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Solar energy is main solution--Gore

by Ben Eubanks

Americans realized there was an energy crisis when in 1973 the Arab oil nations turned off the oil faucet and the price went up 400 percent, Albert Gore Jr. said Thursday.

The fourth district United States representative was speaking in the first of a three part series entitled "Energy and the Environment. The lecture series is sponsored by the Environmental Science and Technology Committee and the Ideas and Issue Committee.

"We realized we had a crisis when we were importing 30 percent of our oil from foreign sources. That figure now is 50 percent," Gore said.

The possibility that the oil supply could be cut off at anytime makes the country vulnerable, Gore said. He also said the 400 percent increase in oil prices has hurt the economy. Gore said more than \$50 billion is paid per year for imported oil while farm exports only reutrn \$25 billion of those dollars.

"In the long run this loss of dollars will cause the standard of living in the United States to go down. It doesn't make sense either economically or in the national interest for us to spend money chasing foreign oil," Gore said.

Gore said it was past time for alternative sources of energy to be explored. He said when the cost of the different sources were looked at in the '50's or '60's they weren't competitive, but the rising oil costs have made the alternative sources competitive.

Solar energy is Gore's main solution to the crisis. He said the reason it is not used more widely now is because of a lack of attention.

"I see a dramatic role for solar energy in waste and space heating," Gore said. He said if the long range costs of heating water by the present method compared to using solar energy, more money could be saved by having 75 percent of the water heated by solar energy.

Using solar energy in more temperate climate zones is not as economical, since solar cooling is still expensive, Gore said. He said a project was now being conducted in Oak Ridge which could help reduce the costs of solar cooling, however.

"You have to realize I'm talking at least a decade away. Even if we were to have a dramatic effort, we

would still be in a crisis for 15-20 years for a transition period.

Gore said most persons viewed solar energy as a means for generating electricity. He said using photovoltaic cells which use silicon semi-conductors, seems to increase the chance of electricity being produced from electricity.

Photovoltaic cells release electrons when struck by sunlight and produce electricity. Gore said the costs of treating the cells has kept them from being used. "Mass production and the rising cost of energy will make it competitive in a decade."

Gore admitted that solar energy would not solve all the energy problems and the country might have to use nuclear energy as well. He said presently there is no safe or feasible way to dispose of the radioactive waste. Right now the wastes are stored in salt domes because of the geographic stability of these areas.

Lack of space to dispose of its waste may force a nuclear plant in South Carolina to shut down, Gore said. He said conventional nuclear plant could generate 30 ares of waste in one year.

Long term storage of nuclear



Sen. Albert Gore

waste is now the responsibility of the federal government with interim storage the plant's responsibility. Gore said this situation increases transportation of nuclear waste material to the government storage area. The wastes are transported by railroad.

Transportation by trains was another solution offered by Gore to conserve oil supplies. "Nothing is more efficient than a steel wheel on

a steel rail." He said 50 percent of liquid fuel supplies were used in transportation.

Gore said he would introduce a bill in Congress to get federal jobs for people to repair the beds and tracks of railroads.

Derailments by train is nothing new, Gore said. He said derailments have occurred all the time and the media has only focused on them just recently.

\$47,000 aerospace grant refused

by Faye Hale

A proposed \$47,000 grant for the MTSU aerospace department was defeated by a House Committee,



Randall Wood

according to State Senator John Rucker of Murfreesboro.

The bill, which was introduced by Rep. John Bragg of Murfreesboro, was killed before it could be voted on by either the House or the Senate, according to Rucker.

Randall Wood, aerospace department chairman, said he knew nothing of the grant being refused, although Rucker was informed of the decision two weeks ago.

The grant would have been used for a center operating out of the aerospace department, providing services for MTSU and state aviation facilities. In order to have the center now, however, the money will have to come from the regular school budget, Rucker said.

"There is extreme competition between the schools under the State Board of Regents," Rucker said. Tennessee State University in Nashville is especially interested in having a program similar to that of MTSU, he added.

Rucker pointed out that it would

be difficult to give one school money without getting pressure from the other schools. "There was no support or advocacy of the grant by the State Board of Regents," Rucker said.

Members of the MTSU aerospace department visited TSU's department of aerospace earlier this week, which led to speculation about the two combining to form a joint program. Wood said he knew of no plans to merge the two programs, but did not deny that the two schools might work closer together to form a joint program. "There are other joint programs between the schools, but we're just looking each other over," Wood said.

MTSU will not get the center for at least another year if then, since it is too late to have it put into the next budget. The grant won't come up in the legislature either, since it will begin its recess in a few weeks.

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Job competition 'very real'

by Faye Hale

With graduation only a few weeks away, many senior and graduate students are wondering about their future jobs.

The struggle among college students for jobs is very real. However, with graduation so close a few hints to obtain a competitive edge is what many students need.

The first step is to register with the placement center on campus. This should be done by seniors and graduate students six to nine months before graduation or availability for employment. Once this is done the student's name is placed on a mailing list and he will receive information about on-campus interviews and job opportunities.

From the materials provided by the student placement center, credentials are prepared. When all this information is in the placement office, campus interviews are arranged.

Being prepared for the interview is important since one is trying to sell himself to his potential employer. Showing originality and a knowledge of the organization one will be working for is essential. Independence and involvement during school are also looked upon with favor by the employer or interviewer. Business attire should be worn to the interview and another hint would be to go alone.

That first interview will determine whether the student will receive further consideration concerning the job, according to Martha Turner, director of placement and student employment at MTSU.

Having a resume to mail or hand to an interviewer can be a help to anyone. Included in the resume should be the person's educational

as well as the personal qualifications. It should be correct and neat.

