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Big college sports programs criticized

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United Press International

Bigtime college sports took a drubbing when Ernest Boyer, president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, put them through his wringer.

It happened at the Sport and Higher Education Conference in mid-March at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

WHAT Boyer, of Princeton, N.J., said is of interest to parents of kids warming up for Little League, pee-wee football, or playtime basketball. The same for high school sports stars with hearts full of hope for athletic scholarships to college.

"Today, gambling, television and professional sports have their own agenda," Boyer, former U.S. commissioner of education, said.

"And it's money. Students are simply used as raw material for the profit makers. And the nation's campuses have become the farm clubs of pro football and basketball.

"THE situation can only get worse."

It will get worse, Boyer said, because the United States Football League is now on the scene.

"What was once an autumn-winter sport will now go into spring and summer," he said. "Pressure to recruit players before they graduate will get more intense. And the likelihood of abuse will increase."

BOYER deplored gambling that goes on in concert with bigtime sports on campus. The Chronicle of Higher Education recently estimated wagering on college sports annually tops \$1 billion.

"The truth is that a small but influential core of the nation's colleges and universities are caught in a corrupting web of activity that deceives students, distorts priorities on campus and connects higher education to professional athletics, gambling and vice," Boyer said.

"The greatest tragedy is the terrible disservice to youth. Bigtime sports is depicted as a way to fame and riches."

That's off the mark, he said, for the following reasons:

- Only a tiny fraction of those who compete in bigtime college sports make it to the pros. And only a fraction of those who do will earn astronomical salaries of top stars.

- Just being in the race to stardom academically diminishes

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Cabinet posts filled by Ross; several open

By NANCY SLOAN
Staff Writer

ASB President-elect Mark Ross has named some of his key cabinet members, but there are still several important positions open.

Still open are the positions of attorney general, treasurer, TISL director and others.

ALSO needed is a person "whose only goal in life is to direct the student loan program," Ross said.

Another important project, the student discount card, also needs a director.

Ross is looking for several people, not necessarily currently involved with the ASB, to fill positions on university committees.

THOSE who have been appointed to positions include Ralph Turner, assistant to the president; Susan Armstrong, homecoming director; Mark Miller, chief of staff; Cecilia West, public defender; Rick Hittle and Dawn Davenport, assistants to the public defender; Robin Davis, budget director; Tony Yates, counselor to the president; Kenny Summar, election commissioner; Joel Brown and Calvin Howell, congressional liaisons; and Jeff Carlyle, special projects chairman.

Students interested in any of the remaining positions can contact Mark Ross through the ASB office, Room 304 in the University Center.



Photo by Keith Tippitt

Peace and quiet

Patti Taylor, sophomore, and Brad Atkins, sophomore, tuned out the distractions of their surroundings and attempted to study in the fresh air yesterday.

University employee sues for discrimination

By MARSHA ROBERSON
Staff Writer

An athletic department clerk has sued MTSU for sexual discrimination, alleging that the university paid her less than it had a man for managing the ticket office, *Sidelines* learned recently.

The lawsuit, filed Nov. 29, 1982, by clerk Kay Bowen, charges that MTSU has violated Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Equal Pay Act of 1963.

IN THE suit, Bowen

requests that she be placed in the "position of or . . . analogous to that of ticket manager at a salary appropriate to that administrative position."

Bowen also requests that the Court award her back pay and an additional equal amount as liquidated damages, as well as court costs and attorney's fee.

No trial date has been set, Bowen's attorney, Linda Ross Butts, said.

BOWEN, formerly an insurance clerk for the univer-

sity, took over the duties of Ticket Manager Jim Simpson after he was discharged in June 1981. She was not re-classified from a clerical position to an administrative position, although she assumed the responsibilities for that position, the lawsuit states.

Bowen continued to receive a clerical salary of \$9,200 a year, while Simpson was receiving more than \$15,300 a year at the time of his dismissal, according to the suit.

In March 1982, Bowen filed a sex discrimination charge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

THAT complaint later became a factor in last summer's resignation of Personnel Director Robert Arnette.

In August 1982, the lawsuit says, Athletic Director Jimmy Earle told Bowen that her job was to be "strictly clerical," and she continues to perform many of the same ticket

The proposed system would decrease the fine for the first coordinator duties.

The November lawsuit charges that the difference in the wage rates was not based on a seniority, the merit system or on quality of performance, but "solely on the factor of sex."

BOWEN reportedly had six months seniority over Simpson and both of them have bachelor's degrees. Bowen possesses all qualifications for the ticket manager's position, according to the lawsuit.

Even after Bill Stewart was hired as new Fund Raiser-Director of Promotions-Ticket Coordinator in the fall of 1981, Bowen's lawsuit claims she continued to perform a ticket manager's duties—even though those duties were encompassed within the job description of Stewart's position.

Stewart's annual salary was

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offense from the current \$4 to \$2. On the second violation, the fine would increase to \$4. The three-time offender would be fined \$8 and the fourth-time offender would receive a \$16 ticket.

For the fifth and all subsequent tickets of the semester, the violator would be charged \$32.

The proposed progressive fine system will apply to the following violations if approved:

- parked in unassigned space
- parked in reserved space
- parked on grass
- parked in campus directory drive
- permit not displayed properly

- permit not legible
- parked in no parking zone
- parked by yellow curb
- improperly parked
- blocking walk/road
- parked left to curb
- blocking another vehicle.

Also proposed by Ross to the Traffic Committee is a combination of the black and white color codes which could limit the number of color codes next fall to three.

A combination of the administrative, faculty and staff codes, the dorm resident and commuter codes in addition to a code for the handicapped would "make it really hard" to violate one of the 12 violations because there would be so much more flexibility in parking, Ross said.

One reason a progressive fine system has not been implemented before is because the police department did not have its own computer terminal. They will have a terminal in the fall which will be capable of a progressive fine system.

Quiz Bowl match to be replayed; group's protest granted by dean

By RONDA KRUMALIS
News Editor

The Sigma Club has decided to abide by the suggestion of Dean Cantrell and replay the final matches of the Quiz Bowl, according to spokesman Mark Ross.

Originally won by the Association for Computing Machinery, the outcome of the Quiz Bowl has been under protest by the Wheelchair Independents. They claim that

an answer they gave which was ruled incorrect is actually correct and, if awarded the proper number of points, the difference in the score would have changed the outcome of the match.

THE Wheelchair Independents filed a complaint with Cantrell, who after calling the Sigma Club's error "very honest," requested that the final matches be replayed.

"Alternative" means in

solving the dispute were proposed by the Sigma Club, according to Wheelchair Independent spokesman, Randall Witt. The Wheelchair Independents declined offers of public apologies and separate matches, Witt said.

"We want the competition to resume with the match in which the [disputed] question was asked," he said.

THE question was asked during a semifinal match between ACM and the Wheelchair Independents. ACM went on to defeat Gracy Hall in the final match, thus capturing the Quiz Bowl plaque.

"We [the Sigma Club] offered to sponsor another competition," Ross said. "The Wheelchair Independents don't want just any plaque, they want *that* plaque."

The Wheelchair Independents and ACM will be required to replay their match, according to the guidelines requested by Cantrell. In the

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Fall computer science will offer grad courses

By DANNY DOTSON
Staff Writer

Five new 600-level computer science courses will be added to the 1983 Fall catalog along with a master's program in computer science.

Final approval of the program by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission will allow MTSU to put the program in motion sometime before the fall of 1983, Harold Spraker, chairman of the math and computer science department, said.

"IN view of the emphasis placed on the program, and the interest shown from the population, the THEC approval ought to go through without any problem," Spraker said.

The new master's program is not a duplication of the present master's program in information systems and accounting, but a new program to satisfy the market needs of a growing computerized society.

"This will give MTSU

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Challenger begins maiden flight

By AL ROSSITER JR.
UPI Science Editor

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — America's second space shuttle, Challenger, blasted off yesterday on its crucial maiden flight into orbit, carrying the world's largest and most powerful communications satellite.

With astronauts Paul Weitz, Karol Bobko, Story Musgrave and Donald Peterson at the controls, the five-day, 2-million mile voyage around Earth was designed to put the space program back on track after a 2½-month launch delay.

For a while, it appeared that shifting jet-stream winds high above the spaceport might force another delay. But the winds diminished and Challenger and its crew received a "go" for blastoff.

Yesterday was an extremely busy one for the astronauts. They were scheduled to release the 2½-ton tracking and data relay satellite—and its 16-ton rocket tug—10 hours after launch.

The space shuttle Challenger rises during its maiden launch yesterday.

