

Sidelines

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WHATEVER HAPPENED TO SCHOOL SPIRIT ?

Football coach Ben Hurt calls them "the twelfth man on our ball team," while basketball coach Jimmy Earle says, "they can really get our team cranked up."

Who are they? The people in the stands.

To many people, school spirit went out when they left high school. They are up here to get an education and don't really care about whether the Raiders win or not.

Jim Coleman hopes those people are in the minority.

Coleman, a graduate assistant in charge of cheerleaders this year, and a cheerleader himself for four

years, thinks school spirit here is changing, moving away from the realm of the fraternities and sororities and into the territory of the dorm residents.

"I perceive that there is a lot of school spirit. The dorm people have really dominated the two pep rallies we have had this season; it's not just the greeks."

Coleman and the cheerleaders are searching for ways to increase spirit on campus, and they have come up with some interesting ideas. "We are going to run a "Blue Raider Ride" to all the dorms before the ball games. It is a [continued on page five]

Suit challenges elections

House of Representatives tables ASB budget

by Laura Lewis

A proposed ASB budget bill was tabled last night at a meeting of the House of Representatives, and immediately following the meeting, three house members filed suit against the ASB, alleging that the present election commission is improperly composed.

ASB president Richard Langford explained to House members that the budget, which was passed last week by the ASB senate, contained lists of "what we have spent and what we intend to spend."

During the course of the meeting, Mason requested that the House elect new members to serve on the election commission in terms concurrent with that of new Election Commissioner Danny Dunkleberger.

Acting Speaker of the House Tom Wells over-ruled Mason's request on the grounds that a new commission would be elected following the Speaker of the House election, which is to be held next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mason argued that such a ruling was "against the law" and challenged the ruling of the chair, with the house voting against the challenge.

Mason, along with Reps. Greg Vick and Van West, filed suit against the ASB immediately after the meeting, which declared that the present commission is invalid, while ordering the acting speaker to call a special meeting of the House to elect a new commission and declaring any elections held under the present election commission to be invalid.



Staff photo by Thom Coombs

Speaker protem Mark Floyd recognizes a speaker during last night's ASB house meeting.

Mason alleged that the present commission is not composed of members of the House, which he claimed is against the law, and that the commission is not complete and that the present members are not serving terms in concurrence with that of Dunkleberger, which he also termed illegal under present election laws.

In response, Wells claimed that "the election commission that's

functioning now is going to function through this election, regardless of what happens."

"We couldn't even get any nominations for parliamentarian tonight," Wells asserted. "So we couldn't elect six new commissioners right now, the point being that right now nobody in the House knows what each other does. A new

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NEWS

The budget, which allotted a total of \$4055 for future ASB expenditures, was tabled by the House by a vote of 28-9. Two later motions to bring it off the table failed.

Later, the House passed a resolution by Rep. Bill Mason to establish a budget committee that he said will, in effect, "give some kind of logical, clear and understandable meaning to the budget."

Alleged rapist denies accusations by student

by Jenny Tenpenny

A man accused in the rape of an MTSU coed last Feb. 26 took the witness stand in his own defense yesterday and claimed that he had never seen the victim until the preliminary hearing.

Johnny L. Smith, 23, of Murfreesboro is charged with assault and battery and rape of a former coed who opened the State's case on Wednesday.

She identified Smith during her testimony as the man who abducted

her at gun point from the MTSU campus and made her drive him to a spot near Mt. Herman Rd. where he allegedly raped her.

Smith testified that he had no knowledge of the incident and felt that he had been "framed" in the case against him by Murfreesboro Police Det. Sgt. Jim Cook.

During the testimony Smith said that he had spent the day driving around and fishing but he could not give specific times for being at any place.

The victim testified that she arrived on the MTSU campus at 1:15 on Feb. 26 to attend a class which began at 1:40. She said she was waiting in her car when Smith arrived in a white and beige pickup truck. The witness said, "He got out of his truck and started walking toward me. He pointed a gun in the window and said, 'Don't scream.'"

Her testimony revealed that the assailant was wearing green knit pants, a black knit shirt, a ventilated cap and he carried the weapon concealed under a denim jacket.

When they reached the scene of the incident, the victim said, "He said he wanted to make love. He made me take my pants off and my underpants. Then he started to rape me."

She said that when he was through he gave her his T-shirt to clean up with. Then he made her drive back to town, apologizing for his actions and offering to pay for the gas.

Cook testified that the victim arrived at the Murfreesboro Police Station with her parents after the alleged incident occurred and gave him a detailed description of her assailant and the vehicle he was driving.