The major criteria employers seek in job applicants according to a 1976 national survey in the Endicott Report are:

- Personal qualifications: maturity, initiative, poise, sense of purpose, appearance and ability to work with people
- Grades
- Specialized courses related to one's particular field of work: some type of field experience
- Extra-curricular activities, particularly those showing leadership and responsibility
- General background in liberal arts.



Martha Turner

Music and theatre combine for 'Annie Get Your Gun'

by D'Nice Lawson

For the first time in many years the theatre and music departments have combined efforts to present Irving Berlin's musical comedy "Annie Get Your Gun" on April 20, 21 and 22.

Dorethe Tucker, theatre instructor for 20 years, remembered nine operas she directed her first years at MTSU. "But the last music and theatre collaboration was 'My Fair Lady.' A number of years ago Joseph Smith and I did 'Music Man' and a few years before that Naylor Wright helped me with a production."

Last year the music department assisted with the production "Oklahoma." "But that was not on the basis of a co-op with the department, it was just through the goodness of Dr. John Duke. He was kind enough to help us out and

direct the orchestra."

Laurence C. Harvin, musical director, said, "The departments will each benefit from the other. One year we will present a musical and the next year an opera."

"Of course there are problems involved when two departments work together," he continued. "There's the question of who will do what and who will be responsible. Some time the areas overlap and it takes a lot of diplomacy and goodwill."

"We've been rehearsing since the first of March. We're beginning to put it all together now and everyone is getting really excited," Harvin said.

Over \$4000 raised in SAE danceathon

Over \$4,000 was raised for muscular dystrophy during a danceathon sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon on March 10 and 11.

Sigma Nu placed first in the men's division after raising over \$1,000 while Pi Kappa Alpha won second and the spirit trophy.

Placing first in the women's division was Kappa Delta with Chi Omega winning second place and the spirit trophy.

Eighty percent of the money raised will go to the muscular dystrophy patients, according to Jeff Davidson, SAE member.

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Professors disagree on mandatory retirement age

by Janet Hyatt

Several MTSU professors disagree on the benefits of a bill that would raise the mandatory retirement age of 65 to 70 in 1982.

According to the bill, colleges and universities could continue the present retirement rule for the next four years so there would be time to plan ahead and adjust their tenure system.

"It should go into effect now, not in a four-year period," Woodrow Wasson, a sociology professor said.

"It could be considered a form of age discrimination. They should make it retroactive instead of waiting four years," Wasson said.

But Jesse Fletcher, a professor in the biology department said, "It is unfortunate that we have a regula-

tion that says we must retire at any age."

Wasson attacked as a "myth" the belief that after a person turns 65 his health declines. Absenteeism among older professors is not a problem, he said.

"People are living longer and are healthier now. This age of 65 was set about 100 years ago when people rarely lived that long," Wasson said.

A professor may also want to work as long as he can for a pension increase, Wasson said. The longer a professor works the greater his pension will be.

"Studies indicate in our profession that people would prefer to retire earlier than 70 or 65," he added.

County residents selected for Board of Trustees

Nine Rutherford County residents have accepted invitations to become members of the MTSU Board of Trustees, according to Boyd Evans director of development.

The Executive Committee of the Foundation chose the new members because of their dedication, attitude, fund-raising and their dedication to the concept of the foundation.

Beginning January 1, 1979, the members will serve a term of three years.

Lost & Found office has several items

Students are urged to come by the campus Lost and Found Department in UC 208 to claim articles that they have lost.

Some of the items found include prescription glasses, textbooks, keys, jewelry and several winter articles.

The phone number for the Lost and Found Department is 898-2590.

A set of keys have been found in the library and are being held for the owner in the periodicals department of the library.

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Editorial

More space not solution

If faculty members don't take advantage of the new parking area, then it will be a waste of parking space that was always used by the students.

If the faculty does take advantage of the new parking area, congested traffic on the road outside the parking area may become commonplace as faculty members tie up morning traffic, waiting to show their ID's.

Which is worse?

Monday and Tuesday, few faculty members parked in the new area because hardly anyone knew about it.

In fact, Monday was the first time that campus officials, such as Ivan Shewmake, dean of men, were notified of the change in parking.

The faculty senate has been concerned about the lack of faculty parking on campus. Yet, in recent statistical information compiled by Shewmake, the problem may be that there are not parking spaces for faculty spouses, children and third-cousins-once-removed.

From the fall of 1977 through the spring of 1978, there were approximately 445 full and part-time faculty working at MTSU.

However, 876 decals were issued to the faculty in the fall.

Since car decals are free to the faculty members, why shouldn't they take advantage and stock up?

To insure that only faculty, and not members of a faculty's family, park in the new area, one side of the parking area is barricaded and the entrance side is guarded by a university policeman to check decals and ID's.

All this will do is force faculty family members to park in other areas



designated as faculty parking.

The new faculty parking area will not eliminate the real problem—too many people being issued decals to park in faculty areas who are not faculty members.

Some kind of control must be put on the number of "free decals" given to faculty member, or there will never be enough parking for the "true" faculty.

Letters

Does faculty need 150 empty parking spaces?

To the Editor:

It seems particularly outrageous to me to have to drive several miles (mostly in circles) to try and find a parking place on this campus when there are several spaces available for my use.

These spaces, of course, are sitting idle in the newly-created faculty parking lot next to the baseball field.

Now as some people who have been around a while know, I once waged an unsuccessful campaign for student body president, in which one of the major causes of concern was the parking problem.

My response to questions on the subject was simple: There is no solution to the parking problem, unless you want to cut down some trees or tear down some classroom buildings.

But no longer is this true. Now there are spaces available which are denied to the students.

Now, I realize that the faculty need a place to park. Why they need 150 empty spaces, I don't know.

But the faculty could solve their own problem. They are drawing a good salary and it seems to me that they could put in an honest day's work for it.

