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The winter wonderland scene on the Manchester Highway (U.S.41) was rudely interrupted this weekend by a wrecked and abandoned automobile. The car was found on the road about half a mile from Possum Hill by the ever-watchful officers of the Tennessee Highway Patrol. "You in a heap of trouble, boy!"

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Council suspends ASB minority head

by John Pitts

Jimmy Washington, ASB minority affairs secretary, was suspended from MTSU for one semester beginning Jan. 4 by the University Discipline Committee Wednesday afternoon for disorderly conduct following an incident in the High Rise West cafeteria.

Sam Morgan, another student involved in the Nov. 12 incident, was expelled from school and can be reinstated only by campus Student Life Committee.

According to testimony by MTSU security officers Barry Smith and Andy Garrett, Washington grabbed Garrett in a "bear hug" while Garrett and Smith were attempting to handcuff Morgan.

Morgan was being arrested for several counts of disorderly conduct, including failure to show a meal ticket and failure to comply with an officer's request.

Garrett said "Washington grabbed me from behind and prevented me from making the arrest" while Smith was being detained by two other persons.

During the cross-examination of Garrett, Washington asserted that he was not outside. "I don't have my witnesses, but this is the way it is," Washington said.

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New general ed program set for Fall 1975

by Lisa Marchesoni

A general education program which reduces required hours from 40 to 38 will be implemented next fall, President M. G. Scarlett said yesterday.

Board of Regents Chancellor Cecil Humphreys approved the general education proposal this week, Scarlett said. The program will be included in the Fall 1975 catalog.

The approved general education program will affect people at the fall semester, Howard Kirksey, vice president for academic affairs, said. "However, any student can graduate under the catalog he enters or any subsequent catalog up to eight years."

Students file a major and minor form with a specified catalog year, Kirksey said.

Before graduation, class requirements are checked according to the catalog specified on the major and minor form, Kirksey pointed out. But students can file a new major and minor form to agree with the new proposal, he added.

Students now registered will not be affected by the new general education program unless they change their major and minor form, Kirksey said.

Kirksey said science general education courses in biology and physical science will be reorganized from six hours in biology and physical science to four hours.

Changes in courses by departments must be submitted to the Curriculum Committee, Kirksey said.

"I presume courses will be reorganized and will be ready by next fall," he said.

Committee approves guidelines for selecting new head coach

by Scott Elliott

Procedural guidelines and personnel criteria for the selection of a head football coach were presented yesterday to an ad hoc committee charged with making recommendations for a replacement for Bill Peck.

Peck was fired last week after the university Athletic Committee, through a unanimous vote of "no confidence," recommended to President M.G. Scarlett that a change be made in the head football coach position.

The ad hoc committee, comprised of the Athletic Committee and four additional members appointed by MTSU Athletic Director Charles M. Murphy, yesterday met with Scarlett and voted on standards for a prospective coach.

Among the criteria established were:

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- Ability to operate within the

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Murphy sets application deadline

(continued from page one) framework of Ohio Valley Conference and NCAA regulations relating to admissions and financial aid.

Scarlett said the committee's task is difficult, but he noted that recommendations must be made quickly with the all-important job of recruiting high school athletes awaiting the new coach.

"If we're going to have a good season next year," Scarlett said, "then we must have good recruiting, and the next few weeks represent a critical time in this area."

With the time element a restricting factor, Murphy has set a deadline of Dec. 15 for applications.

The committee will constantly review any resumes sent to Murphy and attempt to narrow the field from three to five names to be presented as final candidates.

The list will be given to Murphy, who then will confer with Scarlett. Hopefully a final decision will be made by Dec. 18, Scarlett said.

Murphy already has received approximately 30 applications.

Student found guilty of obstruction

(continued from page one) "This is not cross-examination of the witness," protested Dean Paul Cantrell, who acted as prosecutor during the proceedings. The committee allowed Roy Wilson, defense counsel for Washington, to ask Garrett several questions.

Committee member Fred Carr asked Garrett how he could see and identify Washington if he was being held from behind. "I was able to look over my shoulder into his face," Garrett replied.

Washington did not call any student witnesses because most had left campus for the Thanksgiving holiday. Washington did call Vice

President Harry Wagner, who testified that Washington had given "no disciplinary problems" while a student at MTSU. "As president of the Black Student Association, he provided good leadership," Wagner continued.

The committee recessed for almost an hour and found Washington guilty of interfering and obstructing the officers' duties.

Following a short recess, the committee found Morgan guilty on all counts and dismissed him from school. After one year, Morgan will be allowed to return to school with the approval of the student life committee.

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Publications board upholds editor's right to dismiss

by Greg Wade

The Council on Student Publications last Tuesday unanimously upheld the right of a campus publications editor to fire an employee.

The decision stemmed from the firing of former Sidelines managing editor Bill Mason last month by Sidelines editor-in-chief Gina Jeter.

Mason was fired from the campus newspaper staff Nov. 18 after apparent lack of interest in working as a staff reporter. The former managing editor had been reassigned as a reporter by Jeter Nov. 4.

Jeter said she fired Mason as managing editor because "it had reached the point I could no longer control him."

Jeter charged that Mason had allowed softball games and a trip to a local night spot to interfere with production nights. She

also said Mason failed to attend a speech by gubernatorial candidate Lamar Alexander, to which he was assigned, and instead spent this time filing an ASB Supreme Court case.

Jeter pointed out that Mason "refused to discuss the fact with me that it looked like he (Mason) was making the news," after Mason had sponsored Bennie Barrett for homecoming queen and had sued in the ASB Supreme Court.

When trying to discuss her opinion of Mason's second court case, Jeter said, "He told me, 'I don't give a damn what you think.'"

Mason said he did not neglect his duties and didn't "go to Florida as Gina did," referring to Jeter's trip to a collegiate press convention in Hollywood, Fla.

Mason said that, as a student, he has the right to file cases with

the ASB court. Mason said that one reason for his dismissal was administrative pressure. "I was fired because I had the guts to stand up to the administration," Mason charged.

Mason said that "Gina fired me over a mistake in a story about fraternity funds." He claimed that Paul Cantrell, associate dean of students, exerted pressure on Jeter to have Mason fired after the fraternity story.

