

Campus rules committee allows Sidelines limited access

by Michael Gigandet

Members of the All Campus Rules Committee voted 9 to 2 Thursday to allow Sidelines limited access to committee meetings.

Lisa Marchesoni, sophomore committee member, and Mike Carter, senior committee member, voted against the proposal after they, along with Jane Carroll, junior committee member, had voted for unlimited access.

The vote for unlimited access was 8 to 3.

Sidelines will be allowed to at-

tend the meetings with the stipulation that reporters cannot directly quote or attribute a statement to a committee member without the member's permission.

"One of the concerns expressed was that if an individual would feel inhibited by being quoted, then that person could not make the best contribution to the committee that he could make," Paul Cantrell, associate dean of men and committee member, said.

Under the proposal "anything that will bring the heat of the students and the state of Tennessee will not be quoted," Carter said.

"You can quote me on anything I say. If you can't stand the heat you should get out of the kitchen," he warned.

Carter said some members of the committee feared being misquoted but that potential problem could be solved by making two recordings of the meeting.

He said Sidelines could make a recording and the committee could make one.

"I can't see why anyone would be afraid to put their name beside their vote," Carter said.

He said he understood that com-

mittee members have the right to "protect their own rights" but was disappointed that Sidelines was not allowed unlimited access to the meetings.

Marchesoni said, "I had hoped the committee would allow Sidelines to be represented so that the students, faculty and administrators would be completely aware of the committee's proceedings."

Subcommittee A chairman Donald Chambers will make a report on off-campus rights, freedom responsibilities and rules and regulations at the next committee meeting on Oct. 30.

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Committee cuts general ed hours

In a 7-5 vote, the general education committee last night decided to cut its proposal for required courses to 38 hours.

Acting upon President M.G. Scarlett's recommendation that the proposed total of 46 hours be reduced, the committee trimmed the science requirements from 12 hours to eight and cut nine hours from the optional "division B" courses in each area.

The proposal will be studied by a subcommittee and sent to Scarlett. According to the committee's plan, "division A" consists of required courses, while "division B" offers the student several optional choices.

The proposal approved last night eliminated division B courses under natural science and mathematics. No other courses were eliminated.

In the third area, man's social inheritance and social responsibilities, political science 300 and 221 were dropped from division A, being replaced by Tennessee history.

The five areas of the committee's proposal and the number of hours in each are health, physical development and recreation, four hours; natural science and mathematics, eight hours; man's social inheritance and social responsibilities, nine hours; man's creations, insights and appreciations, eight hours; and the analysis, organization and communication of ideas, nine hours.

Court case challenges ASB validity

by Gina Jeter

A case is scheduled to be heard by the ASB Supreme Court tomorrow that could result in the court's declaring the present Associated Student Body government invalid.

David Bragg, a graduate student and director of residence hall programming, said yesterday he is sponsoring the suit in an effort to obtain graduate class representation that is outlined in the ASB Constitution.

"I am acting only as a student interested in the constitutional process and in insuring every student equal representation," Bragg said.

Last week the supreme court in-

validated the special election of four juniors and one graduate student to the ASB Senate. In its written decision, the court stated, "There is no provision in the constitution for a special election. . ."

However, section two of article four in the ASB Constitution states that the senate shall have five junior and two graduate senators, Bragg said.

"If the reasoning of the court in last week's decision is carried to the extreme," he said, "then the senate cannot exist now or the senate cannot exist until March when an election can be held under the existing constitution."

The constitution also states that the ASB shall be divided into three distinct branches--legislative, executive and judicial, Bragg said.

"Therefore, without one branch, the other two become unable to function," Bragg explained, "If there is no legislative branch, the executive branch cannot carry anything out and the courts cannot rule."

"I admit this is absurd, but to me it's absurd that the court would interpret the constitution so narrowly," Bragg said. "Someone is going to have to pass more amendments or rewrite the constitution."

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Surprise!

Lisa Davis flashes an expression of surprise during last week's MTSU production of "Godspell." For a review of the show, see page nine.

Photos by Larry Robinson

America suffers from grave economic trouble - - Blanton

by Bill Mason

America is in grave economic trouble, and a major change is needed in present policies, Democratic gubernatorial nominee Ray Blanton said Saturday night.

Blanton addressed a gathering of Rutherford County Democrats at a fund-raising dinner at Central Middle School. U.S. Rep. Joe L. Evins and Public Service Commissioner Z.D. Atkins also spoke to the group.

"Today we have spiraling inflation, bankruptcies have skyrocketed and profits of the big corporate monopolies have grown 300 per cent per year," Blanton said.

"Working people are the people who provide revenue to run

the country," he pointed out. "If we push them to bankruptcy, we have killed the goose that lays the golden egg."

Higher education in Tennessee needs strengthening, Blanton said.

"We want to put vocational education in every high school in Tennessee to teach skills to people who don't want to continue in higher education," he said.

"If we want to attract industry to Tennessee, we must have sound, qualified people to fill the jobs," Blanton said.

Blanton proposed party registration and an earlier party primary and runoff as methods to reform political campaigns in the state.

"Lack of interest" led to the downfall of other great nations in the world, and the United States "can't let that happen here," Blanton said.

"We need to create interest in our political system," he said, "but we don't want to be used as a spare tire just because of disillusionment with the Republicans."

Blanton warned the local Democrats against being "misled by a smear campaign or slick selling job" conducted by the Lamar Alexander campaign.

"When I hold up my hand to take the oath of office, that is the day that every Tennessean becomes a first class citizen," Blanton promised.

Atkins said Tennesseans allowed "the worst political accident that's

ever happened" to take place four years ago when Winfield Dunn became the first Republican governor in over 50 years.

Atkins charged his opponent, Jane Hardaway, with conducting a smear campaign but said her "tactics will not fool the people" of the state.

"I have been on the Commission for 10 years, and I understand it and I understand people" he said.

Atkins called Hardaway's promise to lower electric rates in Tennessee "unrealistic."

"The Public Service Commission doesn't regulate TVA, and I seriously doubt that she (Hardaway) can persuade Congress to turn TVA over to the PSC," he said.

Court 'screwed up' - - Bragg

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The court can only revoke the precedent of strict interpretation set in last week's decision and give the elected senators their seats, Bragg said, or "invalidate themselves."