The faculty members of MTSU ought to arrive at the campus at 7:30 a.m. when there are plenty of spaces to be found and stay for a full work day like any other member of the nation's work force is expected to do. They could go home at 5 p.m., or earlier if they skip their lunch break.

Not only would this solve the parking problem and give us a first-come, first-serve parking system, but it would improve education in general at MTSU.

After all, how many times have students tried to find a teacher in his office, only to discover that he is on the golf course or at home?

So the next time you see those rows of empty parking spaces behind the baseball field, remember that you had to park on

Greenland Drive and your teacher might be off visiting Rock City.

Bill Mason
Box 5854

Attitudes of campus police toward ASB criticized

To the Editor:

I am shocked at the statement recently made by an official of the campus police department.

In an article published in your last issue on the new regulation of tickets on campus cars, Mr. Hendrickson of campus security was quoted as saying that "campus police don't have to go along with anything the ASB proposes" in an interview on a bill proposed by Steve Head and recommended to Police Chief Matthew Royal.

The bill pertained to ticketing being made on campus car violators once in six hours. I neither question the bill nor the decision made by Police Chief Royal, but I do question the attitudes of the campus police towards the actions of the ASB.

I hold no office in student government, but I speak as a concerned student.

This university, with all its services, is paid for out of the pockets of parents of students attending Middle Tennessee. The ASB was set up to provide students with a voice in the affairs of campus-wide decisions.

It bothers me to see proposals made by elected members of the ASB dismissed without proper consideration and in such a callous manner.

After all, how could this university operate without student support financially and by student involvement in campus activities?

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Open Forum

Anti-obscenity bill stifles speech, press freedom

by Ted Rayburn

Mass Communications Major

It becomes increasingly depressing to follow newspaper and television news reports on the anti-obscenity bill, which rammed its way through the state legislature and is now on the governor's desk, waiting for probable approval.

For me, and other members of the media, it's like watching the beginning of the end.

Knoxville State Sen. Ben Atchley and Rep. Paul Scruggs' bill, originally drafted by Memphis "Deep Throat" prosecutor Larry Parrish, may well mark the most serious abridgement of First Amendment guarantees in some time. Even after approximately 150 changes were made in the text of the bill, what remains could endanger speech and press freedoms in Tennessee and could spread to other states.

According to State Rep. Roger Murray, a chief supporter of the action, the bill is "aimed hard at

people who profiteer heavily off of hard core pornography" and is planned "to take care of the individual who is just doing his job"—that being the employee of establishments which sell obscene materials.

What will happen to offenders on conviction is imprisonment for up to five years and fines from \$5,000 to \$50,000. In addition, those convicted would not be given the right to parole or to suspended sentences.

Those "profiteers" would be persons who trafficked in "obscenity," which was originally defined by Parrish according to rulings set by the U.S. Supreme Court. According to the court, obscene material is "that material that appeals to the prurient interest of the average person, depicts sexual conduct in a patently offensive way and lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value."

This definition itself has been questioned for its vagueness and pretentiousness. For example,

what is an "average" person? Is it all right for a "non-average" person to indulge their prurient interests? Have Supreme Court justices the diversity of knowledge to qualify them to be literary and art critics, political analysts and scientists? Apparently, Parrish and our state legislators believe they can be.

Gov. Ray Blanton may join this elite group of Renaissance men and women soon, after indicating Wednesday that he plans to sign the bill.

Blanton told Knoxville radio evangelist J. Bazzel Mull in a broadcast phone conversation that "the bill was not exactly what I wanted," but that "it was a step in the right direction."

Blanton's record, as they say, speaks for itself.

Some of the steps this bill will take include:

- possible immediate search and seizure of obscene materials in business establishments

- regulation of businesses in which more than 30 percent of material shown or sold in that establishment is "patently offensive"

- Materials deemed obscene by a county or other local government can be declared contraband in that county. Such materials, in Parrish's estimation, could include Playboy and Penthouse magazines.

- A retailer will be able to "pass the buck" to the actual publisher of materials considered obscene, if he signs an affidavit on the source of the materials and delivers it to authorities. He would then be exempt from prosecution.

These provisions, along with about 18 descriptions of what will be considered obscene sexual conduct were passed 94-2 by the House and 29-4 by the Senate, under pressure from church groups who flocked to the Capitol in busloads to urge passage.

Many legislators were reportedly told by some organizations that they would work for the defeat of any legislator who voted against or otherwise opposed the bill.

It is very disillusioning to see so many elected officials coerced into approving an unconstitutional bill by a relatively small group of moralists who want their narrow-minded values forced on the public.

But the saddest part may be that those citizens who oppose the bill were also intimidated by reports of the wave of support and allowed it to pass.

That is my opinion. I'm proud of my right to reveal it. Soon it may be considered obscene too.

Blanton agrees with prof's column

by Jerry Williamson

Gov. Ray Blanton, one of Tennessee's most vocal critics of the press, finally found something in a paper with which he agrees—it just happened to be in *Sidelines*.

In the Feb. 17 issue of *Sidelines*, Dr. Ed Daley, associate professor of economics, had an article in the open forum entitled, "Free Press Must Recognize its Responsibility."

After reading the article in *Sidelines*, Blanton wrote a letter to Daley congratulating him for "one of the best discussions I have read regarding the responsibility of the press."

In Daley's article, he said that freedom of the press "must be exercised within the bounds of responsibility."

He also said that he believes a public figure has "a right to privacy and to speak or not to speak to journalists as he sees fit. Public figures are answerable to the people. The press has an obligation to inform the public. But the people have not invested reporters with the authority to demand that public figures answer whatever questions the reporters ask."

In the letter, Blanton said, "Your article points up exactly what I am fighting for right now—the right of the individual to privacy, whether in private or public life and the responsibility of the news media to do more than 'muckrake' for sensationalism"

Daley also said that the responsibility of the press is to "correct mistakes, not to expose, embarrass and punish those who make them."