During Cook's testimony, a gun, a pair of undershorts, a T-shirt, a black, knit shirt and a denim jacket were introduced as evidence. Cook procured all the items from Smith's apartment except for the T-shirt, found at the scene of the crime.

In his testimony, Smith did not deny that the items were his except for the T-shirt. He said, "If it came from the scene of the crime, it is not mine."

Smith also owned a beige and tan pickup truck which was identified as the vehicle the victim's assailant was driving the day of the incident. Smith also said that he had been wearing green pants and a black shirt on the day in question.

Medical evidence introduced in the case revealed that no sperm was found in the victim's vaginal tract. But Matt Murfree, Murfreesboro physician who examined the victim after the incident, stated that this did not indicate that the victim had not been raped since she had taken a bath before being examined.

Defense attorney Mose Davie is expected to call character witnesses on behalf of Smith today before resting his case.

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House members sue ASB

[continued from page two] commission couldn't be functional in this election."

In other action, the House passed three bills, each of which were proposed by Rep. Greg Vick.

The first bill would grant the rights of the ASB to "budget their own money, in accordance to the needs of the Associated Student Body."

The second bill will put into effect a new student patrol program, designed to provide a night-time escort service, intended for use by female students as protection for evening journeys in and around campus.

"For example," Vick explained, "a girl living in High Rise West needing to go to the library at eight or nine o'clock at night would call the service number and an escort would come and walk with her to the library."

Vick mentioned two incidents

that occurred last spring—"a rape in broad daylight and the 'bicycle pincher'" as justification for the patrol program.

The third bill would grant the state student governments ultimate authority in naming students to the Board of Regents.

Rep. Mark Floyd was elected speaker pro tem by House members, but there were no nominations made for parliamentarian, which is presently an unfulfilled position.



One of MTSU's many clubs gets another recruit during ASB "Club Night" outside the UC Wednesday night.

Staff photo by Thom Coombs

Professor runs for convention delegate

Constitutional Convention delegate candidate Tom Vandervort is presently conducting "an active campaign" to give local voters a chance to have input on issues that will be considered in the August 1977 meeting, the candidate

explained this week.

Vandervort, who has served as a political science professor here for more than 13 years, explained that "I want to urge the voters to study the issues and let me know how they feel about them."

Locally, Vandervort is distributing 10,000 leaflets containing a list of potential issues. Voters are encouraged to rank the issues according to their personal priorities, and then indicate support of objection to the issues.

Removal of the present 10 percent interest rate ceiling, creation of consumer protection and popular election of the state attorney general are among issues listed on the questionnaire.

"In 1870, the basic constitution of the state was created, and the convention was dominated by radical republicans," Vandervort said. "We now have a very interesting opportunity to make changes in this constitution in the first really broad convention we have had since the document was

written," Vandervort said.

"I don't think the voters are aware of the importance of the convention yet," the candidate said. "The people of Tennessee have a right to change their constitution and they deserve to have these issues worded in proposals they can understand."

"Early returns from the questionnaires indicate divided voter opinion on the removal of the interest rate ceiling and strong support for adding elements of consumer protection to the constitution. Those who have responded thus far are also interested in improvement in the court system and changes in the Attorney General's office," Vandervort said.

"The involvement of the people in discussions of the issues included in the convention will promote a better understanding of Tennessee government and will also promote a government more responsive to their will," Vandervort concluded.

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ASB provides travel board

by Paulette Parkhurst

The ASB travel board located next to the post office in the University Center is now in operation, according to Art Swary, ASB cabinet member.

Swary said the travel board can be used to find a ride for long trips, car pools or to find a ride to a football game.

The procedures are simple. The student fills out a card provided on the board, then he enters the card in the numbered box that corresponds with where he wants to go.

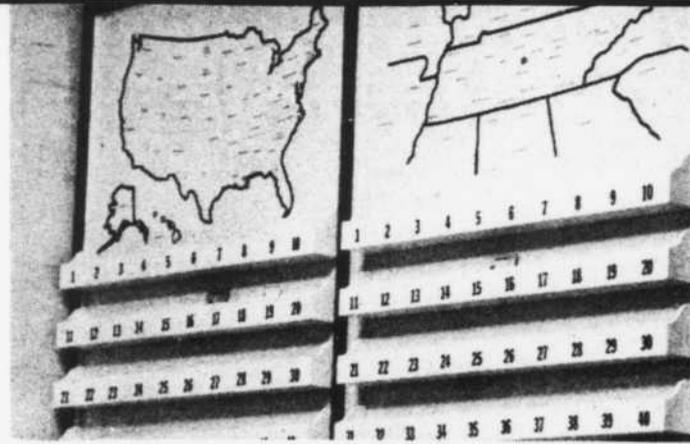
Swary said there are two separate cards in the box. The white cards are used by students looking for a passenger, and the blue cards are used by the students looking for a ride.

