

Homecoming momentum builds

by Greg Wade

Homecoming 1974 is in full swing and building up momentum to tomorrow's clash with Austin Peay.

Various organizations and individuals have been busy the past several months selecting groups, bands and other features organized for this year's "Grand Ole Homecoming."

During the week the sororities and fraternities have been showing their spirit by putting up signs and posters on campus.

The "Battle of the Bluegrass" took place Wednesday night at the Rutherford County Agriculture Center in front of an estimated 300 persons, most of whom were sororities or fraternities supporting their favorite group.

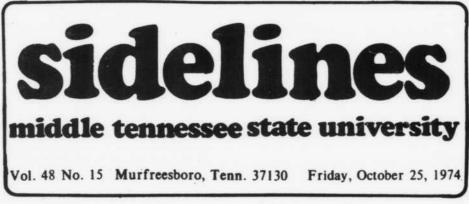
Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Kappa Alpha were entered in the event with bands composed of some of the fraternities' members.

The organizations entered in the "battle" will be given plaques honoring their spirit and participation. MTSU cheerleaders closed the "concert" with a series of cheers.

The cheerleaders led a pep rally in the grill Thursday morning which included a wheel barrel race, hogcalling contest and "izzy-dizzy" relay race.

The Blue Raider Bookstore is sponsoring a rally tonight at 5:30.

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Supreme Court reversal staves off governmental crisis

by Wayne Hudgens

A possible crisis over the legitimacy of student government was averted Wednesday when the ASB Supreme Court overturned an earlier decision which invalidated portions of this month's senatorial elections.

The Court, in hearing a suit brought by David Bragg, reversed it's earlier decision which had vacated the seats of four junior and one graduate student senators, all of whom were elected earlier this month.

In their earlier decision invalidating the election, the Court relied on a literal interpretation of the ASB Constitution, which demands that all legislative elections be held in March of each year. This month's elections were thus invalidated.

Bragg, men's director of residence hall programing, maintained in his suit that if a literal interpretation were to be applied in all matters of the Constitution, then the ASB itself ceased to exist because the senate was no longer operative for want of junior and graduate student representation.

"The Court only had two alternatives," Bragg said. "They were to overturn the earlier decision and allow the elected senators to be seated or to declare themselves and the rest of the ASB illegal and void."

Mike Carter, ASB attorney general, made no effort to defend the Court's earlier decision.

"I didn't contest the Bragg suit because I felt that the other literal ruling should be overturned," Carter said last night.

The Attorney General said the first decision did not take into account the "intent of the framers." "Any document like our Constitution must be interpreted in the light of intent and actual experience," Carter said.

"When a case is decided the Court must look at more than just words," he said.

The top ASB legal official said the decision invalidating the senatorial elections was "bad precedent and bad law."

The Court's latest decision, written by Associate Justice Ron Howell, said the argument for election invalidation was a "logically attractive" one, but that to implement it would "automatically imobilize any branch of any student government, in whatever branch, in which a vacancy existed.

Howell wrote that "a more compelling need, that of maintaining a living constitution capable of molding itself to meet the changing needs of students, demands that we adhere to a flexilble constitutional interpretation."

The Associate Justice said that while the earlier decision was based on sound logic, it's practical application would "hinder future ASB courts as they seek to resolve similar constitutional questions."

Junior senators who will now be seated as a result of this month's elections are Paul Ethridge, Debbie Gutheorl, Vicki Hunter and Ed Underwood. The graduate senator to be seated is Rick Figari.

Rules subcommittees slate open meetings; first report scheduled for Wednesday

All subcommittees of the Campus Rules Committee have scheduled open hearings for the purpose of student input next week.

Subcommittee A, which deals with off-campus rights, freedoms and responsibilities of students' rules and regulations, and policies

and general information, will meet at 10 a.m. Monday in the UC room 128. Names and box numbers of committee members are Michael Carter, Box 6016; Landras Turner, Box 7761; Philip Mathis, Box 578; and Judy Smith, Box 12.

Subcommittee B, which will work with disciplinary procedures, including "search and seizure", student organizations, Greek social organizations and social activities, will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the UC room 212. Members are Donnie Chambers, Box 1633; Jane Carroll, Box 1851; Robert McCrummen, Box 522; and Paul Cantrell, Box 17.

Subcommittee C, which will consider housing regulations except "search and seizure", housing regulations for J and K apartments and general housing policies, will meet at 1 p.m. Monday in the UC room 128. Committee members are Lisa Marchesoni, Box 4769; Mark Molder, Box 5158; Patricia Sharber, Box 328; and Robert La-Lance, Box 12.

Subcommittee A will report to the entire committee at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in the UC room 212. 2-Sidelines, Oct. 25, 1974

Pianist to perform in free concert

A free concert will be given by Jerry Perkins, chairman of the MTSU piano faculty Monday night at 8:30 in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium.

Perkins, who has received wide acclaim as a pianist, was described by the New York Times as "...a very capable pianist. His playing is precise, thoughtful and vital."

Perkins was first prize winner in the American Music Scholarship Association Competition and has made numerous appearances with orchestras, chamber en-

Area merchants to offer discount month

by Bill Mason

Local merchants have agreed to offer MTSU students a 10 per cent discount on all items excluding those on sale during a November Student Discount Month.

ASB community relations chairman Jane Carroll said 14 Murfreesboro businesses have already agreed to participate in the program, and as many as 25 may join the program by Nov. 1.

Any student with a valid fall semester ID may participate in the

"I feel there are many services that university students and merchants in town could render to one another," Carroll said. "In viewing the past information on the student discount services, this seems an area that could promote better relations."

