

State funds provide most of MTSU's revenue

by John Pitts

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles dealing with the University budget. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection in the reserves room of the library.

If MTSU students were forced to actually pay the total costs of their higher education, they would pay an average of more than \$2,000 per year in tuition and fees.

Student tuition and fees account for only about 23 per cent of the total revenue necessary to operate the school for a full academic year, according to Morris Bass, MTSU's

vice president for business and finance.

Bass explained that monies allocated by the state legislature provide the bulk of the revenue used by the school. Last year, the legislature provided MTSU with \$14,078,564.10—more than 65 per cent of the \$20,910,162.46 spent by the university in the 1976-77 fiscal year.

Grants, gifts and state and federal governmental contracts provide the additional 10 per cent of the university's operating fund.

This year, the university anticipates receiving a total of \$23,462,481 in revenue. Of that, \$14,221,000 should come from the

state, \$4,855,103 from student fees and the rest from other sources.

Bass cautioned that the present budget figures for fiscal year 1978 are not final. "We will revise these figures in October to reflect a more realistic figure than the one made up this summer," Bass said.

"Those figures are not actual at this time. There are some adjustments that will have to be made in the budgetary figures," the vice president added.

Bass must submit a revised budget in October, reflecting the actual enrollment of students at MTSU and the actual amount of student fees paid at registration.

"We had estimated there would



Morris Bass be 10,350 students and the actual figure is 10,223," Bass said. The failure of the enrollment to meet the MTSU projections will result in [continued on page 5]



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Dorm pot bust risks 'high'

by Chuck Cavalaris

Two MTSU students were arrested for possession of marijuana at about 10:30 p.m. Sept. 13 when members of the University Police raided their room on the third floor of H-Hall.

The arrest was the second in that dorm within two weeks.

Two other students were arrested Sept. 1, on a similar charge, according to H-Hall residents present at the time of arrest.

All four students charged have had to move out of the dorm.

Bill and Robert exchanged nervous glances the instant they realized the hand knocking on the door did not belong to a friend.

"University Police," shouted a voice from the hallway, interrupting a song by the Eagles on the stereo. "Open up."

Both students rushed for a cellophane bag resting harmlessly atop the dresser. Robert reached it first and dashed for the bathroom door. Bill began cursing in panic.

"If this door isn't unlocked in two seconds we are going to bust it down," yelled the campus policeman outside.

As Robert turned the doorknob leading to the bathroom in the quad-type dormitory, he sucked a deep breath and stared motionless at a pair of campus cops standing in his path.

"We weren't doing anything wrong," he screamed while wadding the bag of marijuana in his hand. "All we were doing was smoking a little grass. We weren't bothering anybody."

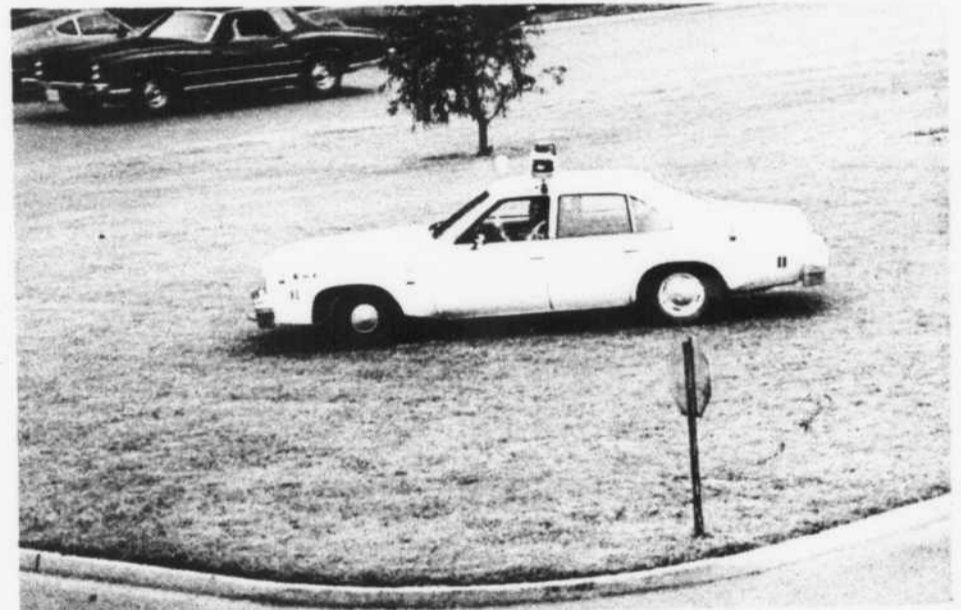
Once their rights were read, and they had been rushed to the patrol car, both students sat in the backseat without uttering a sound.

Bill, a pre-law major, thought about how he couldn't be a lawyer if the dope-smoking charge stuck. Robert thought of his parents...and how he would explain moving out of the dorm in September.

Though the above situation is fictitious, similar events have happened twice in the past two weeks at H-Hall. The most recent bust was Tuesday night.

Security did not use guard dogs to sniff out the pot. There wasn't a narcotics agent planted in the quad.

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A University Police car sits outside a dorm while on patrol. [Robin Rudd photo]

Increasing pot complaints caused by overcrowding?

Complaints from MTSU students bothered by the smell or presence of marijuana have increased dramatically this semester, Associate Dean of Students Ivan Shewmake revealed Thursday.

"We have had more complaints the first three weeks of this semester than in any similar period in the last two years," Shewmake said.

"I think a big reason is the crowded living conditions on campus," Shewmake said. "In the past many people would go to their head resident instead of coming to me, but with more people living on campus the chance of getting moved to another room is less."

So far this semester, there have been two arrests of individuals on campus who were not in enrolled in school. Both were "large scale" arrests culminated by the Murfreesboro police. Four students have been busted on campus by university officials.

Shewmake agreed, however, that many students still feel it is wrong "to turn in a buddy out of consideration for his welfare."

