

# Thousands attend gasohol workshop

By LIBBY WILLIAMS  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Farmers may be holding the answer to the energy crisis in America, Congressman Albert Gore Jr., said at the Gasohol Workshop Saturday at Murphy Center.

Over 2,500 farmers and businessmen were encouraged to consider the process of producing gasohol for themselves and for commercial gain by the several speakers, ranging

from energy experts to farmers at the workshop.

Exhibits from the Iowa Corn Promotion Board were presented at the workshop along with a running still and corn grinder. Iowa has 700 stations experimenting with gasohol now and is anticipating 600 in the next year, according to Roger Eartheim, executive director of the National Gasohol Commission.

Gasohol, which is composed

of 90 percent gasoline and 10 percent alcohol, is one of the newest items for possibly stretching the present supply of gasoline.

"Gasohol can be produced from any agricultural product that contains sugar or starch that can be converted to alcohol," Don Smith, of the Colby College (Kansas) gasohol school, said.

"First the corn is cooked until it changes to sugar. Yeast is

added and then the mixture is fermented," Smith said. The mixture turns to alcohol after fermentation, he added.

Another approach to conserving energy is combining ethanol with gasoline to make gasohol. The process of distilling ethanol from grains or other crops is commonly called "moonshining."

When ethanol is added to unleaded gasoline in a 10 or 20 percent mixture, it produces a

clean-burning higher octane fuel which may be used in almost any combustion engine without any modification.

"Gasohol runs cleaner, provides better gas mileage and has no effect to the car," Gore said. "There are a few modifications to some cars that should be made by a mechanic for the car to run at its best."

"The idea came from the bootleggers originally," Gary Bass, farmer from Alabama

said. Also the "leftover mash could be used as a supplement or feeding product for livestock."

"In the mixing process, large amounts of pure water must be used to boil the corn," Bass said. In response to a question from the audience, Bass said "the chlorination in some water will kill the yeast used for fermentation, so pure water must be used or a process of purification must be installed to

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Congressman Albert Gore Jr. listens along with curious onlookers as an expert explains the process of a distillation column. This column separates the water from the alcohol and makes it 180

proof. The process takes water out of alcohol making the car run smoother. Ninety percent gas is mixed with 10 percent alcohol to get gasohol.

## One motel will house students

Quality Inn, located on I-24 and U.S. 231 south, will be housing 58 students in the fall semester for one week David Bragg, director of housing, said.

This motel was the only one to give any positive response to the housing office's request to lodge students for the beginning of the fall.

Bragg said he is confident he will have the students out by the end of the week.

"We will send letters to the 160 people on the waiting list and ask them if they are interested in staying in a motel for a week," he said.

Some transportation will be provided for the students and one staff member will stay with them, he said.

"Last year we had graduate students staying with the students. I don't know who will stay this year," Bragg said.

The other motels said the dorms opened Aug. 18 during their peak season and did not feel it would be a lucrative business to lodge students at a reduced rate.

Louise Westbrook, manager of the Quality Inn, said she felt the university stuck by her word and they deserved a break.

"The students will be out before the last four nights of the show and I can live with that," Westbrook said.

Westbrook has had three children and a daughter-in-law to attend the university and said she supports all of the schools efforts.

Bragg estimated there would be around 220 no shows and cancellations. He also did not anticipate any problems in relieving the three-to-a-room situations since there was not the same large number of people.

The average per night for the students will be \$15 for two students or \$7.50 for one.

Students who stay in the motels will pay the same amount as if they were staying in the dorm.

## Noise big problem

By ANGIE GALLOWAY  
Sidelines Copy Editor

Noise was the main complaint in dormitories listed on a housing survey conducted by the Housing Office last semester, Tom Martin, assistant director of housing, said.

More than 3,400 students living on campus were sent a survey and Martin said about 50 percent responded to it.

The survey was divided up into two different parts. The first was ranking five of the major problems in the dorms out of fifteen possible choices.

The five things that were complained about the most were noise, the need for more and better laundry facilities, the need for more and better cokes and candy machines, the dirtiness of public areas and the slowness of maintenance.

Martin said a contradiction arose between the complaints against noise. In one of the questions on the second part, an overwhelming majority did not want the housing staff to enforce the rules more.

Of the 1,747 that replied to that question, 1,376 were against more strict enforcement of rules and 371 were for it.

He said 1,442 studied most of the time in the dorm room and 273 studied in the library most of the time.

Students were also asked if they wanted more, the same or less visitation time in their dorm. Over 1,000 said they wanted more, 696 wanted to keep the same amount and only 30 wanted less.

On the question of an all-freshman dorm, 1,246 were for and 399 were against. Martin said "the breakdown of classes showed more juniors and seniors favored a freshman dorm than did freshmen and sophomores."

He said he doubted the university would go to freshmen dorms.

The main reason cited for living on-campus, according to 775 students, was it is the cheapest place to live. Over 330 students said their friends lived here and 302 said their parents wanted them to. Another 214 said they lived here because they did not have a car.

It was more important to 1,526 students to have the roommate they wanted rather than the room they wanted. "If it came down to it, people would rather live with a particular person than in a particular room," Martin analyzed.

Residence halls and room conditions were rated good or fair by about 1,700 students and only 104 said they were in poor condition. The halls were rated well with 1,681 saying their dorm was either in good or fair condition. Only 84 said the hall they lived in was in poor condition.

Only 166 students wanted to live in a hall that had 24-hour quiet on Sunday through Thursday and 12-hour quiet Friday and Saturday. Almost 1,521 were against it.

With everything considered, 1,035 said their hall was a good place to live, 684 said it was fair and only 39 said it was poor.

## Students begin petition on frat row

A petition requesting the proposed organizational row be voted on in the form of a referendum in the March MTSU presidential elections has been drawn up by several students.

"Every student on campus should have the opportunity to vote on this issue," Lewis Holliday, chief justice of General Sessions court and instigator of the petition, said.

After only 15 minutes of petitioning, 30 names were on

the petition. However, 200 names must be on the petition before the issue can be placed on the ballot.

"Most of the students I've talked to aren't so much for or against organizational row, they just think they should have had the chance to vote on it," Holliday said, adding that he agrees.

He stressed the petition is calling for the referendum to be placed on the ballot in March. If it passes in the election, Holliday

said he expects ASB officials would carry on from there.

