

Buchwald opens speaker series with wit

Art Buchwald, used his wit to poke fun at all sides of American life Thursday evening, in the first program of the Ideas and Issues series.

Buchwald, a political satirist whose column is syndicated in over 500 newspapers talked about his experiences as a columnist in Washington. He described America as an "uptight society. Everybody is mad at everybody else." He noted that they have "uptight organizations to back them up." Illustrating his statement with a description of gun lobbyists, Buchwald commented, "I am for gun registration. It is very personal with me-my neighbor has a gun, but he can't even

water his lawn straight."

The columnist offered a humorous solution to the Vietnam conflict, he suggested that the United States load two 747 planes with Japanese, Italian, and German industrialists and have them explain to Hanoi "what happens when you lose a war to the United States."

Taking a barb at the President, Buchwald stated that columnists could no longer nickname the President "Tricky Dick", but had to call him "Crafty Richard."

Jestingly comparing the news sources of President Johnson and Nixon he commented, "Every columnist needed President

Johnson alot. He quipped, "However, I must live with the Nixon administration and its getting easier all the time."

Buchwald also commented on Baptist minister Billy Graham's friendship with the President. He noted that Graham was a friend to Kennedy and Johnson also. Billy Graham, he commented should not be criticized, "his job is saving souls and he has to go where the business is."

As a columnist he explained to the group of approximately 900 people that he had to be careful in selecting topics for his columns. He noted that he would not, for example, do a

column on Attica, because people were killed.

He continued, that he felt we were in a communications explosion -- that people were hearing more than they wanted to hear consequently they got "all tensed up and didn't know why."

When questioned concerning the busing issue he indicated kiddingly that he felt that busing was very dangerous for children because "they would beat one another on the school buses."

In a serious moment he stated that he felt that the California decision (a Supreme Court decision allowing for equal distribution of taxes to schools)

more important for education than busing. "Busing, he added, however, is a "stopgap measure and doesn't sound like a very practical solution."

Buchwald, looking to the 1972 presidential campaigns predicted that the economy would be the number one voter issue.

Buchwald took a poll of the audience to determine their favorite candidates.

The observer of political affairs indicated following the vote that the MTSU audience was the first college audience he had polled in which Edmund Muskie drew more votes than George McGovern.

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Muskie calls for 'politics of truth'

Editor's Note:

This speech coverage of Senator Edmund Muskie's address last night is a portion of the increased coverage **SIDELINES** will attempt to give its readers on possible candidates for the Tennessee Presidential primary to be held in May, 1972.

Dearing's timely coverage was provided by phone to the **SIDELINES** immediately following Muskie's speech.

Senator Edmund Muskie called for a "politics of truth," last night to an audience of over 1000 at a Democratic fund-raising dinner in Chattanooga.

The senator told a packed audience in the Tivoli Theater that the Nixon Administration "does not believe in the capacity of the people of this country to take the truth, to understand the truth, and to act on the truth."

Departing from his prepared text the Maine Democrat charged that repeated failures by poli-

By David Dearing

ticians and office holders to tell the truth to the people has caused "doubts about our political leaders, about our government, institutions and policies and about each other."

He added that "We doubt increasingly that these doubts can ever be eliminated."

Muskie also stated that the place to start looking for the truth is in the state of the economy. He charged that Nixon's economic policies have led us to "recession and economic decline." To illustrate his point the Senator cited a rise in unemployment from three and one-half to over six percent since the Nixon administration began. Muskie called Nixon administrative policies "the greatest economic disaster since the thirties," to a wildly cheering audience.

"The goal of Nixon's economic policy is to get us back to where we were when he started," the Maine senator continued. Muskie continued that the Nixon economic policy favors big business unduly. He accused the President of instituting a trickle-down economic

policy which "is not good politics, not good economics, it isn't fair, and its not likely to work."

He further commented that what is wrong with the country is a lack of consumer confidence in the government and economic policies."

Talking about Secretary of the Treasury John Connelly's statement in June that Nixon was pleased with the state of the economy and had no plans for major changes in his economic policy, Muskie stated, "the administration didn't know where it was going in June and the possibility is that it didn't know what it was doing in August either."

In the weeks following the President's wage-price freeze announcement, administration policy-makers made four separate contradictory decisions on teachers salaries.

He proposed that "what this country wants is leadership," who knows what is done, who knows where it is going and know how to get there." "This country, the democrat noted, "can no longer take periods of doubt about our country. We need to believe and we need to

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Hopeful

Senator Edmund Muskie faces the Chattanooga press corps yesterday over the busing issue. Drawing by Mary Mitchell.

In ACP rating

Newspaper gains first class

SIDELINES received a first class rating from the Associated Collegiate Press rating service for the spring, 1971 semester. This is the fifth consecutive semester that the student publication has achieved this award from the journalistic organization.

The **SIDELINES** received this rating after professional journalists compared it to collegiate newspapers of similar size.

Spring editor, Miss Jill Woodworth, commented that the rating "reflects well on the university and those involved in the student publication."

She further stated, "A rating by such journalism professionals and educators give us an empirical viewpoint that is sometimes necessary to strengthen the service of the **SIDELINES** to its audience."

In addition to the first class

rating, the newspaper also received two marks of distinction, significant of outstanding achievement in the areas of writing, editing and photography.

The journalist appraising the **SIDELINES** noted the features and photographs as particularly distinctive. G. D. Hiebert, the **SIDELINES** evaluator, described the photography as "excellent quality."

The first class rating is the highest honor obtainable for a publication on the point system alone. The highest award, the All American rating, was last won by the **SIDELINES** in 1968 under the editorship of David Mathis.

To achieve an All-American rating papers must receive marks of distinction in four of the five main areas including coverage and content, writing and editing, editorial leadership, physical appearance and photography.

Students face shortages in campus dormitories

Current housing shortages have left many students on uncertain waiting lists, but Dean Sam McLean, director of housing, asserts that the housing office is doing everything possible to rectify the situation.

According to McLean, steps have been taken by the university to insure the building of new apartment-type complexes. Tentative plans for these complexes have been submitted to the state for approval, he said.

The complexes will be shaped like "L's", with an easily accessible lounge situated centrally between the two L-shaped buildings.

If approved within the next few months, the attractively planned complexes should be completed and ready for occupation by the

By Shannon Trolinger
Special Reporter

fall of 1973, the dean said.

Situated between the married students apartments and the athletic dormitories, the apartments will consist of one or two bedrooms, a study area, a living room, and kitchen and dining space. They will be co-educational and built for two and four persons.

Contributing 372 more spaces for housing is University Park, which will be given to MTSU, McLean explained, after various legal problems are untangled.

University Park, along with the proposed new complexes, will provide students with 720 additional living spaces.

Inside the news . . .