"But that buddy in your dorm room or quad is showing no consideration for your welfare and is putting you in jeopardy of having to demonstrate your innocence. That isn't fair to the non-drug user."

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Senate approves president's cabinet, budget

In its first meeting of the year the ASB senate confirmed nine proposed cabinet members and five supreme court justices in action Wednesday night.

Cabinet appointments were Allen Stewart, attorney general; Jeff Genson, public defender; Steve White, election commissioner; William Fitzhugh, external affairs; Mark Floyd, internal affairs; Chip Clark, Homecoming; Don Levine, public relations; Paula Bevels, treasurer and Sarah Boyd, faculty senate liaison.

Judicial appointments were Kenneth Parham, general sessions justice; Ricky Morehead, junior justice; Nina Vialuch, sophomore justice; Bill Ray, sophomore justice and Ken Evetts, freshman justice.

Other positions voted on by the senate were Kent Syler, speaker pro tempore; Doug Dabbs, parliamentarian; Janet Talmadge, chief clerk and Tom Wood and Jennifer Jordan, administrative assistants.

Chief Justice Ardena Garth is automatically on the cabinet and did not need confirmation.

Possible conflict-of-interest was avoided when Justice Vialuch voluntarily renounced her position as ASB representative for Felder hall.

In other action, the senate approved the ASB budget for this year.

ASB President Bobby Francescon told the senate he made general budgetary proposals to the Student Activity Committee, which appropriated \$5,000 to ASB. The budget House.

Treasurer Bevels said the budget given to the senators at the meeting was more specific than the original proposals.

"This is just a breakdown of how you can spend the appropriations, based on what was spent last year," she told the Senate.

Francescon claimed that he was misquoted in *Sidelines* concerning the house's approval of the budget.



Senate votes to approve new cabinet and Judicial Council members. All candidates were unanimously approved at Wednesday's meeting. [Steve Harbison photo]

"We need to pass a budget," he said. "It doesn't have to be this particular one, but we need to approve something. The money is ASB's, and we can appropriate it however we want to."

During discussion of the budget, Francescon said that the ASB would not print a student directory this year.

"Lynn Haston, vice president of administration, is in charge of the directory this time," Francescon said. "We just don't have the staff to do it."

"It's easier for the university to print it than the student government," he added.

Money was appropriated for the ASB phone bill, which included \$928.08 for WATS line service and \$20-\$30 for out-of-state calls.

Francescon said he hoped a new phone system would be installed in the ASB office. The system would transfer the ASB line over to his home phone when the office was closed.

Special funds "to help students at MTSU" were included in the budget.

"If you've got the money in front of you," Francescon told the senators, "then maybe you'll think of ways to spend it for the students' benefit."

Other budget items included Homecoming, ASB elections, publications, ASB banquet, Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature dues and ASB retreat.

Prior to the vote for budget approval, senior Senator Patrick Flynn objected to what he termed "running things through." Flynn asked his fellow senators "I want to know if we're going to play these games all year."

Despite Flynn's objections, the budget was approved 11 to one. Two senators were absent.

Senate Speaker Mike McDonald asked the senator to attend a dance held for foreign students Saturday night and to urge foreign freshmen to run for ASB senate.

McDonald said he hoped an organized voice for foreign students on campus would be legalized after the group appears before the Screening Committee.

"Foreign students don't know

where to go when they have a problem," McDonald said. He added that if the foreign student group is recognized by the university, they would have a voice through their ASB House representative.

Sponsored by the Foreign Student by the Foreign Student Admissions office, the dance will be held at the SUB at 9.

McDonald told the senators they were obligated to the students to introduce legislation the students wanted.

"I'm just the speaker," he said. "I have no authority other than to run the senate meetings. You don't have to answer to me for anything, but you are responsible to the students who elected you. Do everything you can to do a good job," McDonald added.

Concert scheduled

David Yantis, singer, composer, songwriter, will be presented in concert at MTSU at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20 in the Tennessee Room.

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Campus Calendar

FRIDAY

Conference: Continuing Education, "Yellow Brick Road," 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., UC 322.
Meeting: Society of Financial and Accounting Managers, 11:45 a.m., SUB, Dining Room B.
Dinner: Sigma Xi, 6:00 p.m., SUB

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Speaker: George Beadle, 8 p.m., UC Theatre.
Football: Riverdale vs. Crossville, 7:30, Jones Field.

SATURDAY

Conference: Continuing Education, "Yellow Brick Road," 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., UC 322.
KA Rummage Sale, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., First Tennessee National Bank.
Zeta Phi Beta Charter Presentation, 3 - 6 p.m., SUB, Dining Room B.
Football: MTSU vs. UT Martin at Martin, 7:30 p.m.
Dance ASB & Foreign Students, 9 p.m., Tennessee Room.
CLEP Test: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., UC 314.
'PICNIC: Math department, 4:15 p.m., picnic area.

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The MTSU Continuing Education office is making its effort at introducing budding Olympians to gymnastics in classes to be offered at the Murfreesboro campus.

Intermediate classes will meet on Tuesdays, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Fee for the class is \$20.

Applications for spring, 1978 student teaching must be filed with the Office of Student Teaching (NCB 106) no later than Saturday, Oct. 1, 1977.

Freshman Faces are here and can be picked up in the ASB office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. This publication is the annual published by the ASB.

A barbecue picnic scheduled for Thursday night was postponed until Thursday, Sept. 22, because of rain.

ASB sponsors the event as the first FAST activity. FAST is a program planned to open communication between students, faculty and administration.

ROTC cadets win camp trophy

The Army ROTC cadets of Middle Tennessee State University have been selected as winners of the Warrior of the Pacific Trophy for their outstanding performance at the Fort Riley Army ROTC Advanced Camp this past summer. The Warrior of the Pacific Trophy has been donated by the University

of Hawaii and is recognized in Army regulations.

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Professor builds airplane in leisure hours

by Laura Lewis

Step into the two-door garage basement of MTSU assistant physical science professor Paul Ducker and don't be surprised that the family cars aren't parked there. There's simply not enough room for them and an airplane too.