"In this case, the supreme court screwed itself up," he charged.

According to the current supreme court, the intent of the constitution is not important," Bragg said, "only what it specifically states."

"According to the spirit of the constitution, we should have full representation in the ASB," Bragg said.

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Democrats to blame for slow progress - - Alexander

A Democratic legislature rather than the Gov. Winfield Dunn administration is responsible for any problems which occurred in the past four years, Republican gubernatorial nominee Lamar Alexander said recently.

Alexander appeared in Murfreesboro Thursday to open his local campaign headquarters and address a meeting of the Kiwanis Club. He is opposed by Democratic nominee Ray Blanton in the Nov. 5 general election.

Progress in such areas as special education, mental health, kindergarten improvements and qualifications of state personnel are indications of the need for four

more years of Republican administration, Alexander said.

Alexander said he opposes the merger of UT-Nashville and Tennessee State University.

"Both of these universities have a unique role to play in the state, and these roles should be preserved," he said. TSU should receive more state support than it has in the past, he added.

Alexander said existing air and water pollution laws and strip mine regulations are adequate to protect the Tennessee environment.

"I believe Tennessee's pollution control laws provide a sound basis

for continued effort to insure sound economic development as well as clean water, clean air and a clean landscape," he pointed out.

"If we are truly to improve the quality of life in this state, we must make sure that economic expansion is not brought about at the expense of clean air and water," he said.

Alexander said Tennesseans should take advantage of technical and vocational training now available to them.

More than 80 per cent of available jobs require vocational training, and vocational schools attract new industry by supplying available manpower, he said.

Alexander said Blanton will not debate him on important issues and charged that Blanton is not running an open campaign.

He denied that he is running a "smear campaign" by alleging that Blanton workers planned to sabotage Sen. Howard Baker's campaign train in 1972.

Alexander said he refused to use the allegations as a campaign issue when he first heard about them. He said no one in his campaign had any part in the publicizing of the charges.

The Republican candidate predicted victory "because the people want to choose the most qualified candidate."

'Senators' react to court ruling

by Michael Gigandet

Five newly elected senators found themselves "invalidated" out of a job last week when the ASB Supreme Court ruled in "Mason and Strong ASB" that the special elections were not constitutional.

These people are so sneaky. They make it hard for any people to get involved. They really do not want people to get involved with the ASB," Rick Figari, the invalidated graduate senator, said.

"It is atrocious. It just beats my imagination why they would rule on something like this," he said.

Figari said he was "pretty sure" that the results of the election

influenced the ruling and that his "seat is being taken away" because the right people were not elected.

"They might as well just appoint the people. Actually this is just like a banana republic," he said.

Figari said that denying him his seat in the senate would make the international students who elected him "sour."

Paul Ethridge, invalidated junior senator, said, "By not having five junior senators, that is unconstitutional."

He said the representation of the junior class should take precedence over the date of the election.

Representation of the junior class should be the first priority of the ASB, Vicki Hunter said.

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Newspapers neglect issues for personalities, editor says

by Michael Gigandet

Watergate has caused the press to become more interested in reporting on personalities than issues, Robert McCord, Sigma Delta Chi National Secretary, said at the campus chapter installation banquet Friday night.

McCord said the press came through the crisis in "fine style" due to the work of a small group of journalists who made Watergate "the finest hour of American journalism."

A long time member of the professional journalism society, and executive editor of the Arkansas Democrat, McCord said there have been some "warts and bumps" along the Watergate route.

"I think the Washington press corps was radicalized by the Nixon Administration," he said. Some reporters became "personalized



Tennessean reporter Frank Sutherland (right) discusses press criticism with Secretary Robert McCord and MTSU President M.G. Scarlett

and made subjective decisions," he added.

Another wart, the secretary said, was reporting more on personalities than issues because it was easier.

McCord said a third wart was the use of too many unidentified

sources or "blind sourcing."

"It (blind sourcing) made us lose a little of our credibility. We shouldn't do so much of it," he pointed out.

McCord said the press was so "wrapped up" in Gerald Ford when

he became president that it forgot its natural skepticism.

"We should not be that involved that we lose that skepticism. We are too concerned about the person Gerald Ford and forget his record," he warned.

Another example of the press becoming more involved with personalities is the recent Wilbur Mills scandal, he said.

Congressman Wilbur Mills, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, is involved in a scandal revolving around a late night Washington drive and a go-go girl.

McCord, one of Mill's constituents, said the incident would not be "fatal" to Mill's reelection effort against Republican Judy Petty, but he would be hurt.

The most damaging aspect of the incident was the "coverup," he said. "As far as we know he hasn't broken any laws, he added.

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Salib questions reasons for dismissal

by Gina Jeter

Asserting that a state law forbidding permanent employment of aliens was instrumental in his dismissal, an assistant professor of economics has questioned MTSU's denying him tenure.

"I don't think it would be difficult to prove that the law was the reason," Anis Salib, said last week. The law, Tennessee Code Annotated 49-1303, has been declared unconstitutional by the state attorney general's office "insofar as it relates to employees in public higher education."

Salib said he has contacted the Professional Rights and Responsibilities Committee of the Tennessee Education Association, which is now considering his case.

Salib said he questions his dismissal because his former department chairman Hans Mueller, who is on leave in Brazil, recommended him for tenure and promotion.

The late Dean Firman Cunningham also said he would recommend tenure upon Salib's qualifying for PhD candidacy, the assistant pro-

fessor said.

Salib said he qualified for PhD candidacy at Vanderbilt University in Nashville after Cunningham's death and is now writing his dissertation.

However, both Mueller and Alex Simon, dean of the school of business and economics, at one time informed him the state law would prohibit his obtaining tenure, Salib said. He is an Egyptian citizen although a "permanent resident" in the United States.

To allow Salib time to gain citizenship, the Faculty Senate recommended last March to President M.G. Scarlett that the probationary limit after which a teacher must be granted tenure or released be extended in Salib's case.

"It was surprising to me he (Scarlett) did not think an exception was just in my case because of the strong recommendations from my chairman and the Faculty Senate,"

Simon would not discuss his reasons for terminating Salib.

