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# Baxter new ASB president



TROY BAXTER

#### From Staff Reports

Troy Baxter is the new MTSU associated student body president after winning the ASB runoff election Monday.

Of the 936 votes cast, Baxter received 505 votes, or 53.9 percent. and John Conklin received 431 votes, or 46 percent, Holly Lentz. ASB election commissioner said.

Voter turnout was the heaviest in years for a runoff election. In the 1985 runoff election 921 votes were

cast, 652 in 1984 and 205 in the runoff when no one candidate re-1983 elections were for the office of Speaker of the Senate

50 percent of the votes casts in the original election, a runoff election was necessary. Baxter received 49.43 percent and Conklin received 49.71. The vote was complicated by a write-in candidate. John McCarthy, who received 9 votes. Article IX, Section 5 of the Com-

prehensive Election Act calls for a

1983 race, though the 1984 and ceives a 50 percent majority vote.

"We ran the best campaign we could," said Baxter's campaign Since neither candidate received manager Marty Watt. "We're glad we won.

> Watt also had praise for opponant John Conklin. "He ran an excellent race," Watt said. "[He did] a hell of a job."

Baxter will be sworn April 24, during the ASB Inauguration and Awards Banquet in the James Union Building.



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Election Commissioner Holly Lentz and election offical Doug Kinser keep watch over the ballot box during Monday's ASB runoff election. Turnout for the election was very good according to Lentz.

# Chair of Insurance boosts program

By MARTIN MILES Special to Sidelines

The Martin Chair of Insurance at Middle Tennessee State University has become firmly established as an integral part of the academic curriculum in the School of Business.

Created in 1980, the chair is named in honor of Tommy T. Martin, a respected insurance agent and underwriter in Murfreesboro. In 1982, Dr. Kenneth W. Hollman was appointed chairholder and instructor in the program, serving as a contact source for insurance students and as a resource person for those in the industry. The Chair of Insurance is needed because insurance is vitally important to the business and economic life of our nation. Since the insurance business is becoming increasingly complex, there is a need for college graduates with superior training in the insurance business.

The primary objective of the Martin Chair of Insurance is to provide instruction through a thoughtful selection and ordering of topics and courses for students who wish to achieve a working knowledge of insurance or who are preparing for careers in insurance

"Substantial progress has been made in creating student interest in the insurance courses and the insurance program," Hollman said, adding that "three insurance courses are offered each semester and two courses are offered in the summer.

interning during the current spring term with companies or agencies," Hollman said, adding that "the internships have helped many students to line up a job after graduation with which they are well satisfied."

Because of strong industry support, the insurance program has available numerous scholarships for students who choose an emphasis or a minor in insurance and who excel academically.

goal of the Chair is to make the insurance industry aware of the program and the students who complete it. To achieve this goal, a

(Please see Chair page 2)

## Dorm director upsets students

By BLAKE FONTENAY Sidelines Staff Writer

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"Perhaps the single most important factor for the insurance professional today is education," Hollman

"About 95 students are currently enrolled in insurance courses, and we anticipate that over 200 students will be exposed to insurance knowledge this year," Hollman said.

As a part of its many efforts, the insurance community in the surrounding area has been very cooperative in making internships available to students.

"Twenty-eight students have finished internships and three are

"Ten students received twelve scholarships of \$500 each during current academic the year, Hollman said, "and funding arrangements have been completed for more scholarships in the future.

"Scholarships not only serve as a means of rewarding insurance students who demonstrate outstanding academic achievment, but they also help to attract new students with strong academic records into the insurance program," Hollman said

An important instruction-related

Energy maintenance procedures set forth by the university housing department over spring break were the source of a bitter argument between the hall director and of the residents of Wood Hall.

Tammy Toombs, a resident of the third floor of Wood Hall, objected to an inspection of her room which was made despite the fact that she paid the additional rent and was authorized by the housing department to remain on campus during spring break.

During the inspection, Wood Hall director Freida Headrick opened the refrigerator in Toombs' room, removed all of the food from that refrigerator to her own refrigerator downstairs and then uplugged the refrigerator.

Headrick also discovered a can of beer in Toombs' refriderator and cited both Toombs and her roomate, Nancy Wood, for a contract violation. Toombs, who was not present during the inspection, returned to her room to discover a stain on the carpet caused by the defrosting refrigerator and a note from Headrick explaining what she had done during the inspection.

Toombs, who had left a note on her door requesting specifically that her refrigerator should not be unplugged, felt Headrick was unjustified in inspecting her room since she was still living at the residence hall.

"I'm not mad about the beer," said Toombs. "What made me mad

#### CORRECTION

In the March 28 issue of Sidelines, it was incorrectly reported that the bill calling for a vote on reorganizing the ASB legislature would replace the current House and Senate with a 34 member Senate made up of 22 class senators and 12 atlarge. The correct figure is 18 from the classes and 16 at large. It was also reported that the House changed the wording of the Comprehensive Election Act of 1986; this should be the Comprehensive Election Act of 1983. Sidelines regrets the error.

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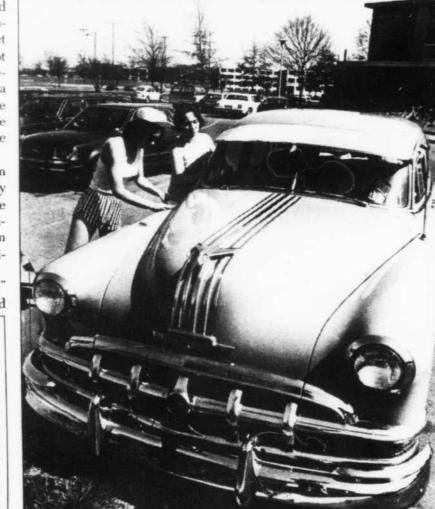
The maintenance checks were made strictly within the rules set forth in a housing department memo, Headrick said.

"I was doing my job in making maintenance and safety checks which all dorm directors were supposed to make," Headrick said. Headrick refused to discuss any of the specific details of the incident because she felt that doing so would be a violation of the Privacy Act.

The memo, sent by Vickie Justice, associate director of university housing for student development, states "Each Residence Hall Director will make an inspection of the rooms/apartments for energy maintenance and safety purposes...Those students requiring a Office...[and] pay one (1) week's rent as indicated below.'

The memo does not clearly specify whether or not the maintenance checks were meant to apply to residents remaining on campus during the break. It does state that hall directors would unplug all refigerators on March 16 (the date of the incident), but this statement was made under a section of the memo which provided instructions for students who would not be living on campus; insturctions to turn out all lights, lock all windows, and take home portable items of value.

Toombs is currently seeking an offical interpretation from either housing director Ivan Shoemake or Justice. Neither was available for comment.



Wayne Cartwright®Staff

Dani Durkee and Lisa Birdwell gave Dani's car "Herman," a 1950 Plymouth a wash and wax job last Saturday on campus while enjoying the sunny weather.