Campus Capsule

TODAY

THE BLUE RAIDERS BASEBALL TEAM take on Tennessee Wesleyan at 7 p.m. at Smith Field.

MOVIE: "VICTOR/VICTORIA" continues in the University Center Theatre. Show times are at 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m. Rated PG.

CONCERT: PIANIST PANAYIS LYRAS will appear at 8 p.m. in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building. For ticket information and reservations call 898-2469.

WEDNESDAY

MOVIE: "BLACK SHAMPOO" begins in the University Center Theatre. Rated R.

THE SOCIOLOGY CLUB will meet at 3:30 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 319. Edward Kimbrell will be the speaker.

THE GRADUATE COUNCIL will meet at 3 p.m. in the President's Conference Room of the Cope Administration Building.

THE STUDENT PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE will meet in Room 210 of the Keathley University Center at 3 p.m.

A BOXING TOURNAMENT, sponsored by Pi Kappa Alpha, will begin at 7 p.m. in the Alumni Memorial Gym.

SIGMA DELTA CHI will meet at 1 p.m. in Room 305 of the Keathley University Center. The guest speaker will be David Logsdon, controversial columnist and news editor for the Columbia Daily Herald.

THURSDAY

MOVIE: "BLACK SHAMPOO" continues in the University Center Theatre.

THE MTSU BASEBALL SQUAD meets Murray State in a double-header at 1 p.m. at Smith Field.

THE MISS MTSU SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT, sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon, will be at 7 p.m. in Murphy Center. Tickets are available at the door.

ENGLAND DAN SEALS will appear in concert at noon in the University Center Theatre. This event is free and open to the public.

MTSU'S MENS TENNIS TEAM takes on David Lipscomb in a match at 2 p.m.

THE RIM WRITER'S SHOWCASE will begin at 9 p.m. at The Club on Mainstreet.

MONDAY

THE BLUE RAIDERS BASEBALL TEAM entertains Northern Alabama at 7 p.m. at Smith Field.

"JOKES MY FOLKS NEVER TOLD ME" begins in the University Center Theatre. Rated R.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING SENIOR are available in Keathley University Center, Room 304. They are to be turned in by April 8. Any student with 90 credit hours is eligible.

KARATE LESSONS are being offered at the Wesley Foundation Building. For more information call 898-4559.

SPRING TRYOUTS for next year's intercollegiate bowling teams will be held each Wednesday and Thursday through April from 2 to 4 p.m. at Murfreesboro Bowling Lanes. For more information call 896-0945 and leave your name and number.

Computer science

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students an opportunity to compete in the wide market of computers with a higher level of knowledge, experience and training," Paul Hutcheson, professor of computer science at MTSU, said.

HUTCHESON was hired by the computer science department in 1978 as the first of three new professors brought to MTSU by the program's growth.

Spraker points out a summary sentence contained in the application statement that exhibits the advanced ability a master's student can hope to achieve.

"A student who studies computer science can not only

use it as a tool, but will have the ability to write software that can create and change the ability of the tool," according to the statement.

MTSU was the first institution in the state to offer courses in computer science, the first to give a bachelor's degree in computer science of any type, and holds a reputation as being the best in computer science instruction, Spraker said, adding that the new program will prepare students for advance software systems development and programming at advanced levels.

Numerical analysis, computer software specialists, systems engineer, technical

automation specialists, communication specialists and systems analysis are a few areas where a master's graduate can hope to find employment, according to Spraker.

"Our master's will be aimed at those people who are looking for jobs with scientific programs," Spraker said. "The market is good now and will be in the immediate future."

THE five 600-level course additions will be encompassed by a "basic rearrangement of curriculum" to meet the accreditation requirements, Hutcheson said.

Additional faculty will also be needed in the future to keep pace with the growing student enrollment in the area, Spraker said.

Journalism scholarship offered

Applications for the second annual \$500 scholarship sponsored by the National Entertainment Journalists Association of Nashville will be accepted until April 13.

To be eligible, students must be a sophomore or junior at MTSU, hold a 3.0 grade-point average or better, demonstrate need for the scholarship, be majoring in Journalism, Broadcast Journalism or Public Relations and not be receiving any other scholarship.

NO MORE than five finalists will be selected by a committee of mass communications faculty. Those finalists must either:

- Write a 500-word essay on "The Role of an Entertainment Journalist in Today's Entertainment Community," or,

- Provide at least three clippings of published work exhibiting talent as a journalist.

The essay or clippings will be examined by a committee of NEJA members. Finalists will

also be interviewed before a winner is selected.

THE \$500 award will be made available to the winner at Fall Semester 1983 registration, but announcement of the winner will be made at the University Honors Banquet on April 25.

Mass Communications instructor Glenn Himebaugh reminds interested students of the "very tight time schedule." Applicants should submit letters outlining their qualifications and need to him at MTSU Box 299 by April 13.

Athletics

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many. In 1982, for example, only about half the college seniors who competed in major college basketball conferences throughout the nation graduated in four years.

- In the Big Ten conference, whose membership includes some of the most prestigious public colleges and universities, less than one-third of the basketball dribbling stars were able to score with a diploma on time. In the Southwest, only 17 percent of those playing graduated in four years.

- The majority who have poured their energies into sports often find themselves consigned to a life of frustration and failure for playing instead of learning.

Boyer said there is "something disgraceful" about keeping athletes on campus for four years to use up their

eligibility, and then letting them go for their failure to make academic progress.

HE finds something disgraceful, too, about college coaches flying in university-owned jets to swoop down on recruits and sign them before the competition gets there.

"There is also something disgraceful about a university official screaming to his players from the sidelines and having his abusive language and childish tantrums reported in the local press," Boyer said.

"All of this goes on while the older generation wonders what has happened to the morals of our youth."

BOYER noted that scandals in college athletics have been exposed and reforms proposed for almost 100 years. Yet abuses grow.

Lawsuit

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\$19,500, which was \$10,300 more than Bowen's.

Stewart was discharged in January 1982 and Bowen continued to perform the duties of ticket manager/ticket coordinator, according to the suit.

Presently, the ticket manager is Rusty Guill.

News Briefs

WALDHEIM, West Germany — Thousands of anti-nuclear protesters formed a human chain today around a U.S. Army missile base in Waldheim, capping an Easter weekend of demonstrations throughout Western Europe in which hundreds of thousands deplored the arms race.

Though pessimistic about the scene in general, he applauded recent action by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. The NCAA approved tougher academic standards for players and more rigid recruitment rules.

"But more than rule-changing and tinkering is needed," Boyer said.

"REDUCTION of sports abuse will come only when a wave of moral indignation sweeps campuses.

"Perhaps the time has come for faculty at universities engaged in bigtime athletics to organize a day of protest... to examine how the purpose of the universities are being subverted and how integrity is lost."

BOYER favors an iron-fisted approach when serious athletic violations are discovered.

"... the accreditation status of the institution should be revoked—along with the eligibility status for NCAA," he said.

"I also propose that presidents of universities and college begin to say publicly what they acknowledge privately: that bigtime sports are out of control!"

Quiz Bowl

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event that ACM refuses to play, they would forfeit. If ACM wins, then they win the Quiz Bowl competition outright.

IF THE Wheelchair Independents win, they would

then play Gracy Hall. If Gracy Hall refuses to play, then they forfeit.

Should the Wheelchair Independents beat both ACM and Gracy Hall, they would be declared the winners of the Quiz Bowl and receive a

plaque signifying the same.

"I certainly hope this will all work out to everyone's satisfaction," Ross said. "The Wheelchair Independents certainly have a case, but neither ACM nor Gracy Hall were at fault in any way."

Ross added that "nothing like this will happen in the future." From now on, the Sigma Club will "try not to use questions without clear-cut answers." Participants in future Quiz Bowls will also be required to read and sign a statement saying that they agree to the rules and will accept the decision of the judge as final.

