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Delegation of SGA student activities undecided

Shawn Whitsell
Staff Reporter

Each student taking seven or more credit hours pays a \$5 Student Government Association student activity fee along with all the other costs of being a student. The fees are put into one fund and dispersed among student organizations in need of funding for particular activities and events.

Projects sponsored or endorsed by the SGA or any other student groups or organizations which are in good standing with the university are considered for the funds.

Funds are dispersed according to priority. For example, an educational and academic function that is open to the whole campus is far more likely to receive funding than a function that is designed

for fun and specified for only one group of people. Other things, such as the financial status of the organization and its commitment to the project are also considered for the amount of funding it receives. Each organization has to make available current projected financial records.

In order to receive funding, student organizations must present a request to the Student Activity Committee. The committee reviews the request and decides who needs the money most. The committee is made up of three faculty members, one staff member and six students. Tom Burke, dean of student life, chairs the committee. This year the committee will allocate \$73,888 of the \$77,693 collected. The other \$3,805 will be saved for emergencies and special events.

Approved requests will have funds allocated by a grant, loan or performance scholarship.

"Maybe some people think that we already have a \$65 fee. Well, that's not what it is. That's the stadium fee."

—Tom Burke

A grant is a nonrepayable amount of money awarded to an organization for a

project that will benefit the student body.

Loans are awarded on a one-time basis to an organization with the purpose of sponsoring a student-oriented, revenue-generating project, with the understanding that the original amount and a negotiable interest rate will be returned upon completion of the project. The applicant enters into a contract with the committee to establish the loan conditions. Performance scholarships may be established for any MTSU student.

Burke said that student organization requests have added up to \$236,659, but they all will not be funded. He also said that during SGA elections last semester, students voted not to raise the SGA student activity fee to \$25, which would have made it possible for more organizations to receive funding this year.

"The money would have gone to orga-

nizations, sports clubs, student government and to programming to bring more students on campus," Burke said.

Students may have decided not to vote on the raise because they possibly confused it with the \$65 activity fee, which goes toward the stadium.

"Maybe some people think that we already have a \$65 fee. Well, that's not what that is. That's the stadium fee," Burke said.

Burke said the committee met Tuesday morning for an informational meeting. He added that it would probably be another two weeks before it announces which groups have been awarded funds.

If any organization feels that it has been denied for any other reason besides failure to meet guidelines, it may present an appeal to the vice-president of Student Affairs. ■

University recognized for helping disabled students

Edward Kauffman
Staff Reporter

MTSU received the Technology Appreciation Award on August 13 for its use of technology in providing access for disabled students in university housing, the new library and elsewhere on campus.

Access Services of Middle Tennessee, a nonprofit organization which operates Nashville's Technology Access Center (TAC), stated that MTSU provides the most accommodations and services to disabled students. The TAC also noted that the university provided services such as lift-

equipped shuttle buses, interpreters for hearing impaired students and note-takers and readers for visually impaired students.

MTSU is the third recipient of this annual honor. Previous award winners were First American National Bank and the Nashville Arena.

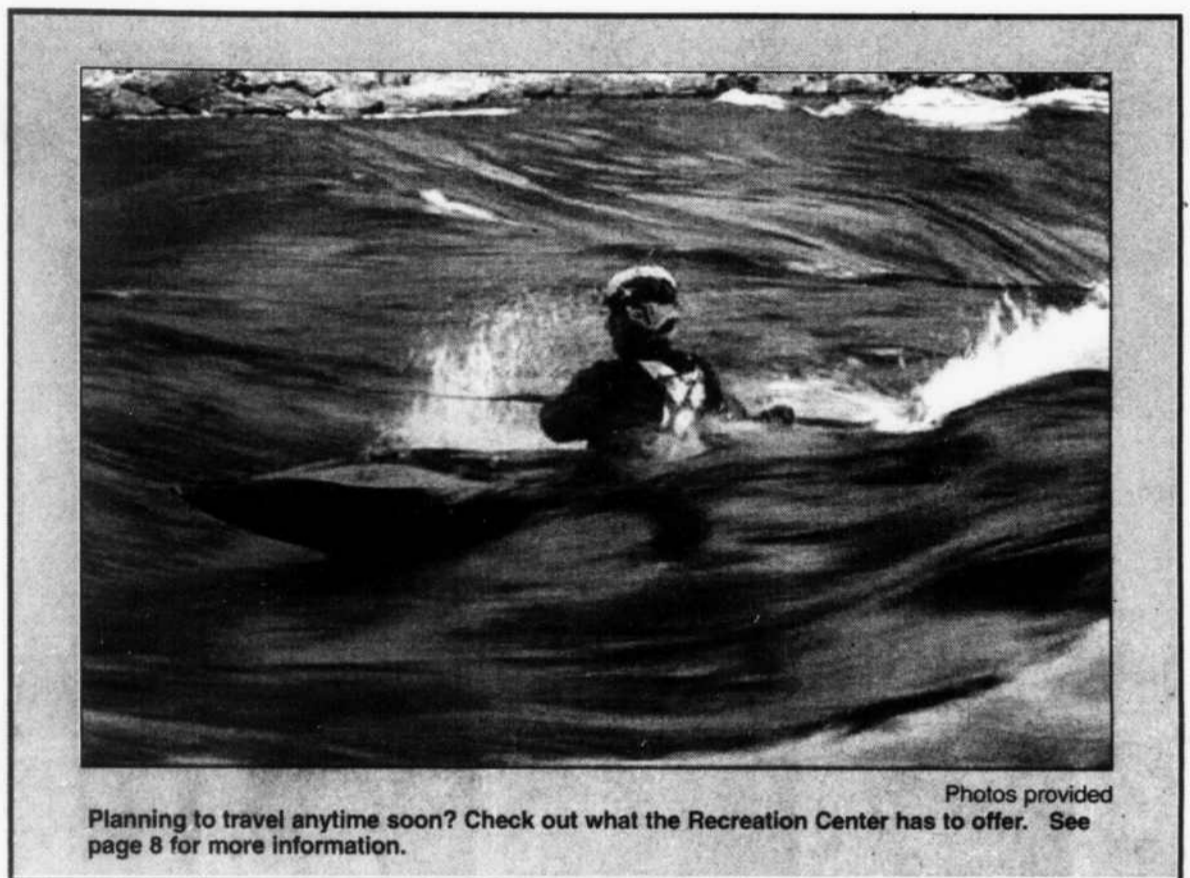
The disabled student population rose over 500 percent in little over a decade, largely due to the recruiting efforts of John Harris, director of Disabled Student Services. Harris made sure that MTSU met the needs of the American Disabilities Act (ADA) and that when students graduate,

they will find employment.

President James Walker recently appointed an ADA ad hoc committee to survey the campus and find those walkways, entrances and restrooms that needed to be brought up to ADA standards.

With state funding through the Tennessee Board of Regents, the university has already tackled fifteen separate construction projects, to be completed this fall, making many more campus walkways and entrances accessible.

When the new library opens in January 1999, there will be a designated "assisted-technology" area for persons with disabilities. ■



Planning to travel anytime soon? Check out what the Recreation Center has to offer. See page 8 for more information. Photos provided

Outstanding Teacher Award

Gravity can't keep Montemayer down

Barry Gilley
Staff Reporter

During the Fall Convocation this August, eight professors were honored by the MTSU Foundation in the areas of research, technology, teaching and public service. Each recipient received \$3,000. Sidelines will highlight one faculty award winner for the next eight issues.

Victor J. Montemayer, associate professor of physics and astronomy, is the winner of one Outstanding Teacher Award.

"I think effective teachers have to, first of all, know what they're talking about and secondly, they have to care what they're talking about," Montemayer said. "You can have someone who is an incredible expert in their field, but teaching is not priority for them."

Montemayer said he thinks some universities place an emphasis on grants and research. However, he said he feels that MTSU values teaching more than some other institutions.

"I'm lucky in that respect. That's one of the reasons I came here, to be able to work on different ways of teaching physics and reworking curricula because that's something that is valued

here," he said. "I was very lucky to find a place where my interests and their needs matched up so well."

Montemayer received two degrees — one in mathematics and one in physics — from Bucknell University in Pennsylvania in 1979. He then went on to study astrophysics at the University of Toledo in Ohio.

Prior to coming to MTSU in 1990, he was a guest scientist for

"That's what physics is; it's everything around you."

—Victor J. Montemayer

two years at the Hahn-Meitner Institute for Nuclear Research in West Berlin, Germany. He was also a visiting physicist at the National Institute for Atomic Physics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in Debrecen, Hungary, and at Sandia National Labs in Livermore, California. His research at that time was in the classical and quantum mechanical theories of ion-atom collisions.

Since his arrival at MTSU,

Montemayer has devoted the majority of his time to curricular reform and developing new curricula and methods of teaching physics. He is the author of the text *Discovering Physics: A Guide to Uncovering Some Basic Tools and Insights to the Science*.

"I spent a couple of years revising a course that used to be called 'basic physics,' which was an incredibly dry course, in an attempt to make it completely discovery learning based," he explained. "Discovery learning is the idea that you're basically guiding people through a discovery process of what you're trying to teach them as opposed to lecturing."

