



Honoree

"Mr. Jim" Cummings proudly displays a drawing of Jim Cummings Hall during halftime at the MTSU-MacMurray game. The dormitory, formerly High

Rise East, was dedicated in his honor last Wednesday. Cummings served 36 years in the state legislature. (See story on page three) Photo by Fred Carr.

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Smith rates chances for concert as slim

By Wayne Hudgens

MTSU students expecting to attend a concert in the new \$6.5 million Murphy Center may have only a 50-50 chance of realizing their hopes, according to Harold Smith.

Smith is supervisor of the university's special events committee.

"Insufficient facilities in the new center have forced us to postpone a 'big name' concert booking for the near future," Smith said.

Insufficient electrical facilities and lack of a large stage have made it almost impossible to use the 12,000 seat center for concert purposes at the present, he said.

"We've tried to book a large name group for the university," he said, "but the old gymnasium is almost too small; promoters just won't listen when you tell them that you can only seat 3500 people."

The old gymnasium, which has been used in the past for university-sponsored concerts, will seat 3500 people "comfortably."

"There's a 50-50 chance that some type of rock concert will be booked in the new gymnasium this semester, but I can't say if it will be 'big name' or not," Smith said.

Bill Smotherman, supervisor of the Murphy Center, said several things remain to be done before the facility can be released to the university.

"I don't know when the contractor will complete his job," he said, "but I'm sure it will be in the spring."

Smith said university maintenance crews will correct the electrical problems as soon as the center is released.

He added that a large stage, which would be used for concert purposes, has been ordered.

Smith did guarantee that some type of concert would be brought to the MTSU campus during the spring semester, but couldn't predict who would perform, and when.

Meanwhile, Smith said the Hanneford Circus, complete with a variety of animals and stage acts, has been signed to play the university on March 17.

The circus, which will give two performances, will be staged in the new center.

Smith explained that the
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Paper announces staff

SIDELINES staff members for the spring semester were recently announced by Shelia Massey, business manager, and Mike West, editor-in-chief. **SIDELINES** editorial staff includes thirteen positions besides the post of editor-in-chief, said West, a Murfreesboro senior.

The newspaper's Managing Editors are Shannon Thurman, Waverly senior, and Brenda Lane, Murfreesboro senior. Paul Fischer, Beech Grove junior, will hold the post of News Coordinator. He will be assisted by Bennie Barrett, Daytona Beach, Florida, sophomore.

Ad coordinator will be Dennis Phillips, Nashville senior. Darlene Peterson,

Lewisburg junior, Ronnie Vannatta, Shelbyville junior, David Sims, Nashville sophomore, and Phillips will serve as Ad Managers. Bobby Waggoner, Nashville sophomore will be Office and Circulation Manager, Massey said.

Peggy Smith, Murfreesboro junior, will be Feature Editor. Wayne Kindness, York, Pa., junior, will head the sports staff. His assistant is Gerald Kemp, Tullahoma junior.

Becky Freeman, Nashville senior, will serve as Ombudsman. Special Reporters for the editorial staff are Nancy Nipper, Murfreesboro freshman, Janet Basse, Murfreesboro freshman, and Sherry Hale, Bell Buckle freshman. Carolyn Hall, Murfreesboro sophomore, will serve as copy editor.



What's my bid?

MTSU students pull cards from "beehives" during registration. Registration was held for the first time in the Murphy Center last week.

Spring enrollment totals 8,270

Spring enrollment presently totals 8,270, with additional students expected to swell the ranks to more than 8,900 by final registration Saturday, according to administration sources.

Yesterday afternoon, in **SIDELINES**, an attempt to learn present enrollment totals, contacted Frank Glass, dean of admissions. Glass refused comment, indicating that "my boss" had instructed him to refer information seekers to the MTSU Public Relations Office.

SIDELINES contacted Eugene Sloan, director of public relations, who gave the preceding totals for enrollment, including courses taught at other locations.

Glass said a telephone

interview with a reporter from the (Murfreesboro) Daily News Journal had proved to be a point of controversy because of allegedly inaccurate enrollment totals and percentages reported in that newspaper.

SIDELINES contacted the Daily News Journal staff reporter who wrote the article and was told statistics were correct "to the best of my knowledge."

The enrollment for fall semester 1972 was in excess of 9,000.

Sloan indicated that 8,270 students had registered at the home-campus location as of yesterday, but that the projected total enrollment of 8,900-plus included prospective students who were expected to register this week.

"Registration will be held this week at Motlow, Samsonite, Gallatin and McMinnville," Sloan said. "We expect between 400 and 500 at the off locations, and we should pick up another 150 students here by Saturday."

"The spring of '72, the total was 8,039 students," Sloan said. "Actually that is only a couple of percentage points increase, because at that time the students who were registered for the off-campus classes were given credit from the MTSU extension service."

"Now, all those who sign up at those locations are given in-residence credit," he said.

Smith...

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circus did not need special electrical hook-ups or a stage, and thus could use the convocation center.

"The special events committee had a number of objectives in mind when they booked the circus," Smith said. "One of them was the good will it would generate for the university among local residents."

The circus has given shows on the Tennessee Technological and Austin Peay University campuses recently, he said.