CLASSIFIEDS

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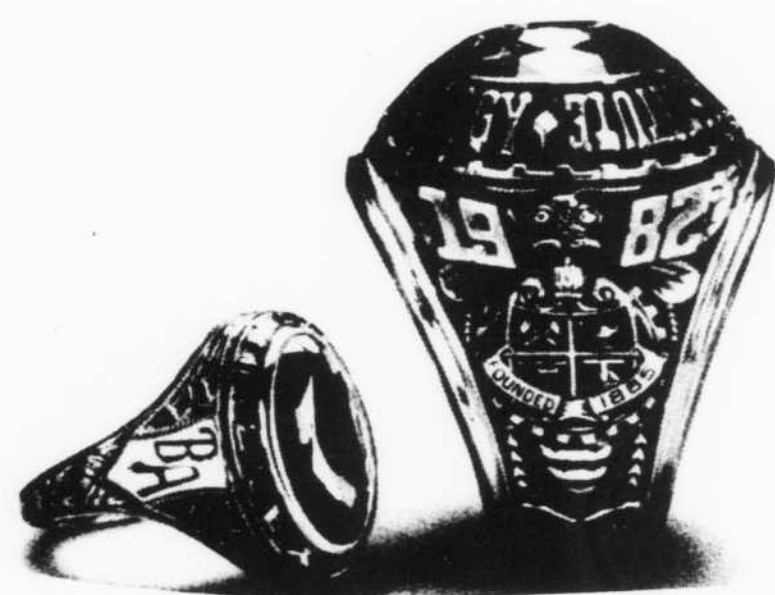
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Elsewhere

Search for master teachers nets criticism

By DAN BATEY
United Press International

NASHVILLE — The search for Tennessee's first 75 master teachers got off to a rocky start yesterday, with the governor accused of an array of misdeeds ranging from sorcery to malfeasance of office.

As Gov. Lamar Alexander convened his 18-member Interim Master Teacher Certification Commission, Rep. Jim McKinney, D-Nashville, and Rep. Shelby Rhinehart, D-Spencer, questioned the panel's legality.

THE lawmakers asked where the money was coming from to pay expenses of the commission members, who will be making weekly trips to Nashville from as far away as Memphis and Greeneville. Also, the state is picking up the bill for substitutes for the teachers on the panel.

"Under the constitution of Tennessee only the Legislature can appropriate money, and if the administration is trying to reimburse in an illegal act, that is malfeasance of office," McKinney said.

Charles Hazelwood, president of the Tennessee Federation of Teachers, lashed out at the commission as Alexander exited the meeting room.

15 years after death

King memorial brings anti-Reagan calls

By FRANK THORSBERG
United Press International

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The cry was for more jobs and the ouster of the Reagan administration as about 300 marchers participated in a parade yesterday commemorating Martin Luther King Jr.'s death.

King was shot down April 4, 1968 on the balcony of the

Lorraine Motel—the destination of the marchers who began the half-mile walk at the Clayborn Temple.

THE civil rights leader was in Memphis 15 years ago to bolster support for striking sanitation workers who walked off the job for better pay.

The workers' union, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Em-

ployees, has sponsored the memorial march every year since King's death.

There was no pressing local issue to pump up interest in the march, which drew a smaller crowd than in previous years, when thousands of union supporters filled the streets in a show of unity and strength.

A busload of AFSCME members from Local 420 in New York bolstered the ranks of marchers, who were preceded by a pair of motorcycle policeman.

The marchers from New York carried four big signs that asked for a national Martin Luther King holiday and criticized President Reagan's budget cuts.

"We're fire up. Can't take no more," the New York marchers shouted.

THE peaceful paraders, walking 10 to 12 abreast behind the union's local and national leaders, reached the Lorraine Motel without any problems.

The Rev. James Smith, president of the Memphis chapter of the AFSCME, stood on the balcony where King was shot and led the crowd in singing three verses of "We Shall Overcome."

"We traveled 1,200 miles to be here in this great city. We shall never forget April 14," James Butler, president of Local 420, told the crowd. "There was a dream, Dr. Martin Luther King said, and we'll work to keep that dream alive."

SMITH, Butler and other dignitaries stood in a glass-enclosed section of the balcony in front of a wreath, a plaque and a picture of King.

Gerald McEntee, international AFSCME president, said it was time for the marchers to rededicate themselves to King's goals by showing their political strength.

"Dr. King made a difference in your lives. Dr. King made a difference in the history of this union. Dr. King made a difference in the United States of America," he said. "It's the responsibility of this union to make a difference in the election of 1984."

THE AFSCME faction from New York responded with a chant: "Reagan's got to go."

The Rev. Samuel B. Kyles, Memphis director of PUSH (People United to Save Humanity), followed that theme when he spoke to the crowd.

'Moment of silence' law quiets state's students

By MARK SCHWED
United Press International

School children across Tennessee were hushed for one minute yesterday to comply with the state's controversial new "moment of silence" law.

Juanita Swett, teacher at Warner Elementary School in Nashville, turned off the classroom light at the start of school.

"WE are now going to have a moment of silence—absolutely no talking," was the only explanation Swett gave for the "new rule."

She timed the minute by the clock on the wall.

"I like it, because the class is noisy," said Christie Jones, a third grader. "I pray, but some people just think."

AT Dobyns-Bennett in Johnson City, upper East Tennessee's largest high school, "some of the students actually read; a few study," said John Thompson, principal.

"Students are free to do anything they wish as long as they're silent and sitting in their seats," Thompson said. "... Most of the kids use the time to look around the room."

It was the second time Tennessee students had been legislatively hushed for one minute. The first bill ordered the minute set aside for "prayer or meditation." Some lawmakers criticized it as a "backdoor" attempt to instill prayer in public school. U.S. District Court Judge L. Clure Morton agreed on its intent and declared the law unconstitutional last fall. The 60-second silence officially began again yesterday under

rewritten legislation that omitted the word "prayer."

REP. Tommy Burnett, D-Jamestown, said he voted against it because his constituents wanted "prayer," not a moment of silence.

Elaine Taylor took roll in her second grade class at McBrien Elementary School in East Ridge before explaining the "new rule" adopted by the General Assembly.

She then closed her eyes and bowed her head and the students followed her example. A few students folded their hands in a prayerful pose. After about 20 seconds, Mrs. Taylor and the students recited the pledge of allegiance and sang "The Grand Ole Flag."

SOME used the class for what kids do best—kidding. Third grader Kenny Lewis of Nashville said it's hard not to snicker. "Everybody tells jokes to make everyone laugh," he said.

Public school students in Hamilton County returned from spring break to begin classes with a minute of silence.

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news at a glance

By United Press International

NEW YORK — Actress Gloria Swanson died peacefully in her sleep early yesterday. She was 84. A New York Hospital spokesman said Miss Swanson, who had been admitted to the hospital on March 20, "passed away peacefully in her sleep." He said the family requested that further details of her illness and death not be released.

SALT LAKE CITY — A slow-moving storm caused near blizzard conditions in Utah with 40-inch snows. High winds, rain and fog were blamed for six deaths in California and New York.

ST. LOUIS — Oilspill experts yesterday battled high water and swift currents on the Mississippi River in vacuuming crude oil leaking a barge. It was one of four barges that smashed into a bridge, sank and started scattered water-front fires Sunday.

WASHINGTON — President Reagan is expected to receive within two weeks the final report from his special panel trying to find a home for the new MX nuclear missile, deputy press secretary Larry Speakes said yesterday. Sources said Reagan was preparing for a major speech April 11 to discuss the future of the controversial missile system.

MOSCOW — The official Communist Party newspaper

said yesterday Washington's regret over Soviet rejection of President Reagan's latest arms proposal was a "hypocritical" attempt to blame Moscow for the failure to reach an arms accord.

ARANYAPRATHET, Thailand — Vietnamese troops overran the headquarters of Communist coalition leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk yesterday and Thai warplanes bombed Vietnamese forces holding a small patch of Thai territory near the border with Cambodia, officials said.

AMMAN, Jordan — Jordan's King Hussein and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat today held their third straight day of talks on President Reagan's Middle East peace plan and one Palestinian official said the two would issue a joint statement. Arafat failed Sunday to give Hussein a go-ahead to join negotiations with Israel.

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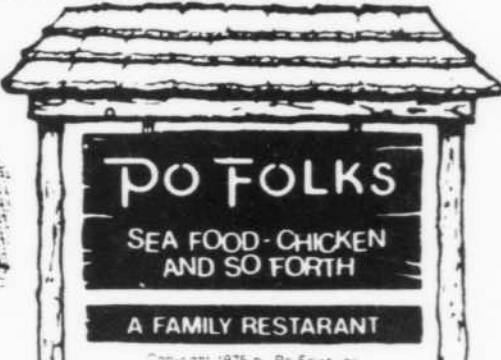


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Regulation of handguns would reduce violence

American society has come to be recognized as one of the most violent in the world. While several factors contribute to this accurate appraisal, the exploitation of handguns is probably the most significant.

Handgun regulation in this country has always been and still is an emotional issue. When Morton Grove, Ill. passed a regulation last year which banned handgun possession except for law enforcement officers and antique dealers, Kennesaw, Ga. reacted by passing a law which required that each household in the town possess a handgun.

