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Snyder revokes seminar offer

By Paul Fischer
Staff Reporter

Lewis Snyder, Tennessee Arts Commission executive and MTSU's art department senior ceramics professor, said yesterday that he was revoking his offer to the university to co-host the International Ceramics Symposium.

Snyder said, "Due to the apparent adversity within the art department, I feel it's in the best interest of the symposium and university to withdraw the offer." Snyder is currently on leave of absence from MTSU and is working full-time for the commission.

Morris Brandon, department head, offered evidence of the "adversity" within his department yesterday. "I think that there is some fairly widespread opposition within the department, if it (the symposium) interferes with the regular operation of the programs for our own students."

Brandon indicated that the symposium would "very definitely" interfere with three-dimensional design and the sculpture programs which had been previously planned for the summer.

"It would have just wiped those programs out," he said.

The probability is high that Memphis State University will accept the symposium's co-sponsorship, according to Snyder.

"I received a letter from them this week. Their art department had recommended to their president that it be held there," he said.

"Two of the major galleries have been contacted concerning some kind of activities, possibly a craft show or some crafts exhibitions to be there for visitation during the symposium

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'Will'

Will Shakespeare (Ronnie Meek) concocts a bedtime story for his daughter Susanna (Janey Durham) in "A Cry of Players."

Officials deny band criticism

By Sandy Wheeler
News Editor

Two meetings have been held recently between administration officials and band officials, but administrators deny rumors that there was any criticism of the band during these sessions.

Informed sources, however, have said that band director Joseph Smith was told to "pep up" his half-time show and asked to

supply a pep band for the basketball season.

Howard Kirksey, vice president of academic affairs, said the meetings, held Aug. 31 and (Cont. on page four)

Graphic design heads in new directions

Commercial Art and graphic Design has, up until now, been a somewhat neglected field at MTSU, according to David Noblett, advertising designer.

"The program was non-existent before I was asked to come to MTSU," Noblett said. "Now an entire commercial art program is being set up, including a possible direction toward commercial photography, graphics design and advertising."

His purpose is to involve the student in commercial art and give them a broad spectrum, ending in an ability to turn out professional work. The courses will be designed in this manner.

A student interested in graphic design, Noblett's preferred term for commercial art, must become competent in basic drawing with some background in

color and painting. There will, he says, be some involvement in photography, typography and layout.

"The program might even include some psychology," he said. "Because a graphic designer has to know what appeals to people."

In other words, the program cannot be isolated to the art department. It is related to journalism and industrial arts as well as art.

Noblett delved further into the use of photographs for commercial art.

"I think it is somewhat faddish," he said. "Those who think it will replace paintings and illustrations, especially in the commercial field, are mistaken from my point of view."

A photograph can sell a product better than an illustration, but it lacks personality and character, he indicated.

He did say that he thought photography was rapidly rising and personally feels he can do more in photography than in painting.

"The program for commercial art comes out of necessity. A student is almost sure to get a job in this field and that is the idea of most people," Noblett said.

"I want the best commercial art program in the country," he said. "That is why I'm in teaching."

Noblett felt he was deceived in teaching because at the University of Houston a student was a number. He felt the faculty and a student should work closer together and orient themselves more to individualism.

"Since I have been at MTSU, though, my disillusionment has changed," he stated. "The smaller school

leaves more room for creativity and more personal relations with the students."

Noblett was formerly employed with Hallmark cards in Kansas City as designer of calendars and typography consultant. He received his undergraduate degree, BFA, at the Minneapolis School of Art, majoring in graphic design and photography.

He received his MFA at Indiana University, after which he worked for Northern Illinois University in charge of publications.

Designer awards have been presented to him, including the Midwestern Book Competition, the New York University Press Book Competition, and also, he received recognition for one of the 50 best book cover designs of the year.

ASB conducts special election

The ASB will conduct elections for Homecoming queen and Junior senators on Thursday, according to ASB Election Commissioner Glen Thornton.

Also, students will vote on the proposed constitutional amendment, known as the Wagner Act, which would allow MTSU Vice President Harry Wagner the duties of controlling ASB financial matters, which are currently handled by President Scarlett's office.

Snyder revokes . . .

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period," Snyder said.

A meeting between university officials and Snyder was scheduled for today at 10 a.m. "He had not called me to call off the meeting," said Brandon.

Snyder indicated that he was hesitant to discuss at length the reasons for recall of the invitation, because he was "not sure that the university had received some important information" in the mail that he says was sent to appropriate officials.

"He has not called me at all," Brandon reiterated.

Howard Kirksey, vice president for academic affairs, and Delmar Pockat, dean of the school of education, were both unavailable for comment yesterday.

Tennessee Arts Commission Executive Director Norman Worrell expressed surprise yesterday at being informed of the move. "I didn't know that it had been withdrawn," he said.

"The purpose of this symposium is to organize headquarters for a United States' branch (of the event, on a permanent basis) here in Tennessee," Snyder said.

Officials deny . . .

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Sept. 7, included participation by Harry Wagner, vice president of student affairs; Morris Bass, vice president of financial affairs; M.G. Scarlett, university president; Neil Wright, head of the music dept.; Joseph Smith, band director; Horace Beasley, assistant band director, and Dr. Kirksey himself.

Both he and Wagner said the meetings were nothing unusual, and that they were held to suggest the possibility of forming a pep band for the basketball season. They said this was suggested in an effort to increase university spirit.

Wagner said the university was entering a whole new era with the opening of the new gymnasium and convocation center, and the

creation of a pep band was suggested because there had been no regular music program at basketball games in the past.

He added that the purpose of the meetings was two-fold in that the pep band was suggested and that the idea of total university promotion was discussed.

Wright refused comment on the meeting and said that any statement should come from the president's office. Smith, when contacted, denied any controversy and would make no comment on the meeting.

Kirksey and Wagner denied any directive given the band by the administration and said the meetings were held as a part of the president's effort to develop university spirit.

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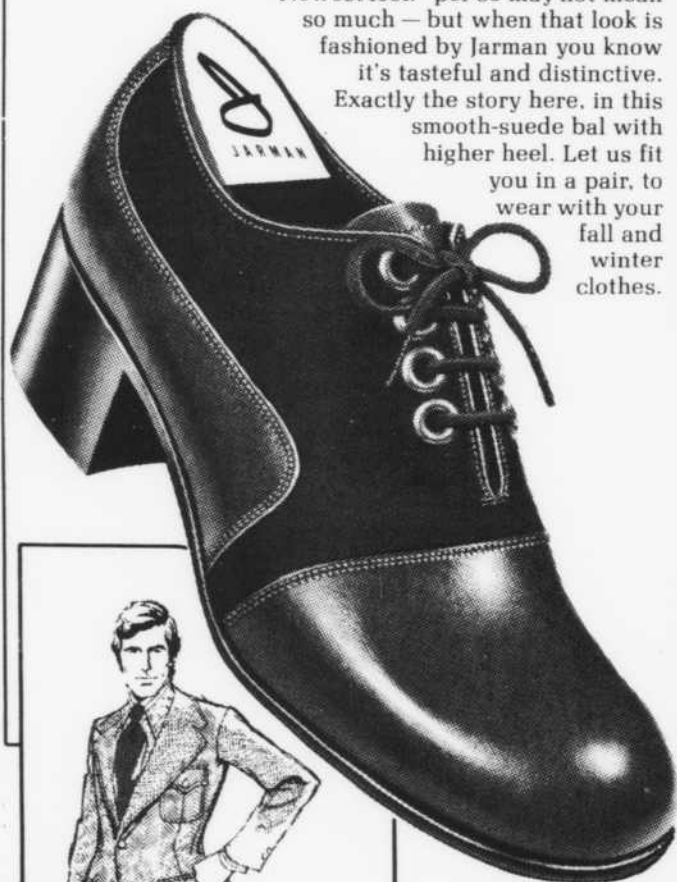
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Pageant to select yearbook beauties

