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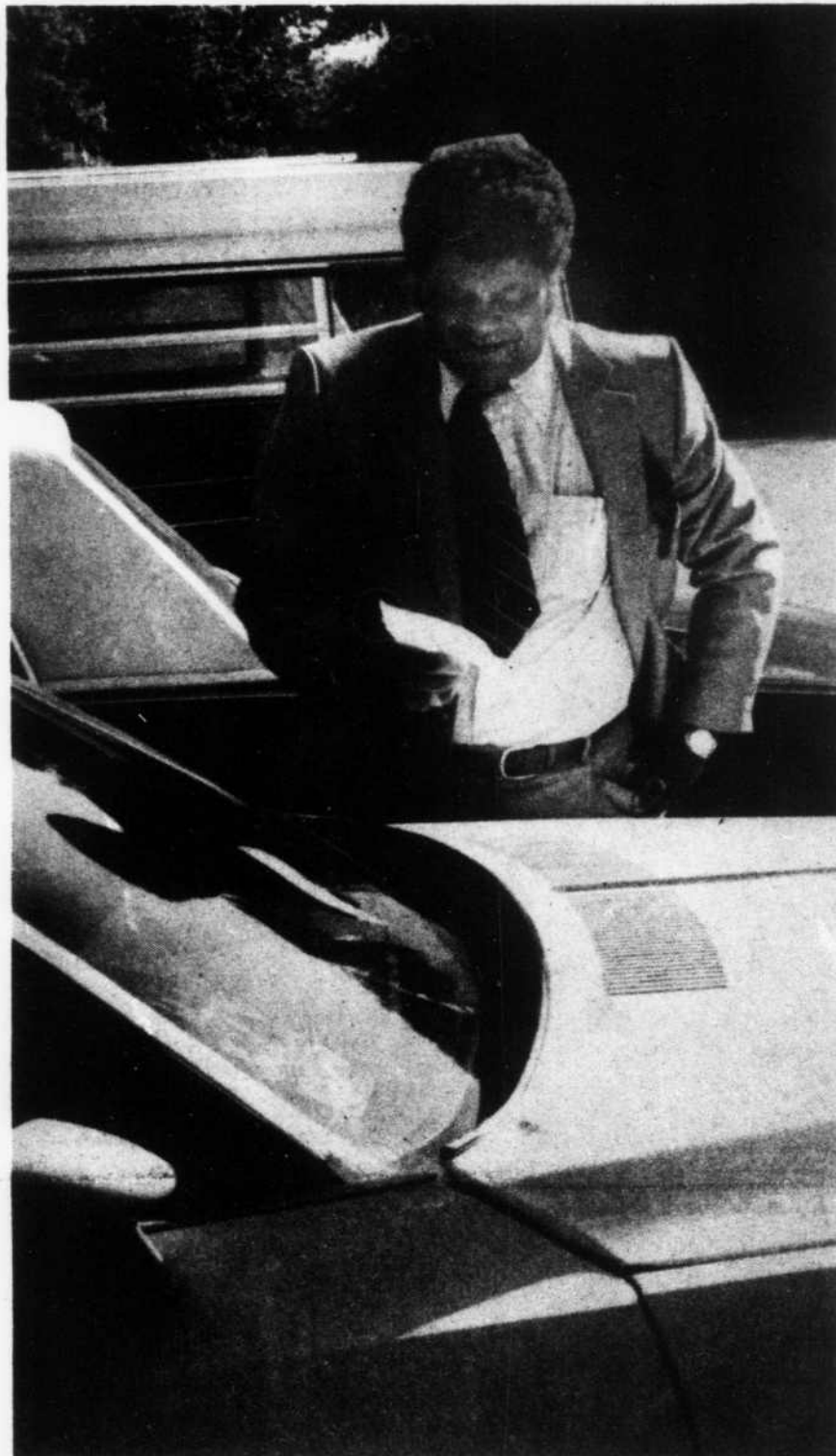


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## And justice for all

Dr. Otis Floyd, administrative assistant to MTSU President Sam Ingram, expresses dismay at receiving a ticket for parking his vehicle "backwards" in this recreation of an incident last month. Floyd, who paid the \$4 fine the day after receiving the citation, has direct jurisdiction over the University Police department.

## Investigative committee to subpoena judges

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON  
and GURVIR DHINDSA

A committee of the ASB House of Representatives, formed to investigate allegations made against three judges, decided yesterday to subpoena two of the judges to appear before them.

The judges have been accused of not submitting signed waivers that authorize the dean of students to review their academic records to ascertain if they meet minimum academic standards in accordance with the ASB constitution.

"It was a unanimous decision by the members of the house that this committee be formed to investigate," said Speaker of the House Tony Yates. "This is in no way a reflection that these people are guilty," he said.

SINCE THE House passed the resolution creating the committee, one of the judges, Supreme Court Justice Ronald Bracey, has filed his waiver with ASB President Mike Williams.

## Weather

Today, clear with little chance for precipitation. Highs in the upper 60s lows in the mid 40s.



Tony Yates

Chief Justice Louis Holiday of the General Sessions Court, told Williams in a meeting yesterday he would not sign a waiver.

This decision, Holiday said, is "based on a very important principle that will be brought out if the procedure reaches the senate."

HOLIDAY ALSO said he will cooperate with the House and Senate in this matter.

Jeffrey David White, the third judge being investigated, has not responded to waiver requests. "I understand from talking with friends of Justice White that he intends to resigns," said Williams at the meeting.

WHITE could not be reached for comment.

The committee, which is (cont'd on page 2)

## Nicks calls for state tax

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON

Education Editor

A state income tax is needed for Tennessee to better meet its obligations to higher education, Chancellor Roy Nicks of the State Board of Regents said in an interview last week.

Tennessee's tax base needs to be broadened, Nicks said, because of the Reagan administration's returning much of the responsibility for funding programs such as education to the states and the bleak economic climate in the state.

"THE MOST productive (way to expand the tax base) in terms of dollars is a state income tax," he said.

Since the sales tax, upon which Tennessee depends for most of its revenue, fluctuates with the economy, Nicks said a state income tax would be "a more stable source of revenue."

"It would seem to me," he said, "that a combination of sales tax, state income tax, plus user and excise taxes would be a more desirable combination than what we have now."

THIS KEENER competition for state dollars caused by the unstable nature of the sales tax and by the return of fiscal responsibility to the state for programs formerly maintained by federal dollars, he said, makes it more imperative that the state system of higher education communicates its value and need to the general public.

Nicks said the public must be convinced that money spent for higher education is an investment in the future.

"In today's atmosphere, it's difficult to do because taxpayers in general are reluctant to spend money on anything that is

government related," Nicks said.

"THE BEST marketing techniques we have," he said, "are good instruction and word of mouth from students to potential students or parents and friends."

"We must communicate principally to the legislature that what we are doing is effective," he said, adding: "It always helps to win a few basketball and football games, too."

"We also have to demonstrate the quality of our programs by participating in some testing programs and by continued evaluation of programs and students," he said.

NICKS SAID the duplicative/low-producing program study was one way of reviewing programs. "It is part of the on-going management of higher education," he said.

He added, however, "It's always our hope that these matters be taken care of at the local institution."

"There has not been money saved in the few programs that have been eliminated," he said, "because they were low-producing."

"THE GREATEST savings is probably in printing costs saved on printing school catalogues," he joked.

Neither the duplicative/low-producing program study nor budget-conscious adjustments to higher education will threaten



Roy Nicks

the future of the liberal arts, Nicks said.

"I think there's a real dilemma there," he said. "People tell you to get rid of low-producing programs and those programs not preparing students for jobs."

"THEN YOU have to teach these people how to read and write and have some knowledge of our history. That's liberal arts."

He disagreed with the statement of G. Wayne Brown, executive director of the Tennessee Higher Commission, that Tennessee universities are in danger of becoming vocational or technical schools.

"The whole basis of a baccalaureate education is a strong liberal arts core," he said.

ON THE SUBJECT of student financial aid, Nicks said, "The best way for a state government to provide financial aid in higher education is to put the

## Day Care enrollment requirements

By KARLA WINFREY

Staff Writer

As the MTSU Day Care Center nears its Oct. 19 opening, applicants must meet certain policy requirements.

"The policies have been established by the board of directors and the state requires that they are met before enrollment," said Wanda Jones, the director of the MTSU Day Care Center.

A CHILD must be toilet trained before entering the center.

All enrollment forms for the child must be completed by the parent and a current immunization record signed by a health care provider must accompany the child on admission.

Each child must receive all immunizations at entry unless there is a medical reason certified by a health care provider why these immunizations should not be made.

PARENTS ARE expected to bring their child into the center and remain until a brief health check is completed.

Before finalization of enrollment, each child must be met by the director or some other designated adult.

THE DAY Care Center provides a list containing the 23 policies that must be signed by the center director and the child's parent before enrollment.

For more information about the MTSU Day Care Center policies, copies and applications for enrollment are available at the WISE office, Room 206 of the James Union Building, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

## Dorm spray no cause for worry: state

By GINA FANN

Staff Writer

MTSU students indirectly exposed to chemical pesticides in Cummings Hall have no real cause for alarm, a hazardous-materials technician with the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency said Wednesday.

Technician Steve Lane assisted local officials Saturday afternoon in controlling the organic pesticide, Tedion Dithio, after it was released in a seventh-floor room by the mother of a dorm resident.

THE ONLY real danger to anyone in the building would have required the person to be in the room when the pesticide was activated, he said.

"The individual would have severe organophosphate poisoning," Lane said. Symptoms would include uncontrollable salivation, pupil dilation, and nausea, according to Lane. He also stressed no one should immediately suspect chemical pesticide poisoning just because they were in the dormitory at the time of the contamination.

"The two girls in Room 705 (cont'd on page 2)

## Pipe organ near completion

By JOHN BRUMMETT

Staff Writer

A Quebec organ company has been hard at work in the Wright Building Music Hall completing MTSU's new pipe organ.

