Discrimination not salary factor: Ingram

By TERRY MORROW Editor in Chief

Sex discrimination is not the reason MTSU female faculty members are paid on the average \$4,860 less than their male counterparts, President Sam Ingram said yesterday, responding to reports this week that UT-K faculty women average \$2,700 less annually than men.

According to Ingram, differences in salary and promotion between male and female faculty members at MTSU can largely be explained by three factors: (1) academic degrees, (2) previous teaching experience, and (3) previous academic rank, as well as departmental demand and quality of instruction.

CURRENTLY, the U.S. Department of Labor is investigating MTSU because of a class complaint filed by Concerned Faculty Administrative Women (CFAW), a lobbying group here. The complaint, stemming from a previous investigation in 1976, states that MTSU is treating female faculty "unfairly" with regard to salary, promotion, tenure and rank.

Ingram said salaries cannot be easily compared at MTSU, since they are determined by departments. A department producing more graduates will have higher-paid instructors.

"Even when you have pay written down in front of youmale and female, professors or associate professors-you still can't compare the salaries fairly because there are so many factors in individual situations," he said.

THE GROUP'S lobbying efforts are mainly concentrating on an "unfair ranking system at MTSU," June Anderson, a member of CFAW, explained.

"MTSU is doing much better [about treating women equally] than it did years ago," she said, "although it is true that women are making far less here at MTSU [than men], even if they have their terminal degrees."

Female faculty members are promoted at a much slower rate than men, she said. But, administrative sources insist. the university is trying to give women "every opportunity

"WE HAVE TRIED to make sure women are given the same opportunities as men," Ingram explained. "If 20 people were up for a promotion and we had the same number of men and women, then we'd try to make

promotions." According to Anderson, the university has done "very little" to actively recruit highly qualified women for facultypositions.

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New NASA computer set for fall

By GINA FANN

Sidelines News Editor

MTSU will be the sole academic center for NASA's satellite map-making program in this region when a planned \$140,000 system becomes operational late this fall.

University Development Director Boyd Evans said yesterday that numerous contributions will "allow the [MTSU] Foundation to see its way clear" to fund the purchase of the newer Land-Sat system, which will replace the smaller system currently used in the geography department.

"IT'S A RESULT of a mixture of university money, as well as funds which have been made available from NASA grants and private contributions," Evans said. "We

can authorize the geography department to go ahead and purchase the equipment.

"That will make us the only institution in Tennessee and possibly the only one—period. We'll definitely be the academic center for this in the state."

MTSU Foundation members requested a \$10,000 contribution from members of the Murfreesboro City Council last week, telling the group that the city's donation would permit planners to use the system for

drainage analyses of proposed development sites and the like. Council members took the request under advisement and have not made a decision on the donation.

"WE'RE NOT counting them [the City Council] out yet," Evans said. "We're counting on everybody to come through. We still have to raise the money, but it's an important enough project that we felt it was worth going ahead with."

The Land-Sat system currently in use has been operational since mid-1978, Rutherford County Planning Director Bruce Davis said vesterday. Davis, in conwith junction geography/geology professor

Ralph Fullerton, "teamed up to produce a land-use map of Rutherford County."

Fullerton is out of town this week and could not be reached for comment, but Davis said the two first began working together on NASA's Regional Demonstration project.

"WE INVESTED in the same technology," Davis said of the current system. "The county allocated a small amount, and the university matched it to produce the maps."

Satellite transmissions are picked up by the university's system, and these signals are used in the map-making process. (continued on page 2)

No-cost classes for MTSU faculty to go before council

By RANDY BRISON Sidelines Staff Writer

MTSU faculty members may be allowed to take courses for credit at no cost, after the Faculty Senate unanimously approved a resolution stating such Monday night.

The resolution, made by Dr. Roy Clark of the chemistry and physics department, will be put on the agenda for the fall meeting of the Faculty Sub-Council, which is made up of Faculty Senate presidents from the schools which make up the State Board of Regents.

ACCORDING TO Clark's proposal, instructors in schools like MTSU, East Tennessee State University, and Tennessee Tech should be allowed to take any graduate or undergraduate courses in their schools without cost to themselves or their departments. The University of Tennessee-Knoxville is already using a similar system which has "worked well," Clark said.

The difference in UTK's system and the one proposed by Clark is that instructors at UT may take only graduate courses, while the MTSU resolution would allow faculty members to take undergraduate classes also. Clark added that he felt many professors might want computer training in particular.

At present, MTSU faculty must apply for grants-in-aid and have their courses paid for (continued on page 2)



Julie Smotherman, a computer science major, showers thirsty plants growing in the plot known as "the jungle" in front of Todd Library.

Freshman applications down from '82: dean

By MARK SHERROD Sidelines Staff Writer

Applications for admission for the 1983 fall semester at MTSU are down 3.89 percent from last year, according to a report released July 11 by Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions, records, and information systems.

Gillespie said yesterday that applications for new incoming freshmen are still 9.59 percent behind last year's record increase of 14 percent, with small gains over last month's figures.

"LAST YEAR'S 14 percent increase in last year's freshman class was probably one of the largest in the country," noted Gillespie. "We expect to see an increase in new applications as we get closer to the fall semester as many students find out that they will not be admitted to Yale or Harvard. However, these things are hard

to predict because of the nature of our relatively open-door policy."

Applications for transfer and readmission (those students who have left MTSU and are now returning), however, have shown significant increases.

Transfers are up 9.5 percent over comparative data from 1982 with readmissions up 17.27 percent. These figures have been attributed to an improved economy that allows students to spend more time with their studies rather than worrying about putting food on the table.

Applications for admission into MTSU's graduate school are continuing to fall with a 6.23 percent decrease from last year. Over the last 10 years MTSU's graduate enrollment has dropped from 13.5 percent of the student body in the fall of 1972 to 11.6 percent in the fall term of 1982.



through the weekend, with highs in the upper 90s and lows in the 70s.

Funding cuts won't affect WMOT

MTSU students check out the art exhibition in the Art Barn Gallery. The faculty exhibition will be

open through September 11. The gallery is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays and will be

By TIM SELBY

open on weekends beginning with the fall semester.

Sidelines Staff Writer

With National Public Radio reporting a projected deficit of \$9.1 million for the year, WMOT is among the network's member stations now being asked to guarantee a loan needed to insure the organization's survival.