Harrington notes voter progress

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Creative classroom gets educator's journal spread

The "Southwestern Journal of Social Education" recently reported on a model classroom project that was undertaken by Esther Seeman, associate professor in the political science department, and her students.

If you have ever walked into Old Main and peeped into room 323 to wonder what was going on, you should. Your eyes will be greeted by brightly colored walls, carpets and works of art.

Professor Seeman and her freshman class three years ago discussed the idea of a perfect classroom. The political science class was discussing decision making when students questioned the ability of creative thinking in such a drab classroom, she said.

Discussion spread through all her classes and suggestions were taken from students. "What kind of classroom would you like?" she asked, and all classes responded.

After getting approval from the department, Professor Seeman formed a committee of students and faculty.

The box-like atmosphere of the room was changed by brightly colored walls; an art student hung his canvas on the wall; and the class got an interested carpet manufacturer to contribute a blue-green carpet, Mrs. Seeman stated.

"We have no budget," Mrs. Seeman said, "and have spent no money." Maintenance painted the walls, and unused paint is now waiting in the store-room for further use, she added.

Plants for the windowsills were furnished by the greenhouse. To take advantage of the creativeness in students, a graffiti board of plexi-glass with black crayon is available, she noted.

In its third year, Mrs. Seeman said the project is by no means at an end. This year's political science students are waiting for more comfortable chairs, music and TV.

The original students of the project were an average class,

By Carroll Russell

she said, and any group of students can transform a room, provided they go slowly and carefully.

A few students feel the atmosphere too stimulating, while the majority likes its creative effects. "We have two or three each year who object," said Professor Seeman.

She said that the students like the room and most of the staff complain when they can't teach there.

Most proud of the success of the classroom are the original class, now juniors, who think of the room as their own, she noted.

"I like to teach in the room," Professor Seeman explained, "For me it's more than stimulating. But I don't think the physical attributes of a room can carry the course."

Foreign Films

German movie opens series

A series of six foreign produced films will begin Oct. 6 in the University Center theater, according to June Martin, director of the events.

The movies, which are sponsored by the foreign language department, are presented in the original language with English subtitles. All the films are highly recommended to language and modern literature students, she added.

The features will be aired Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and there will be no admission charge, Mrs. Martin noted.

Cat and Mouse, a German film based on a book by Gunter Grass, features the sons of Chancellor Willy Brandt, and will be shown Oct. 6. The story involves a

young man becoming of age in Nazi Germany and reflects his sensitivity towards war.

Don Quixote, an award winning Russian version of the famous novel by Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra will be seen Nov. 3. It concerns a man who lived in an era many years after the days of knight-hood but decides that the field is one he is destined to pursue.

The Three Penny Opera, another German made film, is to be aired Dec. 1. Based on a story by John Gay, it offers a satirical and musical approach to thieves and cut-throats who stalk the London slums and is the origin of the ballad of Mac the Knife. On Feb. 2, Moment of Truth presents a documentary-

like but fictional story about a poor boy who makes good in bull-fighting. The Spanish made movie, which stars a famous present-day bullfighter, Miguel Mateo Miguelin, is often considered bloody and brutal.

Mar. 17--Moderat Cantabile is an unusual type French movie which follows a provocative love affair that never actually happens. It is based on a text by Marguerite Duras and is directed by Peter Brook. It will appear March 16.

The last film of the series is L'Immortelle to be aired April 2, the French film is an award winning mystery thriller set in Istanbul. The plot revolves around a man's desperate search for his lost lover.

Thespians stage show tonight

Strange creatures and strange planets will be in the spotlight tonight as the Buchanan Players present "Lovesong of Asteroid B-612."

According to Jenan Dorman, Buchanan Players secretary, the performance is scheduled for the Arena Theatre at 6:30.

"Lovesong" is directed by Henry Murray who adapted the play from the novelette, "The Little Prince" Miss Dorman stated that the play has a somewhat allegorical theme.

In the play, "The Little Prince" visits different planets

which are inhabited by creatures who represent different types of personalities, she explained.

Miss Dorman said, "The creatures are caught up in things that they think are the most important."

She noted that all theatre majors are required to attend the play, adding that there will be a reception for the audience following the performance.

Those in the "Lovesong" cast include Miss Dorman, "The Little Prince," Ronnie Meek, Antoine; Susan Levever, the rose; Michael Stewert, the king; Gwen Mason, the hedgehog-businessman.

Steve Dees, the drunken squirrel; Bruce Newman, the geographer; Mike Hurt, the lamplighter; Tom Hester, the fox; Bill Franklin, the snake and Sidney Baumstein, the bird.

Publication expands coverage

Campus news coverage will have several new dimensions this semester, according to Jim

Leonhirth, SIDELINES editor-in-chief.

He explained that the campus newspaper is initiating a "contact" system with all departments and student organizations and an expanded news beat system.

A letter has been sent out to every department and organization, Leonhirth said, asking for the name of one person within each group to serve as a news contact and source.

There have been news beat systems in newswriting courses in the past, the international relations major said, but this year we are trying to complement it with a structured SIDELINES beat system.

Areas for beat emphasis were determined, in part, through a survey by Leonhirth of SIDELINES coverage during the fall and spring semesters of last year.

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believe deeply, he emphasized.

Reflecting on the American past Muskie stated some of the nation's power and resources and great material successes, but stated that the greatest successes "have been not material, but our very greatest indeed, has been to advance the cause of human decency."

"The country is on the whole a success story, but has great failures," he asserted. Muskie stated that Americans still deal in prejudice in a great tradition of humanism.

"Yet millions of Americans today, whether they are right or wrong, believe there is no promise in their future he concluded.

He summarized that "unless we can reassure ourselves about each other there is no way to come to grips with the real problems of our times."

"The truth is that unless these problems and these wrongs are righted America will never be what we're always believed she would be, a place of hope for everyone who lives there," Muskie further stated.

In an afternoon airport press conference Muskie commented on busing that "The courts ruled that busing is a legitimate way and in many cases the only way to break down inequality of educational opportunity in our country."

He concluded, "I don't think we ought to exclude it as a tool for doing just that."

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BSU to hold retreat

The annual Baptist Student Union fall retreat will be held Sept. 24-26 at the Easter Seal Camp at Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, according to Ircel Harrison, BSU director.

Bill Sherman, pastor of Woodmont Baptist Church, Nashville, will lead in Bible study, and Tom Starkes will be the application leader, said Harrison.

For further information contact the Baptist Student Center, 893-5035.

Aids expansion

Expansion of the journalism program will be greatly advanced by new instructors Edward Kimbrell and Glenn Himebaugh, according to Mrs. Anne Nunamaker, assistant professor of journalism.

