Sidelines

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Buford Pusser, subject of the movie "Walking Tall" and former sheriff of McNairy County, Tenn., visited Murfreesboro yesterday in the role of a car salesman.

Pusser, shown above in front of Jackson Brothers Chevrolet, autographed sticks and spoke on subjects ranging from war to Watergate while hundreds of persons gawked at his bulletscarred face, the results of a

Photo by Butch Tomlinson murder attempt while he served as the West-State sheriff.

"I'm going to try to keep them from giving us a redneck image," he said while speaking of plans to help in production of a sequel to "Walking Tall."

He said a "redneck image is all we ever get in Tennessee," and turned to autograph another threefoot club for a fan.

Fans get glimpse of Buford Pusser Watson to propose new library hours

"Is the library there for the convenience of the students or for the convenience of the employees?"

ASB President Tim Watson declared Wednesday night his question is a major point to be raised in any consideration of extending library hours until 2 a.m. Although no official proposal has been made by the ASB, Watson said he will definitely try for the extension. He indicated his actions will be in response to a survey revealing that 86.9 per cent of 4,866 students favor the 2 a.m. closing.

"I have been working on the library hour question since the first of August," Watson said, "but because of a memorandum I was sent that Dr. Kirksey wrote to President Scarlett, I decided to make no proposal until the results of the survey were in."

Watson said results of the ASB poll, which was taken during fall registration, were to be sent yesterday to both Scarlett and Kirksey.

"Dr. Kirksey's memo concerned a conversation he had with John Marshall, head librarian, in which Mr. Marshall supposedly told him that I did not think the ASB or very many students were supporting a request for longer library hours," Watson said.

"A note from Dr. Scarlett added to that memo made it clear that he, Dr. Kirksey and Mr. Marshall felt an extension of hours would not be justified," Watson added.

"Since Jean Byassee, secretary of student services, had been discussing the possibility of longer hours with Mr. James Craig, assistant to Marshall, the memo was really a surprise. I immediately responded with

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Backgrounding the news

by Bill Mason

Appeal was denied, fired teacher says

she was not recommended for re- she said. employment in the spring of 1972.

another year. She indicated that said. no reasons for this decision were given in the notice.

to comment on the case.

president for academic affairs, procedure.

A former MTSU psychology pro- and requested a formal hearing fessor, who charged the university for the review or reconciliation of with sex discrimination in a Kerr's recommendation. Kirksey federal suit filed last week, said told her the university was not leg-Wednesday that she was refused ally obligated to grant her such a any type of appeal or hearing when hearing and refused her request.

She added that she had the The teacher, Cheryl Travis, said impression that she was entitled she had received no complaints to a hearing involving the presenabout her performance until she tation of charges against her and received a notice from Willard the opportunity to respond to them Kerr, MTSU psychology depart- with the aid of counsel. "I never ment chairman, which stated that had the chance to see any evidence she would not be recommended for against me or to refute it," she

Kirksey would not comment dirctly on the Travis charges and She said that Kerr later gave her said he would not do so while the a definite impression that she was case is in litigation. However, he not being rehired because she is did say that any teacher who has a woman, but she refused to not been granted tenure is hired elaborate on her allegations of sex on a yearly basis at the discretion discrimination. Kerr has refused of the department head, and that any such teacher who is not recom-Travis said she contacted both mended for re-employment has no MTSU President M. G. Scarlett legal right to a hearing in and Howard Kirksey, MTSU vice accordance with due process

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What are the rights of MTSU faculty?

Recent charges by former reasonable amount of time that he MTSU professor Cheryl Travis will not be recommended for and the blotting out of a sentence reemployment. Thus, the teacher in the 1972 MTSU faculty handbook is not fired, he is simply not have caused concern among rehired, but the effect is the same. faculty members about their rights in case they are dismissed the blotting out of the last sentence or not recommended for reemployment.

president for academic affairs, teacher not recommended for would not comment on the Travis rehiring) will be provided.' charges, but he did go into detail

period, the teachers are hired on removed. basis upon the recoma yearly

reason does not serve the best Was

A controversy has arisen over on page 15 of the faculty handbook reading "A hearing in accordance Howard Kirksey, MTSU vice with due process procedure (for a