The organ is made by the Casavant company of St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, Canada. It is a tracker pipe organ and it measures almost 28 feet tall and 20 feet wide.

The casing is made of oak wood. Inside the organ is 1,636 pipes, some made of wood and some of metal. The pipes range in length from 16 feet for the lower pitches to one-fourth inch for the higher pitched tones.

EBONY, ROSEWOOD, and ivory was used to construct the keyboards. The organ has an upper keyboard, called the Recit, and a lower keyboard, the Grand Orgue and a foot operated keyboard call the Pedale.

Casavant started construction on the organ in January 1981 at a factory in Montreal. The parts were moved to MTSU and assembled in the music hall. Final completion is scheduled for sometime next week.

THE INSTRUMENT was specifically designed for the tonal and acoustical character of the music hall.

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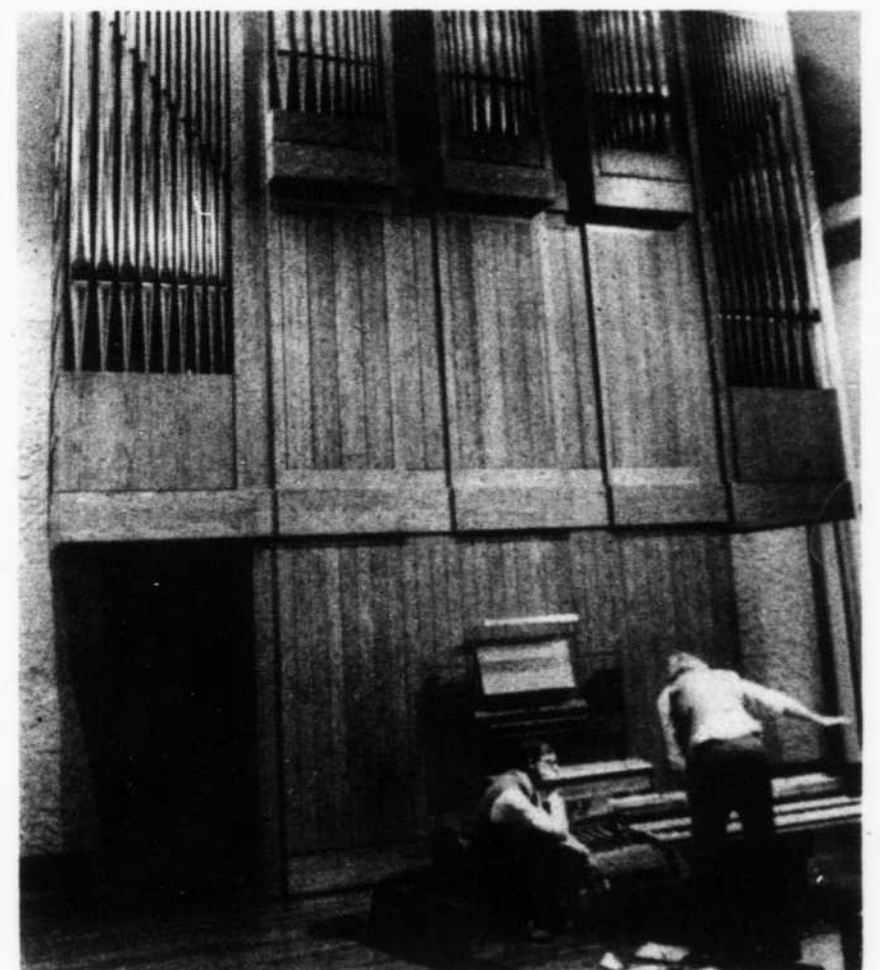


Photo by Don Closson

The Wright Building Music Hall will be the home of MTSU's new pipe organ. The giant instrument has 1,636 of pipe and a keyboard fashioned from ivory, rosewood and ebony. The first concert for the organ will be Oct. 25.

from the Baroque period of music," said Wilma Jensen, organ teacher at MTSU and Scarritt College in Nashville.

The first concert on the

Casavant is scheduled for Oct. 25 at 3 p.m. the concert will be performed by Dr. Robert Anderson, professor at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.



# Dancers here tonight

By AURORA DANIELS  
Staff Writer

This weekend, you will see people, approximately 300 of odd-looking people, walking around in leotards, tights, and legwarmers.

No, it's not the invasion of the east of "Fame", but the 1981 Tennessee Association of Dance Conference. These could be future stars! This year the "star-to-be" conference is being held right here in Murfreesboro.

The conference is being held by joint support of the Tennessee Arts Commission, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Classes will be offered in modern dance, choreography, ballet, pointe, character, mime, tap, and jazz.

Some very well known teachers will be in town for the weekend of Oct. 2-4: Mary Anthony, Mira Popovich, Daniel Maloney, Jimmi Lou

Tate, and others will instruct.

Mary Anthony's Company has been in town all week, teaching and performing at area elementary schools. This was made possible by the Arts in Schools Fund.

The conference kicks off (no pun intended!) with a free concert tonight at 8, in the D.A. Auditorium. This is a once in a lifetime deal. When else would you get to see Mary Anthony's Dance Company, from NYC, (or any other professional dance company, for that matter), for FREE?!? A reception will follow the concert.

Classes will begin at 9 on Saturday and Sunday mornings. The registration fee is \$30 for students. This includes all the classes, the reception, the conference party, and membership to the Tennessee Association of Dance.

For more information, call Anne Holland, 890-0562.



## Democrats schedule conference

Bart Gordon, chairman of the Tennessee Democratic Party, will have a press conference on the future of Tennessee higher education in the University Center Tuesday at 9 a.m.

The conference, which will be in the lounge outside the Grill, is being sponsored by the Young Democrats.

## BSU; 'Come To Life' on tap all next week

By TAMMY K. STEWART  
Staff Writer

The MTSU Baptist Student Union will present its Third Annual "Come To Life" services Monday through Friday at 7 each evening.

Monday through Wednesday the services will be in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building.

Thursday night, "Come To Life" will be held at the Baptist Student Center, located across from campus on Tennessee Blvd.

Woody Watkins, Director of Missions for the Hamilton County Baptist Association will

be the speaker.

Music will be led each night by Eric Nokes, former MTSU student.

Special music during the week will feature Common Bond, Kyle Caddell and Rhonda Bishop, the Black Student Fellowship choir and the BSU choir.

"We are very excited about this year's 'Come to Life' services and extend a warm welcome to all students, faculty and administration to join us in this campus-wide outreach," Barry Melton, BSU vice president said.

## Debaters square off in weekend tourney

Fans of oratory, take note: soem of the nation's finest debate teams will be on campus this weekend to participate in the 15th annual Earlybird Invitational Debate Tournament today through Sunday.

The field for the tournament, one of the largest and most competitive of the debate season, will include 65 teams from 39 universities. Representatives include Dartmouth, Samford, Kentucky, Emory, Texas A & M, West Georgia, and Baylor, all of

## Health fair slated for Saturday

By PHIL WILLIAMS  
Staff Writer

You may be shortening your life by your lifestyle! That idea is the basis for Healthstyle Tennessee, a health fair being held this weekend at the Cumberland Museum.

The fair is the culmination of a health awareness campaign sponsored this summer by the Tennessee Department of Public

Health. "In America we have a high incidence of morbidity and mortality," said Fair Director Brenda Lepley. "People are getting sick and dying too early, and it's because of their lifestyle."

**HEALTHSTYLE** Tennessee will focus on six areas of lifestyle: exercise, nutrition, stress, smoking, alcohol, and safety. Featured will be 30

exhibits, including a "relaxation room" and an MTSU-sponsored "Walk Through a Fat Cell."

There will also be over 20 speakers, and films on subjects such as nutrition, transcendental meditation, jazzercise, and water safety.

Anyone needing specific information about the schedule may call the Cumberland Museum at (615) 259-6099.

## Nicks

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money directly into the institutions to keep fees at a lower level.

"Financial aid programs are certainly desirable," he said, "but low maintenance fees are better."

However, he said, "Present fees are certainly not excessive. Maybe they are where they ought to be."

About the rumored merger between Tennessee State University and MTSU or Austin Peay State University, Nicks said he had not heard the rumors.

"It's highly unlikely," he said. "It certainly would not be advocated in this office."

## Dorm spray

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will have the heaviest contamination of their personal items," Lane said. "He told everyone to wash everything, and if any items had been heavily contaminated, they should use rubber gloves."

**LANE NOTED** he received a "good briefing" the night of the contamination, "but I think after all the girls got together that night they scared each other."

In a meeting with all dorm residents Tuesday night, Housing Director David Bragg related the updated information to the women.

He also passed out sample claim forms which were to be

used as examples in filing reimbursement claims. Bragg said he didn't know what the chances were for anyone being reimbursed, but urged all those who had suffered losses to file claims and await the outcome.

**TWO RESIDENTS** of Cummings Hall have been treated for minor skin irritations since the incident, but certified physician's assistant Don Young of McFarland Health Services said Tuesday that their minor rashes were not necessarily caused by the bug bomb.

Only direct contact with unwashed items should give any cause for alarm, Bragg said. He also advised thorough washing of any contaminated items.

## Benefit to be Sunday

A benefit concert for the Rutherford County Emergency Food Bank will be held this Sunday from 2-4 p.m. at Old Fort Park's covered pavillion.

The concert will be free; however, food donations will be accepted. Please do not donate refrigerator or frozen items.

The concert is sponsored by the New Life Chapel.

If it rains, it will be held Oct. 11. For more information, call 890-3249.

## Committee

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deciding whether the charges brought against the judges are valid, voted to subpoena Holiday and White to question them about why they have not filed their waivers.

In last spring's election, following the controversy surrounding former ASB President Randy James, 85 percent of voting MTSU students passed the amendment the judges are accused of violating, which requires all ASB officers, whether elected or

appointed, to sign a grade release waiver.

