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Middle mauls No. 1-ranked Murray

By DON HARRIS
Sports Editor

When the going gets tough, MTSU's tenacious, aggressive, indefatigable defense gets even tougher.

The Blue Raider defense gave up 324 total yards, but in the trenches, where it counts, the never-say-die defenders stood their ground against top-ranked and previously undefeated Murray State to hold off the Racers 14-9.

"I'VE NEVER been around a team that's got as much character as this team," an exhausted Boots Donnelly said following the contest.

The Racers, which came into the game as the No. 1-ranked team in Division I-AA, were able to move the ball up and down the middle of the field, rolling up almost 300 yards rushing. But, other than a 23-yard TD jaunt by quarterback Gino Gibbs, Murray could not get inside MTSU's 10-yard line but once, and that was only to the nine.

The upset-minded Raiders, as they have done all year, let the opposition make the mistakes and then capitalized on those mistakes.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE blocked two Murray punts,

partially blocked a third, recovered one of four Racer fumbles and intercepted a pass. Murray also missed on three of its four field goal attempts, one of which was partially blocked.

Donnelly had told his defense before the game that if they could make two breaks, Murray could be beaten. The Raiders cashed in on two breaks and upped their record to 5-2, 3-1 on the OVC.

Middle Tennessee got its first break five minutes into the second quarter, when Freshman walkon Mike Gains burst through Murray's front line and blocked David Tuck's punt. Dennis Mix picked up the batted pigskin and raced it to the 11.

FRESHMAN QUARTERBACK Van Smith, who

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Freshman walk-on Mike Gains (39) stretches to block Jeff Tuck's punt during Saturday night's upset of the No. 1-ranked Murray State Racers. Gain's block set up the all-important first score for MTSU. Middle Tennessee's defense blocked two punts, partially blocked a third, partially blocked a field goal, recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass while limiting the Racers to only nine points.

Photo by Don Closson

MTSU faces possibility of funds loss

By DANNY TYREE
Staff Writer

An ASB senator has succeeded in changing the way the Housing Office collects for damages, but MTSU may still face a class action lawsuit and the loss of federal funds.

MTSU has violated the Buckley Amendment to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 by improperly disclosing the Social Security numbers of students, said Sen. Henry Carter.

THE AMENDMENT denies federal funds to educational institutions which have a policy of permitting the release of personally identifiable records or information (including Social Security numbers) without the written consent of students (or their parents, in the case of minors.) Anyone obtaining such material from the university must agree not to let a third party have access to the information.

Carter was chosen as
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Fuse blows in boiler; MTSU without heat

By DAVID JARRARD
News Editor

MTSU cafeterias, dorms, and academic buildings were without heat or hot water yesterday morning and a portion of the afternoon after a fuse blew out in boiler number one at the heating plant, said Mike Crain, MTSU energy manager.

The plant, located on the north end of campus, contains five boilers which serves all of MTSU with steam for warming rooms and heating water.

"JUST A little 25 cent fuse blew this morning and caused all the trouble," said Crain. "The real trouble was in finding it."

Any phone calls? "We've had hundreds" he said.

"At first we thought it was the electrical conduit when it went down around 10 this morning," he said. "After finding the fuse, we got the boilers back up and by 1 p.m. number one was back up to full pressure."

CRAIN SAID his department



Photo by Greg Campbell

Paper plates, plastic eating utensils and Styrofoam drinking cups were brought out for lunch at the High Rise cafeteria yesterday when there was no hot water to wash the dishes.

was "caught with our pants down" because of their three main boilers, numbers one, four and five, number four was down for inspection.

"If number four wasn't down

for inspection, very few people would have noticed that one went out," he said.

Because the boiler went out just before lunch, school cafeterias had to make due with

the cold water by using other available gas and electric cooking utensils and by having lunch served on paper plates and in paper cups.

LOUIS HAZLEWOOD, director of the High Rise West cafeteria, said, "The main problem was keeping everything sterilized. We did this by serving lunch on paper plates.

"We keep a supply of the paper items all the time, should we be called upon to help out at a party, or in an instance like this," he said.

"All of our dishes had to wait until this afternoon to be washed," said Hazlewood, "but we're on time for supper."

THE WATER in MTSU's dorms, cafeterias, and buildings are heated in one of two ways, according to Crain. In most of the buildings on campus, water is heated through a 500-gallon holding tank, and in some it is heated by a heat exchanger that

Impeachment extended

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON
Education Editor

Chief Justice Justice Holiday of the General Sessions Court said yesterday he questions whether he will be treated fairly by the Senate in his impeachment trial even though he was granted a continuance as he requested.

Holiday said he based his opinion on the fact that he, along with members of the press and spectators, were asked to leave the room while Supreme Court Chief Justice Lee Travis, who presided at the trial, told the Senate how to proceed with the trial.

HOLIDAY ALSO based his opinion, he said, on statements made by Senators during the continuance debate.

"Some of the Senators indicated flatly I would not get a fair trial," he said of yesterday's procedure.

"The actions of some of the Senators in not wanting to grant me due process of the law,"

Holiday said, "is a slap in the face of justice."

DURING THE debate, Sen. David Kessler said he did not want to grant Holiday the continuance because some of his constituents asked him not to.

These constituents, he said, had been before Holiday and had been denied continuances.

