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News Briefs

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The federal government spent about \$75,000 this summer to kill roughly 500 marijuana plants with paraquat—about \$150 a plant, a Drug Enforcement Administration official says, but the cost was high because drug enforcers took extra care in the first spraying of the toxic herbicide.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (UPI)—The often controversial choice of a winner for the prestigious Nobel Prize for Literature yesterday risked being overshadowed by Lech Walesa's stunning Peace Prize coup. The Norwegian Nobel Committee said the Solidarity leader was "an exponent of the active longing for peace and freedom" in the world.

GENEVA, Switzerland (UPI)—Washington's latest strategic arms reduction proposals, on the table at a new round of START talks yesterday, already have been rejected as "nothing but words" by the Soviet Union. Chief U.S. arms negotiator Edward Rowley says it is unlikely any agreement will be reached this year.

SANTIAGO, Chile (UPI)—Police opened fire on demonstrators who marched on the presidential palace after 10,000 Chileans rallied in the largest protest ever against 10 years of military rule. At least 12 people were injured and 15 were arrested in the ensuing melee.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Stung by a quiet, little-noted congressional effort to establish U.S. diplomatic ties with the Vatican, Protestant groups across the theological spectrum are charging the move violates the constitutional separation of church and state.

NEW YORK (UPI)—Cardinal Terence Cooke, the spiritual leader of New York's nearly 2 million Roman Catholics, died yesterday of leukemia.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Reagan says James Watt's "stupid remark" was not an "impeachable offense," but the interior secretary left on a sudden California vacation Wednesday in the midst of reports that he would rather resign than be sharply rebuked by the Republican-led Senate.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Unless House and Senate negotiators act this week, the federal benefit program for the long-term unemployed will face serious disruptions. A House and Senate conference committee was set to meet yesterday on a proposal to bridge the gap between conflicting House and Senate bills.

NEW YORK (UPI)—With IBM setting the pace, the stock market surged to near-record levels Wednesday in a late rally that followed Treasury Secretary Donald Regan's prediction of a lower federal budget deficit. Analysts said they expected the surge to continue at the outset of today's session. The Dow Jones industrial average climbed 13.51 to 1,250.20 yesterday.

NEW YORK (UPI)—In what may be the biggest drug scandal in horse racing, federal investigators said seized invoices saying Howard Kinsbrunner sold illegal stimulants to nearly 20 horse trainers and racetrack veterinarians in at least 11 states.

Ross to nominate frosh senator

By MAT WILLIAMS

Sidelines Associate Editor

ASB President Mark Ross will nominate one freshman senator for later ASB confirmation after the only three candidates for five freshman seats were elected this week.

A senior senator, one sophomore senator and a graduate senator, as well as five finalists for homecoming queen were also elected in the two-day balloting.

FRESHMAN PAULA McDonald received 148 votes for a senate seat, tabulations indicated. The other two freshman candidates, Tommy Bunch and Rita Walker, received 129 and 106 votes, respectively.

A write-in candidate, Ada Sanders, was elected to a fourth freshman seat by a four-vote margin.

Sophomore Mark O'Connor received 90 votes in his bid for that seat and Senior Lucinda



Mark Fly, right, a junior accounting major from Franklin and a Gamma Beta Phi volunteer, watches as an unidentified voter casts his ballot in yesterday's homecoming queen-ASB elections.

Roberson received 247 votes and write-in candidate Royce Williams will fill a graduate senator post.

THE FIVE

HOMEcoming queen candidates are Sophomore Elaine Allen from Humboldt, Stephanie Fitzpatrick, a senior from Nashville, Senior Tannia Reece of Murfreesboro, Donna Howell and Emily Law, both freshmen

from Nashville.

The sophomore election proved to be a close one as O'Connor barely edged Charita Allen for the lone seat. Allen received 86 votes.

Others who received votes in the sophomore election were Annette McGowen, John Conklin and Maurice Patton.

Ross expressed his appreciation to all the students who ran for the Senate and Homecoming Queen positions.

"I LOOK FORWARD to working with all the people elected in the Senate," he said. "I'd like to give a special congratulations to the five Homecoming Queen candidates. I think they're going to be a fine, representative group. It's a shame only five could win."

Ross also thanked the hard-working Election Committee crew and its commissioner, Kenny Summar.

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System tightens security

By DEE PARKER

Sidelines Staff Writer

With a newly-implemented system, Campus Security can now keep track of unlocked doors and lights left burning on campus, Otis Floyd, executive assistant to the president, said Tuesday.

"We were finding too many lights on and too many things happening," Floyd said, in reference to an apparent lack of past efforts to learn about the problem. "My assumption is that there was a problem."

IN SEPTEMBER'S reports,

for example, 10 to 20 assorted incidents of late-burning lights, broken locks, open doors and the like were reported in a week's period—with as many as seven different incidents in one night.

The cost of burning lights after hours, which might be expected to involve energy and money, cannot be determined until there are a year's figures to work with, Jack Martin of the maintenance department said.

A classroom with four fluorescent light fixtures which

remain in use for the 32 weeks of the school year—eight hours per night—costs the university about \$32 per year, Martin said.

"THE SMALL things will add up over campus," he said.

Campus Security's Nancy Weatherly said that while turning off burning lights may represent money savings, unlocked doors in campus buildings are of special concern to that department.

"[With] doors being unlocked, a burglar could go in there and take anything," Weatherly said.

CAMPUS LARCENY is down over last September's record. Last year's September reports listed 39 cases of larceny, while only 35 cases were reported this September, according to police records.

"This will bring about an awareness that the lights should be turned out and the doors should be locked," Floyd said.

Since the plan was implemented in September, reports of lights left on at night has been in different buildings and not confined strictly to only certain buildings. In fact,

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Aid availability to be decided this month

By LEE ANN REID

Sidelines Staff Writer

Students needing financial assistance can still receive help from the financial aid office, but a state meeting later this month will determine next semester's availability of funds, Winston Wrenn, financial aid director, said.

"This is one of the smoothest semesters we've had," Wrenn said. "But we will be having a state meeting in the next three weeks or so that will determine how much money will be available to the students for next semester."

PRESENTLY, students seeking financial help can still receive aid by applying for the Guaranteed Student Loan. Wrenn said the GSL is still the best bet for students who need help.

"Our local banks are constantly processing GSLs for

students," Wrenn said. "Some students are also taking advantage of a loan program from New York that requires no co-signer...many independent students like this."

Applications are still being taken for the fall semester for the newly founded Stark Loan Fund Program, Wrenn said.

"We have \$43,000 available in the Stark Loan Fund and have already dispersed four loans to students," Wrenn said. "There are academic requirements in the SLF...low GPA's cut out a lot of students."

The financial aid office will keep taking applications for the SLF for the fall and spring semesters. Interested students can go by the office and pick up the necessary forms. The GSL application forms are also available in the financial aid office.



Photo by Mike Poley

UT-Martin Chancellor Charles Smith, speaking at Tuesday's Higher Education and Industry Conference on campus, tells the audience that colleges and universities must change their curriculums in order to ensure better-educated graduates. Smith stressed that colleges must produce graduates who can read and write effectively, as well as possessing competency in mathematics and science.

Openings available

Day Care teaches

By JUDY WILSON

Sidelines Staff Writer

The MTSU Day Care Center has two immediate openings for children, ages three to five, said Day Care Center Director Wanda McGee.

Registration forms may be picked up at the Center, which is located behind the married student housing office.

THE FEE FOR the Center is \$35 a week for each child, McGee said.

"We think we have a good program of math, language and perception skills," McGee added.

There are 22 children at the Center, including those from other nations.

"People are welcome to come over and observe our program," McGee said.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the Center at 898-2970, or the WISE office at 898-2193.

Covington to attend AUCCCD

By JULIA BRATCHER

Sidelines Staff Writer

James D. Covington, MTSU's guidance director, will be the first representative ever to attend the Association of University and College Counseling Center Directors in Colorado to study student counseling Oct. 9-13.

"Hopefully, I will learn more about counseling students through seminars offered at

this nationwide conference," Covington said.

"THE PURPOSE of AUCCCD is to help determine the general direction for university and college counseling centers, to participate in the establishment of standards of service and training within counseling centers, and to deal with legislation and other governmental issues which have impact on the membership," he said.

One of the many seminars Covington will attend is the Black, White and Blue session which will study the black student experience at a predominantly white university.

Another seminar of interest to Covington is the suicide session, which will discuss the one-year study of suicidal ideation and urge among clients utilizing a college counseling service.

Several other seminars offered during the conference are Workshop on Exam Panics, Practicum Training, Contemporary Legal Issues for Counseling Centers, and Death Education and Counseling.

"I hope to find out information from other sources that will be available for the future in order to keep informed about services offered to MTSU students," Covington said.

Homecoming Week planned

"Take Me Home to MTSU" is the theme for this year's homecoming celebration, which begins with a fight song competition at 4 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 10, and ends with the MTSU—Murray State game on Saturday, Oct. 15.

Congressman Bill Boner, an MTSU alumni, will serve as grand marshal for the parade Saturday.

TUESDAY'S activities include a poster contest at noon on the Murphy Center Track and a contestant's reception at the President's Home at 4:30 p.m.

A 4 p.m. pep rally on the courtyard of the University Center is planned for Wednesday, and the Homecoming Dance will begin at 8 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the James Union building.

Activities will begin early on Thursday with an 11:30 a.m. event, the Locomotion Vaudeville, on the courtyard of

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Campus Capsule

STUDENTS INTERESTED in joining Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honors Society, are invited to a get-together on Wednesday, Oct. 12. For further information a form is available in Peck Hall, Room 302. The form must be returned by Friday. Students must have a B average in English, have completed their sophomore requirements, and be in the upper 35 percent of their class to be eligible for membership.