The Corporation for Public Broadcasting has agreed in principle to provide NPR with a lowinterest emergency loan, but only if member stations' community-service grants and NPR's own satellite system are put up as collateral. WMOT Station Manager John High

described NPR as being "down to the eleventh hour and 59 minutes....It's absolutely desperate situation."

ASKED WHETHER WMOT would indeed commit itself to the loan guarantee, High said that he had "recommended to the president that we accept the bail-out proposal," adding that President Ingram "has the papers before him."

Ingram said Tuesday that the matter is presently under consideration, but that he is 'going to have to have more information" on the proposal before any decision is made.

High noted that "an overwhelming number of NPR members have endorsed the \$9 million deal" and that he believes the loan will be approved at the next board meeting of the CPB.

scheduled for July 28.

NPR's financial troubles, High said, are mainly the result of "errors in judgment, the recession and just sloppy business practices."

THIS WILL NOT be the first time member stations have provided emergency funds to help the network. At the Public Radio Conference in March of this year, member stations voted to give NPR \$1.6 million out of their own forthcoming community service grants.

High explained that this action "will reduce us about \$3,000 to \$4,000 out of our 1984 grant," but he added that he did not see any negative effect on the operation of WMOT, since "that was money we had not counted on anyway."

If the current emergency loan plans are not approved, High said that "it won't be the death of public radio," but since WMOT depends on NPR for more than one-third of its programming, rejection of the loan will result in a substantial change in the station's present programming.

THE MOST dramatic change in programming would be in the area of news coverage.

In particular, the termination of NPR's awardwinning news programs "All Things Considered" and "Morning Edition" would be a great loss, according to High, forcing WMOT to supply all (continued on page 2)

Student injured in Nashville wreck By JULIUS TURNER

Sidelines Staff Writer An MTSU sophomore was listed in stable but guarded condition in Nashville's Vanderbilt Hospital Monday after she was injured and two other persons were killed in a July 1 automobile accident in Davidson County.

A hospital spokesperson said

Donna Woodson of Gallatin was "breathing without the aid of a respirator" in her room in Vanderbilt's Surgical Intensive Care Unit.

WOODSON sustained head injuries and a fractured arm in the late-morning accident in Nashville.

Reports that Woodson's brother and the female owner

of the car were killed in the accident were not confirmed by Metro police, who said Monday that they had no record of fatalities from the accident.

However, Phyllis Hickerson, university director of minority affairs, said Wednesday that she was told the two other

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Campus Capsule

THE ROTC DEPARTMENT is sponsoring an emergency Bloodmobile unit will be parked next to the Keathley or the WISE office at 898-2193. University Center between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

GRADUATE STUDENTS enrolled for fewer than 12 hours lobby of Cope Administration Building. and undergraduate seniors who plan to attend graduate school the next semester following graduation must notify the post office by Friday, July 29, of their desire to retain their present

ANYONE interested in forming a cooperative baby-sitting blood drive on campus Monday, July 25th. The Mini Bus service for fall semester, contact Bertie Andrews at 890-5285

CLASS SCHEDULES for fall semester are available in the

ANYONE wishing to announce an upcoming event in Campus Capsule should send the information to Sidelines, Box 42, before 2 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Alabama inked for Oct. concert

By RANDY BRISON

Sidelines Staff Writer

Alabama will perform at MTSU's homecoming Oct. 15, marking the band's third appearance here in as many years.

The Alabama concert is the only concert definitely set up for the fall, according to Programming Director Harold Smith, but there are a number of other shows that might possibly be held here since many major bands will be touring this fall.

"WE'RE LOOKING at everybody," Smith said when asked who might be coming to MTSU. "We were able to book Alabama because they made us their anchor date on this tour."

Since the homecoming concert cannot be moved. Smith explained, it was very important to get a band committed to the specific date

New

"The system now has a Land-Sat processing capability only-[which is] in a small area, using [satellite] imagery," Davis said. "The proposed system will actually use data from a number of sources-census maps, tax topographical maps...and is capable of utilizing several different types of [computer] software."

MAPS OF Murfreesboro and Rutherford County will be made by students using the Land-Sat data, officials have said, and data will be available to local planners for aid in development studies.

The extra money has been

accumulated since 1981-82

from 37 schools which did not

spend all of their state ap-

propriations. Each school

MTSU's portion has been

estimated at some \$300,000, or

one-third of the \$1 million impounded by the state earlier

being observed at all," he said.

the University of Tennessee

this year.

retains it in reserve accounts.

"Alabama has sold out here twice, so we must assume they're popular with a fairly large portion of the students and alumni," Smith said. "We have to consider alumni since this will be homecoming day."

Smith pointed out that he and the MTSU Special Events committee did not go into a school year with specific bands and a number of shows in

"IF YOU HAD told me last year at this time that between then and now we would have nine major shows, I would have asked, 'Where are we going to get them?" Smith said.

There are several factors involved in bringing a concert to MTSU, Smith explained.

A band must be touring through this area and have open dates coinciding with open dates at Murphy Center. Smith said that in August Murphy Center would be free

on only two days-Aug. 30 and

"WE'RE AT THE mercy of the band's decisions on when to tour and where," Smith said.

Another problem with scheduling some acts is the size of Murphy Center, he added.

"Simon and Garfunkel would be an example of a concert too big for the house we have," Smith said.

When asked about the lack of concerts this summer at MTSU, Smith pointed out another contributing factor in the decisions on which groups appear at MTSU-the student.

THE RECENT Styx concert, in fact, was the first major show in Murfreesboro during a summer since Kansas in 1979. Neither act sold out.

It is mostly in the students' interests, however, not for financial considerations, that concerts are held at MTSU, Smith pointed out.

Funding

(continued from page !) of its own news. The station, High noted, "would search for replacements for these programs."

The resources needed for extensive news coverage, though, simply aren't there, High said, pointing out that the station "would not be able to send a correspondent to Nicaragua."

WMOT ALSO depends on NPR for its late-night programming, but "NPR Overnight," which runs from midnight until 6 a.m. six days a week, is scheduled to end Sept. 30. High said that, although the station does not "have

access to the millions of records that [NPR Overnight's hosts] to maintain an overnight jazz service" which will, again, be

High was quick to point out that a shutdown at NPR would not affect WMOT's funding. since the station is financed by the university, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and private donations from listeners and interested organizations.

Student

(continued from page 1) persons had died in the accident.

