# Senate rules committee creates board of ethics

### By ROBIN DIAL TCPS Legislative Correspondent

NASHVILLE—Amid pot-shots aimed toward members of the press and each other, members of the Senate Committee on Rules debated the creation of a Senate ethics committee, but finally conceded they needed one after all.

The committee, whose membership includes all but eight of the senators, concluded its three-hour meeting with the formation of the ethics committee, despite a lengthy discussion and a snarl of amendments, most of which failed. The proposal passed 19-1, with one abstention by Sen. Ed. Gillock, D-Memphis, who is now under indictment on Federal bribery charges and misuse of office. Sen. William Baird, D-Lebanon, cast the sole negative vote.

The new five-member committee's assignment is to draft a code of ethics for the Senate and make recommendations for its enforcement before the end of the 1977 session.

Sen. John Ford, D-Memphis, said, "This committee would be a form of harassment. I agree that none of us should have conflict of interest between our personal or business matters and our official duties, but I'm afraid that political differences would cause a rash of complaints about personal matters."

Sen. Ford drew a round of laughter moments later when he declared, "I don't expect this committee to affect me—I don't drink, I don't smoke pot, and I only drive 50 miles-an-hour!"

After much discussion, some on the topic and some not, Sen. John Rucker, D-Murfreesboro, admonished committee members "not to make fun of this." He said: "Tennesseans expect this committee and ethics legislation."

Sen. Marshall Nave, R-Elizabethton, disagreed, saying he felt the ballot bow was a "fair enough" test of their ethics. Joining him was Sen. Dough Henry, D-Nashville, who said, "I think the electorate is behaving foolishly in expecting an ethics committee. Our ethics are tested every four years." He agreed, though reluctantly, that such a committee was necessary "for the good name of this body."

Republicans on the rules committee fought to even up the ratio of the ethics committee membership, but failed to do so. Sen. Ray Albright, R-Chattanooga, submitted an amendment to require at



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disclosure.'

least two of the five members to be from the minority party, but it was voted down by the commitee's predominantly Democratic membership.

Sen. Ed Blank, D-Columbia, who served on the sub-committee to make recommendations to the rules committee on the ethics committee commented, "There is pressure from the press, but the public is interested too. I think disclosure is the key to this whole thing. The ethics code should be geared to Sen. Ford chastised Sen. Blank for "making a grandstand play for the press." Sen. Ford said, "Especially in Memphis, the press would make you guilty as soon as you're accused. They also discriminate against blacks." Sen. Ford is one of two black senators.

The House, led by Rep. Roger Murray, D-Jackson, chairman of the House State and Local Government Committee, is considering a similar group for the state's lower chamber.

# ASB reports 22 bills presented in 1976-77

### by Laura Lewis

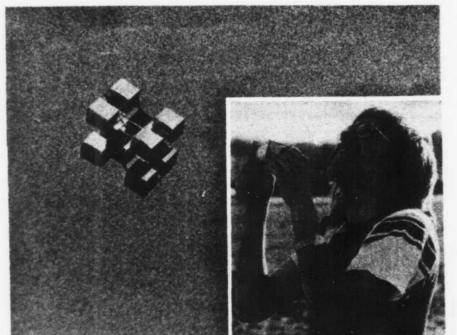
Twenty-four bills have been presented to the ASB Legislature during the 1976-77 school year, and of that number, 18 passed, five failed and one was tabled.

The following bills passed through the two ASB houses, beginning with the first Senate meeting on September 23, 1976: -a resolution which called for sidewalk extension from the side door of the UC to the sidewalk running parallel to the building;

-a resolution which forbids smoking in all MTSU classrooms; -a resolution calling for the formation of an infirmary investi-

gative committee; -an appropriations bill for the

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Thom Coombes, MTSU sophomore, is just one of many kite-flying enthusiasts who will enjoy the Intramural Office kite day today. Photo by Kirbert

ASB 1976-77 budget;

-an act to create a student patrol program;

-a bill to allow the ASB Congress ultimate authority in recommending a student to the Board of Regents;

-a resolution for improved safety lighting facilities on campus;

-an act to inform drivers of traffic-flow directions on campus;

-an act to widen a section of road behind Monohan, Schardt and Reynolds Hall Complex;

-an act giving the ASB the right to budget their own money with accordance to the needs of the ASB (the bill was later vetoed);

-an act to provide for marked parking areas on campus (vetoed); -an act to provide for the placement of rubber mats at all campus staircases and student housing areas;

-an act prohibiting reservation of assigned student parking spaces for off-campus visitors;

-the Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1977;

-a resolution to update the bookstore book-buying policy;

-a resolution calling for the accuracy of campus clocks; and

-a resolution requiring adequate pencil-sharpening facilities on campus.

The following bills failed at regular meetings of the ASB House of Representatives:

-an act requiring that the MTSU administration reserve black decal parking spaces only between the hours of 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. for [continued on page 2]

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# The Kiosk

The American Society for Personnel Administration announces its spring semester officers: President, James M. Buttrey; Vice President, Carol Baxter; Secretary, Jennifer Judd; Treasurer, Beverly Moss; ASB Representative, Theresa Scheutze; and Publicity Chairman, Laurie Baxter.

The State Board of Regents will meet in regular session at 9:30 a.m. on March 4 at Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville. Standing Committees will meet March 3 as follows: Committee on Academic Policies and Programs, 10:30 a.m.; Committee on Personnel, 1 p.m.; Committee on Student Life, 2 p.m.; and Committee on Finance and Business Operations, 3 p.m.

