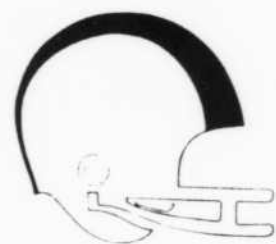




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Seminars to offer stress management

By EVE WEST
Sidelines Staff Writer

Study skills and stress management seminars will be offered by the division of student affairs on Sept. 26 and 27 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Room 316 of the University Center.

The seminars will be conducted by Jim Covington, director of the Guidance and Counseling Center, and Phyllis Hickerson, director of Student Information and Minority Affairs.

ATTENDANCE WILL be limited, so interested students should contact either the Minority Affairs or the Guidance and Counseling Offices on campus at ext. 2987 or ext. 2670 by Monday, Sept. 24.

Topics of discussion will include development of efficient study strategies and effective test-taking methods.

There will be a slide presentation, handouts and relaxation exercises.

THE SEMINAR will also emphasize note-taking techniques and tips on time management to prevent last minute stress situations.

"Participating students will be given individual assistance in devising efficient activity schedules for effective time usage," Covington said.

Williams wins \$1500 Gannett scholarship

Phil Williams, a senior at MTSU, has been awarded a \$1,500 journalism scholarship by the Gannett Foundation.

Williams was a winner in an annual national journalism scholarship competition sponsored by the Gannett Foundation last spring. He was one of 33 outstanding young scholars selected from 500 applicants on the basis of their developing journalistic skills, educational aptitude and personal qualities.

A TOTAL OF \$59,250 was awarded. One entering freshman and 24 undergraduates received one-year scholarships of \$1,500; one undergraduate received a one-semester award of \$750; and seven graduate students were awarded \$3,000 scholarships.

"We are pleased to recognize these remarkable young Americans studying for careers in journalism through the Gannett Foundation scholarship program," said Gerald M. Sass, Gannett Foundation vice president of education.

"We believe this sound investment in journalism education will produce benefits for society in the decades to come," Sass said.



Greg Casteel rests momentarily on the bench during Saturday's game against Jacksonville State, which the Raiders won 27-11. A defensive tackle, Casteel helps anchor the Raider defense, which has allowed only 11 total points this season. See story on page 8.

Photo by Melissa Givens

Candidates debate campaign issues

NASHVILLE (UPI)—Democrat Rep. Al Gore Jr., Republican Victor Ashe and independent Ed McAteer discovered they agree on a few issues—but are far apart on others—during an hour-long televised debate Sunday.

The trio of candidates for the Senate seat being vacated by Majority Leader Howard Baker answered questions from panelists at Vanderbilt University during the verbal confrontation sponsored by *The Nashville Banner*, WSMV-TV and the university.

ASHE, A FORMER state lawmaker, characterized himself as a Reagan conservative and Gore as a big-spending liberal, while Gore, a

member of the House for eight years, labeled McAteer "sincere" and said Ashe was unpopular in the Legislature and is running on Reagan's coat-tails.

McAteer, an independent religious leader from Memphis, said both of his opponents are politicians—and "our problems are the politicians."

The candidates all said they support the MX missile, B-1 bomber, TVA and various forms of a flat-rate tax.

BUT THEY SLUNG barbs at each other over contributions from political action committees, abortion, the Equal Rights Amendment and other controversial issues.

Ashe accused Gore of hypocrisy for accepting \$600,000 in PAC funds and sponsoring legislation to limit special interest contributions to House candidates.

The candidates will meet in Chattanooga Friday for the

Premarital abuse escalates

Myths shroud social problem

By D.M. ADKERSON
Sidelines Copy Editor

Editor's note: This is the first installment of a series concerning dating abuse. Future installments will examine the psychology of the abused and the abuser, will address abuse as a social problem, will suggest long-range solutions, and will offer information about shelters and immediate assistance for the abused woman.

Abused women may now seek help from state-funded shelters, according to Tennessee legislation passed last spring which raises marriage license fees from \$14 to \$24 to fund shelters for abused women.

These shelters are restricted to married women. Divorced

women whose former husbands abuse them are ineligible. Women in a living arrangement with men are ineligible.

A WOMAN IN dating situation, a rapidly increasing area of abuse, cannot be admitted to the state-funded shelters.

These restrictions are rooted in a common myth about abuse, according to Rebecca Rice, director of Women's Information and Referral Center at MTSU. "The assumption of the [legislators] is 'If you are abused and you are not married, you set yourself up.'"

The myth that the woman is to blame for the abuse or can control it is one of society's most prevalent misconceptions about abuse, Rice said. The psychological brainwashing

that occurs in an abusive relationship often prevents the woman from escaping. She is convinced by her abuser that she causes his violence, and that she has the power to determine his happiness and her own.

THE ABUSER (or potential abuser) will blame the woman when he loses his job. He will accuse her of provoking interested looks from other men or betraying his weaknesses to her girlfriends.

The woman is not to blame for her partner's failures, his jealousies or his insecurities. The abused woman is not a masochist who enjoys her

situation. Her inability to escape from her abuser does not indicate that she prefers or seeks to be abused.

Abuse transcends socioeconomic classes. Studies have dispelled the myth that abuse is limited to low-income, uneducated or minority groups. The middle and upper middle class woman has traditionally been able to hide her abuse, Rice explained. She can often afford to miss work or take a vacation until her visible wounds heal.

AT THE SAME time, however, her belief that she is

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ROTC summer awards recognize achievements

By SHERRI YORK
Sidelines Staff Writer

The ROTC department recognized those members who attended summer camps during its summer awards ceremony last Wednesday, according to Capt. Tommy Gordon.

ROTC scholarships were also presented, the enrollment and scholarship officer said.

SAMSONITE FURNITURE Co., represented by Dick Baines, received a plaque and certificate in appreciation for its service to the ROTC department.

