# Committee reveals cost of evaluation tops \$312,000

#### by Merry Lynn Starling

Findings of the Academic Affairs I Committee of the Faculty Senate released this week reveal that student evaluations of faculty for 75-77 have cost the university "approximately \$312,480.12," with this figure being a "conservative estimate."

The committee report also states that the committee has learned that there is "no money appropriated for the evaluation and that no one had a printed breakdown of all the costs for the entire program, its creation and the continued cost of its maintenance."

In addition to the published estimate, the report adds that "other costs of the program can never be totalled or even imagined," referring to professional time off.

Carlton added that one of the largest expenditures for the evaluation was for the Computer Center. The Faculty Senate report placed this expenditure at \$7,950 for the 75-77 evaluation.

Material alone for the evaluation, according to figures released from the office of vice president of Academic Affairs to the Faculty Senate, has cost approximately \$22,650, which covered "pencils, printing, rights to the student evaluation and the administrative, secretarial, and/or clerical help out of the main administrative offices during the two year period."

In response to these figures, Dr. Carlton, vice president of Academic Affairs, stated that although he has not yet seen the report, he has no way of knowing whether the estimate is accurate. He added that the committee is a Faculty Senate committee and not a university committee and therefore he has not worked directly with it.

In answer to the charge that there was not money appropriated



Dorm resident Kirby Jenkins engages in a dubious form of privacy in the early morning outside his dorm room.

Photo by Thom Coombes

### Energy problem is 'number one'

Describing the energy situation as the "number one" problem facing the country, Fourth District congressman Al Gore Jr., said Wednesday that the problem is complex because it has many aspects which cannot be solved exclusively.

"It's really all of these problems. The difficulty is if you solve one aspect, it may make another aspect more difficult to cope with," Gore explained.

Gore, on campus Wednesday addressing Dr. Patrick Doyle's energy seminar class, explained further that the industriousness of this nation had been built on plentiful and cheap supplies of energy.

Gore emphasized the need for the reduction of gas consumption but said he will not support a dramatic increase in the cost of gasoline per gallon. "Fifty per cent of all the oil used in the country goes for cars and trucks and a reduction in gas consumption is mandatory," Gore said.

There are three alternatives currently being studied by the administration to conserve energy, including an increase in the cost of gas per gallon, rationing and methods to increase the mileage of engines.

Gore said he would prefer a program which would tax fuel-inefficient cars and give consumers rebates on cars which offer economically efficient gas mileage. There is speculation by some congressmen that Carter's energy plan to be delivered on April 20 will include such a taxing proposal.

Also favoring the proposal for a

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for the evaluation, Dr. Carlton responded that while there was no "line item appropriation" in the budget, there were funds available in the budget. "There is no specific appropriation for the program, but there is money set aside in the budget," he said.

Carlton added that much of the money will come from various departments on campus, with each contributing monies from its budget set aside for the evaluation. "The money will come from many, many departments, not just from a single source."

Carlton noted that student evaluations are required by Board of Regents' policy for promotions and tenure, although the evaluations are not the sole basis for any action. "We never do anything based on a single evaluation. Rather, we follow-up the evaluation the next year and work with the faculty member individually." 88

Figures citing costs of last year's evaluation were not available at this time, although Carlton indicated he would make them available.

### Unification church viewed 'with great disfavor'

#### by Merry Lynn Starling

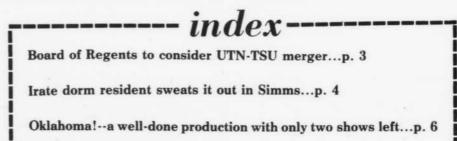
Although people are no longer deported for membership in questionable organizations, the Office of Immigration and Naturaliation in Memphis has informed Elizabeth Perez-Reilly, director of foreign and graduate admissions, that they look upon the Unification Church "with great disfavor."

Perez-Reilly added that while memberhip in the church is not a deportable offense, leaving school to work for the Unification Church is. Foreign students who leave school jeopardize their student status and face possible action by the Immigration Service, she said.

Concerning an earlier story labeling the Unification Church as "subversive" Perez-Reilly said, "I did not wish to allege that the Unification Church is an organization aimed at overthrowing the government of the United States. It is 'subversive' in that it aims to take over the minds of young people by deceitful and underhanded methods," she explained.