Dr. Alex J. Simon of the Department of Management and Marketing has recently been selected to appear in the 1976-77 **Bicentenial Memorial Edition of the** Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans. This memorial is published in an effort to honor America's distinguished, outstanding and notable leaders in recognition of their past achievements, outstanding abilities, and service to their community and state.

These groups will be on campus interviewing for jobs: Tennessee Air National Guard, today; Procter & Gamble, March 2, sales representatives; St. Paul Ins. Co., March 3, underwriters, Bond Trainees, marketing-field representatives and safety engineers.

The slide presentation "Time to Decide'' will be shown March 3 at 11 a.m. in Old Main 221. The presentation is sponsored by the Placement Office and is courtesy of Burroughs Wellcome Company.

Festival Players, Inc. of Chattanooga, Tenn. will hold auditions on Wednesday, March 9 in the Arena Theatre of the DA Auditorium from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in search of three company members with a strong background and training in theatre.

Students interested in auditioning for Festival Players, Inc. should prepare any two of the following: a three-minute dramatic scene, a three-minute comic scene or a three-minute improvised scene, and should bring a resume with a picture attached.

Festival Players, Inc. operates in the Greater Chattanooga area, giving approximately 52 performances last summer.

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### **Campus** Calendar

### Today

Air National Guard: Recruiting, UC

- Basement, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. GED Test: UC 314, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- Placement: Orientation, UC 318, 11 a.m.-12 noon
- Intramurals: Kite Day, High Rise Fields, 1-7 p.m.
- Movie: "Last Tango in Paris," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 & 8:30 p.m.
- Music Department: Recital, Mark Baskin, Tennessee Room, SUB, 8 p.m.

### Tomorrow

GED Test: UC 314, 8 a.m.-12 noon Placement: Orientation, UC 318,

- 3-4 p.m. Movie: "Lenny," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.
- Music Department: Flute Ensemble Recital, Janice Gilbert and Sally Sullivan, Tennessee Room, SUB, 8 p.m.

Plant Party: Refreshments, demonstration and lecture on "Raising House Plants in the Dorm," Lyon Hall Study Room, 7 p.m.

### Thursday

- Distributive Education Clubs of America Conference: Registration, DA Lobby, 8-9:30 p.m./ Assemblies, DA Auditorium, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m./Group meetings, 3rd floor, UC, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Faculty/Press Luncheon: Tennessee Room, SUB, 12 noon.
- Movie: "Lenny," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.
- Gamma Beta Phi: Induction of new members, LRC Multi-Media Room, 6 p.m.
- Ideas & Issues: Lecture, Professor Flora Schreiber, author of "Sybil," Tennessee Room, SUB, 8 p.m.

### Students act on legislation

off-campus visitors;

-an act to delete a section of the ASB constitution which sets forth grade requirements for membership eligibility in the ASB House;

-an act to create a credit/no credit system for MTSU students: -a resolution asking for formation

of a committee to study the

possibility of receiving credit hours for ASB work;

-a resolution to establish a "no smoking" policy in campus cafeterias;

And a resolution which would grant students access to post office boxes during all operating hours of the UC was tabled at a meeting of the House of Representatives.



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**Flora Schreiber** 

# 'Sybil' author to speak Thursday

### by Merry Lynn Starling

If you have never heard the name of Flora Schreiber, after Thursday night, you will.

Thursday night in the Tennessee Room of the SUB, Schreiber will speak on her novel **Sybil**--the novel hailed as a landmark in both psychiatry and literature, the novel made into the haunting movie of the same name.

Sybil is the true story of a young woman possessed by 16 separate identities, documenting her anguish and frustration until undergoing psycholanalysis for many years. In addition to accounts of psychiatric methods used to bring

lumbia College, Chicago, Kister is

working as a commercial graphic

artist and photographer. He has

also done work on 16mm documen-

have been published in Popular

Photography (Photography Annual,

1975), and have been handled by

several major Chicago galleries,

including Zolla-Lieberman, Sea-

berg-Isthmus, van Straaten, and

Editions Limited, Inc. He also has a

portfolio of work in the permanent

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Samples of Kister's art work

### Kister exhibit features serigraphs

tary films.

Chicago.

"These are without a doubt the best serigraphs, photoserigraphs and cyanotypes I have ever seen," said Harold Baldwin of Eric N. Kister's work. Baldwin is an associate professor of mass communications and curator of the photo gallery.

Kister, Chicago graphic artist, photographer and printmaker, is creator of the works which will be on exhibit Feb. 27 through March 17 in the LRC. Having been recently injured in an automobile accident, Kister will be unable to attend the exhibit of his work.

Aside from his duties since 1974 as a faculty member of the Art/Graphics department of Co-



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MCAT-DAT Review Course ,,, P.O. Box 77034, Atlanta, Ga, 30309/Phone (404) 874-2454 the 16 personalities back into one, Sybil relates the bizarre childhood and terrifying memories which pushed Sybil's personality into 16 different pieces.

A bestseller and later a household word, **Sybil** is a story which confused and confounded many. Schreiber's lecture, sponsored by Ideas and Issues, will delve into the ordeal of relating and studying such a case as Sybil's.

At John Jay College of Criminal Justice at City University in New York, Schreiber is a full professor of Speech and English as well as director of Public Relations-Publications and Assistant to the President. In addition, she has contributed articles to numerous national magazines and for five years was psychiatry editor of Science Digest. She has received an award for psychiatric writing and is also the author of the novel Your Child's Speech: A practical Guide for Parents.

With such a background in psychiatry and literature, and with **Sybil** to her credit, Schreiber should be a fascinating speaker.