Daley said that he was happy that the governor's office was pleased with his article. "I knew that it was something that he would agree with."

He said that he had been interested in the rights of the press for a long time and when he decided to write the article, he thought of the problems that the governor was having with the media.

Daley said that he likes to receive recognition, but when he received the letter, he was "surprised."

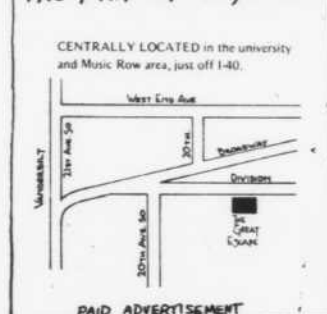
"When I first saw it (the letter), I thought it was from an insurance company. I had no idea that it was from the governor," Daley said.

"It is encouraging to learn that fair-minded individuals such as you are engaged in the instruction of our young people," Blanton said in closing the letter.

SHAKERS

by DBFischnetz

OF ALL THE TALES THAT CAN BE HEARD WHILE TOURING THE MTSU CAMPUS, NOT ONE IS STRANGER THAN THE HUSHED WHISPERS ABOUT... "THE PHANTOM 50,000!"



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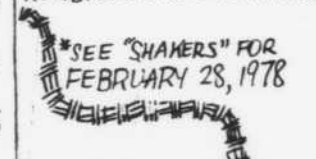


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Sixteen finalists selected for 'Outstanding Teacher'

by Lisa Human

Sixteen finalists have been selected for the "Outstanding Teacher Award" for 1977-78.

Each finalist will be evaluated by students, department heads and tenured faculty members in their specific fields. The evaluations will be run through a computer to determine the three highest.

To become a finalist, each tea-

cher received three nominations; one from a student, one from a faculty member and one from an alumni.

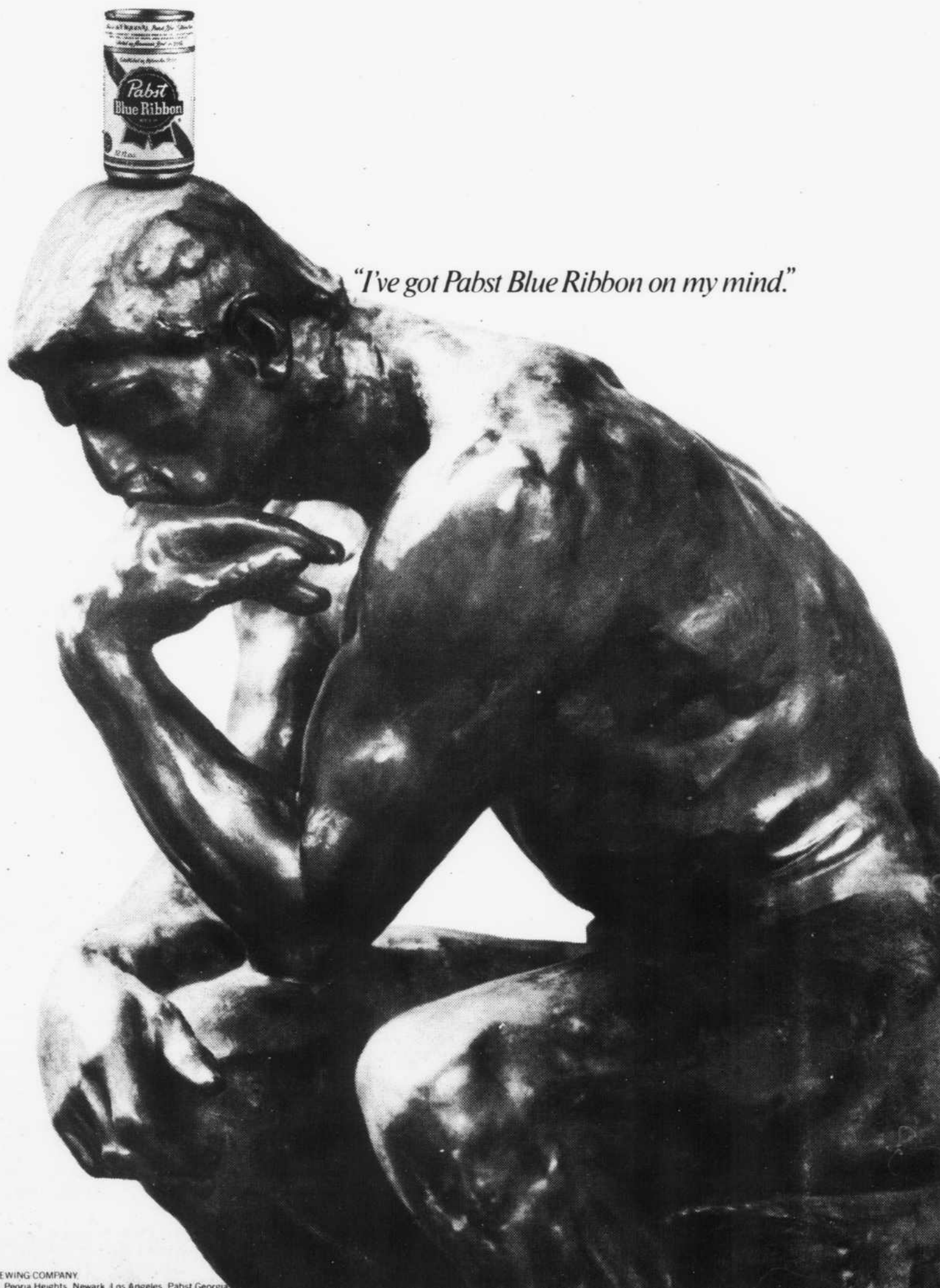
The winners will each receive a \$1,000 check which will be presented to them by MTSU Foundation President Homer Pittard at the Alumni Banquet on Saturday, April 29.

