

# Primary voters need not sign party loyalty oath

by Bill Mason

Voters will not be required to declare their party allegiance when they go to the polls Thursday to select nominees for county offices.

The Tennessee legislature repealed a law last week which would require voters to sign a declaration of allegiance in all primary elections, county registrar Linda Jenkins said.

"The primary will be conducted just like it's always been," Jenkins said. "Poll workers will just assume you're a Democrat if you vote in the Democratic Primary."

The voter will declare orally which primary he wants to vote in, Jenkins said. His party qualifications may be challenged, but this

is not expected to happen, she said.

"I expect about half of those registered to vote," Jenkins said, "but there wouldn't have been that many if the allegiance law hadn't been repealed."

In the Democratic Primary, 24 candidates are seeking nominations to 11 different county offices.

Candidates for county judge, the highest executive office in the county, include incumbent Knox Ridley, County Court Clerk Ben Hall McFarlin, pig farmer Bill Kelton and Magistrate Charlie Mack Jones.

Automobile dealer Don Coffman, former Magistrate Sonny Elam and businessman John Shacklett are competing for

the nomination for county court clerk.

In the race for circuit court clerk, General Electric employee Lillard Alsup and perennial candidate Chester Davidson will attempt to unseat incumbent Bob Suddarth.

Incumbent Register of Deeds Homer Jones will be challenged by Shirley Wilson, the only black and the only woman seeking office in the county.

Candidates for sheriff include incumbent Robert Goodwin, former Deputy Sheriff Craig Snell and gasoline dealer Owen Henley.

Incumbent School Supt. Clifford Brothers is facing opposition from former Supt. M. B. Brandon and

Rockvale Elementary School principal Elam Carlton.

In the contest for trustee, incumbent Cheeter Stockard is being challenged by businessman Howard Penuel.

Three candidates are running unopposed for the nominations to their respective offices. They include incumbent Dist. Atty. Gen. Guy Dotson, General Sessions Judge, Part I James Buckner and James Clayton, who is a candidate for General Sessions Judge, Part II.

Only one candidate is on the ballot in the Republican Primary. Incumbent General Sessions Judge Michael Murphy is seeking re-election.

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## Visitation petition set

by Wayne Hudgens

A petition supporting liberalized open visitation policies for MTSU will be circulated this week for presentation to the State Board of Regents next Thursday, David Dodd, ASB president, said yesterday.

The petition, which is expected to gather more than 4,000 student signatures, will be a part of testimony presented to the Regents' Student Life Committee during an open hearing on visitation policies, Dodd said.

The Board approved a limited open visitation policy in February to take effect this fall which would allow visitation between members of the opposite sex in MTSU's J and K apartments. Visitation, under the current board ruling, would only be allowed four days each week, for not more than six hours each day.

A proposal drafted this spring by the MTSU All Campus Rules Committee, of which Dodd is a member, would have allowed visitation between sexes in J and K seven days a week, 15 hours daily.

"Any person who wishes to participate in open visitation should be allowed to do so," Dodd said. "Open visitation wouldn't be forced upon anybody, students who wish to live in a regular residence hall would still be allowed to do so."

Dodd plans to testify for more visitation before the Student Life Committee next Thursday. The committee is responsible for reviewing all visitation policies practiced by state universities

under its control.

"Any action which the Board might take as a result of the hearing probably wouldn't take effect until Fall, 1975," Dodd said.

"The public in general and some Board members have had the tendency to associate open visitation with promiscuity," he said. "Some people feel that allowing open visitation in a dorm means the university is endorsing free sex, but that just is not the case."

"Approving a better visitation program would indicate that the board realizes that most students are mature adults capable of regulating their own lives, just as counterparts not going to college regulate theirs."

"I find it ironic that the brightest, most mature young people who choose to go to college are subjected to far more regulatory measures than people that take jobs after high school," he said. "College people should be treated with at least as much respect."

Dodd also warned that universities operating dormitories would be faced with financial difficulties "within five years" if regulatory policies were not liberalized.

"At Murfreesboro for instance," he said, "the amount of off-campus housing has increased. Students will simply live off-campus rather than living in a restricted dorm."

"Empty dormitory rooms mean the taxpayer will lose money," he said, "and the dorm rooms will empty if visitation policies are not changed."