### Teacher says Contra aid wrong

By CRYSTAL NELMS Sidelines Assistant News Editor

"Despite a variety of criticisms made of the Sandinistas they are a legitimate government, and we should not try to overthrow them," Gray Cox, professor of philosophy at MTSU, said

Cox visited Nicaragua in 1984 with a church-based group for eight days, then decided to remain for approximately another two weeks on his own. The group, Witness for Peace, travels to Nicaraguan war zones to pray for peace and to learn first-hand about what is happening in that country, Cox said.

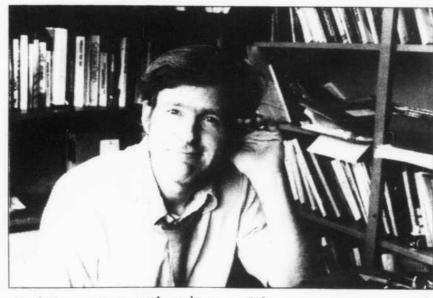
"I saw clinics, warehouses and graineries destroyed by Contras [groups trying to overthrow the Sandinista government]," Cox said. "Attacks on economic targets and civilians have made the economy increasingly worse."

Approximately 60 to 70 percent of the people in Nicarugua supported the Sandinistas during the visit, Cox said.

Hanging on the door of Cox's office is a cross with the name of a Nicaraguan civilian, the date of her death and her age when she was killed by Contra forces.

"It is a concrete way of helping me remember that people who are dying there [Nicaragua] are civilians minding their own business," Cox said.

The Reagan administration cut off trade with the Sandinistas last



April. Reagan is currently seeking \$100 million in military support for the FDN [Nigaruguan Democratic Front], a Contra group organized by the CIA and lead by former members of Anastasio Somoza's

"There were some severe misprints in my column of March 14, 1985 [printed in Sidelines]," Cox

"The U.S. should cut off aid to the Contras."

[former Nicaraguan dictator] National Guard.

"The U.S. should cut off aid to Contras," Cox said. "We [the U.S.] should offer aid that provides material aid and incentives to make them [the Sandinistas] more pluralistic."

"I think we should be providing conditional aid to Sandinistas and non-violent groups," Cox said.

1984." All quotes in Cox's column are from Edgar Chamorro, a member of the FDN.

"Most people find foreign affairs too complicated," Cox said. "We feel that we need to trust somebody. Some people trust Ronald Reagan, but in the case of Nicaragua, he has said things that are grossly false." dale

said. "I myself have never been a member of the FDN or CIA, although I did visit Nicaragua in

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#### TUESDAY

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FALL 1986 NURSING CLASS is April 1. Upon completion of the program graduates are eligible to write the National Council Examination for Registered Nurses. They receive the Associate in Arts Degree from MTSU. For more information contact the MTSU Nursing department, box 81, or call extention 2437.

A STRESS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. on April 1, 3, 8, 10, 15 and 17 in room 243 of Peck Hall. The seminar is free

#### WEDNESDAY

CULTURE AND LANGUAGE is the title of the April 2 Honors Lecture to be delivered by Dr. Walid Rashid, professor of folklore, Yarmouke University, London. The lecture will be delivered Wednesday, April 2, at 3:20 p.m. in room 107 of Peck Hall. Admission is free and open to the public

#### FRIDAY

APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT ORIENTATION ASSISTANTS for fall semester, 1986 are now being accepted. Applications are available in room 130 of the Keathley University Center. Deadline for applying is April 4, 1986.

APPLICATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING SENIORS are now available in the ASB office and are due back in the office by April 4, 1986. Winners will be announced and recognized at the ASB Inauguration and Awards Banquet on April 24, 1986 in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building.

#### MONDAY

TREATMENT OF CHILD AND ADOLESCENT SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES is a public service conference sponsored by the Social Work Program. It will be held Monday, April 7, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in dining room B of the James Union Building. It is free and open to the public.

#### NOTICES

TYPING QUALIFICATION EXAM for MC 171 will be given in room 204 of the James Union Building on Monday, April 28 at 11 a.m. and 2 and 7 p.m.; and on Monday June 2, at 9 and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

GRADUATE STUDENTS enrolled for fewer than 12 hours and undergraduate seniors who plan to attend graduate school the semester following graduation must notify the post office by Tuesday, May 6, 1986, of their desire to retain their present post office box.

CAMPUS CAPSULE POLICY: all submissions to Campus Capsule must be typed and submitted to Sudelines by 1 p.m. Monday for Tuesday's paper and 1 p.m. Thursday for Friday's paper. All submissions are printed on a space available basis

#### Chairs

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local chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma, a national scholastic insurance fraternity, has been created to help speed up communication between students and insurance leaders. The fraternity is open to students interested in studying insurance and who later will be working in the insurance industry

The chapter has been extraordinarily active in fund-raising, service, and professional activities over the past year," Hollman said. "The chapter's activities bringgreater awareness of the insurance program on campus, help our classroom enrollment, and help increase the number of insurance majors."

The chapter did well in national competition with the other 23 active GIS chapters in its first ye ar. It won the "Outstanding Industry Relations" award in 1984-85. and placed second for the "Outstanding Chapter" award. Due to and talents of the young people who its outstanding relations with the are interested in insurance and who local insurance community, it has will be tommorrow's leaders. There received several sizeable donations young people will face a constantly from agents and companies in the shifting landscape of technological insurance industry.

riculum are also of interest to nonbusiness majors as well. This help assure that an awareness of insurance is widely distributed among graduates of the University," Hollman said.

Teaching insurances courses to non-insurance majors provides the opportunity to improve the image of the agent, and indeed the entire industry, in the eyes of a sometimes skeptical student body who will someday be primary consumers of insurance products.

One of the most important issues facing the insurance industry today. is that of developing the abilities and sociological changes with new Courses in the insurance cur- responsibilities never before encountered.

> "Collegiate training for tomorrow's insurance leaders through funded professorships like the Martin Chair of Insurance may be the most effective way to enhance the prestige of the insurance business," Hollman said.

> More importantly for insurance companies, it may also be the most cost-effective method to attract bright young people to work for the insurance industry in the future.

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# Editorial/Forum

# Greek letter brings out opposing view points

The letter pictured on this page was sent to many of the fraternity and sorority members on campus. There is nothing illegal about this letter, and the Greeks for Baxter were well within the bounds of MTSU ASB Election policy. Whether or not they were within the bounds of reason or good taste is another matter.

The letter is full of faults and inconsistency, not the least of which is a misunderstanding of John Conklin's position on Greek organizations. Conklin has gone out of his way several times during the campaign to make it clear that he will represent all groups and students on campus and has not said "Greek life doesn't develop leadership" as the letter states.

Even more insulting is the second sentence. "It is embarrassing because we, as Greeks, have never failed to determine the ASB President, especially to an independent." By what divine right do the Greeks feel they have the power to decide the make-up of a student government that serves all students?

