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Faculty senate reviews prez search

Candidates set to visit campus later this month

SHANTELL KIRKENDOLL **News Editor**

When the final MTSU presidential candidates arrive on campus for interviews later this month, faculty members should make an effort to meet them, Faculty Senate President James Neal said at Monday's senate meeting.

Each of the candidates will be on campus between Oct. 23-26. After their meetings with Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor Otis Floyd, they will visit MTSU for a tour and interviews.

The candidates will meet with students in the mornings in the KUC auditorium and then meet with faculty after lunch. Deans and administrators will have the opportunity to talk with candiates during lunch.

The faculty should fill the auditorium," Neal said.

He added that if faculty are not able to attend the faculty sessions they could attend the student sessions, but should refrain from questioning the candidates during the students' forum.

Faculty members suggested that a set of clear-cut questions be asked of each candidate, and recommendations by the faculty could be made according to the reactions to these questions.

There will be enough time for the faculty to express their thoughts on each of the candidates to the chancellor before he makes the final decision on who will be the next MTSU president, Neal said. Neal is also a member of the presidential search committee.

Faculty members expressed relief when Sherian Huddleston, of the admissions, records and information systems office, informed them that faculty would no longer have to work registration.

"Faculty will now have more

time to prepare for classes and advise students," Huddleston

Huddleston was on hand to explain to the faculty features of the new Student Information System which will be used to register stu-

Faculty will be able to call up screen 107 in order to see the names of students who have registered for their classes. They will also be able to see how fast their classes are filling up.

"If the classes are filling up quickly you will be able to open a new section of the course, provided you are able to find the space and an instructor to teach it," explained Huddleston.

The wait-list feature, which keeps a list of students who wish to enter a class and automatically adds the students to the class if an opening should occur, will not be utilized by MTSU.

According to Huddleston, the feature does not work the way the university feels it should operate. The students may no longer want to take the class or may have made other arrangements after they find out the class is closed.



VERONICA CLARK

Special to Sidelines

The MTSU Alumni Association moved from the Cope Administration Building into a newly renovated facility near the Voorhies Industrial Studies Complex last Thursday.

The association spent over \$400,000 to renovate the red brick structure that was originally built in 1911.

Most of the renovation was very basic because of roofing damage and termite infested floor beams, said Marie Kirk, director of alumni relations.

seen the "Students have gradual renovations with the four

additions which were torn off the building, but the cost is not shown, because the damages to the inside were not apparent," said Kirk.

This project has been underway since August of 1987. Classes were halted in the building and were relocated at the Alumni Memorial Gym.

In the fall of 1989, Vernon Williams Construction Co., a contractor from Nashville, was selected through a bidding process to renovate the building that now houses the Alumni Center.

There were some gifts from friends of the association, but most of the funding for the project came from alumni.

MTSU alumni also donated such things as carpet and marble for the restrooms, said Kirk.

Funds are exhausted, and basic renovations are complete, but furnishings and interior finishing is still needed," said Kirk.

The move to the new building was successful with the tremendous help of four student workers, said Kirk.

Students are aware that this will be the center of alumni activities. It is our hope that they will identify with this as their. place back on campus after they graduate," she said.

MTSU student raped Saturday Escaped mental patient sought as suspect

Staff Reports

An escapee from a mental health facility is the chief suspect in last weekend's rape of an MTSU student.

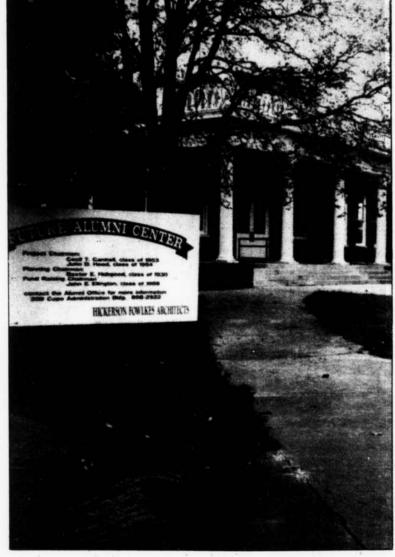
The student was traveling from Murfreesboro to her home in the Chattanooga area when she had a flat tire near the Pelham exit, 75 miles southeast of Nashville, according to Grundy County police. A man walking down the exit ramp forced her at gunpoint to drive the car into a secluded area then raped her.

They returned to the interstate and after stopping at a Monteagle reststop, the man got out of the car and ran, officials said,

The Saturday incident was not reported until the victim, 19, drove to her home.

The search continues for the man officials say escaped from Chattanooga's Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute. The same person may possibly be involved in two other rapes occurring Sunday along I-75 in North Georgia.

Evidence is still being examined to determine if the incidents are related. All three involved lone women being attacked after their cars broke



THE NEW CENTER: This building which has been a part of MTSU since 1911 was recently renovated and now houses the new Alumni Center. The building was originally constructed for use as a dining hall. In the 1950s MTSU began using it for classroom space.