Perez-Reilly emphasized her earlier statement warning MTSU foreign students from becoming involved in any way with the Unification Church or persons claiming affiliation with them.

"I don't think many of the foreign students realize the seriousness of this," Perez-Reilly said earlier this week, adding that she intended to help them stay clear of "Moonies."



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## KIOSK

Don Waskom, vice-president of four State Farm Insurance companies, will conduct a forum on insurance fraud Tuesday, April 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the UC, room 322.

Entitled "When Is An Accident Not an Accident," the forum will elaborate on the public point of view as to how the insurance company handles a claim. The discussion will also center about court decisions, law enforcement and how the insurance concept first began.

The forum is sponsored by the MTSU Department of Speech and Theatre.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Mac Gayden, Nashville recording artist for ABC Dunhill, will perform at a benefit dance Tuesday, April 19, at 8 p.m. in Murphy Center, Dance Studio A.

The dance, sponsored by MTSU-



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SIMS, will benefit the Nashville Transcendental Meditation Center Advisory Council.

Tickets, which will be \$1, may be purchased at the door or from SIMS members.

The fifty-voice Trevecca Concert Choir of Trevecca Nazarene College in Nashville will be in concert at the First Church of the Nazarene, 1618 Hamilton Drive in Murfreesboro, Thursday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m.

The repertoire of the choir consists of sacred music from all periods, including anthems, hymn arrangements and gospel music. Several smaller groups are formed from the members of the choir, including "Maranatha" (an 8-voice mixed ensemble), "Triune" (a 3-voice male ensemble, a brass ensemble, and a handbell choir.

The Concert Choir is under the direction of James L. Jarrett, asst. professor of music at Trevecca for the past six years.

Admission is free.

Reservations for the ASB banquet are due today. Send them to ASB, Box 1.

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Models participated in a fashion show sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha Tuesday night in the Agriculture Building.

### Summer school schedule revised

The summer 1977 schedule of class sessions has been revised to accommodate persons whose summer plans have been delayed by late school closings.

Dr. Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions and records, said that those who have been affected most by late school closings are high school seniors who planned to enroll in summer school at the college level and high school teachers who take graduate work in the summer.

Registration for the first summer term will be held on June 18 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with June 21 as the last day for first term registration. Classes begin on June 20.

The last day for whole session registration is June 24, Gillespie said, with second term classes beginning on July 18. July 18 and 19 are also slotted for second term registration.

Final exams will begin on Aug. 10. Summer Convocation is scheduled for Aug. 12.



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## **Regents' board to consider** merger plan for UTN-TSU

A special committee of the State Board of Regents (SBR) will meet on April 18 to consider an implementation plan for the merger of Tennessee State University (TSU) and the University of Tennessee at Nashville (UTN).

The meeting of the Regents' Implementation Committee will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the central offices of the SBR located at 1161 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville,

The formulation of a plan by the SBR for the merger of TSU and UTN was ordered by Federal District Court Chief Judge Frank Gray in his February 28, 1977 desegregation judgement in the case of Grier v. Blanton. The merger is to be completed by July

### --Gore

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national home insulation program which would cut energy consumption by 40 to 50 percent, Gore said that such a program would also provide jobs for people to do the insulating work.

Gore also serves on a congressional subcommittee studying the development of solar energy and, thus, emphasized the need to develop alternative energy sources.

The representative described the development of solar energy as promising and said that the hold-up in solar energy use is an economic problem.

This year the government will spend \$400 million on solar energy development, but "more money must be spent on its development before we will get a real breakthrough," Gore added.

Gore said that one of the biggest advantages of solar energy is its environmental cleanness, which makes it a viable long range energy source.

### **Outstanding** seniors

### named for 76-77

Outstanding seniors for the 1976-77 school year were named yesterday.

The winners were: Leshia Batson, Jeff Combos, Buddy Creasman, Ted Helberg, Richard Langford, Randy Wakefield, Van West and John Whitley, Jr.

A university committee named the winners after ballots were received and tabulated during the spring semester.

The outstanding seniors will be honored and awarded at the annual banquet for the Associated Student Body Tuesday, April 19 at 7 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the Student Union Building.

