



A weekend burst of sunshine is a good time for getting started on that summer tan, as these girls demonstrate in a field near campus. Soaking up the rays are: (from front to back) Annice Eberle, Caryolyn Knight, Joetta McCarter, Cindy Kisselburg and Jeanine Kilpatrick. Tim Hamilton photo

# Stomach bug strikes

By Michael Gigandet

Symptoms of a recent rash of stomach viruses ravaging the campus are not "severe enough" to be food poisoning, Infirmary Chief Nurse Barbara Martin said yesterday.

Although the cause of the infection which causes nausea, diarrhea and an upset stomach have not been determined, symptoms indicate that it is an intestinal problem, Martin pointed out.

The number of cases is undetermined because the infirmary has not been keeping count, she said. However, Martin said she

wouldn't be surprised if over 250 cases have been treated.

Striking the campus late last week and early this week, the virus is not "real severe" but is "long lasting and bothersome," Martin added.

The infirmary has "exhausted a pretty good supply" of medicines treating the infection, she said. Until another supply arrives, patients will have to buy their own medications.

Several off-campus families are also suffering with the ailment, Martin said.

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## Bragg hits regent bill 'tokenism'

by Bill Mason

Placing a student on the Board of Regents will be "tokenism," and students would have more input if student body presidents attended regents' meetings, State Rep. John Bragg (D-Murfreesboro) said here Saturday.

Bragg, a member of the House Education Committee, spoke at a press conference before delegates of the Tennessee Collegiate Press Association convention Friday and Saturday.

"Having a student member won't change anything, but student body presidents could have a lot more input if they would attend the open meetings," Bragg said.

He sponsored an amendment to the original bill establishing a student regent which provides for the selection of the student from among three candidates nominated by student government presidents. One candidate will be from the regional universities, one from the community colleges and the third from any other university or college in the regents' system.

Bragg outlined four reasons for his vote against extension of the state's tuition aid grant program that was originally designed to help needy students attend public and private institutions.

— Constitutional separation of church and state mandates that government should not finance students attending religious institutions.

— The state's first obligation should be to higher public educa-

tion rather than private education.

— The program "is not reaching enough people."

— The program is designed to help needy students attend college, yet the tuition grants have been used to send students to Vanderbilt, a school which many middle class students cannot afford.

Bragg predicted that 200 universities with enrollments of about 5,000 will have closed by 1989 because of a shortage of students. Attendance at MTSU, now over 10,000, will be cut to 7,500, he said.

Because of this, state support should be devoted to public institutions, and private colleges that cannot support themselves should be allowed to fold, Bragg said.

After the news conference the TCPA delegates elected officers for the coming year.

New officers are Alvin Bunch,

## Margaret Mead, experts to address food seminar

Margaret Mead, anthropologist and author, will speak tomorrow night as part of a three-seminar "Environmental Insights" program.

Mead, a prolific writer with over 20 books and countless articles in print, will deliver her address (the third seminar) at 8:30 p.m. in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium.

Mead will discuss "The United



Rep. John Bragg

UT-Knoxville, president; Robin Dial, Tennessee Tech, vice-president; Pam Roberts, Austin Peay, secretary; Babs Freeman, George Peabody College, treasurer; and Bill Mason, MTSU, headquarters co-ordinator.

States' Role in the Growing Food and Population Crises."

The first seminar, to begin at 10 a.m. in the University Center theatre, will feature James T. Tanner, director of the graduate program in ecology for the University of Tennessee from 1970-74. Tanner will speak on "Biological and Sociological

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## Work study ends for 50 to 100

by Phil West

Between 50 and 100 students enrolled in MTSU's work study program will find their jobs terminated by April 18 due to lack of funds, according to Winston Wren, director of financial aid.

Wren said yesterday "we're looking for about a \$1,000 cutback" in the program since fewer students than normal dropped out of the work study this semester.

"About 50 to 100 students would take care of it," Wren explained.

Wren pointed out that about 450 students are currently enrolled in work study, which is programmed to allow students to "work out their amount by exam time."

However, he stressed that students will have a reasonable choice to stop work.

The financial aid director explained that students whose jobs are terminated will lose only a week of pay.

"Some will work through exams but that will be decided on an individual basis," Wren said. "If it is critical to anyone, they can come by and see me and we will work something out."

Under MTSU's work study program, students are paid by the financial aid office or through departmental offices. Wren explained that some students who work for different departments will be kept on the work study rolls and will be paid by departmental funds rather than through the financial aid office.



Roni Stoneman (left) is seen here pickin' and grinmin' with Joe Ridolfo after delivering a lecture to a sociology class on "Deviant Behavior in the Entertainment World." She is a member of the singing Stoneman family and the television cast of "Hee Haw."