One faculty member called this about the policy of the university an obvious effort to eliminate due as set down in the faculty hand- process. Kirksey claimed that the sentence was marked out on According to Kirksey, when a advice of university lawyers and teacher is hired at MTSU, he is because the state board of educaplaced on probation for an average tion refused to approve the handperiod of five years. During this book until the sentence was

Any appeal of a decision not to mendation of the department re-employ must go to Kirksey, who said that he considers only three Should a department head deter- questions in appeal of a departmine that a teacher for whatever ment head's recommendation: 1) the notice interests of his department, he recommendation official? 2) Was may notify that teacher within a it given in time? 3) Were the civil (Cont. on page two)

Teacher says appeal denied Students to work with legislature

(Cont. from page one)

Travis was at MTSU only one year and was never eligible for tenure. When a teacher is granted tenure, he is added to the permanent teaching staff.

Legal proceedings by Travis against MTSU were started last December through the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. The suit filed last week was a class action - that is, an action on behalf of all women at MTSU and in the state college sys-

As of yesterday, none of the persons named in the suit had been officially notified of the action against them.

What are faculty rights?

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and constitutional rights of the teacher observed?

If the answers to these questions are affirmative, the decision of the department head stands. "The teacher need not be given a reason," Kirksey said. "The law says that a reason is not required."

Due process procedure is granted only to a teacher who has been granted tenure, a permanent

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faculty position, or to a teacher on probation who is dismissed before the expiration of his contract, Kirksey said.

Bulletin--

Fear and Loathing in the UC After a twisted five hour meeting the ASB house and senate adjourned last night with no final action on the proposed constitution. Wild charges flew across the room all night. Attorney General Gary Sadler subpoenaed the House and tried to withdraw the proposed document. Another vicious session is scheduled for Tuesday night.

New internship offered

bursement for job travel and 12 hours academic credit will be given for participation in the Legislative Internship Program.

Applications must be filed with Frank Essex in the MTSU politic al science department by Oct. 15.

"The actual 12 hours academic credit will be split at a maximum of six hours towards a major with the remaining credits being given intheminorarea of concentration," Essex said.

Juniors, seniors, and graduate students in law, political science, history, administration, social work, economics, sociology, journalism and related fields are invited to apply for the internship.

Applications filed at MTSU will go into competition with those received by the 19 other participating universities.

In addition to academic qualifications, selection is based upon ture and the legislative process.

Stipends of \$315 a month, reim- each applicant's expected potential for professional research and analysis of problems involving legislative policy-making and for successful personal interrelationships in the environment of a legislative session.

"Although grade point average is not the determining factor, it will be of some importance in the analysis of each application," said Essex.

Interns will be appointed for the 1974 legislative session for January through April. The selected interns will be assigned to legislative leadership committees and will be expected to devote full time to their legislative duties during the term of their appointment, adapting to the legislative schedule.

Interns will be expected to attend seminars on state government with emphasis on the legisla-

By Eva Boiko

Planned Parenthood, a total reproduction health center that provides abortions during the first

three months of pregnancy, opened Sept. 10 on Edgehill and 17th Avenue South in Nashville.

Staffed with doctors from area hospitals, the clinic is operated under a medical advisory board of eight to 10 local physicians.

"The services here are offered to anyone in the state," Hilda Kilgore, executive director of Planned Parenthood said. "Outof-state residents are not eligible for our services because of different state laws concerning services such as abortions.'

Abortions in out-patient clinics were first allowed in Tennessee in April 1973, according to Kilgore.

"The clinic offers a vacuum aspiration abortion, which lasts from 45 minutes to two hours at a cost of \$155. Patients are then tion call 255-7721 in Nashville.

released and instructed to resume normal activity," she said.

Vasectomies, pregnancy tests and VD examinations are also done at the clinic, Kilgore said.

"Women who are over three months pregnant and who wish to have an abortion will be referred to Vanderbilt; Huntsville, Ala.; or New York," she said.

"Counseling services will point out options in an unwanted pregnancy, including adoption. Women will make their own decisions without pressure for or against abortion," Kilgore said.