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Proceeding in compliance with Judge Gray's order, the Regents at their March 4, 1977 regular meeting, authorized Chancellor Roy S. Nicks and the staff of the Board of Regents to begin developing a merger plan. Since that time, Chancellor Nicks and staff have been working on such a plan with the assistance of a six member TSU/UTN Advisory Committee established by the Court.

At the April 18 meeting, the Regents' Implementation Committee will review the proposed plan



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and hear discussions for the Advisory Committee. A recommended plan and its implementation will then be forwarded to the full Board at a later date for consideration and filing with the Court.

The members of the Board's Implementation Committee are: Mrs. Johnella H. Martin, Chairman (Nashville); Dr. C. C. Bond (Chattanooga); Mr. J. Frank Taylor (Huntingdon); and Mr. J. Howard Warf (Hohenwald)

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## Student bemoans life as 'rotisserie'

#### To the editor:

I am writing in hopes that someone who is in charge of the heating situation will read it. I live in Sims Hall, the Hyatt-Regency of the MTSU campus, and the heat is still on in all the rooms. I'm sure Sims is not the only dorm with this problem, but my question is: "When are they going to turn it off?" It has been 70 to 85 degrees all week long outdoors, and it has felt like 90 to 100 degrees inside the dorm. I have a big fan on in the room, with the windows and the door wide open, and it is still miserable.

I don't think it's very probable

that it's going to go below zero anytime soon. So would someone please turn off the heat. If you don't believe how hot it is, I'll be glad to let you stay overnight in my room. Tossing and turning at night because of the heat, I feel like I'm on a rotisserie.

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### MTSU debaters are congratulated

Editor's Note: Sidelines received a copy of the following letter sent to MTSU President M.G. Scarlett.

#### **Dear President Scarlett:**

As Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, I would like to congratulate the Middle Tennessee State University Debate Team on having received an invitation to the 1977 National Debate Tournament in Springfield Mo.

Because the topic for debate throughout the country this year. has been product safety, we at the Commission are encouraged by the interest that the debaters have shown in the subject and by the community interest as a result of these debates. Product safety is important to all of us and your school has helped to further the public consciousness in this area.

Being chosen as one of the top debate teams in the country is a credit to your students, to your faculty and to your school. Debate is an important tool for a student, and the honor of being part of a debate team that is one of the best in the country will make Middle Tennessee State University even more important in their lives.

Congratulations and best wishes for a continued successful 1977.

Sincerely, S. John Byington Chairman

## Intramural coach's words 'vulgar'

#### To the editor:

This past Tuesday afternoon, Schardt Hall faced Gracy Hall in a Women's Intramural football game. Gracy's head coach Tom Wright led his team to a victory over Schardt Hall--in points that is.

However, in the field of class, charisma, tact and simple sportsmanship, Wright lost, hands down.

Evidently, Wright forgot he was working with a group of young women and said things that shouldn't even be said in front of men, and if they were, a real man would snicker at his immaturity.

For example, on one play, one of the members of Wright's team jumped off-sides. Wright, whose team was enjoying a 12 point lead with minutes to go, immediately screamed at the top of his lungs, "You aggressive little b---h (pardon the language)!"

I don't know if the girl heard him say this, but if she did, I can't understand why she didn't retaliate.

On several other instances, Wright repeatedly used many vulgar words. Included among those were s--t, d--n, f--k and many others.

I feel these actions by Wright should not go unnoticed. After I questioned the official about Wright's so called "language," the official said, "We can't do anything about it. It is just his own personality." I feel there should be some kind of ruling of this matter. In this year's Intramural Basketball League, the officials had the power to assess a technical foul or to throw the person out of the game if he used vulgar language. The same kind of rule should apply here.

As for Wright, I feel someone should teach this person some respect for women (and others).

I must say that I feel sorry for the Gracy team.

**Jenny Tenpenny** 

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### HE MUST HAVE A LOT OF PERSONALITY ...

## Sorority clarifies dance cancellation

To the editor:

Zeta Phi Beta sorority wishes to clarify the cancellation of their dance. The dance which was publicized in **Sidelines** for April 14, 1977, at Murphy Center, Dance Studio A, was only tenatively scheduled with the administration. We had made no finalized plans.

