# SIDELINES 

## Committee recommends <br> early end for fall term

## its final report to President M .

 its final report to Presiden G. Scarlett last Thursday, re-commended that next year's fall semester end before Christmas, according to committee chairman Joe Nunley
Although the president has not yet released the dates of the proposed calendar revision, Nunley said the complete plan would entail starting fall semester the last week of August and ending in the third week of December. The spring semester would start the first week in
January and ending in the first week of May
Nunley explained that the main purposes of the proposed change are to eliminate the troublesome two-three week "lame duck" session after Christmas, and to better co-ordinate the university schedule with those of other state schools operating under a quarter system, making it easier for
students to transfer between sestudents
mesters.
Nunley added that the original impetus for the proposal was a bill, narrowly defeated last year for all state schools to adop the quarter system. Since most MTSU teachers and students opposed such action, he explained, to ease problems of transfer students.

Last year President Scarlett appointed an earlier ad hoc committee, also headed by Nunley,
to study the calendar here and

By Gary Matthews

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 of the original committee was to of the original committee was to determme was necessary calendar sirable, was whesessary and derangements should be made. Nunley, however, denied that Ne first ad hoc commillee that he first ad hoc com he was appointed to study the practiHe added "We the calendar he added, we did not consider he problem of whether or no change was reasible--that deision had already been made. mittee recommended that the fall semester begin August 22 and end December 19, and that the spring semester begin January 6 and close May 8
Scarlett appointed the second committee in October "to stud and recommend ways of imple-
menting the recommendations of menting the
An open forum to determine university opinion of the propoSal was held on November 17
The forum was poorly attended partly because of late publicity and also because the forum was scheduled during lunch break.
However, a questionnaire to determine which changes the faculty and students preferred drew avorable response, according to Nunley.
few faculty members com (Continued on Pg. 2)


A longstanding yuletide tradition at MTSU, the Christmas tree in front of the president's home is a familiar symbol to members Executive tree The presidentil rooms, classrooms, and offices; caroling decorated dormitory and service projects on the part of university clubs and organizations; group and private parties, captures the breathtaking spirit of the Christian holiday.

## Action on restructure questionable; proposal still in joint committee

There is still some question be ready for discussion by the as to whether or not the ASB two houses on Thursday night. congress will act on legislation However, Roger Hardaway, to radically change the structure of the student government in separate meetings Thursday night. ASB president Bart Gordon
stated that the proposal "should"
speaker of the house, said that he did not know whether the proposal to change the structure would be ready to be brought up or not during the Thursday

## Jesse Hill Ford to lecture despite indictment


#### Abstract

Novelist Jesse Hill Ford is still expected to lecture on campus January 7, according to University Programming Director Harold Smith, despite Ford's indictment on murder charges. Ford, author of "The Liber tion of Lord Byron Jones" and "The Feast of St. Barabus," is charged in the Nov. 16 slaying of Army private George Doaks. Smith indicated that Ford is still under contract and is expected to appear in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium at 8 p.m.


Ford has said that he has been threatened and harassed since the book The Liberation of Lord Byron Jones was made into a movie and shown at his home Humboldt, Tennessee, last summer.
The novel deals with racial mores in the South. Ford said that he became suspicious of the car Doaks was driving after it had circled his driveway and parked within 100 yards of his parke
Ford told police that he fire
one warning shot into the air
from a 30.06 rifle and the car eration of Lord Byron Jones," sped a 30.06 rifle and the car eration of Lord Byron Jones, said that he fired a second shot in the direction of the car.
Ford first rose to prominence in 1959 when short story, "The Surest Thing in Show Business," won first prize in an Atlantic Monthly competition. His firs novel, "Mountains of Gilead," won an Atlantic grant and was published in 1961, the same year that he went to the University of Oslo in Norway as a Fulbright scholar.
eration of Lord Byron Jones,
was nominated for a National Book ward and has been published in six languages.
"The Feast of St. Barabus" his third novel, was published in 1969, and most recent novel "Elias" is scheduled for publication in 1972.

Born in Troy, Alabama, in 1928 , Ford is descended from the Lees of Virginia.
Ford graduated from $V$ anderbilt University with a B.A. degree and received his M.A. from the University of Florida.

The proposed restructure was scheduled to be discussed at the respective meetings of both houes last week, but was not discussed because the proposal was still in committee and was not ready to be brought out, according to Dennis Phillips, sophomore senator and member of the committee.