ASB President Kent Syler said he still does not understand why people want to vote on something that does not affect them.

"I told students they could do that (get up a petition) at the Beasley dorm meeting," Syler said, "so I sort of figured a petition might get started."

"If they want to vote on it, that's fine," he added.

## Fine Arts Week activities planned

By ZEBEE MC CULLOUGH  
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Student Programming has scheduled 24 free activities for MTSU students during Feb. 23-March 6 — Fine Arts Week.

The kick-off of the week will be the presentation of "Back County Crimes" by the University Theatre Production in the DA Arena at 8 p.m. The drama, by Lanie Robertson, and is about rural America in past years. Admission is \$3 for the public and free for MTSU students.

On Feb. 24 and 25 a film festival from the Sinking Creek

Film Celebration Film Library will be presented by the MTSU Fine Arts Committee at 8 p.m. each evening at the UC Theatre. The program will include documentaries, narrative and experimental works produced by non-commercial student filmmakers.

One of the America's leading professional bagpipers, Mike Cusack, will appear on Feb. 25 at noon in the UC Grill. He will perform in traditional Scottish attire and play both marching band music and classical piping.

Feb. 26 will be highlighted by the University Concert Choir

and the Chamber Choir, under the direction of Dale Voelker, at the UC Theatre at noon. The performance will consist of a neo-classical "Mass" for double woodwinds, brass and choir. Light renaissance music will also be played.

Natalia da Roza, pianist, will also be performing Feb. 26 at 8 p.m. in the DA.

Beginning the day at 10 a.m. Feb. 27 is the MTSU Jazz Ensemble "Blue Crusade," directed by John R. Duke, in the UC Grill. The group will perform

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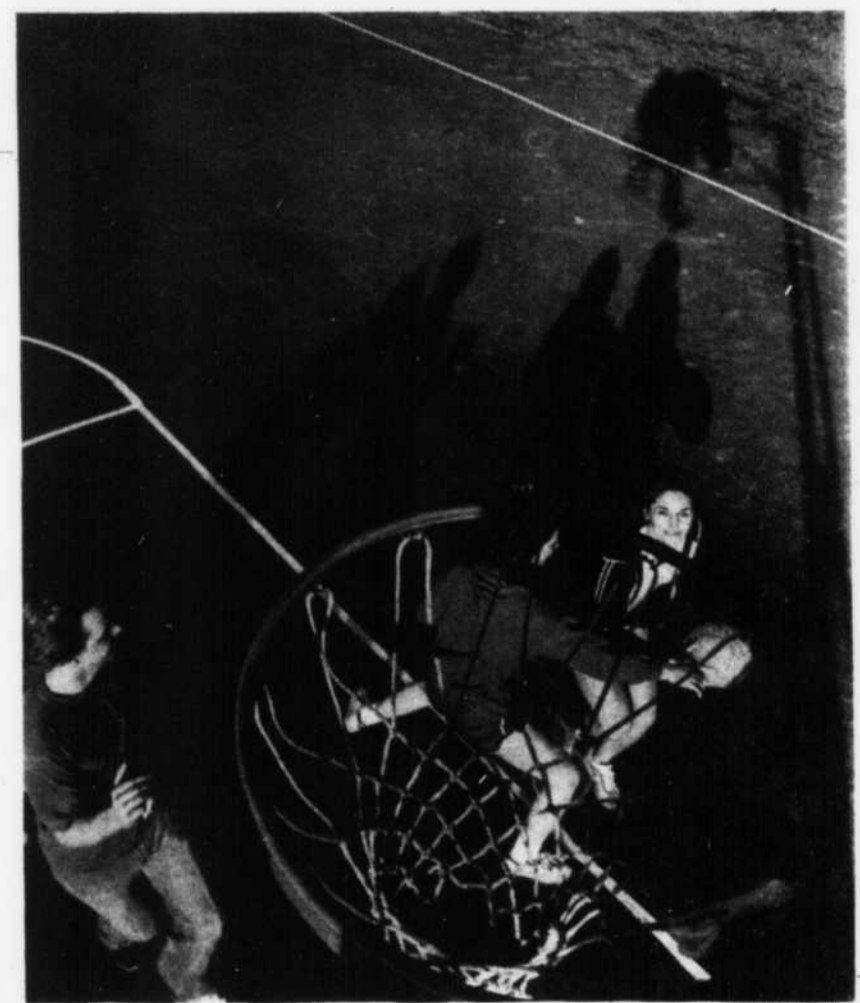


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Melanie Griffin, junior from Chattanooga eyes the basket over the defense of Kim Elliot, junior from Nashville, and Rex Slatton, a junior from Whitwell during a game at the basketball courts beside H-Hall.





photo by Mark Holland

Charlie Pitts explains a cutting technique to one of his assistants during the Cut-a-thon held yesterday at his hair styling college. Alpha Gamma Delta sorority sponsored the event where cuts were half-price.

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rid the mixture of chemicals." Another issue Gore introduced in one of the morning sessions was the fact that a three-five day school on making gasohol could possibly be held at MTSU — similar to Colby College in Kansas. "I have applied for a grant which is in the process of being approved which will set up a five-day

**Seminars tell how to care for lawn, shrubs**

Three seminars on landscaping will be sponsored this semester by the department of agriculture and the Office of Continuing Education.

"These seminars are for anyone interested in landscaping," Paula Hood of continuing education explained. They will be March 1, 8 and April 5.

James Staley, associate professor of agriculture here, will lead the seminars.

The March 1 seminar will cover why, when and how to prune shrubs and trees in the home landscape.

Planting and maintenance of flowerbeds, shrubs and trees will be topics of discussion at the March 8 seminar.

A home lawn care seminar April 5 will focus on the seeding, fertilizing, watering, mowing and weed control of Middle Tennessee grasses.

Each seminar will take place from 8:30-11:30 p.m. in Room 204 of the Agriculture Building.

Interested persons are asked to pre-register at least one week prior to the seminar(s) of their choice.

The cost will be \$10 per seminar or \$24 to pre-register for all three. Additional information can be obtained from the Office of Continuing Education.

**Campus Calendar**

Tuesday

Traffic Court: Uc 313 & 315, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Movie: "Forbidden Planet," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.

