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News Briefs

NEW YORK (AP) - Former President Richard Nixon's top domestic aide says Nixon twice talked about appointing Spiro T. Agnew to the Supreme Court, thought Henry Kissigner couldn't get the confidence of Arab leaders because he was Jewish and said that "blacks were genetically inferior to whites."

WASHINGTON (AP) -Enrollment in the nation's colleges and universities hit an all-time high of 12.3 million this fall, the government reported ye terday.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate took a major step yesterday toward a vote to eliminate court-ordered busing as a means of achieving racial balance in public schools.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) -Tennessee banks can legally exceed the state's 18 percent interest ceiling and charge borrowers up to 21 percent because of federal regulations, Attorney General William Leech said this week.

WASHINGTON (AP) President Reagan Americans working in Libya to come home Thursday to keep them from becoming pawns in any showdown with the radical Arab state. The government said 1,500 U.S. citizens, many of them oil technicians, stand in "imminent danger."

The State Department also banned travel to Libya by U.S. citizens.

Collage hits stands today

The last issue for the semester of MTSU's creative magazine Collage is coming out today.

It is being published in a folder style that is unique to its other issues this fall.

Contributions are now being taken by the Collage staff for the next issue to be published during the '82 Spring Semester.

Jarrard moving up



Christmas cheer

Priscilla Haven smiles with delight over her gathered goodies at MTSU's Panhellenic Council Christmas party Wednesday at

Course card pilferers will have tough time

By PHIL WILLIAMS Staff Writer

Workers at spring registration will be on the watch for students pulling class cards for others, according to Sherian Huddleston, director of records.

"During the last few semesters, this problem seems to have increased overwhelmingly," Huddleston said in a memo distributed to all department heads.

"WE ALL know it happens," she added. "I have taken cards from students numerous times when I have caught them redhanded."

Huddleston stated she had learned that some class cards had been sold to others.

"It is certainly unfair for a

freshman or sophomore to obtain class cards before a senior has the opportunity for selection," she wrote.

In order prevent any pulling cards for others, Huddleston has instructed faculty members to initial each trial schedule beside the call number as they hand the student the requested class card.

HUDDLESTON said yesterday that if any students are found with extra class cards in their possession, the cards will be removed.

She also informed the faculty members that no students are to be issued class cards prior to registration without a letter of approval from her.

Huddleston stated that ultimately the most obivious solution is for the students to demonstrate personal integrity.

Supreme Court rules

Campuses open for worship

By PHIL WILLIAMS

Staff Writer

A Supreme Court ruling ordering state colleges to allow student groups to use campus facilities for religious purposes could affect the policies of the state Board of Regents and MTSU.

The Court ruled in a case involving the University Of Missouri at Kansas City that banning the use of the student center for religious purposes violated the students' constitutional right of free speech.

IN THE majority opinion, Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell wrote: "These are forms of speech and association protected by the First Amend-

"The university has opened its facilities for use by student groups, and the question is whether it can now exclude groups because of the content of their speech," Powell wrote.

Board of Regents policy prohibits "religious worship activity of any nature" to be "conducted in any building of facility constructed in whole or in part with funds provided under Title VII of the Higher Education Act of 1965, or any other federal program with similar limitations."

ACCORDING TO Charles

Pigg, director of campus planning, four non-residence buildings were built with funds from that act. Those buildings are the Davis Science Building, Peck Hall, Stark Agriculture Building, and the Todd Library expansion.

Dallas Biggers, who coordinates the use of university facilities, conceded the auditorium of the Stark Agricultural Building had been utilized by student organizations in the past "as a last resort."

Biggers, who is also head of MTSU's Inter-Faith Council, stated that in view of the state Board of Regents' policies, he could not allow an organization to use the building for religious activity.

IN ADDITION, the state policy also states: "Nonaffiliated religious groups or organizations may hold meetings on campus property or in campus facilities provided that such meetings are limited to members of the group or

apartment have a trusted

neighbor check their apartment

that protection in Murfreesboro

will be routinely maintained

Attention

Don't forget that MTSU's

administrative offices will be

closed from Thursday, Dec. 24

through Saturday, Jan. 2 as

official Christmas Holidays.

Some offices may be open on

Thursday, Dec. 31, but in-

dividual offices will have to be

contacted that day for ad-

ditional information.

during the holiday season.

The police chief points out

periodically.

organization and that no religious worship activities or services are engaged in by the members thereof." Otis Floyd, administrative

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assistant to MTSU President Sam Ingram, indicated the Supreme Court's ruling "would pertain to all colleges." "Once a ruling is handed

down, it would make all policy no longer valid," Floyd noted. "I feel the board probably will take it under advisement and give us a decision."

CATHERINE S. Mizell. general counsel for the state Board of Regents, refused to comment until she had read the opinion expressed by the Court.

Jim Joseph, campus minister of the Baptist Student Union, indicated he felt the ruling could potentially affect his group in the future.

"I don't think it will have any real significant effect immediately," Joseph said, "because our campus doesn't interpret things the way that the University of Missouri at Kansas City did."

HE INDICATED that at some point his organization might choose to utilize some of the facilities, but he said he has never had occasion to want to use any of the buildings.

Gary Davenport, campus minister for the Middle Tennessee Christian Center, said he has never experienced any problems in this area at MTSU.

"The administration has been more than helpful to religious groups on this campus,"

Davenport said. Davenport noted that the Church of Christ organization has utilized various rooms on campus for devotionals, studies, and dinners since the mid 1950's.

"Administration rules have considered us just like any group on campus," he said.

Off-campus residences burglary prone: Bass

By PETE VAN de VATE

Staff Writer

MTSU Police Chief John Bass says students living off campus may have more to fear from burglars than will on-campus residents this holdiday season.

After the Thanksgiving break there were no reported burglaries on campus, says Bass. However, there were a number of burglaries reported by residents living in the apartment complexes that surround the campus.

BURGLARIES ARE the number one crime faced by students, Bass says.

He said the absence of students may be a deterrent to such crimes.

Students serve as camouflage for burglars as they can slip out of a dorm with pilfred goods by posing as students, Bass said.

He also noted that many campus burglaries are committed by students who come across a room which has been left unlocked. Though security will be tight over the holidays, Bass very strongly suggests that students take valuable property home with them.

As for students living off campus, where the instance of burglary is higher during the holidays than it is on campus, Murfreesboro Police Chief Brown urges students to either take their valuables home or give them to a trusted friend remaining in town.

BROWN POINTS out that many burglaries are committed by neighbors. In contrast to this, Brown praises the success of the Neighborhood Watch, and suggest that students leaving an



Crooning carolers

MTSU carolers sing the seasonal songs as they stroll throughout the campus.

Current news editor elected editor

By PHIL WILLIAMS

Sidelines News Editor David Jarrard was elected Tuesday by the Student Publications Committee to be Sidelines editor-in-chief during the spring semester.

"I'm really looking forward to the challenge," Jarrard said after the election. "We will have a good newspaper with the help of everyone."

IN HIS application, Jarrard expressed concern that the campus paper be not only a community newspaper but also a "learning tool."

"The paper must be solely for the students, faculty and staff of MTSU, and its content must be concentrated on campus and individual achievements, happenings, policies and decisions that affect them,"

Jarrard said in his application. "Sidelines must also be a learning tool for everyone

involved with its publication," he added. JARRARD WILL meet with the new Sidelines staff

for the spring semester Tuesday afternoon to prepare for next year's paper.

In addition to serving as Sidelines news editor, Jarrard is employed by the Brentwood Journal in Brentwood, Tenn., as a reporter and photographer. He has also worked one-and-a-half years at the daily Qak Ridger.



David Jarrard Editor for the '82 Spring Semester

Weekender

TPAC to present classic 'The Nutcracker Suite'

The Atlanta Ballet Company and the Nashville Symphony Orchestra will join forces once again this year and present five performances of the classic ballet "The Nutcracker" next weekend, Dec. 18-20.

Performances are scheduled for the Tennessee Performing Arts Center's Andrew Jackson Hall at 8 p.m. Friday; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday.

Ticket may be purchased at prices ranging from \$6.50 to \$12.50 for adults, with children's tickets \$2 less than the adult prices. Tickets are on sale at the TicketMaster Box Office and its outlets.

For more information call 741-2787.

Boy hero's 'home open 1:30 to 4:30 Sun

Another period celebration will be held Sunday as the Sam Davis Home in Smyrna has open house from 1:30-4:30 p.m.

