to be no more than the result of false

ledge, there has been no such funding, and that Riverview was contractors were required to provide curbs, water and sewer facilities without any public



The cast for "The Death of Bessie Smith" includes (left to right): Don Coleman - Bernie; Andrea Lindsey - Nurse; Ronnie Burns -Intern; Sylvester Brooks - Orderly; Susan Karsch - Second Nurse; Dana Lowe - Father; Robert Rucker - Jack. Also being presented is another one-act play, "Passion, Poison, and Putrifaction," by George Bernard Shaw and directed by Pam Owen. Reservations for the plays, which are being shown free March II-15 in the DA Arena Theatre, may be obtained at the UC.



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CANDID CAMPUS

A majority of students feel that Middle Tennessee may be pushed aside by the expansion of the University of Tennessee to Chattanooga and Nashville.

The question was: Do you think the recent University of Tennessee expansion to Nashville and Chattanooga will affect MTSU's growth both through physical facilities and enrollment?

Annette Milligan; Murfrees-

boro junior
"No. I don't think so. It's still a state supported institupayers will still support their schools." tion, and the same town tax-

Derry Cochran; Cleveland

junior
"I think a lot of people who normally might come to MTSU will go to UTC because it will be as cheap. I hope the state Annette Milligan will appropriate extra money Derry Cochran for the new schools."

Kenneth Smith; Nashville

"MTSU is also offering classes at the UT Extension in Nashville. I think that UT is overexpanding and it will lose its identity as a school. I believe that by expanding to Nashville and Chattanooga, they will cheapen the quality of their degrees in the business world.**

Steve Ingram; Shelbyville freshman

"It might in a way, because the students who commute from Nashville could save a little money by going there. It is also more convenient for them."

Beth Purser; Dayton fresh-

"I think that it definitely will affect Middle Tennessee unless something is done about the rules for students. The present codes aren't satisfactory to any of the students. Unless MTSU expands its programs the money appropriated will be less for us and more for them."

Willie Brown; Nashville

senior
"I believe it will affect M FSU, because the state will be supporting three UT campuses instead of one. This will push MTSU farther down the ladder in receiving financial aid and additional physical facilities, thus curtailing the growth of the university. For some students this university is a stepping stone for UT. However I think that Middle Tennessee is academically on par with any
university in this state."

Allen Coggins; Oak Ridge

senior
"It will probably have some effect on the growth. There are more students going to colleges now and there will have to be more facilities for them. I think that in the near future UT at Knoxville will be primarily a graduate school and that their other facilities as well as the other state universities will concentrate on undergraduate programs."





Beth Purser



Allen Coggins

Chaplain

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campuses. And he says he doesn't change his style or his message for any of these places.

After evaluating his show, however, one is left wondering what he had to say other than worn-out or even fresh cliches.

The following are quotes from Brother Bob, taken from his Monday night and Tuesday night lectures and from some classroom sessions he attended.

Young People

"Young people in churches today are anchored to a building and a program rather than to the Lord." "Young people are so conformist that they are all going to hell together just to stay with the crowd." "The problem today with young people is that they are wondering who they are, where they re going, but they couldn't care less." "Girls don't sin anymore today -- they just get caught."

Religion

"I don't have time to argue my religion, man. I just accept it on faith." "People today want their clergymen to lie to them." "Churches today are full of people filling the pew but waiting to get home to the stew." "Little thinkers become big stinkers."

Agnostics don't recommend their way of life even if they scoff at Christians." "There are so many theological eggheads and clockers behind the pulpit that you would think that God is sick." "It muddles the theological waters to try to understand everything. Man can't understand even the sim-plest thing he does." "Man should question things but not until he has his heart right with God."

Riots

"Young people who riot are ut of the will of God. Students have no right to use violence or rebellion to overrule authority. Look at Romans 13:13. God says blessed are the peacemakers.**

Morality

"A girl who smokes will do just about anything." "People don't call it adultery and fornication anymore -- they call it free love." "People don't become drunkards anymore --they become alcoholics."

Young Democrats Sponsor Car Wash

The MTSU Young Democrats will have a car wash Saturday, March 8, from 10-4. It will be held at the Bel Aire 66 on Greenland Drive. Tickets are \$1.00.

