

Students maneuver new constitution to fulfill ambitions

News Analysis

By Mike West
Editor-in-Chief

Certain members of the ASB are trying to "ramrod" a new constitution past the remainder of the university's student body.

Intermixed with this "railroading" are attempts to juggle the proposed constitution in an effort to make political gain.

On March 1, Bill Bennett, a member of the ASB House, announced that a constitutional referendum had been scheduled for Wednesday, March 7 (tomorrow).

Editor's note: Last night SIDELINES was informed that ASB President John Jackson had instructed Glen Thornton, election commissioner, to change the date of the referendum to March 21.

Article VII of the present ASB constitution states, "Upon approval by the House and Senate, the proposed amendment shall be presented to the students of Middle Tennessee State University in a student assembly which shall be publicized for at least two weeks in advance of the holding of said assembly."

Consequently the constitution has been violated in at least two ways:

- Final approval has not been given the proposed constitution by the ASB Congress.
- The referendum has not been publicized two weeks.

Tonight both houses of congress will meet to decide whether or not to approve the new constitution. If approval is granted, the earliest possible date for a referendum would be March 19, not March 7.

Late last week a proposal to alter the new constitution was presented to both the house and the senate during the reading of the constitution. This change would raise the grade point qualification for ASB president from the present 2.3 requirement to 2.5. Taken at face value, this proposal might seem to be a positive suggestion, but in reality it is only an attempt to make political gain.

Presently, there are two unannounced contenders for the post of ASB president. One of them is the present ASB president, John Jackson. His grade point average is 2.4. The other contender is Peter Hall. His average surpasses the 2.5 qualification.

Hall is definitely backing the proposal. In this fight he is being aided by his two roommates, Brazo Barry and Bill Bennett.

Barry, a junior senator, is listed among the ranks of potential candidates for Speaker of the Senate. Bennett is an unannounced candidate for Speaker of the House.

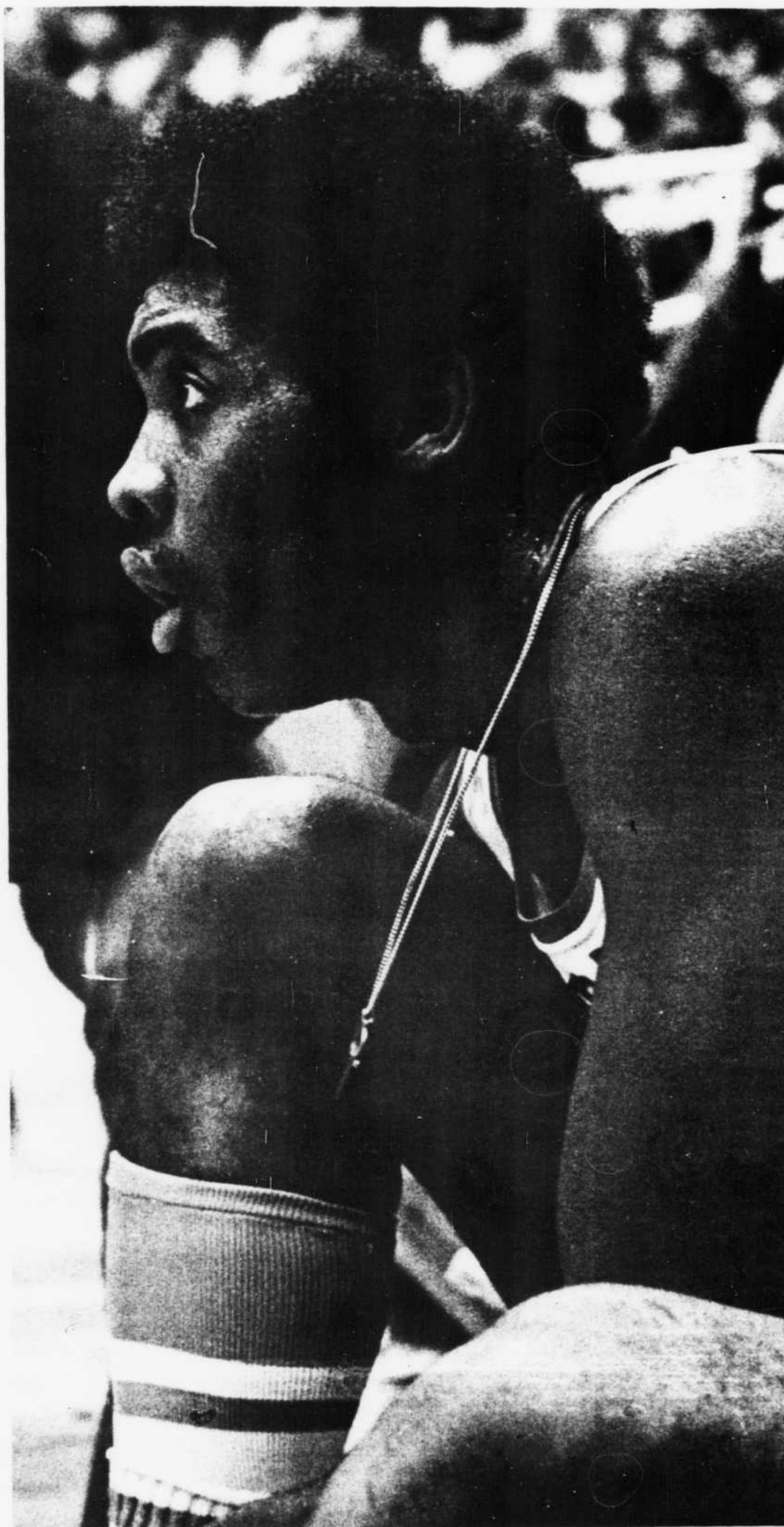
In the past, the grade point qualification for the top three ASB offices has been 2.3. The Hall, Barry and Bennett proposal would only partially alter this--only the qualification for ASB president would be changed.

It seems that Barry's G.P.A. is less than 2.5.

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'Shoeless'

Blue Raider Steve Peeler studies Saturday night's game while replacing his shoes lost during the action with Western Kentucky's Hilltoppers. The Raiders won 92-80 in their last Ohio Valley Conference game of the season. (See story on page 11.)