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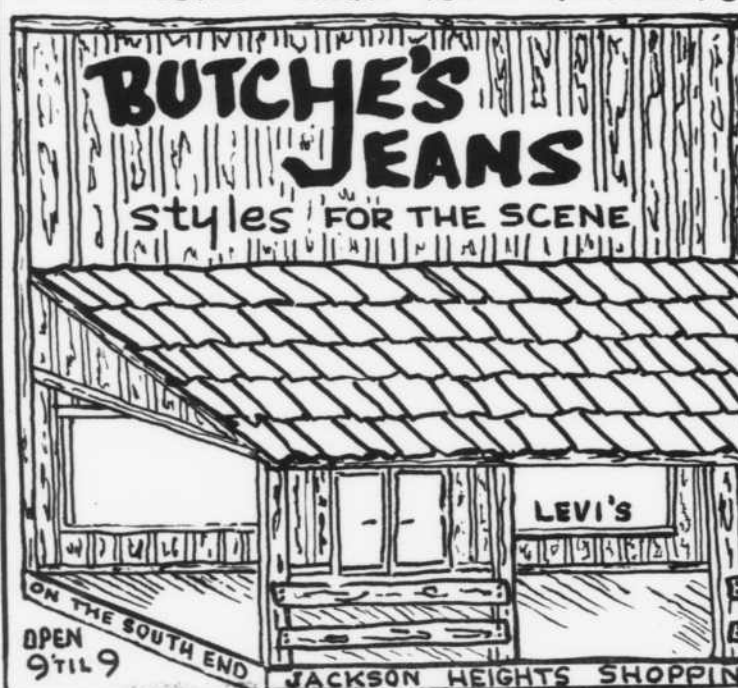
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Woodbury's 'Mr. Jim'

Dorm name honors Cummings

High Rise East residence hall was dedicated last Wednesday in honor of James H. (Mr. Jim) Cummings, retired legislator.

"There isn't a taller building on this campus and it's justly fitting, because it's named for the tallest man in the Tennessee legislature in the 20th century," said Rep. John Bragg of Murfreesboro, during his dedicatory remarks.

Cummings, a Cannon County native, spent 36 years in the state legislature. He served 14 terms in the house and four in the senate. Cummings also served as secretary of state from 1949-1953.

Cummings' beginnings in public life can be traced back to the days when he taught school in Cannon County. This interest in education followed Cum-

tings throughout his career in government.

"He is perhaps the strongest advocate of equal opportunity for a quality education for all children," said Tommy Wiseman, state treasurer.

"Education has had no greater friend than Mr. Jim Cummings," said Gov. Winfield Dunn.

Dunn unveiled a photograph of Cummings that will be placed in the lobby of Cummings Hall.

Cummings was visibly moved by accolades given him. He tearfully said that he did not deserve them. Cummings said there were several people in the audience that had done much more than he had.

The dedication also had its lighter moments. Linda Brown, Cummings' legal

secretary, said that "Mr. Jim" brings his mail into his office and reads it out loud every day. "I have to run and shut all the windows" in order to keep everyone from hearing," she said.

Bob Abernathy, retired director of field services at MTSU, said Cummings was extremely loyal to his native Cannon County.

Abernathy said, "An old lady was downtown and a rain came up." "She took her skirt and covered up her hat. A policeman said, 'Lady you're exposing yourself.' She said, 'Sonny what you're lookin' at is 65 years old--this hat's brand new.'"

"Mr. Jim took care of Cannon County the way that lady took care of her hat," said Abernathy.

Paper initiates reader aid; ombudsman checks stories

SIDELINES will offer a new reader service, Mike West, SIDELINES editor-in-chief, said yesterday.

An ombudsman will investigate reader complaints about news coverage, he said.

The ombudsman, Becky Freeman, will attempt to be an advocate for the reader, West said.

Ombudsman is a Swedish term for a government official who handles the public's complaints. Freeman said that the term has recently been applied to newspaper staff members serving a similar function.

She will clarify stories or correct coverage errors when necessary. Freeman will answer questions, preferable to be written, addressed to SIDELINES, Box 42 or calls to SIDELINES 898-2815.

Queries submitted by readers to the ombudsman will be relayed to the editors who handled the story and the reporter who wrote it. If the complaint is not then resolved, the ombudsman will consult the original news source for clarification of the question.

The column will also offer an action line service. From reader suggestions Freeman will recommend story ideas to the editors for investigation.

This is a column that offers much potential for reader input, Freeman said.

The Louisville Courier-Journal and The Washington Post have initiated the newspaper service and are national pacesetters in reader service, Freeman said.

Boone teaches from experience

Professors seem to be gravitating toward teaching out of first hand information and experiences, especially in history. Jasper C. Boone Jr. is striving toward that type of teaching.

Boone, from Rex, Ga., was the first person to receive the Doctor of Arts degree from MTSU. His dissertation, "The Ober-saltzberg: A Case Study on National Socialism," forms the basis for instruction on the subject in his related classes.

The paper is named for the only home Adolph Hitler ever owned, according to Boone. His research for the paper included interviews with Hitler's sister, Hans Bauer, Hitler's pilot, and Johanne Lan-wider, Hitler's sergeant in World War I. The paper is documented with tapes, slides and photographs.