Jeter explained that Cantrell asked her to fire Mason after the first issue of Sidelines this semester. However, "I didn't fire him (Mason) until two months later," Jeter pointed out. She added that Mason had developed

a loss of objectivity in his reporting and that he "wanted to change the name of the paper to the 'Muckraker' and author a column entitled 'Muckraking by Mason.'"

The charge of her bending to administrative pressure was "ridiculous," Jeter said, because she and other staff members have often "stood up" to administrators.

Jeter said she felt Mason was attempting to use the paper as a springboard for an ASB presidential campaign next spring, and that his actions were creating widespread dissension among staff members.

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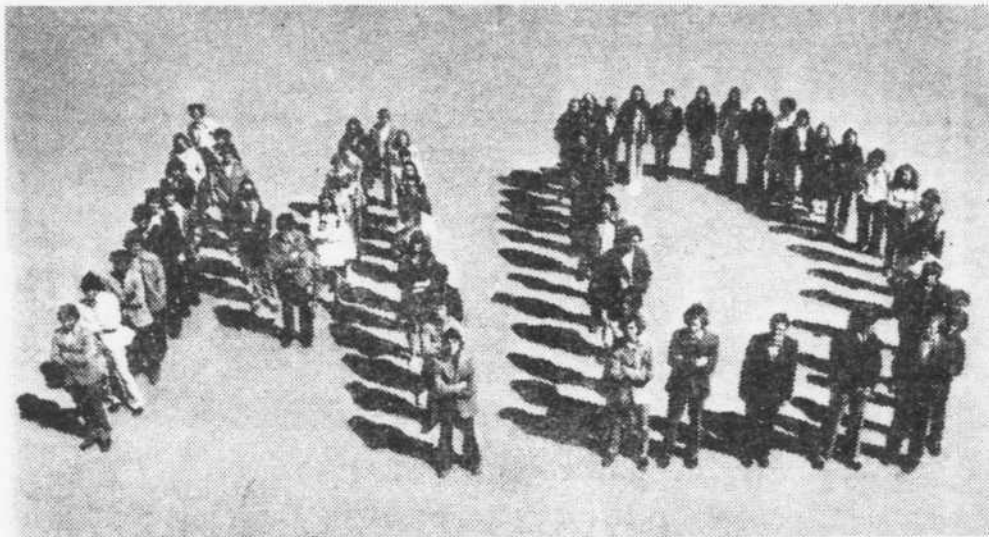
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Winter-National Ski Club will hold its first meeting at 7:30 p.m. tonight at Holiday Inn-Vanderbilt, West End Ave., Nashville. Anyone interested is invited to attend. One does not have to be a skier. Plans for future ski trips will be discussed.

The Council on Student Publications will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday in the UC 313. The editor-in-chief for the spring semester of Sidelines will be chosen. All interested persons may attend.

Today is the deadline for reservations for the Christmas Dinner Dance to be held on Dec. 13. The dance is for faculty, staff and guests. Contact Dallas Biggers in the UC room 208 for details.

Rip-Off Concerts will present a final program this semester at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Grill. A "Jesus folk music" group from Nashville will perform.

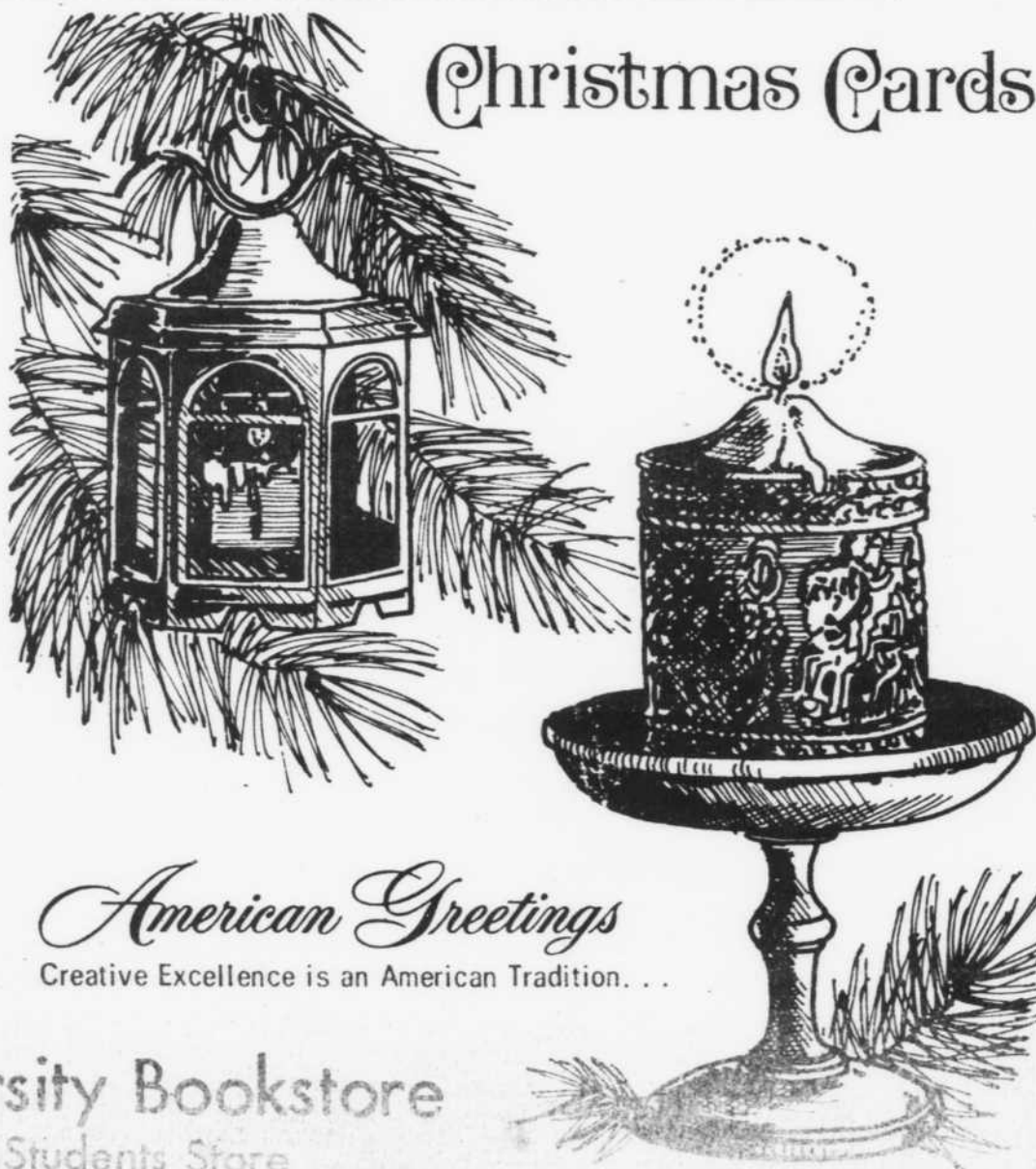
Tutorial service for residence hall students will be held at 7 p.m. tonight in the U.C. 306.