**THE COMMITTEE** will report its findings to the House, which will then consider whether to present formal articles of impeachment to the Senate.

If the Senate receives impeachment articles, it will then try the judge or judges.

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# Library copy prices may go up

By KIM VAUGHN  
Staff Writer

There is a possibility the price of using the copying machines in the Todd Library at MTSU may be raised to 10 cents per copy in order to install more machines.

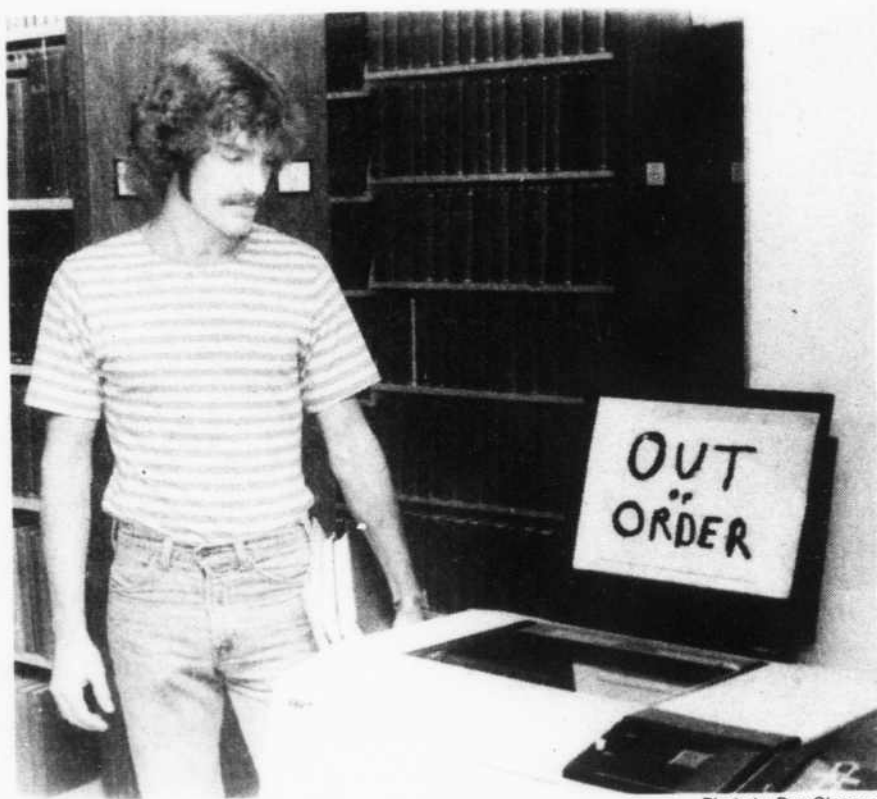
Currently, there are only five machines in the library owned by Hargrove Office Supplies, which is under contract with MTSU for use of the machines, according to Linda Gill, periodicals librarian.

"THEY ARE under contract with the school just like a vending-machine company would be," Gill said. "The contract runs out in June, and we really don't know if the next one will be with the same company or not."

"The repairman came by three times a day for a routine check," she added. "Or, if something goes wrong we may call them at night."

Problems with broken-down copying machines are not new to the library, according to director J. Don Craig.

"WE'VE HAD similar problems as long as we've had machines," Craig said. "One solution would be that we could



The price for using the Todd library's copying machine could be going up five cents soon so new copying machines can be purchased.

double the number of machines if we raised the price.

"We need student input to know how they feel," he said.

"We may try running a survey sometime in October to see how everyone feels," Gill added. "We are really trying to get what the students want. We're interested

in hearing both the good and the bad points.

"It's up to the students; we can raise the price to 10 cents a copy and put in more machines with hopes of better quality and better service, or we can stick with a nickel and not have enough machines," she concluded.

## Polish freedom petitions available

By DANNY TYREE  
Staff Writer

Anyone interested in supporting the "Poland Will Be Free" campaign should sign a petition before the end of next week, according to Byron Smith, president of the MTSU College Republicans.

The sponsors of the campaign, the College Republican National Committee, hopes to collect 1.5 million signatures nationwide to present to the Solidarity Worker's Union officials who will be visiting Washington in November, Smith said.

APPROXIMATELY 400 people at MTSU have already signed a petition, although the petitions are only now beginning to receive widespread circulations, said Smith.

Smith pointed out the campaign is a bipartisan effort and that people can sign without fear of their name being added to a mailing list.

"We want the Polish people to know that Americans care about their struggle with the Soviet Union," Smith said. "Not just bureaucrats in Washington. Not just the older generation. But

people of all ages from all across the nation.

"ONE NAME, one vote really does matter," Smith continued. "We can't send money, but we can send moral support. These people are hungry for freedom, and their spiritual conviction is what keeps them going in the face of Communist threats from Moscow."

Interested persons who have not had the opportunity to sign a petition should contact the MTSU College Republicans Box 573.

## Campus Capsule

ANY ORGANIZATION not presently represented in the ASB House of Representatives, but would like to be, please come by the ASB offices as soon as possible.

THE MTSU PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY meets on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend and no experience is necessary.

THE RUTHERFORD COUNTY CRISIS AND RAPE CENTER will have an organizational meeting Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 7 p.m. in the second floor faculty lounge of Peck Hall. All interested persons are invited to attend.

ELECTIONS for five freshmen senators, one junior senator, one senior senator, and the homecoming court will be held Oct. 21 and 22.

Qualifying petitions for entry can be picked up until Oct. 9 in the ASB office.

The last day to enter the race for homecoming queen is Oct. 7.

STUDENT TEACHING APPLICATIONS for the Spring semester must be completed and on file in the Student Teaching Office, Jones Hall 106 no later than Oct. 9.

THE SPEECH AND THEATRE DEPARTMENT is presenting "Bus Stop" Oct. 8-17 in the Arena Theatre. Admission is free to students with an id and \$3 to the public.

## News Briefs

BOSTON (AP) Seven fingers severed from the hands of a 21-year-old man by an iron press were successfully reattached in a two-day "surgical marathon" that involved 44 doctors, nurses and technicians, doctors announced Thursday.

Dr. James W. May Jr., who headed the Massachusetts General Hospital surgical team, said he believed the operation marked the first time surgeons have been able to replace that many fingers. He also said the 46 hours was the longest a patient had been under general anesthesia at Massachusetts General.

Bates lost eight fingers Sept. 4 when they were caught in the iron press at a factory in Bellows Falls, Vt.

ATLANTA (AP) — Attorneys for the man accused of murdering two of 28 young blacks asked Thursday that charges be dismissed, arguing that pretrial publicity has convicted Wayne B. Williams in the eyes of potential jurors.

In a motion filed in Superior Court, lawyers said news reports about Williams' case have been "inaccurate," exposing prospective jurors to "groundless rumors and confusion."

Earlier in the day, prosecutors asked the judge to speed up the case by forbidding defense attorneys to file further motions.

WASHINGTON (AP) President Reagan said Thursday he is ready to use his veto power if necessary to hold down federal spending. "We will not be swayed" in pursuing further spending cuts, he declared.

At a televised news conference on the day unprecedented budget cuts were taking effect, Reagan said, "I will sign no legislation that would 'bust the budget' and violate our commitment to hold down federal spending."

But he refused to speculate on what appropriation bill or bills he might actually reject. None of them are near final passage yet. "I would have to see a bill, what finally lands on my desk, before I talk about vetoing it," he said.

Despite the new cuts he has recommended, benefits would be maintained for those who really need them, Reagan said. "What we've called the safety net is still in place," he said.

Speaking on the first day of the 1982 fiscal year, the president said it would take time for his economic policies to take effect. "We will not be swayed from our plan by every changing

current, every changing trend or every short-term fluctuation," he said.

In issuing his veto threat, he sidestepped a question of what he will do if Congress passes a defense budget that's lower than he wants, as many congressional leaders predict will happen.

BONN, West Germany (AP) — Guenther Guillaume, the communist agent whose unmasking forced Chancellor Willy Brandt's resignation, crossed the border into East Germany Thursday night, marking the start of an elaborate East-West spy swap, sources said.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — The trial challenging Arkansas' creation-science law was postponed six weeks, to Dec. 7, at the request of one of the attorneys for the American Civil Liberties Union.

Federal District Judge William Overton on Wednesday changed the date at the request of Robert Cearley who said he needed more time to prepare.

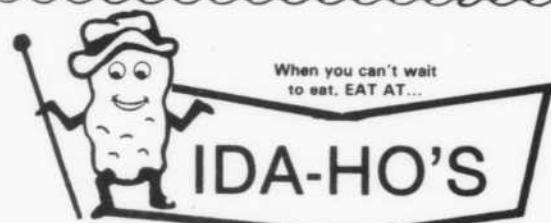
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## On This Date

On this date in 1904, novelist-critic Graham Greene was born in Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire. "For a writer, success is always temporary, success is only a delayed failure. And it is incomplete," Greene in his autobiography. "The writer has the braggart's excuse. Knowing the unreality of his success, he shouts to keep his courage up."

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## Wave of conservatism endangers Title IX

The wave of conservatism sweeping our country is claiming many victims. The cuts in federal aid to social programs alone have claimed minorities, the handicapped, the poor, and the elderly.

Now the Reagan administration, riding on the crest of the wave, is turning a jaundiced eye on Title IX of the 1972 Amendments to the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which states: "No person shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, be treated differently from another person, or otherwise be discriminated against in any interscholastic, intercollegiate, club, or intramural athletics offered by a recipient of federal financial assistance."

SEVERAL INCIDENTS suggest that Title IX is facing rough water.

•Vice President George Bush recently announced the federal government's policy on sex discrimination in athletic programs at schools and universities is being targeted for review.

•Secretary of Education Terrel Bell has asked the Justice Department not to defend his department in a Supreme Court case involving Title IX.