For the past five years Ducker has ardently devoted his love for flying toward the completion of his own home-built version of a Smyth Sidewinder aircraft. Thus far, construction of the presently wingless vehicle has progressed to the frame stage, and Ducker hopes to have the project completed by next year.

"The most distressing thing about this is the fact that there are so many other priorities to tend to first," Ducker noted. "I'll go several weeks straight and not be able to touch the thing."

"Taking five years to build a plane isn't abnormal," he added. "Sometimes it takes ten years."

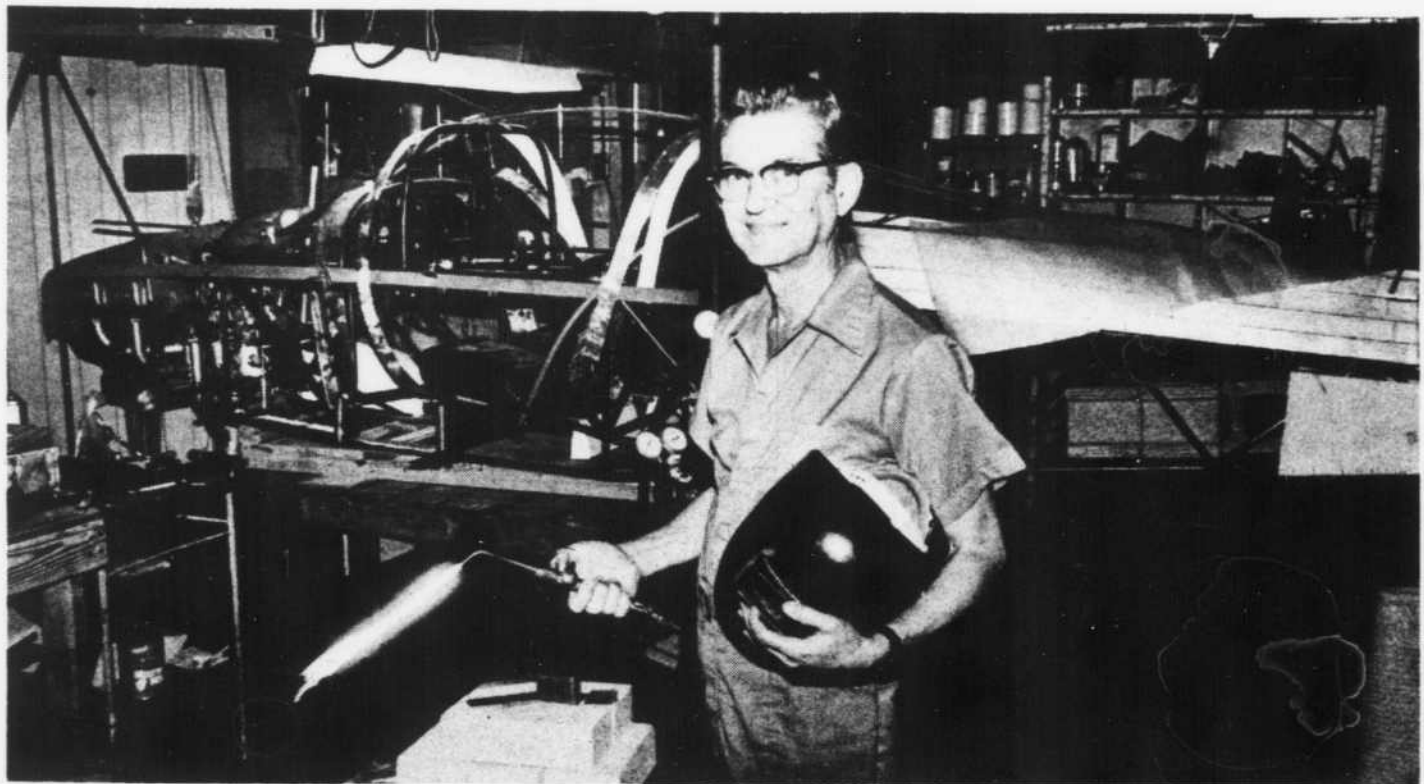
He estimates that he's spent from 1,500 to 2,000 hours working on the airplane and it will take several more before he's added fiberglass covering, cables, controls and, finally, the wings. How much is it all worth?

Moneywise, under \$5,000, he says.

He first began flying as a past-time 30 years ago at his home in Indiana, and he read his first book on aircraft construction at the age of 12.

Wife Pauline was skeptical of flying at first but says she eventually learned to like it and has since taken lessons for landing a plane during an emergency situation.

After moving to Murfreesboro 15



Physics professor Paul Ducker stands before his partially-completed airplane. [Steve Harbison photo]

years ago, Ducker assisted in the organization of the Middle Tennessee Flying Club as a means of cutting plane rental costs.

Ducker's interest in aviation later influenced his oldest son Keith, who went on to become a professional pilot. Ten years ago, Keith, flying instructor at Lewisburg, was killed in a freak glider accident at the age of 23.

That, says Ducker, is one of the main reasons he is so intent on building his own airplane.

"Keith and I had always planned to build one," Ducker explained. "After he was killed, my desire to go ahead with the plan was intensified."

He claims that when construction is completed, no other plane will be quite like it. With his own alter-

tations utilized in the design, Ducker says the two-seater will be "smaller than most and will be able to go faster and travel longer than most general aviation airplanes."

Specifications to accomplish this as outlined in his design plan include low wing design, a refined rudder and all-metal retractable gear. He estimates that the plane will have a travel range of 3,000 miles (take-off to landing distance) and will reach a maximum speed of about 180 miles per hour.

"There's no plane on the market that can go that fast with a range like that," he said, "unless the plane costs above \$100,000."

Problems? Ducker affirms that there are many.

"One problem is the time it takes," he noted. "It can take

weeks to build some little gadget or part. Often, I have to make changes, which means I might build a certain part about three different times. The greatest frustration is the lack of time I have to spend on it. If there's a lapse of about two weeks, I often have to start all over on a gadget because I forgot where I left off."