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ASB pushes aside campus TV program

series spotlighting MTSU students is still being pushed aside by the ASB, it was learned last week from numerous sources.

The program, entitled "Perspective - Higher Education," originated within the administration of former ASB President John Jackson. But no plans have been made by the current administration, according to Watson, ASB president.

The series was originally scheduled to be in the pilot stage by summer. However, it was delayed in June. Jackson said ASB was waiting for technical aid from a professional producer to be hired this fall by the mass communications department. Watson said this summer that a state of limbo existed because of the time consumed by "other important matters," but did not enumerate them.

Edward Kimrell, chairman of the mass communications department, said that no one associated tacted him this fall. He said that another so called "state of limbo."

A proposed WDCN-TV program he was ready to talk to someone about assigning technical assistance to the series when he was contacted.

> Watson said that Jackson was no longer working on the program. Watson said he had handed the entire project over to Dwight Lane, a senior, about a month ago. He added that he did not know the present status of the proposed TV program.

> Lane said that he had no immediate plans for the program. He said that he had also been left in charge of planning for the MTSU homecoming. Homecoming planning is currently taking all his time, he said.

Gaylord Ayers, WDCN-TV station manager, said this summer that if ythe MTSU students came to WDCN with a prepared format indicating the ideas they wish to convey, the visual effects necessary, and a program outline, a producer would be assigned to them to tape the pilot.

Kimbrell said that he believed with the proposed series had con- the TV program must be in

Photo exhibit set

Man's relationship to man and his environment is the theme for a show to begin Sunday at the MTSU Photographic Gallery.

The display is by Dan Biferie of Athens, Ohio, who will be present at the Sunday show, which will run from 2 to 5 p.m.

Gallery hours are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday; and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. The show will continue through Oct. 18.

Biferie, who earned a bachelor of fine arts degree in photography from Ohio University, is currently working on his master of fine arts degree. He is a teaching assistant in photography at Ohio University and is a photography instructor for retarded boys and men at Beacon School.

Among his previous presentations this year, Biferie exhibited AMONG photos in the Biferie his works at the All-Ohio Graphics, hibit is this one of an old grocer Photography and Film-making in Nelsonville, Ohio. Biennial at the Dayton Art Insit-



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Students planning to take the National Teacher Examinations should pick up their registration forms during office hours at the Guidance and Counseling Center office Room 209 of Cope Administration Building.

The test will be administered on Nov. 10 at MTSU. The registration forms must be completed by Oct. 18. Late forms will be accepted until Oct. 25 with a \$3.50 late fee charged.

According to James A. Martin, director of the Guidance and Counseling Center, many college seniors preparing to teach and teachers applying for certification are encouraged or required to take the NTE tests. Some school systems require the test as a prerequisite for employment.

The examinations are designed to assess knowledge and understanding in professional education, general education and subject-field specialization, Martin said.

"The designation of MTSU as a test center for these examinations will give prospective teachers in this area an opportunity to compare their performance on the examination with candidates throughout the country," he said.

Last year approximately 110,000 candidates took the tests, which are prepared and administered by Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N.J.



WMOT awarded grant

Thrilled and excited are the reactions of the mass communications department over the approval of a \$69,955 grant to WMOT-FM by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, says Edward Kimbrell, department chairman.

MTSU will supplement the grant announced last week by Tennessee Representative Joe Evins and Senator Howard Baker Jr., to fund the station's \$93,273. project in the planned Learning Resources Center which includes improved station facilities and high quality student production studios.

We did not expect the grant this soon because we didn't know what funding HEW would have this year, Kimbrell said.

Patrick Jones, WMOT director of production and co-author of the original grant proposal of November 23, 1971, commented, "The quantity and the type of programming has unfortunately been limited due to the physical limitations of our production capabilities. Our ability to provide noteworth broadcast programing is hampered due to the lack of adequate production facilities and to demands placed upon our existing facilities by broadcasting classes."

"This project will alleviate these problems and will allow us to make the most efficient use of the radio frequency," he said.