WORSHIP

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Viet Nam

"I don't like war in general, but man will always choose to sin and war. The Bible says that there will be wars and rumors of wars until the Prince of Peace comes."

Racial Prejudice

"The problem is not skin but sin."

Homosexuality

"Homosexuality is an unnatural sin, it says in the Bible. All the rest -- murder, drunkenness, gambling, adultery -are natural sins.

Elmer Gantrys

"The Bible talks about spiritual wickedness in high places, and preachers are human just like everybody else." "People like to call me an Elmer Gantry, but I'm not. Being an evangelist doesn't make me sterile, though."

Hypocrites

"You can't get the hypocrites out until you get the real ones acting like it."



Brother Bob

Brother Bob is careful (when answering theological or controversial questions) to be very general. The only time you get a straight answer from him is when you ask about his life, his successes, or his work on Bourbon Street.

He is a living example of how righteousness may prosper. He will soon appear on five TV shows, including the Joey Bishop, Johnny Carson, Mike Douglas, Smothers Brothers, and Ed Sullivan Show. (Warner Brothers has also cast him to play himself in a movie of his life.) His life story is scheduled to be printed soon.

Brother Bob may not have anything new to say to this campus, but he is an extremely good entertainer.

Kappa Sigma Installed Sat.

NA STREET NOWS ...

The entrance of national Greek organizations on this campus continues this weekend when Sigma Colony of Kappa Sigma fraternity is installed as Kappa lota Chapter of Kappa Sigma.

Initiation for the colony begins at 12:01 a.m. Saturday morning. From 1:30 to 5:30 p. m. that afternoon the colony will attend an explanatory lec-

Abanquet will follow that night at 8:15 p. m. Guests will include alumni, school officials, parents and dates of the new chapter's members. Guest speaker for the banquet will be Horton Early, Worthy Grand Ritualist of Kappa Sigma. A certificate of installation will be presented to the chapter at that time. Approximately 75 members and alumni will be initiated.

Over 100 out of town guests are expected this weekend including five initiating teams from Western Kentucky, Vanderbilt, Tennessee, University of Chattanooga, and Indiana State University. Tennessee will send 25 members and Chattanooga will send about 40 members in addition to their initiating teams.

Series

A five-part series—discussing the "Black Movemen: in America"—will begin in he SIDELINES Monday and will run through March 24.

The essays, to be written by five students and faculty members, will be titled "Why?," "History of the Black Movement, 1960-68," "The Black Student," "The Separatism Movement" and "Bring Us Together."

The purpose of the series? To take a look at today's events associated with the black move ment, the student's relation to them and a discussion of Black



Kenneth Smith

Willie Brown

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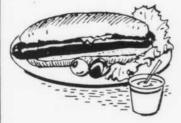
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MTSU's 'Activists' Can Be Commended

Several students at the University of Tennessee have formed a special interest group aimed at counteracting the current trends toward student radicalism.

The organization—called the "Majority Coalition"-was cofounded by two students. one of them Jim Duncan, son of 2nd District Rep. John J. Duncan, a Republican. The UT student said last week that members of his new group feel that the actions of student activists "are definitely not representative of the student body as a whole."

Today, when student protest and campus turmoil seem as much a part of campus life as football and fraternities, these words seem misdirected. Listen to reports from colleges and universities across the nation-Duke, Brandeis, Wisconson, Berkely and nearby Stillman in Alabama.

But consider the philosophy of the UT coalition. Time magazine reported last week that the elements that fomented those campus disorders represent only about two percent of the entire student body. A majority of the students, it was reported, have no interest at all in the radical policies advocated in this, the winter and spring of our discontent.

Several person at MTSU scorn the attempts to revitalize antiquated procedures. Some simply refuse to listen to new ideas: student social freedoms and elimination of race prejudice. But it is hoped that these uninterested persons will maintain their silence and not disrupt the process that has been made. An irrational action now could waste a good deal of effort.

President Kennedy said:

When you make peaceful revolution impossible, you make violent revolution inevitable." Erwin Kelley, a striking economics professor at San Francisco State College, said the Kennedy quote sums up the explanation for strife at that California school.

A peaceful revolution has begun here, and it has netted, so far, the appointment of a new committee to review the campus rules structure.