## Bulletin

The committee to study the estructure of the MTSU student government finishedits proposal in a meeting last night. The proposal will be brought before a joint session of the ASB ouse and senate at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

The joint committee was firs formed as a senate committee at the ASB summer retreat a Hy-Lake this summer. Early ithe school year it was changed to a joint committee when house
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## Scarlett to give position statement to classes

Presideat Scarlett will deliver a "position statement ${ }^{\text {e3 }}$ tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. over WMOT M concerning the incident last week in which H Dorms. H Dorms
The administration has asked all departmen heads and school deans to have radios in the $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Classes on Wednesday so that student can listen to the
Instructors of classes conducted at the hour in which the address is scheduled are asked in which the address is scheduled are asked
to allow students to listen to th? broadcast president Scarlert said.
The president added that he discussed the problem with the faculty senate and a group of stulem with the faculty senate and a group of stu-
dents Friday following the cross burning last Thursday and that discussion with the two groups

## By David Page, Editor-in-Chief

## led to a suggestion of making the statement and

 the idea of broadcasting it over the campus radio station.The 9 a.m. class time on Wednesday was chosen as the time for the statement because class, the period when the most students are in
Scarlett said that his statement should last about 10 minutes. "I think that a discussion period in the individual classes after the statement would be helpful," he added.

A group of predominantly black students came to the president's house after students had extinguished the burning cross. Another cross
had been burned during the speech by Dick

Gregory on Tuesday night, however, this burning did not create as much attention as it was ex tinguished by campus police before many students had noticed it.
Both burnings occurred during "Get Hip Whitey Week ${ }^{\text {"0 }}$ which was held all last week
Gerald Edwards, president of the BlackStudert Association, said that the burning might be direct result of the special week, but added that the purpose of the week was not to incite but to inform.

The discussion Friday between the presiden and the group of students, mostly blacks, concerned what can be done to alleviate racial problems at M'TSU
The group also discussed ways to keep incihappening again on the MTSU campus.

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## Students utilize open house <br> MTSU students had the op- <br> was held after students filed <br> One freshman male, upon lea-

portunity last Sunday to "see how the other half lives" as another in a series of open houses was held on campus. According to Dean of Men's Housing Sam McLean, the open house

## Last issue for 1970

This is the last edition of the SIDELINES until Friday January 8, 1971. Deadlines for this edition will be the same as normal for a Friday edition. The entire SIDELINES staff wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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 applications for the event in or-der to show off their dormitory der to show off their dormitory Held fremerions.
Held from 1 p. m. until 6 p. m., the event was handled with few adverse incidents, McLean noted. He stated that the main objection was by the girls who found it difficult to get to the showers with all of the men in the halls.
Along with enjoying the decorations, the open house afforded many boyfriends the occasion to observe their girlfriends house-cleaning habits.
Early end for fall term
(Continued from Pg. 1) plained that the questionnairewas biased, sunt the dake persons might prefer to leave the school calendar unchanged. school calendar unchanged.

Dean of Administration John Weems said the main improvement of the revised calendar over the present one would be the elimination of the afterChristmas session.
Weems pointed out that the revision will make it impossible for students from about 80 percent of the nation's schools to transfer to MTSU during semes-

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ving Lyon Hall, was heard to remark, "It ought to be like this all the time."
On this subject, McLean noted that an open dorm policy was to be reviewed by the University Rules Committee in January, but did not elaborate on what action they might take.
The only major mixup, the administrator concluded, was that some of the students thought the hours were to be noon until 6 p. m., adding that several students were in the dorms a little early.
er break, even though they can do so now.
Regarding transfer problems, the Dean of Administration stat d, "The primary gain is that MTSU students attending the fall semester would be able to trans fer to a school on the quarter system at the beginning of the winter quarter **
Nunley, however, noted that many faculty members beleive the value of eliminating the "lame duck" session outweighs any posible loss of transfer students President Scarlett has final responsibility to adopt, reject or amend the revised calendar.

Art majors have the opportunity to instruct students before they do their practice teaching. Art 320 is a Creative Art Cinic pare the curriculum under super vision of Charles M. Brandon, art department head.

The students are solicited from the Murfreesboro and Rutherford Co. elementary and junior high schools. "This program has been in effect since about 1963,"* stated Brandon.
The students are signed up for this clinic about the third week of each fall semester, since ar 320 is only offered in the fall

## Letterpress and Lithooranarir

JOHN R. BONNER
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Tree trimming is part of the tradition of Christmas, and Dorothy Matheny, assistant to Director of Student Aid Belt Keathly, was one of many helping to deck the Cope Administration Building with the season's finery Monday afternoon.

## Art majors may begin teaching early

and are chosen on a first come, first serve basis. "This fall we had about 40 students sign up for the clinic which lasted 10 weeks." remarked Brandon. The students are divided into three groups which meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3 p.m. till 5 p.m. A complete balanced art program is offered to these students, Brandon explained. They are instructed in painting, printing, and 3-dimentional work. A fee of $\$ 5$ is asked from each student to pay for materials.

At the end of each week the art majors meet and discuss

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the clinic and evaluate their teaching tactics. the this fall's Creative Art Clinic, there will be a show of the students work in the art barn gallery this Wednesday through Friday.