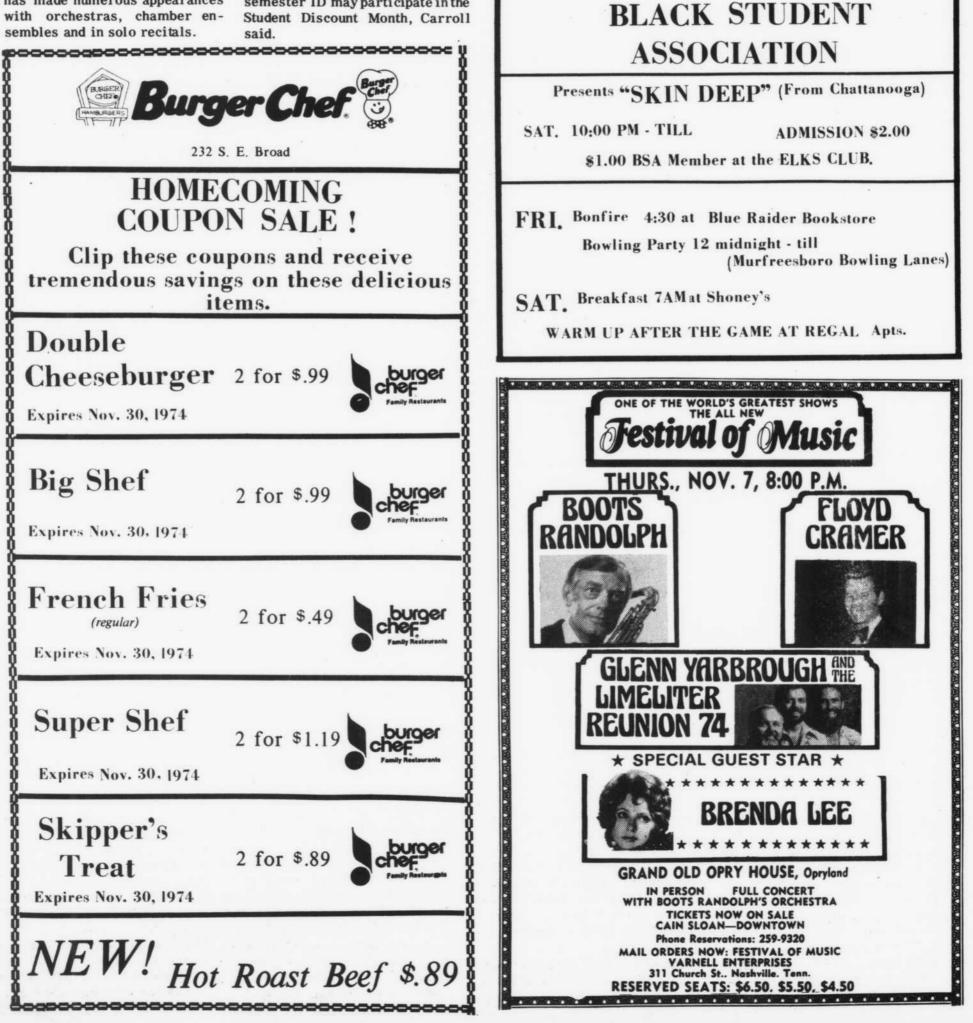
The ASB would be responsible for all publicity on the program, including buying advertisements in the Sidelines and mailing ad-

vertisements to the students, Carroll said.

"With Christmas guickly approaching, this program would be appropriately timed to generate store traffic," she pointed out.

Students should be able to get some good bargains during the discount month, Carroll said.

Each participating merchant will be supplied with a sample fall ID for identification of MTSU students.



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Cheering 'em on





Frats and swats turned out in droves yesterday to chear on the Blue Raider team which meets Austin Peay tomorrow. The pep rally took place in front of the University Center and attracted over 700 people. Games and contests as well as the traditional "rah-rahs" highlighted the event.

Photos by Alan Loveless



Bonfire, pep rally will 'spark spirit' tomorrow

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Phil Loyd, one of the store's owners, said that he hoped the event held at the bookstore "would be the biggest rally in the school's history."

The rock group "Southern Steel," from Florida, will perform at 5:30 p.m. and the bonfire and pep rally starts at 6:30 p.m., Loyd said. The pep rally will be led by MTSU's cheerleaders and the bonfire is being built by the Black Student Association, Loyd added.

Loyd said that, despite a hassle

with some members of the administration who termed the bookstore as an "outlaw bookstore," the rally will still be held.

The owner also emphasized that "if people are openly drinking the Murfreesboro police are going to arrest the bookstore officials first."

Friday night the homecoming dance will be held at the Alumni Memorial Gym. The Homecoming dance will be held Friday night at Alumni Memorial Gym and will feature the rock group "Choice." The dance is free and begins at

8 p.m.

The homecoming parade starts at 9:30 a.m. Saturday but the procession will start lining up at 8:30 a.m. according to Lesha Batson of the ASB Homecoming committee.

The parade will start on campus near the maintenance building and proceed to Tennessee Boulevard before turning right on Main street and going around the square. The parade will disperse on North Maple near Penny's Department store, Batson said.

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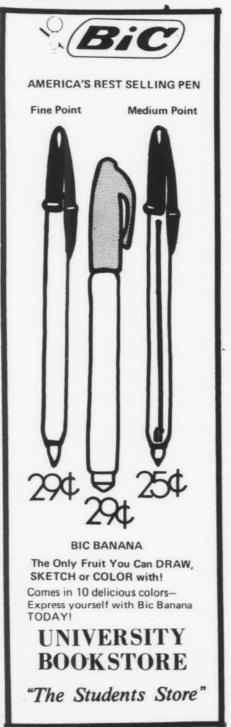
'Ghosts and goblins and things that go bump?'



"Ghosts and goblins and things that go bump in the night" are the main features of the second annual WGNS and Murfreesboro Jaycees "Haunted House."

The haunted house, located behind the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity house on Memorial Boulevard, is a fund raising project for the Jaycees which proved so successful last Halloween season the group decided to do it again this year.

A local radio station is co-





sponsoring the event by providing considerable publicity and by doing live broadcasts outside the house.

The idea of the house is simple. Through a combination of strobe lights, twisting passageways and dark corners, about 15 "scenes" are linked together. An important key to the effectiveness of the haunted house is the shock factor provided by trying to rush through the house, only to be confronted by a wall or a screaming "monster."