We needed no student activists like those on the UT campus and at Vanderbilt University. We have our own brand of "activists" here, and those who care can be proud.



"TO YOU, IT'S A WAR. TO ME, IT'S A LIVING."

Letter

ASB Activities Include All Facets

To the editor:

The Associated Student Body, since the beginning of the previous semester, has involved itself in as many areas of University life as possible. We feel that our purpose is one of student representation within all facets of the educational system. A student government can only be as effective as it makes itself, and we are trying to make our voice heard by all here at MTSU...An emerging regional university such as MTSU will have to undergo a series of progressive changes to "keep up." The ASB has successfully made its voice heard in the area of social rules--specifically, the COED the women students of this university for liberalization of the CODES, the ASB has attempted (we feel very successfully) to do so. In the near future Dr. Scarlett will appoint a committee made up of the Dean of Students, the Dean of Women, three faculty members, and five students to examine and compare all of the social rules, hopefully leading to progressive and liberal changes.

We feel that the communications link initiated by the ASB brought about this step. We would like to thank all of the students who aided us in our efforts. The quick response given by the administration to our appeals was heartening; however, we will not be satisfied until progressive change becomes policy.

Another concern has been the area of academic affairs. The student government is now in the process of sponsoring a faculty evaluation. Our major purpose for attending this university is to gain an education. To this end, we are sponsoring a student evaluation of the faculty in an attempt to improve education at MTSU. The tone of our evaluation is a positive one, and we only hope that this will be understood. We are concerned only with assisting the instructor in the improvement of the educational process at MTSU, not with the embarrassment of any one

Recently the ASB created a committee of twelve students to consider the improvement of instruction at this university. Senator Bart Gordon was appointed as chairman; we look forward to some constructive criticisms from this committee. Dr. Scarlett has suggested that the Faculty Senate appoint a similar committee which would coordinate its efforts with those of the student committee, almost assuring some significant developments in the area of instructor improve-

The ASB takes considerable pride in the concern already evidenced by students for this

very critical part of the university's sphere of influence. We sincerely hope, that this interest will not be discouraged in any way.

Still another area of concern for the ASB has been the critical problem of internal revision. A plan for a unicameral legislature has been presented to the student body. Action is expected on this issue within a month. The advantages of a one-house legislature are quite obvious to those students who are familiar with MTSU's present cumbersome system. The system would greatly increase the efficiency of the student government. At this time the ASB appears little more than a "toy" with its bi-cameral system. The difficulties aroused by unequal representation in the House is itself reason enough for change. We feel that the ASB can become more effective in voicing the wishes of the student body if this change is effected.

We have worked hard this year, and plan to work even harder in the coming months, both for the students and the whole university community. Our only request is that the students advise and discuss with us any ideas they might have concerning the ASB and its role in governing the univer-

Jim Free

DeGaulle Has Own Way To View Nixon's Trip

WASHINGTON .- There are two ways of viewing President Nixon's trip to Europe. There is our way. And there is De Gaulle's way. Our way -the American way -- is reassuring and familiar. We would rather not notice the De Gaulle way -- and yet there it is, a mild and persistent annoyance -- like crumbs in an otherwise com-

In our way of viewing the President's Grand Tour, everything the President said reaffirmed sacred and established principle. Of course we will defend NATO; of course we have a special relationship with England; of course we seek Western unity. Even Mr. Nixon's declaration that we are all Berliners was but a mild upgrading of what John Kennedy taught us to believe. It was all as customary as the household furni-

To be sure, it was pure ceremony. Nobody actually believes that Mr. Nixon accomplished anything except to show the Europeans that he was not Tricky Dick, but a serious and friendly chief of a great state. The true value of the presidential trip can be summed up in the ancient and bucolic couplet:

The cow kicked Nelly in the belly in the barn; Didn't do her any good, didn't do her any harm.

And yet it did reaffirm what we believe. Or did it? There it is again, that haunting thesis of De Gaulle, casting doubt upon our own innermost consciences as though we were not principled leaders of a grand alliance but mere men,

looking first to our own skins.

