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Committee asks 'free hours,' hears complaints

by Gina Jeter

The General Education Study Committee adopted a recommendation Wednesday that "each student may have in his program a minimum of 12 hours free electives" and also heard complaints about their overall program.

However, the committee never elaborated how students in some major programs will be allowed these "free electives." Several majors on campus already do not leave a student 12 free hours — especially those which have requirements imposed by outside accrediting associations or in which a student is seeking certification.

The committee voted to leave possible general education exemptions for students in such majors to the "General Studies Council" that will be formed to implement and supervise their program if it is approved by President M. G. Scarlett.

"These departments aren't going to sit down and work out a program until this (general studies program) is accepted,"

committee member Horace Uselton of the chemistry and physics department said.

The committee did not cut from their proposed general studies program that would increase university required hours from 40 to 46 and indicated that departments will have to trim major program requirements.

"If students want to yell about being restricted, they should look to where they are really being restricted — by their majors," committee member Charles Dean of the English department said.

The committee added another option, Sociology 357 (Introduction to Anthropology), to their program's area III, division B. They also adopted a recommendation to Scarlett that some members on the General Education Study Committee be appointed to serve on the "General Studies Council."

Dean of Admissions and Records Frank Glass and his assistant John Todd presented to the committee several problems they envision if the committee's proposal is approved.

Glass told the committee that the proposed program created recruiting and administrative problems for his office.

Other state institutions will use an increase in general education requirements at MTSU as a recruiting tool in their favor, he said.

"The assumption that students will go where the best education is does not hold true for the senior in high school," Glass said.

"It's different with transfer students," he said. "They are interested in the best education, but they want to know how quickly they can get out."

Committee Chairman Aaron Todd said, "We're concerned with getting warm bodies too, but we're concerned with what to do with them."

"While we may not get as many warm bodies initially," committee member June Martin of the honors program said, "we'll in the long run get more because students will go where the best education is."

Other members of the commit-

tee said that improving the general education program would be beneficial to recruiting efforts.

However, Glass said, "The word of mouth from students here will be that they (the school) have gone up to 52."

The committee reminded Glass that the general education requirements will be 46 instead of 52 hours because they voted to exempt six general educational hours where a student should develop a strong background by choice of major.

Glass reminded the committee that some students declare "undecided" majors and that others change majors.

Undecided students would only have six hours to lose, Todd said.

Glass also told the committee he would have to add clerks "to see if transfer courses will plug into the courses here" if the options from which a student must meet requirements are increased.

The program is creating two or three jobs when no addition of staff members is being discussed because of finances, Glass said.

Candidates speak on local issues

by Michael Gigandet

Tax wastes, school building programs, salary increases, tax appraisals and county growth were topics discussed at a candidates forum Monday night at Central Middle School.

Candidates for County judge and School Superintendent took part in the forum, which was sponsored by the Murfreesboro League of Women Voters.

Elam Carlton, principal of Rockvale Elementary School and candidate for School Superintendent, said, "I want to eliminate tax waste. This waste has turned people against education."

"Proper use has not been made of facilities at our new high schools. There are large amounts of material scattered over the county which have not been accounted for," he said.

Carlton also pointed out the need for annual raises for teachers instead of over four year periods.

Incumbent School Superintendent Clifford Brothers said "progressive achievements have been made since 1970."

Additional art and music programs, a teacher salary increase, a building program for more schools, five recreational build-

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This photograph by Beech Grove senior Paul Fischer is one which will be displayed during a photo show for beginning and advanced students next week. Advanced displays will be in the photo gallery while beginners will show their work in the UC.

Candidates discuss issues

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ings and the addition of personnel to schools were mentioned by Brothers as his future aims.

"Hopefully, the legislature will make provisions for funds to offset available local funds for these programs," Brothers said.

M.B. Brandon, a third candidate for School Superintendent, pointed out the need for "additional materials and equipment."

Brandon pledged to see that "the building program is carried out in every way."

While stating the need for teacher salary increases, Brandon criticized the incumbent superintendent for requesting two pay increases.

Three candidates for county judge, Ben Hall McFarlin, Charlie Mack Jones and William Kelton also spoke at the meeting. Incumbent Knox Ridley was not present at the meeting.

McFarlin, who presently serves as county court clerk, said he would "search for new sources of revenue" to put at the disposal of the county court.

"Providing services to all the new people coming into Ruther-

ford County is going to present problems," McFarlin said, "We need a comprehensive county plan."