### Student weekend 'a success'

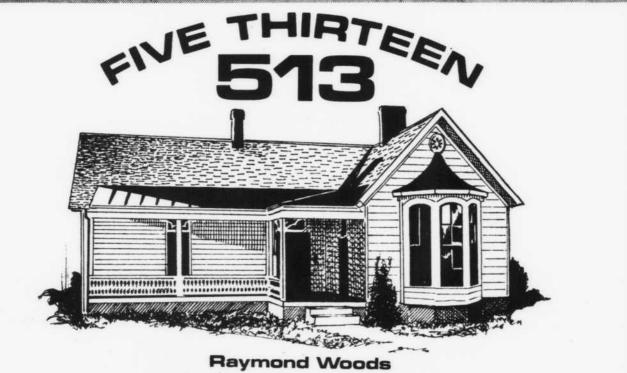
Approximately 400 high school students from virtually every corner of the state were visiting MTSU this weekend in the first ASB Student Weekend.

"The weekend was a tremendous success," said Richard Langford, ASB president. "We had a great deal of cooperation from department faculty and adminiatration in showing these students what MTSU has to offer."

Student weekend was one of a three-part recruiting plan developed by Langford and several other ASB officials in conjunction with Dr. Scarlett, University president, Bryant Millsaps, University Relations assistant and Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions and records.

The high school students who participated in the weekend's activities enjoyed a concert and reception Friday night and a basketball game Saturday, along with seeing the campus and touring some of the facilities here.

The cost to MTSU of providing this experience for the prospective students is well worth it, Langford said, adding that MTSU will gain by recruiting students who will work toward their education here.



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Ed Hill [left] and Andrew Simmons [right], founders and honorary members of the Kool Club, present Chattanooga High dance members with the first place trophy after they won the Half-timers competition Saturday. MTSU photo by Pat Daley

### hattanooga takes dance honors

Exhibiting dance styles of ballet, modern, jass and disco, Chattanooga High walked away with first place honors Saturday at the Third Annual Battle of the Halftimers Show.

Nashville's McGavock took second place and third place went to Nashville's East High School. Winners were selected on the basis of creativity and versatility.

Couples from Maple wood High in Nashville and Chattanooga High

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Effective tonight, the evening service on the University switchboard will be discontinued. Service will be provided only during the normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Students seeking telephones numbers of other students on campus will need to refer to their campus directories, according to Bob Arnette, MTSU personnel director.

Any emergency calls coming into the University will be handled by the University Police Office.

Elections for the 1977-78 Faculty Senate have been scheduled for Wednesday, March 9, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the basement of the UC.

Senate vacancies for next year include: three in the School of Basic and Applied Sciences, one in the School of Business, seven in the School of Education and three in the School of Liberal Arts.

The Student Programming Office will present a special Rip-Off Concert Thursday night, 7:30 to 10:30 in the UC Grill. Spotlighted will be the talents of Pallot and Bryant.

Scott Pallot and Bobby Bryant are former MTSU students who have performed in various clubs around Nashville. In addition, several MTSU students will be entertaining between sets.

All Rip-Off Concerts are free of charge.

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split a \$30 cash prize for the best twosome.

"I was very proud of Chattanooga High's performance since this was the first year that a school from the Chattanooga area participated in this contest," said Vincent Robinson, president of the sponsoring group, Kool Club. "We hope that this will lead to more participation from the Chattanooga area in the future."

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Results of the evaluations will be tabulated by computer and announced at the Alumni Banquet on April 30.

This will be the eleventh year such awards have been provided. Last year's recipients of \$1,000 each were Dr. Race Bergman, Dr. Edward Kimbrell, and Dr. Ronald Messier.

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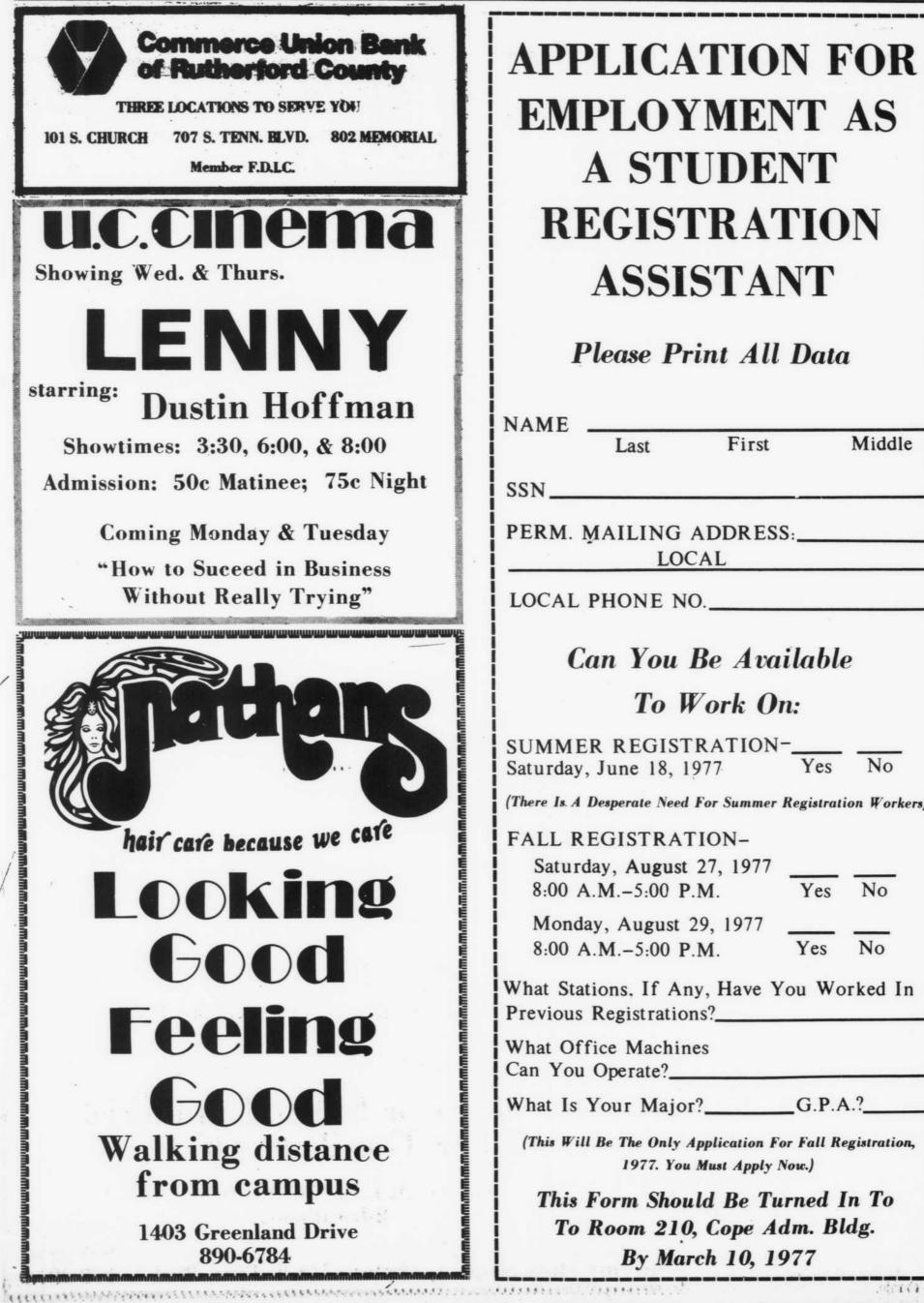
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# 'Self-segregation' denied

