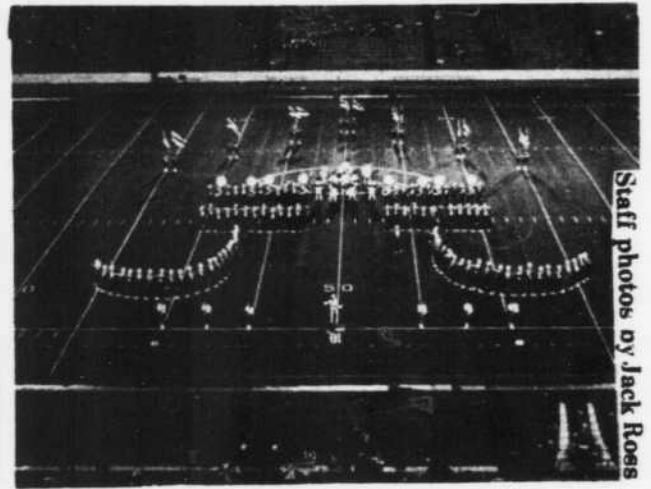
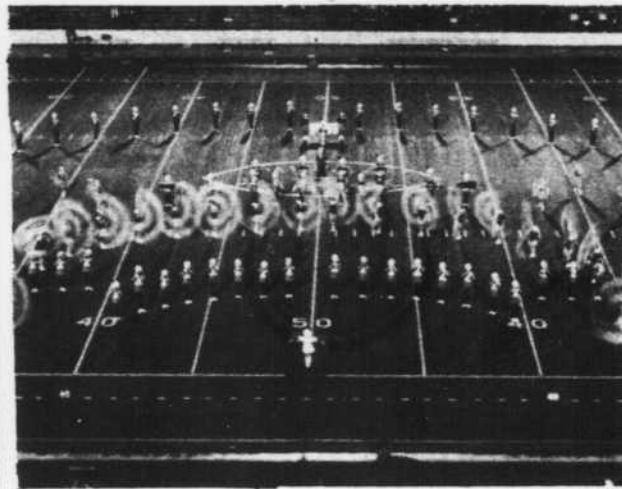
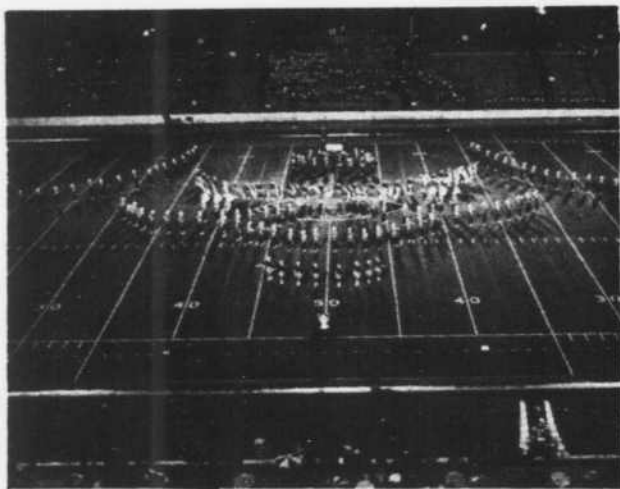


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Staff photos by Jack Ross

Bands perform during the Contest of Champions held this weekend on Jones Field. Despite rainy conditions, 30 marching bands from high schools all over the south participated.

TSA convention to aid student awareness

Student government leaders from colleges all over the state will gather here Wednesday for the first annual Tennessee Student Association's "autumn symposium."

According to Greg Vick, Chattanooga senior and chairman of TSA, as many as 150 students may join MTSU students in "becoming more aware of the governmental processes."

"The symposium is not a working legislative session," Vick explained, "but is geared to increase the awareness of the Tennessee student."

Speakers at the three-day gathering will include fourth district congressional nominee

Albert Gore, Jr., independent U.S. senate candidate Mark Clark Bates, State Supreme Court Justice Joe Henry and 1974 democratic candidate Tom Wiseman, now a lobbyist in the state legislature.

The session will begin Wednesday night with registration, a banquet and remarks from Gore. A screening of the classic 1930's film "Reefer Madness," sponsored by the campus National Organization for the reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) will take place at 8 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the SUB. p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the SUB.

On Thursday, Justice Henry will begin sessions in the University

Center at 9 a.m. with a talk on student responsibilities in the state and federal judicial system. Lawyer Ray, one of the sponsors of an unsuccessful campus legal aid program here last year, will speak on student rights with regard to the law at 10:30 a.m.

MTSU mass communications faculty member Paul Keckley will speak on rights and responsibilities of the student press at 1 that afternoon. Virginia Brown, a representative of the state Welfare department, will discuss the technicalities of students applying for food stamps at 2:30. In the final session of Thursday, State representative Brad Davis will outline

"principles of the Republican party" at 4 p.m.



Albert Gore Jr.

On Friday, Wiseman will outline "principles of the Democratic party" at 9 a.m., and a special campus forum will discuss the upcoming senatorial race which will unite Bates with Bill Brock's campaign manager, Tom Bell and a representative of Jim Sasser in a meeting at 10:30.

In the final session of the symposium, Jane Eskind of the state Democratic Executive Committee will discuss "The Woman and Politics" at 1 p.m. Most of the speakers will present their topics in UC 324.

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Blood drive next week

The annual MTSU blood drive, sponsored by Army ROTC, will be conducted next Tuesday on the third floor of the University Center.

Blood drive activities will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 3 p.m.

This year's goal, set by the county Red Cross, is 450 pints of blood. Awards will be given in the greek and campus club divisions to the organizations which donate the most blood, and for percentage of participation.

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Mary Frances Hale, a Nashville Psychologist, leads a workshop on assertiveness Saturday afternoon in the Student Union Building. In the group, the women

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Violent crime victims should seek support

by Cathy Wood

Victims of violent crimes, especially rape, should find the strength to seek out help and support said psychiatric nurse Carol Etherington Monday night in an informal discussion in the DA Auditorium on rape intervention.

"People never think that they may be the victim of a violent crime. The experience shatters their lives, and they need all the sympathetic help they can get."



Carol Etherington

Etherington also called for a change in Tennessee state laws concerning rape, particularly in the definition of the crime. She urges a more comprehensive law that would protect the victim and give her more control over legal proceedings.

Working with the crisis prevention center of the Nashville police department for a year, Etherington is pleased with the rise of rape reports because "this shows that women are becoming more self-confident and willing to take positive action."

Etherington urged women to contact police after they have been raped. "I'm proud to say that all the officers I've been associated with have been sensitive and understanding."

"The statement that the victim must give the police is often the best thing she can do, although some people view this as a hassle. For once, she must talk about everything that happened to her. She must get it down on paper, in black and white," she explained.

However, once the rape victim

decides to press charges, her role changes. She is very vulnerable and her story must be carefully checked out, because unfortunately, some women will lie about being raped, for one reason or another," Etherington said.

The rape case usually rests on the victim's description of the rapist. About 40 percent of Tennessee's accused rapists are sent to jail, while about 58 percent of them went indicted last year.

Etherington urged potential rape victims to resist as soon as possible, not to wait until the middle of the crime when it is practically impossible to fight an attacker off.