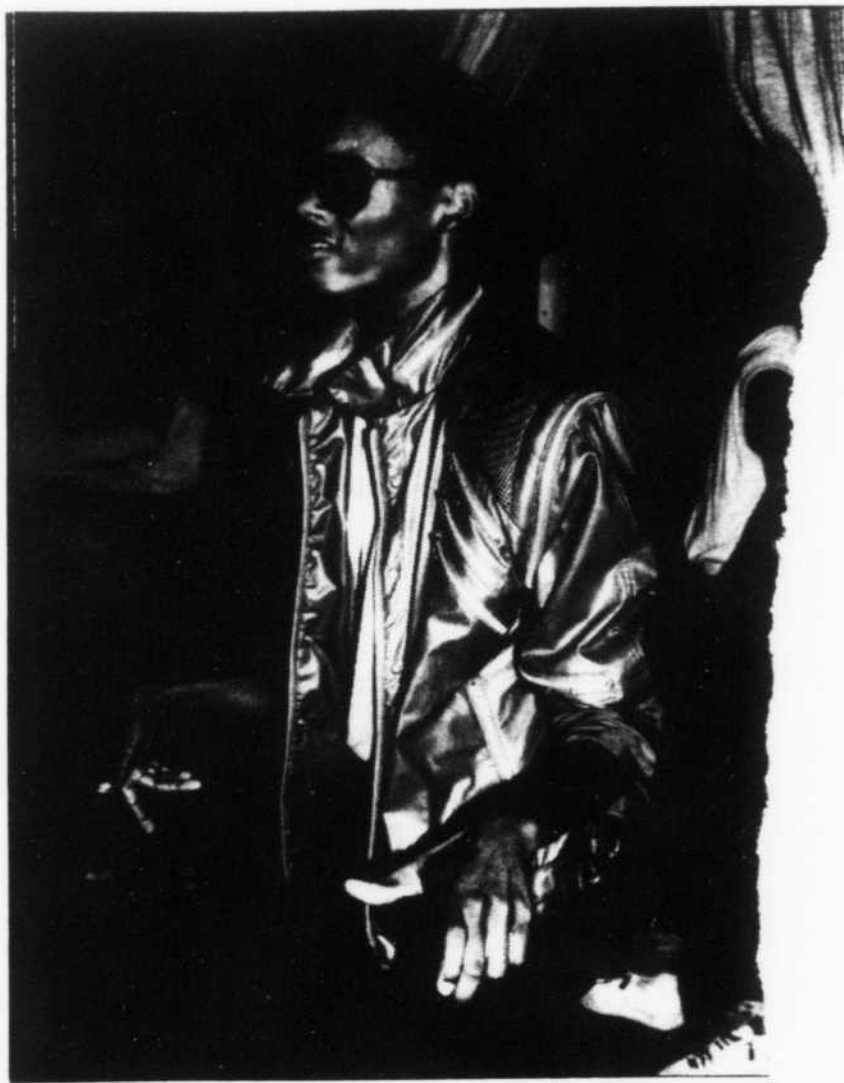
Mark Benedict, senior cadet, was pinned cadet battalion commander by Dr. Sam Ingram, president of MTSU.

According to Gordon, 15 two- and three-year scholarships were awarded by Ingram.

RECOGNITION WAS also given to those who attended ROTC basic camp this summer in Fort Knox, Ky.

Out of the 20 who attended basic camp, 18 completed the six-week camp and 14 have stayed on, according to Gordon.

Those who attended the advanced course camp in Fort Riley, Kan., this summer were also recognized.



Michael Jackson look-alike Leornard Leicesona, a member of the break dancing group the Wave-o-matics demonstrate dancing talent at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon preference Friday night.

Photo by Melissa G

Interns get practical experience

By BERT BACH
Sidelines Staff Writer

Nearly 25 MTSU students are currently enrolled in a social work internship program designed to provide practical on-the-job experience.

The program requires a student be enrolled in Social Work 458 and 467, a total of nine hours of academic credit.

JOB POSSIBILITIES vary. Some previous occupations have included working with the Rutherford County Juvenile Courts, Nashville Urban League, Murfreesboro

Senior Citizens Home, National Center on Black Aging, Rutherford County Guidance Center and countless other fields.

Bill Coombs, a 22-year-old senior, is now working for Buddies of Nashville, a non-profit agency designed to provide positive big sister or brother relationships between volunteers and children of single parents.

Coombs says his primary responsibility as an assistant caseworker is to help match eligible children with the proper adult volunteers. Both the child and the volunteer are interviewed and asked to complete various questionnaires.

HE SAYS AN intensive screening process is necessary both to insure a happy match and to make sure the volunteer is sincere in his desire to help a needy child.

In extreme cases, known or potential child molesters have applied for the positions, Coombs says.

Unlike some students working in internships, Coombs receives no salary. He says the experience gained provides enough compensation.

"I'M DOING EXACTLY what the paid caseworkers are doing. I have my own office and when I learn all the steps in the process of matching the buddy with the volunteer, I'll be doing the same thing as a paid social worker," he says.

Potential job opportunities arising from this experience are an advantage of the program, he says.

Karen Lee, faculty liaison with the interns, meets with all organizations using a social work intern to help evaluate the student's progress and performance. At the end of the semester, she assigns the student a grade accordingly.

Campus Capsule

TODAY

BACCHUS WILL MEET at 4 p.m. in Room 312 of the University Center. Upcoming activities to be discussed include: the compilation of a directory of alcohol treatment facilities for distribution to interested parties, the BACCHUS National General Assembly to take place in Indianapolis on Nov. 16-18, and the development of the newly-established Alcohol Information Center located in Room 120A of the University Center. If you cannot attend the meeting, visit Room 122 of the University Center for information about semester activities.

THE PUBLIC RELATIONS Student Society of America will hold its first open meeting today at 4 p.m. in the University Center Lobby across from the Grill.

Ray Memorial Scholarship will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the James Union Building. Alpha Phi Omega, in affiliation with the BSA are the sponsors. A donation of \$1 is the price of admission. All other donations are welcome also.

NOTICES

STUDENT TEACHING applications for the spring semester 1985 must be completed and on file in the Student Teaching Office, Room 106 at Jones Hall, no later than Oct. 5.

THE HONORS SERIES LECTURE, "The Myth of Accurate Testing," with psychology professor Harold D. Whiteside originally scheduled for Oct. 10 will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 19, in Room 107 at Peck Hall at 3 p.m. Wednesday's lecture has been moved to Oct. 10.

REGISTER TO VOTE in Rutherford County. The Rutherford County Election Commission will be in the University Center lobby on Sept. 24 and 25 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to register all students who wish to vote in Rutherford County. This will make you eligible to vote in the Nov. 6 election.

ALL STUDENTS should check their post office box assignments at the window of the post office to verify their box assignments for the fall.

THE WESLEY FOUNDATION is sponsoring Tuesday night suppers each Tuesday at 6 p.m. for a cost of \$2 a plate.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS interested in making applications for student activity fee funds should secure the applications from Room 126 of the University Center. Application deadlines are Sept. 21. All applications should be returned to Room 126 before the deadline date.

WEDNESDAY

TRY-OUTS FOR THE MTSU Intercollegiate Hunter Seat will take place at 6 p.m. today at the Livestock Pavilion on campus. Try-outs for the Stock Seat Equitation Team will be at 6 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday, Sept. 20). Beginner through advanced riders are needed. Horses will be provided. For details, attend the Horseman's Association meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at 7 p.m. in Room 125 of the Stark Agriculture Bldg. or contact coach Kathy Sharpe, ext. 2442.

THURSDAY

THE MTSU CHESS CLUB will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 312 of the University Center. Interested individuals are welcome.