The actors have a lot of fun performing their roles which include ghosts, corpses and your usual

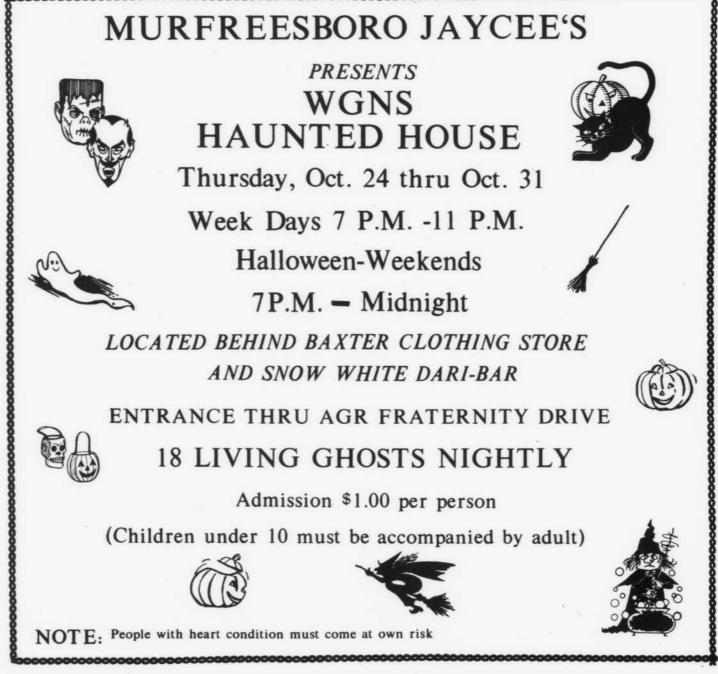


Although the haunted house is meant to be fun, many precautions are taken to insure absolute safety.

Only a dozen or so people are allowed in the house at any time. Members of the Jaycees enter the house at intervals to "keep traffic moving" and to aid in case of an accident. All actors have been trained in escape routes, and the house has been thoroughly inspected and outfitted.

Last year's haunted house raised over \$7000 for the Jaycees and they feel this year's house will be even more successful. The Jaycees use money from the house for Christmas projects for underpriviledged children; improvements on the city park; support of Babe Ruth baseball, sending local delegates to Boys' and Girls' State and to help cover the cost of the Rutherford County Fair.

The haunted house opened last night and will operate until Thursday. The house opens at 7 p.m. and closes at 11 p.m. On Halloween weekend, the house will remain open until midnight. Admission is \$1, and children under ten must be accompanied by a parent.



Differing requirements will be corrected--Kimbrell

by Phil West

Inequities in eligibility requirements for students in mass communications problems courses will be "alleviated by the next registration," according to Edward Kimbrell, mass communications department chairman.

A conflict arose when some mass communications majors learned that 13 military science students are getting from one to three credit hours for MC 490, a problems course, while only three mass communications majors are eligible for credit.

The three, editors-in-chief of Sidelines, Midlander and Collage magazine, each receive three credit hours in MC 490. ROTC students are awarded credit for their work on About Face, a monthly newspaper; The Cadet magazine, and providing public relations releases for Guideposts magazine, according to Capt. Gerald Hill, advisor to the ROTC publications.

Capt. Hill, who holds a bachelors degree in journalism, said ROTC students were originally admitted

Fall registration fees overdue

U.C. Cinema Presents

Bursar Norman Martin of the business department reported recently that students are neglecting to pay fees due from registration.

Some students were incorrectly charged for their dorm rooms, meal tickets and the like, Martin said.

The mistakes stem from incorrect totaling of fees during registration.

When students receive notices in the mail telling how much they owe, they are requested to come to the business office where they will receive explanations of the fees.

"Some students owe more on their fees than they are supposed to and they think that they can get away without paying," said Martin, "but all mistakes will be found."

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NOA HOX into the course to "generate interest in the ROTC program."

"Our students in MC 490 meet about 11 times a semester in one and a half-hour sessions," Capt. Hill explained. "They get one credit hour for each 100 hours they spend working on the publications."

In addition to the 13 ROTC students in MC 490, nine students work on the same publications in their MS 100 course.

"A few years ago this was timely," Kimbrell pointed out. "But only in the heat of registration did we realize we had a problem in the internship."

"By the next registration we will

make it a fair and equitable system," Kimbrell promised.

The chairman said three options are available. "We could eliminate the problems courses for all areas; we could award credit for people working on all these publications, or we could leave it the way itis--which we obviously cannot do," Kimbrell said.

Kimbrell hinted that awarding credit for staffers on all the publications is the more viable solution.

"We'll have discussions with the military science department and our faculty to establish a reasonable and workable solution," Kimbrell said.

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Blanton has proposed a realistic five-point plan to combat inflation from the governor's office. Chief among his recommendations is a promise to control big spending in state government, spending which has more than doubled in the past four years.

Despite attempts to smear him in the past two weeks, Blanton has a reputation for honesty and fairness that has met no serious challenge at any time in his public career. His constructive proposals for election reform include mandatory disclosure of contributions, limitation of campaign spending and party registration.

Unlike his opponent, Blanton has useful experience in government, experience that makes him by far the better qualified candidate for governor.

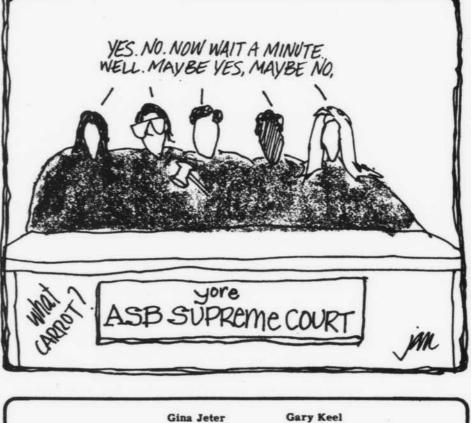
During his terms in the State Legislature and the Congress, Blanton has put together an impressive voting record.