Jones added, "Dr. Harold Baker, WMOT general manager, had provided the Department of Health. Education and Welfare with three updates on the original grant proposal. These updates and the station's demonstrated committment to educational broadcasting were the reasons that the grant was approved."

The updates included the station's conditions and a record of its growth and other changes, he

The project will aid education of MTSU students in the field of broadcasting. There are currently 19 interns in the program plus many other students involved the broadcasting field, Jones said.



Student-teaching applications for spring semester must be on file no later than Oct. 15 in Room 209 of the New Classroom Building.

Nashville WDCN-TV Channel 2, will provide coverage of the Watergate Committee hearings at 7 each evening after the day's hearing sessions.

Feature and rating staff workers for MTSU's creative magazine, Collage, are needed. If interested, contact Nancy Nipper at Box 3625 or Box 61.

Anyone needing passport information should contact the county court clerk, Ben Hall McFarlin. His office is in the courthouse on the square in Murfreesboro.



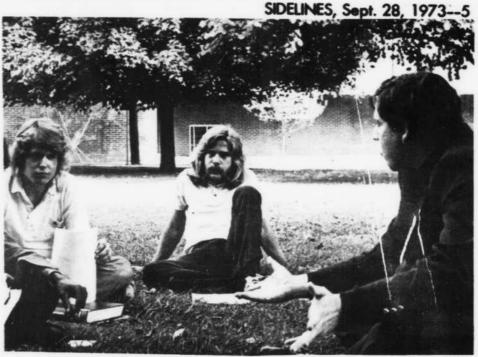


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TAKING ADVANTAGE of the lingering summerlike weather, mass communications department chairman Edward Kimbrell meets with his class outdoors.

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Editorials

Agnew in political battle

While the Department of Justice this week prepared to go before a federal grand jury with information about alleged political corruption involving Vice President Agnew, the vice president called on the House of Representatives to investigate alleged misconduct.

The House leadership announced that it would not intervene in the case, preferring to let the courts deal with the merits of the case and the constitutional question of whether a president or vice president must resign or be impeached before he can be indicted.

Republican House members immediately rejected the decision and began maneuvers to involve the House in an investigation of Mr. Agnew's alleged violation of bribery, conspiracy and tax fraud laws.

Only a few weeks ago Mr. Agnew and some of these same Republican congressmen were berating the Democratic leadership in the House and Senate for "wallowing in Watergate" and supposedly neglecting the important issues facing the country.

It is obvious that the "wallowing in Watergate" charge was imply part of a political counter attack. These same individuals are more than willing to let Congress become bogged down in an investigation of the vice president's political background.

Mr. Agnew's call for a congressional investigation is another political ploy designed to open his options against a White House that is willing to let him hang and twist slowly in the wind.



"HOW'D YOU GET PAST ME, SPIRO?"

Repression--a way of life in the Soviet Union

By Ray Notgrass

There is something going on in the Soviet Union which anyone who can even spell detente should realize. It is called repression. Not the fake kind that Jane Fonda, et al. scream about, but honest-to-Pete iron fistedness.

You see, there are those in the Soviet Union, some widely-noted scientists and writers, who think something that isn't supposed to be thought in the Workers' Paradise: they don't like their government's policies.

Take Alexander Solzhenitsyn. Brilliant writer. Has been refused permission to live with his wife and family. Realizes the real possibility that the Soviet secret police might well take his life. Grants interviews to Western newspapers,

something that isn't supposed to writes letters to the West, and has be thought in the Workers' Para- his books published--all illegally.

Take physicist Andrei Sakharov. Inventor of the Soviet H-Bomb. Proudly supports dissident intellectuals, urges the U.S. to withhold most-favored-nation status in trade from the USSR until the Soviets grant free immigration. Has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize--by Solzhenitsyn.

Take any number of Soviet dissidents who speak out against their government, are arrested for "anti-Soviet propaganda," given a mock trail (the defense is not even allowed to present its case), and carted off to work camps or, better yet, declared insane and locked up in a mental institution, no doubt to be "cured."

Then take the United States. Sells tons of wheat to Russia, admittedly at a ridiculously low price. Giving serious consideration to granting the USSR most-favored-nation trading status, which will mean increased trade with better deals for the Ruskies. Ain't we the ones for peace and understanding? I have yet to hear the Soviets give up any-

thing. It's obvious they aren't giving up repression.