Kimbrell, from Chicago, received his B.S. in journalism

Journalism adds new faculty

By Diane Johnson
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from Northwestern in 1961 and his M.S. in journalism in 1967. He attended the University of Missouri which will award him a Ph.D. in international communications in December.

Kimbrell's practical journalistic experience includes working in Washington D.C. as a Medill Fellow, working as director of public relations for federal aid to education in Illinois, and editing the Freedom of Information Center Reports at the University of Missouri. His doctoral thesis was "History of the Paris Herald," which is the oldest English language newspaper in Europe.

Kimbrell noted that the friendly people in Murfreesboro are more cooperative than the busy people of the Chicago area. Kimbrell's wife, Sally, is a re-

gistered nurse. They have a three year-old daughter, Amy.

Formerly an assistant professor at Kent State, Himebaugh will be teaching two news-writing classes. He received his B.S. in journalism and M.S. at Ohio University.

Himebaugh worked for the Canton Ohio Repository, where he was education editor, and the Indianapolis News before going to Kent State. At Kent State he taught, advised the newspaper staff and acted as director of information services on the Stark regional campus.

A member of the National Council of College Publication Advisers, Himebaugh brought his wife, Ellen, and two sons, Bruce, seven, and Brian, five, to MTSU because he wanted to live in the South. MTSU has many exciting possibilities for journalism and journalistic students, he noted.

Wesley Foundation offers course

World Religions is the subject of a religion course offered for university credit this semester by the Wesley Foundation.

According to Richard Shriver, Methodist adviser at the Foundation, this is the first time in twenty years a religion course is being offered to MTSU students and Murfreesboro citizens for credit.

Shriver said that since there is no department of religion on

campus, religion is touched on in only a few courses from the perspectives of other departments.

He termed it a "rare privilege" for the people of the Murfreesboro community to have access to such a course.

World Religions is a regular catalogue course at Scarritt College in Nashville, and Leonard Wolcott of Scarritt is teaching the course at the Wesley Foundation.

Wolcott holds a doctor of philosophy degree from Oxford, Shriver said.

The Wesley Foundation adviser stated that Wolcott is particularly qualified to teach the course since he has travelled and lived

in many parts of the world and has published a textbook on the subject.

World Religions is offered to the student at approximately the same cost as a regular university course, although the cost at Scarritt would be greater.

This reduced rate, Shriver explained, has been arranged through the special sponsorship of the Wesley Foundation.

Classes in the course began Sept. 16, but registration is being held open until Friday.

World Religions gives three hours of credit from Scarritt College which is transferable to MTSU, Shriver said.

WMOT to air show hosting presidents

Campus radio station WMOT has a new monthly feature called "From the President's Desk," according to Douglas Vernier. It will consist of interviews with President M. G. Scarlett and ASB President Bobby Sands, the station manager noted.

The premier program will be Thursday evening Sept. 23, 7:30 p.m. Vernier stated, the purpose of the program is to allow students to hear Scarlett speak on current events within and about the university.

President Scarlett will pass along information to the general public as well as to students that might not otherwise have been publicized, the station manager continued.

Sands will appear on the program mainly to ask Scarlett questions for the student body, Vernier commented.

"From the President's Desk" is one way Scarlett can communicate with the entire student body at one time.

The program, to be hosted by Vernier, is designed for the student and is a long-awaited solution to the increasing problem of students not knowing what's happening, he said.

Coiner to exhibit works in show at Art Barn

M. R. Coiner will exhibit a number of his works in the Art Barn Gallery Sept. 26-Oct. 24, according to Morris Brandon, art department chairman.

Coiner is assistant professor of art and art gallery director at Concord College, Athens, W. Va., said Brandon. He received his bachelor of science degree at Concord College, and his master's degree at Ohio University.

The artist, he stated, has had exhibits and won awards in numerous local, regional, state and national exhibits. His works have

appeared in West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee and Georgia.

Locally, indicated Brandon, Coiner has shown exhibits at the Trahern Art Gallery, Austin Peay State University; Nashville Artists Guild; Tennessee Invitational Exhibition; MTSU; Mid-South Exhibition; Brooks Memorial Gallery, Memphis; and Cheekwood Galleries, Nashville.

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Buchwald aims barbs at national problems

America's credibility gap is the fault of the government, according to Art Buchwald, political satirist. Buchwald commented after his speech Thursday in the Dramatic Arts auditorium that the government "just doesn't want to admit its error." He further noted that the government focuses its criticism on Ellsberg, but not on the mistakes of Bundy or Calley.

As a political columnist, it is Buchwald's job to focus on these situations.

Buchwald describes his column, which appears locally in the Nashville Tennessean and nationally in over 500 newspapers, as a "political cartoon in words." The Washington writer further stated, "I don't have any goals for the future--I just try to take some of the pressure off and make people feel better."

He admitted, "I don't really think I change people's minds." "I am happy if I can take the pressure off people three minutes a day," he continued.

Buchwald estimated that it took him an hour to write one of his columns. He added that he may have thought about the idea for several days before beginning to write.

Dialogue, the form of most of his columns, is easier for him he related. "I think in dialogue terms," the journalist said. His best columns, Buchwald stated, leave much to the reader's imagination.

Buchwald commented that he began writing satire with "dreams of glory," and later decided to attack the establish-

By Becky Freeman
Managing Editor

ment. He laughingly added that the radicals made columnists members of the establishment. "The establishment gets back by going on lecture tours," he joked.