"THE LION in Winter" is being presented at the Murfreesboro Little Theatre, 700 Ewing Blvd., at 8 p.m. each evening through Oct. 8. Tickets are \$5 each and may be obtained by calling 893-9825. MTSU senior Jerry Davis is directing the production which features Dr. Frank Ginanni of the English department as the 12th century Henry II.

THE MIDDLE Tennessee Rugby Club is looking for new players. No experience is necessary and no one will be cut. Interested persons should call 895-0728 or visit practice sessions on the Greenland Drive field (next to the soccer field) at 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

ORGANIZATIONAL Information forms must be completed by Oct. 12 in order for your organization to be properly registered with MTSU for the fall semester. All forms should be returned to Room 124 of the University Center. Any organization which fails to file the proper forms may be denied the use of University services and facilities. Please notify the Minority Affairs office of any changes in presidents or advisors.

TODAY IS THE deadline to turn student teaching applications for the spring semester of 1984 into the Student Teaching office, Jones Hall, Room 106.

BACCHUS will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11, in Room 315 of the University Center.

FALL TRYOUTS for MTSU men's and women's Intercollegiate Bowling Team will be Wednesdays and Thursdays through Oct. 15 from 2-4 p.m. at Murfreesboro Bowling Lanes. If you're interested, but unable to attend, call 896-0945 and leave your name and number. Those who tried out last spring are also asked to finish trying out if they haven't done so.

ANYONE interested in learning the campus frisbee golf course is invited to meet with members of the MTSU Frisbee Club every Monday at 5 p.m. in the parking lot next to Stuart Hall Apartments. The MTSU Frisbee Club Ultimate Team plays every Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday at the field across from CJ's on Greenland Drive. Interested persons are encouraged to play. Everyone will play and no skills are required.

FAMILY DAY is Oct. 8. All organizations interested in setting up exhibits in the University Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. should contact the ASB office, Room 304 in the University Center or call 898-2464.

APPLICATIONS for the Social Work Program field placement experience for the spring semester may be obtained from the SWP office, Room 309 in Peck Hall. The applications must be completed and returned before Oct. 14. For additional information, call 898-2477.

"IDEAS FOR ASB" boxes have been placed at the Grill and on the breezeway at Peck Hall. Suggestions for the ASB from the student body are appreciated. Ideas and comments on unsigned letters will not be considered.

THE INTERNATIONAL Committee of the Baptist Student Union is sponsoring a mixer and reception for all foreign students on Sunday from 2:30-4:30 p.m. in Room 322 of the University Center.

Ross

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"I think Kenny Summar and the Election Committee did an excellent job," he noted. "The vote-counting was smooth."

SUMMAR SAID the elections were a success—with 1,340 students casting votes.

System

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Weatherly said, there is no set pattern to the reports.

UNDER THE NEW procedure, the security department files reports to vice presidents and/or deans to let them know of the incidents. Future action must be determined by the department, Floyd said.

Student patrol officers have a regular schedule of checking buildings for these problems at

"We ran off 1,500 ballots, but 1,340 is a good number," he said. "We're very pleased. It was a good turnout."

Summar noted that the turnout was a good percentage of the students, and was higher than other universities of comparable size.

HE ALSO THANKED the many workers who he felt had

made the election run smoothly.

The Homecoming Queen will be chosen from the five candidates during the halftime ceremonies of the Sept. 15 MTSU vs. Murray State football clash.

Homecoming

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the University Center. A campus skate is planned from 1-6 p.m. on the courtyard. Activities Day begins at 2:30 p.m. on the Cope Lawn.

A 6:30 p.m. bonfire is planned Friday on the Cummings Lawn.

Line-up for the parade begins at 8:15 a.m. Saturday, and the parade begins at 9 a.m. The football game is scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Alabama will perform Saturday evening at 8 p.m. in Murphy Center.

Center sponsors socials

By DIANE STEWART

Sidelines Staff Writer

A fall retreat, set Nov. 11-13 at St. Rose of Lima, is one of several get-togethers scheduled every year to give Catholic students on campus "a place to socialize," a former Catholic Center official said last week.

This retreat's theme is "Search for Christian Maturity."

SOCIALS EACH month and a spiritual retreat each semester are opportunities provided for Catholic students through the MTSU Catholic Center.

"The main purpose is to give Catholic youth at MTSU a place to socialize," Maria Wieck, a former treasurer of

the Center, said.

A social or party is scheduled once a month, usually with a theme such as Halloween or Thanksgiving, Wieck said. A pizza party usually takes place at the beginning of the fall semester in an effort to acquaint new students—often as many as 50—with opportunities provided by the Catholic Center.

STUDENTS ARE also encouraged to attend Mass once a month at the Catholic Center, she added.

A weekend retreat is scheduled each fall and spring semester.

Members of the Center do not have fund-raisers. A monthly allowance is provided

by the Nashville Diocese, which serves as a financial sponsor for the Center, Wieck said.

THE CENTER is located at 1636 Tennessee Blvd. and includes a kitchen, den and chapel.

Cable TV and volleyball are some of the recreations enjoyed at the Center, Wieck said.

"We are mostly a social organization. We get together to have fun," Wieck said.

STUDENT officers keep the organization running smoothly, the former treasurer explained.

The student president coordinates plans for the Center with Father Breen, pastor of St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church.

Organist Albrecht performs

By KAREN LINGERFELT

Sidelines Staff Writer

"Master of the Organ" Timothy Albrecht conducted a free composition workshop yesterday at 11 a.m. in the Music Hall at the Wright Music Building.

The workshop, which centered around improvisation, included an instruction session and

demonstrations by student volunteers from the audience.

ALBRECHT, WHO has composed several chorale preludes for the organ, also displayed his talents in an 8 p.m. recital yesterday in the Music Hall.

"Mr. Albrecht is really a fine organist," commented Dr. Raymond Bills, MTSU music professor and publicity

director for this event.

Albrecht graduated from the Oberlin Conservatory and continued his study of music in Hamburg and Vienna. Among the numerous musical honors he has received, Albrecht was awarded the Performer's Certificate from the Eastman School of Music, was named a finalist in the 1977 International Organ Improvisational Competition, was selected as an Outstanding Young Man of America for five consecutive years and, in 1980, represented the United States in the International Organ Competition in Leipzig, East Germany.

PRESENTLY the university organist at Emory University in Atlanta, where he also teaches music classes, Albrecht is a faculty member in the music department of the Chandler School of Theology.

Concert and symphony appearances have allowed Albrecht to perform in such cities as New York, Boston, Chicago, Frankfurt and Stockholm.

Nursing students pass

For the second year in a row, 100 percent of MTSU's nursing students passed the National Council Licensure Examination for registered nurse licensure, said Betty McComas, chairman of the nursing department.

"That says a lot for our faculty. We have a very committed, dedicated faculty, one that is trying to maintain the quality we have had through the years," McComas said.

MTSU GRADUATES have

always had a high percentage rate of passing, she added.

Forty-eight graduates took the exam this year, and last year 42 participated. In 1980 97.6 percent of the graduates passed on the first try.

This year the graduates were administered the examination in July. They had to score 1,600 out of a possible 3,000 points to pass. This is the second year for the new integrated licensing examination.

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Team Leader David Demombreun directs the effort as Connie Tribble, Jeff Dunn and Dave Standridge negotiate an "explosive" obstacle.

ROTC students learn survival

By BETH ROLLER

Sidelines Staff Writer

Instructions are given as follows:

"You are the squad leader and your squad has come to a destroyed bridge with a cartload of much-needed supplies. You and your squad must get the cart with the supplies across the river and take all equipment that you use with you."

STARING THE squad leader in the face is a 25-by-12 foot body of water.

The only equipment available to get the squad, the cart and the equipment to the other side of the river is a pile

of logs and planks; and to top this off, the leader has only 12 minutes to complete the task.

This situation is an example of one of the seven tasks performed by MTSU's ROTC cadets in the leadership reaction course during Field Training Exercises conducted last weekend at Smyrna Airport.

"THE COURSE SHOWS leadership as well as 'followership,'" Lt. Col. Otha Compton said.

"It shows true leadership ability in a stressful situation, Maj. Dennis Gailbreath added. "There is a different solution for each leader."

Dressed and equipped for battle, 53 junior-level ROTC cadets (MS IIIs) set out last Friday morning for a weekend bivouac full of long and intensive combat training. Seventy-eight freshmen and sophomores elected to accompany the MS IIIs during the weekend to find out what living in the field was all about.

THE BIVOUAC SITE, complete with supply truck, portable latrines and command post, was set up in a manner similar to one in actual combat. "Bivouac" is a military term for a temporary encampment.

Among the activities for the cadets were classes in land navigation (using a magnetic compass), reconnaissance patrolling, combat patrolling and squad movement techniques. Practical exercises were also provided for each formal class.

These practical exercises, along with the leadership reaction course, are part of the preparatory training for MS IIIs for an advanced camp at Fort Riley, Kan., this summer.

"THIS CADET class has a tradition to keep," Compton said. "MTSU's ROTC has never finished below third place at Fort Riley. In fact, we've been number one in the nation in the past."



photo by Neil Higgins

Scott Ledgerwood and Duke Baker move a simulated casualty across a water obstacle in last week's ROTC bivouacs.

Along with the combat situation for the potential first-place ranking, however, comes the combat meal, or C-ration.

The B-3 unit C-ration contains a meal of beef steak with gravy, sliced peaches, cheese, crackers and two chocolate-toffee candy bars, all packed into a container no larger than half a shoebox, but that's not all.

