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MTSU celebrates 75 years of education

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Through two World Wars, four name changes, six university presidents, the stock market crash, and the turbulent 60s, Middle Tennessee State University has developed into one of the largest and most diverse institutions of higher learning in Tennessee.

In 1909, the Tennessee State Board of Education made provisions for the construction of three Normal [teacher] schools. On Nov. 30, 1909, the state legislature chose Murfreesboro as the site for one of these teaching facilities.

Construction for the facility, consisting of four buildings, was completed by 1911. Robert Lee Jones, the state superintendent of instruction, was appointed president of Middle Tennessee Normal School by the State Board of Education.

On Sept. 11, 1911, the school was dedicated and classes met for the first time. There were 120 males and 127 females enrolled for the fall semester of 1911. The primary objective of the Normal was to prepare students for the teaching profession.

During the early Normal years organizations began appearing on the campus. The first student activities centered around the literary societies, which were formed in 1911. Also during this era athletic teams began to emerge, with baseball, basketball, and football teams operating by 1913.

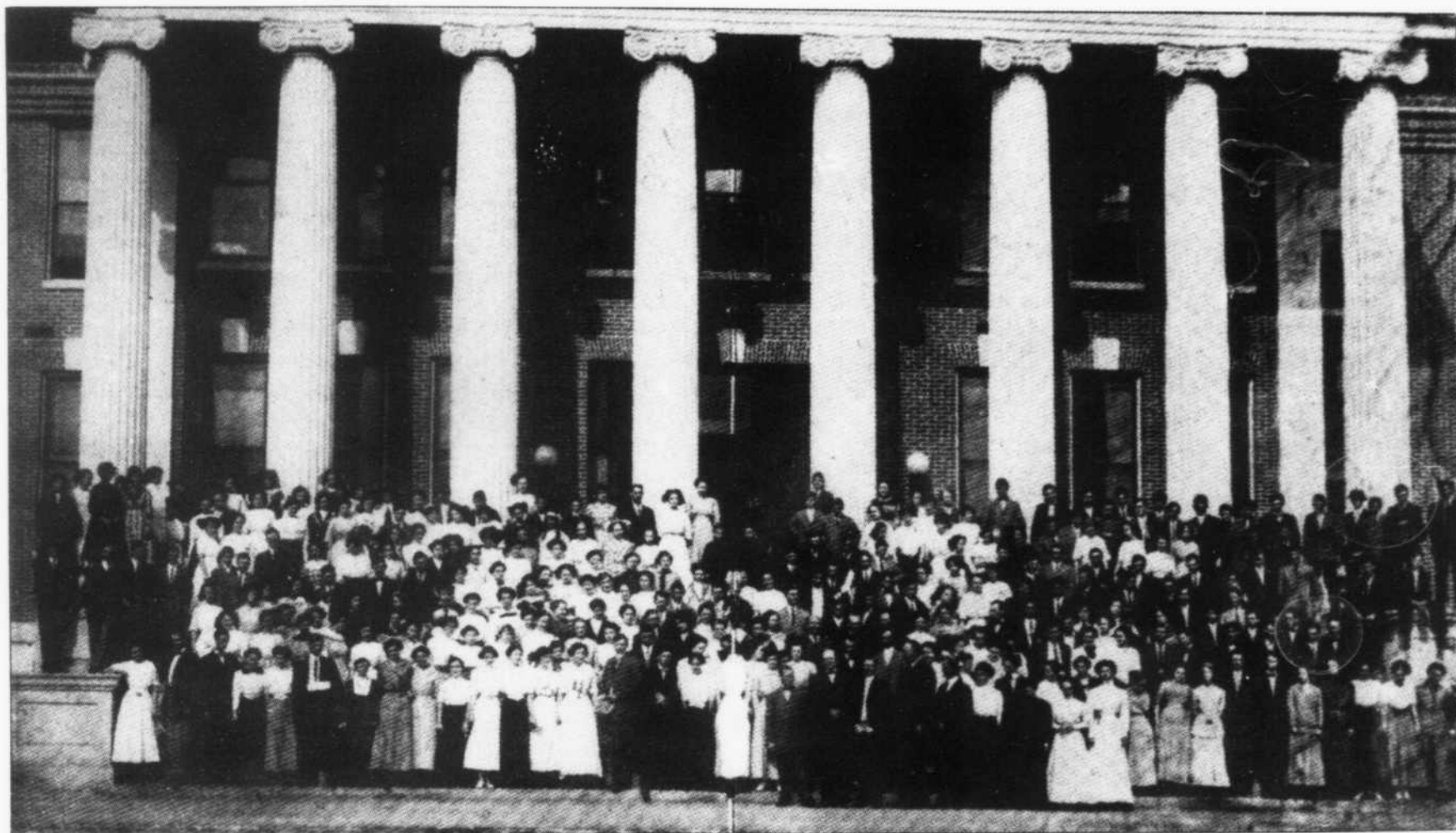
The school's growth was hindered by the outbreak of World War I. Male enrollment fell from a high of 244 in 1916 to 63 by 1919. Jones resigned as president of the school in 1918, amidst political maneuvering. Alfred Pritchett Lyon was first named interim president and became president on Nov. 13, 1922.

In 1925, both the name and the status of the school were changed. The new school was renamed Middle Tennessee State Teachers College and offered a Bachelor of Science Degree.

Athletic programs grew with the Teachers College status. The opponents in football were of collegiate rank and baseball and basketball were also upgraded during this period. The women's basketball team entered scholastic competition in 1923 and became the state southern champs in 1926.

The stock market collapse of 1929 did not affect the college until several years later. By the fall of 1932, MTSTC began to feel the impact of the depression. A committee composed of members of the State Board of Education began examining the Teachers College. The purpose of the committee was to survey the condition of the college so that regulations and standardization of courses could be determined in view of the present economy. Several recommendations were made, including reduction of salaries, a reduction in the length of the school year and changes in course offerings, with which the college complied.

In August of 1938, Quintin Miller Smith, the former president of Tennessee Polytechnic Institute [Now Ten-



Courtesy of Joe Nunley

The 1911 faculty and student body of Middle Tennessee Normal School pose in front of the Old Main Building in early September of the school's first year.

nessee Technological University] and a MTN graduate, was chosen as the new MTSTC president after President Lyon resigned.

Efforts also began at this time to move the school to full college status, but the decimating effects of World War II would delay that goal for several years.

Enrollment fell to an all-time low during the war years. Male enrollment dropped from 342 in 1938 to 20 in 1944, and total enrollment was only 200 in 1944. If not for the use of the campus for the training of military personnel, the college would have appeared barren.

Seven hundred and seventy-two MTSU students and alumni served in World War II. Thirty-seven of these soldiers had given their lives by the end of the war.

In 1943, the state legislature changed the college name to Middle Tennessee State College. Also, the only women to ever serve as presidents of the Associated Student Body were elected during this time.

After the war and with the implementation of the G.I. Bill, enrollment at MTSC reached record proportions. To keep up with this increase, President Smith proposed a massive building program. The James Union Building, Smith Hall, the Memorial Health and Physical Education Building [now known as the Alumni Gym] and Monohan Hall were all results of this flurry of construction.

A graduate degree in education was offered in 1951. Mandatory ROTC was begun in 1954 and would con-

tinue for more than 15 years.

President Smith resigned in 1958 after reaching the age of 67, the mandatory retirement age for Tennessee college presidents. Dr. Quill Cope was elected the new president in February, 1958.

Cope's administration witnessed the biggest single change in the school's history. On February 16, MTSC became Middle Tennessee State University when the state legislature approved the elevation of the school to university status. While no structural changes accompanied the name change, the new name "will greatly strengthen the position of the institution in its growth and development," President Cope said at the time.

The 60s also witnessed further construction with work on the Keathley University Center, new agricultural building, High Rise dorm and other buildings.

Cope resigned in 1968 and in September of that year M.G. Scarlett became the fifth president of the institution. Scarlett's ten-year term of office was marked by an almost 100 percent increase in enrollment and the most severe social and political disturbances of the 60s.

Current university President Sam Ingram took office January 1, 1979 after Scarlett resigned in 1978.

During the Ingram administration enrollment reached over 11,000 students and MTSU has become recognized as one of the top universities in Tennessee. After weathering the last 75 years so well, the university can only hope that the next 75 are as successful.

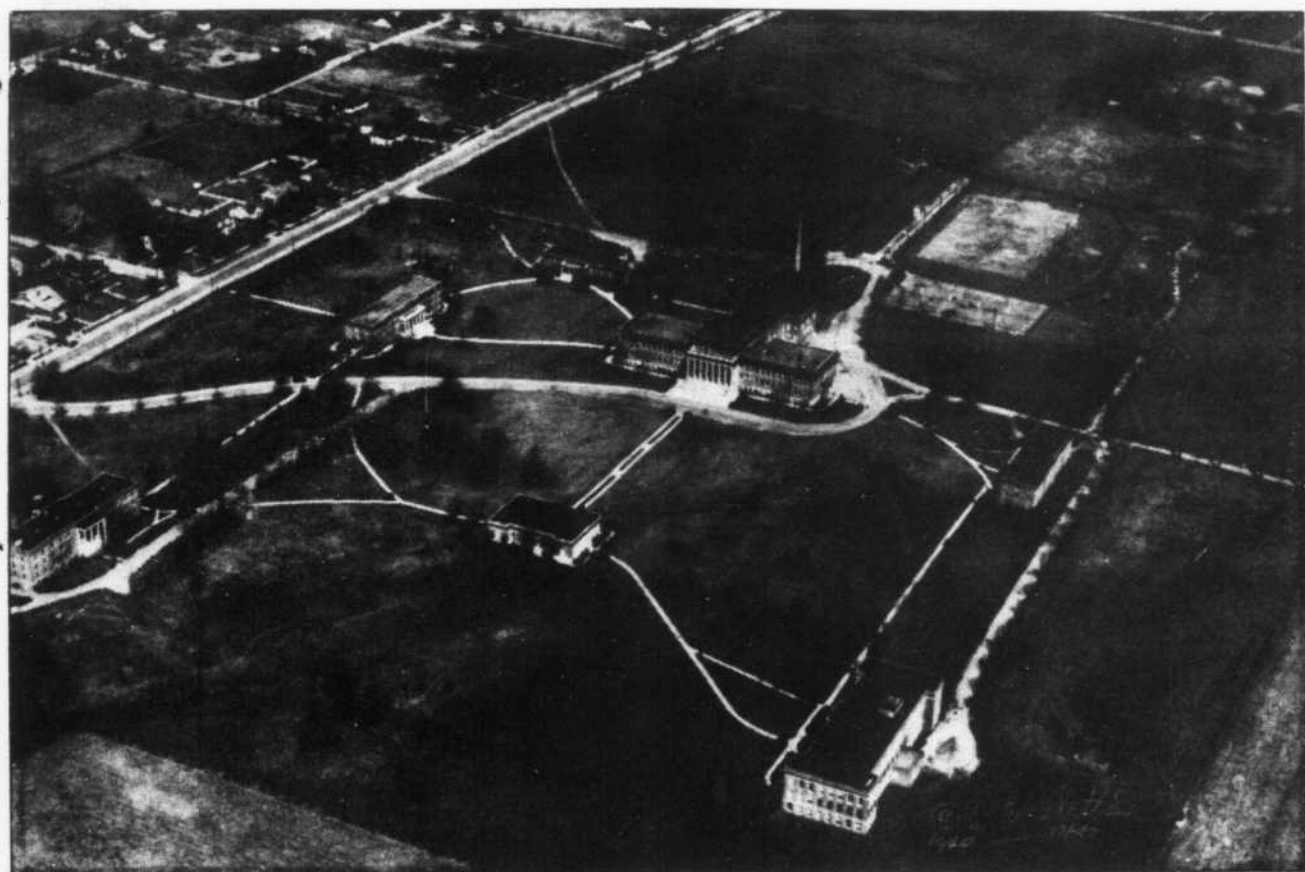


Photo By Richard Shacklett

Richard Shacklett took this earliest known aerial photograph of the campus in the spring of 1940 while he was a member of the 105th Observation Squadron. Shacklett used a hand held Fairchild camera while the plane was flown sideways by the pilot, Lt. Harry Jones.



Photo By Wayne Cartwright

Last week this aerial photograph of the campus was taken by Sidelines photographer Wayne Cartwright from an altitude of 2,000 feet. MTSU student Eric Stout piloted the plane.



An early group of protesters gather on the steps of the Keathley Old Main building. Women suffragettes in 1918 fought at MTSU for the right to vote.

Women play a major role in MTSU's development

By CRYSTAL NELMS
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

Total enrollment of Middle Tennessee Normal School in 1911 was 347, and 250 of those students were women.

The first faculty of Middle Tennessee Normal School consisted of 11 males and seven females. Jeanette Moore King taught physical training, and Katherine Monohan was a history assistant. Tommie Reynolds taught mathematics and later became the school's women's basketball coach. L.M. Russell supervised the model school and E. Mai Saunders taught music. Mary Arthur taught domestic arts, and Margaret Weber was a domestic arts assistant.

The Suffragettes were organized in 1918 at Middle Tennessee Normal School. They protested to gain the women's right to vote.

In the 1920s women's basketball flourished at Middle Tennessee State Teachers College. Mary O. Beasley was one of the school's first women to be named to an All American basketball team.

In 1926 the first four-year diplomas were given, and the school's new title was Middle Tennessee State Teacher's College. Twenty-five men and 25 women received four-year diplomas.

During the World War II years, more women attended the school than men. In 1936, there were 37 men enrolled and 72 women. In 1942 88 out of 115 students were women.

Women served as Associated Student Body presidents during World War II. In 1943 Martha N. Gordon was ASB president, in 1944 Jane Maxwell was ASB president, in 1945 Thelma Over cash served as president and in 1946 Mary Ann Todd filled the president's position.

In 1950 men's enrollment increased to 170, and women only numbered 90. In 1960 the schools enrollment consisted of 239 men and 125 women.

It was reported in the January 30, 1979 issue of *Sidelines*, that there were, "more women than men enrolled in MTSU both the fall semester of 1978 and the spring semester of 1979."