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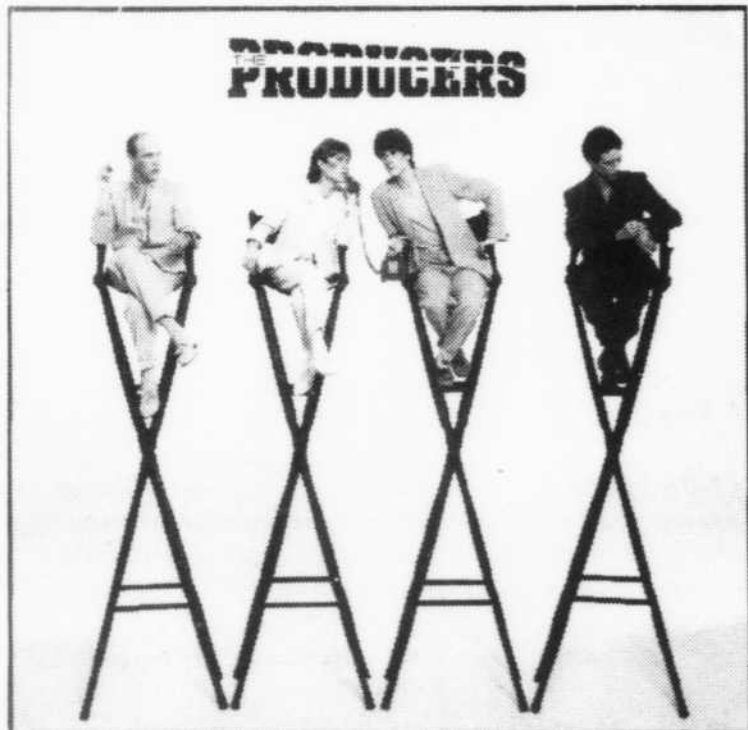
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alone, that only she is abused, that the abuse must be her own fault (her partner's logic), and that she has nowhere to turn for help.

Rice pointed out that this woman has been trained to help—to organize charities or

church suppers—not to be helped.

The batterer is often a loving partner at the outset of the relationship. Abuse tends to be cyclical, according to psychologist Lenore E. Walker in *The Battered Woman*. The abuser tends to release his

frustrations through verbal and mental abuse and manipulation, blaming the woman for his inability to cope with given situations. The abuse will escalate into physical violence, a release followed by a romantic period of gentleness, nurturing,

apologies and gifts.

IN LOOKING AT this model, it is important to note that the "romantic" period is superficial. "Flowers and dinner are cosmetic," explained Rice.

If the abuse is an isolated incident, it won't happen again, Rice said. The truly repentant abuser will realize that he cannot cope with frustrations and will seek professional help.

"Unassisted, they [violent assaults] escalate to homicidal and suicidal proportions," writes Walker. The cycle will not endlessly continue. If unchecked, it will most often end in the death of one or both members of the relationship.

AS RELATIONSHIPS become more intimate earlier, premarital abuse increases. The myth that abuse lessens after marriage has been disproven time and again in studies of the problem. Marriage does not resolve the man's obsessive suspicions and possessiveness.

What begins as flattery for a

woman seeking a self-image—rules regarding how she should dress, who she should see, where she should go—soon become a prison for the woman in an abusive situation.

The abuse cycle usually begins with the creation of a bond between the couple. Often the woman has a low or undeveloped self-image. She doesn't fit in to what she considers an acceptable category. When a man who apparently shares her own characteristics of the "underdog" enters her life, the woman believes she has found herself.

"**IT IS IN** us to feel compassion for the underdog," Rice explained. "For the first time, [the woman] is in a position to give. [For her] that means she must have something to give."

Often the man has problems with his family, at school, at work. The woman, susceptible to his emotional bullying, seeks to be for him what his parents, teachers, friends or boss cannot be.

Her belief in him is not based

on appearances, Rice stressed, but expectations.

WHEN THE ABUSE begins, the woman is convinced that she has somehow let her partner down, that she has become like all the others who "don't understand."

This brainwashing, coupled with the exaggerated kindnesses that often follow attacks, prevents the woman from trying to escape her abuser.

The woman also fears her abuser's rage should she try to escape.

Abuse, emphasized Rice, "is against the law. A person cannot beat up on another person."

As much as the couple might believe otherwise, love is not the answer. Not only is the woman in an abusive relationship not responsible for the abuse, she is not equipped to deal with her partner's psychological problems. She should seek help from friends and family to put distance between the abuser and herself, if possible.

Banking specialization added

By SHANNON CARTEE

Sidelines Staff Writer

A new area of specialization in banking is being offered with hopes of adding a co-op program with area banks by next summer.

The new area of specialization is management of financial institutions.

DR. JOHN LEE, professor of finance, is in charge of getting the co-op program started.

"Hopefully we will have the

co-op program ready for a few students to use for the summer of '85," said Lee, who is also in charge of evaluating and revising finance courses.

Although not all of the requirements for the co-op program have been decided, tentative plans call for a student to have a 2.0 cumulative GPA, have completed basic courses in finance with at least a 2.0 GPA and have completed at least 60 semester hours.

Students choosing to specialize in banking will be afforded a great opportunity to work in financial institutions by working with the co-op program, according to Lee.

Sigma Chi Derby Week slated Sept. 30-Oct. 6

By JENNIFER MANNA

Sidelines Staff Writer

Sigma Chi Derby Week this year will take place during the fall instead of the spring semester due to conflicts with other scheduled events, according to Jon Rodgers of Sigma Chi.

"We had so much to do in the spring with formals, Greek week and All Sing that we didn't have time to get involved in Derby Week," Cynthia Youree, Panhellenic president said.

DERBY WEEK consists of

many activities, including parties and athletic events. Each sorority has a team and there are also independent teams, according to Rodgers.

Scheduled for Sept. 30-Oct. 6, Derby Week activities begin with a party at Mainstreet where team coaches will be announced. Other events include the Derby chase, Mr. and Miss Derby Olympics and swimming events.



