

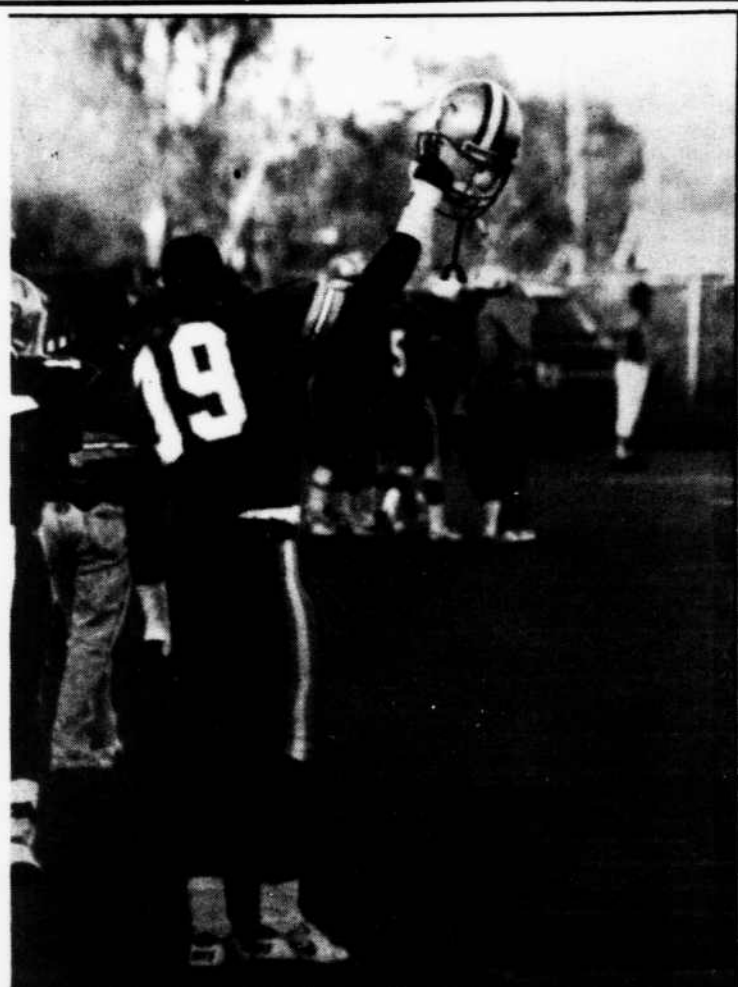
# SIDELINES

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## VICTORY IS OURS



Chris White ■ Staff

**OVC LEADER:** Junior Tony Hancock proudly holds his helmet high this weekend as the Raiders shut out Tennessee Tech making the Raiders number one in the Ohio Valley Conference. Story on page 9 in the sports section.

## Former photographer requests clarification

### Staff Reports

Helen Comer, one of three photographers in a contract dispute with student publications, is requesting a clarification be made concerning the use of a photo taken by her.

The ownership rights of the prints and negatives are presently under investigation by the photographers and the university.

"The photograph was used without my permission and since I was under protest at the time, I looked like a hypocrite," said Comer.

Comer was told by the student publications advisor, Jenny Tenpenny Crouch that the photo which appeared in the Nov. 13 issues of *Sidelines* was reproduced from an older issue.

Comer believes that "even if

they didn't have the photograph (print) here, they didn't have the right to use it.

"The image and the negative are one. If I have the negative, I should also have control over the image," Comer said.

Crouch said, "We are in the process of consulting attorneys that might help us clarify this."

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**Helen Comer**

Comer along with two other student photographers walked off the job on Nov. 1, leaving both *Sidelines* and *The Midlander* without photographers. ■

## MTSU campus master plan developed by Memphis firm

### Staff Reports

The Pickering Firm which is developing a MTSU campus master plan has been asked to look into the possibility of housing fraternities and sororities on campus.

The master plan complies with recent Tennessee Board of Regents and Tennessee Higher Education Commission stipulations that no future building will be done on any state campus without a master plan.

A final master plan will be submitted for approval from TBR and THEC in the spring.

The master plan is used as a reference when expansion is planned and provides the incentive to redevelop portions of the existing campus in order to improve the learning environment.

The ultimate goal of the master plan is to maximize

potential while minimizing conflict, according to the November MTSU profile of the master plan.

The success of the master plan is founded in the participation of a wide range of individuals.

Ira Fink of Ira Fink and Associates, Inc. of Berkley, CA made a presentation to the faculty senate last week, updating the master plan process.

During this presentation Fink, whose corporation works in conjunction with Pickering Firm of Memphis, TN cited a need for parking and utilities as the campus grows.

Fink will meet individually with vice presidents, deans and department heads to determine needs of the campus. He is asking department heads to discuss current facilities and projected needs.

Collected information will be summarized in both graphic and text for the next workshop meeting session to be held Dec. 3-6.

University faculty, administrative and student representatives will be contacted in order to determine the status of various academic departments, learn of the academic departments, learn of the requirements of each and to project their needs into the final master plan.

In addition, representatives of Murfreesboro's city utility services will be contacted to determine what potential opportunities or constraints may be imposed by those agencies. Involvement of city representatives is needed in order to prevent potential restrictions from becoming problems during later phases of the planning process. ■

## College students affected little by recent elections

(CPS) -- Collegians came out of the Nov. 6 elections relatively unscathed.

Most of the education advocated in Congress who were up for re-election were victorious.

Among other issues important to students, the environmental movement seemed to lose momentum in its electoral tests while abortion failed to play the pivotal role in many contests that most observers had expected.

Most importantly in the long run, however, all but one of the crucial state referenda to limit taxation - and, by extension, the amount of money available for public campuses - lost.

Had the measures passed, many student groups feared, this fall's budget woes - which have forced colleges in at least a dozen states to cancel course

sections, lay off workers, shorten library hours and impose midyear tuition and fee increases - would become permanent.

But voters in Massachusetts, Nebraska, Colorado and Utah defeated citizen initiatives called for drastic cuts in or limits on government spending.

The environmental issue suffered crippling blows in California, Oregon, Washington, New York and Missouri.

California rejected Proposition 128, a far reaching lineup of environmental regulation dubbed "Big Green" by supporters. Measures backed by environmentalists to regulate land use and pollution also lost in Washington, Oregon and Missouri. A \$1.97 billion bond issue to pay for environmental projects failed in New York.

Another issue high on the minds of many collegians, abortion, didn't play much of a role. Pro-choice stands helped some candidates and proved irrelevant in other cases, while top targets of abortion-rights groups won.

The controversial Jesse Helms is a vigorous opponent of the federal government taking a role in education policy. He was also behind a move to deny grant money to artist whose work doesn't meet certain standards, and is a diehard opponent of civil rights legislation.