In the fall of 1978 women outnumbered men by 232, and in the spring of 1979 women outnumbered men by 199.

University Day at MTSU, the day that Middle Tennessee State College officially became a university, was held July 1, 1965.

Judy Lankford Robeson, a coed at the time of the change, said that everybody thought that "MTSU sounded just horrible."

"We all had to buy new sweat shirts that said MTSU," Robeson said.

In September of 1969, Carolyn Carrol enrolled in the military science program with the intention of completing the entire four years of ROTC and becoming the first woman in the 150-year history of the program to receive a commission through ROTC in the Women's Army Core, *Sidelines* reported.

World events affect students and school

By CHRIS BELL
Sidelines News Editor

While the MTSU campus can seem far removed from the rest of the world, national and international events do have an effect on the university and its students.

World War I almost stopped the development of the young Middle Tennessee Normal School before it had really begun. Male enrollment was cut by more than 75 percent by 1919. School assemblies dealt with the war and encouraged student support of the soldiers overseas.

The school made its first attempt at organizing a student government in 1917, but it was soon disbanded due to the chaos of the war years.

A student army training corps was established in 1918 and courses in military science were given to prepare future soldiers.

The spring of 1921 was marked by a smallpox epidemic that ravaged the campus. A quarantine was

placed on the school and every doctor in Murfreesboro was called to the main dining room to give emergency vaccinations. While no one died from the epidemic, Pauline Alsop, a student from College Grove, became the only student to die on campus during the first 50 years after succumbing to a mastoid infection complicated by influenza.

The stock market crash of 1929 and the economic depression that followed began to plague the college in the early 1930s. An early "underground" paper, "The Devil's Workshop," appeared on campus and demanded changes in the school's policies. The students involved were expelled during Christmas holidays in order to avoid campus unrest. Faculty and staff took cuts in pay during the early 30s and many students began living in boarding houses to cut expenses.

The next major crisis to affect

the college was World War II. A 90 percent drop in male enrollment and the only women presidents of the Associated Student Body were the most obvious signs of the war on campus. Programs like Training for War Industries and Aviation Training were added with the financial aid of the federal government to help keep the college in operation. Not surprisingly, athletics were suspended from 1942 to 1945.

When the war ended in 1945, a flood of returning students and new students aided by the G.I. Bill of Rights boosted enrollment to above pre-war levels.

On Feb. 11, 1946, the only wedding ever to occur on campus took place in Jones Hall. Mary Sherrell and Clarence Leek were joined in matrimony during the service in the hall's reception room.

While the 50s marked a return to something close to normalcy, the

late 60s brought a great deal of change to the campus.

MTSU, as the school was officially known by 1965, was fairly quiet compared to many schools throughout the early and mid 60s. The only reaction to the growing war in Viet Nam were the occasional speakers and a 35-foot-long petition organized by the ASB and signed by students supporting the policies of President Lyndon Johnson.

Opposition to the war, evident in many schools by 1967, didn't appear at MTSU until 1969. Well known politician Julian Bond spoke during Moratorium Day to over 2,000 students in what was probably the largest protest rally ever to occur at the university. While the ASB refused to take sides in the matter and drafted a resolution saying "we cannot at this time actively support or denounce the Viet Nam

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ASB acts as the students' voice for almost 50 years

By LISA FLOWERS
Sidelines Editor-In-Chief

Oct. 19, 1938 *Sidelines* reported that, "Two-hundred and forty two students voted in favor of a form of self government and designated Charlie Miller, president of the student body, to appoint a committee of students to draw up a constitution on the order of student government."

These were the beginnings of the MTSU Associated Student Body, the organization that has served as the voice of students for almost fifty years.

"This meeting was called tonight to determine whether or not the student body is interested in student government. I believe that your presence shows that you are favorable to such a movement," Miller said.

"If any obstacles are encountered in this last mile of the way toward organization of the Associated Student Body, they should be removed....There should be no further quibbling and even less delay. The students are ready," an editorial in *Sidelines*, Dec. 7, 1938, stated.

In a student body meeting held Jan. 11, 1939, the constitution was read and approved. The first ASB officers were elected on Feb. 8, 1939. Charlie Miller was elected president; vice president, Kathy Meadows; secretary, Bruce Sartor; and treasurer, Francis Brown.

The first business of the newly elected ASB was to measure and coordinate all campus organizations by filing a list of officers with the ASB secretary, *The First Fifty Years*, a history of MTSU, states.

"The purpose of the Associated

Student Body...is to provide the means whereby student opinion may be introduced in the governance of the institution...to work with the administration in all matters affecting the welfare of the student body, and to promote the best possible understanding between faculty, administration, and students," is how the ASB Constitution defines the organization's purpose. While the ASB has always acted as a channel of communication between the students and the administration, it has also served student interests in other ways.

In the 40s, 50s and 60s, before student programming was formulated, the ASB had the responsibility of organizing campus activities such as concerts, dances, cultural films and parties. In times of national crisis, such as the assassination of President Kennedy or the Viet-Nam war, the ASB developed and sent petitions and telegrams to Washington supporting the U.S. government.

Several ASB presidents have gone on to careers in local, state and national politics. Murfreesboro Mayor Joe Jackson, State Rep. John Bragg, and U.S. Congressmen Bart Gordon and Bill Boner were all past presidents of the ASB.

Today, the ASB serves primarily as a legislative body, actively participating in the day-to-day decision-making process at MTSU. While the ASB has no enforcing powers, it suggests changes and communicates the needs of the students to the administration.

The organization of the ASB is divided into three branches: legislative, made up of the House and Senate; executive, made up of the president and his cabinet; and jud-

icial, made up of the supreme court and lesser courts such as the traffic and general appeals courts. All of these branches are staffed completely by MTSU students. Every organized group is offered the opportunity to be represented in the ASB House.

The ASB sends delegates to the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, a yearly gathering of the brightest minds in student government. ASB Student Ambassadors help guide new students, conduct campus tours and perform various other duties. The ASB sponsors pep weeks during football and basketball season and plays a major role in the organization of homecoming activities.

Vietnam War changes students' lives

By BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Staff Writer

The Vietnam War had a greater impact on students than any other event or issue on American college campuses during the period between 1963-1973.

That one event sparked years of protest and unrest causing deep wounds that are just now beginning to heal. Middle Tennessee State University did not escape these troubled times without involvement.

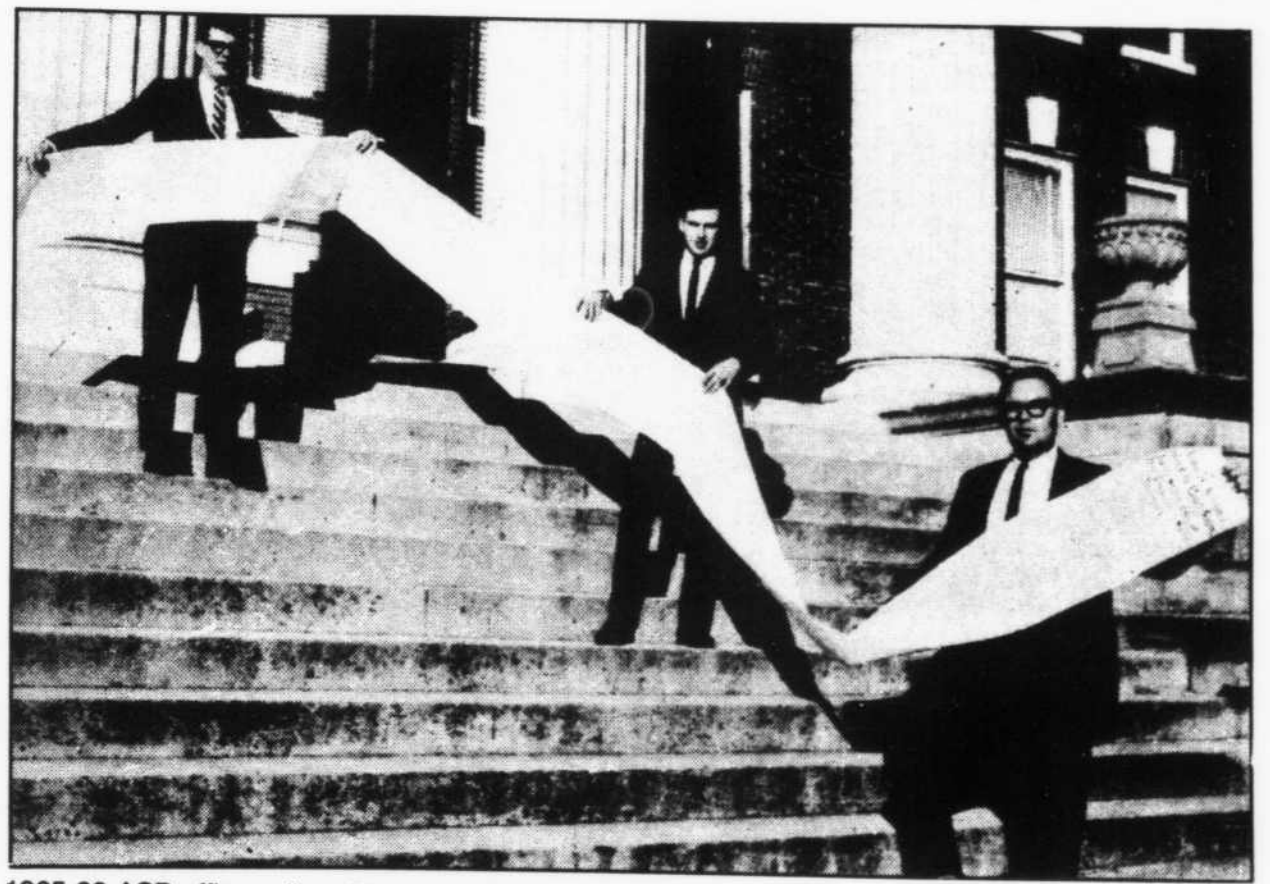
The students had mixed emotions about U.S. intervention in Vietnam throughout the 11 years of U.S. involvement. Large drives were held in support of U.S. policy in addition to marches in protest of American troops in the tiny southeast Asian country.

In December of 1965, MTSU started playing an active role in regards to the Vietnam War, according to the Dec. 7, 1965 issue of *Sidelines*. However, the role they played was not the stereotypical college reaction to Vietnam. It was on Dec. 7, 1965 that MTSU started

a petition drive in support of President Lyndon B. Johnson's position in Vietnam.

ASB President Bert Wakeley organized the statewide drive that included over 20 Tennessee colleges and universities according to *Sidelines*. Some of the other universities involved included Vanderbilt University, Tennessee State University, the University of the South and Tennessee Tech University.

The petition was given to Tennessee Governor Frank Clement who then passed the list on to President Johnson. Johnson was to give it to the armed services in Vietnam.



1965-66 ASB officers (L to R) Harold Smith, ASB vice-president, Bert Wakely, ASB freshman class president and Bert Wakeley, ASB president hold a 35 foot petition supporting the war in Vietnam. The ASB sent this petition to President Lyndon B. Johnson in December of 1965.

The petition was over 35 feet long and was filled with names.

MTSU's views changed radically before the next big event connected with the war in Vietnam. It was reported in the Oct. 9, 1969 issue of *Sidelines* that the MTSU Vietnam Moratorium Committee was to have a formal student protest on Oct. 15.

"The committee...urged students to organize 'not only to oppose the war but also to stimulate dialogue between the student and his classmates,'" *Sidelines* stated in the Oct. 9, 1969 issue. The committee was recognized as an organiza-

tion by the university.

"This [the protest] is part of a nation-wide movement to bring pressure on the present administration to end the war as soon as possible with a minimum loss of life," a spokesman for the committee told *Sidelines*.

The demonstration itself had an attendance of around 500 students, according to the Oct. 17, 1969 issue of *Sidelines*. There was no violence as the only activities were singing and a candlelight march for the dead in Vietnam.

Student reaction to this de-

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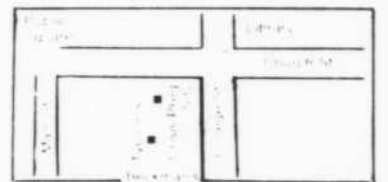
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Editorial Forum

1938 Snooping around MTSU

Snow! Alumnae! football suits! Flowers! Cheering boys and girls! floats! These all signify that Thanksgiving has come and gone. It's sad too that ten boys have played their last game for the dear old S.T.C. Although they are finishing football careers, their memories will live with us for sometime.

Orchids to the eight girls who got up before students and decorated the football heroes. We really need more spirit like that, gals. Keep it up!

A.P.I. was definitely the most outstanding hot spot over the holidays. A wonderful time was had by each and everyone present, especially Charlie Miller.

Mary Lou went to Clarksville with Norma and Lula. We hear that Mary Lou really caused a small panic. Her date asked her to please leave one girl alone. Ain't you ashamed Mary Lou?

One guy was remarking the other day how much falling in love detracted from a girl — Makes them lose their umph or something. He gave examples, Margaret Wysong, Margaret Frances, Juanita Hindman, and Susan Lytle. You'd better watch yourself girls, you'll lose your S.A.

Sally Curtis and Jitterbug Fudge are about the campus' newest couple. They seem to be doing ok too.

Jewell Simmons is really concentrating on one of S.T.C.'s most eligible young men. Watch yourself Corky — or has the bug already bitten.

Was Lois Henry's and Randolph Wood's face red the other day when Mr. Davis caught them skipping lab — That really must be love when you try something like that. Again!

The school dance was one of the biggest S.T.C. has ever had. I heard one boy remark that he had never seen as many pretty girls in his life. Funny what a long dress and soft lights can do for one.

Leota O'Neil really was the most outstanding girl on the floor in an old fashioned net affair.

Virginia Henley looked might cute in a black dress. The boys thought so too. Elaine and Patty were really looking at each other sweet during the Varsity Special. Must be wonderful.

John Paul Gilbert and Annie Mary Snell were really giving each other a few very private sweet glances — oh, Bushelhead!

Penny and Bill were really having a glorious time, but have you ever seen Bill where he wasn't?

Doyle Hasty went home to see his one and only instead of giving the S.T.C. belles a break. Let's gang up on him girls.