THE UNIT ALSO contains such necessities as a can opener, spoon, matches, toilet paper, coffee, and salt.

But situations where C-

rations are not available are the test of the true survivor.

ROTC Captains Norman Sipe and Bruce Pepper demonstrated survival techniques when they showed cadets how to prepare a live chicken and a live rabbit by going through the killing, dressing and cooking procedures of the animals over an open fire.

OTHER SURVIVAL skills which Sipe demonstrated were fire building, preparation of a survival belt pack and building an emergency shelter.

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Eastern game critical; big fan turnout needed

Football and athletics are sometimes blown out of proportion at universities, not just on the major college level, but at mid-sized schools as well.

The importance of the Eastern Kentucky vs. MTSU football game tomorrow has not been blown out of proportion, but it *has* been overemphasized in comparison to the other games on the MTSU schedule this fall.

Coach Boots Donnelly said Thursday that every game on the Raiders' schedule should be viewed with the same enthusiasm as the Eastern Kentucky game, even if the opponent does not have the same credentials the Colonels have.

Donnelly couldn't have hit the nail on the head any harder.

MTSU fans should not have to be motivated once a year to watch an athletic event of the magnitude of the Eastern Kentucky game.

However, the Eastern Kentucky game could, and should, mark the beginning of a new era in support from Blue Raider fans.

Winning teams can be helped by winning fans. Fans who carry themselves as winners are winners, and in turn make the university a winner.

Should MTSU win the Eastern Kentucky game and go on to victories in the remainder of the season, which looks likely, this university would achieve a new prominence.

Not only would athletic recruiting be boosted greatly, but there would probably be an increase in the number of students wishing to enroll at this university.

And this university's self-esteem could be bolstered. Whether the students and

faculty want to admit it or not, pride in athletics can foster a more positive identity for MTSU.

MTSU's athletic program has been knocked by many in the state, but the unwillingness of many state teams to schedule games in Murfreesboro obviously show that there is hidden respect for the Blue Raiders.

But the bottom line is that students and faculty have failed to show respect for the athletes and athletic teams at this university.

Until they decide they want to show some respect and help *at least* with their moral support, the same problems and complaints will always be present.

Student apathy is reflected not only in the attitude about athletics, but also about many other aspects of this university.

The majority of the students here are in the right for wanting first and foremost to complete their educations and secure a job in today's fierce and hungry market. But there is more to college life than preparing for a career.

The enjoyment of college life as a whole is probably one of the most beneficial experiences in life, yet many MTSU students do not take advantage of it.

Instead, they study madly each week so that they can leave Murfreesboro on weekends. And the new relationships that add so much to an educational experience are neglected.

Getting involved in supporting the Blue Raiders on Saturdays could be a way for MTSU students to realize this school is much more than "Murphy High."



Propaganda prolific for SBR visit

By PHIL WILLIAMS

Sidelines Columnist

When young Samantha Smith toured the Soviet Union earlier this year, much ado was made about the propaganda techniques employed by that totalitarian government.

You remember the scene. The lass and her entourage of Western reporters were met with entertainers and decorations in areas which hours before had been as drab as a Siberian landscape.

While the ol' Ruskiy are quite proficient at such, they could have received quite an education last week if they had observed the royal treatment given the visiting State Board of Regents.

No possible "propaganda" device was left unused.

Everything became a facade.

The James Union Building, for example, received a complete makeover (much like the hags who are transformed into Miss Americas in some women's magazines). Wall trim was replaced, ramps and stairway handrails repainted and dust scraped from beneath the furniture. Even the trees and edges of the sidewalks received a haircut just for the occasion.

Then the normally funereal lobby was reclothed with plants and art of all kinds—ranging from the pleasing to the preposterous.

But that wasn't all. So they wouldn't have to try to park on campus, the royalty were transported from their hotel in a cushioned, air-conditioned

bus—a big one, at that. While the regents met during the day, their spouses were taken on guided tours of the area.

In addition, everywhere the guests went, there was a bevy of polyester-clad Student Ambassadors waiting to lead them to the bathroom.

Perhaps the most effort went into the preparation of sumptuous feasts for the guests. "After all, we can't let them eat the grill food," one university employee said.

There's only one drawback to all of this. It's unfortunate that those who govern the state colleges and universities don't really know what those institutions are like. They only know the facades.

The problem with programming

By TIM SELBY

Sidelines Staff Writer

Since last fall, there have been nine concerts at Murphy Center: Alabama, Crosby, Stills and Nash, Olivia Newton-John, Journey (twice), Barry Manilow, Willie Nelson, Kenny Rogers and Styx. Pretty grim, huh?

These groups and performers were chosen by the Selection Board of the Special Events Committee, and the way I see it, there can only be three reasons why the board would choose these people: these were the only bands we could get; the board is under the impression that half the student body consists of 13-year-olds; and the other half are all over 40; or the board's members themselves actually like this trash.

Of course, this may be some sort of peculiar schedule that the Board feels compelled to follow—you know, one good concert (i.e., Nelson) per year.

Anyway, as bad as this situation is, I'm willing to be open-minded; I'll take it for granted that there are a significant number of students who really like the kind of concerts we've been having.

Even if this is true, that still leaves a lot of students who don't. I mean, is it too much to ask to have a couple of decent concerts during the school year? It would be nice to be able to see a group like the Talking Heads or Jackson Browne without having to drive to Nashville—hell, I'd settle for the White Animals.

The way I see it, there are two ways in which we can deal with the "programming problem."

First of all, not every concert has to be either a headline act at Murphy Center or a "nobody" at the U.C. What's wrong with bringing a smaller name band to the Boutwell Dramatic Arts building, the

Stadium, or even staging an outdoor concert?

I think that what's *really* needed, though, is a major overhaul in the selection process.

Instead of choosing the concerts that they think we want to see, the Selection Board should find out who is available and then periodically send out a list of these bands to every student with a post office box. This list would also contain a simple voting ballot that the student would fill out and return to Programming. The votes would then be tallied and concerts would be chosen on the basis of these votes.

This process would add too much work and expense to the selection process, they will say. Well, all I can say is that part of the money that I pay—that every student pays—to MTSU already goes to finance these concerts, and so far it's been nothing but money down the drain.

From Our Readers

ASB Senator Watt capable of handling editorship, Senate

To the editor:

I'm writing this letter in reference to articles published last semester and last week in *Sidelines* about Marty Watt.

I became acquainted with Mr. Watt last year through classes, various campus organizations, and articles he wrote in *Sidelines* (which, by the way, I thought were excellent).

In all the articles about Mr. Watt, no mention was ever made about his minor in English. Besides, the major should not be a requirement for a position. Reid Ashe, editor of a very successful West Tennessee paper, holds his degree in industrial engineering! His qualification was experience, not journalism classes.

Being acquainted with Marty and his general character, I find it impossible to believe his election as editor was fixed, as Professor Kerrick implied. Marty has always expressed his desire that fairness and justice should

come first, whether a decision went for or against him. From my viewpoint, he seems to be such a hard-driving, highly motivated person, [that] he only wants a position such as editor if he earns it. Otherwise, it wouldn't mean anything to him. Holding the editorship just for the title of editor is not Marty.

It appears to me that the only reason Marty resigned was to preserve the integrity of MTSU and its publications. I think the reason Marty wishes to hold the positions he does (and in the case of editor, did) is that he wants to do his part to see that MTSU becomes the best it can be. I would think that with student apathy rampant (as mentioned in the excellent article in the sports section) all university officials and all who care about MTSU would be overjoyed to see someone with such enthusiasm for our campus chomping at the bit to get involved.

During my conversations with Marty, I asked him several times his opinions on the subject. I had to ask, because the only time he would discuss it was if someone else brought it up. He never said anything bad about anyone

involved, and always seemed to hold the reputation of MTSU foremost. I was very impressed by this, considering I thought he should have said a few choice words to Professor Kerrick and Dr. Himebaugh (who was quoted last semester).

Finally, I have to say that I feel Marty would have been a fine and fair editor of *Sidelines*, and would have kept that position separate from his position as Senator. I regret he was not able to prove his abilities. But his decision, which was an unfortunate one to have to make, I respect.

More power to you, Mr. Watt!

Brian Desmarais
Box 771

Editor's note: Whether the ASB senator who was elected to be editor-in-chief of Sidelines was Marty Watt or John Doe, we believe a person in such a position would not be an ideal candidate for editor, despite good intentions. Watt's choice between politics and journalism reveals where his true interests are. We respect his decision to make that choice. The issue at stake is not Watt's ability to write a news story. It is the fact that an elected of-

ficial was appointed to the position by a committee made up of student government officials who were appointed by an ASB president.

ASB manipulation of student press inconsequential

To the editor:

Who cares if the ASB was involved in appointing students to the Publication Committee?

In the Oct. 4 article "Student Publications Committee Needs Immediate Reorganization," the writer states, "In the past, we have seen various attempts by different ASB presidents to manipulate the content of *Sidelines*. Unfortunately, some of these attempts have actually succeeded."

Below is a selection of articles in the Oct. 4 issue:

"Regents endorse faculty pay hikes"—Wow, what a story.

"Registration 'archaic': Gillespie"—Awesome.

"Student caught in panty raid"—Fantastic.

"Dorms occupied 100%"—Amazing.

"Authentic Mexican food north of the border found in

Auburntown"—How could the *New York Times* overlook this gem?

I would hate to think that the ASB would manipulate Tim Selby's review of new wave albums or Mike Jone's OVC stats.

Maybe stories about the parking problem and playground construction need some "manipulation."

D.W. Prince
Box 3453

Editors note: Who cares? We do dammit!