The festivity will feature dress, music, and Christmas decorations of the antebellum

The Green Shop with its Christmas wreathes and

Late Show Friday

11:30 p.m.

"Talk Dirty to Me"

Adults only-no one

under 18 admitted

The French

Admission for adults is \$2 and for children under 11 years of age, it \$1. People with mem-

'Beatlemania' invades: group to perform at Opry

it's the next best thing.

theatrical Tuesday at 7 p.m.

The multi-media production takes the audience through the early days of the Beatles, from "Meet the Beatles" to "Abbey Road" and "Let It Be," and the social events making the headlines during those years, by heavily utilizing a massive slide projector and performances of

Reserved seat tickets are available at all CentraTik

Deck the halls

The Singing Christmas Tree, a choir of 100 singers standing on scaffolding erected in the shape of a yuletide tree, will tell the story of Jesus in a special program in the sanctuary of Dalewood Baptist Church, 1586 McGavock Pike, Dec. 16-20 at

Toys, puppets on exhibit at Cumberland Museum

Puppets, planetarium shows, and holiday exhibits highlight the Christmas season at the Cumberland Museum through

A special exhibit, the History of Technology through Toys, will be featured along with

The museum is located at 800 open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; and from 1-5 p.m. on

> Theta's Winter Ball Fri. Dec. 11 \$3 single \$5 couple

bership cards will be admitted

It's not really the fab four, but

"Beatlemania," described as one of the "most ambitious audio-visual productions to date," will be performed live on stage at The Grand Ole Opry House on

the music.

outlets for \$10.50 and \$12.50.

with boughs of holly. . .

7:30 p.m.

Dec. 31.

displays of toys and trains.

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Christmas Cupboard will be Lancaster's Elmer Gantry to highlight film fare

The film classic "Elmer Gantry" with Burt Lancaster is the feature film Sunday for "Revival: An Interpretative Media Festival" at the Tennessee State Museum.

Carroll Bourg will be the discussion leader at the event. The films are free and open to the public and will last from 2-4 p.m.

Students to showcase interior designs Monday

MTSU interior design students will sponsor an interior design show in the Art Barn Gallery Monday, Dec. 14 through Thursday, Dec. 17. The show is free and open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day.

See how early settlers celebrated Christmas

Fort Nashborough will have an open house which will spotlight the Christmases of the early Nashville settlers Dec. 17 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Naomi Levia will sing and play the dulcimer in one of the fort's cabins while the Centennial Singers will sing Christmas carols.

Little Theatre to offer audience 'Good Times'

The Murfreesboro Little Theatre will present "Show Me Where the Good Times Are" tonight through next Saturday.

"Show Me Where the Good Times Are" is a musical adaptation of Moliere's "The Imaginary Invalid." Directing the show is Richard Northcutt.

Curtain time each night is at 8. A matinee will be held at 2:30 Sunday, and there will be no show Monday.

Ticket information and reservations may be obtained by calling 893-9825.

Ridley Ave. in Nashville, and is Hunters, to horse around at Livestock Pavillon

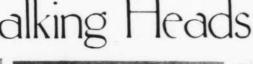
The Murfreesboro Exchange Club's Charity Horse Show, featuring hunters and jumpers only, will be held today through Sunday in the Tennessee Livestock Pavillion at MTSU.

Approximately 150 horses are expected to enter the show which carries an "A" rating. Classes will be varied, featuring top hunter ponies, jumpers, and owner-amateur riders.

The show opens at noon today, and closes at 6 p.m. Sunday.

SALES - SERVICE

Talking Heads



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LISA LONG—Freshman

"I'd like to see me and Billy Rhea go to the Bahamas and celebrate Christmas."



BERT BARNETT—Junior

"I'd like to see the withdraw grading rules changed. We need a bloodless withdrawal from classes at any time in the semester."

What is your Christmas wish?



BOBBY QUEENER—Senior

"I would like to see our

economy put back together by

our 'glorious' president."

PHILLIP COWAN—Sophomore

"I'd like to see all the kids in the world who don't have anything to get what they want."



JANICE WADE—Sophomore

"I want to see snow on Christmas Eve with my parents driving up in my new Porsche."



PHIL EVANS—Junior

"I'd like to see St. Nicholas come down my chimney for the first time, and for snow to fall in the South."

'Absence of Malice'

Entertaining film about ethics

By PHIL WILLIAMS Staff Writer

"Congress shall make no law...abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press...'

A movie which deals with First Amendment's ethics would seem to be a boring movie, except to reporters and politicians. Fortunately, "Absence of Malice" surpasses boredom and is very entertaining.

THE PLOT is centered upon the inability of the over-zealous head of a government task force on organized crime to solve a murder case. Without any clues, he engineers a plan to pressure, Michael Gallagher (Paul Newman) to produce the needed evidence. Gallagher's only crime, however, is being the son

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of a mobster and operating a waterfront import business.

Reporter Megan Carter (Sally Field) finds a government file, "accidentally" left on the investigator's desk, which implicates Gallagher as the prime subject of the investigation. Playing into the investigator's hands, Carter prints the frontpage story.

As Gallagher's business and personal affairs begin to fall apart, he decides to take revenge.

"ABSENCE OF Malice," under the direction of Sydney Pollack, makes a great accomplishment in the way Carter is portrayed but makes one slight error. Much to the credit of the director, the reporter image is taken out of the romanticized "stop the presses" portrayal and a greater insight into the person is given. However, the movie never defines any real power structure within the newspaper, portraying Carter as being without any controls.

Paul Newman artfully acts out his best role of recent years. Newman's role is the main factor for turning "Absence of Malice" into real entertainment.

Fields makes a commendable

portrayal, although sometimes wonders if she realizes the depth of her character.

"ABSENCE OF Malice" explores some interesting ethical issues-not only for journalists-but for everyone to

For example, what kind of information does the First Amendment give the press the right to print? Does it include the right to print information that may harm innocent vic-

"Couldn't you see her?" Gallagher asks Carter about one of his friends whom he felt she had taken advantage of. "Couldn't you stop scribbling, put down your goddam ballpoint and see her?"

DOES THE government have the right to use the press as a tool for its purposes?

To what point can a journalist become involved with the subjects he is covering?

All in all, "Absence of Malice" is one of many good movies that will be coming out in the next few days. Not only does it speak to some very real concerns, but it is also downright entertaining.

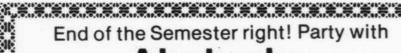


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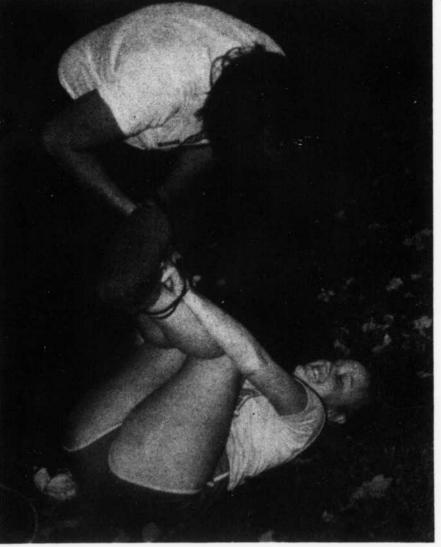


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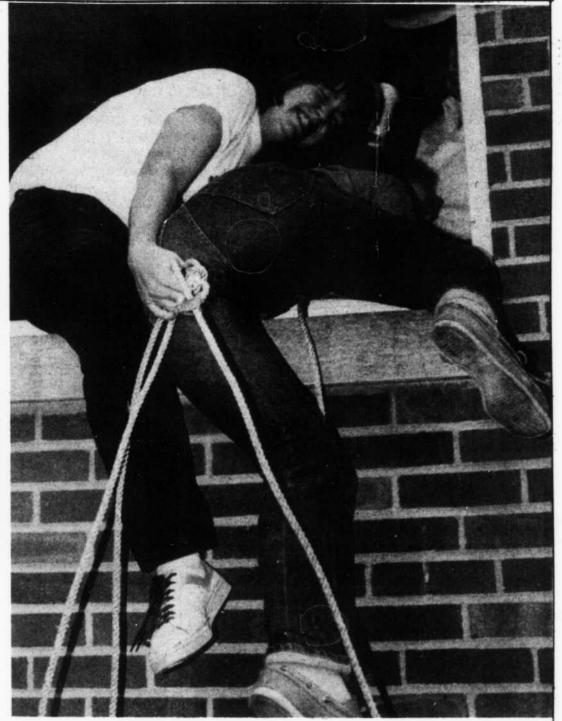




Rodeo – Dorm Style

PHOTO ESSAY BY DONNA FLOYD

PICTURED IN PHOTOS ARE: (TOP LEFT) DEBBIE ROGERS (BOTTOM LEFT) MARY HUNTER (ABOVE) DEBBIE ROGERS AND **DARLENE GIOSA** (RIGHT) DEBBIE ROGERS. MARY HUNTER, AND APRIL SMITH



In recent years, the "western way" has swept through the nation and has invaded

Now at various bars one finds mechanical bulls and cowboy hats, but here at MTSU, we have "Rideo-Dorm Style" featuring human calf roping.