The travel board consists of a U.S. portion to find any state for a certain date. Students should enter cards a few weeks in advance for long rides so that interested students will see the request.

A Tennessee map showing many cities in the state enables the student to find a city or a city nearby the place he is wanting to go. This can benefit many students who have no transportation available, Swary said.

The bulletin board next to the travel board is to remind students of meetings within different organizations and for communication between students and the ASB.

When a student finds some information on the board that he wants, Swary requested that he not remove the card, but copy the needed information.



ASB travel board

Staff photo by Thom Coombs

Cheering crowds to win or lose season?

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flatbed truck that will carry students to the field, all the time hollering and yelling with the cheerleaders," Coleman said. He explained that the flatbed should pass by all of the dorms between 6 and 6:30 p.m. on the night of home games.

Coleman said that in his four years of cheerleading, he had watched crowds start the season with a lot of spirit, only to lose it as the season, and the losing, continued.

"Ben Hurt has really changed the image of the team; I mean, people no longer think of them as just being jocks or people that only want to lift weights," Coleman

said. "He has brought the respect back to the athletes, and people know their faces and know that they're human beings."

"I don't know whether a good school just happens to have good spirit or whether good spirit makes for a good school, but I think MTSU is a good school and I think they

should have real good school spirit," Coleman said.

"There's no greater thrill in the whole world," Coleman said, "than to listen to that crowd roar after the team scores the winning points. Those were, and still are, the greatest moments in my life," he added.

Campus Calendar

Saturday

Bicycle Safety Workshop: 9:30-12 noon, Driving Range

F.B.L.A. (Future Business Leaders of America) Officers: 10 a.m.-12 noon, room 305, UC

Dance—Kappa Alpha Psi Kitten Club: 9.m. Tennessee Room, SUB

MTSU vs. U.T. Martin: 7:30 p.m., Horacê Jones Field

Sunday

Rutherford County Bike Route Touring System: 2-6 p.m., Greenland Drive Parking Lot

Bicycle Safety Workshop: 9:30-12, Driving Range

Orienteering Team: practice at Cedars of Lebanon State Park, interested persons meet in front of Forrest Hall, 1 p.m.

Monday

National Collegiate Association for Secretaries (NCAS): 4:30 p.m., room 102 Business Building

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Election commission mess indicates leadership lack

The first meeting of the ASB house is barely over, and already an area of major confusion has appeared—the election commission

In the mind of acting house speaker Tom Wells, the situation here on campus is still too unsettled to go about appointing a new commission prior to the Tuesday-Wednesday ASB elections. The lack of nominations for parliamentarian demonstrated the lack of initiative the house possessed.

To several members of the auspicious body, however, the elections cannot go on without the benefit of a new commission.

A situation such as this—so confusing that even good friends who are students of the ASB constitution cannot agree—should never have been allowed to occur. There is a serious gap in leadership somewhere in the student government organization which is allowing a considerable amount of misinformation to be perpetuated about ASB affairs.

OPINION

The house meeting, for one thing, should never have been held this week. In reality, there was crying need for the body to have met two or three weeks ago, when students were first arriving and the house was on the brink of a leadership crisis, caused by the resignation of speaker Jeff Combos.

Then the games began.

Election commissioner Butch Burns resigned his post to seek Comos' seat, and speaker pro tempore Margaret Alexander was forced to resign from her post, believing that her presence in both the house and the ASB cabinet was an unconstitutional situation.

Wells, the parliamentarian of the house, thus became the acting speaker of the house, a convenient coincidence since he was to



announce his intentions to run for the office, and Combos had endorsed his candidacy.

While all of this was going on, election commission members were questioning their own presence on the body, and several expressed a desire to leave. Now we seem to have discovered that they wouldn't have to resign, they're off anyway. Or something like that.

Someone in the ASB, be it President Langford, or Wells or a lowly house representative, needs to assume a posture of leadership in the house, lest they become too amused by their own confusion and lose touch with the reason they are there—not to enjoy themselves, but to serve the students.

Is ASB just a Washington in miniature?

by C. Crouse Powell

And so the search begins anew for another relevant, topical, and crucially important social issue to drag to the earth and stab to death with vicious thrusts of a fine-point Bic pen.

Where to this time?
Where to indeed?

B.S. AND BALDERDASH

It strikes me as altogether possible that everything worth saying has already been said to death before, and the only possible alternative is to pick a subject that has no social significance whatsoever.