"The idea is that after about 10 to 20 minutes, depending on who you talk to, lecture students are no longer following and appreciating what's being said," Montemayer continued. "They'll write things down and act attentive, but they kind of 'zone out' and things aren't sinking in. So, really after about 15 minutes on average, it helps to have some kind of activity to get them engaged in what you're talking about. I wanted something more hands-on with more discussion in the revision of the course." Montemayer is also currently



Victor J. Montemayer, winner of Outstanding Teacher Award.

developing web-based lectures for the college physics sequence.

"Web-based lectures are helpful in terms of allowing for expansion on the traditional lab component and making that much more of a group discussion of problems. It's kind of a progression where we're sort of diminishing the importance of the lecture itself and rather putting that solely on the web," he said. "Where the real learning takes place is in what we call the problems class — we discuss and working out with each other how these concepts are applied to everyday life. That's what

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Engineers stop KOM building from settling

Michael Barton
Staff Reporter

Kirksey Old Main, once suffering from an accelerated settling rate and inch-wide cracks in its walls, is back to its original form, according to Campus Planning architect Paul Wright.

Last November, Sidelines reported that Campus Planning was inspecting KOM to find out why it was settling at a faster rate than was considered normal. Wright said that Campus Planning has since assessed the problem and, to the best of his knowledge, remedied it.

According to Wright, KOM's settling was caused by the drying of the soil directly under the foundation. The fan that forces air through the ventilation system of the building is located in the basement. Wright said that air from this fan was being forced through pre-existing cracks in the foundation, drying out the soil underneath.

As this soil lost moisture, it shrank, causing the building to drop.

The dropping of the building in the spots where the soil had shrunk caused cracks in the walls that measured up to an inch wide.

To fix this problem, Wright said

Campus Planning hired engineering consultants who, through a system of hydraulic jacks, lifted the building back to the correct level.

The engineers dug pits for the hydraulic jacks on each side of the basement corridor of the building.

"They put an arm on these jacks that went under the foundation, then used hydraulic pressure to ram a steel post down to bedrock," Wright explained.

Bedrock is the solid rock beneath the soil and superficial rock.

"When that steel post hit bedrock ... the hydraulic pressure pushed up against the jacks and lifted the building up, closing the cracks in the walls and getting it back to true," Wright said.

The engineers then reinforced the hydraulic jacks by encasing them in concrete and pumped an expansive grout under the bottom hallway to "fill in all the cracks and voids that they couldn't detect," Wright said.

The basement corridor of KOM where the cracks had occurred has since been refinished.

"Will KOM continue to settle? "Because of the jacks and the steel post that we put down to bedrock ... they should hold the building." ■

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ON CAMPUS

To submit an announcement for On Campus, come by the James Union Building Room 308.

Thursday, Sept. 17

The Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) will sponsor its first-ever "Cut! Party! Mixer" at 6 p.m. The SPJ invites any student who majors or minors in journalism to come and watch (and make fun of) journalism-themed movies. For more information and directions call Lisa or Angie at 904-8380.

The American Criminal Justice Society will hold an informational meeting at 5:30 p.m. in KUC room 324. For more information contact Emily Hudgens at 867-4157. Criminal justice majors and minors welcome.

Friday, Sept. 18

There is a gospel concert at Tucker Theatre at 6 p.m. For more information, contact Corey McGee at 898-3857.

Music on the Knoll will be held in the KUC courtyard from 3 to 6 p.m. For more information, contact Mimi Thomas at 898-2551.

Saturday, Sept. 19

There will be student teaching seminars held at the Business/Aerospace Building room S-104 at 4 p.m. For more information, contact Joel Hausler at 898-2485.

Sept. 18, 19 and 20

The Division of Continuing Studies (DCS) is offering a basic motorcycle rider course for riders who want to learn the correct and safe way to operate a motorcycle. The class will meet Friday, 6-10 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Class size is limited to 12 students. To register, call DCS at 898-2462.

Sunday, Sept. 20

Raider Victory Ministry is sponsoring a free concert at 10 a.m. in the Dance Recital Hall of the Murphy Center. The guest will be a former recording artist for Motown, RCA, and Word

Records and a speaker to NFL and college sports teams. For more information, contact Ricky Walters at 371-8479

Monday, Sept. 21

There will be a Blue Raider Football Faculty Press Luncheon in the JUB Hazelwood Dining Room from 12 to 1 p.m. For more information, contact Ed Givens at 898-2450.

Tuesday, Sept. 22

The MTSU Civil War Society will be holding an organizational meeting 6-7 p.m. in Peck Hall room 200. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact George Pimentel at 898-5039.

Wednesday, Sept. 23

Walt Disney World will hold an informational meeting for the spring 1999 Internships/College Program at 5 p.m. in KUC room 322. Must attend the information meeting to be eligible for interviews on the following day. For more information contact the Placement Center at 898-2500.

Continuing

Organizations not requesting funds must have their organizational report forms completed on or before Sept. 21. The forms are due in KUC 122, and are currently available in KUC 122 and KUC 306. The forms also will be available at the organization sessions scheduled for this week and next week.

S.H.A.R.E., MTSU's Peer Education Program, is now accepting applications. Peer educators perform theatre and educational programs on college health issues such as STDs, sexual assault, alcohol, drugs, etc. Pick up an application in KUC room 303 or call Tressa Cherry at 898-5453.

The June Anderson Women's Center's Eating Disorder Support

Group will meet on Wednesdays from 12 p.m. to 1:30 at the Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building, room 109.

Bring lunch and join the discussion and support group. For further information, contact Mary Glantz at 898-5725.

Activity and event proposals are now being accepted for the 1999 celebration of African-American History Month. Next year's theme "African-American Leadership: Living the Legacy," should be incorporated into the proposal. Proposals must be returned to Cope 220 by Oct. 5, along with 12 ink-printed completed copies. Forms are available in KUC 124, Peck Hall 316 or 309, and Cope 220. For more information call Robert Rucker at 898-2510 or Barbara Patton at 898-2185.

Public Safety is offering Rape Aggression Defense Systems classes for women. This course is open to MTSU students and employees as well as area residents. The cost is \$15 for MTSU students and employees and \$30 for others. The next classes will be held on October 27-29 at the Foundation Reception House at 324 West Thompson Lane, Murfreesboro.

Raider Victory/The Victory Church at MTSU will be holding Sunday Chapel-Church Services every Sunday morning at 10 a.m. at the Murphy Center Dance Recital Hall. For more information, contact Pastor Franco Gennaro at 848-7979 or Ricky Walters at 371-8479.

The Intercollegiate Debate Association of MTSU will meet every Tuesday from 5 to 6 p.m. in Boutwell Dramatic Arts room 220. For more information, contact Jason Stone at 898-2273 or Michael Krueger at 898-5607. All students are welcome to attend.

MINUTE MAID COLLEGE EXTRAVAGANZA



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Car show raises money for Children's Discovery House

Jamie Strodtmann
Staff Reporter

Proceeds from the "Show and Shine" car show held on Saturday went to benefit the construction of a new facility for the Children's Discovery House. The second annual event was sponsored by Heritage Olds Cadillac Isuzu.

The new facility, located near the Murfreesboro Greenway on Southeast Broad Street, will be called the Children's Discovery Center.

The Children's Discovery House, currently located at 503 N. Maple, provides a variety of activities and opportunities for families.

"Our current Children's Discovery House serves over 32,000 children a year from Middle Tennessee," said Billie Little, executive director. "We have exhibits ranging from science to health to the arts providing children with the opportunity to interact and learn through hands-on activities like arts and crafts."

On Sept. 14 the Discovery House began a new program called Parents-N-Tots. This program consists of morning classes for parents with children ages five and under. The Discovery House is also instituting an outreach program for teen parents.

"We hope these classes will give parents a chance to meet others in the community as well as helping to provide them with parenting skills

and resources," Little said. "During the classes, the children will be able to participate in arts and craft projects." Limited space prevents the Discovery House from providing more services to families in the community. Moving to a new facility will provide ample room to incorporate activities for all age groups.

"We are excited about the opportunity to educate children about the environment, and our new center gives us the chance for hands-on activities through the wetlands and the Greenway," Little said.

"Last year, 80 cars and trucks participated in the car show. This year, we had around 50," said Michael Mills, president of Heritage Olds Cadillac Isuzu. "We just wanted people to have a good time and come out and enjoy themselves, while helping out the Discovery Center."

According to Mills, \$400 of the \$2,000 raised will actually benefit the Discovery House.



Children's Discovery House staff member Nichol Vaden applies face paint to a reluctant visitor.

Corey Flemming, receiver for the Nashville Kats, was on hand to sign autographs and promote the event. Coca-Cola donated drinks.

Children's Discovery House employees were on hand to paint faces and make musical instruments called shakers, a Discovery House specialty, to entertain children.

Construction of the new Discovery Center is slated to begin June 1999. ■

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physics is; it's everything around you."