Can you see an album, "Leonid Brezhnev, Superstar"? Can you hear members of the Supreme Soviet calling for impeachment of Brezhnev and Kosygin? Can you hear Jews and intellectuals screaming for freedom? Can you hear at all?

There is a story about a Russian soldier and an American soldier at the Berlin Wall, arguing about the relative merits of their two countries. Finally, the American says, "We have total freedom. I can go up to the gate at the White House and scream, "The United States foreign policy is for the birds!" The Russian comes back, "Why, it's exactly the same in Russia. I can go up to the walls of the Kremlin and scream, "The United States foreign policy is for the birds!"

Sometimes it's not funny. We have big consciences about right-ist dictatorships, but not a peep is said about Russia. The least we could do would be to urge the granting of the Nobel Peace Prize to Andrei Sakharov.

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Readers' views

To the Editor:

In a letter to the editor of the SIDELINES, September 21, Mr. Ron Howell identified me as a possible racial bigot who used the classroom to further my own prejudiced notions. Mr. Howell is to be commended in at least three respects: (1) his notion that an instructor's presentation should reflect sound scholarship rather than his own personal viewpoints, (2) his willingness to indicate that his knowledge of the situation was "second-hand", and (3) his willingness to suspend judgment until the facts could be determined.

The particular situation Mr. Howell describes is one where I assumed the role of the devil's advocate and expressed a highly stereotyped notion concerning blacks and lower status whites. This was done during the first meeting of the course and was designed to point up problems which would be considered throughout the course. I am inviting Mr. Howell to visit my class on particular occasions where equality of educational opportunity will be discussed. This will enable him to gain firsthand information. After he visits he may want to report to the SIDELINES on his findings.

However, I do not feel it necessary that he do so because my professional reputation does not need to be cleared.

Here are a few things I have done to promote racial understanding: (1) served as the first team chairman of a bi-racial evaluation team for the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education in the Southern Region, (2) prepared three federal proposals for Middle Tennessee State University which related to the teaching of minority groups, (3) former member of the State and Local Human Relations Council, (4) a voluntee tutor for CUBE during its inception, (5) presented a resolution to a local church board which resulted in the use of costfree church facilities by a biracial Headstart group, and (6) selected by my department head to teach the first black student who was enrolled at large at Middle Tennessee State University.

Edgar Beaty Professor of Education

To the Editor:

I was both amused and outraged by the comments made by Mr. Charles Phillips concerning the tremendous drop in sales at the University Bookstore. I was amused because he is quoted as saying, "I think we need competition; it makes us function better." Immediately upon saying this, Phillips warns us that "we might have to curtail student services and cut personnel." Does this sound as though the bookstore welcomes competition? It sounds more like a threat to me. Now that the MTSU students and faculty have a freedom of choice as to where they wish to purchase their books, the bookstore warns us that we will be punished for exercising this freedom.

Mr. Phillips threatens us that student employment may have to be cut back. Of course, nothing is mentioned about cutting back the hours of the regular employees or a cut in Mr. Phillips' salary.

Phillips reminds us that all profit goes into student services. Of course, the students have little or no choice as to where this money is used -- but remember readers, it is for us. Who are they kidding? The bookstore has one main function -- to enlarge its own pocketbook.

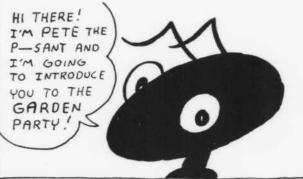
I was particularly impressed that the bookstore is going to provide us with larger bookdrops. That is really a tremendous service don't you agree?

I would like to remind Mr. Phillips that almost all towns that have universities in them have many privately owned bookstores that provide healthy competition. These university bookstores, however, usually provide only the necessary essentials. They do not waste space on luggage, overpriced records, sleazy paperback books and expensive prints. They do not charge outrageous prices used textbooks, and they willingly allow the return of obviously unused, recently purchased paperback books.