Tau Omicron: Tea, Dining Room B, JUB, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Interfaith Council: Meditation Time, UC Theatre, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Art Department: Lecture Presentation by Maianna Hamilton, (University of South Carolina at Coastal Carolina College), UC 322, 7:30 p.m.

Gore Hall Dorm Meeting: Speaker-Kent Syler, 7 p.m.

Thursday

Faculty/Press Luncheon: Tennessee Room, 12 p.m.

Joint ASB Senate-House Meeting: LRC multi-media room, 4:30 p.m.

Music Department: Faculty Recital, "Randie Blooding," Tennessee Room, 8 p.m.

MTSU Basketball: MTSU/Western Kentucky, Western Kentucky, Lady Raiders at 5:15 p.m., men at 7:30 p.m.

**Fine Arts Week**

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bigband jazz and original arrangements.

At noon the UC Theatre will be a special program featuring award-winning students films selected from MTSU student film projects.

At 7 p.m. two classical, silent German films will be shown in the UC Theatre. The first film, "Othello," features an excellent team of German actors. The second feature, "Faust," was designed for the world market as one with a great theme.

Beginning Feb. 27 and ending the next day will be an art festival in the UC Lobby. The exhibition will include sales, demonstrations and displays of various art works by faculty and students.

Also beginning Feb. 27 is a photographic exhibition in the UC Lounge. A premier showing of the MTSU Permanent Professional Photography Collection includes prints by Ansel Adams, Edward Weston, Jerry Uelsman and Minor White.

A musical variety will be presented on Feb. 28 at noon in the DA Arena. There will also be a presentation of "Winter Light" in the UC Theater. In homage to French film director Roger Vadim, it has been thought of as one of the most impressive films Ingmar Bergman has ever created.

The Tuba Choir, sponsored by the MTSU Music Department, will appear Feb. 29 at the UC Grill at 11:15 a.m.

Christian Teal, the first violinist of the Blair String Quartet, and Allison Nelson, a well known concert pianist, will perform at 8 p.m. that day at Choral Hall of the Saunders Fine Arts Building. The

program will consist of three Brahms Sonatas.

March continues to feature a variety of talented presentations. The MTSU Bank Concert on March 2 in the DA at 3:30 p.m. will open the month's activities. Under the direction of Joe Smith, the MTSU Band will perform accompanied by the United States Navy Band's Senior Chief Musician, John Coulehan. This artist has been featured as a clarinet soloist several times for outstanding orchestras.

March 3 will feature the well-known Pendulem Mime Theatre at 8 p.m. in the DA. This group is composed of four artists who have combined their skills in mime, theatre, and dance to create a show that will take you into a world of fantasy with creatures, characters and masks.

A Multi-Image Show will be held March 4 at 2 or 4:30 p.m. in the LRC Simulation Lab. This fifteen-projector image show will last less than 15 minutes.

Also on March 4 is Michael Meyers at 8 p.m. in the LRC Multi-Media Room. A teacher at Kansas City Art Institute, Meyers received an individual artist grant last year from the National Endowment for the arts.

On March 5 the MTSU Performing Arts Company will have an evening of original choreography under the direction of Anne Holland. The dances range from classical ballet to jazz. This show is at 8 p.m. in the DA.

To close the fine arts celebration will be the Nashville Symphony Orchestra on March 6 at 8 p.m. in the DA. One of Tennessee's cultural cornerstones, the symphony will perform under the direction of Maestro Michael Chairy.

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# Gasoline prices are continuing to rise

Last year you might have been shocked to find gasoline selling in the three digit price range, but a survey of local stations taken yesterday showed the fuel costs from \$1.09 a gallon for regular, to \$1.29 for premium.

In 1979 gasoline prices rose 52.2 percent, according to a National Consumer Buying Alert from the White House. And prices are still rising.

Barrett's Texaco at I-24 and U.S. 231 sales unleaded gasoline for \$1.26 a gallon and charges \$1.22 for regular.

"I think that people are trying to cut down quite a bit," Chris Barrett, part owner of the station, commented. "Our monthly volume has gone down about 5 percent. In December we raised our prices 15 cents and last month we went up twice, three cents each time."

Barrett, like most people

Sidelines talked to, blamed the government for high gas prices. "People are beginning to realize that we (gas station owners and attendants) are caught in the middle. We have to pay also," he said.

Sperry Randolph of Randolph's Chevron, 728 Memorial Blvd. said there is usually a 2 percent price increase by the oil company every 14 to 22 days.

"Whenever the oil company changes it's price, we have to change ours," Randolph said, but added that his customers don't even think there is a gas shortage. Randolph's Chevron presently sales gas for \$1.09 regular, self service; \$1.10 full service regular; \$1.12 unleaded self service and \$1.13 full service unleaded.

Ken Wilcut, of the Mercury Plaza Exxon explained the full service station is charging \$1.15.6 for regular and \$1.19.6

for unleaded. The station is open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., 6 days a week.

The Manager of Broad & West Main Shell Service declined to comment.

"We don't let that information out," he said. "I'd rather not have my prices known and compared to those at other places."

Mrs. Kenneth Robinson of Northshore Mobil Service on Memorial Boulevard said she noticed people were conserving gas and consumption has dropped.

Mobil is currently charging \$1.24 for unleaded and \$1.20 regular for full service and \$1.19 and \$1.15 for self-service.

An attendant at Maney Avenue Gulf station said its prices are \$1.21 for a gallon of regular and \$1.24 for unleaded.

Jerry Sisson of Jerry's Union 76 said its prices will "probably

increase in about two weeks."

"They go up about every two weeks, about a couple of cents to six cents," he stated. "We've had a slowdown of about 600 gallons a week for the last four months. People are conserving."

This station's gas cost \$1.17 for regular and \$1.21 for unleaded.

Macie McDaniel from Four Lane Amoco with most attendants that gas prices "change every time prices at the oil companies go up," but he said sales this month weren't down much.

Four Lane Amoco on the New Nashville Highway, sales premium gas for \$1.29, unleaded, \$1.23 and regular \$1.16.

"We're still selling about the same amount," Mark Hood, attendant at Beasley's Bel Aire 66 station, said.

He explained that Philip's

Petroleum raises its prices about once a month.

"We're a full service station. Since gas is so high we strive to give better service and be extra nice to the customers," he said.

The station is currently charging \$1.24 a gallon for unleaded and \$1.22 for regular.

"People gotta buy gas," Hood explained.