MOST OF the world is amazed and much of it appalled by the unwillingness of American citizens to relinquish their rights to carry firearms. Whereas handguns are rarities in other parts of the world, American citizens own more than 55 million.

The largest obstacle standing in the way of handgun regulation is the National Rifle Association. The NRA has a membership of nearly two million, and its influence as a lobbying force in Washington has long been regarded as the most powerful of any lobbying group.

The NRA claims that it is opposed to handgun regulation because of the Second Amendment of the Bill of Rights, which states that "the right of the people to keep and bear firearms shall not be infringed." If this amendment is interpreted the way the NRA wants to interpret it, U.S. citizens have the right to carry any form of arms, including grenades and machine guns.

INCIDENTLY, the NRA is opposed to the legalization of such weapons. The NRA is twisting the wording of the Second Amendment to serve its own purposes.

In 1980, there were 11,000 handgun deaths reported in the United States. Handguns account for more than half of all homicides within the United States each year. In contrast, in nations such as

Canada, Great Britain, and Japan, where strict handgun regulations have been voted into law, the number of deaths due to handguns hovers around ten each year.

Opponents of gun control argue that if handguns are banned, they will only end up in the hands of criminals. This argument is nullified when it is realized that most handgun homicides are the results of domestic arguments. Although the banning of handguns might not lower the number of domestic arguments, it will reduce the number of spontaneous deaths which result from such conflicts.

STRICTER handgun regulation is a positive step in curbing the violent tendencies of American society, but there are also other measures which would dissuade the use of handguns. Lengthy mandatory prison terms for those caught carrying handguns on their person would definitely make criminals more reluctant to carry firearms.

There is substantial evidence that strong gun-control laws curb the amount of homicides within a society. When the state of Massachusetts passed a law requiring a mandatory one-year prison term for anyone caught carrying a handgun, homicides within the state dropped 55 percent over a two-year period. Nations which have banned handgun possession consistently have low homicide rates.

HANDGUN regulation is not necessarily a politically popular issue. In the South, where handguns are most prominent, it is almost taboo for a politician to support stricter gun laws. Handguns continue to be a symbol of machoism in America, and it is a sad reflection on our society when fashion wins out over common sense and safety.

Legislators may feel it is politically expedient to avoid the issue, but those who are truly concerned for the welfare of their constituents will face the problem and hopefully follow the wiser course of handgun control.



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Admitting missile glut necessary

By DICK WEST

United Press International

WASHINGTON — Gasoline prices are beginning to creep back up again as world petroleum production drops more in line with demand. But the oil glut sure was swell while it lasted.

Maybe that's what they need at the nuclear disarmament talks in Geneva—a missile glut.

PRESIDENT Reagan's latest proposals on deployment of intermediate range missiles in Europe have been cold-shouldered by the Russians. How differently they reacted to oil price stabilization proposals.

Soon after OPEC, the Organization of Petroleum-Exporting Countries, agreed in London to refreeze oil prices at \$29 a barrel, the Soviets announced they would sell the stuff for \$27.

Too bad they haven't been equally accommodating with respect to arms control.

A **SIMILAR** show of flexibility on their part in Geneva might be as beneficial to arms control as the OPEC meeting has been to oil prices.

Although supporters of the nuclear freeze insist there already is an overabundance of

missiles, Soviet and American negotiators at Geneva don't see it that way.

Each side contends the only glut is on the other side. Hence both claim they need to build and deploy more missiles in order to achieve parity.

BUT what do you suppose would happen if the United States and its European allies got together and formed the Organization of Missile Emplacing Nations (OMEN)?

Granted that all of the nations that have missile emplacements wouldn't be OMEN members any more than all of the world's petroleum-exporting countries belong to OPEC.

But any action OMEN took would have a bearing on missile production just as OPEC decisions influence international oil supplies.

IN THIS case, let's say—grabbing a figure out of thin air—that OMEN responds to the missile glut by freezing the number of western Europe emplacements at 29.

If the Russians reacted to OMEN the way they did to OPEC, they then would announce they were cutting back the Soviet medium range missile force to 27.

You can bet that France—picking the name of a NATO member out of a hat—would not comply with the 29 OMEN missile figure after the Soviet Union reduced its deployment to 27.

FRANCE, true to form, would demand that OMEN match the Soviet reduction. Otherwise, it would threaten to pull out of the international arms race and go it alone.

As one of the world's leading nuclear weapon producers, the United States could afford to take a statesman-like approach to the controversy.

American officials could well point out that the chief beneficiaries of deployment quotas are the Third World nations that have no nuclear weapons of their own.

FURTHER production curtailment would deprive them of retaliatory capability and start a missile-cutting war that would make an arms control agreement much more difficult to negotiate.

Nuclear freezes, as you can see, can be almost as volatile as oil freezes. Some things just don't freeze well unless wrapped in a glut.

Bribe system totalitarian tactic

By MAXWELL GLEN

and CODY SHEARER

WASHINGTON — In May 1950, a group of businessmen and civic leaders in Mosinee, Wis., (1980 population 2,900) staged a mock "totalitarian" takeover for a day to teach a lesson about communism.

With cameras rolling, Mosinee's mayor, newspaper editor and town preacher were "imprisoned" behind barbed wire for being "disloyal" to the state. To complete the totalitarian imagery, some residents were shown passing the names of similarly dissident neighbors to local authorities.

THIRTY-three years later, well-meaning civic leaders in another American town have asked local citizens to turn in their peers. This time, however, the American-style snitching is for real, and decidedly capitalistic town elders in Lewisville, Texas, (population 24,000) are offering a \$100 reward to students who provide information about drug users or sellers at the local high school.

Though various American high schools have encouraged students to make anonymous tips on local drug pushers, only Lewisville's has been desperate enough to post "wanted" signs and offer bounty.

Last September, Lewisville High School's principal, C. Douglas Killough, solicited community leaders for commitments to pay for the drug-reward program. The money, Killough explained to them, would be filtered through the Parent Teacher Student

Association.

ACCORDING to Killough's proposal, any student who turned in a name to school authorities would receive \$50 for the tip; if the information were to lead to a drug user's conviction, the informer would get the other \$50. As they used to say on "Gunsmoke," "half now, half later."

Lewisville's business community responded enthusiastically to the proposed program. So many commitments were received, in fact, that the local PTSA ceased its solicitations.

"It only took us a few days," recalled John Zepka, an executive committee member of the Lewisville group.

TO DATE, the program's practical success has turned out to be less certain. An assistant principal at Lewisville High, Malcolm Dennis, told the *Dallas Morning News* last week that "you'd be astonished at how well the students are cooperating. Some have even turned in their best friends."

But of the 30 students turned in to school authorities, principal Killough himself told us, only half have actually been found in possession. In a school of 2,200 students, that's less than 1 percent. Comparisons with national averages would indicate that either students aren't snitching or Lewisville has really no drug "problem" to speak of.

It would be callous to rely simply on the latter possibility. Lewisville has neither the size nor the complexities of Dallas, its neighbor to the south, but

its fear of teenage drug use is probably many times greater.

AROUND the United States, small- and medium-sized towns have probably been the most persistent in seeking remedies to the "problem" before it gets too big.

"If there was only one kid on marijuana," said Lewisville High trustee Jerry Dorman, "the program would be worth it."

Simple solutions, however, beg scrutiny, especially when the problem is so complicated, emotional and long-standing. And when the solution encourages problems that are as serious or worse, the ends don't justify the means.

IN their own paranoia, Lewisville's leaders have cynically sought to play on that of a far more vulnerable group. Fear of authority has a way of turning friend against friend, brother against sister, as the Chinese, Soviet and other dictatorial regimes have found to their advantage.

To grease totalitarian tactics with bribery (rewards are nothing more in this case) is to encourage people's worst instincts.

But it also ignores that most younger Americans are more likely to consider drug use an abuse on oneself than a crime against the state. That fact alone makes the problem social in nature and explains why most Lewisville students, according to student body president Jeff Nowak, "have pretty much ignored the program. It's not the way most of us handle things between each other."

Features

Murphy album good, but has its faults

By JANENE LEONHIRT
Features Editor

Eddie Murphy, recorded live last year at The Comic Strip in New York City, is a smorgasbord of comedy from the "Saturday Night Live" alumnus.

As with any smorgasbord, some elements are good; some elements are bad.

MURPHY opens his routine with the lukewarm skit "Faggots." It's just not funny listening to him scream "Faggots!" "Faggots!" "Hey, Hey—yeah you faggot!" for about a minute.

album review

Despite the dismal opening, Murphy redeems himself with his next monologue, "Buck-wheat."