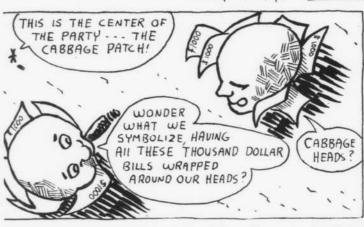
I would also like to remind the University Bookstore that any credible bookstore special orders books for its customers. But you never thought of us as customers. Well, the time is here. We are free from our cages. We will exercise our freedom of choice. We will not be intimidated by Mr. Phillips. My advice to the University Bookstore is to start acting like a helpful university service, rather than a spoiled and vindictive child who has lost its game at Monopoly!

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Fraternity rush up; sorority rush down

by Tim Yeager

Figures reflecting the number of pledges this fall indicate interest in the Greek system has increased among men students and decreased among women.

The fraternities on campus are increasing in numbers despite predictions a few years ago foreseeing the end of national fraternities in the future, IFC President Tommy Jackson said.

There were 151 bids turned in to the fraternities last fall and 224 this year, he said.

"This increase is due to the fact that the fraternities on campus have changed their pledge programs so as to recognize the pledges as individuals. They are using a structured open rush, which means that a fraternity may pick up a pledge anytime during the semester," Jackson said.

The number of sorority rushees registered this year is 169 compared to 220 last fall, according to Judy Smith, Dean of Women.

"Since we have had sororities, there has been a varying number from year to year," Smith said.

The sororities are holding parties which the rushees will attend through Oct. 1, the day bids are sent out.

On Friday a theme party, which is a participation together in some kind of charitable project, will be held, and on Sunday there will be preference parties, Smith said.

New library hours asked cont'd from p. 1 a rejoinder memo stating the ASB support for longer hours, but a

a rejoinder memo stating the ASB support for longer hours, but already our back was against the wall in this issue," Watson said.

A group of MTSU fraternity men at play (1972 photo)

He said the power to change library closing to 2 a.m. "lies far above the ASB."

"We can propose all day long," he said, "but until somebody will listen to logical arguments in our favor, proposals are no good."

Watson said that in analyzing the question of later hours, cost must be weighed against gain.

"The gain would be immeasurable to the 3,200 students in our survey that said, yes, they would have occasion to use the library," he said.

"Mr. Marshall says later hours would be an inconvenience to the workers, but later hours would be a convenience to those 3,200," Watson said.

Watson added that library statistics for the last three years that show less than one per cent of the student body using the library at 10:30 p.m. "cannot be considered relevant in the 2 a.m. question."

"It is very obvious that few students will come to the library at 10:30 or even 10 p.m. when they know they will have to leave at 11."

He said an ASB proposal would probably call for one regular employee if Marshall deems it necessary, and student employees for the remainder of work.

Watson said that Craig told him in August that student workers, at times, can't find anything to do.

"As bad as students on this campus need part-time jobs, I think finding students to work until 2 a.m. would be no problem," Watson said.

"Added monetary cost then could be held to the additional electricity needed and the extra salary for the regular employee because the student labor now used could be redistributed over the hours--not increased."

Watson did not set a date for an official ASB proposal to extend the hours.

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As use of bikes has increased, so have thefts.

Registration of bicycles scheduled

A registration drive for all campus bicycles will be held Oct. 3-4 at the MTSU security office, Frankie Brians, security captain, said yesterday.

Brians said the registration would be made in an attempt to stop the rising number of bicycle thefts reported to his office since the fall semester began.

"We've had about 15 bike thefts reported since school started," Brians said.

Brians said the registration procedure would involve security personnel taking the model and serial number of each student's bicycle.

He said the security office would also stamp an identification number on the bicycle so it could be easily identified it stolen or

"The stamp we use will not hurt the appearance of the bike, and there's not any way for someone to scrape off our number without scarring up the metal," Brians

Brians said persons with bicycles should come by the security office in the basement of Reynolds Hall anytime during Wednesday or Thursday to register their property.

'No U.S. mail destroyed'

A letter was published in the Sept. 19 Sidelines in complaint of the destruction of campus mail not having names or return addresses on the outside.

An investigation concerning this complaint about campus post office procedures is now complete.

