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Howard Ross/Staff

Terry Pennington, Betty Holland, and Bobby Holland of McMinnville sort through sugar maple leaves for seeds near the Monohan Hall Complex. They take the seeds back to McMinnville and grow seedlings for nurseries.

Financial aid forms delayed; dependency rules changed

From Staff and Wire Reports

Delivery of the 1987-88 Financial Aid Forms originally scheduled for early November to schools across the country, will be delayed at least a month because of federal rule changes, officials said.

The forms, required by most colleges and universities to determine who qualifies for financial aid, were delayed in printing because they had to be adjusted to reflect amendments to the Higher Education Act signed by President Reagan in mid-October, according to the College Scholarship Service, the financial aid division of the College Board.

"The delay should not effect MTSU students," Winston Wrenn, director of MTSU financial aid, said. "We should have them before Jan. 1, and they will hopefully be ready when the students get back from the holidays.

"We usually do not distribute the forms until then [the first of January] anyway," Wrenn added.

"Virtually all forms will reach their destinations before the end of the year, but a few locations may not receive their shipments until early January," George H. Hanford, president of the College Board, said.

"We are concerned that students

and parents may interpret the delay in delivery of financial aid forms as a sign that there is no assistance available," Hanford said. "To the contrary, there will be an estimated \$20 billion available in various types of federal, state and institutional financial aid for students enrolling in college in the fall of 1987."

The regulatory changes concern criteria used in determining an applicant's dependency status. Under the new legislation, a student who is 24 by Jan. 1, 1988, would be considered independent, as would an armed forces veteran, married students, or graduate students under 24.

Democrats plan confrontation with Reagan

WASHINGTON (AP)—Democrats, savoring a return to dominance in Congress, are moving swiftly toward a confrontation with President Reagan over who will set the nation's agenda leading up to the 1988 presidential election.

Trade legislation was at the top of the list of jubilant Democrats as they began to set priorities Wednesday for their new Senate majority.

"I can say it all in four words: The Democrats are back," exulted Democratic Party chairman Paul G. Kirk Jr.

While most of the early attention was focused on national and gubernatorial elections, Democrats also strengthened their grip on state legislatures across the land—a de-

velopment that could prove crucial in the congressional redistricting squabbles that will follow the 1990 census.

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, Democrats will occupy at least 4,479 of the 6,461 legislative seats nationwide, a gain of at least 187.

With some outcomes still subject to change, Democrats will control at least one chamber in at least 40 states and both chambers in as many as 29. They now control both chambers in 26 states.

So far as congressional politics is concerned, Senate Democratic leader Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia pledged to try to cooperate with the Republican president, but also sent a clear signal of likely con-

frontations to come.

"I would hope that their president would read the message that was sent by the American people," he said. "And that message is: 'Look, your economic policies have not worked in so many instances.'"

The president, however, told political aides at the White House that he saw a different message in the election returns.

"The political spectrum continues to move in our way," Reagan said. "Our agenda remains unchanged and we look forward to its attainment."

The administration has bitterly opposed as "protectionist" Democratic efforts to enact legislation designed to stem foreign imports that have hurt domestic industries.

Black staff get training money

By BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

Because of the desegregation lawsuit linking Tennessee State University and MTSU, funds have been provided for a black staff development program at MTSU, Lin Kemp, director of personnel, said.

"We have \$15,000 to be awarded on a competitive basis," Kemp said. "Any black non-faculty member with a minimum of two years college credit is eligible for the program."

"This includes administrative staff, custodial workers, secretaries — any regular non-faculty MTSU employee," Kemp said. "Any of the approximately 600 employees — as long as they qualify."

Kemp said there are several parts to the program.

"They can attend training sessions, get release time to obtain degrees, apprenticeships or internships, and they can get fee remissions for course work," Kemp said.

The program has already started, but financial awards will be made in January, Kemp said.

"We are already having a lot of interest in the program," Kemp said. "We are expecting great things from the program."

The only obligation is that participants remain at MTSU three months for every month they remain in the program, Kemp said.

Any one interested in the program should contact the personnel office immediately, Kemp said.

Insurance frat wins national award

By MONA VINSON
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

MTSU's insurance fraternity, Gamma Iota Sigma, recently won two awards at the National Management Conference, Kenneth Hollman, chapter adviser, said.

"Dawn Oliver won the Warren L. Weeks Award," Hollman said. "The award is given to the most outstanding Gamma Iota Sigma member in the country. It is given to the student who best epitomizes

the fraternity's ideals."

Oliver competed with members from 23 other active GIS chapters.

According to Hollman, the award which is accompanied by a \$350 scholarship, is based on leadership and scholarly attainment.

The MTSU Omega chapter of GIS received the Edison L. Bowers Award, which is given to the chapter that demonstrates the most well-rounded and organized program for each scholastic year,

Hollman said.

"In other words, the Bowers Award is the highest honor a local GIS chapter can receive from the Grand Chapter," Hollman said.

Three students from the Omega chapter attended the conference in mid-October at Bowling Green University in Bowling Green, Ohio: Dawn Oliver, recipient of the Weeks Award; Greg Wilson, current president of the chapter; and Randy Harris, last year's chapter president.

Shorter semester proposal rejected by Faculty Senate

By NANCY FLETCHER
and BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Staff Writer
and Assistant News Editor

The MTSU Faculty Senate, in a meeting held last night, rejected the proposed Memphis State calendar change.

The Senate based their decision on a report by the Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee.

The committee proposed that the Faculty Senate "achieve a 45-30 [45 Monday-Wednesday-Friday and 30 Tuesday-Thursday] class schedule each semester by adding, whenever possible, a sufficient number of days to each semester."

The committee will meet with Dean of Admissions and Records Cliff Gillespie and Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs Robert Jones to decide when the days will be added, Lon Nuell, Faculty Senate president, said.

If passed the change will go into effect during the 1987-88 school year.

Any change made will also have to be approved by Tennessee State University due to a court ruling

which says MTSU's and TSU's calendars must be the same, Nuell said.

The Academic Affairs Committee based the proposal on a survey of 520 faculty members of which 241 responded, David Rowe, committee chairman, said.

In the survey, 113 said yes to a two year trial of the Memphis State calendar, while 116 said no to the trial, Rowe said. 229 faculty members responded to that question.

189 faculty members responded to the question, "Do you favor a 15 week semester in which the sufficient number of days are added?" 108 answered yes, 81 answered no.