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Sigma Xi to sponsor talk on energy crisis

Lester Lees, of the California Institute of Technology, will be addressing MTSU students March 22 on the energy crisis, said Marion Wells, assistant professor of biology.

Lees will be discussing "Strategies for Easing the Energy 'Crunch'" at 8 p.m. in room 100 of the George Davis Science Building, she said.

His appearance is a part of the National Lectureship series, Wells said, and is sponsored by the Society of the Sigma Xi and the local MTSU Sigma Xi club.

Lees is a professor of environmental engineering and aeronautics at Caltech

and director of the Environmental Quality Laboratory. He was a member of the Space Vehicle Panel, the Space Technology Panel and the combined Space Science and Space Technology panels of the President's Science Advisory Committee, 1963-67, and a member of NASA's Lunar and Planetary Missions Advisory Board from 1967 to 1969, Wells said.

Last year he was elected to the National Academy of Engineering, Wells added.

Other interests of Lees include problems of high-speed flight, space technology and ground transportation, Wells said.

Students . . .

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Close study of the new constitution reveals the fact that it does not differ greatly from the present constitution.

Article II is the most positive point of the proposed document. This section extends to students all the rights guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution. It also provides for freedom of discussion. This provision could possibly conflict with existing university and state regulations in such areas as dorm hours.

Article VI, section 7 creates a General Sessions Court. This court will handle cases appealed to it from the intra-dorm councils and will have original jurisdiction over cases assigned to it by the routing committee.

Other proposals contained in the new document are not as positive as the two points mentioned above. These points could tend to restrict student participation in student government.

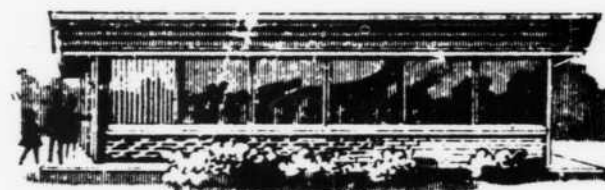
Under the new constitution it will take the signatures of 300 students to initiate a constitutional amendment. The present constitution requires only 150 names. This could make it virtually impossible for a student outside of the ASB government to propose a constitutional amendment.

Another important change will rob the senate of the right to approve all nominees for administrative cabinet posts.

Article VI, section 1 states that the student court system shall be composed of a "Supreme Court, a General Sessions Court, a Traffic Court and a Men and Women's Intra-Dormitory Council." This does create a General Sessions Court, but also prohibits the creation of additional inferior courts.

These three proposals could tend to solidify the hold some members of the ASB governments have upon the rest of the student body.

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News

'Victory Walk'

ATO wins St. Jude fund drive

Alpha Tau Omega "walked its way to victory" over other MTSU organizations competing to raise money for the St. Jude Fund Drive which ended last week.

ATO President Ronnie Lee arrived in Memphis around 11 a.m. Saturday with a total of \$1303.87. He collected along the way during his week-long walk from Murfreesboro.

Lee was met at St. Jude Hospital by photographers and representatives of the winners in the other two categories, drive co-chairman Jane Carroll said.

Winners in the three categories of competition were: Greeks, ATO; Special Interest Groups, Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity; and Dormitories, Miss Mary Hall.

Representatives of these groups were presented trophies and given a tour of the hospital Saturday.

"A total of \$2785 has been turned in, with around \$300 more still expected," Carroll said.

Alpha Kappa Psi raised \$370 by collecting in the community and setting up chairs in the gym, among other activities," she said.

President of Alpha Kappa Psi, Felix Dunaway, represented his group in Memphis.

"Miss Mary Hall raised \$90 by having a coffeehouse with entertainment," Carroll said.

Brenda Rhoton, Miss Mary resident, represented her dorm at the hospital.

"The participation of the students involved made this drive one of the most successful that has ever

been undertaken on our campus," Carroll said.

Funds from the drive went to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis.

Carroll, Murfreesboro freshman, acted as co-chairman of the drive with Karen Butner, Nashville freshman.

MTSU hosts drills

MTSU will host the Ohio Valley Conference championship drill team meet March 24. The MTSU squad, along with six other schools, will compete in the contest.



Sigma Chi

Joe Knose, left, president of Sigma Chi's Theta pledge class collects money for the heart fund along with Larry Dawson, pledge vice-president.

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Everybody is going !

New health service begins

Twenty-one women took various tests under the new health services program last Friday, supervised by Dr. Robert Quinn, a Vanderbilt Hospital gynecologist.

"It all started at 8:30 Friday morning," Ann Coleman, a nurse at the infirmary, said. "Girls started coming in before

the doctor arrived and it was a madhouse around this place until 1:30.

"Mrs. Rooker and I along with three other nurses supplied by the health department had our hands full all morning," Coleman said.

Dr. Quinn's regular schedule called for him to return to the clinic Friday,

March 16, but due to spring vacation he will be here again Friday, March 9.

Course to offer Greek excursion

Three credit hours in political science may be earned by students enrolling in Classical Greek Political Thought, which will be taught during intersession (May 12-June 2) on location in Greece.

"The course represents a serious effort to expose the student to the leading political ideas of the golden age of Greece, especially Platonic and Aristotelian thought, in the setting where it all began," said George Vernardakis, associate professor of political science, who will conduct the class.

An excursion to Argostoli, a luncheon reception and free tickets to all museums and archeological sites and performances of the Greek National Theater will be provided by the Greek Ministry of Culture and Sciences, said Vernardakis.

The group will tour Athens, Delphi, Mycenae, Olympia, Hydra, Delos and Mykonos.

Students interested in more information may contact Vernardakis in Old Main, room 322D. During spring break, application forms may be obtained in the Business Office.

The (other) scene

Compiled by Sheila Wiles

LOUISVILLE, Ky.--A freshman having difficulty with one of his courses at the University of Louisville went to the University of Louisville Office of Black Affairs (OBA) for help.

By the end of the semester, this student had come up with a passing grade.

The program began in 1969 after OBA officials saw that many black students had not previously been directly exposed to the type of middle-class environments that they encountered at a predominately white university.

Susie Guess, director of the tutoring and counseling program, said, "The program was set up to help students overcome cultural and educational differences which separate them from their white counterparts."

