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Potential, worth recognized through black history study

by Gina Jeter

Understanding black history can help Americans achieve the ideal of recognizing "the worth and great potential" of each citizen, Sylvia Lyons Render told about 225 people Thursday night during Black History Week.

"Our history is made of miracles; we don't have to make anything up," Render said.

"Every individual is worthy and has the capability of fulfilling himself in ways usually never achieved," she said, emphasizing that idea as "very, very American."

Render, a member of a Washington, D.C., area coordinating committee for Afro-American History Week, said the commemoration probably will stretch to a month.

"I celebrate black history every day," she added.

Blacks have been "beaten down" for hundreds of years, Render said, "and to know how it is, without added polish, should

make us feel good just to know we survived."

Mentioning the blacks buried in Stones River Battlefield near Murfreesboro, Render said President Abraham Lincoln refused to let blacks enter the Civil War "because there was a myth out that blacks could not fight." When blacks were finally allowed to enlist, they were paid less than whites although black leader Frederick Douglass strongly objected, she pointed out.

"The black man, of course, has sometimes had to turn and run," Render said, "not out of lack of courage, but out of concern for family and blacks to come."

Remaining within the theme of black history, Render said, "I'm not going to talk about the Klu Klux Klan, but I will talk about Benjamin Singleton." Singleton was the Tennessean responsible for the exodus of thousands of blacks who were being attacked physically and depressed

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Sylvia Render

Bill Woehler photo

Senator questions U.S. Middle East policies

by Michael Gigandet

Henry Kissinger is using the Mideast as a "lever" against Western Europe in his scheme to "vulcanize" the world, Sen. James Abourezk (D-S. Dakota) charged here Thursday night.

Kissinger is playing the world's countries off against

each other so the United States will remain most powerful, Abourezk said. "I don't think he (Kissinger) is trying to keep a balance."

Speaking to a small Emphasis Symposium audience in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium, Abourezk accused the adminis-

tration of making a scapegoat of the Arabs to cover for failures in economic policy.

"There has been a built-up of propaganda against the Arabs from two sources," he said. Those sources are the American supporters of Israel and the government.

Now that the fear of world communism is fading, the administration must create a "new demon," he explained. The Arabs are to be that demon, Abourezk said.

The Arabs only provide 10 per cent of the oil used in the United States and have just caused about 2.5 per cent of the inflation, he said.

"Irrational" men in the Congress and administration are to blame for the explosive Mideast situation, Abourezk said.

Accusing the administration of using "gunboat diplomacy," Abourezk said an invasion of Arab oil fields would be armed robbery. "That invasion is the most insane thing I have ever heard."

"There is a desperate need for peace in the Mideast,"

Abourezk said. The Israelis are the greatest obstacle to peace, he criticized.

The problem is "how to achieve a 'durable peace,'" Abourezk said. Israel's supporters believe giving the country all the weapons it wants will achieve this peace, he said.

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Monday ASB deadline holds

An attempt to extend the final filing date for ASB candidates was thwarted last night because of a stipulation in the Comprehensive Election Act.

According to the stipulation, all candidates must be registered by 15 days before the election.

Election commissioner Bill Bennett said he had planned to extend the deadline to Friday "due to a lack of student interest," but the extension was challenged during a meeting of the qualified candidates.

Only two students qualified for the ASB presidential race, two students qualified for speaker of the house, and one student qualified for speaker of the senate.

No graduate student qualified

for the senate race, and only four students qualified for the five junior senate seats.

Bennett said during the candidates meeting that write-in votes will determine winners of seats where no student is formally running. If no write-in votes are recorded, the seat will be declared vacant.

Ted Helberg and Bill Mason are candidates for president, Jeff Combos and Tom Wells are running for speaker of the house and Jane Carroll is unopposed for the speaker of the senate post.

Campaigning for the March 4-5 elections will begin Sunday. Candidates will get a chance to "speak out" at 7 p.m. Monday in the University Center theater.

OVC playoff seats available

Students may purchase tickets Thursday 4-8 p.m. for the March 7 and 8 OVC post-season tournament to be held in Murphy Center.

The available 1,200 student tickets will be sold from Murphy Center's southwest ticket booth.

Students may buy \$6 bleacher-seat tickets and \$10 theatre-seat tickets.

Tickets allotted to MTSU season-ticket holders will go on sale at the same location Saturday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Unallocated tickets are on sale at the athletic department office and will admit buyers only bleacher seats.

Render calls for whites to learn black history

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economically by Southern whites immediately after Reconstruction.

"There are some ugly things in the past," Render said.

However, she pointed out, "We've all been up. We've all been down."

It is not sufficient for only blacks to learn of their history, Render said, but whites also must understand the black past.

An appreciation of black history will make whites "come to realize we are human beings," Render said, "with all the faults and virtues of human beings."

Improving relations with blacks will also cause whites to

think better of themselves, Render said.

"Nobody can really love anybody else until he loves himself," she explained. "We have the most trouble with those who are insecure or who have guilty feelings."

"Until all of us are free in all ways not one of us is free in any way," Render said.