On the whole, though, the 102nd Congress won't be much different from the 101st, observers say.

"The mighty ultraliberal establishment, and the liberal politicians and editors and commentators have struck out again," Helms said upon winning. ■



# Campus Capsule

Campus Capsule is a service provided by *Sidelines* for non-profit campus groups. If you have a notice that you would like to run in Campus Capsule, please submit typewritten or printed information to our office in the James Union Building, 310. Items must be received by Tuesday at noon for Wednesday's paper and Friday at 4 p.m. for Monday's. Inclusion is not guaranteed and is based on available space.

Grades for Fall of 1990 will be mailed to the permanent address of all students enrolled provided outstanding financial obligations to the university are cleared by 4 p.m., Dec 14, 1990. Grade Reports for those students who continue to owe money to the university after Dec. 14 will be held in the Records Office.

The 9th Annual Rudolph's Red Nose Run is Dec. 2 at 1 p.m. There is a five mile run and one mile fun run. The event is sponsored by Nashville Gas. Race entry fee is \$10 in advance and \$12 the day of the five mile run, \$8 for the mile fun run. All proceeds benefit the Big Brothers of Nashville. For more information call Tom in campus rec at 898-2104.

The MTSU observatory will be open to the public Tuesday, Nov. 20 from 10 p.m. to midnight, weather permitting. Students are welcome to come and view Mars and Jupiter.

The United Student Association is sponsoring a Mr. USA pageant Dec. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in Tucker Theatre. There will be a \$200 first-place prize. For more information, contact the ASB office (ext. 2464) in KUC Room 304.

Buddies of Rutherford County, a satellite program of Buddies of Nashville, provides additional role models for children ages 6 to 12 years. Help give a little buddy a boost and volunteer today. For more information, plan to attend the next volunteer orientation meeting at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 19, at Advent Lutheran Church on the corner of Tennessee and Mercury or call 890-0765.

The MTSU Jazz Ensemble, Blues Crusade will have a combined concert with the University of Tennessee Knoxville Jazz Ensemble tomorrow at 5 p.m. in Wright Music Hall.

Today is the last day applications for Student Ambassador will be accepted. Students must have been on campus for at least one semester and have a GPA of 2.5.

The campus rec department is looking for participants for a wheelchair basketball team. If you have any physical disability which limits your participation in sports, hurry and join the team. Practices will continue through December and intramural game competitions will begin in late January. To sign up, call Barton at 898-2104.

A physical education class featuring "Walking for Weight Loss" will be offered this spring. This class is especially designed for those who are at least 15% overweight. Beginning aerobics 118, MWF from 8 - 8:50 a.m. and 9 - 9:50 a.m. will satisfy one physical education requirement. The instructor will be Sandy Neal. Only offered this one semester.

Please come for a visit to MTSU FCA. It meets every Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room under the bleachers. Whether you come alone or bring a friend, you will feel very welcome. Call 893-3133 or 898-3234 (leave message) for more information. You have nothing to lose and a life to gain.

The sisters of Alpha Delta Pi would like to invite campus organizations to take part in "The Womanless Beauty Review!" Put up your most eligible (wo) man to compete in this fun-filled contest of gender deception. Categories include evening wear, talent competition and interviews. All proceeds go to the Nashville Ronald McDonald House. The contest will be Dec. 4, at 8 p.m. For more information or application, contact Tanya Johnson at 895-7588 or Box 8943.

SHRM will have its next meeting today. The guest speaker will be Wayne Faust who will speak on "Job Search". The meeting will be in Peck Hall, Room 201 at 5 p.m.

Phi Alpha Theta announces the Middle Tennessee Civil War Show and Sale Dec. 1-2 at the Vaughn and Wilson Building at Tennessee State Fairgrounds. This will be the largest Civil War Show ever. Tickets will be available Nov. 28-29 in front of Phillip's Bookstore for \$4.



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11/2/90

**Incident: Burglary to Auto**

George C. Holder reported person(s) unknown took his radar detector, seven tapes and a set of golf clubs from his car while it was parked in the Sims Hall lot.

**Incident: Vandalism**

Danny Throgmorton reported someone egged his car while it was parked at Nicks Hall, causing the paint to chip on the roof of the vehicle.

11/6/90

**Incident: Theft**

Wendell N. Toney reported his OVC football ring had been stolen from his dorm room in Beasley Hall.

11/7/90

**Incident: Arrest**

Patrick E. Warner was arrested for failure to stop and Linda D. Warner was arrested for disorderly conduct.

11/12/90

**Incident: Vandalism**

James Irvin reported the hatchback window on his vehicle had been broken out while it was parked in the Judd Hall lot. A dean's citation was issued to the student who broke the window.

**Incident: Puncture Wound**

Theresa F. Jewell reported that during the concert on 11/10/90, she received a

11/13/90

**Incident: Vandalism**

Chris Ayers reported the window had been broken on the front driver's side of his vehicle while it was parked in the Greenland Drive lot.

11/14/90

**Incident: Theft**

Deana M. Helton reported her bicycle had been stolen from the bike rack at McHenry Hall.

**Incident: Theft**

Jannifer L. Ford reported her purse was stolen from the Art Barn while she was in class.

11/15/90

**Incident: Vandalism**

Scott Crooks reported finding one of the front doors of the JUB had been shattered. Entry was not gained into the building.

**Incident: Theft**

Patsy Wilson reported her bicycle had been stolen from the bike rack at Cummings Hall.

**Incident: Burglary**

Martin Peyton reported that money was taken from his wallet while it was locked in a locker in the men's locker room at the Alumni Gym.

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# Opinions

## Paper changes due to technical difficulties

Those of you who have been students here for awhile know that the paper changes from time to time.

It may be the masthead, or the type the headlines are written in, or the type of print used in the stories themselves.

Usually, these changes take place at the beginning of the semester, if any changes are to be made. However, many people noticed the difference on the front page last Thursday, and as you know, the semester is not over yet. Let us explain.

The equipment we use to put the paper out every week is rather well-used, to say the least. In the past few weeks, we have been having problems with our typesetter and processor. The typesetter takes the stories sent from the individual terminals in the newsroom and converts the print into column form. The typesetter contains a cassette of paper that resembles photographic paper, and the stories are transferred to that cassette. The cassette is then loaded into the processor, and the processor develops the "film".

The powers that be have rewarded the staffs of the *Midlander* and *Sidelines* with brand-new Macintosh computers. We have anxiously awaited these handy gadgets for the past month, which was when they were supposed to be here. However, Wednesday night was when we needed this equipment badly.

You see, our old equipment up here is rather dated, and due to the use and abuse inflicted upon the equipment, it does not work well, to say the least. Wednesday night, the typesetter overheated and consequently would not work. At that point, we had only one Mac available, and at least three more stories that had not been typeset yet. Obviously, they were stories that went on the front page.