And, after all this, Ducker says one of the last minute jobs will be to take the plane apart again in order to drill holes in the metal frame, flush the tubing with linseed oil in order to prevent rust and give the whole thing a coating of zinc chromate.

Hopefully it won't take him as long to put it back together as it did the first time.

column

Summer survey reveals campus grounds problem

A survey conducted in July revealed certain problems concerning the condition of the campus grounds.

While two of the problems have already been acted on, most of them, we feel, still require consideration.

Areas found by survey participants Joe Ruffner, head of campus recreation, Mike McDonald, speaker of the ASB Senate and Ted Rayburn, Sidelines editor, include:

- Better use of picnic areas
- Improvement of drainage in area of H- and I-Dorms
- Fencing in the basketball courts near H-Hall
- Placing more garbage cans near dorms and other buildings
- Better lighting between the

NCB and the administration building

- Better use of the field behind Cummings hall (softball playing fields with packstops have been placed in this area since the survey)

- Drainage of water in front of the University Center near the Davis Science Building.

- Painting lines on the parking spaces (this has also been done since the survey was taken)

- Improvement of streets on campus by repaving

- Widen the turn in the street next to Schardt Hall to allow two lanes of traffic (legislation has been written in the ASB dealing with this)

A letter has been submitted to Charles Pigg, director of campus planning, concerning the findings.

Writer suggests parking boycott

To the Editor:

Do any of you out there realize that this university makes a profit of \$70,000 a year from parking tickets alone? Don't you get sick and tired of driving all over this campus looking for a place to park your car? Well, I sure do. And it's no better for faculty or secretaries

either. I think every person who has to park on this campus should BOYCOTT! Why can't this university take that \$70,000 and build a high-rise parking lot? I think that's the very least they could do.

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'Careful' pot smokers 'dead wrong'-Shewmake

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All you had to do was walk down the hallway and smell marijuana. Some people like that aroma, but all it took was one that didn't.

The risk of being busted, in the eyes of many students living on campus, is distant and can be avoided by being "careful," Associate

Dean of Students Ivan Shewmake said Thursday.

"Many students, freshmen, especially, seem to have that misconception," said Shewmake, who is also the head resident at H-Hall. "But they are wrong—dead wrong. If you have drugs in the dorm, there is a higher chance

of getting caught than any other single area I could name."

"Man, I was told there was no chance of getting caught," said one student who was arrested last year. "If I would have known then what I know now, I would have never smoked pot on campus."

The minimum penalty for being caught with marijuana on campus is disciplinary probation and loss of a dorm room for the remainder of the college education at MTSU and possible civil prosecution.

Depending on the extent of the charges, a student may be suspended for an "indefinite period of time," according to Shewmake and should they decide to return to MTSU would be on probation.

Civil action, of course, would mean a permanent record as well as the one kept at MTSU. "Naturally that affects someone's ability to get into another school or obtain a job," Shewmake explained.

"These people just don't seem to realize the risk they are running," Shewmake continued. "Employers and other schools require access to such files, but we can not release them without a waiver signed by the individual. If the employer doesn't see the file, the student seldom gets the job."

The four students apprehended at H-Hall face such a situation.

Like several of the newer dorms on campus, H-Hall has an exterior hallway, which is more conducive to catching people smoking pot, Shewmake said.

"Those dorms make it easier to establish probable cause because of the draft, which sucks the smell outside the room. Many people seem to think a wet towel bushed against the bottom of the bathroom door will keep the odor within the room," Shewmake said.

"Others try and cover it up by burning incense, but that doesn't work either. It's too easy to determine the smell of marijuana."

Despite the belief of many students, Shewmake said, hiding places within the dorm are very limited.

"If you had ever seen us go through a search, you would know what I was talking about. We have found pot stuffed in shoes, behind posters, hidden in books, inside stereo speakers and light fixtures, tied to a string outside the room, inside and underneath desks and drawers.

"Everybody seems to think they have the unique hiding place, but we have searched hundreds and hundreds of rooms and have a finite number of places to check," Shewmake said.

'78 budget in planning stages

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the loss of some revenue to the school. The budget will be adjusted to compensate for the miscalculation.

"In October we'll reduce our safety reserves to reflect the actual enrollment," Bass said. "The Board of Regents makes us hold some money back for that particular sort of situation."

That same kind of situation happened last year, Bass said. The university had overestimated enrollment by more than 500 students, creating a considerable deficit that had to be eliminated by using the safety reserves.

Bass said that was a "unique situation" which affected most of the state schools. "It forced us to be a little more conservative in estimating fall enrollment."

Bass and his office are one link in a budgetary chain which includes such groups as the State Board of Regents, the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, the Tennessee Legislature.

"We won't really know how much money the legislature will provide us with until they pass the appropriations bill for the colleges and universities. That's the last piece of legislation they pass before going home," Bass said.

The passage of the appropriations bill usually comes in mid-May, and Bass must submit the final budgetary proposal to the Board of Regents within a matter of weeks after that bill is passed.

"We are working on budgetary proposals for next year now, based on this fall's figures for enrollment," Bass said. "We will estimate the income from registration and other sources, and await word about how much money we

get from the state."

Appropriations from the state are determined using a special mathematical formula provided to state schools by the THEC, a commission which coordinates matters between the State Board of Regents, the UT Board of Trustees and the legislature.

Using the formula, institutions with more students receive more money. In a situation similar to MTSU's last year, when the individual institution's estimates of enrollment are too high, the THEC formula will appropriate too much money to the school. Some of that money must be returned to the state in the mid-year budget revision.

"Generally, we start with the amount we are getting now. We determine where changes can be made, if there is something about an operation which needs changing and if everything we are funding now merits a continuation of that funding," Bass added.

Department chairmen and program directors at MTSU have a hand in determining expenditures in their offices, Bass said. "We'll send them a list showing how they spend their money—how much they spent in the previous year and how much they have spent after about half of this year," Bass said.