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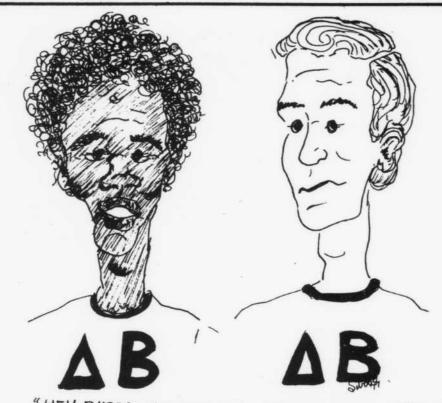
This is in response to the so called "self-segregationist" article in the last issue of Sidelines. I wish people would look at all perspectives before they make judgment of other people. There is no "black section" in the grill.

There may be a place where blacks sit predominantly. If you were to say there was a "black section" then there is also a "white section." Look at it this way. Don't you sit where your friends sit? Don't the "whites" sit in "certain" sections with their "certain" friends? If you've ever noticed, the different white fraternities and sororities sit in the same section every day. The faculty sits in a certain section. Is this segregation?

As far as interracial dating or sex is concerned, I could care less if you didn't go out with me because I was black. If I wasn't appealing to you, you'd better say "no" if I asked you for a date. You can't say discrimination is originated by blacks. Discrimination started before we (blacks) had the right to talk without being slapped with a whip.

I was a member of a black fraternity and we and the Black Student Association (BSA) have tried to promote "acquaintance things." To increase your knowledge the BSA has stated openly-our membership is not just open to blacks, but to all minorities and any interested person willing to help MTSU out of this majorityminority situation we have. If you consider yourself truly in one of these categories, check us out. The different campus activities given by black fraternities and organizations are always open to all of the students. However, you never come.

The TV series "Roots" may have created some animosity and controversy among blacks toward whites. I know it did to me.



"HEY, BUBBA, I THINK WE NEED TO START LABELING OUR TABLES. SOME NUL EPSILON RHO DELTAS ALMOST SAT WITH US!"

However, I think of what a black civil right leader said: "Let 'Roots' not make us think of how much the white man kept us down—but think and thank the

Lord for how far we as blacks have come."

Dale Strickland Box 6727

# General Assembly to change retirement age

#### By Robin Dial

TCPA Legislative Correspondent Nashville – One of the first measures to come before the Senate of the 90th General Assembly is nearly halfway onto eliminating maximum age limits for appointment or membership on state boards and commissions.

The bill, inspired by the Tennessee chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons, sailed through the Senate last week, 30-1, on its way to end the 70-year-old age limit on certain state boards, including the State Board of Regents and the Tennessee Higher Education Commission. Sen. Victor Ashe, R-Knoxville, cast the lone negative vote. Sen. Ashe could not be reached for comment.

While seemingly a minor bill, its impact could affect the Regents' decisions in years to come by stifling the turnover rate of board members. Even so, the measure is expected to receive favorable response in the House.

Membership stagnation for the Board of Regents could mean problems for the 84,000 students currently attending the six Regent state universities and 10 community colleges. The Board exercises jurisdiction over search and selection of chief executives for the individual institutions, confirmation of faculty and personnel, curriculums, degree requirements for graduation, budget allocations and regulation of campus life policies, like dorm visitation.

Of course, reaching the age of 70 years does not mean instant

senility. Many persons are productive well into their 80's and 90's and beyond. The point is that a trend could develope so that a person with long tenure on the board could expect reappointment and get it out of fear of the cry of discrimination.

The bill's sponsors, Sen. Doug Henry and Rep. Mike Murphy, both Nashville Democrats, say age is no barrier. Rep. Murphy, who actively worked for the 18-year-old vote, said: "This will free the boards—even the Commissioner on Aging had an age limit."