Nominations are currently being made for the second annual MIDLANDER Campus Beauties Pageant, according to Jim Trammel, yearbook editor.

The competition will be held Tuesday, October 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium.

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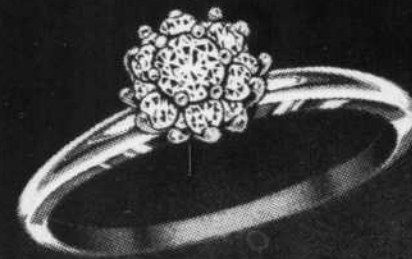
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IN MERCURY PLAZA

Hill foresees graphic arts potential

Donald Hill, new graphic arts professor, came to MTSU this semester "because of the potential of the graphic arts program."

Hill, who is one of the top ten in the field of graphic arts in the United States, according to Edward Kimbrell, chairman of the journalism department, feels fortunate to have joined the MTSU faculty.

"We have the opportunity to be a leader in graphic arts," he said. "Eventu-

ally, MTSU will have the facilities and faculty in journalism that are equal to any in this country."

He plans to present a program dealing with instructional procedures and materials that can be used

in teaching graphics, a subject he is well qualified to discuss.

Hill has written three textbooks and has made over 200 transparencies for use with an overhead projector. He uses these

instruction materials extensively in his classes, along with about 40 sets of slides.

Hill, who previously taught at the University of Missouri, has spent much of the semester putting equipment into operation that was donated to MTSU by the Southern Graphic Arts Association.

The equipment will be used by Hill's students in the introduction to Graphic Arts course, which is the only graphics course taught at MTSU.

Next semester Hill plans to add two new courses, Publications Design and Graphic Communications Production.

Hill, who served in the

Peace Corps for two years in Afghanistan, indicated that there are many job opportunities in the field of graphics. He hopes to eventually use campus publications as an outlet for students of graphic arts so the students can gain more experience.

In November, Hill will conduct a graphic communications workshop on campus designed primarily for those interested in newspapers and magazines.

Hill is chairman of the Graphics Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and is in charge of planning the program to be presented at the association's meeting next year.

Applications open for women's pool

Applications are now available in the University Center office for the Women's Intramural Pool tournament, according to Avery Smith, tournament director.

The tournament is scheduled for Oct. 30-31, with the winner and runner-up to qualify for the Associated College Unions International Region 5 tournament to be held in Knoxville in early February.

Entry deadline is Thurs., Oct. 26 at noon. Tournament play will be double elimination with the championship game to 30 balls in straight pool.

"Every woman who knows how to play is encouraged to participate in the competition," Smith said.

Blanton visits area

Democratic nominee for the U.S. Senate Congressman Ray Blanton will bring his campaign to Murfreesboro Thursday morning.

The West Tennessee Democrat will "meet the people" at an open reception at city hall between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., according to local campaign co-chairman Barbara Haskew.

Blanton had earlier scheduled a fund raising breakfast in Murfreesboro which was called off when the Congressman had to return to Washington for an important vote.

Haskew, an economics professor at MTSU, indicated that the decision to

have a free reception was made so that everyone who wants to work for the Congressman can have a chance to meet him.

"I can't say that the majority of Blanton supporters are well heeled," Haskew said.

The Blanton campaign has emphasized Senator Howard Baker's votes "against progressive tax reform, and his record of coddling big business interests." The conservative Democrat has hammered away at the Republican senator's voting record since the primary campaign, charging that Baker "favors the rich over the average men."

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University to host graphic art workshop

MTSU will hold its first annual "Workshop in Graphic Communications" Nov. 3-4, according to Edward Kimbrell, head of the journalism department.

Sponsored jointly by the Southern Graphic Arts Association, the Tennessee Press Association and the department of industrial arts and technology at MTSU, the two day workshop is especially recommended for graphic arts teachers and advisors to school and college publications.

Kimbrell said that the program is unique in that machine operation and demonstrations of materials will not be the major topic of concern. Instead, the emphasis of instruction will be on technical information to improve communications through the medium of print.

Anyone involved in the creation and preparation of materials and production for communications through the medium of print should find the workshop program an excellent source of current technical information, Kimbrell added.

He said that writers, editors, illustrators and the advertising segment of the industry should be able to upgrade their skills from the workshop and that any-

one engaged in the mechanics of production may enrich their overall view of the entire communications process.

Some of the program topics include "Current trends and practices in phototype setting," "The reproduction of tone," "Introduction to color for the publishing industry" and "The economics of publishing."

The program will not deal with writing or illustrating from a creative

point of view. The workshop is limited to graphics and will include design of formats and the selection and utilization of type.

In all the program sessions, instruction will utilize multi-media techniques. More than 200 in color. Tensets of specially prepared 35mm color slides will illustrate current trends.

Enrollment in the workshop will be limited to 20 persons. The registration fee is \$50 which will

include all necessary books, tools and materials.

The program will be conducted by Donald E. Hill, assistant professor of graphics at MTSU. Hill taught graphic communications at the University

of Missouri for seven years and is currently a Ph. D. candidate in that school.

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Patman charges unethical use of campaign funds

Wright Patman, chairman of the House Banking Committee, says his committee has evidence that Nixon campaign funds were used to buy electronic listening devices.

These devices were allegedly used by James McCord, one of the Watergate Five. McCord was security coordinator of the Committee to Re-Elect the President.

McCord was carrying Democratic party documents when he was arrested in the Watergate offices. These papers would have made it possible for Republican political saboteurs to forge Democratic convention credentials for collegiate press representatives.

This evidence presented by Patman in effect proves that the Committee to Re-Elect the President has been dealing in political espionage.

Evidence of political sabotage has been traced all the way to

Editorial

President Richard M. Nixon's staff. Time Magazine released information Sunday linking Gordon Strachen, a White House staff member, and Dwight Chapin, a deputy assistant to the President, to the hiring of Donald Segretti, an alleged political saboteur.

Segretti received \$35,000 from Herbert Kalmbach, Nixon's personal attorney, as payment for his services.