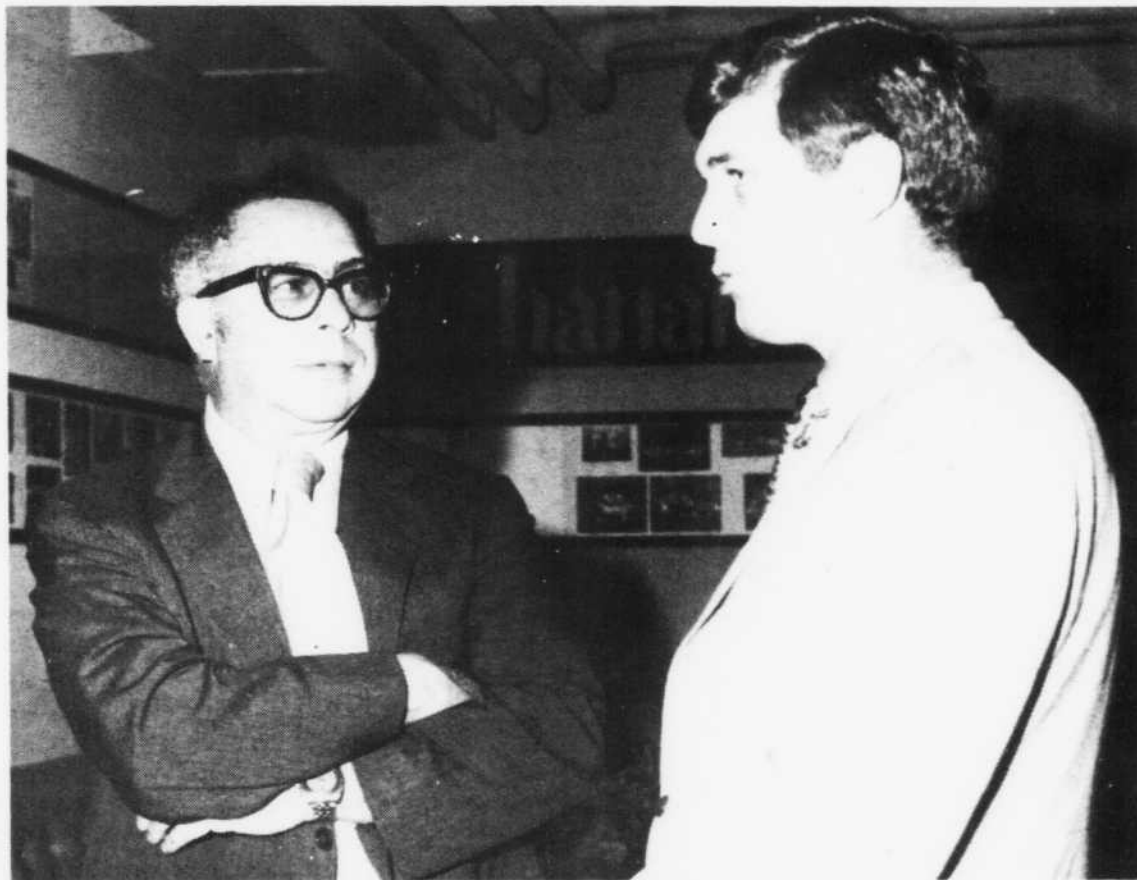
The speaker, who has been on a college lecture circuit, takes a hand count of the members of the audience in favor of different political candidates. Following his appearance Thursday night, the columnist noted that Muskie and Nixon led the votes for the nominations of their respective parties.

He noted little audience support for Lindsey. He quipped to his interviewers that "Lindsey had to run for the presidency of the United States to get out of being mayor of New York."

Buchwald expressed his view of newspapers as a "service to the community." He stated that he opposed the "new journalism" which espouses the reporter's causes, because the writer is personally involved in the events he is covering.

Buchwald continued, "I don't see its role. A newspaper should not be the place for essays and people who don't know how to write." He added however, that he was not opposed to editorials on the editorial pages, but indicated that they did not belong in news copy.

The journalist admitted that he expected he would be involved in "the new journalism" today on a college campus if he were 19 or 20 years old.



Art Buchwald, political satirist, waits for Harold Smith, assistant director of the University Center, to react to a joke Buchwald cracked in the green room, just before the humorist addressed his audience Thursday night.

How 'bout that?

'Apple Tree' auditions slated

Try-outs for the production "Apple Tree" will be held next week, according to Dorethe Tucker, assistant director of drama. Openings include singing, pro-

duction and main theatre work, continued Mrs. Tucker.

The production is a delightful, musical comedy adapted from Mark Twain's, "The Diary of

Adam and Eve," Mrs. Tucker further indicated.

The Buchanan Players, the drama club, meet every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m.

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Register!

After many years of debate, the voting franchise has been given to all citizens above the age of 17 with the remarkably swift ratification of the Twenty-sixth Amendment.

This expansion of the franchise, like the Voting Rights Bill of 1965, has sparked voter registration drives across the nation.

In some states, registrars have set up desks at high school and college campuses to facilitate the registration of the new voters.

Speakers of national prominence from both parties have crossed the nation calling for increased registration, and in some cases, support of a particular candidate.

The importance of this mass of newly-franchised citizens is down played by no one, especially not by the abundant Democratic hopefuls who need all these new votes for political success.

For the young voter, student or non-student, there is now an opportunity to participate in a "democratic revolution" and to effect needed changes through the power of the ballot box.

The U.S. Congress and state legislatures have shown their willingness to provide this opportunity through their actions; it falls upon the young citizen to reciprocate by registering to vote.

Letters to the Editor

Student condemns abuse of campus environment

To the Editor:

I'm new to the campus of MTSU and I'm very disturbed that most of the people here don't have the minutest concern for ecology at mind.

They don't seem aware or they just haven't reached that state of consciousness where a person can value the fact that trees, grass, birds, flowers, bees, fish, etc., are living just like you and me.

I'll have to get to the point or this will turn into a book. When I walk around campus or when I stand outside my room at University Park and see people throw cigarette butts, paper cups, paper plates, (both from the UC Grill) newspapers, broken pencils, etc., like the concrete,

ground and earth soils were made for things of garbage; it just gets me sick.

But not as sick as when I see people walking on the grass on their way to class when there is a concrete walk only a few feet away (does time mean that much).

I didn't go to the concert held here September 15 where Liberation played a song by Rare Earth call "Ecology." The audience, I heard, clapped to the song and responded to it greatly.

It seems that those people heard that song but didn't hear it as you might be reading this letter but not reading it. Become aware, become conscious and have a good day. Name withheld by request.

Pettit welcomes students to community

To the Editor:

Students, you are, indeed, welcome as our guests to Murfreesboro. We trust that your time in our City will be pleasant and productive and that you will make many new friends among the citizens.

I'm sure that the mayor, city manager, city councilmen, merchants, Chief Chambliss and Captain Howse of our police as well as other good residents, want to be your friends.

We are proud of you and the fine examples of good citizenship that most of you have displayed before us. We, indeed, need your support in making Murfreesboro a better place to live and educate our children.

You may have need to visit a meeting of our mayor and city council in connection with your education while here. I'm sure that you will be impressed by their sincere efficiency and personal considerations and will be welcomed with highest respect and courtesy.

Last fall, I personally experienced an encounter with a fine student. As he was attempting to make an afternoon class, his brakes failed as he approached a traffic light at a very busy intersection.