Sen. Henry Carter said Holiday had had enough time to prepare his defense because he had delivered it in a letter to the Sidelines editor, and the press coverage his case had received had informed him in time to be ready.

"I HAVE not used the press as a defense," Holiday said. "That is not the proper place to do so."

"I'm all for giving a man a chance," Carter responded, "but I think there is a difference between giving a man a chance, and allowing a man to manipulate the Senate."

Holiday enlisted the aid of Attorney General Mark Miller in convincing the Senate he needed time to prepare his case and to utilize his right of seeing the evidence the attorney general had gathered against him.

MILLER TOLD the Senate there had been no chance for him to disclose evidence to Holiday before the meeting because his and Holiday's schedules conflicted.

To ensure Holiday receives due process of the law, Miller said, he should be allowed "whatever time he thinks he needs."

Following these remarks, the Senate voted 10 to 3 in favor of granting Holiday a continuance and scheduled the trial for Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

Miller said after the meeting the continuance would not change his case.

"AS FAR AS I'm concerned," he said, "it's a cut and dried matter."

ASB, queen elections to be held here this week

By PHIL WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

ASB elections for senate positions and homecoming queen will be held Wednesday and Thursday with special emphasis being given to making the process speedier and fairer, according to Election Commissioner Raleigh Green.

Polls, which will be set up in the University Center and the concourse of Peck Hall, will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

GREEN SAID changes in the

election process will enable students to vote more quickly.

"We've tried to add more poll workers this year," Green said. "This will allow us to have four or five people voting at one place."

"Last year it took so long that many people were discouraged from voting," he said.

GREEN ALSO stated that poll workers would be especially cautious to avoid illegal votes. Among the precautions will be spot-checking voters to ensure that each person votes for the candidate in his class only.

"We're working very hard to have a fair election," Green said.

At stake are five freshman

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Bragg to address issues here

Lack of education funds cited

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON
Education Editor

"I'm not sure there'll ever be enough money for education in Tennessee," State Rep. John Bragg, who will be speaking on campus tomorrow, said Monday.

"This is in spite of the fact that when I first came to the Legislature we spent 34 cents out of every dollar for education, and now we are spending 49 cents out of every dollar," he added.

"BUT TENNESSEE is not unique in having this problem," said the chairman of the House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee.

"The state of Kentucky is in a crisis situation in education right now. Also, students at the

University of Puerto Rico just rioted to protest a tuition increase.

"Only those with lots of natural resources like oil, gas, and coal are doing well while the other states are helping to pay for their (energy producing states) services by using these resources," said Bragg, who is also vice chairman of the Intergovernmental Research Committee.

"The energy producing states are paying for such programs as education through severance taxes on their energy sources," he pointed out.

"STRATEGIES FOR the Future of Higher Education" will be the topic Wednesday when Bragg speaks to the MTSU chapters of the Tennessee



State Rep. John Bragg
To speak here Wednesday

Education Association and American Association of University Professors at 7 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge of the James Union Building.

Weather

Sunny and warm today with a high near 70. Low tonight in the lower 40s. High tomorrow near 70.

Buckley Amendment violation

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spokesman for the residents of the second floor of Sims Hall after the students began questioning the manner in which they were notified of an assessment for dorm damage. The students did not receive individualized bills, but were sent identical copies of an on-campus memo from the Housing Office to the bursar setting up an accounts receivable. The

memo listed the names, box numbers and Social Security numbers of all 34 residents of the floor. "I FEEL OUR constitutional rights have definitely been violated," Carter said. "We never gave written consent for the release of our Social Security numbers. We never requested a copy of everybody else's number."

"Years from now, people who have my Social Security number will still be able to invade my records and bank accounts over the phone. And it's not just the people of Sims Hall who pose a threat. If those memos are thrown away, anyone could find them." "This is the way we've always set up accounts receivable," said David Bragg, director of

housing. "In the past I've had no directions from my superiors to change the procedure. The procedure we've used has never been questioned before."

BRAGG DISCUSSED the issue with Dr. Robert LaLance, vice president for student affairs, after Carter registered the complaint. LaLance instructed Bragg to discontinue the practice of sending out memos

containing the Social Security numbers of everyone involved in an assessment. In the future, head residents will notify those who owe money.

"Dr. LaLance had no definite feeling whether or not this was a violation of the privacy act," Bragg said. "But if there are things that disconcert students and ways to get around the problem, we usually try not to upset students. I'm always willing to improve."

"Personally, I'm not convinced one way or another on whether our old procedure constituted a violation. I think it's a gray area. I could probably argue both sides of the question."

"BUT I DON'T feel that in this particular instance there was a violation. Since this was a common incident involving the Sims residents, I don't feel there was anything wrong in giving these people a copy of the form whereby accounts receivable are set up. The information was not

published or posted. It was merely distributed to those involved."

"I doubt that we'll follow up on the lawsuit now that Carter said. "But I won't completely rule out court action. That will be up to the other residents."

As part of his investigation, Carter called the Records Office, Business Office and Housing Office on Oct. 5 and requested the Social Security numbers of various students.

"At no time did I identify myself as a teacher or an administrator," Carter said, "yet they readily gave me the numbers."

"MY PERSONNEL had never received such a request before," Bragg said. "I have instructed my people not to give out such information in the future."

Carter made a similar request of the Student Information Office on Oct. 15. He was immediately turned down.