Those of us up here took turns at the Mac, with one person dictating what was on the terminal and the other typing. By the time the stories were laid out on the page, it was 1:30 in the morning. It was also when we realized that the print from the Mac was not the same as what came out of the typesetter.

We would like to apologize for any confusion or consternation caused by the change in type, and to let the "reading public" know it will not happen again.

We are now using the Macs.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Volunteers thanked

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the volunteers who helped with the Special Olympics Bowling Tournament that was held on Oct. 26 at the Murfreesboro Bowling Lanes. The following campus organizations had representatives present: Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Omicron Pi, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Omega, Corlew Hall, Delta Zeta, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Delta, Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Special Education Classes 301, and Tau Kappa Epsilon. Volunteers performed various activities which ranged from keeping score of the bowling games to cheering for the athletes. In addition, Zeta Tau Alpha hosted a dance for the athletes after the tournament.

I was overwhelmed by the spirit of enthusiasm that was exhibited by all volunteers. The smiles and excitement of the athletes indicated the true success of the day.

Lauri Janiec  
Volunteer Coordinator,  
Area 16  
Special Olympics  
Box 7

### Dean explains problems

To the Editor:

Those of us who are responsible for registration are embarrassed about the long lines our students endured during some days of priority registration. A couple of problems have caused the long lines. Some of the problems are manageable.

First, we scheduled far too many people to register on Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 7 and 8. We should have scheduled about 1300-1400 but scheduled 2500 Wednesday and 2200 Thursday. This error is correctable and will be corrected by March and April, when we conduct

registration for the Summer and Fall terms.

Second, the James Union Building is not adequate for the numbers of persons attempting to register. All members of the campus community realize MTSU is in dire need of more and better space. This problem is not as easily correctable as the scheduling problem. If we are unable to locate more adequate space, we will schedule more days for priority registration to reduce the waiting in lines.

While all students have the right to be very upset about the wait, I want to commend the students for a generally understanding attitude. Many have commented that this is the first attempt for us at this new system, and they understand the problems will be worked out. I want to assure each reader of *Sidelines*, our faculty and students, that we will attempt to improve the process in the future. Our office staff welcome any suggestions or comments anyone wishes to offer.

Finally, I want to thank the permanent and temporary staff members of the scheduling center and records office who worked 12 to 14 hours each day to register students. For this I am appreciative.

Cliff Gillespie, Dean

### Saddam not an enemy

To the Editor:

I am ashamed of America. In this past year, we have seen a glorious end to a hate-fed Cold War. The very people that we were taught to hate are now our friends. Through the media, Russian people have come into our homes and we see that they are a race of people like ourselves. They have families, enjoy their culture, and want world peace and prosperity for all. Where is the cold-calculated "Pinko commie" that existed only a year ago? Like I always knew, they never existed.

Only in the minds of the warmongers that inhabit our nation's capital. My own father and uncle who served in the armed forces now see Russia as an ally. Once they said, "We ought to blow them off the map." I can only listen with amazement as I hear them discuss politics now. We have lived through an exciting historical year.

But...just when we lost one feared enemy...before we could finish our celebration of the reunited Germans...suddenly--almost magically a new dark...unknown enemy arises from the desert...SADDAM HUSSEIN! Suddenly, Iraq and Hussein conveniently moved into the position of America's number-one foe. When Iraq invaded Kuwait President Bush sent hundreds of thousands of troops packing--heading into the Persian Gulf saying that Saddam was malicious and merciless. (Let it be known that I do not approve of anyone being ruled under the gun.) Analogies were drawn in the press while Bush was drawing lines in the desert. Saddam=Hitler. Saddam wants to take over the free world. Saddam might have the Bomb! We have been led to believe that we have another Hitler on our hands. But not so quick. I ask you to consider a few things first.

So what if Saddam has the Bomb. What gives us the right to say who and who cannot have such a weapon. India has the Bomb, Israel has the Bomb, Russia still has the Bomb, along with a host of twenty-plus countries in the world. Are we suppose to be afraid of everyone that has such a weapon? Some say the difference is that Saddam has aggressively taken over other countries and overthrown governments against their will. Well...wait a moment. Why have we sent hundreds of thousands of

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**LETTERS from page 4**

troops into the Persian Gulf when Iraq invaded Kuwait, but didn't lift a finger when Israel invaded Palestine and robbed them of their right of government. Even our own government has covertly and overtly sent troops into South American countries and ousted their government (even held them hostage) just to protect U.S. interest in the Panama Canal region. One more thing. We aren't even sure that Saddam has the Bomb or if he even possesses the technology to build one.

What we are experiencing is a clash of socialistic values: the Middle Eastern value system and the values of the Western world. Saddam is fighting what he sees as a Holy War. The Middle East is one of the last areas in the world to come into the world political arena. Just three decades ago many Iraqis and those in Kuwait lived in tents in the desert. Their religious heritage, like their Israeli neighbors, goes back for centuries and so does their conflict. They are still fighting the battles which their forefathers have fought in the name of religion. We in the Western world are secular in our view of politics. We feel that religion is a personal choice and that in order for government to be fair and effective the two should never mix. Our own constitution makes this point. The Middle Eastern countries haven't progressed socially in comparison to the rest of the world. So their methods and reasons seem unreasonable to us. But they are not without basis.

I ask you to stop President Bush in his seemingly undying effort to feed the power-hungry and money-hungry military-industrial machine. We stand on the threshold of a new era in our world's evolution. Let peaceful effort like sanctions imposed by the United Nations have time to bring a peaceful end to this situation. While Bush is busy campaigning for war...Saddam is campaigning for peace. Sure he still has hostages...but he is releasing them everyday. Don't allow Bush to bring a bloody and unnecessary war into the world. Like the days when Russia was seen as our dark and feared enemy and we all lived in terror of being taken over by Communism...again our government is creating smoke where there is no fire.

Write your congressman and let them know that you do not want a useless and pointless war in the Persian Gulf. Stop Bush now or there is no hope to really work.

Daniel R. Webster  
435 E. Main St.

**Socialize quietly**

To the Editor:

When I read the letter by P.M. and K.P., in response to an earlier letter by Tony Sheppard concerning socializing in the library, I was dumbfounded. I couldn't believe the cruel statements that were made.