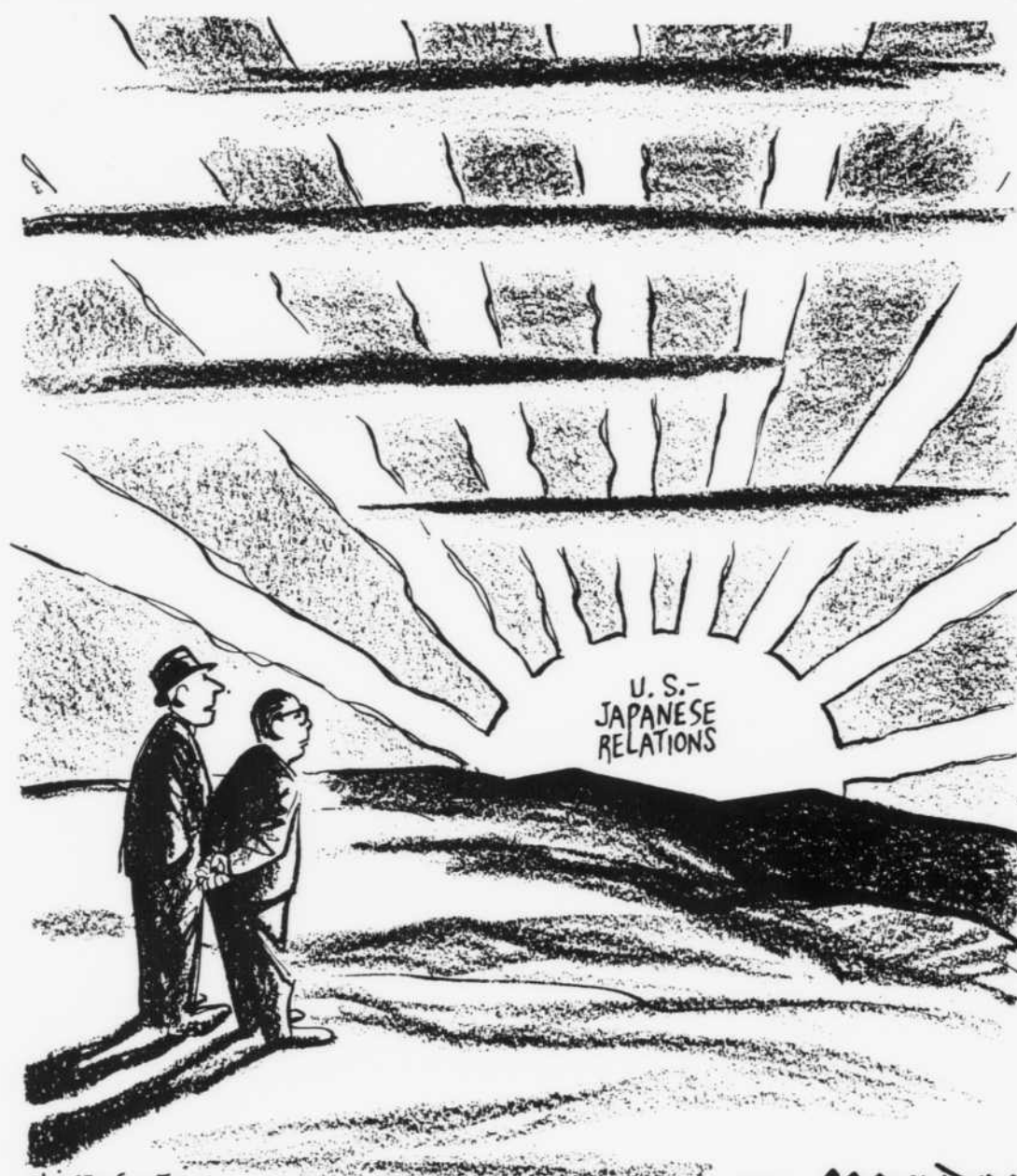
He exhibited a high degree of "respect for others," "fast thinking," and "driving skill." He avoided the intersection, used a vacant driveway and unavoid-

ably collided with my new truck that was parked at least 100 feet on a dead-end street away from the main thoroughfare.

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Dennis who?

Attica brings call for solidarity

By Dennis Frobish

"The solution is solidarity!" This cry was raised at Attica prison last week by one of the rebelling inmates, but it applies to all Americans--not just those behind prison walls.

The direct cause of the Attica prison riots will be debated for a long time to come, and may eventually be attributed to radical, left-wing inmates by members of a government study similar to the one that exonerated the Ohio National Guard of the Kent State murders.

The fact, however, that 85 per cent of the inmates at Attica are non-white points to a serious defect in American society and American justice. For too long, black and white Americans have

not shown solidarity and the fictional gap between the two races has grown wider.

People of all races and all nations desire the same essentials. They desire quality education for themselves and for their children. They desire adequate medical care and adequate housing. They desire respectable jobs and equal pay for equal work.

All of these desires will become reality for all people if we work with each other in striving for these goals. The point is--we must work together. We must reach a high degree of solidarity.

We are a new generation and a new age. We must discard or eradicate the beliefs and practices that have for so long hindered the progress and harmony of our nation and its people.

There are ecological, medical and sociological problems haunting our land that must be solved and solved quickly.

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Film fatale

'McCabe and Mrs. Miller' provides lusty adventure

"McCabe and Mrs. Miller," as indicated by the presence of co-writer-director, Robert Altman, who also directed "M.A.S.H.," is a lusty, naturalistic frontier tale that manages to deliver some high moments of brawling humor and taut drama along its way to satirizing how the west and America was won.

Warren Beatty turns in a fine performance as title-character,

By Will Derington

John McCabe, despite a disheartening resemblance to Ricky Nelson that a face full of shaggy whiskers fails to conceal. Beatty's McCabe is a clever opportunist, somewhat overdressed for the rough frontier environment in his stiff black wool suit, dude hat and 10 cent cigar.

Yet, he is decidedly at home

among the greasy cards and blinding cigar smoke of the frontier saloon, and enjoys the bar-room reputation of being a shrewd gambler as well as "the man who killed Bill Roundtree." He also has a heady knack for making a fast dollar at supplying what the public demands.

In the mining town of Presbyterian Church, what the public demanded was women, and what

McCabe supplied was two of the god-awfullest, dirty-nosed, leering women the old West has ever known-plus a virginal girl who attempts to murder one of her clients. Needless to say, the miners were delighted with their new-found public servant, even if McCabe did turn out not to be the authentic cut-throat he was whispered about town to be.

But despite McCabe's initial heartwarming business success, he is small-time compared to a hard-nosed, five dollar trick known as Mrs. Miller and spiritedly portrayed by Julie Christie.

Mrs. Miller arrives in town one snowy day with lofty dreams of an expanded, first-class brothel and a proposition for McCabe. Soon, through her know-how, McCabe's financial backing and the help of the miners, her dreams come true.

But often, as Altman ironically points out, the best of dreams are shattered. For hot on the heels of success comes walrus - moustached company men, hired killers, rhetorical lawyers with stars in their eyes and pictures of Grover Cleveland hanging on their office walls and a mounting climax of violence.

----- Off the record -----

Webber, Rice offer second 'biblical' album

When I was told of the second recording offered by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice of "Jesus Christ Superstar" fame, I immediately doomed it to failure.