Yet not known to us the information concerning the dance was publicized. We regret that there was a misunderstanding between the UC office and Sidelines.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

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Marriage and family counselor Albert Ellis elaborates in his lecture on "The Sensuous Person" Tuesday night in the LRC multi-media room. Photo by Robin Rudd

### **Regional energy conference set**

A regional conference entitled "Energy Conservation and Development" is scheduled for May 9 and 10 here according to representatives of the MTSU Energy Council and the Office of Continuing Education.

The conference is planned for businessmen, industrialists, architects, builders, energy specialists, homeowners, engineers and school administrators and is designed to acquaint the individual with the plans being formulated for energy conservation. After the banquet address on May 9, there will be a meeting to discus the organization of the Tennessee Solar Energy Association.

The conference will be held in Dance Studios A and B of Murphy Center. Registration is \$15 per person, which includes banquet and coffee breaks.

In addition to the conference will be a variety of energy related exhibits from the Mid-East and Southeastern United States. The exhibits, to be located on the track area of the upper level of Murphy Center, will illustrate energy sources and uses, and energy conservation techniques.

## Death penalty veto overridden in Assembly

#### by Robin Dial

TCPA Legislative Correspondent Nashville--Members of the Tennessee General Assembly voted Monday night to override Gov. Ray Blanton's veto of the death penalty bill by a tally of 24-7 in the Senate and 69-26 in the House.

The House vote officially enacted the measure into state law, pending the signatures of both speakers. However, Gov. Blanton still contends that there will be no executions in the state during his term. House bill sponsor Frank Lashlee, D-Camden, pleased but not surprised following the Huse vote, told reporters that 'if the Governor does not recognize now that this legislature is action on its own, he never will.''

Decisions in both houses moved swiftly, this time with virtually no debate, although a few legislators made one last appeal to uphold the Governor's veto.

One plea, this one for the override motion, came from Knoxville senator Ben Atchley (R). "I have never had as many phone calls on an issue as I have this past weekend, with people urging me to vote to override," he said. "Gov. Blanton said innocent people have been executed under the death penalty, so we shouldn't have it, but you tell that to the families of those four persons executed last weekend."

Atchley was referring to the execution-style slaying of four persons Saturday during a bank robbery in Kodak, near Knoxville.



Because the Governor's veto was still in effect, the two men allegedly responsible for the incident cannot be given the death penalty if found guilty.

Joining Atchley was Sen. Marshall Nave, R-Elizabethton, who asked his colleagues, "Do you think those men (allegedly involved in the Kodak bank robbery-murders) could ever be rehabilitated? Would you want them living in your neighborhood? How do you know the death penalty is not a deterrent? They haven't followed through with it in recent years."

House debate followed the same lines as Memphis Rep. Lois DeBerry (D), told House members that the press had already planted the need for the death penalty in the minds of the people, while others, who had earlier opposed the bill, urged other representatives not to be pressured by the tragedy of the past weekend.

"Those people have not been brought to trial," said Rep. Alvin Kind, D-Memphis, "Don't try that case in this chamber tonight. We need an alternative to the death penalty."

Knoxville Rep. Bill Nolan (D) said after the vote, "The incident over the weekdend didn't change my vote. It's still a bad bill and a bad idea."

Few votes were changed the second time around. In the Senate, Lt. Gov. John Wilder, who voted for the bill the first time, abstained, and Sen. Ed Gillock, D-Memphis, absent for the first vote, opposed the effort to override the bill.

In the House, Reps. Joe Walter Bell, D-Lebanon, and Bobby Butler, D-Lexington, who earlier voted for the bill, were absent, and Rep. Chris Cawood, D-Harriman, changed to join those against the bill. Changing in favor to the bill were Rep. John Bragg, D-Murfreesboro, who cited a large number of his constituents favoring the bill, and Rep. Ted Ray Miller, D-Knoxville, who said he had been influenced by the Kodak murders.

### **Oklahoma!** light-hearted fun

If you haven't seen the MTSU drama department's production of ''Oklahoma!'' yet, then you're missing a good show.