"The faculty relationship with the administration is nobody's

business," Simon said. "I'll not verify anything or deny anything."

However, Scarlett said "there is no mention of the law in any of my papers. My files give no indication this was a factor (in Salib's dismissal)."

"The opinion of our legal counsel was that the law was unconstitutional based on his conversations with personnel in the attorney general's office," Scarlett said.

"The recommendation from the school dean and the academic vice president was that his performance here did not warrant that we request an exception," he said.

Pollutants class set

A new chemistry course designed to train students in detecting chemical pollutants will be offered this spring.

According to Gale Clark, instructor of the Detection of Chemical Pollutants course, the class is designed to fit in with environmental science and technology major.



Photo by Alan Loveless

Sigma's serenade

Members of Sigma Chi fraternity form a giant Maltese Cross during a traditional ceremony Thursday night at Cummings hall. After singing "The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi," the fraternity president awarded a bouquet of roses to their new sweetheart, Nashville junior Lynda Ratterman. Sigma Chi is one of 12 fraternities associated with MTSU.

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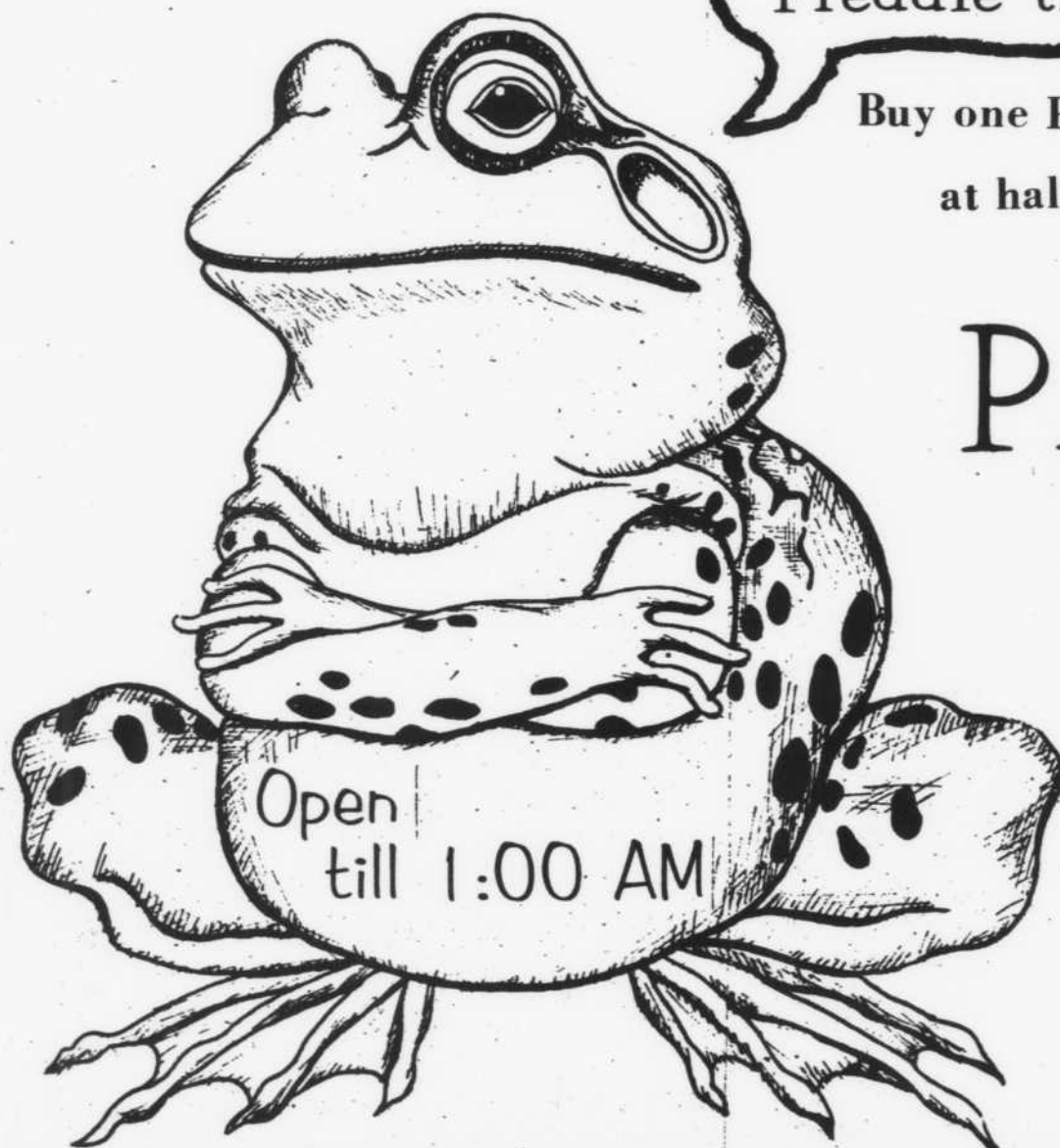
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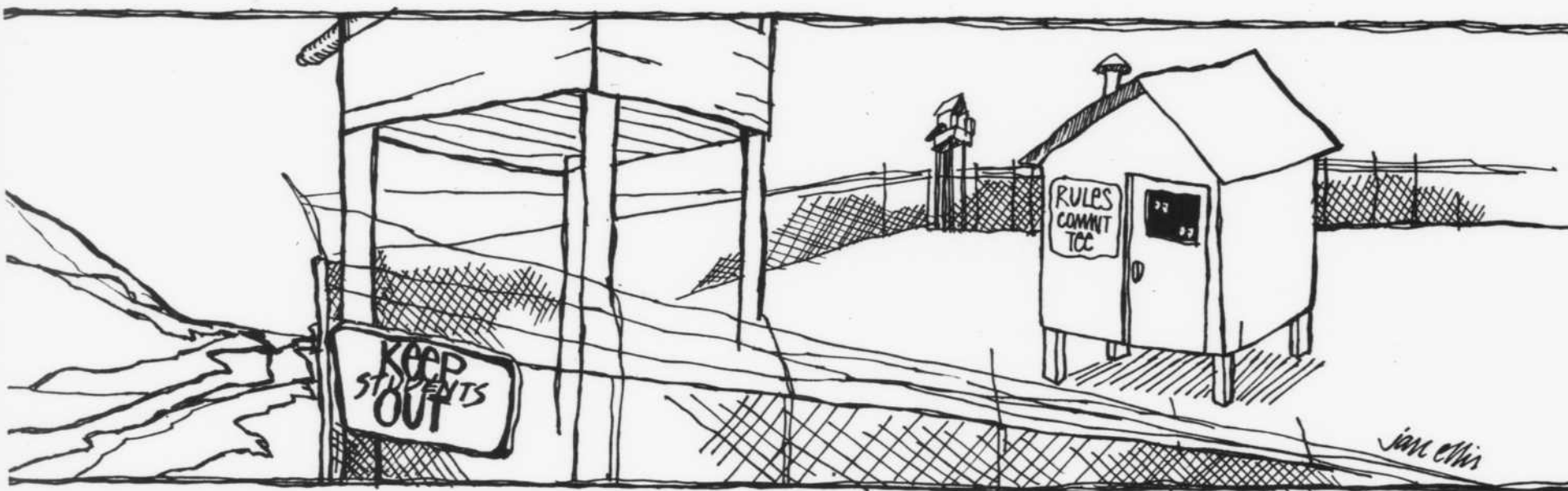