Many fraternity and sorority members will have voted for Trov Baxter simply because he is a CHRIS BELL and LISA FLOWERS

Greek. Is being Greek a criterionfor being ASB president? Does being a member of a fraternity make one better than other students?

The letter mentions such important events as the All-Sing, the Greek All-Star game and rush. Are these the major issues an ASB president needs to deal with?

What about student parking, scholarships, increased state funding to bring MTSU up to the level of the University of Tennessee system schools, minority representation, housing improvements, and many other issues important to all students? Instead they are worrying about a fraternity row.

It is natural for members of Greek organizations to be concerned with issues that affect them. However that shouldn't be the only criterion for choosing a president.

It's easy to paint a stereotypical picture of your typical Greek. drinking beer and toeing the ultraconservative line. Like herb tea drinking English majors and skateboarding RIMers, it's mostly a myth. "Please wear your Greek Letters on March 31, election day! I guess

Dear Fellow Greeks

As you well know by now, Troy Baxter narrowly escaped an embarrassing loss in the recent ASB elections. It is em-barrassing because we, as Greeks, have never failed to deter-mine the ASB President, especially to an independent.

Mr. Conklin is a fine person. He says he is a friend to Greeks What does he know of Greek life? Does he know about the untold hours that are put into events like Homecoming, All-Sing, and the MTSU/TTU Greek All-Star Game? NO! Is he concerned about development of a fraternity row? NO! Is he concerned with RUSH? NO!

IS TROY BAXTER? YES!!!

Like you and us, Troy is a Greek, and is concerned with our way of life.

Mr. Conklin says that Troy has no experience. Isn't membership in a Greek Organization supposed to develop leadership?

Troy knows the benefits of being Greek, and he will not stand by while an independent says Greek life doesn't develop leadershin

Don't you stand by either! VOTE FOR TROY BAXTER on MARCH 31.

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Please wear your Greek Letters on March 31, election day!

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This country is founded on the belief that a person has inalienable rights, and the right to free speech is one of the first.

As a matter of fact, when the founding fathers wrote the Bill of Rights, freedom of speech and the press was one of the first on paper.

When an organization such as Greeks for Troy Baxter takes it upon themselves to pen a letter like the one printed here, they are simply exercising that right.

The medium in which their opinions were expressed, and their intentions, were clear from the start; they wished to become involved in the electoral process that this publication has criticized the student body for so long for ignoring.

Let's face the facts; the Greeks on this campus are the driving force behind student involvement at Middle Tennessee State University.

True, the Greek population is small compared to the total number

of students, but hypothetically, let's remove them along with the students who choose to by-pass the activities offered by the school. Doing that, we find that there are few people out there who care to be heard.

I am not saying that the Greeks on this campus who care to involve themselves are better then the rest of the student body. They simply are more involved.

Their letter does not say they are superior, but that they consistently have a strong voice.

Their motives?

Simple. Any special interest group such as the Greeks would be silly not to exercise their right to strengthen themselves in any way they can.

I respect the Greeks in their initiative in standing up for their interests, and in sticking up for one of their own. It's people like those who signed this letter who make me proud to be an American.

MICHAEL FREEMAN

Is Libya a real threat to US?



THE BACKROOM By Dale Dworak Sidelines Columnist

power; it is another to use it.

Theodore Roosevelt advised us Nicaragua; to what end remains to be seen. At no time did the United States speak softly

It is one thing to have great United States. Which may be why we were so ready to defend it.

Of course, there are those who that we should "speak softly and say that what really went on was carry a big stick." Last week we retaliation for Libyan-backed terused that stick in Libya and rorist activities in the Rome and threatened to use it against Vienna airports. We are teaching Khadafy a lesson it seems. I'll be one of the first to admit he needs one

war brings such fun ways to die.

Meanwhile that very week, and despite the fact that the United States repeatedly had to explain to the Hondurans that they had been attacked by two thousand or so Nicaraguan troops, Reagan was able to convince them to allow our helicopter pilots to carry them to the front. The commie peril grows ever more dangerous on our continent! Though the fight will be hard Reagan might now find that Congress has a little looser hold on the old purse strings when it comes to Contra Aid. I still think he would really rather commit American troops. It would be different than Vietnam in that a pro-American government could probably be fairly easily established and held. But guerrilla warfare (terrorism) could continue for decades in Nicaragua and the United States. No one likes to lose.

#### Letter to the Editor

Movie Editor

To the Editor:

#### with men, with their parents and with each other. In doing so Allen deals skillfully with some serious human concerns such as infidelity, Jan Heise's review of Hannah jealousy, death and the exsistence and Her Sisters in the Friday, of God. The loose ends which March 28, 1986, issue of Sidelines Heise complains about are not is a clear case of misunderstanding. problems. Hannah's sisters' resent-Heise aparently expected ba con- ment of Hannah is never resolved fusing movie. Hannah and Her Sis- in any obvious way. Neither is the ter is fairly straightforward. Woody conflict between Hannah's parents. Allen pokes fun at Hannah and her Woody Allen's character never sister and their love relationships finds out if God exsists or not. The

point is that the characters learn to tive with these loose ends. Woody Allen has written a humerous, insightful and unified movie about some very diverse and complex human concerns. The acting is good. Certainly, a rating of four stars is more warranted than the rating of two stars given by Heise. Hannah and her Sister deserves better than a misunderstanding. Brian Hale

P.O. Box 1713

We have been told that when the U.S. Navy battle groups entered the Gulf of Sidra it was to challenge Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy's "line of death" and reinforce the timeless precept of "Freedom of the Seas." We were told by the Reagan administration that if we did not defend that basic right in the Gulf of Sidra it might be challenged around the world by God knows how many two-bit dictators and "Soviet puppets."

A quick look at the map, however, will show even the most geographically ignorant that the infamous Gulf of Sidra, where the valiant men of the U.S. Navy defended freedom of the seas, leads nowhere, is of no value as a shipping route, and does not guard any important economic, strategic, or military points vital to the security of the

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In the old days, though not necessarily the good old days, what took place last week would have been seen as just the saber rattling of an imperialist power. "Can't have those infernal natives telling us our business" would have been the sentiment. Perhaps in history actions don't change, only the words to describe them.

A lot of people wandered around last week wondering if our attacks on their patrol boats and their attacks on our F-14's meant war. I don't think even Reagan would waste American lives and capital in invading a desert nation like Libya especially with oil prices so low. in flames, or choking on toxic gases, or choking on oil in the water. Only For the Libyans on the sinking patrol boats, it was war. Sailors don't usually die by drowning. Most die

Reveals the Meaning of Life

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These two related incidents in the space of one week were in some ways rather frightening. They show a willingness on the part of U.S. policy makers to use force as an answer. But we learned in Vietnam that force doesn't always work as Napoleon discovered in Russia you can't beat someone who refuses to surrender. Time will tell whether or not we have made mistakes but I wonder if we would let a Russian battle group patrol thirteen miles off of our main Naval Base at Norfolk, Va. We won't let them fish at 200.

by C.S. Hayes

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## Clyde's spring break revenge

**CLYDELINES** By Clyde Crawley Sidelines Columnist

Many people come to me and say, "Hey, I haven't seen your column in a while. Have you quit writing again?'