Increased Social Security benefits, a better veterans program, expanded vocation education, equal rights for women, environmental legislation and welfare reform are only a few of the many progressive measures he has supported.

At the very best, Blanton's opponent can offer Tennessee a carbon copy of the past four years of wasteful spending, special interests and decreased public services.

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**Bill Mason** 

- feedback -

# **Committee not trying to hide facts--Kittrell**

In writing this letter I do not wish to initiate a verbal contest between the members of the editorial staff of the Sidelines and the members of the All-Campus Rules Committee. However, a communication gap apparently exists between some of the members of the student body and the committee.

I feel that the Sidelines has a vital role in helping to eliminate this gap, and I solicit your help.

Contrary to the implication of the article and the editorial in the October 22 issue, the committee is not attempting to hide information from vital the The resolution of the students. committee to which reference was made reads as follows: "Michael Gigandet will be allowed to attend all meetings and have free access to all information from those meetings with the stipulation that the actions or statements of no member would be quoted except with that member's approval."

It was pointed out to Michael that if he were present at the meeting he should be able to identify statements that he might wish to quote at that time and might request the permission of the individual member concerned at the conclusion of the meeting.

In addition, a copy of a statement given to each committee member was also made available to the editorial board of the Sidelines. It reads in part: "The work of the committee will be divided among three subcommittees. Each of these committees should meet individually and prepare a report of their findings and recommendations to the committee as a whole on the dates specified. The names, phone numbers, and box numbers of each subcommittee chairperson will be made public to allow students to make direct input, and optimum participation by students in such input should be solicited by each subcommittee." The statement also contained the names, box numbers, and phone numbers of all the members of each subcommittee together with the areas of the Rescue and Campus Living which should be investigated by that subcommittee. Each subcommittee is chaired by a student and is composed of two students, one faculty member and on student personnel dean. A request was made to the Sidelines that this information along with the times and dates of the scheduled meetings of the All-Campus Rules Committee be printed for

the information of any students who might like to make input to the work of the committee. It is my understanding that this information will appear in the October 25 issue of Sidelines. The committee has also seriously requested that the Sidelines be represented at the meetings of the committee under the stipulation specified so that the work undertaken may be duly reported to the members of the student body. This would allow any additional feedback from the students to reach the committee prior to the date scheduled for a final reading on Nov. 20, 1974.

It seems that the main hinderance to the cooperation that is needed between the committee and the Sidelines for the best interests of the students hinges on the objection by the editorial board of the Sidelines to the stipulation "that the actions or statements of no member would be quoted except with that member's approval."

However, the Sidelines follows the same policy when it accepts a letter for publication and withholds the name of the person involved at their request. It also follows the same policy when it does not identify by name the writer of ar editorial but rather attributes it to the entire editorial board.

Certainly, I do not believe that any member of the All-Campus Rules Committee would call any person "cowardly" under either circumstance, nor would any member "demand" that any editor step down for failing to sign their editorial.

Any action by the committee will be taken be the committee as a whole, and the members of the committee should have the same rights accorded to others under similar circumstances.

Students, if you too believe you have the right to know. I urge you to request the Sidelines to represent you at the meetings of the committee and to report to you the information that is important to you. There is nothing in the stipulation made that does violence to quality journalism, and your committee concerned about the students as well as with all factors that bear on the situation.

We want to work with the Sidelines, and it is our hope that they will make every effort to work with us for the benefit of all. Fred J. Kittrell

**All-Campus Rules Committee** 

#### feedback, continued -

# 'Higher law'demands open meetings

"There will never be a really free and enlightened State until the state comes to recognize the individual as a higher and independent power, from which all its own power and authority are derived, and treats him accordingly." (Henry David Thoreau)

Although the preceding words by Thoreau were written over one hundred years ago, one might do well to examine them, for they seem to hold a message for us in this post-Watergate era today.

What, if anything, have we learned from Watergate? By the widespread call for Richard Nixon's resignation, Americans demonstrated that they are willing to stand up for their rights and demand open, honest government.

This was manifested by the passage of such laws as the "Sunshine Law." Americans have let it be known that they do not want their leaders making policies in secret behind closed doors.

In the wake of Watergate we have seen various small scale Watergate-type operations spring up all over the country on local levels. One such operation just might be right here at MTSU--the All Campus Rules Committee.

I place an emphasis on the word "might" because the simple fact is--we just don't know. The committee has decreed that Sidelines reporters may not use direct quotes or attributes in covering the meetings.

In short, the students of this

University are being left in the dark about who makes the arbitrary policies that govern them.

At this point one must ask the basic fundamental question: What does the All Campus Rules Committee have to hide?

The administration has argued that some of the committee members would feel "inhibited" if their statements became a matter of public record. I contend however, that if they are that afraid of having people know what they think then they have no business setting down arbitrary policies for some 10,000 adult citizens.

I think it is also interesting to note that our intrepid ASB President, who promised to stand up for student's rights while he was

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thrive. Student government is not

a tool of the students, but a toy

for the participants. It is a place

to get a fancy title to put on a law

school application or to impress

family, friends, fraternity, etc.

I firmly believe that when the day

comes that it is truly representa-

tive of the majority, we will see

quickly extinguish any power it

This beautiful confrontation is

not in the near future. From

all appearances, it now appears

that this beautiful confrontation

is once again going to be denied

might possibly possess.

to the students of MTSU.

**Ken Marshall** 

Box 5239

faculty and administration

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Our student government is back

campaigning last spring, has not lodged one word of formal protest against the committee's decision. David Dodd is not only doing nothing but (in his capacity as ASB President) he is getting paid for doing nothing.

Students of MTSU, hear me now! There are higher laws than those set down by the MTSU Administration. As individuals you have a right to know what goes on in these secret meetings. Stand up and demand this information now.

**Richard Edmondson** Box 2750

#### **Rights** violated by decision? Editor's note: The following letter was sent to Fred Kittrell.

It seems to me that a fundamental right--the students' right to know -- is being violated by the refusal of the All-Campus Rules Committee to allow Sidelines reporters to directly quote unless the committee member approves.