Charles Steed photo

## Editor relates press role

by Bill Mason

Members of the press should be advocates of the truth and have faith the public will react wisely to the facts, Richard Smyser, editor of the Oak Ridger, said here Saturday.

Smyser addressed delegates to the Tennessee Collegiate Press Association convention held Friday and Saturday.

"At no time in recent history has there been so much public concern about the press," Smyser said. "The press has been criticized for being too biased, too powerful and for driving a president out of office."

Smyser, a former president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, said recent controversies about the mass media have produced a negative attitude from the public, but they have also had the positive effect of drawing attention to the press.

"I worry about credibility, but the intensity of the public feeling shows that the press is getting a lot of attention, and that is what we need most of all," Smyser said.

He outlined three reasons for the negative attitude of the public toward the press.

— People have traditionally reacted angrily against the "messenger who brings the bad news." "Middle class nightmares" of the sixties, including racial upheavals, the youth movement, war protests and the sexual revolution, caused a backlash against the press which brought these stories to the public.

— The arrival of the electronic media produced a much more personal identification with broadcasters. The fact that only three networks regularly report the news has intensified this personal identification.

— The "Nixon versus the press war" intensified the adversary relationship of the press and government. Despite "excesses" of the press, the "war" was caused largely because of Nixon's "lack of concept of what the role of the press was," causing the press, the president and the public to all suffer.

To produce more positive attitudes, the editor said the press should invite reader participation through guest columns and letters, keep a high ethical standard and make absolutely sure that the news is reported objectively and responsibly.

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Students circulate petition

# Blacks protest concert stories

In a petition circulated last week, more than 100 black students protested the use of the phrase "black concert" in Sidelines stories describing the

search for a group to play in the semester's final campus show. Describing themselves as "black students at MTSU that are sick and tired of being singled

out as being 'black' every time a special event takes place," the students did not demand or mention wanting an apology.

The petition said students "wanted something done in the future editions of Sidelines about statements that can, and in this case, have offended us."

"That's all I've heard it referred to in the committee meetings, and it had no racial overtones," commented Sidelines reporter Scott Perry, who has covered the special events committee for several semesters.

The committee announced its intentions to book a black musical group, possibly the O'Jays.

# Freshman wins national debate

MTSU debater Michael Dagley won first place speaking honors in national novice debate competition over the weekend in Louisville, Ky.

The Murfreesboro freshman earned the top number of total speaker points to capture the award.

Forty-two novice teams competed in the national tournament held at Louisville's Bellerme College. Dagley and his debate partner, Tab Blankenship, advanced to the octo-finals before their elimination.

Dagley, an honor student, is majoring in international relations.

## Unpack that suitcase!

### Today

Meeting: Prelaw Society, 11 a.m., OM 324  
 ROTC Awards Day: 10 a.m.-12 noon, DA auditorium  
 Movie: "The Collector," 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m., UC theatre, 50 cents  
 Cheerleader practice and tryouts: 4 p.m., south concourse, Murphy Center  
 Meeting: Triton Club, 6 p.m., swimming pool  
 Meeting: Fencing Club, 7 p.m., AM 300  
 Meeting: Fine Arts Committee, 7 p.m., UC 307  
 Tutoring program: 7 p.m., UC 310, sponsored by residence hall programming  
 Meeting: Weight Off Club, 8 p.m., AM dance studio  
 Meeting: National Organization for Women (NOW), 7:30 p.m., Middle Tennessee Electric Membership Corp., 415 N. Maple St.

### Wednesday, April 9

Seminar: Environmental Insights, sponsored by the Ideas and Issues Committee, 10 a.m.-12 noon, UC 322-A, B, C  
 Women's tennis: MTSU-Martin, 1 p.m., tennis courts  
 Movie: "The Collector," 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m., UC theatre, 50 cents  
 Meeting: Karate Club, 4 p.m., dance studio B, Murphy Center  
 Meeting: Circle K, 6:30 p.m., UC 312  
 Cheerleader practice and tryouts: 4 p.m., south concourse, Murphy Center

Speaker: Margaret Mead, 8:30 p.m., DA auditorium, sponsored by the Ideas and Issues Committee

### Thursday, April 10

Eight Annual Retailing Symposium: Registration, 8 a.m., SUB lobby; symposium, 9 a.m.-12 noon, Tennessee Room, SUB (speaker — Robert Milligan, US Department of Commerce); luncheon, 12 noon, dining room B, SUB; symposium, 12:30 p.m., Tennessee Room.  
 Seminar: Playgrounds, sponsored by HPERs department, 2 p.m. — 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 — 9:30 p.m., UC theatre  
 Women's tennis: MTSU-Sewanee, 2 p.m., tennis courts  
 Cheerleader practice and tryouts: 4 p.m., south concourse, Murphy Center  
 Fun Night: "Jimmy Church Revival," 8 p.m., Tennessee Room, SUB

### Upcoming

Second Annual Frisbee Throwing Contest: 12-4 p.m., April 15, behind Cummings Hall. Sponsored by Sigma Nu and Miller Reclamation Co. Anybody can enter. Judging and trophies on distance and accuracy. Awarded based on distance and accuracy, and trophies will be awarded.  
 Educational Screening Tests: 8-9:30 a.m., April 15, 16, 22 and 23, DA 205. Tests are necessary for anyone who intends to student teach. Sponsored by speech and hearing clinic.