These differences come about because many of these students, living in predominately black inner-city communities, are victimized by inadequate housing, crime, poverty and, in some instances, inferior schools.

Charles Burton, associate minister of the West Chestnut Street Baptist Church and a student at UL, has taken advantage of the OBA's tutoring service.

"The tutoring program is worthwhile and I'm sad that many blacks don't take advantage of it," Burton said.

"Some say that taking tutoring means that you are a slow student, but this program is a vital asset to me. If I'm sick, I go to a doctor who will prescribe medicine to help me. If a student is weak in a certain subject, tutoring may be the medicine that he needs to take."

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KNOXVILLE--A resolution to help a residence hall test the legality of UT's practice of billing an entire floor for damage done to public areas was passed last week.

The resolution was drawn up by the Inter-Residence Hall Association Executive Council after an incident in Morrill Hall in which a few unidentified individuals damaged the building and the entire floor was going to be charged for it.

Bob Swanson, a student with the UT Legal Aid Clinic, said, "It doesn't appear the university has the legal right to blanket charge an entire floor under the present housing contract."

Swanson said that if the entire floor is billed, the students should first appeal to the housing official within the university system. If their appeal is denied, they should resist payment.

If the university attempts to make them pay by holding up their graduation or next quarter's registration, they should file a suit in Chancery Court for an injunction to stop the university from denying them graduation or registration.

IRA publicity chairman Bill Duncan said that if Morrill Hall and IRA won the court case and the university couldn't mass bill floors, dorm fees for next year may be raised to provide a damage fund for each dorm.

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Alumni artists discuss future of art major

Seven alumni artists participated in a roundtable discussion with MTSU art majors Saturday night on the future of art majors.

The artists are participants in an alumni show that opened in the Art Barn Gallery Sunday.

Charles Massey, a show participant, summarized the group's statements when he said "I don't think you can sell pictures and make enough money out of art." Massey is on a full art fellowship at the University of Georgia.

Phillip Rice, art director for the Springfield, Ill. Art Association, attributed this problem to the severe competition in art fields.

Rice said that successful artists are often insecure.

"People like insecure people. On top of that you have to have a certain kind of arrogance. It is help-

ful if you have enough arrogance to sell yourself."

Rice said there were openings for artists in community and commercial art programs.

"If you like meeting people and selling yourself, they like studio people to apply." He said there were positions open on the management level, but a masters degree is necessary for these jobs.

Jere Chumley, an art teacher at Cleveland Community College, said, "I have been teaching in college since 1962 and I couldn't imagine doing anything else after being around a college art department. At that time, you're around the kind of people you want to be around."

Tom Foster, now a graduate student at Southern Illinois University said,

By Becky Freeman

"I was in commercial (Art) for four years until I decided I couldn't put up with it any more. Those things are still open if you want to do Mickey Mouse things and put up with the business world."

Foster said that possibilities are open for graduates in the art restoration field.

Rice told the students that one of the things to do to "make it" in art is to go to several right places including Los Angeles, New York and Texas. "A lot of galleries are opening up in Texas," he said.

"It seems that a lot of people think making it is a good thing," Chumley said. "I think you are either a merchandiser or an artist."

"There's nothing wrong with making a lot of bread--it gives you a lot of freedom," Rice said.

Jack Hastings, a visiting sculptor at the show, rejected the concept of "making it." Hastings was a successful New York artist before quitting to re-examine his directions.

"I think it is a matter of where your goals are but it is even more important what the world needs," he said. "When I got into that, I quit producing because I didn't know what the world needed."

"It's a phony world (the art gallery circuit), but it will feed you. In light of what I've said, the gallery world, I think, is insane."

Even if an artist is successful in having his work marketed by an art gallery, he can't expect to keep all of the profits, Massey said. He said that most galleries take 40 to 50 percent of the

work's selling price and many take a lot more.

Chumley said, "I guess I'd make a lot more if I got out and hustled it, but that's not why I am still a painter. I enjoy being around people who are more interested in making art than selling it."

Howard Hull, a painting instructor at the University of Tennessee, said, "I think you paint or do anything else because you feel you have to do it. If you don't enjoy it you ought to get out of it."

Janie McWhirter, an art educator at Louisiana State University, said that when she went to graduate school after leaving the art department she was prepared.

Rice called his graduate training "a breeze" after leaving MTSU.

All of the artists that had entered graduate school agreed that they were prepared by their experiences while at MTSU.

Handbook to evaluate courses

The ASB is circulating a questionnaire to every instructor on campus to formulate a comprehensive course evaluation handbook, Louise Forde, secretary of academic affairs, said yesterday.

"We are confident that the completion of this book will mark a positive step in the educational process of MTSU," Forde said.

"The booklet will include a listing of each course offered at MTSU, the faculty member who teaches the course and a short description of the content of each course," she said.

Forde said the course description would include number of tests given, the type of grading scale used, importance of class attendance, dress code, text used, outside reading and the type of instruction.

All the material collected will be compiled in book form and sold to the students, Forde said.

"We hope that the book will help students during registration," Forde said. "The students will know

Council to view frat row plans

Plans for fraternity row will be discussed at the Inter-Fraternity Council meeting this afternoon, Myles Ferrell, vice-president, said.

Robert LaLance, dean of students, and Harry Wagner, vice president for student affairs, informed the council on a report from the State Board of Regents, which either approves or disapproves plans such as these.

exactly what to expect from each course."

Forde added that the cost of the course evaluation handbook would be "very inexpensive."

In a letter mailed yesterday to members of the faculty, Horace W. Uselton, president of the MTSU faculty senate, urged each member to cooperate.

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Opinion

Reject referendum!

Editorial

The newly proposed ASB constitution will be subjected to an important test tonight when it is submitted to final readings by both houses of the ASB Congress.

We do realize that this document is the product of many long hours of work by the Constitutional Reform Committee, but we still advocate its rejection.

This new constitution has fallen victim to attempts by several students to ramrod it past the rest of the student body. Fortunately ASB President John Jackson ended these railroading tactics late yesterday by informing Election Commissioner Glen Thornton that a constitutional referendum must be preceded by at least two weeks of "publicity."