McFarlin said tax money already paid out to other levels of government could be used to provide these services. "I am concerned with taxpayers getting 100 per cent of their tax dollar," he said.

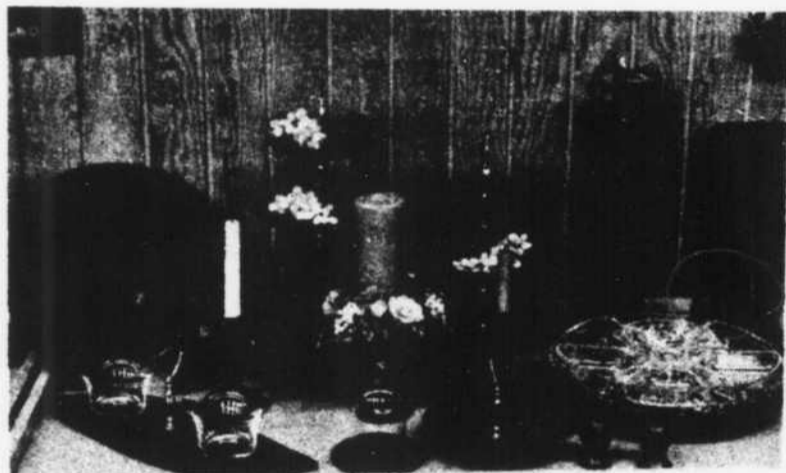
Charlie Mack Jones, a farmer and magistrate, said he is a "plain old country boy and would like to initiate a program to clean-up the county."

Jones said he wanted "good government, good roads and good law enforcement."

"The youth of our country have lost respect for its leaders," Jones said. "It is time we took a look at the character of our leaders."

William Kelton, livestock farmer and former teacher said "Education will continue to be the top priority with respect to expenditures" if he is elected judge.

Kelton also said he has not engaged the public relations firm of Holder and Kennedy to handle his campaign. However, he said, the firm coordinated a "large" amount of his campaign literature.



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Over 100 student orientation assistants are still needed to help in next fall's orientation program. Anyone interested in being an SOA should send his name and summer address to Box 1084 by May 1.

The Baptist Student Union will present a religious drama, "Slave Girl," at 8 p.m. Monday in the Bel Aire Baptist Church. Admission is free.

A new "Blue Raider hospitality room" will be presented to the university by the MTSU Foundation at 4:30 p.m. May 4 at Horace Jones

Field. Students and faculty members may attend the ceremony and an open house immediately following.

Free copies of the 1973-74 Midlander will be distributed May 6 and 7 from the concession stand in the old gym. Books will not be mailed to seniors as they have been in the past.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company will hold interviews with students interested in sales and management positions Tuesday in room 210 of the Administration Building. Appointments should be made in advance with the placement office.

The symphonic band will perform at 7:30 Monday night at the DA theatre or the fine arts lawn if the weather permits. Admission is free.

Special intersession courses planned

A variety of educational programs will be offered to students and the general public by the office of Continuing Education during Intersession. OCE Dean Jerry C. McGee said yesterday.

The five non-credit courses will include a tennis clinic, the "Physiology of Shock," a workshop for hearing aid specialists, a management seminar in the selection of material handling equipment and a course in "Maintenance Management in the Small Plant."

"These programs have been designed at the request of students and members of the community," McGee said.

MTSU tennis coach Larry Castle will direct the tennis clinic on May 14.

Designed for junior high and high school players and coaches,

the course will include instruction in the use of equipment, the fundamentals of tennis, demonstration matches between members of the MTSU tennis team and limited participation by class members. The registration fee is \$2 and must be submitted to the business office by May 13.

The workshop for hearing aid specialists will take place May 20-24 and will be directed by Ken Stockwell. Individuals seeking licensing and certification in hearing aid dispensary will be accommodated for a registration fee of \$50.

Intended to instruct nurses and medical personnel in the function, types and treatment of shock, "Physiology of Shock" will be presented in two 150-minute sessions May 20-23. Biology professor Marion Wells will be the instructor. Registration will cost \$15.

MTSU faculty members Richard Gould and Thomas Helm will lead a workshop seminar on the selection of material handling equipment at the Holiday Inn on May 29. Individuals concerned with the material handling function in industrial plants may attend by paying the \$30 registration fee.

Objectives of an effective maintenance management program will be the topic in a seminar taught by Gould and Helm on May 30. Registration for the course will be \$22 per person.