Which brings us irrevocably and resolutely to that subject of subjects, the most untimely of untimely issues, that mindless three-ring ultimate expression of universal absurdity—the ASB.

Well, so far so good. For a writer of eight or nine paragraph leads, that was about as concise as they come. The problem with this story is what to put in the middle and I can't think of a damn thing to say about the Associated Student Body

Unless, perhaps, exploring the erotic possibilities of its title.

The only thing the ASB has ever done is to supply columns upon boring columns of copy for this ragsheet sometimes referred to as the MTSU Sidelines and to give SAE an alternative form of action between polishing their little sisters and offering candy to small children.

As a newsworthy happening, it ranks in significance somewhere between the mating habits of an adolescent anaconda and the birth of Jimmy Carter, Son of a Roman Soldier.

And so forth.

An acquaintance of mine once explained his role in student government as a "dry run for

government service." And (the most frightening thing about that statement is that the hopeless depravity of the ASB runs a very close second to the kind of dangerous incompetence found in virtually every aspect of popular government.

Variations on a theme? Perhaps. Or perhaps the only difference between the ASB and the legislative bodies of this country is the ASB's total lack of power and substantial student support. So if power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely—and I believe that altogether possible—then it can only lead to...

What?

Wait a minute, I'm babbling again. The penchant for turning a quick phrase has once again brought me wandering through the Land of Not. But there is Truth in here somewhere and it is a truth with chilling possibilities if you consider the Associated Body as a microcosm of Big Government and that is exactly what it is.

Well, that was the middle. The only remaining question is, "Where is the End?"
Here, of course.

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New packaging hides last year's TV leftovers

by Tom Wood

Sunday marks the beginning of the new fall television season on all three national networks, and while much hoopla has been made over the new programs, formats will stay pretty much along lines established last year.

Police shows and comedies are the mainstays of television again, but rising in popularity once again is the variety-musical show with the serialized novel knocking on the door.

Serpico, based loosely on the movie and real-life figure, headlines the NBC cop shows with David Birney (formerly of "Bridget Loves

CBS is counter-acting this with a new series called *Delvecchio*. Judd Hirsch stars as this "policeman with a law degree."

New comedies abound this fall. One of the best, hopefully, will be the one based on ex-New York Yankee pitcher Jim Bouton's book "Ball Four." Called simply *Ball Four*, the show will feature Bouton and ex-Oakland Raider Ben Davidson in the lead roles of this CBS Wednesday night show.

Tony Randall and Nancy Walker will both have their own new shows this fall, obviously called the *Tony Randall* and *Nancy Walker* shows on ABC. All's Fair may be the top comedy on CBS while NBC has none planned.

ENTERTAINMENT

Bernie") in the title role. ABC is banking on *Charlie's Angels*, with lovely Farrah Fawcett-Majors, Kate Jackson and Jaclyn Smith as private cops, and a series called *Most Wanted* with Robert Stack.

Special Events makes fall plans

The Special Events Committee met Wednesday and chairman Steve Thurman talked with the committee about plans for future concerts.

Thurman said the committee may consider concerts in the areas of jazz and country, and that the committee will continue with at least two more mini concerts.