•A frequent ally of the administration, Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, has introduced a bill that would restrict Title IX equal opportunity provisions to only those programs receiving direct federal funds, excluding student loans. All programs of a school receiving federal funds are presently covered. His proposed bill would allow only students to file complaints, not administrators as is the present policy.

THESE ATTACKS are being aimed at an amendment that was deemed necessary to insure that women receive equal access with men to public school athletic programs.

Until the 1960s, women's involvement in collegiate sports consisted of limited participation in short term and intramural events. Organized intercollegiate programs were nonexistent.

But since enactment of Title IX in 1972, women's athletics have jumped significantly. The University of Minnesota, for example, has increased its women's sports budget from \$7,366 in 1971 to \$1.8 million for next year. MTSU had no women's program until 1973. The budget for its present women's program is \$133,875.

These gains have been accomplished without the federal government withdrawing one penny from any school for non-compliance even though the government has received more than 100 complaints. So the mere fact that the statute is on the books seems to have improved the lot of women athletes.

HOWEVER, this mere fact may not be good enough to save it from the administration's seeming swing away from support for equal opportunity.

What can you do to help salvage Title IX and women's athletics on U.S. campuses?

Of course, letters to your congressman and senators are one way to tell Washington how you feel about the present setbacks to equal opportunity.

A BETTER WAY to voice support for Title IX, however, is to support women's sports by attending games and matches. Better yet, donate money to schools with women's programs to help them prove that they can be economically successful.

If those of us who believe that "all men were created equal" includes women, too, do not stand up for women's rights, these rights may be washed out to sea on this destructive wave of conservatism.



## Punchline

by Danny Tyree

Another collection of random thoughts:

•A quote in *Time* pretty well sums up the importance of Reaganomics (which has already been blamed for everything from the Chicago Fire to the cancellation of "Star Trek," although it only went into effect Thursday:) "People are going to have to bite the bullet now, or there isn't going to be any bullet to bite in 10 years."

(Reagan's opponents, rather than biting the bullet, are for the most part just shooting their mouths off. Let's hear some constructive criticism instead of demagoguery and defenses of continued deficit spending.)

LET US NOT interpret a jittery stock market as the death knell of supply-side economics. Wall Street was rather skeptical of the Kennedy-Johnson tax cuts of 1964, too. Those tax cuts wound up being the basis for five years of sound business growth.

And it is not Reagan who has frightened the financial world. Wall Street doesn't trust Congress to have the guts and foresight to pass the budget cuts that are needed to balance the budget, slow inflation and bring interest rates down.

•So there will be no excuses for missing it, I will be reminding everyone periodically that the brilliant "Hill Street Blues" will be returning to the air in about a month. I don't think you will regret setting aside an hour on Thursday nights for this winner of eight Emmies.

•A TOAST to "Dick Tracy," which will be celebrating its fiftieth birthday Sunday. The cartoonists (especially creator Chester Gould) should really be proud of providing half a century of entertainment, information and inspiration. Lots

of comic strips are able to limp along for decades, but it is quite an achievement for a feature to be going strong (appearing in more than 400 newspapers worldwide) after 50 years.

If you've never read "Dick Tracy," or if you haven't looked at it lately, I heartily recommend that you search out the new, improved version of the strip in the pages of the *Nashville Banner*. And if anyone wishes to suggest that this living classic also be returned to the pages of the *Sunday Tennessean*, I will certainly not stand in his way.

•The new MTSU Film Society could be the biggest thing since talkies. But it needs *your* help to realize its potential.

### "We have some strange priorities in this country"

•Of those people who vote for a particular political party because "it was good enough for my daddy and my granddaddy"—how many also walk five miles to school, draw their water from a well and chop firewood every day?

•We have some strange priorities in this country.

AMERICANS identify entirely too much with ungrateful adoptees who, to satisfy some morbid sense of curiosity, move heaven and earth to track down the biological parents they never knew.

Perhaps the "Me Decade" taught us to sympathize with adoptees who pop up on the

doorstep of total strangers who are trying to put the ugly past behind them.

On the other hand, we ignore the plight of loving grandparents who see their grandchildren torn away from them by custody decisions in divorce cases. We try not to think about all the games that will not be played, the stories that will not be told, the lessons that will not be taught.

IF BIOLOGICAL parents want to see their children, adoption agencies should be permitted to make the necessary arrangements. But, otherwise, I agree with Ann Landers in condemning selfish adoptees who ignore the adoptive parents who reared them and open old wounds in the lives of people who are related to them only by blood. And I call on the courts and legislatures to remember that grandparents have rights too.

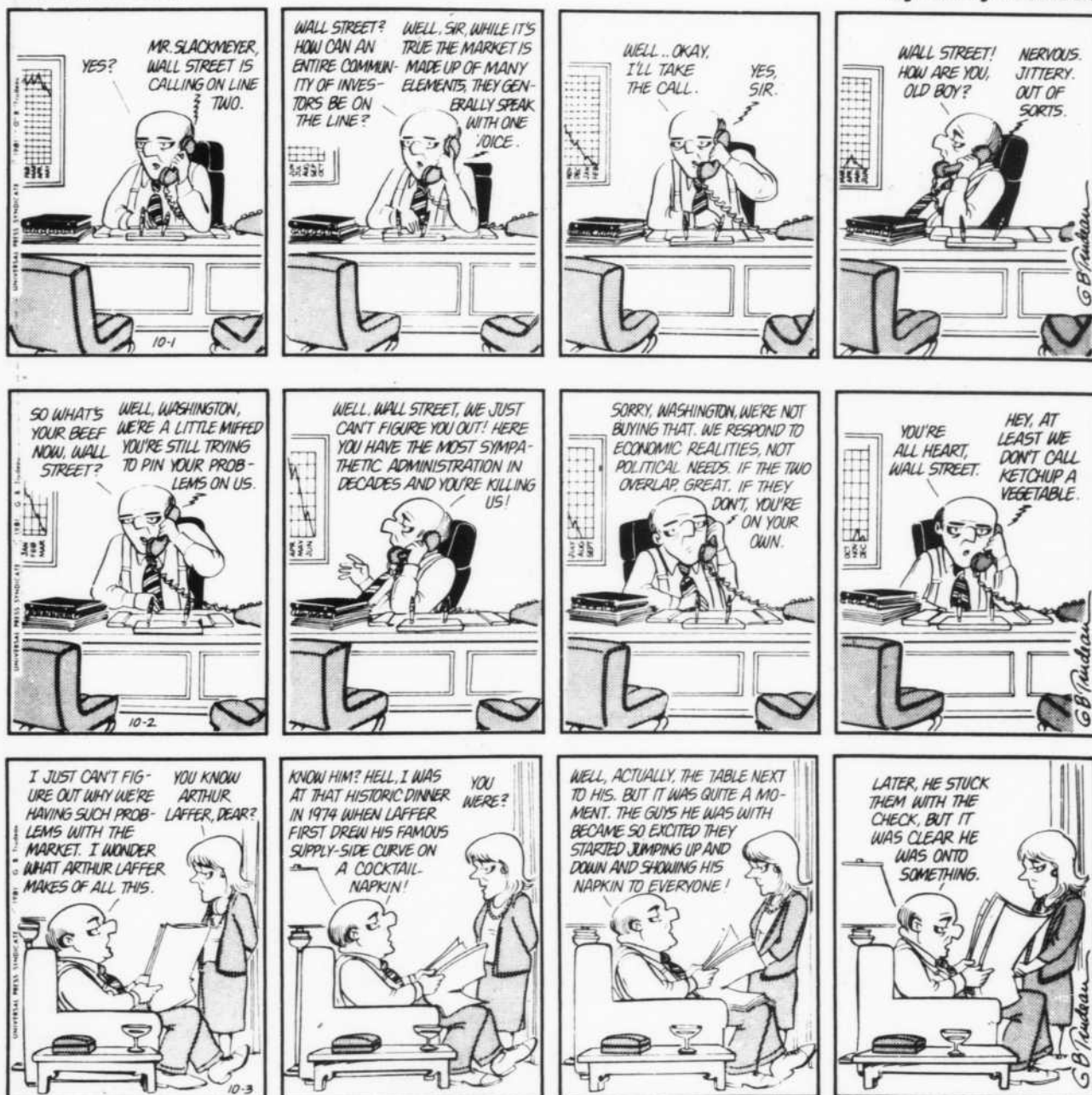
•If it is wrong to execute a murderer to show that killing is wrong, is it also wrong to imprison a kidnapper to prove that you shouldn't hold people against their will?

•ACCORDING to Paul Harvey, 70 percent of our medical bills are related to drinking, smoking, and venereal disease. Maybe we should gradually phase in Medicare reforms that would stop paying for such self-inflicted disorders. (Not to mention getting rid of these idiotic tobacco subsidies.)

•If "y'all" and "li'l" are supposed to be colloquial contractions for "you all" and "little," why are some idiots always misplacing the apostrophe and spelling them "ya'll" and "li'l"?

## DOONESBURY

by Garry Trudeau



## Letters From Our Readers

### Leave Ireland alone

To the editor:

Would Messrs. Tyree and Cantrell please cease their pointless discussion on the situation in Northern Ireland until they both can distinguish fact from fiction.

The situation in the northern part of my homeland is far more complex than either writer seems to realize. Articles such as theirs serve only to further misinform the American public on what is a very sensitive matter. If American media personnel, of all levels, would spend more time on research then perhaps the I.R.A. wouldn't be in the unusual situation of being supported by both capitalist America and communist Russia.

Romance in fiction is often entertaining, romanticizing about situations like Northern Ireland is often dangerous. To all you Irish-Americans I say be proud to be Americans and

please leave Ireland, both North and South, to its people. We've had problems before and we've solved them. We're striving hard for a solution in Northern Ireland and we will eventually reach one.