After the department chairmen and program directors draw up their individual budgets all recommendations for the next year's spending go to the deans of the schools, then to one of the four vice presidents, then to Bass.

"It all finally comes here," Bass said about the process of drawing up the university budget. "There are adjustments made all along the chain."



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Congressman on subcommittee

Chairman to help Gore on FCC bill

Edward Kimbrell, chairman of the mass communications department, has agreed to serve as a researcher for U.S. Rep. Albert Gore, Jr.

Gore is on a House subcommittee which will be conducting hearings on changing the Federal Communications Act. The act established the Federal Communications Commission which regulates the radio and TV industry.

Kimbrell said that his job will be to provide Gore with information relating to telecommunications and to sift through the different arguments that the interested lobbies will present.

"I am really looking forward to doing this," Kimbrell said. "The Act has not had any major revisions in over 40 years, since it was passed in 1932. There are new areas developing in the media where the FCC does not provide cogent regulation, such as cable, pay cable, satellites, and public broadcasting.

"These are technological changes that have occurred since the act was passed," he added.

Police want scraps of old stickers

Anyone trading or selling an automobile with an MTSU sticker will be responsible for scraping off the decal, and in addition be required to turn in the scrapings to the University Police office when desiring to register a new automobile, at no charge.

Students are also cautioned to be aware of the change in color in the curbs on C Street from 1st Street north. These are now yellow and will be strictly enforced.

Kimbrell's appointment will involve traveling to Washington during the fall and spring for a couple of days at a time. Although the job as researcher does not pay, his travel expenses will be paid.

Kimbrell said of the hearing that the process will be very slow and may take from two to three years before any action will be taken to change the Federal Communications Act. Kimbrell said that his job as researcher will be "as long as Rep. Gore needs my services."



Dr. Edward Kimbrell

Bragg to speak on China

State Rep. John Bragg will discuss his recent trip to the People's Republic of China Tuesday at 8 p.m. in UC 322.

His program will include color slide photography of the two-week trip made in November, 1976. Bragg and 17 other officials of the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL) traveled from Peking to Shanghai with several stops in between.

Sponsored by the Ideas and Issues Committee, the presentation is open to the public.

A sixth term representative from Murfreesboro, Bragg is chairman of the House Finance, Ways and Means Committee and a member of the Fiscal Review; Education; Calendar and Rules Committees. He also serves on the Medicaid Policy Review Committee, the Legislative Data Processing Review Committee and the Council of Pensions and Retirement.

In addition to his state legislative work, Bragg has also been recognized by several regional and national legislative organizations. He is a member of the 15-state

Southern Legislative Conference, serving on the steering committee on Fiscal Affairs and Governmental Operations. He is also chairman of a taskforce on Pension Reform for NCSL and a member of the Governing Board of the Council of State Governments.

Bragg has been named by the Jackson Sun as one of the top ten House members in Tennessee each year since 1974. The Capitol Hill Press Corps calls Bragg "one of the most effective legislators" in the House.

Women's tennis begins Saturday

Coach Sandy Neal's women's tennis team swings into action Saturday at Bowling Green, Ky.

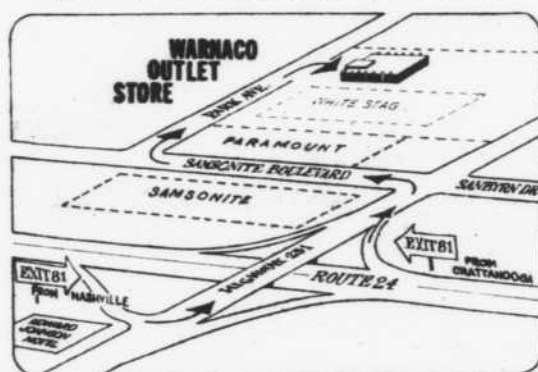
The team will participate in a triangular meet against Western Kentucky and Purdue University.

The first home match is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon when the University of the South visits MTSU for a 2:30 meet.

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'Yellow Brick Road' theme of education conference

Screening preschool children for learning disabilities is the topic of a two-day conference this weekend at MTSU.

The "Yellow Brick Road" conference is designed along the Wizard of Oz theme and will focus on the procedures in screening children for functional strengths and weaknesses.

The conference is being held from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday in University Center room 322.

Instructor-consultant is Christine Kallstrom, director of Treetops School Mid-Cities Learning Center in Arlington, Tex., and conference directors are William Kaltsounis and Helen Self of the MTSU education department.

Art season to open with profs' works

A pair of MTSU art instructors will open the season at the Art Barn Gallery with a special showing beginning Sunday.

Prints and drawings by David Bigelow, assistant professor of prints, and Oliver Fancher, assistant professor of graphic design, will be on display through Oct. 14.

Preceding the opening, a reception will be held at 2 p.m.

Bigelow has been represented at the Sixth International Miniature Print Show at the Pratt Institute, the National Academy of Design show in New York and at an invitational drawing show at the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art in Winston-Salem, N. C.

Fancher has taught at Illinois State University and University of Tennessee at Knoxville. He received awards from the Nashville and Knoxville Art Directors Club and has shown drawings in Chicago and San Francisco. He is president of the Nashville Art Club.

Conference fee for the non-credit activity is \$14 for two days, and \$8 for one day, and late registration will be allowed at 9 a.m. the first morning of the activity.

A one-hour education course for undergraduate or graduate credit is associated with the conference.

The conference is sponsored by the education department and the Office of Continuing Education.

A delegation of volunteers from the Women's Auxiliary to the Rutherford County and Stones River Academy of Medicine will also attend the conference.

Joy Smith, chairman of the auxiliary's Children and Youth committee, said the volunteers will be questioning Kallstrom on the screening program and their own efforts at a local city school.

The three-member committee has attracted approximately 30 auxiliary members and 30 community volunteers in their efforts to set up a screening program at Bellwood School to identify "developmental learning disabilities," Mrs. Smith said.