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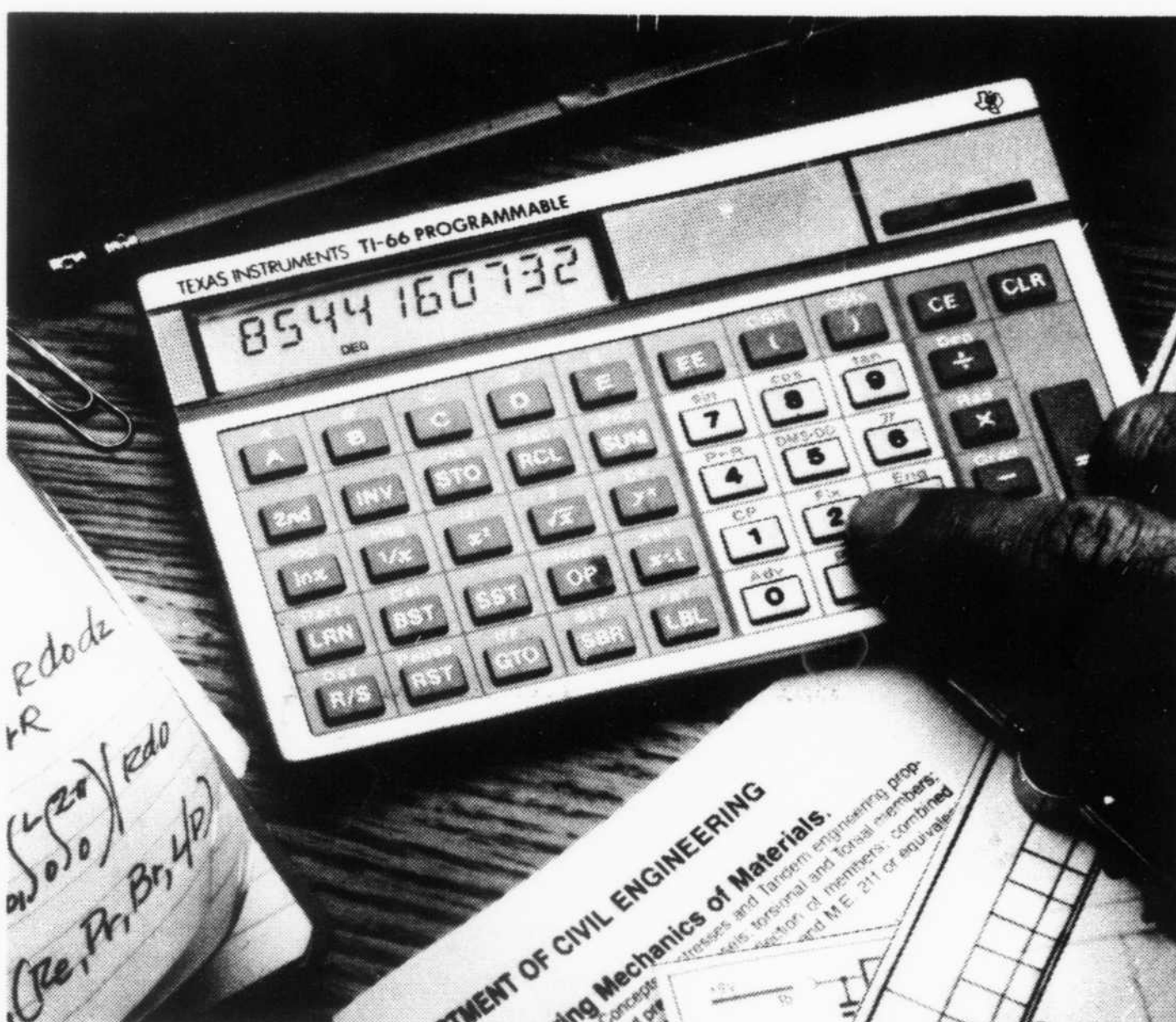
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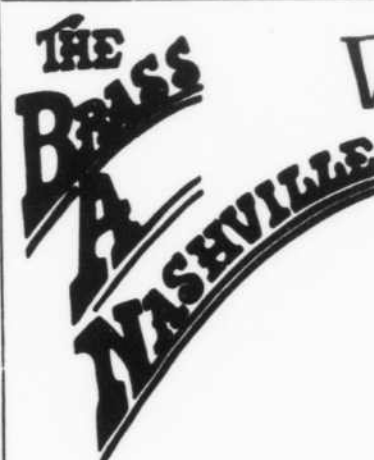
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By CLYDE CRAWLEY
Sidelines Columnist

Just what you wanted to read, more BS about this year's presidential campaign, right? This whole thing is not generating the excitement we thought it would. More has been said about Gerry Ferraro's financial situation than about the qualifications of Reagan and Mondale.

This Ferraro financial controversy was just the thing the Republicans needed to take some of the heat off the Reagan administration's "sleaze factor." And a big hoo-doo over appointees, advisors and other administration officials is definitely a good campaign tactic.

So both parties can now point their stubby little fingers at each other's sleaze factor. Right now, it is Reagan: 10—Mondale: 1. Who has the biggest sleaze factor?

Many of you have seen statistics indicating that Ron has it all over the Demo's when it comes to appointing women to administration posts. Two of them, by the way, (Anne Burford and Rita Lavelle) are not likely to hold any government office for a while, because they got caught "in bed" with the companies they were supposed to regulate.

Statistics, though, are like a bikini: they show everything but the important parts. For one thing, Reagan has a much, much larger staff than the previous administration, allowing for the placement of more "token women" in government positions. This from the man who still contends that he is fighting "big government."

The second way in which the current administration shows its true feeling about the female sex is found in its party

platform. Custom written by Jerry Falwell, NCPAC leaders and other neo-facist reactionaries, the platform contains no mention of ERA (a far more telling bit of symbolism than the Democrat's inclusion of the ERA in their platform).

Also, the Republican platform is anti-choice on abortion. This from the California cowpoke who promised to get big government off our backs.

I think it is pretty clear that the Republicans believe that women should be "barefoot and pregnant" and be good little housewives. And they don't want women to have any choice.

"Statistics are like bikinis..."

Mr. Reagan made a commitment in 1980 to reduce the number of poor through "trickle down" economics. It is more accurately called *corporate welfare*, because most of the money that trickled down did so right into senior management's pockets.

The number of people slipping below the poverty level increases every day. And just when they were needed most, Reagan emasculated social programs. Mr. Reagan can be readily compared to a husband and father who fails to feed and shelter his family because he is going into ridiculous debt building up an arsenal of guns, grenades, knives and a cross-bow (just in case).

If we had such a man for a neighbor, we would think he was some kind of paranoid nut.

In 1980, Mr. Reagan made a commitment to balance the federal budget by 1983, if not by 1982. He promised to do this

by cutting taxes and building up the military. Now that makes just one hell of a lot of sense, doesn't it? Get out of debt by cutting your income and greatly increasing your spending.

I tried this myself with the folks at VISA. I was mistaken. The American public was lied to and was stupid enough to believe it.

For Reagan to blast Demo's as big spenders and be responsible himself for creating gigantic deficits (nearly \$200 billion this year alone) is an example of the "big lie" characteristic of big brother governments.

There are other reasons which we can hit on later. And we can always be sure of more Reagan screw-ups. But, even though these things are true, analysts tell us Reagan will be re-elected because of his personal popularity and not on the issues.

The voting public appears to have the mental capacity of eighth graders voting for class president.

Let's face reality! (Did I say that?) Unless college women want to be third class citizens, college men want to be cannon fodder in a rich man's war, and blacks want to continue being ignored by a hostile administration, it seems the only thing to do is vote for Mondale—even if you have to bite the bullet to do it.

Personally, I don't want to see Ronald Reagan as the last President in my lifetime, and I bet many of you don't want this either. So let's throw the bum out before he "pushes the button" just for a joke.

