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## Kessler mails letters urging placement use

By RONDA KRUMALIS **News Editor** 

In one of his final acts as ASB president, David Kessler sent 1,097 students letters encouraging them to take advantage of The University Placement Center.

Letters were sent to students who have accumulated at least 110 hours, to whom Kessler said, "it's later than you think."

KESSLER, a graduate student, related his own experiences in his job search and praised the aid offered by the Placement Center.

"The Placement Center can do more for you than I care to list, or you care to read," Kessler's letter read, "so take some advice from a struggling unemployed graduate and go see the Placement Center today."

Each letter was signed personally in red ink by Kessler, in hopes that a more personal appearance to a form 'letter would catch students' attention.

"IT WAS a monumental undertaking in paperwork," Kessler said. "But, even if only five students go to the Center and sign up for the services, it'll be time well spent."

In reflecting on his accomplishments during his term as ASB president, Kessler called the Placement Center plug a "final fulfillment" of his campaign promises.

"I've accomplished everything I said I would and more," he said.

"I hope some of the things we've done and the changes we've made will still be around and will still be making a difference 10 years from now."



Photo by Mike Poley

### Here she comes...

Kim Lassiter was crowned Miss MTSU last night during the elaborate pageant at Murphy Center. Lassiter was one of 24

Watt resigns editorship because of senate post By PHIL WILLIAMS student publications com-Editor

An ASB senator-elect who Wednesday was elected Sidelines fall editor-by a committee dominated by current ASB officials-resigned last night to avoid any conflict of interest.

Sophomore Marty Watt, currently a traffic court justice, was elected Wednesday by the mittee despite the objections of at least two committee members that his appointment might create a conflict of interest or constitute a conflict on the part of the voting ASB

IN addition, Watt-an accounting major who has worked previously as a Sidelines staff writer-said he

officials.

New editors announced

Editors for each of the MTSU student publications were chosen

The committee rejected two applications—one for the summer

ELECTED to the summer editorship of Sidelines was Terry

Sophomore Marty Watt was appointed fall editor of Sidelines.

After elimination of the late Sidelines application, the two

Cyndie Wright, photography editor for this year's Collage, was

Watt resigned last night to avoid a conflict of interest. ◆See

and fall editorship of Sidelines and one for the editorship of the

creative magazine Collage-because they had been turned in late.

Morrow, who served as features editor during the Fall 1982

Wednesday by the student publications committee.

had not taken any journalism classes and had no plans to do so. He also told the committee he would carry 17 class hours during his term as editor and had also applied for a resident assistant position.

Watt resigned last night because he said he realized there would be a conflict of interest with his involvement in ASB.

"I think as far as coverage goes I can be objective, but I think people would react to strong stances on ASB issues with some skepticism. And I don't want that to happen," Watt said.

"I THINK that based on my experience and my knowledge, my time would be more fruitful if it were spent on ASB activities," he added.

Sidelines faculty adviser Judy Emerson praised Watt last night for his decision.

"It took a lot of courage for Marty to realize his predicament and to do something about it. I'm sure it wasn't an easy decision,' Emerson said.

ONE other person, junior Gina Fann, had applied for the editorship, but the committee voted not to accept her application because it was late.

However, last year the committee did accept a late application for the Sidelines editorship.

ASB members seated on the student publications committee are: E.J. Burgess, ASB graduate senator; Kathy Casity, homecoming director and a member of the Kessler cabinet; Bryna Estes, ASB press secretary; and DeDe Hayes, ASB senator.

THEIR four votes are offset by three faculty votes: English professor George Kerrick, photography instructor Jim Norton and management and marketing professor Ron Whitt. A fourth faculty member, librarian Harriette Gaida, is chairman and only votes in the case of a tie.

Burgess, who had voted to re-open applications for the editorship, abstained in the vote on Watt's application. ASB members Casity, Estes and Hayes voted for Watt, along with Whitt. Kerrick and Norton voted against Watt's application.

Burgess said yesterday he felt there was a possible conflict of interest in ASB members electing the Sidelines editor.

"I WAS a senator and [with] Marty in the senate, I felt that would have biased me,"

Burgess said. "I think the senator [Hayes] should have abstained, andwell-I'm not going to say about the cabinet members

[Estes and Casity]," he added. Kerrick said it appeared that some votes had been decided in advance.

"I'M NOT sure if that was just political manuevering or just personal preference," Kerrick said.

During the meeting, Kerrick questioned Watt extensively about a possible conflict.

"As a committee member I think it is an issue that all the student publications be organized to serve all the students, not just one pressure group of the students," Kerrick said yesterday. publications must avoid even the apparent conflict of interest.'

IN response to a question from Kerrick Wednesday. Watt said his involvement with (continued on page 2)

### elected editor for the 1983-84 year over three other contenders. Keith Tippitt, Sidelines photography editor, was elected to the 1983-84 editorship of Midlander over one other candidate.

contestants vying for the coveted crown.

Drinking-age hike reborn on Senate floor

By TOM HUMPHREY United Press International

NASHVILLE — Legislation raising the legal drinking age to 21, given the deep six in committee earlier, was revived on the Senate floor Wednesday amid emotional and impassioned debate.

Before deciding to delay action on the resurrected proposal until April 18, Senate Democrats went through a stormy caucus-under the watchful eye of liquor lobbyist Tom Hensley-from which Sen. John Ford, D-Memphis, walked out in anger.

SEN. Ernest Crouch, D-McMinnville, sponsor of a bill to raise the drinking age from 19 to 21 that was deferred until next year in committee, offered an amendment on the Senate floor to accomplish the same

The amendment was proposed as an addition to a bill sponsored by Sen. Avon Williams, D-Nashville.

Williams' bill would authorize courts to require parents to continue providing support for children between 18 and 21.

candidates were uncontested.

related story. ▶

Crouch's main bill was delayed until next year after several senators in committee complained that it was being promoted on the basis of emotionalism prohibitionist sentiment.

IN arguing for his amendment Wednesday, Crouch denounced those claims.

"It has to do with saving lives," he said. "It's not a bill that has to do with prohibition. . . . It should be an emotional issue. We are dealing with human lives.

Crouch said the bill would save "at least 300 lives in Tennessee" in the period it was delayed if there were no action

until next year. "I know the lobbyists are working," Crouch said, declaring the public was "screaming out" for the bill at the same time.

"THERE are some people I know who wouldn't vote for this bill if you had three guns on them. But they've just got the wrong information,' Crouch said.

An impromptu Senate Democratic Caucus was called at the request of Sen. Riley Darnell, D-Nashville. Crouch is chairman of the Democratic Caucus.