Kappa Sig L'il sis sidelines behavior poor sportsmanship

To the editor:

The highly contested Sigma Chi vs. Kappa Sigma football game was played in a generally mature manner by the Greeks involved.

However, the high-spirited play was marred by what can best be described as unladylike, vulgar and (let's face it) censurable behavior on the part of numerous Kappa Sigma little sisters, associated camp followers and hangers-on.

At various times, advice to

bite, suck and fondle different anatomical appendages were hurled at the largely puritanical and chaste Sigma Chi sidelines. I was shocked.

The "low point" of this poor display was the exhibition of a banner saying: "Go To Hell and Die Sigma Chi!!!" Tut-tut. Is this the spirit in which intramural sports were conceived? Hardly!

This in no way reflects poorly on the Kappa Sigma brothers, who were worthy opponents.

Letters Policy

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features

MTSU's pipe organ: An interesting "monstrosity"

By DEE PARKER
Sidelines Staff Writer

Is it possible to hide a musical instrument that weighs over a ton and stands 25 feet high by 12 feet wide?

Apparently so. MTSU's music department has been doing it for more than two years now.

TUCKED AWAY in Wright Music Hall sits a monstrosity of oak and pipe, better known as a pipe organ; that was acoustically designed for the room.

Basically it's a "small organ" for a tailored audience of 165, (the room's seating capacity), said Daryl Miller, organ conductor and instructor.

BY DESIGNING an organ for a specific room and audience, everyone hears the music equally, Miller pointed out. In this particular organ's design, a wooden organ case helps with the acoustics.

"The case in which organ pipes are played acts as a sounding board to project the sound into the room," Miller explained. "The room allows those sounds to mesh together and make a very pleasant tone."

Getting the \$150,000 instrument created no special problems for the music department although it already has three organs, Tom Naylor,

music department chairman, said.

THE OTHER organs are small, practice organs, Naylor said. This organ daily accompanies choir, orchestra, band and senior recitals.

"We have visiting artists come in and it's used to accompany them," Naylor added.

After a committee studied various organ builders for several months, the decision was made to purchase one in Canada, Naylor said.

When most people think of organs, they think of quiet preludes, accompanying hymns and playing for the choir on Sunday mornings, Miller said.

THIS IS for a very good reason since most of this country's organs are hidden away in churches and are not used for concerts.

"Most church organs are not designed to be concert instruments in the fact that the console is always visible," Miller said.

Up until the 1950s, churches hid their organ's consoles in little rooms. Now organ consoles are displayed in the open so the audience can see the organists in motion.

PEOPLE DON'T realize the excitement and visual beauty of the instrument," Miller said. "It's a physical instrument."



Photo by Dee Parker

Playing a musical instrument such as MTSU's pipe organ is an awesome experience for Sam DeGeorge as instructor Daryl Miller peers over his shoulders.

MTSU's organ is unique in that it is a mechanical-action organ, Miller said, pointing out that there are not many organs like this in the nation. It operates under the principle in which the weight of one's fingers open up the pipes for the wind to go through.

up the student's mythical attitude regarding the instrument.

"They think it's dull, boring and old fashioned," DeGeorge said frankly. "It's not the 'now' thing. They want to hear synthesizers and drums."

Organs and church seem to be synonymous for most people outside the music area, DeGeorge said.

"That is mostly where you hear an organ and [think of] a funeral home, DeGeorge said, laughing. "You have the organ groaning in the background."

DeGEORGE PLANS to teach organ and hopes to study the pipe organ in Germany once he finishes at MTSU.

Changing attitudes regarding the organ apparently can be frustrating. This fall there are only 11 students studying organ under Miller's instruction.

Attending recitals in the Music Hall would allow students to see that the organ is not "dead and boring."

MILLER ADDS that most music is written for the organ. Students have the opportunity to study musical selections from Bach, Buxtehude, French classics, French romantics, contemporary French composers and contemporary American composers.

"When people think serious music is boring, they need to

come to a musical recital by a real cracker-jack organist," Miller said.

One of the more typical myths surrounding the organ is the belief that if one can play the piano he can play the organ, Miller claims.

A PERSON needs a good piano background before playing the organ because there are more obstacles and differences to overcome. In addition to differences on the keyboard, there are additional stops on the side of the keyboard and a complete set of foot pedals.

Some of the limited interest in learning to play the organ is inherent, such as accessibility to an organ and the visibility of the organist, Miller explained.

"You can't take it with you. You can't put it in your briefcase on the back seat of your car and take it home," he joked. "You always have to go to a church or [come] here to practice."

"Organ playing is never, ever, going to be a popular pastime or popular instrument," Miller said, quickly adding that it is not a dying art.

Bach, one of the greatest composers for the organ, summed it up nicely: "All you have to do is to push the right notes at the right time and the music just plays itself."

Are you a football widow? Say "hello" to the new computer widow

PHOENIX, Ariz. (UPI)—It used to be that divorced women were called "grass widows."

"Football widows," once an autumnal phenomenon, now mourn all year.

I'm coining a new phrase: "computer widow."

EVER SINCE Bob toted a baby computer home, it's been bye-bye, Pat.

Oh, I know all the answers. Develop my own interests, find somebody else who plays racquetball and hits the ball easy for me, read articles about the growing phenomenon of computer neglect. Right up to,

"If you can't beat 'em, join 'em."

Nothing helps. When he sits down in front of that blinking blue eye and seductive keyboard, he might as well be in Australia and I'm in the cold.

INEVITABLY, I remember something to ask him after he enters computerland, but the response is silence or snarls of frustration.

Now my key phrase is, "Let me know when you reach a breaking point."

Thus he knows I have something on my mind and usually his curiosity wins out.

Now HIS key phrase is, "Why didn't you think of that before I got started?"

WE HAVE nightly discussions about my feelings of neglect. He points out I used to complain he watched too much television. Out of the boob tube and into byte fright.

Now he watches television an hour a night—and that after I pressured him into an agreement to spend time with me.

He is learning the meaning of time. Once a carefree soul who ignored clocks as much as possible, he has learned to

check the hour before he shuts down for the night. He knows I'll ask in the morning.

HE HASN'T hasn't yet agreed with me that since he spends at least 40 hours a week on the computer, he ought to find a job with one and get paid for it. He knows my objective is to get his baby off my turf.

In the beginning we played together. We started on an adventure game in which the object is to find treasures like jeweled eggs and crystal scepters. I was pretty good at that. I was the one who figured

out how to go up the chimney to get back to the starting point. Heck, I was the one who woke up in the middle of the night with the solution for opening the floodgates of the dam.

Then, the adventure got old, and Bob got more interested in programming a game and getting it to work right than actually playing it. His warehouse of perfectly programmed, unplayed games is growing rapidly.

HE SQUINTS at pages of microscopic lettering, pecking away with two fingers for

hours, cursing when something doesn't work right.

I helped with programming for awhile, reading aloud things like "if a-0\$b-0\$then(2c-3c)l(13)am\$1023going(z-x)crazy."

While Bob continues his computer affair, I keep seeking a solution to feeling like the old shoe. Meanwhile, I have made a vow to take advantage of his obsession and learn about computers, wave of the future and all that.

I am going to learn. I am. Just as soon as I finish my letter to Dear Abby.



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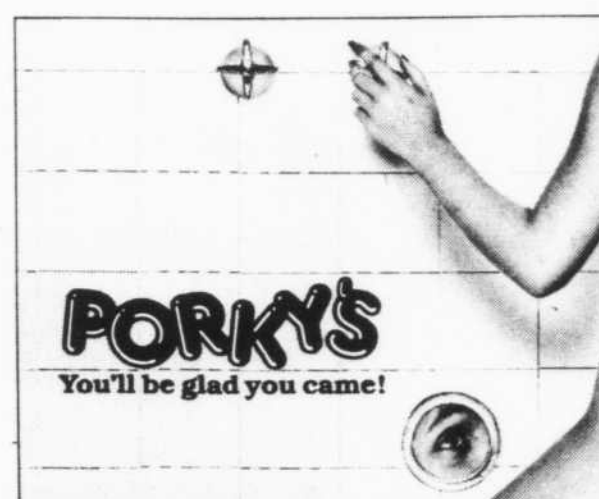
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Kennedy presentation cancelled

By LYNDIA TEWELL
Sidelines Features Editor

Due to the cancellation of "JFK: A Time Remembered," the Ideas and Issues Committee plans to reschedule an alternative program on Kennedy set for Oct. 27.

Mark McIntyre, an actor who resembles the late president, is currently appearing in "JFK Lives," the program ICC is trying to book.

THE AMERICAN Programming Bureau, the Boston agency handling "JFK:

A Time Remembered," notified Harold Smith of Student Programming on Oct. 5 about the cancellation, three weeks before it was to be presented.

According to the APB, Sam Groom, the actor to portray Kennedy in the program, cancelled his tour due to a "business dispute."

Groom, who also portrayed Kennedy in the television production of *Blood Feud*, dropped the program because

another actor was given the opportunity to do the Kennedy show for cable TV.

"IT WASN'T a breakdown on an agency level," Smith said. "I do not hold the agency responsible. If the performer [Mr. Groom] does not choose to do it, it's out of our hands."

"Everyone refused to compromise," said Tony Colao, spokesman for APB, explaining the problem APB had with fulfilling the contract. "It is a very embarrassing situation."

Lunch, football game:

Family day planned for Oct. 8

Mind power is the theme for this year's "Family Day," scheduled for Oct. 8.

Mime team Hawes and Gillette will demonstrate the theme, performing in areas around campus. Each academic department will set up displays and exhibits in the University Center and the

L.R.C.