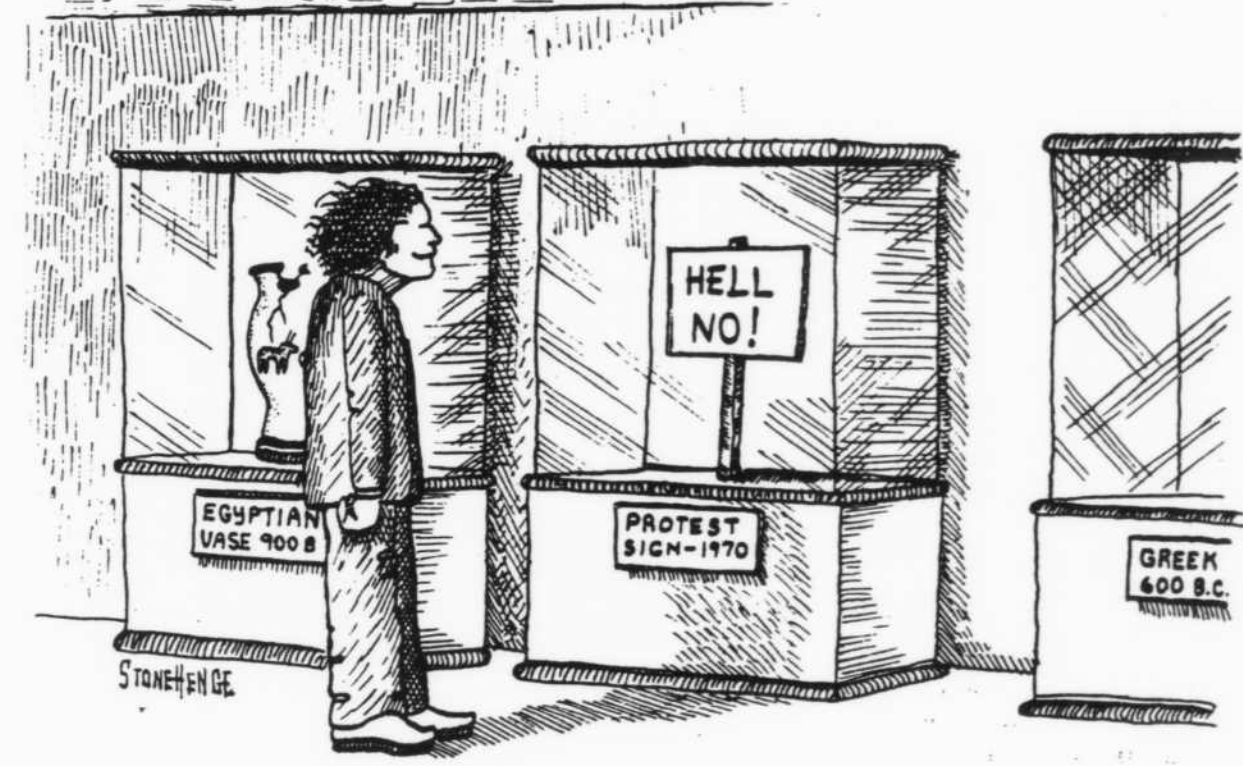
About twenty girls had a party in Lyon after the dance — food and everything — to make it a very special occasion Miss Mitchell came up and ate with them. What we need is more people like her.

How many boys is Betty Redmond holding? We thought at first it was just Hasty — Now Doyle Bronson and Carl Armstrong have put in their bid. What a gal!

Charlie Brown and Mayme Bastin from over Cumberland way really can "trip the light fantastic."

Elsie Randall went to the "brawl" with Dick Mullins. Can this mean a new romance — Cupid really isn't on a holiday around S.T.C.

Oh well, this is all the so-called news that I know — Did you ever write a column at two o'clock in the morning? Try it sometime.



1968 The Black American

For almost two hundred years Americans have endeavored to make America the showplace of freedom, equality and democracy. Many good people have worked very hard to make this nation what it is today. Yet with all our glory and beauty, so much is so wrong with our country. Our views of freedom and equality have become blinded by those Americans who are foreign to the basic American belief — that all men are created equal — and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights.

So it has become a lonesome thing to be a Negro in America. I am almost overwhelmed by a feeling that says — you don't belong. Then I tell myself this is my home — I have to belong here; I have nowhere else to go, and nothing more valuable to me than America. I love this country, I simply want to become a part of it.

I have talked with many people about the numerous problems that exist in being a Negro in America.

I am shocked when they say — It's bad, but that's the way it is — or — That's rotten, but it's just something you'll have to live with. It is strange how seemingly sympathetic people can be so purely apathetic. Even so, I say it is not the way it should be, and it is not something I am going to live with.

All that Negroes want is respect. As human beings we ask no more than that, as Americans we deserve no less. For we too have endeavored to build America. Then is it too much to desire to enter the mainstream of American society? At this very moment with their fellow Americans, Negroes are fighting thousands of miles across the sea in the name of freedom, democracy, and the American way. I have looked and looked, and I wonder — at home where is the freedom? Where is the democracy? Is this truly the American way? If Americans can fight and die together, then my God when they come home, why can't they live together?

If it is wrong to help build a nation, and expect to be a part of it, then again we are guilty. Even so, the sweat from our brow too has watered the nation and made it grow. We have to love this country, it is our home — and we are tired of being strangers in our own land.

I long for the day when any American anywhere in this country can stand and proudly say — this is my country, and these are my people. So, let us not be petty when our cause is so great. For it is a time for courage, and a time for challenge. Neither the faint hearted nor the fanatics are needed. Let us throw from our ears the cries of the extremists on both sides. And let us stand together without hatred, with respect for all, and with the same devotion that possessed those who built this nation — and let us endeavor to rebuild it. The problem before us today is indeed great, but I believe that the American people are greater.

Sylvester Patrick Brooks
Guest Columnist

1945 Peace at Christmas time

The Christmas season is here. The falling snow enveloped the campus in its blanket of white. The campus with its familiar buildings became a picture on a greeting card. Yes, Christmas is coming...but what does it mean? What does it really mean to you?

Does it mean holidays from school? Brightly wrapped packages. A sparkling timeless tree. A time to meet old friends? Roast turkey, stockings filled with toys, the bright shining face of a child on Christmas morning, Santa Claus?

To most people, all or a part of these things are Christmas. If you are in school it does mean a vacation, the giving of gifts. It means a Christmas tree with colored lights and seeing friends and relatives. It means food...turkey, candy, fruits, nuts and above all the vision of good Saint Nick, the reindeer, the sleigh and the face of a child on Christmas morning. All pleasant things that give you a warm, comfortable feeling...a feeling of contentment and security.

These are material things. Gifts, Christmas trees and turkeys can be bought. It is only through the carols which we sing and the passages of scriptures which are read in brief services that remind us of the real meaning of Christmas.

Nearly two centuries ago Christ was born in a manger in Bethlehem to Mary and Joseph, simple, but respected people in their land. As he grew from a child into a boy and from boyhood to manhood he taught his people that there were greater and more important things than material wealth. He spoke to them about kindness to their fellow man, about loyalty and truthfulness. He taught them the richness of living together and of the fullness which harmonious living could bring. He wanted peace, not trouble, for his people.

We have made for ourselves a complicated way of life. We have become mercenary and materialistic, we have forgotten or neglected the simple things in life — the things that Christ taught. For four years the entire world has been engaged in battle and strife that has taken a staggering number of human lives.

The surrender has been made and in many parts of the world organized resistance and fighting has stopped. Peace has come, in part, to those people. Many of them are suffering and grieving, but perhaps in years to come these wounds will heal, if they are not torn deeper by new ones. It is now, more than ever before, that Christ's teachings for peace should come to our minds this Christmas Day. Men have fought in jungles, islands in the Pacific, the ice and snow of Alaska and have fought their way across France, Belgium, Holland and into Germany. They have scorched in the sand and heat of North Africa, they have taken to their planes in England and they have died that the world might once again be free on Christmas Day.

The bells will ring this Christmas Day. Throughout the world they will toll the old, and yet so new story of Christ...they will repeat the phrase of "Peace on earth, good will toward men".

1967 Vietnam and Malcolm X

February 21, 1965, saw two personalities of different parts of the world, and both "leaders" of their respective classes, removed from control. Both were existing in troubled and, indeed, strange environments.

From Saigon came word that Lt. Gen. Nguyen Khanh had been "removed" from control of that troubled, military-ruled land of Viet Nam. From New York's Harlem district, news quickly spread that the renegade leader of the Black Nationalist sect, Malcolm X, had been killed while addressing a small rally there. It would seem that two methods in which these men were ousted were out of step with recent news from their locale.

Saigon and the surrounding area has been deluged lately with insurgent and counterinsurgent killings and brutal deaths. Bloody coups, eight in the last sixteen months, were the order of the day.

Harlem, scene of last summer's most violent racial demonstration and riots, seemed to have been claimed over the months.

But the past is merely prologue and the unpredictable ways of men continue to amaze those remotely and personally involved.

Khanh, though removed by force, was given his country's highest national medal attributed to a governmental officer. He then accepted the job of roving ambassador (a la Averell Harriman for his country) of South Viet Nam.

Malcolm X, on the other hand, was assassinated by a person suspected by being allied to the Black Muslims, the militant Negro sect form which Malcolm X broke last summer. There was no negotiation in that incident — plain brutal murder in the old Chicago gangland style of an age supposedly long past. Followers of Malcolm X have threatened violent revenge both for his death and for the burning of their headquarters building in New York City. Uncertainty continues to prevail in the relationships of the three largest Negro groups; the Black Muslims, the Black Nationalists and the NAACP (which refuse to endorse the dealings of either of the other two groups). Now the charismatic leadership of Malcolm X and the uncertain "leadership" of Gen. Khanh is removed from the world scene.

Meanwhile, in the relations between the United States and Red China over involvement in Viet Nam, the situation seems to have settled around one pressing question: "To Escalate Or Negotiate?" U. Thant of the UN and other world leaders have recently called out for increased negotiations. President Johnson and Secretary of State Rusk have stated that the U.S. will negotiate when results could be had which would benefit all parties involved — and this includes all persons the world over... "no man is an island"...

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Moratorium for Kent State

The Moratorium at MTSU has not fulfilled its purpose. While it may have been a successful demonstration of opposition to the Vietnam War and the tragedies at Kent State, Jackson State and Augusta last spring, it has largely failed to open communications between the Moratorium participants and those who disagreed with them.

The incident at the Moratorium march Wednesday night demonstrates this difficulty in communications. Although the peace marchers allowed both sides to be heard, a spokesman for those who disagreed with the march was plagued by hecklers. Earlier in the

march the peace advocates were heckled by some other students. It is even more tragic that this refusal to listen is not only a local failure but is characteristic of the reaction to the nationwide peace movement as well.

In the largest moratorium rallies, several hundred thousand demonstrators converged on Washington and San Francisco to show opposition to the War by their presence. Also, a recent Harris poll indicated that 73 percent of the American people oppose the War. Yet, President Nixon openly stated that their actions would not have any effect on his policies.

This attitude reduces the actions of the demonstrators to a statement of faith in the hope for peace in Southeast Asia. Nevertheless, it blatantly demonstrates the frustration that the American people have with an administration that refuses to respond to its constituency.

At MTSU the failures of the Moratorium can only be salvaged if this week is a beginning for discussion between the two groups rather than a childish game ignoring the other man's opinions or name calling. Only then can the Moratorium be termed a success and the marchers' hope for peace be answered.

Letter to the Editor

1967

Are coeds second rate?

To the Editor:

Members of the "fair sex" are undoubtedly second-class citizens on this campus. Unlike the boys, we have no private area of our own (such as the quad) where members of the opposite sex may not tread. Unlike the boys, we are restricted to the dorms after certain hours. Unlike the boys, our destinations are open to scrutiny. Unlike the boys, when traveling the campus on the way to P.E. classes, we must be covered head to toe (which is asinine in coeducational classes, girls legs are in full view of the male members — and all seem to survive without complications!). Unlike the boys, the girls on their way to P.E. must take certain out-of-the-way routes so as to remain hidden. And finally, unlike the boys, the girls are told how to dress.

we must be told where we may go, how to get there, and when to return. Also, we must be told much like little children (in the eyes of the Administration) how to act. Morally, because our actions can never be private. Physically, because in the true Victorian spirit, we must be covered, head to toe, apparently to mask our sexual identity as females.

However the second-class identity that is heaped upon us really comes to the fore when we are told how to dress. Especially since members of the male sex have no written "code" which they are forced to follow. Casual and comfortable sportswear is seen all over campus; in the SUB, in the post office, in the "T" room, in dorm lobbies, in the center of campus (Heaven forbid!) and in the three cafeterias. No one seems to mind seeing a pair of hairy legs on parade in the Terrace Room; but let some feminine leg be seen? Sin and corruption! Apparently the male population is all mentally capable, morally pure, and physically beau-

tiful so as to warrant acceptance of casual wear. Are we, of the female sex, assumed to be so stupid immoral, or ugly that we must not be permitted such freedoms?

We have been told that we cannot wear pants-dresses to class or dances. I, and presumably most of the girls, would appreciate knowing just why this rule is necessary. As college women, are we not mature enough to choose our own wardrobe? Have our mothers failed us so miserably that we must be taken in hand and toilet trained again?