The presentation of this flurry of information connecting Nixon's re-election attempt with political spying raises serious questions.

It makes one consider whether or not the President is connected directly with a group of political saboteurs, which in effect raises questions about Nixon's personal honesty.

When a President's honesty becomes suspect, the honesty of his entire party and administration also becomes questionable. People begin to wonder if policies are formulated for the nation's benefit or for the personal gain of the people in power.

Besides reflecting upon his party and administration, Presidential dishonesty reflects upon the American people as a whole.

How many foreign powers are going to be friendly with an American people who are led by a morally corrupt President?

Perhaps the American people should prove their moral courage by questioning the honesty of the President before the world begins to question the integrity of the average American citizen.

Anti-Nixon charges may be true

By Mike West
Managing Editor

Recent charges made by Sen. George McGovern that claim that the Nixon administration is the most corrupt in America's history just might not be unfounded.

Time Magazine and the Washington Post have both tied an alleged political saboteur, Donald Segretti, to Nixon aides.

These staff members are Dwight Chapin, a deputy assistant to the President, and Gordon Strachen, a White House staff member. Chapin and Strachen reportedly recruited Segretti to sabotage the Democratic campaign.

Time reported that Segretti was paid \$35,000 for his services. This amount was given to him by Herbert Kalmbach, the President's personal attorney.

Justice Department files make a direct link between Segretti and the Committee to Re-Elect the President, the Time report indicated.

The \$35,000 that Segretti re-

ceived came from a secret Committee to Re-Elect the President fund kept in the wall safe of Maurice Stans.

Stans is the chief Republican Nixon campaign money raiser. Stans has purported approximately \$75,000 in his safe.

Wayout West

Apparently the Justice Department has a very strong case against the Committee to Re-Elect the President, but so far they have not taken any action.

Perhaps they have not completed their investigation. It is more likely that Attorney General Richard Kleindienst and Donald Gray, acting head of the

FBI, want to protect the jobs that Richard Nixon appointed them to.

It is very probable that the majority of American people will ignore the charges leveled at the Nixon administration by Time Magazine and the Washington Post, just as they have ignored the Watergate Affair.

If the charges that the Committee to Re-Elect the President have instigated a nation-wide network of political saboteurs, prove to be true, it will be impossible for Richard Nixon to dodge the responsibility.

Nixon has effectively severed the connections between him and the Committee to Re-Elect the President through-out his campaign, but he cannot do this forever.

Sooner or later the American people are going to get off their collective rear and realize what Nixon is doing to them.

Let us hope that it is sooner.

GOP 'line', not record, causes youth vote

To the Editor:

I would like to reply to Youree's letter of October 13. I have no argument with the statement that many young people will vote for Richard Nixon in November. The reason for this youth vote, however, is not the President's record but rather the deliberate misrepresentation of his record. Your-ee's letter was an example of such misrepresentation.

Point one: Viet Nam. Youree tells us that as of December 1, 1972, more than 95% of our troops will have been withdrawn from Viet Nam. She does not tell us that a great number of these men are only crossing the border into the surrounding countries. We are not told of the deaths of thousands of Americans involved

in Nixon's "Secret Plan to End the War."

Youree does not mention that the war in the air is more intense than it ever was before Nixon took office. Nor does she mention that the government in South Viet Nam has changed from

Letter

a democracy to a dictatorship during the four years Nixon has been in office. And why doesn't she tell us that Nixon's efforts have not yet secured the release of one single P.O.W. in four years?

Point two: The Draft. In 1968

Nixon said he would end the draft if elected. He did not promise to cut the draft to 50,000 men a year, but to end it. Nixon's own study commission reported that the draft could be ended with little or no security risk. The congress seemed willing to end the draft and it is obvious that with White House pressure it would have done so. Fifty-thousand young men will testify this year that the draft is indeed alive and well, and living in Washington. Now we are to believe that Nixon will end the draft if he is elected this time. No thanks!

Point three: The Economy. How can Youree tell us that for the first time since 1965 workers' raises are not being eaten up by inflation? Nixon has seen to it that there are no raises. We now have a control board holding down wages while it allows incredible price increases to big business. Nixon is now fighting the proposed raise in the minimum wage. We have an unemployment rate which we cannot tolerate. We have seen the dollar devalued under Nixon. And anybody who goes to the grocery store and tries to say that food prices aren't out of hand has a very short memory. Need I also point out that the national debt is now at an all time high?

Point four: The Environment. No man can fire Wally Hinkle as Sec. of the Interior and still claim to be a friend of the environment. We now have an Environmental Protection Agency which does nothing. We have a President's Environmental Merit Award Program so that the President can get his name mentioned whenever someone else does something for the environment. With friends like Nixon the environment doesn't stand a prayer of winning its battle over big business.

I supported Nixon in 1968. I feel justified in my disappointment over his performance as President. I hope Youree will not take it personally if I don't fall for the Nixon "line" again in 1972.

Ronnie Meek
Box 2394



NEW STYLE IN BABY-KISSING

Registration procedures prove inconsistent

Last week, many MTSU students were not allowed to register to vote in Rutherford County. As the lines in front of the election commission became longer with the approach of Saturday's deadline, the rate of turn-downs increased.

During a two-hour period Friday afternoon, over 30 students were turned away by election officials. Half of these were not registered elsewhere.

Up to last week, students had been allowed to register with a minimum amount of hassle from officials. I registered last spring simply by declaring Rutherford County to be my legal residence. Everything was fine. I registered here in good faith, and the election officials took my word.

Last week, however, faced with a drive to get students to register that seemed linked with the upcoming liquor referendum in Murfreesboro, the election commission decided to start questioning the work of these attempting to register.

One of the ads that elicited this reaction, broadcast over WKDA-FM, indicated to students that if they were registered elsewhere, they could change their registration to Murfreesboro in order to vote in this important local election, then change it back to where it was before.

By Larry Harrington
State Reporter

This is probably legally correct, but such action would be ethically incorrect.

After hearing ads like these and having a few students who tried to register say things like, "Well, Coffee County is my home," election officials began to ask students for proof of legal residence.

The questions I heard asked and those that people told me they were asked have no bearing

Scene from the Hill

on whether a person considers Rutherford County his legal residence.

It is not the election commission's responsibility to enforce the county wheel tax, and requiring that persons show proof of having bought a sticker before registering them, turns a legitimate means of raising revenue into an illegitimate poll tax.

Parental support is not relevant to the question of legal residence. The fact that an individual receives part of his in-

come from his parents in no way disqualifies him for legal residence in this county. And who wants to pay five dollars to get his license changed as soon as he moves?

It is not a legal document that can be used to determine one's legal residence for the purpose of registering to vote. The only question that has a legal bearing is, "Are you registered to vote in another place?"

The burden is on the student to determine his legal residence. It is a responsibility that should not be taken lightly. One should evaluate his interest in the community carefully. To change registration from place to place in order to vote on every controversial issue or candidate on the ballot threatens the electoral process and could lead to the implementation of laws and court interpretations which would disenfranchise large numbers of the population.