Originally the referendum was scheduled for tomorrow, which allowed less than 24 hours to inform the remainder of the student body about the contents of the document.

When one contemplates passage of the new constitution, he must consider the fact that some ASB political hopefuls have tried to twist it to fit their own ambitions. This manipulation is grounds enough to vote no in the referendum.



'The cloud before the storm'

Another reason for rejection arises to when one closely inspects the "reform" constitution. The document is at best only a rewrite of the present antiquated ASB constitution. It is certainly not a document designed for the future.

We must urge the students of this university to reject this "reform" constitution, not because of our own political motivations, but because it can only harm the majority of students on campus.

For your own sake, vote no!

Congress to consider new ASB constitution

Open Column

By Bill Bennett

Wednesday, March 21, may perhaps be one of the most important dates in recent years at this university.

Tonight before a joint-session of the ASB Congress, the newly proposed ASB constitution will be debated, worked and shaped into a viable document that could greatly increase the effectiveness and relevancy of the ASB.

After tonight's ratification by both houses of the congress, the greatest test will come March 21. It is on this day that the student body of this institution will be able to voice their opinion on the proposed changes in a referendum on the constitution.

It is my hope that the student body will overwhelmingly approve the new constitution.

As a member of the Constitutional Reform Committee, I and the other members of the committee have worked long and hard to produce this document. The composition of the committee denotes a great diversity of opinion within the ASB and student body. The result is a "breath of fresh air" for student government.

The new constitution offers the following fundamental changes:

- In the senate, by changing qualifications from the "class" concept to one of "hours", and by increasing the total number of senators from 18 to 22.
- In the judiciary, by creating a system of inferior courts, and by constitutionally increasing the total number of justices in the system from 8 to 15.
- In the area of student rights, by creating an article in the constitution recognizing certain fundamental rights, freedoms and responsibilities of students.

- In the electoral process, by clearing up the ambiguities of the existing constitution concerning the Election Commissioner by constitutionally creating that position (as opposed to being legislatively created).

- In the executive branch, by placing greater importance on the offices of speaker pro-tempores of the congress in terms of executive succession.

- In the legislative branch, by requiring that all vetoed legislation be returned to the congress with a written explanation by the vetoing official (either the ASB President or the Vice-President of Student Affairs) as to the reasons for the veto.

- In all three branches of the ASB, by

the establishment of conflict of interest clauses.

- In the impeachment process, by defining the means, methods and procedures for impeachment.

- In the amending process, by the creation of student initiative.

This proposed constitution is the result of many hours of work, many opinions and many compromises. On March 21 the ASB Congress needs the support and approval of the student body for these proposed changes. I therefore urge each and every student to go to the polls and cast your vote in favor of the proposed document. Only you can lose by casting a no vote.

Vote yes on March 21.

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Another View

By Diane Johnson

Sometimes things slowly creep into my consciousness and I simply can't dismiss them. This happened the other day when I was at the library trying to study.

First, I became aware of all the noise caused by shoes hitting the second-story, tile-covered concrete floor and the stairwell leading up. It wasn't too bad when tennis shoes came wandering by but any shoe with a hard heel played havoc with my concentration.

Chairs with metal tips on the bottom and metal waste cans tend to be rather noisy for a secluded retreat. Waste cans should not reverberate and disturb people when paper is dropped into them. Waste in time, materials and thought occurs because of the unnecessary racket.

The library, to my dismay, has the loudest machinery on campus. The whirring of the pencil sharpener and the grinding, clumping noises of the copying machine were more than I could stand. I picked up my books and started to search for a quiet corner in which to study.

The first floor seemed an obvious place to find such a spot. In the reserve-book room, a likely location in my way of thinking, I found carpets which cut the shoe noise but I also found talkative employees. I can understand their need to communicate to others after spending all day in that room but not while others are trying to study. After all, it is a library.

Another annoyance I noticed in that room was the door; it slammed shut instead of closing noiselessly as one would expect.

Off I went trying to find a place in the library where concentration was possible. I soon found myself in the basement where I faced another problem-- cleanliness.

I realized that "cleanliness is next to godliness" but I just can't understand why cleaning and maintenance on the building always seems to occur during peak studying times.

Sweeping, vacuuming, emptying trash cans -- these housekeeping chores could wait until the students have been locked out instead of during study hours. It is hard for the mind to compete with a noisy floor-buffer.

Of course most students would over-look this inconvenience if the library was open 24 hours a day.

By this time I was so tired of wandering around the building looking for a place to study, I decided to go somewhere that I knew would be quiet in the evening -- the grill. Besides, I had noticed that my hard-heeled shoes were making so much noise that no one else could study either.

Letters

Readers respond to rent increase in housing units

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Dean McLean's comments concerning the rent hike in the married housing units.

The improvements made in these units which the \$5 increase is supposed to cover were made at least a year and a half ago. Prior to this, the rent was raised \$10, and we wonder what this covered since these latest improvements are the only ones that have been made in the last four years.

In addition to this, we feel that charging us for these minor "improvements" is unfair in light of the fact that these things are standard equipment in the new units. If he wants more money, why not charge the new apartment occupants for the improvements they enjoy that we don't.

Actually, I am not in favor of a rent increase for anyone. All of us are only living here out of

necessity. But I do feel that the only fair solution is to give us more equality for our money.

In Dean McLean's own words he grants that a new apartment is better than an old one. So why does he contradict himself by charging the same price for both?

I realize that walls can't be knocked down and new fixtures installed, but the fact remains that no honest effort has been made to improve the conditions that can easily be corrected. A garbage disposal, carpeting and repaired furniture would help considerably in making the two units more comparable.

Dean McLean also states that anyone who "cannot afford the increase (can) move off-campus or wherever." Maybe this is why apathy is so prevalent on this campus, because we know that no matter what we do to try to change things we are dissatisfied with, the response is to leave if we don't like it.

There is a large waiting list for these apartments, so we are at a disadvantage in that if we do leave we will never be missed. Of course if this keeps up, students may find that they can rent cheaper off-campus than on.

In view of the inequalities that exist, no matter what the reasons for the increase are, they are still unfair. The single's dormitory rates vary according

to conveniences available so why should the married students be treated any differently?