Darnell said the amendment put senators in a box-being forced to vote for Williams bill, which many disliked, but afraid to vote against Crouch's amendment, whiceh has

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# Cable coming to family housing; J and K apartments may be next

By MARSHA ROBERSON

Staff Writer

Residents of family housing will soon be able to enjoy basic -cable television free of charge, Robert Curtis, assistant director of housing, said.

"Family housing is definitely going to receive basic cable, hopefully by the end of the month. The cable company had to order enough cable for the project and when it comes in, they'll be able to start hookup," Curtis said.

Basic cable consists of

channels 2 (ABC), 3 (WZTV), 4 (NBC), 5 (CBS), 6 (PBS and after sign-off, the UPI wire), 8 (Cable News Network), 9 (WGN-Chicago), 10 (ESPNentertainment and sports), 11 (Turner Broadcasting System-Atlanta), 12 (local access) and 13 (Nickelodeon-Arts).

FAMILY housing members are being asked if they would like to additionally receive Home Box Office for a fee of \$3 to \$5 a month per apartment. In this case, either everyone in family housing will receive HBO or no one will.

The housing department has sent out preference polls to all residents regarding HBO. Curtis says he expects a decision on HBO soon.

"I've received a couple of calls saying that if families wanted to spend a lot of extra money then they [the callers] wouldn't be living in family housing, but we really don't know what the final decision will be," he said.

THE housing department is (continued on page 2)

# Renovation projects nearing end

MTSU renovation and construction projects will probably be completed by mid-June, according to MTSU officials.

"We've got several things going on," reported Charles L. Pigg, director of campus planning here. "Unless we run into some problems, everything will be completed by early summer.'

THAT early summer target date is to facilitate energy consumption in the major renovation project, the overhaul of the heating and air conditioning system in the Admininstration Cope Building, Pigg said. Chill water lines are being laid across campus for the air conditioning and should be

completed in about two weeks. The internal work within Cope is expected to end around June 16.

Other projects include construction of an elevator in the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building and the re-roofing of Keathley University Center and the Holmes Building, all four projects costing approximately \$387,000.

"WE GOT some really good bids this year," Pigg stated, citing the recession and construction companies' desire to continue to operate as the primary factors. "The Cope renovation and the Dramatic Art. cievator were provided by the state, while the re-roofing money came from locally

funded projects."

The Murphy Athletic Center is the next project on the renovation agenda, with a complete re-roofing indicated. Some minor repair work was done last fall.

"Murphy Center will be done entirely by money saved from other projects," Pigg said. "It will take \$265,000 to complete the job, and that amount was saved by various cost underruns on other jobs around the campus." Work will begin in early summer.

Other projects planned for next year include the completion of the handicapped student operations and some work on the heating plant.



# A familiar sight

Quite a few construction workers and their equipment have become familiar sights on campus lately as many buildings are being renovated.

# Campus Capsule

THE LION'S JOURNEY FOR SIGHT run and biathlon will begin at 1 p.m. at Riverdale High School.

### MONDAY

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

"JOKES MY FOLKS NEVER TOLD ME" begins in the University Center Theatre. Showings are at 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m. Rated R.

### TUESDAY

THE BLUE RAIDER BASEBALL SQUAD takes on Vanderbilt at 7:30 p.m. at Smith Field.

"JOKES MY FOLKS NEVER TOLD ME" continues in the University Center Theatre.

"THE BLUES CRUSADE" will appear in a brass ensemble at 8 p.m. in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building.

### WEDNESDAY

MOVIE: "NIGHT SHIFT" begins at the University Center Theatre. Rated R

### THURSDAY

THE MTSU BASEBALL TEAM plays Austin Peay in a double-header at 5:30 p.m. at Smith Field.

MOVIE: "NIGHT SHIFT" continues in the University

"JOURNEY" will appear in concert at 8 p.m. in Murphy Center.

THE BLUE RAIDER TRACK SQUAD will face Murray State in an outdoor meet at 5:30 p.m.

### MOTICE

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 and a 2.5 grade-point average is eligible.

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

A SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT will be sponsored by the Esquire Club on April 15-16. Entry fee is \$10 per team. For more information call 898-4056, 898-3558 or 898-3964.

A FREE VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION will be conducted on April 15 at the Greenland Drive parking lot from 7:30 until 10:30 a.m. and from 2 until 5 p.m. This is a public service and no citations will be given.

APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT AMBASSADOR are available in Room 205 of the Cope Administration Building. They must be turned in by April 19 at 3 p.m. Interviews will

# Advertising decision postponed

By NANCY SLOAN Staff Writer

A decision on the Interfraternity Council's controversial advertising policy was postponed Monday in order to elect officers for the council.

Cannon Mayes of Sigma Phi Epsilon was elected president. Richard Mincer of Sigma Nu was elected vice president, Stan Vaught of Alpha Gamma Rho was elected secretary and

Kevin Proffitt of Delta Tau Delta was elected treasurer.

DUE TO the elections, the council delayed decision on an advertising policy until the next meeting, Sig Ep President Jim Tippens said.

Dean Cantrell, adviser to the IFC, asked for clear guidelines on advertising social events, due to confusion about whether an agreement to ban advertising had been reached earlier in the semester between the IFC and Cantrell.

AN IFC subcommittee will propose at the next meeting that each fraternity be allowed to advertise twice a semester in Sidelines, and that flyer advertisements, which litter the campus, be banned, Mayes

The subcommittee will also recommend that the three fraternities that advertised recently in Sidelines not be penalized.

## Governor vetoes union dues bill

NASHVILLE (UPI) - Gov. Lamar Alexander today vetoed a bill allowing dues checkoff privileges for employees of state colleges and universities.

"The bill will not benefit state employees," Alexander said in his veto message. "It amounts to a state-funded convenience for the eligible organizations.

"IT IS not necessary for the continuing vitality of an organization advocating the interest of state employees. Other large employee associations, like the one in Texas, are operating quite well without dues checkoff and have, in fact, said they do not need it or want it," he said.

The bill was promoted at length by the Tennessee State

Employees Association which is now expected to prod lawmakers to override Alexander's veto.

Under the measure, dues of TSEA members working for colleges, universities and technoical institutes would be deducted automatically from their state paychecks and turned over to the union.

### Publications committee

(continued from page 1) the senate would not affect the newspaper coverage.

Watt had applied for both the summer and fall editorship, but withdrew his application for summer editorship because he said he could not afford to go to school in the summer.