## Restructure

## action

(Continued from Pg. 1) members were added. Students who are not in eicher house were named to the committee to give "diverse outside ideas ${ }^{0 \%}$ for the restructure proposal, according to Suzanne Smartt, speaker of the senate. Although the committee, headed by Erskine Smith, senior senator, has been somewhat secretive in exactly what the committee is going to recommend, it is expected to propose a unicameral legislature.
According to Phillips, the committee was formed because the ASB realized that the student government could be more effective under a different type of structure.
However, Phillips stated, the workings of the committee have been hampered as decisions cannot even be made within the committee. He also indicated that factions have developed within the committee.
If the committee submits a proposal to the ASB congress it will be the fourth proposal to be brought before the ASB to restructure itself during the last three years. The first three recommendations to change the


WESLEY
FOUNDATION
"Stone House" across from Clement \& GoreHall. The United Methodist Church, the Christian Church (disciple=), \& the Episcopal Churcu on cambus.

## File 13

## Wesley to sponsor rap session

There will be a Black-White rap session on campus racial problems at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16 at the Wesley Foundation. This discussion is open to all students.

Fun night features Clifford Curry
Clifford Curry will be featured at a Fun Night to be held Thursday at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Tennessee Room of the Student Union Building.

## Jackson explains check distribution

December payroll checks will be distributed on Friday. The checks will be distributed in the usual manner, according to J. checks will be distributed in

## Films committee to show 'Sand Pebbles'

The films committee will present the movie "Sandpebbles" at 8 p.m. in the UC Theatre tonight.

## Post Office announces holiday schedule

During the Christmas break the MTSU post office will be open on Dec. 21, 23, 29 and 31. It will be open each of these days from 8 a.m. till 12 noon.

## ASB to host Christmas party

The Christmas party sponsored by the ASB for underprivileged children will be Wednesday in Woodmore Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. Any organization in Murfreesboro is urged to participate in the affair by sponsoring as many children as desired, according to ASB President Bart Gordon.

Flea Market profits go to loan fund
Money raised at the ASB Flea Ma-ket held last week will be used for a Student Loan Service to be provided by the ASB. A loan of up to $\$ 20$ a month would have a $50 \$$ interest charge with $10 \$$ extra for every day the loan is overdue, according to ASB President Bart Gordon.

## Free University offers unique ideas

Voluntary class attendance and costless education are two of the costless education are two of the University.

## Initiated

Initiated in November, by a core of about 10 students, the protary education in subjects of special interest to the students. After the first month of operation the Free University is offering classes in leather craft and the evolution of folk, rock and country music.
The music history class, the The music history class, by Darrel Knox, Murfreesboro junior, and Danny Crass, Oliver junior, primarily conducted by group primarily conducted by group He further indicated that the he further indicated that the cords exemplying each play
The Headwaters, a local rock
and also performed Thursday band, also performed Thursday another Free University board member, estimated that over 125 people , estinated that over 125 people attended the class. He also stated that other groups would play for later classes. Some programs are to be presented in seminar form. Last week, the group co-sponsored the Black Panther Symposium with he Black Student Association, and a Socialist party speaker, Peter Buch, speaking on the Arab Revolution wish the Young Socia ist Alliance
Fred Lehman, a board member, stated that the Free University would be willing to cosponsor programs with other university clubs. He further indicated, that the Free University would provide a place for the

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CUBE plans parties to bring Christmas to needy children

Two Christmas parties for underpriveledged children are being held by CUBE (Creating Understanding By Effort), according to Erskine Smith, CUBE president.
The parties scheduled for tonight at $6: 30$ p.m. and Thursday at $7: 30$ p.m. will be held for two different age groups, Smith said.

Tonight's party to be held at First Methodist Church in Murfreesboro will be for children from 6 to 10 years of age. Thursday"s party at St. Rose of Lima gym will be for children from age 11 to 15 years.
Smith stated CUBE members had worked the past month planning the parties and soliciting from businesses to help finance the parties. the parties.
The CUBE president explained that the Christmas parties are extensions of the CUBE tutoring program which works on a one-to-one-basis with underpriveledged children in the Murfreesboro area.

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## program

publicity.
Presently, the organization holds classes in the University Center. In the near future, however, the group hopes to complete the remodeling of a classroom adjunct to the MTSU coffehouse Lehman indicated that its com pletion would allow a more regular scheduling of classes
Lehman also indicated th plans for the spring semester include symbosiums on topics such as draft counseling and birth control.
A Swedish exercise class is also to be initiated after Christmas. The class will be taught by Mrs. Ortrum Gilbert, a Cier-
man instructor.
Mrs. Gilbert, practicing the exercises since childhood, credits the gymnastics, done to music, with training her to walk with the ease of virtual weightlessness. The movements, she explains, allow her to walk completely noiselessly and fall without injurying herself.