Joe O'Loughlin  
Box 8323

### Keep editorials in their place

To the editor:

Editorials belong on the editorial page! Your headline on Friday's front page referring to President Reagan as "Ray-Gun" showed a total lack of journalistic responsibility on your part. Maybe it wasn't on purpose, maybe your reporters just can't spell. Regardless, I think the President of the United States deserves more respect even if you don't agree with his policies. Let's keep editorials in their place.

Art Crowden  
Box 1773

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# Perry O' gets high on self without Hope, assails preps

By PERRY O'PARSONS

Critic

Well, Hello everyone. It's me again. Me, Perry O'P.

I've been away for a while, and for a good reason. There's been a few things going on that I want to rap to you about. So pour yourself a good drink of wine, rear back, take a toot, and let's go.

**WHAT IS THIS GARBAGE:** I watched NBC last Sunday night and saw this horse hockey entitled "Get High On Yourself." As we all know, this is the product of Bob Evans, famed Hollywood producer.

It seems that ol' Bob got busted for having a little tootskie, and in lieu of serving time in jail, he was allowed to produce a series of anti-drug spots for NBC.

Well, that's great. Does that mean that Perry O' can write a few columns in order to get out of serving time? I hardly think so. And, after viewing Evans' trash, I think he should go to jail and serve a longer term.

So there.

**WE HAVE FEELINGS TOO, YOU KNOW:** *Sidelines* has gotten quite a few letters about Perry and Piggy. And some of them have been pretty cruel.

I've asked the editors not to print them (they probably won't print this), but they insist, unaware what damage things like that can do to my feelings and my fans'.

In fact, they've even tried to fire me. But I know people in very high places, so they can't.

So there, again.

What I specifically want to address are the cruel things people have been saying about me and my family.

**PIGGY,** as you all know, reviewed Armondo's Pizza House back in the summer. He mentioned that the pizza he got from them was an hour late and had a burnt crust. Then he reviewed salad bars, and opted not to say anything about theirs.

Well, let me tell you, this hacked off Armondo's to the max. My sources tell me that they called a special employees' meeting a little over a week ago and talked about suing *Sidelines* for libel.

How quaint! I was unaware that Piggy had that much force in the community. People are apparently reading him and doing what he says.

**ANYWAY,** my source hasn't told me the outcome of the meeting. I haven't even heard from my source since the meeting. I hope nothing's happened. Maybe they had a pizza party afterwards and he or she got sick and died.

It's one thing to mess with my family, but it's another thing to mess with me.

I understand that a certain teacher in the art department hung one of my columns outside his office door and circled a comment that I made about Indian films.

He labeled my comment as grossly insensitive or something like that. I'll tell you buddy, I'll show you how grossly insensitive I am. You can eat guano!

I don't appreciate you holding me up to your students for ridicule. You should have enough of a time teaching them to fingerprint.

I feel better now that I havethat off my chest.

**WHAT ABOUT RELATIONS:** It seems that my cousin Preppie has become quite a smash. Seems to have riled a few folks, especially the boys in Sims Hall. Well, if they can't break themselves away from

B&L Pizza on Thursday nights, they can eat guano, too.

I hear all they do on the third floor of Sims is drink beer and chase women. But...I can't think of any pastime more enjoyable. So here's to you, SimsHall. Here's to male dorms and all the hijinks that go on in the showers (you know what I mean).

**AND NOW MY TURN:** I want to say a bit about preps. I prepped myself at one of the most exclusive prep schools in Atlanta. Therefore, I think I know a bit about preps.

For all those people who have put on the prep clothes now that it has become chic (personally, I was getting tired of urban cowboy), let me tell you what "prep" really is.

**PREP IS:** a bandwagon. Four years ago, people were wearing fringed bluejeans and listening to Willie Nelson because it was cool. Now they're dressing up and listening to the Knott Brothers.

**PREP IS:** poor color coordination. Didn't anyone ever tell you Nimrods that pink blazers and pea-green pants don't go with blue shirts. Your mothers, unless they were preps, would never have let you go out of the house dressed like that a few years ago. Now your parents are dressing like that.

**PREP IS:** flagrant disregard for style. Preps have set their own style for so long, they never gave a damn about wearing anything but what they wore in prep school. Their haircuts look the same, their clothes are the same (very boring).

**PREP IS:** elitism. Let's hear it for big oil and the filthy rich. Prep represents everything that "we" are, and what "they" aren't.

**PREP IS:** telling tales about

who you slept with at the fraternity party the other night.

**PREP IS:** a bunch of weird names. Who wants to have friends with names like Skip, Muffy, Bitsy, Chip, Clay, Susie, etc. They sound like Barbie's and Ken's friends.

**PREP IS:** pedophilia. What is so attractive about a girl in kneesocks? Are you all going to become child molesters? Think about it, perhaps that fits into the prep scheme of things. Lots of child molesters are rich old men with corporate presidencies.

**PREP IS:** talking really loud. Have you ever noticed how

obnoxious those people act? It's as if they are the only people around. And, I guess, as far as they are concerned, they are the "only" people around.

**PREP IS:** acting like a lemming. Running along behind someone just because they are running along. It's wearing those damned clothes just because someone told you to. And like a lemming, you'll all probably run right off that cliff and extinguish your kind. Hmmm, interesting thought.

There you have it. I don't expect to see another prep anywhere. But, sadly, I probably will. Because there

will always be preps. And I suppose there will always be social climbers who want to be preps.

Boy, will I be glad when RIM-major fashions come back in style. I'm tired of wearing all those clashing colors myself. But I am Perry O' Parsons, and I have an image to keep up.

P.S. to the lovely girl at Cagney's: Tammi saw the teethmarks you left. But never mind, she doesn't know who you are.

And I'll be damned if I'm going to tell her. See you tomorrow night.

## Aging hardly easy for preppies

Dear Preppie:

I am an aging preppy. Although I know that L.L. Bean—and, heaven forbid, even Brooks—now stocks Chinos and Oxford cloth shirts that contain a modest proportion of polyester, I detest such a monstrosity, preferring to allow only 100 percent cotton and 100 percent wool to touch my rarified body.

However, I am now forced to live on a fixed income and can no longer afford to send my shirts and pants out to the laundry. And because of arthritis in my hands and neck, I cannot do them myself.

What should I do, compromise my principles or bow to Reaganomics in hopes that a true preppy—George Bush—will take pity on my endangered species?

Aging Preppy

If your shirts were as stiff as your neck, you would have nothing to worry about. Although it might be painful at first to your celibate skin, I suggest you convert to polyester

and cotton. No one ever said aging would be easy.

Dear Preppie:

I am at one of the most distressing points in my life. This is my third year at MTSU and I have been a true preppy since coming here.

My problem is that my dormmate is exactly opposite me in personality and far below my standards. Just to antagonize me, he has bought a "Save the Alligator—Kill a Preppy" poster. His car sports a "Love to Shoot Them Preppies" bumper sticker, and, every time I have my special set of friends over, he wears his "Nuke the Preppies" T-shirt.

But to make matters worse, when I want to listen to some soothing classical music, he will crank up his stereo and play those hippie Beatles songs like "Helter Skelter" and "Why Don't We Do It In The Road."

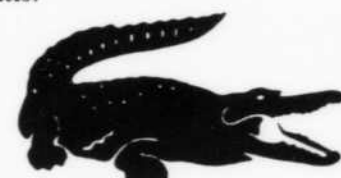
Can you believe such deviant behavior, Preppie? How can I get this mindless cull out of my now depressed life?

Preppy Thru and Thru

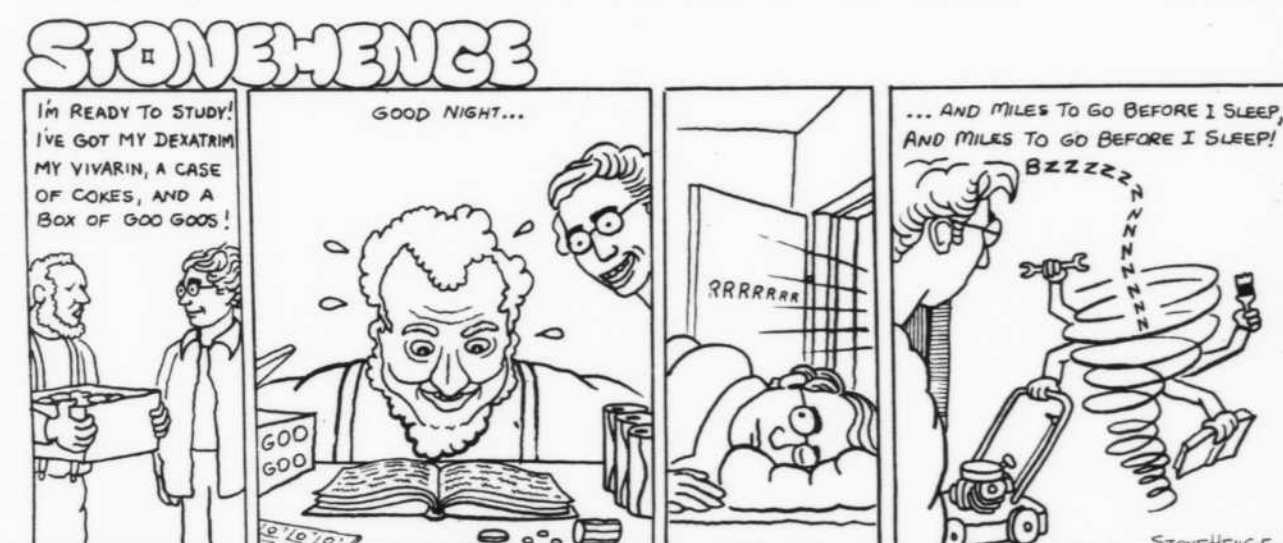
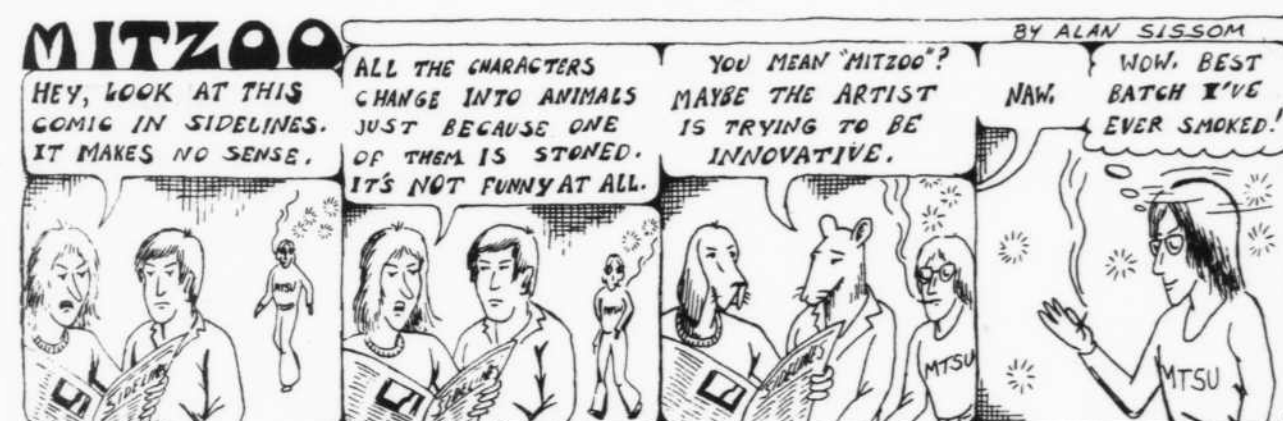
I'm going to see that your letter ends up in the hands of the right person in administration. It's about time they learned that preps deserve preferential treatment. In the meantime, the nurd needs to be put in his place. Find a rock for him to live under.