During the committee meeting, Sidelines' faculty adviser Judy Emerson-while praising Watt's enthusiasmwarned the committee that appointing a senator as editor would "be like having Sen. [Howard] Baker coming down and telling the Nashville Banner what to print."

EMERSON also questioned Watt's qualifications for the job, citing the fact that he had taken no journalism courses and had only served in the capacity of a staff writer.

Estes, along with other student members, said "Marty is a smart fellow [a 4.0 gradepoint average], and I am sure if he gets a couple of books he can

pick it up." Glenn Himebaugh, coordinator of the news-editorial sequence, called the appointment of an unqualified person "preposterous."

"IF YOU can pick it up just by reading a couple of books, what are we doing teaching journalism at this school?" Himebaugh asked.

Himebaugh also criticized the appointment of the Sidelines editor by a committee dominated by student government officials.

"How can the student newspaper act as a watchdog of the student government when the student government controls the newspaper?" Himebaugh said. "That's like a Communist government controlling the media. It's stupid."

KERRICK agreed that "the structure of the committee currently does seem to open up

the possibility of conflicts of interest.'

> "I doubt that Dr. Ingram in structuring the committee anticipated the potential for problems," Kerrick added.

Another area of controversy arose when the committee voted to not hear comments or allow questioning from the audience-including the present editors of student publications.

ONE student and former Sidelines staffer, who first requested permission to ask a candidate a question, said she was not there on behalf of any candidate, but wanted to bring up "pertinent" questions which the committee was not asking.

None of the committee members have ever served in an editorial capacity at Sidelines.

Kerrick, who abstained on the vote to not hear comments. said he had mixed emotions on the decision.

"BEFORE the fact it is hard to judge the quantity and quality of the comments, or if a comment is relevant," Kerrick

Estes said he was in favor of asking the editors to present an overview of their semester to the committee, but opposed having the editors ask any questions.

The committee, after the selection of the summer and fall Sidelines editors, rejected a request by the faculty adviser to have the current editors ask questions and comment "from their informed perspective."

HOWEVER, the committee did agree-prior to the selection of the Collage and editors-that Midlander having no comment from the audience did not preclude committee members from asking the editors questions.

Kerrick said yesterday he would "definitely entertain the committee reconsidering its

decisions" if proof could be given of the need.

"If there is information which is pertinent to the issue. I think the committee should hear it," Kerrick said.

### News Briefs

NASHVILLE (UPI) - Four state legislators have been using \$2 decorative license plates on their personal cars where regular state tags are supposed to be attached.

The metal tags differ from the official legislative plates in that they have no district numbers, only the state seal and either "House of Representatives" or "Senate."

SEN. James E. "Buzz" Elkins, R-Clinton, and Rep. Charles Severance, R-Knoxville, have been driving without proper plates of any kind on their cars.

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KNOXVILLE (UPI) University of Tennessee professors, questioning the funding package for the school's \$30 million basketball arena, asked a judge Wednesday to reveal the name of an anonymous donor who pitched in \$5 million.

### New venture: send teachers dead flowers

From College Press Service

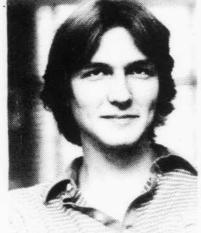
A University of Florida student is hoping to make a little extra money at the end of the semester by helping disgruntled students send dead flowers to their least-favorite professors.

"We figure this will be a big time for teacher orders," says Ken Farkas, a fast-talking finance major at Florida. "It sure beats filling out teacher evaluations."

FOR \$9.95, Farkas or his partner will don a three-piece suit and deliever a bouquet of dead daisies, roses or carnations-whatever they happen to find at the local cemetary or scrounge from florists getting rid of leftovers-to unfair graders, inattentive lovers or whomever the buyer wants.

Since starting his dead flowers business in February, Farkas has gotten only about two dozen orders. He's hoping the arrival of grade season will help him recoup the \$300 he's invested in the business.

Farkas delivers the boxed flowers and flees. "I don't stick around," he says.



**Marty Watt** resigned to avoid conflict



**Keith Tippitt** Midlander editor



Cyndie Wright Collage editor



Sidelines summer editor

# Drinking age

(continued from page 1) widespread support. Darnell ' said a negative vote could have political repercussions for the Democratic senators.

"YOU'RE damned if you do and damned if you don't," Darnell said. "I think it's an unfair position to be put in by the caucus chairman."

Ford objected that the bill could set a precedent of bypassing the committee system. "Some of you guys are talking out of three sides of your mouth," he said.

Ford walked out of the caucus session after looking at Crouch and declaring, "Some of you folks better shape up and give some leadership around here."

SEVERAL other senators in the caucus grumbled about Crouch's maneuver, including Senate Majority Leader Milton Hamilton, who said, "We're being played like pawns in a game of chess."

The caucus session adjourned without the Democrats taking a formal position, and a

series of parliamentary maneuvers followed on the Senate floor.

Sen. Jim Lewis, D-South Pittsburgh, tried to revise Crouch's amendment to raise the drinking age to 25. That failed on a 4-19 vote.

AT LENGTH, Sen. Victor Ashe, R-Knoxville, pointed out that the amendment, while revising the main statute dealing with the legal age for drinking, left intact several references to 19 as the legal age in other statutes. He also questioned whether Williams' bill could be properly amended to incorporate the Crouch proposal.

Ashe said a delay would give the Attorney General's office time to issue an opinion on the legal propriety of the amend-

"I think you'd be better off waiting 10 days and being able to say you know this bill is constitutional than going home now and telling them you think it's constitutional," Ashe said.

Ashe's motion to defer action until April 18 was approved on a vote 18-14.

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# Cable TV

(continued from page 1) looking for the most costeffective means of installing cable on campus. In the case of family housing the reception can be hooked up to the present antennas and wiring will not have to be run to each individual apartment, Curtis said.

"Eric Steinberg made the initial contact with the cable company and asked if it would be feasible to put cable connections in family housing," Curtis said. "The company said it would be feasible if there was an administrative person behind it."

"THE ASB has been trying

to get cable on campus for several years, but the cable people wanted more of a commitment than just the ASB. When the housing department finally got behind the plan, we were able to get a contract,"

Curtis added.

The cable plan was approved by the State Board of Regents in March, Curtis said, adding that the contract was signed by President Sam Ingram.



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# Elsewhere

# Appeals Court reverses Blanton decision

CINCINNATI (UPI) — The 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday vacated a previous ruling overturning the conviction of former Tennessee Gov. Ray Blanton for selling state liquor licenses to political cronies.