"I do know that there was a funeral conducted for [Woodson's] brother, and there was one other passenger-a female, the owner of the carwho was also killed," Hickerson said. "Other than that, the only information I have is hearsay.'

do," WMOT's "commitment is

locally produced.

from certain, but High said he believes the network will



English professor Charles Wolfe, left, shares a laugh with memers of his "class" Tuesday. The "students," most of whom are at least 55 years young, were attending a portion of "Elderhostel," a monthly outdoor education course for the elderly sponsored by the Office of Continuing Education.

State faculty paid less

TULLAHOMA, Tenn. (UPI) Tennessee college teachers earn up to \$5,000 per year less than their counterparts at other Southern universities, according to a survey by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission,

On the other hand, the state's colleges and universities have accumulated about \$15 million in reserve funds * but THEC members have not decided what to do with the

Commission Chairman Brad Reed suggested the money could be given teachers in the form of merit bonus pay, but that it would be an "unwise financial practice" to use the money for an across-the-board increase since the funds would not be available in subsequent

budget years. The salary report, based on a

telephone poll of 13 other states in the region, was presented to the commission Tuesday the University of Tennessee Space Institute in Tullahoma.

"As a staff, we are concerned about the level of salaries. particularly the faculty," said Brenda Albright, a THEC associate director. "There has been no real progress in 10 years."

In the past, Tennessee had been ranked next to last in average faculty pay with Mississippi at the bottom. But Mississippi this year granted higher education teachers a 10 percent pay raise and, while full figures were not available to compute all states' averages, that may put Tennessee last.

Ms. Albright said Tennessee was below average by about \$5,000 for a professor at doctoral institutions and

\$2,000 below average for masters level professors and teachers at two-year community colleges. Salaries are about \$1,500 below for associate professors at masters level institutions.

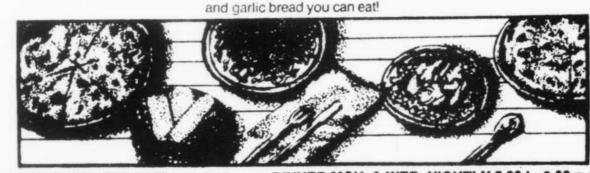
She said the low salaries hurt Tennessee colleges and universities when they try to hire teachers who can get better pay in other states.

The \$15 million in reserve funds has been accumulating since 1981-82 from 37 schools which did not spend all of their state appropriations. Each school retains the money in reserve accounts.

"I can tell you from personal experience that this has been going on year after year and those reserves have been growing," said Lewis Donelson, a THEC member and former state finance

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schools. "I think we would very much like the two boards to tell us what they are going to do with this money," said commission chairman Brad

available in next year's state

Board of Trustees to review

and clarify guidelines for either

reallocating the money or

leaving it to be spent at the

discretion of individual

"I can tell from personal Reed suggested the money experience that this has been could be given to teachers in going on year after year and the form of merit bonus pay, these reserves have been growing," said THEC member but said it would be an "unwise financial practice" to use the Lewis Donelson. money for an across-the-board faculty salary increase, because "We have some guidelines, those funds would not be but obviously they are not

THEC \$\$ undecided

NASHVILLE (UPI)—Tennessee's colleges and

universities have accumulated \$15 million in reserve

funds, but the Tennessee Higher Education Com-

mission could not decide Monday what to do with the

higher education budget. The commission, meeting at The state Board of Regents the Uniersity of Tennessee Space Institute near and the UT board of trustes will each meet in the early fall Tullahoma, voted to request the state Board of Regents and and act on the request from

No-cost

(continued from page 1) by their departments.

"THE PROCESS is elaborate," said Faculty Senate President Robert Walker, "and no department can afford more money from their budget."

In other business, the senate elected a new member of the steering committee, which is composed of senate officers and two faculty members from each school. Robert Rucker of

the sociology department was elected as a new member of the committee.

THEC to resolve the issue.

Senate Secretary-Treasurer Reza Ordoubadian moved for an amendment to senate bylaws which would allow the vice president and secretary to vote in steering committe meetings.

Previously, these officers were non-voting members.



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Features

Students on mission in Brazil construct school for natives

By JIMMY JOSEPH Special to Sidelines

Editor's note: Dr. Jimmy Joseph and his family are leading a team of Tennessee college students-including three MTSU people-to Brazil. This is a report from Joseph on the progress of the team.

They may not be getting academic credit for it, but several people from MTSU are getting quite an education in Brazil this summer. Three students, Jill Queener, Lisa Diel and Lindsay Gunter along with me and my family are in Parintins, Brazil as part of a 23-member construction team.

Lisa is a social work major from Gallatin; Lindsay is a mass communications major from Murfreesboro, and Jill is a therapeutic recreation major from Nashville

SPONSORED by the Baptist Student Unions in Tennessee. the work team is constructing a

multipurpose building in the Good Samaritan Village. The Good Samaritan Village is a ministry of Igrosia Batista de Parintins (Parintins Baptist Church).

The complex already contains a chapel (built by a BSU team in 1981 which included MTSU student Johnny Strawn), a school for blind children and the multipurpose building under construction. Also scheduled to be built is a facility to care for abandoned elderly persons and additional classroom space for the school.

The need here is almost overwhelming. The area around the center is made up of. one- and two-room houses made of scrap lumber and palm thatch.

MOST OF these people have moved here from the jungle in hopes of escaping disease and to look for jobs and education. The homes have water and electricity by the city, but no sewer, garbage collection, telephones and almost no roads. They know little of health, nutrition or hygene. That's what the Christian Services Center we are building is about.

The Christian Services Center is a flexible multipurpose building to be used in meeting the needs of the area. Eighty meters (280 feet) long, it contains four classrooms, two workshop rooms, a dining room with a kitchen, an office and

The plans for the building call for it to be used to teach classes in health, hygene, food preparation and storage, infant care and other health related

IT IS TO serve also as clinic space for visiting medical, dental and optometry teams, as a community center for social

Construction gets underway at Parintins, Brazil by a 23-member team consisting of Tennessee college students, including three MTSU students, and the Baptist Student Union campus

functions and to provide vocational training for the many people who come looking for jobs, but have no skills.

Parintins, the second largesttown in the Amazonas state in Equatorial Brazil, is located on an island in the Amazon River 1,000 milesinto the interior jungle.

To reach Parintins the group had to fly to Manaus, Brazil, and take a river boat down the Amazon. That ride, an overnight experience with the group sleeping on the deck in hammocks, took them some 200 miles through largely uninhabited jungle spotted with isolated villages and the solitary homes of fishermen.