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Students have right to know

The All-Campus Rules Committee has voted to allow Sidelines' reporters to cover its meetings only under the promise that a member's words cannot be printed without his permission.

Even worse than denying full freedom of the press, the committee's action violates the people's right to know.

The rules committee examines and evaluates regulations touching every area of student life. The students have a right to know not only what rules they must follow, but why they must follow them.

What kind of people are on this committee employing logic so twisted that it cannot be understood? What kind of people are allowing their opinions to influence the rules by which others must live yet are too weak to be identified with the views they express?

Several committee members expressed concern that Sidelines might quote them inaccurately. However, those same committee members have refused Sidelines' offer to use a tape recorder--an offer making misquotes or other distortions of facts impossible.

Two committee members--one student and one faculty member--said they would be inhibited at the meetings just knowing their words could be printed for all to know. Their weakness forced others to vote as they did so that the committee in turn would not be hampered in its deliberations.

It is not the presence of Sidelines that would inhibit the committee's operations; it is the presence of those spineless members.

We demand that the two cowardly members step down if they have the students' best interests at heart. If they refuse, we demand the committee itself recommend to President M. G. Scarlett that those members be removed.

Students, if you too believe you have the right to know, we urge you make the same demands. Write committee chairman Fred Kittrell at Box 35 and Sidelines at Box 42.

Feedback

Professor does favor for county

Thank you Mr. Pitts, Mr. McElroy, and most of all, Mr. McMurray for helping to share and preserve Brown's Mill.

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By the way, try a hot Jack Frost biscuit with honey and butter. You'll do yourself a favor while Dan McMurray does one for Rutherford County.

Phil Stephens
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Traffic court stands up for students

I read with some interest (but not surprise) this statement concerning the ASB courts that was attributed to Dean Robert LaLance, "When a conflict in the testimony of a student and an administrator (including campus police) occurs, the benefit of doubt must be awarded to the administrator..." (Editor's note: LaLance denied the statement in last Tuesday's Sidelines.)

As a member of the traffic court, I am in direct conflict with this statement. In my opinion (and the justices echo similar sentiments), the purpose of the ASB Traffic Court is - - and has been - - to give a fair shake to those students who do not have the "honor" of having a good friend like Chief Matthew Royal or some other official.

It has been court policy to void traffic tickets for any student (and sometimes even administrators and staff) who presented a reasonable excuse for having violated the letter of campus law. What I'm trying to say is that we consider the law as a guide to less confusion and not a straight-jacket for student

prosecution.

However, last fall the administration took the first step in curbing our "free swingin' style" (as one security person called it). The traffic court justices were (and still are) required to state the reason for voting to void a ticket.

Something like the accounting office was mentioned as the reason. In private, "don't quote me" conversations, some of the administrative staff felt--as do the justices--that this was a first step toward a quota system, i.e., "you can only void a certain number of tickets this session."

So far at least, the ASB Traffic Court is not a Kangaroo Court. If it becomes one, those now connected with the court will be long gone. As your editorial stated, "something is seriously wrong" with our campus and university, and only if the students - - all of them - - get off their collective lead butts and let their indignation be known to parents and administrators will we have a university worthy of the name.