In February, a three-judge panel of the Cincinnati-based appeals court reversed the convictions of Blanton and two of his aides on grounds they

had not received a fair trial in Nashville U.S. District Court.

BUT the government petitioned for a rehearing of the case before the entire 11 active judges of the appeals court, and a majority of the judges agreed to the request.

A date for the rehearing has not been set.

Blanton, the only Tennessee governor ever to face a criminal trial, was found guilty by a Nashville federal court assistant Clyde E. Hood, also were convicted of mail fraud and conspiracy in the trial. In reversing their con-

victions, the three-judge ap-

peals court panel said jurors in

jury in June 1981 of mail

fraud, extortion and con-

spiracy in the liquor kickback

sultant for Blanton who served

as his campaign manager, and

former Blanton special

JIM Allen, a special con-

the case hadn't been questioned sufficiently about possibly prejudicial pre-trial publicity.

The appellate judges said Judge John Peck, who presided over jury selection, erred by relying on the the prospective jurors' own judgment of whether they could disregrard any opinions they might have formed about the highly publicized case.

By United Press International

The shuttle astronauts walked in space yesterday to test the \$2 million spacesuits that thwarted a similar venture into the open cargo bay five months ago. The spacewalk is the first by Americans in nine years and is a key step toward a planned attempt to repair a crippled satellite during another shuttle mission in April.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

PEKING - China severed all pending cultural exchanges with the United States yesterday. The move was made in retaliation for Washington's decision to grant political asylum to defecting Chinese tennis star Hu Na.

KIRYAT SHMONA, Israel Israel says the United States is trying to keep Lebanon from drawing close to Israel. The government rebuked Washington for "begging" Jordan's King Hussein to join peace talks.

**IERUSALEM** American-born Israeli soldier was convicted and sentenced yesterday to life in prison for murder in a shooting spree at Islam's Dome of the Rock Mosque in Jerusalem. Allan Harry Goodman stood impassively as presiding judge Elazar Halevi read the mandatory life sentence for the killing of an Arab policeman at the entrance to the Temple Mount.

NASHVILLE - The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. agreed yesterday to loan US Bank \$25 million to keep the financially-troubled institution afloat until it can be sold to another firm.

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North Carolina National Bank Inc. has already agreed to buy the Nashville firm for \$2 million, but the deal is subject to the Tennessee General Assembly passing legislation to allow out-of-state banks to buy Tennessee firms.

NASHVILLE - The House yesterday approved legislation designed to clean up Tennessee's hazardous waste dumps and put state technical institutes and vocational schools under the authority of the state Board of Regents.

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### Conflict over bidder inderstanding to delay new licenses

NASHVILLE (UPI) - A misunderstanding about the format of Tennessee's new drivers' licenses will make it tough for the state Safety Department to meet the July 1 deadline for issuing them, officials said Tuesday.

Chancellor Robert Brandt issued a temporary restraining order prohibiting the · department from awarding the \$4- to \$5-million contract for providing the licenses, which will have color photographs, to any bidder other than DEK Identification Systems Inc.

IN competitive bidding for the contract March 7, DEK submitted the low bid, beating Polaroid Corp. by more than \$800,000.

But the Tennessee Board of Standards disqualified the DEK bid because its product did not meet the specifications outlined by the Safety Department.

New specifications were drawn up, bids were readvertised and taken Tuesday and DEK came in second behind Polaroid, leaving the question of who will be

awarded the contract unanswered until a Chancery Court Hearing Friday.

"WE'RE under a terrible crunch on this thing," said David Jean, director of purchasing for the state General Services Department. "The thing is supposed to be in place by July 1, and we are cutting it close, no doubt about it."

DEK's product in the first bid was a license laminated on only one side and inserted into a pouch, Jean said. He said the company apparently thought the license would be ac-

The Safety Department did prefer the licenses with pouches, but specified that the licenses be laminated on both sides, Jean said, so DEK was given the status of an alternative bid. But Jean said his department does not consider alternative bids as a matter of policy.

DEK filed a petition in Chancery Court Monday, stating that the new specifications differed only cosmetically from the original standards, and DEK should be awarded the contract.

# Representative apologizes for recent arrest

NASHVILLE (UPI) — Rep. Joe W. Bell, D-Lebanon, offered an apology to his colleagues in the House Wednesday after he was charged with drunken driving Tuesday night in downtown Nashville.

"To err is human, to forgive

is divine," Bell said. "I experienced both last night." Bell said he hoped the representatives would "forgive me as many people in my district have.'

"IT IS an honor and a privilege to have served for seven years in this body and I hope that I will be treated like any other Tennessean," Bell said. House speaker Ned McWherter commended Bell for his remarks to the chamber.

"It takes courage in all walks of life to be responsible. I say to you Joe, we have respect for you in being honest with us, and good luck," McWherter said.

Authorities said Bell, 45, refused to take a breathalcohol test at police headquarters. Night Court Commissiner Braden Floyd issued the drunken driving warrant after Metro traffic officer Terry Coats testified Bell admitted he had been drinking then failed a field sobriety test.

THE officer said Bell drove his car into the rear end of a vehicle driven by Merle Sharp of Hendersonville at about 8 p.m. He said Sharp was stopped at a traffic light.

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### Nashvillian files lawsuit to void Metro decision

mother of three sought Thursday to void Nashville's new school desegretation plan, claiming the Metro School Board violated Tennessee's Law-meeting Sunshine secretly to draft portions of the plan.

Valerie Head sought in a Chancery Court lawsuit to enjoin the board from presenting the plan to U.S. District Judge Tom Wiseman.

WISEMAN is scheduled to receive the plan on Friday.

The Sunshine Law requires that adequate public notice be given for any meeting of a governmental body. Head claims the board met privately

NASHVILLE (UPI) — A on several occasions to discuss the plan.

> School Board attorney Bill Willis declined comment on Head's suit.

"WE HAVE recused ourselves from anything involving the open meetings question,' Willis said.

The Chancery Court lawsuit charged that all actions taken by the board in the desegregation case are "void and have no effect."

The suit maintained that Head and other citizens of the community would suffer "irreparable harm . . . if this plan is allowed to be presented as a settlement in the desegregation lawsuit."

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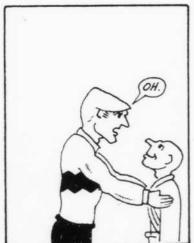


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# Toxic waste dump laws need to be strengthened

The recent discoveries of several toxic waste dumps in the Rutherford County area have enraged county residents and brought into question state laws regarding the disposal of toxic waste. The number of dump sites reported continues to rise each week, and the damage done to local land and water supplies is countless.