The screening got underway last year with the Bellwood kindergarten class and is scheduled to begin again this October. Volunteers employ a set of appealing games to record children's motor, visual, auditory and language development. The games are called "do, see, hear, say" games.

"Basically, a volunteer can go in and observe and record a list of responses in these games. We do not test, and we do not evaluate," she said.

Rupert Klaus, city school psychologist, has approved the screening program at Bellwood and is conducting the evaluation.

"With Dr. Klaus' permission, we would like to try it in more than one school," Mrs. Smith said.

"It's our ongoing project," she said.



A member of the MTSU Sport Parachute Club prepares to land near High-Rise East as part of a demonstration jump yesterday.

Homecoming queen, six senators to be chosen in Oct. 5 election

by Steve Miller

The ASB will hold elections Oct. 5, to select a Homecoming Queen and Court, five freshman senators and one sophomore senator.

ASB Election Commissioner Steve White said polling places will be set up in the University Center and New Classroom Building. He said that he is "pretty sure" about voting machines being used.

Anyone wishing to run for the senate seats should leave their name and box number at the ASB office to receive a copy of the election rules. The completed petition and qualifying form must be returned to the ASB office by Sept. 28, seven days before the election.

White said that an organization wanting to have a candidate in the

homecoming election should get a petition with 50 names. The petition and \$5 to cover homecoming expenses must be received by the ASB office by Sept. 28.

Each student will have a maximum of five votes in the homecoming election, but they do not have to use all five. They can cast only one vote per candidate.

In freshmen senate race, however, all five votes must be cast.

White said the election for sophomore senator is being held because one of the senators elected last year did not return to school.

"It's easy to vote," said White. "It doesn't take long. Everybody has a complaint, but the only ones that have a right to complain are the ones who get involved and vote."



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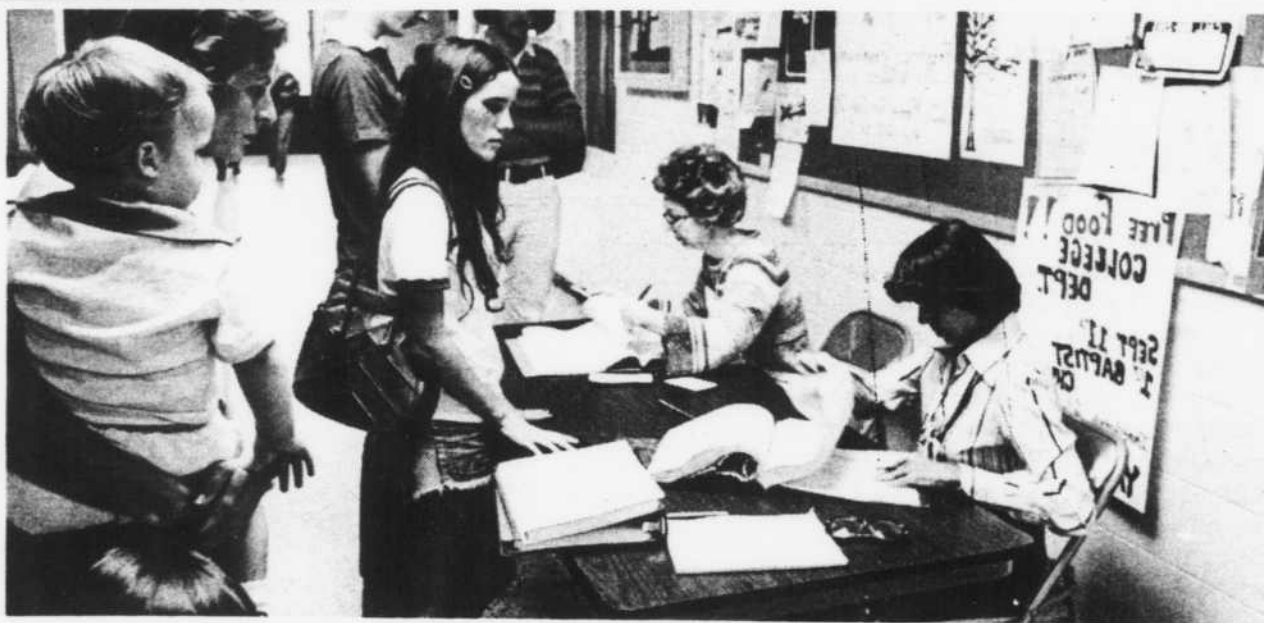
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Freshman students line up to receive their post office box numbers. [Thom Coombes photo]

Honor society to clean campus

On Oct. 12, the Gamma Beta Phi Society will begin sponsoring a campus-wide clean-up campaign called "Can it, M. G."

Ron Scott, public relations director for the group, said the purpose of the campaign is to relocate the garbage cans on campus.

"The biggest problem," said Scott, "is having garbage cans scattered all over campus and not in the strategic places." They will be placed in areas such as the University Center and other busy intersections.

Scott said the campaign was not started because MTSU is ugly. "We have a beautiful campus, and we want to make it look even better."

The "M. G." in the slogan stands for Mother Goose and will be used on posters featuring the fairy tale character.

"The 800 members of Gamma Beta Phi will be the core of the whole thing," Scott said. The members have been asked to wear buttons with "Can it, M. G." printed on them.

According to Scott, the key to the success of the campaign is getting all 10,000 students on campus involved in picking up trash.

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Invaade UT Martin Saturday

Raiders prepare for 'grudge game'

by Frank Vickers
Sports Editor

Raider coach Ben Hurt summed up Saturday night's game at the University of Tennessee at Martin in one sentence.

"This is a grudge game," Hurt said Thursday.

"Those people up there just don't like us," Hurt added, "and we don't really care too much for them either."

Hurt's squad has good reason to dislike UT Martin. The Pacers handed Hurt the worst defeat he has suffered since coming to MTSU as a coach.

Trailing 3-0, UTM exploded for 21 points last year in the second quarter and went on to trounce the Raiders 38-3.