"IT WAS REALLY interesting to me," Lisa Diel says. "I realized by the time we got here just how far from home we are."

Learning to construct a building in a society that uses different materials has been an interesting experience. The building is primarily built out of a clay tile typeof block different from anything available in the United States.

"I'm learnign to do a lot of things I have never done before," says Lisa. "Some of them I never thought I would

According to Lindsay Gunter who has had construction experience in the states, "It's basically the same as at home. I really look forward to getting started each

I'M REALLY pleased with the way the team is working together.

We are an equal opportunity employer! The girls are laying block, using the power saws and pouring cement just the same as the guys. It realy blows the minds of the Brazilians who have a strongly stereotyped society. They can't believe that college students, who have high status here, are doing manual labor in the hot sun.

Adapting to the local culture been an terestingexperience for all os

"I'VE BEEN impressed that though the culture is different, the people are basically the same. They have the same desire and needs as anybody

"They want to know a lot about us," Lisa, social work major, says.

The heat has been a bit of a problem too, but in all the team has worked well despite this handicap. It's been very hot and humid here.

"Ihave troublesleeping at night sometimes," Jill says. "I guess I've been spoiled by air conditioning."

Dr. Joseph says the need in Parintins is "almost overwhelming. The people move to Parintins from the jungle in the hopes of in one- and two-room houses made of scrap lumber and palm Free movies shown 'under the stars' at MTSU

By LYNDA TEWELL

Sidelines Staff Writer

Where can you go to enjoy a free movie, and buy a bag of popcorn and a small coke for only 50 cents?

Why, here on campus, of course!

With what he calls "Movies Under The Stars," Hollis Harris can be found every Monday evening during the summer at the MTSU baseball field setting up for his showing of the 8:30 p.m. feature of the week.

BRINGING with him a small white van and a matching concessions truck, he and his partner of 25 years, Jerry Jones, begin to setup for the night's entertainment.

Ropes hold fast the modestly-sized movie screen and the two adjacent speakers which broadcast the movie

And yes, rare to most concessions anywhere, popcorn, cokes and cherry, grape and blue-raspberry snow cones sell for only a quarter apiece.

"YOU CAN sell more concessions at a lower price," Harris said. "I would rather sell four cokes at 25 cents apiece than two cokes at 50 cents apiece."

"Besides," Harris added with a grin, "it's easier to make change for a quarter anyway!"

The city of Murfreesboro pays for the movies Harris rents from Modern Sound, an Omaha, Neb., company. Harris' concessions are his responsibility and his only profit from the weekly films.

"NOT MANY many companies are available," Harris explained. "Modern Sound is one of the best I have ever dealt with—they carry Warner Brothers, Columbia, Universal and Paramount [movies]."

Favorites of Harris' regular viewers include comedies, horror and adventure films-both old and

The next film is the July 25 showing of *The Revenge* of Frankenstein (in color), starring Peter Cushing.

HARRIS IS not connected with the Student Films Committee, the campus organization handling most films shown at MTSU.

"Mr. Harris is a volunteer who loves movies, but he cannot be connected with the Student Films Committee since only students can work with it," Joyce Warpoole, student programming secretary, said.

escaping disease and to look for jobs and education. They live

Harris began showing films free of charge to the public in 1947, claiming his interest is due to the fact that he was "raised in show business."

AS A YOUTH, he began to work in an old local theater where he gradually worked his way up to systems manager.

He decided to go to Sewart Air Force Base in Smyrna where, after he trained to be a military captain, he worked for 25 years.

After his years as an Air Force captain, Harris came to MTSU, where he worked for 13 years as supervisor of maintenance. He retired from his duties in 1981.

The movies he shows are a joy for him. "Just bring your chairs and blankets!" he exclaims.

NEXT WEEK

You can see a free movie and buy a bag of popcorn and a small coke for just 50 cents at Hollis Harris' "Movies Under the Stars." Harris shows a movie every Monday at 8:30 p.m. at the MTSU baseball field.

Quirks in the news

LOS ANGELES (UPI) -Owners of a new medical clinic are giving away an allexpenses-paid vacation each month to the biggest klutz treated at the facility.

"We'll give the prize to the person messed up the worst," said Dennis Gilbert, a consultant to the owners of West Care Medical Center Inc. "All we're trying to do is make people cognizant that we

The North Hollywood clinic opened Saturday.

The "Accident of the Month Award" will be given to the survivor of the most unusual accident. The winner will receive an all-expense paid weekend at the Hotel del Coronado near San Diego whenever they recover.

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ASHLAND, Ore. (UPI) - A 37-year-old Californian who has spoken only once in the last 10 years estimates he'll complete his walk around the world to promote world peace in the year 2001.

John Francis, who made vows of silence and abstention from motorized vehicles on his birthday a few months after a 1972 oil spill in San Francisco Bay, says his trip will take him 18 years.

communicates Francis through written notes, pantomime, gestures, facial expressions and sign language. He also allows himself to hum and grunt. He says he has talked only once in the last 10 years 8 in a telephone conversation with his parents in Philadelphia.

Francis began walking north from Inverness near San Francisco on April 27. He is now walking across Oregon toward Washington, then will head east. He plans to travel to South America, Africa, Europe and Asia.

He camps outside and cooks on his own stove or stays with people who offer him shelter. A benefit concert featuring jazz musicians George Winston and William Ackerman at Point Reyes, Calif., raised \$4,900 for the trip.

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LAUGHLIN, Nev. (UPI) Card dealer Joe Marquis Jr. has completed 109 hours of dealing the world's longest poker game in a Nevada Club casino publicity stunt sanctioned by the Guinness Book of World Records.

Marquis, a former Washington policeman, set out last Tuesday to break the previous record of 100 hours. He quit Sunday morning after 109 hours.

"He was tired, in fact, exhausted," said Virgil Heath, the Nevada Club card room manager. "He said he could no longer concentrate and that he better end it. When he quit he was unable to read the hands correctly.

"We have him on a little vacation now.'

Movie review

Flashdance Rated R

Starring: Jennifer Beals.

Powerful music and eye-catching visuals combine to pull together an otherwise unrealistic plot in this summer's premiere dance film, Flashdance.

Music by superstars such as Kim Carnes, Donna Summer. Laura Branigan and Irene Cara make up some of the danceable tunes to which a relatively unknown cast perform.