Opening last night to MTSU students, this renowned Rodgers and Hammerstein musical will play tonight and Saturday night, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium.

Good orchestration and very professional acting are conveyed throughout the program, a lighthearted musical which takes the audience through a story of love, and typical of musicals, ends happily with lots of joyous singing.

One of the best musical numbers featured are "I Cain't Say No," performed by Ado Annie (Bobbie Ambrose)--the giddy, fickle young girl who finally settles down with one beau at the end. Other excellent scenes are "Pore Jud," sung as a duet by characters Curly (Pat Duke) and Jud Fry (Bill Jones); an excellently choreographed "dream scene," and the finale version of "Oklahoma," featuring all cast members.

The MTSU musical reflects a vast amount of versitility by its performers, particularly during the harmonic vocal numbers.

Leshia Batson as Aunt Eller was an especially noteworthy portrayal of the good-natured elderly woman who oversees general goings-on



Solo pianists Kim Pearce and Cindy Hall will highlight Sunday's performance by the University-Community Orchestra.

throughout the story's theme.

Most of the group-dance scenes, though well-choreographed, did not appear to be as precise as they have been. All in all, however, the musical is worth seeing. It promises to provide an evening of light-hearted entertainment, even if you've already seen it 12 times before.

## **Orchestra** performs Sunday

The MTSU music department will present the University-Community Orchestra in concert Sunday, April 17, at 3:30 p.m. in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium.

Conducted by Dr. T. Earl Hinton of the MTSU music department, the orchestra will perform pieces by Dmitri Shostakovitch, Bach and Gershwin.

In addition, solo piano performances by Cindy Hall and Kim Pearce will be featured. Pearce will perform Mozart's "Concerto for Piano and Orchestra No. 26 (K.V. 537) Allegro," with Hall doing "Concertpiece in F minor for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 79," by Carl Maria von Weber.

Admission to Sunday's concert is free.



### 'God Told Me To' holds suspense, horror

#### by Merry Lynn Starling

GOD TOLD ME TO. By C.K. Chandler, based on screenplay by Larry Cohen. Ballantine Books. 167 pp. A young man takes up a rifle and kills 17 people. A mild mechanic takes a knife and begins slaying customers. A happily married man murders his wife and two children...What force is motivating seemingly "normal" people to commit violent crimes?

This is what Lt. Detective Peter Nicholas would like to find ut, but when he hears the reasons for the murders, he begins to question the sanity of everyone, including himself. "God told me too..." the murderers say.

Nicholas begins investigating these murders looking for a link, a reason, but when he begins to realize what is really happening, the reason is more terrifying then the murders themselves...

God Told Me To starts with what seems to be the usual murder plot but as each new murder takes place and Nicholas begins to realize the truth about the murders and about himself, the plot takes on new meaning, new suspense.

As men begin to follow what they

thin k is the "Messiah," the God urging them to assasinate and r annihilate, Nicholas alone realizes the truth and is persecuted for it. He is scornful of the "leader:" " "The second Messiah. Who keeps the rats for pets, lives in a condemned h building, and sees to it that those b who serve him come to a sad end.

Born not of the Blessed Virgin, but

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of a woman who was kidnapped and raped.''

When Nicholas confronts the "Messiah," the book takes a sharp turn into the dramatic, until the horrendous truth is revealed. But by then it is too late for anyone to do anything...except for Nicholas, and he can only sit and wait...



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## Recruiting search for 'big man' nets 6-9<sup>1/2</sup>star

#### by Chuck Cavalaris **Sports Editor**

Jimmy Earle's search for the "big man" is paying off.

Mike Frost, a 6-9 1/2 center at Giles County last season, signed a National Letter of Intent with Middle Tennessee State yesterday.

"Mike improved every game this season," said his high school coach Johnny Phelps. "He became more aggressive, played better defense and was smoother on offense."

Giles County made it to the Class

AA State semi-finals and Frost finished the year with a 13.7 points and 20 rebounds per game average and was one of the more highly sought prepsters in Tennessee. He was contacted by over 100 colleges and universities.

In fact, the All-Stater picked the Blue Raider program after considering offers from Ole Miss and rejecting Ohio Valley Conference grants from Western Kentucky and East Tennessee.