Many state and federal legislators, stunned by the uncovering of such widespread abuse by industry, are working diligently to strengthen laws pertaining to the dumping of toxic waste and to increase the penalties of those responsible for such abuse.

IT IS apparent that the state needs to revamp its pollution laws and monitor industry more closely. While there are several industries which attempt to operate within the framework of the law, many industrialists are concerned only with making money and will disregard laws which lower their productivity and profit.

Ironically, these waste dump discoveries come at a time when President Reagan is having to reorganize the Environmental Protection Agency. Ever since Reagan took office, his appointees to the EPA have done everything within their power to frustrate environmentalists and please industrialists eager to reap profits at the expense of the environment.

Reagan's appointment of James Watt as Secretary of the Interior also opened up the nation's wildlands to further abuse. Watt has proceeded to place vast quantities of federal land on the the auction block while at the same time arrogantly criticizing environmentalists and wasting thousands of federal dollars on his own private parties.

THE CORRUPTION of the administration's appointees to the EPA and Interior Department is reflective of Reagan's own personal attitude toward the environment. On several occasions, Reagan has displayed his ignorance of environmental issues and his contempt for environmentalists.

During the 1980 presidential cam-

paign, Reagan declared that trees were causing more pollution automobiles. Reagan obviously was ignorant of the well-known difference between carbon dioxide, which trees produce, and carbon monoxide, a deadly chemical produced by automobile emissions.

Since Reagan's inauguration to the Presidency, industries nationwide have felt free to follow policies which are harmful to the environment. With little fear of reproach from federal environmental agencies, industrialists have taken advantage of a golden opportunity to exploit the land in order to reap huge profits.

**REAGAN'S** appointment of William Ruckelshaus to head the troubled EPA is possibly a sign that Reagan is beginning to realize his mistakes regarding the environment and is attempting to reverse his destructive policies. However, James Watt and other antienvironmentalists continue to hold office and further Reagan's original environmentally dangerous policies.

Toxic waste dumping and other destructive industrial policies are of great concern not only in Middle Tennessee, but throughout the nation. When industry is allowed to do as it pleases, environmental abuse is almost certain to follow. It is the duty of legislators to strengthen pollution laws and increase the penalties for environmental abuse.

However, no matter how strong the laws are, the executive branch of government must be willing to enforce the laws if they are to be effective. On the federal level, the Reagan administration has failed miserably in enforcing the laws and has actually tried to weaken their effectiveness.

Public disgust of industrial pollution is on the rise; it is time that Reagan and other anti-environmentalists took notice and reversed their policies of destruction. Industrialists need to become aware that the public is more concerned for the preservation of the environment than the profits of polluting industries.



### Freeze unrealistic in real world

By D. CLIFTON WRIGHT Columnist

There are any number of things which irk me immensely, but number one on the list is the notion of a nuclear freeze.

I would be one of the first to admit that it would be nice if the United States could do without its nuclear arsenal; it would also be nice if we could freeze nukes at the current level and devote the money spent thereupon to other worthy endeavors. Realistically, though, either notion is totally untenable: they simply will not work in the real world.

PEACE depends solely upon preparedness for war. By this, I do not mean arrogant saberrattling. Preparedness for war consists of having the means available to accomplish two basic things: (1) dissuade expansion-minded nations from attacking one's own nation; and (2) be ready, willing, and able to retaliate should one's nation be attacked.

To assert that having military forces-whether nuclear or conventional—tends to cause war is roughly equivalent to asserting that having a police force causes crime; neither assertion is true.

These days, preparation for war consists of, in part, maintaining a nuclear arsenal. By this I do not mean that

every nation whatsoever should have its very own nukes-I am here referring to the United States. The reason behind this is simple: war cannot be deterred except by the threat of nuclear retaliation.

THE United States is confronted by an implacable enemy: the Soviet Union. The ultimate goal of the Soviets is world domination, despite any rhetoric to the contrary. They are not interested in detente, peaceful coexistence or any thing else of that general nature-and they are especially not interested in a nuclear freeze for themselves, although they would be more than happy for us to freeze nukes at the current level.

Have you ever noticed that when meaningful proposals are put to the Soviets, their answer is invariably, "That is unacceptable"?

Their counter-proposals, on the other hand, either involve obsolete weapons systems, or the prohibition of things they never intended to do in the first place-or carry such a high price tag that they cannot possibly be accepted.

THE Soviets have no intention of freezing, disarming or of adopting a live-and-letlive attitude toward the West in general or toward the United States in particular. Their basic policy was most clearly summed-up by

Khrushchev, when he said, "We will bury you." This threat has never been altered in substance.

Despite whatever proposals they may make, whatever treaties they may sign, the Soviets should not be trusted for even one nanosecond. Their government is, quite simply, a collection of thugs, gangsters and liars, which has broken every promise it has ever made.

There is no reason whatsoever to assume that they have mended their ways. Freezing, reducing or eliminating America's nuclear stockpile plays directly into the hands of the Soviets, because only fear of nuclear retaliation will dissuade them from pursuing aggression against us. 🔌

DO not allow yourself to be . seduced by the siren-song of peace sung by the advocates of the nuclear freeze: the current arsenal is not enough. If we freeze, then as surely as night follows day the Soviets will build and deploy more weapons.

If the Soviets are allowed to achieve a significant ratio of nuclear superiority, they will . then strike. America must develop, build and deploy new weapons systems to counter this threat. Nothing less than your freedom hangs in the balance, and all Americans must take cognizance of this fact. Freeze? Freeze,

# Orwell campaign set for 1984

By DICK WEST

**United Press International** WASHINGTON — The George Orwell for President campaign was formally announced on April Fools' Day, which, coincidentally, was the publication date for "David Frost's Book of the World's Worse Decisions."

There was no mention in the Frost book of the Orwell candidacy, despite the British connection. Thus, it remains to be seen whether the decision to throw a dead Englishman's hat in the American ring qualifies as one of the world's worse errors of judgment, not to mention breaches of good taste.

JAY Silverman, selfdesignated press secretary of the Orwell National Committee, insists that remaining extant is not a viable requisite for making the race.

"We are convinced that just because our candidate is deceased does not necessarily mean that Orwell's campaign will have any less legitimacy than other front-runners," the campaign spokesman said in a press release.

"Although death prevents Orwell's actual appearance, he is with us in spirit."

ORWELL'S name was entered in the 1984 campaign primarily because he wrote a book of prophesy about that year published under the title

For the record, he died in 1950, 34 years before the prophetic date. Like Frost, he was a British subject. But Orwell made his mark through the printed word, whereas Frost is mainly a product of television.