Those in need take heed; cops can help

MTSU Security officers can soon administer qualified first aid to victims of heart attacks, auto accidents, diabetic comas and minor cuts and burns, according to Capt. Gary Miller.

"We can't be together until we recognize the individual's worth and responsibility," she said, "and we have a great responsibility, to keep from blowing each other off the face of the earth."

Render, a specialist in Afro-American literature and professor of English at North Carolina Central University, is on leave to

the Library of Congress. Speaking here Thursday in connection with the Ideas and Issues Committee's Emphasis Symposium, Render spoke Friday to various groups about her book, "The Short Fiction of Charles W. Chestnutt," research opportunities in black studies and available jobs for blacks with the federal government.

All uniformed patrol officers are required to take emergency medical courses taught by volunteers from the Rutherford County Ambulance Service in an in-service training program that began Jan. 17, Miller said.

The officers are receiving training in all areas of first aid, from cardio-pulmonary resuscitation to child birth, Miller said.

"Paramedics we have talked to have said that within a few years just about all of us will have had occasion to use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation," he said.

Miller said the crime prevention training includes "aggressive patrol" or "teaching officers to get where they look for problems."

"We're covering basic fire-

arms safety and laws of arrest and transportation of prisoners," the security captain said, adding that teachers from the criminal justice department have contributed to this area.

"We are also studying search and seizure laws, basic stop and frisk laws and regulations concerning interviewing of suspects," Miller said.

The public relations training is designed to teach officers to relate better to students, Miller explained.

"We're aiming for professionalism," he said, "however, we don't just want to be a bunch of hard-nosed cops."

Miller said the officers must pass a standardized written exam and perform cardio-pulmonary resuscitation to successfully complete the course.

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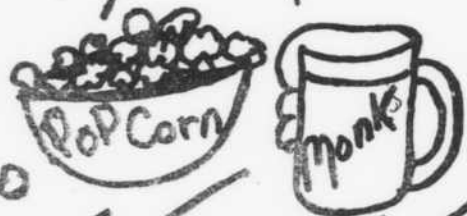
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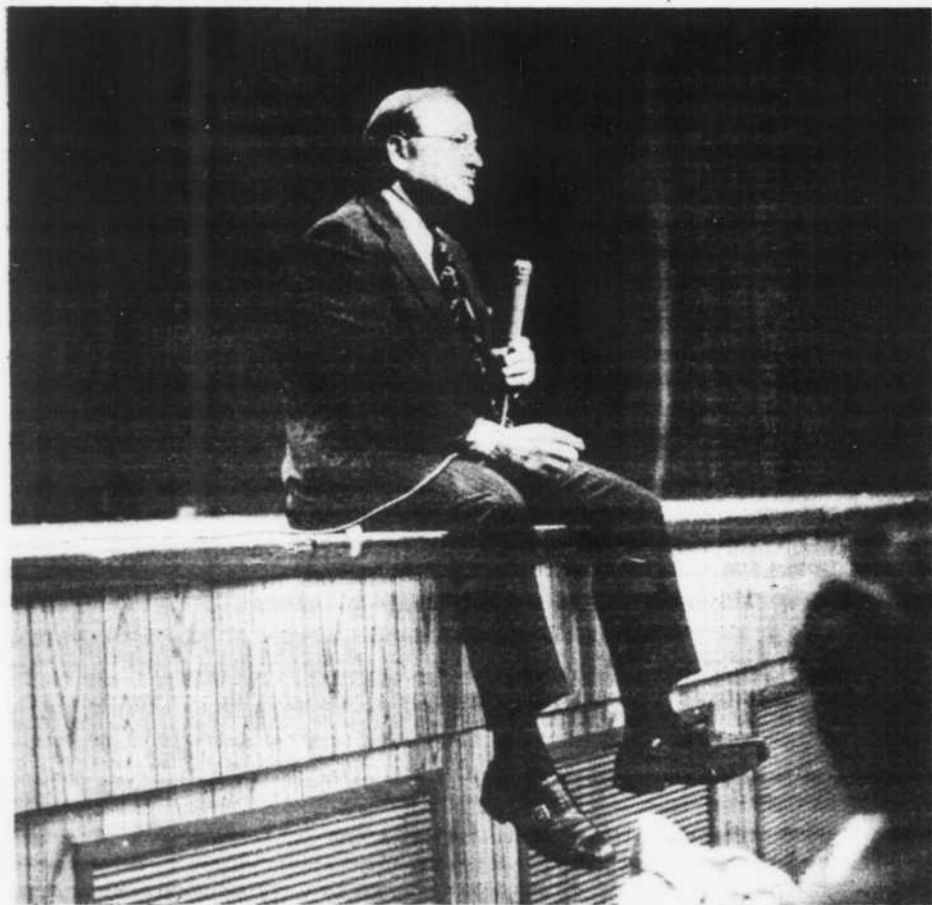
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Abourezk calls for concessions from Israel



Sen. James Abourezk

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Calling for Israel to make some territorial concessions, Abourezk said peace must be "imposed" upon the Israelis.