In previous years, the annual event was called Parents Day. Gov. Alexander has proclaimed Oct. 1-8 Higher Education Week in cooperation with the nationwide emphasis on Higher Education. Part of the emphasis is on the relationship

between higher education and elementary and secondary education.

"For this reason, we thought it appropriate to take special notice of the entire families of our students," said Dot Harrison, MTSU public relations director.

"Often younger brothers and sisters come along with their parents anyway, and we're delighted to have them. It's an excellent opportunity for them to see what we have to offer as they begin to make their college plans."

AN all-you-can-eat lunch will be served in High Rise Cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The kick-off for the football game between MTSU and Eastern Kentucky is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

Tickets for lunch and the game will be sold for \$4 each, and must be purchased at 9 a.m. in the Cope Administration Building. Campus tours will be conducted by Student Ambassadors every 10 to 15 minutes.

"Family Day" is for anyone who wants to learn more about the university, said MTSU President Sam Ingram.

"Our family is also a member of this community," Ingram said. "You might say the red carpet is out to all our 'family' and friends on Oct. 8 for 'Family Day.'"



Cast members of "Rimers of Eldritch" strike a dramatic pose. The play, written by Lanford Wilson, will be presented at 8 p.m., Oct. 13-15, in the Boutwell Dramatic Arts auditorium.

Small town who-dunnit:

"Rimers of Eldritch" set Oct. 13-15

By DAWN WATERSON
Sidelines Staff Writer

The MTSU University Theater will present Lanford Wilson's 1967 play "The Rimers of Eldritch" on Oct. 13-15, at 8 p.m. at the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building.

Director Patrick Farmer describes the play as "a small town who-dunnit."

THE PLAY is set in Eldritch, Iowa, a small mining town on its last leg.

Scenes occur out of sequence, and the play's mood is set by the use of rustic fall colors. The seasons change with the dialogue, and the play occurs over a period of three months. Props are all mimed, and the dialogue moves the play into its proper time sequence.

"There is only one major prop used in the play and it is considered the major asset," Farmer said. "The 17 characters of the play range in

ages from 14 to 87, and they were chosen through a long and tedious process."

THE SCRIPTS were put in chronological order, and each member of the cast, through character analysis, wrote his own biography.

"Each character has its own role," Farmer added. "And all are on stage for the entire time. The cast grew up in small towns and can relate it to their own lives."

EIGHT OF THE cast members will debut on the Boutwell Dramatic Arts stage.

"There is a lot of work to do, and the cast has really worked hard," said Catherine Berresheim, assistant director and stage manager. "The Rimers of Eldritch" is Berresheim's last play at

MTSU.

"The unconventional style and the size of the cast has made it difficult," Farmer said, who has directed 14 other shows. "This play also covers a vast amount of space and time, but it's well worth it!"

In April, the drama department will enter their presentation of "The Rimers of Eldritch" in the American College Theater Festival to take place in Washington. This will be a first for the department.

Tickets may be obtained from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from the drama department. General admission is \$3.50, and there is no charge for MTSU students with a valid ID. This play might not be suitable for younger children.



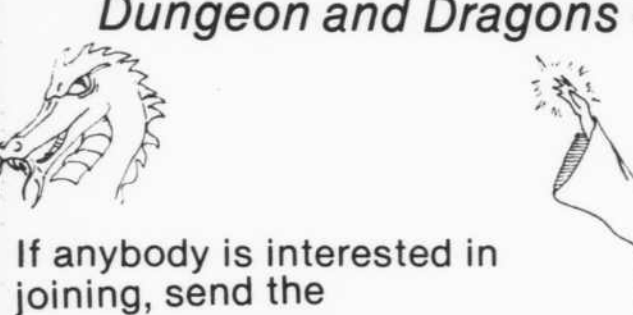
Mime artists Gillette and Hawes will perform at the annual Middle Tennessee State University family day to be held on the campus on Oct. 8.



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Reduces cocaine charges

Metro cop's kid pleads guilty to pot charges

NASHVILLE (UPI)—A policeman's stepson accused of smuggling more than a half-ton of cocaine worth \$400 million faces a maximum of one year in prison after pleading guilty Tuesday to a misdemeanor marijuana charge.

The plea bargain in the second largest seizure of cocaine in the nation's history would cut Michael Briggance's possible prison sentence from 30 years to a maximum of one year, prosecutors told U.S. District Judge Thomas Wiseman.

"OUR EVIDENCE was really insufficient to convict him of being a co-conspirator in the cocaine conspiracy," Assistant U.S. Attorney John Cook said after dropping all other charges against Briggance.

Briggance, 26, was to stand trial last November in federal court at Chattanooga with four other men charged with smuggling 1,100 pounds of cocaine from Colombia to a remote, mountain airstrip near Rockwood, Tenn.

But his trial was postponed when his Nashville attorney, E.E. Edwards, became ill. The Chattanooga jury deliberated just one hour before convicting the four men and Wiseman sentenced them to prison terms ranging from five years to 25 years.

BRIGGANCE, THE stepson of a Nashville policeman, pleaded guilty to two misdemeanor charges of possessing a half-pound of

marijuana and faces sentencing on Oct. 25.

Drug agents arrested the men in July 1982 after confiscating the cocaine near Cleveland from a blue van surrounded by a caravan of cars heading south on Interstate 75.

In the trial, drug agents said they saw Briggance driving the cocaine-laden van to the Coachman Inn at Loudon the night before. He was arrested at the motel after the cocaine was confiscated.

"OUR INVESTIGATIONS really could not contradict his explanation of what happened. Basically, he was saying he did not know what was in the van. He said he was just instructed to drive the van," Cook said.

Briggance was seen toting a garbage bag stuffed with marijuana from the van and a small amount of pot was found hidden behind his car radio, Cook said.

A fugitive gangster implicated in the cocaine shipment was arrested last week in Bogota, Colombia, by U.S. authorities who leaped from a car in a traffic jam and stuck a machine gun to his head.

"Y'ALL GOT ME with class," Harold Rosenthal, 46, of Atlanta, reportedly told U.S. authorities after his arrest. He is in the custody of U.S. marshals in Miami.

Three years ago, Rosenthal dressed up in a stolen suit and boldly walked out of a federal prison in Memphis where he was serving a 15-year term for drug smuggling. Authorities

said he fled to South America, where he is suspected of scheming to import two huge shipments of cocaine con-

fiscated by drug agents in 1982. One involved 1,100 pounds of cocaine seized at Rockwood and the other involved a haul of nearly pure cocaine worth \$500 million at Ellijay, Ga.

Bernie Redd, of the Drug Enforcement Administration in Nashville, said Tuesday authorities are considering charging Rosenthal in the Cleveland cocaine smuggling case but he declined to elaborate.

JAMES C. TRAMMELL, Rosenthal's former bodyguard, tipped authorities to the smuggling scheme and testified Rosenthal ordered the drug shipment to Rockwood.

A fifth man charged in the scheme—Robert "Smiley" George, 56, of Atlanta—pleaded guilty minutes before the trial started and was sentenced to five years, the maximum allowed in his plea bargain with prosecutors.

The other men and their sentences were: Leonard Steele, 45, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 15 years; David Warren, 42, Smyrna, Ga., 25 years; Jackie Pontine Scarborough, 40, Pontiac, Mich., 25 years, and Marvin Lee Echols, 29, Smyrna, Ga., 10 years.

TEA in verbal conflict with AFT over 'proaganda campaign'

NASHVILLE (UPI)—The Tennessee Education Association Monday accused the American Federation of Teachers of using a \$300,000 "propaganda campaign" to sabotage its Master Teacher negotiations with Gov. Lamar Alexander.

"American Federation of Teachers President Albert Shanker has sent a team of saboteurs into the state to confuse and complicate negotiations currently under way between TEA and the governor," TEA president Marjorie Pike said in a letter to her members.

"HE (SHANKER) has undertaken a \$300,000 propaganda campaign aimed at creating strife among educators and public hostility toward TEA," the letter said.

TEA led the bitter fight last

winter to shelve Alexander's Master Teacher plan until the next session of the General Assembly. AFT, which only has about 400 members in Tennessee, has been more receptive and hopes to build its membership by aligning more closely with Alexander.

Alexander's proposed pay plan would mean raises of up to \$7,000 a year for teachers judged the state's best. TEA has opposed the plan, saying it would create tensions among competing teachers.

MRS. PIKE'S letter, dated Sept. 30, declared TEA has not softened its position against merit pay, but is attempting to find a solution to the conflict.

"Any reports you may have heard or read that TEA has endorsed the Master Teacher program or is softening on

merit pay are wrong," she wrote. "Reports that we are searching for common ground and are prepared to make reasonable concessions on the career ladder concept are correct."

Mrs. Pike accused AFT of attempting to wreck the negotiations.

"EFFORTS ARE under way by the New York-based AFT to sabotage the process," the letter states. "Teacher unity in Tennessee has never been more important."

"Right now, relations between Gov. Alexander and TEA are the best they have been in a long time, perhaps ever."

Mrs. Pike and Alexander have met three times recently to discuss their differences on teacher pay plans.

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Jeff, have you seen Bob lately? Rumor has it that he has joined the C.I.A. and is now into wearing trenchcoats and mirrored sunglasses. I don't know where he's at but he is not secretly in Afghanistan, Chad, Libya, Honduras, or El Salvador.

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By MIKE JONES

Sidelines Sports Editor

The potential OVC champion could be decided Saturday at Horace Jones Field when No. 1 ranked Eastern Kentucky faces undefeated No. 17 MTSU with kick-off set for 1:30 p.m.