It is not the character, which Murphy revived on "SNL," that we are concerned with. Rather it is the naming of black persons in white movies, radio shows or television shows.

"WHO the f...k thought up those names [in the "Our Gang" series]?" Murphy asks the audience.

"I'm from a predominantly black family," he says, "and I

have yet to run into a brother named Buckwheat... 'Buck-wheat. No last name, just Buck-wheat' he says falling into character. 'We were named after my father's favorite breakfast cereal.

"That's my sister over there. She's a prostitute. Her name is Trix," he continues, the audience loving every minute of it.

ONCE into the flow of it, the hilariousness of Murphy's comedy doesn't let up for several more skits.

He keeps the audience rolling with laughter at

that "tell" you when you left your lights on.

BUT Murphy is not funny when he talks about his senile grandmother who repeats the same question every five minutes.

Nor is he particularly humorous when he says that Chinese waiters can't say anything plainly but the price. It is obvious that he opens "Myths/A Little Chinese" with the intention of putting down myths that arise out of prejudice.

However, by the end of the skit, he becomes slightly condescending toward Chinese.

SIDE two begins as slowly as the first. "Drinking Fathers," about Murphy's father, is too long. After the first couple of minutes, nobody cares about his drunk father.

The rest of the side picks up considerably with "Effrom," about Murphy's first and last fight.

He gets even funnier with "The Pope and Ronald Reagan."

"WHAT'S your rationale for shooting the Pope?" Murphy



Eddie Murphy showcases the comedian's many talents. However, parts of it are not so funny.

asks, "I wanna go to hell and don't want to stand in line." Yeah, you get there with your ticket—"Shot the Pope? Go on through."

The last monologue on the album, "Hit by a Car," is

humorous because of the depiction of human nature. Murphy begins by asking if anyone in the audience has ever been hit by a car.

One wonders about the

driver-pedestrian relationship in New York when several people respond that they have.

HE then goes on to tell about the one guy at an accident who didn't see anything, but talks the loudest and "knows" the most about what happened.

Throughout the album, Murphy demonstrates the ability to interact well with the audience.

And his command of dialects encompasses black street talk, white middle class and Chinese waiter with no effort.

BUT there are faults with his routine. As a recorded live show, the album listener misses the facial expressions of the comedian which often make the difference between a mere chuckle and a full guffaw.

Murphy's overuse of profanity also detracts from the listener's appreciation of the comedy. At times he fills the sentence so full of four letter words that one isn't quite sure what he really said.

Despite the tastelessness of some of the material and the constant barrage of vulgarities, Eddie Murphy contains some of the funniest material around today.

RIM Writers to jam at Main Street

By ANTHONY PILLOW
Staff Writer

RIMusic II, the second album to be produced by MTSU students, is now in the making.

Of the nearly 65 songs written and submitted for production by MTSU students, 20 will be produced.

"AFTER the 20 songs are produced, students will vote on the best 14 songs produced, and they will be on the album," Leslie Salzillo, secretary and treasurer for the RIM Writers Club (a group comprised of student music writers here), said.

Salzillo, who also has a song

in production, said that one of the differences in this album from the previous one is the wider variety of music.

"The last album was [contained] more ballads," she said.

"THIS year we've got a little bit of everything—gospel,

country, jazz and easy listening."

The RIM Writers Club will sponsor a Writer's Night Thursday at 9 p.m. at The Club on Main Street, showcasing at least 15 writers who will perform at least two songs each. The admission for non-members is \$2.

Cast set, rehearsals started for 'Private Lives'

By CYNTHIA FLOYD
Staff Writer

Expect "an evening of light entertainment" when MTSU's theatre department presents Noel Coward's "Private Lives" April 21-23 at 8 p.m. in the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Auditorium, faculty director Pat Farmer said.

"Private Lives" is a witty, romantic comedy about the

upper class in England in 1930," Farmer said, adding that he chose to do the play partly because he wanted to have a relatively small cast.

"ALSO," he said, "it's always nice to do a comedy in the spring."

The play's five roles were cast March 8 and 9 as follows: Sybil: Cathy Berresheim, senior; Victor: Allan Barlow,

senior; Elyot: Jack Flannery, sophomore; Amanda: Sharon Jones, senior; and Louise: Denise Schmidt, senior.

Rehearsals are going well, Farmer said, adding that the cast rehearses 3½ hours each night, five or six days each week.

"OF COURSE, the last couple of weeks are always hectic," he said. "When

technical rehearsals begin, it'll be 20 or 25 hours a week."

There will be two sets designed by faculty member Michael Sniderman. Costumes will be designed by Patricia Lane, also a professor in the speech and theatre department, Farmer said.

"Of course, they [Sniderman and Lane] put in numerous hours each week, too," he said.

Kingsley, Streep

favored to win Oscars

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (UPI) — Actor Ben Kingsley, actress Meryl Streep and the movie "E.T. the Extra Terrestrial" are favored to win top Oscars at the 1983 Academy Awards April 11, an oddsmaker says.

Lenny Del Genio, oddsmaker at the Frontier Hotel on the Las Vegas strip, said Sunday Miss Streep was a 6-5 favorite to win the Oscar for Best Actress for the title role in "Sophie's Choice," while Kingsley was favored by the same odds to win the Best Actor Oscar for the title role in "Gandhi."

THE oddsmaker said "E.T." was even money to win the Best Picture award with "Ghandi" challenging at 6-5 odds.

Del Genio said Jessica Lange was a 3-1 pick for Best Actress for her title role performance in "Frances" while Paul Newman was a 2-1 pick for Best Actor for the lead in "The Verdict."

"Tootsie" and "The Verdict" were both listed at 3-1 for Best Picture with "Missing" trailing at 9-1.

Carmody to speak Thurs. at JUB



Denise Lardner Carmody will speak at the Henry Harrell Memorial Lecture in Religion Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the James Union Building.

"The Images of Women in the World Religions" will be the subject of the Henry Harrell Memorial Lecture in Religion Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building.

Denise Lardner Carmody, professor of religion and chairwoman of the department of religion at Wichita State University, will conduct the eighth annual lecture.

CARMODY earned her bachelor's degree in history at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, and her master's and doctorate degrees in philosophy at Boston College.

She also serves as associate editor of the "Theological Society of America" and the "Society for Values in Higher Education."

Carmody has authored, or with her husband, co-authored 10 books, including *Women and World Religion* and *Feminism and Christianity: A Two-Way Reflection*.

The Henry Harrell Memorial Lecture Series is a gift to the MTSU Foundation by Mrs. Henry Harrell. Lectures are free and open to the public.

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Galway to perform at TPAC Friday

The "Man with the Golden Flute," James Galway, will be presented in recital Friday at 8 p.m. at the Tennessee Performing Arts Center.

Sponsored by the Nashville Symphony Association, Galway's return appearance in Nashville will be in Andrew Jackson Hall. He will be accompanied by Phillip Moll at the piano.

THE popular Irish flutist will perform the Beethoven Sonata in B-flat major, a Sonata by Martinu, Godard's Suite de Trois Morceaux, three pieces by Gaubert and the Carmen Fantasy by Borne.

Galway's first appearance in Nashville was in January of 1982 when he appeared with the Nashville Symphony in a benefit performance for a member of the orchestra who had been injured in an accident.

HAILED world-wide as a superstar of music, he is equally at ease with Vivaldi, Irish jigs, Japanese flute music and country and western tunes. The *London Times*

described Galway as "blessed with a seemingly inexhaustible capacity for bringing a smile to the lips or warming the heart of his audience in whatever music he plays."

Tickets for Galway's show are now on sale at all TicketMaster locations for \$10, \$12.50, \$15 and \$20. Students with a valid ID may receive a \$2 discount on each ticket. For more information contact TicketMaster at 741-2787.



Irish flutist James Galway will perform Friday at 8 p.m. in the Tennessee Performing Arts Center's Andrew Jackson Hall. Students with a valid ID may get a \$2 discount on each ticket purchased. Admission is regularly \$10, \$12.50, \$15 and \$20.

Tips offered to protect bicycles

By ANTHONY PILLOW
Staff Writer

With the onset of warm weather, many MTSU students will bring out the two-wheelers to travel to and from classes.

But with the bicycle riders, come bicycle thieves.

USUALLY, there are about two bicycle thefts reported at MTSU each month, but an increase in reported thefts during the spring and summer months wouldn't be unusual, University Security Chief John Bass said.

For this reason, students need to know how to protect their bicycles.