"I believe Israel ought to be required by the United States to make a choice," Abourezk pointed out.

Israel must make territorial concessions and enjoy continued American support or face total withdrawal of support, he suggested.

Faced with the latter possibility, Israel would make a durable peace "right now," he predicted.

Israel ran the Palestinians out of their lands and must give back the Golan Heights, Sinai Peninsula, West Bank and the Gaza Strip, Abourezk said.

The Arabs are tired of fighting and are ready to make peace, he added.

Arab monarchs fear that more conflict will give the radicals a greater chance of overthrowing their governments,

Abourezk said.

Palestinian guerilla leader Yasir Arafat's visit to the United Nations was significant because it showed the Palestinians would come to a "forum of peace" to settle the conflict.

Israel is conducting a world wide campaign against Arafat, and if this continues guerilla radicals will take over the Palestinian Liberation Organization, Abourezk warned.

In this case, Abourezk said he would "foresee an escalation of Mideastern conflict, another oil embargo and a wave of anti-semitism sweeping the United States."

Abourezk predicted a nuclear confrontation in the Mideast as the United States and Russia rush to protect their regional interests.

Following Israeli concessions, the territory should be demilitarized, U.N. patrolled and the Palestinians should be assisted in setting up a state, he said.

Varsity debaters win regional tournament

MTSU's top two-man debate team placed third at a major national contest sponsored by the U.S. Naval Academy over the weekend.

"This is the most significant single debate victory in the history of the Middle Tennessee program," director of debate

Jim Brooks said yesterday. "I felt that we had the talent this year to compete with anyone in the nation. We finally put it together at Annapolis."

Only one team from each of the nation's top 50 debate squads was invited to the tournament. MTSU's Gary Buchanan and

Michael Hall were among the 10 Southern teams competing.

In the Midwestern regional tournament at the University of Northern Iowa, MTSU's second and third-ranked debate teams rolled to a first place finish in the varsity division and to quarter-finals in junior varsity competition.

Ron Howell and Harold Balsom defeated Nebraska in the final championship round on a 3-0 decision.

Freshmen Mike Dagley and Tab Blankenship were stopped in quarter-finals by Wisconsin.

Middle Tennessee's lone previous entry in the Annapolis competition resulted in a 4-4 finish in 1973.

MTSU dominated individual awards at the tournament. Harold Balsom was named top varsity speaker, while partner Ron Howell was second. Mike Dagley won first place junior-var-

sity speaker.

Fifty teams entered the tournament, primarily from the Midwest.

MTSU's debate program achieved national recognition in 1970 with the school's first bid to the National Championship Debate Tournament, a feat that was repeated in 1972.

The 1971-72 squad was ranked 20th in the nation for overall team performance by a California forensics newspaper.

How does the 1974-75 team compare with these former squads?

MTSU debaters face one more hurdle in an important regional tournament at the University of Florida before the Southeastern district competition in mid-March.

The topic for the 1974-75 season is curtailing presidential power. The National Championships are scheduled for April.

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Anne Hebert (left) and her husband Chick will present the light-and-sound show "Synesthesia" on March 5 as part of the Fine Arts Festival. Richard Paul, as W.C. Fields (far right), and his bartender friend Marmaduke Gump will end the special week March 6 with a re-creation of the masterful humorist.



Musicals highlight upcoming Fine Arts Festival

Concerts, musical productions and a re-creation of one of America's best known movie humorists are among the highlights of the upcoming Fine Arts Festival planned March 2-6.

The MTSU band, under the direction of Joseph Smith, will open the festival at 3:30 p.m. March 2 with a concert in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium. Larry Skinner of the U.S. Navy Band will make a guest performance during the concert.

"The Boston Tea Party," a "bicentennial conspiracy of music, humor and insight to make you laugh and think," will be presented at 8 p.m. March 3 in the University Center Theatre.

A return performance of "Godspell" by the MTSU Music

Theatre Repertory Company will be held at 8 p.m. March 4 in the DA Auditorium. In its debut on campus, the student version of "Godspell" played to several packed houses and received excellent reviews.

On March 5, the MTSU Orchestra will perform two concerts, one for children at noon and an evening concert at 7. Both concerts will be in the DA Auditorium.

In addition, "Synesthesia," a utilization of the "dual arts" of hearing and sight to create "a moving display of moods and feelings," will be shown at 8:30 p.m. in the University Center Theatre.

Music is used to set the moods for the "players" of the light pro-

jectors which are an extension of the "color keyboard" concept. In essence, each performance of "Synesthesia" is an original interpretation of the music used.

The creators of "Synesthesia," Chick and Anne Hebert, also will hold a workshop at 3 p.m. March 5.

To end the festival, ex-Firesign Theatre member Richard Paul will portray one of the silver screen's best known drinkers in his "W. C. Fields, 80 Proof!" at 8 p.m. March 6 in the DA Auditorium.

In the tradition of "Mark Twain Tonight" and "Will Rogers, U.S.A." the show is taken from authentic material Fields

used in his vaudeville act, on radio, in motion pictures and from his unpublished scripts, notes and letters.