Friday is the last day to withdraw from school. Any student wishing to do so should contact the dean of students in the UC 124.

The Co-Curricular Committee will meet at 3:30 p.m. today in the UC Student Programming Conference Room (room 307).

The Council for Exceptional Children will meet at 8 p.m. tonight at the Rutherford County Board of Education (502 Memorial Blvd.). All interested persons may attend.

The second issue of Collage will be available tomorrow at Sidelines distribution stands.



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by Robin Freeman

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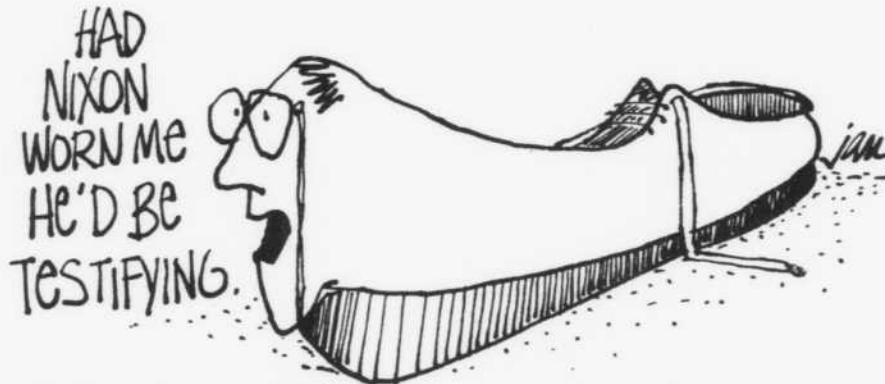
Earth shoes are sold only in earth shoe stores and the nearest one is located in Knoxville. However, several stores in this area carry a cheaper imitation of the shoe.

Patented Earth shoes, developed by Anne Kalso in Denmark, regularly sell for \$23 to \$42, but imitations can be purchased for about \$12.

"We only carry women's sizes. We have one style in dark brown, but it's a good seller," said Robert Alber, manager of Bell Brothers Shoes in Jackson Heights Plaza.

Earth shoe representatives say that other brands of negative heel shoes are only visual imitations. The Earth shoe has a heel lower than the toe plus structural composition features that other brands can't duplicate.

Larry Sandly, manager of Family Booterie at 100 Oaks in Nashville, said his store carries the Hush Puppies imitation for about \$20. "The heel is not as negative as the Earth shoe, but it is still a fabulous seller," Sandly said. "We were the first store in



Nashville with an imitation version. We started to stock them about 6 or 7 months ago," said Sandly.

Southern Shoes in Mercury Plaza carries two brands of imitations. Manager Thelma Hayes said they are quite popular. "Most of the people who buy the shoes are college age and we have a few high school students," Hayes said.

Several local store managers said people come in asking for "negative heel shoes" or Earth shoes, but some just see the shoes and decide to buy them then.

Some store managers, on the other hand, have never heard of Earth shoes. One manager said there was no such thing as negative heel shoes.

If you won't be satisfied with imitations, it is possible to get the real thing through the mail. Send

a tracing of your bare foot along with the proper amount of money to the nearest Earth shoe store. Include your preference on style and color.

If you are still undecided about Earth shoes, stand with your toes up on the edge of a book. If what you feel turns you on, then Earth shoes or negative heel shoes are for you.

Science fiction course to open next session

A course examining the "intellectual content" of science fiction and fantasy will be open to juniors and seniors next semester for the first time.

Charles Wolfe will teach the three-hour course, English 305, at 9 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

"We're going to take a non-literary approach," Wolfe said, "so we'll be looking more at the intellectual content of science fiction rather than at form or the other things traditionally studied in literature."

Robert Heinlein, Ray Bradbury, Isaac Asimov and other science fiction authors will be read, Wolfe said, and the class will also view several films in addition to hearing outside speakers.

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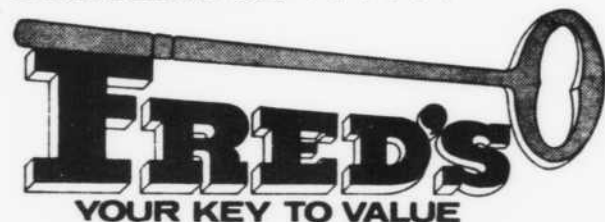


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Kool's dance battle to earn aid for poor

Musicians and dancers from Nashville high schools will be competing for cash prizes Wednesday night in the Kool Club sponsored "Battle of Halftimers."

The groups and dancers will perform in the Dramatic Arts auditorium from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Admission fee is \$1, payable at the door.

A dance will be held after the event in Murphy Center Dance Studio B.

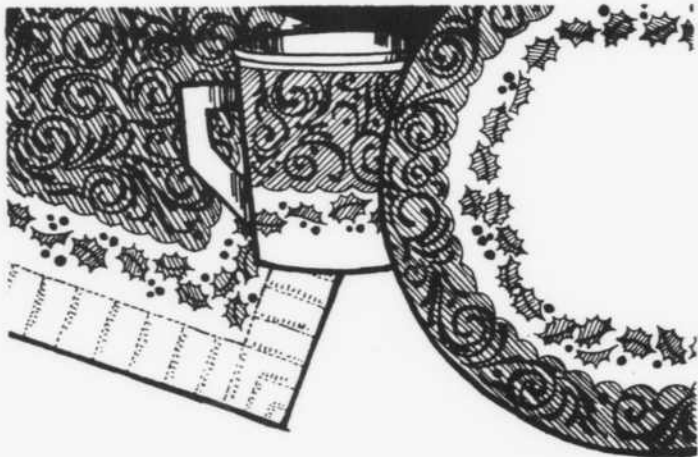
Joe Tucker, club treasurer,

said the event will raise money for the poor to help them through the Christmas season.