As a matter of fact, I have written my "very last column for all time" so many times now, it has become a joke.

Veteran readers will tell you that, especially around spring break, I start having nervous breakdowns that "require" a vacation.

Being a vacationer non pareil, I go off on little excursions all the time which usually end with my washing-up on a beach somewhere with no memory of the preceding two weeks

And, as the same long-time readers will verify, Mr. Reagan usually, and on purpose, stages a military campaign in the very spot I have chosen to get away from it all.

The first time it was Grenada. The second was Beirut Beach. But when I stepped off the plane in Tripoli this past month only to find

out that a fleet of warships were playing around off the coast, well, I don't know how to explain it; something in my head just snapped. I ran to the nearest coin-operated anti-aircraft missile vending machine I could find (they're all over the place there, really!), dropped a quarter in and pushed the button.

Of course, I had no idea what a commotion this little "temper tantrum" would cause when I did it. But I was pissed. I can only deal with just so much of this militaristic bullshit, you know. Especially when

on vacation. Actually, I think it's good to take some time off every now and then and work for a couple of weeks. Graduation is coming up soon. And unless the folks in Cope Administration Building can devise anymore delays for me, I'll be discharged in May.

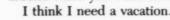
As far as I know, I'll be on permanent vacation after that. I have no

plans for a career and right now, as burned-out as I am, I'd rather spend a couple of eons in Purgatory

than go to graduate school. So, maybe I'll try pulling the other little practical joke I did over spring break. See, I went to Central America and moved the "Welcome to Honduras" sign three or four miles away from the Nicaraguan border. Nobody realized what had happened until it was too late and I was sipping wine spritzers in California. Call me madcap, that's just the way I am.

And I'm so tired of hearing about what a nice guy I am. I seem to make the perfect "just friend." What does it take? Precipitating a global nuclear exchange? Taking longer vacations? Carrying an UZI so I can shoot people who piss me off?

And what about covered parking on campus? "More sugar and that free mule you've been dreaming of?" Chi Os who won the Sigma Chi volleyball tournament? Electric guitars and phantom synthesizers? Micro cc? Does Brian Conley dislike anything? Why is there never a copy editor (or a Valium) around when you need one?





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# Features/Entertainment

# Otis Day and the Knights disappoint crowd



Otis Day, 'Animal House' band leader, performs to toga-clad students in the JUB Wednesday night.

#### **By BILL STEBER** Special to Sidelines

students.

Higher learning regressed 20 years Wednesday night as Otis Day and the Knights put the ooo-maumau back into MTSU's style, at

least for a large number of sheeted

"Otis, my man!," echoed several Caesar look-alikes from the dance floor, imitating a famous line from the movie that brought Otis fame, "Animal House.

But if Boon and Otter were here to witness the new "improved" Otis Day (low in preservatives, high in sugar), they would probably soil their sheets in disbelief. He's changed a lot from his days at the Destalay Club.

The Otis of the 1980s is more accessible to the tastes of a modern

#### Review

audience, but his band's translations of the songs tend to lack sufficient foundation in the original sound to give the make-overs any credibility.

The show started 40 minutes late with the crowd in a frenzy chanting, "Otis!, Otis!" and "Toga, Toga!" The band came out five minutes after their introduction and jived through a funky instrumental and the theme song to the movie "Animal House," but still no Otis.

The band's female singer attempted to motivate the crowd by playing a repeat-after-me game of chanting, (once again) "Otis! Otis!" and asking "Are you ready to party?

scared you off by now, you just

might like this record. Listen to it

if for nothing else because it's

something fresh and different and

I can't hear you!" Many were beginning to wonder if it was going to be a no-show for Otis.

But, he finally emerged, bouncing around on the stage during "Twist and Shout" (the extended mix dance version, of course). Halfway into the song, the PA system blew a fuse for a few minutes, but the crowd kept the song going in darkness, singing in time with the drums.

Otis followed with Animal House favorites "Shama Lama Ding Dong" and "Louie Louie," prancing around in a frenzy.

To say the band came across different than what many expected would be a gross understatement. Co-ordinated smoking jackets and stand-up bass were replaced with screaming guitar and synthesizers.

The band jammed through three classics, "Soul Man," more "Money" and everybody's favorite. "Shout," before leaving the stage 45 minutes early, and with no encore

Otis Day and the Knights were living proof that not everything im-Itis was either a ars ago when he us sixties R&B bad night. I bebe more accurtainment Wedobviously not on

	noise. Occasionally the group slows down the tempo, which often re- sults into being their best songs ("Just Like Honey," "Cut Me Dead," "Sowing Seeds"), but the groups infamy lies in their break-	offbeat. But <i>Psychocandy</i> is much more than that, because it, like many landmark works by the Bea- tles, the Velvet Underground, etc., make you see music in a different light. And for that reason alone,	proves with age. O good actor nine yea headed a fictitiou band, or he had a lieve the former to rate. The real enter
h consuming."	neck anthems of static which range from noisy ("It's So Hard"), to real	<i>Psychocandy</i> is a sour taste worth consuming.	nesday night was o stage.

#### to this Scottish quartet's debut either love or hate - and unfortualbum Psychocandy, my opinion has changed dramatically. So, while noisy and often repetitive, the Chain has truly created a unique and new perspective to the art of rilegious (not really). rock music.

covered with a sheet of bone-jar-

By JOE MONTGOMERY

Sidelines Album Critic

too impressed.

before them, the Jesus and Mary ground image that equals or surpas- geoning, primitive way.

ses its product (or longevity). But The first time that I heard a song unlike the aforementioned groups. by British cult heroes The Jesus and the J&M Chain has broken in rela-Mary Chain, I must admit I wasn't tively fast and amazingly easily to zen that is your heart," ("You Trip Murky bass and drums dragged su along with only the slightest hint of un a melody, while being completely in

ring distortion. But after listening yo

"...a sour taste wort

nately most people hate them, claiming they're much too noisy (true), are inept musicians (untrue) and are too depressing and/or sac-

What the Chain does is take the Like Joy Division and Bauhaus frustration and discontented feelings with youth and the world and Chain have a mysterious, under- package them in a disarming, bludgamut from introspective: "Love's like the mighty ocean/When it's fro-

The Chain creates new perspective in rock

Singer Jim Reid's lyrics run the



me dead/Nail me down and kick my head," ("Cut Me Dead"), and to feelings of confused worthlessness: "God spits on my soul/There's something dead inside my hole." ("In A Hole").