The faculty members that completed the survey cited several reasons against the MSU calendar. Some of them were: students need time for osmosis, courses might be watered down and students would not have enough time to finish labs. Those who favored the MSU calendar felt that it would free faculty members for more research and travel.

"There is some speculation that

the state may wish to standardize the state school calendars and make them all correspond," Rowe said. "We really don't know if they will do this or not, but if they do we would change our calendar to meet their requests."

The Memphis State calendar would have shortened the semester lengths to 13 and a half weeks of class time, while adding five minutes to MWF classes and 10 minutes to TTh classes. The plan which was accepted will add two or three days onto the year.

In other business, the Faculty Senate reported that the proposed general studies changes have been sent back to the committee for changes.

Nuell also mentioned some programs that the Faculty Senate will be having in the future.

The Faculty Senate will look further into the advisement of students on campus, Nuell said.

The Faculty Senate had a resolution last semester calling for better advising for undeclared majors.

Biology dept can drive scheduled; money for biology scholarships

By KELLE MULLOY
Sidelines Staff Writer

The biology department is making arrangements to collect aluminum cans for recycling in an effort to raise money for biology scholarships.

"The money will be put into the MTSU Foundation and then chan-

neled into scholarships for the biology department," Patrick Doyle, biology professor, said. "I hope to give the first scholarships to Rutherford County students."

The biology department, through Doyle, is making arrangements with a local company to recycle the cans.

Cash for Cans, an Alcoa Aluminum affiliate, is the probable choice at this time, Doyle said.

Cash for Cans currently has two locations in Murfreesboro, one at the Super X store on Tennessee Boulevard, and one across from the General Electric plant on Broad

Street.

One business department faculty member collected 3,000 cans from one building over a year's time, Doyle said.

"There is a lot of wastefulness," Doyle said. "Sometimes the can is worth more than the pop inside the can."

"To give you an idea on how much is wasted, the energy saved in recycling one can can be used to make 19 new cans," Doyle said.

The biology department has been recycling newspapers for the past 12 years to raise money, Doyle said.

'Flood aid' dance, all money to victims

By DALE DWORAK
Sidelines News Editor

The MTSU Dance Committee along with University Housing will sponsor a "Flood Aid" dance at the James Union Building tonight to benefit the victims of September's flooding of MonSchaRey Hall.

"We've got a really good band lined up," Ivan Shewmake, director of housing, said.

Mel and the Party Hats will play. They performed outside of the Cope Administration Building during the Founder's Day celebration.

Over \$1,300 has been raised so far in various "flood aid" activities, Shewmake said.

The student insurance adjusters are still working on the claims, Shewmake added.

"It should be several weeks before they finish," he said.

The Dance Committee booked and paid for the dance, Mark Ross, a housing official, said.

All proceeds from the \$3 admission will go to the "flood aid" victims, Ross said.



Wayne Cartwright/Staff

A group of families board a bus during their visit to MTSU on Family Day Saturday. Over 1,000 people attended the event despite heavy rains most of the day.

Campus Capsule

CAMPUS CAPSULE POLICY: All submissions to Campus Capsule must be typed and submitted to *Sidelines* by 4:30 p.m. Friday for Tuesday publication or 4:30 p.m. Tuesday for Friday publication. All submissions are printed on a space available basis, and may be edited by *Sidelines* for clarity and brevity. *Sidelines* cannot guarantee submissions will be published.

Presbyterian Student Fellowship has a free supper Wednesday night at 6 p.m. for all interested. Join us for supper, fellowship and singing in a home-like atmosphere.

Japan Center Continuing Education is offering a class on Japanese paper folding. Classes are scheduled to begin on Nov. 24 and run through Dec. 8. The class will be held on Mondays from 5-6 p.m.

Crisis Intervention Center offers a 24-hour hotline for people who need help in time of crisis. If you need help or would like to serve as a crisis volunteer call toll-free 1-244-7444 or 1-255-HELP.

A bloodmobile will be coming to the Chamber of Commerce/Lions Club Building in Cannonsburgh Village from noon-6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14.

Stress Management Seminar will be offered by the psychology department Nov. 12 and 19 from 3-4 p.m. in Room 206 of Peck Hall. Drs. West, Heritage and Tang of the psychology department will be conducting the seminar which is free.

Any MTSU student interested in being a public address announcer for the 1986 Blue Raider baseball season, contact coach Steve Peterson in Murphy Center, office 174, ext. 2961.

Raidettes are needed for the 1987 Blue Raider baseball season. Interested MTSU female students should contact coach Ronnie Vaughn at ext. 2643 Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

The Muslim Student Association will be presenting a lecture on "The Quran, the Bible and the Dead Sea Scrolls" by Mohammed Yousif, Islamic scholar, Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 107 of Peck Hall. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

The Speakers Bureau of Martin Marietta Energy System will be speaking on robotics in Room 100 of the Davis Science Building on Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 8 p.m. The lecture is presented by the Ideas and Issues Committee, and it is free and open to the public.

Graduate students enrolled for fewer than 12 hours and undergraduate seniors who plan to attend graduate school the next semester following graduation must notify the post office by Friday, Dec. 5, 1986, of their desire to retain their present post office box.

The Placement Office will conduct Career Placement Orientation for seniors and graduate students on Thursday, Nov. 13 at 11 a.m. in Room 318 of the Keathley University Center. Students interested in participating in the campus interview program should attend this orientation.



Michel Tipton and Tony Spelta try to find their bearings while completing a compass course for their military science class.

Democrats

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 chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee. "The Reagan trade policies have promoted protectionism in other countries and we have had record trade deficits and millions of jobs have been lost overseas forever. Reciprocity in trade policies will increase trade."

In Tuesday's voting: — The Democrats captured Republican Senate seats in nine states, while losing only one of their own. That outcome ended six years of Republican control.

— In House races, Democratic gains were far less impressive. Already holding a majority in the House, the Democrats increased their total to 258, a gain of five. The Republican total was 173. The outcome remained in doubt in four districts — one each in New York, North Carolina, Minnesota and Maryland.

— The clearest basis for Republican celebration was in races for governor, where the GOP gained eight to boost their national total to 24 of the 50 governors.

Housing plans due tomorrow; students may request changes

By Nancy Fletcher
Sidelines staff writer

MTSU campus residents are requested to fill out housing re-application forms today and tomorrow to determine what their spring housing plans are.