This is a mobile society, and we need liberal registration laws which take this into account, but if they are abused, who can save us from the reaction of conser-

vative Supreme Court?

Students who were turned away last week were told that they could appeal the decision of the registrar to the election commission as a whole. Commission chairman John Nelson says the group will probably meet Thursday, Oct. 19, the first time all five commissioners can be present in order to hear appeals.

I hope that those who were turned down in their efforts to register will call the election commission office and set up an appointment. The majority of these students were legally correct and I hope they can convince the commission that they were ethically correct also, as, the majority of them were.

Without the confusion that prevailed during those last few hours of registration, the commission should be able to make a reasoned legal judgment of each case. If either the commissioners or the students base their actions at the hearing on emotional reactions to the unfortunate events of last week, the electoral process will have been dealt a severe blow.

'Law-n-order' issue confuses national political parties

That George McGovern has discovered the basic desire of people to walk their streets safely is not only somewhat surprising, but also relieving.

I think it can safely be said that for the past few years Republicans have been known as "law-n-order" types, while Democrats have wanted to tread very lightly when it comes to the treatment of those accused of crimes. Any crackdown on crime has been termed "repression." But a few things should be mentioned at the start.

It's hard to believe that any President of any persuasion can sit in the White House and affect the crime rate in the United States. So the increase in crime was less last year than before. That's pretty deceptive, as statistics can be. More crimes are still being committed, though in some places incidents have indeed decreased.

The FBI can publish books of facts and stats. Presidents

By Ray Notgrass

Hopefully this is where revenue sharing will help. Money goes back to the local level where they can hire more policemen and get some sophisticated equipment.

I couldn't give a darn what Ramsey Clark thinks about "Crime in America." I want to be sure that my sheriff and that city cop riding around in a patrol car will help me if someone rips me off.

President Nixon's efforts in getting these funds available should be applauded.

I've heard the statistic that half the crimes committed in Washington, D.C., are committed by those out on bail for another crime. Obviously the courts must dish out the punishment and do so promptly. But lengthy delays and appeals slow prosecution to a crawl.

"Preventive detention"? Oh, come now, this isn't the Third Reich.

Streamlining and modernization of the courts (advocated by Chief Justice Warren Burger, among others) is going to cost money. But it needs to be done soon, regardless of the make-up of Congress or of who occupies the White House. Who will do it?

Sometimes I wonder. On a side note, Congressman William Anderson has come out for mandatory sentences for persons convicted of a crime committed with a handgun.

Great, terrific. That's exactly what Bill Brock said in 1970. But who listens to repressive Republicans like Brock and Nixon? You know you can't trust those guys, can you? Those shifty eyes....

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'Red tape' conditions face transfer students

By Peggy Smith
Feature Editor

Transferring to this university must be the most difficult task to attempt short of running barefooted through a Swahili jungle. The mortality rate of students hung in "red tape" is unbelievable and somewhat frightening.

Take-overs, lost hours, non-acceptable credits, classification demotions, quarter-semester changes and loss of temper are hazards with which the transfer student is faced.

The demand that a student take a course over because it is a three-hour course here, and a two-hour course there, is, to say the least, stupid.

Speech is speech. The do's and don't's of speechmaking could not be that radically different. Grammatical sentence structure is grammatical sentence structure, regardless of what part of the country you are in.

But still that proverbial "red tape" delays an important graduation another semester or two, while a senior takes two or three freshman courses.

I have not talked with anybody about the whys and wherefores of the problem, but I cannot see the immortal importance of having to take courses that will never apply to a career or future life in any way, much less have to take it twice.

As a result of a transfer, I have had to take speech twice, three times counting high school. I will probably never have the

occasion to make an A-1, top-notched speech in front of 700 people, but according to my background, it should be a normal occurrence.

Unaccepted credits are equally harassing. A student can sit in a classroom for two or three hours a week for a whole semester (no telling where) and be told when he comes here that he did not. Or even

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if it is acknowledged that he sat there, he is told he did not learn anything.

The bogey-man in the records office is determined to delay or terminate the possibility of graduation regardless of what means are necessary. The "toothed computer", heartless and cruel, types a letter to the prospective graduate and relays the message that he will be unable to graduate because he has not completed a successful course in nose-blowing.

Four long years or more in the sweat-house is an awfully long time to be told it has done no good--for the present anyway.

On the Other Hand

can boast or moan, candidates can promise away, but it seems that crime is stopped by the cop on the beat, and prosecuted by the court system. And courts also provide the guidelines by which police have to act.

For example, on the tube last week, Senator McGovern asked a gathering of New Yorkers if they felt safer after four years of Richard Nixon, and of course they shouted back a resounding "No!" What I would have asked would be if they felt safer after seven years of John Lindsay as mayor of Fun City, who frets all over the place about repression.

Students 'get into' ancient art of yoga

Two MTSU students, a senior from Murfreesboro and a freshman from Memphis, are into "their own

By Janet Basse

thing." Their "thing" is the

ancient Indian art of yoga.

"A literal translation of the word yoga is 'union'--the union of the lower self

and the higher self, of the individual consciousness and the supreme consciousness," said John Nelson, the senior, who is currently instructing a 10-week study in the practice of Hatha yoga each Tuesday and Thursday night through Dec. 7th at 7:30 in room 310 of the University Center.

Hatha yoga is "a facet of yoga dealing with yoga postures," according to Dayalu (his full Indian name), the freshman, who is working with Nelson in instructing the course.

Both have been practicing yoga for approximately two years. They said they are offering this study "merely to share the benefits of Hatha yoga with others. There is nothing involved other than time," said Dayalu.

Nelson added that the benefits of yoga lie in "creating a subtle awareness and control of one's body as well as a calm, controlled mind."

"Although there are thousands of different yoga postures, we will be dealing primarily with the most basic," revealed Nelson.

Nelson and Dayalu have carried on this study at Southwestern and Memphis State universities and several Memphis area high schools.

Both are members of a worldwide yoga group known as Amanda Marga.

PR team drills at Fort Campbell during training

Members of the MTSU Pershing Rifle drill team were recent guests of the 187th Airborne Infantry at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Company B of the 3rd Battalion hosted the team in a day of training at the Advanced Parachutists School of the 101st Airborne Division, according to Captain Jim Roberts of the ROTC department.

MTSU students were introduced to training which included jumping from a 34-foot tower and simulated exiting an aircraft in flight and the shock of an opening parachute, he added.

Commenting on his first experience in parachuting, Tabor Tritschler, a Nashville sophomore, stated, "Jumping for the first time is rather scary. It is a 100% psychological thing and a real experience." All members of the team agreed that, at the very least, the experience was quite unique.

Other events of the training schedule for the MTSU cadets included the art of parachute packing and repair, classes on Army helicopter aircraft and Airborne company operations. Company B concluded the day by hosting the MTSU students at lunch and a tour of their unit headquarters.