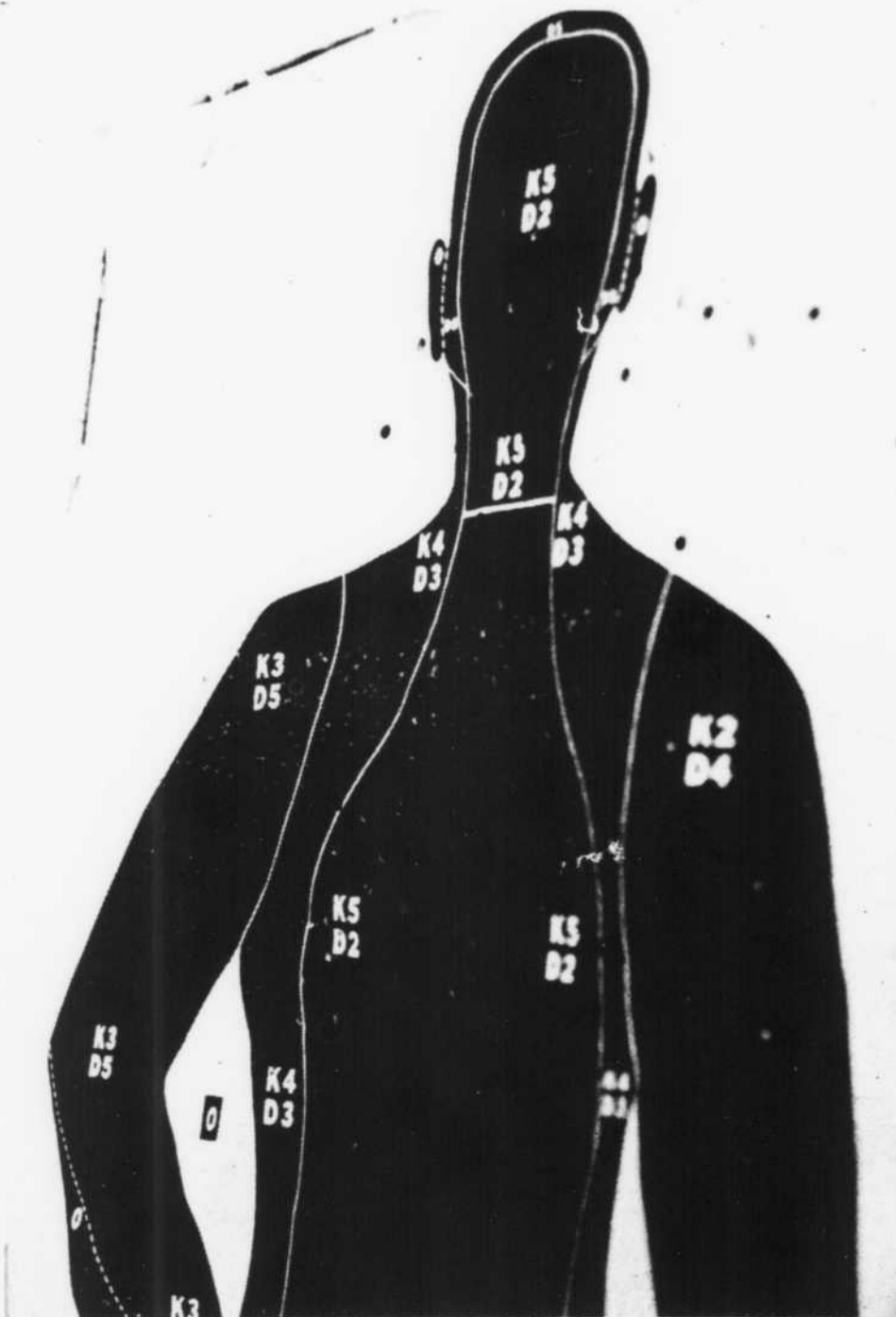


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This bullet-riddled target, which represents a man's torso, is the result of an afternoon of target practice at the new indoor firing range at the Lavergne Gun Shop. For more details, see page four.

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## Dodd criticizes studies plan

ASB President David Dodd asked President M.G. Scarlett Friday to reverse the proposal of the General Education Study Committee to revamp MTSU's general studies program if its "complexity" is not removed.

Dodd outlined other concerns about the committee's proposed program in a memorandum to Scarlett. The committee's tentative plans would raise general education while increasing the optional courses from which a student must meet his requirements.

The committee's final report and recommendations are expected to be forwarded to Scarlett this week.

Dodd complimented the committee for "an outstanding effort, for the task which they undertook was enormously difficult."

However, Dodd said students will not benefit from the flexibility the committee intends to give.

"In reality, the complexity of the program will confuse many students--especially new students--and will cause them to rely on a prearranged schedule of classes prepared by a department chairman or an adviser," Dodd said.

The recommended program also

requires too many hours, Dodd said, even with the committee's exemption plan to free each student from six of the initial 52 hours.

"The 52-hour requirement will be detrimental to the university's recruitment program at a time when that recruitment program needs to be extremely successful," Dodd said.

A "reasonable" modification of the program, he said, would be to trim two hours from the four required in physical education and three hours from each of the areas of study in which 12 hours are prescribed.

"This could be done without greatly harming the proposal," Dodd said.

He also disagreed with the committee's "tendency to outline very specifically the courses which are required."

"I think we all should remember that general education, in its broadest sense, is anything not required in a student's major or minor field," Dodd said.

The ASB president said the committee's plans for administering the program and its system of continual evaluation "are excellent."

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An unidentified student is hidden under a stack of overdue library books which he turned in at 11:59 p.m. Saturday night, just before the amnesty on fines became void. Photo by Pat Daley.

## Firing range opens in Lavergne

Local gun enthusiasts who have problems finding a place to practice shooting have a friend in George Curevich, owner of the Lavergne Gun Shop in Lavergne, Tenn.

Curevich, in response to the increasing demand for a practice range, has installed a four-lane facility adjacent to his shop on the Nashville Highway.

In addition to operating the range, Curevich sells and services a complete line of handguns, rifles, and shotguns. The store and range are open from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The range, which cost about \$5,000 to build, consists of four shooting boxes which face a 7,800 pound armour-plated steel wall 50

feet away.

The heavy steel wall is equipped with baffles which prevents wild bullets and funnels the lead into a collection trough on the floor. Pulleys carry paper targets from the range wall back to the shooter in his box.

Acoustical material line all the walls preventing firing noise from reaching outside the building.

The facility, the only in Rutherford County, also features air conditioning, carpet, and a ventilation system which carries away the smoke from firing.

Curevich allows practice on the range for \$15 yearly membership fee. Life memberships are sold for \$100. Local police officers are allowed to use the range for free.

## ROTC students win scholarships

Five students were named winners of two-year Army ROTC scholarships by the military science department last week.

These scholarships will pay for all tuition, fees, books and supplies for the students for the next two years, Donald Willey, head of military science, said.

In addition to the scholarships, each of the recipients will receive

\$100 monthly for up to 10 months while in school, Willey said.

Scholarship recipients are Pulaski sophomore James Fitzgerald (pre-law major), Georgia freshman Donald Murray (aerospace), Winchester sophomore William Roark (chemistry), Old Hickory junior Paul Walton and Antioch sophomore Samuel Whitson.

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## WMOT record thefts endanger rock show

Listeners to WMOT's rock show that is aired nightly from 10 p.m.-1 a.m. might tune in one night to find the show cancelled, a station staff member said yesterday.

Written notice has been given the student staff that they risk losing the show if the station's rock records keep disappearing, the staff member said.

He said the notice declares, "The rock show will lie dead on the floor--cancelled!" if you continue stealing records.

When asked if the show might be taken from the air, Operations Director Pat Jones said, "That all depends on the people at the station."

Jones did not wish to discuss the notice.

"It is an inhouse matter inappropriate to discuss in Sidelines," Jones said.

The operations director said there is "no way to determine" the number of records that have been stolen.

"If you have a rock show and someone steals rock records, you can't have a rock show," Jones said. He would not comment about who might be stealing the records.

Jones said records have disappeared from the station since its debut on the air, but would not comment on measures the management is taking to prevent record thefts.

"Everything that can be done is being done," Jones said. The records are always "locked up under the tightest possible security," he said, but that the station's security system "puts trust in students."

Jones said the most "tragic loss" is when popular records are stolen, and "the listener doesn't have anything to listen to."

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## In order to work

# Foreign students need U.S. permit

Foreign students seeking summer employment must receive work permission from the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Memphis rather than from their campus adviser, Immigration Commissioner Leonard Chapman said last week.