Students should go to their hall lobby from 1-6 p.m. and decide if they would like to move to different halls or rooms, or if they plan to continue living on campus.

"It is to the student's advantage to fill out their re-ap at this time, because they will have a better choice of where they will live next spring if they do," Vicki Justice, associate director for student development, said.

Students who wish to stay on campus have options about where they can live next semester. They can stay in their present room and keep the same roommate, change roommates, move to another building, or change rooms in their present hall, Justice added.

"Those who fail to fill out the re-application during the scheduled period are not as likely to get the room or roommate they want," Pete Fisher, hall director for K-Apartments, said.

Students who plan to cancel their housing must fill out an exit survey before they leave and tell their resident assistant or hall director why they are leaving.

"There are four different categories that students who are leaving can fall into," Justice said. "They are (a) students who are graduating, (b) students who are getting married prior to the Spring semester, (c) students who will not be attending MTSU in the Spring and (d) students who wish to leave housing for some other reason."

All re-applications must be completed in front of the RA or hall director, and cancellations will not be processed until the registration period is over.



CRIME STOPPERS

Call 893-STOP

This week's Crime Stoppers crime of the week involves a burglary to a residence here in Murfreesboro. Sometime on Wednesday Oct. 29 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. a burglary occurred to a residence in the 300 block of Bridge Avenue. After entry was gained into the victims house, a large number of silver and gold coins were taken with a value in excess of \$2,000. Some of these special coins were Kennedy Series J, Statue of Liberty Series L, Reagan Sreies AA, Lincoln Series LL, Double Eagle commemeratives and several other special and unusual collector's item coins.

A special note to readers of *Crime Stoppers* concerning the continuing *Laura Salmon murder investigation*: "Would the author of the anonymous letter mailed on Jan. 13 contact me, Officer Clyde Atkinson, again either by mail or by phone. It is extremely urgent that you please get in touch with me."

If you have any information about this crime, Crime Stoppers could pay you \$1,000, and up to \$1,000 for information on any other crime. You may call Crime Stoppers at 893-7867, and you do not have to identify yourself. All calls are confidential.

Contributions to the Crime Stopper's reward fund are tax deductible and may be sent to Crime Stoppers of Murfreesboro and Rutherford County at P.O. Box 864, Murfreesboro, TN 37133-0864.

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Editorials

Students should support House

When Associated Student Body President Troy Baxter told the presidents of MTSU organizations they must use the ASB House of Representatives or lose it, he was right.

Baxter is ready to begin actions to abolish the House. He has been considering the possibility for quite a while, and if attendance doesn't improve by the next House meeting, he says he will begin the process.

But even if Baxter decides to take action against the House, the best way for the students to protect the House is through the ASB House and Senate.

If you value your organization's voice in student government, make sure your representative is informed and ready to vote against any effort to abolish the House. And lobby your senators to do the same.

Why is the House so important?

No other part of our student government can represent the campus so comprehensively. House members represent a relatively small group of students with similar interests. Most campus organizations meet regularly, giving their representatives ample opportunity to learn the group's position on important issues. And representatives come in frequent contact with those students to whom they are accountable.

Granted, students who put forth the necessary effort to become senators are usually hard working and devoted to MTSU. But how can they correct the approximately 500 people they represent?

They can hardly claim their views are supported by a "mandate of the people" — few students even attend the ASB Speakouts to learn the candidates' views.



Visit to Vietnam Memorial depressing

By DALE DWORAK
Sidelines News Editor

They're just names on black granite.

Just 58,000 names on cold, silent black granite.

I saw the Vietnam Veterans Memorial twice last week during a visit to Washington D.C. I was there for a convention of college

journalists and their advisers and every spare minute I had was used to see as much of the city as possible.

On Thursday morning I left my still-sleeping companions behind and left the hotel for a walking tour of the Mall. The morning was cool and clear. I shared the gravel walkways with an occasional jogger and park employee. My destination

was the Lincoln Memorial, and then I was going to go on to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

I wasn't exactly sure where the Vietnam memorial was, but I was only certain that it was on the Mall. I found it before I reached the Lincoln Memorial, and once there I walked past the bronze statue of three soldiers which seemingly guards the black granite walls and down to the memorial itself.

I was alone. If you can call walking past 58,000 names being alone.

At first the black slabs were small, then they were knee-high, and then they were well over my head, and all but one or two were inscribed with names. Name after name after name until they all blurred together and I had to concentrate to separate them. As I walked farther, the noises of the city became muted and distant, and still more names. At the bottom left and right I could see the names fading into the distance.

And then the tears came. Not a

whole lot, just a few and I'm not even sure why. I didn't know anyone who died there and I really don't remember the war itself — I was too young during those turbulent years. But all the names, all the 58,000 names of dead men, depressed me, got to me you might say, and so I shed a few honest tears for dead men I never knew.

I visited the memorial again on Saturday afternoon. I wasn't alone this time. There were hundreds of people slowly filing past the names in total silence. Some cried for lost friends and others left pictures or flowers below the silent names. A few, their faces tight with concentration, made rubbings of the names, trying I guess to take home someone who was lost years ago. Veterans dressed in fatigues or cammies walked around, silent guards.

And still the silent names were above everyone — almost mocking in their silence.

58,000 names.

Letters to the Editor

Why fix what works?

Dear Editor:

Why change something that works? For once, let's leave well enough alone and continue with the now existent semester length.

Administrators want a prescribed number of minutes for total class time. That's nice. My problem is the number of individual days or nights to work on assignments and projects.

I am one of a great number of students who are trying, sometimes unsuccessfully, to juggle class lectures, projects, papers and a job.

To think that a week or so could be taken away from this time is almost devastating. My thoughts are, "If I only had one more week!"

Feeling stressed and pressed for time are everyday emotions. Feeling that what little time I have is being taken away so the "teachers could complete the term earlier and have a day or so to study or

grade papers" is absurd.

Student preference should be more than "important" and "significant" — it should be exclusive.

Holly A. Swan
Box 3908

Free law lesson

Dear Editor,

To start with I would like to send my deepest apologies to Mr. Ridley for referring to him as Mr. Ripley. I guess what was on my mind at the time was: should I "believe it or not." Second of all, I did not miss his point at all. I thoroughly enjoyed his article. If Mr. Ridley would have read my article correctly, then he would have picked up on the fact that my letter was concerning his view on pornography, and not on his article as a whole. That's beside the point.