Registration materials and additional course information may be obtained through the Office of Continuing Education and course instructors, McGee said.

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Editorials

Nixon is not the President

Richard Nixon holds the office of President of the United States of America, but he is not the President.

Any elected office-holder who has the faith and support of only 26 per cent of his constituents is a followerless leader. Several American presidents have been low on the popularity polls, but only one so low as Mr. Nixon. His name was Harry Truman, and he escaped what seemed to be sure doom. His future was assured because many persons, while not affirming many of his policies, did feel certain of his ethics.

Today, many Americans are questioning the very presence of the morality in the White House. For a man who claimed a Quaker heritage, a "faith in the principles that made America great," Nixon seems to be more than a little confused. After all, not many men laying claim to that kind of heritage or principles owe more than \$400,000 in back taxes. Even fewer would be neck-level in Watergate. Fewer still could have personally campaigned for a fellow G.O.P. member and influenced the election for the Democrats.

Only a handful would have remained so indignant at the public and congressional demands that Nixon clear up, once and for all, his Watergate involvement, or lack of it (a feat which Mr. Nixon has managed to pull off at least eight times, by his count.) Just one would have told a national audience recently that "Your president is not going to do anything to weaken the office." (If he were sincere in that promise, he would have tendered his resignation, immediately.)

His name is Nixon; but, make no mistake. He is not the President.



Political columnist authors last offering

by Ray Notgrass

"There comes a time in the affairs of men when you must take the bull by the tail and face the situation"--W.C. Fields

This is my last column for the Sidelines, after two years of writing about various topics with various degrees of inexpertise. I feel a little self-indulgence is in order. Besides, Hudgens said I could.

My dalliance with the Sidelines really began when as a "lowly freshman" I questioned the intelligence of the liberal political columnist, Jim Lynch, in a letter. Two autumns later, I began writing my own political columns--under the editorship of Jim Lynch. We got along royally.

It has been my impression all along that the Sidelines is a rather fine student publication. Campus activities are well-covered, the editorials are, well, thought-provoking, and the most recent policy of give-em-hell Hudgens has muckraked up quite a bit of interesting information. The staff, and indeed the entire Mass Communications Department can be proud of the job it is doing.

The ASB has been a giggle for four years, but I question what real effectiveness it can actually have. It's not just here at MTSU, though. I visited the University of Kentucky a couple of weeks ago,

"We cannot live in the past,
but we cannot live in the future
without the past to build on."

and the campus paper's editorial bemoaned the fact that the recent student elections had a miserable turnout and "only" twopresidential candidates. UK has twice as many students and, frankly, a much better reputation than MTSU. The problem may be epidemic.

The concert situation has been somewhat disappointing. I know the Jockorama doesn't stand idle all day, but it probably could be put to better use. Before it was built, the James Gang (with Walsh), the Ides of March and the Allman Brothers Band (together, with Duane), B.B. King, the temptin' Temptations, B.J. Thomas, Kenny Rogers and others crowded into Alumni Gym and tore it up.

A gripe: it seems that many people on this campus have a terrible ego problem. Students and faculty often just take themselves too seriously. I can't see why.

Mid-term grades are silly.

A visitor parking lot should be established: it's bad PR to dish out tickets to visitors.

The foreign language department should be supported wholeheartedly.

Buildings should be named. How about the Norman L. Parks Classroom Building? I hereby propose it.

The Film Committee has done a superb job the entire four years I have been here.

But who am I?

College can be precisely what you decide to make of it; and if that statement needs explaining, you don't deserve to be here. But it is an enlightening, enriching, rewarding experience. Ultimately, we are in pursuit of ideas, the most noble chase of all.

Thanks to all who have read

my columns, by mistake or otherwise, and for the comments I have received. As my brother says, its been real.

I hope the Sidelines makes an effort to have a conservative writer in the future as a tribute to academic freedom and free speech. To ease the minds of any left-wing knee-jerkers who have frowned mightily upon me, I declare that I have not received one penny of compensation or remuneration for my two years of columns. No cracks about the true appraisal of their worth.

We go on from here and can never recapture anything but memories. We cannot live in the past, but we cannot live in the future fully without the past to build on. This chapter closes.

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Summer students to dig in Israel

Campus, state observe ROTC week

by Michael Rucker

Ten MTSU students will excavate in Caesarea, Israel, during July, according to John McRay, religious studies instructor at MTSU and trip sponsor.