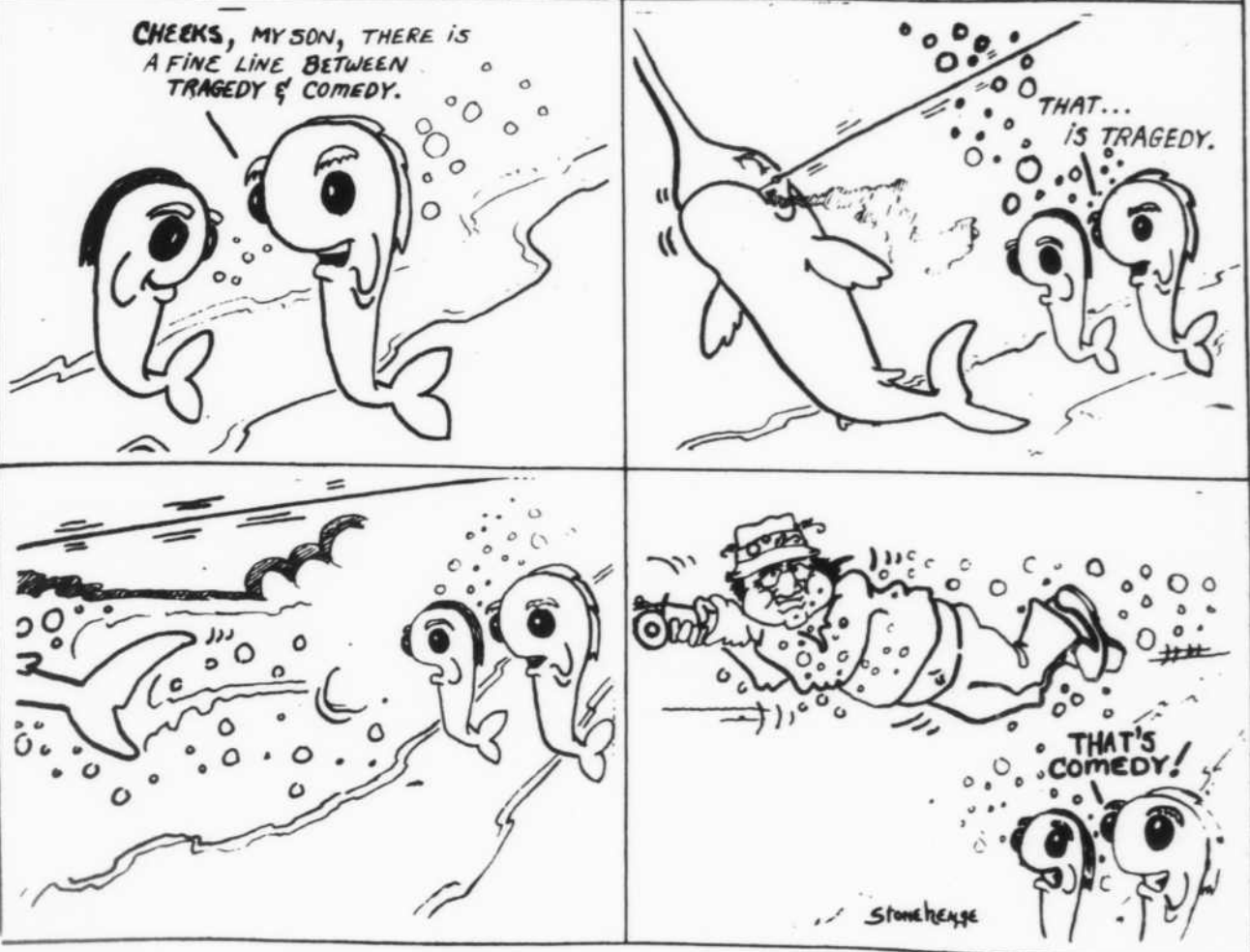
If a girl has succeeded in meeting the requirement for entrance to MTSU, isn't she assumed to have some semblance of maturity of responsibility? Or is it assumed that we are "young and foolish" (en masse) and need to be shown the correct way.

Who is to say what is correct in dress?

In my opinion by the time a girl reaches college age, she has the personal right to choose her own clothes. It is an invasion of the pri-

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by STONEHENGE



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vacy (and the pocket book) of every girl on campus to say the "X" style is condemned. I can't begin to calculate how many dollars have been wasted by MTSU girls this summer buying pants-dresses and -or patterns and material to make them.

If a coed at MTSU has such horrible taste in clothes that she repels everyone with whom she comes into contact, she is only hurting herself. She does not hurt the hallowed halls of MTSU. Those who think she does are falling into the fallacy of "guilt by association". Why is it necessary to punish all girls for the mistakes of a few? And this is punishment!



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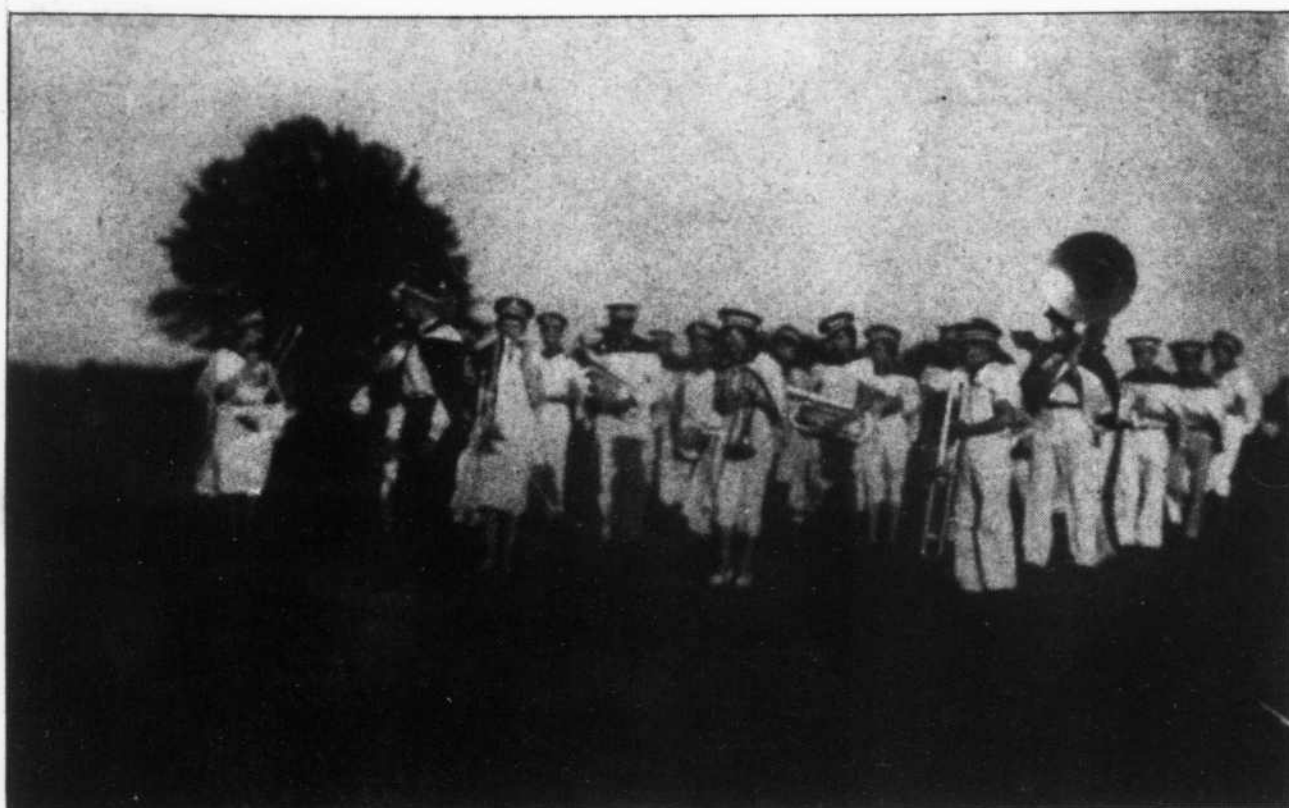
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'Normal' life centers around dorms

By LAURA RADER
Sidelines Copy Editor

Student life at Middle Tennessee State University has traditionally revolved around the dormitories. Since 1911, these buildings have been home to thousands of students. Though the rules, like the campus, have changed considerably since the early days of Middle Tennessee Normal, a large part of student life continues to center around these buildings — home away from home for many students.

The campus in 1911 consisted of four buildings. The main building, known as Old Main, was where classrooms and offices were located. The other buildings were the president's home, a building which held a kitchen and a dining hall, and the women's dormitory.

This building, the women's dormitory, was equipped with the most modern of facilities for the time. It contained 56 rooms, two double parlors, and quarters for a matron. Among the luxuries of this building were steam heat, hot and cold running water, indoor bathrooms, and electricity. The cost for renting a room was approximately \$12 per quarter.

No housing for males was provided until 1922 when a large, two-story, frame house on Main Street was rented. This building, known as the Kittrell home, served as the boys' dormitory and was later accompanied by two stucco resi-

dences on East Main Street. Male students did not live on the MTN campus until 1921, when Jones hall was built and became the official boys' dormitory.

Student activities received close supervision. Female students were required to sign out and sign in upon leaving and returning to the dormitory. The ladies were required to be in their rooms by 7 p.m., and all lights were to be turned off by 10 p.m.

Rule violations carried the penalties of demerits. After receiving so many demerits, a student could be "campused" — confined to campus for a couple of days.

Visitation rules were rigid; males were not allowed on the hall at any time other than when the girls were moving in and moving out. Women students could receive their gentlemen callers in one of the two parlors until 7 p.m.

Supervision of the women's dormitory was the responsibility of the matron. One of the most notable matrons was Mrs. Emma Rutledge, for whom the women's dormitory was named in 1929. She served as matron from 1915-1930.

Mrs. Rutledge had her own methods for making sure that the rules were obeyed. She rang a bell every evening when it was time for the young men to leave. In a story from the *College Traditional* of 1950, an alumnus remembered: "Mrs. Rutledge always chased me

away at 7 o'clock.

The homes for the boys were run by resident supervisors. After the construction of Jones hall, the supervision became traditionally a responsibility of the athletic coach.

Methods for maintaining order in the boys' dormitory were, of necessity, a bit more rigorous than bell-ringing. A story from Homer Pittard's *The First Fifty Years* tells of an encounter between Jurd, a young Normal student with a reputation for being mischievous, and Frank Faulkinberry, athletic coach and Jones hall director from 1925 to 1932.

Late one night Faulkinberry was

The MTSU Band of Blue rallies throughout years

It has been 55 years since the first band marched out on the football field at halftime to entertain and rally the fans.

The "brave twenty," as they are described by former student director James Lokey ('35), began a tradition that has led to national recognition as well as instruction and entertainment for tens of thousands.

Lokey, now director of civil service examinations for Tennessee, remembers leading that first performance.

"We marched the length of the field, reversed and came back to the center, formed a 'T' and played the alma mater and marched off. The only thing that [we] could play

without music was the trio to 'Our Director March,' so we played that the whole time," Lokey said.

The first director of the marching band was Dr. W.M. Mebane, who taught chemistry and physics and could play the baritone and cello.

"Dr. Mebane did not claim to be a top flight band director, but in those days it was nothing too unusual for a teacher to have to double up teaching in another department," Lokey said.

"What Dr. Mebane lacked in ability, he made up in a desire that some day the college could have a good band," Lokey said.

"The real boost came when Mr. [Gabriel] Valdes was employed to direct the band. He was a prince of a person and an excellent musician," Lokey said.

Valdes began to formalize classes to help students to prepare to teach, and the band grew under his direction.

Valdes left MTSU [then STC] in the early 40s as the country was swept into World War II. Various military groups and a pep band marched on the parade ground where Peck Hall now stands, but it wasn't until WWII ended that the band was revitalized.

In 1946, Neil Wright became the 28th faculty member for the 700-member student body and among his duties was directing the band.

At this time there was not really a music department as such.

The military bands of the 30s had given way to the show bands of the 40s.

"We added choral groups and singers, things like that. We even had a tap dancing platform we moved to the middle of the field," Wright said.

"The school entered a period when everything was growing. I was doing both vocal and band and needed help," Wright said.

In 1957, Joe Smith took over the marching and Horace Beasley became director of the concert band.

So successful has Smith been that the Band of Blue under his leadership has gained national recognition.

Smith conducted the first marching band clinic in 1964 and subsequently established a band camp at Camp Crescendo, Ky.

Smith continues summer band camps on the MTSU campus. The MTSU Band of Blue hosts the annual Contest of Champions in which high school bands from surrounding states compete.

Whatever the next era may bring, it seems likely that the Band of Blue will more than fulfill Dr. Mebane's 55-year-old dream.

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Literary societies were first organizations

By LISA FLOWERS
Sidelines Editor-In-Chief

The first student organizations on the campus of Middle Tennessee Normal School were the literary societies. During the early Normal years, student social life consisted mainly of participation in the activities of these groups. Four literary societies were formed in the early winter quarter of 1911-1912.

It was customary during this period that societies were organized as brother-sister groups. Grady and Claxton were the male societies and Murfree and Dromgoole were the female societies.

The literary society concentrated activities on literature and the skills of public debate. The purposes of the organizations were stated in reports from the first meetings.

Named for the southern orator, the Henry W. Grady Literary Society's purpose was to train members in public speaking. During weekly meetings members would debate on various topics.

The P.P. Claxton Literary Society, named for the United States Commissioner of Education from Tennessee, was formed for the purpose of teaching "a young man to feel perfectly at ease among his fellow men, to be a good conversationalist, a debater on great issues of the day, a ready reader, [and] able to be a just critic of others' doings," according to first reports.



Courtesy of Joe Nunley

During the early Normal years, student activity was centered around the Literary Societies. The Dromgoole Literary Society was one of four of these organizations formed during the winter quarter of 1911-1912.

The Mary Noailles Murfree Literary Society, named for the well-known Murfreesboro writer, stated its purpose as literary in nature and that it planned to study Greek myths its first year.

The fourth society was the Will Allen Dromgoole Literary Society,

named for another Murfreesboro writer. It aimed to develop literary talent and pleasant social ties.

Around 1926, literary societies began dying out. With competition from organizations such as the Alumni association, the debating club, the dramatic club, the glee

club, band and other organizations, there was a lack of enthusiasm for the literary societies. It was not until 1930 that campus literary societies became non-existent.

[Information for this article was obtained from *The First Fifty Years* written by Homer Pittard.]

Student publications change but continue

By LISA FLOWERS
Sidelines Editor-In-Chief

The history of student publications began with the publication of *The Signal*, the first campus newspaper of Middle Tennessee Normal School in 1913.

In the early fall semester of 1912, Middle Tennessee Normal School President, Robert Lee Jones, appointed a committee to investigate the possibility of a campus newspaper. By Oct. 14, 1912, the newspaper committee brought a favorable report to the faculty and made several recommendations.