"We feel like we have signed a

real big player," Earle said, "and I'm not just referring to his size, either. If he continues to improve, and we expect that he will, he will really be something.'

One factor which apparently persuaded Frost to choose MTSU was Earle's coaching record (74-29) in Pulaski before coming to Middle Tennessee State in 1965 as an assistant.

Phelps, Pulaski's coach, is a 1967 graduate of MTSU and was vital in convincing Frost to attend MTSU,

but he directs the praise for the signing to many Pulaski citizens.

"The people of Pulaski have a lot of respect for Jimmy Earle and his coaching abilities, and the fact that Mike signed with MTSU is due in great part to the people here who spoke to him in behalf of coach Earle," Phelps said.

Frost, the third Blue Raider signee, joins midstate standouts Raymond Martin of Wa: ren County and Mark Lynn of Manchest r as recruits for next season. Both are 6-7 forwards.

## **Austin Peay collides with Raiders** in Western Division title showdown

#### by Chuck Cavalaris **Sports Editor**

Can good pitching handcuff excellent hitting?

That's the question to be settled Saturday at the baseball field when free-swinging Austin Peay and host Middle Tennessee collide in a doubleheader that could decide the Western Division champion. Game time is 1 p.m.

"The last time we played they just blew us out," explained Raider coach John Stanford.

Austin Peay captured the only previous meeting of the teams this season April 2 in Clarksville, 9-4, in a rain-abbreviated contest called after five innings.

Middle Tennessee (5-2) is clinging to a slim one-game lead over the Govs (6-3) in divisional marks. Stanford will call on Bob Hardin and lefty Mike Moore to stop Austin Peay.

Southpaw Steve Smith will be in the Raider bullpen and in a "tight situation we will call on him first," Stanford explained.

Smith probably deserves the "comeback" award more than any student playing college baseball in America. "He's lucky to be walking," Stanford said.

Last July 2, Steve was on his way home from work in Nashville in his pickup truck when a two-ton truck slid into his lane and then went out of control before flipping over Smith's truck.

When the wreckage was unpiled, ambulance attendants found Steve pinned beneath the steering wheel. His hip was dislocated, as was his left leg. And the 6-4 lefthander also had a broken arm.

"I was in traction for seven

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weeks and in the hospital for eight. Coach Stanford and Coach Steve Peterson (Raider assistant) came by each week to see me, to pep me up. I just made up my mind to come back and I was fortunate enough to have people surrounding me that convinced me to stay with it,' Smith explained last night.

"Nobody in his mind thought Steve would ever throw a baseball again, but of course we didn't tell \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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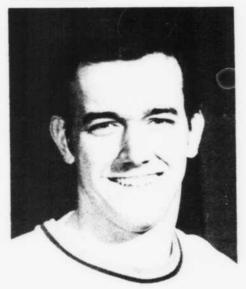
him that," said baseball trainer Randy Deere, who is also Steve's roommate. "In the shape he was in, something like throwing a baseball again seemed impossible.'

The third day he was out of the hospital, Smith limped into the training room for treatment. Deere obliged. While you were at the beach, Steve Smith was in whirlpool...thinking baseball.

His thoughts materialized. Now a senior, Smith has been the stopper in Raider bullpen this year. Steve said being reliever can be more fun than starting, which he did before the wreck.

"There is a big difference, but I like relief," Smith contended. "I enjoy the pressure of coming into an intense situation with men on base. I guess it does take a wacky guy, but I have the advantage of being able to change the tempo."

Steve has appeared in 27 innings this season and one of his better outings came Monday night at Tullahoma when he held Vanderbilt hitless over the final 2 2/3 innings, but MTSU lost, 4-0.

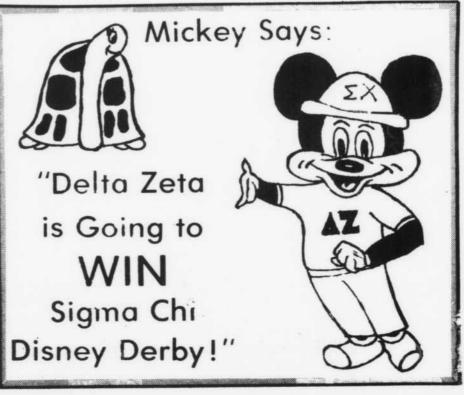




### **Deserves Comeback Award**

"I don't think the Vandy game hurt us mentally," Smith explained. "Our team has come closer together. We have things in our hands now. All we have to do is go out and win.'