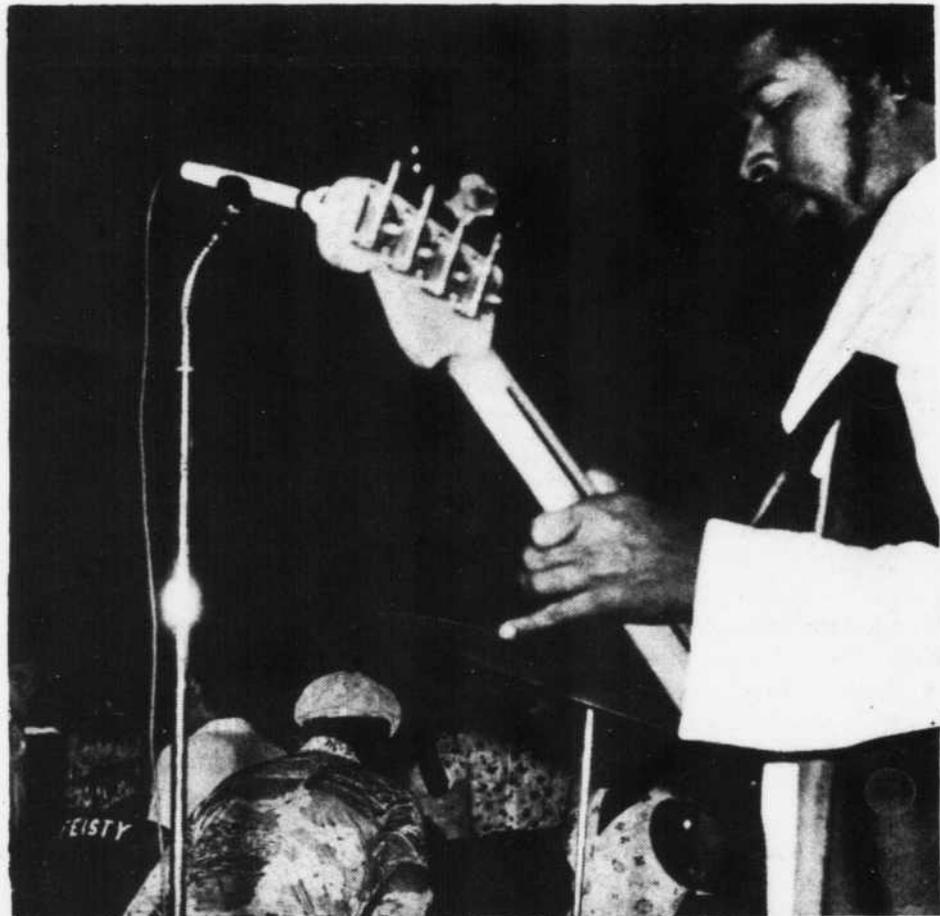
A mini concert is planned for Oct. 10, featuring Frankie Lee, and another on Nov. 17, with Jericho Harp returning.

The committee hopes to have a soul band for a concert in November, with another Charlie Daniels' Volunteer Jam also in November, but nothing had been signed yet, Thurman added.

The *Captain and Tennille* and *Cos* on ABC and NBC's *Van Dyke and Company* headline the variety format, while NBC offers *The Big Event* and *Best-Sellers* to the public.

The two shows will bring some of the top novels to television, such as ABC did last year with Irving Shaw's "Rich Man, Poor Man." Incidentally, ABC will return that series to the air in a show called *Rich Man, Poor Man—Part Two*.

And as far as pure action shows



Staff photo by Thom Coombs

BOOGIE, EVERYBODY—Celebrity Ball of Atlanta has the crowd gettin' low at Tuesday's dance in the Tennessee Room of the SUB.

go, the only two new shows qualifying here are both about airplanes. NBC has *Baa Baa Black Sheep* on Tuesdays while Spencer's *Pilots* premieres Friday on CBS, opposite of *Donny and Marie*.

Some of the "finest movies ever" will be aired this season on TV. *Gone With The Wind* headlines the NBC list, along with *Earthquake*, *The Sunshine Boys*, *Sometimes A Great Notion* and *Jesus Christ*

Superstar, just to name a few.

Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, *Bang the Drum Slowly* and *Claudine* head ABC's movie schedule while CBS counters with *Chinatown*, *Play It Again, Sam*, *Death Wish* and *Paper Moon*.

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Leaving CDB pays off for Push

by Janet Basse

When Barry, Gary and Mark left Charlie Daniels in March, they knew exactly what they were doing.

"You just can't get anywhere in the music business unless you work for yourself," said Barry Barnes, lead guitarist for Push, a group now playing three nights a week at Monk's Nightclub on Greenland Drive.

Barnes and drummer Gary Allen, both Nashville natives, joined the Charlie Daniels Band, along with bass guitarist Mark Fitzgerald from Salisbury, Md., "sometime in September of 1973," according to Barnes.

"We played with Charlie when he recorded 'Fire on the Mountain' and we appeared on the Midnight Special twice and In Concert once when we were in CDB," Barnes said.

The divorce with Charlie took place because "he was so heavily



Staff photo by Thom Coombs and Jack Ross

Push--now appearing at Monk's

into country rock," Barnes explained. "We just had different musical tastes entirely."

When they left CDB, Barnes, Allen and Fitzgerald joined Nash-

"We really enjoy working just two or three nights a week, because we then have the rest of the week to write our own music," Barnes explained.

before we go in to record an album," Barnes said.

Barnes feels that the group's experience with CDB gives them a definite advantage over other new groups.

"A lot of talented musicians are exploited when they first get started, because they don't understand the business side of the music industry," Barnes said. "We've seen it all."

Push headlined WKDA's Asphalt Jam in August, a free concert in Nashville attended by more than 4000 people.

"That was a real break in our career," Barnes commented. "The exposure we got was phenomenal."

In addition to the top forty sounds a band in a nightclub must play for everyone's dancing pleasure, Push comes in strong with several originals—"Mountain High, Valley Low," "Itch," "Wheels Keep on Turning," and "Broken Pieces."