Unusual lighting adds to the electric mood generated in the film. Visual effects enhance the film's unique dance styles such as runaway dancing and breaking, which couldbe described as spinning on the ground like a human top.

The weak plot involves a frustrated dancer who works as a welder by day while moonlighting as a performer in a nightclub with an unrealistic atmosphere. The nightclub features talented female dancers who perform to up-tempo music for a group of beer-guzzling men.

Jennifer Beals plays a dancer who, with the help of her boss, gains an audition at a prestigious ballet school and gains admittance through her talent and determination.

While the plot has a happy ending, it is also a cliched one. However, the music and dancing make it an enjoyable movie worth seeing. - CHIP BLOCKER

Survivors

Rated R Starring: Robin Williams, Jerry Reed and Walter Matthau.

Survivors is the story of an unemployed dental equipment salesman:Robin Williams, and a down-on-his-luck gas station owner, played by Walter Matthau.

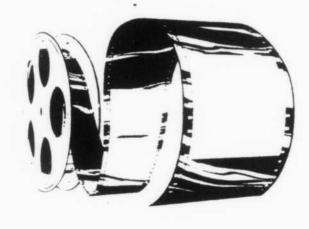
When Williams stops a would-be robber, played by Jerry Reed, from shooting Matthau, a strange friendship begins between the two. The incident prompts Williams to go on a shopping spree for deadly weapons-and, ultimately to join a remote community of gun-crazed survivalists.

Meanwhile Reed-fearing that the two will reveal that he is a high-priced hit man, as well as the killer of Jimmy Hoffa, strikes a deal with Matthau swearing them to silence.

The only problem is that Williams, newly fortified with survivalist frenzy, will have no part of it. And so the stage is set for a dramatic showdown between Reed and Williams.

If this all sounds pretty dumb and very unbelievable, that's because it is. The teaming of Williams and Matthau just plain doesn't work. The film simply isn't funny.

The best thing I can say about "Survivors" is that it keeps Jerry Reed from singing for a while. Stay home and read a book or watch TV, just don't waste your money on "Survivors."-TIM SELBY



The Twilight Zone

Rated PG

Starring: Dan Ackroyd, Albert Brooks and Burgess Meredith. You are traveling into another dimension, a land of both time and space, a land of both shadow and substance, whose borders stretch from our darkest fears to the farthest realm of the

You've just entered the Twilight Zone.

And with this introduction sci-fi fans of all ages have traveled with Rod Serling into the mysterious area known as the Twilight Zone since the early 1950s.

During the early 1950s, Rod Serling's Twilight Zone was one of the finest sci-fi shows in the history of television-and definitely the most popular. But the new film version will be lucky to make it through one season on cable television before it's shelved or condemned to the late night drive-in movie zone.

The bulk of the movie is composed of remakes of original shows, and considering the advances in filming techniques and special effects since the first Zone shows, bad remakes.

The story lines in the film were the same as those in the television show, but the way that a couple ended would have thrown a diabetic into a seizure. Cute monsters and storybook endings, along with that "I've seen this show before" feeling, somehow took all of the ol' "gotcha" out of the film-at least for

All in all, it could have been a lot better, guys. My advice? A good way to waste an afternoon on dollar day.-ROBERT BALL

**** *********** SUPERMAN III

Rated PG

Starring: Christopher Reeve, Annette O'Toole and Richard

This third and final Superman movie is probably the worst of the lot. Unfortunately, the weak plot and special effects arethe major downfalls of the entire film.

Christopher Reeve is wonderful as Superman, but he's better as Clark Kent. Annette O'Toole plays Lana Lang, Clark's old flame from Smallville. O'Toole's Lang is a wonderful creation, full of sweetness and determination. She's not at all like the comic version of the character.

The film doesn't play upon the considerable talent of O'Toole. Instead, it hopes to capitalize on the name of Richard Pryor, who is a total waste in this film. Pryor plays a computer genius who is manipulated by a supervillain into trying to kill

the Man of Steel. In all, the flick, which is another of a long line of "no discount night" rip-offs, is not worth the money even if it is the last of what was a nicely made films—TERRY MORROW.

entertainment

'GH' star loves role, misses Tenn. home

By TERRY MORROW and GAIL HURT

Sharon Wyatt spent most of her childhood sitting in trees, dreaming of being a movie star and lantasizing about dating handsome leading men with

Now she's living those fantasies.

Fulfilling such childhood wishes requires Wyatt, a native of Carthage, Tenn., to spend several hours a week rehearing her character-the snoots Tiffany Hill from the No. . daytime serial, General Hospital.

"EVEN WHEN I was a little girl in Carthage, I was determined to hit it big," Wyatt says. "I used to dream all the time about being a star-that's really all I wanted

In fact, Wyatt's interest in soap operas stems all the way back to her earliest childhood recollections.

"I used to not ever get anything done," she said, referring to her early soap opera addiction. "I'd watch them all and then work afterwards."

Wyatt attended Smith County High School and graduated from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville with a B.A. in English.

"I LOVED college," the former fraternity Little Sister said. "It was a great time to get to know myself and other

"For me, college was a special time. I think a degree is important no matter what you end up doing."
Upon graduation, Wyatt

moved to Nashville, where she did plays and sang with a band until her brother agreed to move to California and act as her chaperone and guardian.

"I WAS GLAD I didn't come [to California] until I was emotionally ready," she said. "If I'd come out here right after high school, I would have died."

Her current television role allows Wyatt the luxury of not only being a media celebrity, but to play "one of the most fun characters" on the tube, she said.

"I thoroughly enjoy her," Wyatt commented, sounding as if she was talking about a dear friend. "It was a big break for me to get the part of Tiffany."

TIFFANY'S life, however, hasn't been a bowl of cherries. Within the past year, she's been forced to room with the wickedest woman in Port Charles, Heather Webber; to add to her misery, she's just ended a steamy romance with the dashing Dr. Noah Drake (played by heart-throb Rick Springfield).

The poor dear," the blueeved blonde said whining about the plights of her television alter-ego. "I wish she could find a man she'd be happy with.

"Her insecurity about herself, I think, is the main problem she has with men. There's a certain facade about her. I hope she finds the right man. I think if Rick Springfield hadn't left, they'd still be together."

SPRINGFIELD was Tiffany's well-to-do lover in a whirlwind romance on General Hospital. But, in real life, Sharon was nervous upon learning she'd be working with the sex symbol.

