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Activities day, Wednesday afternoon, brought excitement and cheers from these Kappa Delta's. Kappa Alpha fraternity, Delta Zeta sorority and Sigma Nu little sisters in the open division were the first place overall winners.



photo by Larry McCormack

Dizziness and a sick queezy feeling are part of the fun after running around a keg 10 times and then running back.

House reps defeat speakers' vote bill

By JEFF ELLIS
Sidelines Editor in Chief

Acting upon proposed amendments to the ASB constitution, House members yesterday defeated a measure which would have given speakers of both legislative houses voting power.

Representatives approved three other amendments, proposed by House Parliamentarian Tom Duncan, including a new article II on the "mandate of students rights." Also approved was an act to amend the constitution by inserting after each article number a brief description of the article's subject matter, and an act to delete the provision requiring special identification for House members.

The defeated measure would have given the speakers of both the House and Senate the right to vote "whenever his vote would alter the outcome of any matter being considered by that House."

Presently, the constitution allows for speakers to vote only in the case of a tie or in the event where a motion would pass by one vote and the speaker's vote could be the determining factor in the measure's passage or failure.

The proposed amendment would delete the phrase "in the event of a tie" and replace it with "in all cases where his vote would directly affect the final disposition or any matter concerning the Senate, he will be allowed to vote."

A simple majority of 35-18 approved the measure, but did not

represent the two-thirds majority needed for the amendment to pass.

A mild controversy arose when some members complained they did not have a copy of the bill. House members voted down a motion which would have required that the bill be read in its entirety by House Secretary Maggie Norvell.

Members approved with little opposition another proposal by Duncan to rewrite Article II of the constitution. Among the basic changes in the article would be section I — "The student shall have the right to learn."

"This comes close to a bill of rights," Duncan said, defending his proposal.

However, representative Teresa Egan pointed out the difficulty of voting on constitutional amendments when few of the House members have read the constitution. "I don't see how we can vote on this without knowing what's in the constitution," Egan said.

The act to insert brief descriptions of each article in the constitution passed with no opposition. Those proposals approved by the representatives must be voted upon once more before they can be brought before the student body in a general election.

In other business, a resolution to post flood warning signs at the Bell Street parking lot was approved along with a bill to establish an ASB housing committee.

Senate 'picking up,' much legislation passes

By JANE MIER

Sidelines Managing Editor

The ASB Senate, in what was termed "the best meeting of the year" by senate speaker Mark Eaton, approved five bills

Tuesday, including two which will amend the ASB constitution.

Both amendments, which have already been approved by the house, were sponsored in the senate by sophomore Martha Hammond.

The first calls for a brief description to be inserted after each article number to tell what the article is about. "This is mainly to aid student legislators in finding the information they need quickly, without having to read the whole constitution," Hammond told the senate.

The second amendment will delete the present second article of the constitution and replace it with a new one. This article lists the rights of students and insures their full protection but is not as broad as it needs to be, Hammond explained. The new article will be more specific.

Both of these bills will be brought up before the senate for a second vote as required when amending the constitution.

"I definitely think this was our best meeting ever," Eaton said. "All of the new senators were there and we've finally got everyone together."

"Some pretty good bills came through Tuesday," he continued. "It looks like people have been thinking these bills through — there aren't any junky ones coming in."

Other bills approved included a resolution to post flood warning signs at the Bell St. parking lot and a resolution to require written syllabi to be issued for all classes. A bill to establish an ASB committee on housing, creating a liaison between the dormitories, housing and maintenance departments, was also approved. Senators Martha Hammond, who sponsored the bill, and Steve Nester were appointed as senate members of the committee.

"Things are really picking up," Eaton said. "Both the house and the senate are moving stuff through. That hasn't happened in over a year. We're really looking up."

Gov. Alexander visits Murfreesboro business

Governor Lamar Alexander was in town yesterday for a reception which preceded a meeting of the Rutherford County Home Builders Association.

Alexander had spent the day in McMinnville, Tullahoma and Manchester, visiting town officials and speaking at high schools.

"We knew he would be in the area, so we invited him to stop by (Murfreesboro Supply Company) before our regular meeting," Ed Seals, coordinator of the event,

said.

After walking through the crowd, shaking hands and greeting members of the association, Alexander paused to talk to a group of reporters before leaving for Knoxville.

"This is going to be a tight year for everyone," he said. "We'll all feel the pinch. The budget is set at \$3.5 billion and revenue is growing at six percent although it should be 12 percent. This is not a normal

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Apathy major threat to Democratic party — Cheek

Apathy, lack of party identity and working the independent votes are major concerns facing the Democratic Party this year, according to Will Cheek, secretary of Tennessee State Democratic Party.

Addressing approximately 20 members of the Rutherford County Democratic Women's club Tuesday night in the Murfreesboro City Court room, Cheek explained that "Republicans aren't our biggest enemy. They are third or fourth on

the list of things we have to overcome."

First on that list is apathy, according to Cheek, who went on to say that "well over half our populous do not participate in government and those people should be part of our constituency."

Apathy may be due, in part, to a lack of party identity Cheek said. "We really haven't had good

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Twirling rifles and flags takes pain and practice

By JEFF ELLIS

Sidelines Editor in Chief

Generating enthusiasm and injecting drama in the marching routine are but two of the requisites for members of the Band of Blue flag and rifle corps.

The 20 twirlers are hard at work preparing for a rousing performance before Saturday's homecoming crowd. And for the first time in several years, three men are a part of the six member rifle squad.

"The corps were traditionally female, but we finally convinced them that men could do it too," said Dwade O'Connor, a junior in his first year with the rifle corps.

The current trends among marching band auxiliary units are toward rifles and flags. Gone are the days when lines of scantily dressed majorettes entertained crowds, according to Band of Blue director Joseph T. Smith. For example, only featured twirler Martha Kelley works with batons this year.

People in the know predict that more male rifle lines will be seen in coming years — something which many attribute to the growing male consciousness.

"I do think there will be more male rifle lines. In the past, men were taught to always hide their feelings, but now they are becoming more open," Rick Barrett, a rifle corps instructor from San Francisco. Thus, men who want to learn rifle twirling feel more at ease doing so.

O'Connor began twirling rifles four years ago. "When I was in high school, I was going to be a band director, so I decided I should learn rifle twirling," he said. O'Connor, along with Brad Ottwell and Herbie Perry, make up one-half of the Band of Blue rifle twirling contingent.

The use of flags and rifles "add an awfully lot of color and interest" in a performance, Smith said, attributing the popularity of auxiliary units to drum and bugle corps. "Flags and rifles are seemingly something audiences enjoy," he added.

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MTSU's football heritage is a long and glorious one according to school tradition and history. The pigskin pushers from 1914 and Middle Ten-

nessee Normal School were among the early driving forces in the school's athletic program.

Inside Sidelines today

Today in Sidelines, we take a look at our past with stories from old papers; "Intermission" returns after a three week absence; and we look forward to tomorrow's homecoming game.

News Digest

Sasser softens revenue stand

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Sen. James Sasser softened his stand Thursday on reducing federal revenue sharing, telling county officials he will never approve any measure that would require raising local or state taxes.

Sasser, D-Tenn., said reports earlier this week that Tennessee's tax revenues in September were \$3 million below estimates caused him to take a new look at Senate proposals to reduce states' share of revenue sharing funds.

"I will never vote for any federal revenue sharing measure that will result in direct or indirect increases in state or local taxes," he said. "But I reiterate that states can't have it both ways. State officials can't call for a balanced federal budget, yet oppose efforts to curtail federal outlays to state governments."

Sasser made the remarks to members of the Tennessee County Services Association meeting this week at the Hyatt Regency in Knoxville. Gov. Lamar Alexander, who has been dueling with Sasser over revenue sharing, is scheduled to address the county officials Friday.

MTSU students danced to the beat of KC [Associates in the JUB Wednesday night. This week was filled with activities leading up to the big game Saturday.



SDX director speaks at meeting

By JACKIE GEARHART
Special to Sidelines

Defense of the First Amendment and protecting the right of freedom of information are just some of the purposes of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, as outlined by regional director Frank Sutherland last night at a meeting of prospective members of the MTSU chapter of SPJ, SDX.

SPJ, SDX, a national organization composed of some 36,000 student and professional members, is the largest organization in the field of journalism. It encompasses all areas of the media, from reporters and photographers to newscasters and editors, Sutherland said.

"It started out after the turn of the century as a social organization," Sutherland ex-

plained, "and then evolved into a professional society."

With this change in the organization came more serious goals and purposes, such as the defense of the First Amendment. This involves several things, such as the maintaining of a defense fund to aid journalists in legal battles.

Sutherland cited several cases including the Nebraska Gag Rule case and local cases such as the defense of a Franklin radio station that went to the Supreme Court twice over the use of juvenile names.

One of the more publicly known accomplishments of the SPJ, SDX is the passing of the Sunshine Law in Tennessee, which was a direct result of efforts of the organization, according to Sutherland.

SPJ, SDX, which is composed of 80 percent professional members

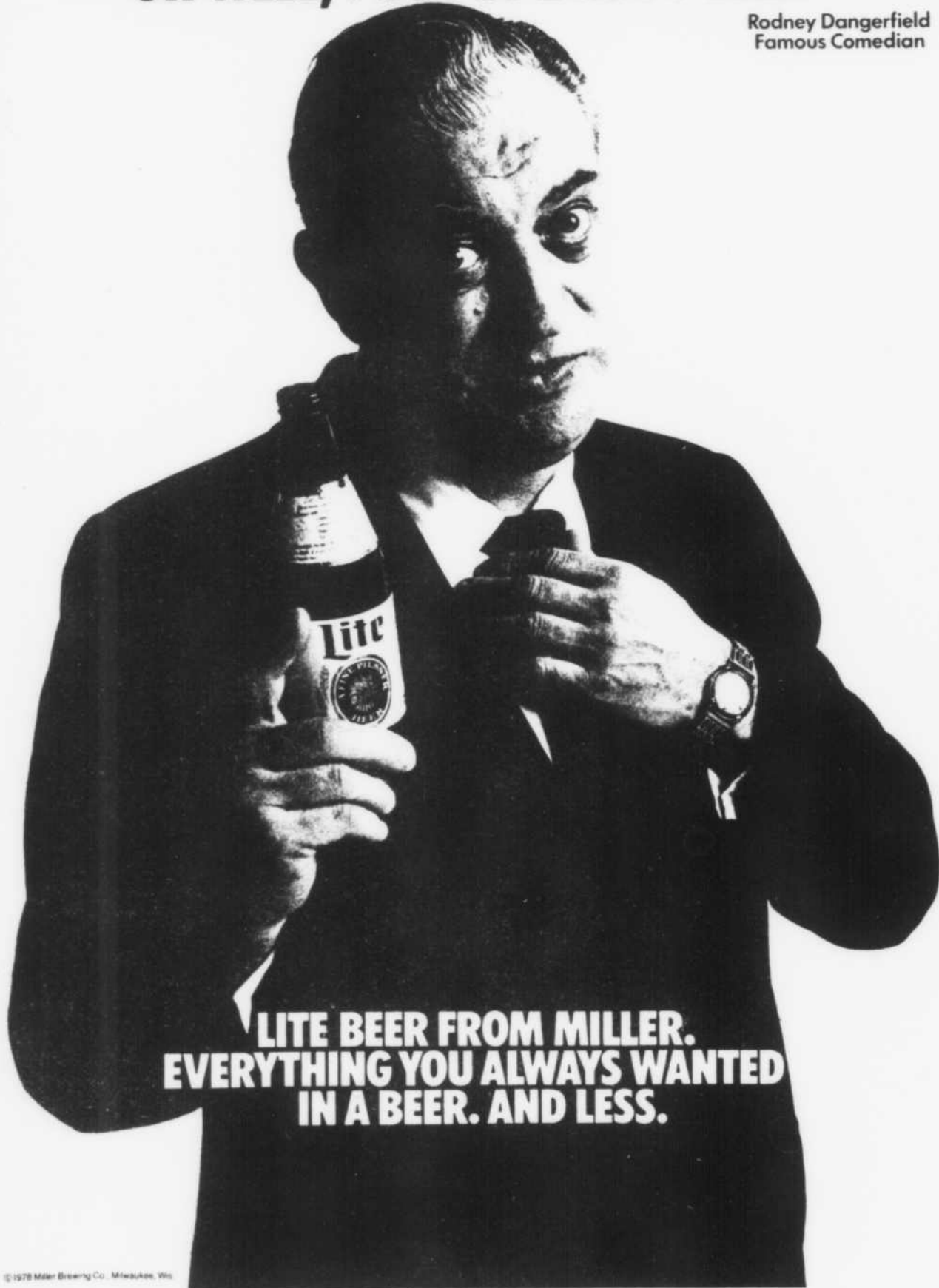
and 20 percent students, offers many advantages to students seeking careers in journalism, according to Sutherland. The Nashville chapter offers \$4,000 in scholarships to students in the field and on the national level there are the annual Mark of Excellence Awards in which students from all over the United States compete.