"We've retained the Southern sound in most of our original stuff," Barnes said. "It's just hard to lose that feel."

Push enjoys playing to MTSU students because "we've found that college audiences are more responsive to good music than the general public," Barnes commented.

First in a series on Murfreesboro nightspots

ville guitarist Tommy Cobb to form Push.

The group plays Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights at Monk's from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

At the present time, Push is negotiating for an album on a New York label.

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Player of week honors due to linemen

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

Mike Robinson has done many things as a quarterback for Middle Tennessee. He thinks he's capable of much more.

That's pretty good for the high school kid from Murfreesboro who

SPORTS

almost accepted a football scholarship to Western Kentucky.

"I was recruited by a lot of Ohio Valley Conference schools," the 5-10, 175 pounder revealed last night.

"I came close to going to Western Kentucky, but I wanted a chance to play soon and they had

three veteran quarterbacks and some redshirts. I don't regret coming to MTSU one bit. I wanted to stay close to home anyway."

Robinson was named as the Ohio Valley Conference's offensive player of the week Tuesday. His leadership in Saturday's win at Jefferson City was important, his contributions vital.

He connected on 11 of 23 passes for 216 yards. He tossed a pair of touchdown passes and rumbled in from four yards out for another as MTSU snuffed Carson-Newman, 35-20.

Last season he accounted for 1,099 yards of total offense to rank high on the final OVC list. It is the second time in his MTSU career that OVC player of the week honors have been awarded.

How does it feel?

"The first thing I thought about was the offensive linemen. They did the best job in pass protection of my career. I owe it all to them. The offensive line made it possible," the junior majoring in aerospace said.

One point of the game Mike said he would just as soon forget though, came when three straight passes to Gary Burchfield, all for possible TD's, fell a few inches beyond Burchfield's grasp.

"Yes, I remember it," Robinson said while pulling his hands to cover his face in mock embarrassment. "It nearly killed me. Gary was so wide open.

"It's hard to explain, but a few minutes earlier I hit him when the defensive back was all over him. Each pass was just a little overthrown, I guess. Sometimes I see someone open and get all excited," he offered.

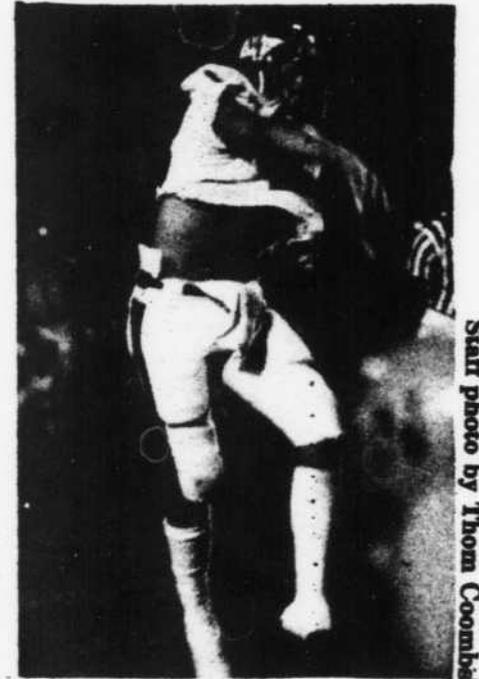
Offensive co-ordinator Bobby Baldwin doesn't waste many words describing Robinson's ability.

"He's the best I've ever coached," Baldwin said, who directed David Jaynes in 1974, one of the best quarterbacks in the University of Kansas' history.

"Mike has the instinct that you can't teach a player, the knack of knowing what to do in a split second and usually making the right decision," Baldwin continued.

Robinson likes the Veer T offense, featuring the three or two blocking scheme, but it was a challenge.

"It is really exciting to run and it is a real forgiving offense. You can make a mistake one play and come back and score a touchdown from anywhere on the field the next. I really like it because it puts so



Staff photo by Thom Coombs

Mike Robinson

much pressure on the defense," Robinson said.

The toughest part was learning how to read the "inside man," the actual heartthrob of the Veer T success. Running the wishbone at Murfreesboro Oakland High helped.

Ray Hughes was the head coach. Now he tutors the MTSU defensive line.

What's his outlook on the UT-Martin game tomorrow night?

"I think we will do a good job. We haven't really played together as a team yet. One game the defense played well and the offensive team didn't. We have to play as an entire unit to stop Martin," Robinson predicted.

When the MTSU defense is on the field, look for number 11 on the sidelines. He hopes to be leading a bushel basket of cheers.