"It was hard to work with Rick at first," she confesses. "I didn't know him very well and Tiffany and Noah fell in love so fast on the show. It gave us

Sharon Wyatt, who portrays "Tiffany Hill" on daytime TV's General Hospital now lives in California, but misses her home of Carthage, Tenn. Her parents live in Crossville, Tenn., and her father runs her fan club, which boasts of over 500 members.

very little timeto get to know one another."

Wyatt decided that one way she'd get to know Springfield was through his music, so she went out and bought his records.

"I TRIED TO get myself in the mood to fall in love with him," she laughed.

As time passed, Tiffany and Noah split up and Wyatt noticed her relationship with Springfiled echoed their heartbreaking characters' situation.

"Rick and I stayed away from each other a lot [when Tiffany and Noah broke up]," she recalls. "We didn't talk to one another or even rehearse as

much. "IT WAS really strange, but your character can sometimes

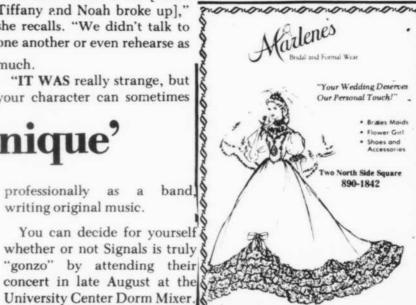
professionally as a

writing original music.

go over into your own life when you start playing things like that," she added.

Meanwhile Wyatt says things are "picking up" for Tiffany. Her roommate on the show, Jackie Templeton (Demi Moore), will be returning after a lengthy hiatus. And Tiffany has a new job as a singer at a casino owned by General Hospital's local adventurer, Luke Spencer (Tony Geary).

"I'm perfectly happy where I'm at right now," she chuckles. "It's like a dream I come true."



Signals described as 'unique'

By LYNDA TEWELL Sidelines Staff Writer

"Gonzo" and "out of control" are unique words to describe a unique band new to the Murfreesboro music scene.

Signals is the name of the band who elicits such a response, combining elements of the theater and danceable music to make them popular especially at recording industry management events.

ALL OF THE four band members are current MTSU students with newest member, percussionist Jim Burkhart, working on a master's degree in literature.

Together since January, band founders Jim Scherer and Tom Fonner met while living on campus in Judd Hall.

They describe themselves as being "an alternate vocals band" with a penchant toward 'New Music.'

"NEW MUSIC" describes the music of such bands as Wall of Voodoo, A Flock of Seagulls and Talking Heads, and tunes by these favorites are basically what Signals enjoys

"We are currently working

up some original tunes,' Scherer explained. "We want to do more recording and things of our own."

Scherer, despite working for Charley Pride in Nashville, feels Signals itself is a business as well as a musical outlet.

"WE ARE trying to present a clean-cut image," Scherer said." We try to explore new sounds and combinations but we disdain drugs."

"I hate to be responsible for things when I'm in control, much less when I'm not straight," Fonner added.

A student at MTSU from West Virginia, Fonner claims a strong background in the theater.

"I'D LIKE TO see Signals present an image combination of theatrics and music, Fonner said.

On stage, Fonner has been known to do a dance solo during a Stray Cats tune, and the band also plays a unique reggae version of "Twist and Shout."

For the future, Scherer would like to see Signals become more entertainmentoriented and

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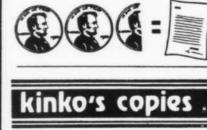
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Opinion

from the editor

A Supreme Court ruling that allows a tax deduction for parents of children in church-related schools is not necessarily stepping over the barriers of state/church separation-in fact, the ruling is a very healthy stand for an equal division for both

The law in question "must have a secular legislative purpose" that "has a primary purpose that neither advances the positions of state or church." That, of course, is a pretty tall order—even for the Supreme Court to accomplish. But, it can be done.

First, the law will be a relief to public schools that are aleady being overcrowded. This new law will be a reward for those parents who can put their children in a private school. Thus, the public schools are being relieved of overcrowding.

Secondly, the parents will take up the slack of financing the schools with church-related sponsors. With this in mind, the Supreme Court sees that the churches will be using tax loopholes a lot less than they normally would and it would also be helpful to the economic community if the parents can help with financial responsibility of such schools.

The tax reduction, that ranges anywhere from \$500 to \$700 annually, is also helping the parents of children in public shools. The larger the number of children in public school, the more money it takes to educate each child.

Thirdly, the law satisfies the separation of church and state with the "special contributions" made by the parochial schools to their communities. The tuition tax deduction "can fairly be regarded as a rough return for the benefits povided to the state and all taxpayers by parents sending their children to parochial schools.

The Supreme Court, using the above reasoning, voted 5 to 4 in favor of the proposal that allows religious schools the new power to woo parents into letting their children attend a private and religious institution.

While this may seem a catch-22 for the Supreme Court, it has really added a new dimension in the scope of how the separation of church and state should be defined.

Should the Supreme Court actually be using the churches' tax exempt status as an aid to help support the secular, non-church related schools?

Apparently, most religious leaders don't mind. The Tennessee Baptist Convention's newspaper, The Baptist and Reflector, has endorsed the idea, though clearly pointing out both sides in a news item and an editorial.

Of course, whenever rulings like this one occur, one can only wonder if the Supreme Court can legally "manipulate" their way into the churches by other means that may not be so beneficial. That, however, is another topic.

BRIEF

KNOXVILLE (UPI) — Financier Jake Butcher was cited for contempt of court yesterday for refusing to turn over corporate records to a federal grand jury as auctioneers sold plush furniture removed from offices of his failed United American Bank.

WASHINGTON (UPI) -ABC newsman Frank Reynolds was hailed yesterday by President Reagan as one of America's foremost broadcast journalists, trusted and respected by millions of his fellow citizens, Nancy and I among them."

Reagan, who got to know Reynolds during his losing presidential primary bid in 1976, said, "To us he was a warm, considerate friend."

First lady Nancy Reagan added: "He was everything a newsman should be-fair and professional. One in a million."

The president said he hopes to attend Reynolds' funeral, and Mrs. Reagan, who spoke to Reynolds by telephone several times during his illness, will definitely attend.