Teachers of the year for 1976-77

were Marilyn Chance, nursing; Dr. Robert Prytula, psychology; and Dr. John McRay, religious studies.

Nominees for this year are David Bigelow, art; Bobby Corcoran, economics and finance; Patrick Doyle, biology; Janice Hayes, youth education; Jeannette Heritage, psychology; Ralph Hillman, speech and theatre; Reuben Kyle, economics

and finance; James Lea, mathematics and computer science; Florence McFerrin, mathematics and computer science; Larry Morris, psychology; Dan Reynolds, management and marketing; Fred Rolater, history; David Singer, youth education; Beryl West, psychology; Harold Whiteside, psychology; and James Wiseman, health, physical education, recreation and safety.



CAMPUS CALENDAR

FRIDAY

Seminar for Water Plant Operators: Tenn. Dept. of Public Health, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC 305 and 322

Professional Negotiations Workshop: 12:30-9 p.m., UC Theatre

Larynectomee Workshop: 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC 311, 312, 316 and 318

Workshop: History Dept., 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC 305, 310, 313 and 322

Luncheon: History Dept. Luncheon, 12 noon-1:30 p.m., Tennessee Room, JUB

ACT Examination: 8 a.m.-noon, UC Theatre

Tenn. State High School Speech and Drama Festival: 7 a.m.-4 p.m., DA Auditorium

Track Meet: MTSU/ETSU/Illinois State, 1:30 p.m., Jones Field Track

Delta Kappa Gamma: 2-4 p.m., Dining Room B, JUB

SUNDAY

Banquet: Chi Omega, 2-4 p.m., Tennessee Room, JUB

Spaghetti Supper Ticket Sale: Presbyterian Student Fellowship, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC Basement

MONDAY

Spaghetti Supper Ticket Sale: Presbyterian Student Fellowship, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC Basement

Movie: "Mahogany," features at 3:30, 6, and 8 p.m., UC Theatre

TUESDAY

Spaghetti Supper Ticket Sale: Presbyterian Student Fellowship, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC Basement

GED Test: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., UC 314

High School Math Contest: Math Dept., Tenn. Math Teacher's Association, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Tennessee Room, JUB

ASB Traffic Court: 4-6 p.m., UC 318 and 322A

Spaghetti Supper: Presbyterian Student Fellowship, 5-7:30 p.m., Dining Room B, JUB

Movie: "Mahogany," features at 3:30, 6, and 8 p.m., UC Theatre

The Student Union Building has been renamed the James Union Building.

Beginning this issue, Sidelines will refer to the SUB as the JUB.

Two art labs under construction to comply with fire codes

by Kenny Kleespies

In order to comply with fire codes and to remove hazardous functions from the Art Barn, two art lab areas are being constructed in a new building near the Art Barn.

A spray paint lab and a kiln lab, which are presently in the Art Barn, will be moved into the new structure.

The kilns, which are heated by natural gas, and the spray paint, which has fumes and vapors, can cause dangers such as fire to the barn, according to Charles Pigg, director of campus planning.

A fire in the Art Barn in the fall of 1976 prompted the move of the lab areas, according to Leon Nuell of the art department.

"This move will eliminate any danger of fire spreading through the barn," Nuell said.

State appropriated money from the Occupational Safety Health Act will provide the \$55,284 needed for construction of the building.

Construction of the 1,456 square foot building is scheduled to begin as soon as the weather permits and is expected to be completed by August 11.

Tornado warnings advised as season approaches

The worst months for tornado activity in Tennessee are March, April and May.

Knowing certain safety rules, deaths and injuries can be kept to a minimum.

To be the safest in case of a tornado, one should be able to recognize it, according to Safety Director Archie Sullivan. "The funnel-shaped cloud of the tornado appears to be getting bigger and bigger as it get closer," he added.

The cloud of the tornado contains very high speed winds rotating about a calm center. Scientists have estimated that these wind speeds vary from 150 mph to 300 mph.

On the average, tornado paths are only a quarter of a mile wide and 15 miles long.

If a tornado watch is announced it means that tornado development is possible. A tornado warning means a tornado has been sighted.

"Never try to outrun a tornado in the direction it is traveling," Sullivan said. "If a person is trying to get out of the path of a tornado, he should travel at right angles to the tornado's path," he added.

If a tornado should be sighted students would be safest in a building. If possible, the student



should get in the basement next to a substantial wall, according to Sullivan.

If a basement is not available, shelter should be sought under sturdy furniture or take cover in the center part of the house, on the lowest floor or in a small room such as a closet or bathroom.

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Denver tickets are still available

Tickets for the John Denver concert are still available for \$7.50 in sections C,D,F and G and for \$5.00 in section J of Murphy Center.

Although the 300 remaining tickets are bleacher seats, they are all reserved seats.

The best seats can probably be obtained now by buying tickets at MTSU, instead of at Sound 70 outlets in Nashville, according to

Terry Burkhalter, vice president of academic affairs. "They got the tickets from us," Burkhalter said, "and we kept the best ones here."

Half of the available sections are already filled and tickets could be sold out by next week, according to Burkhalter. "It's hard to say about something like this," he added.

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Skin needs protection from rays

Too much sun could cause wrinkling, cancer

by D'Nice Lawson

For the sun worshippers who are trying to get or keep a toasty brown tan, some precautions should be taken according to Dr. Charles E. Goodman, Jr., Murfreesboro dermatologist.

"Dermatologists aren't fond of any kind of suntan," Goodman said. Too much exposure to the sun's rays leads to "aging, wrinkling and skin cancer."

"The main thing is to remember that tanning is a natural process of protection from the ultra-violet rays of the sun," Bertha Chrietstetberg, HPERS department first-aid instructor, explained.