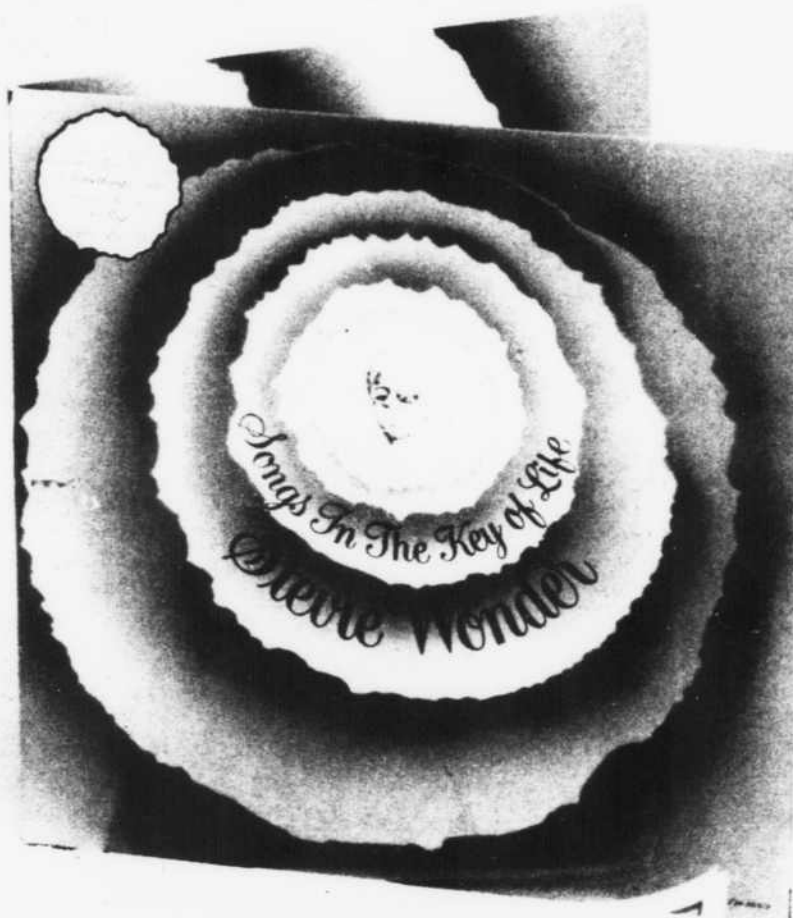
"Rape incredibly alters the victim's life," Etherington said. "Some people can't handle the guilt, fear and rage they feel. Some have an urge to talk to the rapists, to reassure themselves that he was not out to get her personally."

Most victims can handle their feelings if they have help, but Etherington refers deeply upset victims to group therapy, recommending the ones who develop suicidal tendencies to a mental hospital.

"We counsel them and their families on a one-to-one basis, just trying to talk their feelings out, trying to make them understand that it's better to be raped than to be killed."

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Female impersonators to appear in class today

A group of female impersonators, performers at a gay bar in Nashville, will lecture a criminal justice administration class tomorrow afternoon.

The class, which is studying community relations and minority rights, will meet under the direction of Roy Campbell of the CJA department at 1:40 p.m. in NCB 103. Criminal justice majors and "whoever else can squeeze in" can view the presentation by the impersonators.

NEWS

Campbell, contacted by phone in Nashville last night, said there had been plans to present the program in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium "at one time," but the decision was made that moving the class to a larger forum might disturb "the academic setting" of the class and the presentation.

If the students desire a presentation in a no-academic setting, then they should consider asking the Ideas and Issues committee to bring them here," Campbell said.

Campbell said the "matter" of having the impersonators on campus "came up rather quickly,"

and he was unable to give a two weeks notice before applying for the DA. The room the class will meet in is slightly larger than their normal classroom to accommodate some additional students, Campbell said.

Deborah Jackson, the CJA student making the presentation of her class, said she was unsure how many performers would come to Murfreesboro.

"Had we been able to do the show excerpts the whole group would have come, but they would have to have a stage - lights, music, something like that."

Jackson said she was not sure the performers would like the idea of presenting their show for the Ideas and Issues committee at a late date.



Murfreesboro Police question Burger Queen personnel after a night robbery there yesterday.

Male qualifies for queen race

Homecoming entries due Wednesday

With the deadline for applications still two days away, 16 females and one male have registered to compete for Homecoming queen in elections on Oct. 25 and 26.

Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 is the final deadline for all competi-

tions, according to Margaret Alexander, one of two chairmen of the event.

Darla Child, the pseudonym of a female impersonator who attends school here, is the sole male entry in the contest. Contacted by telephone last night, "Child" said he had not definitely decided whether he would remain in the competition.

According to the contestant, "I don't want my real name to be used...if you are going to mention real name, then you will leave me no choice but to resign," "Child" said.

"I decided to run on my own, but I must be considerate of some other people in this situation," the impersonator said.

"Darla Child" was the subject of an interview in the spring Sidelines, where he discussed his career as a female impersonator, performing several times a month

at "The Other Side," a gay bar in Nashville.

Other entries in the competition include Teresa Everette, Little Sigmas; Jane Pratt, Delta Zeta; Deana Graham, Alpha Delta Pi; Anita Canaday, Alpha Delta Pi; Deana Graham, ADPi Big Brother; Lisa Patterson, ADPi pledges; Jenny Scruggs, Cummings Hall; Kerma Bowling, Wood; Sue Gaylor, Pi Kappa Alpha and Mary Leslie Buchanan, Kappa Sigma.

In addition, these girls are also entered in the queen contest: Jo Ann True, Alpha Gamma Delta; Cathrine Carter, independent; Sandy Nusimer, Kappa Delta; Karen Smith KD pledge; Kay Harlan, Chi Omega, Mimi Hodges, Sigma Alpha Epsilon pledge class and Jo Ann Thurman, Wesley foundation.

The list reflects the entries that have been submitted as of yesterday.

Fast food robbery leaves police wondering

A night robbery of the Burger Queen yesterday has left police wondering how a robber could enter a building through a locked and bolted door, take money and then escape through that same door.

At approximately 9:30, a single individual, described by police as being a white male, 5-10, weighing about 160, being "about 24" years of age, entered the building, located on Greenland Drive across from campus, and forced a female employee to open a cash register and give him an undisclosed amount of money.

Before personnel in the fast-food restaurant could become aware of what was happening, the robber escaped.

Jeff Davidson, an employee of the restaurant, said he had looked at the back door "just a little while before it happened" and he claimed the door was "locked and bolted from the inside."

Davidson, an MTSU student, said "all I saw was the manager

drop the telephone, and I saw the expression on the waitresses' face. Then I realized what had happened." He added that "it took a while for it to all sink it—it happened that fast."

Police quickly arrived at the scene, and several customers, apparently unaware of what had happened, were retained in the dining area for a few moments.

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Campus Calendar

Today

State Board of Regents & Coordinators with Veteran's Administration Staff: UC 324, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
 Movie: "Funny Lady," UC Theatre 3:30, 6 and 8:30 p.m.
 White Berets: Doughnut Sale, Dormitories, 6-10 p.m.

Speaker: Donald Sidney Fryer, Poet-Entertainer, UC 322, 8 p.m.

Chess Club: UC 315, 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow

ARMS Meeting: 7:30 p.m., 105 NCB

State Board of Regents: Continuing Education & Development Activities: UC 305, 316 and 324, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Movie: "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex-But Were Afraid to Ask," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m.