The organization also is helpful to students in that it provides students with the opportunity to be involved with professionals who may be of help to them in their careers.

MTSU chapter president Jeff Ellis also mentioned at the meeting activities of the chapter this year, which will include the sponsoring of an open house of the Mass Communications departments on Parents Day, Nov. 3.

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Apathy

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cohesive identity as to who we are since the New Deal," he added.

"I've always been for the party having some type of strong platform even if it has to alienate some people," Cheek said, adding that there must be some issues

democrats can take stands on without tearing the party apart.

Cheek urged the members present to find local issues that might bring about party unity.

Working the independent vote is another problem the Democrats face this year, Cheek said.

"The name of the game is who can work the independent vote best, and the Republicans are good at it," Cheek said, adding that the Republicans were better at working the independent vote because the Democrats were always too busy fighting among themselves.

Alexander

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year for us." On commenting on the Tennessee State University-University of Tennessee at Nashville merger, Alexander said that TSU was off to a good start. "We want to be fair with them, but since this year is going to be financially tight, we can't give them the extra funding they want right now. I'm presently waiting for a review from the Tennessee Higher Education Commission — we do want to be fair," he stated again.

"I'll be taking a no more active than normal role when it comes to dealing with the Republican party," he said. "I am a governor of all people. I'll still be doing things like endorsing Republican candidates or mailing out fund-raising newsletters but that's about it. Party labels are important, but with so many independent voters now, you really have to roll your own votes."

Twirling

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"We have a couple of people in our rifle corps who are quite unusual when it comes to throwing rifles above their heads. They are quite proficient in throwing that weapon," Smith said.

"Rifles and flags add a lot of spectacular effects to the band's performance," O'Connor suggested. He, like Barrett, spends the greater part of his time during the summer teaching in band camps.

"There aren't enough competent people to staff rifle corps," O'Connor said. "Band directors want real good rifles very soon."

And, because men can pick up the skill faster, they sometimes make better twirlers. Why do men have more ease twirling? "Because of muscular coordination, I suppose," O'Connor answered.

Barrett agreed: "Guys pick it up faster because they're stronger. But girls are sometimes better because they are more perfection-oriented than guys."

To gain perfection, however, requires endless rehearsal and intricate choreography. Routines of the MTSU rifle and flag twirlers are the result of a combined effort of the corps members. "We get along famously, so we don't have many problems," O'Connor said. "There is a lot of cooperative work with both flags and rifles."

The bulk of performance is "dramatic moves." Aerials and head-chopping actions are mainstays of the twirling performance. Rehearsals with the band three days per week and a two hour rehearsal on Tuesday helps the twirlers accomplish those dramatic moves.

But being a rifle twirler is not all the excitement and drama of performance — it's also very painful. "I've broken a thumb and pulled all my fingers out of joint," O'Connor said. "You have to like what you're doing. It hurts too much. If you didn't like it, you couldn't do it. You put in a lot of pain and effort."

Enduring that pain is an important part of the discipline which must be instilled in each rifle twirler. If a rifle is dropped, "you have to psyche yourself out," O'Connor said. The attitude presented by the twirler has a lot to do with the crowd's acceptance of a performance.

"You must maintain a strict discipline. And that's something you can't teach people," O'Connor contended.

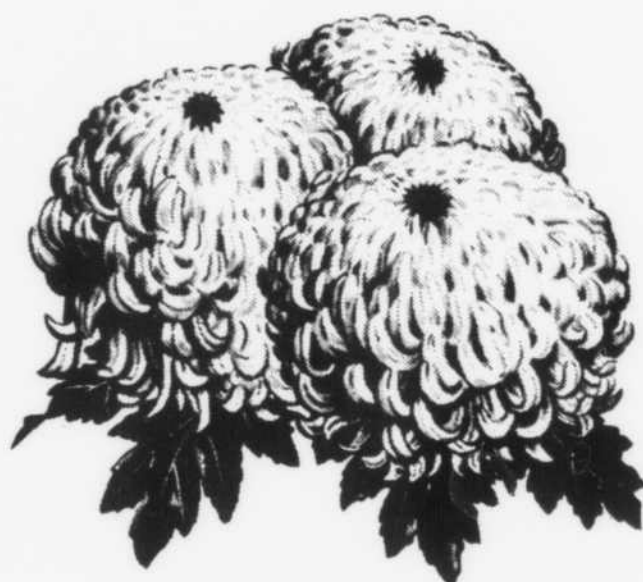
The extra edge to performance comes from a certain degree of nervousness. "Your adrenalin just goes wild because you're there in front of God and everybody," he grinned.

Judging from the crowd's reaction to their performances, the adrenalin of the MTSU flag and rifle twirlers must be working overtime.

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End of open frat parties?

By MARTY ROBERSON
Special to Sidelines

If fights continue at open fraternity parties this semester, the MTSU administration will stop them completely as a last resort, said Dean of Students Paul Cantrell in an interview in his office Tuesday.

Dean Cantrell said he has recommended that fraternities stop having open parties. He suggested that the fraternities limit their parties to friends and potential members because of fights that have plagued open parties this semester.

Cantrell noted that if fraternities were to continue to have open parties, they should have a uniform policeman in the house at all times while the party is going on to discourage fighting.

The Greek system at MTSU has progressed from one local organization in 1965 to eight national organizations in 1979. As long as the socioeconomic status of the MTSU male student continues to grow, fraternities on this campus will grow, also.

There is a great possibility that MTSU will have a fraternity row in the near future. Even though alcoholic beverages are outlawed on campus, it would be allowed

because the land would be rented to the Alumni Housing Corporation, thus making it the property of the fraternities. Cantrell also said that rush may

have to be changed to a deferred rush where only students with 12 hours and a C average may pledge. A dry rush has also been considered by the administration.

Several conventions set for women this month

Two career conventions for women are coming up in the area and are both "outstanding," according to June Anderson, chairperson for WISE (Women's Information Service for Educational and other needs).

On Oct. 26 & 27 a Tennessee Women's Careers Convention will be held in the Municipal Auditorium in Nashville. "This convention will feature Gail Larsen, who is well known for her work with women and their careers," Anderson said. "Representatives from various companies and industries in the area will be there recruiting women in all fields of employment."

The convention costs \$5 per day and Anderson added that WISE is trying to provide transportation for

those women wishing to attend. The deadline date is Oct. 12.

"Careers in Science for Women" is a second convention offered this month. Held at Vanderbilt University, the Oct. 27 meeting will offer lectures on such subjects as research work, professional and personal wives, graduate school options and job hunting.

Registration fees for this convention are \$5 for undergraduate women — refundable upon arrival at Vanderbilt — and \$8 for graduate students and other women. Deadline is Oct. 22 but the convention is limited to 150 people.

Brochures advertising these two conventions are available all over campus and applications can be obtained from the WISE office, 898-2193.



Members of Kappa Sigma, their little sisters and friends prepare their float which will be shown in the homecoming parade this year beginning at 9 a.m. from the parking lot on Greenland Drive and will follow the traditional route to the square.

Fight song symbol of unity and spirit

By STAN SCHKLAR
Sidelines Staff Writer

"The idea for a school fight song came about in 1968," Dot Harrison, director of Public Relations said. "Dr. M.G. Scarlett was our president at that time." Scarlett commissioned three

composers to each write a song for the university, with the winning song chosen by the student body.

The song selected was "Blue Raiders Ride," by Paul Yoder and was instituted in the spring of that year.

Dr. Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions, was the speaker of the ASB House at the time the song was instituted. "It's a good song," said Gillespie. "I wish everyone knew the words."

"The ASB has been pushing the song especially hard this year,"

Kent Syler, ASB president, said. "Fraternities and Sororities have been urged to teach the fight song to their pledges and help everyone get into the school spirit."

"The words to the fight song are printed in all the football programs and the band plays it at every game. A coach said to me once," Harrison said, "that it would mean a lot to the team if as soon as the band started to play the fight song, the crowd would all stand and sing along."

Baptist Student Union enriches students

By TERESA GAMMON
Special to Sidelines

The Baptist Student Union serves two types of people — Christians and non-Christians, according to the Rev. Jimmy Joseph, director of the BSU.

The BSU, located at 619 North Tennessee Blvd., serves as a fellowship growth for Christians and a gathering place for them to come closer to each other.

The BSU serves as an outreach to non-Christians and shows them how their lives may be enriched by religion. However, Joseph points out, "We are not trying to cram anything down their throats."

The major emphasis of the BSU is its missions, he said. These missions consist of students ministering to people in different parts of the country and sometimes in different parts of the world. Last

summer 10 students worked in the program in states ranging from Oregon to Maryland.

A student in Oregon spent his summer ministering to international seamen. He met the men as the ships docked in the ports.

There is also an inter-city friendship mission similar to the Goodwill program. The program also helps economically deprived neighborhoods. A music team from BSU tours college campuses. During the last intersession the team, known as the Common Bond, spent three weeks in Ohio. The purpose of the group is to help establish and strengthen BSU fellowship.

There is a weekly schedule of events at the BSU beginning at 7 p.m. on Mondays when the Black

Student Fellowship meets. On Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. Encounter, a luncheon, is held and at 7 p.m. SALT (Bible study) is conducted. On Thursday nights, Manna, a worship service, is held at 7 p.m. and choir practice is at 8:15 p.m.

Joseph said they accomplished a lot last year and he hopes to maintain the growth of the BSU

this year. He said he hopes the group will become more open and friendly and accept more people and students. "The more people who come the better we like it," Joseph said.

The BSU has counseling services and opens at 7:30 a.m. Monday-Friday and occasionally open on Saturdays.

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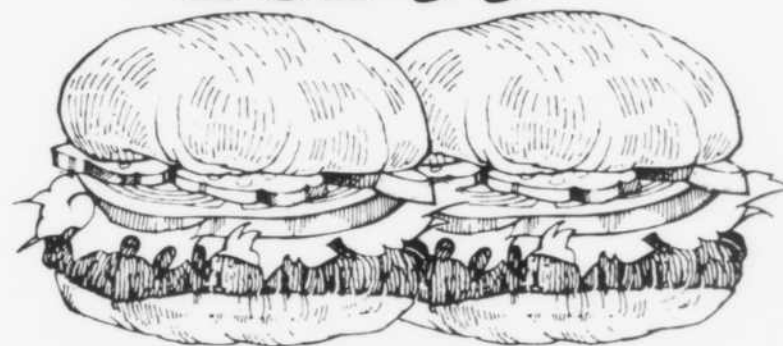
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from the editor

When Big Blue Raiders Ride, no one wants to sing

Quick! Sing the words to the MTSU fight song. What?! You don't know the words?

Then you are probably among the majority of MTSU students and alumni. It seems as if virtually no one knows the words to the song which should serve to encourage Blue Raiders teams to victory.

Why?

Could it be because no one cares enough to learn the words? As much as we hate to say it, that is probably the reason.

The fact is, there just doesn't seem to be much tradition here at MTSU. Instead many people spend their time following the exploits of other college teams. They just don't seem to care about MTSU's tradition. And when tradition is missing so is much of the fun of college life.

We don't mean to say that singing the fight song is going to make a major difference in how someone views their college career. It probably won't. But it will make a football game more fun and give the team an added boost when they hear the crowd break out in song.

Is it too much to ask that MTSU students and supporters learn the lyrics to "Blue Raiders Ride"? We think not.

So, for posterity, here they are:

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Always bound to be wherever Big Blue Raiders
ride, Come see those Big Blue Raiders ride."

from our readers

To the editor:

I am writing in regard to the editorial in the Oct. 9 issue of *Sidelines* concerning the lack of appreciation of the Band of Blue. I want you to know I have heard many favorable comments with reference to your editorial. As a member of the band, I realize a lack of acknowledgement from the student body. Many people believe that since band is a credit course we receive all the reward we need from the organization. One hour's credit could never be enough reward for the work we put in on a show. No reward, however, could equal the thrill of having a crowd emotionally respond to our performance. The better the people feel about us, the better we feel about ourselves, and the more of ourselves we pour into what we are doing. We treat our halftime shows seriously and we yearn for a serious audience.

The Band of Blue is presently working toward a day we are most excited about. Oct. 20 we will once again be hosting the Contest of Champions. On this day the finest bands around will come together to compete for a nationally-recognized title. The contest is famous for being very well run and we, the band members, will see that it lives up to its name once again. In addition to working all day and most of the night, we will perform twice — once during the prelims and once at the finals. The finals will be taped and will be nationally televised at a later date. We are proud to represent MTSU in this performance and we would like to know that the students are proud to have us representing them. The only way we can tell if we are loved is by the support given at our performances. Maybe your article will open some eyes and ears at our next game. Thank you for speaking out.

Terri Sloan
Field Commander
Box 8605

To the editor:

The "Long Run" began for me Sunday night at 7:30 p.m. I was

fortunate enough to be first in line and observe the many people that arrived long into the night.