Caesarea is located on the Mediterranean Sea, between the modern part of Haifa and Tel-Aviv.

Twenty schools will participate in the program, including one school from Canada and a secondary school from Greenwich, Conn.

Teams will work in the hippodrome, an amphitheater which seated more than 30,000 spectators for chariot races, near a site of Phoenician origin known as Strato's tower.

The "digs" will also involve the city's sewer system, which holds the key to street layout of the only Roman metropolis ever planned "from scratch" on a new site.

The joint expedition will be led by Robert Bull, director of archeology and professor of church history at Drew University in Madison, N.J.

Bill Wilson, affiliated with religious studies here, in conjunction with other contributors, has donated money for the MTSU delegation to buy a vehicle to be used during the trip, McRay said.

Gov. Winfield Dunn and President M. G. Scarlett have recently proclaimed this week (April 21-27) as ROTC Week for the state and MTSU campus.

A Professor of military science and a senior cadet were recognized in each school in Tennessee offering ROTC, Donald Willey, ROTC head said. The Air Force, Navy, and the Army brigades across the state also express their appreciation in observing ROTC Week.

Richard Campbell was MTSU's senior cadet representative Wednesday.

"I think it is most pertinent that we are recognizing the ROTC programs across the country," Scarlett said, "especially here at MTSU with ROTC Week."

"I have been most pleased with the ROTC program that we have had here on campus," he said.

"ROTC is one of the better departments of this school, and we are very proud to recognize this during ROTC Week," Ed

Voorhees, dean of school of basic and applied sciences, said.

A Red Cross blood drive was held Tuesday in Forrest Hall, Willey said.

"Only 197 usable pints were obtained from 250 people who gave blood," Willey said. "This is quite low for this university," Willey said, "but nevertheless, it helped."

To further celebrate ROTC Week, MTSU's Scabbard and Blade organization sponsored a Military Ball last night (Thursday) at the Smyrna Country Club.

News Briefs (from the Associated Press)

Washington-- The House impeachment inquiry staff reported Thursday that it is concentrating its investigation on the major Watergate allegations and President Nixon's tax problems.

The staff told the House Judiciary Committee that it is halting its inquiries into 15 of the 56 original allegations against the President.

In each of the 15 cases the staff said "either there is no substantial evidence known to the staff that supports an allegation of wrongdoing or the evidence is insufficient to justify devoting the

resources required to complete a through investigation.

Nashville--The 88th General Assembly called it quits yesterday after limping through a stormy two years marked by a session-ending spree of veto overrides, budget maneuverings and failure to enact an ethics law in a critical election year.

Knoxville--Nashville businessman Dortch Oldham allied himself with the administration of Gov. Winfield Dunn today as he formally launched his candidacy for the Republican nomination for governor.

At a news conference in Knoxville on a flying trip across the state, Oldham declared: "As I have traveled and talked to people in Tennessee, I have become increasingly aware of the great progress that this present Republican administration has made. I must say that I am proud of what has been accomplished."

Jackson, Miss.-- Buoyed by a rousing welcome President Nixon today scoffed at the "hand-wringers and the doom-cryers," and declared, "America's greatest days lie ahead."

Attorney General to visit campus

A reception honoring David Pack, state attorney general and candidate for the Democratic party nomination for governor, will be held at MTSU tomorrow in room 324 of the UC.

Scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m. the reception will be given in order to "give everyone a chance to come



David Pack

out and meet Pack and shake his hand," Henry Clay Barry, university student, said.

"We feel like this would be an excellent opportunity for Pack and his supporters and anyone else interested in state politics to talk about the upcoming primary race," Barry said.

Hudley Crockett, Rutherford County native and Jimmy Powers, Waverly mayor, have already declared themselves as candidates for governor in the August Democratic primary.

Pack is a veteran of government service, serving as Commissioner of Highways from 1963 until 1967 and Commissioner of Banking and Insurance from 1967 until 1969.

Pack was selected by the State Supreme Court to serve as attorney general in 1969.

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SIDELINES SPORTS

Butterfield shines despite loss

Blue netters drop 5-4 squeaker to APSU

by Scott Elliott

A loss by the doubles team of Lasse Durchman and Peetri Pihko in the last meeting of a 4 1/2 hour match enabled Austin Peay to pull out a 5-4 squeaker over MTSU here Wednesday.

After losses by Durchman, Wally Norwich, Geoff Gilchrist, and Doug Miedaner in singles competition,

Bob Butterfield and Eustace Kigongo captured singles victories for Larry Castle's Raiders and closed the Governors lead to 4-2.