A federal publication, "New For Consumers," realizes people must buy gas and they offer tips to help conserve the expensive liquid:

- Warm up the engine by driving slowly

- Never idle for more than one minute to warm up or while

waiting in line.

- Do not pump the accelerator or continually speed up and slow down. Drive at a moderate, but steady pace.

- Use efficient speeds of 35-45 where they are allowed. Fifty five may be necessary on the highway, but going just ten miles per hour faster wastes 18 percent more gas.

- Up to eight cents a day can be saved by keeping your car in good shape. Inflate tires to the highest recommended pressure. If they are down just four pounds, you lose a couple of pennies per gallon.

- Two cents a gallon can be saved by using "high mileage" motor oils.

## Fuel future shows coal, alcohol

By KATHRYN WHITELEY

Sidelines Staff Writer

With gasoline supplies running short and the price of gasoline continuing to climb, viable alternatives for the fuel are now being searched for.

"It's like a 32 cent cup of coffee at the grill; you can't drink it forever," Martin Stewart, professor of chemistry, said in reference to the future of gas.

Petroleum is used for more than making gas and alternatives must be found before the supply runs out, he said. "When we get into the car, we are taking food or medicine out of the mouths of the next generation," he said.

Stewart believes that several alternative fuels will be necessary to take the place of

petroleum. Hydrogen gas and solar energy are the two he thinks may be the most important.

"We wouldn't have this problem if more people were future oriented. If we had not been so dependent on the Mid East we wouldn't be so bad off," Jack Arters, assistant professor of youth education and director of the Future Society, reflected.

Arters said it is the best alternative to gas. "Henry Ford made his engine to run on alcohol, but gas was cheaper and plentiful, so he converted it to run on gas."

David Grubbs, chairman of the Energy Council, is not so pessimistic. "If the U.S. continues its conservation drive we could wind up with a temporary surplus, such as we apparently

have right now in fuel oil."

Kenny Parker, a graduate student in the chemistry department, feels that coal liquefaction may be a tem-

porary solution. "It's going to be something to give us some time to work out some other alter-

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# from the editor

## Concern: Organizational row will affect everyone

The proposed organizational row "concerns" anyone interested in the issue, despite ASB President Kent Syler's statement at Beasley Dorm last week that "fraternity row does not concern all."

Granted, there are many students who do not care whether organizational rows survive or not, but the students who attended Syler's meeting in Beasley Dorm to discuss organizational row were obviously concerned and interested in the issue.

They may not be directly affected by the row, but those students are concerned about action their government is taking.

Syler made the statement at Beasley after he was questioned as to why fraternity row will not be put to a student vote.

In a *Sidelines*, Feb. 5, letter to the editor, Syler said "We see no need to seek the opinions of students who would be unaffected by the construction of the row. Organizations support it. This program may only affect those students who are members of organizations while future programs may not. However, this does not mean that every ASB program must affect everyone at once."

Every ASB program may not benefit everyone at once, but any work sponsored by a governmental body concerns those being governed.

Individuals have every right to voice their opinions and stand up for what they do or do not want, whatever the issue, may be.

## Gasohol: Fuel shortage being taken seriously now

Approximately 4,000 people attended a gasohol conference here Saturday, which shows that people are finally taking the gas shortage seriously.

Only approximately 750-1000 were expected to attend the conference, which turned out to be the largest gathering of any Congressman Albert Gore Jr.'s six workshops on various subjects held in Tennessee.

Gore has held workshops in Tennessee on health care, solar energy, education, small businesses and federal grants.

"This is the best turnout I've had," Gore said, adding that he was not expecting this many people.

The large turnout is wonderful. Perhaps now people have finally decided that America is really running out of fuel resources and have decided to do something about it.

The Tennessee General Assembly currently has before it seven gasohol bills, including one backed by Gov. Lamar Alexander.

For awhile it seemed as though no one would take the energy crisis seriously, but when such a large number of legislators, educators, farmers, students and scientists attends a conference on a new fuel, it can be believed that Americans are finally willing to pull together and find newer and better resources.

## Wrestling: Ingram should go against committee

The future of the MTSU wrestling program appears dismal at best, but the termination of the sport on the varsity level is not final yet.

Last week, the MTSU athletic committee voted to discontinue the sport because of financial pressures on the department. Wrestling coach Gordon Connell offered a series of proposals to save the program.

Among the proposals was a cut of the program's budget by almost one-third.

The athletic committee, however, turned a deaf ear.

But, the committee's decision is not final. The committee recommended to MTSU Vice-President of Administration Lynn Haston, who oversees the athletic department, that the team be dropped. In turn, Haston recommended to MTSU President Sam Ingram that he comply with the committee's wishes.

Ingram can decide to retain the team next year. He does not have to follow the committee's recommendation.

Since the committee's decision, student support appears to be mounting behind Connell and his wrestler. Ingram should take notice.

If he does, he may take a stand to retain wrestling, a decision that will be happily greeted by Connell and many students and supporters at MTSU.

Tuesday, February 19, 1980

# Viewpoints



## the last word

by Warren Denny

# Olympic boycott is a potent weapon

With the 1980 Winter Olympics in Lake Placid, N.Y., in full swing, public interest in the overall Olympic picture is up markedly from the past two months.

The interest could reach a peak that may change the nation's attitude toward the Summer Games in Moscow. Until recently, public sentiment has been with President Carter's proposed Olympic boycott. But now there is some concern that Carter is overlooking the importance of the games to the people, both spectators and the athletes.

This is just not so. The president is definitely justified in asking for the boycott and to most of the American athletes

and coaches, it is a foregone conclusion.

The fact that the coaches and athletes aren't vehemently protesting a boycott should be evidence enough to the people that we have a moral obligation. As long as the Soviets continue the aggressive military action in Afghanistan, we really have little choice.

Of course, the elaborate television coverage and the coverage by all the press given to the Winter Games in Lake Placid may arouse American anti-boycott sentiment.

The human interest stories, the inherent athletic drama and all that goes with the Games are enough to evoke an outpouring of misguided public sentiment.

Perhaps it is time for Carter to reiterate his stand for the boycott. He obviously believes that the Games are important — a potent weapon with which to punish the Soviet Union. The punishment is definitely warranted and probably long overdue.