De Gaulle doesn't believe what we say. He doesn't believe we believe it. He says that there is in the world "a new and gigantic fact," namely the ability of the Soviet Union to destroy the United States. Because of this fact, he implied, we will not defend Europe. Despite

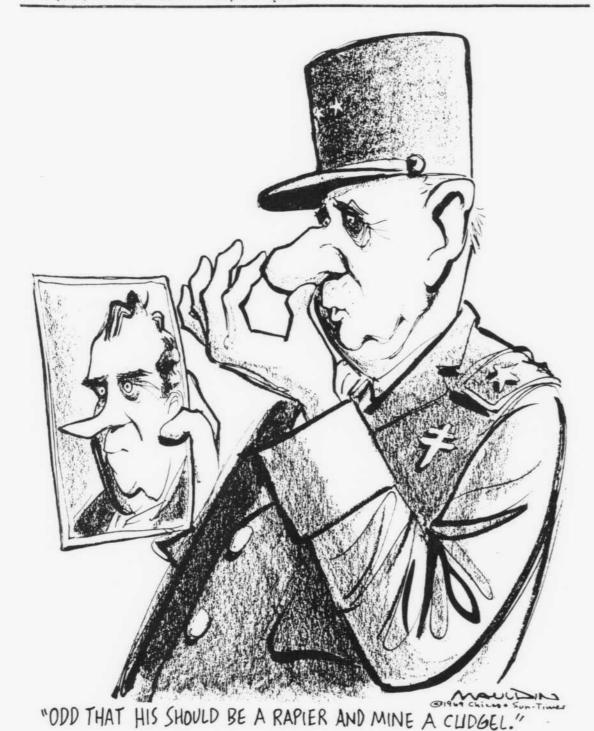
all our phrases, we will look first to ourselves. It was after the missle crisis of October. 1962, that De Gaulle put forth this view, and he used the missile crisis to support it. There is truth to his logic. For in those 13 days of dreadful danger we did not ask the Berliners if they were ready for invasion. We did not ask the Europeans whether they were ready for nuclear war. We dealt with the Russians as one to one. We thought first of ourselves.

De Gaulle's logic implies a question: Would we also think first of ourselves if Soviet troops marched into Berlin? Would we really risk some 20 million dead in a single nuclear exchange in order to prove that we are all Berliners? Or that we believe in European unity? Or that we have a special relationship with England?

Even as Mr. Nixon reaffirms the faith, the devil's advocate gains converts. Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk has expressed fears about a new period of isolation. The greatest part of the U.S. Army, far from being ready to defend the grand alliance, is bogged down in South Vietnam. And who is to say that the young men of America, many of whom view the war is Southeast Asia with such loathing, would look upon a confrontation in Europe as a duty? Particularly, a duty passed on to them by a generation they do not hold in high regard? The De Gaulle view is uncomfortable and shaming. And yet after the Marshall Plan, after the Berlin airlift, after NATO and a united Europe, after all the forgotten phrases, there

It he is right, he will not only have outlived Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill; he will have reversed them--and obliterated the lesson of history which they thought they had handed down.

is that nagging fear that he might be right



Max Lerner

President Nixon Jolts Liberals' Prejudgment

There is a small shelf of articles and books about Richard Nixon oin my office that I must now assign to a historical limbo because they no longer apply. It is pleasant to report so healthy an obsolescence-rate for literature, because it means that the man has surprised us and transcended himself. A month after his assumption to the Presidency is still too narrow a base for a confident new evaluation, but it is a long enough table to eat some crow on, and very tasty crow. I shall have to confess that President Nixon has jolted the prejudgments of him by many liberals. But it is a happy, not an unhappy, confession to make.

This doesn't mean that I see him in heroic proportions. I wrote a piece a few weeks ago calling him an unhero in a toomuch time, and it outraged some readers who felt I was being nasty to him. I meant to be anything but nasty. All I was saying was that America today showers its leaders with too much of everything, including power, resources, headaches and conflict, that heroes are polarizers and tend to get killed (as witness the two trials going on now in Los Angeles and New Orleans) and that a nonpolarizing unhero who tries to slow down everything might prove a more effective President today -- and will certainly live longer.