Dwight and Charlotte Haggard
Box 4004

Brooks charges 'hours' prejudice

To the Editor

Your issue of Feb. 26 contained a front page article concerning the question of open hours for freshman women. Most of the comments in the article came from Judy Smith, dean of women.

She informs us that the administration will consider the welfare of these students and will decide if open hours will be "adverse to freshman's ability to adjust," and that "the feelings of the parents must be considered."

Smith also tells us that the upperclass women she has discussed this matter with are opposed to open hours for freshman women. She did not discuss it with me.

When will we recognize situations like this one for what they are? If a policy including a curfew for freshman blacks were initiated, we would all recognize it as blatant prejudice.

Why are we blind to such prejudice against women?

Of course no one would dream of restricting the activities of freshman males, since they have all reached the peak of wisdom and maturity. Anyone who has had an introductory psychology course knows that men mature more rapidly than women (?).

Eighteen year olds now have all of the legal rights and responsibilities of adults. This includes women. Does the administration of this university have the right to decide what an adult's "ability to adjust" is?

Should we ask the parents of adult women living away from home to set the magic hour at which their daughters turn back into pumpkins? Surely these questions deserve an unqualified no for an answer.

I'll let you form your own opinions about those upperclass women who "feel that freshman girls aren't used to their new life style and that open hours may not be good for their academic and social progress."

I only hope that self-righteous comments like these from persons who have no right to decide will not keep the administration from making long overdue reforms in this university's policies toward women.

Jane Brooks
Box 1325

Commuters rate respect; Whaley

To the Editor:

My complaint deals with MTSU's "Second Class Citizens". These are the students otherwise known as commuters. This class includes students such as myself who drive 50 miles to and from school each day.

In order to park "legally", we have to arrive at school each day at 7 a.m., even though we do not have a class many days until 10 a.m., simply to get a place to park. We are required to pay a \$5 car registration fee per year. But this does not mean that we have a place to park. Nor does it mean that we can always get out of our parking place.

During the past two weeks, I have been parked legally and gotten blocked in seven times. When I called our "security police", I was treated very disrespectfully. While guiding me out between two posts, one policeman guided me too close to one post which resulted in a dent on one fender.

I did receive one piece of news. The officer told me I should not park in this particular blue decal lot. When I asked where I could park, I was informed that High Rise West had 500 parking spaces for blue decals. If this is true, then why doesn't the security office patrol the parking lot and see that all students who come in late and park illegally

be required to park in the High Rise West lot?

Now that a new complex is to be built on the site of the now demolished old maintenance building, what happens to all those blue decals who have been parking there? To have a Learning Resources Center is a great idea, but I wonder how many people will get to use it? Certainly not many of us blue decals. All our spare time is expended trying to locate a place to park.

Peggy Whaley
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Group creates apathy weapon

Editor's note: The attempt to book The James Gang was made by the SIDELINES, which is in no way connected to the Special Events Committee.

To the Editor:

I think that the Special Events Committee has inadvertently found a weapon with which John Jackson can attack apathy on this campus.

That weapon is the lackluster entertainment that comes to campus.

With the recent booking of Bob Hope, I, for one, have reached the point where I can no longer just sit back and curse at the ineptness and blindness of the Special (?) Events Committee. I have yet to talk to a student who thinks that Hope was a wise choice for our student body, much less a student who listed Hope on the

questionnaires distributed at registration!

Neither the James Gang (who were tentatively booked for their second appearance here—a practice that is forbidden according to Harold Smith in the February 16 SIDELINES) nor Hope appeared on the questionnaire and neither received any appreciable write-in votes. One can only wonder why we were urged to complete the questionnaire in the first place!

To quote Harry Wagner: "We can really go after the top names now and get the ones the students like to see."

Maybe Wagner likes Hope, but the students indicated their preferences and until these acts are booked we are being slighted for the Hanneford Circus (Have they figured out yet how to get the elephants through the "human-size" doors?) and the Hope show (Who is going to hold his "idiot cards" and operate the taped laughter and applause he uses on TV?). Thus far Wagner's promise is a meaningless statement.

This letter could be dismissed as one unhappy student if the majority of the student body wanted to see Hope -- but they don't. And the Special Events Committee has to justify the spending of this money and non-representation of our interests.

Is it really any wonder that so many people don't care about the workings of our student government and its committees? The committee asked us what we wanted, we told them and they still do as they please. What do we do now -- impeach the committee?

Harold Smith says that the Hanneford Circus was a mistake. The Hope booking now makes it two in a row. It is only fitting that we book Martha Raye to come with him and that free tickets be distributed to V.A. Hospital patients and to local nursing homes. Why should the gym be empty?

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Students discuss freshman dormitory hours



Ramsey



Longaker



Butler



Powell



Sullivan



Brame

In the February 26 issue of **SIDELINES**, Dean of Women Judy Smith said upperclass women felt freshmen should have dormitory hours.

Tonight juniors Dwight Lane and Brazzo Barry will present legislation to the ASB Senate proposing the abolition of hours for all MTSU students.

If the bill passes both houses, it will then be presented to Harry Wagner, vice-president for student affairs, who will give it to the rules committee for consideration.

Yesterday campus interviews were conducted concerning the abolition of dormitory hours. Students indicated that they were for open hours.

"The state of Tennessee recognizes 18 as a legal age and since most of the freshman are 18, I see no reason why they should have hours," 26-year-old Greg Powell said.

"They're (freshman women) staying out now, so they might as well make it legal; besides it might make the sophomores, juniors, and seniors straighten up a little," Powell said.

"If the whole freshman class would stay out all night they might change the hours policy. They sure couldn't kick the whole class out of school," Powell said.

Peter Hall, speaker of the ASB house, said "it's against the Civil Rights Act of 1964."

"Most freshman women are 18 and that makes them legal adults in this state," he said. "It's not a moral case."

A Maryville sophomore, Debbie Haynes, said "they would get wild and stay out all night if they didn't have hours; I know I would have if I hadn't had hours when

By **Bennie Barrett**
News Coordinator

I was a freshman."

"When a girl is a freshman they are usually told to be in by 12 (midnight) by their parents and I think somebody should tell them when to be in while they're freshmen," she said.