There were six of us on the third floor of the UC, when University Police requested that we leave. "Can't stay here," one officer explained. I grabbed my pack, Jeff grabbed his TV and the rest carried themselves out the back door.

University Police informed us that the place to set up "Hotel California" was on the back steps to the grill. By midnight the steps were covered with bodies, multi-colored bags and blankets.

There are three distinct groups that make up late-night ticket lines: the amateur, the prepared and the professional.

The amateur (myself included) brought minimum clothing and a strong hope to stay warm. (A strong hope will not keep you warm!)

Ah hah, though. The professional thumbed his nose at all this. He pulled up in a Chevy Van and brought out the couch. The sleeping bag was placed on top and presto-whammo, instant comfort.

Ticket lines would not be complete without trips to the store and this line was no exception. Tim and Tony roared out of the parking lot in a Trans Am on a B and B (burger and beer) run. Faces would glow when they saw the headlights returning.

While Trish, Debbie and Pam waited for the night to end, many reflected quietly about their presence on the steps. Tony asked no one in particular, "Why are we lying out here like 'Desperadoes' for?"

Jeff explained, "Look on the bright side, you'll be the first to get a newspaper in the morning."

"That's a helluva reason," Tony remarked.

The street cleaning crew came and went, above the shouting and cursing of people on the sidewalk. The sun rose and everyone got up slowly, stretching and yawning. They could then see an end to the long night and the beginning for the "Long Run."

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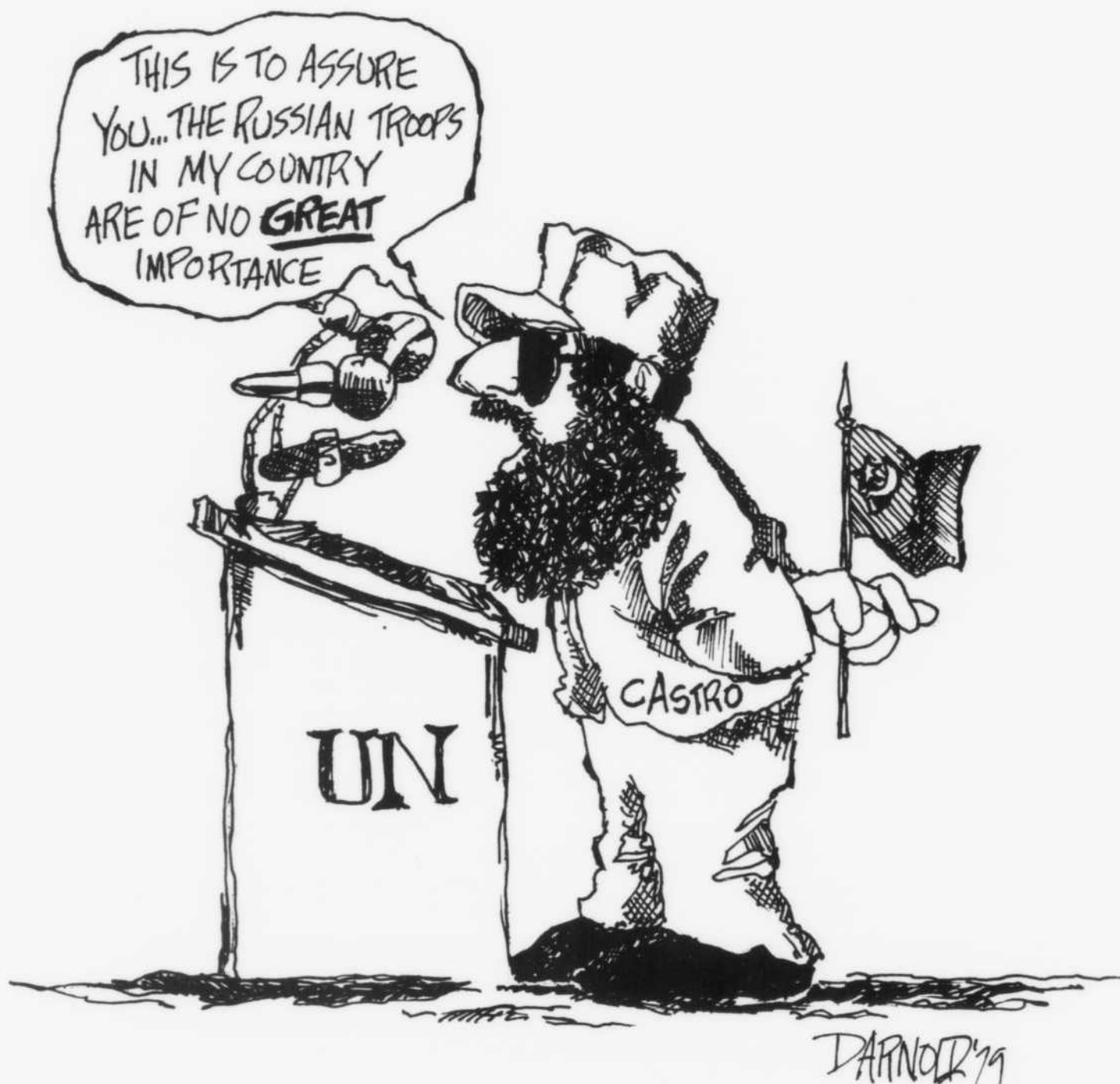
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Viewpoints

Friday, October 12, 1979



from cell block F

by Mary Ann Richards

'OK, Sidelines, you've had your chance!'

I'd like to say I'm speechless after being nominated by *Sidelines* as the married student housing homecoming representative. I'm not. I'd also like to sincerely thank all those who made this possible... I will not. In fact, I know what you're up to...SMUT.

Let me kick off by saying the MSH community and myself would thank you from the bottom of our stopped up commodes if we really had the time to tear ourselves away from the latest community recreation — placing bets on the accuracy of the Armondo's delivery boy. However, this is the first time in MTSU history that MSH has been remembered. Yes, someone actually thought of the shut-ins living adjacent to the Silo in the lower forty cowpus pasture. Nice gesture, *Sidelines*, but let me pause there. Your pass was incomplete. You failed to come across with usual accompanied goodies. On behalf of the MSH community I would like to say that nominating a certain person for a certain title like Homecoming representative just because she is ALWAYS home, wiping peanut butter off term papers, chasing down stolen big wheels or convincing campus cops

those roaches she clips and picks off are not smokable is not the least bit amusing. Furthermore, *Sidelines*, nominating someone for such an honored position and then not even escorting them to the big deal of the week, the homecoming dance, is not a very nice trick to pull on anyone — especially a MSH resident who has a social stigma to live down. You might say my blood indeed ran deep blue due to exposure. Well, little Ms. Cinderella is putting her pump down right now and telling you she not only found it down right tacky standing for three hours in the front of the MSH Dipsee Dumpster in a borrowed formal waiting for the *Sidelines* limo to sweep her away to a structured enchanted Greek night but Ms. stood-up Cinderella now has a daughter who looks at her like a lying racist mother who fabricates stories of popularity. Thanks a lot *Sidelines*. Also, it would appear to one with proper breeding that if a party of the first part nominates a party of the second part to expose herself to the public eye within the context of a homecoming parade, the party of the first part would supply the party of the second part with

proper transportation. Being pulled by a big wheel and waving to "one and all" from a red wagon is not exactly my idea of "Here's Entertainment." And speaking of entertainment, what's this I hear about a homecoming concert? ?? Do you think little Miss stay-at-home-with-Hollie can come up with a sitter as quickly as a coach can come up with a dormitory? ?? I, like many other campus celebrities, like to plan my losing seasons well in advance. And where is my MUM? Everyone who is anyone knows that anyone with anybody will be sporting a floral arrangement over that "anybody." Well, where is it? Evidently you really are as thoughtless as those editorials indicate and you really do want me to sport that plastic lavender azaelia you sent me while I dine at the restaurant of your choice with my court. . .Hollie. . .at Shoney's. Thanks for being so thoughtful. And speaking of being thoughtful, even though I am well acquainted with the smell of hamburger helper and Mrs. Paul's fishsticks, dressing in the grill before my homecoming debut will not help sooth my nerves. Incidentally, *Sidelines*, the

MSH community is not too thrilled about the time of that so-called "debut" you nominated me for. Getting pulled around the football field in a wagon while the band plays "Second Time Around" during the pre-football scrimmage is not exactly our idea of fair representation. And NO, Mr. First on the Scene Jeff Ellis, Mr. Rogers will NOT be flown in for my date. And as for you Mr. Backfield in Motion Henry Fennell, your donation of a jersey and a pair of socks was appreciated but if it hadn't been for Mr. Recover That Fumble Scott Adams, a certain "end" would not have been covered. Thanks for the pigskin, BUB.

Finally, *Sidelines*, sitting on the buckle of the bible belt subjects one to numerous editorials. So, Mr. Smarty Pants Ellis, I hope you're prepared to explain what appears to be the lack there of mine. What will the neighbors think and who will answer those hateful editorials? ??

Well you can count Little Ms. Poorly Represented MSH OUT. I am sending me and my ball to the MSH Showers to prepare for another week of isolation.

Would you buy a used
homecoming mum from this
woman?



Friday, October 12, 1979

Intermission

Country singin' draws Briton

By JEFF ELLIS
Sidelines Editor in Chief

Country music. When you think about it, there are visions of country roads and haystacks, sufferin' and lovin', truck drivers and good hearted women.

The British countryside does not come readily to mind when thinking about country music. Unless, of course, you're Mel Hague, twice voted the top male country and western singer on the British Isles.

Hague was on the MTSU campus Wednesday for an appearance on "Raparound," a talk show on the campus radio station, WMOT-FM.

Hague was selected from among 250 acts as the top male soloist at the Wembley Festival in England for both 1977 and 1978. This year he is up for songwriter of the year honors in the awards competition

for the Country Music Association of Great Britain.

Country music? In Great Britain? Yep.

"Country and western music has gotten past the minority stage in Britain," Hague said in clipped British tones. "Pop music is still the great thing on the scales, but country is gaining in popularity."

Hague traces his fondness for country music to his childhood in Canada. "My parents emigrated to Canada in 1951 and both my Dad and myself were taken with country music," he remembers.

It wasn't long until both he and his father became loyal fans of Hank Williams. However, music teachers tended to discourage young Hague from pursuing a career in country music: "I took a book of Johnny Cash's music to him and said 'This is what I want to

play.' The teacher pointed to the door and said, 'If you want to play this, you can leave.' So I left."

In 1961, the aspiring entertainer left Canada to return to England and in 1963, he began performing with a group which played two-thirds pop, one-third country music. "No one was as interested in country music as I was," he said.

The next year, 1964, he formed his own group, The Westernaires — performing only country and western material.

And while he has "made a living" doing country music in England, he admits that it isn't "so lucrative" in that nation as here.

"By and large, I'd say that the experience of the performers and the recording facilities is the major difference between Nashville and Britain," Hague offered.

The Waylon Jennings-Willie

Nelson fan said that while the basis of country music could possibly be folk songs from the continent, "Country music is the Southern states."

On his first trip to Music City U.S.A., Hague said he was quite impressed with Opry House facilities and "most of all the lovely colonial architecture of the Opryland Hotel."

His next visit to middle Tennessee could be very soon if he and his wife decide to return to Canada. "These last few years have been spent talking about going back to Canada," Hague said.

Then he was cut short as a tune from his latest album came over the airwaves. Singing about truck stops and good hearted women, Mel Hague is bringing a bit of Nashville to the British Isles.

Parsons' new 'Eve' on 'buy this album' list

By PAUL MC REE
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

The cover of Alan Parsons' latest album, "Eve," shows three lovely vogue-type ladies with unbelievably haunting eyes, anyone of which would make a half-decent first woman on Earth. That is, until your eyes finally focus past the obvious beauty of each (wearing thin black veils). Suddenly you'll notice one has a severe case of black warts and moles on one side of her face, the next girl has some type of minor cheek disease, and the one on the back (thank God she's on the back) looks like somebody mixed the left side of her face in a blender full of sulfuric acid.

What this morbid bit of concept art (probably inspired by one of Parsons' famous bad dreams) has to do with the album is anybody's guess. Probably as much as the title has in common with the l.p.'s content.

Unlike previous so-called "concept" productions ("I Robot," dealing with the loss of human feeling and identity in a 'well programmed society,' and Parsons' Edgar Allen Poe epic), "Eve" follows a rather vague, and sometimes nonexistent, storyline. Except for the prelude instrumental "Lucifer" and "Damned If I Do," most of the cuts show little apparent relation to one another.

But what the heck, Parsons is, for the most part, fantastic anyway. Maybe there isn't supposed to be a basic theme, or maybe I'm a bit too thick to find it (why do record reviewers think they're so damn tuff anyway?), or maybe it doesn't matter as long as the music is the expected brilliant work of the man responsible for engineering "Dark Side of the Moon," "Year of the Cat" and much of the later Beatle works. Most of "Eve" is just the usual Parsons genius.