Sen. Henry admitted that the measure could be stifling in some situations, "But," he said, "you have to consider the desirability of retaining those with experience. There is a stronger case when you talk about an operating position, such as a faculty or administration member, but these boards do not have that type of function."

Rep. Ed Williams, R-Memphis, agreed that the bill could inhibit the boards' turnover, but went on to say that he would not oppose the measure. He said, "I will try to retain the emeritus status for members of the State Historical Commission. But as far as the THEC or the Regents, it would have to depend on the individual." Rep. Williams worked with the formation of the Board of Regents.

The UT Board of Trustees, which does not have a maximum age limit and is not affected by the proposed measure, has not encountered any turnover problems, according to Beauchamp E. Brogan, secretary to the Board of Trustees. He pointed out that they had to meet other requirements—appointment of one student, at least one women, at least one-third UT alumni, and at least one-third members of the state's primary minority political party.

If passed and signed into law, the proposal would immediately affect two Board of Regents members, Miss Ella Ross and Dale Glover. The Tennessee Higher Education Commission's nine-member board would not require any changes.

Richard Rhoda, assistant to Board of Regents Chancellor Roy Nicks, said he found it "interesting" that the measure was directed toward these particular groups, but added that "perhaps it is best not to have any restrictions on age."

One solution might be to allow members with long tenure to remain as an emeritus member who could attend and participate in activities, but not vote. This method has been used since 1971 for members of the State Historical Commission where most members were over 55 years of age. The proposed bill would also remove this provision from the Historical Commission.

Admittedly, no one wants to vote the old folks out. As one unnamed legislator put it: "Think what it'd look like in the papers."

But fresh insight, regardless of age, into the numerous college campuses in our state is necessary for continued growth. The legislation, if passed, could inhibit the social and academic environments in what is now a continually progressive higher education system.

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The Earl Scruggs Revue has got to be one of the better products of the current Southern-Rock music trend as it demonstrated aptly Friday night in the DA concert.

The Revue is not in the same class with other Southern rock groups for it does not try to impress its audience with glitter and gimmicks—just with the ability of its musicians. That is why the audience gets so involved with the rejuvenated renditions of the old bluegrass classics that the Revue has become known for.

Scruggs has said he is happier with his current band because "it is much more versatile."

And versatile it is even more so than in its last DA concert in 1974. Earl continues to mesmerize the audience on the banjo. While Gary does most of the vocals, Randy plays the lead guitar and fiddle, and Jody Maphis hits the drums. Steve has moved over to the piano and Jim Murphy has been added to the group playing the steel guitar and saxophone.

The addition of the sax seems to give the group a little more depth when playing a variety of styles, such as country, bluegrass, gospel, square dance and a few current popular songs.

Most familiar of the songs were several of Earl Scruggs' own classics: "Foggy Mountain Breakdown," "Earl's Breakdown," "The Flinthill Special" and the "Ballad of Jed Clampett."

Randy Scruggs and Maphis added a bit of humor and talent when the two played "Freight Train" together on the same guitar.

### \$2,179 collected for heart fund

MTSU ROTC students conducted ' the best job ever'' for the Rutherford County Heart Fund Drive this weekend, said Coach Joe Black Hayes, in charge of the drive here.

Approximately 170 cadets manned nine different road-blocks in shifts all over the Murfreesboro area Saturday and were instrumental in collecting \$2,179.61, a record total according to Coach Hayes.

"These young men handled themselves as gentlemen and we appreciate it very much," Hayes said, commenting on the success of the drive. "They really made the difference."

February was declared Heart Month by the American Heart Fund, with Feb. 27 designated as Heart Sunday.

The Heart Fund Drive seemed to meet with great success across Tennessee. Although the center of attraction was supposed to be the world-renowned banjo picking of the elder Scruggs, the audience couldn't help but be aware of the talents displayed by his sons and the other members of the group—and especially their ability to work together as a team.

Not to be overlooked, however, was the extremely delightful performance of Dick Feller who preceded the Earl Scruggs Revue.

Feller was most successful in getting the audience alive and kickin' with folksy, storytelling songs that were reminiscent of John Prine.

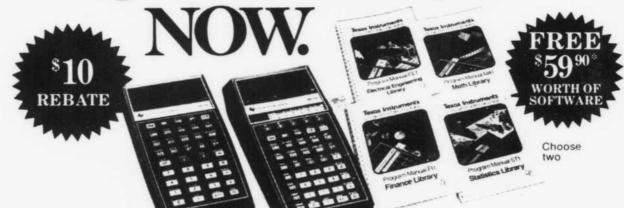
And he even used four-letter words and references to drugs! Imagaine that at MTSU.

"Homemade Beer," "Cannonball Rag," "Biff, the Friendly Purple Bear" and "Best of a Bad Situation," were songs included in Feller's set.

All in all, Friday night's concert was highly successful and enjoyable. It was all fun and music with none of the deceptive antics that so often accompany present day musicians.

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### Austin Peay hosts tourney Raider-Morehead clash opens OVC playoff

Sidelines

### by John Pitts Assistant Sports Editor

Middle Tennessee wasn't supposed to lose to Western Kentucky in Murphy Center. And Austin Peay was supposed to roll over and play dead for an upset-minded Murray State squad.

But due to Middle's 76-74 loss to Western, and the Govs' convincing 99-88 win over Murray, the Raiders must face Morehead in the first round of the OVC post-season playoff.



The Raiders and Eagles take the court in Clarksville's Winfield Dunn Center Friday at 7 p.m., while Austin Peay will face Murray at 9 p.m. On Saturday night, the winners of the games will play to

determine the conference representative in the NCAA Mid-East Regionals in Baton Rouge, La.