Classes topics are scheduled from suggestions submitted to the Free University board. The board members, attempt to coordinate the interests expressed by the MTSU community with volunteer instructors to establish a class program. The board members also indicated that the Free University was seeking volunteers to teach classes and are interested in discovering what classes the students would like
to see taught.

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## Editorial

## State government

## needs financial aid

The announcement last week by president M. G. Scarlett that MTSU is being forced to cut 15 percent from its origina!. budget for the year because of financial problems that are now being experienced by the state governmel: causes concern as to what the state can do to improve its own financial conditions.
The deductions, which are being forced by lower tax yields than the state has expected during the past two years, coupled with rising costs have put the university under a heavy financial strain. The fund zut, the second one forced on MTSU since July, has caused the university to put a tight clamp on spending for the rest of the year.

With tight money conditions prevailing throughoat the state government structure, there have been many questions raised as to what the 1971 General Assembly will do to loosen the right financial belt that is now around the states po pketbook.

With little more than a month left before the General Assembly opens its session, members appear to be placing the issue of reven $x$ as the most important problem facing the session. But with a Democratic legislature and with the new Republican administration there is some doubs as to how well the two parties will be able to work together to improve the state's financial condition.

There are several routes which the state could take in establishing a sounder financial base. One of these would be the legalization of gambling and parimutuel betting, both of which are used by other states to enhance finances.

However the problem of deciding what means to use to increase state revenue will probably be the main area of disagreement between the Democratic legislature and the Republican administration.

Governor-elect Winfield Duin appears to hold the key as to the amsunt of disagreement there will be along party lines. Democratic nominees for speaker of the senate and speaker of the house, John Wilder and Janes McKinney respectively, have both stated that they do not plan to act as obstructionists just for partisan reasons.

However many Democrats have indicated that if the programs offered by Dunn do not meet the needs of the state, they will write and attempt to get through the assembly legislation that does meet those needs.

As governor, Dunn will be forced to remember that the General Assembly is controlled by the Democrats and that if the Republican administration headed by him is to be successful it will have to work with the Democrats for the betterment of the state and not against them in a game of partisan politics.


## Our Man Hoppe

## Old legend tells of first SST

The age-old mystery of who built the huge "Snake-Snake-Tree Pyramid" at Eersoar has at last been solved by the noted archeologist, Dr. R. Moscowitz. He has also discovered why. The ancient monument was named for the first three hieroglyphics in the inscription on its base and is generally referred to in archeological circles as "The S-S-T Pyramid."
It was this lengthy inscription that Dr. Moscowitz, after 20 years of research, finally decoded. It well tells the story. The text follows.

It was in the third year of the reign of the great Tut-Tut Ang-Hup, Pnaroah of the Upper and Lower Kingdoms of Amur. (cq)

An exhausted messenger reached Eersoar and falling to his knees cried, "Oh, Great Pharoah, thine sworn enemies, theSovites, (cq) are building a Snake-Snake-Tree Pyramid one thous and cubits high to please the gods and outshine thy gloryl ${ }^{\text {" }}$ The Pharoah summoned his high priests to divine the meaning of this. "Sire" said they, "the gods will indeed smile upon the Sovites. Their fields will flourish, their nation will prosper, their armies will defeat thee, and thy glory will be dimmed."
"Then by the gods," swore the Great Pharoah, "I shall build a Snake-Snake-Tree Pyramid two thous and cubits highl ${ }^{37}$

Work began. One hundred thous and men dragged huge blocks of stone fifty miles to Eersoar and levered them into place. The whole nation groaned under the burden of new and heavy taxes.

Three years passed. The Pyramid reached but one hundred cubits high. The Wizards of E-Kol made so bold as to appear before Ang-Hup. "Oh, Great Pharoah," said they, "we have spoken unto the Great God E-Kol. He prophesies that the top of they Snake-Snake-Tree Pyramid shall puncture the clouds, bringing drought and famine to thine fertile lands. The winds howling on, its side, shall drive strong men mad. And the

## By A-thur Hoppe

heavy taxes shall bring ruin to rich and poor
alike. alike.
At this, Ang-Hup grew angry. "Whatl Would thou have me waste the labor of three long years? What! Would thou have me yield unto mine enemies the leadership in international Pyramid building ? ${ }^{\circ \circ}$ "Aye, Sire," said they. "Let the Sovites build this useless and destructive thing. It shall destroy them."
The Great Pharoah frowned. Then he smiled. "Nayl Oh, ye of little faith, dost thou forget the Snake-Snake-Tree Pyramid provides honest toil for one hundred thousand men. Would thou wickedly deprive them of their livelihood? For shamel $l^{\text {DP }}$ And he chopped off the heads of the Wizards of E-kol.
Thus the wisdom of Ang-Hup triumphed. And in the 20th year of his reign this great Snake-Snake-Tree Pyramid was completed, insuring forever the greatness of Eersoar, the fertility of its valleys and the glory of Ang-Hup. Look on his works, ye Mighty, and despairl
This ends the inscription on the Pyramid. "Nothing beside remains," reports Dr. Moscowitz, poetically. "Round the decay of that colossal wreck, boundless and bare, the lone and level sands stretch far away.