Campus Forum: "Who Should be President," UC 322, 7 p.m.

ASB & TSA: Dinner, Dining Room B, SUB, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

ASB & TSA: Autumn Symposium, UC 324, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Chess Club: UC 315, 7:30 p.m.

Rip-Off Concert: West side of Grill, 7:30 p.m.

Faculty/Press Luncheon, Tennessee Room, SUB, 12 noon

Movie: "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex..." UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m.

Little International: 1 p.m.-till...New Horse Barn; sponsored by Block and Bridle.

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Presidential race key issue of campus forum

by John Pitts

A campus forum on "Who should be elected president?" will be conducted at 7 tomorrow night in UC 322, sponsored by the forensics division of the speech and theatre department.

Two MTSU students, debater Mike Dagley and ASB Attorney General Matt Little, will be introductory speakers for an hour-long "audience participation" program, according to Jay Connor, speech faculty member who coordinates the forum.

"The idea behind the forum is to bring students together and let them discuss the issues of the day," Connor said. "It gives us a chance to see what student opinion is on different matters," he added.

"The final Presidential debate is Friday night, and the elections are less than two weeks away, so this is a timely issue," Connor explained.

Dagley and Little "will get things started" with six to seven minute introductory remarks in support of

their candidates, Dagley for the incumbent Ford, Little for the challenger Carter. Debate sponsor Jim Brooks will serve as moderator for the forum.

After the opening remarks, Brooks will solicit remarks from the audience, alternating from side to side to allow equal distribution of comments. "The Carter supporters will be seated to the left of the moderator, and the Ford supporters on the right—it's a bit of symbolic seating," Connor said.

Members of the audience not only can make comments, but will be allowed to "move freely from side to side when comments are made that sway a person's opinion," Connor said.

Another "unique" part of the forum is letting the students "show their approval or disapproval of speakers after they speak," with the help of applause, cheers, booing or jeering, Connor explained.

After 45 minutes of commentary



Despite protests, Matt Little [left] adds a Carter sticker to Mike Dagley's auto. Both students will lead Wednesday's campus forum.

from the audience, Dagley and Little will make brief closing

remarks, and then students will file out one of two doors, the door they chose reflecting their final opinions of the question and which candidate they favor, Carter or Ford.

"We always quit at 8 p.m. because we don't want to keep the people too long," Connor said.

"We hope to get right down to the issues," Little said. "When people leave the forum, I want them to see clearly the two different philosophical points of the candidates."

Both Dagley and Little agreed that they want the forum to deal specifically with the issues of the Presidential campaign. "It's not a seven round fight, Dagley said. "There's a real battleground here, where we can strictly discuss the issues, and draw comparisons between the candidates," he added.

The speakers said that economics would play a major part in the discussion, and Dagley said he hoped the forum would allow "everyone to make a rational decision about the candidates."

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"Intermediary" is being sponsored by the Tennessee Committee for the Humanities (TCH), and MTSU's Department of Mass Communications and the four state

chapters of the Society of Professional Journalists, (SDX).

Keel Hunt and Kenneth Jost, both reporters for the Nashville Tennessean, are directors of the conference.

Nationally-known journalists who are yet to be named will be featured speakers on both days. There will also be a series of panel discussions focusing on specific aspects of the Tennessee news media.



Collage editor Jan Ellis [standing], supervises the production of the campus creative magazine this week, in expectation of a release in the first week of November.

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Creation of 'women's center' creates questions

The development of a "woman's center" on campus, to disseminate information on the women's movement, laws on sex discrimination and other information about the cause of women's rights on campus is a good idea, but the room's existence must still raise some questions in the minds of observers with a good memory.

It was less than three years ago when the Interfraternity Council, the body which oversees the greek system of males on campus, was given an office in the University Center to expedite their matters with the deans, whose offices were located near the fraternity office. It was not very long before cries of discrimination went up, as people recognized the obvious fact that fraternities discriminated against women. Instead of offering sororities an office of their own, the rat office was abolished, and the IFC president and other officers again became leaders without a home.

Which brings us to today. The Concerned Faculty and Administrative Women (CFAW) have their office/reading room now, and it will be interesting to see if this blatantly discriminatory organization will be allowed to maintain an oasis for their cause on campus or not.

Sidelines supports the aims of the CFAW, for it is only right and proper that women at this university be treated equally as the men, with respect to tenure, promotion and pay.

But we fear that the faculty may be getting advantages the students cannot have, when little faculty groups are granted their own offices, and powerful student groups are not.



Real issues ignored in Presidential race

by Van West

The Presidential campaign during this Bicentennial year is coming into its final days. Yet, we have not heard any of the candidates speak on the important issues that confront our nation.

Instead, we have been entertained by the spectre of which candidate can suffer the most from this year's contagious disease—that of the foot-in-mouth variety.

AND WEST IS WEST →

Jimmy Carter, that born-again Southern Baptist, seems to have survived his early campaign blunders, but as we near Nov. 2nd, his wounds are still substantial. When Mr. Carter consented to the now famous (or infamous) interview with Playboy magazine, he committed one of the most inexcusable campaign mistakes in recent years.

Demagogues throughout the South had been waiting for such a mistake. They pounced upon Carter's blunder with relish, leading to a significant loss for Carter among his Southern conservative supporters.

It appears that one of Carter's strongest points, the sure 100 percent electoral support of the South, might disappear. Ford now has a good chance to carry Texas, Virginia and Louisiana—votes that Carter cannot afford to lose.

The Playboy interview also tarnished Carter's claims of moral leadership among a large portion of

Americans. Mr. Carter forgot that many Americans believe that the President must be above reproach morally. He shattered that myth for many and for what? The majority of Playboy readers are the age group that do not vote.

If Carter wanted to show that he was not ambiguous on issues, the country would have been better off if he had shot straight on such vital concerns as inflation, unemployment and the energy crisis instead of looking upon a woman with lust.

However, as bad as Carter's blunders have been, they have not yet met the stupidity of President's Ford's recent statement on Eastern Europe and Lyndon Johnson.

One assumes that you remember during the last debate in San Francisco when Mr. Ford proclaimed the independence of Poland, Yugoslavia, Hungary, etc... We can be sure that no one was more surprised than the people of these oppressed countries at this declaration.

How gullible does Ford think the American people are? Is this the outcome of the Republican policy of detente, that the American President would justify communist slavery of the world before the American people?

If detente means that we must leave people in slavery, I want

nothing of such a policy. Yet, what could we expect from a President who refused to meet Alexander Solzhenitsyn in order to please Dr. Kissinger and the Russians?

Mr. Ford has not finished after that second debate. In Texas (naturally) he made one of the biggest lies ever perpetuated on the American people. The President had the audacity to say that former President Lyndon Johnson "never lied to Americans when it involved his country." The falsity of this statement struck this writer as being dumb.

I realize that during a campaign a candidate will say many things he knows are false, but Ford's statement about "Lying Lyndon" just goes too far.

LBJ's legacy is the Vietnam War. We entered both feet into the war upon his assurance that the Gulf of Tonkin incident was provoked by communist aggression. We now know that the Gulf of Tonkin was staged so LBJ could fulfill his dreams of being a military hero. Ford's defense of "Lying Lyndon" is inexcusable.

Such rhetoric, misrepresentations, blunders and lies have so far distinguished (?) this Presidential campaign. We have seen little basis on which to make a selection.