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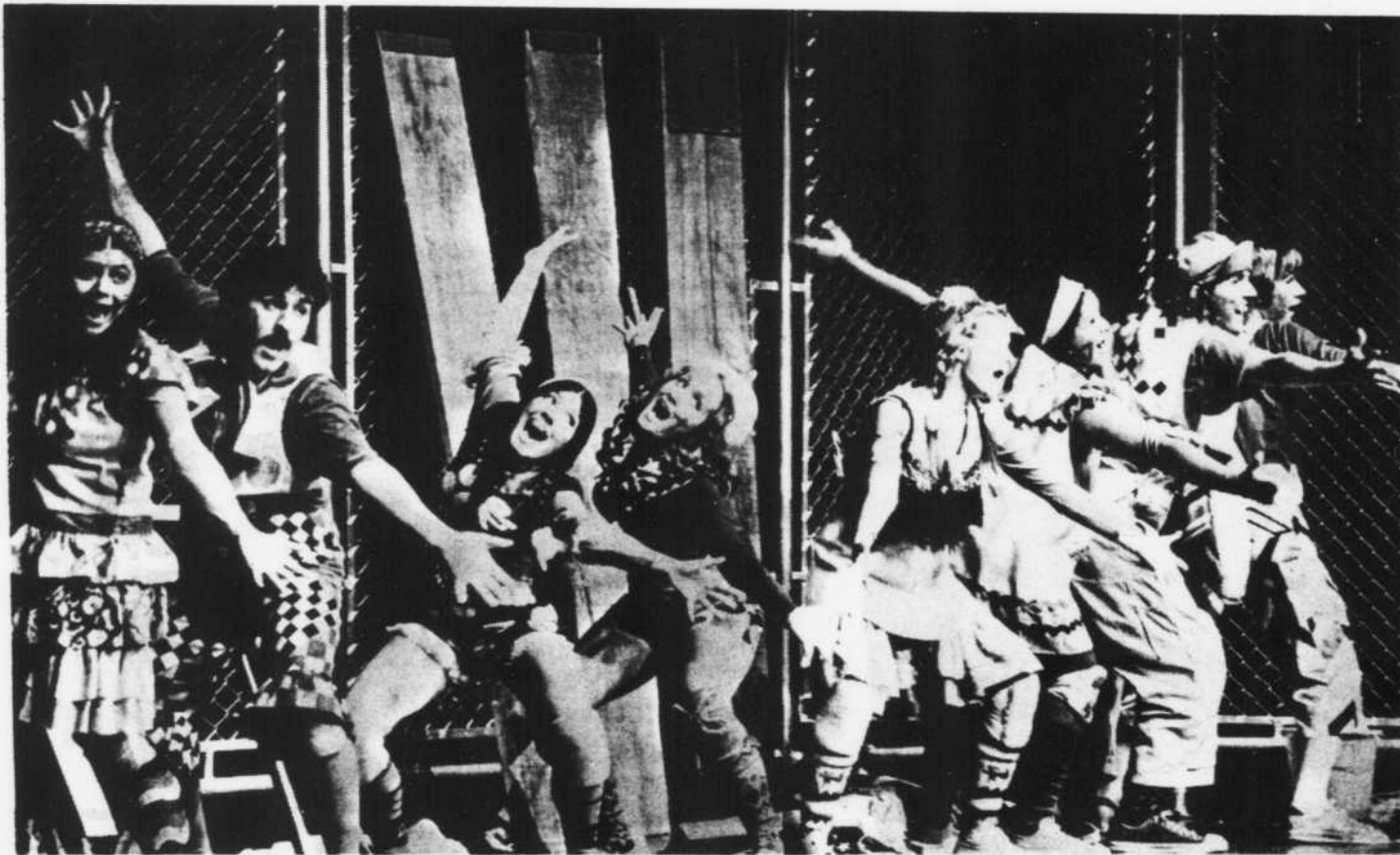
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'Godspell' -- a new musical look at an old, familiar story



Photos by Larry Robinson



by John Pitts

"Godspell," MTSU theater's fall musical, helps prove that not all religious musicals are created equal.

The Dramatic Arts Auditorium was filled five nights in a row including a special show Wednesday for local high school students, for the entertaining and original look at the New Testament book of Matthew.

The happiness with which the ten-member cast performed was the most impressive feature of the show. The fact that the show had been in rehearsal for many weeks was overshadowed by the exuberance displayed by the actors.

Reduced to its simplest terms, "Godspell" was presented in two acts--the first act dealt with the coming of Jesus and his disciples. The second act depicted Christ's last days before his crucifixion.

A playground-type setting provided the actors with a multitude of small areas on which to per-



form and numerous props.

The five-member stage band was located on a well-built platform behind the playground fence.

The play began with speeches from actors representing some of the world's great thinkers--Socrates, Martin Luther, Buckminster Fuller and others. The speeches grew in loudness, ran together and finally became a tirade of screams.

The dissonance was shattered by the call to "Prepare ye the way of the Lord," and the show was under way.

The first act was a sort of carnival of parables as Jim Howard, in his role as Christ, taught the nine disciples lessons through the use of songs, charades, games and classic one-liners. The pace of the first act was fast and at times almost chaotic.

Act two almost immediately became serious, turning to the well-known tale of Christ's last days. An important point in the



show is that unlike some other religious plays, the actual trial and crucifixion was not heavily dwelt upon.

The cast did a tremendous job with their parts. Jud Burroughs and Howard seem well-adjusted within the confines of their major roles. Craig Collier, Vernon Cox and Kirk Whiteside were effective in their parts, which included a song and several "bit" gags.

Female roles were also well cast and executed. Karla Pate and Bobbie Ambrose displayed great singing ability while Mary Jane Chrismon, Ruth Hawes and Lisa David handled their parts with class.

"Godspell" did not purport to show reality. It was exactly what it seemed--a group of students acting out the parables.

In the technical department, the show is great. Lights, costumes, props and scenery all add to the show's effectiveness.

Music is the key to the show.



Lee Garner is one of the most proficient guitar players in this area, if his performance in the show was a good reflection of his ability. The members of the band do a good job of playing behind the vocalists, and were impressive when allowed a chance to turn loose.

The fine directing in the department was never as obvious as in this show. Dorethe Tucker, along with choreographer Jan Allred, did a good job of allowing the individual talents in the show freedom without destroying the organization on stage.

The beauty of "Godspell" is that it can be appreciated for its musical qualities, apart from the story it tells. The reason it should be considered as one of the best religious plays around is that it approaches religion in the way it should be approached--in a fresh, lively manner, rather than the cut-and-dried, hell-fire and damnation presentations of yesteryear.

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MTSU not to use 4-day week

by Paul Rebmann

A proposal to shorten school weeks to four days to reduce energy consumption will not affect MTSU, according to Howard Kirksey, vice-president for academic affairs.

Kirksey said that the university system cannot be cut back as can local school systems.

The university must heat dorms at night and on weekends, Kirksey explained. He pointed out that many classes are held on Saturdays, which also requires that buildings be heated.

Kirksey said a four-day week would be almost impossible to instigate. Classes must meet a certain number of hours a week, and it is difficult enough to schedule all the classes in five days, much less four, he said.

Kirksey also said that it would require a "catastrophe" for MTSU to run out of heating fuel.

The university uses natural gas for heating, and can use coal and oil when gas is not available, he explained.

Tanks installed behind the business building last spring now hold a reserve supply of oil which would last through the longest foreseeable gas shortage or cold

spell, Kirksey pointed out.

The proposal to create four-day-week school schedules with longer days is an option which, if approved by the state board of education, will be put into effect at the decision of each local school board.

The proposal will be considered by the state board of education on November 8. If approved, the option would go into effect on November 15.

However, the plan will be used only if a prolonged coal miners strike occurs, according to Wayne Myers, assistant state commissioner of education.

Students raise funds for storm victims

Members of the Middle Tennessee Christian Center collected \$487 at roadblocks at four intersections in Murfreesboro last Tuesday.