Montemayor is currently on two national task forces; one on Physics Teaching and Research, and the other on New Pedagogies and Research on Science Teaching. He is also listed in Who's Who in Science and Engineering, and Who's Who in the World. He will be travelling to Chicago this week to talk about alternate teaching methods in the sciences.

Although Montemayor admits he does not have much free time, he uses what he has gardening and enjoying his 11 acres of land.

"I'm from around Philadelphia

and the whole Tennessee area is something relatively new to me," he said. "I like the area and I like the people. Basically what free time I do have, I try to get out and see more of both."

Montemayor was quick to share the limelight in expressing his appreciation for the award.

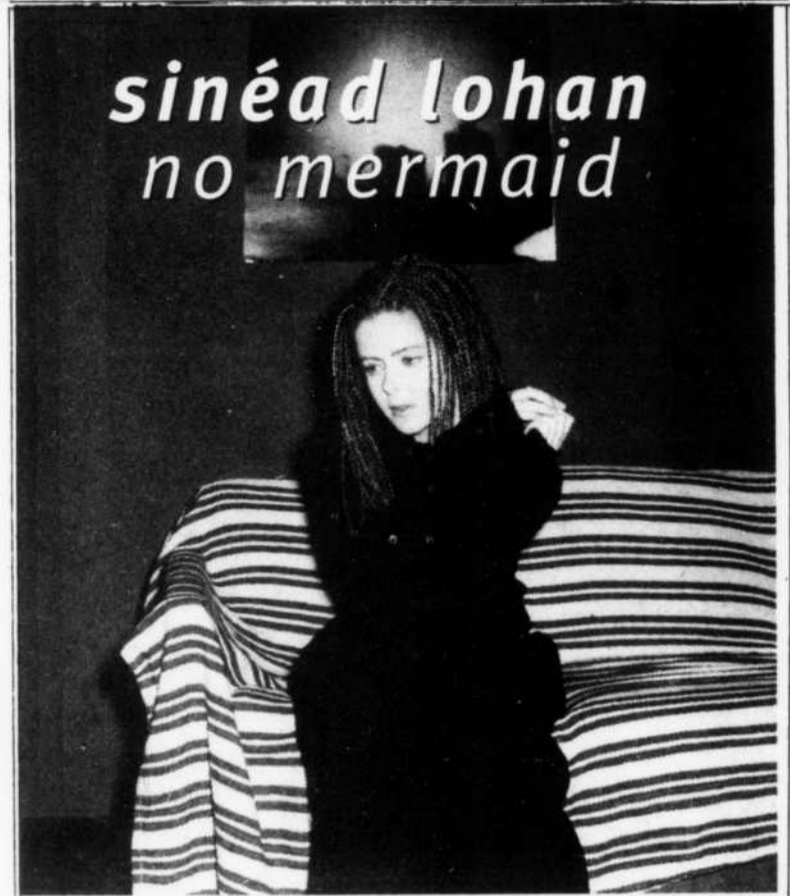
"It was nice getting the award, but what really made it special was that Jay [White, assistant professor of physics and astronomy] and I got the award at the same time. He's a good colleague and a good friend, and it's great that two people from the same department could win."

White is also a winner of the Outstanding Teacher Award and will be featured in the next issue. ■

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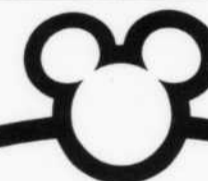
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Day	LRC 101*	LRC 101B**
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Tue	*10:15 am - 12:15 pm* 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	2:00 am - 4:00 pm
Wed	10:00 am - 1:00 pm 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	1:30 am - 6:00 pm
Thur	*10:15 am - 12:15 pm* 3:00 pm - 9:30 pm 9:00 am - 4:00 pm	1:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Fri	8:30 am - 11:30 am	Closed
Sat	6:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Closed
Sun		Closed

*Pentium & Macintosh computers, Internet on Macs only
**Pentium computers with Internet access

Exceptions: LRC 101A - Closed 2:30-3:30 9/15 (Tuesday)
LRC 101A - Closed 12:00-1:00 9/16 (Wednesday)
LRC 101B - Closed 1:00-3:00 9/17 (Thursday)
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LRC 101B - Closed 12:00-1:00 9/18 (Friday)



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Lecture is sponsored by the MTSU Christian Student Center

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Room 221**

JESUS ?

"You can shut Him up as a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call him Lord and God."

OPINIONS

"Were it left for me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."
—Thomas Jefferson

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Editorial

Activity fees: our money, our decision

A chunk of our semester fees, \$65 to be exact, go into a designated fund called "Student Activity Fees."

The fee is automatically added onto the price of a semester and we don't decide where the money goes. The \$65 is delegated into organizations and specifications — and again, we don't decide where it goes.

Last year, the student body voted not to raise the Student Government fee from \$5 to \$25 — so it wasn't.

If our opinion on fee amount is worth something, why isn't our opinion on fee delegation?

It seems like paying such a small amount (compared to tuition, that is) and identifying where the money should be spent would not complicate the registration process any more than it already is. A simple "scantion" process could do the trick.

For those students who are opposed to personally deciding where to delegate their \$65, then let the university have its way.

But for those of us who really want a say in where our earned money flows, let us decide. If we want it to go towards athletics, let it go. If we want it to go towards the new library, let it go. If we want it to go towards the KUC flower bed, then, by God, let it go.

If the university is already taking a technology fee, a recreation fee, an SGA fee and a mailbox fee, then let the rest of the funds go to something the student body specifically cares about.

Let us choose.

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM



What does Hillary see in this guy?

Susan Reimer
The Baltimore Sun

"Why does Hillary stay?" After "Is Bill finished?" is perhaps the most vexing question about the Monica S. Lewinsky scandal.

Why would Hillary Rodham Clinton stay married to this serial womanizer, who has subjected her to enormous public humiliation while at the same time wrecking their shared dream of a life of good works and social change?

How can she say, as she did when she introduced this man on the eve of the release of a report that would degrade her marriage, "I'm proud to introduce my husband and our president?"

Why does Hillary stay? Let me answer that question with another: Why do any of us stay?

I think Hillary has stayed in her less-than-perfect marriage for the same reason any of us stay in a less-than-perfect marriage: It beats the alternative.

I am not being cynical here, but love is not the only reason people marry, and it is not the only reason people stay married.

Sometimes couples stay married because there isn't enough energy, not enough reason, to get unmarried. Sometimes the good outweighs the bad.

And I think, not for the first time, Hillary Rodham Clinton has weighed the good and the bad and decided that the scale continues to tip in favor of preserving her marriage.

Those of us on the outside of this complex relationship

may see only the reasons for her to leave. President Clinton's sins are larger than life and they are known to us in excruciating detail. But the benefits to her of this marriage are also larger than life, and so are the consequences of ending it.

Leave him, and she pulls the pins out of what is left of the presidency, a life's mission she has shared and cherished.

Say what you will about her personal power trip, she didn't want to be first lady so she could decorate the White House for Christmas. Hillary has been dedicated to social activism since she was a teen-ager, and the best place to effect change is from the White House.

She has tolerated intrusions and indignities and betrayals of almost mythical proportions — and not just from her husband. But in return she has had the pulpit, if not the power base, to do what she has believed was right since her days in Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Married women everywhere make the same kind of deal with the devil. It just isn't on so grand — or public — a scale.

He can't hammer a nail, but he is great with the kids. He travels 26 weeks a year, but his paycheck lets her hire help. He won't go to parties with her friends, but he praises

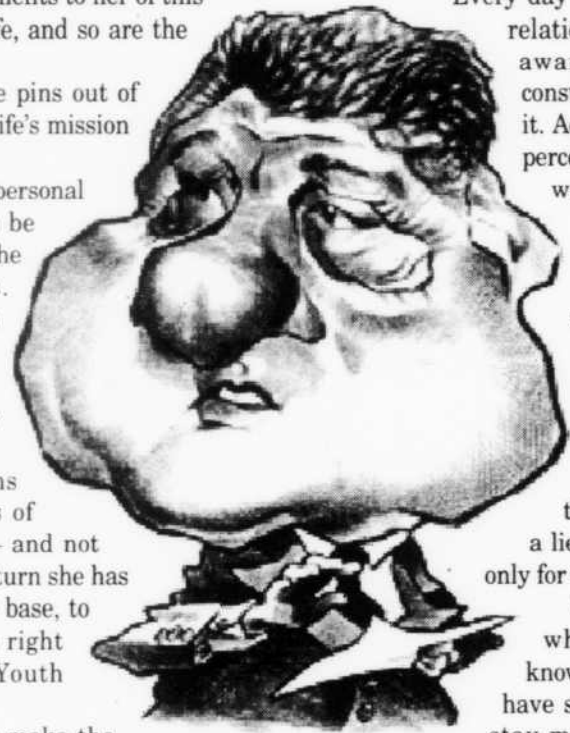
her in front of his. He cheated, but she loves her kids too much to cast their father out.

Every day women take the measure of their relationships. I'm not sure we are even aware we are doing it, but we are constantly asking ourselves if it is worth it. According to the divorce statistics, 50 percent of us will say "no" one day and we will mean it. But the rest of us answer "yes" every day. Despite every broken promise, every dirty sock, every careless word, every angry bedtime.