The paper was to be published quarterly, advertising rates were suggested, the paper was to be named by popular student vote and a faculty advisor would be appointed to select the editor-in-

chief.

The first editor-in-chief was Q.M. Smith, who later became president of the college. The first issue of *The Signal*, published in the first quarter of 1913, contained historical, literary, and news events.

The Signal closed operations in the spring of 1918. World War I had taken many of its editors to battle and the paper was unable to remain operating.

The successor of *The Signal* was *The Normalite* which retained the monthly publication of its predecessor during Normal School years.

In 1925, Middle Tennessee Normal School became Middle Tennessee State Teachers College and with this change, the newspaper became *The Sidelines*. *Sidelines*, a

bi-weekly student newspaper, was and still is the campus' source of information.

It was in 1926 that the first college yearbook was published at MTSTC. It was Mrs. Neal Douglas Frazier who coined the new publication's name, *The Midlander*. The first editor of *The Midlander* was Paul Farmer. The book has been published annually since 1926 and remains in publication.

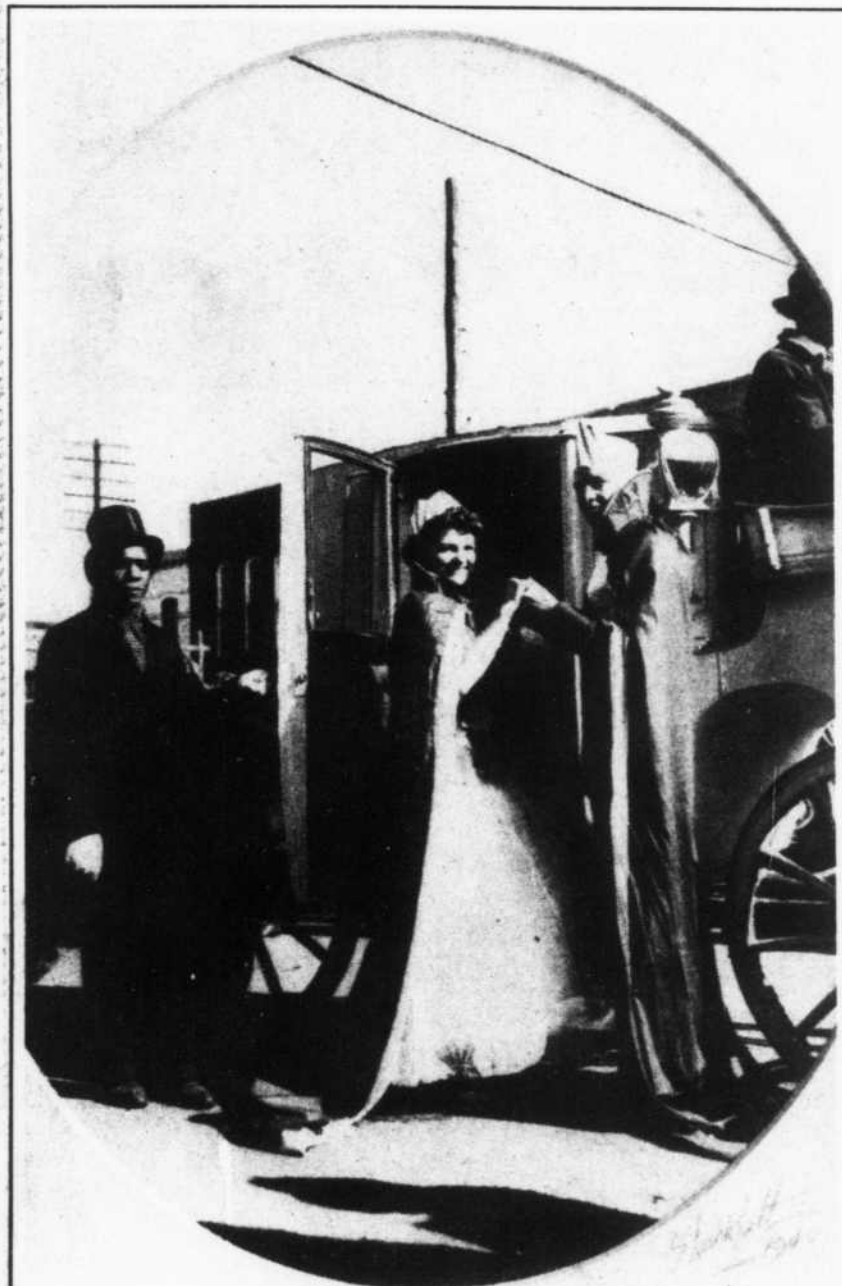
The literary magazine has gone through many names and many changes since the first publication of *The Still Voice* in 1926. The staff of *The Still Voice* had no regular staff members but rather relied on submissions from students and faculty. It remained in publication as a quarterly magazine until August, 1931.

The Rebel, originally designed as a semi-annual or annual literary magazine, was published only one time in May, 1952. Following the short lived *Rebel*, *The Opus*, a literary and art magazine, was published in 1959 and 1960.

In the fall of 1967, *Sidelines* announced plans to form a literary magazine. "The magazine will contain poetry, art, and color illustrations," the article stated.

The magazine was named *Collage* and was published in May of 1968. In 1969, *Collage* became a separate publication with a separate staff. *Collage* is currently published once every semester.

[Partial information for this article was obtained from *The First Fifty Years* written by Homer Pittard.]



Homecoming 1940

Homecoming has long been a tradition of MTSU. The 1940 Homecoming Queen was Nancy Wysong and King Leonard Little.

Courtesy of Joe Nunley

Adapted fashion trends comprise the 80s look

By KELLY ANDERSON
Sidelines Features/Ent. Editor

Since the turn of the century fashion has taken on various forms, and the clothes worn by the students of Middle Tennessee Normal School can be seen in an updated form on the students of Middle Tennessee State University in 1986.

"Almost all fashions make a cycle. Almost every strong fashion will make a comeback in an adapted form at least every 30 years," Dr. Teresa Robinson, MTSU home economics professor said.

Starting with the teens, some popular styles of today are taken directly from that era's fashion.

The lengths of many dresses today are the same as they were in the teens, as are the colors, which were predominately in whites and neutrals. Linen, is as popular today in both women's wear and men's wear as it was in the teens.

During the roaring 20s, fashion for women took on a narrow and boyish look. In the 20s, one would have seen the long, tubular chemise, which we call the flapper.

"Most people are familiar with the 20s as the flapper era. We went through a big transition in ladies' wear in the teens to the 20s because females were taking their stand in terms of independence," Robinson explained.

Another fashion craze that has hit the 80s — strands of pearls worn in knots — was also popular for women in the 20s.

Fashion during the 30s was drastically different from any other era because of the great depression.

Robinson explained that perhaps the strongest fashion statement during this bleak period was the bias cut.

The bias cut in formal wear of the 80s is very similar to that of the 30s.

During the late 30s and early 40s, the trumpet skirt — fitted at the waist and bell-shaped at the bottom — was also a strong fashion statement. The trumpet skirt is just as popular today.

"In the 40s we saw fashions change tremendously in ladies and mens wear because of the onset of the war. There were a great number of restrictions during the 40s on the fabric which influenced fashion, and that's the reason that the full-flowing silhouette of the teens, 20s and 30s became very, very narrow," Robinson explained.

Both mens' and womens' suits during the 40s, because of these restrictions, took on the padded shoulder, narrow waist and slender legs in pants look.

The 40s were also important because this was the first time we saw females wear pants to any extent.

"A lot of the pants we're wearing today are identical in style as those that females wore during the 40s," Robinson said.

During the late 40s, Christian Dior sensed that it was time for change, particularly in ladies' wear.

In 1947, Dior introduced a new look which featured very full silhouettes. This style is what most think of as the typical 50s look.

Two other important styles from the 50s were the beatnik and chain-gang look, which one can see revived in the 80s.

The beatnik fashion included blue jeans and sweatshirts (typical college apparel now), and the chain-gang look featured leather, which is also a strong fashion statement now.

And now the infamous 60s emerged.

"There is a reason for the 60s' ugliness of fashion. The 60s were a very, very rebellious period.

There was a lot of unrest," Robinson said.

Perhaps the most memorable trends in fashion during the 60s were the mini-skirt movement for women, and the "hippie" look for all.

"We've seen this 60s look with the reintroduction of the mini-skirt, the psychedelic colors, the funky jewelry and eyewear," Robinson said.

During the 70s, the mini-skirt remained popular until about 1974. The bell-bottomed jeans also carried over, but the disco craze and use of new fabrics changed fashion drastically.

Because of disco, skirts were longer and had slits for easy dancing. The three piece suit also became popular for men during this period.

When more synthetic materials for clothes, such as doubleknit, came on the market, the public went wild.

Thus, the leisure suit came about in the 70s. The leisure suit was an adapted form of the Norfolk jacket, which was popular during the turn of the century.

Although the leisure suit was a huge phenomena in the 70s, Robinson thinks that that style will never become popular again.

"We were over-eager, we over-bought, we abused," Robinson explained.



Courtesy of Joe Nunley

These students of the teens look similar to 80s students because of their neutral-colored clothing.

How much do you know about fashion?

1. What is a current womens' fashion trend that originated at the turn of the century?
2. What mens' suit style became popular again after the 70s hit movie "The Sting"?
3. What famous designer made her appearance in the fashion industry in the 20s, but most associate her with the 70s and 80s. (Hint: this person's name is also a popular perfume.)

Answers: 1. Big shirts originated at the turn of the century. 2. The pin-striped double-breasted suit became popular again in the 70s. 3. Coco Chanel made her appearance on the fashion scene in the 20s.



This 1956 MTSU student looks as if he might be able to slip into the 80s with his baggy, pleated pants and tweed coat.

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The dropped-waist dress is reminiscent of the typical 20s look; however, this style is popular again in the 80s.

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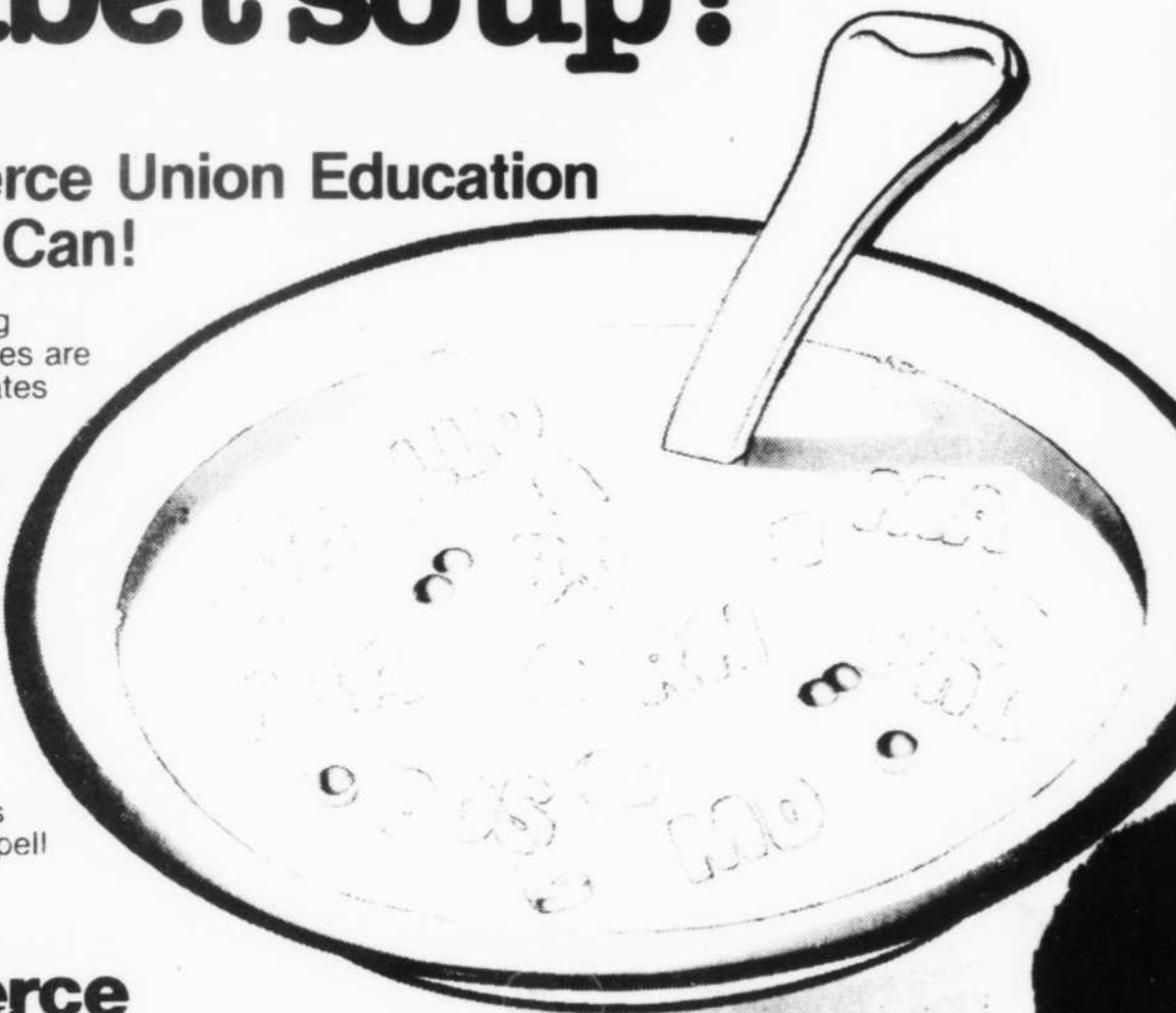
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The crazy 70s contain many hilarious fads

By CRYSTAL NELMS
Sidelines Staff Writer

• "Transcendental meditation (TM) does not revolve around religious beliefs, but is more a method of relieving stress and strain," Jim Schafer, a representative of the Student's International Meditation Society, said in a Sept. 12, 1975 article in *Sidelines*.



The Panty Brigade made their names known several times in 1975.

• In the Friday, September 19, 1975 issue of *Sidelines*, the MTSU Panty Brigade was featured on the front page. The group, headed by Dean Ivan Shewmake, was headquartered in I Dorm where they met to discuss "deviant activities for the fall."