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Reps. Daniel Crane, R-Ill., and Gerry Studds, D-Mass., both refuse to resign despite the furor over their sexual encounters with teenage pages and today's vote on reprimands by the

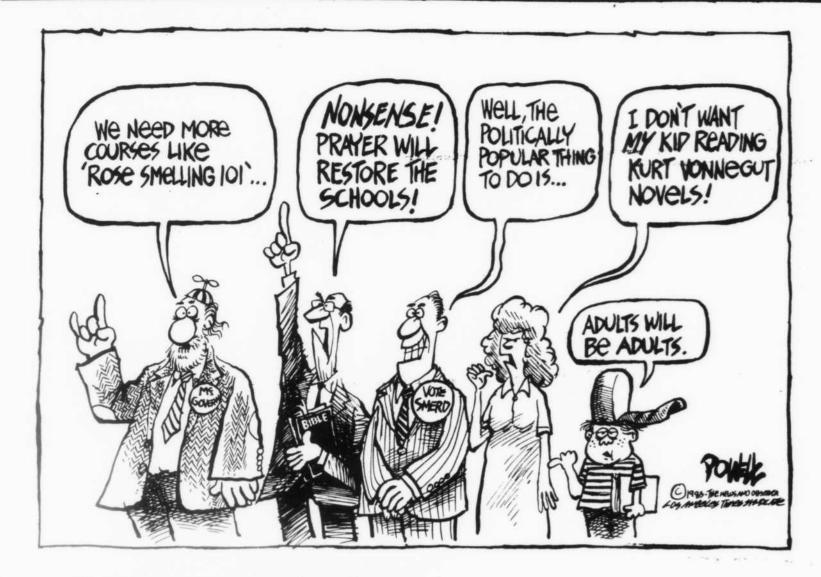
Several congressmen demanded harsher punishment than the equivalent of a congressional wrist-slap recommended by the House Ethics Committee. Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., has called for their ouster and sent "Dear Colleague" letters to all House members yesterday urging them to reject the ethics committee recommendation when it comes up for a vote.

MOSCOW (UPI) — The Soviet Union yesterday confirmed it is holding six American environmentalists and said the members of Greenpeace International were in good health.

The statement by the Foreign Ministry was the first Soviet comment on the arrests Monday of six Americans and a Canadian on the Siberian coast.

Soviet soldiers detained five of the Americans and the Canadian as they went ashore near the Russian whaling station at Lorin. The sixth American was captured as he tried to escape.

Other members of the Greenpeace group raced back to Nome with a film of the whaling station and the arrests.



Guest columnist assesses area broadcasting

Nashville journalists not just 'good ol' boys'

By TEDDY BART Special to Sidelines

Editor's Note: Teddy Bart is the anchorman for WNGE Channel 2 News.

To the uninitiated, being a broadcast journalist in Nashville can be deceptive. On the surface, the Nashville market appears an oasis for good ol' boys for whom the biggest news story of our century was the availability of Coors beer east of the Mississippi. Even some pseudoenlightened New York- and Washington-based journalists view Nashville as a great big Grand Ol' Opry with nothing of substance to offer the rest of the world.

Not true. Not even close.

ALTHOUGH the Opry and the music industry that sprang from it provide a colorful atmosphere to the area (plus an occasional news story), and there is a good ol' boyishness to many who live in these parts, such is not the sum and substance to this region.

As one who has worked the

Nashville beat for 13 years, I can tell you that Nashville is electric. It is a national hub in the fields of politics and business.

The role of the broadcast journalist in times like these is to understand the players and their positions. One must learn, for instance, that the resurgence of the Republican Party not only in this state but across the nation can be traced to Sen. Howard Baker's upset win over former Gov. Frank Clement in the 1966 race for the U.S. Senate.

AND THAT A former dentist named Winfield Dunn upset a would-be shoo-in Democrat for the governor's seat in 1970. These victories paved the way for Republican presidential candidates from Nixon through Reagan to select Nashvillians as their finance chairmen.

The broadcast journalist soon learns the impact that Nashville firms have in the health field, the construction business and the food industry

all across America.

So what we are talking about here is influence. Nashville and many of its power-brokers ("movers and shakers" is the newsy term) influence much of our nation to a degree the outsider finds hard to comprehend because of aforementioned the stereotyping.

It is incumbent on the broadcast journalist, therefore, to learn the territory...to get a feel for the players and their positions so as to properly, fairly and with balance relate what is happening and why.

BECAUSE Nashville is not what others expect it to be, because Nashville has a special brand of sophistication, many who come to work as journalists or those who are brought here to manage journalists often misread the territory. They feel if a method of doing a story worked in Tulsa, or Detroit, or wherever they worked last, it will work in Nashville.

Not so.

Nashville is the 30th-largest market to work in the country. But in terms of influence or clout, I would put it in the top five. Add to that paradox the special nature of its influence, the broadcast journalist must do his homework and try as best he can to fashion his story, to weave into his story that intangible element which makes Nashville special.

TOO ABRASIVE, too caustic works well some places. Not here. Yet too laid-back, too cool without substance won't work anywhere including here.

Nashville is a fast-track news town. The news competition is fierce and keen. The product is generally solid. The journalists, the ones who succeed, are those who, like good actors, spend some time walking around the stage before a performance testing the accoustics and peeking out at the audience.

Theatrically, that's called getting a feel for the room. The aspiring Nashville journalist is well served by doing the same thing.

glanceback

One year ago this week... Sidelines announced that

Olivia Newton-John would perform at Murphy Center Sept. 12. Harold Smith, director of student programming, refused to comment on her appearance until the concert was disclosed in the following Sunday's Tennessean.

Five years ago this week... John High replaced Harold Baker as the station manager at WMOT as part of an extensive reorganization plan by Mass Communications Chairman

Ed Kimbrell

It was reported that former MTSU football star Mike Moore was arrested in Miami, Fla., and charged with possession of marijuana. Moore was training with the Miami Dolphins and was eventually cut by coach Don Shula.

**** Ten years ago this week...

ASB Attorney General Gary Sadler charged that Dean of Students Robert Lalance allegedly incorporated changes into the ASB Constitution without referenda.

Sidelines announced that check cashing facilities had been established at the MTSU Bookstore, with a \$25 limit on personal checks.

Sidelines reported in June that members of the Tennessee State Board of Regents had confirmed rumors that Dr. Kenneth Ezell, board member, was participating in a move to oust MTSU President M. G. Scarlett from his post.

"J Building," a new dormitory, was expected to be completed in mid-August with "K Building" to be completed

by mid-September, Charles Pigg, campus planning director said in Sidelines.