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# Americans witness Vietnam 'tragedy'--Gore

by Rick Edmondson

The tragedy we are witnessing in Southeast Asia results from the "wages of deception" by U.S. presidents, the climax to a "bitter chapter" in American history, former Sen. Albert Gore told students Saturday.

Speaking in Nashville at the annual convention of Tennessee College Young Democrats, Gore said he urged former President Lyndon Johnson immediately after the 1964 Democratic convention not to send troops to Vietnam, but that Johnson replied, "I'll be damned if I'll be the first American president to run."

"I didn't think it was a matter of running, but of placing prestige values ahead of the genuine interest of the country," Gore said.

"So you see," he said, "we are now seeing the wages of deception. Cambodia is now de-

stroyed."

Calling for Americans to "declare war" on deception, the former senator said "the American people can be freed if they have the truth."

Gore said the "purest value judgments" in national affairs come from youth and women.

"This isn't to underide the judgments of men, but they just seem to have more ulterior motives than youth," Gore said.

Gore, who served in the U.S. Senate from 1953 to 1970 when he was defeated by Bill Brock, consistently voted against American involvement in Vietnam.

Gore, who says he has no future political aspirations, is chairman of the board of the Island Creek Coal Co., which has been engaged in strip mining in East Tennessee.

Following Gore's address, state Democratic party chair-

man Jim Sasser joined the former senator in calling for more party unity, urging students to ask their legislators to vote for Gov. Ray Blanton's election reform measures that require voter registration by party.

The delegates did just that in a series of resolutions that include the following:

— A commendation of the General Assembly for placing a student on the Board of Regents.

— A resolution calling for strict campaign reforms with stiff penalties for failure to comply.

— A resolution urging freedom of choice "as responsible adults" for all college students regarding dorm visitation.

— A resolution calling for state financial support for Tennessee students attending institutions of higher learning in Tennessee.

— A resolution urging passage of a system of national health insurance.

The College Democrats elected new statewide officers. Bob Pickard, an MTSU junior, was defeated for the presidency by Joe

Moye of UT-Knoxville.

Other officers are Winslow Muse, Memphis State University — executive vice president; Nancy Knippers, MTSU, Mike Riggs, Memphis State University and Buck Lewis, UT-Knoxville — regional vice presidents; Cary Grieves, UT-Knoxville — secretary-treasurer, and John Kernodle, UT-Martin — national committeeman.

## Draft sign-up on campus ends

Dean Robert MacLean, campus registrar for selective service, has been notified that effective April 1, 1975, no one will be registered for the draft.

"Although the details are not known at this time, it appears this was brought about by the preparation of a program for periods of mass registration — possibly once a year," MacLean said.

## Speech and theater sets rock musical production

A theatrical version of the acoustic rock musical "The Little Prince" will be performed by members of the speech and theatre department at 6:30 tonight in the arena theatre in the Dramatic Arts Building.

Seven actors and five musicians, including some Nashville artists, will perform the play, according to MTSU graduate student David Harbin who wrote and arranged the musical score and directed the production.

"The Little Prince" is based on the book of the same name by Antoine de St. Exupery and details the celestial adventures of a five-year-old boy.

"It is a children's story written in simple verse that has a deeper meaning," Harbin said.

No admission will be charged.

## Editor, ad director posts available

Monday is the deadline for filing applications for Sidelines editor-in-chief for the summer and fall semesters and for advertising director from June through April, 1976.

Applications may be picked up this week from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. from the publications secretary in the Sidelines office on the third floor of the Student Union Building.

Applicants tentatively will be interviewed and appointments made by the Council on Student Publications April 18, Jerry Hilliard, publications adviser, said yesterday.

Hilliard said applicants should have previous experience in a major position on student publications or comparable experience elsewhere.

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Jesse Howell (left) and Jim Kelton, both members of the ROTC on campus, keep a sharp eye out for the "enemy" during junior-senior exercises during the weekend. The "war games" were held in Cedars of Lebanon State Park. Charles Steed photo

## Union VP to head THEC

By Charlotte Crowder  
TCPA Correspondent

NASHVILLE — The Tennessee Higher Education Commission last week named Wayne Brown, vice president for academic affairs at Union University in Jackson, to succeed John Folger as its executive director.

