



Raiders Defeat Lipscomb Bisons In 5-4 Clash

Doug Shrader's big bat proved to be the big difference against the David Lipscomb baseball nine here April 15. Shrader hit the fourth pitch by Walter Glass for a home run then duplicated the feat in a big three run outburst in the eighth as the Raiders downed the Bisons 5 to 4.

After Shrader's home in the first Glass settled down and held the Raiders scoreless in the second, third, fourth and fifth. Lynn Banks pitched beautiful ball for the Raiders, but errors got him in trouble in the sixth which allowed the Bisons to push across three runs on a single hit. This put the Lipscomb nine out front four to two. The score remained that way until the bottom of the eighth when the Blue put together hits and walks to get three runs and the necessary margin to win.

Baseball Schedule Announced For May

Three exceptionally good games are scheduled for the near future by the baseball officials at the school. MTSC meets Austin Peay in a game here on May 2 then travel to Florence, Alabama for a game the following day. The third game will be versus Vanderbilt here on May 10.

Golfers Ready To 'Tea Off' In TIAC

The Middle Tennessee golf team are Sewanee bound April 30 to compete in the TIAC meet at that school. On May 10th they oppose the Eastern Kentucky team at Richmond, Ky.

The win over Lipscomb gives the Raiders an overall record of two wins and two losses. In the Western division of the VSAC the Raiders have a record of one win no losses and the western division of the OVC they have lost one and won none.

Tennis Team Set For 'Tight' Dates

The Mid-State tennis teamsters are preparing for their tightest schedule of the season when they will meet Eastern Kentucky here April 30.

They travel to Florence, Ala., on May 3 to meet the Teachers. The TIAC will be their next stop. It will be held at Sewanee University of the South on May 5, 6, and 7th.

ALONG THE SIDELINES

Campus Is Buzzing With Spring Sports Activities

By Don Whitfield

With a full program of spring sports going on one can hardly keep from walking up on some type event going on. As we angle across the campus we see a baseball game going and the Blue Raiders are downing the opponent of course. The Raiders have a record at the present of three wins against two losses. Two consecutive wins over Western Division VSAC opponents makes the Blue Raiders a choice to repeat as Division Champs.

Being in two conferences the Blue Raiders are defending Division champs of both the VSAC and the OVC. While the Big Blue has the inside track on the Western Division VSAC crown they also stand a very good chance of capturing the OVC division crown. The Raiders have beaten Lipscomb and Lipscomb downed the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers for a favorable comparison. Belmont holds a win over Murray Kentucky, the other OVC Western Division team, while MTSC defeated the Rebs by a score of 9-5.

Shoud the Blue Raiders repeat the feat of a year ago in capturing both the western division crowns both playoffs would be played here on the Middle Tennessee State College diamond. Last year the Big Blue was forced to hit the road for both playoffs. The OVC

was played in Richmond, Kentucky and the VSAC was played in Harrigate, Tennessee. The Raiders lost both chances at the championship.

Things that have brought cheers from the spectators and students this spring. Doug Shrader hitting home runs, Kenneth Trickey pole vaulting 10'6" trying 11 foot and barely missing. Marvin Jinnett high jumping, Ralph Sellers striking out 16 Lipscomb batsmen, Pro Parrish shooting a par 72 on the Country Club links and Clifton Tribble doing the 100 in 10.4 and 220 in 23 seconds flat. All these and many other things are consistently happening in the '55 spring athletic program.

A special note of thanks goes out to President Smith for getting all the tennis courts in playing condition. More students are able to play tennis this spring than at any time since I have been here due to the excellent condition of the clay courts. Up until this spring the clay courts were in such poor condition that no one could play on them but due to a full time man being put on the courts by Mr. Smith they are playable within a short while after it rains. The P.E. Department as well as the many students are proud of the courts.

INTRA-MURAL OUTLOOK

Pinkleton, Mills Head List Of Tennis Champions Here

By James Bagwell

The swimming intramural which was scheduled for the night of April 27, has been postponed until May 4, due to the conflict with the Table Tennis Championship Playoff. The time and place will be the same, only the date has been changed.