"This destroying of mail does not include any official U.S. mail," said J. W. Jackson, assistant to Morris Bass, vicepresident for administration and finance.

student to student mail and advertisements that do not meet with mar said. "It is not destroyed."

post office regulations," Jackson said. "The purpose of this is to prevent obscenity and to protect students' rights. All stamped mail goes in the students' official boxes."

"The campus post office owns its own mailboxes, so the policy concerning free student mail is administrative policies-not the U.S. postal system," said Kenneth Summar, MTSU postmaster.

"All official U.S. mail is deli-"This policy concerns only free vered to the students according to the U.S. postal regulations," Sum-

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Elton John tickets going, going...

Elton John concert tickets are and in the general admission secgoing fast, according to Harold Smith, University Center assistant director.

Tickets may be bought in Murfreesboro for the Friday, Oct. 12, show at the UC office, Citizens Central Bank and the Music Shop.

"We've had to send to Nashville three times to get more tickets from Varnell Enterprises," Smith

Varnell Enterprises and the MTSU Special Events Committee are co-sponsoring the concert.

Smith said just a few seats are left on each side of the stage but added that plenty are still available behind the stage, opposite the stage on the far side of the gym

The general admission seats are in the uppermost rows of the Murphy Center.

Smith said general admission tickets are selling for \$4 and other tickets are going for \$5, \$5.50 and \$6-price depending on seat location.

"MTSU students can get a \$1 discount on two tickets," he said.

"We're expecting about 12,000 people to attend the Elton John show," Smith said. "If the Special Events Committee makes any profit, it will go into a fund to finance other concerts—just like always."



Elton John performs before frenzied crowd.

27 faculty projects are approved

with MTSU's Institutional Research and Projects Finance and Administration Program have had 27 projects approved for

Faculty members in association 1973, Linnel Gentry of Research and Federal Projets said.

> This is to spite keen competition with universities like Yale, Harvard and, at times, all schools in Tennessee, Gentry said.

> Any MTSU faculty member with good ideas concerning projects may apply for funding, he said. Consistency on the part of the applicant is the most important asset.

> There have been annual increases in project grant amounts since 1966, Gentry said. The 1973 figure of \$818,308.10 is almost four times the 1966 figure of .\$218,069.00.

The largest amount for any one fiscal year was in 1972 when 29 projects were approved totaling \$944, 987.6\$, Gentry said.

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Scott's spot by Scott Elliott Sports Editor

Coach Bob Waters' Catamounts of Western Carolina University will invade Horace Jones Field Saturday at 7:30 p.m. for the Blue Raiders' home opener.

The Raiders, 1-2 on the season, have their work cut out for them against the Catamounts, who are

According to Head Coach Bill Peck, the Catamounts have a fine team with a season record nonrepresentative of their quality of play.

"They have a highly explosive team. All of their key players are returnees, and they've been picked to finish in the top 10 in the country," Peck said.

The Raiders made a good offensive showing last week against Morehead, but the defense did not perform up to its potential. Peck's squad needs to be at its best, both offensively and defensively, to win Saturday's contest.

Waters is blessed with talented personnel. Phil Dietz, the Catamounts' quarterback, has thrown for 679 yards and three touchdowns. Eagle Moss and Jerry Gaines, two fine receivers, will be Dietz's main targets.

The Catamounts also have their share of solid players on defense, including All-American linebacker Steve Yates and middle guard Buddy Guy.





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Catamounts tough test in home opener

Peck plans a balanced offensive attack against the Catamounts. "We'll be throwing the ball a lot, and we'll have to run some to keep them off balance," he said.

Rick Burchfield, Raider defensive back, said that the team will be making some changes on defense to stop the Catamounts. "We're going to use a rotating zone defence for We've really been this game. concentrating on stopping the pass this week because they throw over 50 per cent of the time," he said.

The Raiders broke a seasonal drought on offense last week, scoring 22 points against Morehead. Peck knows it will take a good effort by his offense to win this game.

Peck summed up the remainder of the season in saying, "We've got eight more games, and it will be an interesting season for the fans and a cardiac season for the coaches."