If we don't fire him, then make sure that when the bomb goes off, you are higher than it is! Peace.

Future depends on acceptance of change

By DALE DWORAK
Sidelines Columnist

Despite every effort to the contrary, change has been an integral part of the American Experience. A direct warning to all concerned, the Declaration of Independence's statement that "all men are created equal" and have "inalienable rights" of "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" is one of radical change.

Perhaps the greatest written document of change is the Constitution. Here, for perhaps the first time in history, men went beyond the philosophizing of the past to definite statements of what they felt were their basic rights. Along with its attendant Bill of Rights, the Constitution is a written record of the rights and responsibilities of both the citizens and their government.

The whole concept of individual rights and the government's inability to censor speech, expression or the press was a radically new one. There was no precedent in history for this grand experiment in freedom.

For most people, however, change is hard to handle. Few people enjoy seeing their world revolving around them, the



From the Right Side

By MARTY WATT
Sidelines Columnist

I was sitting at a nice restaurant the other day with a friend of mine, and we started discussing the differences between conservatives and liberals.

I don't really know what started it all. I think it was the guy who staggered up to the bar, saying, "Go ahead. Vote for the damn liberal. Make my day."

As I sometimes do, I approached the man—quite cautiously—and said, "Excuse me sir, but I take it you don't like liberals."

"Yep. Damn you-know-whats make me so mad."

"Why?" I naively asked.

"Well for one thing, they only have two emotions: blissfully happy or frighteningly mad. They're worse when they're drunk. Now conservatives," he continued, "are a different breed. We have no extremes of emotion. We have consistency."

I thanked the man, got a beer, and moved back to my seat. My friend and I started thinking. Liberals are basically optimistic. They are usually liberal arts majors: the psych guys, the socio guys, the English guys.

Conservatives are mainly two types: business majors and southerners in general.

I am an accounting major. We are taught early, way way back, to expect the worst. We consider every possible loss before it happens, and no possible gain until it happens.

This type of conservative philosophy carries over to a wide range of subjects,

especially defense issues.

Conservatives tend to consider the worst possible alternative first: a full scale, unprovoked nuclear strike by the Soviet Union.

The trends have been moving in this direction for some time. First there was Afghanistan. Then Poland. The Soviets have shown an uncanny knack for using their weaponry to control situations and tip the balance to the communist's benefit.

Of course, the argument raised by many is that the people of the Soviet Union would never approve of a nuclear first strike.

Well, the fact of the matter is that citizens of the Soviet Union would probably have no knowledge of the incident. And even if they did, their government acts with no influence from the public. The Soviet government can affect us—not the people.

"Sometimes we sound like we scream 'The Russians are coming...'"

Now that we have tried to best determine our loss, or how large an attack might be, we plan our defense strategy and weaponry accordingly.

We give the Soviets (or whoever the aggressor might be) every possible disadvantage, and we give ourselves every possible advantage, thus preparing the United States for any possible occurrence.

I agree with the liberals. We do sometimes sound like we scream "The Russians are coming, the Russians are coming."

But to those of us who now understand the reasoning

behind our policies, we are only saying, "Let's be prepared in case the Russians do come."

Prepare for the worst, and hope for the best. I think that's logical. And just because we prepare for the worst doesn't mean we actually think it will happen.

My favorite analogy is a savings account.

Some people have a savings account "for a rainy day." They save for the possibility that they will lose their job. They insure themselves for the possibility that they may lose their life. Makes good common sense. They are prepared for the worst.

But certainly they don't make those things happen simply to use the resources they have. They hope they never have to use these precautions. They hope for the best.

I hope, wish, dream and pray every day that the nuclear arsenal will never be used by either side. But I am enough of a realist to believe that we should be prepared to defend to the death our life, our liberty and our country.

Prepare for the worst, hope for the best. That's the conservative way. Maybe now you'll have an easier time believing what the President says. He's not contradicting himself by hoping for peace and asking for more nuclear or conventional arms. He's just doing what I have detailed for you here.

I cannot believe the Russians will attack. But everyone must admit the possibility is there; it exists. And I know I sleep better knowing we are ready when the million-to-one finally comes to pass.

Doodles



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Working overseas: facing the envy

By DAVID TURNER
Special to Sidelines

Editor's Note: This is the second part of a series.

I sat at the desk of the cubby-hole office in the doughnut shop in Quito, Ecuador. It was summer. The American high school, where I had taught English after coming from MTSU the year before, was out. My wife, Lesa, was still working in the high school office for American dollars to pay our bills and buy

food. I was working as manager in the doughnut shop for the experience in Ecuadorian industry and to help out a needy friend.

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In a depressed economy, Ecuadorians long for more, but have nowhere to rise. They never see an American in tattered clothes. They never see an American digging potatoes in the field, or eating nothing but bread all day.

THEY NOTICE THAT Americans own businesses.

They see American computers. They know that their government-owned airlines, even the military jets, (all 12 or so, we used to joke), were made by Americans. They watch with awe as obese American tourists check in at the most exclusive hotels and load themselves with souvenirs "at twice the going rate."

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I watched out the glass window as the baker hefted a 50-pound armload of dough, and as the shift manager slid doughnuts into the hot grease. I had not been to the homes of these workers, but imagining what they looked like made me hurt: a bare light bulb, a single faucet if they were lucky, no appliances. My simple, unfurnished apartment rented at \$100 a month, and as head manager, \$100 a month was my salary. The lady who mopped the floor and peeled

the potatoes was earning a third of my salary.

I listened once as the caretaker of a mountain refuge described the hundreds of dollars of equipment he had collected from American climbers at the end of their excursions. Ecuadorians climb their mountains with iron crampons and garbage sacks to keep dry and then return to their dusty, leaky shacks and wish they were American, but they know that it will be nearly impossible even to buy a plane ticket to Miami.

I HAVE WATCHED Americans turn in disgust from dirty, little children, with bare feet and no sweaters, sitting at the curb on a 50-degree morning.

Ecuadorians understand well the unrestrained comments and the loud, obtrusive

laughs.

Ecuadorians hold deep respect for those in an economic class above them, and so they revere Americans. But they do not understand the Americans, and they fear our technical knowledge and our haughtiness about it. Although this analysis is simplistic, it is, I think, from mixed feelings of fear and desire that a powerful jealousy develops.

too hard and the coastal cities flood, the Americans were somehow to blame.

Despite the outer layers of cultural and political fashion, Lesa and I found a genuine people: intelligent, adventurous and caring. Ecuador is a country of national park beauty, where the markets overflow with a variety of fruits and vegetables that Kroger dreams of, and which we bought at prices that would put Kroger out of business.

I visited vast barren beaches still strewn with driftwood; Lesa and I canoed up jungle rivers overhung with huge limbs and vines, and we climbed mountains that make the Rockies look like foothills. We found adventure such as was possible only in the unexplored American West. And the memories of the Ecuadorians who shared those experiences will be filed away as some of the best in our lives.