If you asked any of us why we stay with our husbands, we might not be able to give any more than a quick, thoughtless answer. We might say that we've never thought of leaving, but that would be a lie. We have all thought of leaving, if only for a split second.

Only those women such as Hillary, who have endured sexual betrayal known by everyone in the neighborhood, have searched their souls for a reason to stay married, and their reasons do not deserve our casual scrutiny.

Why does Hillary stay? Only Hillary knows the answer. But we have all asked that question of ourselves. That Hillary stays should be the only answer we need. ■



Brain power more valuable than vain power

Susan Jane Gilman
Special to the Los Angeles Times

Do young women care more about their bodies than their brains? Time magazine recently answered "yes." In a cover story titled "Is feminism dead?" Time reported that young women today equate power with glamour and beauty. Said one 18-year-old: "Girl power means you wear hot pants and a bra with some sequins on it."

Yet the very same week, another piece of news made quieter headlines. According to the Census Bureau, for the first time in history, more women than men ages 25-29 are earning college and graduate degrees. This level of education, the study found, enables women to earn at least 40 percent more than their high school educated peers.

It also improves women's income dramatically more than men's.

And so, as girls head back to school, it's important to remind them that their brains, not a bustier, are the real source of "girl power."

No woman's beauty has ever outlived her, with the possible exception of Marilyn Monroe — and that's largely because Andy Warhol turned her face into wallpaper. And Monroe's image serves mostly as a hallmark of tragedy — a reminder that looks ultimately do not win women love, happiness or respect.

The women who have truly changed the world have done so because of their conviction and intellect. Jane Austen, Harriet Tubman, Marie Curie, Helen Keller, Indira Gandhi, even Oprah Winfrey — none of them had an impact

because they were cute girls in hot pants. Millions of lives have been saved because Clara Barton founded the Red Cross. Margaret Sanger, who pioneered birth control, has done more than Madonna to liberate women sexually. Rosa Parks never made the cover of People magazine, but her impact on history is certainly greater than Jenny McCarthy's. As far as I know, Sojourner Truth never wore a sequined bikini. Nor, for that matter, did Joan of Arc or Golda Meir. Mother Teresa was not exactly a "10" in the looks department. Ditto for Eleanor Roosevelt, arguably the most important woman of the 20th century. And while Camille Paglia may argue that beauty and sexuality are the greatest sources of women's power, her own influence was gained through intellect, not the Miss America pageant.

Obviously, it's important for girls to be healthy and feel good in their own skin. And there's just no getting around the fact that looks are still the premium form of currency in much of junior high and high school. Girls everywhere understand that beauty has the power to excite teen-age boys. But face it: So excite a box of doughnuts. I want my younger sisters to aspire to more than being a flavor-of-the-month — or a Spice.

The women of tomorrow need a reality check: Ultimately their brains, not their bodies, have the capacity to enlighten and influence the world well into the next century. Why should they obsess about the shape of their legs when they can shape history? Real girl power lies between their ears. ■

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A defense without sense

Los Angeles Times

Hours after President Clinton presented himself at a White House prayer breakfast as the most sorrowful and contrite of sinners, his top legal aides were sent forth to proclaim that, while he had indeed made "a serious mistake" in his relationship with former White House intern Monica S. Lewinsky, Clinton has committed no crime in the strictly legal sense.

The allegations and supporting evidence in the 445-page report submitted to Congress by independent counsel Kenneth W. Starr, the White House argued, constituted a "smear," salaciously prejudicial in their detail, "an extravagant effort to find a case where there is none." On probably the most supportable of the allegations, that Clinton perjured himself in a deposition in the Paula Corbin Jones civil case and in his testimony to a grand jury about his relationship with Lewinsky, the White House line remained consistent.

Even with Clinton's apology for an "inappropriate relationship" and a "bad mistake," his attorney, David Kendall, as recently as

Sunday on an ABC News show, has continued to use narrow and lawyerly interpretations to explain why the president did not commit perjury when he said under oath that he did not have sexual relations with Lewinsky. What Kendall says may be technically true, but it is an affront to common sense.

Bill Clinton of course has the right to mount the most vigorous legal and political defense against the allegations in the Starr report and whatever else might emerge when the House Judiciary Committee launches its expected impeachment inquiry. That entitles him to have full access to the thousands of pages of grand jury testimony and any other material that might have been the basis for the Starr report and to cross-examine witnesses. In the course of this effort he might in fact erode some of the factual foundations for the allegations against him. But all this is in the future.

For now the White House's strategy is to try to hold on to the high level of public approval for Clinton's official conduct in hopes of influencing Congress as it ponders impeachment. The results of a Times Poll conducted Sunday

show that Clinton's job approval remains high and that the public still sharply disapproves of Starr.

Two approaches by the White House are clear: to try to cast doubt on the motives behind the Starr report and to portray the president as both chastened and spiritually uplifted by his ordeal.

Last week, after weighing the response to his disastrous Aug. 17 speech acknowledging an "inappropriate" relationship with Lewinsky, Clinton finally issued what amounted to a plenary apology to all those — his family, aides and Cabinet, the American people and Lewinsky herself — that his lies and evasions had harmed. But at the same time he continues to insist that his denial of a sexual relationship with Lewinsky was not perjurious — statement that Americans are just not buying, according to the Times Poll.

To any average person looking at the perhaps gratuitously steamy details in the Starr report, that assertion is preposterous. It is not in sync with the penitence that Clinton claims to truly feel.

The reservoir of approval expressed in the poll offers the White House a chance to realign its schizophrenic strategy, which cannot hold up for the long term. ■

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FEATURES

Scottish music, dance brings preview of celebration



Jump Gypsies

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Shannan Tipton
Special to Sidelines

Fans need not wait until the Heart of Tennessee Scottish Celebration Oct. 3 to enjoy live performances of Scottish and Celtic music. Two concerts will be held on campus in the next two weeks offering Scottish buffs a taste of things to come.

An evening of Celtic music and dance begins at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Tucker Theatre.

The Lovat-Cameron Pipe Band will open the evening of music and dance followed by the Glengarry Highland Dancers, demonstrating various styles of Scottish and Irish dance. The internationally-known group Isla will perform their traditional folk music. Also performing during the show is the Jump Gypsies.

The evening will conclude with a performance by Celtaban, Scottish Country Step Dancers. Celtaban combines Scottish and Irish step dancing creating a style much like the River Dancers.

The evening of music and dance is a fundraiser to help promote and sponsor the Heart of Tennessee Scottish Celebration and The Lovat-Cameron Pipe Band. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Advance tickets may be purchased by calling 848-9193.

More Scottish music will be presented Sept. 26 when the MTSU Concert Series, in conjunction with The Center for Popular Music and The Heart of Tennessee Scottish Celebration, presents Puirt a Baroque, an "ensemble that brings a new perspective to both Baroque and Scottish/Cape Breton music."

The music of this unique group combines works by established art-music composers, lesser-known Scottish art-music and traditional-style composers, and 20th-century Cape Breton composers.

The concert will begin at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 at the Wright Music Hall. Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased at the door.

MTSU's Center for Popular Music hosts a lecture/demonstration by members of the ensemble in the Wright Music Hall Sept. 26 at 2 p.m. The lecture is free and open to the public. ■



Isla



Glengarry Highland Dancer

Support groups help end isolation

Lesli Bales
Staff Reporter

As the counselor at the June Anderson Women's Center at MTSU, Mary Glantz knows about the issues college women face every day. In an effort to address two of the greater needs, Glantz started support groups this week dealing with body image issues and sexual assault.

"The primary focus of these groups is to give people a chance to connect with others having this experience," Glantz said. "It's about ending the feeling of isolation."

The first support group will deal with issues revolving around body image, weight and eating habits. The group will meet Wednesdays in Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building 109 from 12-1:30 p.m.

"Research shows that, for people with food issues, talking with other people is an important aspect of therapy which can help them address and deal with their own issues," Glantz explained.

The other support group, "Looking Forward," is for survivors of sexual abuse and rape. It will be held in Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building 109 on Thursdays from 2-3:30 p.m.

"This group will talk about issues of trust of self and others; relationships with family, partner and friends; and coping with flashbacks, nightmares, panic attacks and other repercussions that are a result of the trauma," Glantz said.

Although facilitating the support groups' sessions, Glantz noted that she will encourage the women to talk among themselves as part of the healing process. However, she will provide possible topics for discussions and other information.

Both support groups are eight-week programs which will end the week before Thanksgiving. The groups are free and open to any students on campus. There is no registration.

Glantz is also available for individual counseling through the JAWC, which is located in the James Union Building 206. Her office hours are from 8-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"Women come to me for anything they may consider going to a private counselor for," Glantz said.

She counsels issues such as depression, anxiety, domestic violence, sexual assault, alcoholism and drug addiction, stress, eating disorders, child abuse, career choices, problems with gay women coming out, post-abortion, pregnancy and parent-child issues.

Glantz also does a lot of public speaking on a wide variety of topics including date rape, sexual harassment, healthy relationships and self-esteem.