"I don't think they should have hours because I did, it's just I think they aren't ready for college when they first come," she said.

Sheila Ramsey, 22-year-old Manchester senior, said "If they're old enough to be in college, they're old enough to stay out as long as they want, right or wrong."

"If they are not responsible enough to know when they should come in, they

'Freshmen should be completely self-dependent.'

shouldn't be here anyway."

Anita Wilmore, Carthage sophomore, said the hours freshmen presently have is something they should accept.

"Freshmen don't have any grades when they get here and if they didn't have hours they might not study," she said.

Murfreesboro sophomore, Alexia Butler agrees with the present dormitory system.

"This is the first year away from home for freshmen, and I feel like they are not ready for college yet," Butler said.

"Parents would feel better knowing that their

daughters would have to be in at a certain time," she said.

One freshman expressed her dissatisfaction with the hours policy.

Ann Sullivan, from Oak Ridge, said "If you want to stay out all night all you have to do is not sign out."

"All the 2 a.m. hours are an excuse to come back early if you don't like your date," she said.

Kim Longaker, sophomore from Oak Ridge, said "Some parents love the idea of hours but sooner or later the girls have to make decisions; now is as good a time as any."

Longaker said that because freshman women may stay out all night doesn't mean they're doing anything.

"Freshman girls aren't going to change overnight; if they're going to do anything they have probably done it before anyway."

Junior Milbrey Bercik said freshman shouldn't have open hours.

"They're used to being at home and being told what to do. I think they would take advantage of having open hours," she said.

Evelyn Brame, 19 year-old from Shelbyville, said, "Two a.m. is late enough besides if they stay out all night it would interfere with their academics. It's better for them in the long run."

Susan Craven, 20-year-old Nashville sophomore, said "Freshman women are out on their own when they come to college and should be completely self-dependent."

"The school shouldn't tell them when to be in, after all they pay the tuition and dorm fees; if they want to goof around, it's their money they're throwing away."



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Federal grant develops Fifty students tutor

MTSU's HPER Department received a federal grant of \$50,000 in September 1972 to develop a driver's safety program.

James Wiseman, head of the newly formed program, said the money will be used to further the education of driving and safety.

"The multiple car driving complex was designed and implemented in conformity with applicable public laws, state and local policies relative to driver and safety education. Availability of finances, land for the facility and required instructional personnel were taken into consideration," said Walter W. Gray, director of the driver education instructional demonstration center of Indiana State University.

Multiple car driving complex comes to MTSU

Gray listed the purposes of the facility in "Journal of Traffic Safety Education" as being:

- To provide a quality driver education program for all eligible students;
- To provide an adult driver education program for concerned individuals;
- To prepare undergraduates for teaching driver education and provide a postgraduate program for up-grading competency of teachers in the field;
- To provide assistance to state and local agencies in promoting safety education, establish leadership in teacher training and innovative teaching methods.

Twelve simulators which are used to simulate "on

By Ann Hittinger

the road" driving, a "single student evaluation system" console and a driving range were purchased for the program.

A new look has been added to the driving range. The traditional "figure 8," "T," and even the "X" exercises have been abolished. A modified "Y" parking area has been proven to do the same as above.

The circular or merging area was established to help in interstate highway traveling. This facility is not level. Consequently, intersections are found on varying grades, Gray said.

The simulators and evaluation system is in operation in the basement of Murphy Center and is open to all students, Wiseman said. College and high school students of the Rutherford County area, are "invited and urged" to participate. Adult education classes are now in progress.

"Participation will decide the future of driver's education," he said.

With the development of this new program, a teacher-education degree can be acquired with ten semester hours of teaching, thirty in class and six behind the wheel. The program is open to all majors.

Land for the driving range and an additional \$30,000 were added to the program by MTSU. This may allow the program to expand, possibly including a motorcycle safety program this year, Wiseman said.

How would you like to tutor an underprivileged child and be rewarded with his pleasure as he meets new experiences?

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Its 50 members, mostly undergraduates, have contact with one or two children once a week.

"CUBE was started by a group of low-income students who realized the problem caused by integration in the public schools. Its goal was to bring these children up to the level of the upper classes of pupils. Now it has turned into a cultural enrichment program," Callahan said.

Each tutor meets with his child once a week on his own time. The contact is to be as individual and personal as possible. The tutor meets the family of the child when he picks him up for the session.

"When we first started, we were given a list of children by the Office of Economic Opportunity. Now we receive our names from teachers in the area schools and sometimes even from the parents of the child," said Callahan.

Tutors help in any problem the child may have, with the general areas of study in reading, spelling and English. Schoolbooks are provided for the student tutor and he is then totally independent.

One of the purposes of this service is to bring

CUBE helps children

By Jennifer McGhee
Asst. Feature Editor

into the homes and environments of these children educational material they would not otherwise be exposed to and build up their image of themselves, Callahan said.

CUBE has an annual spring picnic for the families of the children and Christmas parties along with other activities for the children. Each year they take trips to the Children's Museum, Opryland and the Auto Show in Nashville.

A community center is being planned for one of the three areas in Murfreesboro that CUBE works with. This center will be a library and game room, Callahan said.

MTSU to host rifle matches

MTSU's "Raider Rifles" will host the Invitational Tennessee Collegiate Smallbore Rifle Championship matches March 9-11, according to Clement Kalas, MTSU rifle team advisor.

The matches are recognized by the National Rifle Association.

Competition will include high school and college teams for both men and women. Twenty high school teams accepted invitations and all Tennessee universities with rifle teams will compete.

CUBE's advisor is Tom Van Dervort of the political science department.

There are over 200 children who need help but only a few more than 50 have tutors. Interested persons should contact CUBE, Box 594, Callahan said.



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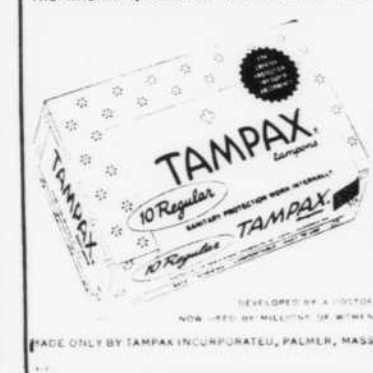
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Sports

Haynes helps Raiders capture track meet

Tommy Haynes placed first in one event and second in two others to help spur the Blue Raider thin-clads to victory in the Middle Tennessee Ohio Valley Conference Invitational held here Saturday.