Austin Peay would have to be favored going into the tournament, both in terms of tradition and the advantage of playing in its home gym. Peay is 23-3 overall, with a 13-1 conference record.

In two years of operating in the 9000-seat Dunn gym, the Govs have not lost a game. And the champion of the OVC has won the post-season playoff both years the conference has had the tournament.

In 1975, Middle defeated Tennessee Tech and Austin Peay in Murphy Center to add the tournament championship to a regular-season crown. Last season, Western Kentucky edged Austin Peay in the final of a controversial all-team tournament in Bowling Green.

Only Morehead had defeated the Govs in conference play this season, pulling off a 64-60 win in its



home gym on Jan. 10. Since then, APSU has reeled off 12 straight OVC victories.

The losses by Murray and Middle Tennessee Saturday night, and a win by Morehead (over Eastern Kentucky) places all three teams in a tie for second place, each with 9-5 records. Middle is 18-8 overall, Murray is 17-9 and Morehead finished 14-10.

In theory, the first-place and fourth-place teams were to face each other in one game of the tournament, with a game between the second and third-place teams. The three-way tie probably sent OVC commissioner Bob Vannatta running for a calculator to figure out who would be playing when.

With Austin Peay an unchallenged first, Morehead was seeded second because of its win over Peay, Middle was selected third and Murray fourth. The finish of the Raiders and Racers was determined by the Raiders' winning by a larger margin over Murray [74-70 at Murphy Center] then Murray's victory margin over the Raiders [71-70 in Kentucky].

So only four points separated Jimmy Earle and his Raiders from playing Austin Peay in the first round. Middle lost both of its games to Peay this season, 63-62 in Murfreesboro and 67-61 in the Dunn Center.

Going into the game, the Governors lead the league in scoring with an average of almost 80 points per game. The Raiders, fifth in team scoring, are the only OVC team with five players in the conference's top twenty: Bob Martin (17.4), Greg Joyner (14.9), Julius Brown (12.9), Sleepy Taylor (12.2) and Lewis Mack (12).



Senior guard Lewis Mack [11], appearing in Murphy Center for the last time, pumps the ball towards the basket while Western defenders try to prevent the score. High in the air is transfer Aaron Bryant [51], whose play both offensively and defensively keyed a 76-74 WKU win. Staff photo by Thom Coombes

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# Hilltoppers halt rally as Raiders fall 76–74

### by Chuck Cavalaris Sports Editor

Jimmy Earle sat in his office yesterday morning and fumed while viewing the video tape of Saturday's 76-74 OVC setback at the hands of Western Kentucky.

Once he winced at the sight of a 'Topper basket (it was one of several layups). Seconds later he slammed a note pad to his knee.

Unable to relax because the OVC tournament will follow on the heels of the regular season-ending loss, Earle finally passed judgement on the game, which was played before 6300 in Murphy Center.

"The shots just wouldn't fall," Earle said. "We had our chances... especially at the end."

"The end" came in the game's final five minutes during which MTSU turned an 11-point 'Topper lead (71-60) into a 74-73 Raider advantage with 16 seconds to play.

Greg Joyner, who finished the contest with a game-high 24 points, swiped an errant pass and flicked the ball to Sleepy Taylor who drove for a layup and produced the only

Raider lead of the second half.

Western roared down court, however, and sub Lloyd Terry sank a jumper from the lane with two seconds left and added a technical to drop MTSU to 18-8 and 9-5 in the conference.

Middle Tennessee trailed by only one (17-16) midway through the first half, but Western went on a spree of close jumpers and tips to outscore MTSU 12-3 and grab a 29-19 edge.

The squads traded baskets evenly until the Raiders cut the gap to 37-34 at halftime.

Western maintained a comfortable eight point lead during the second half until the Raiders' rally in the frantic closing minutes

University of Florida is usfer Aaron Bryant paced the 'ppers with 23 points and eight rebounds. WKU won the battle of the boards, 38-35.

Raider center Bob Martin joined Joyner in the double-figure scoring with 13. Playmaker Lewis Mack added 12 and freshman LeRoy Coleman chipped in 10. Taylor (8) and Julius Brown (7) concluded the Raider attack.

# Taylor's struggle fulfills a big league dream

#### by Chuck Cavalaris Sports Editor

Chuck Taylor can't get baseball out of his blood. That's easy to understand.

After all, the former Middle Tennessee State University pitcher (1961) made his living for seven years in the big leagues striking out Hank Aaron, Willie Mays, Roberto Clemente, Willie McCovey and many others.

Taylor, 34 and retired from professional baseball, talked last night about his baseball career that began in Johnson City, Tenn., and ended last year in Montreal, Canada.

That's quite a trip for a country boy from Bell Buckle.

It didn't come easy. Taylor sweat blood to play in Shea Stadium before 57,000. He collected bubble gum cards as a kid. In Little League he dreamed of playing for the Nashville Vols.

Chuck wasn't a bonus baby. He signed for \$4,000, but cashed in a pocket full of dreams and made it to the big time. His fast ball was less than blazing...he curve barely above average.

"He just had a lot of guts," stated current Raider baseball coach John Stanford yesterday. "Chuck Taylor paid his dues. He went to a tryout and played in the minor leagues a long time and finally got his break. It paid off for him."

The 1961 season was Chuck's freshmen year at MTSU. Stanford was a pitcher on the same team and later inked a contract with the Washington Senators. Neither remembered much about the season.

Seven years were the dues Taylor ''paid'' to become a major leaguer. That's a lot of bus rides.

The big break came in 1968. Taylor had worked his way to the AAA league, one step below the major leagues. He won 20 games for Tulsa and the parent St. Louis Cardinals called him up the next season.