• On September 29, 1975, girls from Schardt Hall displayed a "string of their bras," in an effort "to stave off an anticipated panty raid," *Sidelines* reported on September 30.

• In the fall of 1975, many students could be seen around campus practicing on their unicycles, especially during the warm months.

• In 1975, students camped out to purchase tickets for the Who concert. The ticket purchase limit was four tickets.

• It was reported in the November 7, 1975 issue of *Sidelines* that "a group of MTSU males have participated in streaking and panty raids for three straight days." The article goes on to say that, "One was slightly injured when, waving to the dorm residents, he hit a tree in his path."

• "Tired of doing those sit-ups? For those who desire a little bit more exotica complete with Arabic music, flowing skirts, and clacking zills, not to mention terrific exercise, belly dancing may just be the thing," an article from *Sidelines*, in February of 1976, stated.

• A headline in the February 5, 1976 issue of *Sidelines* read, "American cowboys' beam CB as national symbol. The article goes on to say that the citizen's band radio are compact and powerful. "Breaker, breaker one-nine, how about that Chevelle Man."

• In the Friday, March 4, 1977 issue of *Sidelines* Richard Hudson wrote a letter to the editor about pinball machines in the University games room. All of the pinball machines were fixed so that they made no noise, because of a new rule. He complained that, "half



Courtesy of The Midlander

Two bare-bottomed students participate in streaking activities.

the fun of playing is hearing the buzzers and bells go off when you score."

• In the summer of 1977, *Sidelines* reported that the bicycle craze was sweeping across campus. The Rutherford County Bicycle Touring System had just opened up.

• In the fall of 1974, the *Midlander* printed pictures of streakers. Streaking was the thing to do in 1974. Along with the photographs, listed were the "items needed for a successful and safe streak."

• In the April 25, 1978 edition of *Sidelines*, the MTSU Performing Arts Company sponsored a disco dance and contest in Murphy Center. Disco swept MTSU and the nation, and John Travolta look-alikes could be found discoing to pulsating music everywhere.

Fraternities and sororities arrive

By BARBARA CELIA
Sidelines Editorial Editor

The fraternity system is a recent addition to the MTSU campus and social life, being added to MTSU in 1961.

The first fraternity to form at MTSU was Phi Epsilon which came about in the fall of 1963. Phi Epsilon was recognized as the first social fraternity on the campus. Under the guidance of then president David Kiou, this fledgling fraternity became a contributor to the social welfare of many varied civic and charity projects in Rutherford county. They were the only fraternity to place in the 1967 homecoming parade, a contradiction to the

present homecoming parade.

There were only four other fraternities in 1966 that made up MTSU's Greek system. Chi Alpha Pi formed a chapter in January of 1966, followed closely by Sigma Tau Omega, also formed in January of that same year. Sigma Delta Zeta's chapter was founded in October of 1966. Not until January of 1967 did another fraternity chapter form. Lambda Psi was this fraternity.

All five fraternities were very well accepted on campus by both administration and the student body. An editorial in the Feb. 19, 1968 issue of *Sidelines* by the

editor-in-chief urges the student body to support the Greek System. The editorial suggests that if a student is not interested in joining a fraternity or sorority, he or she should attend one of the orientation programs in order to consider himself informed on this major aspect of the university. It is only through these programs and the open rush parties following that one can truly evaluate the Greek system in relation to his personal opinions and modes of behavior.

The enthusiasm that met the fraternities in 1966 has continued even up to the present. All thirteen fraternities have struggled through

the years to establish themselves as beneficial contributors to the university, students and surrounding community.

Among these contributors to society, sororities cannot be excluded.

Sororities began forming on campus in 1968, only a few brief years after fraternities. The original

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MTSU attracts several top entertainers



Roger Daltrey of The Who performed at MTSU on Nov. 25, 1975.

By BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Staff Writer

Middle Tennessee State University has had a reputation for bringing top-line entertainment for its students since the early 60s.

On Oct. 11, 1962, the top-40 group, the Four Saints, brought its music to the Middle Tennessee State College. This was just the start of a long string of great entertainment.

Top 40 was not the only music performed here in the 60s. On Oct. 25, 1962, the American Folk Trio appeared, and the million-selling group the Lettermen came in February of 63.

The Lettermen made a repeat appearance on Sept. 13, 1965.

The teenage heartthrob, Johnny Mathis, performed here on March 14, 1966.

The Motown sound of Little Anthony and the Imperials hit the campus when they performed here on Feb. 20, 1968.

The ASB brought out the Ventures for TWAM week-end on Oct. 25, 1969.

The opening of Murphy Center in 1973 gave MTSU a large venue for top performers. Bob Hope gave the first concert in Murphy Center on April 5, 1973.

1973 also brought Leon Russell, Elton John and Chicago.

Elvis Presley made two appearances in 1974. Other important performers in this year included The James Gang, John Denver, and the Pointer Sisters.

1975 marked a huge year for entertainment at MTSU as Elvis Presley made three appearances. The Who appeared, and Murphy

Center saw the first Volunteer Jam.

1976 was a slower year entertainment wise with only Seals and Crofts and Earth, Wind, and Fire appearing.

Olivia-Newton John highlighted the 1977 entertainment year. Crosby Stills and Nash also appeared as did the Steve Miller Band.

The Moody Blues, ELO, Boston and Johnny Cash made stops at MTSU in 1978.

1979 was a block-buster year with the Eagles, Beach Boys, Kansas and Jimmy Buffet.

In 1980, MTSU mellowed-out with Jackson Browne, Barry Manilow and Kenny Rogers appearing.

The mellow trend continued through 1982 with Kenny Rogers returning twice. Alabama appeared twice also. The Oak Ridge Boys, Olivia Newton-John, Crosby, Stills,

and Nash, and Barry Manilow also appeared.

Willie Nelson started the 1983 concert season at MTSU. The rock group Journey was scheduled to appear only once but the public demanded one more show. Styx brought their Mr. Roboto tour here, Alabama returned and Lionel Richie ended the year.

1984 was marked with the appearance of Bruce Springsteen's Born in the USA tour.

Foreigner started the 1985 concert season off with their trend of mainstream rock then Hank Williams Jr. brought his country-western music to Murphy Center. Tina Turner ended this year off right.

MTSU has brought several big names to the campus in the past twenty four years and the trend seems to be going strong in 1986.

Fraternities

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five sororities are still on campus and very active. Alpha Delta Pi was the first sorority chapter to be authorized a charter in March of 1969. Chi Omega was the second, receiving their charter also in March of 69. Kappa Delta followed close behind, becoming active also in March of 69. Delta Zeta waited until April of 1969 to have their chapter chartered and Alpha Gamma Delta became the fifth sorority of the original five.

Since 1969 four more sororities have given young women the chance to experience the friendship and sisterhood that can be found in the sorority system. The most recent addition to the MTSU cam-

pus was Alpha Omega Pi, which was added in March of 1984.

The main objectives of both fraternities and sororities are the confidence and friendship they give an individual. They are known for establishing an excellence in scholastic achievement, an increased interest and awareness of citizen leadership and a means of developing character through the many activities in which they participate.

The celebration of MTSU's 75th anniversary could not be complete without the acknowledgement of the contributions that fraternities and sororities have made in aiding the university in growth and excellence. They truly are an essential part of college life, and MTSU is lucky to have such fine examples of the Greek system.

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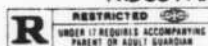


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Sports

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Memories of college usually spring from a combination of tradition and uniqueness.

It was no different for the 1940 Blue Raider football team who, along with many other men, were called to fight for their country.

Their season finale that year was against fierce arch-rival Tennessee Tech. It was a homecoming game of unequalled spirit, intensity, and hoopla.

Football teams, however, were not the only rivalries in town or even in the world. Shortly after the gridiron season ended, tailbacks, quarterbacks and even coach E.W.

"Wink" Midgett had to suit up for the armed services.

Memories are all that are left of six of these player-veterans, but these memories will last forever.

Victory is sweet, but it is sometimes costly. The victory of World War II was won at extremely high cost. The teachers college at Murfreesboro, Tenn. suffered drastically from this War.

At a reunion held to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the game, survivors from the 1940 team lined up behind the appropriate jerseys as the Band of Blue orchestrated a tribute in sound.

Facing the west sidelines of Horace Jones Field are the boys of 1940, the football team that played here forty years ago as the electrifying forties began.

The tribute was an extremely emotional event for the heroic legends of school. Joe Nunley points out that their first conceivable opportunity to reunite as a team since the call to battle carried them to a foreign and deadly land.

"From the instantaneous moment Sam Burton signalled his hand to them as he walked to his jersey, the partisan crowd went stir

(Please see Tech, page 12)



This photograph was taken during the 1940 homecoming football game. Courtesy of Joe Nunley

Football team has distinguished history

From the early days of Middle Tennessee Normal School, through the Great Depression and the war years, and into the era of Coach Charles "Bubber" Murphy, football has been one of the chief athletic interests of students at the University.

Established by the General Assembly under provisions of the General Education Bill of 1909 as the Middle Tennessee Normal School, the institution opened in 1911. A year later, an informal football team was organized on the campus. Lee Ellis "Mutt" Weber, a student, was "elected" as the first coach, but records on inter-school competition for this team are not available.

A.B. Miles, a Rutherford County native, was employed in 1913 as an instructor in biology and physiology, with coaching assigned as a secondary consideration. Miles had

been an outstanding athlete in 1910 at the Murfreesboro School for Boys on East Main Street, and in 1911 was the star of the Anderson School for Boys, its successor. He attended the Normal School of Physical Education in Battle Creek, Michigan, and came to MTN upon the insistence of A.L. Todd.

Miles got Middle Tennessee off to a records that has been the pattern of many teams that followed. His first schedule in 1913 called for seven games, and the Blue Raiders posted a 5-1-1 mark. The captain of that 1913 team was W.B. McKnight.

In 1924, Miles accepted a position as physical education director at Vanderbilt University and left MTN. During his ten years as head coach, he posted a record of 34-15-4, including a perfect 6-0 mark in 1919.

The 1919 Team, led by Captain

Rupert Smith and halfback Jess Neely, rolled over their opponents by a 193-6 margin. The only team to cross the goal line was Union University in a 41-6 defeat.

Guy Stephenson replaced Miles in 1924 and coached for two seasons, before the arrival in 1926 of Frank Faulkinberry. His 1926 team was unbeaten, with only a 0-0 tie with powerful Murray State marking a perfect season. Before his death in 1933, Faulkinberry's teams posted a 32-24-2 record.

After the death of Faulkinberry, E.M. "Nig" Waller came to MTSTC from Bessemer High School in Alabama. His first team in 1933, won only one game, but next season the record improved to 4-5.

In 1935, Johnny "Red" Floyd took over the coaching job. Actually, this was Floyd's second stint as coach of the Blue Raiders. He

guided MTN to a 7-0-0 record in 1917, taking over for A.B. Miles for one season.

Floyd played on the National team in 1914, and during 1915-16-19-and 1920, he was a gridiron standout at Vanderbilt (This was before the NCAA and transfer rules.) At MTSTC, his 1935 team, led by sophomore halfback Bubber Murphy, went undefeated in eight games. Floyd tendered his resignation prior to the 1939 season after posting an outstanding record of 31-8-1, including the 1917 season.

Floyd was honored in 1979 when the University named the football stadium for him. The playing field is named for Horace Jones, a gentleman whose name stands out in Middle Tennessee athletics for decades as an off-the-field leader. Jones is largely responsible for the molding of the MTSU athletic program of today.

Herc Alley, a former University of Tennessee standout, followed Floyd as head coach. He posted a 1-6-1 record in 1939, then resigned to become end coach at Vanderbilt.

E.W. "Wink" Midgett, a commerce teacher and assistant coach, was selected to the head coaching position. Midgett had been a multi-sport star at rival Tennessee Tech. Except for three years when athletics were suspended during WWII, Midgett directed the Raider program. He had an 18-11-3 record for his four seasons, and in 1947, he voluntarily returned to the classroom as head of the Business Department.

Murphy, who by now was a successful high school coach in Nashville, returned to his alma mater in 1947. He was head coach and athletic director for 22 years, posting the most wins of any coach in MTSU history. From 1947 thru

1968, his teams won 155 games, lost only 63 and tied eight. While Murphy was head coach, the Blue Raiders won seven Volunteer State Athletic Conference championships before dropping out of that league in 1957. MTSU entered the Ohio Valley Conference in 1952 and were champions or co-champions seven times, and finished second on four other occasions. His record against other OVC schools was 73-26-2.

Murphy had four undefeated teams, 1949-57-59 and 1965. His 1965 team was 10-0-0, and was led by quarterback Teddy Morris, generally regarded as the best in MTSU and OVC history. Morris was named the OVC's Player of the Decade for the 1960's and, like Murphy, is a charter member of MTSU's Athletic Hall of Fame.

Murphy's teams participated in

(Please see Football, page 12)



Stowe



Midgett



Freeman



Waller



Middleton



Donnelly

Blue Raider was better choice than most entries

By MICHAEL FREEMAN
Sidelines Sports Editor

Can you imagine the Middle Tennessee State Pedagogues?

How about the MTSU Normalites?

Pretty rough, huh? Yet, in years past, athletic teams representing this school bore various names, including the two above, and others. During the days of Middle Tennessee State Teachers College, the athletes were known as the MTSTC Teachers.

In 1934, the school decided that a name, one central name that would represent all the teams was needed.

A contest was held via Murfreesboro's local newspaper, *The Daily News Journal* and entries were asked from local residents.

240 entries were received, some appropriate, and some rather slanderous, considering the poor showing the football team had had the year before.

It was left up to the football team to decide the final name, and there choice was the Blue Raiders. Charles Sarver, a football player and former principal at White County High School in Sparta, Tennessee, won \$5 for this entry. He had borrowed it from the Colgate Red Raiders, substituting the MTSU color Blue.

The symbol of General Nathan Bedford Forrest on a horse was first used about 1945 when school president W.M. Smith instructed Public Relations Director Gene Sloan to begin using the symbol in conjunction with the nickname.