MTSU and Murry State each won six events, but the Raiders were able to place second in ten events as opposed to Murray's four to outscore the Racers 71-60. Tennessee Tech finished third in the meet with 25 points, and East Tennessee was fourth with 15.

Haynes won the long jump with a leap of 23-7 1/2. In the triple jump, he finished second behind

Barry McClure with a jump of 49-2 1/4. McClure's winning leap was 50-9 3/4.

In the 50 yard dash, Haynes followed winner Dwaine Copeland across the finish line. Copeland timed 5.2 and Haynes 5.3.

Copeland placed second in the long jump with a leap of 23-7 1/2. Also in the same event, Raider Jimmy Washington took one jump, finished pulling a muscle and still placed fourth. Washington's distance was 21-7.

Hurdler Keith Cromartie continued his winning ways in Murphy Center by capturing the 60 yard high hurdles.

Cromartie also placed third behind 330 yard intermediate hurdles winner Huey Johnson. Johnson ran the distance in 39.5 and Cromartie timed 41.4. John Craft of Murray was second.

The mile relay team of Henry Kennedy, Myles Maillie, Homer Huffman and John Johnson set a new school indoor record of 3:15.5 in winning their event. The time, however, can not qualify them for the NCAA Championships

because the track in Murphy Center is longer than authorized for qualifying times.

John Johnson and Kennedy placed second and third respectively in the 300 yard dash behind Murray's Cuthbert Jacobs. Johnson timed 31.5 and Kennedy 32.5.

Johnson also finished second in the 440 yard dash with a time of 48.4.

In the 600 yard run, Maillie ran the distance in 1:12.5 to garner second place.

James Key (2:15.7) and Grady Manning (2:17.4) finished second and third respectively in the 1000 yard run.

Another second place was grabbed by Greg Lintner in the shot put. Lintner's heave was measured at 50-11.

Terry Stepp's 12-0 clearance in the pole vault earned him a second place, while Jesse Agnew cleared 6-4 fewer times than did winner Mark Hiestand of Murray for a second place finish in the high jump.

To round out the Raider scoring, Huffman finished third in the 88- yard run with a time of 2:00.3.



Power . . .

Tommy Haynes strains for extra distance in the long jump. Haynes won this event and placed second in two others to aid in the Blue Raider win.

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Raider women falter in tourney

In the women's collegiate state basketball tournament held over the weekend, Middle Tennessee's team was eliminated from competition in their first two games Friday.

The Blue Raiders finished the season ranked fifth in the state.

In the Raiders' first game Friday morning, the University of Tennessee at Knoxville outscored the Blue in the final three quarters to win 58-43.

The Blue Raiders led at the end of the first quarter 15-14, but in the second quarter, the Lady Vols took charge.

Debbie Boykin topped the Raiders in scoring and rebounding. She tallied 16 points and grabbed ten rebounds.

Lynn Pimbleton and Gail Dobson were high for UT with 20 and 16 points respectively.

In the second game, the Raiders came up against East Tennessee. The Blue Raiders fell behind by three points in the first

quarter and had the same deficit at halftime, 23-20.

In the third quarter, however, the Blue pulled up to tie the Bucs at 33-all. Then, in the fourth quarter, the Raiders faltered and ETSU outscored them 15-6. East Tennessee's winning margin was 48-39.

Boykin again led the Blue in scoring and rebounding with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Debbie Bumpus added 13 to also be in double figures.

Team coach Karen Ledford said, Boykin played "her best over-all game of the year."

Seniors Linda Walker (team captain) and Madeline Ware saw action for the final time for the Blue Raiders.

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Raiders defeat Western after gym dedication

Dedication of the new athletic and convocation center in the name of Charles M. "Bubber" Murphy was capped off Saturday night with the Blue Raiders' 92-80 win over the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers.

Mason Bonner hit the first bucket of the game to put the Raiders into a 2-0 lead, a lead they never relinquished.

The Blue pulled away from the Toppers and extended their lead to 11 points midway through the first half.

Then, for about six minutes, the two teams matched baskets. In the final four minutes of the half, the Raiders pulled away from Western and led by 20 at the intermission 52-32.

By halftime, three Blue Raiders had already tallied in double figures. Steve Peeler dropped in 14 points, while Jimmy Powell and Forrest Toms had 12 and 10 points respectively.

The Raiders shot 57.1 per cent from both the field and the foul line in the opening period.

Following a score by Western's Johnny Britt to open up the second half, Bonner again hit the first Raider basket of the half, and the Blue took up where

By Wayne Kindness
Sports Editor

they left off in the first half.

Scores by Powell and Tim Sisneros pushed the Blue Raiders to a 24 point lead, their largest of the game.

The Hilltoppers then began to execute their full-court press, forcing the Raiders into turnovers. From 24 points down, the "Big Red Machine" started to roll. Buoyed by Britt's eight points in a four minute span, the Toppers cut the Raider margin to nine points, the closest they would come until the closing seconds.

Powell then responded for the Blue with eight quick points, six straight in less than a minute, and the Raiders again had a comfortable margin.

With 3:01 remaining in the game, Western started their last gasp effort, reeling off eight points to MTSU's zero to close to seven points behind with only 48 seconds left.

The Raiders, with all five senior players in the game, held off the Topper surge and added a few points for old times' sake.

It was the final game for co-captain Jim Drew,

Chester Brown, Nick Prater, Dave Fesko and Ernest "Big E" Abercrombie as Blue Raider players.

Powell, with 16 points in the second half, wound up with 28 points, high man for the game.

Adding only two more points in the second half, Peeler was the second leading Raider scorer with 16.

Toms tallied 14 and Sisneros ten to round out the double-figure scoring for the Blue.