Fair-skinned persons "have to be much more careful because they don't have as much protection from the sun," she said.

Goodman recommended laying out in the sun for only 30 minutes the first few days—Chrietstetberg suggested 15. Sun lamps are very dangerous, Chrietstetberg added, and advised anyone using them to be "extremely careful." "Most people stay under the lamps too long and forget to protect their eyes while using them," she said.

"If we're doing harm to the ozone layer, which is questionable," she continued, "more ultra

violet rays are coming through and the cases of skin cancer will begin to rise."

But not everyone exposed to the sun will develop cancer, she said, which is now the easiest type of cancer to cure.

Sun tanning oils give little protection from the sun's ray, Goodman said. He advised sun screens with the chemical additive PABA.

However should anyone ignore all advice and precaution, they could end up with first or second degree burns, Chrietstetberg said. The second degree burns reach through the first layer into the growing layer of skin.

This can result in blisters, infection or light scarring.

As for sunburn remedies, "the person is just in for some misery," Goodman said. Some of the ointments will help to soothe the pain, as will some old wives' tales like milk baths.

However, butter or vinegar, which used to be two favorite medications for sunburn, are ineffective Chrietstetberg said.

"Although deep tans look nice and are now considered a status symbol, too much sun is not a good idea," she added.



Faculty Senate elects new officers

Nineteen faculty senators were elected for a term of three years in last week's Senate elections.

Those elected from the School of Liberal Arts include Ben Austin, James Brooks, Fred Cavin, William Connelly, Frank Essex and John Paul Montgomery.

From the School of Business, Joe Amos and Fred Kittrell were elected.

Senators from School of Basic and Applied Science are Harold Baldwin, Bill Patrick and Roy Plaster.

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Peay invades on Saturday

Stanford still sees question marks in team

by Eddie Gossage

With conference play starting tomorrow, MTSU baseball coach John Stanford still has a few spots in question on his team.

"Our outfield is definitely our weak spot," Stanford explained. "Right and center field are fine but the left field spot is up for grabs."

The season is definitely not new to the Raider diamondmen as they

"I hope we've learned from the 25 games so far," Stanford said. "Now it's time to play for the marbles."

The marble game will begin tomorrow as the Governors of Austin Peay invade MTSU for a doubleheader Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. Stanford said he knew little about the squad from Peay except about the pitching staff.

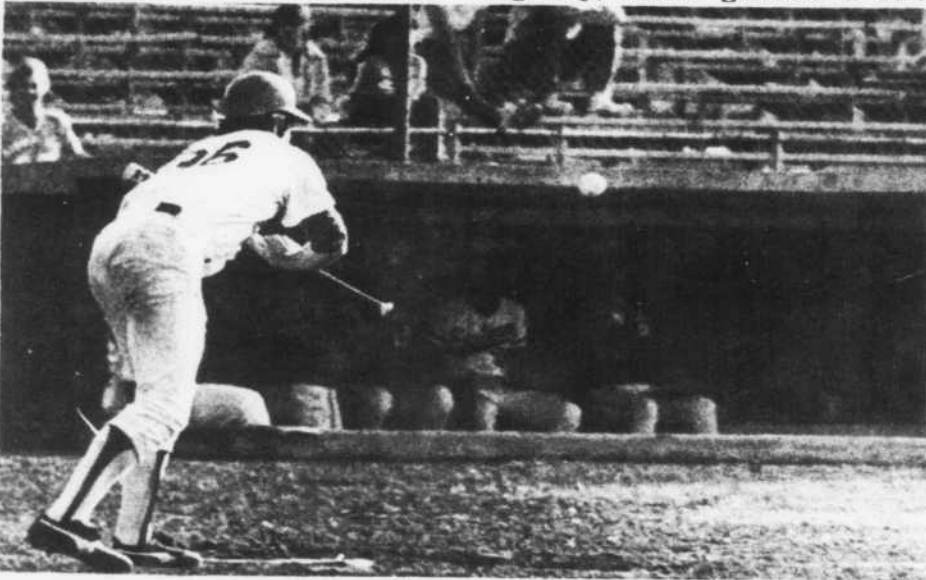
"We know they have a good pitching staff," Stanford said. "Eastern Illinois wouldn't give us a scouting report, but they did say they were a good sound team."

The Raiders will be going into the contest following a split in doubleheader action with Eastern Illinois yesterday.

Eastern grabbed a 6-1 win in the first game as David Booker was credited with the loss. In the nightcap, MTSU grabbed a 10-9

sidelines sports

are 25 games deep into the year. That number, which is probably more than any other OVC or SEC school, could be an asset to MTSU.



Freshman Mike Tobitt squares around to bunt in the second game of a double header with Eastern Illinois. [Cindy Hicks photo]

Football team tuning up for new season with high hopes

by Scott Adams
Sports Editor

Football...in the spring??

That's probably what most people say when they go past Horace Jones field and hear the blaring of whistles and the smack of pads.

Preparation for the 1978 season began a few days before spring holidays, with four weeks of four-day-a-week practices to follow.

Coach Hurt said he was pleased with the attitude of the team so far and expressed his pleasure in the off-season weight program, which seems to have vastly improved the overall strength of the club.

"In most of our practices so far, we have been mostly concentrating on fundamentals and getting the players into the positions which are right for them," Hurt said.