A sturdy lock may be the best preventive measure against bicycle theft, Bass said, adding that one of the first things a conscientious bicycle owner should do is purchase a device that can't be easily defeated.

ONE good example of a conscientious bicycle owner is Dan Epright, an MTSU student living in family housing, whose bicycle was the object of an attempted theft last week.

Dan still owns his 10-speed, thanks to a sturdy cable lock that refused to be severed.

Epright said the thief burned through the cable's plastic



Photo by Keith Tippitt

coating and began cutting the steel strands of the cable.

"BECAUSE the strands of cable separate, it is a slow, tedious job," Epright said.

WMOT open house set for Saturday

Saturday marks the beginning of the 14th year on the air for WMOT-FM 89. To celebrate, the station is having an open house.

The staff will be on hand from noon until 4 p.m. to meet and talk with interested listeners and supporters. Also in attendance will be some of the business supporters of WMOT.

THE station is located on the second floor of the Learning Resources Building.

WMOT's open house will also celebrate the kick-off of the spring fund-raiser for WMOT. Sound Investment '83 will be a nine-day event extending from Friday through Sunday, April 17. This is the first fund-raiser of the year for Jazz 89.

As a public station, WMOT will have to depend more on

listener support in the future to meet operating expenses due to federal budget cuts. The amount of time, money and volunteer support from the community will affect the amount of support that the Corporation for Public Broadcasting will contribute to the station.

WMOT is the only 24-hour jazz station in Middle Tennessee and one of the few in the nation. Its programming features not only many styles of jazz music, but news and information as well.

During the fund-raiser and throughout the year, WMOT will continue providing quality entertainment with the help of the public. The open house is a celebration that hopes to get the public involved in the exciting world of public radio.

A would-be thief became discouraged when trying to steal this bicycle because of a \$10 cable lock. A sturdy lock is one means by which bicycle owners can protect their property.

"The thief may have been interrupted; perhaps he grew frustrated, but he did give up."

The bike-snatcher managed to cut through only three quarters of the cable, he said. The cost of the cable was under \$10.

Listed below are some tips for the conscious bike owner given by Alan Miller, investigator for university security:

- Record your serial number, and mark your bike with your Drivers License number.
- Buy an insured high security lock costing around \$25.
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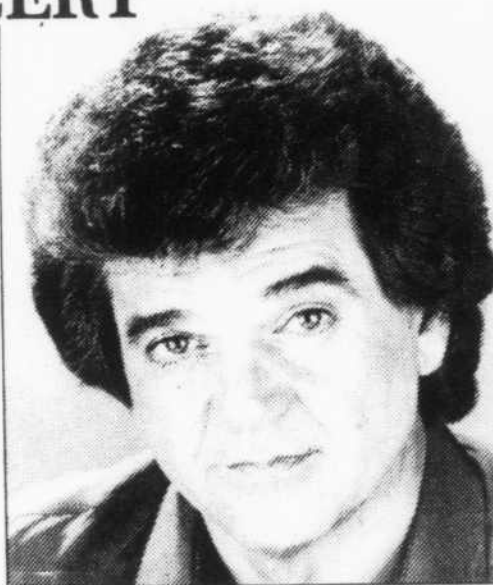
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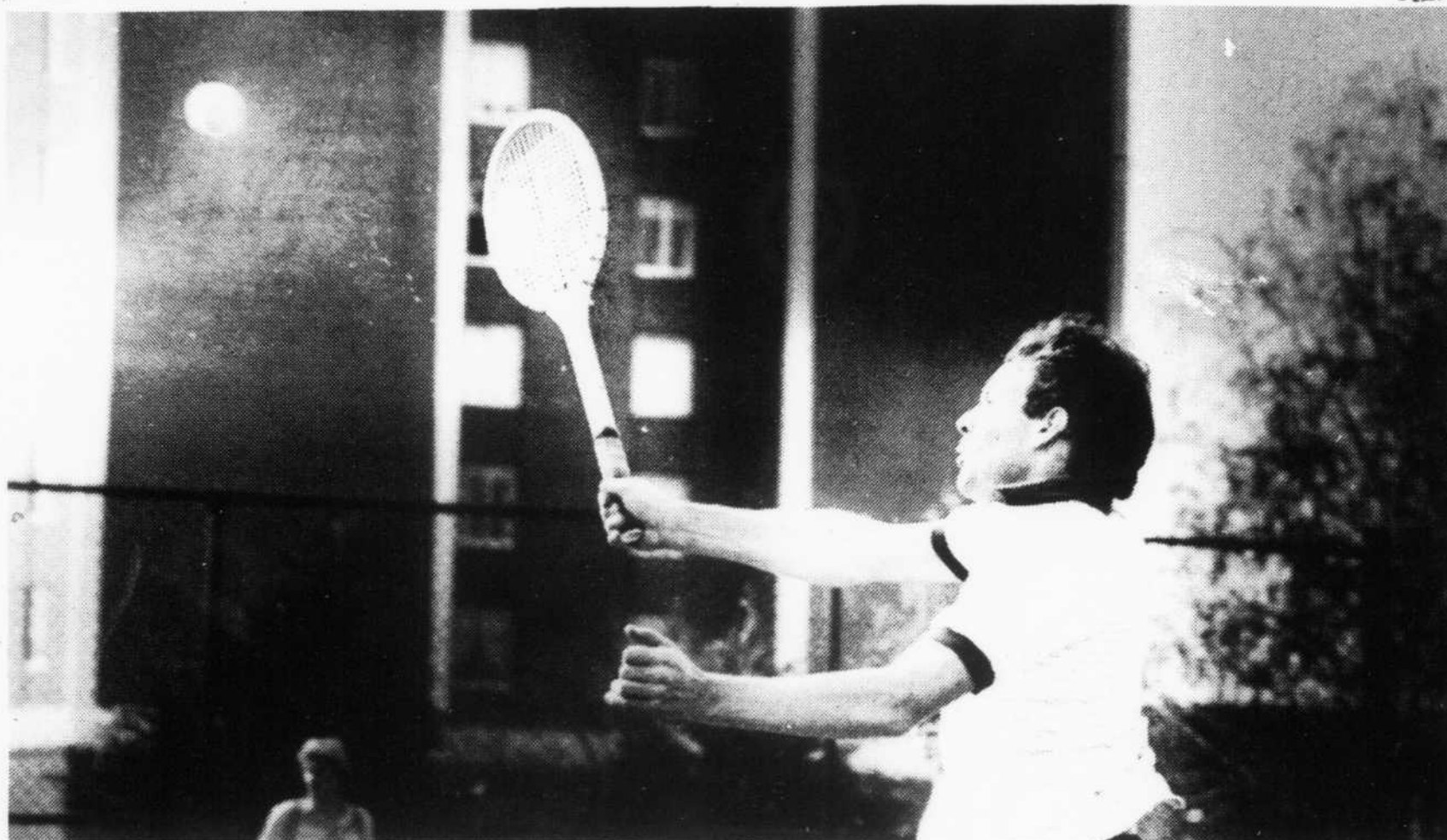
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Sports



Swingin' away

Peter Beare of the MTSU men's tennis team shows his form in a singles match victory over David Casteel of North Alabama.

Photo by Keith Tippitt

Youth is golden for Lady netters

By MIKE JONES

Sports Editor

MTSU women's tennis coach Sandy Neal, despite already having a host of youngsters on her team, will be welcoming an even younger member to the squad in about a week.

Neal is expecting a baby.

PREGNANCY has not stopped Neal from attending practices, however, and she was on the courts yesterday with her squad, preparing them for a match with Ohio Valley Conference rival Eastern Kentucky here Saturday at 11 a.m.

The 1983 edition of the Lady Raider tennis team features only one returning player from last year's unit. Most of her players are just getting started with collegiate tennis. But the fact that they are young hasn't stopped them from getting off to a good start, as they have posted a 5-4 record with five matches remaining on the slate.

MTSU has captured wins over Jackson State, Austin Peay, Trevecca, David Lipscomb and Tennessee Tech.

"WE'VE been lucky so far, not having injuries," Neal said. "The next two weeks will be tough. We play some pretty good teams and will be evenly matched."

This year's six-member unit is headed up by freshman Michelle Girle, from Australia, who has posted a 6-4 record.

"Michelle is really doing well," Neal explained. "She didn't really have a lot of competition until she came

here. Now she can get out and hit with the other girls every day and face some better competition."

THE remainder of the team includes Peggy McNeel, a freshman from Atlanta; Lynn Swindell, a junior from Murfreesboro; Linda Long, a first-year player from Pulaski; Brigitte Platt, a freshman from

Florida; and Susan Smith, a first-year player from Tullahoma.