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Softball establishes itself in intramurals

To the onlooker, softball may seem to be just a game of baseball with a larger ball. This is no surprise--softball is the child of baseball. Essentially the same rules, equipment, playing field and procedure are used in both sports. Yet, despite these similarities, softball has established its own identity and come into itself as a unique sport. Nowhere has the uniqueness of softball been more evident than in the intramural softball playoffs here at MTSU.

Softball is a game where anything is possible. The strong are never beyond the reach of defeat, the underdog never without hope. Earl's Pearls carried a confident 5-0 record into the playoffs only to be eliminated in the first round by a virtually unknown group, Milton's Muthers. The Muthers, underdogs in every game they played, ended up second in the independent league behind the Yankees.

Another unknown, Married Students Apartments, came out of the woodwork to capture the campus division title. Kappa Sigma took the fraternity division championship from Sigma Alpha Epsilon 10-9 to round out the men's playoffs.

The women's division

By Gerald Kemp
Sports Writer

play turned out to be just as surprising, but not as much in who won the championship as in how it was won. Semi-final and final games normally pit two superior teams against each other, and the expected win margin is one or two runs.

The Athletic Supporters did play a previously undefeated Delta Zeta squad in the semi-finals, but the thrilling fight-to-the-death predicted turned out to be a 21-3 massacre by the Supporters.

In the finals, the same team won the women's championship by trouncing another undefeated team, Beanie & the Bugs, 14-1. With all except one team member returning, we may expect more of the same from Bonnie Walker and the Athletic Supporters next season.

The men's championship will be determined this afternoon, and then the intramural softball season will slide to a close. The players, victors and vanquished, will at last spit out their Beech-Nut and Red Fox, put on their sweatsuits and begin flag football competition. See you then.

Harriers finish eighth in West Georgia meet

Raider harriers finished eighth in 11 team entries in the West Georgia Invitational cross country meet Saturday.

Pembroke College took team and individual honors as Marion Craddock captured first place while Berry College was second. "We were terrible," stated coach Dean Hayes, "we had seven guys who were flat at the same time."

"Both Pembroke and Berry had good teams though and should finish high in the NAIA championships," remarked Hayes

Myles Maillie was the first Raider runner to cross the finish line. He took the 18th position.

"If I had to pick a meet for us to have a bad day, I guess this one would be it," concluded Hayes, "and they took advantage of me."

The Raiders run against the Gobs of Austin Peay Saturday morning at 10:30 on the Veterans Administration Hospital course.

Other fall events for the cross country team yet to come are the Tennessee Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and OVC championship meets.

Block and Bridle changes face

In consideration of the fast-growing agriculture program and increased interest in horses, a new face to the Block and Bridle Club is being lifted, according to Glen Gailbreath, advocate of the change.

Members of a new club are being solicited, regardless of experience. "If a person has any interest in horses at all, even if he has never ridden one, we want him to come," Gailbreath said.

The membership, by no means, will be restricted to agriculture majors or the agriculture-oriented people," he continued. "Nor will it be restricted to students."

The first major goal will be the renting of a near-by barn to board the students' privately owned horses.

Exorbitant prices and distances have previously prevented the average MTSU student from having his or her horse at school. Before anything can be done, the number of interested people has to be known.

Brownview Stables is speculated for this service.

By Peggy Smith
Feature Editor

Feeding, Gailbreath says, might even be arranged to prevent the student from going out there twice a day.

The club's interest will extend even further to include weekend trail rides, foal and yearling training, daily exercising, grooming and simple riding for the enjoyment.

"There are surrounding stables we can go to for clinics and weekend riding," Gailbreath continued. "All we need is the personnel to show interest."

A similar program has been in effect at UT for some time. It's success has provided a promising precedent for this attempt.

An organizational meeting will be held Wednesday at 6:30 in the agriculture building, room 125, Gailbreath indicated. Dr. John Reagan, of the Dept. of Animal Industries, Tennessee State Diagnostic Lab, will speak.

His subject will cover the recent epidemic of sleeping sickness (VEE) and swine cholera presently a problem in the state.

"Hopefully, we will get a lot of people who don't know anything about horses, because that is what a club is for, to learn," Gailbreath said.

Any horse interest expressed by the membership will be carried out in the form of some type of program. Hunt seat and jumping, western riding, walking horses or quarter horses will all be taken into consideration and covered.

Applicants due

Entries for men's intramural flag football are due today by 4 p.m., Joe Ruffner, director of intramurals, has announced.

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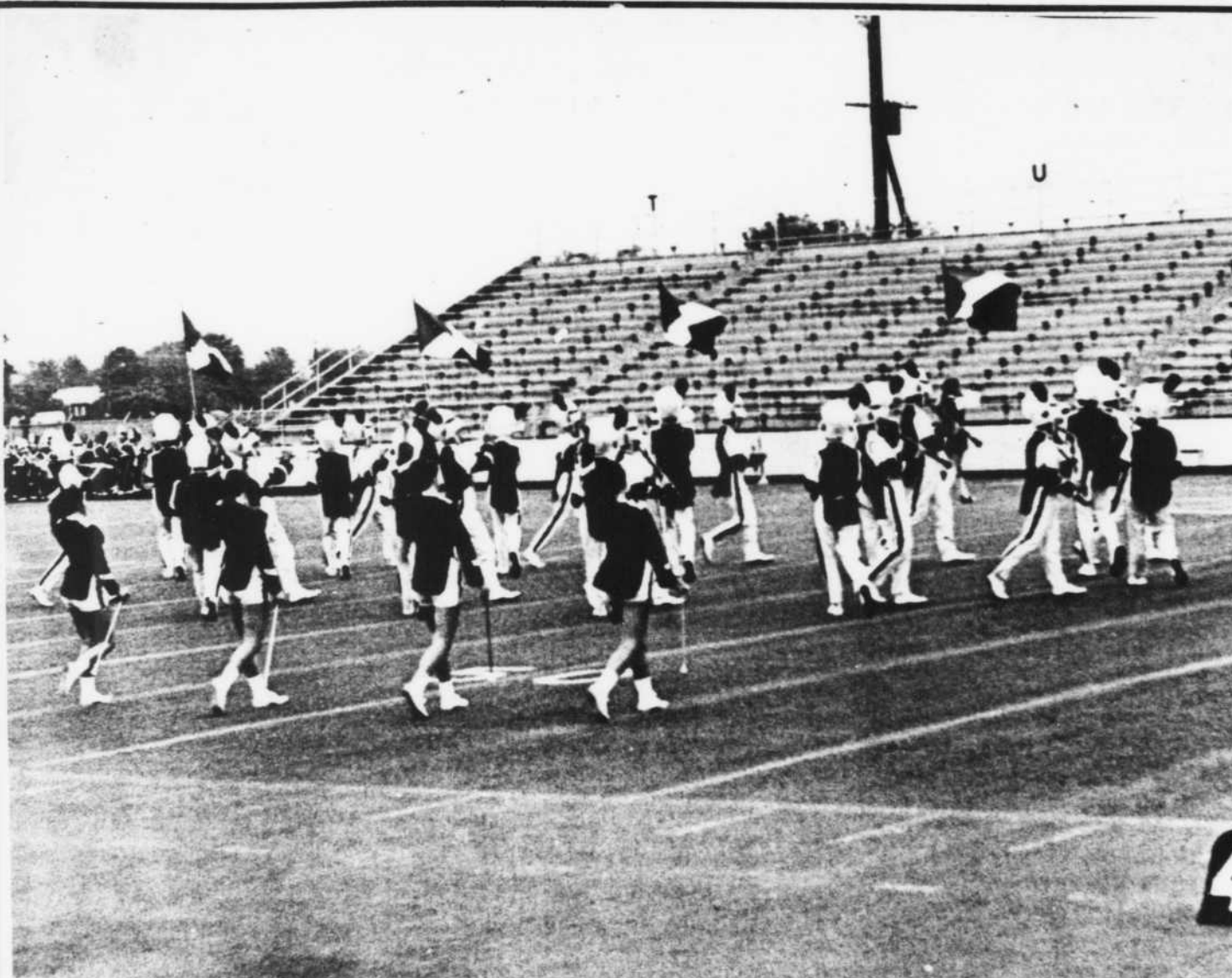
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Champs