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Band battle to open homecoming '74

A "Battle of Bluegrass" will kick off Homecoming week at 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Rutherford County Agriculture Center on Old Fort Street.

The contest is open to all students, faculty members and administrative workers, ASB House Speaker Karen Butner said yesterday.

Bands are limited to five members.

Admission will be 50 cents a person, she added.

"Every band member who will perform must be registered at MTSU," Butner said.

Broadcast reaches out to handicapped

by Joe Collier

"I think I am reaching many of the students with my broadcast, but even if there was only one or two listening, I would still think what I am doing is worthwhile," Betty Smith, mass communications graduate assistant, said recently.

Smith is the operator of the new radio service for print handicapped students here on campus.

The program, started by the learning resources center, features broadcasts from 4 to 8 p.m. five days a week. Smith's broadcasting schedule usually includes reading excerpts from a requested novel, reading news-

paper articles and telling news from the Sidelines.

"We're trying to help the print handicapped student to have as nearly a normal college experience as we can," Smith said.

However, few print handicapped students have called in to request special readings, according to Smith.

"During the first hour and a half of my broadcast," Smith explains, "I plug into the WPLN radio station which has a special service program for the print handicapped students."

"Then after the first hour and a half, I start my reading of news articles and requested material

(if any)," she continued.

After each article music is interjected to give the students a break from the reading, Smith said.

Smith, a Nashville native, said she got the broadcasting job by answering an ad during the early part of this semester.

She completed her undergraduate work in English here, and has taught English and French in Hartsville, Tenn. to seventh through twelfth grade students.

Persons interested in working as readers with the special print handicapped programs should contact Smith at the learning resources center in the library.

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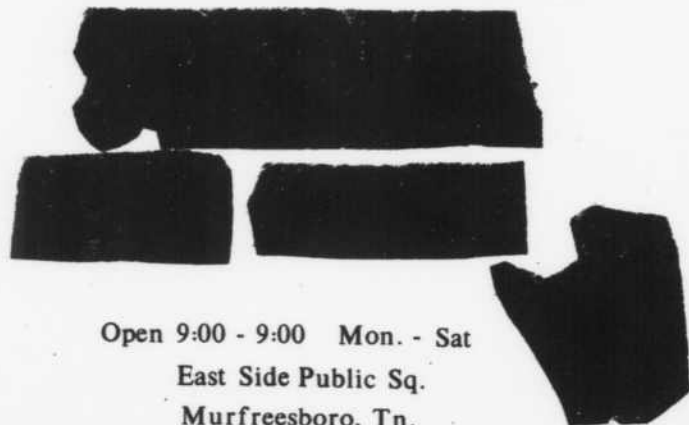
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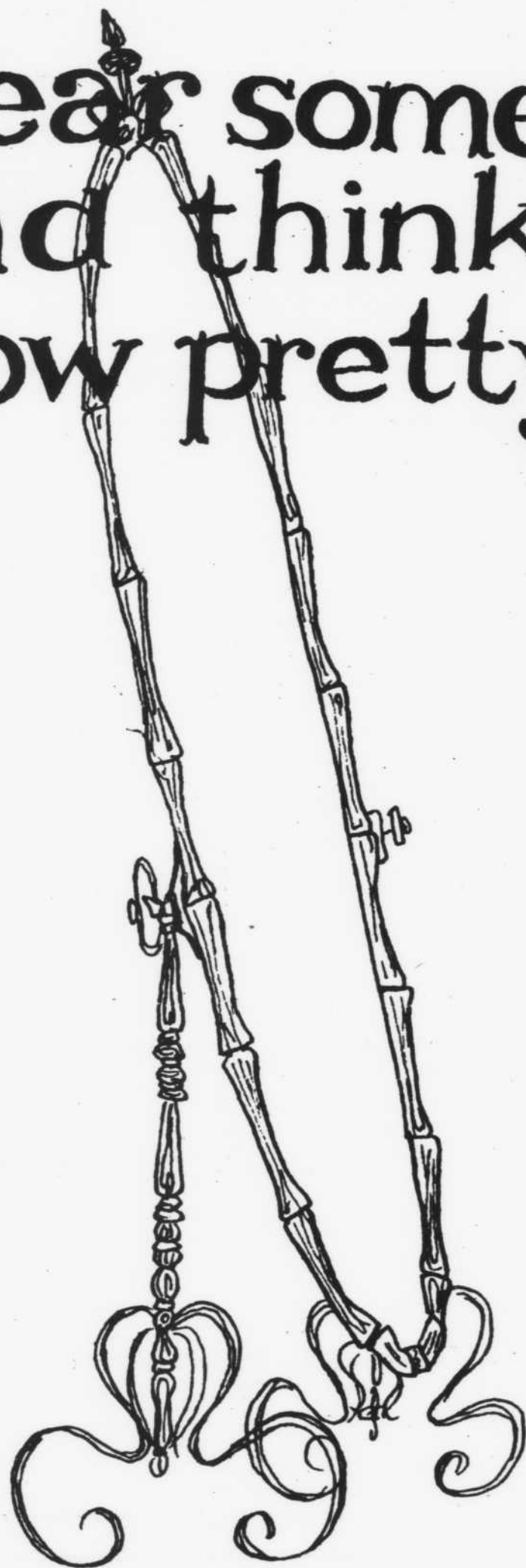
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File 13

Residence hall programming will sponsor a tutorial service at 8 tonight in the UC room 306. Anyone who needs tutoring or is willing to tutor should attend.

Freshman cheerleading tryouts will be held at 3 p.m. today at the Murphy Center track.

Students interested in officiating women's volleyball will meet at 6:15 tonight at the Intramural Office, AM Gym room 205.

The Black Students Association choir will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in UC room 324. Deadline for membership this semester is Oct. 30.

The MTSU Planning Society will sponsor an organizational meeting at 6:30 tonight at Nottingham Apartments' party room.

Vanderbilt University Concert Committee will present The New Riders of the Purple Sage and Dr. John at 8 p.m. Friday in Vanderbilt Memorial Gymnasium. Tickets are \$3.

"Supertime Special" will sponsor a concert at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Grill. Anyone who has a public address system for rent should contact David Bragg at 2782.

Anyone who has books or articles written by a faculty member should contact Susan Hayes at Box 13 about a library display of the works.