"GET A LIFE, all you nerdy bookworms", "you must be pretty stupid if you have to have

total silence to study", "you're simply jealous of the 'social butterflies', unlike yourself who have a fun life", "if you can't have a good time, you should at least let those around you have fun without resentment." I think that about sums up what I thought was unfair. It seems to me, P.M. and K.P., that you assessed Mr. Sheppard's statements incorrectly. You stated that "socializing in the library" was an opportunity worth utilizing. Somehow, I was under the impression that the purpose of the library was to study, research, etc. Perhaps that's my misunderstanding. As far as "all you nerdy bookworms don't need to study in the library anyway. It only takes a little while to do research..." I must admit, I find myself going to the library only to research and leaving immediately, but some research

has to be done in the library for an extended period of time. One cannot simply copy everything! I have often found myself, for hours, in the library, searching for needed material. But I think for you to ask us to do our research and leave and study someplace else, leaving the library to you to socialize in, is unfair! The reverse should be true. If we, the "nerdy bookworms" wish to study in the library it's only logical to me that the library is the designated building on campus. You also stated that you research in the library quickly because you "have the incentive to socialize later on", well, that's great, socialize all you want but all of us stupid, nerdy bookworms would rather you do it someplace other than the library. "You are simply jealous of the 'social butterflies' unlike yourself who have a fun

life..." well, I hate to break this earth-shaking news to you two, but even bookworms have a life, we simply concentrate more on certain priorities than others. I don't think we should be condemned simply because we have a strong desire to excel and succeed, especially since we're paying for the opportunity.

Where are the bookworms to

study except the library? I realize total silence is not possible, and you never know who you'll run into in the library, but the bookworms here on campus are simply requesting that the LOUD talking, laughing, etc. be toned down. We're only asking for a small courtesy.

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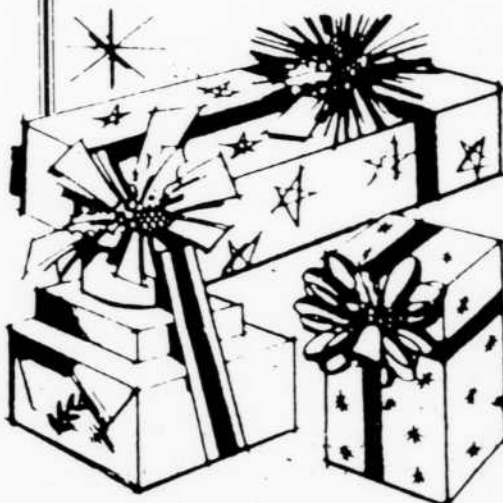
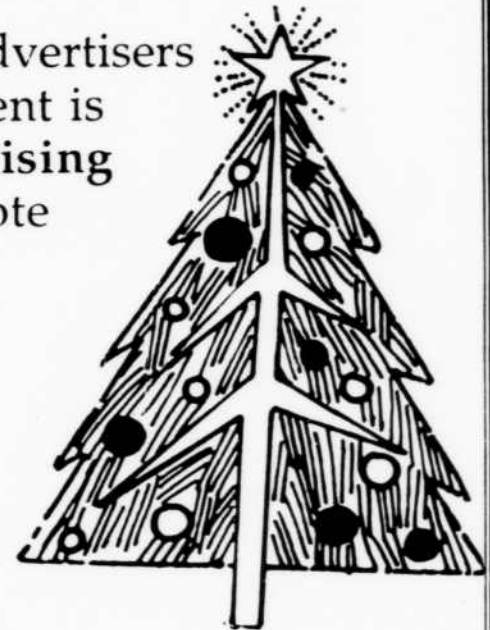
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# Features

## MTSU student has beauty crown dreams

**BRIAN WILLIAMS**  
Staff Writer

Kimberly Ashe is going hunting during her Thanksgiving holiday, and her prize won't be a turkey.

Her prize that is she is running for Miss Tennessee USA. Ashe has been selected to be a state contestant in the 1990 Miss Tennessee USA Pageant to be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Downtown Nashville on November 24.

The 20-year old sophomore Pre-dental hygienist major has been hard at work in preparing for the 34-contestant pageant.

"Pageants are not as easy as people think they are (because) a lot of hard work is placed in them," Ashe explains. "Buying dresses, a swimsuit, shoes, makeup, and a lot of time is spent preparing for interviews."

She admits that most of her practice is devoted to her movements.

"I practice a lot on my walk and turns because they are very important," Ashe said.

One key thing to do in a

pageant if you want to win is never take your eyes off the judges," Ashe said.

Going into the pageant, Ashe holds three different titles. She holds Miss Wilson County 1989-90, Miss Middle Tennessee Electric (who is her sponsor) and her most recent victory, Miss Wilson County Fairest of the Fair 1990.

So with that many titles, she has many inspirations about competing in pageants.

"I started entering pageants just to build my self confidence, just to prove I could go out there and do it," Ashe said.

Her greatest inspiration is her grandmother.

"She has a feeling if I'm going to win a pageant or not," Ashe said. "If that is not enough, she has a special dress she wears and every time I've won a pageant, she has had it on."

Ashe also said she has deep sacred feelings going into the pageant.

"As a little girl, I used to dream of winning a pageant,"



**LIKE A MELODY:** Kimberly Ashe hopes to become the next Miss Tennessee USA. Ashe is a 20-year-old sophomore with a pre-dental hygienic major. Currently Ashe holds the Miss Wilson County 1989-90, Miss Middle Tennessee Electric, and Miss Wilson County Fairest of the Fair beauty titles. Ashe will be competing Nov. 24 at the Doubletree Hotel in Nashville.

Ashe said. "And now that it has come true, I'm here to say that it can happen to anyone who tries."

"I feel if you don't win a pageant, congratulate who does win, don't give up, and try

again," she said.

"Sooner or later your time will come, and you will win." ■

## 'Graveyard Shift' gives new meaning to spring cleaning

**JOE BOB BRIGGS**  
Drive-In Movie Critic

The latest thing in New York City is to buy grass.

Course, people in New York have been buying Arkansas Polio Weed for years, but I'm talking serious grass. I'm talking Bermuda. I'm talking Saint

Augustine. I'm talking about the stuff you waste with a Lawn Boy.

They go to a flower shop and buy, like, three square feet of it, and they take it home like a pet. They put it in a wooden box and water it, put a little Japaheeno tea house on it, hose it

down once a day. They probly work it over with a Barbie-doll lawn mower once or twice a month. And this makes people feel like they're "in touch with nature."

And this trend is fashionable. Grass.

And the price of grass, at

your better garden shops, is fifty bucks for a seven-by-18-inch box. In other words, it's more expensive than Arkansas Polio Weed.

You think I'm making this up don't you? I can never tell these stories about New York, because everybody thinks I'm lying.

*They buy grass clods and put em in their living room like sculptures!*

Now. It would be easy to make fun of this, wouldn't it? That's probly what you think I'm gonna do, isn't it? After all, it's like a national right to pick on New Yorkers anytime we feel like it. It's in the Constitution or something.