Day-care Center avoids crisis

By PHIL WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

Despite a shortfall in registration, the newly-opened MTSU Day-care Center will be able to continue operation thanks to recent donations, according to June Anderson, director of Women In Service to Education (WISE).

"So far we have eight children enrolled, and we are still accepting applications," said Anderson.

"WE'VE GOTTEN some money donated to the day-care center (from various in-

dividuals); we feel we can open and stay open if we continue to pick up people," she noted.

In addition, Students United for Christ has agreed to present a concert in November and in December with proceeds going to the day-care center, Anderson said.

She attributed the low enrollment figures to a misconception about the program being offered.

"A LOT OF people think it is just a custodial program," Anderson observed.

"It certainly isn't that. We'll

have educational activities, art activities, storytelling, and action records. It's a full-blown experience for the children."

"We feel relatively sure we have among the best, if not the best, facilities in the city," she said.

"WE WELCOME anyone to visit the day-care center and take a look at our program," Anderson said.

Application can be made at the WISE office in Room 206 of the James Union Building at 898-2193 or at the day-care center in the Family Housing complex at 898-2970.

Heating loss

produces the hot water when called upon, but does not store any and, said Crain, "is really more efficient."

Both types of heating were immediately affected by the loss of steam but the buildings with the holding tanks would not notice it as quickly, he said.

The only buildings not affected by the loss of the boiler was the married student housing complex which has its own package boilers.

CRAIN SAID he feels the people who work in the heating plant deserve some recognition for their work.

Elections

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senate seats, one junior senate seat, a senior senate position, and homecoming queen.

Nine candidates have qualified for the freshman senate race. The candidates are: Darrell D. Darnbush, Chad Howard, Holly Nowell, Keith Blaydes, Glen Wood, Ty Kennon, Ralph D. Thomas, Lonnie Jarrett, and Jim Hester.

IN THE junior contest, Timothy C. Prosser and John Whittenburg are vying for the

senate position.

"No one turned in petitions for the senior senate race," Green said. "Therefore, the election will be by write-in vote."

In addition to the individual class senate contests, all students will be able to vote for homecoming queen. Fifty-four entrants have qualified for this race.

Election results will be announced after the votes are counted Thursday night, according to Green.

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'True Confessions' tops film fare

This week's film fare:
HICKORY HOLLOW 1-2-3:
"Rich and Famous": Jacqueline Bisset and Candice Bergen in a tale of two college friends who maintain and deepen their friendship into middle age. George Cukor's return to directing.
"Only When I Laugh": Neil Simon's bittersweet story of a mother and daughter reunited. Heavyweights Kristy McNichol and Marsha Mason star.
"Mommie Dearest": Faye Dunaway impersonates Joan Crawford for two hours while the audience lets her. Should become a cult classic, a la "Rocky Horror." Bring your wire hangers and scrub brushes for a really good time.
HICKORY HOLLOW 4-5-6:
"Arthur": A short millionaire finds true love with someone you would expect to find in a bowling alley. Yet a genuinely good film. Dudley Moore, Liza Minnelli, and John Gielgud star. Gielgud shines.
"Saturday the 14th": A spoof, so they say, of the current

round of "slasher" movies. Richard Benjamin and Paula Prentiss star. Benjamin's most important role since "Love at First Bite."
"True Confessions": A drama about two brothers on opposite sides of a murder investigation. DeNiro and Duvall prove why they're two of today's most respected actors.
MARTIN TWIN:
"Paternity": Bandit wants to get laid and have a baby (a band-bino, perhaps?). Why do his movies play in town for such a long time? I'm getting real tired of capsulizing this flick every week.
"So Fine": Another of America's leading box office hunks, Ryan O'Neal, in a ditty about manufacturing blue jeans people's cheeks hang out of. If you live in a house trailer you probably won't want to miss either of these films.
CINEMA ONE:
"Deadly Blessing": An occult film in which lots of people get killed in pretty bizarre ways. Starring Ernest

Borgnine, who has come a long way since "Marty" and "McHale's Navy."
UNIVERSITY CENTER CINEMA:
"Elephant Man": Last year's multi-nominated film about the famous freak of the last century. Starring John Hurt and Anthony Hopkins. Definitely a class act.
"Emmanuelle": Most university film committees show good films. Vanderbilt has Renoir and Truffaut festivals. MTSU shows Richard Pryor and Emmanuelle. This scorcher is about a woman who has sex in lots of different positions with lots of different folks. The kind of film you used to get fake ID's to go see when you were in high school. Showing today.

Campus Capsule

THE COMPUTER CENTER will offer a seminar on the use of the *Statistical Package for the Social Sciences* to the faculty and graduate students on Nov. 2 and Nov. 9 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Dining Room A of the James Union Building.
 No prior knowledge of SPSS is required. Those interested may register for the course with the computer science secretary, at 898-2512. Deadline for registration is Oct. 30.

THE UNITED STATES MARINE BAND from Washington D.C. will appear in concert at Murphy Center Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m.
 The concert is sponsored by the Middle Tennessee State University Band of Blue. Free tickets may be obtained from the Band of Blue Office or the Murfreesboro Bank and Trust Company.