Andra Bullock Ronnie Cecil Mike Moore Chris Keen

Juniors captain Raiders

Team captains for the first Middle Tennessee home football game of 1976 have been announced as: full back Mike Moore, center Chris Keen, linebacker Andra Bullock and safety Ronnie Cecil.

Moore was the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year in 1975, and Keen, 6-2, 210 pounds, was taken from his linebacker spot and inserted into the offense this season.

Bullock is a veteran who has played three different defensive positions and is a leading tackler for the Blue Raiders. Cecil was second in pass interceptions last year for the Blue Raiders, and is the most experienced defensive back.

The four juniors will head the game against UT Martin, which begins Saturday night at 7:30 at Horace Jones field.

Morehead's 31-14 victory becomes a loss

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

Morehead State, the only unbeaten and untied team in the Ohio Valley Conference 48 hours ago, is suddenly winless.

The Eagles were forced to forfeit a Sept. 4 victory over Marshall University, 31-14, because of the use of an ineligible player, OVC Commissioner Bob Vanatta ruled Thursday.

A high-ranking Morehead official has confirmed the forfeit.

The forfeit was caused when linebacker Bruce Shaw played

about one fourth of the game and was credited with three solo tackles and one assist.

Shaw transferred from Albany Junior College after attending the University of Georgia for a year and a half. He was ruled ineligible because he did not sit out a year after leaving Georgia, as NCAA rules stipulate.

Morehead officials, after learning of the "oversight" reported itself to the Ohio Valley Conference immediately, Dr. Ralph Hammons, faculty chairman of athletics at Morehead said yesterday over the phone.

"It certainly is a regrettable

situation and one that was obviously unintentional, but we feel that we have handled it in the right way. We did police our own back yard and hope it is a closed case," Hammon offered.

Morehead does not expect any NCAA penalties, Hammon said.

The Eagles play Middle Tennessee at Horace Jones field next Saturday night.

"It is a simple violation. A player was played in error and that is all there is to it. We certainly would not have risked the game had we been aware of this oversight,"

Hammon said.

Though Morehead may escape the NCAA doghouse, Shaw seems to be in the position of losing the most.

Because he played in one game, Shaw could lose another year's eligibility, which would mean he would have to sit out until the 1978 season, about the time he graduates.

Vanatta will have to rule on Shaw's eligibility.

Marshall defeated Miami of Ohio last week and now has a 2-0 slate. Morehead falls to 0-1 and plays at Akron, Ohio Saturday night.

Dunster's vision of blue: squash Peay-killers

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

Affable Jim Dunster had a vision a few nights back.

The hard-nosed Middle Tennessee linebacker dang near broke out in a cold sweat. He jumped up and started hollering and screaming like he had just swiped a pass.



Somebody said too many years of football had finally taken its toll.

"I was sleeping and had this dream about coming out of the dressing room at the UT-Martin game and seeing the stands full of MTSU students wearing blue clothes," the Tampa University transfer recalled.

He wanted to share the revelation with somebody. George Goodson, a starting defensive end, was the closest. But he was asleep.

"I woke him up," Dunster recalled before last night's pep rally at the University Center. Come on "Duns" (what teammates

call him) what did George say?

"I woke him up and he told me to go back to sleep," Dunster laughed.

Dunster said the defense has a goal in the UT-Martin game—a shutout.

"This is a young football team," the defensive signal-caller said. "We have talent, but we are just getting accustomed to playing with each other in a game. We are hurting for depth, but I think we can do the job."

To stop the Pacer offense, Jim says, you must stop fleet quarterback Alvin Small, a Condredge Hollaway-type player.

"He came in as a freshman while I was at Tampa," Dunster remembered. "Right away he moved to second-string behind Fred Soloman, who is now a wide receiver for the Miami Dolphins."

Is he really that quick?

"He could run the 40-yard dash between 4.2 and 4.3 seconds and that's covering some ground," Dunster said with the kind of straight face a liar never knows.

Kim Bankston, another MTSU player via Tampa, is set to start on the defensive line. UT-Martin has



Staff photo by Chuck Thompson

Jim Dunster's flip

another Florida connection, too.

Ralph Ervin "another burner," Dunster said, is Smalls favorite receiver. And like Middle Tennessee, the Martin branch of UT runs from the veer.

Martin stunned Austin-Peay last Saturday in Clarksville, 24-0. Not

many folks do such nasty things, but Pacer coach George MacIntyre said it wasn't that much.

"We got a couple of interceptions early. They weren't really well thrown balls. We just happened to be in the right spot," said the former Vanderbilt defensive-back coach of the three-TD performance by Smalls.

Martin dropped a tough season-opening loss at Southeast Louisiana, 28-12, but MacIntyre said it was closer.