Students may make an appointment with Glantz by calling 898-5725 or 898-2193. Although she cannot take any more clients on a weekly basis, she is able to refer students to other resources. ■

Bela Fleck and the Flecktones concert benefits environment

Shannan Tipton
Special to Sidelines

Bela Fleck and the Flecktones will fill Nashville's Ryman auditorium with music next month to help promote environmental awareness and raise money to help clean up Tennessee's rivers.

The group will perform the benefit concert titled "Working Together to Clean Up Tennessee's Rivers" Oct. 20 to raise money for the Tennessee Environmental Council's education and advocacy efforts.

Tickets go on sale Saturday, Sept. 19, at Ticketmaster outlets and the Ryman box office. Tickets are \$27.50 for Gold Circle seats and \$22.50 for other seats. The best seats in the house will be held and sold directly by the Tennessee Environmental Council. These \$100 VIP tickets will entitle the purchaser to attend a private reception with Bela Fleck and the Flecktones after the concert.

This will be Bela Fleck and the Flecktones' first concert since the release of the group's latest album "Left of Cool" on Warner Brothers Records. The Flecktones

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Peace Corps Wants You How far are you willing to go?

Staff Reports

With the start of the fall semester and all the challenges that come with it, graduation seems a long way off. But now is the time to start thinking about the future, and if you want to experience the adventure of a lifetime, now is also the time to start thinking about the Peace Corps.

The Peace Corps is beginning its recruitment campaign this month on college campuses all across the country. After 37 years and more than 150,000 alumni, Peace Corps has mastered the fine art of transforming young college graduates into experienced volunteers working at the toughest job they will ever love.

"This year, we are recruiting a new generation of adventurers," said Mark Gearan, Peace Corps director. "We are in search of the Peace Corps volunteers who will ring in the first year of the 21st century in a tribal village in Senegal, on a farm in Ecuador, in a business center in the Ukraine or in the rural countryside of Thailand. These are the volunteers who will give the Peace Corps the energy to face the new millennium and a rapidly-changing world."

When First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton traveled to Africa last year, she met a Peace Corps volunteer in Tanzania named Trevor Murphy who was teaching in an all-girls school, Gearan said.

Because education for girls is considered secondary in some countries in Africa, Murphy knew that to build their minds, he had to build their confidence. Three times, he took his students on an adventure to boost their independence—a week-long trek to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro. Murphy was willing to go quite far, thousands of miles from home and far beyond his assignment of teaching the young students. His gift to them was a life without limits.

This week, Mrs. Clinton and Queen Noor of Jordan presided over the dedication of a new Peace Corps headquarters in Washington. The Peace Corps also this week launched the newly-designed web site at www.peacecorps.gov and recruitment materials which will be used to recruit volunteers for the new millennium.

These volunteers will join more than 6,500 Americans serving in 80 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Middle East and Eastern Europe. These volunteers reflect the diversity of

America, according to Gearan, yet share one common trait—a deep commitment to help change and improve the human condition.

Peace Corps volunteers go abroad, not to impose American values and the American way of life on others, but to encourage progress at the grass-roots level, to help people help themselves and reach their full potential. Yet volunteers say they learn as much as they teach. They learn new skills that will enhance their careers when they come home, they learn about other people, and perhaps more than anything else, they learn about themselves.

So, today, as you walk to your class, think about how far you are willing to go after graduation. Maybe you will go as far as checking out the Peace Corps web site or calling 800-424-8580 for more information. Maybe you'll go as far as filling out an application to join the volunteers.

Or, maybe, you will go so far as dreaming of a New Year's Eve without party hats and confetti, but with bright lights twinkling in the African sky overhead, the sound of wild elephants marching just a few yards from your hut, and the chief calling you "friend." ■

Finding ways to pay for college

Aid is out there if you know where to look

Amanda Virgillito
Staff Reporter

Broke? Chances are, if you are a college student, this word applies to you. Paying for college does not have to be an impossible task if you are willing to look around for possible solutions. Scholarships are not only based on academics or leadership. If you have red hair, if you were born in Missouri or if you are left handed, chances are there is a scholarship waiting for you. Need based aid and loans are also available.

The first and most obvious choice for obtaining financial aid is from the government. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) can be turned in at the first of the year, but no later than May 15. Decisions are based on need and income of the family. Turning in your application as early as possible will increase your chances of receiving assistance. Forms are available in the Financial Aid office in Cope Administration building. You can also apply on the Internet at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Websites, such as www.fastweb.com, offer free scholarship searches for students. The student provides qualification information and the service will

look for potential matches. If the search indicates potential scholarships, the information is placed in a mailbox that is accessible to the student at any time. Fastweb also provides information on local and federal aid, and answers the questions most frequently asked by students. Fastweb upholds a privacy policy, and does not release information without the permission of the student.

Another helpful website is www.finaid.com. This financial information page offers help to students seeking scholarships, grants, contests, study abroad programs and payment plans. Also offered is advice on avoiding scams and financial counseling when considering loans. Information is available for special interest scholarships such as minorities, athletics, graduate school, veteran/military aid and the disabled.

Middle Tennessee State University offers a number of scholarships.

- Academic Service Scholarship — applicant must be within the top five percent of their high school class, and have an ACT composite score of at least 20. Work obligation is involved. The scholarship pays \$1,000 per semester for eight consecutive semesters.

- Clifford N. and Pauline W. Stark Educational Fund — based on need and GPA

- MTSU Foundation

Leadership/Performance Scholarship — based on academic achievement and leadership. It pays \$1000 per semester for eight consecutive semesters.

- Presidential Scholarship — available to first-time freshmen who maintained a high school GPA of 3.50 or above and an ACT composite score of at least 29.

- Athletic, Music, and Memorial/Honorary — based on need and instructions of donors

- Graduate Assistantships — based on major field of study. It covers a monthly stipend and fees.

- Doctoral Fellowships

- SGA Emergency Loan Program — pays \$100 in emergencies only and must be repaid within 30-60 days.

Still no luck? Nellie Mae, a subsidiary of the Nellie Mae Foundation in Massachusetts, has a website at www.nelliemae.com that provides federal and education loan funds and offers advice to college students for budgeting their money. Diane Saunders, Nellie Mae vice president of public affairs, has a few ideas to help students on a tight budget.

- Living at home or with a roommate is a way to save dollars. Public transportation can be cheaper than keeping a car. Also, do not splurge on cable TV options, telephones, and meals. Keep a telephone budget.

- Money can be obtained by working part time and during school breaks. On campus jobs and

work study programs are also available.

- The HOPE Scholarship, Lifetime Learning Credit and student loan interest deductions provide tax breaks.

An alternative for many college students is a loan. There are many options to consider when deciding to take out a loan. Companies may offer different payment plans, interest rates and time spans for payback. The financial aid office offers advice for students seeking loans, and help may be found online at www.fastweb.com and www.finaid.com. The Nettie Mae website shares some ideas to consider before taking out loans.

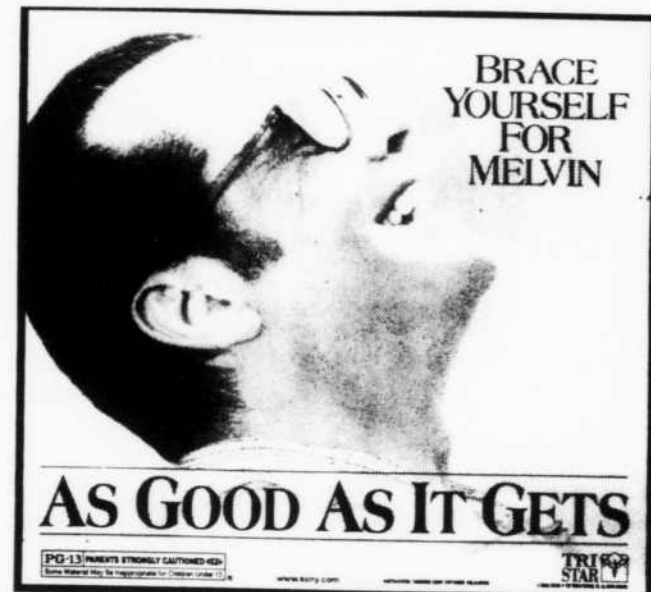
- Look around before deciding on a company. Be aware of their rates and payment plans.

- Know how much you'll have to pay monthly when graduation arrives. Prior to signing for a loan, students should understand that post-graduation payments will affect income.

- Be aware of your earnings potential. Try to consider your probable income before deciding the amount you want to take.

Although college can be extremely costly, it does not mean students must go into debt. Assistance is offered to those who are willing to seek it. The financial aid office is located in the Cope Administration Building 212. Also, the Internet provides valuable information and assistance to those in need. Good luck ■

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Do more than study

I'm sick of hearing people complain.

"There's nothing to do on this campus," some say.

Sure, the campus dies down come Friday afternoon. A lot of underclassmen take the long road home to visit the parents and old friends. It's somewhat understandable.

HOWEVER, for those of you looking to get involved in things on campus, visit the Southeast corner of MTSU (i.e., the Recreation Center). You'll find a world of things to keep you busy.