The *Daily News Journal* concluded the contest in these words:



"The name, 'Blue Raiders', will well suit the teacher boys as their colors are blue and white. Since time began, the local team has been nameless, but now, with the inspiration of a new name, they are expected to go places."

"They will use the new name in the Thanksgiving game which brings the season to a close."

The only problem with this was that use of the new name did little to inspire the team sufficiently to win the final game against Tennessee Polytechnic Institute. According to the viewpoint taken, the Raiders were defeated 12-0, or, to express it another way, they lost by only twelve points.



'Bubber' Murphy gave MTSU life, prominence

By MICHAEL FREEMAN
Sidelines Sports Editor

He has been known as the man who created a tradition.

He came to this school in 1934, recruited by Horace Jones to play football and baseball, and before he would retire, his influence would propel the school's athletic program into prosperity.

Charles M. "Bubber" Murphy admits that in high school in Nashville, he planned to attend UT-Knoxville and Murray State, but came to Murfreesboro because of Jones and some of his friends.

"Mr. Jones came to see me for Coach (E.M.) Waller," Murphy said. "He knew many of the high school coaches in Nashville, and recruited for Coach Waller."

Murphy was a four-sport athlete, who literally played the year round.

"Back then, many of the players played more than one sport," he said. "At the end of football season, we'd play basketball. In March, we started baseball, and then tennis."

"Back then, there were no scholarships," he added. "The coach found us a job to help with our food. We didn't have spring practice, or weight training. There was really no time."

His first year on the varsity team, MTSTC went undefeated.

"That was 1935, and we went undefeated and untied," he said. "It was the first time in the history of the school that that happened."

Murphy graduated in 1938, and signed to play with the New York Giants baseball team.

"I played professional baseball until 1942 when I entered the Navy," Murphy said. "I was in a special unit that trained athletes. I was a coach and a physical fitness instructor."

(Please see Bubber, page 12)

Coach Charles M. Murphy, left, and his 1955 staff, below, Joe Little, Elbert Patty, D.L. Stowe, and Jack Deere.



Courtesy of The Midlander

Jones recruited for a tradition

By MICHAEL FREEMAN
Sidelines Sports Editor

He wasn't a coach, and never played the game, but his name is, and shall be a part of MTSU football for all time.

Horace G. Jones, heralded as the Father of MTSU sports, lent his name to the field that the Blue Raider football team calls home, and his life to bringing in athletes that were of the highest quality.

Jones, who was the son of the first president of the school, R.L. Jones, served the school, then known as Middle Tennessee State Normal School, as bursar and his father's administrative assistant.

After attending Vanderbilt University, Jones returned to MTSNS, to teach mathematics and assist the fledgling athletics program. His duties consisted of recruiting and

scheduling games.

He worked for the good of the school for nearly 50 years and was instrumental in recruiting the man who would take the football team to greatness, Charles A. "Bubber" Murphy.

Jones stayed away from the football program, working solely on basketball until 1933. However, when Murray State ripped through Middle Tennessee 70-7, Jones was called in to pull in players. Within the next few years, the school was

recognized for a winning football program.

In 1978, Jones would receive the last honor of his life, he was inducted into the Blue Raider Hall of Fame shortly before his death in December of that year.

Jones Field honors winner

The Middle Tennessee State University football team played their games on Horace Jones Field, as did the Middle Tennessee State College Blue Raiders before them.

However, in the early 1960s, the namesake of the field was not clearly known.

"Back then, it was 'Jones Field,'" said Joe Nunley, di-

rector of alumni relations, "and everyone assumed that it was named for R.L. Jones, the first school president, but no one knew for sure."

In late August 1963, evidence surfaced that the field was named for Jones' son, Horace.

"A gentleman came to us and offered what we felt was hard core proof of the intent

of the original namers, and decided to clarify the situation with a new sign," Nunley said.

"The president allowed us \$3,300 to buy the sign and to buy a new score board," Nunley said. "It would have been impossible to buy both, so a friend of mine offered to build the sign if we'd supply the material. It cost \$77 for the material."



Horace Jones
Courtesy of The Midlander

Baseball team as old as school

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Almost as long as there has been a Middle Tennessee school, there has been a baseball team.

the first team, coached by Max Souby, a history teacher, played during the spring of 1912.

Seven players advanced from the ranks of Middle Tennessee State to play among the big boys in the major league.

Kola Sharpe, of the class of 1932, was perhaps the most famous.

Sharpe, who started in the pros with Little Rock, made his mark in Chicago with the Cubs.

Charles Murphy, who coached the Blue Raider baseball team for a year in the early 50s, spent time with the New York Giants.

For many years, the assistant coach of the football team



The 1935 baseball team

Courtesy of The Midlander

served as baseball coach. Among the coaches that served this double duty were Alf Miles, 1913-17, Frank Faulkinberry, 1927-32, "Nig" Waller, 1933-1935, Johnny Red Floyd, 1936-1939,

and Nance Jordan, 1941-1942.

The teams took time off for only two periods, both to allow the men to serve their countries in world wars.

It was not until A. H. (Lefty)

Solomon took the reins in 1971 that a full-time coach was chosen.

He served until 1976 when current head man John Stanford took over.

Basketball less important back then



The 1923 basketball team

Courtesy of Joe Nunley

Middle Tennessee Normal School's first student publication, the *Signal* makes reference to an organized basketball team in 1912, but it is doubtful that it was any more than an intramural team. There were only three games scheduled for the 1913-14 season, probably due to coach Alf Miles' lack of interest in the game. Most of his disfavor with the game could probably be associated with the lack of a gym.

In 1913-14, the team played three games, losing to Vanderbilt, 53-5, and to Castle Heights of Lebanon, 22-7, but rallied in the final game of the season to beat Dixie College (later named Tennessee Tech) by a score of 27-13.

The program was dropped in 1915, but returned in 1922 with the building of a new gymnasium, and progressed through the years.

No formal team was in existence during the war years, 1943-45.

The program gained prominence during the 60s with the entry of the school into the OVC.

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Buildings fit needs as school grows

By MICHAEL FREEMAN
Sidelines Sports Editor

The gym was packed, the crowd, all 20 or so, was going wild as the women's basketball team took the floor.

No, that's not a description of the crowd viewing Larry Joe Inman and company, but a hypothetical description of the 1914 basketball scene as the team took the floor of what we in 1986 call Kirksey Old Main.

That's right, the building that served as the home for the administration and the social sciences department also housed the gymnasium.

"The women's program played up there, we know," said Joe Nunley, director of alumni relations for MTSU. "It is not known where the men played. That wasn't a big program then. It is entirely possible that

they played outside."

On the second floor, room 200 and 202 could be opened up to allow the athletic teams a place to "shoot the hoop."

Although the ceilings were only ten feet high, and the walls were covered with blackboards, the teams played, although the threat of the ball knocking out a window was always present.

In the early years of the 1930s, a new gym was put up that connected to the rear of KOM.

The business education building was at that time the most elaborate gym in the state, according to Nunley.

"It was the site of the high school basketball championships for the state," Nunley said. "Several times the New York Celtics played exhibition games in the gym."

That building served the school until 1951 when it was determined that a bigger gym was needed for the rapidly growing school. That year the Alumni Memorial Gymnasium was constructed.

"The gym was named after the men that gave their lives in World War II," Nunley said. "There were about 50 here that died."

Under the administration of Quill E. Cope, it was ascertained that a new gym was needed. However, it was not until his successor, M.G. Scarlett, took over in 1970 that the wheels were set in motion to meet that aim.

"Dr. Scarlett was a bit looser with the money than was Dr. Cope," Nunley said. "Perhaps it is better that he instrumented the building. He was used to elaborate things, and wanted a gym that met his standards."

Dr. Scarlett and athletic director Charles Murphy toured the country viewing gyms. It was a combination of the gyms at Notre Dame and the Air Force Academy that gave the inspiration for the new gym.

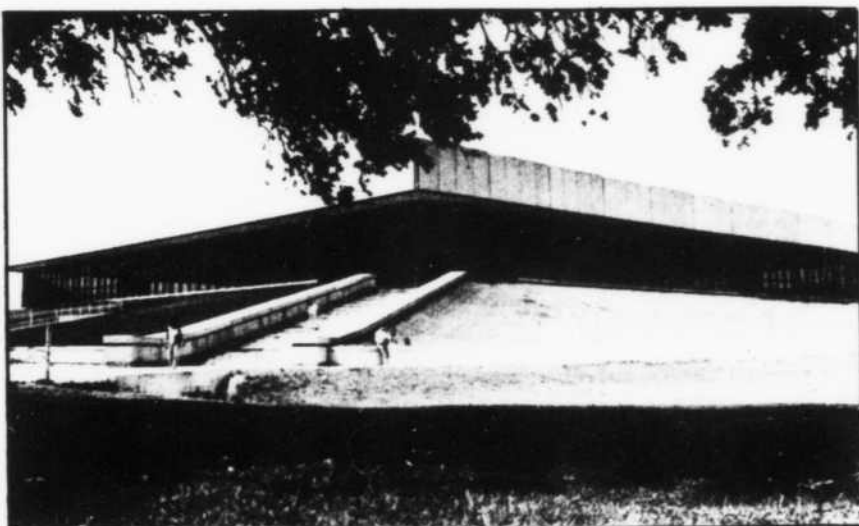
So it was built, and everyone was happy. Almost.

It, the new gym, had no name. Several choice ones had been kicked around, but no one name that all agreed on could be found.


"They chose a name, the Athletic and Convocation Center," Nunley said. "It was a name that Dr. Scarlett liked. However the tradition was to name buildings after people."

They set up a committee to select a name. In the end, Charles "Bubber" Murphy was chosen.

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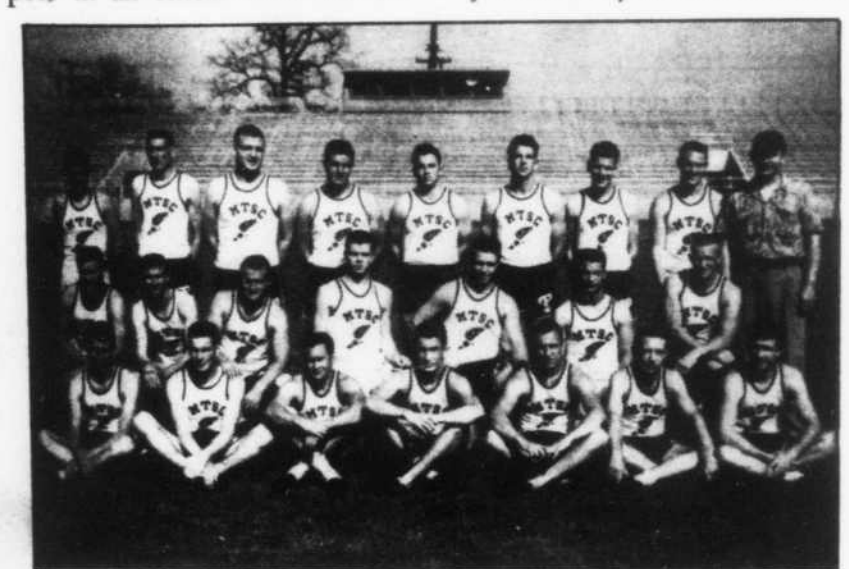
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The 1955 track team

ing coach, became the coach. His teams at first were what we call today "underachievers."

However, time, which is the only true test of greatness, proved to be in favor of coach Hayes.

His teams began to come on strong like a rambling rhinoceros, posting a marvelous 7-0 record in 1957. His teams continued to excel throughout the early 60s.

The 1955 team did not record a single victory but they did set some records.

Joe Hayes also had a very enlightening quote which said, "Now, this is a sport that I know a little bit about because it has to do with running real fast. I know those Yankees could run like rabbits because

we spent a lot of time chasing them."

In the 70s there was a new man at the top of summit of the track program.

He will be the last coach of the MTSU track team, as it is being cancelled after this year. His name ironically is Dean Hayes. Hayes is considered by many to be one of the best coaches ever to coach track in the OVC.

"Of course it is disappointing when you have to leave a program that is so good," Hayes said. "Scholarships provide money for the school, but when the school is trying to cut out programs I guess that doesn't really matter."

FROM PAGE TEN

Tech...

crazy," Nunley said.

It was a cheer of respect. It was an applause that implied "Hey, we love ya baby, thanks for a job well done."

Of the eleven men that took the field in 1940, only five returned from the battles that ripped Europe during the years that followed.

Football...

four bowl games. The 1956 team played in the Refrigerator Bowl, his 1959 and 1961 teams participated in the Tangerine Bowl, and the 1964 team was the first champion of the Grantland Rice Bowl.

Murphy stepped down at the conclusion of the 1968 season, and the new coach was former Purdue assistant Don Fuoss. Fuoss suffered through a 1-9 campaign and turned over the reins to assistant coach Head Peck, who then served as head coach for five seasons.

Peck's record was 27-25-2, but his last two seasons were 4-7-0 and 3-8-0, and he was asked to step down. After the 1974 season, former Blue Raider Ben Hurt was

summoned from Texas A&M to revive the MTSU football fortunes. Hurt failed to win in four campaigns and resigned at the end of the 1978 season.

Another former MTSU standout, James "Boots" Donnelly, accepted the challenge of turning the sagging program around in December 1978.

Donnelly's first year, 1979, was a real "learning experience" as he fielded a predominately-freshman team en route to a 1-9-0 record. The lone win was a 17-14 upset of arch-rival Tennessee Tech in the season finale.

Year two of Donnelly's rebuilding plans saw the Raiders play tough through the bulk of the season and come on strong in the last few weeks, picking up a pair of wins to close with a 2-8 mark. The Raiders' win came at the expense of first-year OVC member Akron and once again, Tennessee Tech.

At the end of the 1980 season, despite eight consecutive losing seasons, the Blue Raiders have compiled an all rrcord of 318 wins, 228 losses, and 27 ties.

Bubber...

After the war, Murphy entered Peabody College to get his master's degree. He also coached the university school for ½ a year until he was called back to his alma mater in 1947.

"I was little nervous about coaching the 1947 football team," Murphy said. "I was only a few years older than they, and I was afraid they would not receive me. They were probably the easiest team I ever coached."