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MTSU hosts Road Company

By CARRIE HAWK
Sidelines Staff Writer

So you can't decide what in the world you're going to do Thursday night. You've been watching the cockroach races in your dorm room, trying to decide whether to go to Friday classes or just cut out and head for home.

Don't despair. The Fine Arts Committee is offering something for the Thursday night waiting-for-the-weekend blues—something humorous, but meaningful, at once fantastic and realistic.

MTSU IS ABOUT to be hit by a case of *Blind Desire*.

Road Company, from Johnson City, Tenn., one of the most highly praised and unique theatrical attractions in the Southeast, will perform the futuristic fantasy about a young woman seeking her fortune in the job market Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Wright Music Hall.

Like many Road Company productions, *Blind Desire* deals with modern day issues in a way that is delightful, funny and timely. The play presents a

young woman's search for personal integrity and eventual confrontation with the question of equality. Road Company's previous works have ranged from a mythical interpretation of the electrification of the Tennessee Valley to a musical on the moonshining reputation of their hometown.

Admission for *Blind Desire* is free.

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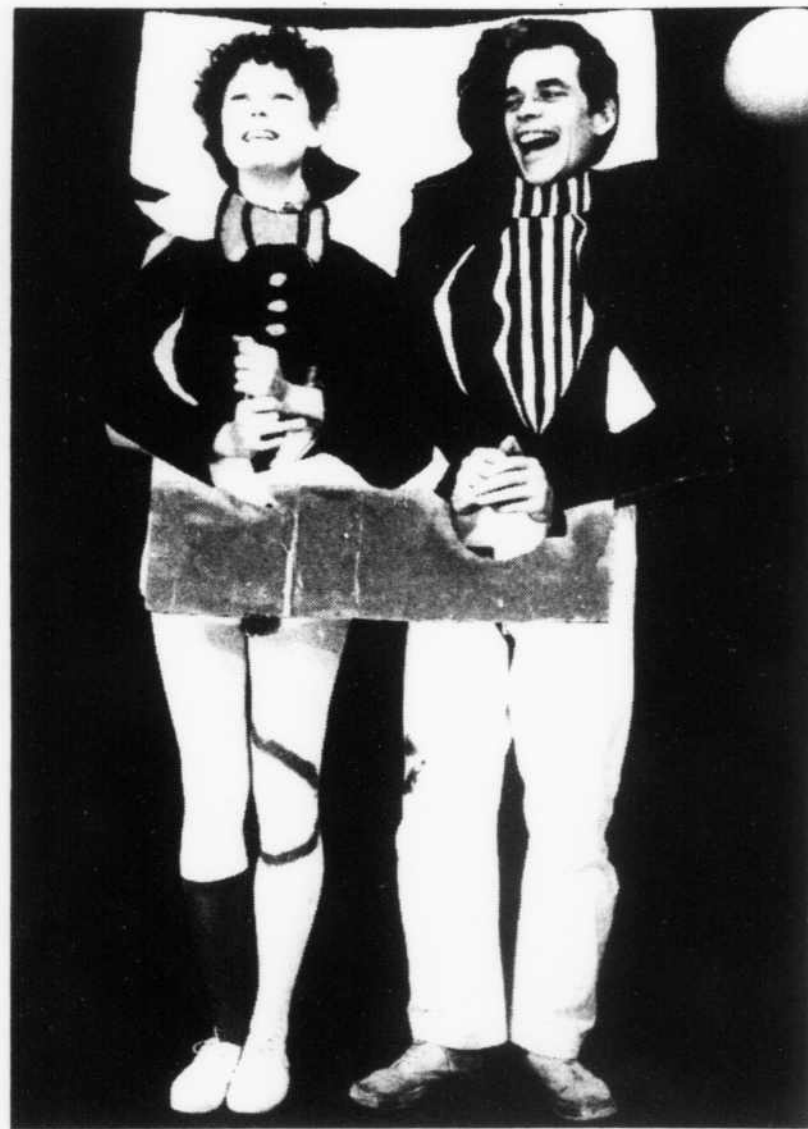
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all traveling...which is why I'm driving a 1972 Buick LeSabre...happily, of course."

THE COMBINED effects of these adventures made him a conservative and highly tolerant individual who isn't into "minute, detailed work" as much as trying to help the whole student body by addressing their needs with general, broad programs like

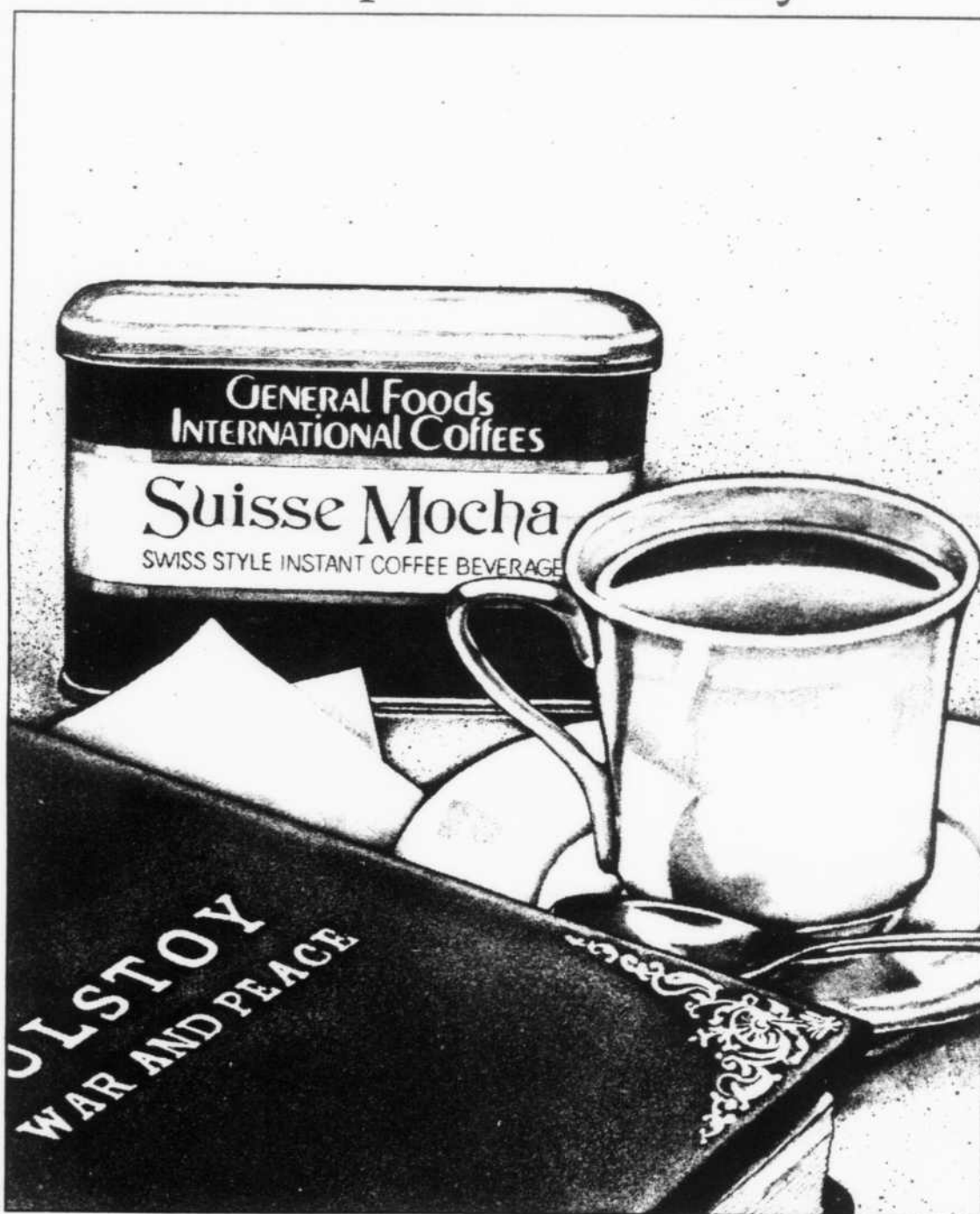
the Emergency Student Loan Fund and voter registration days.