(P.S. You didn't name the dorm you live in, but I have a hunch that it must be Sims Hall.)

If you seek Preppie's savoir faire on any facet of fashion, the collegiate lifestyle, or life in general, address your letters to: Preppie O'Parsons, *Sidelines*, Box 42. Your name and address must be included, but will be withheld upon request. Sorry, but do to the volume of mail, Preppie cannot provide personal responses nor take telephone calls.



## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF ...





# 'Body Heat': a 'torrid' flick

By BILL WARD

Editor

In this, Hollywood's "Year of the Homage," it's about time that someone combined the feel of the old '40s classics with the passions of the '80s, and it should come as no surprise that Lawrence Kasdan is responsible.

"BODY HEAT" is indeed hot, and references to heat pop up throughout, sometimes obliquely, occasionally in a brilliantly subtle manner, and all too often with a sledgehammer-like heaviness.

Kasdan's screenplay is, in fact, quite uneven and the only real drawback of the film. He has succeeded brilliantly in recreating many elements of the film noir thrillers (e.g., "Double Indemnity") of four decades ago, but he's also incorporated the none-too-subtle sexism of the more forgettable films of that period.

In essence, all of the male lead characters, and the interactions between them, are fascinating, while the two females get virtually none of the funny or poignant lines. A typical male line: "Someday your dick's gonna get you in big time, major-league trouble." A typical female utterance: "If we're not careful, it's gonna be the last real thing we ever do." Get the picture?

FOR THIS reason, "Body Heat" is the focal point, a torrid affair between wry, randy attorney Ned Racine (William Hurt) and sultry siren Mattie Walker (Kathleen Turner), is,

often as not, strained and/or contrived.

But boy, is it hot. Kasdan does a marvelous job of incorporating the libidinous passions of the two young lovers, via some memorably steamy and quite realistic romps in the hay, into this age-old tale of obsession and betrayal, while still maintaining the film noir feel.

Indeed, the lustful scenes contribute tremendously to the film's intensity, which is further heightened by some excruciatingly hairy crime vignettes. Not to mention John Barry's heart-thumping music and Carol Littleton's tightly wound editing.

"BODY HEAT'S" intensity is, in fact, what distinguishes it from last spring's mediocre remake of one of the film noir classics, "The Postman Always Rings Twice," in which the Jack Nicholson-Jessica Lange sex scenes, even though they were like split-pea soup to "Body Heat" is three-alarm chili, provided the only intensity.

The lust that builds between Ned and Mattie leads to their plotting to murder Mattie's "small, weak, and mean" husband (marvelously played by Richard Crenna), but not before



a marvelous confrontation between the whimsical, witty Racine and the smug, sneaky Walker, whose speech consists almost solely of buzz words and clichés.

Likewise, the dialogue between Racine and the other male supporting characters is sublime, with consummate performances from three in particular: Ted Danson as a wry, slightly obnoxious prosecuting attorney who fancies himself a modern-day Fred Astaire; J.A. Preston as a sardonic, straight-arrow-with-a-heart-of-gold cop; and Mickey Rourke as a wisecracking ex-con who sings Bob Seger tunes while building bombs.

ALL THREE of these characters continuously warn Ned not to get involved with the perfectly sculpted Mattie, but what he learns is, to paraphrase Lord Acton, that lust corrupts, and absolute lust corrupts absolutely.

It is difficult to imagine anyone not succumbing to the myriad charms of movie newcomer Turner, a former soap opera star with the requisite high cheekbones and

long-legged physique. Granted, she shows little depth or range here, but she is portraying a person with little of either.

Her charcoal-ish voice, however, is all depth and no range, a gruff monotone that exhibits, and arouses, little emotion besides want. But, oh, can she moan.

BUT HER limitations do not prevent Hurt from delivering his third superb performance of the year. He has displayed in "Altered States" and "Eyewitness," as well as in this film, an endearing affability, intelligence, and self-effacing wit, a combination totally lacking in most young WASP actors today.

The other major young talent at work here is Kasdan, whose direction is well-crafted if not terribly original, throughout. "Body Heat" is well paced and splendidly shot by cinematographer Richard H. Kline.

Like cohorts Steven Spielberg and George Lucas, Kasdan has been inspired by the film classics of the past, and has made an inspirational movie as a result.

## Simon's new movie not what you'd expect

By JANENE GUPTON

Copy Editor

"Only When I Laugh" is Neil Simon's latest movie. But don't be fooled by the title or the writer—it is not the hilarious comedy that one would expect.

The title is derived from an old joke. A man is in the jungle with a native's spear in his chest. Another man asks him if it hurts. He answers, "only when I laugh."

THE LEAD character, Georgia, likens her herself to the man with the spear. Effectively played by Marsha Mason, Georgia is an alcoholic who has spent 12 weeks in a half-way house drying out. The movie centers around her efforts to regain control of her life.

Georgia's life is filled with pain and suffering and she tries to cover it with sarcasm. She is an intensely emotional person, and Mason does a superb job portraying every emotion—from extreme outrage to sincere regret.

Joining Mason is Kristy McNichol—already a seasoned actress at the age of 18.

McNichol plays Georgia's daughter, Polly, who has lived with her father for six years, but decides that it is time for her to move in with her mother before they "become the same age."

AT THE least, McNichol's performance is impressive.

Also in the cast are James Coco and Joan Hackett, who play Georgia's best friends Jimmy and Toby.

Coco is cast as a gay, unemployed actor, and Hackett as a woman obsessed with staying youthful. Like Georgia, they are down on their luck. It is ironic that the only character in the movie who is not a self-defeater and has her life in order is Polly.

"ONLY WHEN I Laugh" is a true Simon effort. The screenplay is derived from his play "The Gingerbread Lady." And for the first time, Simon produces his own film.

But it is a departure from his comedies like "California Suite" and "Seems Like Old Times." In ways, it is even different from his more serious works, "The Goodbye Girl," and "Chapter Two."

In one scene, Georgia is reading a play, coincidentally titled "Only When I Laugh." Polly enters the room and asks, "Is it a comedy?"

Georgia answers, "People with twisted minds might think so."

Likewise, only people with twisted minds would think that the movie is a comedy. It is a story of pain and starting over. It's a heavy movie with intense actors who do a superb job within their roles. And it is worth seeing.

## Nashville Market Street fair set for this Saturday

Historical Nashville's 7th Annual Market Street Festival is set for this Saturday in the old Market Street district of Second Avenue in the Music City's downtown.

The festivities begin at 10 a.m. and are scheduled to end at 5 p.m.

The festival is designed to offer a good time for oldsters and youngsters alike.

Youngsters can join in the fun by having their faces painted, taking a pony ride, popping balloons, or painting a mural.

For the grown-ups, music will be presented by the Winters Brothers Band, Dolores Deal and Paul Kraft, and the Belmont Reasons.

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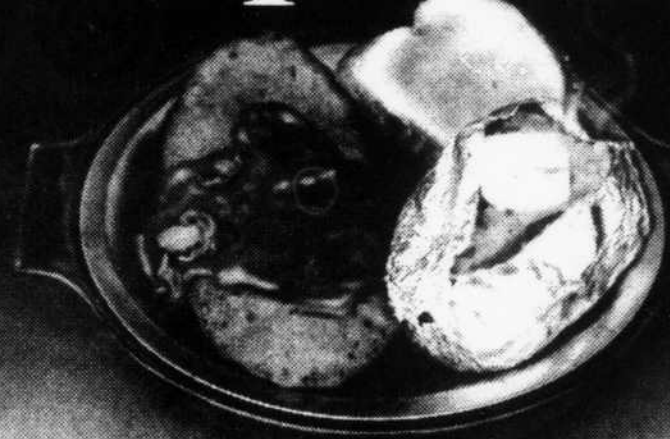
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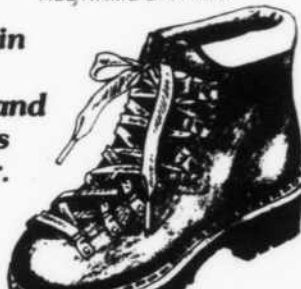
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## MTSU meets West. Carolina

# Raiders' 'tour of mountains' ends Sat.

By DON HARRIS  
Sports Editor

When Boots Donnelly takes his Blue Raiders through the Smokey Mountains this weekend, it won't be for a scenic tour.