Much of what is wrong in this Watergate era stems from distrust of the people. It is my contention that we need more public business done in the open, not less.

This restriction by the committee is repulsive to all of us who believe in the free press. The restriction also, it seems to me, is a violation of the trust that we should have in our students and in their institutions.

I urge you to remove the restriction.

**Dennie Hall** Assistant Professor of Mass Communications

# Student government reaches 'new lows'

I wish to offer my congratulations to not only the ASB supreme court, but the entire student government for reaching new levels of stupidity and ignorance in the last few weeks.

While all three branches of government are fighting it out for top honors in these categories, I would have to say the court wins by a landslide.

They played their game of favoritism (also called, "Ignore the until they were Constitution") backed into a corner at which time they had to make themselves look foolish to get out. I would say they were the laughingstock of the campus, but in the eyes of most students they are past the point of humor.

The executive branch is not without its faults. In the beginning, David Dodd looked like a quality ASB president; but his administration has been marred by a surprising lack of good judgement on his part. The trip to Camp Hy-Lake was his most visible mistake. Not only was student money spent illegally to cover the expenses of the school administration, but the trip itself was one that Dodd promised would not be made.

Most recently, I would have to question Dodd's appointive ability. I base this on the recent vote by some student members of the All Campus Rules Committee for closed meetings. I would now ask these students to resign their positions on that committee. This would make possible the appointment of students with enough faith their abilities to voice their in convictions in public. This is one mistake Dodd can rectify if he so desires.

Court made 'asinine' ruling

The decision of the Supreme Court to overturn its ruling in the case of "Mason and Strong v. ASB" is possibly the most asinine thing it has ever done.

In less than one week, the court has managed to overturn an important decision on constitutional law, destroy its own credibility and reduce the Constitution to a meaningless scrap of paper.

In our suit against the ASB, Bill Mason and I presented a clear-cut and undeniable case concerning the violation of election procedures as stated in the Constitution. We based our case on constitutional grounds alone.

The constitution made no provision for the filling of vacancies. One must remember that the Comprehensive Electoral Act, which does provide for the filling of vacancies, is just that -- an act, which has no authority under the Constitution. In order to have authority, the act must be part of the Constitution, which it is not.

The Supreme Court said as much on Oct. 19 when it ruled the act could receive no grant of authority from the Constitution.

However, this week the court overturned its previous decision. In doing so, the court destroyed its credibility in making decisions concerning the law and the constitution.

It is not the fact that the court has overturned our case that upsets me, but the fact that they have clearly shown that they are unable to make and abide by their own judgements.

#### **Radford Strong**

Box 7521

#### Committee restricts right to know The purpose of having a school newspaper, as far as I am concerned, is to provide me with in-

formation that concerns me that I don't have the means of finding out for myself. I am learning in my history course now about the people who spent their lives trying to win certain rights for me-one of which is the right to know.

Since Sidelines is my only means of knowing the things I need to know about what is happening on campus, it is important to me that Sidelines have access to this information.

When Sidelines is restricted, so are my rights.

If our Rules Committee doesn't want us to hear what they are

saying, no matter what their reason is, we are going to be suspicious of them. If we don't know what our representatives are saying, we're not being represented.

If anyone is so afraid of how he'll be quoted he doesn't even trust the suggested use of two tape recorders as a safeguard, I don't trust him to be making decisions that will concern me. He's probably more afraid of being quoted correctly.

We're not children and our newspaper is not a child's paper. Please give us credit for what we are.

**Pam Baggott Box 949** 





Photo by Ginny Bruce

Lucy Sikes, a Murfreesboro senior works with "Just-in-Case" and a miniature stallion at the horse barn. A contest for naming two miniatures will end next Friday.

## Students can name horses for prizes

MTSU students will have the chance to name the two tiny stallions which will appear in tomorrow's Homecoming Parade.

Bill Howell, principal of the Smyrna primary schools, has donated two of the little critters to the MTSU horse science department. Howell, who raises, shows and sells the animals for a hobby, said the ideal miniature horse is 32 inches tall or smaller. He pointed out that the smaller and more perfectly formed, the more valuable they are.

The miniatures are currently under the care of Jane Bruce Wilder of the horse science department and are kept at the new

MTSU horsebarn. When asked what MTSU will do with the two little stallions Miss Wilder commented. "For the time being we'll use them as mascots for the horse science department."

The miniatures need names. The horse science department is conducting a "Name the Pony" contest. All MTSU students are eligible to compete for prizes offered. Wilder and an assistant will choose the best set of names to fit the two male, dark brown animals.

The Blue Raider Bookstore is offering a \$10 gift certificate for the winner who submits the best set of names. The Saddle and Brid-

le Center is contributing a \$15 gift certificate and Butches Jeans is also giving a \$15 gift certificate to the winner of the contest.

The contest runs from tomorrow through Friday. The winning set of names will be chosen and the winner notified November 3. All entries should be sent to MTSU Box 61.

#### 'Horror Marathon' set

A "Horror Marathon" will be presented on Halloween 10 p.m. to midnight by residence hallprogramming.

Admission will be free for all residence hall students. 

### Civitan candy sale nets \$2,000 for charity

More than \$2,000 worth of Halloween candy was sold by 11 campus organizations during the annual Civitan candy sale recently.

A total of 4,500 bags of candy were sold for one dollar a bag during the sale by both the university and Murfreesboro high school organizations.

In the university men's division, Kappa Alpha Order took first place with \$410; Sigma Alpha Epsilon was second with \$290; Alpha Gamma Rho, Phi Mu Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi each sold \$200 worth of candy. Sigma Chi collected \$181 and Pi Kappa Phi netted \$147.

In the University women's division, Kappa Delta and Alpha Gamma Delta each sold 160 bags and tied for first place. Chi Omega sold 141 bags and Alpha Kappa Alpha sold 71 bags.

The sale was sponsored by the





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Die Deutschen Kameraden, the German Club, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the foreign language house.