That's easy for Steve Smith to say. Beating Austin Peay doesn't sound near as tough as whipping a two-ton truck.



## **Sparkling Raider netters stick Murray with loss**

#### by Eddie Gossage

When you play four matches that last three sets and you win all four, then you really ought to be pleased.

That's the way MTSU tennis coach Dick LaLance feels about things. His Blue Raider tennis team played four matches against Murray Wednesday and did just that, for a win of 6-3.

Middle Tennessee's Lasse Durchman defeated Murray's Dale Purcell 6-3, 4-6 and 7-5, to take the first win in the three-set match.

The other singles match that lasted three sets was the Tony Fernandez (MT) and Sam Pruitt (M) match. Fernandez emerged the winner with a score of 5-7, 6-4 and 6-3.

The University of Louisville Caruinals come to Murfreesboro today while OVC foe Austin Pean, beaten earlier this year by the Raiders, will be here Saturday.

In doubles action, two matches also went into three sets. Lasse Durchman and Dale Short of Middle Tennessee took a 6-4, 6-7 and 6-3 decision over Murray's Roger Westfall and Tom Lie.

The other triple set match saw

Tony Fernandez and Mike Patrick defeat Murray's Sam Pruitt and Roger Berthiaume 4-6, 6-2 and 6-3.

In four other singles matches against Murray, Roger Westfall (M) defeated Dale Short (MT) 6-1 and 6-2, Peter Heffernan (MT) took a 6-1 and 6-2 victory over Jeff Leeper, and Chris Baker (MT) defeated Roger Berthiaume 7-6 and 6-3.

In other doubles action, Dale Purcell and Jeff Leeper (M) won over the Austrailian duo of Chris Baker and Peter Heffernan 6-4 and 6-4.



Mystery word: CELEBRATION

Tuesday was a different story for the Raider tennis team as they dropped a 6-3 decision to Vanderbilt here at MTSU.

Prospective all-American Chip Toleson handed ·Middle's number one player, Lasse Durchman, a 6-3, 6-3 loss.

Middle dropped two other matches as Dale Short fell to Vandy's Peter Lamb 7-6, 2-6 and 6-4, and Tony Fernandez succumbed to Tim Stewart with a 6-1, 6-2 score.

Chris Baker and Peter Heffernan won the only two singles matches for the Blue Raiders with Baker defeating Steve Flink 6-2, 7-6 and Heffernan dropping John Henshaw 6-2, 6-3.

Vandy's Jeff Grier dumped MTSU's Mike Patrick 6-3 and 7-5 in the only other singles match.

Middle Tennessee was able to win only one doubles match as the combination of Baker and Heffernan dropped Vandy's Toleson and Henshaw 4-6, 7-6, and 6-2.

### MTSU trackmen set for Dogwood Relays in Knoxville today

MTSU's track squad ventures east to Knoxville today to compete in the annual Dogwood Relays this weekend, There, the team hopes to continue the winning ways it has enjoyed in matches this season.

As always, the Raiders will be looking to their known strengths to provide their best performances. Senior Harrison Salami, whose career at MTSU is quickly coming to an end, paces the Raiders [and the OVC] in the discus [180-0] and the javelin [199-11].

Jumper John DoDoo will be counted on to score points in the triple jump (leading the conference with a 52-8) and the long jump (25-2 1/4). Sheikh Faye, recently coming back from a knee injury, once again helps the Raiders in the long jump (24-9 is his best this season).

In running events, Ed Thomas<sup>®</sup> sets a pace for the conference with a 14.3 in the 110 high hurdles, while Ed Steagall (47.5) J.T. Musgrove (48.4) and Larry Cotton (48.7) are all threats for points in the 400 meters.

### **IM** meeting set

An open meeting will be held on Thursday, April 21 at 4:00 p.m. for all persons interested in hearing the activity calendar for 1977-78 in Intramural sports. The meeting will be held in Alumni Gym room 202 and is open to all MTSU students.