He said the contest will give the groups, which usually play during football half-times, some recognition.

The dance contest, he said, will feature a boy and girl from each band. Three cash prizes will be awarded, Tucker said.

He said he did not yet know the prize amounts.



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Post office offers mailing tips

by Pam Baggott

Thanksgiving is the traditional starting point for the race to finish Christmas preparations, and some mailing tips may keep you out of the annual postal jam.

If you are sending packages, they should be in the mail today if going to an out-of-town address. Packages to local addresses should be mailed before Dec. 9.

Greeting cards to distant places should also be in the mail by Dec. 9. Local cards can wait until Dec. 16.

If you want to mail several letters to people in Murfreesboro from MTSU's post office, tie them in a bundle and mark the top one for local mail. Otherwise your local letters will go to Nashville before reaching their final destination.

If you are mailing a breakable item, don't forget to mark it fragile. Every package should have plenty of packing so that the object can't move in its container.

If you are going home for the holidays, but expecting mail after Dec. 17, have it sent to your home address. Otherwise the mail will be left in your box until after the holidays. Students returning spring semester will receive the same boxes.

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Dean denies rumor of campus rapes

by Gina Jeter

Denying a rumor that 15 girls have been raped on campus, Judy Smith, associate dean of students, said Wednesday that "not one single incident" has been reported to her this semester.

"I know that (the rumor) is not true," Smith said. "Someone is lying or we just have a breakdown in communication."

The rape rumor is being circulated by an unnamed student university employee.

"Not one single incident on or off campus has been reported to my knowledge this semester," Smith said.

The dean said that no rapes have occurred on campus in at least five years. "There have been situations off campus involving our students," she said, "but not this semester."

"It may happen, and the girls never report it, but I would think that if that many were happening we would at least know about it," Smith said.

"Every little incident that comes to the attention of security comes to us (the student deans)," she said. "Anything, the least little thing, we get an incident report."

Gary Miller, security captain, said yesterday the rumor is false. He said only one rape has been attempted on campus in two years and that it was unsuccessful.

Smith said that if the rumor was true, not only would the deans be warning women, but that "we would have everyone staked out."

"I have never liked to see girls crossing the campus alone," she said. "If we had a situation like this, I would be the first to say, look girls..."

"I can assure you I'm telling you the truth. I'm not trying to sit on anything," Smith said.



Photo by Alan Loveless

Watergate burglar?

No, it's simply John Arnold, head of the UC maintenance, repairing a broken door handle over Thanksgiving holidays.

Continuing ed offers ski course

A five-day instructional course in snow skiing will be offered by the Office of Continuing Education at Appalachian Ski Mountain from Dec. 29 to Jan. 3.

An orientation meeting for students interested in the course will be held Dec. 11 at 6 p.m. in the University Center room 306.

Instruction in the class will be conducted by the staff of the

French-Swiss Ski College. A new approach in ski instruction, the "short ski method," will be used so that all students are "guaranteed to learn to ski," according to the school.

The cost of the course will be \$86, excluding cost of meals and transportation. The possibility of traveling to the North Carolina school in car pools will be discussed at the meeting.

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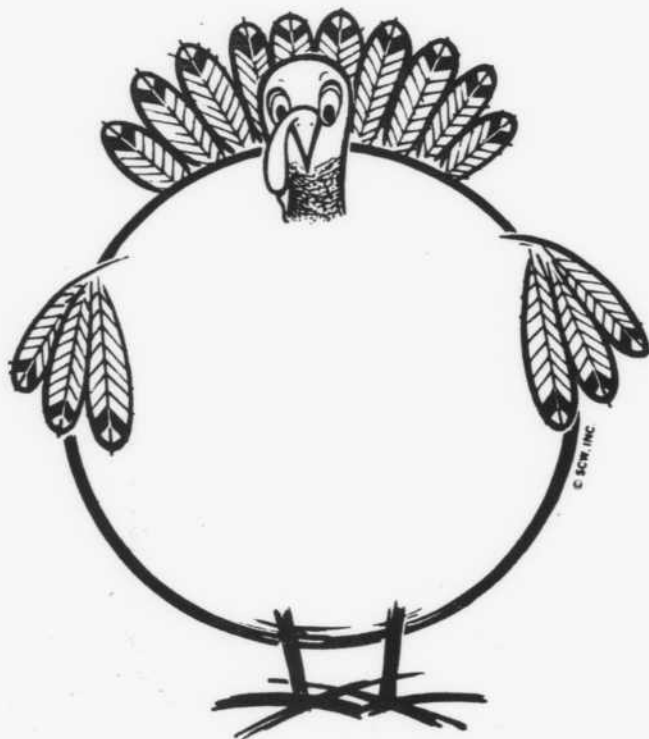
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Campus penny crusade could ease food crisis

by Lon Nuell

Associate Professor of Art

Sometimes I think we live in a protected environment. On the surface, at least, it appears we can ignore all that comes to us through television or other news media. We can very effectively screen out all of the bad stuff that we find disturbs our personal life style.

Two events recently occurred simultaneously. To be sure, one was short in duration, a lot of fun, even innocent. The other is a long term event, one that is out of control and far removed from the first.

The former event was the "spaghetti fling" on campus, the latter the world food crisis. A logical question would be, "What does one have to do with the other?" I guess not much if you want a very simple answer.

I mean how far can a few pounds of spaghetti go to feed one starving person, much less a whole nation of hungry people? What difference can that little bit of food make? It's effect would be like spitting in the ocean and expecting it to rise.

So we had our "spaghetti fling." A lot of people got splattered with a cold, clammy food product (that



might have fed someone) and everyone got a good laugh.

But what can you say to a starving, dying child? "See you around kid. I've got it and you don't."