With new-found life, the doubles combo of Gilchrist and Norwich whipped their Governor opponents 7-5, 0-6, 6-4.

With the gap closed to but a single point, Butterfield teamed

with Clyde Smithwick to knock off APSU's twosome 7-5, 2-6, 7-6.

The score was all even at four each going into the last doubles match, but Durchamn and Pihko took it on the nose in straight sets 6-1, 6-1.

Miedaner's singles loss was his first of the year against 17 wins, while Butterfield ran his record

to 13-1.

"This one point loss isn't going to hurt us," Butterfield said. "We'll pick that point up before the OVC tournament starts."

Castle's team is now second in the OVC standings, trailing APSU 52-51. The loss brought MTSU's season record to 16-2, while the Govs are 12-3.



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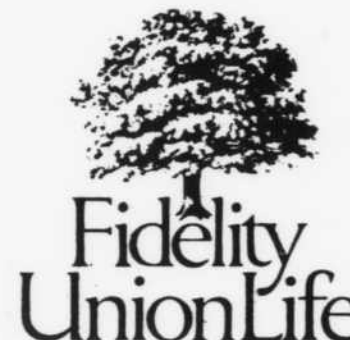
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Haynes glitters

Raiders whip Tech, finish undefeated

All-American Tommy Haynes lead the MTSU track team's 79-65 assault on Tennessee Tech Tuesday with two wins and a first place tie in an OVC dual meet at Cookeville.

The win enabled Dean Hayes' squad to finish the year with an unbeaten-untied 8-0 dual and tri-meet record. Hayes' team is the only MTSU squad in the 1973-74 school year to go undefeated.

Haynes started his profitable day with a victory in the long jump with a leap of 24 feet, 1 3/4 inches and topped it off with a winning triple jump of 50 feet, 9 1/4 inches.

The first-ranked collegiate long jumper in the nation, Haynes broke the tape in a photo finish with Tech's Sam Anderson at 9.7 seconds in the 100-yard dash to tie for first.

For a final encore, Haynes ran a leg on MTSU's winning 440-yard relay team.

In the other field events, Raider shot putter Greg Lintner heaved the cannonball 48 feet, 9 1/2 inches to take first in his specialty, while Harrison Salami remained

undefeated in discus dual meet competition with a throw of 154 feet, 3 1/2 inches.

MTSU high jumper Jesse Agnew won his event with a leap of 6 feet, 7 1/2 inches.

Nate Porter severed the ribbon at 14.3 seconds to pass the 120-yard high hurdles field, while teammate Keith Cromartie finished first in the 440-yard hurdles with a clocking of 54.6.

MTSU's mile relay squad won the last event of the day to put the icing on the cake with a time of 3.21.

The Raiders will travel to Des Moines, Iowa this weekend for the Drake Relays.

TRACK: A big blow came to Dean Hayes and the MTSU track team Wednesday when high jumper Jesse Agnew suffered torn ligaments in one knee while giving a jumping demonstration in a physical education class. Agnew, who placed second in the OVC meet last year, is out for the remainder of the year, and Hayes is counting heavily on the recovery of Clint Dennison, who is out with mono-nucleosis.



The smiling soarer in this picture is MTSU track All-American Tommy Haynes. Haynes lead the Raiders' charge against Tech with two wins and a tie for first.

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Raider nine to meet Murray for spring title

by Reid Andrews

MTSU and Murray State will meet today at 3:30 p.m. in Clarksville to determine the 1974 Ohio Valley Conference Spring championship.

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The Raiders, under the leadership of John Stanford, will enter the game with a 26-10 mark while Murray is 28-10-1. Both teams finished divisional play with a 4-1 mark.

MTSU must win today to earn the right to play Murray for the over-all Western division championship. Murray won the fall half, so MTSU must win the spring half.

A Murray win would give the Racers the Western division title. The Western division champion will play host to the Eastern division champion on the weekend of May 3 for the 1974 OVC baseball title.

Wet grounds forced the cancela-

tion of Tuesday's MTSU-Fisk game in Nashville. On Wednesday, the Raiders lost to Sewanee 7-6 in Sewanee.

Kip Puryear, the freshman basketballer from Lebanon, took the loss in relief of starter Randy Ney.

The Raiders opened the scoring in the third by getting a one-run single on three hits. Steve Zitney delivered a single, driving home Carter Garner who had singled and moved to second on a single by Roger Cox.