After all, with what does one follow "Superstar"? Certainly not Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Scepter), I reasoned. One would no sooner think of releasing recordings in that order than one would follow a no-trump ace with a deuce in a bridge game.

But I was mistaken. The liner notes peg "Dreamcoat" as a work of historical interest primarily--and it turns out that "Dreamcoat" was written before "Superstar" anyway. So much for my initial objections.

What about the musical quality of the work itself, apart from any "Superstar" considerations? Well, there's a problem; the two are inseparable.

If the listener were to overlook the synchophonic packaging of the two albums, and the type on the "Dreamcoat" album reading "Conceived By the Same Creative Talents That Composed Jesus Christ Superstar," he would still take notice of the many subtle pilferings and two outright plagiarisms from the "Superstar" score. Webber's orchestration is good enough to stand by itself, and it is regrettable that he evidently felt the score had to be boosted by "Superstar" borrowings.

Rice divided his time between brilliant and horrible lyrics, jammed alarmingly close together. The man who rocked the lyricist world by rhyming "Christ" and "sacrificed"

By Jimmy Trammel

in "Superstar" managed to pull one or two goodies again (noticeably "lead you through the famine" and "economic planning"), but more glaring were his sourer rhymes, such as "His astounding clothing took the biscuit/Quite the smoothest person in the district." The composer and lyricist both batted .500 on this work.

The poorly-written cantata is performed with competence and above-average zeal, however. The entire Joseph Consortium evidently has a ball performing the work. Webber and Rice, who in "Superstar" restricted their participation to a bit of work in the chorus, proudly take larger sections in "Dreamcoat." Webber introduces a relative, Dr. T. Lloyd Webber, guest on the Hammond Organ, and Rice exuberantly apes Elvis Presley in the part of Pharaoh.

The major disappointing difference between the two works is the poorer quality of "Dreamcoat's" narration. There is no attempt at character development of the "Superstar" calibre except in Joseph's case, and that is done spottily and hesitantly. Joseph's key aria is withheld until the finale (it would have been much more effective near the beginning and reprised at the end).

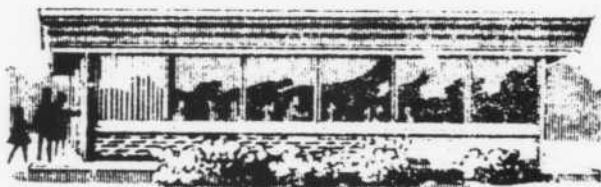
This agreeable aria and a more majestic one concluding side one is the total attempt at characterization. The balance of the cantata swings from instrumental to dialogue to narrative with obvious lack of smoothness.

Columns need reviews

In an attempt to expand coverage by the SIDELINES and to provide variety for its readers, the newspaper is beginning regular columns of book, movie and record reviews.

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Registration drives start

Young voters assert rights

Tennessee's Higher Education Commission reports that there are over 470,000 persons between the ages of 18 and 24 in the state. By 1980 that number is expected to rise to a peak of 518,000.

Since the passage of the 26th Amendment giving 18 - 20 year-olds the right to vote, at least three state wide organizations have begun voter registration campaigns designed to increase the impact of these young voters.

In Memphis and Knoxville a non-partisan organization, the Young Voters League, organized registration campaigns which resulted in the registration of over 8,000 target age voters in Memphis and in a series of court cases in Knoxville.

The cases, similar to many which have been filed around the nation, are a result of the Knox county registrar's refusal to register students whose parents do not live in the community. The two Democrats on the election commission filed joint briefs in favor of the plaintiffs.

A decision by the Supreme Court this Fall on the Alabama case of Harris S. Samuels should determine the fate of those cases involving students living off campus while other impending decisions will help determine if

By Larry Harrington
State Reporter

dormitories may be considered a place of residence for the purpose of registering to vote.

The Student Vote, a national organization whose board of directors includes Mrs. Albert Gore, wife of the former Tennessee senator, is assisting the plaintiffs in cases where students have been denied the right to vote, including those in Knoxville.

Richard J. Brickwedde, an attorney for the group, points out that students are counted as residents of their college community by the federal government for purposes including congressional reapportionment. He said, "If they are not permitted to vote, the district becomes much like the rotten boroughs of England in the 19th century where one member of Parliament would represent a few hundred people and a city M.P. would represent thousands."

Nashville has the largest number of colleges and universities of any city in Tennessee. The election commission there will be watching the decisions handed down by the Supreme Court and

lower federal courts on cases involving student registration.

The 26th Amendment was ratified in early July, less than a week before the deadline for registering to vote in Nashville's municipal elections. With that amount of time remaining, the Tennessee Young Democrats, with the co-operation of the Davidson County Election Commission, set up voter registration at five supplemental locations around the city.

In two days work at those locations 5,000 people were enfranchised. Since then, the make-up of the election commission has changed and the registration procedures may tighten.

In Chattanooga, too, the Democratic Party was the primary catalyst in a registration drive. Supplemental registration was set up at shopping centers, churches, theaters, almost any public place.

In less populated areas where the student population of an institution constitutes a large portion of the community's population, the local election officials have been hesitant to register students. Until the federal courts rule on the test cases, the policy is one of enforcing strict residency requirements.

File 13

German Club invites members

The Die Deutschen Kameraden, the German Club, will hold its first meeting Thursday, Sept. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the Foreign Language House, 1417 East Main Street. All students with an interest in the German language or culture are invited to attend, according to Mrs. Ortum Gilbert, sponsor of the group.

Fraternity plans gathering

Pi Sigma Epsilon honorary sales & marketing fraternity will have its first meeting of the fall semester Thursday, Sept. 23 at 11 a.m. in room 322A of the University Center. All members and interested personnel are invited to attend, according to Frank Lamborn, treasurer of the organization.

Collage requests applications

The positions of feature co-editors of "Collage," MTSU's student literary publication, are open to anyone interested in applying, Teena Andrews, the magazine's editor-in-chief announced.

Applications containing the student's name, class, box and phone numbers and qualifications for the position may be sent to Miss Andrews at box 61 (postage free) or brought by the new office.

Sands to outline reforms

Changes in the ASB government will be discussed tomorrow night at 7 p.m. by Bobby Sands, ASB president, during his "State of the ASB" address.

Sands said that the speech, to be given before a joint session of the ASB Congress in the University Center theatre, will outline plans for election reform and cabinet reorganization.

He indicated that he would also discuss restructuring the

student government, voter registration and the concept of the "university council."

Appointments for the judiciary, ASB committees and university committees will be made by the student government president at the meeting.

In addition, the Lynnville senior will discuss the general philosophy of the ASB and campus services including food, mail, health, security and dormitories.