Middle Tennessee swept through the Blue Ridge Mountains last weekend and came away with an impressive 20-7 victory over Morehead, but Western Carolina University, nestled within the Smokies, will prove to be a much tougher foe.

"WESTERN Carolina will be one of the most talented teams we face this year," Donnelly said. The Catamounts are 0-4 this year, but could just as easily be 4-0.

"They play in a very tough league (Southern Conference)," the third-year coach said, "and have played head to head with each opponent."

The Blue Raiders will be entering their last non-conference battle ridding a two-game winning streak. The game will be the last road trip for Middle until Oct. 24.

DEFENSIVE coordinator Ed Bunio expects the game to be a defensive battle.

The Blue Raiders were able to put a lot of pressure on Morehead's quarterback last week and control the tempo of the game.

"We blitz a lot on defense," Bunio said, "but we're not going to blitz as much this week. If you put pressure of their quarterback, he'll dump the ball off short."

OFFENSIVE coordinator L. T. Helton said that if the Blue Raiders were going to be successful they were going to have to score more.

Western Carolina has only scored 50 points all year, but over half of those were against league-leading Furman last week in a 31-26 losing effort.



Photo by Don Closson

Brown Sanford directs the Middle Tennessee offense during a workout Thursday. The junior quarterback will be at the helm Saturday night when the Blue Raiders take on Southern Conference opponent Western Carolina. The Catamounts are 0-4 this year, but pose a serious threat to Donnelly's 3-1 Raiders. The contest is scheduled to get underway at 7:30 p.m. EDT (6:30 CDT) and will be aired on WMOT.

The Catamounts pose another fearful offensive threat to the youthful Raiders. The have a super tailback in Melvin Dorsey who played one year at Georgia before surrendering his spot to Herchel Walker. Dorsey has sat out for one year to become eligible and is running hard so far.

WCU AVERAGES nearly 300 total yards per game compared to MTSU's 230. The Blue Raiders hold the upper hand on defense by about 70 yards.

Donnelly hopes the game is a

defensive struggle and expects it to be a very physical game.

"It will all depend on Western Carolina," Donnelly said.

"Any team coached by Bob Waters will always be a tough battle," he concluded.

The Blue Raiders left this morning at 8 a.m. for Saturday's contest. The scrap is scheduled to get underway at 7:30 p.m. EDT (6:30 CDT) and can be heard on WMOT-FM (89.5). The pre-game show will start at 6 p.m.



BOB WATERS  
WCU head football coach

Photo by Don Closson

MTSU's defense will be tested again this weekend when the Raiders from Murfreesboro travel to Cullowhee, N.C., to take on Division I foe Western Carolina. Middle Tennessee will be out to revenge a 24-10 loss in Murfreesboro last year. MTSU is riding a two-game winning streak and has won five of their last six games, dating back to last season.

## New 'cardiac kids' live up to standards

By DON HARRIS  
Sports Editor

Looking like last year's "Cardiac Kids" from Cleveland, MTSU's Lady Raider volleyball team pulled out four come-from-behind victories Wednesday night before a boisterous crowd in the Alumni Gym.

"We're a comeback team," freshman coach Sherry Coker said. "We haven't led anybody. Teams jump out in front of us and it takes us half of the game to get started."

THE LADY Raiders fell behind in every game Wednesday night by at least six points before they pulled out two victories over UTC and Tennessee Tech.

The Murfreesboro version of the "cardiac kids" won both best two-of-three matches without a setback.

MTSU edged UTC 17-15 and 15-10 in the second match of the night. Tech had beaten the Mocs 15-9 and 15-9 in the evening's opening tilt.

MIDDLE Tennessee then whipped Tech in their familiar style 15-12 and 15-13.

The two wins upped MTSU's record to 3-1 on the year. Tech's record drops to 1-2 and UTC falls to 0-6.

Coker said she was pleased with the overall performance Wednesday night, but there were still some fundamentals that needed to be worked on, like serving the ball over the net.

"WHEN YOU serve the ball and it hits the net," Coker said, "it's like missing a free throw."

"Our recovery was better and our hitting was better. Our communication is getting better."

The Lady Raiders left this morning for a tournament in Martin. Middle Tennessee will be competing in a tournament with 14 teams from around the South.

"We hope to make a real good showing in the tournament," Coker said.

MTSU's "cardiac kids" square off against Southwest Baptist College at 4 p.m. today in the single-elimination tourney.



Photo by Greg Campbell

Junior standout Arleen Hale goes sky-high to spike the ball during Wednesday night's match against UTC. The Lady Raiders upped their record to 3-1 on the year with victories over the Mocs and Tennessee Tech. The new "cardiac kids" will participate in a 14-team tournament in Martin this weekend.

## Pigskin Prognostications

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### DON HARRIS

#### Sports Editor

1. MTSU by 6
2. Miss. State by 3
3. Alabama by 20
4. Clemson by 14
5. North Carolina by 28
6. Florida State by 2
7. LSU by 1
8. Miami (Fla) by 21
9. Pittsburgh by 10
10. Buffalo by 10
11. Houston by 3
12. Cleveland by 3
13. Oakland by 4
14. New England by 6
15. Atlanta by 3

#### JIMMY EARLE

#### Athletic Director

1. MTSU by 6
2. Miss. State by 13
3. Alabama by 14
4. Clemson by 6
5. North Carolina by 7
6. Ohio State by 14
7. LSU by 7
8. Miami (Fla) by 10
9. Pittsburgh by 10
10. Buffalo by 7
11. Houston by 3
12. Los Angeles by 6
13. Oakland by 7
14. New England by 7
15. Philadelphia by 6

#### RECORD 9-6

### BILL WARD

#### Editor

1. MTSU by 3
2. Missouri by 4
3. Alabama by 16
4. Clemson by 4
5. North Carolina by 24
6. Florida State by 3
7. Florida by 1
8. Miami (Fla) by 6
9. Pittsburgh by 7
10. Buffalo by 10
11. Houston by 6
12. Cleveland by 3
13. Oakland by 7
14. New England 7
15. Philadelphia by 3

#### RECORD 20-15

#### ED ARNING

#### Sports Information Director

1. MTSU by 6
2. Miss. State by 3
3. Alabama by 10
4. Clemson by 6
5. North Carolina by 17
6. Ohio State by 3
7. LSU by 7
8. Miami (Fla) by 13
9. Pittsburgh by 14
10. Baltimore by 3
11. Houston by 7
12. Cleveland by 3
13. Denver by 7
14. Kansas City by 7
15. Atlanta by 7

#### RECORD 10-5

### "PIGSKIN" O'PARSONS

#### Columnist

1. MTSU by 3
2. Miss. State by 3
3. Alabama by 5
4. Kentucky by 7
5. North Carolina by 20
6. Ohio State by 3
7. LSU by 1
8. Miami (Fla) by 10
9. Pittsburgh by 10
10. Buffalo by 5
11. Houston by 1
12. Cleveland by 3
13. Oakland by 3
14. New England by 1
15. Philadelphia by 3

#### RECORD 22-13

#### OTIS FLOYD

#### Exec. Asst. to Pres.

1. MTSU by 3
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3. Alabama by 14
4. Clemson by 6
5. North Carolina by 14
6. Ohio State by 7
7. LSU by 7
8. Miami (Fla) by 14
9. Pittsburgh by 7
10. Buffalo by 7
11. Cincinnati by 10
12. Los Angeles by 10
13. Oakland by 7
14. New England by 7
15. Atlanta by 6

#### RECORD 12-3

### STEVE PRICE

#### Sports Writer

1. MTSU by 10
2. Miss. State by 3
3. Alabama by 14
4. Kentucky by 7
5. North Carolina by 21
6. Ohio State by 4
7. Florida by 1
8. Miami (Fla) by 17
9. Pittsburgh by 11
10. Buffalo by 6
11. Houston by 3
12. Cleveland by 3
13. Oakland by 7
14. New England by 4
15. Atlanta by 1

#### RECORD 18-17

#### GARY WALSER

#### Staff Writer

1. MTSU by 1
2. Miss. State by 5
3. Alabama by 11
4. Clemson by 6
5. North Carolina by 15
6. Ohio State by 15
7. LSU by 12
8. Miami (Fla) by 19
9. Pittsburgh by 16
10. Buffalo by 6
11. Houston by 1
12. Los Angeles by 1
13. Denver by 2
14. New England by 2
15. Philadelphia by 5

#### RECORD 20-15

### JIMMY CANTRELL

#### Staff Writer

1. MTSU by 4
2. Miss. State by 3
3. Alabama by 13
4. Clemson by 7
5. North Carolina by 31
6. Ohio State by 6
7. Florida by 1
8. Miami (Fla) by 10
9. Pittsburgh by 14
10. Buffalo by 7
11. Houston by 9
12. Los Angeles by 1
13. Oakland by 3
14. New England by 7
15. Philadelphia by 2

#### RECORD 9-6

#### ED ARNING

#### Sports Information

1. MTSU by 6
2. Miss. State by 3
3. Alabama by 10
4. Clemson by 6
5. North Carolina by 17
6. Ohio State by 3
7. LSU by 7
8. Miami (Fla) by 13
9. Pittsburgh by 14
10. Baltimore by 3
11. Houston by 7
12. Cleveland by 3
13. Denver by 7

#### RECORD 13-1

## Sports Stuff

by Bob Gary

Once again this week, we feature a veritable potpourri of sports jargon.

I see that Howard Wood, the former Tennessee forward-center-enforcer, has decided to sign a four-year contract with the Utah Jazz. This is the same Howard Wood who, along with his attorney, was going to set about reforming the entire National Basketball Association insofar as the draft system is concerned. Howard should have had sense enough to realize that although he was a big man in the Vols' scheme of things, he was not, is not, and probably never will be enough of a star to be able to sue the NBA and have anything come of it.