Since little "doggies" are hard to find on campus, humans are substituted for the animals in the roping events. Roommates and neighbors make fine substitutions. A neighbor might need to be gently persuaded, but once she is lassoed, she can no

Pac-man pelts pups in popularity poll

MURFREESBORO, TENN. (SH) — According to our gallop poll survey, Pac-Man has replaced the dog as man's best friend. An overwhelming 88 percent of those interviewed preferred the company of the video machines to that of domestic canines.

Psychologists attribute this phenomenon to the fact that "Pac-Man doesn't dance on your knee at dinner." Says one Pac-Man fanatic: "For the price of one Scotty dog, I can play Pac-Man 800 times.'

WASHINGTON, D.C. (BS) In a drastic action early today, the FDA banned all sugar products, byproducts, and

derivatives from commercial

In the official press release, the FDA stated that "after extensive research, we have found that it positively doesn't cause cancer, so it must cause something worse. But we don't know what that something worse might be, so we took it off the market."

The press release went on to say that "sugar in the American diet will be replaced by garlic powder, which has come into public disfavor over the past few years."

Herbert Beefman, president of the Listerex Mouthwash and ranking ad-Corp.

ministrator for the FDA, said, "Our country needed this. We've been sissy boys sucking on candy long enough. It's time to face up to the Reds and eat more garlic.'

NEW YORK (BS) - What could have been a catastrophic air disaster was avoided shortly before dawn this morning as a K.L.M. jumbo jet narrowly missed a direct collision with an unidentified flying object.

The captain of the airliner, Biff "Wings" Hogan, said: "Man, that was close! Whatever it was came out of nowhere at 12,000 feet. I tried hard to wing it to the left, but I still caught it with my right rear rudder."

Hogan described the object as "a big red sled with mooses out in front." The damage to the right rear rudder was minimal and no one was injured. The greatful passengers and crew of the jetliner said that Hogan would probably have a litte extra something in his Christmas stocking this year.

NEW YORK (SH) mystery man fell from the "Big Apple's" sky early this morning. A large fat man with a big bushy beard and funny red suit plummeted to his death just before dawn.

"The soon-to-be-corpse was frantically twitching his nose shortly before impact,"

eyewitness to the tragedy explained.

longer object—after all a calf has no say-so.

A policeman on the scene was quoted as saying: "These radical hippies get their jollies by smoking glue and trying to fly off of buildings. They don't stop and think about us Joe Blows down here that have to work for a living. I'll tell you what buddy, I'm glad he's dead!"

The remains were donated to the Institute for Higher Learning, where they will be used to test the effects of G-force on gut

GIZA, EGYPT (BS) -Widespread panic is raging throughout Egypt as the curse of

Mummy came true.

Ninety-eight year old Kyle Bonnafidde, the last surviving member of the expedition team that discovered the tomb of Ben Wa Tutumku um, died today in a local intrinary. Hospital officials attributed the death to hardening of the a teries, but local archeologists have undisputable evidence that it was in fact the curse of the mummy that caused Bonnafidde's demise.

"The inscription on the crypt stated that whoever disturbed the mummy would surely die. Now they are all dead. Spooky, ain't it?" one of the archeologists

Your all-time favorite movies are here— Murfreesboro style

By BILL STETAR and CAREY MOORE

Boring People

And, by golly, there are a lot of neat movies coming down the pike. Here they are:

"Lost Weekend" An average-sized college campus in a small town in Tennessee finds itself mysteriously deserted every Friday. Filmed on location in Murfreesboro.

"Attack of the Karate Killers" Six hapless English T.A.s are terrorized by a class of novice Chuck Norrises two days a week in the basement of the Alumni Gym. A new special effect was created for this spectacular—Echoround.

"Bardust Memories" An introspective look into the life of a hopeless sot who goes to the same pub every night and tells anyone who will listen how many women he has slept with.

"The Incredible Shrinking Budget" The administration of an average-sized college campus in a small town in Tennessee tries to "put the squeeze" on their college paper by threatening to cut the budget. See Perry O'Parsons in a moving scene in which he is told his salary will be reduced. Academy Award

"Stir Crazy" Five residents of a girls' dorm in an average-sized college in a small town in Tennessee are all given a wok for Christmas.

"The ROTC Lieutenant's Woman" A poor, ignorant slut is picked up at Faces and told to march in cadence by a military drill team. Lavish cinematography by Buzz Randolph. Produced with funds provided by the U.S. Department of Defense.

"S.O.B.s" A sensitive, young college newspaper reporter turns in an award-winning story about the injustice given a dying cat by a bunch of hooligans. After the story runs, the hooligans locate and terrorize the reporter until he finally leaves town. However, the great journalism god Momentum turns on the young punks and they die a fiery death.

"Sleeper" A light-hearted farce about the administration of an average-sized college in a small town in Tennessee. You'll laugh 'til you nod watching this cadre of administrators bungling budgets, decapitating departments, and...sleeping. Starring John Belushi as President Sam, Dan Akroyd as Dean Paul, and Judy Smith as the Beaver.

"Continental Divide" A coed from Johnson City, with the biggest bazoombas on campus, yucks her way through four years of fear and loathing.

"Stardust Mammaries" A Brian de Palma ripoff of "Continental Divide" about a young prostitute with humongous breasts. Starring Nancy Allen.

"Reds" A sensitive action tale about the hijinks of young MTSU students riding around in TransAms, picking up women and kicking butts. Starring two famous red(necks), Jerry Reed and Burt Reynolds.

"Absence of Malice" Three top-notch reporters for a college newspaper on a mediumsized campus in a small town try to track down a story about coverups concerning the campus police and the athletic department.

The coach of the football team berates and accuses the reporters of trying to ruin his program, boring them to tears. See Perry O'Parsons, in the role of Carl, yawn. Pat Buttram turns in a stellar performance as Benedict Davenport, minister and press leak.

"1941" A medium-sized university in a small town in middleTennessee tries to keep thingsas they were 40 years ago by ignoring coed dorms, alcohol on campus, and by squashing those who dissent.

"Ghost Story" The tale of a medium-sized university in a small town in middle Tennessee on weekends. A Brian DePalma rip-off of "Lost Weekend."

dviser's red ink flows freely; bids his followers adieu

By PERRY O'PARSONS

Staff Infection

Christ, you know it ain't easy. You know how hard it can be. The way things are goodinnnn, they're gonna crucify me.

 John Lennon And so it goes. All good things have to come to an end. And the same it is with me, Perry O'P.

THAT'S RIGHT. I'm leaving Sidelines. I regret this every bit as much as you do, but it is a step in the right direction.

As we say goodbye to the last of that spirit of freedom here at the paper, we must all shed a tear for the passage. People who once thrived on cheap Quaaludes and wine are giving way to those who cut their teeth

on the Bee Gees and "Laverne and Shirley."

Imagine, there are people around who were actually underage when "Saturday Night

Fever" was released. THERE IS, indeed, a new moral climate in the land. Those who take the Bible as inerrant literal gospel are pushing those of us with beards and desert

boots out the door. Weight rooms are being used again, never as they have been before. Hair is short, chests are rippling, and designer jeans are tight. Hell, I remember when Levi Strauss was the only

designer of jeans I knew. As my loving cousin Preppie faded, so shall I. The red ink has

replaced the printer's ink which should run in all true journalists' veins. So here I go...Perry, Perry

PLEASE DON'T ask me to stay. I tried to leave once before, but you cried and cried, so back I came.

But, dammit, I can't stay anymore. I'll still be around to give advice and talk to you about the burning issues of the day. And I'm sure you'll still see me out at Cagney's quite a bit, dressed to the nines and with a head full of coke. Preps, you'd better watch your pink ladies, 'cause Perry's prurient these days.