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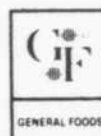
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SPORTS

OVC results: teams go 5-3

By DON TILLET
Sidelines Sports Writer

Defending Ohio Valley Conference champion Eastern Kentucky drove to the East Tennessee two-yard line before fumbling in the waning seconds of the game in Johnson City Saturday night, falling 10-7.

Despite out-gaining ETSU 264-114, the usually mistake-free Colonels lost three fumbles in the contest, which leveled their overall record at 1-1. EKV still leads the conference by virtue of its season-opening win over Youngstown State a week ago.

YOUNGSTOWN STATE 27, Cincinnati 23.

After losing quarterback Jamie DeVore, tight end John Goode, and kicker Paul McFadden, the passing Penguins were supposed to be experiencing a down year. After losing a close game to EKV in the season-opener, the Penguins have bounced back, however, to smack Eastern Michigan 31-7 and defeat a Bearcat ballclub which upended Akron, 28-27.

Murray State 42, Southeast Missouri 3.

TAILBACK WILLIE Cannon rushed for 117 as the Racers, in their search for a conference championship, buried non-conference foe SEMO. Murray State will start its drive for the OVC Championship by traveling to Cookeville to face Tennessee Tech.

Kansas State 28, Tennessee Tech 12.

Last week, the Wildcats lost a close contest to Vanderbilt, so K-State decided to take out its frustrations on the Golden Eagles.

FOR TENNESSEE Tech, the players kept the game reasonably close throughout and could improve on last season's 2-8 mark.

Kansas State capitalized on a short punt and an interception deep in Tech territory for a quick 14-0 lead. It led at intermission 21-6 en route to the victory.

Officials expect news on NCAA probe

By SAMANTHA WILLIAMS
Sidelines Sports Writer

MTSU officials expect to hear from The National Collegiate Athletic Association Infractions Committee early this week concerning the infractions brought against the men's basketball program earlier this year.

"We expect to hear something from Commissioner Jim Delany, from the Ohio Valley Conference, early this week," Athletic Director Jimmy Earle said.

"The feeling is very optimistic about what actions the NCAA might take."

EARLE

AFTER THE university receives notification of what actions might be taken against the program, it will have 15 days to appeal that decision before the NCAA will take action, according to Earle.

"The feeling is very op-

Akron 42, Western Kentucky 7.

THE TOPPERS passed their way to a quick 7-0 lead, but Akron's defense stiffened from there, and the Zips' running attack scored 42 unanswered points.

Following the opening score of the game, Akron sacked Western Kentucky quarterback nine times for minus-50 yards. Akron will have next week off before traveling to Murfreesboro for an early season showdown with the Blue Raiders.

James Madison 38, Morehead State 28.

MOREHEAD STATE does not have the luxury of a week off to prepare for the Blue Raiders potentially potent offense. After giving up 38 points to James Madison, look for more of the same in Murfreesboro—unless the Raiders relax on the field.

Austin Peay 14, Kentucky State 0.

The Governors struck twice in the third period following a scoreless first half, once on a long bomb. The Governors have another fairly easy contest, as they will hit the road to play Division II power Nicholls State.

OVC ODDS for the coming week:

Austin Peay 20 over Nicholls State—After a 14-0 win over lowly Kentucky State, offense may be a problem for the Governors right now, but their defense should dominate. Score: Austin Peay 24-7.

Murray State 14 over Tennessee Tech—The Golden Eagles will be facing their third consecutive tough opponent. Tech may be particularly up for this one and it could make it close. Score: Murray State 24-13.

Middle Tennessee (no line) over Morehead State—If both offenses are really clicking, this could be an offensive shootout, with the team that wins being the last one to touch the ball. The Raiders' major worry will be not to look ahead to a tough Akron squad. Score: Raiders 45-35.

timistic about what actions the NCAA may take," Earle said.

MTSU President Sam Ingram remains guardedly optimistic about what action may be taken.

"I'M HOPING TO hear something just anytime now," Ingram said.

Earle added that the fact the school reported the possible infractions on its own should weigh heavily in MTSU's favor.

The infractions first came to the surface after an audit conducted last year by the State Board of Regents. Some of the possible violations were amended by the TSBR at a meeting two weeks ago in Vail, Colo.

Violations, which allegedly occurred in 1982 and 83, include:

- giving credit to five members of the team for a class they never attended;
- free admittance to Court-south Raquetball Club in Murfreesboro; and
- conducting illegal work-outs during the off season.

Ingram gave the audit to the NCAA and they began their investigation.

Hall, Corwin spark raid over Gamecocks

By MIKE ORGAN
Sidelines Sports Editor

Tailback Vince Hall blasted around the right end and streaked 70 yards on MTSU's first offensive possession Saturday night against Jacksonville State, in Jacksonville, Ala.

The Gamecocks came back to within two points before quarterback Mickey Corwin led an offensive explosion for the Raiders which ended with a 27-11 victory over JSU.

THE WIN MADE MTSU 2-0 going into the OVC season that will open next Saturday in Murfreesboro against Morehead State 0-2. Despite Morehead's winless record, the Eagles will be the Raiders' toughest test to this point. Morehead fell to James Madison 38-28 Saturday at Morehead.

The game against Jacksonville State was not the cakewalk for the Raiders it may seem. After Hall's 70-yard touchdown which came with just 2:14 gone in the game, the Gamecock defense came to life.

"On that first run they ran a base defense and I just followed my fullback around the [right] corner and got some other key blocks before I cut around their corner," Hall said. "After that it was just kinda laid out there for me."