Nashville's McGavock High School won first place in Saturday's Band of Blue sponsored Contest of Champions. McGavock was named as the number one high school band in the state in virtue of their win. McGavock placed second in the contest last year.

March on?

Scottish?

The Jeffersontown, Ky. marching band received honorable mention in the contest. The Jeffersontown band was perhaps the most unusual band at the event because of their use of bag-pipes. Their show was based upon a series of British marches.



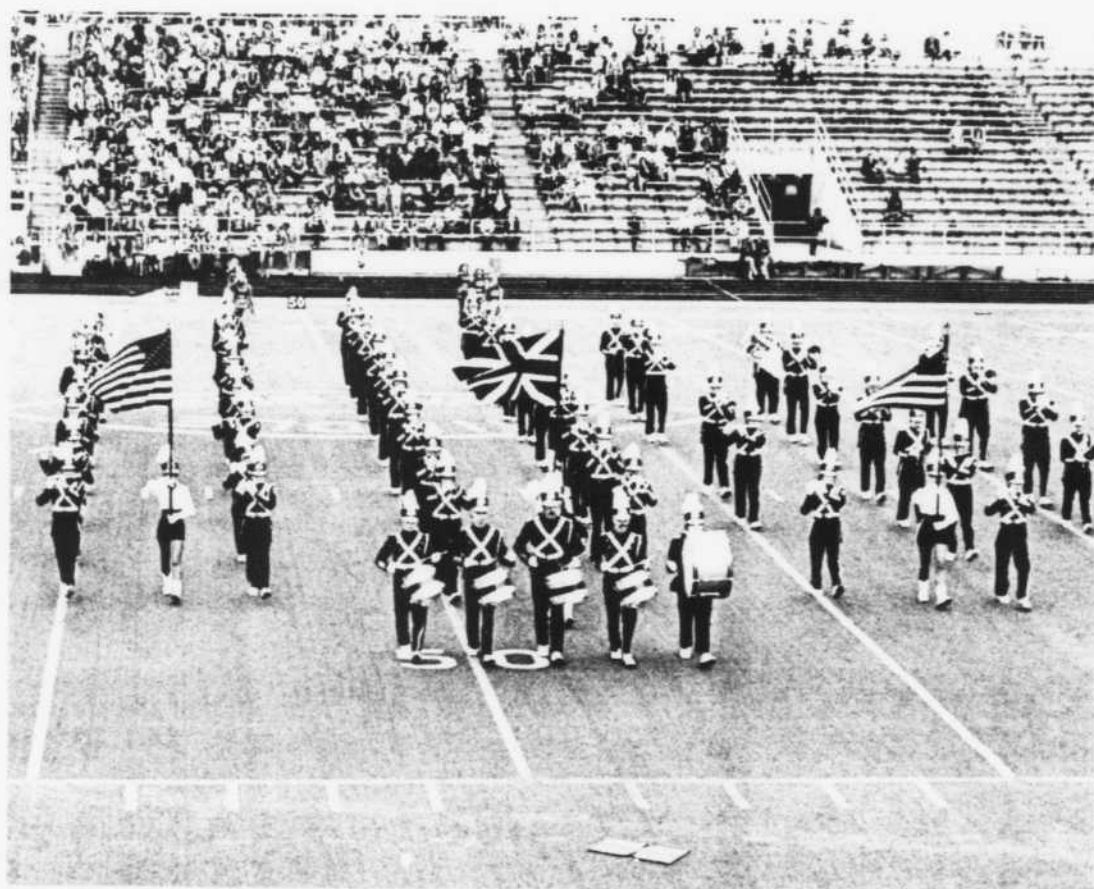


Warriors

Riverdale High School Warrior Marching Band of Murfreesboro, directed by Bob Lee, won a 'Superior' rating for its effort. Riverdale is one of two new high

schools that was created by consolidation of Rutherford County schools. Last year Murfreesboro Central under Lee's direction won the Governor's Trophy.

Right on!



Big Blue

The Band of Blue presented 'Conquest' a marching study of triangles while the contest's judges were making their final decisions on the top two bands, which turned out to be McGavock and Columbia Central.



Clarksville

Clarksville High School's marching band was one of the twenty participants in the Contest of Champions. Bands from three states marched in the day-long event.

Photos by Mike West

Conversion attempt fails

Blue Raiders post first OVC victory

Murray's Jim Engle was unable to hold a pass from quarterback Mike Hobbie on a two-point conversion attempt with no time remaining on the clock and MTSU posted their first OVC victory of the 1972 season by a 14-13 margin Saturday night.

With :02 seconds left on the clock and MTSU holding a 14-7 lead, Hobbie found tailback Clayton in the midst of three Raider defenders where he made a brilliant reception-run for the 35-yard scoring play.

The visiting Raiders used freshman runningback David Fritts, in his first start, to power their way to a pair of first half touchdowns which were made to stand up for the win.

Fritts, who gained 123 yards for the night and 84 in the first half, bolted 37 yards the first time he touched the ball to get the Raiders moving.

MTSU capped their 72-yard scoring drive when Fritts slashed into the end zone from two yards away, his shortest carry on the drive which lasted only eight plays.

After another Raider drive stalled at the 30 early in the second quarter, an opportunity for a fieldgoal was lost as the center snap went low and bounced up to the holder. Murray was still unable to sustain a drive, however, and MTSU got the ball back on their own 38.

By Wally Sudduth
Sports Editor

On first down Raider QB Fred Rohrdanz, starting for the second consecutive week, connected with flanker Johnny Blankenship for a 35-yard pass play from where the Big Blue ground out the rest of the distance on the ground.