However, let me speak on one last issue. I want to make it

known that, like everyone else, I think the people who are making us come back to school two days earlier stink. Dean Gillespie in admissions and records, you win the first Perry O'Parsons "You Are a Big Doo-Doo" award. And you share that prize with your intimate in scheduling, coach Jimmy Earle.

I HAPPEN to think that you folks made it very clear where MTSU's priorities lie. And it's all because someone was too lazy to check their mail and see that there might be a scheduling conflict on the day in question.

Don't give us that "Sorry, we goofed," excuse. I don't buy it. My middle finger is raised in a gesture of contempt to both of

you. And I'm not alone. 'Nuff said.

Let's get back to the real issue

at hand. I MUST say that I have en-

joyed it all. I'll never forget our nude sunbath, the ASB-Sidelines softball games (which I almost didn't make because I was out making it), and those lovely RIM folks.

I've enjoyed many of you, as I am sure you've enjoyed me.

But please don't worry. I have secure employment. I'll be working at the Tennessean. No, not as the critic replacing Clara Hemmorhoidimus (God, am I tasteless. "No you're not, Perry!") or John Bridges. I'll be answering "Ask Showcase,"

which has always been my fave.

THOSE NEAT questions about John Schneider, Robert Wagner, and Lindsay Wagner will be a ball to answer. Hell, ol' Ken Beck's been asking me half of the answers to those questions for over a year.

And, no, I'm not going to Boston with Jerry O'Azar. ("Please come to Boston for the guano.")

So long, farewell, auf Weidersehen, goodnight.

P.S.: Please write the new staff and tell them what you think of this. It'll be a hoot!

And, of course, I'm taking Tammi with me to my new desk.

'Bye now!

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On this date

On this date in 1918, novelist Alexander Solzhenitsun was born in Roskov, Russia. In his Nobel Lecture after recieving the Nobel Prize for Literature, he declared: "In the struggle against lies, art has always won and always will. Conspicuously, incontestably for everyone. Lies can stand up agianst much in the world, but not against art....One word of truth outweighs the world.'

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Reflections in a bloodshot eye

The semester, and my tenure as editor, is winding down and it seems appropriate to make a few generalized observations about MTSU's present and future states.

•The university should conduct faculty evaluations every semester, rather than just periodically. After all, students are evaluated in each course every semester; is there any logical reason why the same standards shouldn't apply to instructors?

IN ADDITION, THE ASB should conduct independent faculty evaluations and publish the results with the money they'll be saving from not putting out another student directory with unlisted phone numbers. Many other university governments do so, and it may be the best service such an organ can provide.

 Administration officials, especially those in the top echelon, are extremely open and receptive to feedback and questions. President Sam Ingram, whose door is always open, sets a stellar example here.

•It's great to have a winning football team (finally!) and an outstanding basketball out the so-called "minor" sports (such as cross-country and golf) and especially intramural activities should not suffer financially at the expense of the two "major" sports.

BOOTS DONNELLY and "Ramrod" Simpson have done a great job of building programs with athletes who, by and large, represent the university well off the field as well as on, not an easy task in this day and time. But Dean Hayes has done likewise with a lot less backing. If cuts have to be made in the athletic department, they should not be made in the already meagerly funded "minor" sports, and under no circumstances should a mistake like the elimination of the wrestling program be repeated.

•The general-education principle is a

sound one and the program generally a good one, but because of it, there are just not enough upper-division courses offered here, especially for transfer students.

•The Reagan administration's cutbacks and the continuing stagflation do not augur well for lower-income students, but a quality education at MTSU is still available to anyone academically qualified. A lot of folks will have to go into semi-serious debt and/or work long hours to do so, however.

•IT'S ABSOLUTELY INCREDIBLE that there are more than 10,000 students, some 1200 mass communications majors, and nearly 100 print journalism majors, and only a handful of folks show up to work at the student newspaper every semester. Part of it is that students don't have the time and/or inclination to participate in extracurricular activities in general nowadays, but working up here is an invaluable learning experience no matter what your future avocation.

•Why doesn't Student Programming (whose film weekday fare is none too great) sponsor inexpensive old movies on the weekends for those who choose, or have, to stay here? Unless and until some weekend entertainment is provided, the campus will continue to resemble a ghost town on Saturdays and Sundays.

•There is an appalling lack here of special activities which promote ideas and learning. Provocative outside speakers and educational symposiums have been virtually nonexistent of late.

 Considering the salary limitations wrought by our august State Legislature, MTSU has a damn good faculty, with a host of fine profs and more than a few outstanding ones in virtually all departments. With the present faculty, the university fits well into the old saw about a student being able to get out of the school exactly what he or she puts into it.

TO REGAIN

CONTROL

by Garry Trudeau

COULD HAVE

A WORD WITH

Parking Committee chairman clarifies feasibility of ideas

7. Elizabeth Porter

10. David Badge

By ERIC STEINBERG CHAIRMAN, ASB PARKING COMMITTEE

2. Greg Campbell

I would like to argue a few points from the three columns that appeared on the Op-ed page of Tuesday's Sidelines under the headline "Parking at MTSU: opinions, criticisms and suggestions" (which I urge everyone to go back and read). These points are as follows:

Assertion-"...given the limited space and the current setup at MTSU, there are not a great many options avaiable without drastically changing the MTSU environment."

Response-The present parking system at MTSU is so disorganized and inefficient within itself that many of the problems can be solved through reorganization of the existing system without touching the MTSU environment at all.

Assertion-"To build additional parking spaces in a central location of campus is not the answer. MTSU has a beautiful campus and to ruin its aesthetic value for the sake of lazy students would hurt the campus in the long run."

Response-The creation of additional parking is the main goal of the Joint Senate and House Parking Committee. To assume that this cannot be done without "ruin[ing] its aesthetic value" is faulty. It is possible to strategically add new parking on campus and not only abstain from ruining the campus but perhaps improve it as well. For example, if the ROTC lot were expanded so that the gravel pit next to it were paved, thus extending the current lot size by as much as 25 new spaces, we would not only add additional parking, but we would improve the existing area by 1000 percent.

Assertion-That a parking problem does not exist except in the minds of "...people too lazy to walk a short distance to

class." Response-The parking problem on campus is a real one. There are 4,975 parking spaces on campus, however, most spaces available for commuting students are on the perimeters of campus. Although 4,975 spaces may be adequate for the over 11,000 cars registered to park on campus, it would be necessary to more efficiently regulate parking by designating who parks where to achieve maximum use of these spaces.

Assertion-"The rationale for locating a parking lot along a remote border of campus is simple. The fields are basically flat, so paving could be done cheaply and quickly."

13. Casual Phil Sadle

14. David Jarrard

15. Leslie Collins

Response-The entire MTSU campus, for the most part, is flat all over. The cost of paving new lots would cost the same-about \$300 per car space- no matter where you decided to build them.

Assertion-"They should consider paving one of the fields bordering remote areas of campus and using shuttle-buses to ferrry students to the center of campus."

Response-Talk about lazy. The cost of purchasing, maintaining, and operating shuttle-buses would be expensive and the money could certainly be used in a better way. If we paved a new lot for lets say 300 cars (approximately \$9,000) and then went through the cost of transporting students from that lot to the center of campus we would be defeating our own purposes. However, if you like the shuttle-bus idea, how about operating a bus around Murfreesboro for students to come to school in so they might leave their cars at home. Then we wouldn't need to pave the extra lot and we could save megabucks.

Assertion-"Solutions to the campus parking problem needn't be as extreme as building parking garage...approval of such a measure seems highly unlikely in these tight economic times."

Response-A one-level parking garage could be built on campus. If we located this structure on the site of the present ROTC lot (prime property for parking since it is the center of campus), then we could add as many as 125 additional spaces. This would cost \$480,000 or \$22,800 per year if financed. This could be paid for easily by increasing the cost of a parking sticker by \$2 a year, a small price to pay for 125 new spaces within 1,000 feet of the library and the University Center. Just think, if we increased the sticker price by \$5 we could add an additional 325 spaces or maybe even a few more. Since this structure would be surrounded by buildings and built over an existing lot, it is doubtful that the aesthetic beauty of campus would be harmed at all.

17. John Waggone

19.Don Harris

Assertion-"Some realistic measures the ASB parking committee should consider are:

The formation of compact

car parking spaces. · The formation of a university motorpool shuttle

service. · Raise the parking fine."