Peck has never experienced a losing season at the Raider helm, and my bet is in that this one will be no exception despite the toughest schedule that the Big Blue have ever

Sidelines player of the week



Freddie Rohrdanz, shown here eluding a tackler, completed 18 passes against Morehead last Saturday. The junior quarterback threw for 199 yards and ran for 67.

SIDELINES' Week on the basis of his performance in the MTSU-Morehead sure on him, but he is capable of game is quarterback Freddie Rohr-leading us to the OVC title," said danz.

Rohrdanz led the offensive effort by throwing for 199 yards and gain- his pleted 18 of 35 passes.

The junior signal-caller also was Information Bureau.

Rohrdanz hails tanooga and is graduate

Player of the of Brainard High School.

"Freddie has a lot of presteammate Archie Arrington.

Arrington, the Raider placeby the Blue Raiders at Morehead kicker, enjoyed the best night of career against Morehead, ing 67 on the ground. He com- scoring 11 points on two conversions and three field goals.

Punter Mike Shawen, tackle Bob named a "Star of the Week" by Orsillo and defensive back Sonny the Ohio Valley Conference Sports Anderson also turned in outstanding performances in the Morehead from Chat- contest, Coach Bill Peck said.

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Returning starters, James Key (L) and Alan Brown (R), will provide the necessary leadership for a winning season this year in crosscountry.

Tech runners down MTSU 21-35

by Tom Wood

The Raider cross country team's record fell to 1-1 yesterday, as the MTSU squad lost to Tennessee Tech in Cookeville 21-35.

James Key, a sophomore, finished second to Canadian Stan Kasmarack of Tennessee Tech with a time of 35:47. MTSU took the number 2, 6, 7, 9 and 11 places in the meet, while Tennessee Tech took the other top five spots.

The MTSU team lost last year's dual meet to Tech but came back to beat the Eagles in the OVC finals

In a dual meet against Fisk last week, MTSU scored a 19-44

victory. James Key paced the win by capturing first place with a 21:14 clocking. Senior Alan Brown ran third behind Fisk's Richard McKenzie with a time of 22:12.

The course covered four miles at Percy Warner Park in Nashville, which also will be the site of the Raiders' next meet, on Oct. 6 in the David Lipscomb Invitational Tournament.

The tourney will feature perennial powerhouses, such as Harding College, which won it all last year, when the Raiders took second place. Other teams featured will be David Lipscomb, Fisk, Tennessee Tech and Vanderbilt.

OVC Football

	Won	Lost
East Tennessee	1	0
Western Kentucky	1	0
Morehead State	1	0
Murray State	1	0
Middle Tennessee	0	1
Tennessee Tech	0	1
Austin Peay	0	1
Eastern Kentucky	0	1

Badminton club now forming

All faculty and students interested in playing badminton are invited to join the MTSU Badminton Club.

The club meets every Monday night in the Alumni Memorial Gym at 8:00 p.m.

For further information, call Dr. R. Ballou, 898-2143.

Men's Intramural Softball Standings

League A	Won Lost		ost	League D	Won Lost	
Sigma Nu		2	0	Sims Hall	2	0
Pi Kappa Alpha		1	0	MTCC	1	0
Sigma Alpha Epsilon 1		1	0	H Hall Supers	1	1
Kappa Alpha 2		1	1	Veteran's Club	0	1
Sigma Chi 1		1	1	Gore Hall	- 0	2
Kappa Sigma 2		0	2			-
Delta Tau Delta		0	2	League E	Won Lost	
				Ghetto Boy	4	0
	***			Tim & Earl's Pearls	3	0
League B	Wo			Trojans	2	1
Kappa Sigma 1		3	0	Orange Crushers	1	2
Alpha Gamma Rho		2	1	Pine Park Apts.	ī	2
Kappa Alpha Psi		2	1	Bro's	1	2
Sigma Alpha Epsilon 2		1	1	Milton's	1	2
Kappa Alpha 1		1	1	Street Walkers	Ô	4
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Alpha Tau Omega		0	3	League F	Won L	ost
				Rip-offs	3	0
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The G.A.'s		2		Red Raiders	2	2
Beasley Hall		1	1		1	2
Judd Hall		1	1	Hook's Bandits	0	2
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