Boone owns a collection of slides and photographs that are priceless as historical elements. He received an autographed portrait of Hitler, and he has a number of original slides that he obtained in Germany.

He is one of the few Americans who has toured the complete bunker system and who has interviewed Hitler's sister.

Boone became interested in the life of the German dictator while he was stationed in Germany with the United States Army Recreation Center 1958-60, where he was engaged in public relations work.

Although the dissertation was designed primarily as a "teaching unit" it has already aroused the interest of at least three publishers.

Boone's interest in his

subject radiates in the classroom. He taught Western Civilization here this past summer and created a fascinating unit on this period of history.

He is chairman of the department of history at the Clayton Junior College in Forest Park, Georgia.

He received the A.A. degree from Mars Hill, the B.S. and master of arts from Appalachian State University.

Chicago Brass to perform

The Chicago Brass Quintet, sponsored by the Fine Arts Committee, will perform at MTSU Monday, Jan. 22, at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium. Both shows are free to the public.

The five symphonic brass players, composed of Robert Bauchens, Charles Geyer, William Klingelhoffer, James Mattern and Brian Perry, will play a combination of

traditional and modern music, said Tom Naylor, assistant professor of music.

Music by such artists as Purcell, Gabrieli, Pezel, Speer and Mattern will be presented by the quintet.

Besides the two free concerts, the quintet will preside over a clinic for all brass instruments in the Fine Arts Building, Naylor indicated.

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New bookstore to open off campus April 15

An off campus bookstore will open April 15 for the students and faculty of MTSU and the community offering new ideas and concepts, according to Phil and A.C. Loyd, owners.

The "Blue Raider Bookstore" will be located within walking distance of the campus on Baird Lane, next to Happy Burger.

"This store will be 100 per cent student oriented and will let the students have a choice. Any complaints will be taken care of in the best way possible. We want the students to be completely pleased," said one owner.

A selection of textbooks and tradebooks plus a "super" paperback section "geared to the interests of the community and the students" will be offered, he said.

"We will stock generally the same items the campus bookstore has, with an emphasis on sporting goods and gift items," the owner said. "We will not be able to sell all of the same textbooks but we will have the books for courses most generally taken."

The store will be staffed completely by students who will have a thorough knowledge of the merchandise. "Every detail has been considered and plans have been carefully formulated over the past four years.

By Jennifer McGhee

We have gotten complete cooperation from the administration and the campus bookstore," said Loyd.

"MTSU is the only school of its size in the state with only one bookstore. East Tennessee, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga and Knoxville and Memphis State all have at least one other bookstore operating on a profit. I believe this one can too," said Loyd.

Cooperation will aid the new competition, according to the MTSU bookstore manager.

"We will cooperate 100 per cent with this new bookstore to get it started, and I feel we will be an asset to them at first," said Charles Phillips, manager of the campus bookstore.

No changes will be made in our present sales program, Phillips said.

"If operated right, this new store can be an asset to the students," Phillips said. "Our first task is to be responsible to the student, and this we will do in all cases."

The majority of this new store's profit will be in the gift items, and only about 15 per cent of the business will come from textbooks, according to Phillips.

'Crisis Call' aims for action

Quick, appropriate action, whether it be contacting a hospital emergency unit or lending a sympathetic ear to a distraught student, often may mean the difference between life and death.

"Crisis Call", a new volunteer community service organization, will strive to render the decisive action a personal crisis demands," commented Marilyn Wells, MTSU assistant professor of sociology and director of Crisis.

Problems the organization is equipped to handle range from "a child swallowing kerosene to sexual adjustment problems," Wells said.

The service, scheduled to begin Feb. 2, will involve a network consisting of a central switchboard and the home phones of volunteers.

When a crisis occurs, the subject calls the central switchboard, where a worker puts the subject through to an on duty volunteer at his home. The volunteer then handles the problem or contacts professional help for the person.

"We are not a therapeutic organization," Wells said. "Our purposes are, first, to intercede in a crisis, and

second to put the caller in touch with help."

Wells said the service was conceived last September by local professionals who noted with concern the amount of their time given to "peripheral" cases.

A total of 30 volunteers from MTSU and the Murfreesboro community went through eight two-and-one-half hour training sessions at Grace Lutheran Church in preparation for their coming responsibilities.

"More volunteers and contributions are desperately needed if 'Crisis Call' is to attain its 24-hour per day, seven day per week operating capacity," Wells said. "Contributions will go towards the cost of training and the service's phone bill."

Persons interested in volunteering or contributing should send their name, box number and phone number to Marilyn Wells, 'Crisis Call', Box 253, MTSU.

Last photo day approaches

The last chance for campus organizations, Greek groups and honorary societies to have pictures made for the 1972-73 MIDLANDER will be January 17 and 18, according to MIDLANDER editor Jim Trammel.

"The MIDLANDER is holding two picture days to finish up the group photography," Trammel said.

Delbridge Studios of Murfreesboro and the student photography staff of the MIDLANDER will be making the pictures Wednesday and Thursday.

Trammel emphasized that no group pictures

would be made after Thursday and said several groups who made contracts at the beginning of the school year have made no further communications with the MIDLANDER.