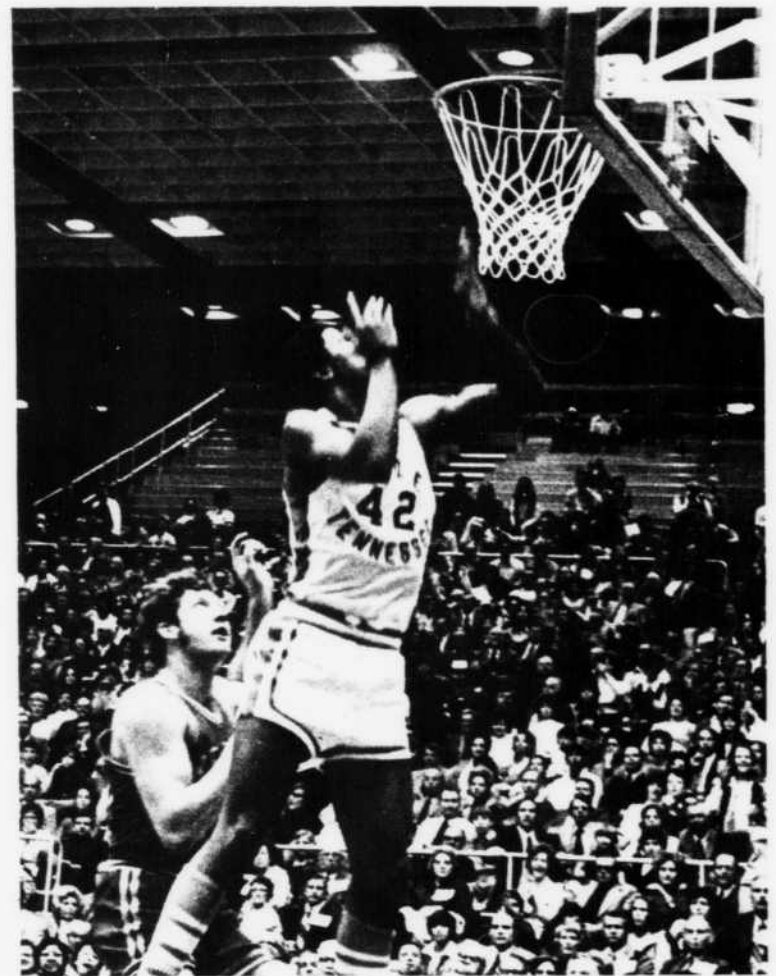
Collecting ten rebounds to lead all boardmen was Brown.

Britt and Chuck Witt totaled 18 points to lead the Hilltoppers in scoring.

The Raiders finished the game shooting 53.3 per cent from the field, and they hit two-thirds of their free throws (12 of 18).

The loss finished the season for the Toppers with a 10-16 overall record. They placed sixth in the Ohio Valley Conference with a 6-8 listing.

The Raiders started off the season with two wins and ended the season with two wins, but had some problems in between. The Blue's season mark was 12-13, and their 5-9 conference record placed them seventh.



Powell

Jimmy Powell goes in for two of his game high 28 points against Western Kentucky Saturday night. Watching Powell's moves is Hilltopper Ray Bowerman.

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Rebound?

Raider and Hilltopper players fight for a rebound in Saturday night's action with Western Kentucky. Caught in the act are Raiders Chester Brown (15), Steve Peeler (45), Jimmy Powell (42) and Mason Bonner (24). (See story on page 11).

Ruffner plans wrestling tourney

Intramural Director Joe Ruffner has announced that a wrestling tournament will be held April 2 and 3 in the Alumni Memorial Gymnasium.

The tournament will be for both teams and individuals. For a team to enter and compete for the team trophy, there must be at least five members, said Henry Sorrell, Ruffner's

assistant for the tourney.

Trophies will be given to individual winners with second and third placers receiving medals.

Weight classes in the tournament will be: 118, 126, 134, 142, 150, 158, 167, 177, 190 and unlimited. On the second day's weigh-ins a one pound allowance will be given.

Memorial Gym to sponsor men, boys gymnastics meet

Alumni Memorial Gymnasium will be the site of the Middle Tennessee District Men and Boy's Gymnastics Meet this Friday.

The meet is scheduled to get underway at 10 a.m.

Teams competing in the event will be Peabody College, the Murfreesboro Gym Gems, McGavock High and Tullahoma High School as well as the host, MTSU Gymnastics Club. Competitors will be competing in all six Olympic events: floor exercise, parallel bars, steel rings, high bar, side horse and long horse vaulting.

Heading the list of MTSU entrants is John Lucas, who placed second all-around in the triangular meet (with UT-Knoxville and UT-Martin) held here last month.

Dennis Baxter, another MTSU entrant, placed

second in vaulting in the same meet.

Also entered for the MTSU team are Gary Woodlee, Tony Trump-hour, Jim Johnson, Dan Crews, John Gonzales and Robert Proffit.

Shut out!

Tennis team smashes Marshall

Blue Raider netters started off their season on the right foot Sunday with a 9-0 victory over Marshall University.

The Raiders completely dominated the match, winning every set.

Wally Norwich, at number one singles, won his sets 6-3 and 6-1. At number two singles, Geoff Gilchrist won 6-4, 6-2.

Clyde Smithwick, 6-0, 6-2 at number three, Yogi Burgener, 6-1, 6-1 at num-

ber four, Jerry Borysko, 7-5, 6-3 at number five and Ted Jones, 6-0, 6-0 at number six, were the other winners in singles competition.

In doubles action, Norwich and Gilchrist (6-3, 6-1), Smithwick and Burgener (6-2, 6-2) and Borysko and Jones (6-2, 6-0) combined to complete the whitewash of Marshall.

Sophomore Doug Miedaner and junior Eustace Kigongo were notably absent from Sunday's match.

According to head coach Larry Castle, Miedaner is out for the year with infectious mononucleosis.

Kigongo returned from Africa Sunday night.

The Raiders' journey to Chattanooga Friday for a match with UT-Chattanooga, and they return home for a Saturday rematch with Marshall.

The day before classes resume following spring break, March 18, the Blue will host Indiana State University.

Director sets intramural entry date

Intramural Director Joe Ruffner has set March 23 as the deadline for entries in the following activities: tennis doubles (men's, women's and mixed), badminton (singles, doubles and mixed doubles), handball (men's singles and doubles), racketball (men's and women's singles and doubles) and volleyball (men's faculty league). Entries should be turned into the Intramural Office.

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