The first time Taylor took the mound in the big time it was in Atlanta. A brisk breeze was blowing to left field. The 1969 Braves were on their way to a Western Division title in the National League.

The PA announcer introduced Chuck Taylor. He was coming on in relief for St. Louis. Chuck was nervous...so scared he didn't have time to realize Feliex Milan, Rico Carty, Hank Aaron and Orlando Cepeda were the first four he would face.

"Aaron ripped a double," Taylor said of baseball's all-time home run king. "I can't remember him getting another hit off me until the last time I faced him...five years later in 1974. I fell behind in the count. He hit home run No. 729 off me."

All the hard work paid big dividends that first year. One of Taylor's big thrills was his first big league victory a few weeks after Atlanta in St. Louis. Chuck pitched 6 1-3 innings against the Cubs. The Cards won 8 to 1. That night Chuck Taylor bought the beer.

A month later he was inserted in the starting rotation. He developed an excellent slider to make his fast ball look quicker. He didn't hang any curves. At least not to Willie McCovey, then with the San Francisco Giants and one of the most feared hitters in baseball history.

"McCovey always was the most dangerous," Taylor agreed with a look of experience. "I hated to face him worse than anybody. For a right handed pitcher (like Taylor) not to keep the ball up and in was suicide. If you got it low, he'd golf the ball nine miles."

What about Willie Mays and Roberto Clemente, two sure-bet Hall of Famers? How'd Chuck do against them?

"The first time I faced Mays, I struck him out. That was a big thrill. I struck out Clemente the first time, too. I threw him three straight sliders. He didn't even take the bat off his shoulder. But I promise you both of them got more than their share of hits off me," Taylor said.

St. Louis sent Taylor to the New Mets in 1972 as part of a seven player deal. He finished the season in Milwaukee and was traded to Montreal before the 1973 season. Overall, his record is 28-18 (from 1969-76), yet he only started 22 games during his career. His best season came in '74 for the Expos when he finished 6-2 in 62 appearances and an ERA of 2.17. He also had 11 saves.

...Now Chuck Taylor is a scout for the Cards. He covers "all of Tennessee except Memphis." The former major leaguer will be on hand at the baseball field Sunday at 1 p.m. when MTSU battles Tennessee Tech in a doubleheader.

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# Union halts women's win streak at 13

### by Eddie Gossage

JACKSON-Although Middle Tennessee's womens' basketball team got their 13th straight win at home Saturday night, the streak ended here last night at the hands of Union University, 93-90 in overtime.

The loss, only the third for the team against 18 wins, came on the heels of a not-so-close 89-81 win over Western Kentucky in Mur-

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freesboro Saturday night.

With the regular season completed, coach Pat Jones must hope the loss in the last game of the season will inspire her team in the state playoffs, which begin tomorrow in Cookeville.

"This could motivate our team," Jones said after the game, calling her squad "a determined group who will work hard to come back.' Middle faces UT Martin tomorrow



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afternoon in the first round of the post-season playoff.

The Union loss was a shootout for both sides, with Union gunning ahead by as much as 11 points in the first half, up three points at halftime.

With the score tied 89-all at the end of regulation, Middle could not rally to pull out the victory. Union's Sandra Lewis paced all scorers with 28 points, while teammate Sherry Henry added 21 more for the victors.

Middle was paced by Karen Carter with 24 points, junior guard Liz Hannah with 16 and Sharon McClannahan and Kathy Riley with 11 each. Substitutes Barb Biles and Pat Amos tossed in ten each for the Raiders, while floor leader Jan Zitney added six more points.

In the Western game, MTSU staked the Lady Hilltoppers to a 46-33 deficit, then hung on to win while playing reserves. Liz Hannah was top scorer for both sides, netting 30 points. Sharon McClannahan (18), Karen Carter (14) and and 12 rebounds. Other WKU Zitney (11) were other double-figure scorers for MTSU.

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standouts were guards Brenda Chapman (23) and Beth Lane (22). Sophomore center Pam Korden- Western's offense was hindered by

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# MTSU to host 'last chance' meet Dupree joins Detroit-bound trackmen

### by John Pitts Assistant Sports Editor

Olympian Rayfield Dupree braced himself for the triple jump, hoping to race down the narrow path and into history.

Suddenly, MTSU track coach Dean Hayes jumped onto the track, his arms flailing. "Don't do it" he cried, and Dupree stepped from the starting blocks and walked away...

Although Hayes didn't make such a spectacular show to stop his star leaper from jumping during the finals at this weekend's Illinois Classic in Champaign, Ill., he wasn't looking for more records, either.

"I mad him quit...I just wanted to get him qualified," Hayes commented yesterday while his Raider track team practiced on Jones Field. Dupree's best leap at the meet was a 52-6 3/4, good enough to qualify him for the

# Auburn slaps Blue;

### tournament nears

### by Tom Wood

In the wake of numerous injuries, MTSU's wrestling team was dealt a severe 32-3 loss last Friday at the hands of the University of Auburn in Auburn, Ala.

The loss gave MTSU a final dual meet of 12-9 and all that is left for the Blue Raider matmen is the NCAA Regionals at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa.

"This is what we've been building up for," Connell said of the humiliating defeat. "This is what our whole season has been geared for...what we have been preparing for.

"That isn't to say we didn't want to win at Auburn," Connell added, "but the regionals are far more important in the long run."

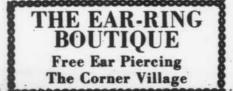
David James, wrestling at 118 pounds, notched the only win at Auburn for the Blue Raiders, beating his opponent by a 4-0 score.