The Fine Arts Festival is sponsored by the Fine Arts Student Programming Committee.

Formal to feature Yost, Classics Four

Dennis Yost and the Classics Four will highlight this year's Mid-Winter Formal slated for 8:30 p.m. Feb. 28 in the Student Union Building.

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America's conscience cries for reform

Faced with double digit inflation, incompetent leadership, a social crisis and general disillusionment in our traditional institutions, America wanders aimlessly down a path to a chaotic nervous breakdown.

No longer the "land of the free and the home of the brave," America has become a country of economic slaves and gutless know-nothings.

It has taken years of setbacks, meaningless struggles, corrupt politicians and issues without sincere supporters to submerge us into this era of hypocrisy and apathy.

The objective observer can only cry out in astonishment and disgust, "What happened to America? Have they lost their senses? Do they even care?"

Somewhere along this path of self-deceit, Americans threw their hands up in surrender. Yes, we achieved economic and military superiority. Yes, we kept our independence after many a black eye and bloody nose.

But we have thrown away our definition of morality, our sense of what is right and what is wrong and most tragically, our principles.

Yes, America has lost the very virtues which once made her a great nation.

Unbelievable? False? Would the founding fathers have supported a motley gang of rabble struggling against a tyrannical government, or would they have supported a military dictator who had no concept of free speech, press or liberty?

The nation which once cried for the oppressed now turns Russian sailors seeking asylum over to their country's authorities.

America extradites South Vietnamese dissidents to their war torn home where they will be tortured in American financed "tiger cages."

We have overthrown legally elected governments and helped to establish a military dictatorship in Chile. We support a "president" in South Korea in his campaign against free speech and press.

America has gotten turned around by fat cat elitists ever seeking a chance to exploit a third world country and its "ignorant" people.

Liberty and freedom, words which were once America's pride, have become meaningless vestiges of a forgotten era.

Foreign countries no longer point to the Stars and Stripes as a symbol of what a free people can do; they look at it as the flag of a people who have let their politicians run wild in the name of God, capitalism and democracy.

Instead of foreign leaders bowing to "Old Glory" in respect, they desecrate our flag by squirming before her in the hopes of gaining

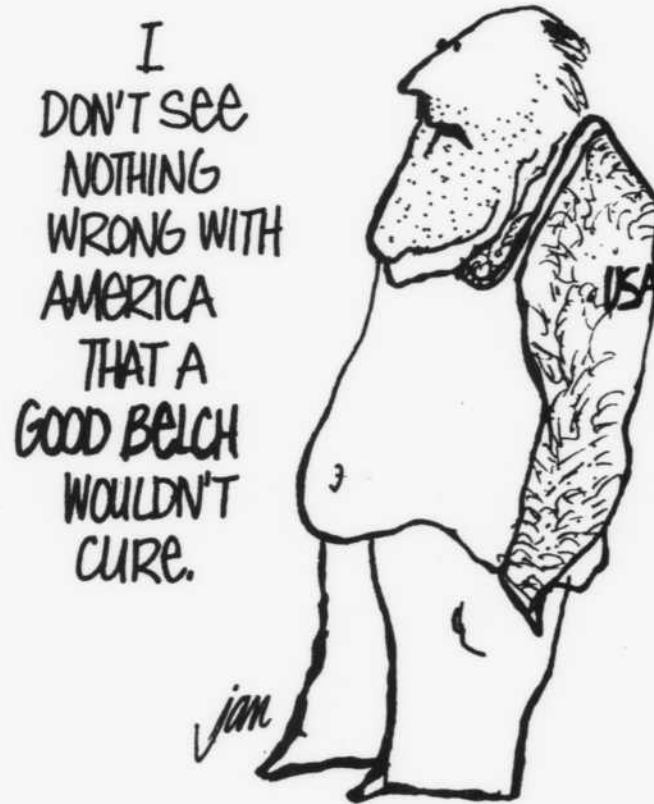
money or military support.

Do Americans realize what has happened? Perhaps they are feeling some guilt.

To soothe their aching consciences, they seize upon a song written by a Canadian boasting about America. They grasp the bicentennial celebration in the hope that something of what America once stood for is still there.

The world is no longer looking up to us with respect, but is looking down at us in contempt.

It is a tragedy we will enter our bicentennial ashamed of our actions — ashamed that martyrs the world over are dying in the name of freedom because of our lost morals.



Elitists must pay for exploitation of poor

By Rick Edmondson

"... All men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness — That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. — That whenever any form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it..."

Thomas Jefferson
The Declaration of Independence

The poor and middle class citizens of this country have been exploited by the rich long enough — it's time for a revolution.

In a speech to Texas oil men, President Ford callously turned his back on the American people by sympathizing with the problems of the oil barons. By decontrolling domestic oil prices and placing a tariff on imported oil, he will succeed in driving the market price up, thereby creating even greater problems for the already hard-pressed consumers.

At a time when unemployment has soared to its highest level in

34 years, Ford has almost consistently vetoed any measure designed to ease the suffering of the poor. As the administration piles up more and more money for defense, the lower class citizenry will inevitably have to pay the price with their taxes and cutbacks in social programs.