While in the head coach's spot, Murphy had four perfect seasons: 1950, 1955, 1957, and 1965. Two of those, the 1957 and the 1965 teams were the subject of much debate as to the superiority of either team.

"People always ask me which team would be able to beat the other," Murphy said. "They were pretty much the same. 1957 was a bit deeper as far as substitutes go, but if they were to play eight games, I think they would split 4-4."

Murphy retired from coaching

after the 1968 season. He remained as athletic director until 1981 when Jimmy Earle took the reins.

Murphy, the namesake of MTSU's Murphy Center, now resides in Murfreesboro.

Sorry!

Due to the rush of final exams, all sports, and all sports legends were not covered. The sports editor takes responsibility, and offers an apology.



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By MICHAEL FREEMAN
Sidelines Sports Editor
WRECK TECH!!!!

Sound familiar? It probably does if you have been around Middle Tennessee State for any number of years.

The annual wrecking of Tennessee Tech or, (dare I say it) their wrecking of us, has meant more to students on this campus than final exams.

But, why do Blue Raiders want to shame the hardy students of Tennessee Tech? The answer to that question goes back to a time before the school was here.

In 1909, the General Assembly decreed that three schools of higher learning would be constructed in the state, one in the Middle Tennessee area. A sight was debated, and the choices narrowed to three

cities: Murfreesboro, Lebanon, and Cookeville, (the present site of Tennessee Tech).

A bitter struggle for the school was waged between Murfreesboro and Cookeville with Murfreesboro eventually winning out.

The citizens of Cookeville, who felt cheated, never forgot how Murfreesboro beat them.

In 1916 the General Assembly again saw the need for a new state school, and Dixie College was started in Cookeville. A football team was organized in 1917 and the rivalry took off.

Under the wing of Johnny "Red" Floyd, the Middle Tennessee football team floored the Dixie team 26-0. The townsfolk came out in force to watch the demise of the team they nearly had at their school, but went home disappointed.

The students of the two schools soon caught on

to the fun, and have added to the fun as the years have gone on.

"In 1940, tragedy struck the rivalry," Nunley said. "Eugene Bruington, student from MTSC, hid above the breeze-way going to the Tech locker-room, and hit a Tech player with a lead pipe as he walked under. He put the boy in the hospital, and almost killed him.

"That was the worst fight I can remember in the rivalry."

In the rivalry, the men's basketball team has beaten the Golden Eagles 44 times and lost 65 times, while the women's team trails Tech 14-15. The football team has a four game deficit to Tech, trailing 24-29.

"It was always fun to watch Tech come out of the dressing room," Nunley said. "Their uniforms, purple and gold, always looked a bit like baby manure."

Tech rivalry long standing tradition

PARTING SHOTS



TO ALL THE GREAT
MUSICIANS THAT HAVE
PASSED AWAY, THE
LEADER OF THE BAND
ARRIVED:
DECEMBER 8, 1980

JACKIE,
Thanks for the laughs, the
tears, the talks - for being the
best friend a girl could have.
We did it! It's been a great
year.
LOVE,
JODYE

TO: ALL MY BROTHERS
Thanks for all the
great times & good luck!
PSI KAPPA ALPHA
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FROM: CHRIS N.

To Some Great Professors:
Karen , John, and Robert
**HAVE A GOOD
SUMMER**
SEE YOU IN THE FALL
JOHN

JAY AND LARRY (FIG)
Thanks for being
my friends and PARTY
BUDDIES. I'll miss you
both! Keep in touch, DOOBs!
Love Ya...
MICHELE

WHEN WILL DOC HULL,
OF RIM FAME, BE
ELECTED TEACHER OF
THE YEAR?
IT'S OVERDUE.

TO MISS WEST VIRGINIA,
Face it, CHARLESTON W.V. is a silly
little hick town, half the size of
Chattanooga, in a silly little hick state.
And NO ONE wants to hear about it
anymore. BE QUIET AND SIT DOWN FOR
A CHANGE! If you'd stop assuming that
you already know everything, you'd be
surprised at the things you'd learn.

DENISE-
**PARTY
NAKED!!**
MICHAEL

TO: AEROSPACE FACULTY
Thanks for All the
support. You have the
best
department on campus.
CHRIS N. and KIM F.

BOB LaLANCE
**CLEAN IT
UP PAL!!**
T.B.

DAINTON
I love "STAYIN' UP
LATE WITH BABY" and
other assorted indoor
sports! Chow!...
"M"

DAN KEE
for
PRESIDENT
of
A.R.M.S.

Penny, Raymond, Connie,
Howard, Denise, Angela,
Jean, Richard, Keith and
Jackie:
What can I say?
You're a great staff!
Thanks for everything.
MICHAEL

HEY KHADDFY,
YOU BETTER WATCH
YOUR ASS.
ROSS AVERY IS IN
THE MILITARY NOW!!!

MTSU ADMINISTRATION,
(Otis Floyd and Dr. Sam excepted)
**BURN IN THE
EVERLASTING
FIRES OF
HELL! c.b**

BRIAN AND CRYSTAL
Thanks for everything!
I'll pay for a pitcher at
the Boro.
Chris

To the Sidelines Staff,
Thank you for the best year
of my life. Special thanks to
Jackie Solomon, who was my
advisor and friend, and
Dr. Glen Himebaugh for his
patience.
LOVE LISA

**HAPPY
75th
DOT BABY!**
YOU P.R. DOG YOU!
Sidelines

TO THE STUDENTS WHO RUN
HOME EVERY WEEKEND,
AFTER FINALS YOU
CAN BE WITH YOUR
MOMMIES AND
DADDIES EVERYDAY.
HAVE A WORLDLY SUMMER.
MATT and MEG

TO: D. WEBB
I'm a spineless
mushpuppy for
your love.
T. MEYERS

TO A.R.M.S.:
You are a festive bunch.
I've learned so much and had
such a great time. Special
thanks to Chris Haseleu,
who's always been so
supportive and kind.
LISA FLOWERS

J.P., Ollie, Gray Cox, and
Charlie Jansen,
Thanks for being
excellent profs. It's
been Fun! I'll always
be in your debt.
Kelly Northcutt-Hayes

JS,
WON'T MISS SCHOOL,
WON'T MISS THE JOB,
MIGHT MISS YOU (doubt it),
WILL MISS THE
EQUIPMENT.
M.R.

LESLEY,
Remember Venus, Saturn,
huggers, 8 AM parties, the
kiss, Flash...ah ah etc.
Thanks for being my roomie!
Later on, DOOB! Love Ya...
MICHELE

DANA S.
DON'T BE A SLUG.
THERE'S NO FUTURE IN IT.
BE REAL. BE SOMEBODY.
BE A LUMP!

HEY MTSU-
Grow up and
Become
A REAL School!
Thank God I'm Graduating.

KENNETH, MAURICE, and
"CHEEKS OF FIRE"
YOU'RE BETTER THAN
YOU'LL EVER KNOW.
GENERALISSIMO

B.S.
Congrats on your first
year at MTSU! See, it
wasn't so bad! Have a
wonderful summer and
remember me!
James Tucker

To my dear sweet roommate Beth,
What can I say?
YOU THE GREATEST.
I love you very much.
Be sweet,
LISA

TO VALERIE,
Congratulations on
Graduating this Summer.
JOHN

TO KATHY SLAGER,
YOU HAVE ALWAYS
REMAINED OUR GOOD FRIEND,
THRU THE GOOD TIMES AND
THE BAD. AND OF ALL THE
PEOPLE WE'VE WORKED WITH
IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, WE'LL
MISS YOU THE MOST.
KELLY AND CHARLES

Corky
Thanks for the past
two weeks, really looking
forward to this summer.
Think about me because
I'll be thinking
about you!
LOVE MARK

TO ALL THE
CONSENTING ADULTS,
**A WORD OF
GRATITUDE-**
MAXIE RUNION

PETER M.
Thanks for introducing
me to the wonderful
world of clay! So what if
I won't be graduating for
another 5 years!
James Tucker

TROY BAXTER,
WAKE UP! IT'S YOUR
YEAR TO SHINE- SO
POLISH THAT TOOSH!!
IT'LL BE SHOWING A LOT
NEXT SEMESTER!!!
Lisa + Chris

TO: KIM F.,
I don't think I
would have made
it without you.
I LOVE YOU
FROM: CHRIS N.

DEAN CANTRELL
Looking into your
eyes is like looking
into the depths of hell.
GENERALISSIMO

WENDY R.
You have been a
great roommate.
Good Luck!
KIM F.

**LEAVE ME ALONE
IT WAS ALL A JOKE!**
C.BELL

To the OAT-BRAINS
responsible for the demise
of the film department:
**MAY YOU BE FORCED
TO WATCH THE
NASHVILLE NETWORK
UNTIL YOUR EYES MELT!**

To all the people who worked on
Ch. 22 Newsview and other T.V.
projects, especially Sue Lynn Todd,
Eve West, Bob Bowersog, Tami
Studer, Mike Edwards and Tom
Keller:;
THANKS!
LISA FLOWERS

**DR. BROOKSHIRE-
WHAT'S THE
DEAL WITH
YOUR TEETH
ANYWAY?**
Your Favorite
Student

To whom it may concern,
I DON'T OWN A CAT,
I DON'T OWN A PIANO,
I DON'T WEAR CONTACTS
I DON'T LIKE BURNING HEARTS
I HAVE MY OPINION AND IF YOU
DON'T LIKE IT.....F-K OFF!!!
D.G.

CHRIS N.
**I LOVE YOU
AND WE ARE
GRADUATING!**
KIM F.

DEAR CHRIS,
You are one of the most
wonderful men in the
world. You have been my
companion, my love and my
best friend.
LOVE,
LISA

Dr. "Don Juan" Wilhite,
Thanks for getting us
through our final years at
MTSU. You will always be
remembered. Know what I
mean, Chili Bean?
MUCHAS GRACIAS!
Martina, Jerez, and Colin

TO VICKIE OVERTON
You have been a wonderful
dear friend. Thanks for being
there all these years. We're
gonna make it. I love you.
LIS

LISA,
Love you more than
cable and chinese food
put together.
CHRIS

TO CYNDIE W.
THE ONLY PERSON IN
THE KNOWN WORLD
THAT I ACTIVELY HATE,
LOATHE AND DESPISE.
**MAY WORMS INFEST
YOUR GRAVE!!!**
Kelly (Collage) Hayes

Vietnam

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monstration were mixed as evidenced by the letters to the editor present in the Oct. 17, 1969 *Sidelines*. Two students wrote in support of U.S. involvement while two other students wrote in support of the protestors.

In 1971 the Vietnam protest movement at MTSU held another big demonstration. One hundred people marched around campus in protest of U.S. policy, according to *Sidelines*. The march was marked by harassment from pro-Vietnam supporters as one person attempted to tear off a black banner from the top of an American flag held by one demonstrator. Other problems encountered included a group of students heckling the marchers. The marchers stopped at the

Cope Administration building to give speeches. The marchers gave the pro-Vietnam faction at the university a chance to speak and a quiet dialogue was started without violence, *Sidelines* reported.
MTSU students played a part in the effort to stop the war in Vietnam. They may not have been as active as students at Kent State, Jackson State or Berkeley but they still let their feelings be known.



A group of students pray for Americans killed in Vietnam during the October 1969, Vietnam Moratorium Day protests at MTSU. The students called for an immediate end to the Vietnam War.

MTSU TRIVIA

- 1) What was the only building on the MTSU campus to host a wedding?
- 2) [See photo] Who was the MTSU alumnus who has gone on to big screen fame and can usually be seen with the new mayor of Carmel California?
- 3) Which two U.S. Congressmen were former Presidents of the MTSU Associated Student Body?
- 4) Kirksey Old Main, the Keathley University Center and Beasley Hall are all named after who?



Answers: 1) Jones Hall in 1946, 2) Sandra Locke, 3) Bill Boner and Bart Gordon, 4) Former university deans.



Students continued to protest at MTSU even into the 1970s. In 1975 a group protested a "hot legs" contest charging it was demeaning to women.

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You wanna get it?
You really wanna get it?

M¹⁹⁸⁶ MIDLANDER

Take A Look At Us Now

Well, you've got it. What have you got? The 1986 MTSU Midlander of course. Copies of the Midlander can be picked up from Tuesday, April 29 to Friday, May 2 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the Keathley University Center lounge (right outside the grill so you won't have to walk very far). You'll need your I.D. so we can tell who you are. Sorry, that tattoo of your mother on your back just doesn't cut it. Any extra copies of the Midlander can be picked up right now for the low, low price of \$12.50. That's just a penny a day (over a three year period of course). So preserve those memories of the time you dumped the fizzies in the pool during the swim meet. Or how about when you and that coed from Tech rode that horse...

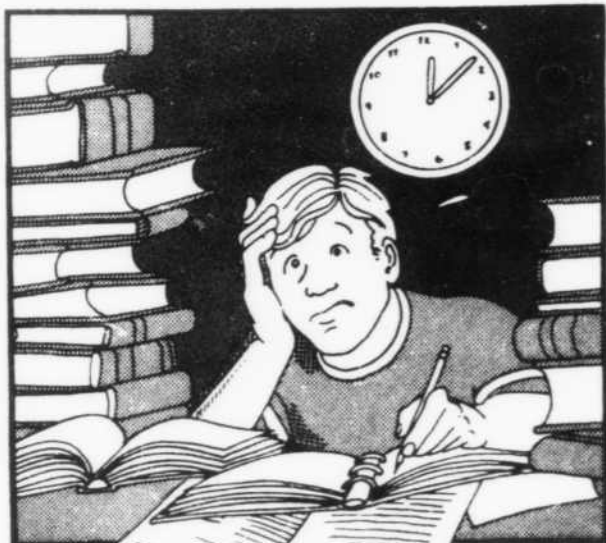
And now a word from your new reigning Collage editor, James Tucker:

This is just to remind you that *Collage* will be needing your valuable input for its fall 86 issue. So while you are laying around soaking up that good old radiation, why don't you be constructive and write a poem, draw a picture or molest a goat and take pictures of it. We might just print it. Now don't just sit around like a festering boil! **CREATE!!!**

Thank you.



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