"Lucifer" builds an expectancy and tension, unfolding like a movie theme, slowly fading into the first scene. But, as I said before (de javu), the movie melts into a series of cuts that never really touch one another.

This little tune becomes addictive only after four or five listenings, when suddenly your true animal instinct gains control and you suddenly find yourself doing the "boogie" while scratching your armpits. Obsessed with finding

some kind of common denominator in this album, I've insisted to myself and to anyone who'll listen, that "Dogs" relates to early man's choices of mind or body gratifications, and, of course, we chose flesh.

"I'd Rather Be a Man" hints of a bit of male superiority, observing the stereotyped female obsession with surface beauty, superficial egotism, and fashion. "Your jeans are tight, but your hide is slack. Try it on the company, but you won't fool me." Actually, the general focus of the song is more of a universal, nonsexual detest for anyone who lives for social acceptance rather than basic human dignity (this is getting deeper by the minute). Parsons cleverly relates the song back to "I Robot" with the last line, "I'd rather be a man, cause I wouldn't want to be like you."

The finale of side one begins with a winding clock sound stolen directly from another Parsons masterpiece, "Ambrosia." This cut, "Winding Me Up," is so depressingly adult contemporary bubblegum, I've recorded the album onto cassette tape and mercilessly scratched the needle across this cut, like a frustrated maniac in heat. I don't know, you might like this one, I refuse to even discuss it (maybe I take music a little too seriously).

Side two seems to hold together a bit better than it's siamese twin. "Damned If I Do" begins with another effective lead-in instrumental. In fact, come to think of it, when the lyrics disappear on this album the quality seems to zoom. The collaboration of Parsons and Eric Woolfson on most of the pieces could explain some of the unbelievable be-bop simplicity of many of the lyrics. The words often have an "oo-wha-oo, I love you" emptiness in places (such as "Winding Me Up" and "Don't Hold Back"), but the fullness of Parsons' mixing and orchestration ("Secret Garden") show a depth of musical sound and quality matched only by those he produces.

In an audio nutshell, this work is on my official "Buy this album, even if you don't have the money" list, but only if you have the patience to squint through the invisible storyline for six or seven sittings. Excuse me, I have to go scratch the needle across that one disgusting cut (someone's playing it next door).

tergovernmental coordinating device which keeps the public and various levels of government informed of inter-related government projects.

The meeting is Thursday, Oct. 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Cumberland Museum, Ridley Avenue in Nashville.

The middle Tennessee group of the Sierra Club presents at its October meeting Mike Webb and George Brummet, natural resource persons with the office of state planning.

Webb and Brummet will lecture on the A-95 review process, its legislative history and how it works. A-95 is an in-



A twenty or the world's greatest professional hot-air balloon pilots will stop in Nashville Oct. 20-21 to race in the 1979 Kool Pro Balloon Tour, hosted by Metro Center. Two races will be held in Nashville at 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20, at MetroCenter, a business community in Nashville off I-265. The Kool tour is making stops in seven American cities this summer and fall as the pilots compete for purses totalling \$40,000, largest in the history of the sport.

Eagles tickets still available

Although only a few discounted \$12.50 seats are left for the Eagles concert, good seats are still available for \$10, according to Georgia Dennis of student programming.

Bleacher seats located to the left of the stage and theater seats behind the stage, both of which are \$10, are going to be decent seats, Dennis said. "Lights and sounds will be suspended, so there will be no barriers," Dennis said, adding that Student Programming had been asked to hold tickets to seats behind the stage in case the Eagles decided to use a back drop. The Eagles will not be using a backdrop, so there will be no barrier blocking view from behind stage.

downtown by Tim Downs



tuning in

This week, WMOT will be highlighted with a variety of entertainment.

Sunday, Oct. 14: 11 a.m.; *Symphony Notes* will feature various musical excerpts hosted by Roland Nadeau, professor at Northeastern University.

1 p.m.; *Italian Masters* is a survey of the development of the concerto featuring recordings from Frank V. Bellis collection.

4 p.m.; *NPR Recital Hall* listens to soloists and ensembles from live performances across the country.

Monday-Friday Oct. 15-19: 4 p.m.; *Spectrum*, a daily special afternoon feature of local and regional news, sports and consumer affairs.

8 p.m. *Jazz Unlimited*, produced by WMOT features special albums nightly till midnight.

Thursday, Oct. 18: 9:30 a.m.; *National Town Meeting* will discuss the "The Media: Are they Too Powerful?"

Friday, Oct. 19: 7:25 p.m.; Riverdale football host the Franklin County Rebels this week.

Saturday, Oct. 20: 9 a.m.; *Options* this week brings "Sophisticated Ladies" where the lifestyle of professional go-go dancers is looked at to demonstrate that there is a sense of art in this much maligned profession.

12:30 p.m.; *Alec Wilder and the American Popular Song* the music of Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart will be played.

6:15 p.m.; Blue Raider Football brings this week's game with UT Chattanooga away.

turning on

This week's highlights for the tube include some prospective movie hopefuls, and continues the new season's shows.

Saturday, Oct. 13: Paris, James Earl Jones, finds it easier to identify a killer-artist than to come up with evidence to convict him at 9 p.m. on Channel 5. Steve Martin and the rock group Blondie kick off Saturday Night Live's premiere show of their fifth season.

Sunday, Oct. 14: "The Miracle Worker" starring Patty Astin and Melissa Gilbert portray the lives of Anne Sullivan and Helen Keller on channel 4 at 8 p.m. Archie gets hot when Edith cools the house down on Channel 5. The Archies at 7 p.m. on Channel 5. Sports fans can watch the Los Angeles Rams pitted against the Dallas Cowboys on Channel 2 at 8 p.m. Tonight is the first part of a two-part movie on the lives surrounding an ex-con and heavyweight contender in "Flesh & Blood" starring Tom Berenger as Bobby Fallen the fighter.

Monday, Oct. 15: Radar packs his bags to leave the MASH crew at 8 p.m. on Channel 5. Lou Grant, at 8 p.m. on Channel 4, tackles the question of the first amendment freedoms in an issue on a dynamic preacher and a psychotic churchgoer. The world premiere movie, "The Flame is Love" stars Linda Purl as an innocent American heiress trapped between three men's love.

Tuesday, Oct. 16: *Flesh & Blood* concludes at 8 p.m. on channel 5. A two-hour special of country superstars of the seventies star Dolly Parton, Johnny Cash, Glen Campbell, Roy Clark and Loretta Lynn.

Wednesday, Oct. 17: Nicholas feels responsible for the Bradfords' string of bad luck because he broke a threatening chain letter on Eight is Enough on channel 2 at 7 p.m. "Better Late Than Never," on Channel 4 at 8 p.m. starring Harold Gould, Harry Morgan and Strother Martin, features an elderly rebel plotting a mass escape from an old-age home.

Thursday, Oct. 18: Benson, on Channel 2 at 7:30 p.m., the governor has to decide between his daughter's play and a summons to the White House. Quincy finds diamonds inside a body and goes undercover in Las Vegas to crack the case on Channel 4 at 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 19: "The Death of Ocean View Park" on Channel 2 at 8 p.m., is brought about by a hurricane and a sudden rising of the tide. It leads to terror in an amusement park. Eischied, Joe Don Baker, tries to go after a drug courier who uses a United Nations diplomatic visa to pass US customs at 9 p.m. on Channel 4.

coming up

Among events scheduled for the upcoming week around the area include:

Oct. 12: A Haunted House, sponsored by the WLAC-Donelson-Hermitage Jaycees, opens tonight at 2611 Nolensville Road at 7 p.m. Admission is \$1 and the house will be open Sundays-Thursdays 7-10 p.m.

Oct. 12 & 13: *Black Comedy* by Peter Shaffer and *Marriage Proposal* by Anton Chekov to be presented by the Vanderbilt University Theatre at Neely Auditorium. Performance is at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$3. Reservations can be made by calling 322-2404.

Oct. 12-21: *Light up the Sky* by Moss Hart will run Thursdays-Sundays at the Circle Players Theater on 4102 Hillsboro Road. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3.50 for students. Groups of 12 or more will receive a discount of 50 percent off each ticket.

Oct. 13: "Run for Shelter," in Nashville's Cedar Hill Park, will consist of a one-mile and a 10,000 meter run. Registration is at 8 a.m. and the run begins at 9. There will be a \$5 fee and proceeds will go to the proposed women's emergency shelter.

Oct. 13 & 14: The first annual Highland Rim Antique Auto Show at Drake's Creek Park in Hendersonville. There will also be a flea market.

Oct. 14: The *Gran Folklorico de Mexico*, music and dance dating back as early as 1500 B.C., will be performed at the War Memorial Auditorium for one performance only at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$4, 5 & 6 and are available at the box office of Cain Sloan's downtown store.

Oct. 13 [14]: The seventh annual Meriwether Lewis Country Fair and Arts Festival from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. The fair is located on the Meriwether Lewis site on the Natchez Trace Parkway, seven miles east of Hohenwald on Highway 20. Parking, the shuttle bus to the fair site and admission is free.

Oct. 15: Vanderbilt Concerts presents Tim Curry at 8 & 10 p.m. at Underwood Auditorium. Probably best known as the garter-belt lead of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, Curry offers his talents as a rock 'n' roller with one of the hottest, tightest bands around. Tickets are \$5.

Oct. 16: Soprano Louise Russell will perform at 8 p.m. at the War Memorial Auditorium in Nashville. Sponsored by the Community Concerts Association, admission is available with season tickets only (there are four more concerts left this year) and the prices are \$18 for adults and \$9 for students.

Sidelines takes a fond look into the past

Since 1926, *Sidelines* has been reporting the news of Middle Tennessee State University. Times have changed, the quality of writing has improved and the physical appearance of the paper has changed with the times. But perhaps there is no better way to recapture a little of what used to be here than by looking back at past issues of the newspaper. From news of senior class officers being elected to the homecoming celebrations of 10 years ago, *Sidelines* was there — making it happen since 1926.

Dollye Caldwell Elected To Lead Senior Group

Dollye Caldwell of Watertown will lead the members of the senior class of Middle Tennessee State College as a result of a student election held Wednesday. Billy Burch, Pacific Air Corp veteran from Murfreesboro and Bruceton, is vice-president. Other officers are Katherine Jones, Adams, secretary; Marion Hankins, Lebanon, treasurer; Andy Brooks, Murfreesboro, sergeant-at-arms; George Grau, Tullahoma, reporter. Members of the senior class elected to the student body congress were Blanch Cook, Hartsville; Marjorie McFolin, Murfreesboro; Evelyn Broyles, Fosterville; and Mary Elizabeth Howse, Murfreesboro. Clayton L. James was elected sponsor by class members.

10-10-45

NEWS FLASH: Raiders Receive Bowl Bid

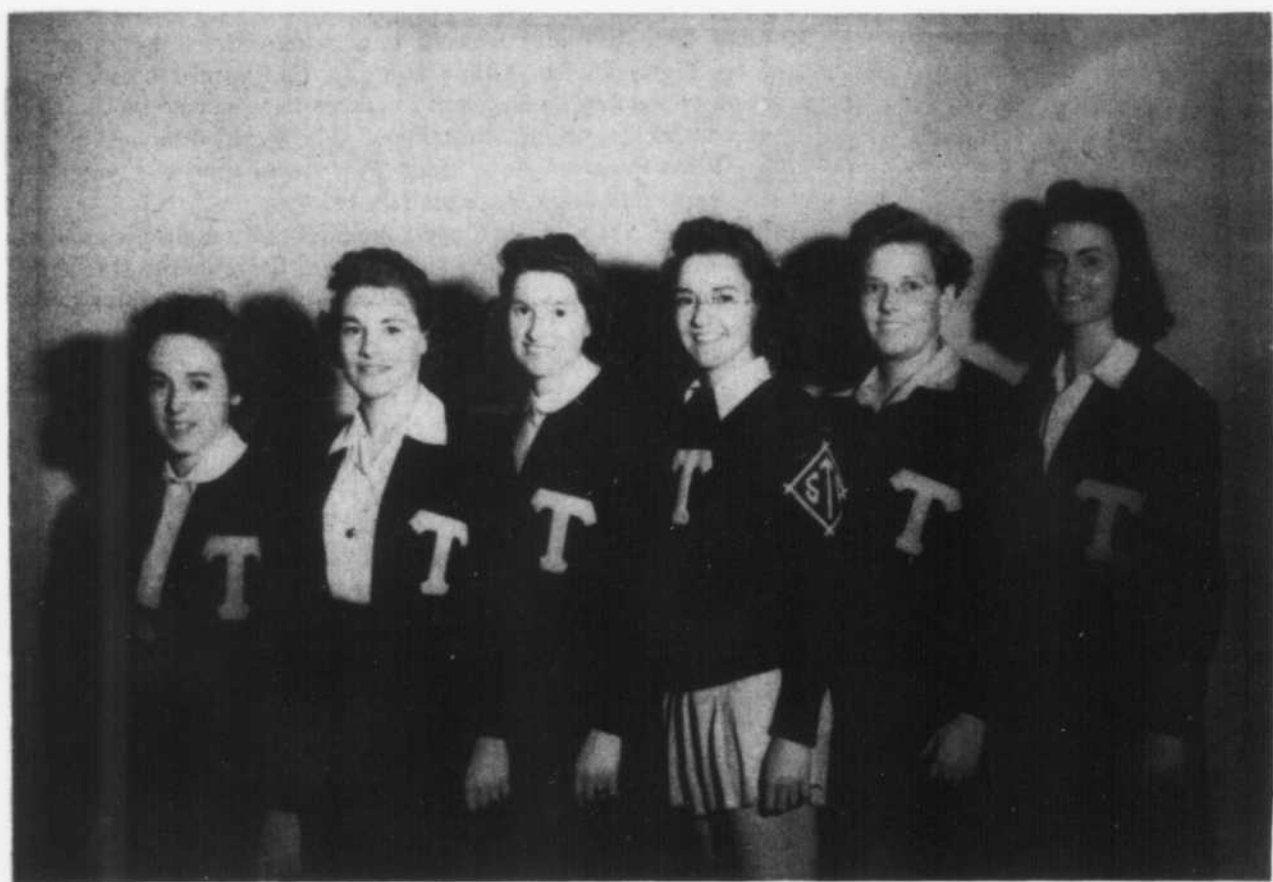
Middle Tennessee State, with a 9-0 football record and one game left, was selected by the Tangerine Bowl Monday night for its Jan. 1 night charity classic in Orlando, Fla.