"The only thing a group who misses picture day can do is take the photograph themselves and send it to us," Trammel said. "Even then, we have to have it by Feb. 1."

Trammel urged group presidents to contact him or Mary Jean Morrow, MIDLANDER organizations editor, at 898-2748 or contact the MIDLANDER office in the old gym.

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The Pershing Rifles are instructed in the principles of leadership and have opportunities during field training problems and on the drill field to exercise leadership and command.

There are approximately 5000 Pershing Riflemen in 200 companies in the U.S., Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The Pershing Rifles compete in the national drill

meet held during Cherry Blossom festival in Washington, D. C. They also march in parades at Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

Student artists interested in assignment work for the MIDLANDER may call 898-2748 or come to AM 300 with samples of their work. Artists skilled in pen and ink and pencil drawings are especially needed.

The Journalism department has moved to the old gymnasium in the basement. All previous tele-

phone numbers remain the same.

Seniors graduating in May or August who have not yet had MIDLANDER pictures taken can make appointments in the basement lobby of the Student Union Building for sittings during this week. Appointments for later sittings at Delbridge Studios can be made by calling 893-8924 from Monday, Jan. 22, through Thursday, Jan. 25. The cost is \$3.

The HPER Department will hold an organizational meeting for all students interested in tap dancing Thursday at 3 p.m. in dance studio B in the new gym.

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Opinions

Government policies stifle press freedom

"Freedom of the press" is a cry often heard in this land of ours.

It is, in fact, a cry that is often misunderstood. After all, not many Americans realize the importance of press freedom.

One can begin to understand its importance when he considers that the American public has very little access to the minds of the government's decision makers. These methods of access can be counted on the fingers of one hand.

Perhaps the most effective method of presenting a view or opinion is through mass media. Individual opinions can be aired through letters to the editor, television and radio spots and paid newspaper advertisements. If the individual or individuals have sufficient financial backing, they can even print a newsletter or newspaper of their own.

The press provides the American people with an even more valuable service--it presents the news to them.

The freedom of the media is now under challenge by the Nixon Administration.

After his loss in the 1962 California gubernatorial race, Nixon made the media a promise. "You won't have Dick Nixon to kick around anymore any more."

Some people interpreted this statement

as an announcement of Nixon's withdrawal from politics. "History" has proved this speculation incorrect. Nixon's statement was just a premature declaration of war on the press.

The first real salvo of the war was fired in 1969 in Des Moines, Iowa. The "gunner" was Spiro T. Agnew, vice president of the United States. This speech, in effect, made news coverage a political issue.

Since then the attack has broadened. The Justice Department sought to restrain publication of the Pentagon Papers. They have subpoenaed reporters and tried to make them reveal their confidential sources.

They have investigated the income tax forms of reporters, looking for the slightest irregularity. Reporters have been denied access to important White House sources. The list of harassments against American journalists is numerous.

What does the Nixon administration have to fear--the wrath of the American people?

Perhaps their fear is justified. After all, the masses must soon realize that the cruelist lies are often told in silence.

Bill Mauldin



Circus rates as no laughing matter

After completion of our new \$6.5 million gym, one might think that chances of having some big time entertainment would be greatly enhanced.

With a seating capacity of over 12,000 and a reportedly fantastic acoustic system, not to mention good air conditioning that was lacking in the small inadequate old gym, it would seem that the special events committee could arrive at a decision that would please MTSU's 8,000 concert hungry students.

March 17, our special events committee will present a three ring circus.

Instead of listening to some great musicians, we get to watch elephants stand on three legs and boogie with a tiger.

Informed sources said that chances for having a concert in our spacious new gym this semester are slight.

It seems that our new gym is not ours. Work has not been completed and for this reason the contractor has not yet released the gym.

It would be almost impossible to have a group that might be considered as big time entertainment until the gym is completed.

Big time entertainment can be interpreted many ways. To some the Atlanta Rhythm Section may be big time, to others they may not be. On the other hand some recognize the Allman Brothers Band as big time, others may not. For this reason, the special events committee had a questionnaire available at registration for students to express their desires.

By Bennie Barrett
Asst. News Editor

It would seem that recognizing big time entertainers would be a slight problem, but one problem that is not slight is that of booking an act.

Money is a major obstacle to overcome when attempting to schedule a concert for MTSU.

Sources said that when attempting to contract a group such questions as location, seating capacity and ticket cost arise.

MTSU's location, 30 miles from Nashville, makes it possible to attract more people. As for seats, we do have a gym that seats over 12,000 but until the contractors release it we are stuck with the old gym that seats 3,500 at maximum.

Agents for the biggies don't like the idea of such a small seating capacity, sources said. Emerson, Lake & Palmer want \$50,000 to perform here. Elvis Presley wants to quote ticket prices for a concert and then get at least 90% of the gate plus a guaranteed sum. So, it is quite evident why having biggies in the old gym presents problems.

The only feasible place to have the biggies is in the new facility, but since the contractors have not released the gym we can't have a concert in it.

This raises a very interesting question. If we can't have a concert, how can we have a three ring circus?

How a circus can be per-

formed in the gym that isn't ours is not known, but why a circus was booked is.