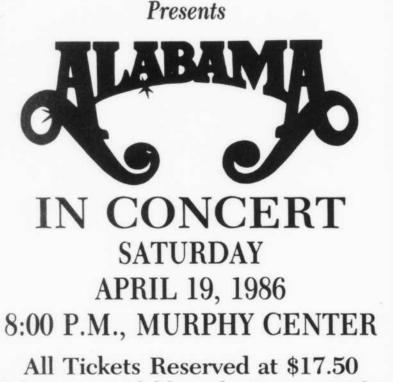
And if the lyrics aren't enough to influence you, the music will. Most of the songs are fast, simple, and accompanied by a wall of white noisy ("In a Hole") to "Get that damn piece of crap off of your stereo this instant, young man!" ("The Living End"). Other songs conjure up other im-

ages; "Never Understand" sounds like the Beach Boys being drowned out by a dentist's drill, while "Something's Wrong" sounds like Phil Spector discovering the distortion knob on an amplifier.

Well, if I haven't thoroughly

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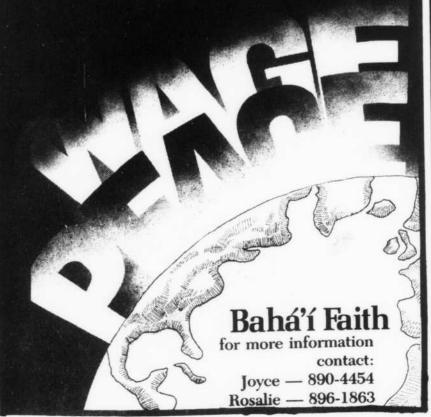
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# Miss MTSU pageant requires preparation

#### By KELLY ANDERSON Sidelines Features/Ent. Editor

The lights dim, the audience hushes, the awaiting contestants' stomachs begin churning at a faster pace and finally the MC announces, "Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the Miss MTSU pageant."

Although the pageant appears effortless, many hours of preparation by the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity and the contestants, themselves, are involved in just one three-hour competition.

Preparation by SAE starts in the fall, according to Mark Wallenhorst, assistant director of the Miss MTSU pageant. "It's a year round process. In the fall, we have

to reserve Murphy Center. After Christmas it starts in full force; there's something to do all the time," Wallenhorst said.

Although SAE is constantly busy with the pageant, the organization also receives help from people affiliated with the school.

"It's (Miss MTSU pageant) nonprofit so nobody feels like they're getting cheated because nobody is making any money off of this," John Waldrop, director of the pageant, said.

"We've never made any money off of it (the pageant). The pageant makes its own money and spends its own money. The fraternity ac-



Wayne Cartwright®Staff Several pageant contestants take a break between practice sessions.

to reserve Murphy Center. After count isn't even involved," Waldrop Christmas it starts in full force; explained.

Although SAE prepares for the pageant, the contestants must ready themselves even more. From the minute the entrant is chosen by an organization to compete, non-stop preparation begins.

"I always prepare for the interview. They (the judges) aren't supposed to ask a question that isn't on the question sheet but they usually slip one question in," contestant Betsy Drewry said.

Besides an interview session, the contestants will compete in evening gown, talent and swimsuit competitions.

Both Waldrop and Drewry expect the talent part of the pageant to be especially difficult this year.

"Talent this year is the best! Out of 18 girls, there are nine singers, two piano, four dancers, one baton, one flute and one saxophone. From what I hear they're really going to tear it up," Waldrop said.

"Every year has a good amount of talent but this year will be especially hard," Drewry explained.

According to Wallenhorst the four runners-up of this year's pageant will receive flowers and a plaque. The 1986 Miss MTSU, who will be crowned by Kelli Woodard, Miss MTSU '85, will win flowers, a trophy and a scholarship.

According to Waldrop, money for this year's winner's scholarship is raised by the Golden Patrons Club's ticket price, which is \$25.00 for two tickets.

"We have one of the best local pageants and we're trying to keep it that way," Wallenhorst said.

Regular and Golden Patron's Club tickets for this year's Miss MTSU pageant, which will be held on Thursday night in Murphy Center at 7 p.m., can be purchased on Wednesday and Thursday in the University Center for \$3. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$3.50.



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# **Sports**

# Netters fall to Western, Lipscomb next

By MICHAEL FREEMAN Sidelines Sports Editor

The MTSU Tennis team dropped at 5-4 desision to Western Kentucky, Saturday at the Greenland Dr. courts.

The Blue Raiders lead the match 4-2 going into the doubles matches, and looked surte to take the match easily

"I was really confident that we could take this one," Coach Dick LaLance said. "We were looking really strong."

Once again it was the doubles matches that proved to be the Raiders downfall, as the Hilltoppers biggest problem.

walked away with the three doubles matches and left with the victory.

"We just don't seem to be as hungrv in the doubles as we are in the singles matches," LaLance said. "I

"We just aren't as tough mentally as we should be," he said. "That's our biggest problem."

Anson Chilcut got things started off for the Raiders winning his

"They just don't seem to be as hungry in the doubles as they are in their singles matches.

Dick LaLance, MTSU Tennis Coach

don't know what the problem is." The match was the fourth this season that the team has lost by 5-4. LaLance sees this as their

match in straight sets over his Western Kentucky foe.

"Anson continues to play the best tennis he can for us," LaLance said. "He is doing a fine job for us."

#### Blue Raiders fall to III In the first inning, Illinios went

By ARABEE A. A. MATEEN Sidelines Sports Writer

The Middle Tennessee State baseball team fell flat on its face Sunday as the Illinios Illini handed the Railbirds a 4-1 loss.

This win by Illinois evened up the four game series two-two.

to work on Middle's defense, but a from scoring. In the Blue Raider's first, shortstop Eddie Pye smacked a

home run, sending the crowd into



hysterics

Chris Whitehead made it to first good team effort prevented them on a pitcher's error. He then later second base, but was never a scoring threat. The inning ended with the Raiders up by one run.

> It wasn't until the third inning that the Illini made their voice heard, tying the game at one run a piece.

> Tim Goff, a 6-2 senior from Cincinnati set the Raiders for a fourth inning lead, but the inning ended with Bobby Tribbey striking out.

> In the fifth and sixth Inning middle made two critical double plays that kept Illinois from scoring. Still with two outs agaist them, the Illini spurted with strength to score three runs m aking the score 4-1.

In the seventh inning, Coach John Stanford pulled Garl Fugitt and sent Troy Thompson in to finish the job. This seemed to worked as the new pitcher got into the game by helping in a double play which held the Illini at four.

The last innings of the game middle tried to come back but with the stiff competition, heat, and fatigue they just couldn't.

#### The Raiders hit the road this week at David Lipscomb, trying to better it 7-7 record before they head into a tough Ohio Valley Conference schedule.

"This match with Lipscomb is a crucial test for us," LaLance said.

"I'm hoping to try out some new things to improve our play."

The Raiders open the OVC this weekend on the road against Eastern Kentucky, a team LaLance admits will be tough to beat.