The proposed boycott by the United States would deflate the

Soviets' largest propaganda balloon ever assembled — the Moscow Olympics.

Carter is not suggesting that the Games are trivial in comparison to political and economic concerns. Rather, he believes that their elemental importance is influential enough to check Soviet aggression.

People must recognize the importance of such a move and not let their emotions override their reason. Hopefully the negative reaction to a boycott will be very low.

## observations

by Billy Edwards

# Adoption spiritual as well as legal

Do you know what it is like to be adopted?

Perhaps you or someone close to you is an adopted person. Many children are adopted into families which give them the hope, care and love that they might not have otherwise.

Adoption is the act of taking a stranger into one's family as a son or daughter. In a much larger sense, it can mean the taking of a person, a society, etc., into a more intimate

relation than had formerly existed with another person or society.

In law, both ancient and modern, the act of taking a stranger into one's family constituted the adopted person as an heir to all content and purpose of his or her adopted family.

Being familiar with the process of Roman law by which a person was adopted with full privileges of sonship, Paul used

As we come to the scripture, we find adoption to mean a process whereby we are brought into the family of God. Unlike the legal aspects of human adoption, we are adopted into the divine family of God by birth through faith in Christ. As we grow and mature in our Christian life, we begin to exhibit characteristics of Christ's likeness in our lives.

this legal process in his theology.

To the Romans, Paul wrote: "For ye have not received the Spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father." (8:15)

Notice also Paul using the same legal terminology in Galatians 4 in reference to the believer being freed from the bondage of the law. Under the law, we were servants. But in this dispensation of God's grace, we are made heirs of God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

What a marvelous thought! Just think of it: you are an heir throne of God. You have the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. (Phil. 3:9)

Are you an adopted heir of God? If not, I am writing this to you. Write me in care of *Sidelines*.

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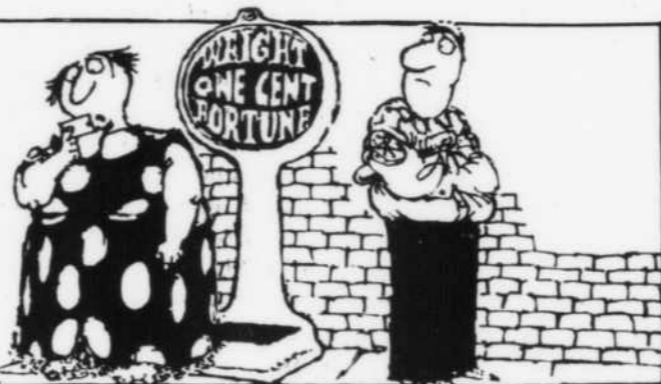
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# Perspective

Tuesday, February 19, 1980

as i see it

by Chuck Keller

## Idea of bingo legislation spawns FBI traps, TV shows

"Up against the wall, ladies — this is a raid!" Yesterday at noon was the deadline for legislators to pass any legislation to legalize bingo. If by this time action has not taken by the Tennessee General Assembly, then there is a slim chance that your grandmother, aunt, sister or even your mother will be at the downtown police station being booked on gambling charges.

Just think of the possibilities one will have to "cash in" on this situation. Jack Webb can revamp his old *Dragnet* series in which the cop clashed with crime in the city, to an updated version where undercover agents, disguised as old gray haired ladies, infiltrate bingo games. *Hairnet* would be an appropriate title.

Speakeasies can hit the come-back trail with a new gimmick — floating bingo games. The mafia can move in and control the games with the ease and proficiency used during prohibition days. With this, the next move will be made by the federal government. A new task force will be set up just to shut down the illegal flow of money obtained through bingo games. Not only will this create more bureaucratic red tape, but Hollywood will be able to get in the picture too.

Robert Stack will once again be able to drag his "untouchables" out of his hall closet and fight organized crime on the 19-inch black and white screen. Just picture in your mind the idea of 10 men driving a two-ton truck through the locked doors of a neighborhood church suspected of housing bingo games. With machine guns blazing, Elliot Ness and his selected group of crime fighters will show once more that good triumphs over evil.

Now before I get too carried away, let's look at that dreaded piece of legislation once again. Not only bingo, but raffles and cakewalks will also be made illegal forms of gambling.

FBI agents will be able to stop playing the very popular "Middle East Oil Man" game with members of Congress and start playing another game — "Sell The Band-Booster a Raffle Ticket."

That would give us a spectacular all new half-time show for the next football season. "Ladies and gentlemen, we proudly present the Folsem Prison High School Marching Band."

From the mouths of 4-H club members we shall hear the ear piercing screams of, "Entrapment!!!!" I can now visualize my sister and her friends wearing the latest in prison designs from Halston.

An appropriate song for a cakewalk would be "Jailhouse Rock." The grand prize will soon be a double-layer chocolate cake with a file, hammer and chisel and a hacksaw baked in it. Sounds kind of silly doesn't it?

But for the past few weeks, our General Assembly has seemingly been involved with the more asinine subjects of life. From what should be the official state vegetable (personally, I could care less about which one they finally choose), to a piece of legislation which would outlaw bingo and allow cash payoffs on pinball machines.

At this rate of "progress," God only knows what our local lawmakers will do next (and He isn't telling). But if no action is taken on the matter of bingo, one thing is for sure. Sometime, somewhere, when you least expect it; someone will come up to you and say, "You have the right to remain silent . . ."

## Campus needs Coach Connell

To the editor:

In response to the article in Friday's *Sidelines* entitled "Inflation pins the wrestling program," I would like to submit that it is not so much the inflation that has "pinned" the wrestling program as it is the lack of logical thought by MTSU's Athletic Committee.

Coach Connell has presented the most sacrificial and honest budget that will be found among MTSU sports. Has the football or basketball program offered to take a "cut" in the coaches' salaries in order to "not get our name in the paper for going over our budget?" Not to my knowledge.

Has any other team on campus offered to reduce or eliminate scholarships in order to stay within the budget? Again, not to my knowledge.

Also, Coach Connell has made contributions to this university outside of the field of wrestling. Mr. Connell has and continues to provide a spiritual leadership which is sadly lacking among some others on the university payroll.

Three years ago when I was a freshman football player and in unfamiliar surroundings, Mr. Connell, through his leadership in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, gave me comfort and assurance that I could go to him with any problems. How many of our other coaches can say as much for athletes other than their own.