The cheerleaders will sponsor a pep rally at 12 noon Thursday at the UC Grill.

Meat shortage? Food stamps might help

by Gina Jeter

If you haven't eaten meat in over a month and you're not even a vegetarian, reach out for a helping hand.

Ask not what you can do for your country, but what your country can do for you. The answer might be food stamps.

"We are certainly glad to help any student who is eligible," Melinda Caudle, supervisor of Rutherford County's food stamp program, said recently. "It's re-

freshing to think we can help them (students) make it through school."

Participants in the food stamp program pay a sum of money based on family size and net family income and receive a larger value of stamps in return. The stamps can be spent like money in most food stores.

To be eligible, single persons may not have a net monthly income exceeding \$194; a family of two, \$273; a family of three, \$393; and a family of four, \$500, according to program literature.

"When we talk of income, we consider GI benefits, scholarships and money from student's parents—not just earned income," Caudle said.

The program supervisor said married students who are still considered "dependents" on their parents' income tax forms might qualify for food stamps.

"Whether students are tax dependents of parents or not has no effect on their eligibility," Caudle said. "The federal program was initially written that way, but it was

ruled unconstitutional," she added.

College registration fees and the cost of books can be deducted from a student's gross income as an "educational expense," Caudle said.

"We consider tuition and books as educational payment," she said. "we would count it as income but also deduct it as an expense, so in the long run, it will cancel out."

Other expenses that may be deducted from one's gross income to figure the monthly net income according to program literature are: required income deductions such as withholding or Social Security taxes; medical costs when more than \$10 a month; child care court-ordered support and alimony; and rent, utilities or mortgage payments (but not on a dollar-per-dollar basis).

Also to be eligible, a family's savings may not exceed \$1,500, the literature states. However, other resources such as a car, home or life insurance policy are not considered in determining food stamp eligibility.

Men's dorms to vie for display prizes

Men's dorms may compete with each other for the best homecoming yard displays, Men's Residence Hall Programming Director David Bragg said last week.

A first place prize of \$35 and a plaque will be awarded to the winning dorm, Bragg said.

"We are hoping to encourage competition between halls and to make the campus more attractive during homecoming week," he said.

"We can show the alumni who will be returning for homecoming there is still a place for campus spirit," Bragg said.

Displays must be completed by noon Friday and will be judged that afternoon.

Halls can begin working on the displays this week, Bragg said. Money from each hall's budget can be used for display materials.

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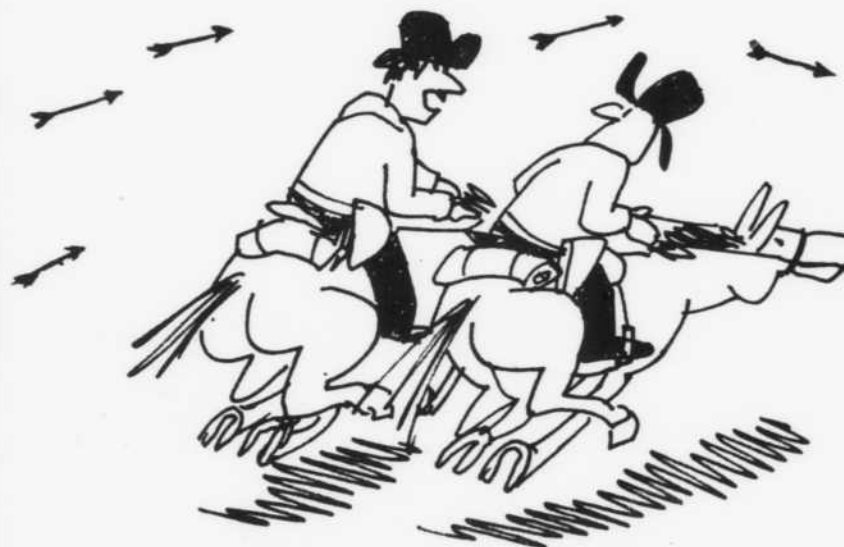
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SIDELINES SPORTS

MTSU falls victim to Murray

Raiders fumble away 3rd straight, 14-12

by Duncan Regen

Once again fumbles and intercepted passes spelled doom for the Blue Raiders as Murray State University handed MTSU its fourth loss of the 1974 season 14-12 at Roy Stewart Stadium Saturday night.

Middle Tennessee's first possession looked very promising with Dwaine Copeland, Rick Steadman, and Freddie Rohrdanz moving for two quick first downs. However, one of those now famous fumbled pitchouts by the Raiders gave the ball to the Murray inside Blue Raider territory.

After a scoreless first quarter, Murray put seven points on the scoreboard on a two yard run by Racer halfback Don Clayton with 6:12 left in the first half.

The Racers added another touchdown in the third quarter when Bill Lee recovered a Clayton fumble in MTSU's endzone for the second Murray touchdown.

The Blue Raider offense, which



Dwaine Copeland

stumbled through the first three quarters, finally started to look effective in the fourth quarter when they chalked up two late touchdowns.

The first Raider score came on a two yard run by Raider halfback Rick Steadman. For the first time this year, placement artist Archie Arrington failed to convert, and MTSU trailed Murray 14-6.

The second Blue Raider touchdown was set up when the Raiders

put a big rush on the Murray punter, tackling the kicker on the Racer 31-yard line with just 3:11 left in the game. On the next play Rohrdanz hit Bobby Joe Easter on a 31-yard pass play to make the score 14-12 in favor of Murray.

The Blue Raiders then tried a two point conversion only to have Rohrdanz's pass to tight end Ed Skinner go incomplete.

Offensively Dwaine Copeland was the only bright spot for the Blue Raiders. Copeland gained 129 yards in 25 carries. Except for the one touchdown pass to Easter, the Raider passing attack was generally inept.

Defensively, the Blue Raiders were led once again by Melvin Boyd. Boyd for the night had ten individual tackles and four assists.

Blue Raider punter Mike Shawen

averaged 44.5 yards a kick on four punts.

The loss moves Middle Tennessee's seasonal record to 2-4 overall and 1-2 in the OVC.

The Blue Raiders next game is Saturday when they play host to Austin Peay State University for homecoming.