As the campaign winds blow, we can only hope to have some straight shooting on vital matters, such as the energy crisis and the future of our economy, instead of name-calling and discourses on one's proper sex life.

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Debate team captures tourney honors

Top honors were captured this past weekend at two major national debate tournaments by the MTSU varsity debate team held at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley and at the University of Wyoming at Laramie. They are held in conjunction with each other every fall.

The tournaments take up four full days of debating are known as the "Top of the Rockies Debate Swing." Together the tournaments attract about one hundred and fifty teams from all parts of the United States.

Of all the teams from the east, only Macalaster College of St. Paul Minnesota compiled a better record than MTSU. MTSU debaters were finalists in both tournaments and won trophies for their high finish.

Representing the MTSU squad were Mike Dagley, a junior from Murfreesboro, and Greg Roller, a junior from Huntsville.

Jim Brooks, MTSU professor of speech communication accompanied the team scored wins over the University of Southern California, the University of Houston, Central Wyoming University, Texas Tech, the Air Force Academy, the University of Kansas, the University of Wyoming, Colorado College, and Western Washington University.

In the preliminary rounds, MTSU lost to teams from the University of California at Berkeley, Loyola University of Los Angeles, and Macalaster College.

In the final competition limited to

the top sixteen teams, MTSU lost split decisions to teams from the University of Redlands and Wichita State College.

Brooks noted that the "teams

strong finish in national competition this early in the debate season could mean that this team could be one of the strongest teams in the country by the middle of the year."

Lab paper planned by Mass Comm. department

The Department of Mass Communications at Middle Tennessee State University has requested \$10,000 to establish a laboratory newsmagazine, according to Chairman Edward M. Kimbrell.

If approved, the magazine, to be called "MTSU Today," will be published on campus every three weeks by students in journalism, photography, and graphics. It will be under the direct supervision of Richard Lentz, instructor in mass communications, with Donald Hill, assistant professor, in charge of graphics.

According to Kimbrell, students in six writing classes (Newswriting I and II, magazine writing, specialized journalism, feature writing and media writing) will provide stories for the newsmagazine. Photographs will come from basic and advanced photo classes, as well as the photojournalism class. Layout and design will be executed by the basic graphics class.

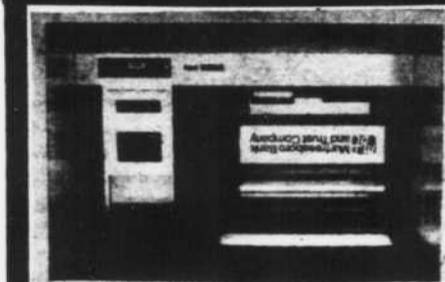
In announcing the request, Kimbrell said that the idea is "no newcomer," having been discussed as part of the instructional program for the last three years.

"The department has never enjoyed access on a continuing basis to a publication which would highlight the work of the students in the writing, editing, photography, and graphics courses," Kimbrell said. "This laboratory newsmagazine would provide that kind of showcase of their best endeavors."

It follows a national trend of major schools and departments of mass communications, he said, citing similar successful publications at Memphis State University, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, the University of Missouri School of Journalism, and Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern.

In addition, Kimbrell said, it will provide an opportunity to cover a wide range of activities going on at the University of a newsfeature nature.

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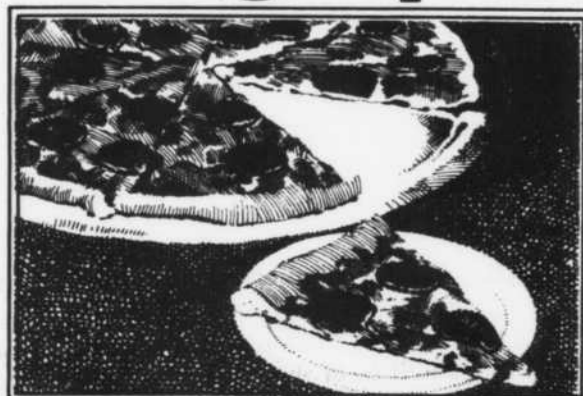
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and again at 8:00 p.m.

Friday: Oct. 29, at 6:00 p.m.

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Kentucky bands dominate marching contest

by Frank Vickers

Last Saturday was an all day half-time at Horace Jones Field.

Thirty high school marching bands representing Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, and North Carolina endured a chilling rain to compete in the 15th annual Contest of Champions, an event which was described by one visiting band director as "the most prestigious contest of its kind anywhere."

The bands performed in preliminary competition from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. The top eight bands were then selected to compete for the Grand Championship award.

Kentucky bands dominated the awards, taking first and second places in both large and small classifications. The Grand Champ-

ionship was won by Lafayette High School of Lexington, Kentucky for the second straight year.

The Reserve Grand Championship, awarded to the second highest scoring band, was taken by Geofw Rogers Clark High School from Winchester, Kentucky.

The Governor's Cup, an award which was established in 1969 to be given to the highest scoring band from Tennessee, was won by McGavock High School for the fifth consecutive year. The Governor's Cup winner is recognized as the Tennessee state marching band champion.

North Hardin High School of Radcliff, Kentucky took first place honors in the small classification, while second place was captured by



Music department's Horace Beasley receives honor during contest

Jeffersontown High School of Jeffersontown, Kentucky.

The large crowd which braved the inclement weather to watch the contest included band directors from as far away as Chicago. Larry McCormick, executive director of Marching Bands of America, attended the contest to scout bands for possible entry in the national

high school marching band championship.

Also attending were State Representative John Bragg and MTSU president M.G. Scarlett.

The Band of Blue, which coordinated the event under the direction of Joe Smith, gave two performances during the contest.

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'Voice' from the past...

Frank 'The Voice' Sinatra sets show for Thursday

by Tom Wood
Entertainment Editor

Frank Sinatra, perhaps the most well-known name in the world of show business, will make his long-awaited Murphy Center debut Thursday night at 8 p.m. with Sam Butera and the Witnesses and comedian Pat Henry.

Unfortunately, the show, which should be a sell-out considering the talent, will not be.

"We'll have nearly a full house," Student Programming director Harold Smith said yesterday. "Sales have picked up a little now that we're nearing the day of the show."

Sinatra's trip to Nashville last spring was a sell-out, as have been virtually all his shows in recent years.

Sinatra has received almost every kind of award offered to singers and actors over the years and he has also been the recipient of a number of humanitarian awards.

His career got off to a very quiet start as one quarter of the Hoboken Four, named after his hometown in New Jersey. The group made it to the Major Bowes Amateur Hour on radio, and while the foursome didn't make it any further, Sinatra did with a solo rendition of "Night and Day."

Next stop for the "man with the golden voice" was a stint as vocalist for Harry James and the Tommy Dorsey band. He eventually split with James and Dorsey to go out on his own, and the publicity he received with the two

bandleaders helped sky-rocket his career.

Being featured vocalist on "Your Hit Parade" spurred his singing career and in 1943 he made his movie debut in "Reveille With Beverly."

ENTERTAINMENT



Ol' Blue Eyes - Frank Sinatra

memorable being "Pal Joey" and "The Detective."

In 1965 Sinatra scored big again on television with his one-man special covering his lengthy career.