Chapman said his decision to withhold authority from school officials to act on foreign student requests for summer work permission was intended to protect summer job opportunities for American youths.

MTSU students wishing to work this summer should first contact Joseph Sakas, international foreign adviser, officials in Memphis

said yesterday.

To obtain permission, students need Sakas' recommendation that they be allowed to work. Form I5538 should be sent with form I94 to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 814 Federal Building, Memphis Tenn. 38103.

Chapman said he based his decision on labor advice from the U.S. Manpower Administration.

"For several years the Manpower Administration has advised us that unemployment among American youths is of such magnitude that summer employment of aliens is depriving young Americans of needed employment opportunities," Chapman said.

The unemployment rate among young people exceeds the national average, Chapman said.

He said foreign students in need of employment because of unexpected financial situations occurring after entry into the country may continue to apply for work permission at any time.

The commissioner said foreign students who proved they could attend school in the United States without financial pressure upon entering the country were being allowed to work in summer without regard to any change in their financial circumstances.

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San Francisco--The Zebra gunmen wanted in 12 killings here also may be responsible for 80 murders and assaults in California in the last three years, Mayor Joseph Alioto said yesterday.

Alioto told a news conference that the string of random shootings began in the East San Francisco Bay area in 1971 and spread to the Long Beach area in Southern California in 1971 and 1972.

Nashville--Asst. Atty. Gen. Robert H. Roberts announced yesterday he will seek the Democratic

Party nomination for a seat on the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Roberts, who has served in the state attorney general's office for the past seven years as an assistant, said he is formally placing his name before the party's Judicial Selection Commission.

All five Supreme Court seats are up for election Aug. 2.

Tallahassee, Fla.--Sen. Edward J. Gurney (R-Fla.) has been indicted by a county grand jury on charges of violating state election law, Gurney's Washinton office said yesterday. Gurney immediately declared his innocence.

The grand jury began its investigations of Gurney at the urging of Marshall Harris, a Democratic state legislator from Miami. He charged that the senator had acknowledged last December that he violated state election laws by receiving campaign donations and failing to report them.

"This is an unfortunate result of a vicious and unwarranted attack," Gurney said in a statement. "I am confident that the process of justice and courts will operate swiftly to vindicate me of this unlawful charge and any wrongdoing. I am absolutely innocent."

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Anyone interested in working on Collage magazine next year should send name, box number and summer address to Box 61.

Copies of the 1973-74 Midlander will be distributed from the concession stand in the old gym May 6 and 7.

Any student interested in playing in the Bluegrass Festival to be held on campus this summer, should contact any member of the Special Events Committee or the U.C. Office for dates and details.

**Department receives \$8,740 grant**

An \$8,740 grant for the MTSU political science department was approved recently by the Center for Government Training at the University of Tennessee.

"The money will be used for a series of seminars for local planning commissions to deal with community growth and development," Curry Peacock, associate professor of political science, said.

The proposed topic concerns land use planning systems, plan-

ning developmental policy and new techniques to control community development, Peacock said.

"There will be an interchange of ideas while working with local planning commissions to help bring about a better planning system," he said.

This grant is the eleventh research or projects grant awarded the university for 1974. The grants total \$571,837.



Photo by Tim Hamilton

Students in design courses will be painting "Super graphics" similar to the one above in the UC next fall. These large graphics already decorate the Art Barn and are part of a plan to put more art on campus. Not only is it decorative, but the art can be informational in confusing buildings.

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# Editorials

## Is our job worth the trouble?

A reporter's job, even one involving a university newspaper, can often be a harrowing one.

As recently as yesterday one of Sidelines' reporters had her notes grabbed from her hands and torn up in her face while following an authorized story.

Other staffers have been hung up on, cursed and told "No comment" hundreds of times while trying to do their job--reporting the news.

Sometimes you have to wonder if the experience you gain (there is very little pay for a campus reporter) is worth the personal abuse thrown your way by mindless, self-inflated individuals whose first

reaction to a newsman's question is stony silence.

But it is. It is worth the tears, the high blood pressure and the nervous stomachs which seem to stalk a reporter along his beat. The people, the students on this campus have the right to know. They have the right to be informed about what's going on around them.

It's sometimes a temptation to quit the hassle of reporting, but to stop our efforts would be a great injustice to the people who believe that freedom of expression is necessary for a full and rewarding life.

We'll be back this summer, with more of the same.

## 'Prodigal' announces return to Democratic Party

by Bill Mason

In 1972, Richard Nixon and the Republican Party had never looked better: the long war in Indochina was about to end; the nation's economy was in fairly good shape; relations with the two most powerful foreign nations were the best in history; and a start had been made in several programs to bring government back to a lower level, to the people.

Meanwhile, the Democratic Party was divided as never before. Presidential candidates ranged from George Wallace to George McGovern, and an idiotic national convention coupled with the mess known as the "Eagleton affair" served only to discredit them farther.

As a result, I decided that the Democratic Party was no longer viable and that I did not belong in it. I joined the Republican Party.

Since that time, I have come to realize what a terrible mistake I made. The Republican Party has managed to take its accomplishments and either destroy or discredit each and every one of them.

The war in Indochina is not over. It still rages on with the help of billions of dollars in American funds each year. The secret bombing of Cambodia has been re-

vealed along with the monstrous lies of the Republican Administration about that bombing.

The bottom is about to fall out of the nation's economy. Inflation soars to all time highs, and the middle class groans under the burden. The Republican president, with the help of Republican congressmen, has vetoed and destroyed the programs that are needed to help the people through the crunch. A fraudulent "energy crisis" has been allowed to expand to the point that big oil companies reap the benefits of high prices and big profits, all at the taxpayers' expense.

The relations with Communist powers became so good that these nations were allowed to become the beneficiaries of a questionable "grain deal" at the expense of American farmers, and concessions have been made in the Middle East to the disadvantage of our allies.

Revenue sharing, noble in intent, has proven a colossal failure, a waste of funds that could help the people. Governmental controls have increased rather than decreased.

Finally, the scandals known collectively as "Watergate" have

torn the nation apart, uncloaked a once respected President as a thief and a rascal and driven the faith of the American people in their government to an all time low.

The most disheartening thing about all of this is the fact that the Republican Party, from the President down to the precinct chairman, has been an accomplice to each and every fraud, failure and trick, instead of opposing the nightmares concocted by the Nixon Administration, the GOP has supported them. Instead of helping impeach the criminal in the White House, the Republican Party has defended him.