The Pre-Law Society will meet at 11 a.m. Tuesday at OM room 324. New members are welcome.

Applications for the bridge tournament are being accepted in the games room in the UC third floor. Deadline is Nov. 3.

Applications for membership in the Lewis Carroll Fan Club may be picked up in Dean Ivan Shewmake's office any time before All Fool's Day.

# Special Events appoints selection board

#### by Jerry Manley

An eight-member selection board has been elected by the Special Events Committee to decide what entertianment will be booked here and to screen committee member applicants, according to Harold Smith, director of student programming.

Stan Myatt, Special Events Committee chairman, said the Selection Board will make it easier to book concerts because fewer people will have to be contacted. When decisions have to be made quickly, the small board can be contacted much faster than could the whole committee, Myatt said.

Myatt, who authored the board plan, said it will be more responsive to the desires of students because the members can be easily contacted and the meetings are open to everyone.

The board is a cross-section of the committee with Greeks, blacks and both sexes represented, Myatt pointed out.

"We don't just sitover here and pick the entertainers we want for concerts," board member Terry Burkhalter said.

"Students don't realize how much is involved in having a concert and when the Sidelines prints editorials like this last one it just makes things worse," Burkhalter warned.

Students can offer suggestions to selection board members.

Their names and box numbers are: Ronnie Johnson, 3586; Eva Garder, 2996; Pam Pate, 8584;

Terry Burkhalter, 1688; Mary Jane McCool, 5487; Ben Scrubbs, 6331; Susie Kamen, 6765, and Gwen Ralls, 6897.

### Open house set for dormitories

All residence halls will sponsor an open house this weekend with the exception of I, Felder and High Rise West, men's residence hall programming director David Bragg said yesterday.

Times for the individual halls will be listed in each dorm, Bragg said.

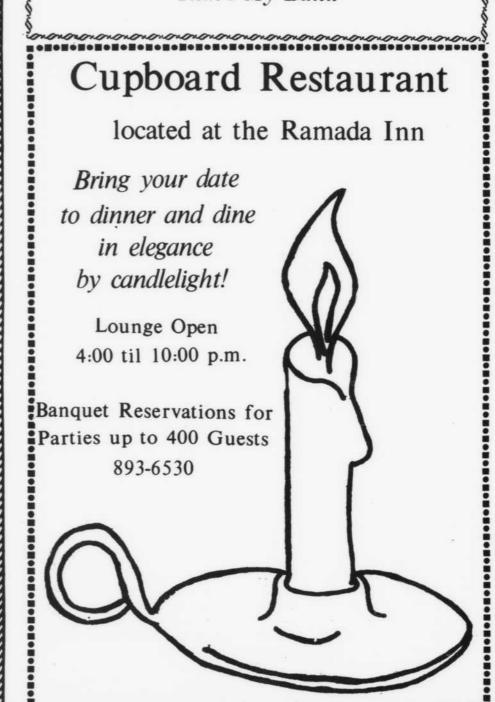
All participating dorms will be closed from 8-12 tonight, 1-4:30 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. Saturday. 