Campus Capsule

Campus Capsule is a service provided by Sidelines for non-profit campus groups. If you have a notice that you would like to run in Campus Capsule, please submit typewritten or printed information to our office in the James Union Building, Room 310. Items must be received by Tuesday at noon for Wednesday's paper and Friday at 4 p.m. for Monday's. Inclusion is not guaranteed and is based on available space.

An exhibit of Japanese containers will be featured in the lobby of the Cope Administration Building throughout October. For more information, contact the Japan Center of Tennessee at 898-2229.

The ASB will be accepting applications for Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges until Oct. 26. Juniors, seniors and graduate students who have a cumulative G.P.A. of 2.8 or better, or who have made outstanding contributions to the university may apply. Applications can be picked up in the KUC, Room .304 and returned to Room 130.

The third annual Blue Raider Biathlon will be Oct. 21. The entry deadline is Oct. 19. The entry fee for individual students is \$10 or \$20 for teams. This is an exciting event. Everyone is encouraged to participate! For more information, contact Steve Moss at 898-2104.

The MTSU Department of Music presents a faculty

recital. David Loucky, Trombone and Euphonium; Polly Brecht, Piano and Organ. Wright Music Building, tonight at 8 p.m.

Co- Op jobs starting Spring, Summer, Fall, 1991 Opportunities include biology, physics, chemistry, geoscience. mathematics, computer and environmental science, and other related disciplines. U.S. Department of Energy has the following deadlines Spring '91 -Oct. 20, 1990; Fall '91 - March 15, 1991. Support includes academic credit, \$200/week, housing, and travel reimbursement.

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The Society of Resource Management will hold its next meeting Oct. 15. Janet Rachel will speak on "Employee Conflicts and other Employee Relations." The meeting is at 5 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 226. For more information, contact Tammy Harris at 898-2762 or 898-4264, after 4:30 p.m.

October 21-25 is Timex Fitness Week! Campus Rec will host a variety of activities to help students make fitness a part of their regular schedules. Activities include water exercises, an aerobics clinic, and a biathlon. For more information, contact Barton or Richard at 898-2104.

Come get involved with MTSU's television station-all student programming. It lasts from 5 to 11 p.m., with local daily newscasts Monday-Friday at 5:30 p.m. Call 898-2218 for more information.

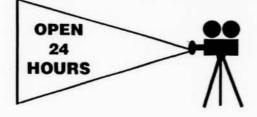
PSI CHI/ Psychology Club meeting - Monday, Oct. 15, 4 p.m. Peck Hall, Room 206. Dr. Jim Trent, clinical psychologist, will speak. Officers will be elected The Murfreesboro Young People's Group of Alcoholics Anonymous has meetings every Wednesday at 8 p.m. at 601 Bell St. It is an open meeting and all interested in finding about recovery from alcoholism are welcome. If you need additional information or a ride to the meeting, call Rick at 898-319

Students for Environmental Action meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in KUC, Room 305. New members welcome.

The Kappa Alpha Order will be participating in the adopt-ahighway program on Saturday, Oct. 13. There will be a meeting at the Kappa Alpha house at 9 p.m.

ASB Discount Cards are now available for all MTSU employees in the ASB office, KUC Room 304. They may be picked up personally or sent by mail if requested. Don't miss our on this tremendous saving! If you have questions, please call the ASB office at 898-2464.

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Campus organizations urged to recycle for Homecoming '90

Assistant News Editor

"Welcome to the Future" is the theme for this year's homecoming, and at MTSU it's a future that's bright, a future that's shining, a future that's recyclable.

Homecoming 1990 at MTSU won't be vour ordinary homecoming that has always featured a football stadium littered with trash and plastic cups that still smell of beer.

During the week of homecoming, Oct. 21-27, every organization that is involved will bring in different recyclable materials for points, and the scramble to recvcle has already begun.

"We've been collecting cans, glass, newspapers and paper for several months now," said Cindy Ingram, an Alpha Delta Pi pledge.

"Ever since the beginning of the semester, we've been going out into different areas of Murfreesboro and collecting trash from the roadsides three times a week," Ingram added.

"Finally, we're doing something better than spending all that money, then tearing down the floats," said Cathy Miller, homecoming director.

Miller is presently trying to



Helen ComereStaff

RECYCLING: Ginny Brinthaupt recycles glass bottles in the appropriate bin at the Tennessee Boulevard Kroger parking lot. Brinthaupt and her husband Tom, who is a MTSU psychology professor, recently moved to Murfreesboro from Indiana.

have all the floats made of recyclable materials.

All of the recyclable materials will be sold through Waste Management Inc., and the money will be used for ASB emergency student loans and MTSU scholarships, said ASB President Todd Burnett.

Each day, beginning on Oct. 22, is designated for different recyclables:

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Opinions

U.S. solider bashes bashing of Arabs

We normally don't print letters to the editor in this spot. However, a letter we received this week deserves special attention.