I don't know. What can you say?

Well, if you are a Jew or Christian or whatever and call yourself a humanitarian and believe in the beauty of human life or the right to it once you're here, then you must do or say something that will be "helpful," not meaningful.

Now I know that I've nothing to do with the 13,000 babies born every hour, or with the 6,500 that

begin to starve to death at birth. It is not my fault that India has elected to become a nuclear power at the expense of its own people, or that a developing nation just doesn't have the technology to increase food production or that the weather has messed up the harvest again.

I know that I can't do much to alter the reality of the situation. But I cannot afford to ignore it either.

You know, if 10,000 people gave up a penny a day, one cent, just threw it into a pot every day for

a year, the pot would hold about \$36,500 when counted. A nice tidy sum.

It should be obvious that amount wouldn't solve all the world's food problems; but it could be applied to the alleviation of the problem on a small scale (i.e., high yield seed, research, fertilizer, food packages through CARE, ad infinitum.)

I would like to make an offer or issue a challenge if you prefer. If you are concerned about the problems of food in the world, if you would like to help create some means for collecting a penny a day from a population of over 10,000 people (which is, by the way, the approximate size of the MTSU student body, faculty and staff,) establish it as an ongoing fund and devise a method for distribution, then contact me at Box 241.

We can begin. What we will learn is a mystery. However, I hope it is shown that all of us who purport to be Christians, Jews or humanitarians will come through. After all, a penny by itself in our pockets can't do much of anything until we multiply it by 10,000. Then, we've got a powerful penny in hand.

feedback

Dissatisfied with WMOT? See the manager

As a former WMOT employee, the letter from the three satisfied WMOT listeners in last Tuesday's Sidelines greatly interested me. In the year that I worked at the station, I (and several other former employees) received countless phone calls from listeners.

About half were from serious listeners who wanted to hear some music. Those calls were appreciated.

One-fourth were from people wanting ball scores, the time, the

weather, a phone number (University information is 2300, WMOT is 2800), the date of a concert, where an album could be purchased, the address of a stereo repair shop, some folks thought their receivers were broken when one channel of stereo signal kept shorting out. Those calls were tolerated. Part of the job.

The remaining one-fourth of the calls were from people who wanted to shout obscenities, play jokes, pretend they were Greg Allman or the FCC, etc. Those calls were

very annoying. Grated the nerves.

But of all the calls I received or heard about in the year of my employment at WMOT, the most outstanding one came from Patrick Jones, who runs the place (and whose salary is paid by your tax dollars).

WMOT was broadcasting music by Janis Joplin. The song was "Summertime," a hit for Janis recorded in 1968. A listener requested the song during the Hits of the Fifties and Sixties show.

Coach ordeal was in 'bad taste'

I have listened to all the comments concerning the release of Coach Bill Peck. The whole ordeal has been executed in such haste and in hot emotion because the "Blue" had a losing season.

It never ceases to amaze me what Murfreesboro will do next, with its money and social pull. Sure we have had two losing seasons, but why not look at all of the causes instead of just focusing on one, the head coach. Even Peck's leaving won't solve the problem.

The team members have to want to be winners, and they must all want to be winners at the same

time when they hit the turf. A team should be like a synchronized machine, and it just hasn't happened. But of course we have to have our scapegoat, and Murfreesboro is one of the worse places for it; I know I have lived here all of my life.

The entire matter could have been handled with more diplomacy. I take this time to apologize to Coach Peck for the people who do care and to thank him for coming to MTSU. Also, I want people to remember we had three good years out of five. Name withheld upon request

Mr. Jones called the station and told the announcer to please take the song off the air, because the song "stunk."

Listen. The air waves belong to you. Public Radio belongs to you. If for some reason you are dissatisfied with the way your radio station is being run, locate the persons above the management and communicate with them. One of the reasons I was forced to leave WMOT was because I made the mistake of telling concerned individuals to deal directly with the station's management. The management didn't like getting letters saying people thought progressive rock should continue on their station.

If for some reason you should want to deal directly with the management, don't mention you are an MTSU student (unless what you have to say is nice) because the station feels that since their signal reaches a hundred-mile radius, they cannot program for the campus. That, perhaps, is a valid point.

Also, ask yourself this question: JUST WHY THE HELL IS WMOT OCCUPYING MTSU EDUCATIONAL SPACE?

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Barns are really more than just boards and tin roofing

Barns are really a lot like folks.

Now, I'll admit that a barn is undoubtedly an inanimate object, make no mistake. But a barn is a lot like folks in that it has real character. In short, no two barns are really alike.