Response-One of the main objectives of the committee is to recommend that more spaces be created by making separate but smaller spaces for compact cars. The shuttle service is not economical and increasing the parking fine is unfair and would probably not pass the ASB house and senate. However, I am in favor of requiring that fines be paid within 30 days and students not paying their fine within the allotted time be charged a higher rate-say double.

Overall, the columns were quite good and were welcomed bythe ASB Parking Committee. The ideas will be fully discussed as will other ideas recommended to the committee from other sources such as:

· Abolish all parking and driving within the campus proper (making use ofperimeter parking only). · Forbidding freshmen to

parkon campus.

· Requiring all freshman to park their cars in the peripheral lots, freeing central spaces for upper classmen.

· Curtailing yellow curbs and creating new spaces.

 Numbering all spaces on campus and assigning everyone who lives on campus a certain space.

· Requiring certain cars to park in certain spaces.

The main direction the committee is taking is to first organize the parking system on campus. The present system is chaotic and in itself creates much of the problem. We will be attempting to add 200 spaces with the existing parking structure. We plan to work closely with the administration and, in fact, have been commended by Campus Planning Director Charles Pigg for the way we have gone about our investigation so far.

Have a happy holiday. Good luck on your exams. And, above all, don't worry. You're in good hands with the ASB Parking Committee.



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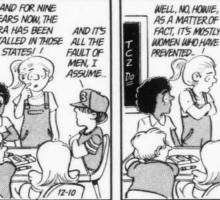
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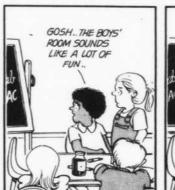
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They're weird, wild, but Antastic releases album of country standards

Special to Sidelines

The streets of London should be teaming with insects heeding Adam Ant's call to "throw your safety overboard and join the Ant Invasion" after his already loyal cult following hears the latest Antmusic eminating from the bivouac.

Adam and the Ants' sexual identity ethic comes across loud and clear in the wailing, biting, and often humorous lyrics on Epic's new release "Prince Charming," recorded in August.

Antmusic is still characterized by the primitive beat that pounded throughout "Kings of the Wild Frontier," and several tunes on the LP don't stand out from commonplace (if it can be so called) Ant fare.

However, "Scorpios," the first cut on side one, blasts in with a full horn section-a definite sound expansion from the raw, crashing, electric hum that dominated previous offerings. The flaming vocalsand kinky background chants are still present as Adam implores "pretty, look young be fearless...have fun, don't listen when you're told there is none."

The Ants immediately cavort into the syncopated "Picasso Vista El Planeta De Los Simios" (Picasso Visits the Planet of the Apes) a scathing comment on artists selling out for money, "as the masters rot on the walls and the angels eat their grapes."

MIDWAY THROUGH side two, Marco, Merrick, Terry, Gary, and Adam "slide on onta" a funky, quick-paced "Ant Rap." Talkin' stuff from the "Buttons, bows and bleu, blanc rouge" that clad the group to anarchists "destroy they say, as long as you don't destroy them," Adam calls on his followers to



Adam and the Ants-their sexual identity comes through clearly.

skip drugs and drink-"It's tragedy and such old hat."

The record's title cut is not much of a departure from past material, though Antmusic seems slicker and more refined on this cut, and on the entire recording as well. Adam chortles this one in his usual queenish manner, and is more blatant, even cocky about where he's coming from-"Don't you ever stop being dandy, showing me you're handsome.

"Stand and Deliver" is a rocker concerning pistolbrandishing "highwaymen" that was released recently on an LP bearing the same name. The accompanying tune on the record,"Beat my Guest," was noticeably excluded from "Prince Charming."

"MOWHOK" AND "5 Guns West" are both typical performances that prove Ant's fascination with cowboys and Indians, and pirates persists. The lyrics of "Mile High Club" have their "ups and downs" but "S.E.X.," a haunting, steamy account of lazy summer daliance is one of the more interesting tunes on the record, rich in metaphor and the almost surprising statement from sex music "virginity's no crime."

"Prince Charming" is "dedicated to Antpeople everywhere," and should be no disappointment to any of them. It's also a good introduction to Adam and the Ants for the musically adventurous, newwavers, and appreciators of the off-beat.

If you're still heavily into Charlie Daniels, this album's not

Elvis Costello 'goes Nashville';

By BILL WARD Editor

Elvis Costello is, in many senses, the Hunter S. Thompson of the music world.

Like the infamous gonzo journalist, Costello parlays his own fear and/or loathing of the people and emotions around him into taut, insightful narrative. There is a peculiar charm and verve, however, to their ran-

THE TWO also share a delight in presenting themselves in ambivalent terms, Thompson as a totally crazed seeker of sanity and truths, and Costello as a totally cynical seeker of happiness and love.

They're also bonded by a fatalistic compulsion to carp at their conduits to the public. Thompson is forever feuding with, and portraying as a wimp in print, Rolling Stone publisher Jann Wenner. And Costello, on the brink of widespread popularity and airplay a few years back, charged that radio, his primary hope for reaching a big audience, "is in the hands of such a lot of fools tryin' to anesthetize the way that you would feel."

Most of all, though, the two share a flair for the unexpected; their ardent admirers can never be sure of what to next expect from either.

SUCH IS especially the case now with Elvis, who's just released an entire album of country standards, entitled Almost Blue and recorded this summer under the auspices of venerable Nashville producer Billy Sherrill.

Even more surpisingly, this is pretty damn good stuff, sometimes teetering on the brink of the sappiness that's characterized all too much of Sherill's recent work, but rescued by Costello's obviously heartfelt renditions of these classic tunes.

Elvis had, in fact, shown more than a passing interest in country music recently. He came to Nashville a couple of years back to provide backup vocals for his own outstanding "Stranger in the House" for George Jones, and the country ballad "A Different Finger" was perhaps the best song on Trust, another outstanding Costello LP released last winter.

IN FACT, that number was so well arranged and produced that it's hard to understand why Elvis didn't stick with Nick Lowe, his good friend and the finest rock producer going, for this LP. He apparently decided to "go Nashville" all the way, and in that respect his choice of Sherrill was a sound one.

He even performs a song penned by Sherrill, "Too Far Gone," and the version here is a nice, mellow, underwhelming one. Two of Jones's tunes, "Brown to Blue" and "Color of the Blues," are also covered here, and both, in spite of their titles, are Nashville to the corelush string arrangements, wailing pedal steel, occasional female background vocals, et al.

Which is not to say that this album is a showcase for the oft-

You Love Me Like You Used To Do" is here turned into a rock 'n' roll number, and a decent one at that, albeit a bit short (1:35).

MERLE HAGGARD'S "Tonight the Bottle Let Me Down" gets a similar treatment, a jaunty rendition with some Jerry Lee Lewis-ish ivory tickling by Steve Neive. And Charlie Rich's "Sittin' and Thinkin' " sounds like it could have been recorded in Memphis, so soulfully is it delivered.

But Almost Blue's finest moments are provided by a pair of Gram Prsons songs.

"Hot Burito 1/21," with ohso-vulnerable singing and sparse instrumentation, is nicely done, but "How Much I Lied," the album's final number, is positivey gorgeous, a riveting ballad highlighted by strong crooning from Elvis and subtle, sublime piano work by Neive.

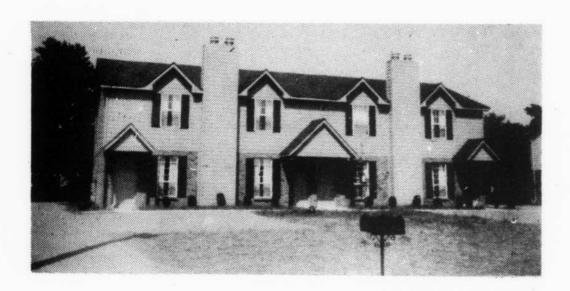
"HOW MUCH I Lied" is an absolute chestnut, reaffirming what country music was about from the start-heartfelt emotions, often tied to lost love, set to simple instrumentationand once again pointing up how much was lost with Parson's passing nearly a decade ago.

In itself, that song ensures that Costello's sojourn to "Music City" was a worthwhile one, and the rest of Almost Blue further demonstrates that this white boy can sing the bluesand most anything else he so chooses.