With 16 starters returning from that team, which defeated three other Ohio Valley Conference schools by a combined score of 88-0, the Pacers figure to be even better than last year.

"This is without a doubt the best Martin team in 20 years," Hurt added.

Offensively, Martin is led by quarterback Alvin Smalls, who led the Gulf South Conference in both passing and total offense last season. The Raiders' ability to contain Smalls should be a major factor in their success against the Pacers.

"I believe Smalls is the best individual player we will face all year," defensive line coach Ray Hughes said Thursday. "He can do so many things to hurt you."

"Our ability to contain Smalls will be the key to defensive success," Hughes added.

Smalls, however, is not the only offensive weapon the Pacers have. Joining him in the backfield will be several explosive running backs led



Mike Moore takes a pitchout from quarterback Mike Robinson in action against UT Martin last year.

by Henry Williams, Tim Martin and Mike Gipson.

In fact, the Raider coaches feel that the backfield may be the best they will see all year.

In the line positions the Pacers will be slightly bigger than MTSU, but they do not have the size and quickness that the Raiders faced against TSU.

Defensively, the Pacers will also line up some outstanding personnel. Heading the list of returning veterans is linebacker Danny Watkins, the GSC defensive player of the year last season.

Watkins is expected to be a candidate for All-American honors this year.

Joining him on the veteran defensive unit will be safeties David Williams and Clay Blalack, both potential pro prospects. Defensive end Jack Chaney is a standout in the UTM line.

"They have a tough defensive football team," Raider offensive line coach Myers Parsons said. "They have fine personnel, and

they play more technique than Tennessee State," he added.

"They have three of the finest individuals we will see this season," Parsons said of Watkins, Williams and Blalack.

Carrying the Raiders' offensive hopes against Martin will be quarterback Mike Robinson. The Murfreesboro senior, who was forced to run for his life against Tennessee State, should have more time to operate against the Pacers.

"I have never seen Mike so intense as he has been this week," Hurt said. "I haven't seen him this fired up since he has been here."

Joining Robinson in the Raider backfield will be Mike Moore and Robbie Rogers. Moore will be looking for his third 1000-yard rushing season at MTSU. Rogers was named MTSU offensive player of the week following the loss to

Tennessee State.

"If we can get the effort we have been getting this week in practice,

we should be able to move the football on them," Parsons said.

Hurt feels that ball control will be the key to his team's success.

"The offense is going to have to be able to control the ball and not turn it over," Hurt said. "The turnovers are what kills you."

The MTSU defensive unit will be bolstered by the return of linebacker Mo Bell, who has been labeled the best all around athlete on the team by Hurt.

Bell sat out most of the TSU game with an infected foot. He is healthy now, however, and will be counted upon heavily to anchor the defense.

"The defense will have to not give up anything easy," Hurt said. "They will have to make them work for everything they get."

Hurt believes the biggest hope for his team Saturday night will be the kicking game.

"If Martin has a weakness, it is in the kicking game," Hurt said. "Most close games are decided by the kicking game," he added.

Despite their somewhat lackluster performance in a 23-10 victory over Austin Peay last week, Hurt thinks the Pacers will be ready Saturday.

"They didn't look very fired up against Peay," Hurt said, "but they are a well-coached, well-disciplined team."

Hurt, however, is not discouraged about his team's chances.

"They can be had," he said, "But it's going to take a great effort."

Hurt thinks the Raiders just might be ready to give that effort.

"I think we will give a great account of ourselves," he said.

Host MTSU Invitational

Harriers open season with nine-way meet

by Tom Wood

Cross-country coach Dean Hayes gets a chance to see how his team will perform under pressure when the Middle Tennessee Invitational kicks off the season for nine schools Friday afternoon.

The meet, a four-mile event, will be run at the VA Hospital at 3:30. It is open to anyone from the participating schools.

"We're really just running to be running," Hayes noted last night. "Because some of the teams won't even be in school yet, we will not keep a team score. This is just an early-season look at what we will have," Hayes added.

IN ADDITION TO MTSU, teams participating are Austin Peay, Ten-

nessee Tech, Vanderbilt, Belmont, Bryan College, David Lipscomb, King College and Sewanee.

Although Hayes regards today's meet as just a warm-up for the "real season," which begins next Thursday against Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, Vandy harrier coach J.B. Nation sees it a little differently.

"I'm not as worried about our team as I am about the opposition," Nation said recently. "I expect us to start a little slow and finish fast."

LEADING MTSU'S fortunes in what Hayes says may be "as good a team as we've had since I've been here," is senior Dennis Votava and returning sophomore veterans

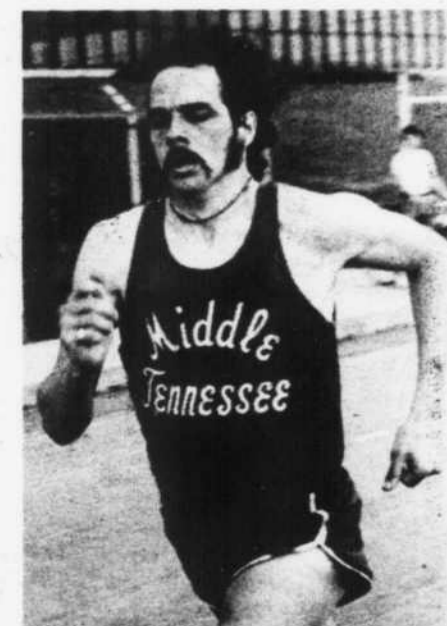
Randy Oliver and Linton Whaley.

Hayes speaks in glowing terms of Votava.

"We have Dennis for leadership and balance," Hayes said, "and several good, young runners who could really be competitive."

Among those youngsters are transfers Gary Perry (from UT) and Jack Langford (Essex Community College, Baltimore, Md.). There's an outstanding freshman crop, too—Murfreesboro's Steve Harvison and Nashville East runners Dana McCutcheon and Roger Kelsey.