THE BAND OF BLUE CLUB HALL OF FAME will have a reception for its new inductees Oct. 23 at 9:15 p.m. in Dance Studio B of Murphy Center.
 Inductees are Neil and Margaret Wright, Bob Lee, Tom Tucker, and Jim Hewgley. Formal induction ceremony will be held on Jones Field at 6:45 p.m. Oct. 24.

THE FOLK AND SQUARE DANCE CLUB meets every Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. in Studio B of Murphy Center.

CONTEST OF CHAMPIONS will be Oct. 24. 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Twenty-seven high school bands from four states will be competing. Finals will be at 7:30 p.m. at Horace Jones Field.

REPRESENTATIVE JOHN BRAGG will meet with the MTSU chapters of AAΨU and TEA Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 7 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge of the James Union Building.

MTSU'S GRADUATE SCHOOL has set a Nov. 4 deadline for those graduating in December to submit Theses and Dissertations to the Graduate Office.

THE PRE-LAW SOCIETY will meet Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 2:30 in Peck Hall 208.
 Bill Abernathy, a graduate from Washington and Lee School of Law, will speak. He will bring catalogues and other useful information for those who attend.

SIGMA DELTA CHI will have a flea market from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21 in the basement of the University Center. Clothing, books, records and tapes, some furniture, and other miscellaneous items will be available.

Innovative band at UC tomorrow

They'll do 'Whatever It Takes' 'attacking' in contest

There is a certain joy in seeing undiscovered artists perform. You can always tell friends that you saw them before they were hit the big time.
 Wednesday's noon show in the University Center Theatre showcases a band sure to fit that description. Whatever It Takes is quickly building a reputation as a group of talented, versatile musicians.
VARIOUS MEMBERS have toured or recorded with the likes of Albert King, Tracy Nelson, Crystal Gayle, Mickey Newbury, Tom T. Hall, and B.B. King. With this experience to build upon, they have now combined and meshed to create an interesting blend of rock 'n' roll, reggae, pop tunes, and ballads.
 Six of the members of WIT are accomplished songwriters, so their original material has the strength lacking in most bands just breaking out. They take audiences to the top with their screaming rock 'n' roll, then lay them back in their seats with tender ballads.
 Versatility appears to be more than an asset: it is a charac-



Whatever It Takes will be performing at the University Center Theatre tomorrow from noon to 1:30 p.m. They play everything from rock 'n' roll to ballads on a multitude of various instruments as they make their shot at the big time.

teristic. They perform with between seven and 13 pieces, adding horns and percussion here and there—whatever it takes.

Their first MTSU performance begins at noon Wednesday and is sponsored by the Special Events Noon Show Subcommittee.

PRSSA 'attacking' in contest

Have you ever felt like you were being stalked? Starting Oct. 22 you may be.

Who will be the private eyes? MTSU students will be. On Thursday, Oct. 22, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., The Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) will be taking mug shots for \$3.50 in the basement of the University Center.

THE FOLLOWING Monday, Oct. 26, participants will pick up a photo of someone else and a squirt gun. Then each participant will stalk his victim on campus and shoot him. After the "killing," the victor takes his photo his victim had and stalks his next victim. There will be no kills in class or in buildings and no contested kills.

The first five winners will receive a copy of the Hall and Oates *Private Eyes* album. The top three will receive an additional prize of a Bonanza dinner of his choice.

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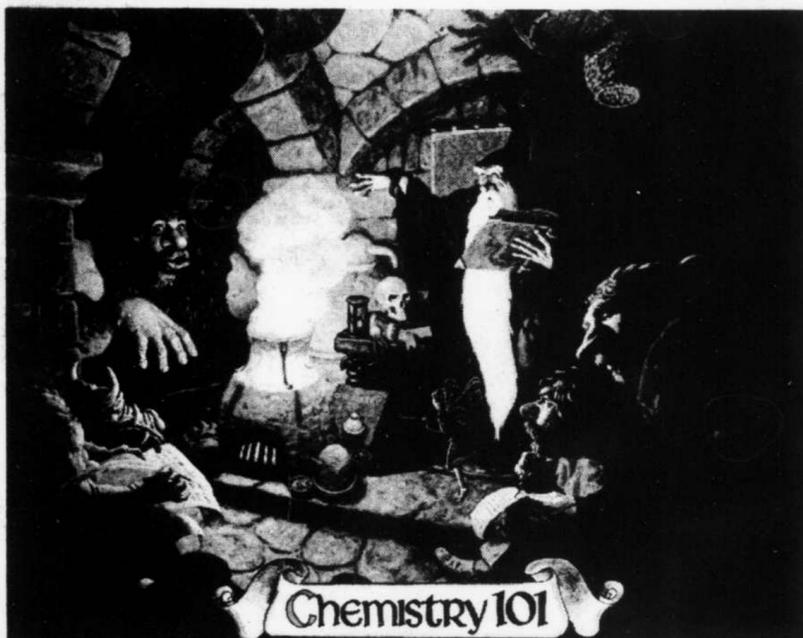
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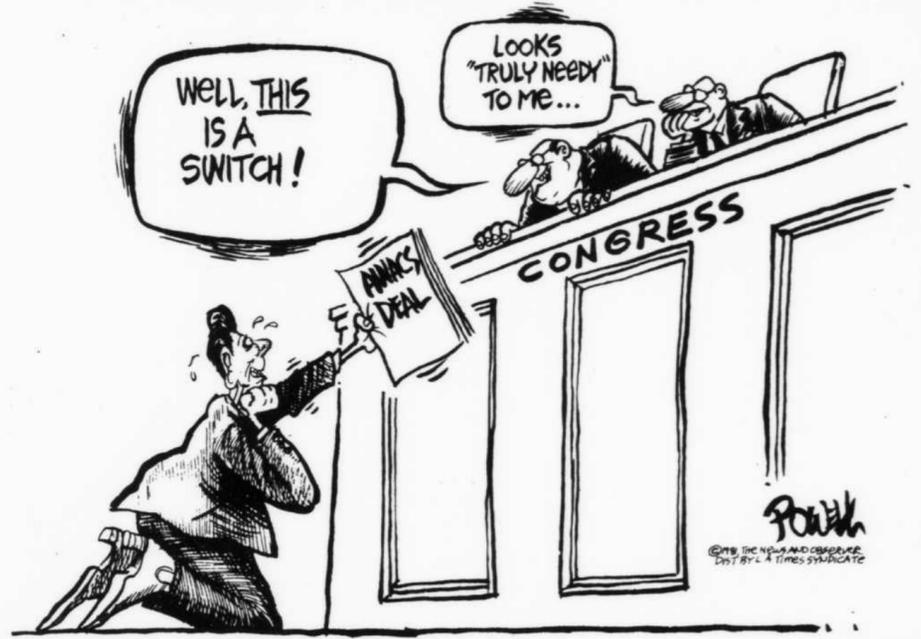
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On This Date