Dr. Moscowitz has named the concept of building useless and destructive things in order to provide employment "The Ang-Hup Hang-Up." He says it can be found in several early civilizations.
, he writes, mankind has made five thousand reasoning ability durjag the past leader could ever prepose such a prepesterous, irrational concept today.**

## Strikes raise questions of union powers

In the past week, strikes by railroad and electrical workers have almost paralyzed two nations.
In the United States, after Presidential pressure, Congressional action and court orders the striking railroad unions returned to work after a one day stoppage. The stoppage had threatened shortages of power, food and industrial raw materials and a backlog of mail. In Great Britain, Queen Elizabeth has declared a state of emergency after a slow-down by electrical workers had caused power blackouts in 80 percent of England.

The emergency measures

## By Jim Leonhirth

which will be enforced by the British government may include rationing of power, restriction of uses of power for commercial purposes, and a possible take-
over of power plant work by the over o
army.
Strikes have been used effectively by unions over the past few decades to bring reforms in labor conditions. Unions, which have now become established, however, have begun to change the tactics with which they operate.

At one time, strikes were pri-
marily directed against the company with which the unions were bargaining. Slowdowns and los roduction cost the company rofits, and this loss made the companies mo
At the present time, unions At the present time, unions which operate the transportation systems, power supplies and communications can not oaly inconvenience the employers but also the public which must suffer every time such a union is no atisfied.
In this case, public opinion works toward a quick settlement, but it may also react against the union or the employer
Almost all unions, regardless
of their nature, have gone trom a long suffering past to a point almost monopolistic power ng competition qualis of stif ling competition and discouraging w ornpetition are often ex ibited by the union. Union organzation of professional services ather than industrial workers ganizing union.
Although it is beneficial that es ar Chavez and his farm workers are fighting battles for wages and hours fought by other unions lecades ago, for the most par f a union has the power to stop a nation, it has too much power
Wiy can labor form monopolies and trusts if management cannet?

Letters to the editor

# Blacks need to find new approach to win total support of 'whitey' 

To the editor:
The recent "Get Hip Whitey Week ${ }^{* 3}$ would have been a rewarding experience for MTSU had a different approach been taken.
The unfortunate use of a provocative title casts a suspicion upon the purpose of the week's activities. It was said that this was an attempt to inform, but the information given through the display was closer to propaganda. Is Angela Davis really on her way to "legal lynching"? Even if proven guilty? There is a belief circulating around that ablack man can't get a fair trial in the U.S.

This is probably based on the discrimination in justice that occurred in the past. However,
this society has come a long way in opening its eyes to its injustices, and the court system has probably led the way.
All this is not to suppose that the black man faces no discrim ination or injustice. But to suppose that every black arrested is a victim of planned oppresion is going beyond the limits of reason.
The burning of a cross is one more example of the illogic that is prevalent in both black and white America.
That is why attempts to present a blunt viewpoint will only inspire more blunt expressions of views.
Did it occur to the BSA that the word "whitey" is offensive to many whites.

## Relations can improve with proper treatment

To the editor:
This letter is in regards to the letter to the editor which appear ed in the Friday SIDELINES, that was submitted by Mr. Williams and Mr. Gay.
It is apparent that they have appointed themselves judge and jury for Miss Davis, apparently with out knowing all of the facts, because anyone who knows the facts could not have reached such a biased decision.
It is too bad that Mr. Gay and Mr. Williams like so many other whites on this campus found some of the pictures displayed by the BSA to their disliking. All of the pictures that were displayed are
honored and respected by blacks, especially young blacks, otherwise they would not have been displayed.

If whites do not like such people as Huey Newton and Angela Davis, all they have to do is to start treating black people with respect and there would be no need for them.
As long as white America concontinues to treat black people as she does, there will always be Huey Newton's and AngelaDavis's to stand up for the rights of black people.
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Could there not have been a more subtle effort to "inform" MTSU?
1 feel most whites are receptive to information about black heritage. Blacks have more to be proud of than Angela Davis, Huey Newton and the platform of the Black Panther party.
Butch McDade
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## Student questions

WMOT censorship

## To the Editor:

Last Tuesday night I tried to listen to Dick Gregory's speech over WMOT.

Every now and then my radio would go off. When it would come back on everyone was laughing. This bothered me.
I am a student of a university where 1 belleve there is free to push a button to censor what I might hear.