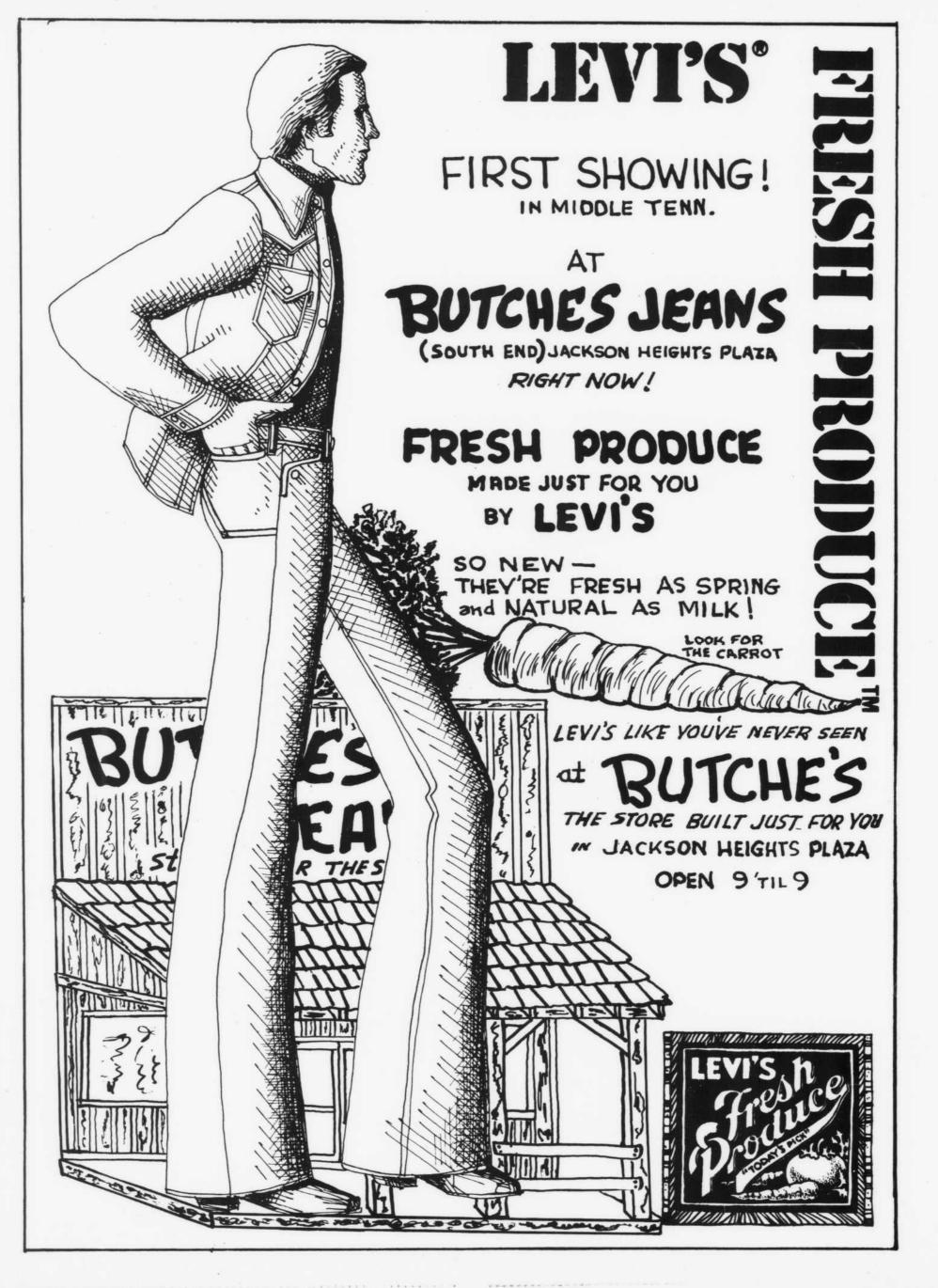


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#### SCOTT'S SPOT

# Would a coaching change solve pigskin problems?

by Scott Elliott **Sports Editor** 

Way back in the mid and late 1960's one could hear a familiar song belted out by the Yankee Stadium beer-drinking fans during the course of a then-frequent losing effort by the New York Giants.

The name of the song was "Good-by Allie," a tune that promoted the departure of Giant head coach Allie Sherman. It took a couple of years, but the fans finally hit the right note when Sherman was ousted for Alex Webster.

Okay, how does this little piece of history relate to Tennessee and MTSU in 1974? Good question.

Well, one gets the vibrations that some head-hunting in the Sherman fashion may be taking place close to home.

It's no news to anyone whose read a newspaper in recent weeks that Big Orange coach Bill Battle is supposedly walking on thin ice this year in relation to the possibility of being rehired for the 1975 season.

Battle's tremendous coaching record doesn't matter: the fans want a winner now.

And so do the fans of MTSU's football squad.

One can hear the talk inseveral places -- the grill, parties and informal social gatherings. There are some who would like to see a coaching change at MTSU.

Taking this week as an example. one of the campus homecoming queen candidates raged into this reporter's office and demanded the newspaper plead for the resignation of Bill Peck on the basis of the Raiders' three consecutive losses

Another voice suggested a bumper sticker campaign be waged similar to the one taking place at UT-Knoxville. Some of the slogans mentioned were "Johnny (Majors) come here," "We'll take Battle," and "Bring Bubber back." A few more are unmentionable in print.

There is no way to measure the numbers these voices represent, but one could analyze the profitability of their arguments.

It is difficult to find merit in suggesting an upheaval of the Raider coaching staff at this point in time.

Have the interceptions, fumbles and various other costly errors that have resulted in MTSU's losses been the fault of any one individual? Form your own opinion.

In any event, Peck and his team definitely have their backs against the wall this week. The Raiders meet conference foe Austin Peay, and both teams are 1-2 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Peay can no longer be considered a "rest" on anyone's sche-The Governors have won dule. their last two ball games and are at "an all-time high" in team spirit, according to APSU offensive coordinator Tom Jones.

If the talk of head chopping is a whisper now, it will be commonplace in the event of a Gov victory.

I'm not making any apologies," Peck said. "There's nothing wrong with our football team. I'm extremely proud of our boys' attitude."

"There's no way we can let Austin Peay beat us," he added. "It will be a tough job, but we've got to stop them."

It was reported earlier this week that a group from Peay had come on campus and stolen the Jack Daniels whiskey keg that traditionally symbolizes the victor of the APSU-MTSU game. The Raiders won it last year on a last minute Archie Arrington field goal 23-20.

On the alleged heist of the keg, Peck said, "That may be the only way they can get it."

That remains to be seen, but one thing is certain--the Raiders need this one.

A loss to the Govs at this point would mark an all-time low for a Peck-coached team in this reporter's opinion.

It's difficult to say what turned things around for a team that started the season by whipping the defending national champions of small college football and then proceeded to come out on the low end of four of their next five games.

But this much can be said. This is the wrong time of year to be pointing the accusing finger. A mathematical possibility still exists for a winning year for the Big Blue.

It remains to be seen what the next five weeks will bring for MTSU football.

-Sports feedback—

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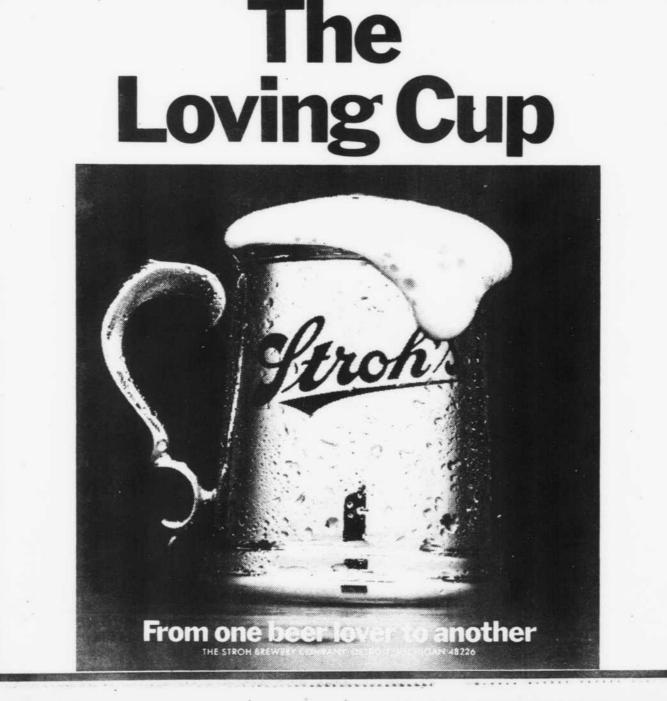
Having followed the Blue Raiders through two dismal gridiron years, I am now compelled to offer some advice.

When a team with as much potential as ours shows the present record, more often than not the trouble is poor coaching. Consider the plight of Bill Battle.