Even if they accept Orwell's death and nationality as being beside the point, many American voters may be reluctant to cast their ballots for a candidate whose crystal ball was so clouded.

### Readers

### Reader blasts gun editorial

To the editor:

It was with great interest that I read your anti-handgun editorial in the April 5 Sidelines. I noticed the author was bright enough to delete his or her name. About par for the

[Editor's note: As noted, the article in question was a Sidelines editorial. If you will notice any other publication, such as The Tennessean or The New York Times, you will see that editorials are never

signed. Indeed, it is par for the course.]

The comforting thing to me about this editorial is that eventually, your author will outgrow the naive opinion. Also, comforting is the knowledge that you only printed this crock to see if anyone out here was reading

your paper. What really aggravates me

is the childish conviction that: (A) American society is one of the most violent in the world, ignoring Iran. Lebanon, Northern Ireland. Italy, El Salvador, Nicaragua

and Cambodia; (B) Handgun owners are closet-Klansmen, macho peabrains with a John Wayne complex;

(C) Hammering away at the subject will finally bring the NRA to its knees whimpering for forgiveness for following the lead of rights-preservation leagues such as the ACLU or the NAACP and trying to preserve the rights of minority of the American people; and finally

(D) Writing an editorial to a juvenile newspaper in an obscure college in a mediocre, southern town will do anything but ease his or her conscience.

I was brought up locally and went through the same liberal delusions your author is obviously laboring under. I was fortunate enough to outgrow the belief that there is a decent, reasonable side to every human being and that every social problem can be resolved with talking and passing a law for or against a solution.

Handguns have been with us since the middle ages, they will be around until mankind no longer requires a weapon. Arguing one way or the other over handguns is as big a time waster as reading Sidelines, or arguing with anonymous editorials.

Curtis Davenport Box 5537

Editor's reply: Instead of replying to your entire letter, I

will simply look at your concluding argument. Like handguns, murder has also been around for a long time. I suppose trying to do something about it is also a waste of time?

By the way, if you don't have time to read Sidelines, I won't force you.

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# **Features**

# Noon show to feature stand-up comedy

Have you ever been to a Noon Show where you walked out afterwards saying, "Boy, that really flopped."?

If so, then the show lined up for Tuesday just might redeem your past experience.

IMPRESSIONIST Jim Gossett, Nashville's answer to Rich Little, and Lite comedian Stan Moore will invade television studio A in the Learning Resources Center with pure, uncensored comedy. The show will be taped in front of a live audience for future airing on cable television.

Entertainer Jim Gossett is a man of many faces and voices. In fact, some may have already heard or seen Gossett on local television or radio.

Using impressions of such notables as Ronald Reagan, Rodney Dangerfield, Johnny Carson, Jimmy Carter, Ernest Angsley, David Letterman, Howard Cosell and many others, Gossett has compiled a formidable list of commercial credits.

HE HAS performed as a stand-up comedian throughout the Southeast in nightclubs, at conventions and on television. Most recently, Gossett performed in Los Angeles at the Comedy Store and The Improv—clubs that have featured the likes of Steve Martin, Robin Williams and Richard Pryor.

Gossett's act is a combination of satire and parody; using the voices of well known celebrities, he comments on life, politics and the fate of Tattoo.

If Gossett can't tickle your funny bone, then it's doubtful that Stan Moore can.

MOORE is the writer-director behind Nashville's Lite comedians, a group of local improv comic actors that have performed at the Poverty Playhouse and in the studios of Viacom 26.

Moore has appeared at Dallas' Comedy Corner and Playboy Club, and has numerous television and theater credits to his name, including a bit part on "Dallas" and, most recently, the "Louise Mandrell Special."

Life on campus, parents, and, of course, Tattoo's fate will be discussed by Moore.

If you enjoy good comedy, would like to see how television is made and just happen to be on a diet, then skip lunch and don't miss this death-defying Noon Show.

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Comedians Jim Gossett and Stan Moore will appear in Tuesday's noon show. The show will be taped in Studio A of the Learning Resources Center.

# Duo concert slated for Sunday; Nelson, Perkins to perform

A recital of music for two pianos will be presented Sunday at 3 p.m. by Allison Nelson and Jerry Perkins

Nelson and Jerry Perkins.

The free concert will be performed in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building.

ALTHOUGH both Nelson and Perkins are well-known pianists individually, this concert will mark the first collaboration of the two artists.

Early in her musical career Nelson was recognized to possess unusual pianistic talent. She began concertizing at the age of 7, and by the time she was 13 had earned a degree in music. At 17, Nelson not only had played in numerous public recitals, but she had also performed on radio, with

symphony orchestras and had appeared in movies.

Eugene Ormandy, on a goodwill tour of America during the summer of 1944, conducted for Nelson in two appearances with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

IMPRESSED with her superlative talents, he immediately recommended her for a scholarship at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia where she studied for five years with Serkin and Horszowski.

At present, Nelson is artistin-residence at the University of Tennessee at Martin.

Perkins has been described in the Nashville Banner as being "...a pianist with a wealth of technical tools who also has individual ideas about the music he plays."

THE New York Times said Perkins is "... a very capable pianist. His playing was precise, thoughtful and vital."

Perkins studied at the College-Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnation a university honor scholarship, and later received a doctoral degree from Boston University. His teachers have included Leo Sirota, Jeno Takacs and Bela Nagy.

He was first-prize winner in the American Music Scholarship Association Competition and has made numerous appearances with orchestra, chamber ensembles and in solo recitals.

# Jazz show set for Tuesday night

By LINDA WARREN Staff Writer

The MTSU music department will present this year's Swing Into Spring Jazz Festival, featuring George Roberts, nationally known trombonist, and the MTSU "Blues Crusade," Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Roberts, better known as "Mr. Bass Trombone," will listen to regional high school jazz ensembles and offer comments beginning at 1 p.m. At 5 p.m., he will hold a jazz clinic for high school and college musicians.

DURING the concert, to be held in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building, the "Blues Crusade" will perform "Backwoods Sideman," "How Sweet It Is," "Basie Straight Ahead," "We'll Be Together Again" (featuring vocalist Denise Huffington) and "Seduction" (featuring Eddie Grooms on alto sax).

The MTSU Jazz Ensemble was founded in 1974 by its present director, John R. Duke. It adopted the additional name of "Blues Crusade" in the fall of that year.

The group is dedicated to performing the best of big-band jazz literature. It plays tour concerts annually in high schools in Tennessee and Alabama and presents many campus concerts.