The 70's ushered in a new era for Sinatra when he "retired from show business. The year 1973 saw an itch for the tour scene, however, and his album "Ol' Blue Eyes is Back," plus a TV special by the same name proved he was still "numero uno" for many people.

Since then, he has toured the nation three times with a sell-out at every booking.

Earlier this year, Sinatra was named Entertainer of the Year by the Friar's Club. He also recently received his first honorary degree, a Doctor of Human Letters from the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

Despite criticism by the press and inuendos of ties with the Mafia, Sinatra has, at least to this reporter, proven himself as much of a humanitarian as anybody.

In 1970, for example, when Sinatra learned of the kidnapping death of an American in South America, and discovered the victim had left a wife and nine children behind in Indiana, the singer organized a benefit show in the town's high school gymnasium with a rock group, himself and Jerry Lewis. The benefit raised more than \$100,000 for the education of the kidnap victim's children.

Yes, when Frank Sinatra takes the stage and starts crooning "Strangers in the Night," you can be sure the charisma on stage is only one part of the man, the entertainer.

'Last of romantic poets' to give show in UC tonight

by Tom Wood
Entertainment Editor

He has been invariably described as the "last romantic," or the "poet of science-fiction," or even the "last of the romantic poets," and when Donald Sidney Fryer takes the stage tonight at 8 p.m. in UC room 322, it will be more like stepping into the 15th century.

Presented by the Fine Arts committee, Sidney-Fryer's neo-Elizabethan poetry act will enter traditional lecture reading fans into a unique, colorful view of Elizabethan life, including tales of knights, fair maidens, monsters and dwarves.

Sidney-Fryer, who has studied both theatre arts and classical ballet, holds a B.A. in French and literature from UCLA. He is considered an authority on the romance tradition in the western world from its beginnings in the "metrical" romances of the 12th and 13th on into the 20th.

He published his first book,

entitled "Songs and Sonnets Atlantean," in 1971.

The performance tonight will mark his first appearance ever at MTSU.



Donald Sidney-Fryer

The next decade saw him reach heights of unparalleled proportions, only to plummet to depths some thought he would never rise from.

Not until 1953 and "From Here to Eternity" did Sinatra reach his earlier popularity. Sinatra won an Oscar for Best Supporting Actor for his performance, and once again, his career zoomed. He had a number of other films in the '50s and '60s, some of the most

Seals & Crofts ticket thefts result in seat cancellations

A mysterious theft of tickets for the entire eighth row of seats for the Seals & Crofts Homecoming act has resulted in the cancellation of the original tickets for that row and a new set installed.

"We checked our allotment of tickets right before they went on sale," said Steve Thurman, chairman of the Special Events committee, "and the tickets disappeared within an hour or so later.

"What really concerns us," Thurman added, "is the innocent people who may be involved in this. We have had new tickets printed for that row (section U, row 8) and the original tickets will not be honored."

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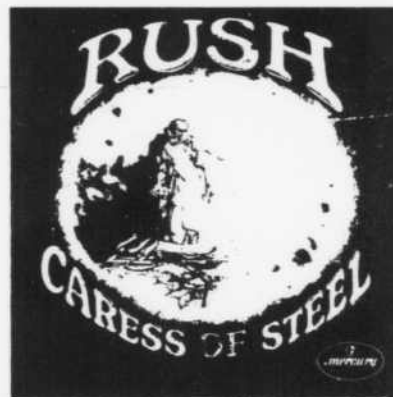
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University Theatre tryouts held today for production

Tryouts will be held for the University Theatre's next production this evening at 7 and tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. in the arena theatre at the Dramatic Arts Building.

The production, to be run Nov. 16-23, will be two original works by former MTSU student Jan Allred, a religious musical revue and a one-act drama.

Needed for the shows are actors, singers, dancers and a drummer. Anyone is welcome to try out for the productions, including persons outside the theatre dept.

Allred will be at MTSU for three weeks working with the crew on production. Other credits for Allred include working on the Broadway production of *Godspell*.

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Two out of three ain't bad

by Steve Huhman

There are three musical sides to Frank Zappa. There is the sarcastic, high-brown humorist side, the outstanding guitarist and the experimental composer. Last night at the Vanderbilt Memorial Gymnasium, Zappa gave a pretty good sampling of two of these sides to a crowd estimated at 4,000.

SIDE SHOW

Zappa is traveling with a trimmed down group these days, unlike the 12 or 13-man entourages of yore.

Accompanying him this time were Ray White on guitar and vocals, Patrick Mulhern on bass and Ramones' choreography, Terry (???) on drums and vocals, a female known only as Bianca on vocal and keyboards and Eddie Jobson (on loan from Roxy Music) on keyboards, violin and vocals.

With the exception of Jobson, this is the least musically adept group Zappa has ever toured with. Not that these guys were bad; it's just that Frank usually keeps company with people who have doctorates in music with classical and jazz training.

Opening with a mock fanfare of sorts, Zappa strutted onto the stage and immediately started the proceedings with one of my personal favorites, "Stinkfoot." From here on out, the group played nonstop for a little over two hours.

There was absolutely no pausing between songs; the last note of one was the first note of the next. In this way, far more music was packed into two hours than anyone else would give you in three.

'Peacock' has ruffled feathers

by Merry Lynn Starling

THE PRIDE OF THE PEACOCK.
By Victoria Holt. Doubleday & Company, Inc. \$7.95.

The name Victoria Holt is generally synonymous with quality suspense and fast moving action, but in her latest suspense novel, "The Pride of the Peacock," little of this quality shows through.

Set in England and Australia in the 19th century, the novel revolves around a missing opal carrying a legend of evil and the people involved with the opal. Stolen many years earlier in Australia, the opal means not only evil to the young girl who inherits claim to the jewel, but it also holds the answer to her mysterious parentage and her curious life.

The continuos flow lead us into a rap about how God, after creating light, made three mistakes: the poodle, man and woman, who lusted after the poodle and immediately perceived man's true nature—a sucker.

Other material included "Wind Up Workin' in a Gas Station," where the audience is exorted to "show me your thumb if you're really dumb;" "Mars Needs Women," and an argument with the devil, who has just consumed Zappa's girlfriend and all of his beer. Frank berates Satan to "puke them back up" because he wants them now.

For old times sake, Zappa dipped into the well for "Would You Go All the Way" and "Dynamo Hum."

Frequently throughout, Zappa ignored buffoonery for a minute or two and belted out some blazing guitar, jerking sporadically as he always does when concentrating solely on his music.

When the band was cooking as a whole, or when Zappa was center stage, the audience was entranced. However, when the various sidemen received the spotlight, a little restlessness set in. Jobson's violin solo was excellent and the drummer's solo at least showed some ability to handle difficult rhythm patterns, instead of just demonstrating how fast and hard he could beat a snare drum like so many drum solos do. The other spots were strictly fillers, however.

Although I missed the experimental composer side of Zappa, where he used to conduct the Mothers in scores utilizing inventions like 17th notes, the guitarist side and the sarcastic humorist side are still at their peak.

When the original owner of the opal wills it to the young girl and his son, with the clause that they marry, murder and deceit follow the couple and the girl realizes she must discover who is behind it all if she is to stay alive.

While the story line is interesting and entertaining, it lacks the believability so natural with Victoria Holt.

The reader is never quite drawn up into the action and is seldom caught unaware at new twists in the plot. The discovery of the girl's parentage is anticlimatic, and her ensuing romance with her husband "in name only" is predictable.