On this date in 1973, President Nixon ordered Watergate Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox dismissed. After assailing press coverage of the firing as "outrageous, vicious, distorted, frantic and hysterical," Nixon added: "Don't get the impression that you arouse my anger. You see, one can only be angry with those he respects."

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Mideast peace needs PLO

On the flight back from Egypt after the funeral of Anwar Sadat, former Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter said peace in the Middle East will require recognition of the Palestinian Liberation Organization and its cooperation.

This view is based on reality. If a lasting peace is ever to occur in the Middle East, the PLO must be involved.

THE PLO, LED BY Yassir Arafat, is a political group dedicated to establishing a homeland for Palestinians in the Middle East, similar to the establishment of Israel as a homeland for people of the Jewish faith. And like the Jews, Palestinians regard Jerusalem as the focal point for their proposed Palestinian state.

It has been the official stance of President Reagan's administration that the PLO would not receive diplomatic recognition until it recognizes Israel's right to exist. When Ford and Carter were in office that was also the policy of their administrations.

But now, after leaving office, Carter says that "many of the PLO leaders are very moderate in abhorring terrorism and violence." He also indicated there is very little likelihood of the Palestinians or the Arab world recognizing any Palestinian leadership except the PLO.

IN ADDITION, CARTER blamed Israel's decision to build settlements on the West Bank and to annex East Jerusalem for slowing the peace process. Nonetheless, he stated the need for joint recognition between Israel and the PLO before a lasting peace settlement can be made.

Ford agreed that PLO recognition is essential to solving Mid-East problems. "As you go down the road at some point the dialogue has to take place, and I think that will happen," he said.

It is strange that Carter and Ford stress the need for PLO participation now, when they failed to do so during their administrations. Perhaps the cold reality

of Anwar Sadat's death helped them soften their views on the PLO.

SADAT HAD LONG recognized the need for PLO participation in the Middle East peace process. Just as Jews yearned for a homeland, so do the Palestinian people. It is evident that as long as there is a "homeless" group with an historical heritage, there will not be peace in the region.

Notably, President Reagan is following the same hard-line policy with regard to the PLO that his predecessors did. That is, not to deal with terrorists. To pretend the Palestinians, represented by the PLO, do not exist is to ignore reality. In the volatile Middle East that is a serious mistake, one that can do little except deter the establishment of peace.

Anwar Sadat was a farsighted man in making his peace overture to Israel. Tired of war, he took a brave stance for peace and thus alienated most of his Arab neighbors. However, he also saw the need to recognize and deal with the PLO as necessary to any lasting peace. Now, with the bipartisan voices of Carter and Ford echoing this view, perhaps the Reagan administration will reassess its policy.

RECENTLY, ISRAELI PRIME Minister Menachem Begin reportedly stated that he is interested in beginning talks concerning the Palestinian issue. Certainly, this is a welcome sign that peace may one day replace factional strife in the Mid-East.

Indeed, there is a whirlwind of hatred in the Middle East today. Much of this hatred is aimed at the United States because of its historical support of Israel. If we can make it apparent to unfriendly Arab nations that we (and Israel) are willing and interested in pursuing a peace plan that includes Palestinian interests, the results can only be beneficial.

Punchline

by Danny Tyree

"The time has come," the walrus said, "to talk of many things..." — Lewis Carroll.

•Before winter weather turns everyone's thought processes into slush, I hope the administration will have the foresight to stock up on salt for use on icy sidewalks.

I REALIZE MTSU's sadists derive cheap thrills from watching pedestrians injure their posteriors, but I still think the salt money would be a sound investment.

•If you ever need an example of "selective retention" for use on a mass comm test, feel free to use my favorite: Apologists for antisocial behavior can readily rattle off the quote, "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone." But they handily forget the second part of that commandment: "Go and sin no more."