Brown, 35, received his doctorate in radio astronomy and has published several articles on astrophysics.

An unsuccessful candidate for the Democratic party nomination for the 7th U.S. Congressional District in 1974, he served as an adviser to then-candidate Ray Blanton from September through November of 1974.

Walter Armstrong, chairman of THEC, said Brown's selection came about after a review of applications by a commission search committee.

Most interviews were conducted over the telephone, Armstrong said, and no formal meetings were held.

Gov. Ray Blanton said Monday THEC had consulted with him on the choice. Blanton attended the meeting and told the commission a study was underway regarding increasing its powers over the budget.

Folger is taking a job in Denver with the Education Commission

of the States, a national education coordinating organization.

Folger outlined some situations his successor is inheriting. The UT-Nashville and Tennessee State desegregation case will occupy much of the director's time, Folger said, adding "I hope he will be able to do more with it than I was able to do."

Another area Brown will work with is legislative funding for higher education.

## Student groups must file forms

Student organizations need to comply with regulations concerning filing forms before the end of the semester, according to the office of student services.

Forms for a financial statement, a self-evaluation and a statement of assurance have been mailed to the advisers of all recognized campus student organizations. Presidents or secretaries of each organization should fill out and return the necessary three forms by the end of the semester.

If this is not done, a delinquency report will be filed on the organization and sent to the Screening Committee for action.

## Americans mature faster: expert

by David Weiser

Young people in American society mature faster today than in earlier generations, Bruno Bettelheim, psychology educator at the University of Chicago, said here Saturday.

But, Bettelheim said, "We have extended the age of dependency of the child beyond anything that is possible or reasonable."

Bettelheim, who has written

numerous articles on child development and autistic children, was on campus for a counseling workshop sponsored by the psychology department.

Parents of this generation do not know what their role should be, Bettelheim said. "We see a switching back and forth between being the child's best friend and control and authority," he explained.

"The contradictory roles don't mesh," he pointed out.

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# Student pawns get shaft in administrative game

College students have become unconscious pawns in an administrative game — America's educational system.

Faced with falling income during state institutions and personal political rivalry, college administrators are rapidly raping education.

Administrators are turning educational institutions into farcical factory production lines emanating poorly educated dimwits with useless, meaningless degrees.

In essence, education has become an archaic term and a secondary priority.

Today money and numbers are the "in thing."

Today's priorities lie in impressive paper majors (Mass Communications: Recording Industry Management or Public Relations-Advertising), sterile buildings denoting a perverted sense of progress and God Almighty numbers (MTSU proudly has 10,137 students).

What administrators have neglected is proper education.

"Let's graduate students, impress the legislature and show everybody that MTSU is a big school."

"Damn the students, full speed ahead!"

This ridiculous emphasis on numbers and public relations is, in effect, re-defining education to suit the purposes of a wayward administration.

Some of the results are:

— Students are attending school who don't need to or want to be.

— Textbooks are being downgraded.

— Professors are teaching classes they shouldn't be teaching.

We came here to be educated, not to be packed, sealed and delivered down a production line like eggs stamped Grade A, B or C.

If schools continue this headlong rush into "progress" (oblivion in reality), then they more than deserve the shaft from the state legislature.

It's about time students and faculty retained control of their schools and demanded to be recognized as the first and only priority.

Now is the time. The administrators of all state schools are groveling in the dirt for a juicy slice of pie.

We must begin to whisper into the ears of influential administrators that we will make things difficult for them if they do not come around.

If they don't listen, our state legislators will.



# 'Broadway Jimmy' taken in Tuesday's heist

By Rick Edmondson  
and James King

From the fabled lore of cops and robbers comes this harrowing tale of adventure and romance, straight to you from the legendary annals of good-versus-evil apocalyptic episodes.

Silently, in the dead of night master thief Alexander Tuesday creeps across the MTSU campus,

approaching the east wing of the magnificent Scarlett mansion. Tuesday, who has been contracted for this job by a deadly mercenary outfit known as the Austin Pee Guberners, snakes cat-like up the east wall of the mansion, straddles the rain gutter and climbs upon the roof.

With methodical precision, Tuesday's experienced hands grip the cold steel handle of his acetylene torch. Silently he cuts a hole in the roof of Scarlett's garage, taking care not to trip the intricate wiring on the burglar alarm. With agile ease he slides down into the garage and steals the fabulous, fabled royal Scarlett limousine.

Having made the heist of the century, Tuesday smashes through the garage doors in a cloud of smoke and burning rubber. The sound of the roaring engine and squealing tires splits the cool night air as Tuesday careens madly across campus in the sleek, black limousine. He stops briefly at Murphy Center where,

at gun point, he kidnaps Coach Jimmy Earl and races off into the night with the distressed, legendary basketball hero.