But I decided that, just this one time, I would try to establish a cultural link with New York. I would try to show some sensitivity to foreign customs. And so I called up one of my yahoo buddies that moved up to New York "for my career," and I said, "Lester, I want you to do me a favor. I want you to send

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and I said, "Lester, I want you to do me a favor. I want you to send me some New York grass that I can put on display in my trailer house."

And he did it. He and a couple other guys went down to Central Park and carved three square feet out of it, just enough to fill up a Goodyear tire, and they shipped it to me and ever since then I've kept it in my living room. like a sculpture.

And here's the interesting thing. The longer it's been sitting on top of my TV set, the more my trailer has started to *feel* like New York City. The first thing that happened, of course, is that the weight of the tire cracked my TV screen. That reminded me of New York right there. But the grass itself, this little plot of the Big Apple living and breathing down here in Grapevine, finally started to have an effect on me.

I can now say I love it. it's a part of my life. When I come home at night, I have to stop by the TV set and sniff the fragrance. It's beautiful to me. It's a deep deep brown, except for the parts that are covered in Mexican beer cans. And every time I take a garden hose to it, I learn something new. Last week I found a Marine-issue survival

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**TALK ABOUT SCARY:** Stephen King's short story "Graveyard Shift" has been made into a film by the same name. It tells the tale of giant mutant rats that live in the basement of an old textile mill in Maine. This is the 19th movie based on King's work. His novel "It" premiered as a television miniseries last night and Rob Reiner will be releasing a film version of "Misery" in time for christmas.



**JOE BOB** from page 6

knife buried two inches below the surface. I didn't disturb it, of course. It was covered with one of the those Italian-ice wrappers and the little red plastic stick. Further down was an elastic, rubbery piece of ... I better not talk about that ... and a crumpled piece of paper that says "Americans Out of Iraq!" It's like a daily archaeology lesson. The more I sift, the more I learn. The more I smell, the more I ... well ... the more I smell. Yesterday I found a subway token that had been filed down into the shape of Mayor Fiorello La Guardia. No telling what ancient civilization produced this. And if you go deep into the tire, almost to the very bottom, you can sometimes find little green slivers of some living substance -- soft and slick when you touch it, growing in bunches, and the green comes off on your hand. I try to keep its growth to a minimum with DDT.

And speaking of giant flesh-eating rats, "Graveyard Shift" is the 19th Big Steve King story to be made into a movie, and it's one of the more decent ones, even though the gigantic mutant-slime octopus monster that lives in the basement doesn't really ever appear on screen where you

can get a good look at him. But we do see some extremely grossy pus-infested rats, and the only man who can get rid of em is ... Brad Dourif, of course. The Bruce Dern of the nineties. These are not as good as the giant exploding rats in "Food of the Gods," and there aren't as many of em as in "Deadly Eyes" (in my opinion, the finest rat flick ever made, even better than "Willard" or "Ben") -- but they are huge, they are hairy, and they have long slimy tails.

Everybody who works the graveyard shift at this old textile mill in Maine gets mysteriously pierced with a tentacle, the blood squeezed out of em, and ground up in a cotton sifter.

Nine dead bodies. Rat-on-a-plate. Human arm and leg eaten by rat. Knife to the gut. Blood-licking. Kung Fu. Rat Fu. Fire hose Fu. Sledgehammer Fu. Diet Pepsi Fu. Drive-In Academy Award nominations for Brad Dourif, the exterminator who witnessed Viet Cong rats chew up American soldiers, for saying "I don't mind telling you this place is infested"; Ilona Margolis, as the bimbo who says "I'll teach you, to *fire* me!" right before she's eaten alive by rats; and Stephen Machtet, the guy from "Cagney and Lacey," as the devil.

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**Roomie woes not always 'personal'****KAY HILTON****Opinions Editor**

*All names are changed to protect the sources.*

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It's the one part of campus life that causes more uncertainty than how to get through registration with your sanity intact.

Of course, I'm talking about roomies.

Many students are lucky enough to have their roommates picked before they arrive on campus. Others, however, have their lot cast by the powers that be (a.k.a. University Housing).

Sometimes, your roomie can be a great person. Other times, you may get more than you bargained for.

Shannon, for example, has had five roommates. The most

memorable was Karen.

"Karen had a lot of personal problems," said Shannon, "although she was one of the sweetest people you could ever meet."

The only thing that was disturbing about her, Shannon noted, was when Karen found out she had a venereal disease, and then did not disclose this to any

of the guys she dated. She was also pregnant twice, and married the father the second time (after his divorce from his first wife was finalized).

Shannon recalls another roommate who was schizophrenic.

"She used to have these really weird mood changes.

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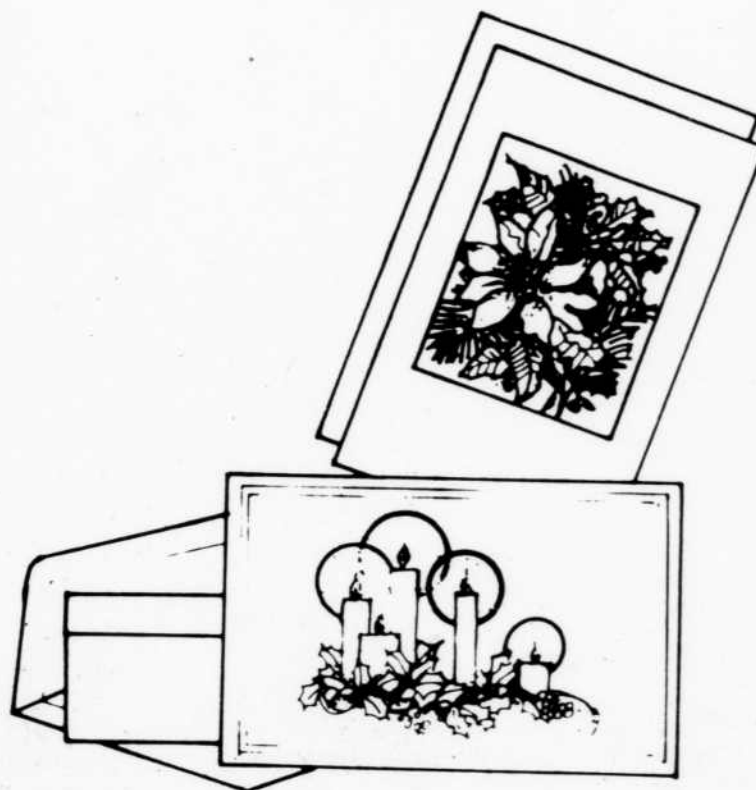
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Sometimes, she wouldn't talk to me, like I wasn't even in the room. Other times, she'd leave me these really sweet notes. She even offered to do my laundry for me once. She also had these really nice scarves, but she'd wear them over her head."