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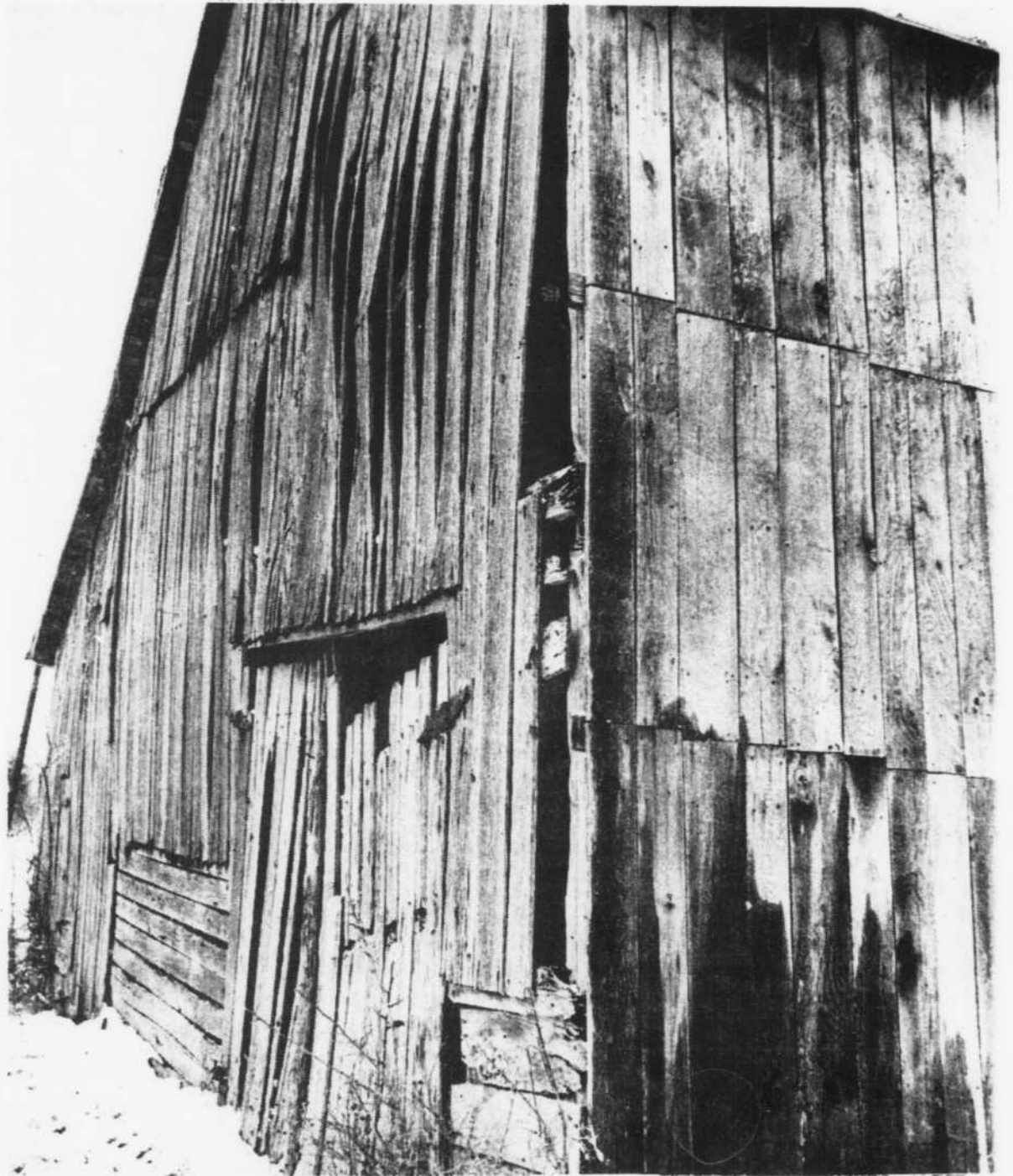
That barn was nice and straight for awhile, but after the tornado of '03 or the cattle stampede when we almost lost Uncle Ernie, that's when a barn begins to get interesting.

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Finally all that silence gets to be too much, and the old barn just gives up and fades away.

Barns are really a lot like folks.



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'Guns never fired' Residents need to report reasons for moving

Royal explains

MTSU security officers have never fired guns on this campus, according to Security Chief Matthew Royal.

"We have guns primarily for the protection of university property and for use in cases of emergencies," Royal said.

The ASB Legislature, contending that guns are unnecessary for the performance of permanent MTSU patrolmen, passed a resolution two weeks ago to appoint a committee to report on the use of firearms by campus security.

"I think they serve as a deterrent," Royal said. He added that all full time permanent campus security officers are required to attend an eight-week training program at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy in Donelson six months to a year after they are hired.

The officers who have not yet had the training are issued firearms with general instructions on how and when to use them, he said.

"The majority of our officers have had the training," Royal said. He said the training program emphasizes when to use a firearm. "It's not carrying a firearm that's an issue; it's knowing when to use it," Royal said.

Royal said all prospective officers are required to take the Lecap Psychological Evaluation test before they are hired.

Dorm residents wishing to move off campus for the spring semester must report with "justifiable reasons" to the housing office by Monday or forfeit the session's rent, Sam McLean, dean of housing, said Wednesday.

"Residents are contracted to a full academic year," McLean explained.

Students moving off campus without permission and re-enrolling for the spring semester "will automatically be charged rent," McLean warned, unless they receive approval from housing officials.

Justifiable reasons are usually marriage, graduation, student teaching or a family death that "changes the breadwinner,"

McLean explained.

Residents wishing to change dorms, remain on campus during the Christmas holidays or who are not returning next semester must also report to the housing office by Monday. Students who do not check with housing will forfeit their room reservation deposits, McLean said.

Spring semester student teachers who will reside on campus only half the semester must stop at the housing conflict station during registration to have their rent changed.

All residence halls will close Dec. 17 at 6 p.m. and will re-open Jan. 3 at 10 a.m. Students graduating may remain in their

dorms until 6 p.m. on Dec. 20, but other students should leave immediately after their last exam, McLean said.

Dorm residents should receive a letter today detailing further instructions for checking out and in.

Students checking out who are not returning next semester should ask their dorm directors the amount of breakage fee they will be refunded, McLean said.

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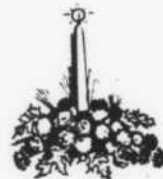
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Check store layaway policies before you invest

by Lisa Marchesoni

If you are planning to buy Christmas gifts early and utilize the handy layaway program, you'd better check the store policy first.

A survey of local shops last week showed that layaway plans differ from store to store.

"A layaway is a final sale," Ann Herbert manager Wilkes Dotson said. Customers are not required to make a down payment but must pay every two weeks.

Customers forfeit their right to any refund if they fail to complete their payment on layaway articles, Dotson said. However, "we will exchange an article if it doesn't fit within 30 to 45 days after a purchase.

The store will notify customers who have articles on layaway but have not made payments, the manager said. "If the customer does not come back, we mark the article down so that it has the same price as the articles on the floor." Customers at the Cotton Patch are required to pay one-fourth the cost down on layaway items, an employee said. Layaway bills must be paid within three months.

If a customer wants a refund on a layaway item, he must finish payments and then return the article for a refund, she said. Customers may receive a money refund or exchange the merchandise for another item of equal

price, she said. "It depends on what the customer wants."

Lana Dowell, Libby's assistant manager, said all layaway items require one-fourth of the price as down payment. Articles must be paid within 60 days.

"Payments are made regularly usually every two weeks or monthly," Dowell said. If a customer cannot finish paying for a layaway item, "we will talk to them. We may hold the item for a customer longer if they have paid much on it," she added.

No refund is given, Dowell said. But "some customers would rather lose the money they have paid than to pay the rest."