Now that 7.5 million of us are unemployed, we have lots of leisure time to sit back and observe Henry Kissinger wheeling and dealing around the globe in the name of peace, but urging that we spend \$522 million of our taxes to prolong an ageless war in Vietnam while propping up that miserably corrupt cabbage head, Nguyen Van Thieu.

Down through history the wealthy ruling class has employed numerous tactics to keep the poor on the bottom.

We have lived and died in their factories, sweating and toiling for meager pay while they reap the grand profits. With their money they lobby in Congress to effectively pass legislation de-

signed to sustain their own power. It's a vicious cycle, and we are the victims.

This incredible rape of the poor must stop.

Two weeks ago, some 10,000 unemployed auto workers marched on Washington to demand a change in Ford's economic policies. Admittedly this is a step in the right direc-

tion, but it's a very small step.

Only when millions of unemployed factory workers, farm workers, students and social security recipients band together and march on the White House and Congress with guns and bayonets aimed to slit the capitalist throats of corporate oligarchs, will equal justice for all truly be the law of the land.

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and comment

Who is privileged, students or Presley?

by Scott Perry

I am looking forward to May 9 — graduation day — after having attended MTSU for almost four years and almost completing the requirements necessary for acquiring a degree at this institution.

Murphy Center will be the site of this occasion — that is unless Col. Tom Parker and Harold Smith have decided to give Elvis Presley the facility for another night.

Is it such a privilege to have this middle-aged, overweight performer for not one, but three performances? Parker hand-picked the facility over Nashville — seating capacity is larger and the acoustics are by far better than the Municipal Auditorium.

True, some MTSU students

may attend one of the gala events; but most students will not attend any of the concerts, and even more have not even attempted to secure tickets.

The time has come for the Special Events Committee and Harold Smith to get back in touch with the students on this campus and find out where their true musical interests lie.

Many students probably lean towards events like the Presley concert; but even these students were not given a good opportunity to get tickets because of a Col. Tom Parker policy against over-the-counter sales. Yet this past weekend it was advertised over the wavelengths that Sound Seventy was selling some tickets for the third show over the counter. Where did Parker's pol-

icy go?

The Special Events Committee, which is a student programming committee, has for too long played the role of promoters and acted as though it had a financial stake on the line every time MTSU has a concert. Most universities give their students free concerts, and yet all the students here get is possibly one free show each year. And that is during "Freshman Week."

Vanderbilt University offers its students several small concerts in Sarrett Cinema and has the big shows in Memorial Gym. Why can't the DA Auditorium be used more often for some concerts and why can't some of them be free?

Smith said the DA Auditorium was open to the Special Events

Committee only two nights this entire semester. One date was filled with the Loggins Show. The other date has passed.

A free show on campus is something the students rightly deserve. One of Murphy Center magnitude is not out of the question, but a concert in the DA should be considered by all means.

Some day the Special Events Committee and Harold Smith will possibly realize they are working for the students, and things like free concerts instead of three Presley shows are more fitting to the title of Student Programming.

In the meantime, I am waiting for May 9 and hoping it will not have to receive my degree to the tune of "Blue Suede Shoes."

Letters to the Editor

Erratic rants serve no purpose

RANT, RANT, RANT!

Everyone seems to enjoy ranting to Sidelines about everything, so I think I will rant about ranting. Ranting is one of the things the common American is famous for, some people call it bitching, but I will call it ranting.

Ranting in some circles is a fine art, but for some reason the "intellectual community" of MTSU finds this to be above their capability. I will give some examples.

On Feb. 14, a young man defends "ole swivel-hips" by saying the majority of the tickets are purchased by students, not "little old ladies". All of the students enrolled at MTSU, all mind you, would not fill Murphy Center once, let alone three times, no matter who buys the tickets.

The most famous rants of all have been over the logo, which by definition is a short form or grouping of words that commonly represent the longer written identification. Simply it is another way to say or communicate, in our case MTSU, in a distinctive form of written design.

This is not a symbol, especially in our case, as our symbol is not connected with type. Many people do not know that the Raider of MTSU is Forrest, and many of those that do don't know that he was the "father of the clan". He is dead but we aren't, yet. Now the Raider is a symbol of MTSU, which has of late been characterized by loud ill-informed people who like to rant about any thing if for nothing else except the confusion quality.

Long ago we reached the saturation point in the case of this so poorly based ranting both from the hierarchy and the peons. I

should hope that we will all take about 10 seconds to think about this before it gets worse.

The university community as a whole is getting the look of a group of over educated or undereducated teeny-boppers that always go off half-cocked crying to the world instead of going to the source of the problem and trying to really do something without grandstanding to the whole mid-state.

The university appears to be unable to take anything in stride: logo, symbol, Elvis Presley, Midlander. How can they have time to run a real school?

Unruly fans may ruin team's winning reputation

I am a professor at what I consider to be a first class university with excellent athletic facilities and a superb group of athletes representing the university.