The Blue Raiders promptly accepted the invitation, and campus celebrations broke out in rapid succession after assistant Coach Buck Rolman made dormitory announcements.

MTSC will play Presbyterian College of Clinton, S.C., a small school with a big record. The Blue Hose have won eight and lost one, also with one game left. Presbyterian was chosen three weeks ago.

"The boys deserve it," said Coach Charles M. (Bubber) Murphy. "Some of the same boys who played on the 10-0 team in 1957 are still here, and they thought they should have been somebody's team that time."

11-18-59



Classic uniforms and hairdos from the cheerleaders of the 1941-42 football season, show a drastic change from today's squad consisting of both men and women.

Hinds Reigns as Homecoming Queen; Seniors, Rutledge Win For Float, Dorm

By NANCY JOHNSON

Highlighting the 1959 MTSC homecoming weekend festivities, Amelia Hinds of Lewisburg was presented as Homecoming Queen, while the senior class was judged winner of first place in the float competition of the pre-game parade. Rutledge Hall was selected winner of the dormitory decorations.

Amelia was selected in an ASB election held Sept. 30, which was supervised by members of the ASB governing bodies. Carolyn Sharp of Nashville was runner-up.

Amelia declared the homecoming activities officially under way at a special assembly Oct. 1, which included formal introductions and thumbnail sketches of the varsity football players and coaches. Master of ceremonies Bill Nourse of Nashville also presented the MTSC majorettes; Carolyn Callis, Nashville; Mary Whitaker, Nashville; Helen Harris, Lawrenceburg; Carolyn Ball, Chattanooga; and Martha Sue Orr, Lewisburg. The newly-chosen flag twirlers also made an appearance during the pep rally. Those appearing were Carole Tyler, Lenoir City; Joan Cooke, Rogersville; Bobbie Sue Garner, Tullahoma; and Louise Wharton, Murfreesboro.

MTSU defeated Western Kentucky 37-2 Saturday afternoon on touchdowns by Ray Purvis, Bucky Pitts, Ray Bell, Gene Windham, PATS by Adams (2), McCarroll, Purvis and Luckett.

10-7-59

Sweaters With Sequins Newest

College girls will be wearing new short sweaters designed with sequins to be worn with black skirts, Mrs. David Goldstein of Murfreesboro told Middle Tennessee State College girls in addressing a meeting of the Home Economics Club at the college this week.

10-10-45



A typical campus scene in the 1950's show much change in the style of people, clothing and the university.

Homecoming Day Set with Bonfire, Parade, Game, Hop

By JAMES MC CULLOUGH

At 11 minutes past 11 o'clock tomorrow morning taps will be blown in commemoration of the ending of World War I. This will also mark the end of MTSC's homecoming parade and will be the half-way point in State's two nights and one day of celebration.

Reigning over the festivities will be Queen Sara Ann Dossett of Tullahoma. Her Majesty graduated from Tullahoma High School where she was a senior class officer. At MTSC she is active in the Dramatic and Speech Departments. Local people and students will remember the brilliant performance that she gave in the Dramatic Club's production of "Rebecca." She is a senior and a member of Congress. Her major is English.

The queen will be attended by four of States' most charming members of the fair sex. Representing the Senior Class will be Virigina Locke of Shelbyville. The Juniors have selected Joanne Prince of Tullahoma. June Carter of Fayetteville will carry the colors of the Sophomore class while the Freshmen proudly present Lavada Waters of Nashville.

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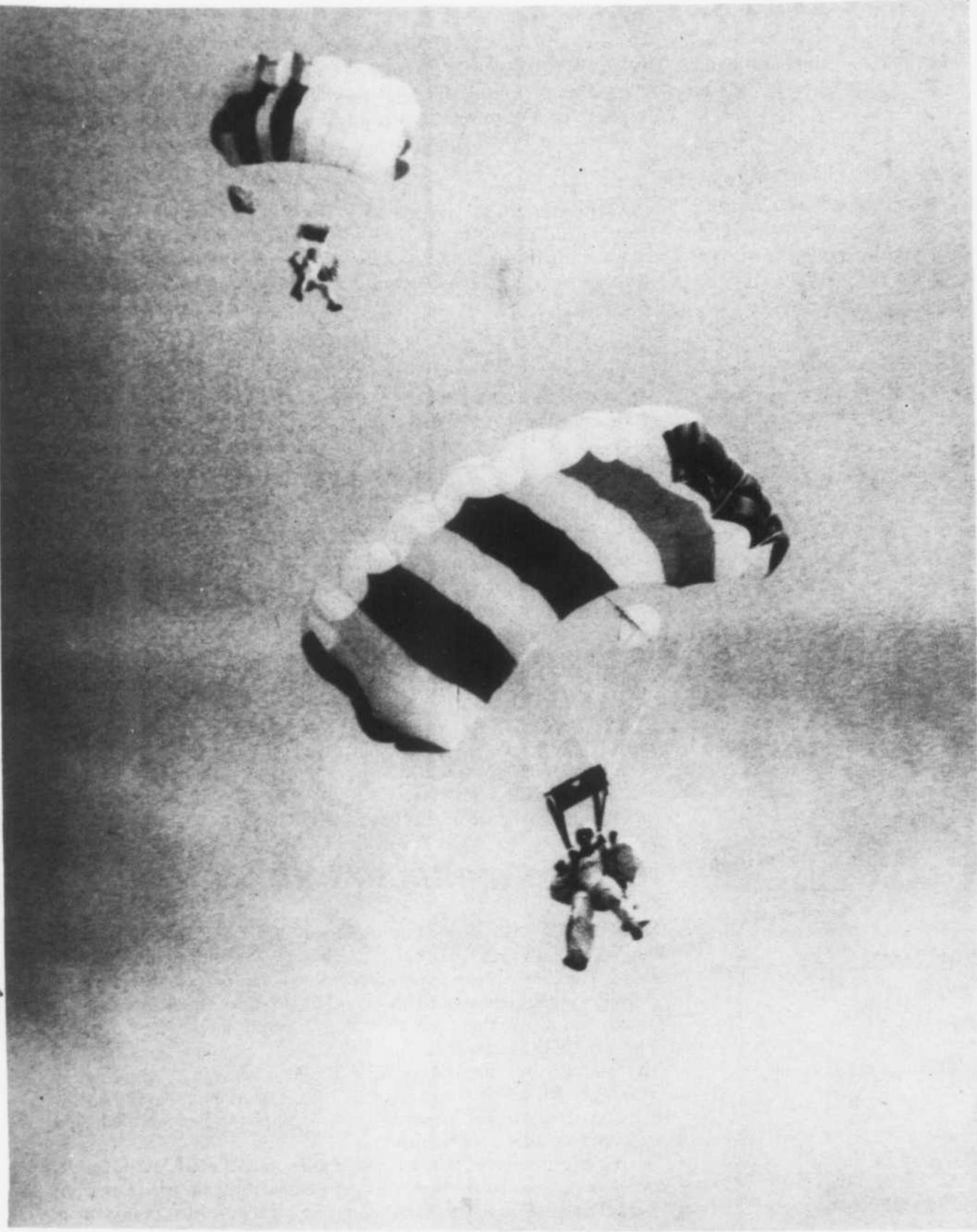
Nominations for ASB Presidency to Be Made March 6

Nominations for Associated Student Body president for 1946-47 will be held in chapel Wednesday March 6. A list of the people eligible for nomination will be posted on the bulletin board Monday after the holidays. The election will take place Monday, March 11. The five people receiving the highest number of nominations will be candidates for president. A vice-president will be elected a week after the president is elected.

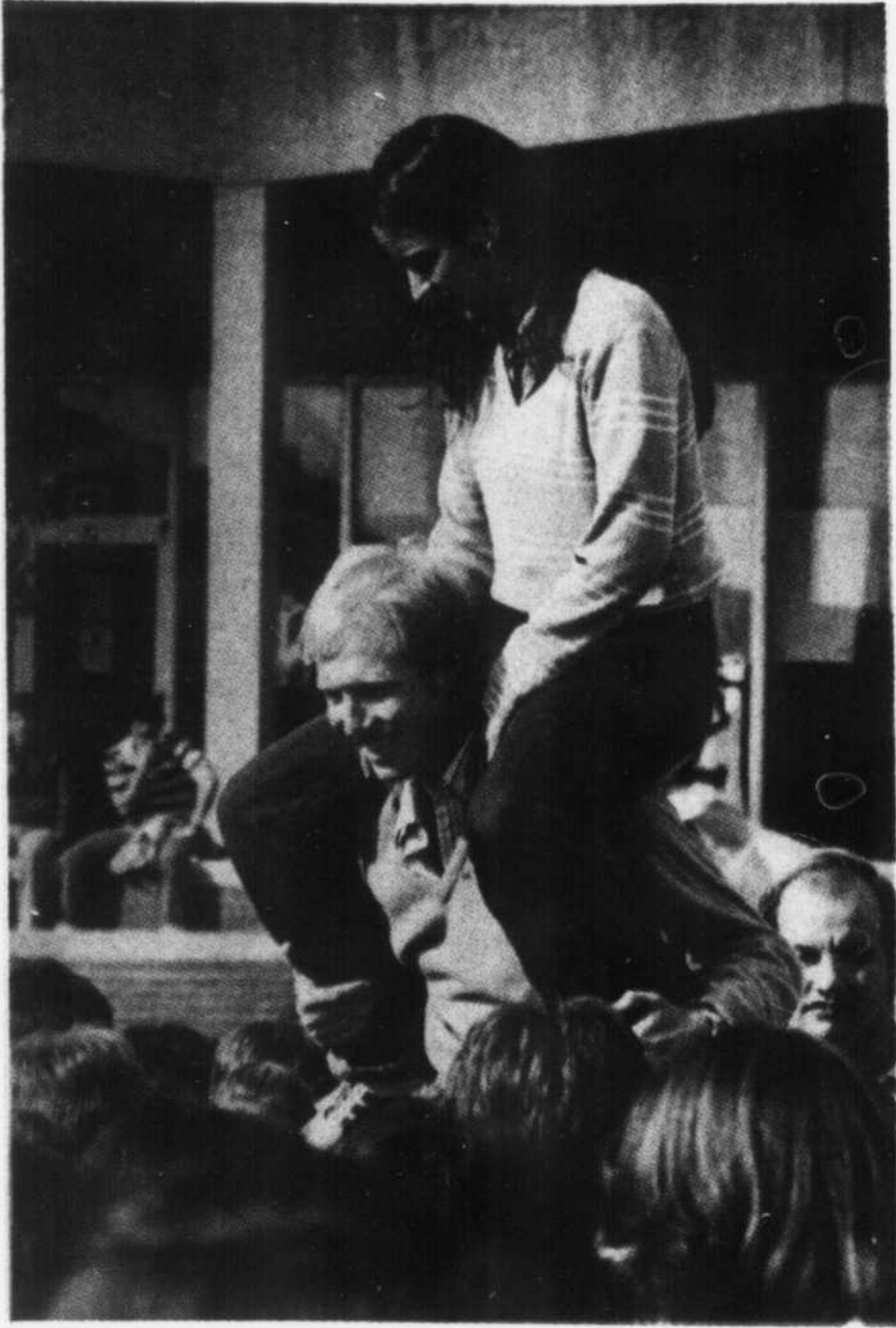


Burying Middle Tennessee State College in 1964 and heralding in the 'university,' students show the change in the homecoming parade that year.