Melvin Daniels popped across the goal line from one yard away and the Raiders took a 14-0 lead with 9:18 remaining in the first half.

Murray promptly marched back down the field to the Raider 23-yard line, where Bob Marshall slipped off tackle, found a seam in the Raider defense and dashed untouched for the score.

After the Raiders were unable to move the ball, Murray once again began a drive which, aided by a third down MTSU penalty, carried all the way to the Raider 14 for a first down.

Linebacker Ed Witherspoon intercepted a Hobbie pass at the two and returned it 18 yards where the Raiders ran out the clock to end the half.

Second half action saw the Raiders march up and down the field almost at will only to see their own mistakes stop one scoring drive after another. Added to this was the 43.4-yard punting average of Racer kicker Chuck Cantrell who forced the Raiders

to start from deep in their own territory on every drive.

Midway of the third quarter, MTSU drove from their own seven to the Murray eight, mainly on the strength of Rohrdanz's passing arm, only to see Daniels bobble the ball and Racer linebacker Adrian Wolfe recover.

Next time the Blue regained possession of the ball, they mounted a drive from their own 33 to the Murray two where a field goal attempt was blocked by Tom Johnson.

Murray remained unable to generate any real offensive thrust and after an exchange of possessions,

the Racers' Cantrell boomed a 49-yard punt to freshman Sonny Anderson on his own 21. Anderson circled a blocker and sped 49 yards to give the Raiders good field position at the Murray 30.

MTSU continued to stymie themselves as Daniels again lost the handle on the first play from scrimmage and Matt Schappert, a defensive end, fell on the ball.

The Raiders held but could not move and were forced once again to punt the ball over. Pat Hagarty returned the punt 20 yards to give Murray the ball at their own 38.

Hobbie then cranked up the Murray machine by hitting Bill Farrell on a fourth down pass good for 19

yards and a first down. Jeff Votaw hauled in a 10-yarder from Hobbie on the next play to set up the touchdown strike and the conversion attempt dramatics.

The Raiders, behind excellent offensive line play, ground out 414 yards total offense. Rohrdanz accounted for 170 of those yards on 10-19 pass completions to add to Fritts' game-leading rushing total.

Hobbie was credited with 114 yards passing on 7-27 completions and the Racers finished the night with 283 yards total offense. George Greenfield, the OVC's leading rusher going into the game, ran for 86 yards in 22 attempts.

Fritts amassed his 123 yards in 19 carries for a 6.5 average per rush.

Blankenship and tight end David Stewart each hauled in three Rohrdanz passes as the Raiders completed tosses to seven different receivers.

Junior tackle Dexter Dodson led the Raider defensive effort with eight tackles and three assists. Witherspoon chipped in with six individual stops and two assists besides his interception.

Bill Fryer was the Racers' best defender with 11 solo tackles and two assists.

Homecoming foe for the Raiders next Saturday afternoon will be Austin Peay.

Supporters win women's playoff for softball title

Bonnie Walker's Athletic Supporters trounced Beanie & the Bugs 14-1 Thursday afternoon in the finals of the women's intramural softball playoffs to end their season with a spotless 8-0 record and the women's championship.

Participation in the finals came after a 21-3 victory over previously undefeated Delta Zeta sorority.

Walker, a junior from Springfield, attributed her team's victories to teamwork and past playing experience.

"Most of the girls played with each other in church league and other organized softball in Nashville," she said.

She complained of the lack of participation by the MTSU girls, who fielded only 16 teams in this fall's competition.

Throughout the season, the Athletic Supporters tended to win their games by large margins, in one instance scoring twelve runs in one inning. Walker cited the psychological effect of being behind as the factor that defeated many of the less experienced teams.

"Many of the girls had never played before, and when they got far behind, they gave up," she explained. "Scoring twelve runs in one inning tends to unnerve them very much."

Walker spoke with optimism of the Athletic Supporters' chances in the future.

Golfers win tourney

Jim Hurt took his second medalist title of the fall and led MTSU to a three-stroke win over ETSU and Kentucky, who tied for second with 734's, in the Eagle Invitational at Cookeville over the weekend.

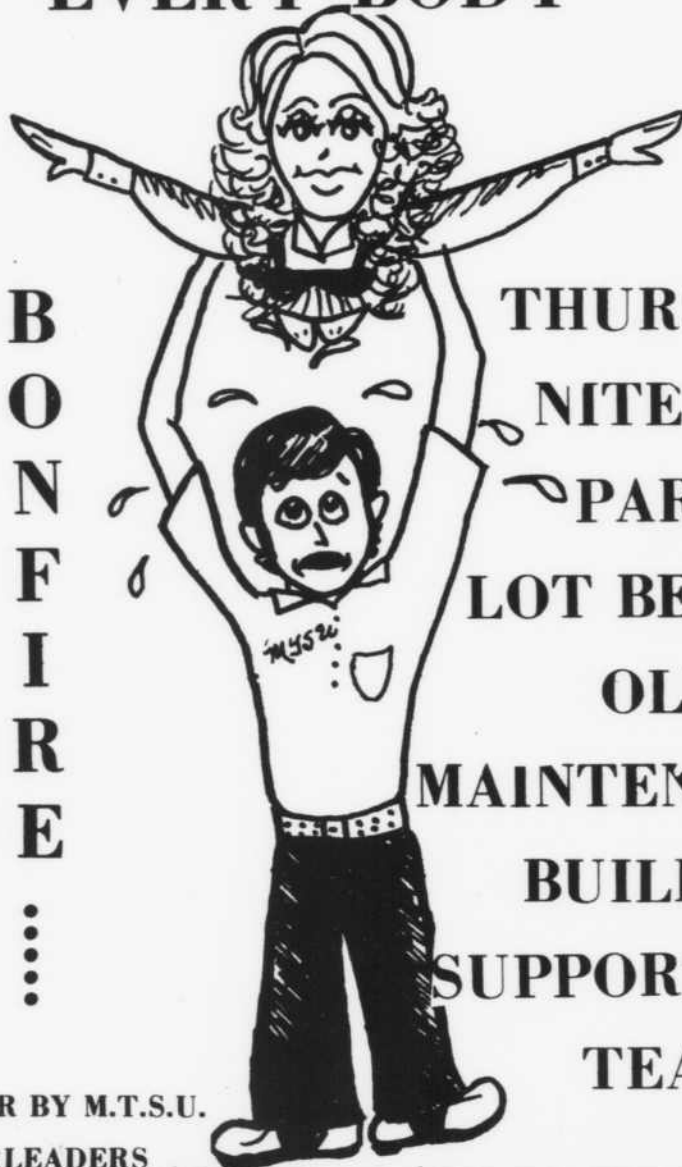
MTSU's win was their third in four fall invitational tournaments, the only blemish on their record being a second place finish in the Sewanee Invitational last week.

Hurt finished with a five-

under par 139 to take individual honors over Bobby Wadkins of ETSU. Stewart Wheeler of UK shot a 145 for third place.