Our basketball team is attaining national recognition. The question is will our student body? Apparently we have a desire to destroy the first class image our athletes have worked hard to attain.

A large university in our state achieved instant recognition on TV recently by pelting players and officials with apples and oranges. Is that what it's all about?

I refuse to allow this process to occur near me, and I will do whatever is in my power to see that any fan throwing anything towards the floor is removed from the center.

I wish the power and rant structures would work out a system to communicate without making us all look like fools. If it is discovered that something is wrong and not being fixed, rant but take the time to really try to fix it yourself before you make it look like the issue of the hour and us look like incompetents because you are.

This isn't directed at anyone at Sidelines but at you. Next time you bitch, take time to first offer a solution based on fact not dissatisfaction or malice. So will I.

Steve Reynolds
Box 5343

My hope is that the many good basketball fans we have will turn to these throwers and say "get out" rather than applaud their efforts until injury occurs or we forfeit a game.

Race Bergman
Box 512

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Do they really lead cheers?

I recently had the opportunity to bring a friend of mine, Mr. Cheerleader Enthusiasm, to our last basketball game against East Tennessee. Things started off nicely; there was popcorn to munch, and a fine basketball team to watch.

After some time had elapsed, I glanced over at Mr. Cheerleader Enthusiasm and noticed a very perplexed look on his face. Shortly thereafter, he questioned me as to the function of those 12 individuals attired in blue and white, sitting on the floor seemingly engrossed in watching the game.

I quickly informed him they were MTSU cheerleaders and it was their function to cheerlead, but for some reason it appeared I had only added to his confusion. Apparently, he could not understand why they sat through much of the game while the crowd remained in a somewhat somnambulist state.

Mr. Cheerleader Enthusiasm was quiet throughout the remainder of the game, but he did remark prior to his departure something about credit where credit is due.

I couldn't discern all that he said. It sounded like, "Oh well, occasionally the cheerleaders laboriously arose from their reclining posture to remove refuse from the playing floor. Are you sure those 12 were cheerleaders and not with the custodial service?"

Robert E. Scovill
Box 3162

Student parking catches commissioner's eye

by Bill Mason

The Murfreesboro City Council has instructed Safety Commissioner Claude Armour to study the problem of students parking in residents' yards and driveways during special events at

Murphy Center.

The action came Thursday night after about 10 residents of Eaton and Division Streets told the council that students and others attending concerts and basketball games at MTSU were

blocking their driveways and "tearing up" their yards.

Clyde Morgan, a spokesman for the group, said students parking in the area have been "destroying our property and causing a lot of discomfort and un-

rest."

"For a long time, our property has been damaged, and it has become a health and accident hazard when there is a ball game or a special event," Morgan said.

Morgan charged the university is partly to blame for the situation since "9,600 decals have been issued, but there are only 4,600 places on campus."

Presenting a handful of tickets which had been thrown off cars parked in yards in the area, Morgan said the city has not provided enough protection to residents.

Councilman Joe Jackson said "tough and strict laws" are needed to correct the parking problem.

Ruling out the possibility of appealing to the Board of Regents for a solution, Mayor W.H. Westbrooks said, "We're not going to get anywhere with them (university officials) if we don't tell them what we're going to do first. We need to strengthen our ordinances."

Westbrooks recommended placing a policeman in the area on special occasions to keep drivers from parking illegally.

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Meeting: MTSU Fencing Club, 7 p.m., AM 300
Mr. MTSU Pageant, 7:30 p.m., DA Auditorium
Organizational Meeting: MTSU Hang Gliding Club, 6 p.m., third floor conference room, SUB.

Wednesday, Feb. 19

Movie: "SSSSS," 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m. UC Theatre, 50 cents.
Meeting: Fine Arts Committee, 6:30 p.m., UC 307
Wrestling: MTSU-Maryville, 8 p.m., Murphy Center
Meeting: Kool Club, 8 p.m., UC 305

Thursday, Feb. 20

Movie: "Thomasine & Bushrod," 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m., UC Theatre, 50 cents
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Friday's performance of "Androcles and the Lion" starts a seven night run that ends Feb. 28. The players will not present the show Sunday.

Carl Turner will play the emperor.

Dorethe Tucker is the show's director, and Karla Pate doubles as a cast member and student assistant director. Costumes were designed by Pat Rucker, and the set was constructed under the direction of Clay Hawes.

Admission is free to all students with a valid ID.