KA, DZ winners in Activities Day



Airborne members of the MTSU Sport Parachute Club slowly made their descent toward earth as hundreds of Activity Day revelers cheered them on.



In the crowd at activities day, some people had a better view of the happenings than others.

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By ANGIE GALLOWAY
Sidelines Staff Writer

Kappa Alpha fraternity, Kappa Delta sorority and Sigma Nu little sisters took first place in points during Wednesday's Activity Day events as part of homecoming and spirit week activities.

Activity day, held in front of the UC, was termed a real success by Mark Vick, director for this year's homecoming.

Two of the trophies were broken during the activities, but will be replaced with new ones. Vick said there was more participation than he could ever remember. "There were more groups than usual participating in competition," Vick said.

Before the activities for the day began, three

members of the parachute club jumped and landed in the grassy area in front of the UC. The three members were Ed Scott, Tom Thomson and Jim Cook.

In the fraternities, the overall winners were: Kappa Alpha, first; Sigma Chi, second; and Kappa Sigma, third.

The sororities were: Kappa Delta, first; and Alpha Delta Pi and Delta Zeta tied for second.

In the open or independent category, Sigma Nu little sisters were number one; Sigma Delta Sigma, the organization for handicapped students, were second; and Wood Hall was third.

The five different areas of

competition included the keg race, egg toss, four-legged race, wheelbarrow race and the mystery event which was a frisbee toss between two kegs.

In the keg race, a team of three had to each run down and run around the keg 10 times. Sigma Chi was first in the men's division, Delta Zeta was first in the women's and Sigma Nu little sisters were the winners in the open category.

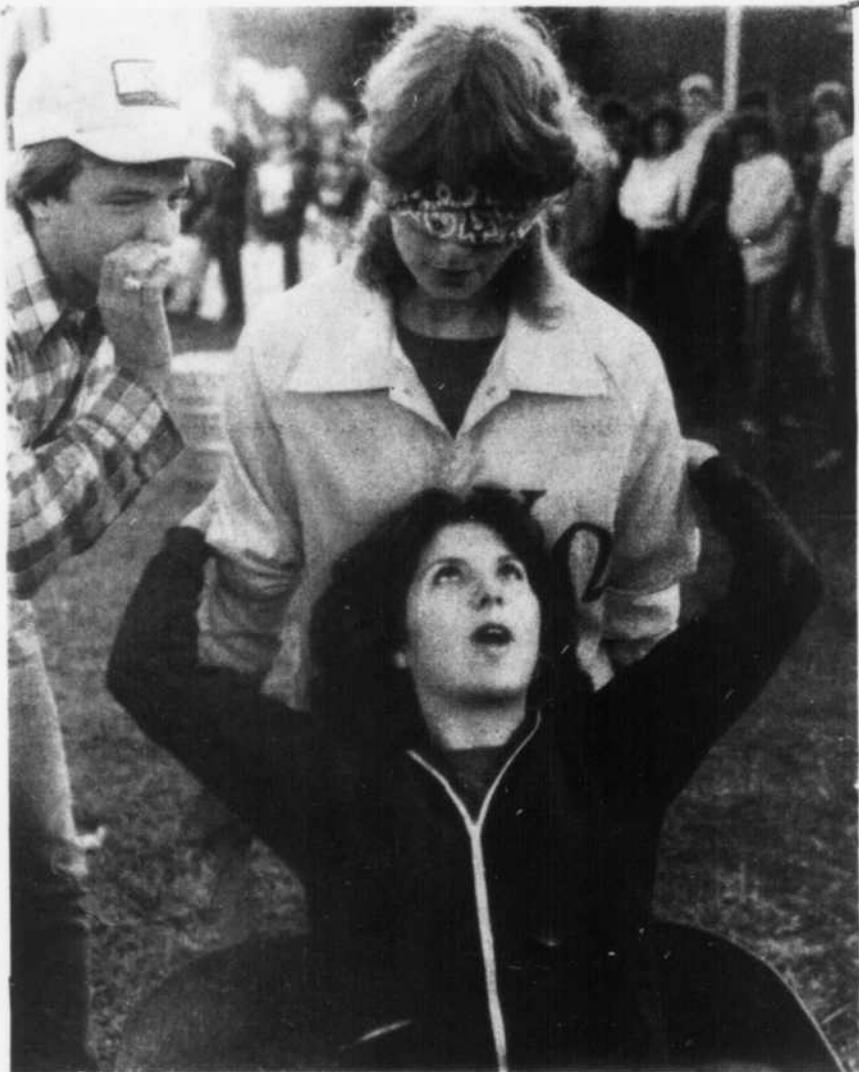
The egg toss winners were Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta Pi and Sigma Delta Sigma.

The four-legged race, three people tied together, showed Kappa Sigma, Kappa Delta and Sigma Nu little sisters to be the fastest.

Two contestants from each group competed in the wheelbarrow race. The one in the wheelbarrow gave directions while the person pushing it was blindfolded. The winners were Kappa Alpha, Delta Zeta and Sigma Delta Sigma.

The mystery event turned out to be a frisbee toss where competitors attempted to toss a frisbee between two kegs that had another keg laid across the top of them. The winners were Kappa Alpha, Alpha Gamma Delta and Sigma Nu little sisters.

Susan Denny and Bill Stannard were in charge of Activity Day. Becky Scott, Doug Cole and Teresa Egan were the judges and kept tabs on the score.



The wheelbarrow race provides fun for the crowd as the passenger attempts to give, above the din of the crowd, directions to the blindfolded partner.



Joe Jaurequi and his ferret attended activity day along with more than 200 students.



The three-man team from Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity struggles to coordinate steps and beat out opponents in activity day competition.

Homecoming queen candidates reflect on honors

By ALAN ROGERS
Sidelines Copy Editor

Interviews with MTSU's Royal Court for 1979 revealed a menagerie of activities, ideas, hopes and comments, and unveiling their experiences at MTSU.

MELANIE GRIFFIN
"It hasn't hit me yet, I'm still in a state of shock," Melanie Griffin said of her election to the Homecoming Queen's Court.

A junior transfer student from Chattanooga, Melanie has been at MTSU for only three semesters. Sponsored by Gamma Beta Phi Honors Society, Melanie said she didn't expect the nomination at all.

"It's the biggest thing that's ever happened, my whole family's coming for it," she said.

"People are really friendly," Melanie said of her life at MTSU. "Everybody's been real good to me." Studying as a mass communications major, Melanie enjoys reading, but, "My favorite thing to do is talk to people — I like meeting people."

She attributed that quality to her nomination to the court. Although, she said, "If I could change one thing about myself, I'd like to gain more confidence in myself."

If there were any changes in store for the university, "I'd like to see it more unified, the racial differences I'd like to see changed," she said.

"The best teacher I've had here was also the hardest — Dr. McCash." But according to Melanie, it depends on the subject, and "I like English and history."

JULIE RUNGEE

As a nursing major and Sigma Alpha Epsilon little sister, Julie Rungee considers herself a very busy person.

"I haven't time for anything but nursing," Julie said. Although taking time out for Homecoming week as a queen candidate, "It's real exciting and it was great to be put up in the first place."

"It's just an honor," she said. The thing to stress most about school for Julie is the people, all the students and being a part of MTSU.

Julie came to MTSU after living in Murfreesboro and was trying out different fields when she took a nursing course. "After I got in I knew it," she said.

"Those girls are so good to me, they gave me a lot of support — both the brothers of SAE and the

nursing students," Julie continued.

SHANNON PRUITT

Shannon Pruitt is a physical education major, born and raised in Murfreesboro. "When I get out I want to be an airline stewardess," she said.

A paradox resolved, Shannon said, "My father majored in P.E. and I just admire him so much." She also said she would like to teach some day. "It's so important for children to learn how to stay healthy, and P.E. develops team sportsmanship. You have to know how to be a good sport in everything."

U.S.D.A. library donates dictionaries to MTSU

The Library of the United States Department of Agriculture donated a set of agricultural dictionaries, valued at \$1500, to MTSU's Todd Library.

According to Earl Young, associate professor of agriculture, the USDA library publicized the fact that surplus volumes from 1865-1965 would be donated to an institution if the need for their use could be justified. Young applied and received positive results.

A member of Kappa Delta and a Kappa Sigma little sister, Shannon finds time to paint and "if I have a lot of spare time, I like to run."

Speaking on athletics, Shannon would like to see an attitude change, "I think the students could support the athletic teams a little more, especially when they're down."

But the people are the best quality of the school to Shannon, "The best thing about being here is that I've made so many friends," she said, and, "It's good to know there's enough people to support me."

LISA PATTERSON

"The most exciting thing I've ever done is perform on the Opry stage as Ernest Tubb's guest. That's the best opportunity to perform I've ever been offered."

A senior recording management major, Lisa likes to perform whenever she can, but, "people always think, well, I want to be a star, but I want to go into promotion. I think it would be a challenge to go out and promote your product."

Sponsored by Kappa Alpha, who just named her a southern belle this year, Lisa is also a member of Alpha Delta Pi. As a freshman, she was honored as Miss MTSU.

"I'm not athletic, I swim," she said, "I like graphics, but mostly I like to play guitar and sing." When she can find an engineer, Lisa goes to the Haynes house and records.

There's not anything drastic about MTSU she would change. "I wish the school and students were more involved," Lisa said.

SUSAN HILL

A junior speech communication major, Susan Hill is the second floor RA for Schardt Hall, her

sponsor.

"I've been here for three years," Susan said, "I know just about everybody in this hall."

"They have definitely supported me all the way — they're still supporting me, they didn't elect me and let me down," she continued.

People are the greatest asset at MTSU according to Susan, both faculty and the students. "I've met them from all walks of life, and they're all interesting," she said.

Her greatest adventure came when Susan was in the ninth grade. She went to Spain for two weeks, and "the customs and lifestyles were really interesting, I'd studied and read about it, but I never experienced it until I went to Europe."

Minority in secondary education and English, she dreams of anchoring or co-anchoring the TV news. "Hopefully," she said, "I'll teach or work on a television station."

"I try to keep pretty busy," she said. Whether it's needlepoint or bowling she stressed, "I believe in doing everything to the best of my ability — definitely enjoying life to its fullest at all times."

Castro wants to talk with U.S.

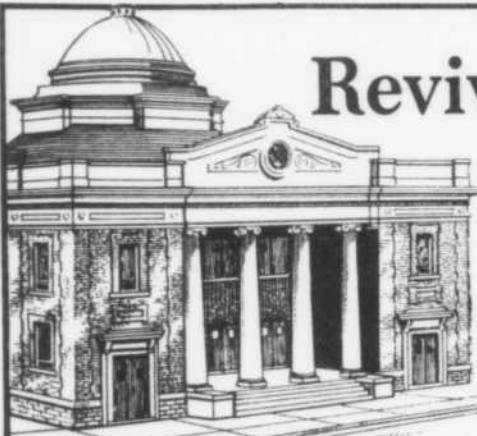
NEW YORK (AP) — Cuban President Fidel Castro has signaled willingness to talk with American officials during his current visit to New York, but the United States apparently has no plans for such a meeting.

During an interview aboard his plane, Castro told American freelance journalist Jon Alpert that such a meeting "depends on the U.S. officials. ... I have nothing against that."

The interview was aired on the NBC "Today" program.

American officials have had virtually no comment about Castro's visit. And a State Department spokesman, who declined to be identified, said there were no plans for such a meeting.

During the interview, Castro also chided the United States for its response to the disclosure that a Soviet combat brigade is stationed in Cuba and said he was unconcerned about America's decision to step up its presence in the Caribbean.



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Retired administrator waits for homecoming

By LISA HUMAN
Sidelines Features Editor

Homecoming is a time for alumni to see old friends and talk about the good old days, and that's something retired alumni director Homer Pittard is looking forward to.

Pittard, who has played an active role in MTSU since he came to the Middle Tennessee State Teacher's College in 1933, has seen the school change from a teacher's college to a state college in 1943 and to a university in 1965.

"When I was in school here there were about 900 students," Pittard said, adding that that was the time of the depression.

Singer cancels: put in hospital for operation

Marshall Chapman will not be opening homecoming concert Sat. night as regularly scheduled due to the fact that she is hospitalized in Chicago under going an emergency surgical procedure, according to Harold Smith, director of Student Programming.

The Winter's Brother's Band, a group that performed at MTSU last year in a showcase concert, has been scheduled to open the show for the Dixie Dregs at 8 p.m. in the DA.

Specializing in Southern rock and roll, the Winter's Brothers Band has opened shows for the Marshall Tucker Band, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Willie Nelson and Bob Seger.

Students who purchased tickets to see Chapman can receive a full refund if they come by Student Programming UC 308 with their tickets between 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. today.

"We don't want anyone to be unhappy," Smith said.

During depression years students became close because not many students had transportation to go home often, Pittard said. Many students had very little money and were going to school on credits or notes.