NOW, IN THE aftermath of his aborted lawsuit attempt, look at him. Howards poor, pitiful, and broken at the merciless hands of the NBA and its draft. He apparently was cruelly forced at gunpoint to sign a long-term contract to do for a living what he was taught at Tennessee to do--play basketball for a salary that barely affords him a Jacuzzi and a \$1000 car note every month.

Pity the ne'er-do-well's of the world.

ITEM: Well, well, well. Look what we have here!!! PENNANT RACES!!! Yes, it looks as though despite the split season, major league baseball has managed to come through and afford the fans real, live, honest-to-Doubleday down-to-the-wire pennant races. Of course, they aren't exactly the real thing, but they are a

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## Sports Stuff

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reasonable enough facsimile to prove those who foresaw the doom of baseball wrong (at least for now).

While we're on the subject of pennant races, here are my picks for the titles of division champs, league champs, and world champion (get it?).

**FIRST, IN THE American League West**—take the Oakland A's over Kansas City. In the East, everything hinges on a weekend series between Milwaukee and Detroit as far as the second-half title goes. If Milwaukee wins the second half, take them over the New York Yankees. Should the Tigers prevail, go with the guys in the pin-stripes.

In the National League, I have to be biased and take my Cincinnati Reds in the second half, and then over the Dodgers in the mini-series. Along with the fact that I'm partial to the Reds, the Dodgers are just plain playing terrible baseball.

In the NL East, this should finally be Montreal's year to win a division title. Take the guys from north of the border over the Phillies for division honors as well.

**AS FAR AS LEAGUE champions go**, I look for either Oakland or New York to represent the Americans, and Cincinnati to represent the senior circuit. With regards to the series itself, I'll take the Reds, biased or not.

**FINAL ITEM:** Congratulations to MTSU track coach Dean Hayes. He has proven again one of the main reasons he was selected as the NCAA's coach of the year for 1981.

Hayes has recruited another blue-chipper for his program, namely William Lloyd. Lloyd finished fifth in the triple jump in the U.S. Olympic Trials, and won that event in the annual armed forces games with an effort of 55 feet, one inch. Hayes again deserves tremendous credit for getting top talent at a less than major school in terms of size. It's a tribute to the caliber of program he has built here, as well as to his reputation as one of the nation's very best.

## Managers could get stiff necks

By STEVE PRICE

Sports Writer

Which major league baseball manager will be the next to stick his head in the noose and have the general manager pull the floor out from under him?

Well, there are probably several clubs that have already began constructing their hangman's knot in preparation for its post-season prey.

**IN PITTSBURGH**, Pirate management has already announced it will be backing up the moving van to Three Rivers Stadium for an off-season overhaul, which could claim the Steel City's popular skipper Chuck Tanner.

The Battling Bucks have been a major disappointment, especially in the second half of the split season, where Tanner has often found his once mighty Lumber Company holding up the ladder instead of climbing toward the top.

Atlanta's Bobby Cox will have to do some fast talking when he enters Ted Turner's office to try

to explain how his Braves plummeted from first to fifth in just a matter of weeks.

**ALTHOUGH COX** will—without question—receive most of the blame, Turner is as much at fault as anyone.

If you take a look around the league, the teams that are in contention year in and year out, the Cincinnati's and Baltimore's and such, these teams are the product of solid and stable front office personnel.

And Turner is as unstable as they come, gallivanting off to go yachting and trying to overtake the major networks with his Cable News Network and Super-Station WTBS.

**TURNER ONCE** said that the Braves are like a toy to him, just something to play with, and he may decide it's time to change its battery.

Although these two teams may be obvious choices for managerial changes, the best bet has to be the team that has patented the game of Musical Managers—the New York Yankees.

At last check Bob Lemon, New York's personal expert on interim managing, was at the helm.

**LEMON ALSO** subbed between the two reigns of Billy Martin, who was replaced by Dick Howser, who was replaced by Gene Michael, who was replaced by Bob Lemon. Did you get all of that down?

Perhaps general manager George Steinbrenner should name himself as Yankee manager since he's the one who always winds up running the team anyway.

Steinbrenner's next puppet, uh, I mean manager, should be Dick Williams, who was relieved of his duties as the Montreal Expos' manager shortly after Lemon was elected to his second term.

**WILLIAMS** guided the Oakland A's to glory from 1972-1974, where the Bay area team claimed three straight World Series titles with the help of such stars as Reggie Jackson, Catfish Hunter, Vida Blue, Sal Bando and Rollie Fingers.

The former Oakland mentor was also a major factor in Montreal's emergence from a foreign flop to a major force in the national league.

Changing the subject slightly, baseball commissioner Bowie Kuhn thought he had a good idea when he borrowed the split season format to generate fan interest following the strike.

**HOWEVER**, the Cincinnati Reds probably don't care much for the game the commissioner is playing.

As of earlier this week, the Reds sported the best overall record in the majors but still faced the possibility of not making the playoffs.

Cincinnati ended the first half of the season just one-half game behind the Los Angeles Dodgers, and going into last night's play, the Big Red Machine trailed the Houston Astros by only one-half game in the second season with four games remaining for each club.

## Classifieds

## For Sale

For Sale: Honda SN 1976 CVCE new engine-clutch-brakes-tires-color blue; uses reg. gas 38-42 mpg. Call 890-4401 or (615)-728-9566.

Stage lights, 5 each, 500 Watt 6" Fresnel with c-clamps, \$75 each, 6 channel dimmer-power pack, \$150. Call 890-0412, anytime

## Job Openings

Attention seniors. Interested in working and living in Atlanta? The Atlanta Report has current relocation info. For more details write to: Altic Horizons, Box 420204, Atlanta, Ga, 30342

## For Rent

Male, Share bedroom \$125; private bedroom \$150 at 1005 Ewing Blvd. Share furnished house, elec. costs. Deposit Required. Visit house or call Nash. 1-834-1371 Evenings.

Efficiency apt. furnished for 1 or 2 girls. Utilities paid. Greenland Dr. Phone 893-5371 or 890-5200

Female roommate needed to share nice 2 bedroom house 7 miles from campus, on Old Nashville Hwy. \$145 monthly, phone: 895-2232

## Personals

**NEED RIDE** I need a ride from Nashville to MTSU on Mon., Wed., Fri., I leave home at 9:30 and leave campus at 3:00. I plan on sharing the driving. Phone 269-6064 or 646-0375.

I would like to share a ride from Nashville to Murfreesboro Mon.-Thur. I plan on sharing the driving. Call Deborah at 367-4629.

Needed: female live-in attendant for wheel-chair student who lives in J apts. Pays \$45 per wk. For more info., call Wynell at 898-3122 or Disabled Student Services 898-2783

Lost in vicinity of Memorial Gym or Peck Hall: gold chain with charm holder and 3 charms. If found, please return to Box 7296. Sentimental value in charms so **REWARD IS OFFERED!!!**

Lost: Karate Equipment in blue canvas bag close to Alumni Gym. If found call Dr. Sam Hay, 893-9464 Days.

Lost!!! One year old female Siamise cat: was wearing a blue collar; will come to the name of Stephanie; was lost Sunday night 9-27. \$100 REWARD!!! Call 898-3258 or 890-9219 **PLEASE HELP!** Any information would be greatly appreciated!

Looking for Dan Fogelberg tickets. Four together, six total. Call 898-3973 or write box 3809

To the guys at 'I'. Thanks for visiting Tuesday!! Good food with good company is the way to spend an afternoon. Come back soon! The girls from Monohan

## Classified Rates

Student Rates: 20 words (min.): \$1.50 per issue; 21-25 words, \$2.00; 26-30 words, \$2.20. Any special effects will be \$1.50 extra per insertion.

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Deadlines are 4 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's paper, and 4 p.m. Friday for Tuesday's paper.

When the guys at Miller asked me to write an ad on writing, I said, "Forget it. Not even if you held a gun to my head." So they held a bottle of Lite Beer to my mouth. They're a pretty persuasive group.

## THUGS TO MUGS

If you're going to write anything, know what you're talking about. And that means three things: Research, research, and more research. The more you know, the more you can tell your reader.

Take my characters. A lot of them I base on actual people. There's this buddy of mine who pops up in every book I write. In one story he's a cop. In another, a private eye. Once, I made him a millionaire. Using him not only helped make character development a heck of a lot easier, he was so carried away by the rich image, he bought me a lot of free dinners (and a lot of Lite Beer from Miller). So use the people you know as models.

Even locations should be based on real things. If you're writing about a bar, know that bar. Hang out there. Watch the bartender. The customers. Whatever they drink, you drink. When they drink Lite Beer, you drink Lite Beer. Remember—research is most fun when you soak up as much subject matter as you can. It can only help you paint a better picture.

## HI, DOLL

No caper is complete without dames (or ladies in proper English). Experience has shown me that in mystery writing, the sexier the dames, the better. Experience has also shown me that sexy scenes make great punctuation marks. This is where research has the greatest potential. Use your own discretion in this matter. But when you write about it, don't be too explicit. That way, your reader gets to paint a more vivid picture.

## CAPER TO PAPER

O.K., you've got your characters, locations, and dames lined up. Now comes the good part: Putting your caper to paper. There's no mystery to it. As long as you write the ending first, the rest will follow. Write short, terse, to-the-point sentences. Be as clear as possible. And make sure you've got the right stuff around for when you get thirsty. After all, writing is pretty thirsty work.

I suggest a couple of mugs of Lite Beer—who ever heard of a caper that didn't involve a couple of mugs?

Why Lite Beer? It's a lot like me and my books—great taste, less filling (some people can't get their fill of my books), and always good to spend time with.

At any rate, follow my advice and, who knows—you might turn out a heck of a story. Or you might turn out to be a heck of a Lite Beer drinker.

# GREAT WRITING STARTS WITH A LITTLE LISTENING, A LITTLE BEER, AND A LOT OF LEGWORK.

by Mickey Spillane