Layaway terms at the Davis Shop are a 20 percent deposit with 20 percent of the purchase

price as payments a month, manager Ruby McBride said.

"A layaway sale is considered the same as a cash purchase," McBride said. Although there are "always exceptions, the rule is that you forfeit when customers fail to meet payments."

At Goldsteins, customers pay a 20 percent deposit for layaways with payments due monthly, employee Carol Dyer said. The item must be paid for within 90 days.

Magazine editor to address SDX

"Nashville!" magazine editor Dennis Loyd will be the featured speaker for tonight's meeting of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, at 7:30 in UC room 310.

The Nashville native has taught in Davidson County's public and private schools for more than 15 years. He is an associate professor of English at David Lipscomb College and active editor of "Nashville!"

In addition, Loyd has conducted several journalism workshops, been published widely in the field of English, served as an officer for several national literary organizations and hosted "Youth Probe," a public television program originating from Nashville.

Loyd served as treasurer of the Nashville English Council from 1967 to 1969 and was president from 1970 to 1971.

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Food store survey reveals widespread price increases

by Robin Freeman

A survey conducted by Sidelines last week of eight area food stores, compared with a similar survey taken in August, 1973, revealed price increases on almost every item.

However, some products such as eggs, bananas and ground beef held the line and in some cases showed lower prices, while items such as bread, vegetable oil and Coco-Cola showed sharp increases.

The price of eggs has dropped an average of 10 cents a dozen and ground beef dropped from a high of \$1.09 a pound to 99 cents at most stores.

Davis Grocery on East Main Street had two packages of ground beef, one priced at 79 cents and the other at 89 cents.

Store managers were evenly divided on whether higher food prices have affected their business.

"Meat sales are off a bit, but



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As the layers of price stickers increase, shoppers know that so has the cost.

the grocery sales are up enough to offset it," Ken Hoagland, manager of Fuller Foods pointed out. Hoagland said the increases are

due to labor costs. "If the guy who puts up the building gets a 10 cent an hour raise, it will affect the price of bread in the store," Hoagland explained.

Dixie Foods manager Bobby Shrum said his customers are cutting down on sweet items such as sugar and jellies. He added that he does not think there is much of a shortage in certain foods.

"There might be a shortage of some vegetables, but I had 14 vegetable items to come down in price over last year, Shrum said.

Most managers agree that customers are shopping more carefully by being selective, cutting out "luxury items" such as candy and cookies and taking advantage of sale items.

Jack Gannon, manager of Kroger II, said some people are stocking up on items that they feel

will increase in price soon.

Most managers blamed labor costs and middlemen for price increases.

"Government controls could possibly be blamed," Gary Davis of Davis Grocery suggested.



Charles Beasley of Frank's IGA said that something is wrong somewhere. Our profits (store) are less and less all the time. Maybe it has to do with the increase in wages," Beasley said.

Some store managers declined to comment. The manager of A & P refused to give his name saying it was against store policy to publicize anything about the store.

Editor's note: IGA was not included in last year's survey. Prices within parentheses are those from that shopping check. The manager of Davis Grocery disputed the prices quoted last year for his store, but did not supply actual figures.

	IGA	Kroger II	Haynes	Cooper & Martin	A&P	Davis	Fuller	Dixie
Ground beef (1 lb.)	.79	.99(1.09)	.99(1.04)	.99(1.09)	.99(.99)	.89(.99)	.99(.99)	.99(1.09)
Colonial bread (24 oz.)	.56	.58(.32)	.55(.32)	.55(.31)	.57(.32)	.57(.34)	.57(.32)	.56(.31)
Starkist tuna (6 1/2 oz.)	.63	.55(.46)	.59(.55)	.57(.47)	.63(.43)	.67(.57)	.57(.47)	.61(.49)
Lettuce (head)	.49	.69(.49)	.59(.39)	.59(.49)	.59(.55)	.39(.45)	.59(.39)	.49(.19)
Tomatoes (1 lb.)	.69	.69(.49)	.59(.49)	.69(.59)	.69(.59)	.69(.49)	.69(.49)	.49(.49)
Winstons (reg.)	.45	.47(.45)	.52(.50)	.45(.45)	.45(.40)	.48(.45)	.47(.42)	.48(.44)
Joy dishwashing det. (22 fl. oz.)	.73	.66(.55)	.85(.59)	.59(.56)	.79(.55)	.83(.59)	.83(.59)	.75(.59)
Eggs (1 doz. med. grade A)	.75	.75(.82)	.85(.87)	.65(.83)	.79(.79)	.75(.85)	.76(.83)	.75(.89)
Bounty paper towels	.53	.50(.38)	.69(.45)	.53(.41)	.55(.48)	.55(.45)	.53(.41)	.55(.45)
Elm Hill bacon (1 lb.)	NS	1.29(1.48)	NS(1.19)	1.19(1.55)	NS(1.29)	1.25(1.19)	1.29(1.29)	NS(1.39)
Potatoes (10 lbs.)	.79	1.39(2.05)	.99(NS)	1.39(2.09)	1.29(1.99)	1.39(2.50)	1.69(2.19)	1.49(1.69)
Cheer det. (3 lb. giant box)	1.14	1.24(.91)	1.26(.95)	1.26(.89)	1.26(.89)	1.29(NS)	1.26(.89)	1.29(.89)
Coca-Cola (10 oz. throw-away)	.95	1.19(.78)	.95(.79)	1.14(.77)	1.14(.74)	1.25(.78)	1.14(.77)	1.23(.79)
Lipton tea (100 bags)	1.55	1.39(.99)	NS(1.39)	1.69(1.33)	1.59(1.19)	NS(NS)	1.69(1.35)	1.65(1.37)
Maxwell House (6 oz. instant)	1.63	1.54(1.86)	1.65(NS)	1.59(1.27)	1.58(1.22)	1.69(1.89)	1.59(1.27)	1.65(1.27)
Bananas (1 lb.)	.17	.17(.19)	NS(.19)	.16(.19)	.17(.19)	.19(.17)	.17(.20)	.17(.19)
Kraft Velveeta cheese (2 lb.)	NS	1.74(1.28)	NS(NS)	1.85(1.39)	1.69(1.29)	NS(NS)	1.85(1.49)	NS(1.69)
Wesson Oil (24 oz.)	1.25	1.18(.98)	1.35(1.09)	1.31(.49)	1.39(.71)	NS(NS)	1.31(.73)	1.29(.71)
Post Raisin Bran (10 oz.)	NS	.58(.45)	.59(.49)	.59(.43)	NS(NS)	.59(.59)	NS(.49)	NS(.41)
Peter Pan (12 oz. smooth)	.65	.66(.54)	.73(NS)	.71(.57)	.65(.49)	.73(.59)	.71(.57)	.71(.57)
Campbell's chicken noodle soup	.21	.25(.24)	.29(.20)	.25(.25)	.25(.18)	.23(.25)	.25(.24)	.23(.19)
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Sorrell leads Raiders to 3rd place at Clemson