Nevertheless, "Pride of the Peacock" is enjoyable to read, even if the reader can guess the ending.

'Fingers of Granite'

Turnover avalanche tilts Blue Raiders

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

MURRAY, Ky.—Lieutenant Columbo of television fame would be hard pressed to solve the baffling turn of startling events which took place Saturday in this tiny farming town.

There was no murder weapon, not a single trace of the dastardly criminal that weaved his numbing spell on a victory-intent Middle Tennessee State University football team.

SPORTS

Just call it the mystery of the "Fingers of Granite."

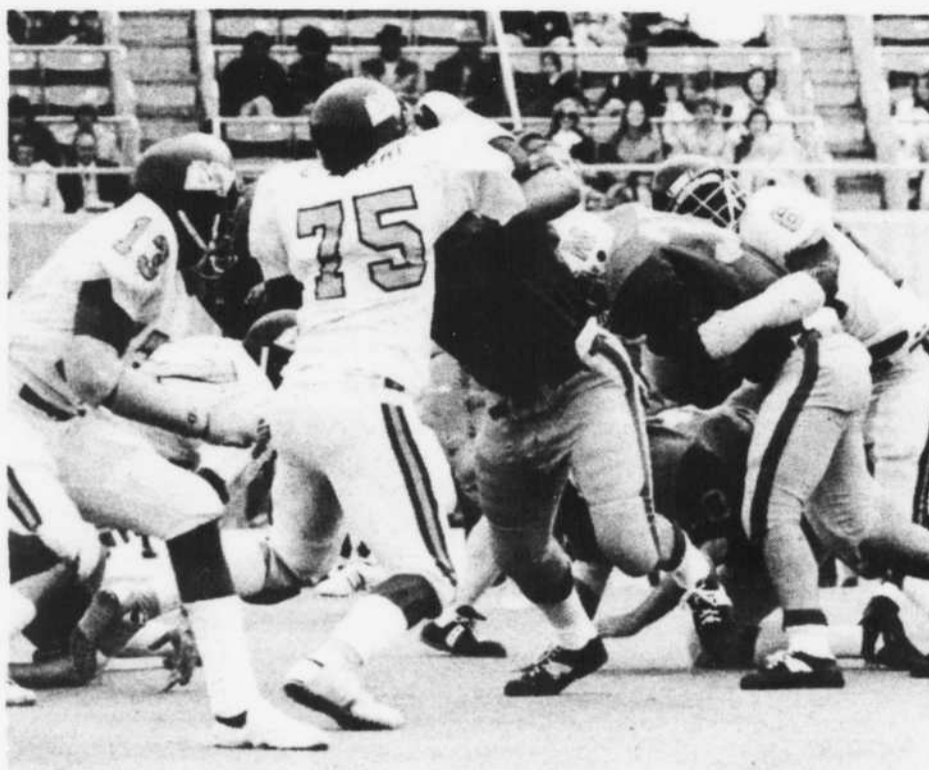
This disease was equal to the swine flu. But the only known death here was a football game, the record book will say MTSU lost. But don't believe that...they gave it away.

The Blue Raiders needed a football with a handle on it. MTSU fumbled 14 times, lost nine and had three passes picked off.

It's been nearly a decade in this Ohio Valley football conference since one team seemed to try so hard to let the other win.

The 1967 meeting between Tennessee Tech and host Western Kentucky found the Golden Eagles fumbling 12 times and losing seven. They still talk about that game in Bowling Green barber-shops. Western won 54-0.

The Raiders were actually in the game until the final few minutes. Murray State couldn't have planned a better Homecoming. Nobody in Bluegrass Country complained about a 24-20 victory.



RAIDER RECOIL -- Defensive tackle Mo Bell [60] puts a bear hug on a Murray rusher, while Eddie Wright [75] and Tony Buck [13] stand ready for help. MTSU limited Murray to 180 yards of total offense.

"It was just one of those days," Middle Tennessee Coach Ben Hurt said. "The players were tying hard, but the harder we played the worse it seemed to get."

Hurt added that the defense played a superlative game, that without a super effort from the Blue Raider defense the home side of the scoreboard at picturesque Roy Stewart Stadium would have blinked all afternoon.

As it was, Middle Tennessee overcame three fumbles the first five times a Blue Raider pair of hands touched the pigskin, and waltzed into the locker room with a 14-6 halftime nod.

The fumbles, which kept the

highly partisan crowd of 12,500 on seat's edge for much of the chilly afternoon, all occurred inside the 50-yard line, but resulted in a mere 3-0 Murray lead.

But the Racers answered a 28-yard punt by Raider Bill Ming moments later and diminutive Hank Lagorce booted a 38-yard knuckleball of a field goal to give the Racers a 6-0 edge with 3:33 remaining in the first quarter.

Middle Tennessee opened the second quarter deep in Racer territory, where three downs later, John Dukes began one of the zaniest plays in recent memory.

After taking the ball on an end sweep, Dukes cut back up field and



Checking signals

struggled to free himself from a Murray tackler at the one before the ball popped into the end zone.

Fullback Mike Moore, who was held to 52 yards in 22 carries, scooped the ball up with about a foot of end zone left for Middle Tennessee's first TD.

Place kicker Michael Robinson connected on his 14th straight extra point of the season and MTSU had the lead, 7-6.

Quarterback Mike Robinson spiraled a 26-yard TD pass to split end Jeff Shockley, the first of two Shockley pulled down, to give MTSU the 14-6 advantage with 41 seconds before the halftime chat.

But the second half became a rash of Middle Tennessee miscues. It saw MTSU commit five turnovers and two key penalties.

Murray marched 16 yards for the tying touchdown and conversion to make it 14-14 after one MTSU fumble, added a 37-yard field goal after Robinson tossed an interception and Murray produced the winning score after another fumble.



RUNAWAY RACER -- Hardnosed Murray fullback Dave Franklin [37] tries to elude the unyielding grasp of linebacker Jim Dunster [47] as MTSU's Ronnie Cecil

moves with help. Dunster led all defenders with 10 solo stops and seven assists.

	MS	MT
First Downs	13	11
Rushing Yards	117	99
Passes Attempted	15	25
Passes Completed	4	13
Passes Intercepted	2	3
Passing Yards	63	181
Total Yardage	180	280
Number Punts	8	5
Punting Average	39.3	35.4
Penalties	91	90

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Who'll play center ?

Question mark hangs over Raider roundballers

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

Jimmy Earle the author became Jimmy Earle the basketball coach again yesterday. Middle Tennessee's head basketball coach said it was a most welcome change.

Entering his eighth year at the Blue Raider helm, Earle recently completed his third book on basketball, and this one, entitled "The complete Book of 1-3-1 Basketball," is available at local bookstores.

"This is definitely my last book," Earle revealed yesterday. "Some people play golf or tennis during their spare time. I just go home and smoke my pipe and start writing down my thoughts. But it really is a lot of work to publish a book," Earle said.

Earle began searching officially for the right hardwood combination to produce an unprecedented fourth straight winning season at MTSU. The Raiders finished 16-12 last year.

Jimmy said yesterday the pieces are falling in place, but it may take some time to mold a champion like the one that swept the OVC title two years ago and went to the NCAA tournament.