ELVIS COSTELLO maligned (and deservedly so) "Nashville Sound." In fact, Hank Williams' "Why Don't

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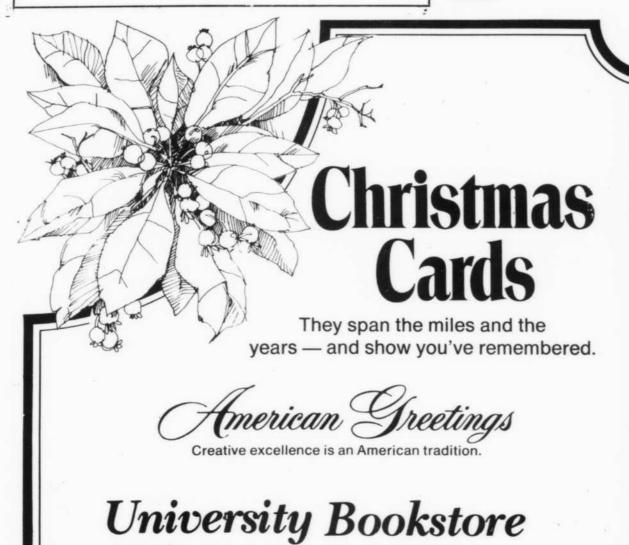
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Ron dreams of Xmas

By BILL STETAR

Feature Editor

Editor's note: A letter written
by a high ranking White House
official has found its way to my
desk. After confirming the
letter's authenticity (through a
source who prefers to remain
anonymous), we decided to
share the contents with our
readers.

Here, for the first time in any newspaper, is the entire text of that correspondence.

DEAR SANTA:

It's been a long year, my friend, and so many things have happened.

Some days I feel like a modern-day Gipper, cutting and slashing my way downfield through the budget, vetoing Democrat tacklers trying to knock me out of bounds

OTHER DAYS I feel like Bonzo—as when Stockman equated my "supply-side" program with the old "trickle-down" economics. Sure they're the same, but he didn't have to tell everyone. Lucky for me I was able to take the heat off that issue by announcing a hollow challenge to the Soviets daring them to reduce European armaments.

But, Santa, I didn't write to burden you with my troubles. I really wrote to let you know what I would like for Christmas.

results of the public is so gullible, and the public is so gullible, and the press so easily manipulated, the whole situation has taken care of itself.

By the way, Santa, would you happen to have a way to cut support services, lower taxes, increase defense spending, and balance the budget? People are

getting a bit edgy about the high interest rates and recession, and my program is about as organized as Fibber McGee's closet.

I could use more heartfelt letters to read at my news conferences (whenever I have one). They take attention away from the aggressive questions I can't answer.

ALSO, COULD YOU see to it that only Republicans are elected in the 1982 congressional elections? (If I'm going to make things better for the rich, I'm going to need rich votes in the Congress.)

I don't know if you received Richard Allen's Christmas list, but please include a memory improvement course for him. (It's a good thing everyone criticized him for forgetting about the "honorarium" instead of taking the money.)

Alex Haig could use a new chapeau. His hat size seems to have increased quite a bit this year. (But please don't address the gift card "to Prime Minister Haig.")

FOR NANCY, please bring some sterling silverware to match the exquisite china she purchased earlier.

A lot of people think James Watt would like a new chainsaw, but I think a bulldozer would be more his style. See what your elves can do.

I can't seem to find much for George Bush to do. Do you think you could use some extra help this season? He's good at stuffing envelopes and stockings.

Don't forget my annual supply of Grecian Formula.

My regards to Mrs. Claus and a merry Christmas to you all.

Your pal, Ronny



This Christmas nice for rich, sad for poor

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON

Education Editor

A new and different atmosphere is evident this holiday

Gone are the austerity and common sense inspired by President Carter sitting by the fire in his cardigan—no Christmas lights all over the outside of houses, no silly, frivolous presents under the tree.

HERE ARE the extravagance and gaiety inspired by President Reagan espousing confidence in the future as he strolls across the White House lawn in his jodhpers and boots. And the First Lady is doing her part in her designer gowns and exquisite jewels.

This new spirit has brought houses covered with intricate displays of colored lights, stores filled with Christmas shoppers, boxes wrapped in gay and expensive paper and ribbons.

But wait. Take a closer look.
The brightly decorated houses are in upper-middle class neighborhoods. The stores filled with shoppers deal in luxury items. The gay boxes are filled with minks, silver, gold jewelry.

WHAT ABOUT the workingclass people?

Sears, definitely a workingclass store, is projecting poor sales this Christmas season. Its projection is considered an indication of what the season will be like for similar stores.

The purchasing power of the average American family of four has increased by \$1.23 per week over the last year. This is hardly enough to afford the added charge on the electric bill for excessive Christmas lights or a mink for Mom.

UNEMPLOYMENT is at 8.4 percent, its highest level in six years. This means a significant portion of the working class won't be working this Christmas. Without paychecks, Christmas lights will not shine very brightly for them this year.

If you are among the more fortunate, please take time out from your holiday festivities to remember the less fortunate. Think about the working man, who is paying for your new tax breaks. Think, too, about how

he is paying for your lack of faith in him that has sent your investment dollars overseas.

As you baskin the bright lights of the new respectability shone on the rich by a glamorous, new presidentand his policies that favor your kind, please remember that others are paying the price.

First year called successful

Give Reagan a chance

By TERRY GREGORY

Special to Sidelines

Ronald Reagan has been in office for almost a year now, and has done better at getting his way in Congress than most presidents. He seems to be a person who can make people follow him.

In this year Reagan's conservative policies have changed the thinking of many people about the role of the government.

SINCE THE TIME of Roosevelt's New Deal the federal government has increasingly spent more money on give-away programs. It has conditioned the people to expect the government to take care of them. It has to be expected that these people who are being cut out are protesting the cuts.

But the person who is paying for all this, that is, the average American worker, has been totally forgotten. Government programs have consistently tried to overregulate business whereas Reagan's policies will give business room to breath.

Reagan has pushed his economic policies through Congress, which shows his leadership ability. The Democrats are now saying that these programs are not working. It is funny to think that he can change in two months what a liberal Congress has done in the last 20 years of increasing deficit spending. I believe if we give Reagan's policies a fair chance they will succeed.

IN THE AREA of international prestige, Reagan has done wonders for this country. The hostage crisis ended on the day of his inauguration. We have built up our military enough to bring the Soviets to the arms negotiation table. Reagan's hard-line attitude will tend to deter aggression against the United States or its allies.

In general, Reagan has added a great deal to the nation in his first year. If we give him a chance he will help restore an economically sound and militarily safe United States.



Letters

Results of Biggest Turkey on Campus' contest revealed

To the editor:

More often than not *Sidelines* prints articles depicting the bad things that happen on campus.

Recently, Sidelinesfailed to report a story (which was submitted) concerning a fundraiser for Multiple Sclerosis. We feel that Sidelines is lacking in its public responsibility to the student body by not covering this "Biggest Turkey on Campus" campaign.

The people who actively raised money for this extremely good cause deserve the recognition which Sidelines promised.

To recognize the largest donators: The "Biggest Turkeys" of 1981 are Pikes and Delta Omicron.

Please fulfill your responsibility to this worthy cause by printing this letter.

Pi Sigma Epsilon
Box 587

Tomen have valid

Women have valid reason for illegal parking after dark

To the editor:

In regard to your article, "Pleanty of parking, problem is laziness," I would like to inform you that is not the case.

In a few cases it may be laziness, but in my case and hundreds of other girl's cases this is not so. Some of us girls are detained either by work or other circumstances and do not arrive on campus until after dark.

On one occassion, I arrived on campus 'late and the only available parking place was in Cummings parking lot. I live in Gracy and tried most other parking lots which include: Judd and Sims lot, the lot by Baird Street, Felder's lot, and H and I's lots.

To tell you the truth, I was scared, not *lazy*, to park far away. I thought of calling the campus police for an escort, but I was afraid of what could happen before I got to a phone. I

was all by myself and there was no way I could arrive any earlier. So I chose to park illegally and receive a ticket.

Also, I believe since we pay to go to school here and live on campus that we should not be inconvenienced in this way. There are a total of 44 parking places in front of Gracy, and Beasley and Smith Halls use them also. There are approximately 140 parking places by Judd, this is still not enough. As for across the street in Baird's lot, I do not know how many places are available, because I was tired of counting.

All I know is that there is never enough places for people to park, and I do not appreciate being called lazy.

Two additional thoughts: Most rapes occur in parking lots, and the problem of parking does not just concern commuters, but residents as well.

In regards to your comment printed in *Sidelines*, Judge David Barnes, mine is the same BUNK!