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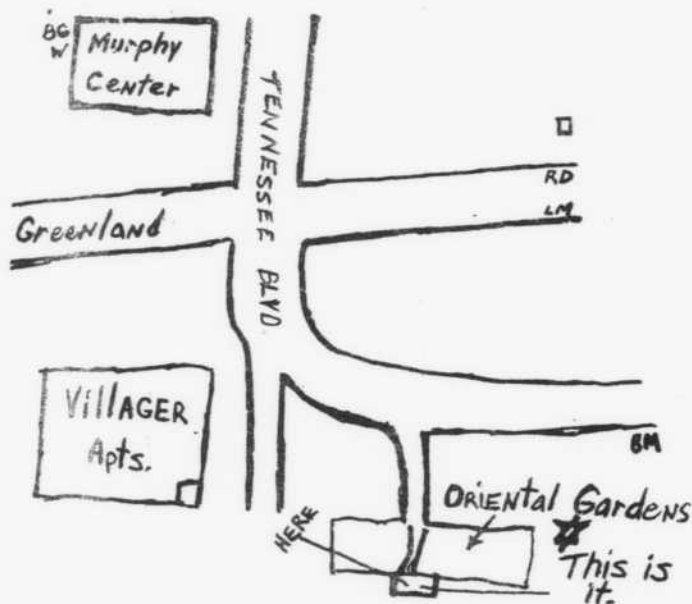
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Sorrell sparks 83-77 win over Eastern Kentucky

by Tom Wood

Coming off their first OVC defeat, the Blue Raiders whipped Eastern Kentucky 83-77 last night for their first win ever at Richmond, Ky.

George Sorrell, tabbed as the league's pre-season Most Valuable Player pick, poured in 33 points, pulled down 18 rebounds and blocked seven shots to lead the Raiders.

"George played a super game," Raider mentor Jimmy Earle said. "It was a team effort that won it for us, however," Earle added, citing the play of Jimmy Martin and Tim Sisneros as keys to the win.

"Martin did the best job of setting up the offense," Earle said. "Sisneros has been playing with an injured foot that would sideline a lot of players."

Martin netted 15 for the Raiders, while Sisneros added 12 points and 11 rebounds.

Fred Allen scored 11 points, and "super sub" Steve Peeler chipped in nine points -- all in the second half -- and seven rebounds.

Jimmy Segar pumped in 24 points in the Colonel effort, assisted by teammate Carl Brown's 20 points.

The Raiders ended the first half

down 46-42, but came back in the second half to tie the game at 61 with 11:20 left on a Sorrell lay-up and free throw.

A see-saw battle ensued for the next few minutes, but MTSU pulled away for good with five minutes left in the game. Allen and Martin hit clutch free throws in the waning seconds to insure the Raiders' 10th win against one loss in the league. The win upped the Blue's over-all record to 19-3.

In Saturday's game, Morehead State snapped a 13-game winning streak, handing the Raiders their third loss of the season 89-85. Arch Johnson scored 27 points for the Eagles, while Sisneros hit for 22 to pace MTSU.

The Raiders will wind up a three-game road trip Saturday against Austin Peay. Tipoff will be at 7:30 p.m.

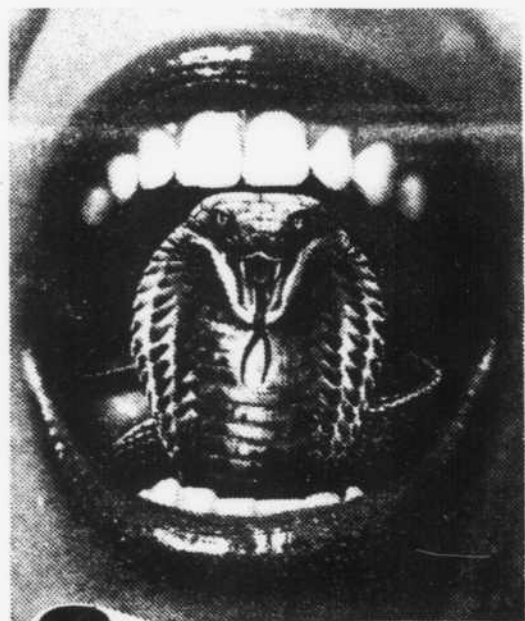
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Any girls wishing to join the wrestling "Mat Maids" for next year are asked to contact coach Gordon Connell at 2570.

Registration for men's IM volleyball will run from Feb. 20 thru Feb. 28. A mandatory clinic for each team representative will be held March 17 and 18. Those teams that fail to attend will be dropped from the schedule

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Raiders fall to Tech 87-80; loss ends track win streak

by Scott Elliott
Sports Editor

Competing without the services of star performers Dwaine Copeland, Steve Cole and Ernest Bea, the Blue Raider track team had a long string of dual and tri-meet victories snapped at the hands of Tennessee Tech 87-80 Saturday at Murphy Center.

Vanderbilt also competed in the meet but accumulated only five points and was never a factor in the final outcome.

In an effort to spark a Raider victory, freshman Russell Holloway set a new MTSU and Murphy Center record in the 330-yard intermediate hurdles. Breaking the ribbon in 38.4, Holloway erased the old mark of 38.7 held by himself and Keith Cromartie.

Another record setting performance came in the triple jump as freshman Charles Hollis won his specialty with a leap of 50 feet, eight inches. Hollis' jump was the third best every by an MTSU jumper behind All-Americans Barry McClure and Tommy Haynes.

The Raiders got other first place finishes by Scott Akins in the shot put with a toss of 47 feet, six inches, Henry Kennedy in the 440-yard dash with a 49.9 clocking, Cliff Cook in the 880 with a time of 1:58.2. John Johnson in the 600-yard run at 1:11.3 Ronnie Robinson in the 300 with 31.6, and the mile-relay team of Bill Moore, Kennedy, Larry Cotton and Johnson at 3:18.2.