It wasn't until later that one of her roommate's relatives contacted Shannon and told her they believed the roommate was schizophrenic. They thought it might have been a reaction to her mother's death.

Another student, Sara, remembers a roommate (Lisa) who was suicidal.

She remembers coming into the room one day to find Lisa just standing there. Lisa asked Sara what she would do if she walked

in and found her hanging from a rope in the corner. Lisa asked if Sara would cut her down from the ceiling after finding her. Sara said no.

"I said that to her so she would think about what she was doing," Sara said. Lisa later admitted herself to the mental ward of a hospital in her hometown.

But what do you do when your roommate has mental problems, and what can University Housing do to help you and/or this other person?

Ivan Shewmake, director of University Housing, said the first thing a person can do to help alleviate further problems is to talk with a member of the housing staff in that dorm.

"Many times, the problems

we get are the usual run-of-the-mill roommate kind of problems," says Shewmake. "If there are any arguments, these are usually a result of personality conflicts rather than any specific problem."

However, when we are faced with a situation (like the example of Lisa) where there is a possibility that the person is in need of counseling, we can't treat these situations as junk (or a false alarm)."

Shewmake says the first procedure is to contact the hall director who in turn gives the roommate in question a referral to Guidance and Counseling.

"Initially," he says, "the staff are not experts [in the field]. We get [these students] into counseling. Then we wait and do

what the officials say to do."

Sometimes, the counselors will recommend the disturbed student be moved to a private room. In other cases, however, they feel that the best move is to leave the student in the room they are in at that time. Whether the other occupant of the room remains there or is moved depends on the situation, but many times the person having problems is left in that room so as not to disturb him or her further.

Sherry has had an interesting array of roommates. Having shared a room at one time or another with 17 different people in the two-and-a-half years she lived on campus, she encountered a wide variety of personalities. Her most memorable roomie was one claiming to be a vampire.

"When I met her, I thought she was more eccentric than she was strange. When she started to tell [Sherry and another girl in the apartment] about vampirism, I thought it was pretty interesting."

However, the other roommate was not charmed and quickly contacted a resident assistant, who told the hall director, who told the area coordinator. Word finally reached the University Housing director.

Within 48 hours, Sherry and two other roommates were removed from that apartment.

"I didn't think she was 'dangerous,' just overly imaginative. I felt really bad when I heard that her feelings were hurt [because of the move], but we weren't given much of a choice," Sherry declares. ■

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# Sports

## Raiders ground Eagles 42-0

**ELIZABETH POPOWSKI**  
Staff Writer

As the Division I-AA regular season came to a close - the MTSU Blue Raiders will be seeded in the nation's top spot.

This weekend, the Blue Raiders routed arch-rival Tennessee Tech 42-0. The victory capped off a 10-1 record, 5-1 in OVC action.

At the same time, Eastern Kentucky's Colonels hopes of being the undefeated OVC Champs went down the tubes as they were beaten by Morehead State 27-17 in Richmond.

With that loss, the Blue Raiders and Colonels will now share the OVC crown and will move MTSU into the nation's No. 1 spot in the national polls.

"In 1983, Tech came in here and beat us and knocked us out of the playoffs," MTSU mentor Boots Donnelly recalled. "Eastern was able to share the title, and although I don't like to share it because we had a chance to win it outright, we sure won't give it back."

Five records were broken Saturday afternoon. Kicker Matt Crews continued his record setting ways by setting four of those five new marks.

He became the MTSU scoring leader for most points in a season with 89, previously set by Joe Campbell this season at 86.

Crews also had the most points in a season by a kicker, a record set by Kelly Potter in 1984 with 74.

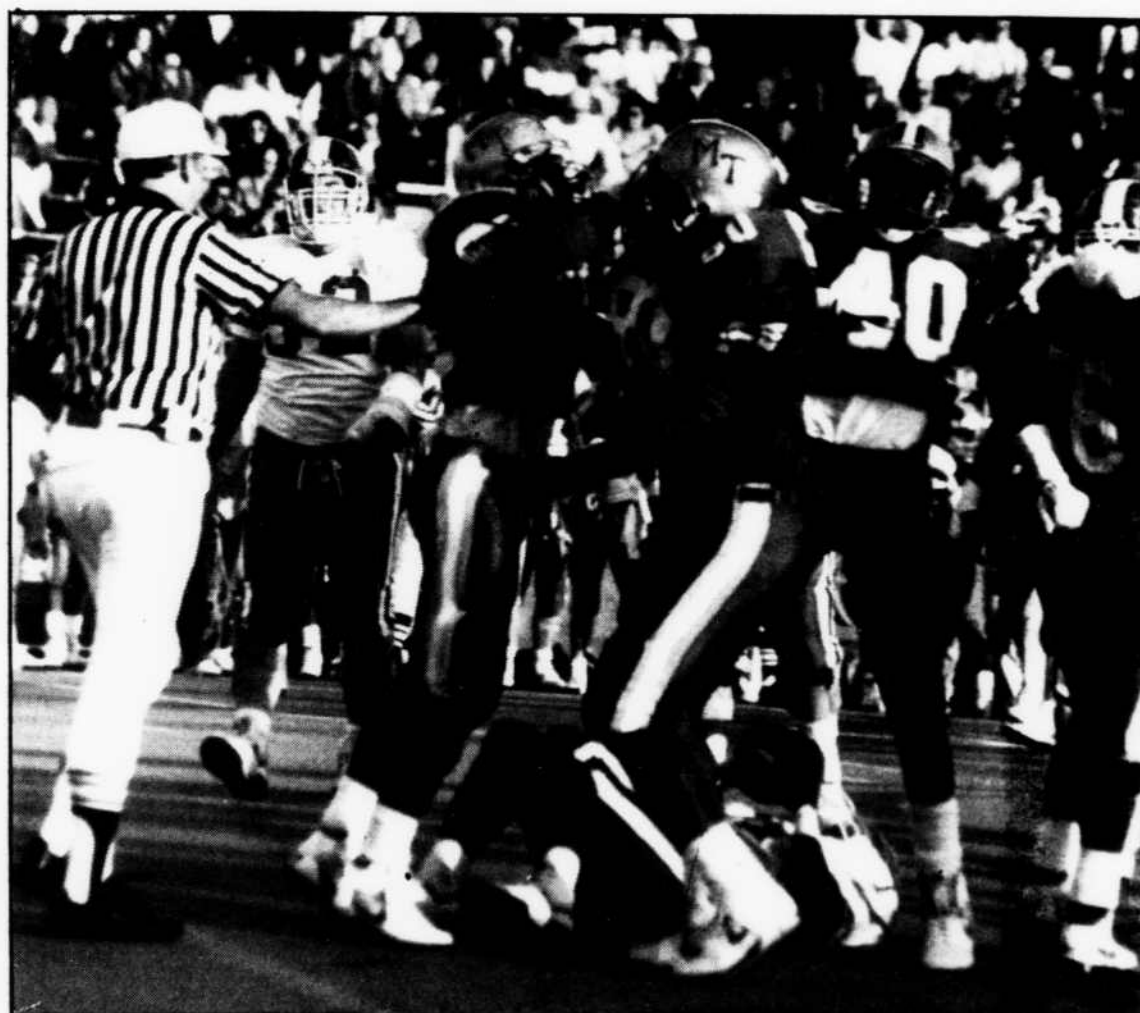
Both previous field goal marks were also broken in the Tech contest. Crews now has the most field goals in a season with 17 and the most kicked in a single game with 5.