It is a tragedy that men like Charles Percy, Edward Brooke

and Nelson Rockefeller are the dying gasps rather than the breaths of life for the Republican Party.

I can no longer be a part of the criminal ring. I can no longer affiliate myself with the party of special interest. I can no longer make excuses for men who cannot make excuses for themselves.

The Democratic Party has pulled together again. Its policies once again reflect the attitudes of the American people (as they always have, with only a few exceptions). It is truly the party of the people.

Mr. Jim Cummings, the "grand old man" of the Democratic Party has said it is time for all the prodigals to come home.

I am the prodigal. I am coming home. I am a Democrat.

### Sidelines

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## Readers' views

To the editor,

The year is almost over and this is the last issue of Sidelines for this semester. I found the paper to be informative and impressive, however, it lacks something essential to any good newspaper--features.

National politics and government are well and good if left to the New York Times. Sidelines involves itself with government issues but fails to see local color.

Crouse Powell, a talented young writer, has been wasted--banished to the dark, dank confines of Collage. He could have been used to provide light entertainment. Instead his spirit was killed--smothered under wordy editorials. The four of his features that did find a place within the newsprint left readers with a thirst for more--a thirst that will never be fully slacked.

Other writers such as myself have not been so avant-garde. We were not able to withstand the brow beating from the editorial staff so potentially good writers either quit or settled for a plain old "paste-up" production job.

"So it goes" as Vonnegut would say.

Wayne Hudgens, editor of Sidelines, has committed his life to Journalism and being the next Democratic king of America. The Sidelines has become more or less a wanted poster for Dick Nixon (Would you believe he has implied MTSU and Nixon in illegal scandals of the same nature?).

"Hudgey" would do well to leave Nixon alone and quit beating a dead elephant.

I'm sure many other students feel as I do that the Sidelines has unintentionally wronged the student body by not providing them with the entertainment they rightly deserve.

Randy Carter  
Box 1006

To the editor:

The Black Students Association (BSA) is a group of black college students united to provide recreation and communication among the Blacks on and off campus. If the majority of the blacks want something done, it is up to the BSA to accomplish it.

But the BSA is not functioning as effectively as it should. The main reason the BSA is not functioning effectively is because it

lacks support, not lack of support from the Establishment, but from the blacks themselves. Not enough black students support their BSA. The reason for the blacks not supporting the BSA is because they are "too cool" to be real. This means that they are so afraid that others will not accept them as they really are, that they pretend to be something they are not.

The solution, which I think would be best, is for others to try and open up more. I believe that to be yourself is being cool. By opening up more, people in the BSA could have a better understanding of one another. Then its functions would seem and be more worthwhile.

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# Craftsmen display talents in historical setting

by Lora Holbrook

If you think Studio 4 Handmakers has been around quite a while, you're wrong. However, if you think its setting has been around a number of years, you're right--108 years to be exact!

Studio 4 Handmakers, in addition to being one of the most historic buildings in Murfreesboro, is the abode of the only native craft cooperative operating locally.

In September 1972, William Holland, an English professor at Middle Tennessee State University, and his wife Anne purchased a dilapidated but fascinating house at 718 North Maney Ave. in hopes of restoring and someday residing there. In the meantime, they planned to use it as a studio for dance and art.

However, in December 1973, destiny began to interfere with the Hollands' plans.

Perhaps this old building still had a mind of its own. But more than likely, credit is due to craftsmen in and around Murfreesboro who persuaded Holland to open a "Christmas shop" here--a place where they could assemble, display, sell and teach others about their various crafts.

"Things worked out so well we just decided to keep it going," Holland said. "We're open to the public now every weekend."

Anyone interested or just plain curious is invited to stop by. "The craftsmen enjoy people showing interest and admiring their work, remarked Holland, "and, of course, we just like talking to people who come in. If we can provide a place for people to sit around and enjoy what we're doing, it doesn't matter whether they buy or not," he added.

This isn't just another commercial craft shop. "Studio 4 Handmakers is a native craft shop," Holland emphasized, "which means its crafts are made of authentic materials and hand-made, a reflection of the true talents of the craftsmen."

Studio 4 is open to any craftsman who is "crafty" enough and needs an outlet for his talent. Presently, the group is composed of professors and students of Middle Tennessee State University, teachers in Rutherford and surrounding school systems, housewives and others of various ages and occupations.

The satisfactions Studio 4 Handmakers now offers to its members

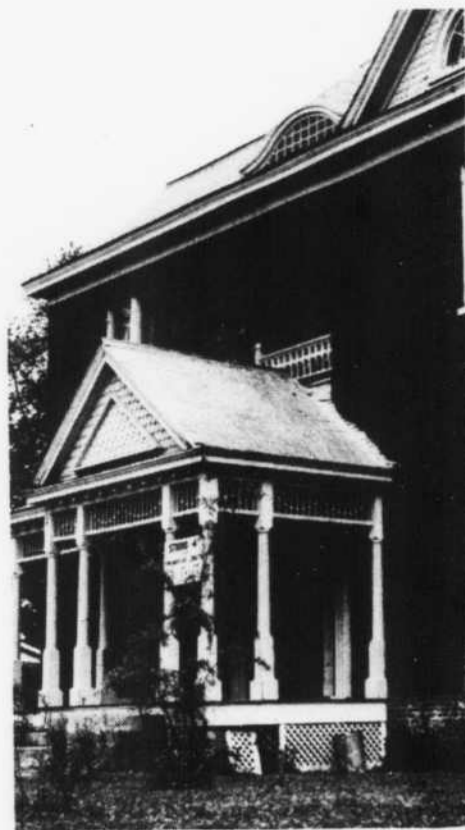


Photo by M. Alan Loveless

## Studio 4

and to the public were not obtained without hard labor.

The house, built during the Reconstruction Era in 1866 by J.P. Henderson, has been completely restored on the inside since the Hollands purchased it.

Holland, along with some friends, had to rewire, replumb, repatch, refinish, repaint and reheat the house before it could be liveable again.

In renovating this structure, the Hollands have been careful not to destroy its originality. They have kept in mind that the high calibre of its architectural design has made it a landmark distinction. The Victorian character of the two-story house remains, with the arch-topped front windows and gazebo-like extension on the northern corner.