The biggest problem for the Blue Raiders will definitely be the re-

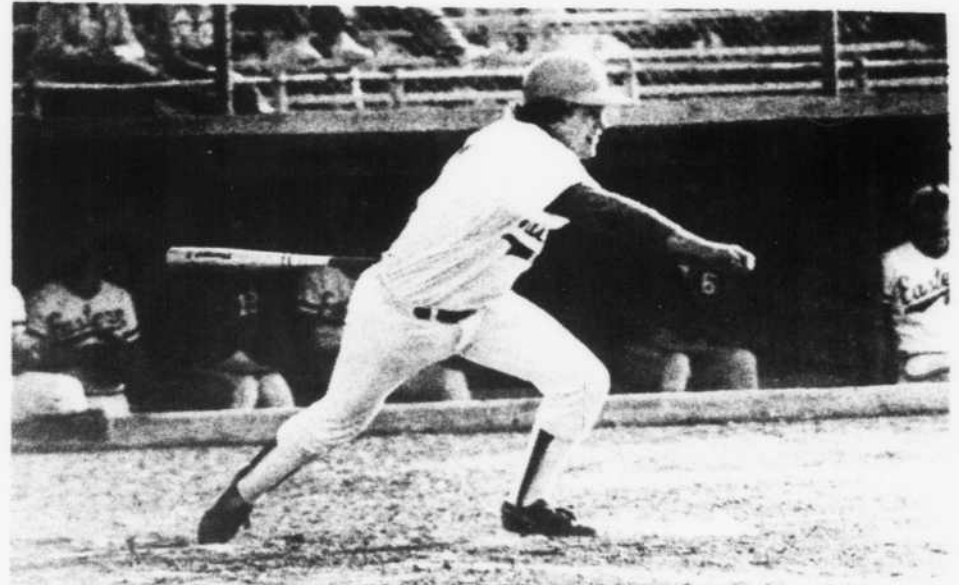
placement of eight starters on the defensive team.

Of course, the loss of quarterback Mike Robinson and "All Everything" runningback Mike Moore was no small blow, but the offensive squad is blessed by the return of nine starters from last year's team.

Depth is always a problem in a school of MTSU's size, but Hurt will be looking for a lot of help in this area from the 19 incoming freshman, who will join the team for the summer session.

Coach Hurt pointed out Stanley Wright, a linebacker on defense, Jeff Shockley, split end and Larry Miller, flanker on offense, as the most impressive players so far.

Practice sessions are Monday thru Thursday with Friday being an off day. A controlled scrimmage is played each Saturday morning, usually beginning at 9:30 a.m.



This Blue Raider batsman digs for first after he stroked a hit in Wednesday's action against Eastern Illinois. [Cindy Hicks photo]

win. Art Whitaker started the game and Mike McMeen came on in relief.

In Tuesday's action, MTSU swept a doubleheader from Eastern Illinois 2-0 and 1-0. Tom Wilson took the victory in the opening game while Mike Moore, relieving Robert Culley in the sixth inning, was given the win in the nightcap. The second game lasted nine innings in a scoreless deadlock until junior Doug Hicks knocked in Kerry

Maxwell for the winning run.

Middle Tennessee won a single game from St. Mary's College by the score of 13-0 on Tuesday.

"Finally being on our own diamond has helped our playing," Stanford said. "We had a good crowd yesterday and today and I hope we have one Saturday when we face Austin Peay."

The Raiders will be idle Sunday but will travel to Tennessee Tech Monday for a single road game.

Blue Raider netsmen crush Western in OVC battle

by Dan Greene

Middle Tennessee's men's tennis team overwhelmed defending Ohio Valley Conference champion Western Kentucky 9-0 Tuesday, handing the powerful Hilltoppers their worst defeat ever against an OVC team.

The teams have flip-flopped for the top two spots in the conference the last two years which has made for a very intense rivalry.

Six of the nine matches were three setters with MTSU standouts Dale Short and Danny Wallace rallying from first set losses to win their matches.

MTSU also had to come from behind in the two doubles matches to capture victories.

Australian's Stuart Thompson and Peter Roberts played one of their stronger doubles matches against the Hilltoppers, according to coach Dick LaLance.

On the recent Florida trip the Raiders lost the majority of their three setters, but LaLance felt that the experience gained was helpful against Western.

The victory raised the Raiders record to 5-5 with the next outing this weekend against Carson-Newman and the University of Louisville Friday and Saturday in Clarksville.



Danny Wallace

ASB slates boxing matches

The ASB is holding a boxing tournament to benefit the Lung Association on April 27 to be held in the Alumni Memorial Gym.

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Track team begins long road trip in Memphis

by Scott Adams

Coach Dean Hayes will lead his Blue Raider trackmen to Memphis Saturday to participate in a meet with Memphis State, Mississippi State, Mississippi College and possibly Arkansas State.

The team, which faces its next five meets on the road, has already qualified five individuals for the NCAA Outdoor Championships later this spring in Eugene, Ore.

"Our schedule really got messed up this year because a couple of schools changed their spring breaks and had to cancel meets with us," Hayes said. "We had a dual meet with Tennessee Tech cancelled



Ed Stegall

which was to be here also."

The next home meet for the Raiders will be the OVC Championships on May 5th and 6th but Hayes said most of the team understood the schedule mixup and accepted the lack of home meets this season.

Ed Stegall, a qualifier in the mile relay, said he didn't feel that qualifying this early in the season hurt him at all.

"Qualifying this early just showed us that we can run with the big schools and that confidence is necessary to do good in every sport," Stegall said.

"In fact, I really think it might give us an edge if the other teams

running against us know we have run well enough to qualify already," he added.

Mississippi State, participant in Saturday's meet, has a mile relay team that has already run a blistering 3:08, one second better than the new school record MTSU's relay team set last week of 3:09.

Stegall added that he was really looking forward to the competition this weekend and that Mississippi State should "really give them a run for their money."

Miler Gary Perry, who left the last meet sick, has not worked out much this week and it is not certain whether he will participate this weekend.

MTSU lady netters slip by Vandy

by Scott Adams

Coach Sandy Neal's women tennis team, off to one of their best starts ever, posted a narrow victory over Vanderbilt, 5-4 in net action

Tuesday.