"It rained all day before the game and we could hardly stand up. It was really 21-12 because they scored on the last play of the game," the Pacer coach said. "We gave 'em two TD's on bad snaps on punts."

PARTING SHOT: Ben Hurt, MTSU coach, took a page from General Patton's book at the pep rally. "When you go to war you don't take any prisoners," Hurt said of the clash matching two potent offenses. "And we are going to kill everything in sight."

Which way to the front?

Free game admittance with ID

All full-time MTSU students will be admitted to tomorrow night's football game between UT-Martin and the Blue Raiders at Horace Jones Field upon showing a valid ID.

"But all ID's must have the green sticker on the back," MTSU ticket manager Jim Simpson said yestersay.

The non-conference game starts at 7:30.

Students are requested to enter the stadium by the southwest corner gate only. Student sections will be A, B, C, H, I, and J.

There are no reserved seats.

Student guest tickets may be purchased today in Murphy Center, Simpson said, for \$2.50, but a valid ID must be presented before the sale. Part-time students may also purchase the \$2.50 ticket upon showing an ID.

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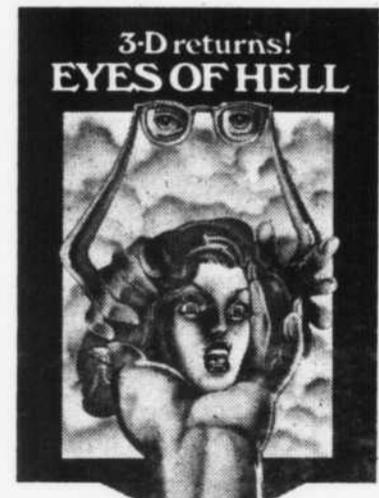
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Harriers tie Fisk in season opener

by Gary Pryor

The Blue Raider cross-country team tied Fisk University 28-28 in the season's first meet this week.

Middle Tennessee had a chance for victory until Jim Gilbert, running in sixth place, collapsed on the track.

"Gilbert had run about two and three quarter miles," Coach Dean Hayes explained. "He simply got dehydrated and passed out."

The Raiders' one-mile record holder Dennis Votava was first in the four-mile course with a time of 21:16.

Freshman Randy Oliver finished third in 22:06 and John Lerchenfeld was fifth with a time of 22:52.

Linton Whaley was eighth with 24:10, while Donald Hines came in 11th with 26:06. MTSU's Chuck Mullins and Lew McBee finished 12 and 13th.

"We would have had a good chance of winning," Hayes said. "If the team had been healthy, we might have won." In addition to Gilbert's collapse during competition, Dale Short was hurt and did not run, Hayes pointed out.

Votava, Oliver and Lerchenfeld will compete individually Friday

afternoon in the Tennessee Tech Invitational, an open meet with no team scoring.

Next Thursday the Blue Raiders take on Tennessee Tech here in a dual meet at the VA course.

Sarver starts from scratch with women's volleyball

by Joe Gregory

Volleyball, the newest women's sport, will be starting in early October with a new head coach, Pat Sarver.

"The team will be better because of a growing budget and high school participation," Coach Sarver explained.

This year's team plans about 45 matches, but only three to be at home, due to an effort to play better teams in the area, Sarver said.

The team will enter four invitational tournaments, hosting one planned for October 15-16.

Last year the women's volleyball team was 15-30.

There are four girls returning to this year's team, Cheryl Holloway, Jean Claiborne, Amy Donahue and Caroline Miller.

Raider kickers split

The Blue Raider soccer team lost to the University of the South 5-0 and booted a win over Webb School 8-3 this week.

Lack of organization is plaguing the soccer team and coach Race Berg encourages anyone interested in soccer to try out for the team.

"We have practice on Fridays and Sundays at 3 p.m. and want anybody who can to tryout," Berg said.

The soccer team is 1-1.

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Ch 2: 12:30 p.m.—Wide World of Sports
2 p.m.—College Football (Georgia vs. Clemson)
11 p.m.—Championship Wrestling
Ch. 4: 1 p.m.—Grandstand
1:15 p.m.—Major League Baseball (Philadelphia vs. Chicago)

SUNDAY

Ch. 4: 10 a.m.—The Fred Pancoast Show
11:30 a.m.—Grandstand
Noon—NFL Football (Dolphins vs. Patriots)
Ch. 5: 11 a.m.—TSU Football
Noon—NFL Football (Seahawks vs. Redskins)
3 p.m.—NFL Football (Rams vs. Vikings)
Ch. 2: 12:30 p.m.—The Bill Battle Show
11 p.m.—The Ben Hurt Show

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