"Most of these guys aren't true distance runners," Hayes said, "and that makes me extra proud of them."



Dennis Votava

Former MTSU coach sees game differently now

by John Pitts

Monty Crook will be watching MTSU head football coach Ben Hurt from a different side of the field tomorrow night.

Crook, offensive line coach at MTSU under Hurt in 1975 and 1976, is now coaching at Gulf South conference power UT Martin, a team that bombed the Raiders 38-3 on Jones Field last season and host them for this weekend's contest.



Monty Crook

Crook now serves as one of two offensive line coaches under UTM head coach George MacIntyre. Last season, the Pacers rolled up an 8-3 record.

Despite the fact that the Raiders and Pacers face off on Martin's

field this time, "there's no home advantage" for the home team, Crook said in an interview Wednesday night.

"I don't think we're 35 points better than MTSU this season, not with the personnel they've got," Crook said. "They've got great

skilled people and we've got great skilled people. They've got some powerful linemen and we've got some powerful linemen," he added.

Martin was impressive against four Ohio Valley Conference foes last season, crushing all four by a combined score of 126-3. They began this season by spoiling Austin Peay's home opener last week 23-10.

Crook was pleased with the Austin Peay game in an "overall" sense. "Any time you win you've got to be pleased," he added.

"We've still got a lot of room for improvement. Austin Peay is a lot better team than people gave them credit for being," Crook said.

Martin struck for a 73-yard touchdown pass on the first play of the game, with Crook's linemen blocking for quarterback Alvin Smalls, last season's Gulf South all-conference signal-caller.

Crook complimented Governor defensive tackle James Green, who

picked up six tackles, seven assists and two quarterback sacks against Martin.

But Crook added that MTSU tackle Reggie Bell "is better than Green." The coach added that "I've been watching Bell on film for the last couple of days. He is as strong a lineman as anyone in the OVC or even our conference. He really amazes me."

Tomorrow night, Crook thinks he will watch his line do a lot of blocking for Pacer runners. "I think our people inside are the ones who'll win games for us. We'll be trying to run the football 'cause we can't pass that well," he explained, apparently forgetting for a moment

about Small's touchdown strike.

In another probable underestimation, Crook said that "we're really not that big. I don't think we're a match for MTSU on the lines."

He said his biggest adjustment to coaching at UT Martin is working with another line coach. "Here I just coach three guys, while at Middle Tennessee I had six. In this situation it's really important to a team that I utilize my time well.

"I have to be careful not to overwork the three linemen I coach, because I have as much time to spend with them in practice as I had with the six guys at MTSU," Crook said.

Raider offense ranks last; defense second in OVC

Middle Tennessee enters tomorrow night's match against UT Martin with the lowest ranked offensive attack in the Ohio Valley Conference, according to statistics released Wednesday.

However, the Raiders will present the Pacers with the number-two ranked defense in the OVC.

The MTSU statistics are based on a season-opening 27-0 loss to Division I newcomer Tennessee State

in Nashville two weeks ago. The Raiders generated only 125 yards of offense in the game.

Tennessee Tech leads the conference with a one-game performance of 461 yards in a 41-21 thrashing of Western Carolina. Eastern Kentucky is a distant second in offense, having ground out 295 yards against Delaware.

Middle is second only to Morehead State in total defense. Morehead limited Akron to 239 yards in gaining a 13-13 tie in their season opener. Middle Tennessee allowed 246 yards to the Tigers, 154 on the ground and only 92 in the air.

In individual OVC statistics Mike Moore is ranked fourth among conference rushers with 77 yards. Teammate Robbie Rogers is ranked seventh with 50 yards.

Punter Randy Saunders is rated second among OVC kickers with punts for 41.4 yards. Defensive back Pat Siegfried is tied for first in total interceptions, with two for 2 yards.

No Blue Raider players were mentioned in the OVC office listings of the offensive and defensive players of the week.

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Three seniors selected football game captains

Three seniors have been named to serve as game captains when the Raiders invade UT Martin Saturday night.

Fullback Mike Moore, defensive end George Goodson and line-backer Andra Bullock will lead the MTSU forces in search of their first victory of the season.

"Our seniors need to be leaders in order for us to be a successful football team," coach Ben Hurt said of the selections. "Andra, George and Mike are fine young men and capable leaders."

Bullock, a Columbia native,

opened the season with what may have been his best game as a Blue Raider. Against a powerful Tennessee State team he made 14 solo tackles and had eight assists to win defensive player of the week honors.

Bullock is a three-year letterman for MTSU.

Goodson, a standout for the Raiders in 1975, was hobbled by injuries throughout most of last season. The Chattanooga native began a comeback against TSU, making three tackles and three assists.

Goodson will be counted upon heavily to bolster the Raider defensive line this season.

Moore, a Chattanooga senior, will be a good bet to break several school rushing records this season, many of which he holds already. Moore now holds the Raider records for most carries and yardage gained in a game, season and career.

He has rushed for more than 1,000 yards in each of the past two seasons.

"Before the season is out all our seniors will have served as game captains," Hurt said.

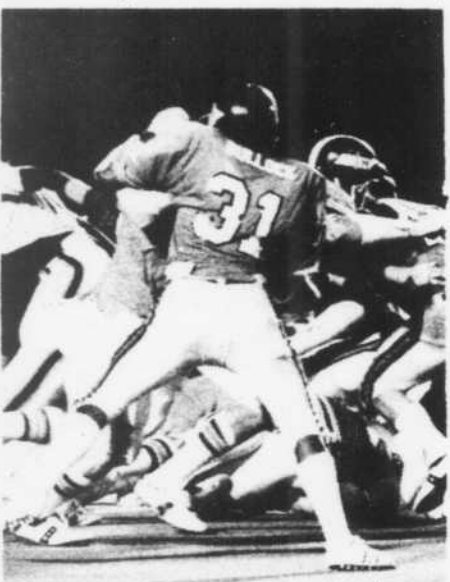
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