The Lady Raiders upped their season record to 5-2 riding the strong comebacks of three players who all lost their first sets, but

rallied to win the remaining two.

Elina Durchman's comeback was perhaps the most exciting in that she was down 5-0 in the final set only to put together a miraculous rally which launched her to a 7-6 win.

Kaye Wrather and Karen Miller were also losers in their first sets but came back to post wins to aid the team's victory.

Traci Williams added a victory in the No. 5 singles to give MTSU a 4-2 lead going into the doubles matches.

The deciding doubles match, which assured Middle of the win, came from Nancy Broadhurst and Wrather who squeaked out a three-set victory.

Coach Neal will now lead her Lady Raiders to Martin for the UT Martin Invitational where they are expected to face some very tough competition.

Tuesday's scores

MTSU 5 Vanderbilt 4 Singles

1. Elina Durchman (MT) def. Leslie Crofford, 6-7, 6-4, 7-6.
2. Mary Hicks (V) def. Nancy Broadhurst, 1-6, 6-2, 6-2.
3. Kaye Wrather (MT) def. Virginia Faison, 4-6, 7-6, 6-1.
4. Sara Clark (V) def. Corinne McDonald, 7-6, 6-1.
5. Traci Williams (MT) def. Jan Corley 6-3, 6-4.
6. Karen Miller (MT) def. Kathi Todd, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Doubles

1. Crofford-Hicks (V) def. Durchman-McDonald 6-3, 6-3.
2. Broadhurst-Wrather (MT) def. Clark-Corley 6-2, 4-6, 6-1.
3. Faison-Coreg (V) def. Miller-Craig 6-7, 6-3, 6-0.



1978 Women's tennis team

Sports Calendar

BASEBALL—Austin Peay, home Saturday 1 p.m., double-header. Tennessee Tech, away, Monday.

TRACK—Memphis v. Mississippi State, Memphis State, Arkansas State and Mississippi College.

GOLF—Cape Coral Invitational,

March 29-April 1, Cape Coral, Fla.

WOMEN'S TENNIS—UT Martin Invitational, Martin, Tn. Apr. 1 & 2.

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MTSU karate team impressive in Cookeville meet

by Scott Adams

Did you know it is now possible to receive a varsity letter for karate at Middle Tennessee State?

Most people don't and that seems to be the story of the karate teams' season so far.

Struggling for recognition, MTSU's "men of the martial arts" are laden with talent as they displayed this past weekend at the Tennessee State Karate Championship in Cookeville.

The team placed three people highly in their respective divisions with David Deaton taking a first place in the Kata division and second in sparring. Dave Cooper picked up a second place finish in his division of sparring while Rick Goad took a third in the Kata event.

Kata is a series of prescribed moves in which the participant is



These three MTSU karate team standouts display the form that placed them highly in last weekend's meet in Cookeville. [l. to r.] Dave Cooper, David Deaton and Rick Goad. [Robin Rudd photo]

scored on his fluency and exactness in performing these moves.

Sparring is exactly what it sounds like, free fighting using any form of the martial arts.

MTSU, the only school in the state to offer a varsity letter in karate, has participated in numerous competitions, drawing private clubs from all over Tennessee including out of state organizations.

The team, consisting of 30 members and will travel to Nashville this weekend for the Battle of Nashville, one of the four major tournaments held in Tennessee.

"What we're really looking for is intercollegiate matches in our vicinity with the hopes of possibly forming some kind of league later," according to Bill Day of the HPERS department and a member of the team.

East Tennessee jumps to Southern Conference

by John Lewis Pitts

East Tennessee State has departed the Ohio Valley Conference, ending a 21-year affiliation to join the Southern Conference effective July 1, 1978.

The move was announced Wednesday by Southern Conference officials, who said the Buccaneers will be immediately eligible for all conference championships except football and basketball.

A one-year probationary period is mandatory in those sports.

The remote location of the school (in Johnson City, 270 miles from Murfreesboro) is cited as the main reason for the move to the other conference. According to ETSU officials, they had no "natural rivals" in the OVC.

Members of the Southern Conference include UT Chattanooga, Furman, VMI, the Citadel, Wes-

tern Carolina, Eastern Carolina, Davidson and Marshall.

The Bucs will retain their 1978 football schedule, which includes games against all seven OVC opponents. Middle Tennessee is likely to be retained on the ETSU basketball schedule in 1979.

The loss of East Tennessee leaves the OVC with just seven members, and poses a choice for the conference. The addition of one new school would return the league to eight members, although there has been discussion of expanding to ten teams.

Tennessee State and Evansville have been suggested as possible new OVC members.

East Tennessee won the OVC cross-country title and shared with MTSU in the basketball crown, but has not traditionally enjoyed great success in the league.

Knight to speak at annual Blue Raider banquet

University of Indiana head basketball coach Bobby Knight will speak at the annual MTSU Blue Raider Appreciation Banquet set for April 15 at the Stones River Country Club.

"This promises to be a very entertaining event," said Blue Raider Head Coach Jimmy Earle. "We're very lucky to get someone of Bobby's caliber to come down and speak to us."

The Raiders, who won a share of the Ohio Valley Conference championship this season with a conference record of 10-4, will lose five seniors to graduation including starters Bob Martin and Sleepy Taylor.

Their 62.3 average in opponents' scoring was good enough to put them atop the OVC in that category and also in the top ten in the nation.

MTSU's Martin finished first in field goal percentage, hitting on 125 of 217 shots for a 57.6 percentage. Greg Joyner placed third with a percentage of 55.6.

Joyner also finished sixth in the conference in free throw percentage hitting 63 of 83 shots for 75.9 percent and eight in scoring with a 16.4 average.

Sleepy Taylor finished fifth in scoring with an 18.2 average hitting a total of 455 points and was second in free throw percentage hitting 130 of 159 attempts, for 81.8 percent.

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