Meanwhile, back at law enforcement headquarters in the basement of Reynolds Hall, the bustling nerve center of this sprawling campus, a sleepy Chief Matthew Royal gets a phone call interrupting his checker game with the night janitor.

Learning of Tuesday's heist, Royal immediately jumps up out of the chair, topples the checkerboard and trips over a roller-skate on the way out the door.

Pausing only to shoo a couple of neckers out of the back seat of the force's single squad car, Royal gets in the car and fires up the engine.

With the siren blasting, Royal zooms out of the parking lot and gets a mile down the road, remembers he forgot his gun, turns around and heads back to Reynolds. After retrieving his

gun, Royal rushes madly back to the squad car and once again zooms a mile down the road. Nervously he reaches into his shirt pocket and then utters a four letter obscenity.

"Darn," he says. "Forgot ma bullet."

Royal wheels the squad car back around toward Reynolds and races off to get his bullet.

Having retrieved his bullet, Royal rushes back out to the squad car, gets in and roars out to the end of the parking lot where his pursuit of Tuesday is impeded by four blowouts.

Meanwhile, President M. G. Scarlett has received a ransom note from the Austin Pee Guberners concerning the celebrated "Broadway" Jimmy Earle.

In their ransom note, the Guberners demanded \$25 million, a pledge that MTSU withdraw from the OVC and a trade — Austin Pee for Nathan Bedford Forrest.

## Sidelines

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# Letter writer threatened by angry reader

Because I wrote a letter questioning KA's beer blast in last Friday's Sidelines, I received a threatening letter in the mail.

The individual who took it upon himself to respond so childishly to a little bit of criticism shows

a real lack of maturity and a distressing lack of intelligence for a college student.

I assume the reason he didn't sign his name to the letter was because he also realized this. I do know who wrote the letter (as-

suming he used his own box number), but I won't spread his name around because I believe the great majority of guys in KA wouldn't stand for this kind of conduct if they knew who was responsible.

I could blame it on the fact that he's a freshman and has a lot of growing up to do, but I realize that most freshmen are too mature for this kind of nonsense.

There's not a great deal I can say about the letter. It speaks for itself.

To the fellow who wrote it, I have some advice: don't call someone an ignoramus until you can at least spell the word correctly.

In answer to your question regarding my personal practices, besides the fact that it's

none of your business, I did make it clear in my letter that it was not my intention to tell you what is right or wrong.

As a public organization, KA has the responsibility of either sticking to General Lee's principles or dropping the use of the name.

For defending General Robert E. Lee, you label me a "northerner?"

Please explain your logic. It escapes me. One more thing. Because this is a free country, I don't intend to practice the "keep my mouth shut theory" so when you come to knock out my teeth, be sure to get the twelfth molar on the lower left jaw. It has been hurting for weeks.

David McKnight  
Box 4489

## Parking restriction unfair

Dean McLean has just sent out letters concerning parking violations to all dorm residents.

He says there will be no parking up close to the dorm when loading cars.

As a resident of "H" dorm, I think it is a "far piece" to the street. Have you ever tried to carry 175 pounds of dirty clothes

three miles to the street?

If this school was organized enough to have parking facilities near the dorms, many students wouldn't have the back troubles they have from carrying things out to their cars.

We beg you, ASB, to get something done.

H dorm resident

## Dorm residents should protest

In Friday's Sidelines, there appeared a statement by Housing Director Sam McLean concerning the applications for on-campus housing. In this statement, McLean said students indicating their dorm preference rather than their visitation choice would be "automatically" assigned to Type A housing which offers no visitation or open house.

How long are the students going to stand for an administration that places its own convenience over the needs of the students? Instead of recognizing the problem and trying to solve it, McLean has said that you will either bend his way or he will break you.

McLean ignores the fact that many students could care less about the type of visitation they have — they only want to stay with their friends. He should have learned this when the girls at Rutledge protested the closing of their "home."

But, instead of trying to reconcile the difficulties, McLean has ignored it completely. In his statement, he says "automatically" assigned; perhaps a better word would be "arbitrarily."

If you are sick of being pushed around or ignored, mark your housing form on the section that says you do not wish to live in the dorm and write in why. The administration will have to listen — they need your rent.

This administration has to learn they are dealing with people and not with little computer cards that can be dropped in the most convenient slot. Someone has to show them, or they will not listen. That someone is you. Withdraw today.

Tony Daughtrey

## Students' choice: pizza or professor?

I am forced into asking for space in the student's newspaper to communicate an event that is important for this school's history in the long term and the immediate short term.