"This is basically a young ballclub. We lost three starters in center Tim Sisneros, (forward) John Bonner and (guard) Fred Allen. But we are getting things

cranked up," Earle said yesterday in his office.

The departure of Sisneros, co-MVP and a torrid figure on the basketball court last season, left a void Earle thought this summer was strengthened with the signing of junior college All-American John Hunter.

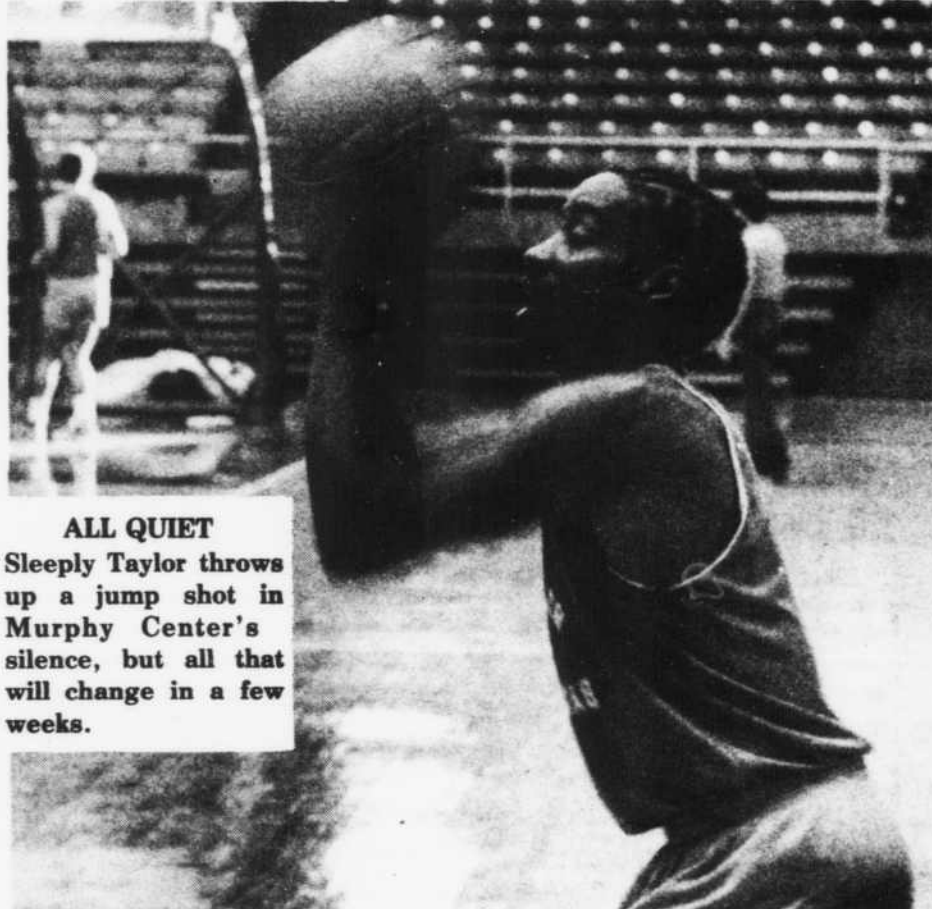
Earle found out differently. Hunter, nicknamed the "Hawk" for his superior leaping ability, balked at honoring a national letter of intent with Middle Tennessee (former assistant John Ferguson signed him) and instead enrolled in Loyla, which is located in his native Chicago.

"Loyola had no intentioning of honoring the letter, but they are not bound by it. We had no reason to believe he wasn't coming here. We simply found out too late what was going on," Earle explained.

The post duties will apparently be shared by 6-8 senior Greg Laravie "who looked better this fall than ever," Earle said, and spot starter Clint Dennison.

"We are waiting for somebody to come forward and establish themselves as a player at center," Earle said. Also in the battle is Ken Sebring, a 6-9 freshman from Arcanum, Ohio.

Elsewhere, the team abounds of depth, especially at guard where MTSU could boast the premier tandem of guards in the OVC. Playmaker Louis Mack, improving



ALL QUIET
Sleepy Taylor throws up a jump shot in Murphy Center's silence, but all that will change in a few weeks.

with each contest last year, returns to run the club. He will be joined by a healthy Claude "Sleepy" Taylor, who seems fully recovered from a knee injury that slowed him all of last year.

Kip Puryear, Sam Burrell and Wendal Porter are also battling for a role in the backcourt.

Forward also appears strong, with nine players struggling for a

starting nod.

Martin Junior College transfers Bob Martin, a devastating rebounder, and Greg Joyner appear to have an edge. Jumping jack Julius Brown is capable of starting duty, too.

Included in talent-jammed forward corps are returners Ronnie Hinson and Gil Thompson and newcomers Leroy Coleman and Derrick Render.

"We are deeper than ever at guard and forward so this could be a very exciting ballclub. I think the key revolves around our ability to rebound," Earle said.

TWO RULE changes of particular interest this year will be the return of the dunk, a shot perfected by Lew Alcindor at UCLA, and a two-shot technical foul.

"Taking away the dunk was like taking away the 'bomb' in football," Earle surmised yesterday. "But the new technical rule will put a lot pressure on the official as well as the coach. I'm anxious to see how that turns out," Earle said.

Raiderettes select game captains



Jan Zitney

A junior and a sophomore have been named to lead the Middle Tennessee State University women's basketball team for the 1976-77 season, Pat Jones, women's head coach announced.

Jan Zitney, a junior guard, was elected captain by her teammates, while Bonnie Angus, a sophomore forward, was elected co-captain. "We expect the captain and co-captain to provide the needed leadership for the team," Jones said, "and with Zitney and Angus, we'll get that and more."

Zitney, from Shelbyville, was the fourth leading scorer for the Blue Raiders last year with an 8.8 points per game average, but her main job was "quarterbacking" the team to its 15-9 record.

"She is a real leader in every sense of the word, Jones said.

Angus had the second best shooting percentage on the team, hitting on 47 percent of her field goal attempts. "She is a fantastic outside shooter," Jones said of the 5-8 forward. "She is only a sophomore and already she's a great player," Jones added.

"Zitney and Angus both show tremendous desire," Jones said. "They are both 'winners' and they have the ability to hold the team together."



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High school magic still works at Tech

The Western Kentucky Hilltoppers knew what hit them.

It was freshman quarterback Milton Jenkins who, for the second time this season, came off the bench to guide Tennessee Tech to a come-from-behind victory.

Jenkins entered the game in the second quarter with Western leading 12-0, and he opened up a blazing air attack on the Hilltoppers. He hit eight of 12 passes for 173 yards and three touchdowns in leading the Golden Eagles to a

22-12 Homecoming triumph.

Craig Rolle, a high school teammate of Jenkins' from Miami, Fla., hauled in four aerials for 112 yards for Tech. He caught two TD strikes on plays of 36 and 25 yards.

Dave Betz kicked field goals of 41 and 44 yards in the first quarter to give Western an early 6-0 lead.

The margin was widened in the second quarter when Jimmy Woods broke free and raced 72 yards for a touchdown, putting the Hilltoppers in front 12-0.

Then Jenkins went to work...and how.

He got Tech on the board first with a 36-yard touchdown pass to

OVC Wrapup

Rolle early in the third quarter. Then after a fumble recovery at the Hilltopper 33-yard line, Jenkins put the Eagles ahead to stay on a 10-yard TD pass to Cornice Hoke.