Finally, Coach Connell, in a time of rapid inflation and decreasing funds, has shown up as the only (to my knowledge) coach who has provided a sensible solution to the problem; cut costs!

His team requires such a small portion of the athletic budget and yet has managed to be successful while we have other programs that have yet to prove successful and yet continue to consume vast quantities of our budget.

Please think again Dr. Ingram, if there's one thing this campus needs it's a coach with both logical thought and unsurpassed dedication.  
Rodney Edwards  
Box 2165

from our readers

## Other groups will benefit from frat row

To the editor:

Undoubtedly, fraternities at MTSU are presently in the limelight and the development of a fraternity area on campus is a topic of discussion. I feel that it is necessary to say a few words on this in an effort to help for a better understanding of the situation. It is important to place things in the proper perspective.

What is being discussed is the development of an area in the currently undeveloped southeastern section of the MTSU campus where fraternities would establish domiciles resulting in the permanent location of fraternity houses in the same area.

Other recognized organizations on campus could also build along the proposed

road for that matter. It is not as if fraternities will be the only ones to benefit from the development.

National fraternities were established on this campus about 10 years ago following petition by local fraternal organizations having already been well established. Likewise, the university has considered the concept of a fraternity area for nearly as long a time.

Since that time, there has been more than one attempt to realize the development of a campus fraternity area but, unfortunately, these were unsuccessful. At present, probably the most cohesive effort is being made to bring about the establishment of a fraternity area on campus.

I do not see where it is necessary at this time to explain in detail all the plans and procedures currently being discussed for development.

I feel confident that as things develop, reports will be made to inform and educate those interested.

The possibility of the development of a fraternity area on campus is exciting. MTSU is one of the few institutions that does not have this asset. The Murfreesboro city officials have pledged their support in this endeavor, as well as university officials (who are constantly aware of what progress is being made), the Interfraternity Council and the Greeks themselves have made a sincere commitment.

We must not allow prejudices and dislikes to stand in the way of advancement. The Greeks of this campus, highly spirited and motivated individuals who take pride in themselves and their fraternities, ask only for the opportunity to broaden their fraternal experiences through the establishment of new fraternity houses on campus. They wish to help serve the campus as leaders in the further development of the campus. It has been said that little has been accomplished without enthusiasm. It is a well-known fact that fraternity members are among the most enthusiastic students on campus.

Tim Strobl  
Box 6247

## Reasoning behind Syler's meeting unclear

To the editor:

On Wed. Feb 13 a question and answer meeting was held at Beasley Hall. ASB President Kent Syler presided. There were a few questions and comments made that led me to wonder the reasoning behind the entire session.

First of all, Randy James, candidate for ASB President happens to reside in Beasley

Hall. I think it is rather ironic that Randy lives in Beasley and the first meeting of this kind was held in Beasley.

Secondly, Mr. Syler recently vetoed a bill that would enable a joint ASB committee to hand out on campus a written survey asking exactly the same questions and issues that Mr. Syler brought up at the meeting. (Problems with housing seemed trifle at this meeting.) He pointed out his reason for the veto was because of political

aspirations within the committee itself. I can't help but feel a double standard somewhere along the line.

Also, why Mr. Syler, are you so opposed to a campus wide or even a student body vote on the issue of the proposed "Organization Row?" I feel the students have every right to express their opinions as well as their feelings on the issue.

As far as being unable to answer questions that students put forth to you by saying, "I'm

not the man to address that question to," then I ask, who is? You are the President of the ASB, it's your job to keep up with issues concerning MTSU.

One last question, Mr. Syler, just say that "organization row" does go through, would I be safe in saying that on campus residents halls can have beer blasts without fear of repercussion? After all, it's all in the name of school spirit.  
Steve Love  
ASB Representative  
Box 6179

## Sunday eaters want breakfast

To the editor:

I am writing to you in hopes to attract the attention of the grill administrators concerning their opening time on Sunday. Many students residing on campus during the weekends are hurt by not being able to eat on Sunday morning because the grill is not open until 3 p.m.

The High Rise cafeteria takes this opportunity to charge the "brunch rate" to the students who want to eat there. Most of the times during the weekdays the food at High Rise is already bad, but it's exceptionally bad and the choices are limited on Sundays.

I, on behalf of myself and out-of-state students, including all the foreign students on campus (I believe), petition for the grill to begin its services at an earlier time.

Bura Purabibadhana  
Box 4448

## Syler's views inconsistent

To the editor:

There is one thing that particularly bothers me about Kent Syler's position concerning the organization row project (frat row). He was quoted in Friday's paper as saying that the issue did not affect students who were not in fraternities. At the same time, they call the project "Organization Row," insisting that any organization could build on it.

These two views are not very consistent. I certainly think that the students have a right to an opinion about anything that concerns this university. That is the same problem we are having with Ralph Hillman's tenure issue — people in control do not think that the students have a say-so about what goes on.

We need to let them know that we intend to get in our two bits and they'd be well-advised to listen!

Daniel Brown  
Freshman Senator  
Box 3623

## Jansen wrong in accusations

To the editor:

After reading the article titled "Falling students, not a funny sight" in Tuesday's issue of *Sidelines* in which Charles Jansen accused the young people that were laughing at the others who slipped and fell on the ice of displaying revolting callousness, I felt compelled to write in defense of myself and others.

That was the most absurd letter I've ever read in *Sidelines*. The source of entertainment was the way in which the people

slipped around trying to keep their balance without falling. Occasionally someone would fall down, but did these people think the laughing spectators were disgustingly insensitive? Apparently not, because they went on their way with a smile on their face. They were probably embarrassed; but they were not mad!

Mr. Jansen suggested we were laughing because of the physical pain they were suffering by comparing us with the ancient

Romans watching innocent people slaughtered by man or beast. This is the most distorted parallelism I have ever heard. He also said, "It's not a long step from this (laughing at people for falling on ice) to kicking them while they're down." I'm surprised that an intellectual educator such as Charles Jansen would make such a foolish exaggeration of such a simple event!

Name withheld by request

## School needs more than frat row

To the editor:

I, for one, strongly agree with the opinions presented by Roger Fenner, Steve Love and George Adcock regarding the fraternity row project. Sure, an outlet street is needed to ease some of the traffic congestion, but I fail to see why the road must be a site for new fraternity houses. MTSU needs other facilities.