The interior of Studio 4 Handmakers, with its 14-foot ceilings, recessed windows, wooden mantles and a sweeping stairway still holds an elegant touch of nostalgia.

Recently, the Tennessee Historical Society has been recognizing historical landmarks in Rutherford County, and a plaque with the inscription, "Henderson-Holland House, 1866-1973," will soon be erected in front of Studio 4 Handmakers.

Without a doubt, the historic fabric of Murfreesboro is woven throughout this house. Its atmosphere of days gone by is a perfect setting for the traditional crafts located therein.

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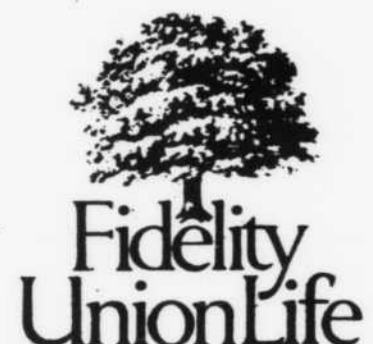
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## Professor challenges subpoena in sex discrimination case

by Larry Harrington

Federal District Judge L. Clure Morton will hear arguments Wednesday challenging the state's subpoena of an MTSU sociology professor in a sex discrimination suit against the university filed by a former psychology professor.

The subpoena commands Rita Decker-Gregg, assistant profes-



**Rita Decker-Gregg**

or of sociology, to produce "documents" and other information she has relating to sex discrimination.

"The subpoena is so broad that she would have to hand over everything she has regardless of whether or not she produced it," Decker-Gregg's attorney said.

He said he would ask the judge to limit the subpoena to information related to the sex discrimination suit filed by former psychology professor Cheryl Travis.

The suit, which is scheduled to be heard in Federal District Court May 29, alleges patterns of systematic discrimination against women in rates of pay, advancement, opportunities, job security and other areas of university employment.

Decker-Gregg, who has served as chairman of an association of American University Professors committee investigating sex discrimination, said she was a stranger to the suit and that the subpoena threatened her academic freedom.

"I am deeply shocked by the tactics used by the Assistant State Attorney General in order to 'fish' through sociological findings generated by professionals in this field," Decker-Gregg said.

She said the broad nature of the subpoena threatened her ethical obligation to maintain the confidentiality of respondents.

"There have been a number of

cases filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission by faculty members who have felt that they experienced retaliation because of their views on the hiring of women and minorities," she said.

Asst. State Atty. Gen. Henry Haile said the state "just wants to see the information about discrimination that she has said she has."

Decker-Gregg's attorney said the state is attempting to obtain information that his client had worked hard to collect.

"It is part of her work product. The state should pay for her as an expert witness," he said.

Decker-Gregg criticized the subpoena as "tasteless and unnecessary."

"Hopefully, in the future they will refrain from sending a U.S. marshal to my office to publicly announce they want all information generated by me and others in regard to sex discrimination," she said.

Decker-Gregg said she had not been contacted by the state before the subpoena was served.

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Tom Wiseman

Jimmy Powers, Waverly mayor, and Hudley Crockett, former television newsman, have both announced their candidacy for the Democratic nomination for governor.

"I don't think any Tennessean, including the governor, can be satisfied as long as we are 46th nationally in education expenditures, 39th in teachers' salaries and 42nd in workmen's compensation benefits," Wiseman said in opening his campaign.

Wiseman, a Tullahoma attorney and former state representative, said "the next governor of Tennessee can have a significant impact on what is happening nationally."

The candidate attacked the spiraling inflation rate and condemned the national administration for believing "the way to handle the gasoline shortage is to allow prices to go so high that the average man can't afford to buy gas."

The failure of the state legislature to pass a strong campaign

ethics law also came under attack from Wiseman. "Such a law would have solved the problem of campaign ethics for all the candidates," he said.

Wiseman said he was willing to disclose all campaign contributions but would do so only if the other candidates agreed to. "In the absence of such an agreement by all candidates, I don't feel I should disclose," he said.

"I plan to use a lot of shoe leather to take my campaign to all Tennesseans, to talk to them about the issues and listen to what they have to say," Wiseman said.

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# Students face big odds in 'vending game'

by Natalie Andrews

Let's play a game, okay? Here's how it goes: player walks up to machine, inserts coin in slot A and presses one of several buttons.

If Lady Luck is looking over his shoulder, he wins and receives his prize from slot B.

If he is not experiencing a lucky day, however, the machine digests his coin and cannot be induced to give forth a thing in return.

One who has been to Las Vegas recently will recognize this as a modified version of playing the slot machines.

But it should sound familiar to most MTSU students as well. This is the vending machine game, and equipment is available in every major building on campus.

Naturally, the machines are not supposed to take money without delivering goods; this is a mechanical malfunction. And according to J. O. Gist, assistant business manager for the university, this is the biggest complaint he receives about the machines.

"We don't really get very many complaints about the vending machines. But those we do get are mainly about machines that take money," observes Gist.

"If this happens, though, all a student has to do is come to the window of the business office in the administration building, sign a voucher, and he'll get his money back.

"We have never questioned any refunds we make. If a claim is really excessive, we may ask the distributor to come in and talk to the student, but generally there is no trouble at all," Gist reassures.

On the other hand, when students go to get merchandise from vending machines, they are often perturbed by the high prices and small sizes. Gist explains that prices are stated in the contract when bids are accepted, and that the vendor cannot usually raise these prices.

Another thing that troubles students is that they occasionally get inferior merchandise. "According to the contract," Gist explains, "the vendor must keep fresh merchandise in his machines."

Maybe because they are checked daily, Smith reports little trouble with student vandals.

"Of course we have some vandalism, but it is not appreciable. A few dorms consistently give us

trouble (he did not name them), but the great majority give us no trouble at all."

The vending company does maintain the right to remove machines which have had excessive damage inflicted upon them, and finds it has to do this occasionally in some of the troublesome dorms.

Smith explains: "Sometimes we just take them out for a few days and then put them back. If that's the end of the trouble — fine. If not, we take them out again and sometimes have to remove them permanently.

"If a person damages a machine trying to get merchandise, he inflicts a lot more damage than the value of all the items he could get."

Not only will a person try to open a machine or bang on it to get merchandise, many try to "fool" the machines. The methods tried are endless, admits Smith.

"We've had people use metal slugs, coathangers and foreign coins. People will feed the machine quite a bit of money, hoping it will 'go wild' and release all its contents. Some people hit two or three selection buttons at once, hoping to get more than one item.