Capacity to Learn

What strikes me hardest about Mr. Nixon now is his capacity to learn. He was once a polarizer with a vengeance, chasing up every warpath, eager for every enemy scalp, yielding to the seductions of the killing line, whether his target was Jerry Voorhees or Helen Gahagan Douglas, Harry Truman or Adlai Stevenson. He showed cunning as well as ferocity, and his cunning evoked a widespread distrust and labeled him a trick-

If I say that Richard Nixon's political style has changed drastically, it is not because of another trick but because the man himself has changed. Much of the aggressiveness came from insecurity: he is now more confident. The years of wandering the wilderness have tempered him. The inextinguishable thirst for power was never lost, but the modes of seeking it became quieter and shrewder, and now that he has the power he can concentrate on a different set of arts--the indispensable if impossible art of running an improbable country. Lord Acton said that all power corrupts, but he forgot to add that a summit power in a great tradition (like the American Presidency) may evoke the inner powers of the man wielding the outer power.

Review of Power

If you review the holders of presidential power from this quality of growth, you will find a number whose growth in office was marked and several whose growth was remarkable--notably Abraham Lincoln, Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman. There is no record in American history, however, to match the resili-ence of Mr. Nixon's comeback story after almost a decade in the wilderness. For aparallel, one must turn to the two great ston Churchill and Charles de Gaulle, both men utterly unlike Richard Nixon, yet each agreat case-study in withdrawal-andreturn, and in the growth following the return.

A man may grow in selfcontrol and judgment, as President Nixon has, even when he retains his basic tastes and



MAX LERNER

personality. Too often we fail to distinguish between political style and personality style. As a person, Richard Nixon comes straight out of the pages of Sinclair Lewis. No matter how many European capitals he visits on his trip, he will still be the man from Main St. No matter how many intellectuals and theologians he sees, he will still belong in the universe of Billy Graham and Norman Vincent Peale. No matter what faces and graces he encounters, he will still feel most at home with the face and grace of Bebe Rebozo at Biscayne Bay.

Political Style

I don't quarrel with this. You don't have to be drawn to a man's intellectual or aesthetic style in order to respect his political style. Sometimes they are of a piece, as they were with Thomas Jefferson's polish or Lincoln's earthiness and depth or John Kennedy's grace. Sometimes there is a deep faultline between them, as with Harry Truman, who was a square, and he has a chance to become a statesmar.

A final word on an aspect of political style which is not often noted. Mr. Nixon's greatest weakness in the past has been the incapacity of an insecure man to relate to people. With every political leader there is the question of political space-of nearness or distance between himself and the mass of people. De Gaulle is an extreme ex-ample of calculated distance, Lyndon Johnson an extreme example of calculated distance, ing, shoulder-thumping nearness. Richard Nixon's favored stance is distance, but he no longer shrinks from nearness-which may be a sign of the distance he has come.

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INTRAMURALS CONTINUE MONDAY



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High jumpers must leap over 6-9, and pole vaulters must go over the 15-9 height.

Long jumpers should travel travel 23-9 and shot-putters must throw the 16-puund ball 55 feet in the air. Butch Hannah Gets 31 to Lead Scoring; Teams Come-from-behind to Win

By Gary Davenpert

Sports Editor

"We're down by six, and boys, we've got to get in there and fight."

This was the strategy of most of the intramural basketball teams Monday night as they had their half-time talks.

Most of the action was close, and the winner of these close games was behind at halftime. If you don't believe it, ask the WCT's, or BSU--they'll tell you it's the fact.

BSU 57, Roadrunner Culls 55

Butch Hannan was the Diggun for BSU, burning the nets for 31 points and grabbing rebounds like it was going out of style. His total is the highest in all six leagues this year.

Behind at the half by two, BSU played nip-and-tuck ball down to the wire. With Sonny Day getting II, and Buddy Sullivan producing nine, the team used height and hustle to its

advantage.

The Roadrunner Cull's were the favorite, and got a 13-point performance from Danny Grimes and ten points out of Dennis Bandy. They had three boys with eight points. The game ended with BSU with the ball, with five seconds left in the game. A floor mistake gave the ball away, but the Culls were unable to get the ball in due to a good defensive effort by BSU.

Fat & Forty 37, Chinese Bandits 33

The philosophy held true in this game also, as the "oldmen" played one of its roughest games. Behind at times, Bob Lelance's team kept fighting (yes, fighting) back to take the win.

Le Lance knotted the nets for seven and was followed by the six-points by Mathengy. Brown got II for the losers.