Last year, an athletic complex which could be used by all students, teachers and alumni was proposed. Partial funding would have come from the newly initiated student activity fee. Apparently this proposal died for I've not heard nor read of any other developments. Commuters still have problems finding parking spaces; the RIM department is desperately in need of funds; and dorm space is also at a minimum.

I'd like to remind the ASB that there was a time not so long ago when students had to room in local motels, and those residents "lucky" enough to be on campus were put three-to-a-room. The residents apparently still remember as the recent three-to-a-room housing poll clearly shows. Some of the dorms are still in need of repair, and if we want to imitate UT so badly (as IFC president Don Taylor in-

fers) why not air condition all the dorms?

There are several objections to the establishment of a fraternity row. The largest concern seems to be over alcoholic beverages. ASB president Kent Syler states that the fraternities will work out leases for their land "so they will own the land and the issue of alcohol will be worked out." Fine. Yet, in practice, all residents are leasing space from the state. If the fraternities move on campus and thereby become residents, Syler suggests they would be exempt from the rule of on-campus prohibition of alcoholic beverages. Would it really be fair to exempt the fraternities while enforcing this rule on the majority of residents?

I fail to see how moving fraternities on campus would promote school spirit. Why would moving the fraternity houses one mile encourage more students to stay on campus over the weekends? If fraternity life is such an integral part of campus life, why aren't more people staying over now? Is one mile too far to drive? I would also like to point out that student spirit, participation and support are hard to arouse when a whole section of the student body is

excluded, namely independent men.

Fenner is quite right. This issue of a fraternity row has been "hush-hush." Plans seem to have been carefully worked out before being presented to the student body. It strikes me as odd that the ASB Joint Services Commission is just now getting around to passing out a survey asking for student feedback when Kent Syler has already appealed to the State Board of Regents and the Murfreesboro Planning Commission. I think it is significant that Syler went before the Commission with five potential plans for the road and an appropriation of \$10,000 for survey needs from the school's internal maintenance department already in hand. (As a point of interest, just what is the "internal maintenance department?")

I feel that some of ASB is attempting to support a minority of the student body. I applaud the individual efforts and stances of representatives like Fenner, Love and Adcock. As for the others, I suggest they listen to a wider cross section of the students of MTSU. After all, they are supposed to represent the opinion of the majority.

Zane E. Smith  
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# Fiber artist to hold workshop

Marianna Hamilton, fiber artist from South Carolina, will present a fabric workshop Thursday, Feb. 21, in the Saunders Fine Arts Building Room 303.

"The workshop is free and anyone can participate. No previous experience with art is necessary," Janet Higgins, assistant art professor, said. "Marianna will teach the batik method and direct dye application. Students can create their own patterns on cloth for clothing or wall hangings."

It is an all-day event, from 9-noon and from 1-4 p.m. Cloth will be sold there, but students should bring their own brushes. The workshop is limited to only 20 due to space so those wishing to attend should pre-register by calling the Art Department at 898-2455.

The batik process uses hot wax and dye to create designs, Higgins explained. The wax is applied to the fabric in a pattern which blocks out the dye. This produces white designs where

the wax was, and the dye brings color to the rest of the cloth.

Hamilton will be presenting a slide lecture Wednesday Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the University Center Room 322 on the batik works in Indonesia, where batik originated. Also shown will be slides on her fiber work and watercolors.

"Marianna's watercolors are done in abstract patterns rather than as landscapes. Also, she has observed work done with the batik method in Indonesia, and her slides will show what she has learned," Higgins said.

Hamilton is an Assistant Professor of Art at the University of South Carolina.



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## Freud topic of lecture

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON  
Sidelines Staff Writer

"Sigmund Freud wrote in depth about many things and had something to say about everything," MTSU Psychology Professor Larry Morris told a full house at the weekly Honors Lecture Series meeting last week.

**"All studies of human behavior involve to some degree Freudian theories."**

Morris completed his undergraduate studies at Arlington State University and obtained his doctorate at Vanderbilt. Last year he published "Exrovert, Introvert."

Morris' lecture, "The Impact of Freud," showed that, due to Freud's prolific writings on so many subjects, all studies of human behavior involve to some degree Freudian theories. Much of this involvement is the result of reactions to prove Freud either right or wrong, but often the social scientist is unaware of the influence. This is probably because most of these fields were being born at the time Freud was formulating and presenting his theories.

**"Areas most influenced by Freud are medicine and psychiatry, physical therapy and psychological social work."**

The areas most influenced by Freud are medicine and psychiatry, including nursing, physical therapy and psychological social work, Morris stated. Since World War II psychoanalysis has been the psychological approach used almost exclusively in these areas. For example, general practitioners approach bedwetting and nightmares from a Freudian viewpoint trying to figure out their cause.

**"General practitioners approach bedwetting and nightmares from a Freudian viewpoint."**

Surprisingly, the field least influenced at present by Freud is psychology, with the exception of clinical and developmental psychology. Even though psychology is presently influenced by neo-Freudians, their influence is strongest where they disagree with Freud. Morris thinks the lack of influence could be due to psychologists' reluctance to touch anything Freudian.

**"The field least influenced at present by Freud is psychology."**

"Maybe they'll get over their Freud hang-ups and get into it someday," he said.

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# Ghost appears during poker game

By LISA HUMAN  
Sidelines Editor in Chief

Traditionally, ghosts appear in old mansions on stormy nights when the moon is full, but those were not the circumstances under which MTSU student Bobby White met his first ghost.

Within the confines of K-122, an ordinary four-man semi-modern apartment, nothing like the dwellings where ghost normally reside, White met his ghost.

"We were over here playing penny poker about three weeks ago," White said, "and we were kind of cutting up about there being ghosts here."

After swearing that none of his poker-playing buddies had been drinking, White continued. "Suddenly, the penny that was in an ashtray flipped up and changed from heads to tails."

Like most people, White and his friends were skeptical of the occurrence being caused by ghosts.

"Each of us just thought someone else flipped the penny or something," he said. "We didn't really get scared, but we couldn't figure how it happened."

One of Bobby's friends picked up the penny and threw it out the door, exclaiming "I don't believe in no damn ghost."

Call it coincidence, but that friend lost the next eight poker hands and his car battery was dead the next morning. He still isn't a believer, but chances are he won't curse another ghost.