"The most ingenious idea, though, was tried by a girl several years ago. We found a dime with a length of string pasted on it in the machine. She obviously hoped to get the merchandise and then pull her dime out. All she did was

jam the machine," chuckles Smith.

Even dimes with strings attached add up to dollars, and quite naturally the university garners a share of the money. Last year, the university was \$52,000

richer because of vending machine sales.

"The money from vending goes back into the university," emphasizes Morris Bass, vice president of finance and administration.

"Money from machines in dorms, which amounted to \$32,000 last year, goes back to the dorm to help pay off bonds. The money from machines in other buildings, which came to \$20,000 last year, goes to pay the general operating expenses of the university," he says.

This money is guaranteed to the university in the vendor's contracts. Gist reveals that by contractual agreement, the university receives 15 per cent of the gross sales of candy, gum and other snacks; ten per cent of the gross sales of potato chips, pastries and cigarettes; 35 per cent from soft drinks in cups; and 40 per cent from bottled drinks.

In addition to receipts from the traditional vending items, the university receives 40 per cent of the income from the coin-operated washers and dryers and \$115 per month from the Xerox copying machines in the library.

Naturally, you as a student are more concerned with your own operating expenses than with those of the university. So next time you chance to play the vending machine game, hope for Lady Luck . . . but be sure you have a pocket full of change.



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# Survey compares bookstore prices

A survey taken yesterday to compare buy-back prices at the Blue Raider Bookstore and the University Bookstore revealed generally lower prices at the University Bookstore.

Eighteen books were selected at random, including general education textbooks and books from different departments. In the Blue Raider column prices in parenthesis are for books bought at that store.

Managers of the Blue Raider and University bookstores agreed there is no way to make a representative sampling of the books at a buy-back rate.

"In no way can you take 20 books which consist of several thousand in stock and get a true

picture of one store compared to another," said Earl Harris, university bookstore textbook manager.

"The only true way is to take a complete list of all books and compare them," Harris said. "We are using current retail prices based on the new retail value which has gone up."

"It's hard to take a representative sampling of prices because textbooks vary," said Jim Towery of the University Bookstore. "We try to go by the prices in the book, but the prices in different books fluctuate."

"If a student bought his books here, he can get more money than if the student bought his book somewhere else," Towery said.

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Harbrace Handbook	3.15 (2.30)	3.22
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Essentials of Managerial Finance	7.10 (6.80)	7.25
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Calculus and Analytic Geometry	8.20 (7.80)	8.37
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## Yearbook sets photo rules

Photographs of seniors and underclassmen will be used in next year's Midlander only if taken by Underwood Studios, Nancy Nipper, yearbook editor, said yesterday.

"We had to put the contract for photography of underclassmen and seniors out for bid this year because Morris Bass (MTSU vice-president for finance and administration) said state law required it," Nipper said.

"As we understand it, under state law we must use pictures from Underwood," she said.

Student publications adviser Jerry Hilliard said the decision to award the contract to Underwood was based on the quality of work available and the prices of photos to students.

Students, not the university, will pay for the pictures, Hilliard said.

"Sitting fees will be \$4 for seniors and 75 cents for underclassmen," Hilliard said. "For that \$4, seniors will be given four to eight poses to choose from."

## Students plan fast

American high school and college students are preparing the "Fast to Save a People" in an effort to raise financial aid for African nations faced with massive starvation.

On May 1, students are urged to skip one or all of the day's meals and donate the money saved to Project Relief, P.O. Box 1445, Providence, R. I. 02901.

This will aid six to ten million people who face death from starvation as a result of the ongoing African drought, according to Project Relief officials.

Rains have failed in eight sub-Saharan African countries for the last six to eight years, escalating the southern rate of growth of the Sahara desert to 30 miles per year, according to national organizers.

Co-sponsors of the project are Oxfram-America and Project Relief, both non-profit organizations.

The fast has been endorsed by a number of prominent Americans, including Julian Bond, William F. Buckley, Jr., Sen. George McGovern and Alvin Toffler.

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The sitting fee will pay for the picture in the yearbook, he said.

Although Underwood's sitting fee for seniors is \$1 more than that of Delbridge Studios, another photographic company, the prices for the picture packages are considerably lower than those of comparable quality by Delbridge, Hilliard said.

Delbridge had the contract with Midlander for the last 24 years, Hilliard said. The company had an agreement with the university before, but state laws demanded the opening up of bids, he said.

"Only pictures from Underwood will be used because if we did it any other way, it would mean different head sizes, backgrounds and attire in the pictures," Hilliard said.

The decision to award the contract to Underwood was made by Hilliard, Nipper, mass communications department head Ed Kimbrell and Midlander photography editor Fred Carr.

Photos of underclassmen will be taken during fall registration, Nipper said. According to Underwood's plans, senior pictures will be taken in the fall and sold and distributed before Christmas, she said.

## History teacher wins award

William T. Windham, professor of history, was recently presented the annual "Excellent Teacher Award" by the MTSU chapter of the Gamma Beta Phi society.

"The purpose of the award is to encourage the betterment of education on campus, and this is one way the society is doing this," Aaron Todd, Gamma Beta Phi adviser, said.

The members of the society nominate professors and then vote on the nominees, Todd said.

Windham, a graduate of Illinois Institute of Technology and the University of Alabama, has been an MTSU faculty member since 1955.

In 1967, Windham was presented one of the MTSU Foundation's "Outstanding Teacher" awards. He also holds a silver medallion for service to MTSU and an Outstanding Educators of America awards.

The Excellent Teacher Award was presented to Windham early this month by Bob Townsend, president of the Gamma Beta Phi society.

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## Raider Roundup

**WOMEN'S TENNIS:** MTSU's Raiderettes coasted to victories over Trevecca College and the University of Tennessee at Martin last weekend by margins of 9-0 and 6-3, respectively. The double win brought MTSU's record to 8-3 for the season with the last regular season match coming with David Lipscomb May 7.

"This spring has been a good season for the team," said Linda Farver, Raiderette coach. "I've been pleased with our play, and we're only going to lose one player next year off the team."

**WOMEN'S BOWLING:** Lynn Burlow, Debby Boykin, Sandy McMillan and Debbie Kerr fought off the challenge of six other girls to win a place on MTSU's bowling squad Wednesday.

By being selected for the team, Burlow became the only woman in the history of MTSU sports to represent the university in four state tournaments in a single year. Burlow had previously competed on the women's volleyball, tennis and

basketball teams.