> Third Floor Gracy Box 1077

Legal gambling a mistake

By DANNY TYREE Staff Writer

Let's make this more than a Bible Belt question.

I'm speaking of the proposal before a Tennessee General Assembly committee to let Memphis and Nashville vote on legalized race track gambling.

AREA MINISTERS have done an admirable job of attacking the proposal, but I would like to see more laymen take up the fight. Otherwise, legislators and the public might develop the misconception that only fuddy duddies from seminary school are against legalized gambling. And that's bad; because there are a lot of common sense objections to the proposal.

Even so, Rep. Charles Pruitt, sponsor of the bill is mesmerized by the tax revenue the gambling would supposedly generate.

In my last column I mentioned inherency. Once again I must raise the issue. Is more revenue inherently good? Does Tennessee need money so badly that the ends will justify any means? Doesn't more money sometimes mean that the government just spends less responsibly? Is belt-tightening inherently evil? We're slowly beginning to learn fiscal restraint. True, a lot of worthwhile programs are feeling the pinch, but does that mean we should give our lawmakers the green light for another spending spree?

IF WE do need to infuse a little more money into the budget, does it have to come from a source as questionable as gambling?

Of course we have no guarantee that parimutuel betting will bring in all that much revenue in the first place.

The constantly revised federal

deficit projections are showing us what an imprecise science economic forecasting is. Why, then, should we swallow hook, line and sinker the *rosiest* tax revenue claims of a biased source like the racing industry?

PRUITT DISPLAYED his economic expertise by charging that it's easy for ministers to oppose gambling since they pay no taxes. Pruitt was dead wrong about the taxes ministers pay.

And we would be dead wrong to think he is competent to propose such a major piece of legislation.

Metro Councilman Bill Scoles pointed out something interesting about tax revenue when questioned by Teddy Bart on "Newswatch" Wednesday night. Kentucky has race tracks aplenty, but none near the Tennessee border, Scoles said. If there are such big bucks to be reaped in the Nashville area, why hasn't some Kentuckian capitalized on the situation already? Councilman Bud Hill, a supporter of the proposal who appeared on the same newscast, supplied no answer.

Sure, maybe we can fleece some tourists with race tracks, but we could do the same with rigged speed traps. If the great minds of Tennessee can't come up with any solutions more creative than those two, maybe we don't deserve any more money.

PARIMUTUAL betting would not be anything new, Pruitt said. It would merely be a chance to tax something we already have. Using that sort of logic, I suggest that we encourage and tax: war, child abuse, cross burnings, crooked car dealers, drunk drivers, etc.

The betting issue has produced some fascinating flip-flops and double standards.

A citizen should be free to

blow his entire paycheck and let his family starve if he really wants to, supporters of the bill assert. That sort of callous statement seems out of character for the type of people who would support a gambling referendum. Do they encourage women to develop unwanted pregancies as long as they "know" what they're getting into? Would they tell a black man that he has the right to be harrassed if he wants to move into a white neighborhood? I think not.

SIMILARLY, the people who usually champion the common man have now pledged their allegiance to the fat cat special interests who would benefit from parimutuel betting. They seek to hide the fact that gambling does not create wealth; it merely redistributes it

(inequitably, I might add.) The rich will get richer and the poor will get poorer.

Legislators who usually defend us against Big Business propaganda are now willing to let the racing industry orchestrate the results of referenda. The rich special interests can afford to saturate the unsuspecting voter with misinformation.

Is a referendum inherently "Mom-and-apple-pie" wholesome? As one minister testified before the legislative committee, many of our key civil rights laws would have been voted down if placed before the public. Our legislators are confused enough on the issue. Would we be any better off if they passed the buck on this complex question to the average voter?

IF I MAY BE sarcastic for a moment, I think I have a solution to the problem. Since the poor are the people who will be most lured by race track gambling, and since the state needs all the money it can getwhy waste part of the money by funnelling it through race tracks at all? If the poor are going to spend their money at the race track anyway, why give benefits to the poor at all? The federal and state government should eliminate all welfare, unemployment insurance, veterans' benefits, Social Security, subsidized housing, Medicaid, food stamps, tax refunds, job programs, etc. That way we could eliminate the middle man (the race track operator).

Tennessee is really a special place. But is it so different from Atlantic City? Is it so unreasonable for Nashville to expect a new influx of pimps, winos, junkies and hoods if gambling is legalized? What's to keep the underworld from taking over in Nashville?

I'm not saying we absolutely should not have a referendum. I am saying that the biggest gamble we could take is letting the public vote on something that even the General Assembly doesn't understand.

If the legislature and the voters make a hasty decision, Music City will soon have to pay the piper.



McFall-led Lady Raiders

Raiders, free throws sink Morehead trip Morehead 67-64

By SCOTT ADAMS

Sports Writer

MOREHEAD, KY. — For Stan Simpson and his Blue Raiders, the whole thing must have seemed like an awful

The gym was different, but the city was the same and free throws were going to make the difference.

Given a second chance,

"I was really happy to get a

MTSU'S BIGGEST lead of the

minutes to go, but Morehead is

always tough on the Blue

1:27 left in the contest to put

Morehead up 57-56 but was

called for a charging foul on the

play. Maury Mapes hit both free

throws to put MTSU back on top

and make way for Mayfield's

"The difference in this year's

MTSU club and last year's is

their ability to come up with the

big play at the right time,"

Eagle coach Wayne Martin said. "Beck's tip on the Mafield foul

shot was probably the biggest

FOR MTSU, Jerry Beck and

Rick Campbell led all scorers

with 17 points apiece, and Beck

was the top rebounder with

seven. Mapes, who played the

play of the game."

Rocky Adkins hit a layup with

Raiders in Kentucky.

dramatics.

second shot at it after I missed

the first time," Mayfield said. "I

JUNIOR guard Danny MTSU. He missed the front end Mayfield canned the two game- of the bonus, but Jerry Beck winning tosses as MTSU got its tapped the ball right back to OVC campaign rolling with a Mayfield who was immediately 64-59 win over Morehead's fouled again. Eagles.

"I didn't really think about Mayfield burried both attempts what had happened up here last to put the game out of reach. vear at the time," Simpson said, "but it's kind of ironic how similar the games were."

Simpson was speaking of last was a lot more relaxed for the year's MTSU-Morehead contest second shot. which the Raiders lost, after leading most of the game, when second half was 54-48 with four they missed critical free throws.

MAYFIELD, who had just been inserted into the lineup, was fouled with 24 seconds to go and the score 60-59 in favor of



Rick Campbell

17 points

entire game for a slumping Pancakes Perry, was the only other Raider in double figures with 14 points.

"Pancakes has won a lot of games for us and undoubtedly will see a lot of playing time," Simpson said. "But Maury had control and we didn't want to take him out."

"I was not being punished for anything," Perry said. "They just wanted to give Maury a chance and he played a great game."

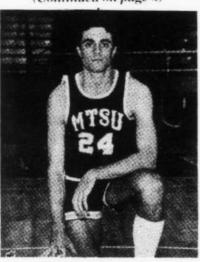
MTSU, WHO was 12-17 from the floor in the second half, ended the game shooting a sizzling 52 percent from the floor. They were 20-28 from the charity stripe for 71.4 percent.

For Morehead State, Guy Minnifield (brother of Kentucky's Dirk) led the Eagles with 16 points followed by Jeff Tipton with 15 and Norris Beckley with 14.

The Eagles were 18-45 from the field for 40 percent and 23-25 from the line for 92 percent.

THE BLUE Raiders now stand 3-2 on the young season and 1-0 in the all-important OVC race. Morehead's Eagles drop to 2-2 and 0-1.

Middle Tennessee will travel on to Richmond, Ky., Saturday night for the final leg of the "death valley" (a common name for the Morehead-Eastern swing) road trip. MTSU will (Continued on page 8)



Maury Mapes

14 points

ports Stuff

by Bob Gary

'Tis the season for a holiday-oriented edition of Sports Stuff.

I thought it might be kind of nice to finish up this semester of ye olde sporting news column with some holiday thoughts and suggestions to jolly old St. Nick pertaining to gifts for some folks in this sporting world of ours.

FIRST OF ALL, as everybody knows, this is the time of year when sports is flourishing. You've got college football bowl games coming up, college hoops are in full swing, pro football is heating up for playoff action, pro basketball is well underway and we even have indoor pro soccer at full tilt. Even baseball is in the news, with that three-ring circus known as the Winter Meetings underway in a very un-winterlike setting (Florida).