•Will the news media kindly decide which spelling is preferable for the name of Libya's psycho leader? Is it Gaddafi, Khadafi or Quaddafi? We all know he is a dangerous loon, but these multiple spellings are going to make people think he is all Three Stooges.

•EVERYONE WANTS more

good news in newspapers and on television, but most of us are so busy making bad news, we don't have time to take our case to the editors and news directors.

What sort of good news do we create when we drink and drive—and cause fatal accidents?

How does it help crime figures when we make our homes easy prey for burglars or leave our keys in the car?

Does it make for happy news when we're too lazy to vote?

WHY DO WE rush into shaky marriages and create ugly divorce statistics? How can we expect any good news to come from children who aren't disciplined?

Is it the fault of the media when we smoke ourselves into the cancer ward or develop VD and unwanted pregnancies?

Should Dan Rather be blamed when workers goof off and lower productivity? Or when students play around and make lower scores?

WHY SHOULD the Tennessean be the scapegoat when charities come up short in their fund-raising drives?

When we "mind our own business" and let big government and big business run over everybody else, is that creating good news?

With all this going on, who has time to read any good news?

•**DID YOU EVER** wonder how devout Hindus react to the ad campaign that states, "You only go around once in life"?

•**POT CALLS KETTLE BLACK DEPARTMENT:** Many Congressmen are trying to block President Reagan's sale of AWACS to Saudi Arabia on the

off chance that the planes might fall into Soviet hands. But it is Congress which has tried its best to constrain the CIA so it can't keep up with Soviet spies on our own soil.

•Crossing your legs at the knees can cause severe back pains in later years, according to Ralph Hillman in the speech department. So if you see me crossing my legs, please don't tell Blue Cross.

•The older generation has no monopoly on hypocrisy. College students are among the most enthusiastic supporters of a new manner of waging war: If the presidents and generals are the ones who are so eager to fight, put them on the battlefield and leave the enlisted men out of it. Then whichever country has the last man standing wins.

BUT WHEN "Wreck Tech Week" rolls along, such concern for innocent bystanders goes out the window. Who cares if the poor custodians have to unravel toilet paper from trees? Who cares if some innocent student gets his car loaded with horse manure? Who cares about the victims of these childish stunts?

Why not put the ASB or other interested parties of both schools in a locked room and let them fight it out? Broadcast it live. Snap pictures for Sidelines. Bring back souvenirs. But reserve the fun for only those who want to participate.

•Why is it that conservatives are criticized for tackling problems that "can never be solved completely"—but liberals have no second thoughts about devoting their efforts to equally unsolvable situations?

Omission

The editorial in the Tuesday, Oct. 16 edition of Sidelines entitled "Freedom of Information Act is essential government watchdog" was not attributed. The editorial was written by Claudia Robinson. We at Sidelines regret this oversight.

Letters From Our Readers

King decrees Sidelines off-track

To the editor:
The height of irresponsible headline appeared in the Sidetrack Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1981. The headline to which I refer read "Faculty work week cut to 37.5 hours."

Let me tell you this. A professor's work week does not consist entirely of doing chores on the exact geographic location of the campus of Middle Tennessee State University. A professor drives to Motlow. A professor drives to Nashville, Fayetteville, etc. to visit student teachers. A professor drives all the way to Clarksville to deliver a night class (maybe paying for his or her own liability insurance while at the same time using a state vehicle).

These duties do not by any stretch of the imagination reduce the work load of a professor. The "reduction" mentioned in the Sidelines which was so irresponsibly slanted is rather a welcomed relief aimed at a report form required of professors every semester on which travel time is never asked for and is never credited to the work load nor compensated for.

Next time you emblazon a

headline across your sacred pulp, print this: "College Professors in Tennessee are paid less than Airline Stewardesses" or "College Professors in Tennessee make less than Janitors, Guards, Truckdrivers, and Class B Electronic Technicians." And if you lack the skill to gather the total facts of a story I shall be happy to supply you with ample facts regarding Tennessee's Educational Wasteland.

King W. Jamison
Professor of Mathematics

Professor praises

English features

To the editor:
The two pages of features you ran Oct. 16 about the activities of English Department faculty provided some of the best reading I've seen in Sidelines in a long time. The stories were interesting and, generally, well written.

Of more significance, the articles went a long way to enhance the academic reputation of MTSU; this is a community of scholars who are professionally active beyond the classroom and are doing important things, often of national stature. The recent series of articles reminded us of that often forgotten, or unknown fact!

I suggest you might attempt a

similar survey of other departments. I think you would be pleasantly surprised at what's "out there" waiting to be discovered and written about. In any event, please accept my congratulations for a job well done.

Dr. Glenn Himebaugh
Associate Professor of Mass Communications

Reader tired of complaints about clothes, music

To the editor:
Don't you have anything else better to print than gossip? I mean, I'm a little bit tired of reading about all of these people complaining about what other folks are wearing.

I'm partial to jeans, Jimmy Buffet and southern rock, and I'll only dance when I'm drunk, but I don't really give a damn about what other people wear or what other people listen to. If I don't like what I'm seeing or hearing, I'll leave or get another beer.

The whole thing has become quite boring and I feel that the "letters from readers" column should be filled with more important things than alligators and "Helter Skelter."

Scot Whitaker
Box 7014

DOONESBURY



Raider defense refuses to yield to powerful Racers

(Continued from page 1)
started for the injured Brown Sanford, wasted no time cashing in on the opportunity.