Once again, the Raiders had to do without the services of their top performers David Scott and Mike Kuziola. Jeff Adcock and Clifford Abernathy were also missing from the lineup.

"We just couldn't afford to wrestle these people at Auburn," Connell said, "even though they probably could have wrestled."

"We just couldn't afford to take the chance of losing them for the big one," Connell added.

MTSU's grapplers will leave for the NCAA regionals this weekend.



NCAA indoor track championships, March 11 and 12 in Detroit.

Dupree is one of five Raiders now qualified for the national meet. This weekend, the team will sponsor an open meet here to try and qualify several other athletes for the national championship, not only from Middle Tennessee, but from Auburn, Murray, Florida State and several other schools as well.

"Several people have been trying to get me to have a meet here for three or four years, and I hadn't wanted to do it," Hayes explained. The timing of the meet, sanctioned by the NCAA, would allow "marginal" performers "one last chance" at achieving the time or distance necessary to qualify them, for a chance at the championship, Hayes said.

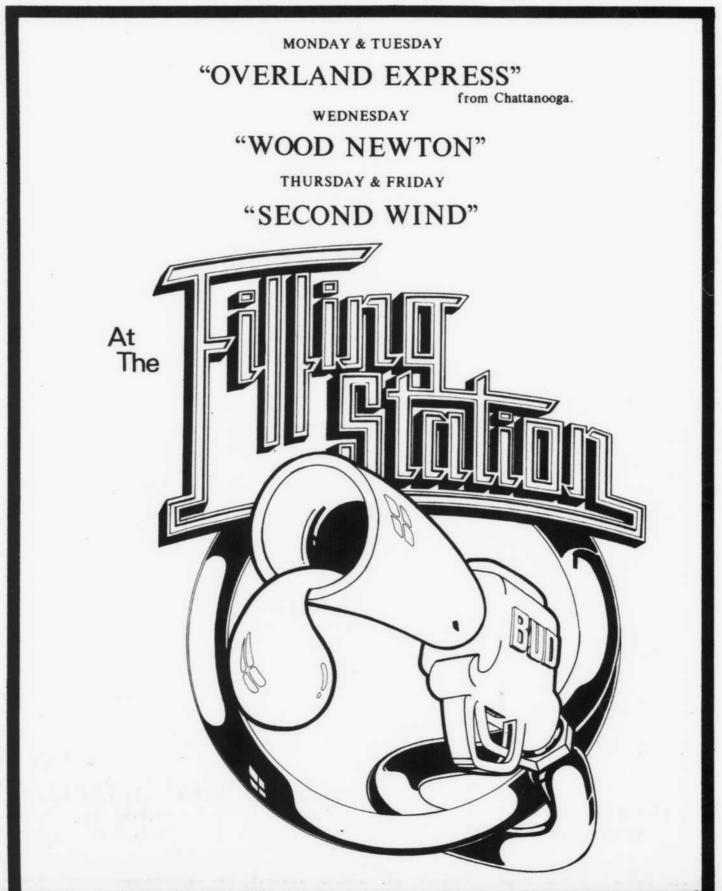
"Since we're doing the meet this year, I'm sure it will become a regular thing," Hayes added.

The last chance meet will be unneeded by Dupree, who sufficiently recovered from a back injury to leap 51-9 3/4 in his first meet as a Raider on Feb. 20. Dupree broke the conference indoor record of 51-3 1/4 in that meet, then came back with the performance in the Illinois meet to gain a chance to leap in Detroit.

Dupree's career best leap is 55-9 3/4, made during the 1976 Olympic trials. Playing out his outdoor track eligibility at Long Island State, Dupree came here to be with his Olympic jumping coach (Hayes) and to use his last semester of indoor track eligibility.

In addition to Dupree, four other Raiders will be traveling to Detroit: triple jumper Shiekh Faye, triple and long jumper John DoDoo, 1,000-yard runner Gary Perry and 60-yard hurdler Harry Majors. Perry and Majors are both freshmen.

DoDoo finished first in the triple jump at the Illinois meet, leaping 53-3/4 for a meet record and personal best. Other Raiders at the meet included quarter miler Ed Stegall, who ran a fast 48.9 but did not reach the finals and distance runner Dennis Votava, who finished sixth in the half mile.



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# Will weather put divot in linkster's success?

Dr. E.K. Patty is mad at the weatherman.

Patty, entering his record-setting 30th year as Middle Tennessee State golf coach, has been spending most of the winter hoping for warmer weather.

"We have played every day we could possible get outside," Patty said yesterday. "When we couldn't get outside we hit into the net at Murphy Center. But you know that isn't too good."

"The weather has curtailed most of our practice," Patty conceded.

Five experiences golfers return for MTSU, who won two tournaments last fall and finished second and third in the others.

Ronnie Duff copped medalist honors in the Eastern Kentucky Invitational last fall, one of the tourneys MTSU won. The 1976 Tennessee Tech Invitational championship trophy also belongs to MTSU.

Besides Duff, an Oak Ridge native, veterans Mike Harmon,

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Gerald Nelson, Sam Hunt and Emile Vaughn should provide valuable experience.

But what about the sixth man? "We could be real weak if someone doesn't establish himself as the sixth man," Patty revealed. Five players, including four freshmen, are battling for the final starting role. They are Steve Myers, Joe Smith, Jim Hudson, Mike Christenson, Bank McLain and Chris Godbold.

The MTSU linksters will open the

spring season in the Orangeberg (South Carolina) Classic, March 11 through 13. Included in the 15-team tourney is favorite Florida (SEC champ) and Wake Forest, a school which has produced many golfing greats, including Arnold Palmer.





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