MEMBERSHIP in music ensembles is not restricted to

music majors, Duke says. Previous rosters have represented a cross-section of majors at the university, including biology, buisness administration, criminal justice, recording industry management and others.

Admission to the concert

will be \$2. Phi Mu Alpha Music Fraternity is sponsoring the festival along with The Music Shop of Murfreesboro, Music Educators National Conference Student Chapter 249, Hewgley's Music Shop in Nashville and Selmer Instrument Company.



Planists Allison Nelson and Jerry Perkins will perform in a duo piano concert Sunday. The free concert is scheduled for 3 p.m. in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building.

# Weekender

# Indian site near Jackson to be opened tomorrow

Remains of Woodland Period Indians will be open to the public tomorrow at the Pinson Mounds State Archaeological Area near Jackson.

Also open to the public will be the second tallest Indian mound in the United States.

The site will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members.

### Chinese Magic Circus

### to be at TPAC tomorrow

The Chinese Magic Circus of Taiwan will appear at the Tennnessee Performing Arts Center tomorrow at 7 p.m.

The show features Kung-Fu demonstrations—extraordinary feats that seem to defy physical laws. Reserved tickets are on sale now for \$4, \$6 and \$8 at the TicketMaster Box Office at TPAC.

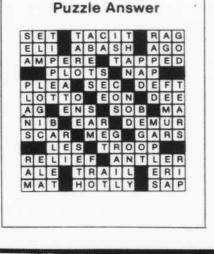
# Galway to play flute at TPAC tonight

Flutist James Galway will be presented in recital tonight at 8 p.m. at the Tennessee Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are on sale for \$10, \$12.50, \$15 and \$20. Students with valid ID's can receive a \$2 discount on each ticket purchased.

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# Buford shakes off loss of football

By MAT "CHILI" WILLIAMS

Sports Writer

Andre Buford is a 20-year-old student at MTSU. He speaks softly for a man his size (6-2, 228 pounds) and is friendly and articulate.

He probably would have started at defensive tackle for the Raider football team this fall and had tremendous potential, according to Coach James Donnelly.

BUFORD won't get his chance this fall, however, nor in any future season.

"I was at defensive tackle on the left side," he explained. "As the play developed, I saw Kevin Baker come through the line of scrimmage. I couldn't run him down so I figured I'd have to cut his legs out from under him.

"The last thing I remember was being hit from behind, and then I blacked out for two seconds. It was like being shot. It was like the feeling when your arm goes to sleep, but 30 times worse. I was just hoping that I hadn't done something to my neck to where I couldn't use my arms again."

IT'S BEEN a year since the injury to Buford occurred. An intrasquad scrimmage during spring practice was underway when the accident took place. Buford was rushed to Rutherford County Hospital and later transferred to St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville.

"When I got to St. Thomas and the doctors came in, I still couldn't move my arms," he said. "A doctor scratched me with a pin, which I couldn't feel. They took me up to the room after Xrays. I remember being put on the bed, and then the nurse cut off the light and left.

When doctors came the following day to check on him, Buford said, he was just beginning to get feeling back in his arms, but they were still numb. He never lost feeling in his legs.

"LATER that evening, a doctor came back and started working on my arms and neck. He asked me if I liked to play football and told me to squeeze his hand as hard as I could. I tried as hard as I could, but nothing happened. He asked me to raise my arm, but I couldn't. The look in his eyes told me it was all over. He said he wasn't going to let me back on the field again. It was the last thing he said, then he turned to walk out and patted me on the foot.

"I didn't cry, but I felt sorry for myself. I felt like I had wasted Coach Donnelly's time and had let the team down. I had no purpose to be at MTSU.

Buford didn't quit, however.

TIME and a rehabilitation program have given him the use of his arms back. He can't participate in any contact sports for fear of a blow to the neck, which could result in paralysis, but he has

Fraternity charter pulled



**Andre Buford** 

Photo by Keith Tippitt

"The look in his eyes told me it was all over. He said he wasn't going to let me back on the field again. It was the last thing he said."

found other interests.

On Sunday, he will become an ordained minister.

"After the accident, I dedicated myself to serving God," he said. "If I don't put God first-ahead of my life-then nothing will follow.

FOOTBALL is still a part of Buford's life. He continues to live in Beasley Hall, the football dormitory, answers questions from younger players and goes to every practice, occasionally snapping the ball for the kickers.

"I miss it [football] when I'm out there at practice," he admitted. "I feel any minutethat Coach Donnelly might call my name, but it never happens."

A conversation with Donnelly while Buford was still in the hospital was an inspirational force, he said.

"I THINK one of the things that helped me was when Coach Donnelly came and had a person-to-person conversation with me. He said something to the effect of putting your religion, family and friends first. Football wouldn't be around forever. It was a big inspiration to see him show true compassion for me."

Buford's future looks bright. The Fitzgerald, Ga., native plans to marry in the summer of 1984, graduate in December and start a teaching career with elementary school children.

"I'm excited about working in the ministry," he said. "I'm looking forward to becoming a successful elementary school teacher and leading a spiritually fulfilled life."

BUFORD'S high school coach, Mike Ellis, said he thinks his former player will be a big success.

"Andre's classmates looked up to him," Ellis noted. "He'll be a success in anything he chooses to do. He's the kind of guy that will lead kids in the right direction."

Buford is only human and admitted that he sometimes gets depressed.

"I still ask why me sometimes. But when I start to think that way, I ask for strength and wisdom not to go down. I look forward to going up."

People like Andre Buford don't go down.

# **Sports**

# Netters victorious over Western Kentucky

By MIKE JONES Sports Editor

The MTSU men's tennis team ran its record to 14-4 Wednesday with a victory over the Hilltoppers of Western

Kentucky. Coach Dick LaLance's troops took four of six singles matches and two of three doubles matches at the Bowling Green, Ky. ', campus.

IN singles action for the Blue Raiders, Mark Tulloch defeated Ken Putlack, 6-1, 6-3; Graeme Harris downed Scott Underwood, 6-1, 6-3; Dan

Donnelly beat Matt Peterson, 6-1, 6-3; and Mike Feltman took Keith Hinton, 6-2, 5-7, 7-

Taking losses were Peter Beare, who was beaten by Brad Hanks, 7-5, 7-6, and Jimmy Earle, who lost to Dan Darnell, 6-3, 7-5.