Quarterback Phil Ironside added his own record before leaving the game with an injury in the second half. The Knoxville native is now the MTSU player with the most yards in a season. The old record of 1856, made by Billy Walker, was set in 1967.

Ironside threw for 172 yards in the game giving him 1,872 for the season.

Ironside was taken to the hospital after taking a lick on an option run in the third quarter of the contest.

Some quarterbacks may have the bigger stats but Phil Ironside is the best quarterback in this league," Donnelly said. Please see **ROUT** pg. 10



**AWSOME AFTERNOON:** Members of the Blue Raider defense celebrate after dropping a Tennessee Tech Eagle. The Raider "D" was as solid as it has been all season as they pitched a shutout in MTSU's 42-0 victory. With their performance, they ended the season with the nation's top defense by only allowing 101 points.

Chris White ■ Staff

### Raiders to host Jackson State

**TONY J. ARNOLD**  
Sports Editor

Pairings for the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs were announced Sunday afternoon.

MTSU fans were happy to hear that the Blue Raiders were named the top seed in the playoff picture and they will host a first-round game against Jackson State this Saturday.

Tickets will go on sale Tuesday at noon. Reserved seats will cost \$10 each while general admission seats will run you \$8.50. Students can purchase general admission seats for \$5 with a valid I.D.

TSU has proven to be the only common opponent this season for both schools. The Raiders downed the Tigers 38-6 while Jackson State fell to TSU 23-14.

Jackson State has amassed a 8-3 record over the season as members of the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

## Better and Improved

### Men's Basketball Preview

#### From Staff Reports

It may be a misnomer to label the 1990-91 as a "comeback season" for Middle Tennessee, since the Blue Raiders have hardly been "away."

Last year was the first in the coaching tenure of MTSU's Bruce Stewart that he had not taken the Raiders to either NCAA for NIT post-season play.

But Stewart's team wound up at 12-16 last year (5-7 in the Ohio Valley Conference), a totally uncharacteristic record. In that sense, the Raiders are trying to bounce back.

While the '89-90 club showed plenty of speed and quickness, an inconsistent defense inside and poor shooting from the floor did as much as anything to account for the lack-luster campaign.

What Stewart and his staff regard as a good recruiting year, coupled with some Proposition 48 players coming in from another solid crop of recruits the year before, make him optimistic of curing many of last season's ills.

Raider fans can hardly wait for the debut of 6-9 pivotman Warren Kidd, who sat out last season after a sensational prep career at Vincent (Ala.) High School.

His play and that of the veteran Chris Ingram should revive some of the inside strength lacked a year ago.

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### BLUE RAIDER BASKETBALL NOTES

-MTSU's Lady Raiders will hit the court this evening for a 5:30 encounter with Athletes in Action.

-MTSU's Blue Raider basketball squad will follow the Lady Raider contest tonight with an exhibition game against the Adelaide 36ers.

-Both the men's and women's team will open the regular season Friday. The men will host Mississippi Valley State while the Lady's will be in Atlanta to participate in the Georgia State Tournament.

-Both teams inked players in the early signing period. Lewis Bivens inked 6-0 power post Sonya Morrow. Bruce Stewart signed 6-2 guard Arthur Cheers and 6-6 forward Bobby Clark.

### Women's Basketball Preview

#### From Staff Reports

Middle Tennessee Women's Basketball Coach Lewis Bivens feels he's probably already ahead of the game, as far as comparing his team's 1990-91 prospects with those of a year ago.

"For one thing," he explains, "we have three starters coming back, which is a definite plus for us."

"For another, we felt we had to add some depth and size, and we think we've done that particularly inside."

Counting recruits and "walk-ons," Bivens and his staff have added a total of five players who stand 5-10 or taller to the Lady Raider roster, headed by 6-2 Sherie Harris of Shelby State Community College and 6-3 Michelle Wayman of Kaskaskia Junior College.

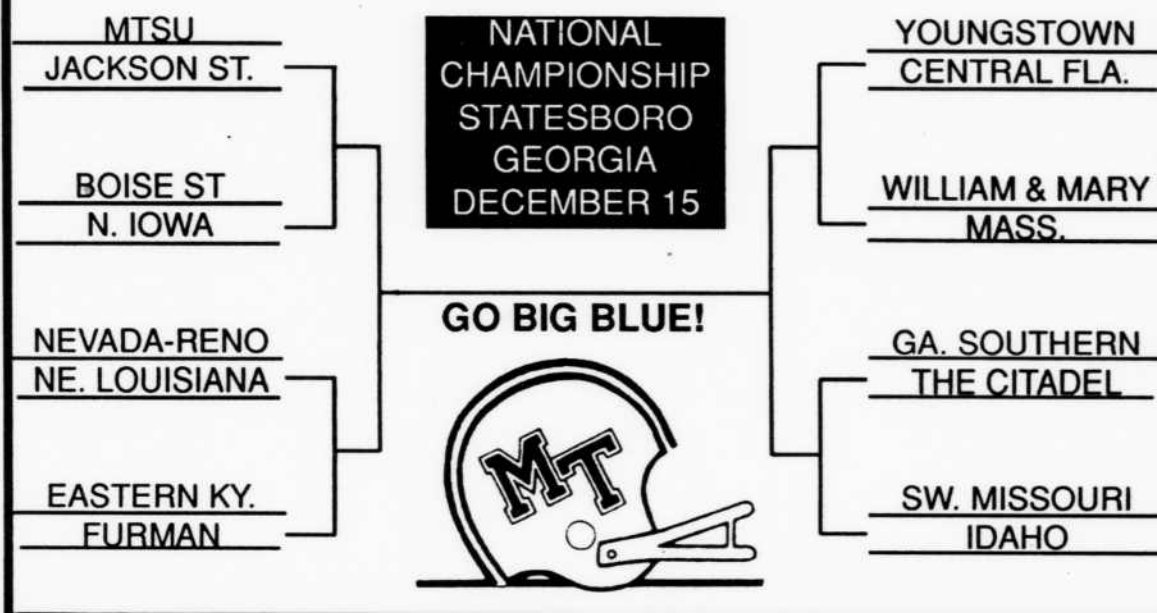
"We think players like them -- and some others coming into our program -- can give us some instant help," Bivens says.