Despite being a young unit, Neal said that it isn't as hard for them to get adjusted in tennis as it might be for young players in other sports.

"I don't think it's as hard on them in this sport," Neal said. "It is an adjustment just to be

so young and being away from home."

EVEN though tennis is a highly individualized sport, Neal emphasized that coaching still plays a major role.

"I mainly try to refine them and help them with certain strokes," she said. "In junior play, they can't be coached, so they haven't had the strategy. But in college, they can be coached during a match."

"Mainly, I work with helping them keep their strokes on course because a lot of times they can't feel when they are stroking wrong."

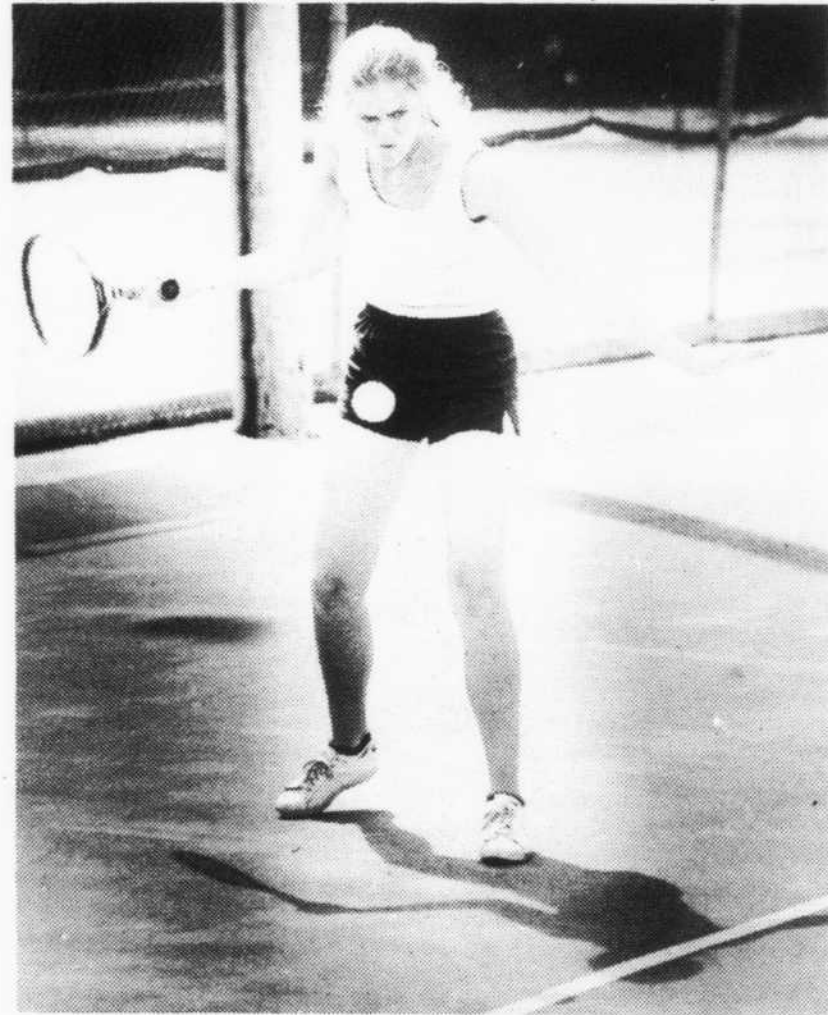
NEAL also knows the pressures of being a young tennis player. An MTSU graduate, Neal affirmed that she had never picked up a tennis racket before her freshman year in college. She was MTSU's number one player as a senior.

"That was back when the program was just getting started," Neal added.

The remainder of the schedule for the Lady Raiders includes matches with Vanderbilt, Austin Peay, Western Kentucky and Murray State. MTSU will host the women's tournament on April 29 and 30.

The Lady Raiders' seeds and records:

1. Michelle Girle, 6-4
2. Brigitte Platt, 9-4
3. Peggy McNeel, 6-6
4. Lynn Swindell, 7-5
5. Linda Long, 6-6
6. Susan Smith, 6-4



Concentration

Photo by Keith Tippitt

Lynn Swindell, the only returning member of the MTSU women's tennis team for the 1983 season, warms up during practice yesterday.

Tracksters triumph over inclement weather

By KEVIN WEST

Sports Writer

Despite the cold temperatures and gusty wind the MTSU track team managed to capture a 76-58 victory Friday over Western Kentucky.

Coach Dean Hayes' troops won nine of 16 events. Among the winners were high-jumper Greg Smith with a 6-6 jump and javelin specialist Jeff Sims, who had a toss of 183-5.

ORESTES Meeks, despite a bruised and aching heel, took the long jump with a leap of 24 feet against the wind, while teammate Eddie Loyd finished first in the triple jump with a 51-4.

Hayes did not run the shuttle-hurdle relay team Friday, but the other two relay teams left WKU victorious.

As the 400-meter relay team of Kenny Shannon, Kenny Nesbitt, Meeks and Mike Farris ran against their event in 41 seconds, the mile-relay team of Floyd James, Ron Davis,

Perald Ellis, and Tim Johnson were preparing for their race, which ended in a win and a time of 3:17.5.

WEST Johnson launched the 16-pound shot put 48-2 for a first place finish, and teammate Jim Fitch took third. Moments later Fitch took second in the discus with a toss of 140-10 as Johnson took third.

In the sprint events, Meeks took the number one spot in the 100-meter dash, crossing the tape at 10.5. Also finishing in winning fashion was Tim Johnson, who ran a 47.2 in the 400-meter run.

Farris blitzed around the blue Raider track in 21.2 to take the 200-meter dash, and Miguel Williams managed a second-place finish in the high hurdles with a 13.9. In the 400-meter hurdles, Herb Newton won with a time of 55.3.

ON SATURDAY, Hayes took

some of his men to Missouri for the SE Motion meet. The purpose for attending the meet was to tune up for the all-important Dogwood Relays. But once again, weather conditions were terrible, despite a good field of competitors and an excellent track.

Hayes did not elect to use any of his jumpers and only participated in four events.

The highlight of the meet for the Raiders was when the shuttle-hurdle relay team, despite finishing second, broke a meet record with a time of 58.4. The team consisted of Davis, Kirnes, Nesbitt and Williams.

WILLIAMS also ran in the high hurdles and was the only team member to bring home a first-place finish, as he came in with a time of 14.3.

Both the mile-relay and the 400-relay teams finished third

as the team of Ellis, Nesbitt, Newton and Tim Johnson ran 3:11.16, while Shannon, Kirnes, Meeks and Farris finished with a 40.8.

The next test for the Blue Raiders will be this weekend in Knoxville as they go against teams from the East in the Dogwood Relays.

Eastern Ky. lambastes Raiders

By MARTY WATT

Staff Writer

A busy weekend for the Blue Raider baseball team turned into a weekend of relaxation as the Raiders were rained out in three of the four games they were scheduled to play.

The only game that was played was Friday night against Eastern Kentucky—and that game would have been better for the Raiders if it

Harris and Raiders roll

By MAT "CHILI" WILLIAMS

Sports Writer

The MTSU men's tennis team ran its record to 13-4 with a win over North Alabama here yesterday at the High Rise courts.

A small, appreciative crowd turned out to enjoy some excellent tennis action from the Raiders, who Coach Dick LaLance said "were looking good."

"THE team played quite well," LaLance noted. "We also had some nice weather for a change."

Number one singles player Mark Tulloch was given the day off to let some of the younger players gain experience, LaLance said.

"The fellows that haven't played as much stepped in and played well," he said.

LALANCE was referring to freshman Anson Chilcutt of McMinnville and junior Teddy Sauls of Murfreesboro, who both won matches.

"It was an easier match than I had anticipated," Sauls said.

Numbers three and four singles players Jimmy Earle and Dan Donnelly also won their matches. Earle, a junior from Murfreesboro Oakland High School, mentioned the nice weather as being a factor in his victory.

WITH Tulloch taking a break, the Victoria, Australia, duo of Graeme Harris and Peter Beare dominated their opponents. Harris whipped Bruce Bishop 6-1, 6-2 and raised his singles record to 14-3.

"It was nice hitting without any wind," Harris said.

Beare embarrassed David Casteel 6-1, 6-0.

"IT WAS probably my best match of the season," Beare said. He upped his singles record to 10-7.

With the Ohio Valley Conference Championships slated for April 30 and matches with conference powers Eastern Kentucky and Murray State looming ahead, the Raiders will have to continue to play well, LaLance said.