Informed sources said that the cost for two performances by the circus troupe is \$4,000, and the reason it was booked at MTSU is because the special events committee felt the residents of Murfreesboro would enjoy it and at the same time it would improve university/community relations. In fact, sources said that the circus was booked solely for the residents of Murfreesboro, and not for the students.

At present, this is the situation. No concert because the gym isn't completed but at the same time a circus can be booked in this unfinished structure. To add further to the already disgusting situation, the circus is aimed at people who do not pay one penny of fees to MTSU.

Open Column

Are the students of this university expected to think that the special events committee, made up entirely of students, considers the residents of Murfreesboro before the people who go to school here, live here and eat here? That does seem to be the case. John Jackson's declaration of war on apathy at MTSU is starting to resemble the Little Big Horn and who, but the students, are being soundly defeated?

This university is here to

serve the students that attend it, not the people who live in the community where the university makes its home.

Relations with this community are important but are they important enough to sacrifice student relations?

The decision to appease the residents of Murfreesboro before the students of MTSU is a grave error. Without students, MTSU would not exist but without Murfreesboro this university could survive.

Perhaps a little soul searching on the part of the special events committee and university officials is in line.

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SIDELINES / Sports

Basketballers bounce from Vandy loss

After losing the dedication game, the Blue Raider basketball team "rebounded" to win the next four of their home skein in the new C.M. Murphy Center.

The Dec. 11 home opener was played to a packed house of over 12,000 fans. The Raiders played a respectable game against the then nationally ranked Vanderbilt Commodores. In the first half, the Blue had the lead on several occasions and went to the dressing room at halftime down by only seven points.

In the second half, however, the scoring of Terry Compton and the intimidation by Steve Turner enabled the Commodores to take control. Vandy led the entire second half by as few as five points and by as many as 15 points. The Blue went down to a 69-57 score. Compton was the game's high scorer with 21 points. Vandy's next highest scorer was Bill Ligon who got all of his 12 points in the first half.

'The Great' leads Raiders

Jimmy "the Great" Powell led the Raider scorers with 19 points. One of the brighter spots in the loss was the play of 6-8 freshman Tim Sisneros, who did not seem to be intimidated by 7-4 Turner and banged in 12 points to be the only other Blue Raider in double figures. Sisneros also pulled down 10 rebounds, high man for the Raiders in that department and only six behind Vandy's Turner. Before the team took

By Wayne Kindness
Sports Editor

its holiday rest, the University of North Carolina at Asheville visited the new structure. Ironically, three North Carolina natives scored 50 of the Blue Raiders' 87 points to lead the 87-72 victory.

The MTSU Tarheels' totals were Powell with 21, Forrest Toms with 15 and Steve Peeler with 14. Hoosier Jimmy Martin also added 15 points for the Raiders who led the entire game. Chester Brown gathered in 14 rebounds for the Blue. Bob Wolf (19) and Gary Gautier (17) were the top Bulldog scorers.

Blue meets AIA

Following the holiday break, the Blue Raiders got back into action against Athletes in Action. AIA featured two former MTSU players, Sam McCamey and Derry Cochran. McCamey was AIA's second highest scorer behind guard Gary Ladd. Ladd had 25 points and McCamey 21. Dennis Dickens added 19 points while Cochran failed to score.

Ladd's 25 points was tied for game high by Powell's team-leading 25 point output, and he also pulled down 17 rebounds. Martin added 16, while Jim Drew and Brown chipped in 13 and 10 points respectively to give the Blue an 85-77 win.

The Knights of Bellarmine were next to invade the new Center. The visitors from Louisville surprised the Raiders as

the Blue could not open up a lead and several times fell behind. With 2:11 remaining in the first half, Coach Jimmy Earle called a timeout. He sent all of the starters to the dressing room and finished out the half with reserve players. Bellarmine led at halftime 34-31.

Coach Earle's tactic had an effect as it took the Raiders less than two minutes at the start of the second half to regain the lead for good. MTSU topped the Knights 74-68. Again leading the Blue Raider scoring was Powell with 21 points. Fellow-forward Peeler added 19 points.

Sisneros, in a reserve role, scored 13 points and grabbed 12 rebounds. Jim Hall (16), George Duncan (14) and Derek Doward (12) were Bellarmine's top scorers.