MTSU took advantage of one of four Sewanee errors in the game to take a 3-1 lead in the sixth. Wally Mathis raced home from second when a Tommy Beaver grounder was mishandled by the shortstop for one run, and Scott Sain singled and later scored on a Rodney Jones hit for the last run of the inning.

In the seventh, Sewanee chased Ney out of the game by scoring two times for a 5-3 lead. Ney went 6 2/3 giving up five runs on six

hits. Puryear replaced Ney and got out of the seventh inning jam with only two runs scoring for Sewanee.

MTSU, trailing 5-3 in the ninth, rallied for three runs to take a 6-5 lead in the ninth. Sewanee made good use of two hits in the bottom of the ninth by scoring two runs for the win.

Sain, MTSU catcher, leads the Raiders in hitting with a .388 hitting mark. Sain has driven in 22 runs on the season and has slammed four homers. Tommy Owens is hitting .379 with 21 RBIs while Cox is batting .344

with 20 RBIs. Cox has played in 33 games for the Raiders and has scored 33 runs.

George Ploucher leads the pitching staff with a 1.13 ERA, while Bill Ramage has a 1.29 ERA.

Baseball captain hurt

Raider hopes for the remainder of the baseball season were jolted in the Western Kentucky game when captain Tommy Owens suffered a wrist injury while attempting to tag a runner. It is not known whether he will be able to return to the lineup this spring.

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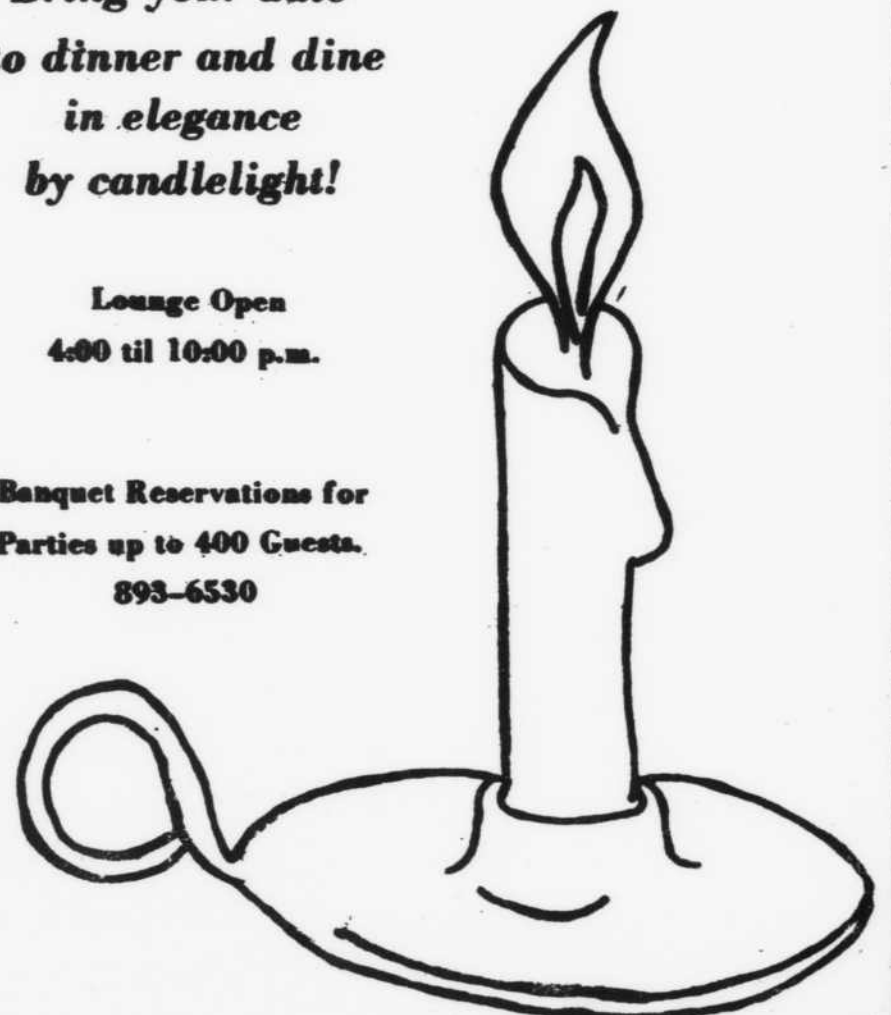
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