by Duncan Regen

In the second annual Clemson IPTAY Basketball Tournament, the University of Pennsylvania won the championship by defeating the Blue Raiders 101-74 and the University of Clemson 76-75 last weekend.

Led by All-American candidate Ron Haigler's 19 points the Quakers jumped to an early lead and had very little trouble with the Raiders.

Helping Haigler in the scoring department was 6-8 John Engles who pumped in 16 points against the Raiders.

Blue Raider George Sorrell led the scoring for MTSU, collecting 23 points and 13 rebounds against the Quakers and was voted to the all tournament team.

Tim Sisneros started off the season with a fine performance, picking up 15 points and 12 rebounds Friday night.

The Raiders were plagued by a very poor shooting performance against Pennsylvania. For the night, the Raiders shot a disappointing 39.5% from the floor.

Pennsylvania hit on 46 of 83 attempts for 55.4% from the floor. The second game of the opening

round saw host Clemson defeat the University of Mississippi 93-80 behind the 27-point performance of Wayne "Tree" Rollins.

In the consolation game on Saturday the Blue Raiders played SEC representative Ole Miss.

The Raiders trailed the Rebels 21-20 early in the game but pulled away to a 48-38 half time lead.

A more balanced offensive attack by MTSU was evident against the Rebels.

MTSU, led by George Sorrell's 22 points, had four players in double figures.

Making his first start in college

play, Blue Raider Claude "Sleepy" Taylor added 18 points and collected 12 rebounds.

Tim Sisneros added 13 points for the Raiders, followed by Steve Peeler who contributed 10 points.

The shooting performance in the consolation game was much improved for the Blue Raiders. MTSU hit on 33 of 82 attempts for 40.2% against Ole Miss, and played much better defense, according to Raider head coach Jimmy Earle.

In the championship game, Pennsylvania defeated Clemson University 76-75. Both games last Saturday were evenly matched.

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AGR captures football title

by Scott Elliott

Alpha Gamma Rho, battling inclement weather as much as the enemy, blanked the Jocks 13-0 Sunday to win the annual intramural flag football championship at Horace Jones Field.

Playing in nearly one inch of snow, AGR got the game's initial points on a three-yard run by quarterback John Curtis late in the first half.

Curtis' score came after cornerback Rick Curtis had picked off a Jock aerial and run 55 yards to set up the touchdown.

AGR tried to run it over for a two-point conversion, but the attempt was unsuccessful, making Rho settle for a 6-0 lead.

Midway through the second half, AGR struck again on a tailback option pass from Ron Perrin to Nathan Simmons that covered 15 yards and a touchdown.

That play capped a 60-yard drive, highlighted by a 45-yard pass from Perrin to John Curtis.

!On the try for the extra point, the Curtis-Perrin combo clicked again, and the scoring was all over at 13-0.

AGR's victory was the eighth of the season for the fraternity team against a single loss.

For the second consecutive year, the Jocks had to play bridesmaid as the former MTSU athletes came in second behind the Wilknots in 1973.

Congratulations should be given to IM Director Joe Ruffner and his staff for another job well done in the flag football season.



Two players coach Larry Castle will be depending heavily on this year are Captain Geoff Gilchrist (R) and All-OVC returnee Doug Meidner. Gilchrist is a former all-conference selection.

Tennis underway as Gilchrist places at Arkansas tourney

by Tom Wood

Blue Raider tennis captain Geoff Gilchrist advanced to the semi-finals last week at the Arkansas Indoor Tournament in Little Rick before losing to Arkansas' top player, Raymond Pascal.

Gilchrist reached the semi-finals by beating the number three player from Oklahoma State, the second man from Oral Roberts, and Baylor's top man in succession.

Raider tennis coach Larry Castle predicted All-OVC honors for Gilchrist this year, and is looking to have the top team in the OVC.

"He's playing the best tennis

of his career," Castle said.

The Raiders have six men returning from last year's 15-5 squad, in addition to two more players coming in January from Australia.

Blue grapplers take two in meet

by Duncan Regen

In its first appearance of the 1974-75 season, the MTSU wrestling team won two of 18 individual matches in the Southern Open Tournament last weekend in Chattanooga.

Although team scores were not kept, Oklahoma State dominated the tournament, and is favored to win the NCAA, Blue Raider coach Gordon Connell said.

Blue Raider Pat Simpson won the 126 pound class and Wayne Bratcher won the 134 pound class to give the Raiders their two victories in the tournament.

"The team showed very good promise against some outstanding competition," Connell said.

"There were several wrestlers who are national champions and Olympic wrestlers in this tournament," Connell said.

The Raider grapplers next tournament will be Thursday against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in Murphy Center at 3:00 p.m.

Vanderbilt-MTSU tickets on sale

Tickets for the Vanderbilt-MTSU basketball game set for Dec. 30, are on sale at the MTSU ticket office.

Seats for the contest are \$4 per person, and there are a limited number available.

The date for the game has been

switched from Dec. 28 to Dec. 30 so Vanderbilt fans returning from the Peach Bowl can attend.

The match-up with David Lipscomb, originally scheduled for the 30th, has been rescheduled for Dec. 31.

Gym Club to perform at half-time

The Blue Raider Gymnastics Club will perform at half-time of the MTSU-Wisconsin basketball game Thursday night at Murphy Center, according to club sponsor Pat Hannon. "We will be doing individual stunts and performing on the tumbling mats and other equipment," Hannon said.

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