WCT 50, Church of Christ 46

This game ended up with the apparent losers becoming the winners. Behind by ll at the half, WCT played a controlled-type ballgame to take the win.

The game went into a threeminute overtime and was a battle down to the final whistle.

With the ball belonging to the Church of Christ team with ten seconds left in the overtime period, they were behind by two points. A determined drive failed and the game was over.

Rigsby led WCT with 19 points, and Ronnie Harmond pumped in 18 to assist in the scoring. For the Church of Christ team, Melvin Covington hit for 14, Andy Adams made

12, and Wiley Dean and Don Beecham connected for six.

BVD's 60, Alpha Kappa Psi 56

BVD went into the second half down by four points. Chris

Zyre connected for 26 clutch points, and the win was theirs. Ronnie Brachen made 18 to assist the scoring for the winners.

Mike Brown made 20, Jim Ellis hit on 16, and Tom Uselton made 10 for the losers.

Roadrunners 64, Hawks 37

Barney Oldfield provided the winning punch for the Road-runners, as they won their third game without a defeat. They appear to be the team to beat in all six leagues.

Three men aided Oldfield with 12 points, while limiting Adamson to only II points for the opposition. Superior rebounding and shooting was the determining factor.

Violators 50, Beer Belly Bombers 13

Thirteen proved to be an unlucky number for the Bombers. They were completely outplayed and outmanned throughout the game. Chuck Steagald made 14 for the winners to provide the winning touch.

Chi Alpha Pi 35, Sigma Nu 33 Mike Merlin and David Nowell hit the nets for nine points, and were followed by Bob Parks with eight; but the winning margin was at the foul line as Alpha Pi made four and Sigma Nu made only one.

Putnam had 12 and Condra produced ten for the losers.



Tom Hazel and Tawat Messommata look on during soccer game at Hundred Oaks.

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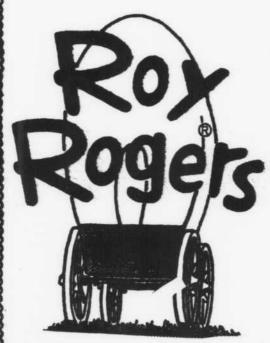
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SPORTS COMMENTS

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A history major picking up 525 pounds, unbelievable.

Steve Jarrell, a junior here at the university, is doing this right now, deadlifting this total for a Southeastern AAU record.

Jarrell is an outstanding young man. He believes strongly in physical fitness, and also is concerned with the condition of those around.

in the spring of 1967, Jarrell, along with Don Newberry and Hoge Greene, discussed starting a weightlifting cub with Major James Tucker of the ROTC department.

Through a combined effort, these men were able to spearbead a successful program for any person interested in building themselves up through weightlifting.

weightlifting.
"The club consists of approximately 20 members right now,"
Jarrell stated. "We've sponsored two strenth and variety shows already, and have benefitted from both of them."

The club has bought \$100 worth of equipment for the MTSU weight room this year. "One piece of equipment is the power rack," Jarrell informed this writer.

help me get faster." He also wanted to gain weight and keep in good physical condition.

"Through strength and power exercises, I hope to stay in good shape," Jarrell concluded.

OTHERS JOIN

Along with Jarrell, many other athletes of MTSU wanted to gain weight and keep in shape.

John Ackerman, also a junior, started lifting when he was a freshman.

"I started playing around with weights while I was in high school, but it wasn't until I came here that I became serious in my lifting," he continued.

He went on to say that "I did it to build myself up, and want to work toward getting good for competition lifting."

Bill Brigham started his freshman year also, and had developed into one of the finer lifters on the team.

"I had a brother that lifted and ae got me interested," Bill stated.



Steve Jarrell

HOW IT ALL BEGAN

Jarrell started lifting weights in the spring of '65. He carried concrete blocks during the summers, so he didn't have the time during the summers.

After two years, Jarrell began lifting in competition and was an immediate success.

In '67, he set a state deadlift record of 490 pounds, only to break this record in '68 with a fantastic 495 lift. This same year he was also the state

power lift champion.

He wasn't through, however, for in the spring of 1968 he competed again and set a Southeastern Amateur Athletic Association record of 505 poinds

in the 165-pound class. This year, he set the same mark in the 181 pound class with a 525 lift.