**WOMEN'S ATHLETICS:** Substantial improvements, both organizational and monetary, are in the planning for the MTSU Women's athletic program, Joe Ruffner, Intramural Director said yesterday. Ruffner said a meeting between Dr. Harry Wagner, MTSU student affairs vice-president, and a women's athletic committee last week resulted in the planning of steps to insure the progress and improvement of women's athletics.

Ruffner cited the results of a comparative survey made by the women's committee and the article which appeared in recent issues of Sidelines as being instrumental in bringing about the proposed changes in the women's program.

"The administration was very understanding when the committee presented its proposals," Ruffner said. "Dr. Wagner was most helpful along with Dr. Solomon of the Health, Physical Education Department."

Ruffner said the women's program will be under the direction of the HPER department, rather than the intramural office, if the proposed changes are accepted.

**INTRAMURALS:** With a fourth place finish in the volleyball tourney, Tim and Earl's Pearls became the first independent team to capture the IM over-all point championship. The Pearls edged Kappa Sigma by three points, despite Kappa Sigma's first place finish in the volleyball finals.

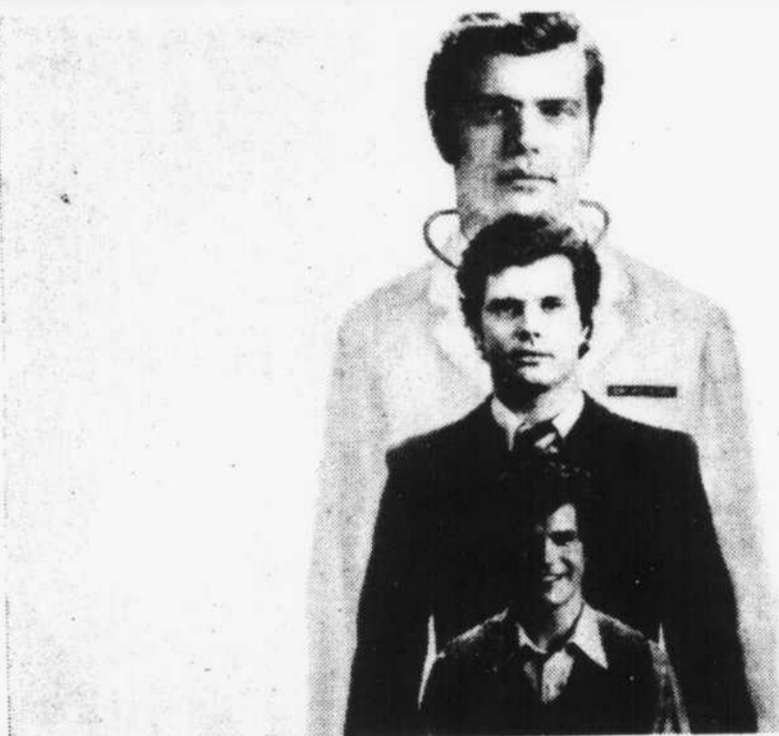
**BASKETBALL:** By a vote of the presidents and athletic directors of the universities in the Ohio Valley Conference, the OVC representative to the NCAA tournament will be decided by a post-season tournament involving the top four teams in the conference.

The vote was made last week in Murray, Ky. The play off will take place at either Nashville, Murfreesboro or Western Kentucky University.

Claude "Sleepy" Taylor, the leading prep scorer in the state of North Carolina, has signed a basketball grant-in-aid with Middle Tennessee State University.

Taylor's, a 6-3 1/2 guard, inked both the Ohio Valley Conference grant and the national letter of intent in the presence of Blue Raider assistant coach Ken Brackett.

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# Raiders to battle SEC champ Vandy

by Reid Andrews

MTSU will close out its finest season ever this afternoon at 1 p.m. when the Raiders play host to Vanderbilt University in a double-header.

Coach John Stanford's Blue Raider team has a 27-11 record plus the OVC Western Spring title, while Vanderbilt has a 32-20 mark and the SEC Eastern Division Championship.

MTSU saw its chances for the OVC title fade away Sunday afternoon when Murray State won the OVC Western Division over-all title with a 7-2 win over the Raiders in Murfreesboro.

Gary Matthews took his first defeat of the season against five wins.

Matthews faced only two batters in the game. Terry Brown opened the game by drawing a walk and then Jack Perconte doubled Brown to third. Stanford brought in Billy Joe Mahaffey who gave up a single to Leon Worth.

With the Racers leading 2-0 in the eighth, Murray exploded for five runs to assure the win. Two walks and an error played key roles in the inning. Winning

pitcher Mike Sims helped his own cause when he banded out a two run double in the inning.

The Raiders got their only runs of the day in the ninth when Carter Garner singled home Rodney Jones, who had singled for one run and Roger Cox infield grounder got home Tommy Beaver, who had walked.

The Raiders earned the right to play Murray Sunday by defeating the team from Kentucky Friday afternoon in Clarksville by the score of 7-3.

MTSU matched the Racers in hits with eight each. Billy Krei picked up the win in relief of Melson and Mahaffey. The Raiders broke open the game in the third when they scored three times. In the sixth, MTSU added another run when catcher Scott Sain blasted his fifth homer of the season.

In the ninth, the Raiders put the game out of reach when they bunched three hits together for three runs. Tommy Owens, playing with a cracked wrist, belted his second homer of the season to highlight the inning.

MTSU is ranked 7th in the nation in pitching with an ERA team

average of 2.05.