ON MTSU'S NEXT possession JSU wasn't quite as generous. Hall gained two yards on first down. Corwin lost two on a keeper. Hall gained four on third down before the Raiders opted to punt on fourth and 10.

"They clogged the middle up pretty good. They were real strong inside," Hall added.

On the punt attempt the ball was snapped over Mark Morrison's head. Morrison retrieved the ball and ran out of his own end zone giving the Gamecocks a safety.

THE GAMECOCKS returned MTSU's kick-off to their own 42 yard line and drove to the Raiders' eight yard in 12 plays before settling for a field goal.

All of a sudden coach Boots Donnelly's squad found itself



photos by Delores Delvin
Fullback Tony Burse (top) breaks into the JSU front line. Freshman Gerald Anderson (center) rambles on a nine yard gain. A stern MTSU defense (bottom) catches JSU's David Coffey behind the line.

leading the NCAA Division II Gamecocks by just two points, 7-5.

The Blue Raiders retaliated as the second quarter got underway.

MTSU'S OFFENSE traveled 87 yards in 13 plays capped off by a six-yard keeper by Corwin which gave the Raiders their second score.

"After they started clogging the middle and slowing our running game, we went to the air with it," Hall said.

Freshman flanker Mike Pittman caught two of his three passes of the night in that drive. Pittman's two receptions were good for 28 yards.

"THEY [JSU] often disguised their defense by moving their linebackers just as the ball would be snapped," Pittman said. "Mickey took care of that eventually by checking off at the line when he saw it coming."

As coach Joe Hollis had anticipated, his Gamecocks were not very effective offensively. They gained only 18 yards on the next six plays and again had to punt the ball away.

The Raiders drove 49 yards this time, slowly chipping away at the JSU defense before setting up a 42-yard field goal by Kelly Potter.

AS THE HALF came to an end, the MTSU offensive bomb exploded once more. With just 1:39 remaining, Corwin found fullback Tony Burse down field for a 30-yard scoring strike.

In the final half, Potter tied the OVC record for most career field goals kicked. Potter booted a 22-yarder early in the third quarter.

The Raider defense led by hardnosed Randy Carr's six tackles held the Gamecocks off and unable to attempt a comeback threat.

JSU FINALLY scored a touchdown with just 1:32 left in the contest. David Coffey found Fran Blanchard for a 14-yard scoring aerial.

Hall finished the game with 135 on 25 carries, while Corwin connected on 10 of his 16 passes for 123 yards. Freshman Gerald Anderson, who has been a pleasant surprise for the Raiders in their first two games, rambled for 42 yards on nine carries.

MTSU outgained the Gamecocks in total yards 375 to 301.

The Gamecocks face West Georgia next Saturday in Jacksonville.

Kappa Sigma claims softball tourney crown

By SAMANTHA WILLIAMS
and MIKE ORGAN

Kappa Sigma are the champions of the men's campus recreation softball tournament which took place last Thursday afternoon.



Photo by David Vaughn
Davy Rittenbury rounds third and heads home in KS's championship victory.

Kappa Sigma took on the Campus Housing Braves in the championship game after going 6-0 in the tournament.

THE BRAVES BEAT Kappa Sigma in the first game of the double elimination championship 18-10.

Kappa Sigma bounced back in game two, winning 17-2.

In the final game of the championship, Kappa Sigma took the crown with a 9-3 victory.

"THAT LAST game was probably the best game of the whole tournament," said KS lead-off hitter, Bobby Booker. "Everything we got in that

Netters fare well in tourney

From STAFF REPORTS

MTSU had four tennis players advance to the semi-finals of the Western Kentucky Invitational Tournament this weekend.

Along with WKU and MTSU, Murray State, Trevecca and Evansville University participated in the tourney.

"WE HAD SOME guys do really well in this tournament," head coach Dick LaLance said. "I was very pleased with how well our guys did." Freshman Roland Persson

game, we earned it."

Booker went three for four hitting, while power-slugger Davy Rittenbury knocked some long drives to help pace the KS team.

The women's tournament was played Wednesday.

DON'S GIRLS downed Monahan Hall to take home the women's crown.

The champions, who were coached by Jackie Beavers, cruised through the tournament undefeated.

from Sweden defeated the number one seed in the tournament from Murray State. Persson advanced to the semi-finals where he was defeated by David Petri from Evansville.

Ken Ventimiglia also made it to the semi-finals before being put out by Tony Retland from WKU.

Freshman Chuck LaLance and Pete Beare advanced to the consolation round of the semi-finals.

In doubles competition, David Wehrle and Ventimiglia also made it to the semis.

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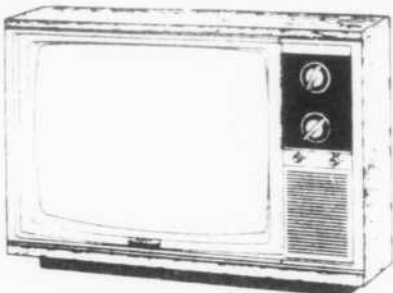
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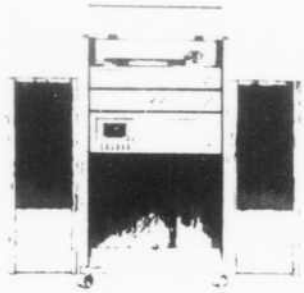
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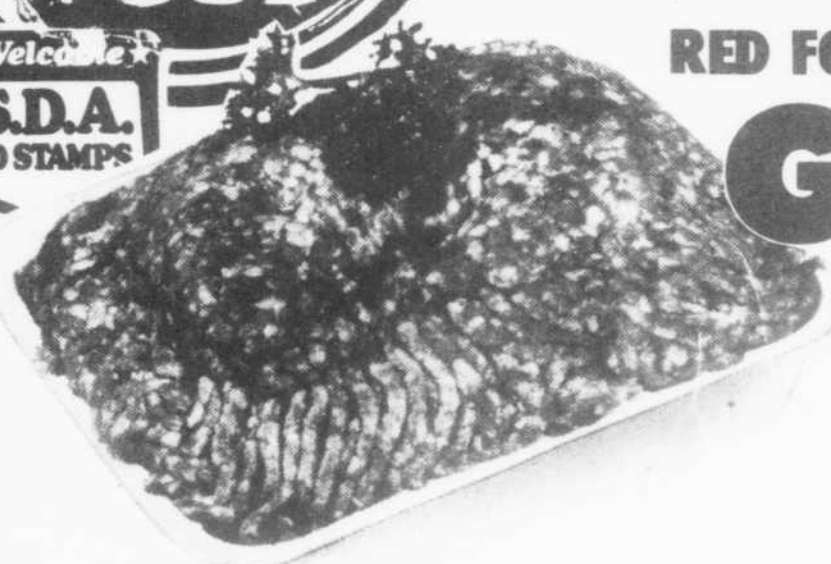
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