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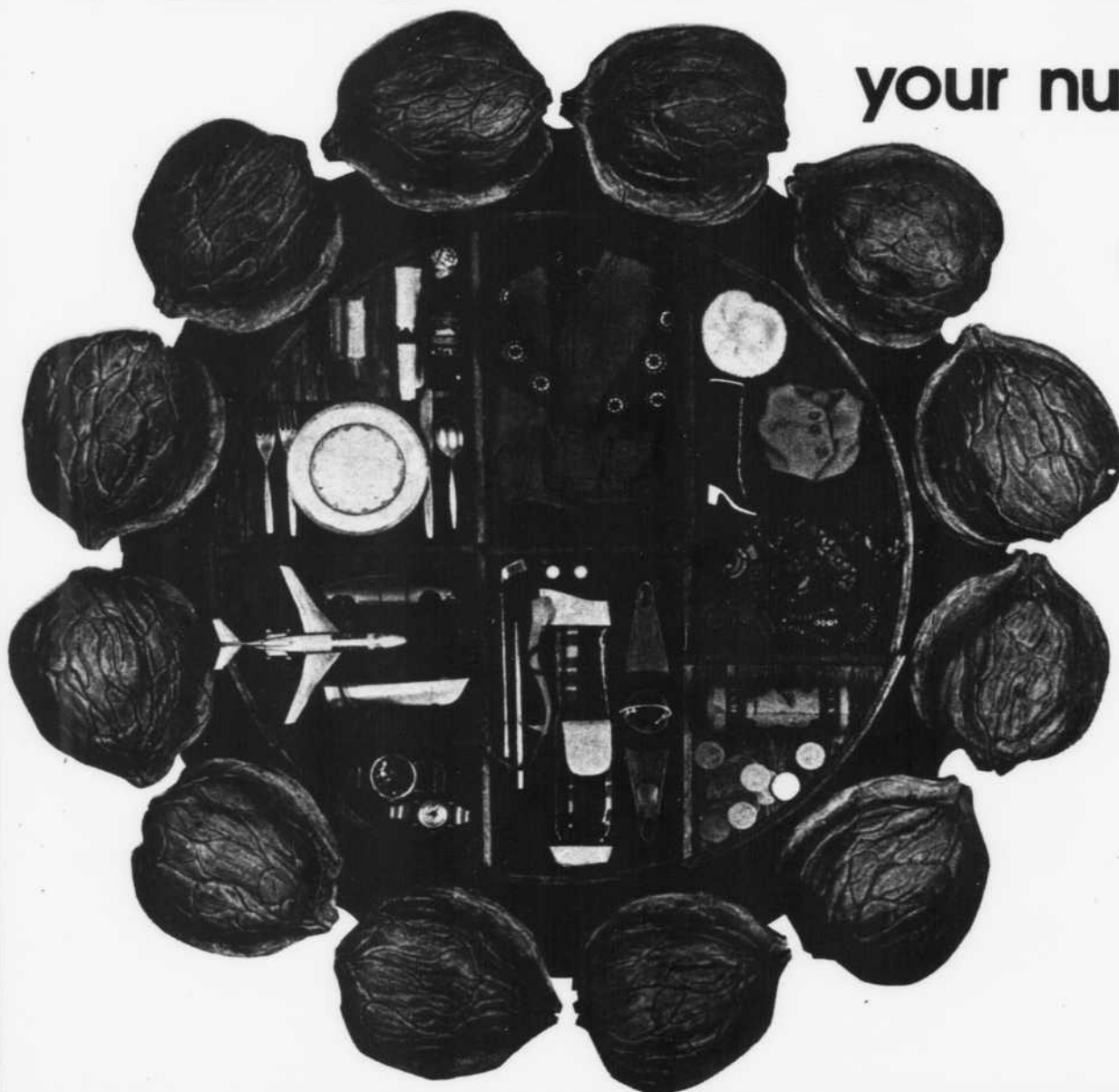
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UT-Martin Pacers overwhelm Blue Raiders

After two first quarter drives were stymied by a fumble and blocked kick, Martin's newly named Pacers unleashed an awe-some ground attack coupled with some pinpoint passing by Kelly Coker to throttle the Blue Raiders 28-0.

Early in the second quarter, Coker connected with Nate Holmes, the major thorn in the side of MTSU all night, for an 11 yard pass play capping a 65 yard drive. Although the extra point was missed, this was to prove all the points necessary for UT Martin to win as their big, tough, and experienced defense hung a shutout on the sput-

tering and often non-existent Raider offense.

Coker personally accounted for the next Pacer score by scooting 43 yards for a TD with 8:39 remaining in the second quarter to up the lead to 12-0. The try for the extra point was good and the score became 13-0.

Neither team was able to mount much of a threat and the half ended with UT Martin running out the clock.

The third quarter saw the Raider defense begin to jell, but lack of any consistent offensive effort coupled with offensive fumbles kept the Big Blue defense with its back to the wall all night.

The second offensive unit for the Pacers gave Holmes, Coker, Love and company a rest and proved to be almost as effective. Freshman UTM tailback Marvin West zipped in from the 6 yard line and a two point conversion made the score 21-0 with 8:06 remaining in the third quarter.

The final tally of the night came late in the fourth quarter as a tired and apparently disgruntled defense allowed reserve

QB Glenn Lowe running room for a 13 yard TD scamper.

Flashy junior tailback, Nate Holmes, accounted for 99 yards rushing, while Larry Love, hard-running fullback, cracked the line for 76 more. UT Martin rolled up 430 yards total offense compared to 132 yards for MTSU. Reuben Justice was the Raider leader with 62 yards rushing.

The Blue Raiders will travel to Morehead Saturday to play one of the top contenders for the

OVC title. Morehead is coached by Jake Hallum, who is in his fourth year at MSU.

The defense, second tightest in the league in 1970, has nine starters reappearing but lost All-OVC secondaryman Ron Gathright and Larry Baldrige plus Clint Walker, a part-time starter at end.

Games group hosts tourney

Sponsored by the Hospitality and Games Committee, a Table Tennis Tournament will be held Sept. 28-Oct. 1 according to Wanda Draughton, co-chairman of the committee. Entry deadline is noon Friday, Sept. 24.

The tournament is open to all, and intramural points will be given. Intramurals will be a subsidiary of this tournament. The winner is eligible to compete in the regional table tennis tournament at the expense of the Hospitality and Games Committee, according to Miss Draughton.

Prizes ranging from \$25 for first place to \$10 for fourth place will be given. The first place winner will also have his name engraved on a plaque to go in the UC office.

The tournament will be held in the games room of the University Center, located on the third floor. Anyone playing for intramural points must indicate his team name on the application.

Game statistics

	MTSU	UT Martin
First downs	10	25
Rushing Yardage	94	328
Passing yardage	28	102
Passes	3-23-1	12-28
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Raiderscope

Martin provides big headache

By Wally Sudduth
Sports Editor



The end

LoHarrell Stevenson is back at defensive end after recovering from a knee injury that sidelined him last semester.