Clarence T. Rowland
Box 8555

Meanwhile With Lynch

## Greeks help community

 through civic projectsTo the Editor:

Congratulations to Rita Hen derson on her open column "Greek System Becomes F antas tic Fantasy," which does nothing but glamorize the bad aspects of a traternity and exaggerate them into a true fantasy.
In your paper you take an ax to the Greek World and ask them to give blood at the same time What about the OEO which is mostly Greek supported? How about the Halloween and Christmas parties given by the fraternities for underprivileged children? Who is it the townspeople come to whenever they want civic project done?
You as a Greek know it is true that fraternities do serve a meaningful purpose. If you were associated with my fraternity, I would certainly be as hamed of you for presenting such a one-sided view of the Greek System in which you have the honor of being a member.
I have been in the Greek World for three and a half years. If anything, it has given me a reason to stay in school and maintain my grades so I can participate in what 1 know as bro therhood in my fraternity.
It is true pledging is rough went through three years ago

You never really appreciate anything that is given to you, but you do appreciate the things you
work for. No individual is forced to join a fraternity and there is not a "ball and chain" strapped to his leg to keep him in. He may quit any time he desires. may quit any time he desires. associate myself with a can associate myself with a group of men who are able to accom-
plish goals and set new ones, who keep old friends and made who keep old friends and made new ones, and who are able to take their temperment, talents, and convictions, and aim them
There must be some rewardin the Greek System or there would not be one. Futhermore, the Greek System is represented by all races, not only If you do not believe in the Greek System, what are you do Greek System, what are you doBobby Blair Box 3181

## Letters

The SIDELINES welcomes all comment and opinion on current events or on items published in this newspaper in the form of letters to the editor.

## Snakes cause hassle in forest

Once upon a time, a group of rattle snakes got together and thought it would be cute to burn up part of the forest.
So, they set fire to the trees and bushes and laughed and jumped around and said "look how The other
The other animals saw the fire and became upset because they didn ${ }^{\circ} t$ want to see any of their forest destroyed. When they came to put the fire out, the rattle snakes ran because they didn't want
anyone to know that they were the ones who had anyone to kn
set the fire.
set the fire. rest, leaving every animal homeless, that is, except the rattle snakes, who lived in the groand. Understandably, all of the animals were mad as hell, because somebody had made a stupid mess out of everybody else's lives.
So they turned to the lion, king of the forest, for guidance. The lion stated that he woulddo every thing within his power to find the culprits, which made good sense, but how were the animals going to live now that their homes and foods had been destroyed?
The lion couldn ${ }^{2} t$ answer
Suddenly, a mole spoke up that he had overheard a group of rattle snakes laughing about the pligh: of the other animals. He said that he had neard he rattle snakes say chat they had started the fire. And that they were laughing about it.

## By Jim Lynch

The animals went berserk. They went screamny off into the charred ruins of the forest, seeking o kill every snake that they could find. Two foxes cam= across a small garter snake and imm-diately bit off his head.
The garter snake had been asleep when the fire was set.
Two rabbits came across two of the rattlesnakes and yelled "Killers!" Why didyou do it?" The rattlesnakes quickly bit the rabbits on the throats and it took the rabbits two hours to die. They were in convulsions for their es on earth.
And the rage continued until the next day ........ until there was no life in the forest at all. Two hunters happened by late in the afternoon dead rotting animal bodies. I wonder what happened $?^{* *}$ asked the first. Who knows" stated the second


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Mary Schneider, Nashville sophomore, and Hayden Stephens, of College Grove, look over cards posted on the recently established Travel Board with rides requested from IEvansville, Indianal to Smyrna, Tennessee. The board, located in the basement of the University Center, provides a means of communication for students.

Christmas holidays

## ASB offers travel board service

With the holiday recess rapidly approaching and students thinking of going home, the ASB thinking of going home, the ASB ASB president Bart Gordon said in a recent interview.
in board, which is located in the basement of the University Center, provides services for Center, provides sents trying to make connecstudents trying to make connecGordon said. It consists of a United States map with each state numbered and Tennessee broken down into sections.

Persons looking for rides and those offering transportation can fill out the information cards provided. By this means, people with favorable times, places, and transportation can make the necessary arrangements and save money on expenses.
There is also a book board in the UC. The book board provides cards and compartments for individuals seeking to buy or sell specific books. They can thereby eliminate the middleman usually represented by the bookstore

The travel and book boards were built in 1966 as a joint project of the Socratics and the ASB and placed in the old Student Union Building. They had remained there until recently when they were renovated by students Loretta Rhiggs and John Jackson and transferred to the University Center, Gordon said. Gordon emphasized the value of the boards to students attempting to plot an itinerary for the holidays and trying to save time and money.

## NTE registration date looms near

Less than two weeks remain for prospective teachers who plan to take the National Teacher Examinations on J anuary 30, 1971, to submit their registrations, James Martin, director of guidance and counseling, announced yesterday. Registrations for the examinations must be forwarded to Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey, so as to arrive no later than January 7 Martin emphasized.