Where shall I begin?

There's the swimming pool (let's not forget the water slide), volleyball, basketball, racquetball and nearly every aerobic and weight machine on the market. All of that is available in the actual Recreation Center.

If you're looking for something a little more adventurous, pick up an Outdoor Pursuits Adventure Guide and sign up for a trip. There are canoe trips for beginners, rappelling for novices, hiking and backpacking for experts, rock climbing for the curious and training sessions (called 'clinics') for the fearful.

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As far as cost is concerned, you can experience outdoors for a cheap price. You can go caving in one of Tennessee's wildest caves for under \$15. Canoe the Florida Everglades for less than \$150.

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If you are more of a competitive person, try Intramural Sports. There's a team for almost every sport—soccer, flag football, volleyball, 3 on 3 basketball, whiffleball, racquetball and golf.

Ever been to the Grand Canyon? Canoe the Rio Grande for less than \$200. I swear it's that simple.

You can also participate in intramurals by being on the other side of the court as an official. Nearly every team needs game officials and the Rec Center provides training for each specific sport. Let me add that officiating intramural games is a paid job!

Meeting and play times are listed in the Intramural Sports Guide located in the Rec Center.

For an even more organized and widespread involvement with Rec Center sports, pick up a Sports Club pamphlet. You can learn to fence, participate in the swim club, play on the men's volleyball club team, play men or

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Roller hockey sparks interest on campus



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McGwire one-ups Sosa

Ross Newhan
Los Angeles Times

SAN DIEGO — Give Tony Gwynn a most valuable player award ballot and he would split his vote between Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs and Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals.

It isn't diplomacy, Gwynn suggested, but legitimacy.

"They've carried the game," the San Diego Padre right fielder was saying Tuesday night. "They've taken it to a new level, and they both should be rewarded."

There are rewards and there are rewards.

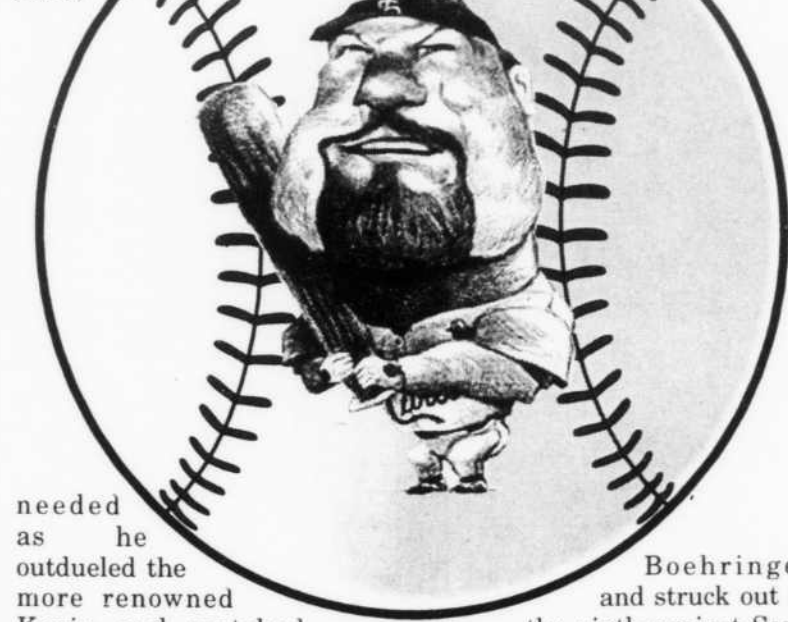
As has become the pattern for the two competitors in the home run race, a crowd of 37,995 at Qualcomm Stadium gave Sosa standing ovations each time he batted Tuesday night—the home team is really the visiting team when Sammy comes up," said Gwynn — but the Cubs' right fielder would again become the tortoise to McGwire's hare.

The Cardinal slugger took the home run record he had set a week earlier — and which Sosa matched Sunday — to a new level when he blasted his 63rd in the first game of a doubleheader against the Pittsburgh Pirates in St. Louis.

Sosa, who was in the batting cage here at the time, ultimately remained at 62, going homerless but not hitless

as the Cubs rallied against Kevin Brown for a 4-2 victory.

Brown (18-7) had struck out nine, given up only four hits and was leading 1-0 when Sosa singled to open the seventh. Mark Grace followed with his career high 17th home run and the Cubs scored four runs in the inning — all Kevin Tapani (19-7)



needed as he outdueled the more renowned Kevin and matched Tom Glavine's National League-leading win total.

The victory, with Rod Beck getting the final two outs for his 47th save, gave the Cubs a half-game lead over the New York Mets in the National League wild-card race and proved costly to the Padres, who fell two wins behind the Atlanta

Braves and Houston Astros in the battle for the NL's best record and home-field advantage in the first two rounds of the playoffs.

Sosa, who struck out four times Monday night, grounded out twice before delivering his key single. He struck out in the eighth against Brian

Boehringer and struck out in the ninth against Scott Sanders.

The crowd, of course, was hoping for the best of both worlds — a Padre victory and Sosa home run.

It hooted each time a Padre pitcher delivered a pitch out of the strike zone and moaned in disappointment when Sosa delivered that mere single.

When Mickey Morandini, batting ahead of Sosa in the Cub lineup, was at the plate with two out in the ninth, the crowd chanted "we want Sosa" and cheered loudly when Morandini walked.

Sosa, however, went down on three pitches against Sanders. Gwynn said he understood the crowd's reaction.

"This is history," he said. "People want to be part of it. I mean, it's exciting to me to be part of it. The atmosphere last night (with a crowd of 50,384) was awesome, electric. The only time I've seen anything like it was when Pete Rose broke the hit record."

"Heck, there were scalpers in the parking lot and people lined up for tickets at 8:30 in the morning. Nothing like that happens in San Diego unless it's the playoffs." Asked about the MVP, a hot issue, Gwynn said he had seen the ballot criteria and, if unable to split his vote, would have to give it to Sosa on the basis of a better overall year and his value to a possible playoff team.

However, Gwynn said: "Suppose one of them ends up with 64 and the other with 63? How do you choose? Why should one of them be penalized? Sometimes the game isn't fair."

MVP? Home run title? Sosa smiled and said: "Fellas, I have 62, that's good enough. My responsibility is to take my team to the playoffs."

No love for NHL, Predators

Helene Elliot
Los Angeles Times

The Nashville Predators, the NHL's latest expansion team, opened training camp Sunday and were resoundingly ignored.

Fewer than 100 people were at the 17,250-seat Nashville Arena for the start of a well-advertised open practice. The crowd did grow during the session — to about 200 fans.

Of course, timing might have had a lot to do with it. The NFL's Tennessee Oilers — not to be confused with the Edmonton Oilers, and evidently folks in Nashville knew the difference — played their home opener across town at Vanderbilt University and sold out 41,600 seats.

Despite the weak public response and season ticket sales that barely met the 12,000 minimum set by the NHL to keep the franchise, Predator officials aren't discouraged.

"All year long we've been working to put together our team both on and off the ice," said David Poile, the team's general manager. "We all have dreams and fantasies of how this is going to turn out. Some of us have different timetables of when this is going to turn out. It's exciting to be a part of it. I guess the dream starts today."

As long as it doesn't turn out to be a nightmare. ■



Football is in the air

WT Taylor
Intramurals Director

When fall is in the air, images of a player catching a touchdown pass at Bama, the Swamp or Neyland may come to mind. However, football is alive and well at MTSU, too.

This is made evident by the various levels of participation by students. The athletes are playing in newly-renovated stadium to record-setting crowds. In 1999, they will move to Division 1-A and try to take their play to the next level.

Many other students are excited to watch not only local athletes but also their favorite players/teams as they surf the cable networks on Saturday and Sunday. As the fall progresses and the viewer's excitement builds toward the bowls and the playoff selection news, actual participation is often overlooked.

At Campus Recreation, students are practicing on the old intramural fields, forming teams for league play and getting in condition for the actual season openers on Tuesday, Sept. 22.

Mark Owens, a Rec Center faculty manager, is a good example.

He has played on the first or second place flag football team in Intramurals for the past four years. He says that he and his teammates are working on their ball handling skills, doing some speed work and thinking about new plays for the upcoming season.

Mark is not alone in his planning. Beta Theta Pi's fraternity team was practicing in front of the Rec Center on Monday, as were others. However, many students do

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women's rugby, in-line skate with the hockey club or play Ultimate Frisbee. All of these sports involve national tournaments and competitions.

Make it a point to learn a new skill. Be adventurous. Be wild. Do something different on the weekends. Try to get more out of college than a couple of classes and weekend trips home.

Meet new people and don't be shy to say you're inexperienced. Most of the new members in a Sports Club have little or no experience—which is nothing to be bashful about. Get out and get busy. You won't be sorry. Trust me. ■

FOOTBALL
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not even realize that MTSU's students will field 70+ flag football teams this fall!

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League sign-ups continue through Thursday, Sept. 17, with a captain's meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Rec Center.