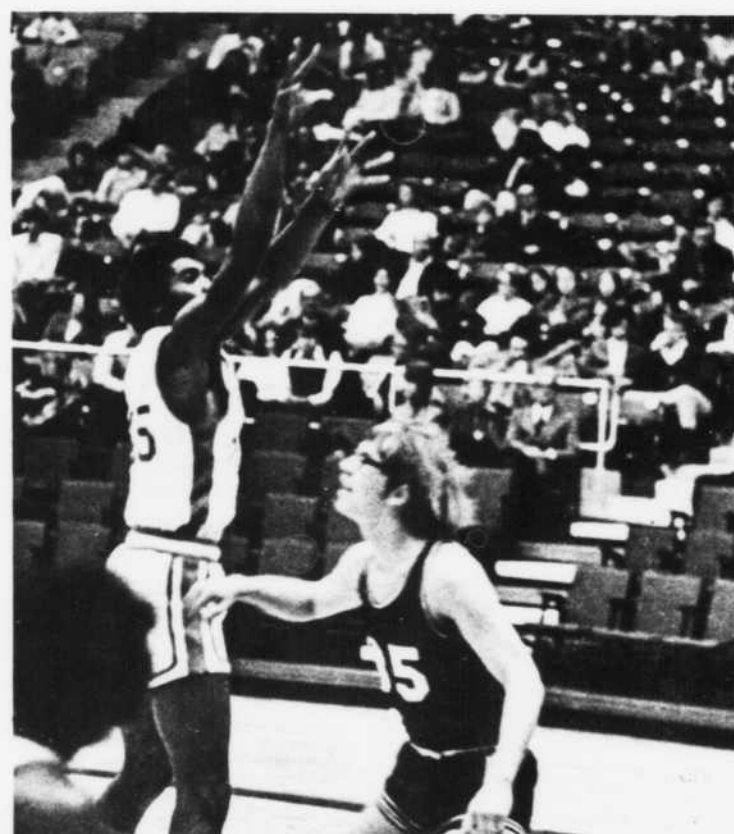
Peeler had the hot hand against the next Raider opponent, MacMurray College. He scored 31 points, making 14 of 20 shots, and dominated the boards as he snared 16 rebounds. Peeler had 21 points at the halfway point. The Raiders jumped out to an early lead, and widened that lead to 25 points before going to the dressing room at halftime leading 59-43.

Reserves

see action

In the second half, with reserves playing much of the half, the Blue extended their lead to as much as 39 points. With 6:20 left in the game, Nick Prater hit a jumper from the corner to put the score at 100-64.

It marked the first time since the ninth game of the 1968-69 season that the Blue Raiders had reached the 100 mark. The final score of 113-75 was the highest Raider total since the second game of the '68-69 season when the Blue downed Oral Roberts 115-98.



Blue Raider Steve Peeler pumps one at the basket with MacMurray player nearby. The Raiders won 113-75.

Whoosh!

For the first game of the season, Powell was not the leading scorer, but his 19 points were second highest. Also in double figures for MTSU were

Mason Bonner with 13 and Drew with 11. Every Raider player contributed to the scoring. Jeff Kinneman led the MacMurray Highlanders with 19 points.

Intramural bowlers to meet tomorrow

A meeting of all participants in the intramural bowling program will be held Wednesday at 3:30 in the University Center theater, Joe Ruffner, director of intramurals, announced.

Immediately following the meeting, the 60 male and nine female competitors will bowl practice games at Murfreesboro Lanes. Placement in the competition will be deter-

mined by the practice scores.

The five top bowlers in both the men's and women's categories will represent MTSU in the ACUI regional tournament in Knoxville in February, according to Ruffner.

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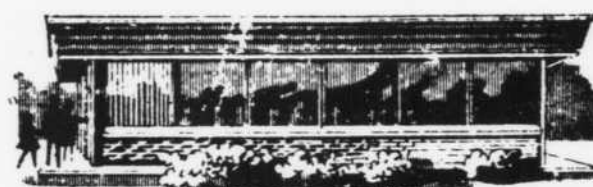
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Blue Raiders drop initial OVC game to Tech Eagles

Opening the Ohio Valley Conference schedule, the Blue Raider basketball team journeyed to Tennessee Tech last Saturday night. In a close, hard-fought game, the Blue came out on the short end of a 75-70 score.

In the first half, neither team could establish control as the score jockeyed back and forth. A margin of four points was the most that either the Raiders or the Eagles could attain. MTSU led at halftime 35-33.

Jimmy "the Great" Powell provided the artillery for the Raiders in the first half as he scored 16 points. Al "Mud" Lewis had the hot hand for the Eagles with 14 points in the first half. Lewis scored the last 12 of Tech's points before halftime, with most of his shots coming from deep in the corner.

The game continued to seesaw back and forth in the second half until there was only 9:44 left. At that point, Wayne Pack hit a jumper to put Tech in the lead 55-53. The Eagles did not relinquish that lead. Tech opened up a 10 point lead before MTSU closed the gap near the end of the game.

The game proved to be

rough as Steve Peeler, Mason Bonner and Powell fouled out for the Raiders, and Geoff Shuck and Howard Miller picked up five personals apiece for the Eagles.

Powell, Peeler and Bonner were also the leading scorers for the Blue with 24, 15 and 14 points respectively. Powell led the rebounding with 14.

Lewis continued to bomb the nets in the second half as he hit 11 of 16 shots to lead the Eagles with 24 points.

Coed extramural team hosts UT in Murphy Center tilt

MTSU's girls' extramural basketball team will host the University of Tennessee at 3 p.m. tomorrow in the new Murphy Center in the second of their 17-game regular season.

MTSU opened the season yesterday against Volunteer State Community College.

The girls will participate in the Tennessee Tech Invitational Tournament Feb. 9-10 and post-season tourneys. They placed third in the state last year.

Coached by Women's Intramural Assistant Karen Ledford, the team is composed of Madeline Ware and Linda Walker, seniors;

Three indoor school records were broken in MTSU's invitational track meet held in the new C.M. Murphy Center Saturday afternoon.