Just around the corner from White's apartment, another ghost has been rumored to exist. "A friend of mine in K-109 last semester swore he had a

ghost in his room," MTSU student Jackie Gearhart said. This ghost supposedly came to the apartment when her friend asked the head resident for a wall mirror.

From the time the mirror arrived, Jackie's friend heard strange noises at night. One morning he woke to find the chain latch on his door unlatched.

"He swore he had chained the door the night before because he always does," Jackie said laughing, adding that she is skeptical about ghost, but doesn't want to say she totally

does not believe in their existence.

Dean of Men Ivan Shewmake could come up with no reason why ghosts would be haunting the apartments. "To my knowledge we have had no one die there," he said. "In fact, I don't think we've ever had anyone die in a dorm," he pondered.

More prominent ghosts in Middle Tennessee include the Bell Witch of Adams, Tenn. Legend has it that John Bell owned a plantation in Adams in the 1800's. He was continually haunted, and in the end was poisoned by the Bell Witch. His daughter Betsy had covers pulled off her at night by an uncontrollable force and was clawed and tanted by the witch, who would talk to the Bell family and laugh during church services. Supposedly, the Bell

Witch returns to Adams every year.

Meanwhile back at MTSU, White's ghost may have appeared more than once. "One night we heard something crash hellaciously into the window," Whitesaid, motioning toward the living room window of K-122.

"In about two seconds we were out of that door," he said, now able to laugh over a once frightening experience. "Not a soul was around. We looked behind the post and everywhere."

One of his friends said it could have been a bat. Whatever it was, White has not ruled out the possibility that a ghost lives in his apartment.

Foolish? Maybe, but White is a pre-med senior, and he certainly believes in ghosts.



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In the apartment of Bobby White, strange experiences led him and his friends to believe a ghost visited them one night while they played poker. After that night, they are not positive it was not a ghost.

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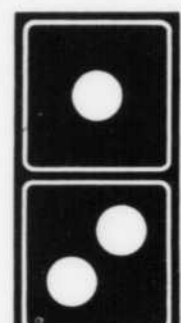


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# Nursing program accredited

The two-year nursing program which leads to an associate degree at MTSU has been granted continuing accreditation by the National League for Nursing Board of Review.

Betty McComas, chairman of the nursing program, said a re-evaluation, which is called for every eight years by the League for Nursing board, means that the program is fully accredited to Fall 1987.

The first nursing class was enrolled in September 1966, graduating in August 1968, McComas said. The following November the school received full accreditation in nursing, the

shortest period allowed by the Board. Middle Tennessee was the first state institution in Tennessee accredited by the NLN for an associate degree program.

Since that time, 373 nurses have graduated from the program, with 46 more due to graduate in May 1980, said McComas, who served eight years on the Tennessee Board of Nursing, in the Ellington and Dunn administrations.

The NLN review team lauded the "dedication, professionalism and conscientiousness of a heavily laden faculty" and the

"support of administration and general education" for the associate degree program. Other strengths noted in the review included the Learning Resources Center, the students' pride in their school and the supportive role clinical agencies play for the nursing students and graduates.

Employment opportunities abound for nursing students, McComas stated, adding that employing agencies "make no bones about it that they are well prepared when they enter the work force. And hospitals are crying for nurses."

Beginning salaries for nurses are some \$14,000-16,000 yearly, she added.

# Iran, US agree to investigate shah

**By the Associated Press**  
The United States and Iran have accepted the membership of a commission to investigate the former shah and the panel will go to Tehran in a few days, the United Nations announced Monday, but there was no word on how or when this might bring release of the hostages held in the U.S. Embassy there.

A spokesman for the Moslem militants at the embassy told the Japanese newspaper Yomiuri there was "no need for the U.N. to investigate the crimes of the former shah."

He said, "Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini and the Iranian people are still demanding the extradition of the shah and the return of his assets" before the hostages will be released.

"The United Nations' efforts to break the impasse by appointing a five-member commission to probe Iran's grievances is a U.S. plot being perpetrated through U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim," the militant was quoted as saying in a dispatch monitored in Tokyo.

In Washington, State Department officials said the diplomatic plan for release was "on track," but with no firm timetable. The officials, speaking privately, said the United States probably will not be certain about the freeing of the hostages "until we see the whites of their eyes."

Waldheim was quoted by a Vienna newspaper as saying the hostages would be released "in the course of the commission's work. Otherwise one would not have received the agreement of the two sides."

# Spouses must agree how to divide property

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Bills passed Monday by the Tennessee Legislature included:

**Sent by House to governor**  
•Regulate public accountants and certified public accountants, permit experience to substitute for bachelor's degree for CPA candidates.

**Sent by Senate to governor**  
•Authorize spouses to agree before marriage on disposition of property owned by each before marriage.

**Sent by House to Senate**  
•Require redesignation of Bellevue exit on Interstate 40 to Bellevue-Newsome's Station

exit, amended and returned.  
•Permit pawnbrokers to continue charging current interest rates.  
•Prevent bank holding companies from acquiring newly established banks before Jan. 1, 1982.  
•Provide procedures to

withdraw signature from application for incorporation of municipality.

•Permit, at least 60 days before incorporation election, consideration of smaller area than first proposed.

**Sent by Senate to House**  
•Authorize judge to suspend finds, costs or jail sentences at his discretion, allow installment payments of fines.

•Specify that teachers, within limits, can take personal leave at their discretion, amended to

require three days notice and returned.

•Authorize compensation of state employees for injuries to personal property arising from official employment, excluding negligence.

•Require building commission approval for land acquisition by state agencies.

•Increase compensation of assistant district attorneys from \$10,000 to \$15,000 a year.

•Permit state agency to withdraw proposed regulation

at any time before its effective date, with approval of legislative committee.

•Permit those 60 or older to take state college and university courses at reduced fees.

•Require detention hearing within three days after a child is placed in shelter as delinquent, neglected, dependent or abused.

•Increase daily expenses for members of hearing aid dispensers licensing board from \$25 to \$50 per meeting.

•Protect from liability persons who report elderly person's need for protective services.

•Permit health department to inspect any property where radioactive material may be dumped, increase maximum penalty for violation to \$25,000 fine and 11 months and 29 days in jail.

•Replace statutory regulation of advertising by those engaged in healing arts with regulation by medical and regulatory boards affected.

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