All of this hard work will

**Department of Campus Recreation
Fall 1998 Intramural Schedule**

Sport/Event	Registration	Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
Soccer	Aug. 25-Sept. 8	Sept. 9, 5:30 p.m.	Sept. 10
Backwoods Mini-triathlon	Aug. 25-Sept. 18	Sept. 19, 9:15 a.m.	Sept. 19, 9:30
Flag Football	Aug. 25-Sept. 16	Sept. 17, 5:30 p.m.	Sept. 22
Atlanta Braves vs. Mets	Sept. 1-23	Sept. 25, noon	Sept. 25, 12:15
Flag Scramble	Oct. 1-8	Oct. 9 (Time TBA)	Oct. 9 (Fri)
Racquetball	Oct. 1-12 (noon)	Oct. 12, 5:30 p.m.	Oct. 13
3 on 3 Basketball	Oct. 1-12	Oct. 13, 5:30 p.m.	Oct. 19
Volleyball	Oct. 1-26	Oct. 27, 5:30 p.m.	Oct. 28
MTSU/TIRSA Flag Football Shootout	Oct. 15-Nov. 6	Nov. 7, 8:30 a.m.	Nov. 7, 10 a.m. (6 fields)
Preseason Basketball	Nov. 2-25	Nov. 30, 5:30 p.m.	Dec. 1-3
Whiffleball	Nov. 16-30	Nov. 30, 4:30 p.m.	Nov. 30, 5 p.m.
Cowboys vs. Saints	Nov. 16-Dec. 3	Dec. 3, 5:30 p.m.	Dec. 5-6

culminate in two tournaments. First, the seventh MTSU Shootout will host intramural teams from around Tennessee and adjoining states on Nov. 7. Last year, five women's and eight men's teams competed for the Tennessee Intramural Recreational Sports Association Flag Football Championship. MTSU defeated Belmont and Austin Peay for the men's and women's trophies.

No question about football would be complete without mentioning those student referees. Here are 30 or

so hard-working students who go out four nights a week from 5 p.m. to midnight to endure fatigue, low pay, fan abuse and player wrath — for the love of the game!

Mark Buford and Randy Gibson, intramural supervisors, say it's the toughest job on campus, but it's rewarding, exciting and a great way to meet people.

Shannon Bustillos, graduate intern, says students shouldn't worry about prior experience in flag football. If they have basic knowledge of football, we can

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Manning has nothing over Jets

Richard Oliver
Newsday

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Quarterback Peyton Manning, at one time the projected hope for a beleaguered New York Jets franchise, finally arrives at Giants Stadium on Sunday. For many close to the team, the introduction comes more than a year too late.

In the spring of 1997, Manning spurned the lucrative siren call of the pros—and thus the Jets, who held the overall No. 1 draft pick — in favor of staying for his senior season at Tennessee. As a result, when he at last takes the field with Bill Parcells this week, it will be as the fresh hope for the rival Indianapolis Colts.

"The Jets fans shouldn't feel hurt," Manning's father, former Pro Bowl quarterback Archie Manning, said Tuesday. "People that know Peyton know that he wanted to make the right decision."

With Manning toiling in Indiana, the Jets' future at quarterback currently rests with veteran Glenn Foley.

If Foley repeats against the Colts the three-interception stumble he suffered in the second half of last week's 24-10 loss to Baltimore, Jets followers may be forgiven for casting around what-ifs as they watch Manning's developing, graceful style at the helm of the opposition.

Archie admits that his son would have loved to play for Parcells, adding that rampant speculation about whether the Jets would trade the top selection didn't influence Peyton's choice.

"Bill Parcells and the Jets, that made his decision a little bit tougher," said Archie, selected No. 2 overall by the

New Orleans Saints in 1971.

"Everybody Peyton talked to certainly gave a favorable recommendation for Bill. ... It wasn't about college against Bill Parcells, it was more about staying in college instead of going to the pros. If Peyton had come out at the time, reflecting on it now, I think he really would have felt empty."

The extra year with the Volunteers hasn't made the younger Manning's transition to the pro game any easier. The Colts are 0-2, with the Dolphins and Patriots converting the rookie's seven turnovers, including a league-high six interceptions, into 34 points.

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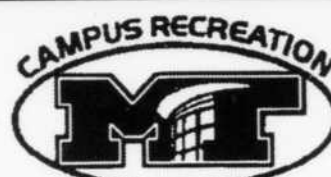
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Caray makes record too

J.A. Adams
Los Angeles Times

SAN DIEGO — On this night, the spot happened to be in Qualcomm Stadium.

The sites may vary, but one thing has emerged in this remarkable year of baseball: Chip Caray's had the best seat in the house.

Only two men in the history of baseball have surpassed 61 home runs in a season, and Caray, the television play-by-play announcer for the Chicago Cubs, was on the air providing words for the televised images both times.

The timing of the schedule and the prolific seasons of Mark McGwire and

Sammy Sosa allowed Caray to be at the microphone when each hit his 62nd home

run. Most play-by-play guys go their whole career waiting for a magic, historic moment to call. Few get it.

Caray is only 33, a youthful guy who looks like Jim Carrey without the wild facial contortions. And he got to make the call twice in six days.

He was in St. Louis with the Cubs for McGwire's 62nd on Sept. 8, then watched Sosa hit Nos. 61 and 62 at Wrigley Field on Sunday.

"To say the least, it's been a whirlwind," Caray said Tuesday. "It's just a matter of luck, and being at the right place at the lucky time. We thought that Sammy and McGwire would have a chance of hitting 61, 62 around the time we played the Cardinals. It just so happened that that's the way it happened."

"I grew up in St. Louis, I know what the Cardinals mean to that town, I know what that moment meant to those fans, who are some of the greatest in baseball. To see that as a native of St. Louis and feel just a little bit a part of the joy that they felt was just a very special treat. And then just a week later to see Sammy Sosa do it in Chicago, hitting two home runs, to win a game that nobody thought they were going to win, to keep the Cubs in this playoff race ... you find every day you're just exhausted."

When McGwire hit No. 62, it was a line drive that barely cleared the left-field wall.

"When it went over the fence, I was surprised — like the 50,000 people there — that he did it," Caray said. "All I could think to say was, 'He did it! He did it! He did it!' I think that's what everybody in America was saying when the ball went over the fence. And then I finally figured out, 'OK, he did it. Now shut up.'"

When Sosa crushed No. 62 onto Waveland Avenue on Sunday, Caray said, "Move mover Big Mac, you've got company."

Later, he realized that sounded a lot like Jack Buck's call on McGwire's 60th home run.

"He said, 'Wake up Babe Ruth, you've got company coming,'" Caray said. "I guess I unknowingly plagiarized his call. That's what came out. My own personal feeling is, if you plan something to say, it's going to sound ... planned. I think the great beauty of this game is its

spontaneity."

Later Tuesday, as if to demonstrate his point, Caray looked out and saw the St. Louis Cardinals game being shown on the JumboTron in right field. In the middle of answering a question he wound up shifting gears and making an impromptu home run call for an audience of one: "Uh-oh ... I think Mr. McGwire has just gone out of the ballpark." Sure enough, it was McGwire's 63rd.

This time Caray wasn't on the air. He may never get the chance to call something as monumental again. Maybe he's used up his luck.

"There's a special amount of joy, but it's also tinged with, 'Well, geez, what will be the next moment?'" Caray said.

There's a sadness that tinges this entire season, a flip side for every special moment. Caray can't help but think about how much his grandfather would have enjoyed this, and he wishes Harry Caray had a chance to make the calls.

Harry, the Cubs' play-by-play voice and party ringleader for 16 years, died during spring training. For Chicagoans it was the equivalent of Princess Diana's death. The memorial services were carried live on television.

This was supposed to be a special season for Chip because he would get to work with his grandfather. Instead it's been a momentous season on the field, but a little sad in the broadcast booth.

"Not a day goes by" that he doesn't think of Harry, Chip said.

Of course, he can't help but be reminded of his grandfather. The Cubs wear a caricature of Harry on their uniform sleeves. Signs around Wrigleyville pay tribute to the self-proclaimed Cub Fan, Bud Man by saying, "Harry, This Bud's For You." The Cubs have lined up celebrity guests to continue Harry's tradition of singing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" during the seventh-inning stretch. When they take the mike, Chip stands to the side of the booth and looks a little forlorn.

Sosa is among those who believe that Harry is somehow orchestrating this magical Cub season from above. When discussing his home-run prowess at a pregame news conference Tuesday, Sosa said, "Maybe one of the reasons is because Harry Caray is with me."

Sosa always honored his mother by tapping his heart and blowing kisses after hitting home runs. This year he added a "V" sign in honor of Harry.

"I can't tell you what it means to our family," Caray said.

No one knows what the record-setting number will be or who will hit it. The way things have gone this year, Caray says it will be Sosa, off Randy Johnson in Houston on the last day of the season.

But if it happens Saturday, Caray won't be there. That's the day he's in the Fox studios in Los Angeles, hosting the network's game of the week.

"As much as I love my Fox job, we all want to be a part of that moment," Caray said.