Concerning the issue of the Bill of Rights, Mr. Ridley is correct.

There are laws against libel and slander. Currently, the only sexually explicit speech and press that can be censored without violating the Constitution is that which is "obscene." Obscene being any work viewed by the average person applying local, contemporary, or community standards, and when taken as a whole, lack serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value. So maybe a video tape of an actual rape should be banned? I disagree. The reason being, what will they try to censor next? If we continue to let our elected officials step in and tell us what is good and bad for us, then we as the people will be the ones to pay. It is a fact that our thought process is controlled by our passive vocab-

ulary. What I am trying to say is that because something is so called "bad" it doesn't mean that positive results cannot occur.

So as not to be misunderstood, I am against pornography and am aware of the negative side effects that come with it. I just don't feel banning it is the answer. Using censorship is like taking aspirin for a cold. I think it's time we as a society start looking at the lifestyles that create these symptoms and not try to cure the symptoms that make them aware to us. And Mr. Ridley sarcastically speaking, I really appreciate the Meese Commission protecting me.

Andrew Estes
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What do you think?

Would you like to express your view on an issue affecting students, college, the nation or the world? Well Sidelines welcomes letter to the editor on any issue or story that may appear in Sidelines. Whether you agree or disagree, let your opinion be known via Sidelines.

Stevebeat



By Kent Whitaker

Middle Tennessee State University

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All letters must include the author's name, MTSU box number and telephone number. Telephone numbers will not be printed and are for verification purposes only. When warranted, requests to withhold names will be honored.

We reserve the right to edit letters for clarity and space.

Address all letters and inquiries to:

Sidelines, Box 42, or come by Room 310 of the James Union Building.

IFC proposal not clear

The InterFraternity Council passed last night a set of new rush regulations.

Rule Number 1 states: *Alcohol will not be furnished, supplied, consumed, or provided to or by prospective rushees during rush at any fraternity gathering, impromptu or planned, including houses, parties, smokers, bars, etc. In other words, no alcohol involving rushees during rush.*

Some obvious questions arise from this regulation as written and passed. The Rush Committee says they plan to rework this rule to clarify its meaning. That's fine.

But why did the IFC pass such an ambiguous statement by a 15-1 majority?

Exactly what does "no alcohol involving rushees during rush" mean? Does this mean no rushee can drink anywhere during rush week — even in their own home? Does it mean that rushees can't drink with fraternity brothers, or does it mean they can't drink at all?

Does the IFC plan to police the bars, looking for wayward rushees?

This regulation definitely needs clarification. The Rush Committee said it will reword regulation Number 1 and present it to the IFC at the Nov. 24 meeting.

Sidelines hopes the committee does what it says.

But if the regulation does not say what the IFC wants it to say, why did they approve it? Wouldn't it make more

sense to wait to pass a rule until it clearly states the behavior it is intended to outlaw?

Why then, did the IFC rush this regulation through, approving it even when its meaning was still unclear? It is hard to understand why any organization president would approve something which so severely limits the rights of the members of their group — especially when the effects are unknown.

And it seems risky to count on IFC committee members to reword a regulation. Why not just wait and vote on the revised version?

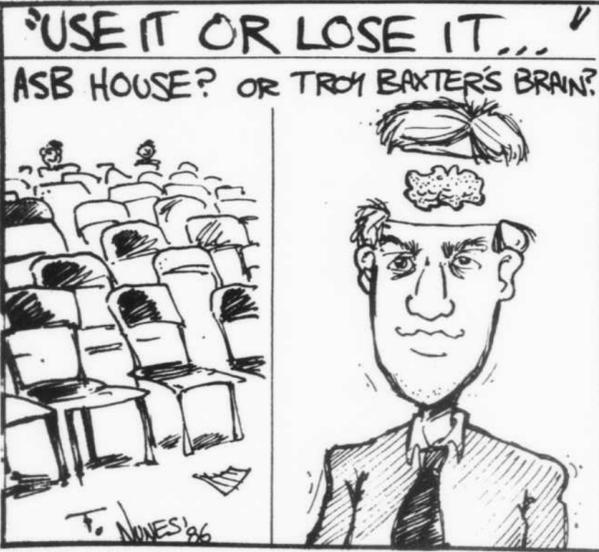
The IFC should not pass regulations so far-reaching that it cannot enforce them. Nor should it limit the freedom of its members or potential members without careful consideration. Freedoms lost are hard to regain.

There are some positive aspects of dry rush. Ideally, alcohol should not be a deciding factor when a pledge chooses a fraternity. And rush week probably is not the best time for wild, drunken bashes.

Forbidding rushees to drink in fraternity houses is one thing, but telling them not to with nonfraternity friends in bars is another. Why not make sure the rule you pass is the rule you want to live by? Whoever wanted to make sure this rule passed so quickly may also want to prevent its rewording.

Forum

House important despite flaws



Brian Conley is a sophomore ASB Senator.

Once again the idea for a unicameral Associated Student Body is being tossed around.

Basically, a unicameral legislature will abolish the House of Representatives — leaving the Senate as the sole voice for the students.

ASB President Troy Baxter supports this idea as does Speaker of the House John Perdue.

During the last Presidents' Club meeting, held Thursday, Baxter threatened the organizational presidents with the statement that they should "use it [the House] or lose it."

The reasons Baxter gave for this statement are valid.

He was correct when he said that "for some years now the House has not been utilized by organizations."

Baxter mentioned the fact that only 16 representatives attended the last House meeting. He also said he didn't think 16 organizations can represent what everyone on campus thinks. That is also true.

However, these are far from adequate reasons to abolish the House of Representatives.

If the organizations are not using the House to its full potential it is because they are so apathetic they do not care whether or not their members are being adequately represented.

If the organizations and the representatives would get off their lazy carcasses and attend the House meetings there would be no problems (except maybe an overabun-

equal to the number of organizations that submit the name of their representative and alternate within six weeks after the first official day of classes.

By Brian Conley
Insights

Sidelines Assistant News Editor

dance of ideas for changing the campus).

Baxter will soon have the opportunity to sign a bill that will change the ASB Constitution in such a way as to decrease the number of members of the House. This would eliminate the number one problem the House has had in the past — obtaining a quorum.

Currently, a quorum in the House is reached when a majority of the members are present. The number of members is determined by the number of officially recognized, active student organizations there are on campus. Each organization receives one seat in the House.