MTSU is ranked as the No. 1 team in the nation in scoring offense and scoring defense this week, while ranking second in passing defense. The Raiders are fifteenth in the nation in passing offense and twelfth in rushing offense, as well as fifth in total offense and third in total defense.

EASTERN KENTUCKY, riding a 17-game winning streak (the longest in the nation), is ninth in the nation in rushing defense.

MTSU, however, is also riding a winning streak. The Blue Raiders have won their last six games, extending into last season. It is the longest winning streak MTSU has had since they won 18 games in a row, including a bowl victory, from 1964-1966.

In the conference, the Colonels are 3-0, winning over Akron, Austin Peay and Youngstown State. MTSU is 2-0 in the conference, winning

over Akron and Morehead State. Both teams are 4-0 overall.

EASTERN KENTUCKY Head Coach Roy Kidd says that the ranking of No. 1 in the nation is not something that his team keeps in mind all the time, and national prominence does not put pressure on a team—the next opponent does.

"The only pressure coming into this game is Middle Tennessee," Kidd said Wednesday via telephone. "We don't dwell on the rankings. You can't dwell on the rankings."

The Colonels, however,

powered by the eighth leading rusher in NCAA I-AA, Terrence Thompson, are young and inexperienced, Kidd said.

"OUR WEAKNESS is that we're a young, inexperienced football team," Kidd said. "I think we're fortunate to be 4-0."

Eastern has been using two quarterbacks this season, with freshman Greg Parker currently ranking as the league's third best passer. Another freshman, Pat Smith, will also play. Smith is currently seventh in the conference in passing.

"We'll play both of them," said Kidd, the 1980 and 1981 National Coach of the Year in NCAA I-AA. "They have both played good in the first games. We will alternate them, because we've found that Parker probably doesn't play as good in the second half."

KIDD OUTLINED the Colonels' main problem against MTSU as combatting the two-pronged attack of the Blue Raiders.

"We played Akron for the run and Austin Peay for the pass and now we've got to play Middle Tennessee for both," Kidd continued. "The quar-

terback (Mickey Corwin) is outstanding, and we are really scared of Vince Hall."

Kidd predicted that the winner of the MTSU vs. Eastern contest would probably win the conference. Akron, who was picked to finish second in preseason polls, has already dropped two OVC contests. Murray State, MTSU's homecoming opponent, is the only other undefeated team in the conference.

"IF WE lose Saturday, we have slim to no chance of winning it," Kidd surmised.

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Photo by Mike Poley

Another Corwin connection

MTSU quarterback Mickey Corwin fires a pass to tailback Vince Hall during practice yesterday in preparation for tomorrow's

game with the Eastern Kentucky Colonels. The Colonels are ranked No. 1 in the nation in NCAA I-AA, while the Blue Raiders

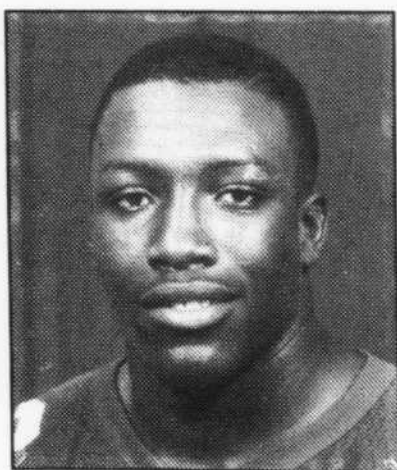
come into the game ranked seventeenth in the nation. Kick-off is set for 1:30 p.m. at Horace Jones Field.

Vince Hall
OVC Offensive
Player of Week

MTSU tailback Vince Hall is the OVC Offensive Player of the Week for his performance against Akron last week in the 26-3 victory for the Blue Raiders.

Hall, a junior from Scottsboro, Ala., became the first running back to gain 100 yards against Akron this year when he rushed for 109 yards and one touchdown in 21 carries. He also caught three passes for 28 yards.

Hall is currently fifteenth in the nation in rushing, averaging 99.8 yards per game. He is tied for fifth in the nation



Vince Hall

in scoring and is seventh in the nation in all-purpose running.

MTSU players have won the OVC Offensive Player of the Week award three of the four weeks of the season. Blue Raider quarterback Mickey Corwin has won the award twice thus far this season.

Tickets going fast
for Eastern game

By DON TILLET

Sidelines Sports Writer

In what has been described as the biggest game in decades for the Blue Raider football program, Director of Athletic Advancement Rusty Guill appears confident of a large turnout for the Eastern Kentucky-Middle Tennessee clash tomorrow.

According to Guill, tickets sales through yesterday reveal about 7,000 tickets sold. There are 1,000 season-ticket holders, and Guill estimates that there will be 3,500-4,500 students in attendance.

"MANY OF the students I talked to said they were going to the game," Guill said.

In addition, 150 tickets were

given to Eastern Kentucky for their supporters. Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium seats 15,000 spectators.

"I'm hoping for a big crowd for the game; we sure could use the noise," Guill said.

In addition to the expected numbers for the game, Guill said that there are tickets reserved for industry workers who have not yet picked them up.

Bonfire set

A bonfire® pep rally for the MTSU vs. Eastern Kentucky game will be held tonight at 7 p.m. in the field by Cummings Dorm.

Confidence a plus for Colwell

By MIKE JONES

Sidelines Sports Editor

Danny Colwell's real middle name is Morris, but it might as well be "Confidence."

The MTSU senior fullback who pulverized opponents last season with a bruising running style and was the Blue Raiders' leading rusher with 697 yards has not had the same success this year, playing behind freshman fullback Tony Lee Burse.

COLWELL ALSO HAS been characterized by coaches as a game-player, not giving a complete effort in practice. So far this year, he has gained only 82 yards in 20 carries after four games.

But come Saturday, when MTSU hosts defending NCAA I-AA champion Eastern Kentucky, Colwell said he will more than do his part when called upon.

"I'm running second team, but I think he [Coach Boots Donnelly] is planning on putting me in," Colwell said. "If I get my chance to play, I'm gonna go for it. If I get in there, whatever my responsibility is, I'm gonna do that."

DESPITE THE FACT that Eastern is coming into the game ranked No. 1 in the nation, Colwell said he is not scared in the least. The fact that Colwell is 6-feet-1-inches, 210 pounds of muscular workhorse should put some fear into the Eastern troops, however.

"The way I feel about

Eastern is that they're a good football team, but I don't think they will give me a hard time," said Colwell, who transferred from Western Arizona Junior College. "I have no respect for them. I think we'll beat them just like we beat all the rest of the teams so far. I'm pretty sure they'll be harder, but I think

we'll get to them.

"I just feel if I play, and if I run, I can dominate them just like I do anybody else—if I get a chance to play."

PLAYING BEHIND a freshman would be a major ego-bender for most players, especially one with Colwell's experience, but he is accepting his limited role—so

far.

"Tony Burse, he's a real good fullback," Colwell said. "He plays hard, he practices hard, he knows his plays and he's a hard worker. I feel if he goes in the game and works hard at it...you know, I don't think experience has anything to do with it. He can get the

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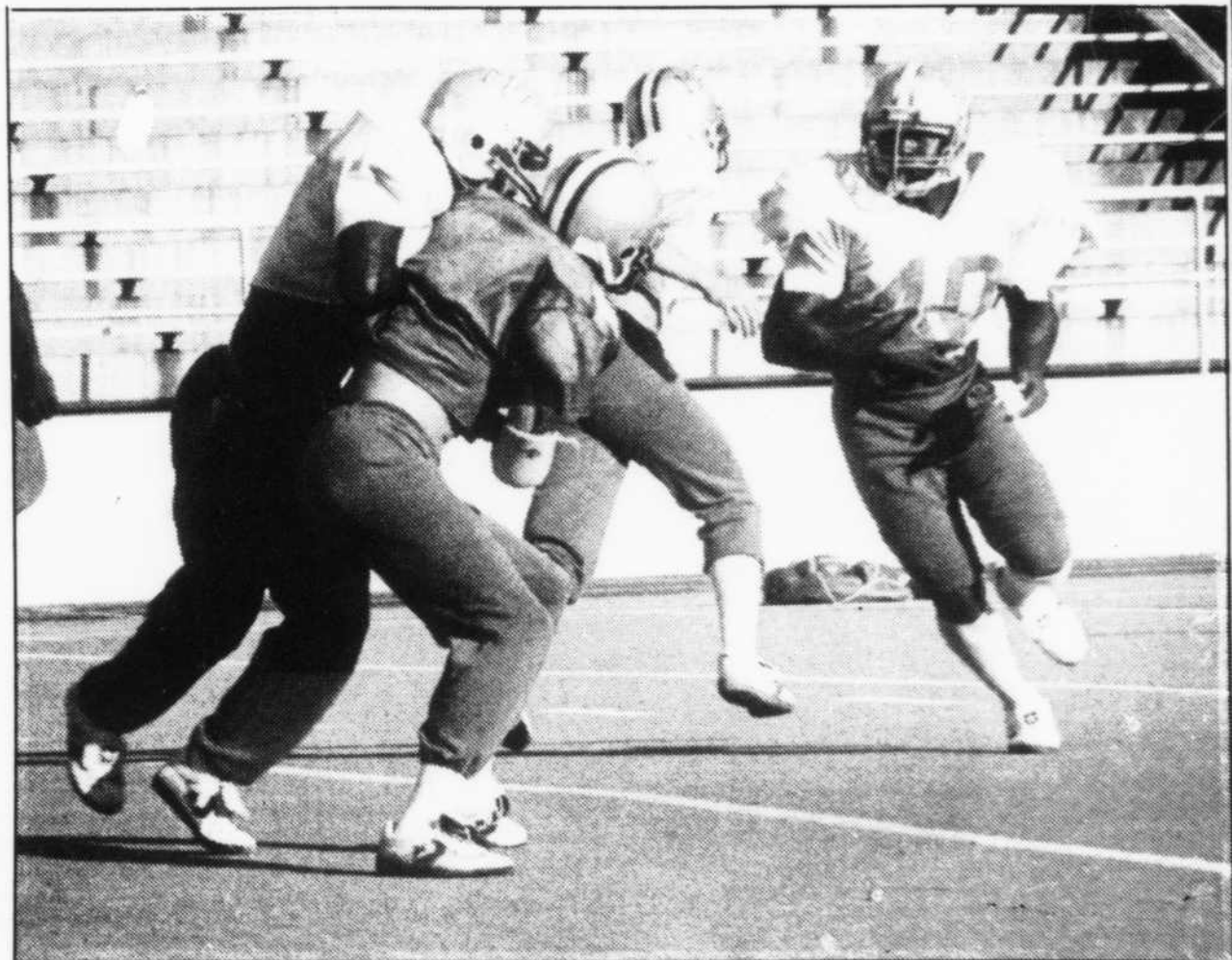


Photo by Mike Poley

Senior fullback Danny Colwell (40) is looking forward to tomorrow's match-up with Eastern Kentucky. The bruising Americus, Ga., native said he plans to dominate the Colonels if he is called upon to play Saturday.