Bulletins of information describing registration procedures and containing registration forms may be obtained directly from the Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, New Jersey 08540. At the one-day session a candidate may take the Common Ex-

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aminations, which include tests in Professional Education and General Education, and one of the twenty-four Teaching Area Examinations.
Each candidate will receive an Admission Ticket advising him of the exact location of the center to which he should report, Mar tin advised. Candidates for the

Common Examinations will re port at $8: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on January 30 and should finish at approximatey $12: 30$ p.m., Martin said.
The teaching Area Examinations will begin at $1: 30$ p.m. and should finish at approximately $4: 15$, according to the time schedule set up by Educational Testing Service.

## Central High students lead in enrollment

Murfreesboro Central High Shelbyville Central High School, School graduates compose the with 252 graduates now enrolled. largest group of students from a The figures were included in single high school now attending a list of 125 Tennessee schools MTSU according to Dean of Administration John E. Weems.

MTSU's current enrollment is 8,093 students.
Second among Tennessee high schools represented at MTSU is pus. The five high schools which have sent the next greatest numbers of students to MTSU and their totals are: Nashville's John Overton, 178; Coffee County

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(No charge for sizing) Central High of Manchester, 174; Lebanon High, 152; Columbia's Central High, 142; and Franklin County High School, 141.
Murfreesboro Central also provided the largest number of freshmen at MTSU this semester (fall, 1970) with a total of of 124 students. Nashville Overton placed second again with 68 graduates attending MTSU.

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Painted mascot

Lord Byron, MTSU's new mascot, has been immortalized in paint in the Student Union Cafeteria. The painting by Lyndi McNulty, Maryland the Blue Raider and Confederate flag which formerly occupied the space and which was given to the ATO fraternity.

## International cookbook

## Sales to help finance Model United Nations

diner "Kims" ""g American diner, "Kima, "Chappatis," and "Fattoush" could be the sites of fine foreign restaurants. According to political science instructor Linda Myers, however, the diner of more international tastes would recognize a Pakistani beef dish, an Indian bread and a Saudi Arabian salad.
Recipes for these dishes and other foreign culinary treats have been collected by members of the International Relations Club into a cookbook edited by Mrs. Myers.

The cookbook, Mrs. Myers said, contains recipes from 39 nations and were collected mostly from persons who have worked and traveled in these nations.

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able to the university community Profits derived from the sale will be used to help finance the Model United Nations scheduled for this campus in April.

Mrs. Myers stated that the expenses involved in the project are numerous including the mailing to the high schools, pape for draft resolutions and rules of order, and the concluding banquet.

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drawing, painting and prints. Ben Mahmoud, has received such recent invitations as The Flint International, Violence Exhibition at the Museurn of Contemporary Art in Chicago, and Art Today, Indianapolis Museum of Art. His work is contained in private and institutional collections throughout the United States and Puerto Rico, and he has over 150 shows to his credit.
Richard Beard has had twenty major one-man shows since 1960 and over the past fifteen years has exhibited on regional and national levels.
Keith Hatcher, a recent guest artist for the Mississippi Art League Workshop, is represented by galleries in Michigan and
Maryland. He is currently a Maryland. He is currently a
member of the faculty of Southern member of the faculty of South
Connecticut State College.

Nelson Stevens was education Neison Stevens was education coordinator for the Museum and Cleveland Art Museum, for the years, and is currently instructing in woodcut, drawing and African art history it Northern Illinois University at Northern Ilimois University.
Gary Fox, is now in his third year as an assistant professor sign history, and has had de-one-man exhibitions in Illinois Iowa, Kentucky and New York, Dorthea Bilder New York. hibiting nationally since 1962 and is represented by galleries in Florida, Illinois, and Michigan. David Driesbach has been a participant in nearly every graphics competition and invitational for the past two decades and was the recipient of a Ford Foundation Purchase in 1960.

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## Gaston receives grant

Bruce Gaston, a much-sought quarterback from College Park, Ga., has signed an Ohio Valley Conference grant-in-aid to continue his football career at MTSU A 6-1, 170 pounder from College Parks Lakeshore Hig Schosi, Gaston boasts some im pressive credentials. In leading Lakeshore to a 10-0 regular sea son and the top AA ranking in Georgia, he passed for 1140 yards for 320 yards and fivemore TD
for 320 yards and five more TDi.
All of this was accomplished in only nine games since he missed one game due to illness. In Gaston's three seasons at Lakeshore, they won 30 consecutive regular season games, only to be upset in the playoffs each year.
Gaston is also a tremendous punter, averaging 41.0 yards per kick this fall. Quickness could be his greatest asset, although
he possesses a fine throwing arm. Gaston covers 40 yards in only Gaston cover
4.7 seconds.