"Eastern is always tough to beat," he said. "Last year they won the conference, and should be just as tough this time."

The Raiders will then face Akron and Youngstown following the EKU match, two teams that La-Lance feels are equally as tough.

"They won't be easy either," he . said. "No one in the OVC will be this year."

This season the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament will be played at the Youngstown State University.

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Cuttin' it!!-Blue Raider Bobby Tribbey heads toward first after nailing the ball during Middle Tennessee's series with the University of Illinios

#### Karate club competes

Six members of the Bill Taylor MTSU Bushido Karate Club en- trophies in the competition, Jamey tered the Battle of Nashville Karate Tournemant this past Saturday. The newly formed club had great sucess in tournament play this year.

The club is instructed by world ranked full contact karate fighter Bill Taylor, and meets Tuesday and Thursday in Murphy Center Dance Studio B from 2 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Four members of the club won Curtis, first place in the men's heavy weight whitebelt, Shari Taylor, second place in the Women's Yellowbelt, Kathi Inglis fisrt place in the women's yellow belt, and Billy Draper, third in men's lightweight whitebelt.

The club will be traveling to competition to Georgia and Florida in the near future.

Four members of Taylor Bill the Bushido Karate Club pose with following Taylor their recent tournament in Nashville.

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#### Ooops!

In Friday's issue of Sidelines, it was reported that Chuck Reynolds was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsi-Ion Fraternity. Mr. Reynolds is a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

Sidelines regrets the error and is happy to make the clarification.

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SOMETIMES YOU'VE JUST GOT TO SAY, WHAT THE F\*\*K.

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As part of his attempt to relate better to students, MTSU President "Ferdy" Marcos has joined up with several RIM majors to form a new band, Hard-Up Marcos and the Fever Blisters. Above, Marcos is yellow peril anyway. seen during the bands recent Mainstreet gig where they performed a crowd pleasing medley of Iggy Pop's "Raw Power," the Ramones' "Teenage Lobotomy" and Annette Funicello's "Pineapple Princess."

# Marcos new MTSU president

#### From Staph Infections

In a surprise victory, former Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos was elected ASB President during the runoff elections Monday and was named the new president of MTSU by the state board of regents.

Both accomplishments were a surprise to observers since President Reagan has made it known that Marcos is not welcome as a permanent U.S. resident. "Well, you really can't say that Murfreesboro is a part of America, now, can you," Reagan said during a news conference from his Califorina ranch vesterday afternoon. "We've got to put the guy somewhere where he can't be found and can't do too much harm and hey, where the hell is Murfreesboro anyway?"

Reagan then became disorientated and had to be led away by Secret Service agents when he began muttering about the city being "only a ten minute drive from that Jap advance base in Smyrna, and Marcos is an old friend of the

Just as surprising was the announcment by Election Commisioner Holly Lentz that Marcos had won the ASB Presidential race. While Marcos' name was not on the ballot and the polls had not even closed when the announcement was made, Lentz stood behind her claim.

"Uh, of course he's the new president. The president of the univers.. uh.. the world, yea, that's the ticket. Marcos was named president of the entire world!," Lentz said. "Marcos and his wife Imeld...uh, Morgan Fairchild will make a fine addition to the campus. And all those shoes! Yeah, that's the ticket."

"Don't ask me about it," said ASB President Bobby Hopkins. "I'm still trying to get a date with Vickie Justice.

Though still not officially ASB president, Troy Baxter said,"Well the Pikes are behind Ferdy one hundred percent."

John Conklin was available for comment.

Marcos' ascendancy marks the end of the most chaotic week in MTSU history starting with the supposed disappearance of former President Sam Ingram and ending with acting president Paul Cantrell's involvement with the "Bas-

tards Massacure" at this years AGR picnic which left Cantrell mauled, six students dead and half the city of Murfreesboro in flames.

"I'm really not sure what changes I'll be making, though I guess we'll be adding some closet space," Marcos said in a interview with Sideways. "Imelda will probably still be unpacking for a few weeks so I'm just 'making the scene'."

"Marcos has been seen with area socialite Kathy Brady at the 'tres chic' nightspot Buster's enjoying exquisite Busterburgers and slamming down the brew," according to uninformed sources (MTSU Public Relations Department). "Love that Blatz," Marcos said with a satisfied

## LaLance McDLTed

By Ray Kroc Sideways Food Critic

Dr. Robert LaLance was accidently killed yesterday while inspecting the grill for reported health code violations, Paul Can- between the death of LaLance and trell, acting university president, the naming of Cantrell as president. said.

Cantrell was named temporary the grill around twelve talking to president Friday after former President Sam Ingram's identity was erased from the MTSU computer. Ingram has also evidently dissapeared from the face of the earth. However, since no reliable description of Ingram exists, there are rumors he was only a computer tape in the first place.

belch.

Governmental sources deny that MTSU will become a haven for scumbags and dicators from all over the world after Marcos' arrival. "Hey, that line of death down the middle of the Grill, no way can Kadaffy enforce it," a member of the MTSU football team said. "We'll send him, or any other of them swarthy forigan a-rab types back to where they belong."

A Marcos spokesman said that the forested area between Peck and Cope Halls will be cleared and cemented for the Marcos statue and war memorial. This will necessitate the removal of the Kamakazi Pilot memorial much to the dismay of the Japan Center.

"Don't ask me anything right now I'm renewing my black parking sticker," said ASB President Bobby Hopkins.

Sideways has discovered a link

"I saw Cantrell hanging around

· Cantrell mauled by wild dingo dogs

## Students riot; Murfreesboro in flames

By BOND. JAMES BOND Sideways (Title has been classified)

National Guard troops patrolled Murfreesboro today as fire fighters trainer sources say. continued to fight the massive fires started in last night's rioting after a rock concert was shut down by MTSU officials.

The troops were activated last night by Gov. Alexander after a Drugmand said, "but students led frightened President Cantrell asked for help shutting down a "Bastards" concert at Murphy Center, said an adminstration official.

"Apparently it was the beat that drove the students insane," said Colonel Tom Parker, "Bastards" Road Manager. "This happened once before at Tech where we played for six students who were required to go for Music Appreciation.

hour into their act, the "Bastards" brought out the wild dingo dogs

The dogs apparently became vestite drama major. frightened by the noise and bright lights and broke away from their

"At this point President Cantrell attempted to shut down the concert because he didn't want anyone to get hurt," Commander of University Security and Suppression Herr by underground Sandinista elements started attacking security officers and began chanting "No more parking tickets!" and "No more Kenny Rogers concerts!".

"It was the worst campus riot I've ever seen," said "El Salvador" Dolly Madison, former first lady and presently employed by the Pikes as a house maid.

"Like, wow, man, the terror stricken dogs went straight for Cantrell's throat," said one RIM major At approximately 9:55 p.m., one and skateboard professional. "It was great the way the blood from his jugular made impressionist dethat are the trademark of their act. signs on the stage." lisped a trans-

"It was, like, way gnarly, dude," said RIM groupie Harrison McClary.