Representative and organizational apathy have made it nearly impossible to achieve a quorum.

The bill which is awaiting Baxter's signature will change the constitution in such a manner as to make the number representatives

adequately represented without the House is null of it. Baxter believes the Senate will do the job.

The Senate is good at introducing bills and voicing their concern over problems affecting students, but they cannot do it alone.

If the House is abolished it will leave a group of 22 people as the only voice for students.

This is not enough. Sure the House may not work right. Sure it is apathetic. Sure it is not very effective. I know it has problems.

But if the House is abolished, the very students the ASB is designed to represent will be given a weaker voice with the administration.

Anyone who thinks otherwise does not care about the students.

The House may not be the greatest legislative body in the world, but it is better than nothing.

And this campus needs it.

Who's jeopardizing what?

Well, I'm sure all of you by now know that David Jacobsen, one of the seven Americans held in Lebanon, was released last Sunday.

After four days of undergoing

be concerned with the well-being of the other hostages remaining in Lebanon.

I also understand that if too much is brought out into the open

By Kelly Anderson

Think About It
Sidelines Forum Editor

medical treatment in West Germany, Jacobsen was allowed to make his way to America for the first time in 17 months since he was captured by the Islamic Jihad, an extremist group from Iran.

Meanwhile in the good old USA, the *New York Times* dug up some pretty juicy stuff about how the release of Jacobsen was supposedly executed.

The news was out. The *New York Times* reported in Saturday's edition that President Reagan had approved a broad plan 18 months ago to set up secret contacts with Iran.

Their sources said that old weapons were given to Iran by Israel.

And I can just bet you've already guessed where the Israelis got weapons to replace those they just happened to give away: us.

Then, when the reporters questioned President Reagan about all of this after Jacobsen arrived in Washington, Jacobsen went off.

He said, "In the name of God, will you please just be responsible and back off."

I can see where Jacobsen would

about this unproven matter, it might put the hostages into jeopardy.

However, Reagan was pretty naive to think that this matter would not be brought out into the open.

Reporters have a responsibility to the public to report what is of importance.

Jacobsen, therefore, is wrong in accusing the reporters of putting the remaining hostages in jeopardy. Reagan has done that all by himself.

Evidently, Reagan is trying to do the right thing — releasing the hostages — but through the wrong means.

If Reagan is supplying terrorists with weapons, it isn't going to help America.

It's amazing to me that Reagan, after coming down so hard on terrorism, has perhaps been giving terrorists weapons.

I agree that the remaining hostages need to be released, but if Reagan is being giving weapons to terrorists, I think there is a better way to go about it.

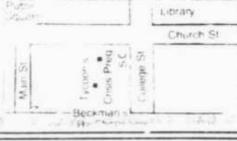
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Art / Entertainment

Chicago pleases crowd despite Cetera absence

By MONA VINSON
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

Despite two major losses, Chicago gave an outstanding performance Friday night in MTSU's Murphy Center.

The loss of longtime band member Peter Cetera — who is in pursuit of a solo career — did not stop Chicago from continuing successfully.

After the death of member Terry Kath in 1978, Chicago moved on to renewed success. The band's latest LP, *Chicago 18*, and their present tour are giving Chicago a second chance to regroup and renew their sound.

The band, with newest member bassist Jason Scheff, played two ter-

rific one-hour sets including cuts as old as Lamm's "Saturday in the Park" and cuts as new as "Will You Still Love Me?"

Chicago opened to a packed and anxious audience with "25 or 6 to 4," which has received a great deal of air-play, from *Chicago 18*. The audience, despite its more mature members, went crazy.

Chicago continued the show with cuts from *Chicago 17*, such as "Along Comes a Woman" and "You're the Inspiration." Even with the band's attempt for a new sound, the familiar old tunes sounded as great as ever. To an avid fan, the absence of Cetera, who is presently pursuing a solo career, was subtle but noticeable, especially in the

older hits. Lamm's "Saturday in the Park" was not quite the same, yet the crowd response to it was much more energetic than any of their newer songs. Perhaps this was due to the average age of the crowd, which was probably older than most concert crowds.

The horn section was spectacular. It included members Lee Loughnane on trumpet, James Pankow on trombone, and Walt Parazaider on sax and flute. They were featured several times throughout the concert during songs such as "Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is" and "You are the Love of My Life." Set one ended with "Color My World" featuring Parazaider on the flute. After a short intermission,

Chicago returned to their fans in rare form. The band's stage presence, as well as favorable response, was much more alive and exciting in the second set.

Chicago played other new releases featuring Scheff and even older favorites such as "Stay the Night" and "Love Me Tomorrow." The crowd never let up.

Lamm, on the keyboards, said, "We're in the home stretch with this one" and the band began to play "Hard Habit to Break." They continued with "Hard to Say I'm Sorry" and its instrumental version. It was one of the highlights of the night. The horns were incredible, and the crowd responded enthusiastically by dancing in the aisles.

Chicago then moved quickly into a reprise of "25 or 6 to 4" at an unbelievably fast tempo. By that point in the concert, all volume levels were so high that lyrics and music were distorted, but the audience still savored every minute of it.

When Chicago exited the stage, the crowd demanded an encore and, despite the already incredibly long concert, the crowd got what it wanted.

Chicago returned to the stage, and a somewhat exhausted Bill Champlin, keyboardist and guitarist, shouted, "You are BAD!"

The high point of the encore was a percussion feature with the three horn players on cowbells and a tambourine, while Champlin joined drummer Danny Seraphine on a second trap set.

Each band member proved his musical versatility, which should re-



Wayne Cartwright/Staff

Lee Loughnane, of Chicago, plays trumpet during "Saturday in the Park" in Murphy Center Friday night.

sult in even more admiration for Chicago.

The concert ended with an awesome reprise of the instrumental from "Hard to Say I'm Sorry."

Scheff, notwithstanding his youthfulness, was nothing but an asset to the band, and even with Cetera's absence, Chicago left the crowd begging for more.



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Jason Scheff on bass, is Chicago's newest band member since Peter Cetera's exit. Friday's concert also featured James Pankow on trombone and Walt Parazaider on tenor saxophone.

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Musicians take blues from warehouses to Carnegie Hall

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — In the 1930s and 1940s, they picked and wailed in tobacco warehouses and juke joints for fellow farmers and workers or they buck-danced on their back porches for family and friends.