Matthews, Senior lefthander from Memphis ranks eighth in the nation in strikeouts. Matthews has struckout 57 batters in 41

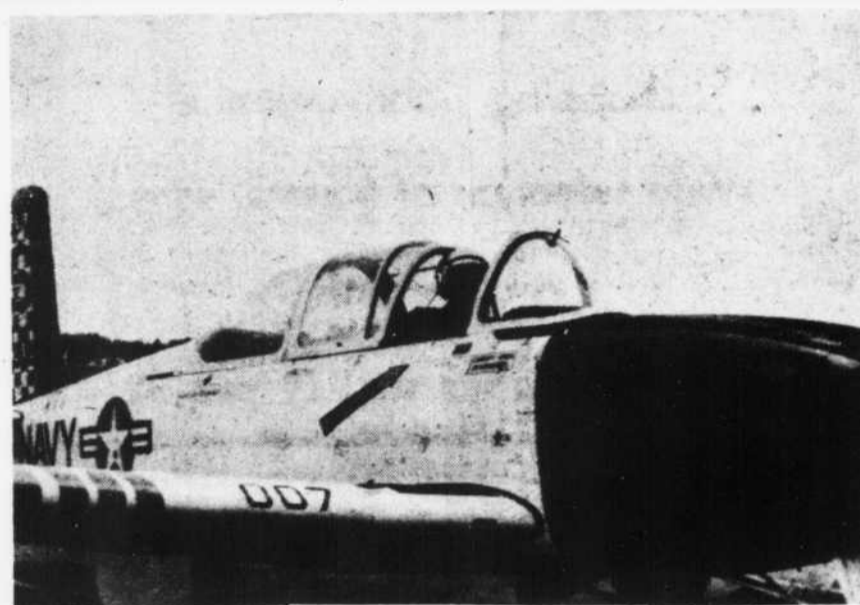
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# Netters bound for UTK; Castle eyes possible upset

by Tom Wood

Wrapping up what has been called a "super year" by Coach Larry Castle, the Blue Raider netters will be competing in the UT-K Classic in Knoxville this weekend.

Along with MTSU and the University of Tennessee, Southern Illinois and the University of Cincinnati will also be participating.

"It's the strongest over-all

## MTSU coach 32-6

## '74 track team 'best'-Hayes

Raider track coach Dean Hayes said yesterday his 1974 undefeated track team is "the best I've ever coached."

With an 8-0 dual and tri-meet record this season, Hayes brought his career record to 32-6.

The Raiders' only loss in the last three years came against the University of Notre Dame in 1972 by 10 points.

"This team is more solid than any I've ever had," Hayes said. "We can score points in nearly every event, and that's hard to beat."

However, Hayes said he still considers his team an "underdog" in the upcoming Ohio Valley Con-

ference meet. field we've been in this year," said Castle. "Cincinnati is ranked 14th in the nation, but I'd have to pick Tennessee."

The squad is 16-2 on the season with 5-4 losses coming against Austin Peay and Western Kentucky, winding up only 2 points away from going undefeated in dual matches.

"We've had a super year. The lowest we could possibly finish in

ference meet.

"Western Kentucky is definitely the favorite," he said. "They're going to pick a lot of points in the distance events, and we're weak there."

Hayes said Austin Peay, Murray and MTSU all have a chance at the crown, depending on the number of points Western losses in certain events.

"We were really hurt by the loss of Jesse Agnew (MTSU high jumper)," he added. "Jesse had a good shot at first. Now, we're counting on the recovery of Clint Dennison."

Agnew is out for the year with an injured knee, while Dennison is recovering from mononucleosis.

the Ohio Valley Conference is third, and we've got an excellent chance of winning the OVC," said Castle.

The OVC championships are scheduled for May 17 and 18 at

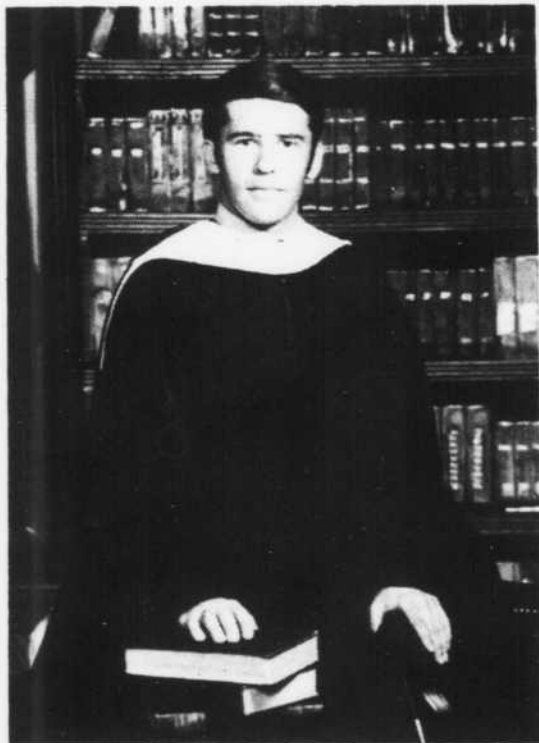
Murray State.

"If we win the OVC and get in the NCAA tournaments, we could finish in the top 20 in the nation," added Castle.

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Scott's Spot

# 1973-74: A vintage year for MTSU athletics

by Scott Elliott  
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With a few minor exceptions, it's been a vintage year for Blue Raider sports.

As sports editor of Sidelines, it has been my pleasure to follow the progress of each of the MTSU athletic teams, and, to say the least, the thrills have been many and the disappointments few.

Going back to the times of pig-skin fever in early September, the first winning note of the year came at the UT-Martin game.

With less than a minute remaining in the contest, reserve quarterback Dean Rodenbeck hit split end Mike Finney with a scoring aerial to provide the first of many breathless moments in MTSU sports this school year.

The cheers during football season were not exactly heard around the world. However, knocking off arch rival Tennessee Tech in the season finale put a little glitter on an otherwise dismal 4-7 finish for Bill Peck's boys.

Next, there was the year of all years in MTSU basketball. It was the year Jimmy Earle and company changed the entire com-

plexion of Raider roundball, both for the spectator and the participant.

The Raiders' league leading 18-8 over-all mark was highlighted by the thriller of the year Jan. 26 at Murphy Center.

You guessed it--it was the MTSU-Austin Peay contest. That game, which the Raiders amazingly pulled out with an overtime win, put more gray hairs on Earle's head than his wife ever could.

The ending of the cold weather and the blooming of the dogwoods brought one of the most productive springs in MTSU sports history.

Starting off with John Stanfords' baseballers, it was a record breaking season for the blue diamond-men. With the season not yet completed, the Raiders have accumulated a 27-11 mark, the winningest record in MTSU baseball.

How about that tennis team? Two points. Just two measly points separate Larry Castle's netters from becoming the first undefeated tennis team in dual matches this university has ever had.

With two 5-4 losses, Castle's bunch is 16-2 on the year and a good pick to separate APSU from the OVC title.

Perhaps saving the best for last, Dean Hayes' Raider track team ended its dual and tri-meet season with an 8-0 record, marking the

second consecutive year MTSU has gone undefeated.

It's been some year. One could easily write a book on it.

But starting Sept. 7, when the Raider football team takes aim at revenge against Tennessee State--it all begins again.

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