Big time football here at Middle Tennessee State

Cocktail Hour



This is it! Welcome to big time college football.

This week the Blue Raiders of MTSU have a chance to make the biggest news in the Middle Tennessee football program since 1965.

THE NEWS they could make is the serious bid they are making for their first conference championship since that glorious season of 1965.

Win or lose, Eastern Kentucky will be on hand for the festivities carrying a 17-game winning streak in their back pockets.

Hopefully that streak will be over late Saturday afternoon and the Colonels will be crying in their proverbial beer on the long bus ride home to Richmond. Those tears of the loss will hopefully not tarnish the national championship trophy behind Coach Roy Kidd's desk.

FELLOW STUDENTS, this is your chance to get fired up for what used to be, "Just another conference game."

If I could make just a wee request of the student body, it would have to be to forego your weekly trek to your home. Pass up the little kissypoo on the forehead and just call mom and dad. Be at good ol' Horace Jones and get wild with us.

The game this weekend, in my mind, is the biggest game in the South, bar none.

How often do you get a matchup between a team who

is the number one team in the nation in scoring offense (42 points per game) and in scoring defense (5.4 points per game) against the number one ranked team in both polls with a 21 game winning streak against OVC opponents, 34 game streak at home, and 17 in a row...until Saturday!

HOME COMING AND the Tennessee Tech game get people fired up on this campus during football season. This week has been a very welcomed exception.

Every football weekend should be like this one is going to be.

All the credit for making this happen has to go to a man who came back to his alma mater with a dream. Coach Boots Donnelly has turned the football fortunes in this school totally around.

A win this Saturday and a conference championship would put the icing on the cake.

PERSONALLY, I think the networks are stupid for not putting this game on television. CBS has the Alabama-Penn State matchup. Everybody knows that Walter Lewis will pick those felines apart. Which game ABC has on could not match this one?

This is going to be a once-in-a-college-career weekend. This is simply going to be awesome. My pick for this game is Middle Tennessee by 7.

Be sure to be there early tomorrow, and join me while we dance in the streets, because it will be... "Cocktail Hour in Murfreesboro!"

Cross country squads on road tomorrow

Men's Cross Country Head Coach Dean Hayes will lead his squad into the Old Hickory Road Race to be run this Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

The course will cover 5.8 miles, .8 of a mile longer than the courses his team has run this season.

On the women's side, Coach James Key will lead his wounded and battle-weary Lady Raiders into action this Saturday in the Commodore Invitational to be run on the SEC course near Vanderbilt.



Photo by Mike Poley

Sigma Chi quarterback Mark Dodson threw for three touchdowns in their victory over Kappa Sig Tuesday. He also threw three interceptions.



CAMPUS REC

KEVIN WEST

DAVID FUQUA



FUQUA: Sigma Chi quarterback Mark Dodson tossed a touchdown pass to John Miller on a fourth and goal with 40 seconds left in the game for a 21-18 win over Kappa Sig Tuesday afternoon.

The game lived up to all the pre-game hype as both teams were undefeated going into the crucial confrontation. You could feel the tension in the air from the opening kickoff as large followings for both teams packed the sidelines.

IN THE first half, both teams scored on turnovers. Kappa Sig was stunned on its first offensive series when quarterback Elvis Brandon's pass was picked off by defensive back Tom Meyers. With the ball inside the 20, Dodson found Ross "Wild

Man" Dewberry in the end zone for a quick score.

Both teams settled down and as tempers flared across the line of scrimmage.

In the second quarter, Kappa Sig took advantage of Sigma Chi turnovers with Mike "Flash" Tucker hauling in a game high three interceptions. Brandon wasted little time in converting two of the turnovers into touchdown passes to Perry Lynn Holcomb to take a 12-7 halftime lead.

IN THE second half, Kappa Sig picked up where they left off with Tucker rolling out on an option and hitting Holcomb for a touchdown, putting them on top 18-7 and leaving little hope for Sigma Chi.

In the fourth quarter, with

Sigma Chi on the verge of being blown out, Dodson tossed a touchdown to John Miller to pull their team within four points with only four minutes left in the game.

The momentum started to turn as Sigma Chi's defense held to give the ball back to their offense. With only 40 seconds left in the game, and a fourth and goal from the Kappa Sig 18-yard line, Dodson scrambled on a broken play and threw a pass over two defenders into the waiting hands of Miller. The game had to be stopped to clear the field as fans rushed into the endzone smelling victory with a 21-18 lead.

This turned out to be a bit

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on weekends.

However, the fact remains that the student support of athletics on this campus is pretty sad.

One of the people who commented favorably on the *Three Men* column was Head Football Coach Boots Donnelly.

Donnelly, in his fifth year as the Raider skipper, has taken the MTSU program from a state of distress to a winning program. Yet he has still failed to win recognition and respect from the majority of the student body and faculty.

"I DON'T want Eastern to lose unless it's to us," said Donnelly in reference to Saturday's game with the undefeated Colonels. "I don't believe in being second to anyone. There is no such thing as complacency here on this football team."

A win over Eastern Saturday could put MTSU on the road to the OVC Championship and a possible playoff bid at the end of the season.

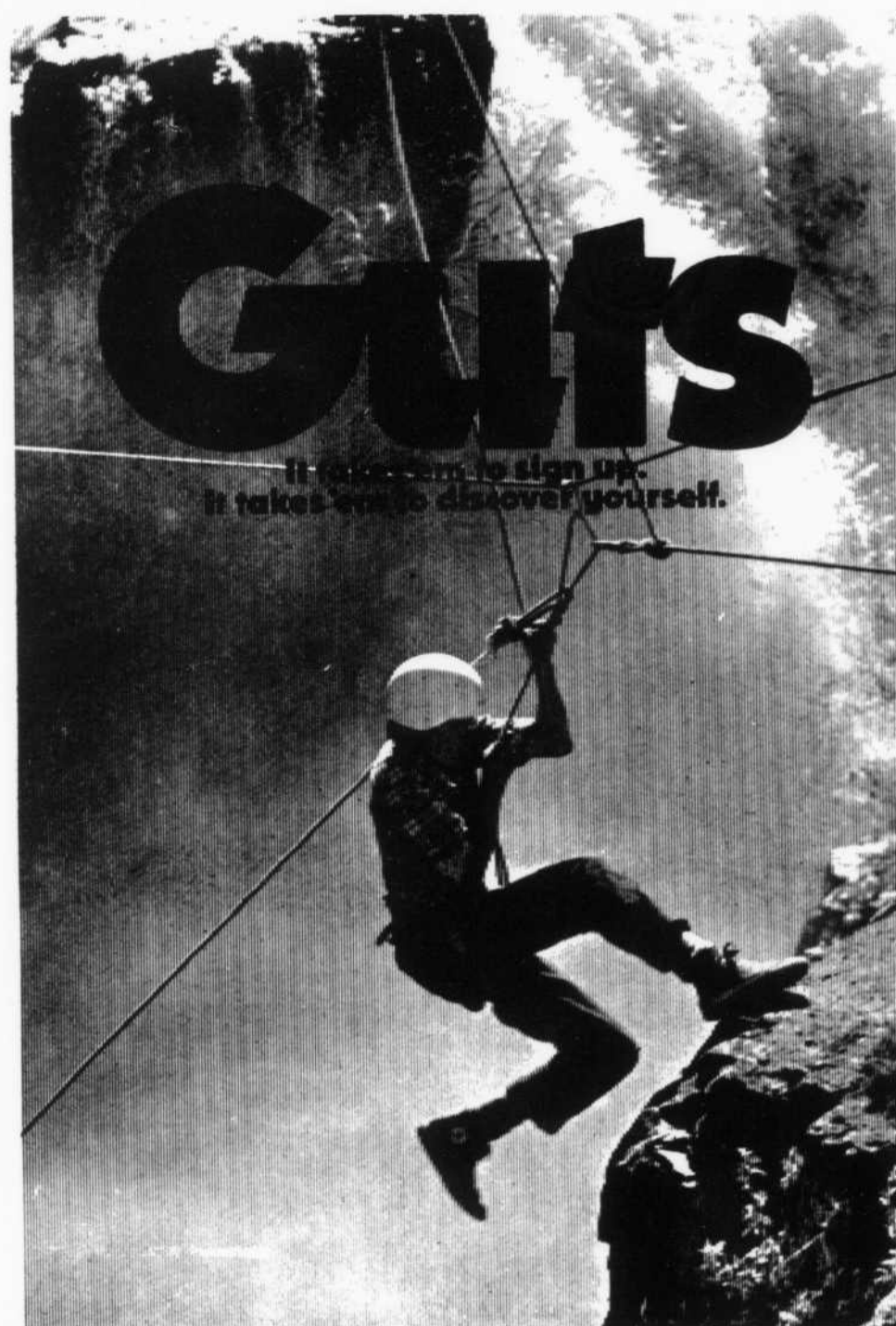
"I would not stay here one day if I didn't think we could win a national championship," Donnelly said. "Being the best you can is nothing, winning is something."