On Saturday, thanks to Dr. Parker of the psychology department, one of the greatest minds in the history of scientific thought, Professor Bruno Bettelheim of the University of Chicago, was brought to this campus.

Desiring that as many students be informed of this auspicious event as possible, I asked and received permission to put post-

ers up in the library, which I am conservative and traditional enough to believe is the heart and indeed the soul of a campus.

I put four signs up including one on the entrance and exit doors.

By that evening when I returned, some very insensitive and perhaps ignorant individual had ripped the signs down.

No one would tell me who, and the head librarian would not let me put them up again because it destroyed the view of the science building.

I have only been angry one other time, and that was when the

library decided to put up a magazine rack donated by Sir Pizza.

Whether the students of the campus who are serious want Sir Pizza or a distinguished man of letters advertised is one of the questions Dr. Scarlett will have to ask himself as he devotes tremendous energy pushing this university into what I informed him would be the top university in this state in thirty to forty years which is a most conservative estimate.

David Rovins  
Box 6329

## Funds for Munchken helicopter pads?

Two or three weeks ago I, and several others I am sure, observed backhoes, gravel trucks and steam rollers busily working on small plots in the areas between several of the dorms.

The backhoes dug holes about 15 feet square and a few inches deep. These holes were filled with gravel. Then the gravel was compressed into a relatively smooth surface.

How they got there is unimportant. The question is, "What are they for?" No one seems to know, but there are several reasonable theories.

They might be synthetic putting "greens" for the rising number of golfers on campus, though I have not seen any being used as such.

Maybe they are practice courts for basketball players to improve their dribbling. They could be the foundations of small bars soon to be built, but that is unlikely.

Of course with all the rain in

Murfreesboro, they could be used a dry ground for water-logged worms. Maybe they are Munchken helicopter platforms.

Perhaps the construction crews on campus figured that their novice workers needed a little extra practice.

Or maybe some bright instructor thought that they would give some student with nothing better to do a reason to write to Sidelines.

Whatever the reason, unless

something good comes of them soon, I can think of better things to spend money on other than holes with gravel in them. For instance, how about hiring some real honest-to-God cooks for Woodmore cafeteria?

Gary Sullivant  
box 7687

Editor's note: The gravel plots are the foundations for picnic tables.

## Letters

Sidelines invites letters to the editor. Letters should be short to fit space allowances. We reserve the right to edit letters for libel and length. Send letters to Sidelines.

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umns are solely the opinion of the author and do not represent the newspaper, faculty or administration.

All letters must be signed. Names will be withheld upon request.

# Railings first step in safety plan -- McGee

By Robin Freeman

Safety railings are being installed on campus in compliance with state and federal requirements, according to Tommy McGee, safety director.

"We've got some installed and plan to put up more in the near future," McGee said. The National Fire Protection Association and the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act re-

quire that safety railings be placed where there are four or more steps or any open-sided floors more than four feet high, he added.

"The university funds all safety projects, and we are waiting for more money to be appropriated now," McGee said. Railings have not been put up before because the whole safety program at MTSU is less than 20

months' old, according to McGee.

A safety committee has been set up on campus. "It was my idea," McGee said. "The committee's purpose is to assure that the safety program meets all requirements of the National Fire Protection Association, the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act and the National Safety Council."

Committee members are Paul Keckley, Robert Armbrust, Stan Golden, Richard Gould, James Wiseman, Linda Sue Helton and James Underwood.

McGee described the committee's duties as informing the university community of safety standards and stressing compliance with present requirements.



Tommy McGee

"Right now fire walls and fire doors are being installed in Rutledge Hall. We are taking advantage of its closing to do the work," McGee remarked.

## Collage wins district award

Collage was awarded second place over the weekend for best all-around magazine in the Mark of Excellence contest of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, at the region 12 conference in Oxford, Miss.

Linda Sissom, Collage editor, accepted the award from Frank Sutherland, SDX regional director and education editor for the Nashville Tennessean. "It just feels great to win this award," Sissom said. "We were up against some rough competition from some big schools in the region."

Region 12 includes colleges and universities in Tennessee (west of the eastern time zone), Arkansas, Mississippi and

Louisiana. The University of Mississippi won first place in the magazine category and Louisiana State University won third place.

Sissom said she made two basic changes in the magazine's format this year. "I changed to what we call 'dynamic layout' and tried to use either a color photo or color paper on the cover."

Collage will automatically be entered in the SPJ-SDX national Mark of Excellence contest. Winners will be announced at the national convention to be held in Philadelphia, Pa., in October.

Approximately 200 student and professional SDX members attended the two-day conference.

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## Panel will check Special Events

Two MTSU administrators yesterday announced the creation of a special committee "to investigate the workings of the Special Events Committee and recommend suggestions for improvement."