Also on May 4, from 3:00 until 4:00 the track meet will be held on the football field. It will include:

Shot put, 100 yard dash, Running broad jump, Standing broad jump, Discus throw, High jump, Sack race, Wheelbarrow race, and 110 yard relay.

Tennis and badminton have been scheduled so please check in the New Gym and see when and who you are to play. They will be so

arranged that you may play the games at your convenience, if possible.

C. D. Pinkleton, the champion, hails from Columbia, Tennessee, is married and has one child. He is an all-around athlete and is a member of the track team, tennis team and the football team. Pinkleton plans on entering the coaching profession as soon as he graduates.

The runner-up, Willard Mills, is from Sparta, Tennessee, and is also married. Willard's hobby is—table tennis! Upon graduation, he plans to go into the furniture business.

The intramural staff wishes to thank each of the boys who took part in the table tennis tournament and wants to congratulate each of the "champs" who participated in the final play-off.

Trickey Leads Score As Governors Win Recent Track Meet

Ken Trickey captured the lone first place in a track meet held against the Austin Peay State Governors here April 14. The Governors showed up with one of the best group of runners that MTSC will face this year as they took all the honors and roared in with a total of 104 points compared to 27 by the Raiders.

James Boyd of Middle Tennessee State captured scoring honors for the Blue with a total of 10. Boyd placed second in the 160 yard dash second in the broad jump and third in 220 low hurdles.

Dave Wood of Austin Peay was the big thorn in the Raiders side as he walked off with two firsts, one second and one third for an individual total of 14 points.

MTSC Golfers Remain United After Defeating David Lipscomb College

Gene "Pro" Parrish shot a par 72 on the Country Club links to lead the Blue Raider golfs to a 16-2 win over David Lipscomb College. Parrish playing No. four man is the most improved man on the team. Also shooting outstandingly, golf was Allen Welch. Welch shot a 73 to beat the Bisons No. one man by three strokes.

Marty Graham shot a 76 and Pal Hawkins shot 75. This was MTSC's second straight win against no losses. The Raider golfers are undefeated but once tied.

Raiders Awarded Second Place at Sewanee Meet

In a triangular track meet held at Sewanee, April 19, MTSC took second place. Sewanee romped home with first place honors and Bryan University was third. Sewanee piled up a total of 90 1/6 points compared to MTSC's 43 1/4 and Bryan's 28 1/2.

Clifton Tribble swapped his cleats in on a pair of cinder spikes and grabbed two first places. The speedster from Lebanon ran the 100 yard dash in 10.4 and the 220 dash in 23 seconds. James Boyd gave the Raiders additional points as he came in second behind Tribble in the 100 and ran third in the 220. Boyd picked up another third on the broad jump.

The Blue Raider relay team came in second. George Frost picked up a second in the 400 yard dash. G. P. West placed second with the discus. Marvin Jinnett was in a four way tie on the high jump. Bud Reason placed with the Shot Put, Adams was third in the one mile and Barrett was third in the two mile.

REIL NAMED SECRETARY
Dr. Fran Riel, head of the health and physical education department at MTSC was elected secretary of the Southern District Association for Health Physical Education and Recreation meeting at Tulsa, Oklahoma last week.
Coach Riel found many MTSC alumni attending the meeting which is scheduled to be held in Nashville next year.

"Wonder Girl"



Like her athletic father, Cheri McCormick is an accomplished gymnast. Cheri, daughter of C. E. and Nancy McCormick has perfect balance control in her gym work. Shown here with her father is the 11-month-old toddler. Her dad is a former football star with Landon in Nashville and is a prospective Raider end for next season. Let's keep our eyes on dad and daughter alike.

Raiders Stop Belmont In 9-5 Thriller

MTSC took a 9-5 victory over Belmont College here April 19. Ralph Sellers went all the way as he allowed only six hits and struck out 16 of the Rebels.

Doug Shrader continued to hit as he picked up two or four, one of the hits being a home run. Also hitting well for the Raiders was right fielder John Carson and first baseman Bobby Smith. Bobby Smith took over first base in the absence of Carlton Galbreth. Galbreth cut his hand in a freakish accident when he jumped the high jump and caught his hand on one of the posts.

This was the Raiders' second straight win and their second win against no defeats in the western-division of the VSAC.

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