Now many of North Carolina's blues following have an international following and perform in places from Carnegie Hall to Southeast Asia. Others, however, continue to work the blue-collar jobs they've had for years.

"North Carolina has been intensively investigated for blues," said Glenn Hinson, a Creedmore resident who is researching a book on North Carolina blues musicians. "As a result, public awareness of the blues is high enough so many musicians here are able to do gigs regularly. Many of them now represent not only their state, but also their region nationally and internationally as they tour and perform."

Hinson said the Piedmont blues differs from the more publicized Delta blues in its complex, delicate guitar picking style. It was influenced by ragtime and white country styles, while the Delta blues sounds rougher and sparser.

Delta blues moved up the Mississippi to Chicago and the West Coast. Its most famous practitioners included B.B. King and John Lee Hooker.

Piedmont blues moved to New York with musicians like Sonny Terry and Brownie McGhee.

Terry, a blind musician who came from the Durham blues tradition in the 1930s, died last March. His partner, McGee, now lives in California.

But many other blues musicians in black communities around North Carolina continue to perform, and some sell records worldwide.

Among them is Thomas Burt, who lives near Creedmore. Born in 1900, Burt has "watched the entire development of the music, the transition from set dances to city house parties," said Hinson.

Burt played guitar for round dances and buck-dancing, a rhythmic solo dance that was the precursor of tap dancing. As the blues developed, he played for farmers who brought their crops into eastern North Carolina tobacco markets.

In the late 1940s when rhythm

and blues became more popular, Burt continued to play for family and friends. But an appearance at a 1978 folk festival in Durham helped revive his popularity. He went on to perform at the National Folk Festival at Wolf Trap in 1980 and the National Down Home Blues Festival in Atlanta in 1984.

Many women played the blues in North Carolina, but not many became well known outside their own neighborhoods. Hinson said an exception is Etta Baker, 73, of Morganton.

"Etta is probably one of the finest guitar players in the Piedmont style," he said. "She has an incredibly light and delicate touch, fingering very complex runs on an acoustic or electric guitar."

Baker was one of the first Piedmont blues musicians recorded during the folk revival of the 1950s. Since then, she has appeared regularly at folk festivals and has been included on other albums.

Another accomplished female

blues musician with North Carolina training is Elizabeth North, 94, who now lives in Syracuse, N.Y. Famous for the song "Freight Train," she won a Grammy award last year for her best traditional album.

Algia Mae Hinton was one blues-woman who didn't mind playing for the rollicking house parties that produced many musicians. Hinson said Hinton, 57, still performs in her native Johnston County.

"She's also one of the area's better buck-dancers," he said. "She's still able to perform with all the facility of a teen-ager."

Hinton dances while she plays, sometimes playing the guitar behind her head when inspired. She was recorded for a statewide blues album in 1978, has played at national folk festivals and last year performed at Carnegie Hall in New York. She also plays with the Black Folk Heritage Tour of the North Carolina Arts Council.

Another performer on the

statewide tour is John Dee Holeman, 57, who has combined the Durham guitar blues tradition with the best of Chicago blues.

"He's also a buck-dancer who literally can tell stories with his feet," said Hinson. "His voice is powerful. It can vary from very lighthearted vocals, almost joking, to a deep, brooding meanness."

Holeman had concerts in New York in January and September and has performed in Southeast Asia and Africa with Durham blues pianist Quentin "Fris" Holloway in tours sponsored by the U.S. State Department.

Both men operate bulldozers in Durham for a living.

Holeman, Holloway and Hinton

are participating in a monthlong performance tour starting Oct. 24 that will take them through most of the Southeast as well as Chicago and Philadelphia.

Hinson said recording and writings by folklorists "led to a revival, not a discovery, but a bringing of these artists to a new public, to a community that extended beyond their hometown."

"It wouldn't have died out, it would have survived in its own way," he said. "But the music has enabled people like Algia Mae to stop doing farmwork and rely more on their artistry. That's a real change, and that's allowed the music to grow and develop in new ways."

A capella band to hit Nashville

From Staff Reports

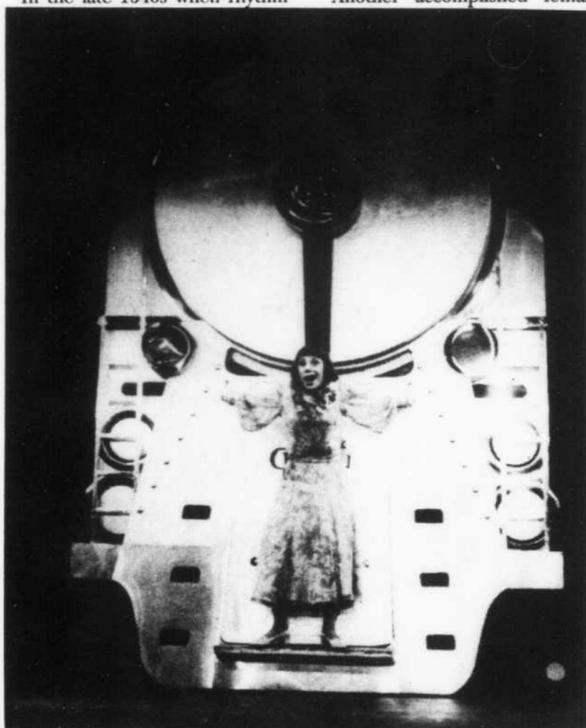
The Bobs, a four-member, all a cappella group who combine their voices and sometimes other parts of their bodies to create music, will appear at Music Row Showcase on Nov. 21, 1986.

The group's music is modern — not typical of the a cappella sound associated with 50's "doo-wop" or the Persuasions. The band's roots are in nu-wave/techno-pop music. A large portion of their material is original. They include their versions of cover tunes such as "Helter Skelter" and "Psycho Killer."

The Bobs include members Gunnar Bob Madsen, Janie Bob Scott, Matthew Bob Stull and Richard Bob Greene. Madsen's background as composer, pianist, singer, actor and teacher has prepared him for this radically different band. Along with Greene, he writes most of The Bobs original material. Scott performed as a blues and nu-wave singer before joining The Bobs. Stull and Madsen formed the nucleus of the band while working at a telegram company.

The Bobs were nominated for a Grammy Award in 1984 for their arrangement of "Helter Skelter." The group was also nominated for the National Association of Independent Record Distributors Awards in 1984 for Best Rock Group and Best Album Design.