Ivan Shewmake, assistant dean of students, said the committee will "serve as a base for investigating how well the Special Events Committee is doing its job."

Robert LaLance, acting vice president for student affairs, said Shewmake will chair the panel.

Shewmake said Smith "has done an outstanding job. "But if something is done wrong, we want to correct it."

Shewmake said, "There was

some question about the role, the type of events the Special Events Committee had been turning out."

## Seminar looks at food crisis

(Continued from P. 1)  
Aspects of Human Population Growth."

In the second seminar, W. M. Roberts, head of the department of food science for North Carolina State University will discuss "People, Priorities and Proposals Related to World Food Supplies" at 10:30 a.m. in the U C theatre.

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# Holy Land tour scheduled in June New marketing chairman named

by Pam Baggott

"We offer some things Huell Howser can't begin to offer."

John McRay's comment wasn't concerning a new television station, but about his upcoming tour of the Holy Land.

McRay, professor of religious studies at MTSU, will guide the tour June 9-25.

The tourists will visit Cairo, Beirut, Damascus, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Samaria, Nazareth, Rome and other sites.

McRay says the trip will be unique because he will deliver the tour lecture in Israel although most other tours employ local guides with a lack of professional background.

McRay was a research professor at the Albright Institute of Archaeology in Jerusalem for two years, has spent the last eight summers studying archaeology in the Middle East and has lived

## Collage positions

### now available

Anyone interested in working on Collage, MTSU's creative magazine, next semester should contact Robin Freeman at box 61 by Friday. Applications are being taken for editors of poetry, prose, feature, and art.

in Israel twice.

McRay says his tours do not waste valuable time stopping at trinket shops. He has a friend in one town who opens his souvenir shop for McRay's tours after hours.

This tour also offers MTSU students three semester hours of credit in religious studies or

## Electronic concerts set

Electronic music and multimedia production will be the major themes of the Electron Music Plus conference on April 11 and 12, tentatively scheduled for the Learning Resources Center.

The conference will feature Artists Morton Subotnick and Earle Brown, both of whom will perform original works in evening concerts in the Environmental Simulation Lab of the LRC.

An afternoon seminar on the techniques and problems of multimedia compositions will feature the two artists and other leading experts.

Subotnick is considered a pioneer of multimedia composing. He performs his music with the aid of lights, taped sound, animated films and filmed

archaeology.

"Travel in the Middle East looks better than it has in the past 25 years," McRay says. "More people are traveling to the Middle East than ever before."

The price of the tour, which leaves from New York, is \$1,460, including meals and lodging.

For further information, contact McRay, 898-2460.

"video synthesis."

Brown is internationally viewed as one of America's leading avant-garde composers, and has worked as a "composer-in-residence" in the U.S. and overseas.

## Little job costs big dough

by Randy Price

MTSU's bookstore recently purchased what must be one of the most expensive fuses in the history of the school.

A technician from Technical Industries, Inc. was called to repair the store's intercom

Francis Brewerton will assume the duties of the chairman of the management and marketing department (formerly business administration) at the beginning of the fall semester.

William Vaught, dean of the School of Business and Economics, said yesterday Brewerton earned his doctorate in management at Louisiana State University and minored in marketing, statistics, finance, labor economics and economic theory.

Brewerton is replacing Fowler Todd who resigned as chairman last summer. Mary Dunstan has been acting department chairman.

system, but he found that a replacement fuse was all that was needed.

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# SPORTS

## Thinclads finish behind Bisons

by Tom Wood

A solid team performance led the Raider thinclads to a second place finish behind David Lipscomb College in Saturday's quadrangular meet at Horace Jones Field.

MTSU's John Johnson and Harrison Salami picked up the only first place finishes for the Raiders. In the 440-yard dash, Johnson came from behind to win it with a time of 48.3 seconds while Salami topped discus throwers with a toss of 157 feet, 2 inches.

Lipscomb scored 55½ points to gain first place while MTSU

### Roundball roundup

Basketball fans around the MTSU campus are expecting coach Jimmy Earle and his staff to sign four top notch high school prospects Wednesday, the first day national-letters of intent can be signed.

Tickets for the 8 p.m. Friday appearance of the Harlem Globetrotters are still on sale at the Athletic Office for \$4.50, \$3.50 and \$2.

scored 50 points for second. Cincinnati placed a distant third with 38½ points and Memphis State totaled 38.

The Raiders scored nine second-place finishes, six third-place finishes and four fourth-place finishes.

In field events, Salami placed second in the javelin and Scott Akins was second in the shot put. Ekido Macaulay finished second in the long jump and high jump and Russell Holloway and Akins tied for second in the discus.

Henry Kennedy was second in the 120-yard dash with a time of 11.8 seconds and Holloway was second in the 440-yard intermediate hurdles with a 55.4 second clocking. The 440-yard relay team also finished in second place behind Lipscomb.