The street directly behind the University Center and the one between the ROTC and Dramatic Arts building were rerouted, making them oneway streets, Matthew Royal, chief of security, said in a Sidelines article.

Construction of a 38-space staff administration parking lot between Schardt Hall and the university president's residence was scheduled to begin in September.

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Sports

Dobson rides to victory in Hawaii

By DON TILLETT

Sidelines Staff Writer

Don't try to tell Barton Dodson that he has a handicap, for even though he is paralyzed from the waist down, he is not easily reckoned with when he gets on the track.

Recently at the National Wheelchair Games held on the campus of the University of Hawaii, Dodson secured five gold and three silver medals.

DODSON, 25, suffered a debilitating swimming accident when he was 16. Rather than quit, however, he has decided to make the most of his ability. The result of his labors is evidenced by his victories in the 60-, 100-, 200-, and 400yard events and the pentathlon. His second places came in the 800-yard event, the club throw, and the 4 x 100-yard relay.

Ellis arrested

Dale Ellis the number one draft pick of the Dallas Mavericks was arrested recently for drunken driving after registered a .10 on a breath analysis test.

Ellis, 22, was arrested by a Tennessee Highway Patrol officer shortly after 4 a.m. on Interstate 40 after he allegedly approached the rear of the trooper's car at an "extremely high speed." Ellis was driving a 1983 Jaguar.

He has qualified for the USA Special Olympic Team in each of the last four seasons, a feat which is a source of pride for Dodson. One of the main reasons for his accomplishments is his hard work.

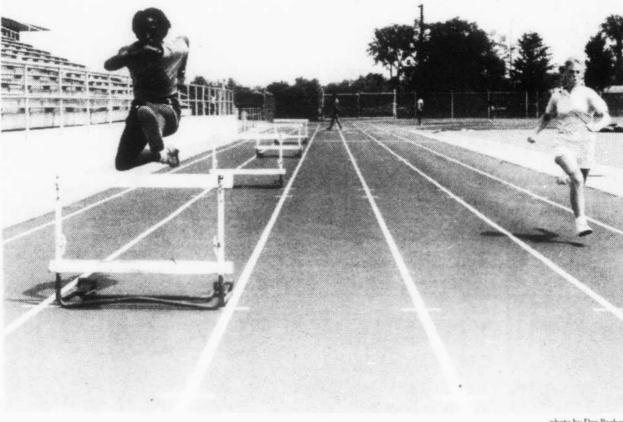
"I train two hours a day, but that might go up," Dodson said, indicating that he may escalate his training in preparation for a marathon to be held in Louisville in November.

WHEN ASKED how he felt at the end of the competition, Dodson noted that he was "tired...but it felt great."

According to Dodson, this is

probably his most successful competition. He has stated, however, that he would not continue in the International Special Olympic Competition because of the money factor.

"There is no public funding-we get our money from private sponsors," Dodson



These high school tracksters endured the hot temperatures yesterday as they trained for an upcoming competition. High humidity and the hot July sun made practice conditions somewhat less than ideal.

Riding the bench

'Footites' take over

By KEITH TIPPITT

Sidelines Sports Editor

There once was a culture the Western called Autopeople. It was a great civilization that lived in a land called the United States.

The people lived for many years in relative peace, content to drive around in their automobiles and eat hamburgers (made from the meat of a cow). Then something happened to these great people.

IT SEEMED that a game had been invented that used a ball covered with the skin of a cow that was called a pigskin (a puzzling paradox of this society). These strange people called the game football, even though the foot was rarely used in the game.

The degeneration of the Western Autopoeople's society began with the introduction of the United States Football Leauge. Then as if that was not all they needed, they introduced the International Football League, even though their northern neighbors were the only other civilization that knew how to play the game.

The Autopeople went wild. Everywhere one looked, the balls made of cow skin were seen flying through the air. This game became the most important thing in this society, and it could be seen on almost every cable TV station.

EVERY CITY in the civilization wanted a team and many previously untainted cities such as Memphis and

Nashville of the Tennessee area began seeking one of the teams. If a team in the illustrious NFL was not available, they would (settle for a team in any league (as Memphis did July 17, 1983.

The "football" was in every household, and some of the people even prayed to their new god every night before going to bed.

A football fever was sweeping the country much like baseball fever had done a few years before, and much (like the bubonic plague had done in Europe many years before. The fever swept the land and eventually led to the end of the society.

FOLLOWING the Western Autopeople's demise, only the "Footites" were left to reign. The football society ruled for many years, but it too was to) see its Waterloo.

The football civilization had learned little from the mistakes of the Western Autopeople. The process of needlessly expanding football () teams in areas unable to support them would eventually lead to inner destruction.

The important thing learned from the football craze of the) 20th century was that by expanding the teams to an outrageous number, the number of fans were not 0 enough to support the sport. The spectators had too many choices which eventually led to the football society cutting its own throats.

Class dismissed

Baseball camp to be held at MTSU next week

By DON TILLETT

Sidelines Staff Writer MTSU's third annual summer baseball camp, designed to teach the fundamentals of baseball, will open July 25 for youngsters between the ages of 8 and 11.

The camp will be conducted by coaches John Stanford, John Jernigan, and Tony Long.

"[We] will instruct kids in fielding, throwing, and batting. The camp will be stationoriented, with four or five stations covered in the morning, and another four or five in the afternoon," Jernigan

JERNIGAN expressed enthusiasm about the summer camp, stating that it should be enjoyable for all involved.

"We will, in addition to spending time on the field, show films and go to a [Nashville] Sounds game," in an effort to maintain interest, he said.

Interest in the camp will be enhanced by the presence of former MTSU players, such as Ronnie Vaughn, former Raider catcher. These players will conduct the clinic,

Jernigan said.

MTSU's summer clinic will begin at 9:30 a.m. Monday and it will culminate in a three inning contest for all of the participants on Friday, Jernigan said.

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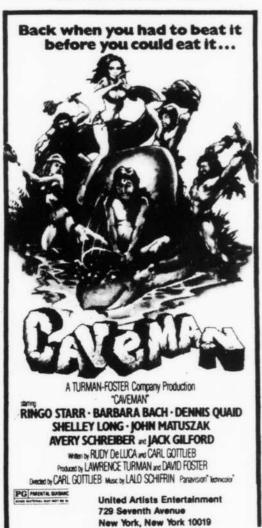
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