"One of the keys to our season in '91 is going to be our guard play. If Julie (Morrison) can develop into the kind of point guard we need, and one of the other girls coming in can do that and allow us to move Julie to the wing, we could be in very good shape."

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## NCAA Division I-AA Playoff Pairings



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commented. "He's a competitor and if he can walk, he will play."

From the opening kickoff, the Blue Raiders controlled the contest. In fact, they scored on every possession but two; a failed 22-yard field goal midway through the third quarter and a 52-yard punt by Chuck Daniels late in the fourth quarter.

Although MTSU was unable to score a touchdown in the first quarter, the Big Blue led the game 6-0 as a virtue of two field goals by Crews. The first came from 27 yards out and the second from 46.

Martin's second run came three minutes later. Tech was driving the ball downfield when linebacker Scott Boykin tipped a Bert Brown pass into Anthony Coleman's awaiting arms. The big linebacker rumbled downfield with a 18-yard return.

Crews added two more field goals in the second quarter, both from 24 yards, to give the Raiders a 25-0 halftime lead.

After Ironside's injury, reserve QB O.J. Smith came in and engineered the MTSU's next scoring drive which was capped by a 31 yard pass to Vince Parks for the score.

The final two scores of the contest came in the closing quarter as Crews kicked his fifth field goal from 32 yards out and Walt Crowder produced an 11-yard scoring run.

After Crowder's run, instead of sending Crews back onto the field to kick the extra point, Donnelly sent Daniels in to chalk up his first score of his collegiate career.

MTSU defense held Tech to 181 yards of total offense and forced four turnovers, three interceptions and one fumble.

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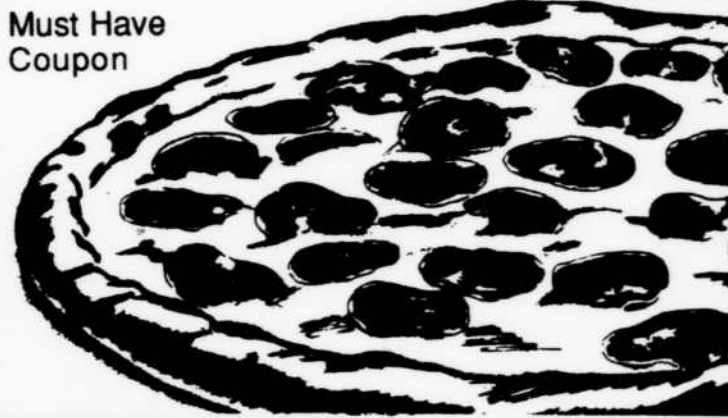
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Quincy Vance, 6-7 junior forward, will be back for his third straight year as a starter and should be one of the better rebounders in the nation at his size. He also showed signs over the final half of the '89-90 season that he is maturing as a more consistent scorer.

Robert Taylor, a 6-5 whirlwind, suffered some typical freshman ups-and-downs last season, but should be much more consistent as a perimeter player this time around.

At the point-guard spot, MTSU lost an ace in Gerald Harris, a three-year regular. But junior Jeffrey Hunter came on strong over the second half of the year and newcomers Ramond Davis and Greg Christian should give him a serious challenge for playing time.

The "off" guard gets some strength, too, with the addition of junior college transfer Tim Corder. He's a 6-2 dynamo who was one of Tennessee's finest prep players at Murfreesboro's own Riverdale High before going to Sullivan Junior College in Louisville, Ky.

Jeff Clinton, a 6-7 freshman from Searcy, Ark., is a candidate for a starting slot at one of the forward positions, where his scoring ability could be a big help.

"We'll be even more athletic, I think," says Stewart, "than last year."

"And we certainly should be

better shooters. And we have enough physical ability to be good defenders -- it will simply take a lot of hard work, which I think our kids are ready to give us.

"It will probably take some time for this team to come together, because we're still relatively inexperienced," he continues, "but this bunch could be a lot of fun to watch."

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Then he added, "If neither of those things happen, we could be struggling again, but I think we'd still be in better shape than last year."

"Last year" was totally uncharacteristic of the sort of basketball teams Bivens has consistently put together during his 12-year collegiate career. The Lady Raiders were 11-17 overall and finished third in the Ohio Valley Conference at 7-5.

That record put an end to a string of seven consecutive seasons in which MTSU had won or tied for and OVC championship.

Morrison was third on the team in scoring, at 10.4 points per game, and led the squad in assists (103) on her way to making the All-OVC freshman squad. But her inexperience cost her the consistency needed at the point guard post by a contender.

Last year's top two scorers, forwards Stephanie Capley (6-1) and Pippi Gipson (5-9) also return.

She averaged 15.1 points and 6.9 rebounds last season as a junior, while Gipson was one of the nation's finest 5-9 rebounders (10.2 per game), while averaging 13.1 points per game.

The two regulars gone from last year's squad are Christy Scruggs, who played the point when she was not sidelined by a bad knee, and center Becky Hall.

The top outside threats include Kristi Brown, who was 71 of 176 from 3-point range (.403) last year, and Mary Smith, who transfers into the Lady Raider program from Motlow State Community College.

MTSU will get size, in addition to Harris and Wayman,

from 6-0 freshman Maggie Cox (Stanford, Ky.), 5-10 junior LaTonya Harris (Centerville, Ill./Kaskaskia J.C.) and 5-11 freshman Priscilla Robinson (Chattanooga).

Other promising back-court players and returnees Shana Wright and Tricia Sisson help guarantee an increase of depth over last year's squad.

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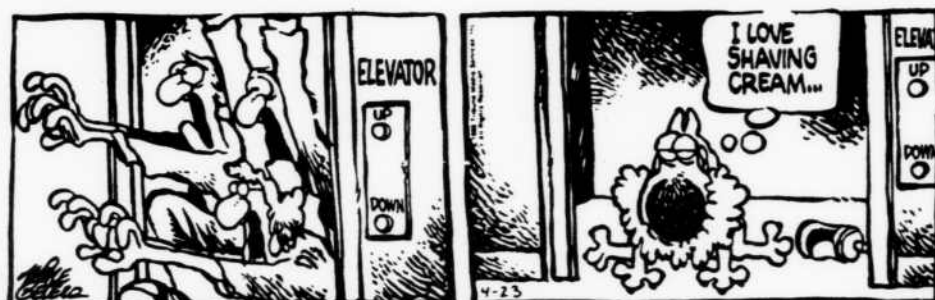
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