"We were singing "Missed period." when it happened," said lead singer Brian "Hashish man" Conley. "It was Tech all over again.

After the demise of Cantrell the students poured out from Murphy center chanting, "We have overcome." They headed straight for the Boro and set it aflame shouting "Where's the C.J's jukebox." Realizing they had the wrong bar they rectified their error by burning down Raider's Ark.

The Campus Pub was only saved by an armed and angry group of local rednecks and weird grad students. Twenty students were injured in the skirmish and four pickups were destroyed.

Contacted drinking at the Warehouse, a Burning Hearts spokesman said,"The Bastards are known for these kinds of incidents they're a rough bunch of guys. I like rough guys.'

"Leave me out of this, boys" said ASB President Bobby Hopkins as he left for a CHI-O party saying, "I'm looking for a tuna that tastes good."

One contigent of students headed for the square, overturning cars and burning anything that reeked of historical significance.

"We don't have problems like this in Smyrna," said Mayor Sam Ridley as he incorporated the remaining two acres of Rutherford County into Smyrna and effectively surrounded Murfreesboro.

"With the square in flames it was only natural that nearby fuel tanks exploded," said Dr. Aaron Todd of the physical science department. "It was entropy in action," he added.

By 12:30 a.m. the fires were out of control and Courtsouth yuppies (Please see Dingo Dogs page 2)

LaLance fell into an ARA meatgrinder in the grill about 12:30 Friday afternoon. ARA employees, unaware that LaLance had become part of the day's meat ration, began serving him almost immediately.

"With bacon this is the best burger I've ever had," said one fraternity spokesperson.

"I just drink the coffee," said Clyde Crawley.

"If only it had been Vickie Justice," said several residents of Sims Hall

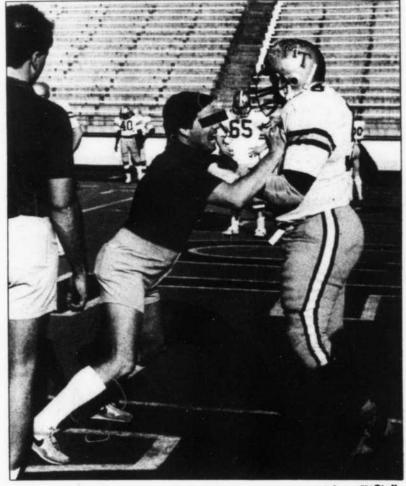
several people wearing long black coats and sunglasses all carrying violin cases, " John David Hays, dean of men, said.

The line of succession for the university is Ingram, LaLance, Blanton, and then Cantrell. Since Ingram disappeared, LaLance mysteriously fell into a meatgrinder, and Blanton has yet to be contacted at the Federal Prison listed as his most current address, Cantrell was able to marshall his forces for a bloodless takeover of the administration.

(Please see Burgers page 2)

#### CORRECTION

It has come to our attention that we may have readers who we have failed to offend. Sideways regrets the error.



#### Malcom XoStaff

In a drug crazed fit, offensive co-ordinator Tom Jones attacked several black players yesterday, ripping their lungs from their chests. The coach was quoted as saying "Eldridge Cleaver...they're all Eldridge Cleaver." Jones is currently resting in the George Wallace Home for the Terminally Racist.

### Ingram disappears, student executed

#### By STEPHEN JOBS Sideways Technology Editor

"An MTSU student was executed by campus police yesterday for allegedly attempting to break into the mainframe computer," Jack Drugmand, director of campus security, said.

"The execution took place on the front steps of the Cope Administration Building at dawn," Drugmand said. "The execution was by firing squad, led by Phylis Hickerson [director of student and minority affairs].'

The computer tamperer was caught after an intensive three-day investigation by campus police officers, John Hays, associate dean of men said

"We thought something might

be wrong when President Ingram's identitydisappeared from the computer system," Hays said.

President Ingram could not be found to comment on his disapearance from the computer as he has been out to lunch for the last 10 vears

"We definitely knew something was wrong when the overall grade point average for the campus rose from around a 2.00 last semester to a 4.75 this semester," Lucinda Lea, director of the computer center, said.

"It felt good bringing the dirty criminal to justice," Hickerson said. "I enjoyed seeing the look on his face as he faced my firing squad." Other members of the firing squad included Otis Floyd Jr. (V.P. for Administration), Dot Harrison (di-

rector of public relations) Vickie Justice (associate director for housing), and Dr. Robert Corlew, vice president academic affairs.

"I was appalled at the light hand given towards people who violated university policy," Floyd said. "It is about time we used someone as an example to teach students who's boss on this campus. Execution was too good for him."

The name of the student is being witheld by university officials because it will violate his rights under the Buckley admendment, Dot Harrison, director of public relations, said.

"I haven't heard anything on this. Leave me out of it," Bobby Hopkins, current ASB president, said. "Who the hell do you think I am anyway? The ASB President or something?"

"We are remodeling the Kirksey Old Main building to serve as a jail for future violators of university regulations," Hays said. "Anyone caught violating any university regulation from a parking ticket to violating housing visitation regulations will be jailed for a year to ten years. The time in jail will be set by a panel of faculty members including myself."

"The new jail is a good idea, Ivan Shewmake, director of housing, said. "It is about time we started really punishing the real perverts of this university.

The departments located in KOM will be relocated to the grill, Hays said. "That's where everybody spends all their time, anyway."



#### "Hoss" Cartwright•Staf

MTSU students (L to R) Mary "Me Please" Kurtz, Grover "Rastaman" Cleveland, Johnny "Half-A-Spine" Fairbend, "Ranger" Rick Smith and Dirk "Electroshock" Hardrick, III fight off advancing National Guard troops during the aftermath of Saturday's "Bastard's Concert - Riot" that left half of Murfreesboro in flames. Holes made by escaping students may be seen in the background.

#### Dingo Dogs

#### (Continued from page 1)

were cancelling their memberships. National Guard troops moved into position with orders to shoot anyone remotely resembling Boy George or a RIM major. Prelaw students began studying liability insurance and business majors were breaking into KOM and copying accounting problems out of the teacher's guide.

Meanwhile, out by Walter Hill AG majors were stealing livestock for what they called their "Biggest BARBECUE ever." Several of their little sister are believed to have been served as pork entrees. "They didn't taste good," said Bobby Hopkins.

"I'm declaring MTSU and Murfreesboro an Emergency Area and under martial law," Gov. Alexander said in an early morning WGNS broadcast. "This situation must be brought under control," he said. In what political analysts call a suprise move Alexander accepted President Reagan's offer of Ferdinand Marcos as interim MTSU president. A dead Cantrell could not be reached for comment on his replacement."

"As usual Alexander is ignoring the issue," said gubernatorial hopeful Ned Ray McWherter.