He is a fine athlete, excelling in basketball as well as football. He becomes the third high school star to sign with the Blue Raiders, joining Byron Kelly, a 6-6, 255 -pound tackle from Jasper, and Jerry Anderson, a 6-1, 180-pound wide receiver from Murfreesboro's TSSAA S:ate Champions.
Ricky Crabtree, a guard-linebacker from Marshall County signed an Ohio V alley Conference signed an Ohio V alley Conference grant-in-aid to play footballhere. Crabtree, a 6-0, 200-pounder, becomes the fourth high school standout to ink a pact with the
Blue Raiders. lue Raiders.
"We feel that Ricky is one of the top college prospects in the middle Tennessee area," said MTSU as sistant Ron Martin.

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## Texas still number 1

To have Christmas without a Santa Claus would be a gross misjustice, and for me to go home to Santa (ho-ho-ho) Claus without putting my neck in the 'ol hangman's noose just wouldn't be right, huh? I must give the coaches and readers a chance to judge my football knowledge and also give me a way at getting back at some of them for not believing what $I^{\circ}$ ve predicted about their squads.
It*s bowl-picking time, the time in every sports writer's life when he gets to have some fun picking who is the best on a given day or night, and also a chance to fill up a little space with some fun material.
First, the biggie of the bunch, Texas versus Notre Dame. I see visions of Jim Bertelsen and Woo Woo Worster making steer meat of these fight-sometimes-play-dead-othertimes Irish. But 1 also see the aerial whiz Joe Theismann making another Bull Run of the Longhorns with this super arm.
Texas is tougher, though. They have the material to get the ball when they need it, and despite a few injuries, still have one of the best offenses in the country, I see Texas taking the win, but it will be as close as it was last year when the two giants met.
The Longhorns will keep the ball too long for the Irish defense to get going, thus the win.
LSU and Nebraska should wage what will probably be the best bowl of the New Year's. The tough defense against the tough offense, a battle any fun loving football watcher would enjoy. I see it this way: LSU has played like a team desurving the Orange Bowl for two years, yet will be making the
trip with a record worse than it had last trip with a record worse than it had last year when it didn't get the bid. But they should have beaten Notre Dame and shouldn't have lost to Texas $A$ \& $M$ at the first of the year. Otherwise, they should have been just as good as in 1969.
Nebraska has always been tough on offense, having a knack at scoring when it needed it and gaining a lot of ground while administering plenty of bruises on the defensive corps of their opponents. But LSU has met the test once, against the best offense in the nation, allowing only three points,
and 1 see them beating Nebraska. (My
roommate doesn't think so, but, well, Lonnie, 1 just had to stay true to the SEC and give them the benefit of the doubt).
Tennessee"s Bobby Scott, Curt W atson, and company, should make the Air Force wish they were over fighting in Viet Nam where they belong instead of in the Sugar Bowl. Tennessee is tos tough offensively and defensively for the Air Force team that had a good day (just one) and beat Stanford once upon a time. I wish the Vols were playing Nebraska instead of LSU.
Jim Plunkett, owner of the greased baby, and signalcaller of a rugged St anford offense, isn't enough to beat 22 players, which is just what he'll have to do if the Indians are to shell the Buckeyes. Woody Hayes loves the Rose Bowl, he should since he ${ }^{\text {s }}$ s been there so many times, and the team will m.kc Plunkett wish he were with anybody but Stanford in Pasadena Jan. 1.
The nation's total offense leader, Pat Sullivan, will lead a powerful Auburn offense into their battle with the corps of Ole Miss and Archie Manning. Archie Who? made a believer out of me last year with his upset performance over Arkansas, but then he did out of a lot of people (huh Susan ?). I hate to try and pick an upset, but 1 see Archie getting back in the swing of things and beating Auburn. They re vulnerable to the run, those Tigers, and 1 think that with the passing attack of Manning and that offense, they ${ }^{2} 11$ beat Sullivan. It ${ }^{\text {ll }}$ be a great game.

1 don't know much about Arizona State, but the state of Phoenix sounds pretty good, according to my girlfriend who lived there for 12 years and wishes she still did, but they ${ }^{*}$ ll drop Don McCauley and North Carothey.
lina.

But McCauley is a true All-America, and I look forward to seeing him carry that pigskin.

And then we come to Georgia Tech and their quarterback Eddie McAshan. Although McAshan hasn't played in all the games, he'll start the important game against Texas Tech and 1 look for him to have a good day like he had against the Irish. Tech will prevail, and after beating Georgia, it's the only other thing they could do to add to the lustrous season they've had.
Who's number one? Texas is still my bet.

## Blue unbeaten

## Play Tennessee Tech Jan. 2

Basketbali fans have witnessed the opportunity to see some old but have some top notch transthree encounters in which Jimmy Earle has giided his rip-roaring Blue Raiders to convincing marginal wins. But miny feel that near equal calibre, and they ${ }^{\circ}$ re near
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these same fans will have