Nate Porter set a new school record in the 60 yard high hurdles with a mark of 6.9 sec. In the pole vault, Terry Stepp cleared 12-0 to set the school record. The third record was broken by Dwaine Copeland in the 50 yard dash with a time of 5.2 sec.

Many Ohio Valley Conference schools and Nash-

Gracie Oliver, Helen Carroll, Debbie Boykin, Margaret Eakin and Beanie Secrest, juniors; Lynn Burklow, Fannie Wells and Jackie Carter, sophomores, and Debbie Bumpus, freshman. Managers are Bonnie Walker, Sherrye Allen and Carol Denney. Rules governing the play are similar to those of men's basketball, including five-man teams.

Other home games will be UT Chattanooga, Jan. 20; Austin Peay, Jan. 23; Nashville Business College, Feb. 3; Lambuth College, Feb. 5; Tennessee Tech, Feb. 12; and Belmont College, Feb. 20.

Raiders set three track records

By Wayne Kindness
Sports Editor

ville area colleges entered the meet. It was the first indoor meet to be held in the new Center.

All-American Barry McClure won the triple jump with a leap of 50-5 1/2. In the high jump, Jesse Agnew grabbed first place with a jump of 6-4. In other field events, Greg Lintner finished second in the shot put with a toss of 49-4 1/2, and Copeland placed third in the long jump with a 22-8 3/4 leap.

Keith Cromartie also broke the school record in the 60 yard high hurdles. His effort came in the preliminary races and was then broken by both himself and Porter in the finals. Cromartie placed second behind Porter in the finals with a time of 7.2. Copeland's record

breaker came in the prelims also. In the finals, he placed third with a time of 5.4.

In other dash events, Henry Kennedy ran a 32.1 to finish second in the 300. In the 440, Homer Huffman and Huey Johnson each timed 49.7 to finish second and third respectively.

John Johnson's 1:12.5 in the 600 yard run was good enough for second place. James Key ran the mile in 4:25 for a third place finish.

In the 330 yard intermediate hurdles, Myles Maillie timed 39.4 for second place and Huey Johnson finished third with a time of 40.7. The MTSU mile relay team finished as runner-up, only one-tenth of a second slower than Fisk University's winning time of 3:22.6.

Next action for the track team, according to Coach Dean Hayes, "may be" the Federation Meet at Indiana University this weekend.

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Blue 'puts it together', topples ETSU 71-66

"They put it together to-night," said Coach Jimmy Earle after his Blue Raider basketball team topped East Tennessee 71-66 at Johnson City.

"They (the players) are all winners," added Coach Earle.

After leading much of the first half, the Raiders held a halftime edge of 38-35. Freshman Tim Sisneros was the outstanding player for the Blue in the first half.

"Sisneros controlled the backboards real well," said Earle. Sisneros had made 13 points at halftime, but did not score in the second half as he got into foul trouble.

Jimmy "the Great" Powell was held to only four points in the first half, but came alive in the second half to finish with 18, high for the Raiders. Jimmy Martin "played his finest game of the season," according to Coach Earle, and he had to take over the ball-handling in the second half when Mason Bonner

also got into foul trouble.

Steve Peeler scored 10 points in the first half, but only four in the second half as he, too, had four personal fouls. Six MTSU players were charged with four personal fouls each, while ETSU did not accumulate more than six team fouls until late in each half. On the seventh foul the bonus free throw situation goes into effect.

The Blue Raiders led all of the second half except when the game was tied at 48-48 with 13 minutes remaining. The biggest margin of the second half was a nine point lead.

Henry White and Ron Hardin led the Buccaneer scoring with 18 and 16 points respectively. White, the Bucs' leading scorer, was held to only two field goals in the first half.

The Blue Raiders travel to Atlanta, Ga., for Wednesday night's game with Georgia State. The next home game is Saturday night against Morehead State.

Men's basketball rosters due

Deadline for picking up and turning in roster cards for men's intramural basketball will be 4 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23, Joe Ruffner, director of intramurals, announced Friday.

Roster cards may be obtained in the intramural office, Alumni Memorial Gym, beginning today.

Competition is scheduled to begin Monday, Jan. 29.

Adjustment costly

The nation's leading scorer, James "Fly" Williams of Austin Peay, received his OVC baptismal in Saturday afternoon's televised game against Morehead.

As I had hoped and expected, it took "the Fly" some time to get adjusted to the defensive play of OVC teams. Williams scored only six points in the first half, certainly a new low for him, but he came around in the second half and ended the game with 21 points.

A Kind Word

By Wayne Kindness
Sports Editor

A recent observer of the Fruitcake Classic in Statesboro, Ga., which Austin Peay won, told me that at a crucial point in the ballgame Gov coach Lake Kelly called a timeout to reorganize his team. While he was explaining the game strategy to his players, "the Fly" was waving to the girls in the stands.

Confident Williams also said after their recent loss to the University of North Carolina at Charlotte that he had never been on a team that had lost more than two games.

"That loss makes our second of the year," said

he . . . the loss to Morehead on Saturday was Austin Peay's third . . . sorry Fly!