Excedrin headache No. 2, or how UT Martin beat us like a drum. This could very have been the headline on an account of last Saturday night's sojourn into Pacer country.

The big and experienced (13 senior, 9 junior starters) UTM squad completely outclassed the Raiders in every important offensive statistic and their rugged defense led by the number one pro defensive prospect in the area, end Mike Krangle, was never tested.

The 6-5, 236 pounder never got to Raider QB's consistently, but his mere presence with hands raised was enough to thwart the passing attack of the Big Blue's midget field general corps.

All the blame does not rest upon the slight shoulders of Raider signal callers. Receivers dropped at least five passes in what could be described as crucial situations.

Mel Daniels beginning to show that he knows that quarterbacks can also pass. In all fairness to Melvin, it must be mentioned that he had never thought about being a QB until this past summer.

In the UTM game, one could see him improve, as long as he was allowed to stay for a full series of downs. By mid-season he should be an adequate quarterback, but can we afford a string of losses that is sure to accumulate while he matures? From what I've seen so far, we may have to.

The defense hit with authority and at times appeared to relish their task. This occurred only after a ghastly apparent tendency of the

right side of the defensive line to get trapped was remedied.

LoHarrell Stevenson announced his return to active status, after enduring the mental and physical anguish of a knee operation, by promptly issuing a speeding citation to Nate Holmes. Lo got a rare opportunity to stick a running back and took full advantage of it.

Reuben Justice, along with being the Raiders leading rusher, turned in one of the finest 100% efforts I have ever seen. On an intercepted pass Reuben handfought his way past a much larger blocker and made a TD saving tackle. He also was a superior blocker all night against the stacked UTM defense.

I understand Wilson Carter was a linebacker at TSU and in service. At 220 and with his speed... oh, well.

The Raider defense appears ready to play with the exception of a field leader of the Hunter Harris-David Duvall type. . . .

This was only victory No. 2, ever, for UTM over the Raiders, the other victory being a wild 44-36 affair in 1967. The rest of the OVC opened with convincing wins, so there are more clouds on the Raider horizon.

Elsewhere, Tennessee and Auburn clash next Saturday at Knoxville in an early season popularity poll match.

Pershing Rifles to sponsor smoker

By Mike West
News Coordinator

A smoker for all male students interested in participating in MTSU's Pershing Rifles will take place Thursday at 3 p.m., in room 324 of the University Center, according to Bob McCalmont, Pershing Rifle lieutenant.

The purpose of the organization, said McCalmont, is to provide precision drill sequences and promote an extracurricular activity for interested students.

This year the Pershing Rifles will participate in the Mardi Gras and the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington D.C., he stated.

This is the fifteenth consecutive time the team has marched

in the Mardi Gras, indicated the San Francisco junior. They will also compete in the regimental drill meet at Ft. Gordon, Ge., he said.

The Pershing Rifles will also march in several parades including the MTSU homecoming parade, the Nashville Veteran's Day parade plus a number of local Christmas parades.

The Pershing Rifles were established, indicated McCalmont, in 1894 at the University of Nebraska. The program at Nebraska was begun by Lt. John J. Pershing. After Pershing left the university the drill team

was renamed Pershing Rifles in his honor.

The precision rifle team idea caught on at the collegiate level, stated McCalmont, and Charters were sent to schools who wanted to participate in the program.

MTSU's Pershing Rifles were established in 1968. Before that time the team was known as the Sam Davis drill team, he said.

In the past three years the team has performed for over 300,000 people, stated McCalmont.

The drill team is a part of the fourth regiment based at Clemson University.

The MTSU chapter of the Pershing Rifles was chartered Company X-4.

Blue opens at Fisk in cross country

Coach Dean Hayes' track team will open its 1971 cross country season Tuesday, Sept. 21, with a duel meet against powerful Fisk University in Nashville.

Fisk is the defending Southern Conference champion and they will be tough according to Coach Hayes. This meet will kick off a 12 meet schedule which includes four Ohio Valley Conference teams and the OVC championship meet in Cookeville, November 13.

The squad is a representative group, but it might not have specialized cross country runners like conference power Murray State, Hayes said. He explained that many of the MTSU runners also participate in track and field events. Murray, however, recruits strictly cross country runners.

Middle Tennessee has five returning lettermen from last year's cross country team. Returning are seniors Rich Russo and Bob McLear and juniors Dan Crews, Homer Huffman and Myles Maillie. Coach Hayes commented favorably on the progress of Grady Manning, a junior transfer from Wyoming.

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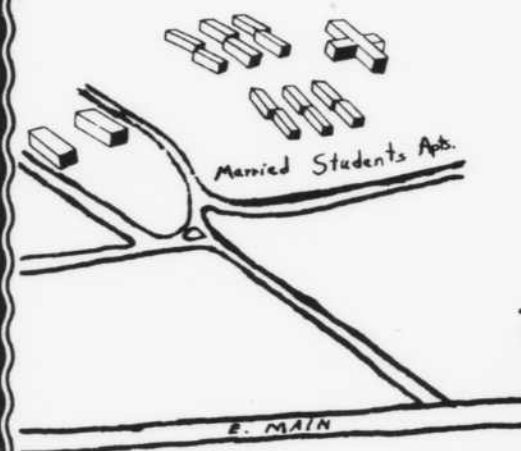
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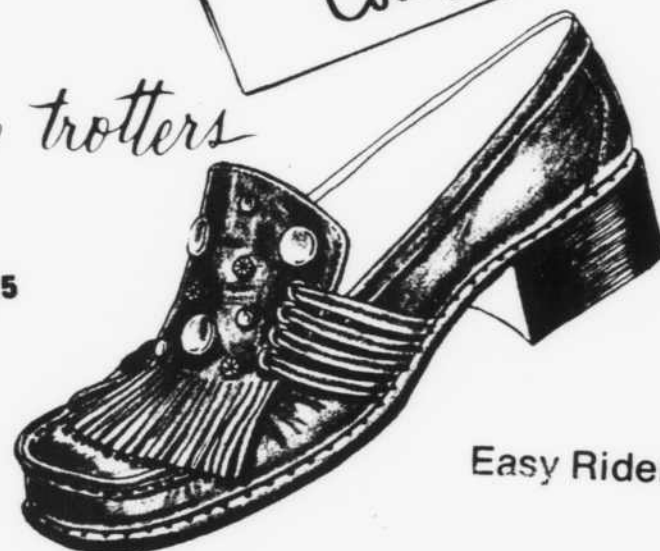
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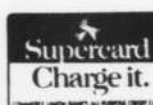
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