Special guests Ethel and the Shameless Hussies will open the first-ever Nashville appearance of The Bobs at 9 p.m. Tickets are available at all TICKETMASTER locations.



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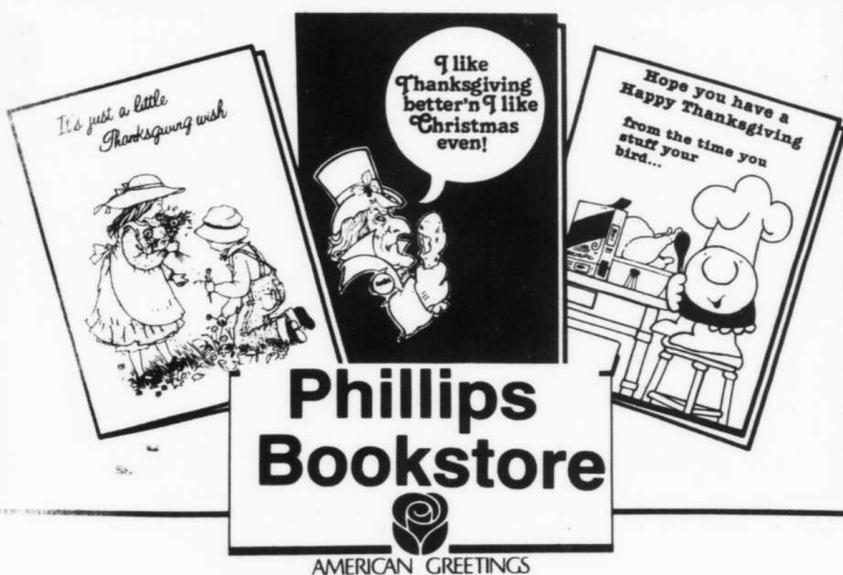
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Blue Raiders down Morehead 24-7 in conference action

By ANDY REED
Sidelines Sports Writer

Saturday's Amazin' Adrian and Marvellous Marvin show was preempted for the Marvellous Marvin and Ravaging Raider Defensive show.

Despite the change in programming, most of the Blue Raider faithful among the estimated 2,800 rain-soaked fans at Johnny (Red) Floyd Stadium didn't mind it a bit as MTSU took its fourth straight victory, 24-7 over a reeling Morehead State squad in Ohio Valley Conference action.

Morehead quarterback Adrian Breen came into the game as the OVC leader in total offense with 227.9-yards per game (213 in the air). But Saturday, MTSU's defense shut down Breen and Company, limiting the Eagles to only 136 total yards. Breen was 15-of-30 for 82-yards with one interception. He was sacked six times.

"Defensively it's the first time this year all 11 ... struck with their helmets and shoulder pads," MTSU coach Boots Donnelly said of his defense which helped the Blue Raiders over the .500 mark this year at 5-4.

Donnelly wasn't the only one to praise the defense, which received words of commendations from at least one member of the offensive unit.

"The big key was the defense shut them down to start with," All-OVC guard Cecil Andrews said.

"The key was we're tackling together," said defensive tackle Jack Pittman, one of three Blue Raiders in double digits in tackles with 10,

including two sacks of Breen. "Our line just kept coming."

On the other side of the field, Collier, who missed two games earlier in the season with a bad shoulder, ignored the pain long enough to go 10-of-19 for 177 yards and two touchdowns with an interception. The sophomore from Cordele, Ga., was not sacked during the game.

Collier and his offensive mates, including tailback Dwight Stone (181 rushing yards, one TD), were helped all day by an offensive line which includes starters Cecil Andrews, Larry Pickett, Dennis Smart, Doug Hintemeyer, Steve Spurling and tight end Carvell Massengale.

"Overall, our offensive line controlled the line of scrimmage about as well as they have ever done," Donnelly said.

"Offensively, the key was we just came off the ball and put some hats on people," Andrews said.

After the teams sloshed through a scoreless first quarter, Collier got the Raiders on the scoreboard when he launched a 61-yard bomb to Mike Pittman early in the second quarter.

Linebacker Roosevelt Colvard, who led all tacklers with 17, put Collier and Co. back in business later in the period when he intercepted Breen's pass and returned it 21 yards to the Morehead 32-yard line. Four plays later, Stone galloped eight yards for the score and a 14-0 Blue Raider lead.

MTSU added more points before the end of the first half when

Donnelly, after the Raiders drove to the Eagles' one-yard line, sent Dick Martin in on fourth-and-goal to kick an 18-yard field goal that gave the home team a 17-0 halftime lead. Martin, a sophomore from Mason, Ohio, had sprained his ankle and knee when a scout team player collided with him during practice Wednesday.

Morehead was poised to mount a comeback as the second half began. On the first play after a 53-yard kickoff return by Robert Alford, the Eagles' David Gifford recovered a fumble by Stone at his own 41-yard line.

Breen guided the Eagles to the Blue Raider 4-yard line in 10 plays before tailback Terry Upshaw toted the ball around the left end for the score. Charlie Stepp's extra point pulled the Eagles within 17-7 with just over 10 minutes left in the third quarter.

"The second half, we killed ourselves. They never stopped us," Andrews said of the Blue Raiders' misadventurous third quarter, during which MTSU gained only 57 yards on five possessions, while losing the ball four times on turnovers.

Despite the offensive struggles, the defense clamped down after the Upshaw score, holding the Eagles to minus 3 yards for the remainder of the quarter.

The Raider offense got untracked as the fourth quarter



MTSU's Kenny Tippins (88) drags down a Morehead player as teammates Robert Mullins (25), Roosevelt Colvard and Dejuan Buford (20) run to assist in the defensive effort during Saturday's game.

began, marching 76 yards and consuming 6:08 to score on a pass by Collier that could only be described as marvelous.

On a third-and-goal on the 4-yard line, Collier dropped to be a certain

sack and flipped a wobbly pass that Massengale reached and caught one-handed as he stepped over the goal line.

"Marvin made a play that I don't think anybody else could do," Donnelly said of Massengale's TD.

MTSU punter Mark Morrison, second in the conference coming into the game, and second in NCAA Division I-AA in net punting, kicked four times for a 42-yard average.