"I had no idea what I wanted to do at that time," Pittard, who played football for MTSU and was captain of the team in 1936 said.

But Pittard's future soon began to develop.

While playing independent

basketball at McFadden Elementary School in Murfreesboro, a fight developed between the two teams. Pittard separated the fight and was noticed by an official at the school, who told Pittard that he was the kind of man they needed at McFadden.

That fall Pittard graduated and became elementary school teacher and vice principal at McFadden for nine years.

After that he became principal of Murfreesboro Central High School

for 10 years.

In 1957 he came to MTSU and became Director of University Relations, a position that put him in charge of alumni relations, public relations and sports information among other things.

"It was my job, along with the ASB, to organize events for homecoming, particularly concerning alumni," Pittard, who was responsible for starting "Alumni Weekend," said.

Alumni Weekend, which still

takes place today, provides activities not only for homecoming, but for the entire weekend.

This year, Pittard, who retired in July 1977 after 21 years with the university, is going to attend Alumni Weekend in full swing.

He plans on attending the Past President's Dinner Friday night, the letterman's breakfast, the parade, ballgame and aftergame hospitality in the Raider Room.

Pittard will serve as host at a brunch for the Faulkinberry Boys,

a group of alumnus who played football under Coach Faulkinberry, who died in 1933.

"Anytime you spend four years at a place you're going to leave something of yourself there," Pittard said, adding that alumni don't usually get interested in their alma mater the first years after graduation. "Only when he's into his late 30's and 40's does he begin to generate an interest in his alma mater."

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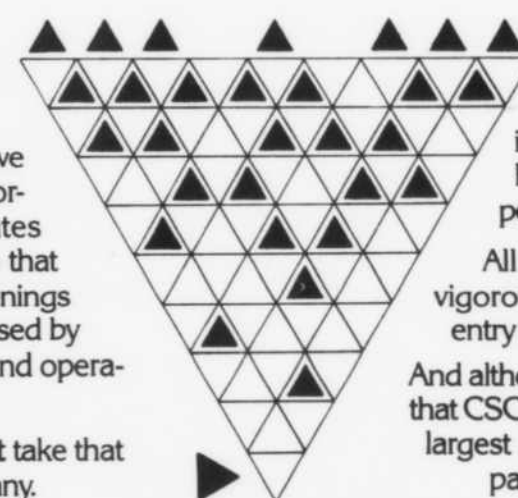
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Victory hunt leads to homecoming

By HENRY FENNELL
Sidelines Sports Editor

"It will come." It is the Blue Raider's first win of the '79 season. The statement belongs to MTSU co-captain Bill Ming.

"Nobody wants this one more than me," Ming said. The senior guard, along with the remaining handful of four year seniors at MTSU, have never experienced a homecoming win during their college careers.

"It's our goal," Ming explained. "Winning homecoming would be a great way to restart the season." The All-OVC offensive line choice also dispelled any notion that the Raiders were totally down after losing their first four.

"Any goal worth having is worth working for," Ming said. The team has in fact been working for it.

MTSU head coach Boots Donnelly stated that he is proud of the way his team has been improving on their willingness to hit or "strike people" as he calls it.

Donnelly also believes the team's toughest obstacle in the way of win number one is their belief in themselves and their willingness to finish the job. "I think you'll see improvement this week," Donnelly said. "Sooner or later it is going to break for us."

The Raiders will be hoping to "break it" this week against one of the stronger teams in the Ohio Valley Conference. Murray State enters Saturday's homecoming match-up tied for first place in the OVC with a 2-0 conference record. The Racers are 4-1-1 overall.

Murray's offensive attack is led by two-time All-OVC choice

Danny Lee Johnson. Johnson is currently the second leading rusher in the conference with an average of just over 96 yards per game. Johnson has been hobbled with a knee injury of late, but is still expected to make the MTSU trip.

Murray has been somewhat of a surprise team in '79. The Racers have outscored their opponents 79-10 and grabbed a share of the conference lead in winning their last three ball-games.

Murray is basically a sophomore-junior team with only one senior and a couple of freshmen starting. The Kentucky team has shown the most improvement defensively over a year ago.

Murray now leads the OVC in total defense while allowing an average of only 207 yards per-game to opposing defenses. The defense is

allowing only 69.5 yards per-game rushing through six contests this season. That total is the fourth best among all division 1-AA schools. The complete team defensive total is the fifth best in the nation.

"The biggest difference in this team over last year is that they're playing with confidence now," Murray head coach Mike Gottfried said.

MTSU enters the battle in relatively good physical shape. The Raiders have been suffering through the usual minor injuries through the week, but the only regular listed as no go for Saturday's game is wide receiver Larry Miller. Miller will remain out this week after missing the last two ball-games.

MTSU's offense worked its way up to the third most productive squad yardage-wise in the OVC this past weekend. The Raiders are now averaging 299.8 yards of total offense per game. That ranks the Raiders behind Western Kentucky and Eastern Kentucky and just ahead of Murray State in the OVC.

The majority of the offensive average, 186.5 yards per game, has come passing. That passing average ranks MTSU as the fourth most productive passing team in the nation for 1-AA schools.

The MTSU defense enters Saturday number five as the nation's second best against the pass. The Raider defense is allowing an average of only 69.8 yards per game. MTSU's rushing defense total is by far the worst in the league at 347 yards per-game.

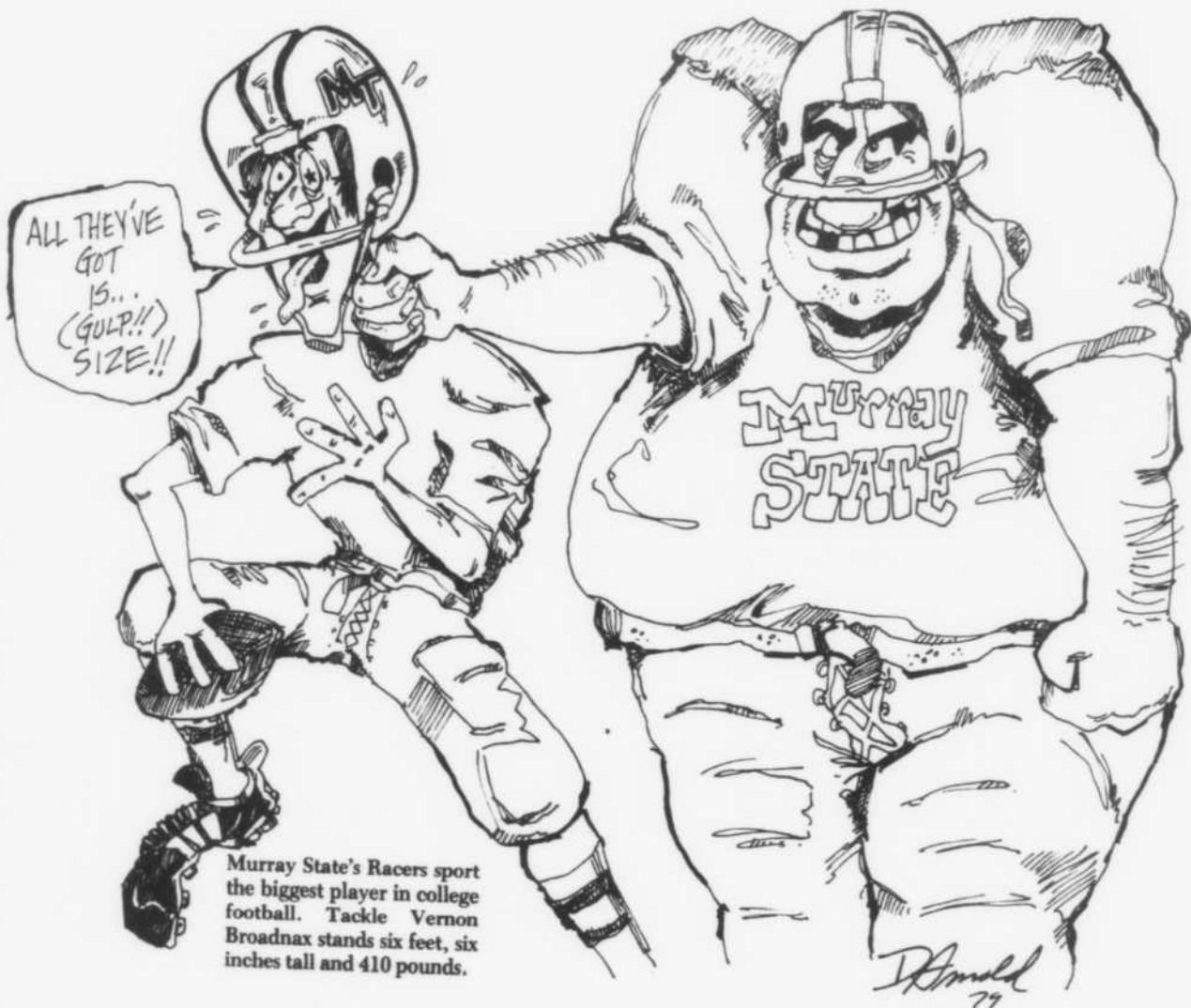
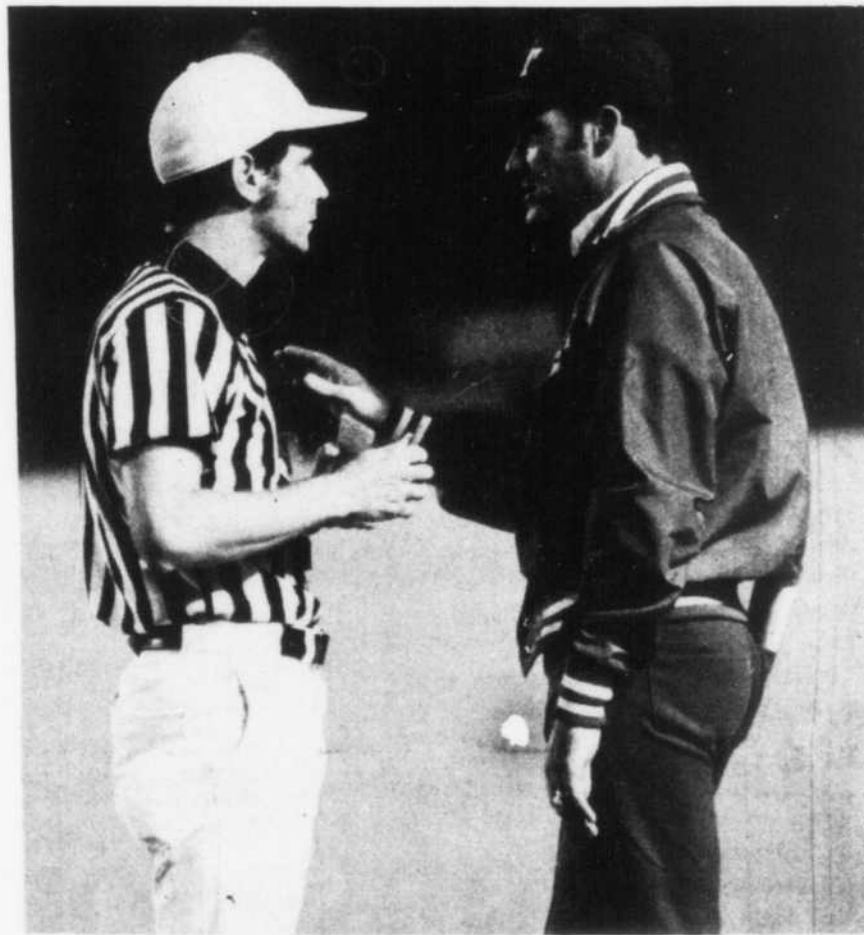
Murray State evened the MTSU series with a 33-7 win at home last season. The series began in 1925. The Raider-Racer record is now 23-23-3. MTSU hasn't beaten Murray since 1975.

Homecoming '79 kicks off Saturday at 1:30 p.m. on Horace Jones Field.



photos by Nancy Bolen

Raider co-captain, Bill Ming, above is one of several senior football players who have never experienced a win for homecoming. MTSU head football coach Boots Donnelly, is presently in the midst of his longest losing streak as a coach. Both Donnelly and Ming plus the rest of the squad hope that these trends will be discontinued Saturday against Murray State.



Friday, October 12, 1979

Sports

Two decades separate father-son Raiders

By SCOTT ADAMS
Sidelines Sports Writer

Several times in college football history there has been a father-son tradition at many different institutions. And MTSU is no exception as this year's number one quarterback Gus Purvis is the son of former Blue Raider standout Ray Purvis.

The elder Purvis played for the Raiders in 1956 through 1960 under head coach Charles "Bubba" Murphy. In '59 and '60 Purvis was an integral part of a team that went undefeated in two seasons and won the Tangerine Bowl in Orlando, Florida against Presbyterian College of South Carolina. (That turned out to be ironic because that is where Gus spent his first two years of college.)

The following is a story that appeared in the July 13, 1960 issue of *Sidelines*.