AS FOR the excitement over playing a national champion like Eastern Kentucky,

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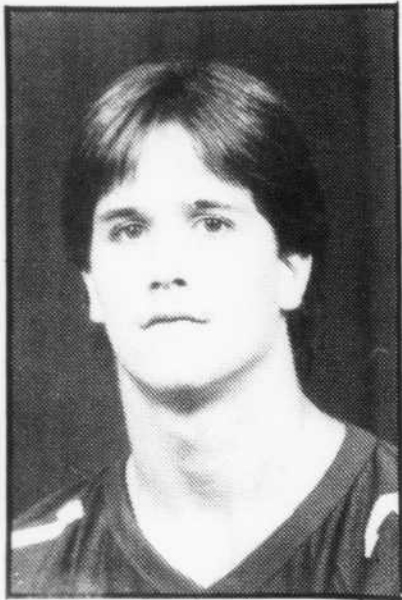
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Morrison has talent for success



Mark Morrison
Freshman punter

By DON TILLET
Sidelines Sports Writer

Success is a great feeling, says MTSU freshman punter Mark Morrison. "When I'm successful, everybody pats you on the back. It's the same way when you're unsuccessful, but you know deep down that you didn't hit it right," Morrison said.

DONNELLY IS pleased with the potential of his punter, saying that he has the basic qualities to be one of the finest.

"He [Morrison] has the physical, natural ability to be a fine punter," Donnelly said, adding that Morrison still needs the benefit of experience.

Morrison also has good hand-eye coordination, but,

according to Donnelly, needs to work a little harder.

DONNELLY INDICATED that Morrison is "not quite as good" as Jimmy Merryman, last year's punter, at this point.

"Jimmy worked hard at being a punter. He strived a little harder, and made himself an adequate punter," Donnelly said.

Donnelly said that Morrison's biggest problem is the drop on his punts.

"He needs to work on dropping the ball consistently and on the distance of his punts," Donnelly said, adding that Morrison needs more concentration and mental preparation.

MORRISON APPEARS to be improving during the season, as his 36.2 yard average is almost a full yard above his season average of 35.3. His average is not indicative of his most recent performance, as Morrison put his first punt on the Akron seven-yard line.

"That's my strongest point," Morrison said, referring to his ability to kick it inside the 10.

Normally punters and kickers are under intense pressure to perform well, but Morrison explains the pressure is self-imposed.

"The only pressure there when I kick is the pressure I put on myself," Morrison said.

Morrison and the other Blue Raiders will face their stiffest test of the season to date when they take on No. 1 ranked and defending national champion Eastern Kentucky Colonels.



Photo by Mike Poley

Ross "Wild Man" Dewberry (towel around head) played a key role in Tuesday's Sigma Chi vs. Kappa Sig battle, catching a pass for the first touchdown of the game. He was ejected in the third quarter, however.

Eastern

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"MTSU has got the rest of their conference games at home, and if we don't beat them, they are definitely in the drivers seat."

The Eastern coach also said that he thought MTSU would beat Akron last week.

"I felt Middle Tennessee would beat them," he said, "but I was surprised at the score. Middle Tennessee is better on offense than they were a year ago."

MTSU Head Coach Boots Donnelly, however, did not

welcome that compliment when told of it.

"THAT'S COACHES talk," Donnelly said. "When Akron and Eastern played, Roy knew that Akron would not lose another game. Ain't no way Roy could have felt MTSU

would have beat Akron."

Donnelly also discounted the so-called "home field advantage" that Kild referred to.

"The home field advantage is different for MTSU than it is for Eastern," Donnelly said. "Each field is the same length.

We have played better on the road than at home in the last few years.

"Eastern has already played a lot of the upper division picks," he continued. "We haven't even started yet. The advantage is always to the

national champion, it is always to the guy who is unbeaten."

Donnelly also said that it takes total dedication to beat a team like Eastern Kentucky.

"The only thing I know is that somewhere between 1:30 and about 4:30 we'll find out."

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premature.

KAPPA SIG came back on the kickoff and with the aid of an unnecessary roughness call, reached the Sigma Chi 20-yard line. Using their time outs, they took four tries at pulling out an attempted comeback win.

On third down, Holcomb caught a pass from Brandon, but it was ruled out of the end zone by the official. Kappa Sig fans poured out on the field not realizing the call. With order restored, one more attempt was made, but the Sigma Chi

defense held and the game of the week was over.

This is the kind of game everyone will be talking about for a long time, and with the playoffs only a few weeks away we could see these two teams square off again.

Yesterday, Kappa Alpha upset Kappa Sig 15-13.

Reminder: The MTSU vs. Tennessee Tech Greek All-Star game will be played here this year. Details will be coming soon.

WEST: Another week of exciting flag football has gone

by and the division races are getting clearer.

I have failed to mention that ROTC is 4-0 and leading the Campus division. However, two of their wins came on forfeits.

IT SEEMS they will easily win their division, but we will really find out how good they are when they play the fraternity champion in the playoffs. Good luck!

There are three separate divisions of teams in the Dorm league. All the races are close (check the standings).

But my Game of the Week

was played between Mon-schrey I and Gore I. It was a classic battle for temporary bragging rights in their section of the Dorm league.

Gore I was able to keep the game within a touchdown, but could not mount enough of-fensive drive to score when necessary.

MONSCHREY I pulled out a squeaker and kept their un-defeated season alive.

Once again, there is never a dull moment in the Open division. The Game of the Week was played between the Roothogs and the Bullwhips. It

was all that I built it up to be.

The Bullwhips jumped out quick with two touchdowns before the Hogs even knew what was going on.

It was all Whips in the first half, except for one Hail Mary, option reverse, half-back something-or-other that the Hogs scored on in the waining seconds of the half.

THE SECOND half was a different story. The Hogs played much better offense and kept the game within reach of one touchdown.

However they just couldn't seem to get the six points when

they needed it.

The Bullwhips were vic-torious 36-28.

Oh, one more note before I go. Last week, I mentioned the Bloosers being undefeated but not really tested. Well, yesterday they showed me that they may be a better team than I expected.

They faced the Bullwhips and only came up on the short end 6-0. They could be the sleeper team of the divisions.

Next week will wind up most of the games, and the playoff picture will take shape. So keep an eye out.

Colwell

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job done just as well as I can."

And if Colwell doesn't get a chance to play much the rest of the season?

"I WON'T BE disap-pointed," he said. "The coach, it's his team and if he's making the decisions as to who's playing, it'll be that way. As far as being jealous or something like that, you know, if he doesn't have faith in me as far as starting, it doesn't bother me any."

"If he calls me I'll go, if he doesn't I'll stay back."

Donnelly, however, said he plans to call on Colwell Saturday, figuring to use the big back's power and ex-perience against OVC teams as what could be a key part of the attack plan.

"IF IT HAD been the start of the season and we were playing Eastern, he would not have played," Donnelly said. "He played well at

Morehead and then played very well at Akron. Danny should be the starter, but he does not work as hard as he should in practice. He wants to be a game player."

Colwell, a physical education major, will end his collegiate football career with the Blue Raiders at the end of this season, but he has mixed emotions as to his future.

"I hope to get into coaching," he said. "As far as

my football career, this being my last season and I haven't really been doing anything to be looked at, so I don't have my heart set on professional football like I used to when I was younger. That dream is gone. I just play because I love the game."

But...

IF I have a real good game Saturday and we happen to win the OVC and go into the playoffs, that would give me

four extra games," Colwell lamented. "If I could prove myself from Eastern on throughout the year, if I have some great games and I really do well as a fullback, such as block, catch and run, I think I have a pretty good chance. As far as size, I do have it, but I am lacking speed."

Confidence could ob-viously be Colwell's middle name, as displayed in his attitude toward the Eastern Kentucky team, which he

couldn't say enough about.

"Let me leave one thing to you, if you happen just to print something," Colwell said. "I'm a person with total confidence and I do boast, so let me say something about Eastern. When I play Saturday*if I get in there and run the ball*I guarantee you I'm gonna dominate Eastern. I'm gonna stomp them."

"Like I say, I'm gonna straight stomp them. I won't show them any respect."

Donnelly

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Donnelly and his staff are only mildly touched by it. The coach said that each week is basically the same for the Raiders. Preparation to win a football game is the bottom line.

"The hype, the excitement for Eastern Kentucky—it

should be that way every game," the coach continued. "People tell us to go out and do the best we can. They don't always expect us to win. We don't worry when the phone rings all the time around here, it's when it doesn't ring that worries us."

"The day we get the students to talk it up, the faculty to talk

it up and the townspeople to talk it up will be a great day," he added.

"I would like to see all the students, faculty, everybody in Murphy Center one day—not just for football, but for anything. I would like to have it where Bill Smotherman would have to fix the roof on that thing because they would

blow it off. I would like to see everyone all in this thing together."

One of Donnelly's favorite phrases is "we're gonna see who can stay in the buggy when the horses raise up," but when the horses raise up at this university, the students usually head for their cars.

It's a shame.

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