Why did he do it? "In high school, I wanted to run track, so I thought weightlifting would

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Jerry Singleton Conquers 440; School Record by Dave Wyatt

Members to Attempt Places for NCAA Indoor Championships Next Weekend

By Gary Davenport Sports Editor

Jerry Singleton ran the fastest quarter mile in the nation this year Friday night only to have UT's Hardy McAlhaney run a faster one the next night in Alabama.

Singleton toured the oval in the fabulous time of 48.5 in Columbus, Ohio, over the weekend in the fastest clocking in a NCAA qualifying meet.

Dave Wyatt wasn't far behind as he finished second with a 49.4. In the 300-yard run, Wyatt broke his own school record with a 31.1 clocking for a first place finish. This fine time ranks him in the nation in this event.



Singleton

Singleton ran "the first openhalf since his freshman year" in 1:57.1 for another MTSU first place finish. Hayes stated that he "was real pleased with his performance." Charlie Dahlgren ran in his first meet of the year, while placing fifth in the 1,000-yard run. He completed the event in 2:20.7.



Dahlgren

Dusty Hughes drew added praise from Coach Hayes with his 51.7 in the quarter, and 32.6 in the 300.

Overall, Hayes stated that "the meet was a success. The boys did a fine job and competed very well."

This weekend, the team travels to the Ohio State Invitational Meet. Singleton will compete in the quarter mile and run the anchorleg on the mile relay.

Wyatt, who must run a 49.2 to qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships, which will be held next weekend, will also compete in the mile relay and quarter.

Dennis Bandy will run in the 600 mile relay, while Terry Scott will hang up his basketball shoes for a while and run in the mile relay.

The relay team must run a 3:18.5 to compete in the NCAA next week. They have run in the low 3:20's all year. This meet is the last opportunity for the boys to qualify for the big meet.

The National Collegiate Indoor Championships will be held in Detroit, Michigan, this year in Cobo Hall.

Many top world record holders are expected to be present, with a few of the competitors being Bob Seagren, Willie Davenport, George Young, and Jimmy Hines.

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WASHINGTON-The United States National Student Association (NSA) will fight the recommendations of a Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) examiner calling for the abolition of youth fares as "unjustly discrimina-tory," and has retained legal counsel to prepare briefs and oral arguments for presentation before the CAB.

The announcement of NSA's action came from Services Division wrector Alan C. Handel, who noted that at present the Association is the only group representing student users of the airline youth fare which will make arguments before the Federal board.

Abolition of youth fares is being sought by a number of bus companies. NSA will argue that in view of the educational, social, economic, and cultural benefits afforded by the youth fares and young adult fares, the fares should not be cancelled.

Written arguments will be presented to the CAB by Feb. 26. Oral arguments will be made at a later date. NSA is being represented by the Washington law firm of Koteen and Burt, who are experts in air fare matters.

Handell urged that students interested in retaining youth fares contact him at USNSA, 2115 S. Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008.

NSA is a national confederation of nearly 400 student government associations. It is the oldest national grouping of American student governments, founded in 1947.

HPER To Hold World of Dance

The Physical Education Department of Middle Tennessee State University will present its annual World of Dance program on Thursday, March 13, at 8 p.m. in Alumni Memorial Gymnas-

About five hundred students will present twenty-five numbers in folk, square, modern, and social dance. The children of the third grade of the Campus School will open the pro-gram with the German "Klapp-tana". Members of other Members of other groups will demonstrate recent popular dances, the waltz, and the cha cha. A jazz study is among the modern dance numbers.

A square, a contra, a cocoanut shell dance, Sleight's Sword Dance, and a number by staff members will conclude the pro-

The public is invited. There is no charge for admission.

Five Students Attend Midwest Model U.N.

Five MTUS studnets recently attended the Midwest Model United Nations in St. Louis. It was sponsored by the Council of International Relations and United Nations Affairs.

Harry Temple, Nashville sophomore, was the head delegate for Poland. Ann Adams, Columbia senior, was also a delegate for Poland.

David Charlton, Antioch junior, Lucy Honey, Fayetteville senior, and Al Frazier, Nashville senior were delegates for Australia. Charlton was the head delegate.

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was to further the understanding of international relations, said delegate Harry Temple.

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