MTSU will continue its busy schedule with a match against rival Tennessee Tech today in Cookeville at 2 p.m.

Here are the results of the match between MTSU and Youngstown State played last Friday, which the Raiders won 9-0:

SINGLES:

Mark Tulloch (MTSU) beat Dave Thompson 6-3, 6-3.

Graeme Harris (MTSU) beat Terry Lyden 6-4, 6-0.

Peter Beare (MTSU) beat Pierre Tanquay 6-3, 7-6.

Jimmy Earle (MTSU) beat Brett Carnahan 6-2, 6-3.

Dan Donnelly (MTSU) beat Eric Ronan 6-1, 6-0.

Mike Feltman (MTSU) beat Mike Glova 6-2, 6-1.

DOUBLES:

Tulloch and Harris (MTSU) beat Thompson and Lyden 6-3, 6-4.

Feltman and Chilcutt (MTSU) beat Tanquay and Carnahan 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Earle and Donnelly (MTSU) beat Ronan and Glova 6-1, 6-1.



Handcuffed

Photo by Keith Tippitt

Peggy McNeel, from Atlanta, shows her form during a Lady Raider practice yesterday.

hit a grand slam to score the final four runs in the eighth inning.

Steve Engel went eight innings for the Colonels and was relieved by David Bault in the ninth. Engel gave up only 10 hits and fanned 13.

Stanford complained vigorously about Engel licking his fingers while on the mound, but to no avail. Engel continued to go to his mouth throughout the game.

had been washed out.

MTSU's second pitcher, Brian Dial, was the only Raider hurler to go more than two innings as the Raider squad took a 17-7 loss. Coach John Stanford used seven pitchers, including first baseman Scott Turner in the ninth. Steve Sonneberger took the loss for MTSU, giving up four runs in the second inning.

The Raiders had one glittering moment in the entire escapade as Wayne Newberry

'Pack bites Cougars; NCAA champions

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — North Carolina State University "slammed" their way past the University of Houston last night, 54-52, to win their second-ever NCAA championship before a capacity crowd and a national television audience.

Dunk must always stay

It is the most devastating, exciting single play in the game of college basketball.

It can inspire a team, ignite the fans and demoralize opponents.

It is the slam dunk.

EVEN today, in the high-powered, in-your-face style of game that is played at the collegiate level, there are still those who want to see the slam outlawed.

They are a crying minority at this time, but with rule changes coming at an unwelcomed pace, the outlawing of the slam is a distinct possibility.

Opponents of the dunk point to the ever-present possibility of injury to a player. In all honesty, there have been only a few injuries to occur, and they could have happened on a layup just as easily.

PLAYERS today are able to leap to heights never reached before by college athletes, and the possibility of getting hurt thus increases. But because they are such tremendous athletes, they can control their leaping to a great extent.

Some anti-dunk advocates insist that many dunks are missed, and, therefore, it would be much more fundamental to simply lay the ball softly through the nets. But how many times has one seen a missed layup? The answer, of course, is that you see a missed layup considerably more often than a missed dunk.

Often a player is lackadaisical or overcautious when simply "patting the baby's fanny off the glass." The more aggressive and self-confident player will turn loose and "take it downtown."

THE THIRD and last argument that opponents of the slam dunk point to is the action of hanging onto the rim and drawing a technical foul. A new rule that went into effect this season which allows a player to hang on the rim if he needs to protect himself after a slam, has singlehandedly almost eliminated the technical for flagrantly hanging on.

Those are some of the arguments against the slam dunk and, if this publication could afford to spare another four pages, we would list all of the positive things about the slam. Instead, here are the prime reasons for why the dunk should be legal.

On a broad spectrum, it is easily the most single exciting play in the game, and the things it can do to an arena of people are limitless.

A CREATIVE slam can motivate the dunkers' teammates and push them to greater effort in a crucial stretch. Although these two writers have never experienced the emotional high of slamming before a mass of screaming

Chewin' With The Boys

By Mike Jones and Mat 'Chili' Williams

With six seconds left on the clock, Derrick Whittenburg launched a 35-foot jumper which fell short of the mark, but was grabbed by 6'7" fans, it has to be an experience close to sexual ecstasy for the dunker.

A vicious slam can also demoralize the opposing team. It's like the knockout punch, the triple play, the 70-yard bomb and the ace in tennis all wrapped in one. It can make the most confident of teams want to quickly burrow into the locker room.

The game of college basketball today is for the fans. The fans want excitement. The slam dunk gives it to them.

ABOLISH the slam and you say goodbye to excitement and, therefore, to the fans. Attendance and interest in college basketball would drop, and

sophomore Lorenzo Charles, who was alone under the hoop. Charles promptly dunked the basketball as time expired to give Coach Jim Valvano's Wolfpack the 1983 NCAA Tournament Championship.

HOUSTON, the favored team going into the game, held a 33-25 advantage at the half, and looked as if it would roll in the opening minutes of the second half—even with starters Clyde Drexler and Larry Micheaux on the bench in foul trouble.

PERHAPS the deciding factor in the game was Houston's inability to connect on free throws during a crucial stretch late in the second half. The Cougars saw a ten-point lead quickly whittled away when Whittenburg or Lowe would quickly connect on a 20-footer after missing foul shots.

Due to technical difficulties, official stats were not available.

Raiders sneak past Tennessee

KNOXVILLE (UPI) — MTSU converted two Tennessee errors into runs and snuffed out the Vols' scoring threats en route to a 3-0 victory here yesterday.

Tennessee, now 11-8, had the bases loaded with two out in the first inning, but Deal Eichelberger flew out to rightfield to end the inning.

MTSU, 12-10, got the game's first run in the sixth when Jim Petty's sacrifice fly brought Wayne Newberry home from third.

The Blue Raiders scored again in the seventh inning when Tennessee third baseman Tracy Hamilton committed a throwing error that allowed Ronnie Vaughn to score from third.

KKK law can be used against Kush

By BARBARA ROSEWICZ
United Press International
WASHINGTON — A college football player can use a 112-year-old Ku Klux Klan law to sue his coach for allegedly hitting him in the mouth and later telling the team not to talk about it, the Supreme Court says.

In a 9-0 ruling yesterday, the justices cleared the way for Kevin Rutledge to sue former Arizona State University Coach Frank Kush for allegedly intimidating witnesses who saw the coach punch him during an October 1978 game.

KUSH now coaches the Baltimore Colts in the National Football League.

The justices ruled the Ku Klux Klan Act of 1871, which was written to guard against threats in cases involving newly emancipated slaves, is not limited to racially motivated interference with the federal courts.

Justice John Paul Stevens, writing for the unanimous court, said there is nothing to the law to prevent Rutledge, a white male, from using the law even though there was no racial hostility behind the witness interference.

LOWER courts had been

split on the issue.

An Arizona state court jury already has rejected Rutledge's claims for more than \$1.1 million in damages from Kush and three other university officials for assault, defamation, negligence and loss of a football scholarship.

The Supreme Court's action keeps Rutledge's claims alive in federal court, at least on the issue of whether Kush, Assistant Coach Gary Horton and former Athletic Director Fred Miller tried to keep other players from testifying about confrontations with Rutledge, who was a punter and defensive back on the team.

RUTLEDGE'S lawyer, Robert Ong Hing of Phoenix, said he is "obviously quite pleased" with the ruling. Hing said he would rather have had Rutledge's claims heard in U.S. District Court in the first place, thinking he could have gotten a fairer verdict.

"Suing Frank Kush, a local hero, in a state court in the Phoenix area was really no different than a black in the Deep South suing a local sheriff in a state court," Hing said in a telephone interview. "That's why we always wanted it tried in a federal court."

Hing said no federal trial date will be set until after the Arizona Court of Appeals rules on Rutledge's appeal of the jury decision not to award damages.

RUTLEDGE'S lawyers claim Kush called a team meeting to announce he never hit Rutledge and the coaches pressured some team members to sign cards saying they had not seen Kush strike Rutledge.

Rutledge, who now lives in Johns Island, S.C., claims the coach lifted his face mask and punched him in the mouth after he made a poor punt in a game between Arizona State and the University of Washington.

He says he also was subjected to other ridicule and abuse, eventually causing him to give up his football scholarship at Arizona State in 1979 and transfer to the University of Nevada at Las Vegas without a scholarship. He sued after the state Board of Regents rejected his claim over lost scholarship money.

Kush could not be reached for comment yesterday. But Phoenix, Ariz., lawyer Michael Gallagher, who argued Kush's case before the high court, said "there's no shock" to the ruling.

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