MTSU gains split in Tech tourney

by Mark Barebo

MTSU's Lady Raiders split a pair of games at the Tennessee Tech Invitational Basketball Tournament last weekend in Cookeville.

In Friday night's action, the squad was nipped by the University of Kentucky 63-62. The Lady Raiders played an aggressive game, and led 30-17 at the half.

Cheryl Dickens sparked the Lady Raiders offensively, firing in 20 points, while Carol "Tree" Lance grabbed 12 rebounds.

In the Saturday contest, MTSU

Blue places 2nd in Mid-South

by Tom Wood

Although just two of its wrestlers were first-place finishers, MTSU finished second in the Mid-Southern Tournament Saturday at Maryville, Tenn.

David Scott and Mike Hooker picked up firsts in the 142 and 190-pound weight divisions, respectively.

"We did about as well as can be expected," coach Gordon Connell said. "It was pretty much of a squeaker."

MTSU followed tournament overturned the University of Tennessee at Martin 77-69 in overtime.

The MTSU offensive attack was led by Dorris, with 19 points, followed by Chandley and Stephanie Johnson with 12 each.

winner Maryville college's 129 with 100 team points. Western Carolina finished third with 92, followed by Southern Tech at 86.5, Georgetown at 49 and South Carolina at 13.

Scott Webster scored second-place finish for the Raiders at 126 pounds, while teammates Paul Lane at 134, David Buck at 150 and John Maher at heavyweight finished third.

Steve Dorris, Scooter Kindle and Reg Owens grabbed fourth-place finishes for the Raiders.

MTSU will wrap up its dual-meet season at 7 p.m. tomorrow, when Maryville invades Murphy Center. Connell said he hopes the student body will come out to support the Raiders, who are 6-13 after finishing with a 0-13 mark last year.



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Gymnasts visit Western Carolina after triangular win

by Lisa Marchesoni

Both Blue Raider gymnastic teams will travel to Cullowhee, N.C., to compete Saturday with Western Carolina State University and Citadel College.

Although the Lady Raiders defeated the University of the South and East Tennessee State Uni-

versity Friday with 64.45 points, "We didn't do as well as we have done," Coach Linda Patterson said.

Sally Krakoviak placed first in overall competition, and Leigh Fowler and LuAnne Gillispie did "good jobs on the floor exercises," Patterson said.

Coach Pat Hannon said his men gymnasts fell Saturday to a "strong" University of Tennessee team in a Knoxville meet.

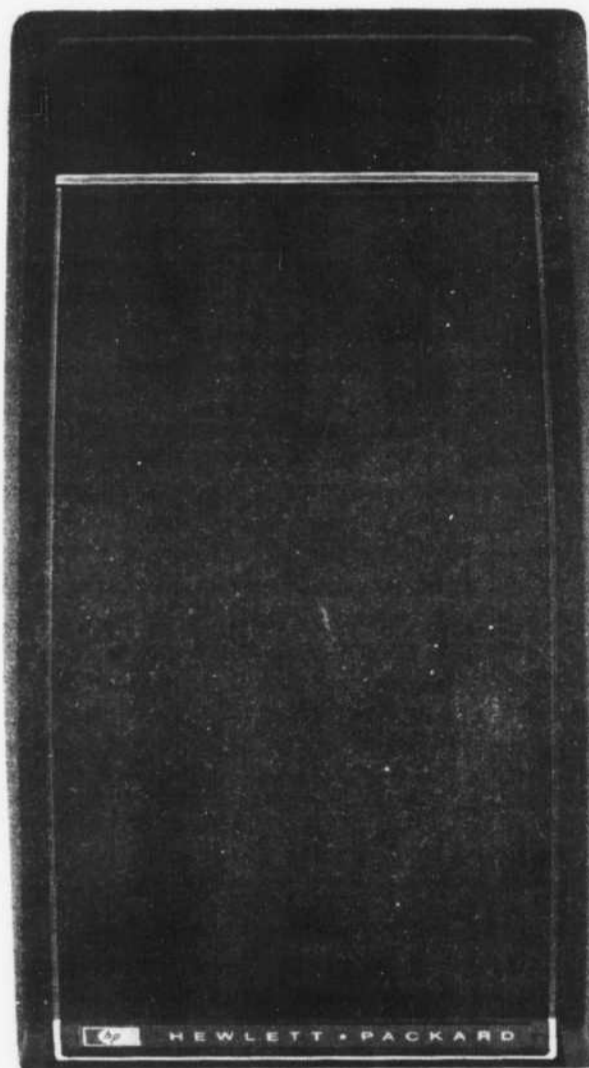
"We had a full line-up of four men per event for the first time this season," Hannon said. "We came up quite a bit."

Guy Freeman, who scored first in floor exercises, placed fourth in overall competition.

Other top performances were by Gary Woodlee on parallel bars and in floor exercises, Jamie Proctor in floor exercises and Gene Foster on the rings.

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