Wiping his nose, Bobby Hopkins said, "I can't wait to meet Ferdy-I'm behind him all the way."

By 4:00 a.m. most students had returned to their dorms and the

s were contained, though still out of control. One group of RIM majors and Tom Keller groupies were holed up in the burning TV 39 building surrounded by a battalion of Forrest Raiders.

"We have met the enemy and they are going to die," said one Raider.'

"This reminds me of Conrad's 'Heart of Darkness" said an English major drinking herbal tea at Tycoons.

"Too much white space," said . Don Hill of the graphics department.

"You know, at Motlow, they have computerized registration," said one Sidelines columnist.

As dawn finally came to the stricken city, Murfreesboro residents came out of their homes to survey the damage.

"I always said this would happen if we zoned for fraternities," said Mayor Joe Jackson.

## Bitchin' with Lis & Babs

Dear Lis & Babs

I've got this really bitchin' prob. This dude in Psychosexual class, like, keeps asking me to do this date thing. Like he's totally mondo cute, and you know I could maybe, like, eat with him or something. But, he's, like, not really into taking showers. Like, you know, he kinda smells grody. I can, like, rap with him on the phone and stuff, you know, then I don't have to smell him. But, when I talk to him, like, eyeball to eyeball and stand down wind from him he just, like, freaks me out, you know?

want to tell him that, like, it would be, like, totally impossible to do a date. But, like, I don't know how?

Like, help! Totally confused

#### Burgers

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#### Dear Totally confused

O.k., so like, you know, what can you do? O.k., there are, like, three things you can, like, do, without EVER having to say no. One, you can lie. Like, say that you know, your face always scrunches up like that and the smell doesn't bother you at all. Two, you can, like, tell the truth, and just puke all over his docksiders. Three, you can agree to do a date, and when, like, he comes to like, get you, you, like, pretend you're not home. O.k., like, all three of these, like, solutions will, like, totally solve the prob. But So, o.k., like, what do I do? I if he's got, like, mucho moolah, we don't care how bad the stench is.

> Dear Lis & Babs I really don't kno' how to start this here letter. I've been a leetle

Asked why Cantell has found it necessary to mobilize the ROTC unit and the Forrest Raiders, Chief

bit confoosed. Bein' as I was raised on a farm, with all them there animals, I'm kinda fond of them there heifers in the holler. My friends quoted that this here ain't normal, Hell they all been doin' it with sheep as long as they could 'member. What's a fella to do? Please aid me, them heifers are lookin' better everday. Udder lover'

#### Dear Udder Lover

Ohmygawd!!! Like we are soooo grossed out!!! Ohmygawd, you like really need some mental help. Like we can't even deal with this one.

#### Dear Lis & Babs

I just wanted to let both of you geniuses know how invaluable your advice has been to me. You saved my life. I had my baby, my boyf-

been appointed second in command of University Security and Suppression. Herr Drugmand has been named Commander. Phyllis Hickerson is designing the new black uniforms.

riend is having the sex change, my brother confessed to the murder. my mother had her first orgasm, and dad is resting in peace. Things couldn't be better. I love both of vou!!

Abigail Van Burean

Dear Abby

O.k., we are, like, so blown awaay by your letter. You know, we try not to let all of our proportional intelligence, you know, like give us . a big head. But it's, like, hard to be glamorous and, like, so smart. We love to hear from, like, our success cases and stuff, since we have no probs. of our own.

If you, like, have any major mondo probs. you know, like, write or something. We'll, like, solve everything, if, you know, we're not doing a date with an awesome sun god.

# Local teacher finds the meaning of life

NOTICE This, I say this, son is an April Fools Day parody issue. A joke, a lark, a fling, a hoot, a laugh, a chuckle and a chortle, fun for all ages and isn't that what life is all about? We'd like to say we're sorry if anyone is offended but our mothers told us to never lie. However, we really don't want to get sued so

remember, it's only comedy. Oh, so that's not good enough for you? Well

go ahead and sue, we've got Bart Durham on our side. Yeah! Well, you and

your old man. Leave me alone. Am not! I'm telling mom!

#### By JIMMY PAUL SARTRE

Sideways (Refuses to be classified) In an exciting announcement, well-known MTSU philosophy teacher and male model Gray Cox told of his discovery of the meaning of life during a recent vacation.

"I was driving to Woodbury when I stoped at the Davis Food Mart," Cox said. "I bought a Slim Jim and a bottle of Big Red cola when it hit me that I had reached the center of the cosmos - the womb of the universe, if you will," Cox said using a particulary unpleasant metaphor.

"Suddenly a voice, which happened to sound a lot like Larry "Bud" Melman, came thundering down from the heavens and said that the meaning of life was

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However, rumors are circulating that the arrests of political dissenters, GDI's, ERA proponents, and liberal political science professors are soon to begin.

Dr. Ed Kimbrell, a mass communications professor, is already facing charges of supporting the truth, liberalism, and anti-Reaganism. He is currently being held in Room 101 of KOM.

of Staff Eddie Sisk said "Discipline has returned to MTSU.'

Sources close to the front say that along with Cantrell's takeover comes a shakeup in various administrative posts. "It's neccessary to change things in order to save them," said Cantrell.

Vickie Justice, while retaining de facto control of Housing, has also

News in Briefs

Vickie Justice is reportedly considering changing her last name to Himmler to remove all irony.

Federal officials are currently looking into the matter and the FDA has ordered a recall of all La-Lance burgers served.

rowdy but this is too darn much."

Khadafy also said he did not mean

for Arabs to turn themselves into

"human bombs," but had instead

meant "party animals," and invited

reporters to the opening of Six

Flags Over Libya this fall.

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#### LESTER, LA (FBI)

Residents of this sleepy little suburb of New Orleans were startled Saturday by the sudden appearance on their beach of long lost Teamster boss Jimmy Hoffa. "He just kinda of staggered out of the ocean," said resident Maxie Runion. "He was wearing some really ragged clothes and had a bottle of Old English 800 Malt Liquor in his hand." Hoffa reportedly asked residents if seven years had pased since his disapearance and complained of concrete between his toes.

WASHINGTON D.C (OVC) Fireman searching through the fire-damaged home of Sen. Albert

Gore were surprised by a large collection of pornography and Black Sabbith records in the bedroom of the senator's wife, Tipper Gore. "They were strickly for research," Gore said. However she had no comment when questioned about a pair of leather whips also found in the house.

#### TRIPOLI, LIBYA (GDI)

Libyain strongman Moammar Khadafy told reporters in a Sunday news confrence that the "line of death" was actually a translation error. "It was actually a 'line of total tourists," Khadafy said. "We thought those sailors were a little like that as a state?"

The Candian nation, in a move designed to boost its lagging economy, attempted to declair its self the 51st state today. The offer was rejected by President Reagan with the comment "Canada has given us Margret Trudeau, hockey, mounties and goofyness' designed to attract Joni Mitchell. You really think we want a country responsible for stuff