OVC Standings

	W	L
Eastern Ky.	3	0
Tenn. Tech.	2	0
Western Ky.	2	1
Murray	2	1
APSU	1	2
MTSU	1	2
ETSU	0	2
Morehead	0	3

Raiderettes place at ETSU tourney

by Scott Elliott

MTSU's Raiderette volleyball team won four games in the East Tennessee State University Invitational tournament last weekend to capture second place in division C behind the play of Lynn Burklow.

The Raiderettes, coached by Sue Huffman, knocked off Milligan College in straight games 15-0, 15-2 in their opening match.

It took Huffman's squad three games to dispose of Marshall 15-8, 12-14 and 13-11.

The lady Raiders then squared off with ETSU for the divisional crown but went down in consecutive contests 14-16, 4-15.

In the consolation match, the Raiderettes again took it on the nose 6-15, 13-15 at the hands of Auburn University.

"We have nothing to be ashamed of," said Huffman. "It took the best effort of every member of the team right down through the trainers and managers to get as far as we did."

"We've got the winning fever for the rest of the season," she added.

Burklow was the standout for Huffman's bunch, according to the Raiderette coach, and was chosen as a member of the all-tournament team.

"We are very proud of Lynn," Huffman said. "She played superbly throughout the tournament."

The Raiderettes' next match is at 6 tonight with the University of the South at Alumni Memorial Gymnasium.

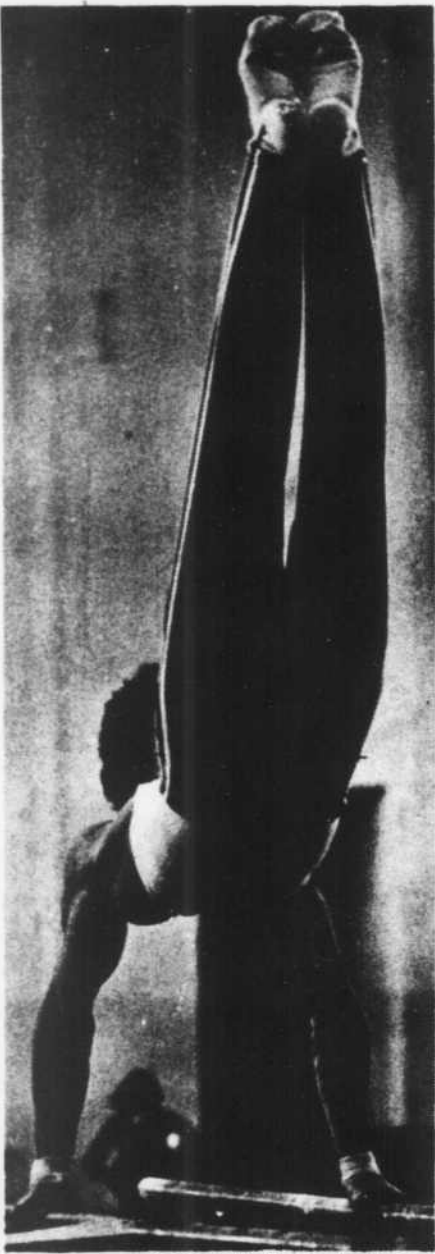
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A member of the UT-Martin men's gymnastics team (left) demonstrates a maneuver on the parallel bars during the Tennessee Gymnastics Association clinic held at Alumni Memorial Gymnasium here Saturday. Another participant in the meet (above) strains to keep his position on the bars.

MTSU hosts gymnastic clinic

What is it that has 300 people of all ages tumbling, spinning and flying through the air with the greatest of ease?

It's a gymnastic clinic like the one held here in Alumni Memorial Gymnasium last Saturday.

The clinic was sponsored by the MTSU Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department in cooperation with the Tennessee Gymnastic Association.

A \$3.00 admission fee included a one year membership in the T.G.A., and the opportunity to participate in clinics in every area of competitive gymnastics.

The different areas included men's parallel bars, high bar,

still rings, floor exercise, and sidehorse while women worked with the uneven bars, balance beam and trampoline.

All lectures and demonstrations were aimed at a novice, beginner intermediate and advanced gymnasts on all events.

Dan Garcia of Gymnastics U. S. A. gave an extensive lecture and demonstration on spotting techniques.

The organizations participating in the clinic were Gymnastics U. S. A., World of Gymnastics, MTSU, U.T. Martin, Iron Horse Gymnastics Club and Memphis State.

Bisons stampede harriers 23-32

by Tom Wood

The Blue Raider cross-country team ended its dual season Saturday with a 23-32 defeat to David Lipscomb College, as the Bisons' Lester Farrel set a new course record on the five-mile Percy Warner Park course in Nashville.

Farrel finished with a 25:37 clocking followed by teammate Kelly Herring at 25:52.

Ed Morris finished first for MTSU and third overall with a time of 26:04. Fourth place was taken by the Raiders' James Key at 26:15, 11 seconds off of Morris' pace.

Freshman Terry Hoover finished sixth for the Raiders, clocking

in at 26:47.

The loss evened the MTSU harriers' dual meet record at 2-2 while the victory upped the Bisons' record to 5-1 in the college division.

The Raiders travel back to Nashville this weekend to participate in the Tennessee Intercollegiate Conference meet along with the University of Tennessee, East Tennessee, Austin Peay, Tennessee Tech, Memphis State and others.

David Lipscomb will host the meet scheduled to get underway at 11 a.m., and college and university division competition are planned.

IM flag football starts with 46 teams

by Mark Barebo

Intramural flag football began yesterday with 46 teams in the competition. In the fraternity division, 12 teams are registered in leagues A and B. There are 16 campus-affiliated teams in leagues C, D, and E, with the independent division sporting 18 teams in the F, G, and H leagues.

Monday through Thursday games are played at 4 p.m., and Friday games are held at 3 p.m. All competition will take place at the old football practice field, the soccer field, and the girl's softball fields.

A new rule concerning intramural flag football has been put in to affect this season. The rule, designed to reduce injuries, will do away with all kickoffs and punting.

Joe Ruffner, head of the Intramural Department, said "most of the injuries occur on these plays (kicking and punting)."

This season, instead of kickoffs, a coin will be tossed. The winner of the toss will have the option to take the ball on the 20 yard line or go on the defense.

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