On the second play, Smith hit tight end David Little on a diving catch in the end zone and MTSU had drawn first blood. Kelly Potter split the uprights on the PAT to give the Blue Raiders a 7-0 advantage that they took into halftime.

"Van handled himself well as a freshman," Donnelly said. "He let them make the mistakes."

SMITH CONNECTED on four of six passing attempts in his first start as a Blue Raider. Only two weeks ago, Smith was on the scout team.

Murray opened the second half by driving from their own 15-yard line to MTSU's 10 in a time-consuming 20-play drive. Middle gave the Racers a taste of their own medicine of being

tough at the goal line and forced Murray to go for three points.

Jeff Lancaster was true on the 27-yard attempt, and MTSU's lead was cut to four with 6:02 left in the third quarter. He had missed on two earlier attempts in the first half.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE cashed in for the second time near the end of the third stanza when Racer fullback Jeff Tarrence coughed up the ball on the second play of Murray's possession and the ever-present Dennis Mix pounced on the ball at the MSU 28.

Aided by a face mask penalty, MTSU took only two plays and 33 seconds to go the distance.

Smith hit Little again, this time for a 13-yard TD pass. Potter's kick was true, and Middle led 14-3.

THAT SCORE, ironically,

was the first set of points Murray has given up all year in the third quarter.

"David Little made two super catches," offensive coordinator

L. T. Helton said. "The kids arose for the challenge and we stuck 'em for 14 points."

The Racers closed the gap to five points on the first play of the

fourth quarter when Gibbs dashed for his 23-yard score. Murray attempted a two-point conversion, but failed and the score stayed 14-9.

MURRAY TRIED twice more to put some points on the board, but the Blue Raider defense refused to yield.

Lancaster attempted his fourth field goal, but Mix got just enough of the 23-yard attempt to send it fading off to the left.

The Racers put a final scare into the hearts of the 6,000 loyal fans when they drove down the field late in the game. But on a third-and-eight situation, defensive back Arthur Washington timed Gino Gibbs pass perfectly and picked off the aerial, preserving the victory.

"I'M SO HAPPY for this bunch," the elated Donnelly said. "They had to fight so hard to come from where they've been. Man, they've come a long way."

On paper, Middle Tennessee should have gotten blown out.

Murray had 22 first downs to MTSU's five. The Racers gained 324 total yards compared to a

dismal 31 for the Blue Raiders, and the visiting team almost doubled Middle's time of possession.

THE RACERS forgot about one thing though—lighting up the scoreboard.

"The people who won this game are the assistant coaches," Donnelly stated. "All of the coaches did a super job."

"We were a little confused on defense," defensive coordinator Ed Bunio said. "They (the players) gave second and third efforts and that's what it takes to win. They've got a lot of heart and character."

Dennis Mix, Robbie Ridings, and Jimmy Roberto led the defensive attack for the Blue Raiders.

Ridings and Roberto combined for 45 tackles, including 35 assists. Mix had seven solo tackles including three for losses totaling 19 yards.

The loss halted Murray's winning streak at six games and dropped the Racers to 3-1 in the OVC.

Middle Tennessee travels to Austin Peay next Saturday to take on the Governors in the final road game for MTSU.

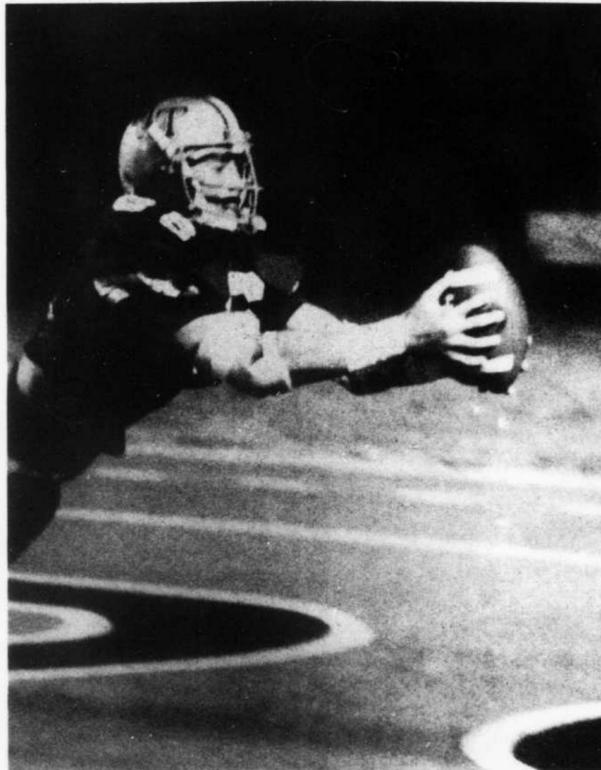


Photo by Brian Wright

Junior transfer David Little makes a diving touchdown reception in the second quarter of Middle Tennessee's stunning victory over Murray State. Little caught two TD passes Saturday night providing the only scores for MTSU. The victory upped Middle Tennessee's slate 5-2, 3-1 in the OVC.

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Austin Peay	2-2	3-2
Akron	2-3	3-4
Youngstown State	1-3	3-3
Tennessee Tech	1-3	2-4
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Ladies: Are you in search of a person who can give an I-care-about-you-as-a-person hug. Then stop looking to the cloned preppie types for your answer. Yes, Virginia, there are still gentlemen on campus. Mountain Man.