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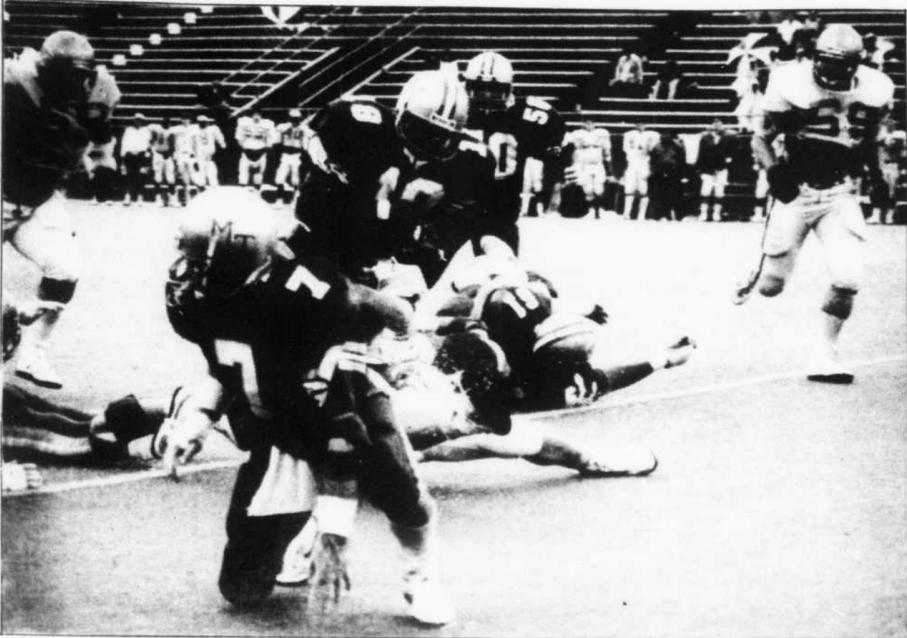
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MTSU tailback Gerald Anderson (18) powers through the opening in Morehead's defensive line made possible by teammates Larry Pickett (61) and Self Garrett (7) as Doug Hintemeyer (50) comes to assist.

OVC's first place up for grabs

By SKIP LATT
AP Sports Writer

The bubble has burst for Morehead State, while Middle Tennessee State still holds hopes of defending its Ohio Valley Conference football championship title.

Morehead State had been the surprise of the OVC this season, racing to six consecutive victories. But reality has set in for the Eagles, who dropped their third straight contest on Saturday.

A three-way tie for first place exists between Akron, Eastern Kentucky and Murray State, who all have 4-1 records in the OVC. MTSU is only one game out of the lead at 3-2.

In Saturday's other league matchups, EKV dropped winless Tennessee Tech 42-14, Akron topped Austin Peay 31-16 and Murray State defeated Youngstown State 17-14.

Tennessee State, which is not eligible for the OVC title this year, edged Bethune-Cookman 13-0 in Miami.

While Morehead State was mathematically taken out of the league race by MTSU, the Blue Raiders themselves need a few breaks to gain the championship.

"The bottom line is we have to win and somebody has to lose for us to have a chance. That's it. We

The following are the standings in the Ohio Valley Conference as of Monday including non-conference games.

	Conference games					All games				
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Akron	4	1	0	135	88	7	2	0	228	121
E. Kentucky	4	1	0	150	68	6	2	1	247	132
Murray State	4	1	0	115	80	5	3	1	182	176
MTSU	3	2	0	97	68	5	4	0	226	128
Morehead St.	2	3	0	100	129	6	3	0	195	208
Austin Peay	2	3	0	63	95	4	5	0	160	160
Youngstown St.	1	4	0	85	123	1	8	0	160	222
Tennessee Tech	0	5	0	69	161	0	8	0	85	304
Tennessee State						9	0	1	231	84

MTSU ruggers down Fort Campbell 44-6

By CARLTON WINFREY
Sidelines Sports Editor

The MTSU Rugby Club upped its record Sunday to 6-3 for the season by defeating Fort Campbell 44-6 here at MTSU.

Playing on a rain-soaked field,

MTSU got their scoring drive started early in the first half with a touchdown from Clay Walls — one of his four TDs of the game.

"We looked real well out there," MTSU team co-captain and coach

Joe Anderson said. "The field was wet and we were a little frightened when we went out there because of its sloppiness, but we played a real tough game."

MTSU kept possession of the ball during most of the first half of

the game and finished the half leading 36-0.

"Possession is a very big part of the game. We kept the ball nearly the entire game, barely giving them (Fort Campbell) a chance to score."

But MTSU did score with two touchdowns from Jason Archer and one from Brian Macelroy.

MTSU will play Knoxville Saturday at MTSU on the playing field next to the tennis courts behind Murphy Center. Game time is 1 p.m.

"It (the game) was a good tuneup match for Knoxville," Anderson said. "Hopefully the team won't get too confident before the game."

Bulls asking too much from Jordan

By MAURICE PETWAY
Sidelines Sports Writer

Faster than a speeding bullet, able to leap tall Kareems in a single bound, it's a Larry Bird, it's a plane, no, it's SUPERJORDAN.

Michael Jordan is one of the most graceful and artistic basketball players to ever set foot on a court. But, is he setting to quick of a pace for his young legs? Will he fall prey to his tremendous athletic skills and his strong desire to win?

Jordan is operating in a very difficult scenario. He has the unenviable chore of having to score 30 to 40 points per game for his team — the Chicago Bulls to be winners.

Jordan will always be known as a winner, but is it wise for one so

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young to put himself through such physical extremes?

Looking from a positive perspective, we all love to see Michael's razzle dazzle, wheeling and deeling and his customary tongue-on-the-left-cheek power slam. Jordan is one of those rare players that make the once thought impossible, possible and the unthinkable, thinkable.

His imagination on the court is like that of a genius who is in search of a new way to broaden the scope of his trade. Jordan is not poetry in motion, he is poetry in flight. Larry Bird use to fly above all others but now he must struggle to stay in the

same cloud zone as Air Jordan.

Thank goodness for Jordan because Bird was becoming the NBA's juggernaut of the 80s. Maybe now Jordan can exalt Bird to a new horizon he never even dreamed of and vice-versa.

However, if Jordan continues on his rapid scoring pace he could be bitten by the fast spreading Borg burnout bug. A familiar case of too much to soon. Or much worse he could reinjure his foot by playing so hard. Lets all pray that Jordan doesn't get hurt because if the NBA loses him, it will leave a temporary void in the game of basketball.

And that would leave Bird flying once more peerlessly alone in the celestial sphere of basketball.

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