Picking up third place finishes for the Blue were Dwight Hall, Steve Cole, Macaulay, Johnson, the mile relay team and Bill Moore.

The Raiders will run against Auburn, Troy State and Furman Universities Saturday in Auburn, Ala.



Crazy Luke Graham suffers under the strain of a George Gulas hammerlock in an Alpha Tau Omega sponsored wrestling match last Thursday night at the Rutherford County Agricultural Center. Gulas and his teammate Jackie Fargo, took the tagteam match from Graham and his partner Don Duffy. ATO netted about \$200 from the event.

photo by  
Tim Hamilton

## Kentucky dishes out 104-81 loss to Tennessee in All-Star tilt

Bob Guyette of the University of Kentucky scored 18 points and was named the Most Valuable Player to lead the Kentucky All-Stars to a 104-81 romp over Tennessee last night before a crowd of 5,000 at Vanderbilt University.

MTSU's Steve Peeler, however, netted 22 points to lead all scorers, including seven dunk shots. Teammate George Sorrell added 17 points to the Tennessee effort.

Jimmy Martin of the Raiders picked up 10 points in the losing effort while Rodney Woods from the University of Tennessee and Austin Peay's Percy Howard poured in 14 points apiece.

In addition to Guyette, other top scorers for the winning Kentucky squad were UK's Kevin Grevey with 14, and Jimmy Dan Connor and Mike Flynn with 12 points apiece.

Bill Bunton from the University of Louisville pumped in 16 points while teammate Ike Whitfield added 12.

Western Kentucky's Mike Odemns and Murray's Arch Johnson, the only two OVC players on the Kentucky squad, netted five points each.

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# MTSU nips Trevecca-Nazarene 5-4

by Chuck Cavalaris

After splitting a double-header with Austin Peay on Saturday, the MTSU baseball team struggled to a 5-4 victory past Trevecca-Nazarene yesterday at the Raider baseball field.

The victory pushed the season record to 16-8 as the Raiders will travel to Kentucky Wesleyan for a twinbill today and play a single game at Belmont on Wednesday.

MTSU opened the scoring against Trevecca in the second inning when Tony Richardson laced a triple to drive home Steve Zitney. Richardson scored on a passed ball by Trojan catcher Charles Tyler.

The Raiders added two in the fourth when Zitney doubled, advanced to third on a passed ball and scored on a wildpitch. Richardson walked, stole second, moved to third on another wild pitch and scored after a Spot Howard single.

Stan Shanks drilled a sacrifice fly to right field in the seventh inning, to score Karo Arnwine and conclude the Raider scoring.

Trevecca scored four times in the eighth inning; Howard came on to quell the rally and pick up a save. Tommy Anderton pitched seven and one-third innings, allowing but three hits while walking eight. Jackie Crowell

made a brief mound appearance in the troublesome eighth before giving way to Howard who pitched out of a bases-loaded jam.

MTSU won the first game of the Austin Peay double header 4-1 Saturday, but lost the second in ten innings 2-0.

George Ploucher picked up his fifth win in allowing but four hits. The Raider ace also fanned eight and walked two.

The Governors gained the split when shortstop Eddie Beam blasted a Danny Neal pitch for a towering home run in the tenth inning for a 2-0 win over the Blue.

The Raiders were held hitless over the final four innings and failed to advance a runner past second the entire game.

## Netters fall to Western, rip Murray 8-1

MTSU's tennis team will face the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga at 2 p.m. today in Chattanooga after splitting its opening games in the Ohio Valley Conference schedule.

The Raiders lost their first conference game 6-3 Friday to Western Kentucky. Bob Butterfield defeated the Hilltopper's Stig Lungren 6-7, 6-4, 6-3 in the number two slot while Neil Barnard took his opponent in the number five singles spot.



Raider Wayne Shanks, with a keen eye, watches the ball go by in yesterday's 5-4 win over Trevecca-Nazarene. Shanks went 1-4 for the game.

Tim Hamilton photo

Barnard and Clyde Smithwick scored the only other win for MTSU, beating the Altankaya-Neider duo in doubles action 6-7, 7-5 and 7-5.

"We're still going to win the conference," Raider mentor Larry Castle predicted. "We're only one point out of first place, and Austin Peay helped us by taking three points from Western Saturday."

MTSU bounced back Saturday to

whip Murray State 8-1 with top-seeded Lasse Durchman being the only Raider to make it a perfect mark. It took, however three sets to put Druchman away.

The win gave the netters a 10-1 record overall with a 1-1 mark in the OVC. MTSU will resume conference action Friday in Cookeville, playing Tennessee Tech and East Tennessee on Saturday.

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