Other schools competing and their scores were: Eastern Kentucky (746), Tennessee (753), Murray (755), Furman (755), Morehead (759), Tennessee Tech "Gold" (760), Western Kentucky (770), Tennessee Tech "Purple" (772), UT Chattanooga (781) and Carson-Newman (803).

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Split-season

Coaches oppose set-up

Several baseball coaches around the league are upset with the split-season schedule which sees each team play the other three teams in their division twice in the fall and twice in the spring.

Many coaches feel that a team with a poor record in the fall is apt to be flat and lack incentive in the spring because of the poor prospects for the coming spring.

Some also feel that 12 games are not enough to really tell the caliber of the teams involved. The way it is now, a team with two good pitchers and an adequate defense can dominate the league because the conference games are played in doubleheader sets on succeeding weeks.

Joe Ellenburg of Austin Peay is one coach publicly on record as being opposed to the present set-up and Raider coach "Lefty" Solomon thinks that some changes would benefit all the teams involved.

One common complaint this season is that the Western Division has four powerhouse teams while the Eastern has only one team of the same caliber.

An example of this is seen from the fact that Tech swept a double-header from Eastern and is in contention for the Eastern Division crown, yet the Eagles lost a 11-1 no-hitter to the Raiders, and have lost nine of their last 11 against the Blue.

On the other hand, MTSU lost a doubleheader to Western and split with APSU while Murray split with both APSU and Western in action thus far into the fall.

Some comment has been made that a fall and a spring championship would give more incentive to teams who don't fare well in one or the other.

Another suggestion has been made that either the top or the bottom two teams from each division switch places each spring and fall to equalize the competition throughout the conference.

The simplest solution, it seems to this writer, would be to increase the number of conference games and cut down on the non-conference and scrimmage games in the fall, and also to increase the amount of league games played in the spring.

Solomon says he would like to see a minimum of nine divisional games in both the fall and the spring. This seems more adequate and especially with the

common complaints about travel expenses and budgets. Why not let the teams in the conference play each other, possibly with a rotation from division to division, enough times to decide a true champion and then let this representative go to the national tournament. Any other team with an outstanding record, with possibly some prestige wins over nationally recognized teams, could still stand a chance of getting an at large berth in the NCAA playoffs.

David Fritts got a chance to show his stuff last Saturday night in the Murray game, and even though the team as a whole was less than sensational, Fritts compiled some amazing statistics.

Raiderscope

By Wally Sudduth
Sports Editor

In his first start as a Blue Raider, Fritts gained 123 yards and scored a touchdown. An auspicious start, to say the least.

What makes it even more interesting, he carried the ball only 19 times. Let's see now, that comes out to around a 6.5 average per carry. Wonder when any other Raider back has gained over 100 yards rushing and averaged over six yards a clip?

By the way, Fritts passed the 100-yard mark midway of the third quarter and saw little action the rest of the way.

Rohrdanz's passing looks sharp

Fred Rohrdanz looked very sharp when he took to the airways against Murray and wound up the night with 170 passing yards.

One reason for this was the work of a very good

Raider offensive line. Veterans Charlie Holt, Jimmy Moss and Ed Zaunbrecher combine with two talented red-shirt freshmen, Larry Sawyer and Bob Orsillo, to give the Big Blue a potent force with which to either free runningbacks or protect the quarterback.

Orsillo has been especially impressive to date and has been named to the OVC weekly checklist of offensive linemen at least three times.

This group will have to be at their best against Austin Peay for the Blue to keep their record of having never lost a Homecoming game since joining the OVC.

Austin Peay doesn't have a lot in the way of an offense but the Govs are extremely tough without the football. Deaf tackle Bonnie Sloan is their ace and the 6-5, 265-pound tackle is a definite pro prospect.

Understand that the cheerleaders are hosting a bonfire and pep rally Thursday night at 8:00 in the parking lot behind the old maintenance building. This would be a good opportunity for everyone to get together and make plans for the Homecoming festivities.

Saturday's sports are plentiful

There is plenty in the way of sport going on besides the football game, and I don't mean that facetiously.

Larry Castle gets his Raider Homecoming Tennis Classic under way at 9:30 Friday morning and the baseball team takes on Murray in a doubleheader in the afternoon.

Dean Hayes and cross country have the spotlight Saturday morning as the Raider harriers host APSU.

Then in the afternoon comes the main event; the battle royal with Austin Peay for the Victory Keg.

Here's hoping that at least 9,000 of the student body shows up and that everybody brings a friend.

Blue-APSU split two; Raiders win over TTU

Raider baseballers split a doubleheader with Austin Peay in OVC divisional play and took a win from Tennessee Tech over the weekend.

Last Thursday, Randy Linedecker and Bill Ramage combined for an 11-1 no-hit win over Tech in Cookeville. Tom Owens provided the fire power for the Raiders with two home runs and four RBI's.

Linedecker was credited with the win after pitching six innings.

In the crucial OVC divisional play at APSU, the Raiders lost the first game of the doubleheader 9-3 and came back to capture the second contest 4-2.

Lefthander Gary Matthews started for the Raiders, but wildness and a key error behind him got the young junior college transfer in trouble. Bobby Parton and Hobie Davenport were both used in relief of Matthews in the second inning when the Govs scored seven runs. Jack Laverty finished for the Blue on the mound.

Highlight of the Raider attack was Owen's fifth home run of the fall season, a 390-foot blast.

Ed Robichaud had doubled in Johnny Murray in the first inning to account for the first Raider tally.

Gary Melson saved the split for the Raiders in the second game with a two-hit performance, as he did not walk a batter in running his record to 5-1, while striking out five.

Robin Brooks, a lefthanded pitcher-outfielder from Martin Junior College, struck the big blow for the Blue in the fifth inning with a two-run HR to give the visitors a 3-1 margin. After APSU cut the lead to one, the Raiders squeezed across a run in the sixth to wrap up the win.

"Melson threw a beautiful ballgame," remarked Coach A. H. Solomon of the win, "and the team played a fine ballgame in the second game."

"Brooks is coming through for us as a hitter," related Solomon, "and of course, Owens is swinging a fine bat."

One costly mishap for the Raiders occurred in the first game when a throw from the outfield took a bad hop and bounced up into the face of third baseman Robichaud, cutting him severely and causing him to miss the rest of the day's action.

MTSU now stands at 13-5-4 for the fall but are only 1-3 to date in the fall divisional play in the OVC. The final two games of the fall play will be here Friday afternoon against Murray State.

The Raiders need a sweep badly to stay in contention for the upcoming half of the season in the spring.

Lipscomb plays the Raiders here this afternoon and Columbia State comes to town tomorrow in tune-ups for the Friday tilt.

Speaking of his opposition over the weekend, Solomon said, "Austin Peay has a good ballclub; pitching is their strong point, but we have a good ballteam and the kids are beginning to believe in themselves."

Young Democrats to meet

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