'Tis the season indeed!

As I mentioned previously, Santa himself will be making his rounds exactly two weeks from now, and things in the world of sports have been so very unsettled that I think he might be able to (Continued on page 8)

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By SCOTT ADAMS

Sports Writer MOREHEAD, KY. - Life on the road ain't always so bad.

Larry Inman's Lady Raiders roared back from a 10-point, second-half deficit to win an important OVC contest 67-64 last night over Morehead's Lady Eagles.

Eva Lemeh hit a layup, with 34 seconds to play and the score knotted at 62, to put the Lady Raiders ahead for good. Holly Hoover and Jennefir McFall hit crucial free throws down the stretch as MTSU escaped with their first OVC win and stayed unbeaten.

"IT'S A true trait of a championship team to come back and win on the road,"

Inman said. "I can't begin to tell you how proud I am of the girls."

The leading Lady Raider scorer, Robin Hendrix, was slowed by a virus which kept her well under her 16-point average, but a ballanced offensive attack more than took up the slack.

MTSU trailed by five at halftime 35-30, and, with 10 minutes to play in the game, Morehead had built up a 10point advantage. That's when the Lady Raider press took over.

LED BY Lemeh, the fullcourt, trapping defense forced numerous turnovers to bring MTSU back.

McFall led the Lady Raiders in scoring with 14 followed by (Continued on page 8)

Eaglettes at 5:15 p.m. and the

It will be the first meeting

between the two schools when

Samford's Bulldogs try their

hand in Murphy Center on Dec.

21. The Bulldogs were 11-17 last

year and return seven lettermen

from last year's squad. Tipoff is

Middle Tennessee will get

nine days off before taking to the

hardwood again on Dec. 30

against Detroit. The Blue

Raiders lost to the Titans 75-60

DETROIT RETURNS all 11

lettermen and all five starters

from last years 9-19 club. The

Titans lead the short series 2-0.

The Blue Raiders will make

their only road trip of the break

on Jan. 4. MTSU will travel to

Cincinnait, Ohio to meet

last year and return eight let-

termen. Tipoff for the first

meeting between the two schools

meeting is set for 8:05 p.m.

The Musketeers were 12-16

Tipoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

set for 7:30 p.m.

in Detroit last year.

Xavier.

men squaring off at 7:30 p.m.

Home basketball games highlight semester break

While most of us are unwrapping Christamas gifts and ringing in the new year during the semester break, MTSU's basketball Raiders will be ringing the nets of Murphy Center.

Middle Tennesse will host four games during the break (Gerogia State, Tennessee Tech, Samford, and Detroit) and take a one-game road trip to Cincinnati, Ohio to meet Xavier.

THE GEORGIA State Panthers will be the first team to invade Murfreesboro, meeting MTSU on Dec. 17. The Blue Raiders had to overcome a 12point halftime deficit last year against the Panthers but came away with a 74-58 victory in Atlanta.

GSU returns eight lettermen form last year's 4-23 squad. MTSU leads the series between the two teams 3-1.

Arch rival Tennessee Tech will come to Murphy Center next on Dec. 19.It will be the third OVC game for MTSU and the second for Tech.

THE CONTEST will be a double header with the Lady Raiders meeting the defending OVC Champion Golden

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- 1. GARDEN STATE BOWL-Tennessee vs. Wisconsin
- 2. TANGERINE BOWL-Southern Miss vs. Missouri
- 3. SUN BOWL-Houston vs. Oklahoma
- 4. LIBERTY BOWL-Navy vs. Ohio State
- 5. PEACH BOWL-Florida vs. West Virginia
- 6. ASTRO BLUE BONNET BOWL-UCLA vs. Michigan
- 7. GATOR BOWL-North Carolina vs. Arkansas
- 8. FIESTA BOWL-USC vs. Penn State
- 9. COTTON BOWL-Alabama vs. Texas
- 10. ROSE BOWL-lowa vs. Washington
- 11. SUGAR BOWL-Georgia vs. Pittsburgh
- 12. ORANGE BOWL-Clemson vs. Nebraska
- 13. Who will be the No. 1-ranked college football team in the final polls?

PROFESSIONAL-SATURDAY, DEC 12

- 14. Minnesota at Detroit
- 15. New York Jets at Cleveland

PROFESSIONAL-SUNDAY, DEC. 13

- 16. Cincinnati at Pittsburgh
- 17. Miami at Kansas City
- 18. New York Giants at St. Louis
- 19. Philadelphia at Dallas
- 20. San Diego at Tampa Bay

PROFESSIONAL-MONDAY, DEC. 14

21. Atlanta at Los Angeles

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and 65.2 from the line.

Lemeh and Hoover with 12

each. For the game, the Lady

Raiders shot 37.1 from the field

Moore and Donna Stevens were

all of the Lady Eagle's offensive

attack. Moore led all scores with

22 followed by Stevens with 18.

Morehead shot 35.6 from the

For Morehead State, Irene

22-27. Which teams will win their respective NFL divisions?

DON HARRIS

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- 3. Oklahoma by 5 4. Navy by 1
- 5. West Virginia by 3
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- 21. Atlanta by 7
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- 2. Southern Miss by 7

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- STEVE PRICE **Sports Writer**
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Staff Writer 1. Wisconsin by 41

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use a little help in deciding what to get all the bad little boys and girls in professional and amateur sports for Christmas (I say bad little folks because it's becoming increasingly apparent that there are few, if any, good ones).

LET'S START WITH pro football:

RAY MALAVASI, L.A. RAMS COACH: Ray would like for somebody to come down from on high and tell him he's just having a bad dream.

ATLANTA FALCONS: See above.

BALTIMORE COLTS: See above in multiple exposures.

NEW YORK JETS, SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS, CINCINNATI BENGALS, KANSAS CITY CHIEFS, DENVER BRONCOS, AND DETROIT QUARTERBACK ERIC "The Legend" HIPPLE: Would all like for whomever dispatches the above task to stay away from

PETE ROZELLE: The Commissioner's gift will hopefully acheive parity with other gifts in that it won't be any better or worse than what anyone else gets.

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New York Giants-Buffalo Bills Super Bowl.

FANS WHO HAVE BEHAVED IN THE PAST YEAR: A San Francisco 49ers-Cincinnati Bengals Super Bowl. These are the two best teams in football with the possible exception of Dallas, and I've seen the Cowboys in the playoffs so much it's perfectly nauseating. The 49ers and the Bengals deserve it.

NOW TO PRO basketball: DALLAS MAVERICKS: A winning streak. Anytime will do,

they're not picky. DARRYL "Chocolate Thunder" DAWKINS: Hopefully, whatever he gets will be collapsible, and will bend only under 240

pounds worth of pressure. ATLANTA HAWKS: A playoff spot (Well, O.K., Santa's good,

And now moving to college hoops: KENTUCKY WILDCATS: All that is wonderful and good in the world of college basketball including a national championship and two straight wins over Tennessee. If they can't have both, they

should take the latter.

TENNESSEE VOLS: RAY MEYER, DEPAUL COACH: If Kentucky can't win the national title. No one deserves it more.

ALL BASKETBALL FANS: Two things that would be wonderful to see: Al McGuire and Billy Packer back together (shame on you, CBS), and a Kentucky-Louisville game (in Lexington, of course). LET'S NOT FORGET college football:

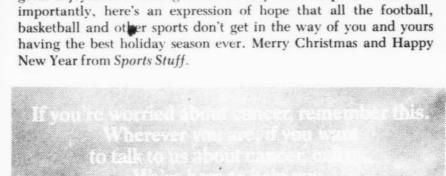
CLEMSON, GEORGIA, IOWA, TEXAS, ARKANSAS, UCLA, FLORIDA, NAVY, HOUSTON, SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, and most especially WISCONSIN: Wins in their respective bowl games. TENNESSEE: Decisive proof of the fine calibre of Big 10 football. KENTUCKY: I was hoping that Kentucky's Christmas present

would be Howard Schnellenberger, a UK alumnus now coaching the Miami Hurricanes. He turned the job down, though.

HOWARD SCHNELLENBERGER: A change of heart. FINALLY SOME miscellaneous wishes: THE TWO PRE-EMINENT TENNESSEE VOLS ON CAMPUS,

JAY AND RUSS: Continued WEEKLY DIGS (Santa doesn't have to bother with this—I've got it under control.) MTSU'S MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAMS: Ohio

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