Ray Purvis

Ray Purvis, three sports star from LaFayette, Georgia, re-wrote a large part of the MTSC record book this past year. For the third straight year Purvis was named the Most Outstanding Athlete.

Purvis has earned a total of 11 letters in sports. He closed his football career in the 1960 Tangerine Bowl in Orlando, Florida. There he went into the game and scored a touchdown to help defeat Presbyterian College of South Carolina. Just a few days before the game, he was in a hospital bed with a virus. Purvis has the all time individual average in the Ohio Valley Conference — 8.2 yards per carry. He scored 64 points last season to become the fourth leading scorer in the college's history.

In baseball, Purvis has batted over .300 in each of his four years. As an outfielder,



Gus Purvis

he led the OVC with six home runs during the season. He holds the school record of 9.7 for the 100 yard dash and 22.1 for the 220 yard dash. He also won the MVP award in track.

A biology major with minors in chemistry and history, Purvis married his high school sweetheart, the former Nancy Clements, one year ago last August 16, and they now have one child, Harold August (Gus), born on this past June 13.

After graduation from LaFayette High School the younger Purvis was recruited by several schools, including MTSU. But according to Purvis, Sr. MTSU, under then head coach Ben Hurt, "didn't offer Gus anything solid. Kind of a walk-on deal," so Gus opted for Presbyterian. There he was red-shirted his first season and then saw action only on the freshmen squad the next year.

"That school was just not what I really wanted and I knew I had to go somewhere else," Gus said. "MTSU recruited me a little bit after my senior year in high school so I decided to come to school here."

Gus went on to say that his father did not add or detract from his wanting to come to school at MTSU and his father echoed that statement.

"Gus got where he is on his own merits but to say the

least I am really happy that he is with MTSU now," Ray added. "When Ben (Hurt) was recruiting Gus they never once talked to me so I didn't influence the final decision much at all."

Ray is now the head football coach at LaFayette High School and says he comes to as many Blue Raider games as his schedule will allow.

"The only game I've missed this season was the Morehead game and that was because I had a last second schedule change. We're really looking forward to coming to the homecoming game this year and I plan to bring most of my team up for the game," Purvis concluded.

Gus has started every game for Boots Donnelly's Blue Raiders this season and gives the team what Donnelly calls "a cool head under fire."

A fourth year Purvis has completed 16 of 48 passes for 260 yards. He has also rushed for 54 yards on 21 carries.

Some fans have questioned Donnelly's use of Purvis as the starting quarterback because the stats for Sanford look to be better, and in some cases they are. But Donnelly explains it best by saying that the quarterback has to be a leader and in that category Purvis, a sophomore, would have to have the edge.

Saturday in the OVC

OVC standings

	Conference Games				All Games			
	W	L	T		W	L	T	
Eastern Kentucky	2	0	0		4	1	0	
Murray State	2	0	0		4	1	1	
Western Kentucky	1	0	0		2	2	0	
Morehead State	2	1	0		3	1	0	
Tennessee Tech	0	1	0		1	4	0	
Middle Tennessee	0	2	0		0	4	0	
Austin Peay	0	3	0		2	3	0	

If one was to look back at the pre-season picks as to the order of finish in the Ohio Valley Conference, several surprises would be noted, but a couple of items seem to be right on schedule.

Eastern Kentucky was picked to finish first by the league coaches and coach Roy Kidd's Colonels have done nothing to disprove that in their first two league outings. Western Kentucky was picked for second, and is in that spot after one league contest.

Murray State, picked for fourth by the mentors, stands in a tie for first place with a 2-0 mark, sporting the toughest defense against the rush in the OVC. Morehead State was supposed to finish on the bottom, but are 2-1 in three conference matchups.

Austin Peay was chosen for fifth, but finds itself at the bottom of the standings, having dropped all three of its OVC contests. Tennessee Tech was voted third but lost its only league outing to Murray State. Middle Tennessee was placed at sixth position, where they currently reside.

Tomorrow's OVC games see Tennessee Tech at Western Kentucky, UT-Martin at Morehead State, Cal State-Fullerton at Eastern Kentucky and Austin Peay at Jacksonville State.

Tennessee Tech at Western Kentucky

When Western Kentucky hosts Tennessee Tech, it will be brother Ricky against brother Wayne. Ricky Anderson is the kicker for Western and his brother Wayne is a two-time all-OVC kicker for Tech. Both players have two field goals to their credit this year, with Ricky 11 of 13 in PAT's and Wayne 6 for 6.

Western leads the OVC in total offense at 380.3 yards per game while Tech is last at 273.8. John Hall leads the Hilltopper attack, averaging 168.8 yards per game total offense. He has passed for 723 yards, with better than half going to Eddie Preston. Preston tied a WKU career mark with 20 TD pass receptions logged, adding the last against Northern Michigan. Senior linebacker Chuck DeLacey is the top tackler in the OVC with 59 total.

Quarterback Jimmy Maynard leads the Golden Eagle attack on offense. He averages 108 yards per game total and has thrown for 540 yards. Defensively, Greg Bauer is tied for second in the OVC at 0.6 interceptions per game. He has stolen three to date.

Western stands sixth in total defense, allowing 384.8 yards per outing (Continued on page 11)

Saturday

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Borthick's squad keeps promise — wins two

By CAROL STUART

Sidelines Sports Writer

MTSU's volleyball team is determined to keep its promise to start winning.

Pushing their record to 7-5, the squad began their crusade with victories over Trevecca and Vanderbilt Monday night in Nashville.

The Lady Raiders literally spiked their way past Trevecca, 15-13 and 15-6 in the opening match of the triangular. Jill Carroll and Asaji Komatsu led the offensive efforts for the squad while Jackie McReynolds made several key blocks.

"We ran our best offense during the Trevecca match, but our passing game hasn't gotten there yet," first-year coach Melinda

Borthick said.

Vanderbilt proved to be a tougher foe for the MTSU squad, drawing the contest out for over two hours. The Lady Raiders made a comeback effort after losing the first game, 9-15, to take the second one, 15-12. In a tight tie-breaker, they finally edged Vandy 18-16 for a match win.

Carroll and Komatsu again came through with their sizzling spikes into the Lady Commodores' backcourt. Team captain Lois Rainey played outstanding defense in setting up the tremendous win.

"I think we reached a turning point, teamwise, and I think the rest of the week will help us determine how things are going to go," Borthick stated.

With a week between matches, the squad is going through tough work-outs this week in preparation for the second part of the season. Next week's schedule alone includes a trip to Dayton, Tenn., a home match with Trevecca, and the UT-Martin Invitational.

"They have kept their faith real well through practice, but some of them get discouraged. I'm just trying to show them through harder work, that you've got to have faith in what you're doing," Borthick said. "And, whether they have this faith will determine whether it is a turning point or not."

In new efforts toward the 'winning attitude,' Borthick has used some innovative ideas at

practice. A new drill involves a setting and passing pattern that makes them think after tiring exercises. One small mistake results in ten push-ups by the entire team. Playing music over the intercom during the last drill of the day is for them "to leave practice in a better frame of mind."

The netters' next match is a triangular with Bryan College and Maryville College on Tuesday night in Dayton. The squad will be without the services of freshman setter, Sue Hicks, who is out for the rest of the season with a knee injury.

"The rest of the season is between our ears. If they can keep believing and keep working, it's going to start paying off," Borthick added.

while Tech is fifth with a 316.0 average. After opening the year with two losses, Western has rebounded to win its last two. Tech has a victory over Cameron University to its credit in five outings. A 26-20 Hilltopper win last year gave WKU a 21-20-1 edge in the series that began in 1922.

UT-Martin at Morehead State

Morehead State won the defensive struggles with Austin Peay as Bernard McIntosh ran 69 yards for a touchdown with 7:17 left in the game. McIntosh is the OVC top rusher at 97.3 yards per game and teammate Dwight Yarn is tied for second in the scoring race averaging 6.0 points per game. As a team, the Eagles rank sixth in the conference in 261 yards per game. Linebacker Rodney Jefferson recorded 12 tackles, intercepted a pass and caused a fumble against Austin Peay which helped the Eagles to their first shutout since 1976.

Earlier this year, the Pacers lost to Austin Peay, 34-7, defeated Middle Tennessee 31-23, and lost last week to Murray State by a 24-0 margin. This will be the fourth meeting of the two teams and UT-Martin has dominated the three previous games, winning by a total of 112-16, 23-9 last year.

Cal. State-Fullerton at Eastern Kentucky

Eastern Kentucky has established itself as the team to beat in the OVC this season, having won conference games by scores of 35-10 and 52-10. The Colonels are second in the league in team offense, averaging 348 yards per contest. They have gained 1127 yards rushing, and are the only team in the league besides Akron to have rushed for better than 1000 yards to date.

Running backs Dale Patton and Tony Braxton sat out the Middle Tennessee game, but freshman back Nicky Yeast rose to the occasion with 103 yards rushing and a touchdown in 19 carries. Quarterback Bill Hughes bruised a shoulder in the MTSU game, but backup QB Chris Isaac directed the offense to four touchdowns. Included in those were an 11-yard TD toss to David Booze and a 61-yard scoring run from Isaac himself. Colonel coach Roy Kidd has his team ranked seventh nationally.

Austin Peay at Jacksonville State

The Governors of Austin Peay have lost three in a row after winning their first two games. Quarterback Steve Brewer is second in the OVC in total offense, averaging 134.6 yards per game and has thrown for 685 yards. However, his favorite target, split end Steve Puthoff, is out for the year with a shoulder separation suffered two weeks ago.

Kicker Mike Meador ranks second in the conference in kick-scoring. Though Peay lost 7-0 to Morehead State, all-OVC pick Joe Grimsley had a 75-yard punt return for a touchdown nullified because of a clipping penalty.

Jacksonville State handed Tennessee Tech a 23-7 loss last week, as Wayne McKoy scored two touchdowns and Mike Watts teamed up with Derrick Whitely on a 51-yard touchdown pass. These two teams have not met since 1962 when Jacksonville State won 23-13. They lead in the series that began in 1947 6-5-3.

Women runners lose dual meet to Sewanee

Middle Tennessee State's women's cross country team came in behind the University of the South in a dual meet held Tuesday at Sewanee.

Once again, freshman Sharon Johnson, a former Gallatin

standout, was the first place finisher for the Lady Raider runners with a time of 19:38. That time was good enough for a third place finish, behind Sewanee's top two runners.

Jane Simms, another freshman,

was fourth at 19:42, Vickie Wells came in sixth at 20:02. Cathey Porterfield and Karen McMillan came in ninth and tenth with times of 22:30 and 23:23 respectively.

Head coach Vikki Callison, though not displeased with her team's performance, indicated that she did see signs of improvements and looked for better times in the future.

"Once again our girls had better times and I am certainly pleased with this. It shows we have worked hard and are continuing to improve week after week," Callison noted.

"We must work hard to improve our competitive spirit," Callison said. "If we can do this, then we will be much closer to reaching our potential as runners."

Johnson, who has been MTSU's top runner in all but one meet, feels the times are improving because of

continuous hard work on the part of the team as a group.

"Everyone has worked real hard," Johnson said. "I feel certain if we continue to put as much effort into it as we have in the past, we will get better everytime we run and will be competitive in the OVC race."

The OVC championship meet is scheduled for Oct. 27 in Bowling Green, Kentucky with Western Kentucky serving as the host. But before Callison's squad can begin preparing for it, they must concentrate on their first home meet of the year which is slated for Oct. 16 at the Veterans' Administration Golf Course.

In that meet, MTSU will be competing with Austin Peay and Vanderbilt, with the scheduled starting time being 3 p.m.

Gliding championships to begin Saturday

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) The British are coming and nobody knows it better than the Americans.

Great Britain is the defending champion entering the second American Cup International Hang Gliding Team Championship. It begins Saturday on Lookout Mountain in bordering Dade County, Ga., with teams from the United States, Canada and Australia challenging Britain for the honors.

Malcolm Jones, a spokesman for the Americans, said they are hoping improved organization will help them take down the British.

"Last year, we may have been a little laid back in our approach to the American Cup," Jones told a reporter. "The British are used to team organization, which is the

way they do things in Britain, but here it's always been much more individualized."

Jones, 23, a native of Tampa, Fla., said British members qualify for their team through a rigorous series of national and international meets. This year, he said, the Americans qualified through a similar series of U.S. Hang Gliding Association tournaments. Jones said he failed to make the squad.

The teams have eight members each. Officials said team competition is conducted in four-person heats consisting of one person from each nation. The four nations will compete in six to 15 flights, depending on weather conditions,


and perform aerobatic tasks in the evenings.

They will jump from Air Space Flight Park 1,400 feet above the landing area. Competition, weather permitting, is scheduled 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. EDT daily and 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sundays.

Officials said the winning team will receive the American Cup and \$5,000 in cash. They said there will also be awards for individual excellence and aerobatics and spot landings.

Jones said the Americans aren't taking the British lightly in preparations.

"We realize we've got a lot of work to do," he said.



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