Facing somewhat stiffer competition, and after something less than a perfect record, the fans are screaming for a change.

Are MTSU and ETSU the only football teams in this state with no pride in high places?

John M. Noland Box 4887



#### Volleyball team sweeps tri-meet

Lynn Burklow, Amy Donahue and Jean Claiborne led a Raiderette charge that propelled MTSU's volleyball team to a four game sweep over the University of the South and the Murfreesboro Independents here Tuesday night.

Donahue chalked up nine individual points for the night, while Claiborne finished with eight, and Burklow netted seven.

The Raiderettes coasted past the team from Sewanee 15-1, 15-2 and socked the Independents 16-14, 15-3.

The double win upped MTSU's record to 4-1 on the year in dualmatch competition.

## Copeland nets Player of Week

by Duncan Regen

In losing to Murry State University 14-12 last Saturday night Blue Raider tailback Dwaine Copeland had one of the best nights running the football of his career, a performance that earned him Sidelines player of the week honors.

Copeland picked up 129 yards in 25 carries against the Racers and was about the only bright spot the Raider offense had all night.

A 5'11, 190-pound senior from Bradenton, Fla., Copeland was a pleasant surprise to the coaching staff last season and was the leading scorer on the Raider team a year ago.

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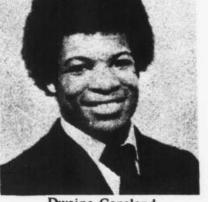
**Dwaine** Copeland Education, and Recreation, Copeland is blessed with outstanding speed and holds school records in both the 100 yard dash and the 220.

## Sidelines, Oct. 25, 1974-15 Harriers bound for TIC race

"We're looking for a solid perfor mance this weekend," said coach Dean Hayes as his Blue Raider harriers prepare to travel to Nashville Saturday for the Tennessee Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament.

"Our objective this weekend is to see if we can beat East Tennessee Tech, and Austin Peay" Hayes said. The Raiders face these foes and other Ohio Valley Conference opponents in the OVC finals Nov. 2 in Murray, Ky.

The race will be run at Percy Warner Park at 11 a.m. and David Lipscomb College will host the meet.



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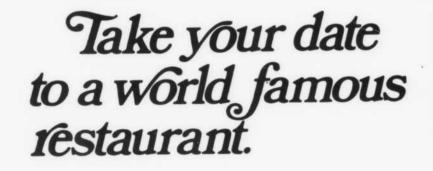
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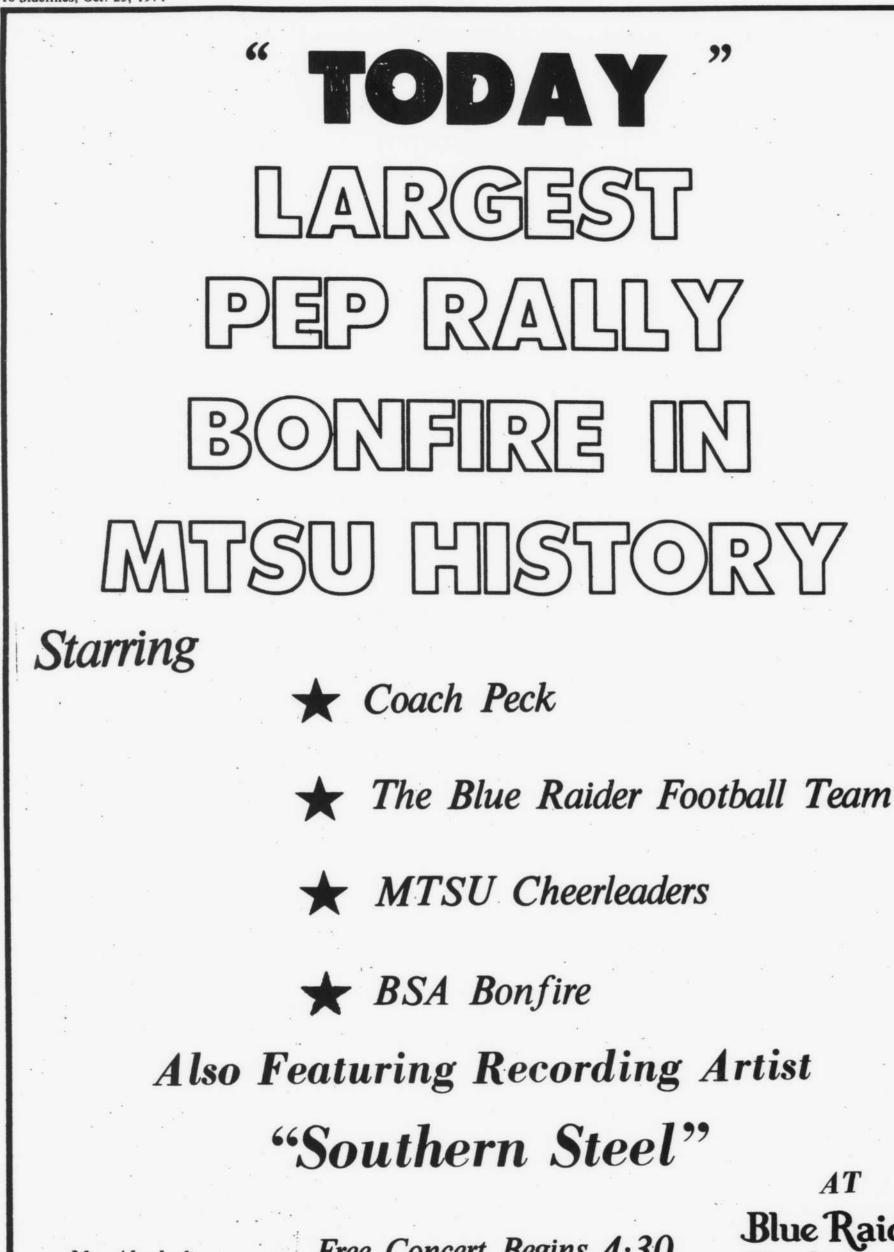
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