The victory was the fifth straight for Tech, which is now the ninth-ranked Division II team in the nation. Western Kentucky now stands at 2-2-1 overall and 1-2 in conference action.

Austin Peay 21
North Alabama 14

Ernest Fletcher ran for two Austin Peay touchdowns to carry

the Governors to a 21-14 win over North Alabama Saturday night.

APSU struck quickly as Don Derrick returned a first quarter punt 70 yards to put the Gobs ahead 7-0. They led for the remainder of the game.

Statistically, the game was a tight defensive struggle.

Austin Peay managed only 143 yards total offense while North Alabama picked up 148 yards.

Western Carolina 14
ETSU 0

Western Carolina recovered an ETSU fumble on the second play of the game and strolled 14 yards to gain an early advantage which it never relinquished as Western went on to defeat the Buccaneers 14-0.

The Carolina defense stopped ETSU cold, allowing them only 27 yards rushing. Western gained 211 yards on the ground and passed for 11 more.

The Catamounts were unable to put any more points on the board until the first play of the fourth quarter when Keith Scoggins hit Wayne Smith with a 45-yard scoring strike to provide the final margin.

Youngstown State 33
Morehead State 7

Freshman halfback sensation Billy Hubert scored four touchdowns Saturday to lead Youngstown State to a 33-7 rout of Morehead.

Hubert carried the ball 16 times for 90 yards and scored on runs of 12, seven and 23 yards. He also hauled in a 56-yard pass from quarterback Alfred Manson for another TD.

	OVC	All Games
Eastern Kentucky	3-0-0	5-1-0
Tennessee Tech	2-0-0	5-1-0
Murray State	2-1-0	3-4-0
Western Kentucky	1-2-0	2-2-1
Middle Tennessee	1-2-0	3-4-0
East Tennessee	1-1-0	1-3-0
Austin Peay	1-2-0	3-3-0
Morehead	0-3-0	1-5-0

Vandy trips MTSU

Running with only three out of their top six runners, the MTSU harriers fell short of a second victory this season at the hands of Vanderbilt Saturday.

The injury-laden Raiders were defeated by a score of 25-34 at the V.A. Hospital course.



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Stanford's longshot gamble makes a winner

George Ploucher doesn't steal cars anymore.

His last fistfight happened in a smoke-filled bar as a teenager. This 22-year-old Nashville native has stopped looking for old ladies with big purses in the wee hours of the night.

George Ploucher has grown up.

CHUCKWAGON
by Chuck Cavalaris

But he has been a man since he was a kid. He just needed to mature a little.

"I've been on my own since I was 15," Ploucher said yesterday. "I used to get in a lot of trouble as a kid, but I never got caught."

As a kid, Ploucher didn't have many material possessions. His "home" was a shack that was so filthy the rats were scared to come in the front door.

One man didn't shy away. One man believed that George Ploucher, the reformed car thief, was worth a shot. That man was John Stanford, now head coach at MTSU.

Stanford was head coach at Motlow Community College at the time. Ploucher took the scholarship but couldn't swallow the discipline. He quit after one quarter.

"It was just about all my fault," George admitted. "I just couldn't accept someone telling me what to do then. That's one reason I left home. I transferred to Middle Tennessee. I was still going to play baseball."

The following year Middle Tennessee hired a new baseball coach. Guess what his name was? You get a free teddy bear if you say John Stanford.

Strangely, the clashing personalities meshed. George Ploucher, the

free spirit, became George Ploucher, the standout pitcher for Middle Tennessee. Last year he, and 11 seniors with an unmatched will to win, took the OVC pennant.

"I kind of expected to be drafted after the season," Ploucher said.

George's telephone rang with the first draft of the ninth round. The Houston Astros were calling.

"They sent me to Covington, Va., Rookie League and used me mainly as a relief pitcher. I wasn't used to riding the bench. They finally let me start the last week of the season," Ploucher said.

He finished the season with a 3-2 record in two starts and four saves.

"The competition is so good in pro ball. It seemed like all the players had good speed, good arms and a quick bat. That's the difference between professional and college ball."

Houston asked 10 minor league pitchers to come for a two-week instructional camp at the Astrodome last month. Ploucher was the only one from the Rookie League to get an invitation.

It was an important camp. Bill Virdon was watching each day.

To some people George Ploucher is a flake or a hothead. But his act is



George Ploucher

together now. He wants to make it to the big leagues, and, believe it or not, part of his reason is to do good for the school that gave him a chance.

Ploucher has his sights set on the Astrodome. He worked out there for two weeks a while back and got a taste of the big time.

"I want to make my home in the Dome," Ploucher jokingly said of his long range goal.



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Sigma Chi loads 'shotgun' -- blasts SAE

by Cauck Sellers

Sigma Chi upended Sigma Alpha Epsilon 12-6 yesterday to kick off the 1976 flag football season.

Late in the first half with the score still 0-0 Sigma Chi mounted a TD drive.

Sigma Chi quarterback Clay Crosson began the drive with a nine-yard run and short runs by backs Robert Walton and Mark Fitzhugh enabled Sigma Chi to get a first down.

After being stopped for a loss on the next play, Sigma Chi picked up another first down on a holding penalty.

Sigma Chi's Crosson then connected with split end Joe Eskew on a 20-yard pass play for the game's initial touchdown.



Staff photo by Thom Coombes

BIONIC PUNTER? -- Sigma Chi's Tommy Molteni [11] leaps high to thwart this SAE pass in Sigma Chi's 12-6 win yesterday.



Who's the receiver?

Sigma Chi's second score occurred midway through the second half.

Operating from the shotgun formation, Sigma Chi quarterback Clay Crosson ran 50-yards for the eventual touchdown.

SAE got on the scoreboard with less than a minute remaining in the contest.

Pedigo was on the receiving end of a Jay Simpson pass which was good for 20 yards as SAE avoided a shutout.

Kappa Sig thumps Pikes

by Gary Pryor

Three pass interceptions by cornerback Steve Hill thwarted the offensive efforts of the Pike (No. 1) team as the Kappa Sigma gridders romped to a 34-0 decision in intramural football yesterday.

Kappa Sig's first touchdown was nullified but quarterback Tim Jackson ran for 20 yards to spark another drive. Halfback Randy Hubbell took a left pitchout to score and Edwin Alexander caught a conversion pass to make it 7-0.

Linebacker David Wimpy then began making repeated tackles into the Pike backfield, allowing Hill to make the first interception.

Kappa Sig's offensive line began breaking down the Pike defensive front and the halfbacks ground out yardage. Hubbell swept the left end for six points and Jackson ran a keeper to up the score 14-0.

Another pass interception by Hill halted the next Pike drive and late in the half Tom Sanders scored another touchdown on an interception to give Kappa Sig a 21-0 lead at halftime.

The Pikes gambled on fourth down deep in their own territory but Kappa Sig held and went on to cap it 34-0 on Campbell's third scoring run on a right sweep.

Mappers place second

Middle Tennessee State's orienteering team has scored a big victory.

Coach Harlan Heimgartner's distance men finished second in the largest orienteering meet ever held in the United States, a two-day event at Camp Beauregard, La., which attracted representatives from 33 colleges and nine states.

Individual honors went to MTSU's John Kane, James Pike and Tina Woodham as each finished second in their respective event.

Arkansas Tech grabbed top honors.

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