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The television exposure that I asked for for Christmas was delivered to the OVC by Santa Claus (in the guise of Martin Mews). The first telecast (Morehead-Austin Peay) was somewhat short of tremendous, but there was no back stretch or clubhouse turn for Jack "Let's Go to the Races" Drees to correlate with.

The OVC officials also have to get used to calling a TV timeout when its time for another beer to be sold. I have faith that as the season progresses things will smooth out, plus the fact that I, as well as coaches, players and administration officials, are very happy for the exposure given to the OVC.

Another item of interest

Coed basketball entries to close

Entries for women's intramural basketball will close Friday, Jan. 26 at noon, Karen Ledford, women's intramural assistant, announced.

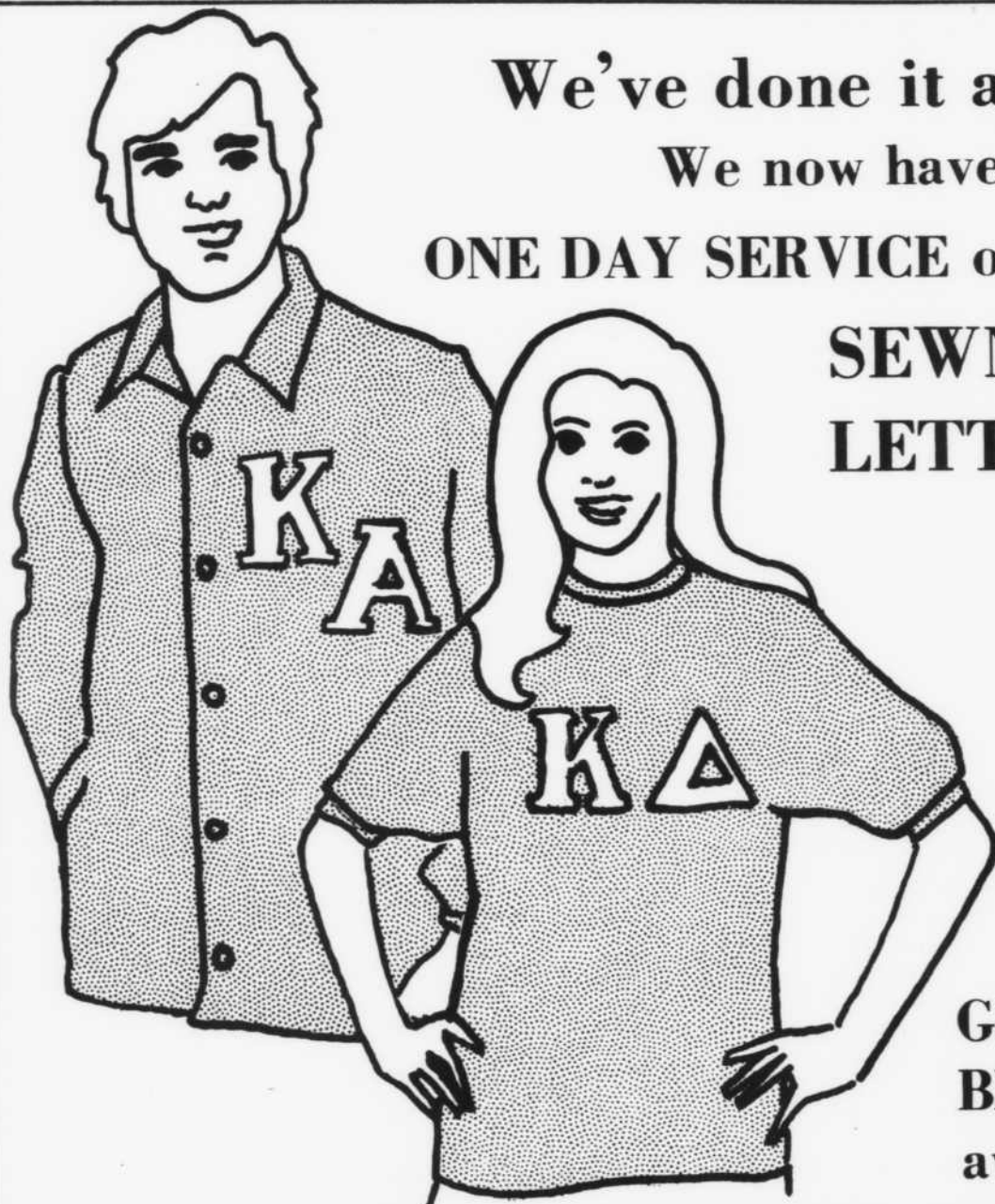
Competition will begin Tuesday, Jan. 30. TSSAA rules for women's basketball will be followed in the

developed as the indoor track was being laid out last week. After measuring and drawing the lines to separate the lanes, it was discovered that the runner in the outside lane would encounter a few obstacles in his trip around the track . . . four to be exact. The four supporting columns were in the sixth lane.

"Your signs came in today," Sports Information Director Jim Freeman said to track coach Dean Hayes. "What signs?" asked Coach Hayes. "The signs that say 'Merge Left Into Single Lane,'" wagged Freeman.

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Footballer Fred Rayhle has left MTSU for UT-Chattanooga. Rayhle is going to UTC on a basketball scholarship. He scored 46 points in two Jayvee games for the Blue Raider basketball team.



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