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By STEVE PRICE

Sports Writer

At one point in every little boys' life, he dreams of someday becoming a major league baseball player.

However, the odds on ever making an appearance in a major league game are astronomical.

THREE FORMER MTSU baseball players increased their odds significantly this past summer as they each signed major league contracts.

All-OVC catcher Mike Norment was selected by the Montreal Expos in the Major League Baseball Amateur Free Agent Draft, and outfielder Scott "Doc" Holliday was the last player overall chosen in the draft as he was nabbed by the New York Mets.

Raider right-handed hurler Mark Smith also signed a contract with the Atlanta Braves and reported to their minor league facilities in Bradenton, Fla.

HOLLIDAY, who split his time playing the outfield and as designated hitter, led Middle Tennessee last season in home runs (9), runs batted in (35), walks (36), strike outs (49) and slugging percentage (.468).

Smith was 3-3 in seven starts for the Raiders with a 4.70 ERA but had a 2.67 ERA the year before.

But perhaps the man with the best shot of someday realizing his dream is Norment, who in 43 games in his senior year hit .256.

MORE IMPORTANTLY, he committed just three errors and led the team with a .987 fielding percentage in a position where good defense and a strong arm is not only advantageous—it is mandatory.

"Defense, definitely, as far as catching goes, is my strong point," Norment said Saturday night after he and his teammates received their OVC championship rings at halftime of the MTSU football game. "Defense is what got me there so that's probably what would keep me there if I stay."

Norment was sent to Mon-



MIKE NORMENT

Signs with Montreal Expos

treil's single A club in the New York Penn League at Jamestown, N.Y., where he caught in 71 of 79 games.

HIS TEAM won their division but was defeated by the Yankees farm club for the championship. Incidentally, all six of New York's minor league teams won titles this year.

Of course, the Expos appear to be set for the future with Gary Carter behind the plate, but Norment still hopes that he can someday make it to the "big time."

"I feel like if I can play major league ball that someone will find me," the former MTSU backstop revealed. "If I was working for NASA and trying to work my way up, people would know who I am. They get paid

to know. They have to know.

"**IT WOULDNT** matter who I'm playing with," Norment continued, "but I think everyone would want to be with a team with which they can progress the fastest."

Unless he is released, which Norment doesn't think he will be, he will report to spring training in mid-March where his fate for the 1982 season will be determined.

Going straight from college ball into a major league organization is certainly a big transition and calls on the player to make some adjustments.

"The biggest difference to me is the hitting," Norment explained. "I was hitting with an aluminum bat here (MTSU), and when I signed, I had to use a wooden bat. That's where professionalism comes in because it's easier to hit with an aluminum bat."

NORMENT HAS many fond memories of his alma mater, but the highlight had to be the 1981 season when the Raiders won the Ohio Valley Conference title and represented the conference in the NCAA tournament.

"Winning the OVC is a dream," he said. "I'm real proud to have played with the guys I played with, and I really respect John Stanford. He knows what he's doing."

Norment realizes the road to success is not easy, but no matter what the outcome, he would like to stay in baseball in some capacity.

"**I WOULD** like to make it to the majors, sure, it's a dream," he admitted. "In any profession being on the top is the dream."



SCOTT "DOC" HOLLIDAY

Inks with New York Mets

"Out of 23 years, I've played baseball in 17 of those years; that's all I've done," Norment added. "If I don't make it I would really like to coach on the high school level."

The once little kid may have grown up, but the childhood dream is still there.

Mix, Smith capture top OVC honors of the week

For their outstanding performances in Saturday night's victory over Murray State, Dennis Mix and Van Smith have been named as OVC players of the week.

Defensive end Dennis Mix was chosen as the defensive player of the week and reserve quarterback Van Smith was tops for rookie of the week.

THE 5 FOOT 11 inch, 190 pound Mix was one of the main defensive cogs for the Blue Raiders.

Mix was in on 11 tackles, including seven solos, and was in the Racer backfield in three games for losses totaling 19 yards.

In addition to his tackling, the junior from McMinnville recovered one fumble, partially blocked a field goal late in the game, and recovered the first of two blocked punts by MTSU.

BOTH OF Mix's recoveries set up the two Blue Raider touchdown passes by rookie of the week Van Smith.

Smith's first TD pass came in the second quarter on an 8-yard strike to David Little, and the other was in the third quarter for a 13-yarder, again to Little.

In his first start for the Blue Raiders, the freshman, from Adams, Tenn., was good on four of his six passing attempts for 37 yards.

ONLY TWO weeks ago, Smith was on the Blue Raider scout team. But after junior signal-caller Brown Sanford went down with an injured hip against Eastern Kentucky, Smith was called upon to direct the offense.

It is the second time this season that a Blue Raider has been chosen as rookie of the week, Kelly Potter was given the honor four weeks ago.

This is the second time in seven weeks that Mix has been chosen as defensive player of the week. He received the first honor after MTSU defeated Akron.



Photo by Brian Wright

Freshman quarterback Van Smith tries to elude an onrushing Murray State Racer during the Blue Raiders upset of Murray. Smith connected on four of his six passing attempts Saturday night and took the OVC rookie of the week honors. Junior defensive end Dennis Mix won the defensive player of the week for the second time this year.

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