His once-in-a-lifetime moment has happened twice already. But like Sosa, like McGwire — like all of us — he wants a little more. ■

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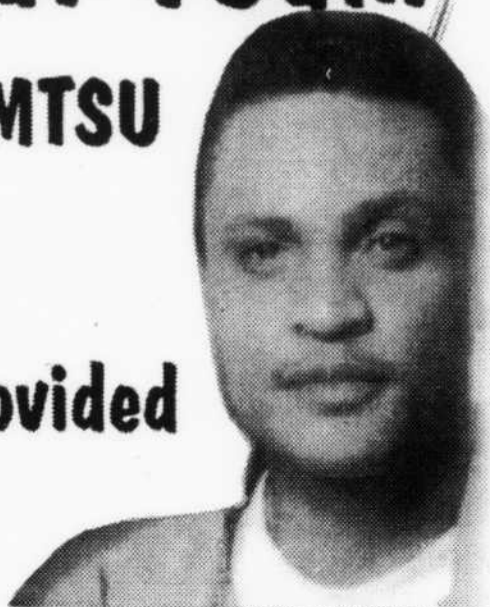
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Athletes try to score as top entertainers

Kevin L. Carter
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Pro athletes have long tried to score as entertainers.

Remember ex-heavyweight champ Joe Frazier and the Knockouts? Hope you don't.

Or how about former Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Terry Bradshaw's quarter - thank goodness - career as a country singer?

Even Greco-Roman wrestling phenom Erland van Lidde de Jeude, a 400-pounder who was Butterbean before Butterbean was Butterbean, did some cameos as an operatic baritone, including one in the 1987 Arnold Schwarzenegger movie "The Running Man."

But with the emergence of the hip-hop athlete during the last decade, jocks

who rap and rock have achieved their highest profile ever.

The most prominent is

Shaquille O'Neal, whose fifth album was released yesterday. Flamboyant Dallas Cowboys cornerback/receiver Deion Sanders, former Eagle Ricky Watters and New York Giants running back Rodney Hampton

have also tried, with mixed results, to show off their skills.

Kobe Bryant, the Los Angeles Lakers' baby superstar, is working on his first project, "Kobe Bryant Featuring "Cheizaw", due in the spring.

"There are a lot of people in life who think they have some talent," says ESPN sportscaster Stuart Scott, whose own style draws heavily on hip-hop culture. "Since athletes are already in the limelight ... it's easier for them to find an audience and to get heard by the right people."

Hip-hop is the primary genre.

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but some jocks rock. Stickfigure, Anaheim Angels pitcher Jack McDowell's rock band, this summer released its second

album. "Ginger", a rock release from Alexi Lalas, the goateed hippie soccer star and guitarist, hit stores yesterday. Bassist Waymon Tisdale, who made a living as a forward for the Phoenix Suns among other NBA teams, has put out two well-received pop-jazz records.

Ruben Sierra, the Puerto Rican slugger who has finally tuded his way out of baseball, has made three salsa records. And Roberto Duran, the stone-handed middleweight who still boxes in his late 40s, leads his own salsa big band.

Quality determines the success of jock records, says Scott.

"It's like Waymon. He's not the best jazz musician out there, but he's as talented or more talented than a lot of artists. Here's the bottom line: If these records aren't good, they won't sell. "How "do" these records sell?"

The biggest seller, by far, has been O'Neal's 1993 "Shaq Diesel", which went gold and sold 869,000 units, according to SoundScan.

Tisdale's debut, "Power Forward", sold 94,000 copies, a respectable number in that genre. Sanders' "Prime Time", sold 69,000. And the 1996 "NFL Country", which paired athletes such as Herschel Walker, Brett Favre, and Troy Aikman with Billy Ray Cyrus, Doug Supernaw, and Dwight Yoakam, sold 30,000.

On the other hand, Sierra's latest, "El Indio", sold just 1,400.

Andy McDowell's Stickfigure debut sold 1,100.

The jockey-as-rockstar angle can be "a double-edged sword" in marketing, says Jeff Marshall, president of Monolith Records, which released Stickfigure's most recent album: "You get the people who will recognize Jack McDowell as a baseball player and say it's cool, but then there will be others who will ask, 'What's Jack McDowell doing playing rock and roll?'"

Lalás understands the trepidation audiences may have, says Ray Koob, a former WMMR-FM (93.3) DJ who is vice president of promotions for CMC International Records, which released the soccer defender's CD.

But Koob points out that Lalás "has been playing guitar since he was 11. He's been playing guitar longer than he's been playing soccer."

You can also find athletes behind the recording scene. Former Eagle Keith Jackson, Watters, former Sixer Dana Barros, and Washington Wizards forward Chris Webber have tried to move into production.

The most successful record businessman among jocks is Atlanta Falcons offensive tackle Bob Whitfield, a Stanford grad and player in more than just the athletic sense. One of the acts signed to his Patchwerk Records is the important West Coast rapper Ras Kass.

But most jocks who aspire to be music moguls aren't making much noise. Says Chris Wilder, editor of Source Sports magazine: "Most of these guys are just wasting their time."

49ers may not host Super Bowl 2003

Los Angeles Times

NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said he's so concerned about completion of the San Francisco 49ers' \$525 million stadium project, he'll travel to San Francisco this week to meet with 49er officials and Mayor Willie Brown.

The NFL may not allow the 49ers to play host to the 2003 Super Bowl if the new stadium isn't built, Tagliabue said.

The 49ers' new stadium plan has been on hold since January because projected costs were \$175 million above the \$350 million budget and because Eddie DeBartolo gave up control of the 49ers after his name was mentioned in a possible indictment on federal charges in a Louisiana gambling fraud investigation.

The team's new planned stadium would be adjacent to and replace 3Com Park at Candlestick Point.

Tagliabue said a decision on the host for the 2002 game will be made at the NFL owners' fall meetings.

San Francisco hosted the Super Bowl only once - 1985 at Stanford Stadium in Palo Alto, Calif. Because of cramped conditions, that facility isn't an alternative to host the game in 2003, the NFL has said.

WHAT, AND GIVE UP HIS CUSHY DESK JOB?

Former 49er coach George Seifert said on CBS' NFL pregame show that he doesn't believe he'll be a candidate to coach the new Cleveland Browns.

"Carmen (Policy) is a very close friend of mine," said Seifert, in the first year of his contract as a CBS studio host. "We worked eight years together, and we had some great times. At the same time, we worked with the 49ers in a very

tumultuous period. There were a lot of great players that left the organization. To a certain point, I'd say we wore each other out."

"I'm excited about Carmen's new position. I'm excited about what's in my future. But I don't believe I'll be a candidate for the Cleveland job."

Policy became part-owner and president of the Browns last Tuesday when billionaire partner Al Lerner's \$530 million offer for the expansion team was approved by NFL owners. Policy owns 10 percent of the team and makes all football decisions.

Seifert's name quickly came up as a possible candidate to coach the Browns under Policy, who resigned after seven years as 49er president in July.

Policy said in an interview last week that he wanted to meet with Seifert as early as next week in New York to "bounce some ideas off him."

Policy said Sunday that Seifert "looks comfortable behind that desk." Seifert, who resigned last year after eight years and two Super Bowl titles with the 49ers, has a one-year contract with CBS plus an option. But he could be free to consider coaching jobs after working the AFC championship game Jan. 17.

Policy has said he was interested in hiring an "offensive-minded coach" who would not also serve as general manager.

Also Sunday, Policy revealed that he and former 49er owner Eddie DeBartolo Jr. began patching up their 30-year friendship that deteriorated in a feud last year.

DeBartolo called Policy to congratulate him on his new job. The two spoke this weekend for the first time in nearly a year.

"He congratulated us, wished us luck and suggested that he was convinced that we were going to be successful," Policy said.

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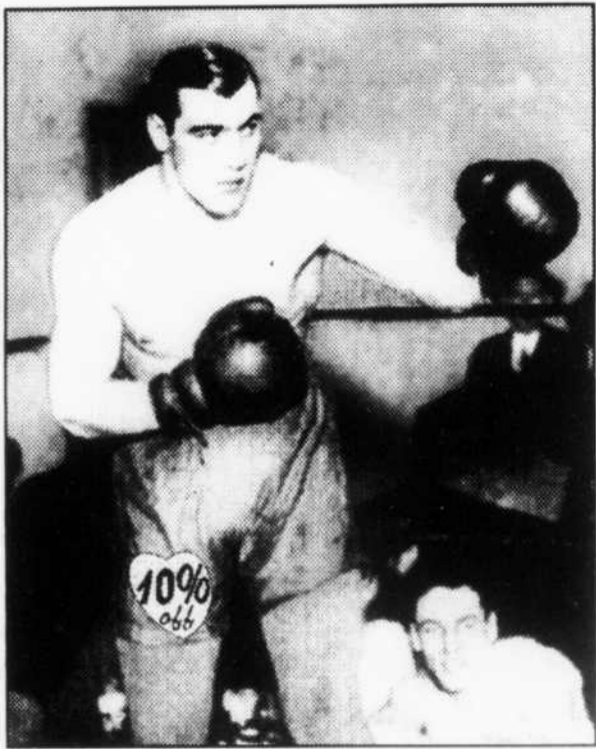
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