The doubles team of Tulloch and Harris downed Putlack and Underwood, 2-6, 6-1, 6-2; while Earle and Donnelly lost to Hanks and Peterson 5-7, 7-5, 6-2. Beare and Feltman snuck past Darnell and Hinton, 6-2,

"OUR singles play was solid," LaLance said yesterday, "and our doubles played well. It's tough to win all

The doubles team of Felt-

man and Beare, with their victory, received praise from LaLance. "I was very pleased with

Feltman and Beare. I hope it's an indication that our number three doubles [team] is improving," he said.

LaLANCE added that the Australian tandem of Tulloch and Harris are currently

playing very strong in singles.

Further down in the singles ladder are Earle and Donnelly, who are showing good progress despite losing some close matches, LaLance said. Both have winning records, however.

"Earle and Donnelly are struggling with some close matches," LaLance added. "My goal with them is to help them get some of these close matches under their belts. But they're playing well right now, it's just those close matches."

# **Press Box**

### on Phi Slamma Jamma Sports Editor's note: Chip Walters rejoins the Sidelines staff after a brief hiatus this semester. Chip, an MTSU student, is the voice of the Columbia Lions football and basketball squads on Columbia's WKRM radio and is also employed by Y-107 radio in Nashville. He also did the play-by-play for the Blue Raiders on cable television here

He is currently the public address announcer for the Blue Raider baseball team. We take pride in welcoming back Chip. who will bring his insight and knowledge of the sports world to Sidelines readers for the remaining issues.

in Murfreesboro this season.

WELL, it finally happened. The brothers of Phi Slamma Jamma had their charter pulled.

Nothing could have tickled me more. The reason is that what was a group of talented athletes and basketball players turned into a bunch of overconfident, snotty, conceited and cocky BOYS.

All day Monday I figured that Houston would probably win the national championship, but I wasn't going to

give up on North Carolina State. The thing that really turned me against Houston happened during the beginning of the CBS-TV telecast. IT ALL started with Brent

Musberger saying let's "look at the coaching matchup verbally." N.C. State's Jim Valvano said in effect that they were

going to try to keep the tempo

of the game down. Houston's Guy Lewis, who looks to be the twin brother of Grandpa Munster, then said that usually the team that wins the battle of the boards wins the war. Real original, Guy.

VALVANO then said, "I don't think I'm going to go in the dressing room tonight and say, 'Guys, I've got this great idea; let's try to go inside.'

Ladies and gentlemen, then came one of the cockiest and stupidest quotes in sports history.

Guy "throw in the towel" Lewis then proclaimed, "We have a little sayin' down in Houston that the team that dunks the most, wins."

AT THAT moment I thought, how conceited can

one be? But to the amazement of many, Lewis had no idea on how prophetic that saying was.It's all history now, and everyone knows that the Wolfpack out-slammed the Cougars and won the game by two points, 54-52.

Houston was beaten at their own game. Thurl Bailey started the scoring off with a dunk and Lorenzo Charles played stufferino to end it. The Cougars have to be given some credit, however. Making it to the final four is no cakewalk. but with the talent Houston Strawberry Shortcake could coach them to a national

The National Association of Basketball Coaches has recommended that all experiments with three-point lines and shot clocks be eliminated. They recommended that the NCAA rule out three-point lines altogether-and they would like a shot clock of some type.

WHILE on the subject of basketball, Nashville East player Tyrus Baynham, who is still uncommitted, is being heavily recruited by Western

Kentucky, Alabama-Birmingham and Minnesota. It seems right now that UAB may have the edge on the 6-7, all-state rim-wrecker.

Also on basketball, make plans now to be at the Blue Raider opener next season when MTSU will battle the Tigers of Memphis State at the Mid-South Colosseum in

In the works for Blue Raider basketball in the 1983-84 season is a home-and-home series with the Michigan State Spartans. The last time MTSU faced the Spartans was Magic Johnson's freshman year at East Lansing. In the 1984-85 season, the Raiders are contracted to play the Louisville Cardinals in a regular season match.

Baseball you ask? Well, the Cubs got off to a great start losing their opener, 3-0. The Braves are 1-1, Seattle beat the Yankees two straight, and the Blue Raiders are 12-10 after beating Tennessee 3-0. That marks the second year in a row that MTSU has whipped UT in Knoxville. Last year it was 10-

# Dogwood Relays next for Raider trackmen

By KEVIN WEST Sports Writer

If there is a cream of the crop meet during the outdoor track season other than the NCAA, it has to be the Dogwood Relays.

This weekend, April 8-9, Coach Dean Hayes and his squad will travel to the campus of the University of Tennessee to compete against some of the most talented athletes in the Eastern half of the country.

THE MEET will include 75-100 schools and close to 2,000 competitors. Some of the entrants scheduled to appear are Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Villanova and probably all of the Southeastern Conference

Haves will be looking to get his 400-meter relay team qualified for the NCAA but will have stiff opposition from Alabama. The Crimson Tide's 400- and 800-meters relay teams are ranked very high nationally.

Kenny Shannon, Andre Kirnes, Orestes Meeks, and Mike Farris will carry the baton for the Blue Raiders in the race.

"I FEEL that we have a pretty good shot at qualifying, because we have done well so far," Hayes said.

Another event featuring MTSU athletes will be the shuttle-hurdle relay, which has performed extremely well thus far in the season. Also the milerelay team, which has already qualified for the NCAA meet.

The one event which looms

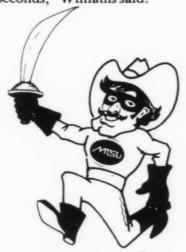
heavily in Hayes' mind at this time is the long jump. Due to the new standards for qualifying in this event. Haves said he forsees extra pressure on his jumpers.

"THIS year's standards are determined by the performances in the NCAA last year in Provo, Utah," Hayes explained. "With the high altitudes out there the competition was going wild. It made this year's standard in the long jump 25-9, which I think is two inches farther than the Olympic standard."

One of the feature athletes in this meet will be Willie Gault, split end for the UT football team. Gault, a consensus All-American, might run the high hurdles in addition to the 100meters race.

In the event Gault does run the hurdles race, Raider speedster Miguel Williams, who has started off red-hot this year, will be in a race for his life.

"The boy is just plain fast, he could probably hit every hurdle and still break 14 seconds," Williams said.



### Bowling tryouts announced

Spring tryouts for next year's women's and men's intercollegiate bowling teams will be held each Wednesday and Thursday through April from 2-4 p.m. at Murfreesboro

Lanes.

Anyone interested is invited to come by, or call 896-0945 and leave your name and number.

### Correction

In the April 5 issue, Houston was reported leading N.C. State by eight points at halftime, 33-25. Actually, Houston

trailed N.C. State at halftime by that score.

Sidelines regrets the error.