The current Iraqi crisis has sent hundreds of thousands of American soldiers to the Middle East. Here at *Sidelines*, one staff member has already been called up and two others may also recieve word from Uncle Sam any day. That's why this letter seemed especially timely to us.

To the editor:

Howdy from Saudi! Over here in the desert, we are hearing reports of students on college campuses back home harassing, insulting and publically backlashing against Arab students. While this may or may not be happening at MTSU, we would like to ask that everyone keep cool and refrain from any such activities during this crisis.

Around half our unit is composed of MTSU alumni and undergraduates. We are being treated well by the Saudis and other Arabs involved in this world alliance. These are a proud and noble people with values similar to our own, who are trying desperately to stop a madman through peacful means before this thing blows wide open.

In everybody's best interests, please extend Arabs and Arab-Americans the same courtesies and respect which you would expect them to extend to U.S. servicemen in their countries.

2nd Lt. Dan N. Clark 130 RAOC ARCENT SUPCOM (G-3) APO, New York 09616 ■

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Letters to the Editor

A dome the answer?

To the editor:

I realize the staff working in the portables at MTSU for three years need sidewalks in order to get to the bathroom in the BGA. I also realize that on rainy days these people don't want to get wet when it rains, so they also need a roof over the sidewalk going from the portables to BGA.

But what I don't understand is why we don't just build a dome over MTSU, along with the many new sidewalks we have recently established, so that the entire campus can stay dry when we have bad weather. Then we can become the University of Tennessee at MTSU.

Shannon Byers Box 1371

Live and let live

To the editor:

I am writing this letter in response to the Oct. 8 column, "Burn your paisley: time to end the '60s," by Chris Bell.

Everyone is not going to enjoy the same things in life. If that was the case, life would be quite monotonous. I understand that some people do not like tie-dyes; however others may find them beautiful. Some people like catsup on their hamburgers; others don't like hamburgers. You get the point. You cannot curse people who stand in the sun just because you enjoy the shade. Nor can you impose your feelings and desires on someone. I hope that everyone follows their own paths and does what they want to do.

Also the "empty-headed idealism of the '60s" included civil

rights for all, ideals of what our government should be doing, and ideals of harmonious existence that I would not call emptyheaded at all. I hope these ideals are pursued until they are justified. So long live the ways of the '60s, for the '60s ended 20 years

Mark Blevins Box 8201

Sense of black history crucial to equality

To the editor:

People seem to not understand the meaning of the T-shirts that some people on campus have been wearing. The shirt which says "The blacker the college, the sweeter the knowledge" also says "support black schools."

Apparently you misread the shirt and its meaning. The shirt is not saying a black education is better than any other education. The shirt was made and is worn to make people aware. Aware that black colleges need their support. Aware that white government is trying to take away our black schools. Aware that if we don't keep black schools alive, we will lose our history which the white universities fail to teach.

How in the hell can you say that we (blacks) are taking away your history? Take a look around you. Most everything you see was invented or named for a white person. How many buildings on MTSU's eampus were named for a Black or any other minority?

Why would you need a T-shirt that says "it's a white thing you wouldn't understand". All of my life I've only been taught what's white is right. So we already understand. So that I won't have to look in Sidelines and see another stupid letter asking about the meaning of T-shirts, I'll go ahead and explain them now:

1. It's a black thing, you wouldn't understand! — unless you're black you can't.

By any means necessary read Malcom X

The black women Love, honor and respect her — read the Bible; her name was Eve.

4. I'm black Bart, who the hell are you? — well who the hell are you?

Everyone talks about "being equal" and "stop talking in Black and White so much." Until the day comes that it is mandatory to take black history in high school and college as it is mandatory to take white history, we will never be equal.

Bonita A. Fields Box 1138

Robbery clues wanted

To the editor:

This letter is concerning an Oct. 1 break-in at the Lady Raiders' volleyball locker room. Someone entered the room while the girls were practicing, went through all of the lockers and got away with close to \$200 and a gold chain worth close to \$1,000.

I just want to say if anyone sees their roommate with a thick gold chain and spending extra money, call the volleyball manager at 890-8351. There will be a small reward if the merchandise comes up.

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Features

'Pump Boys and Dinettes' great country music revue

MIKE REED

Features Editor

Murfreesboro Theatre production of "Fump Boys and Dinettes" is easily the most entertaining show to come out of MLT in a long time. It is also the only show in recent memory to hold a raffle during the per-

"Pump Boys" is witty, fastpaced, and a great deal of fun. There is audience participation, country music and a wide variety of talent in this show.

"Pump Boys and Dinettes" is the story of a gas station and a diner on Highway 57 somewhere south of Smyrna. The boys are Southern without being "hicks" and the dinettes don't behave like "Flo" and "Alice." The effect is truly stunning.

Scattered throughout the plot are a number of songs that tell the story of life on Highway 57. Some highlights include "Mona," "Farmer's Tan," "The Night Dolly Parton Was Almost Mine" and "Tips." It showcased the

talented cast as well as provided a nice backdrop for the story.

Normally in a musical of this type, acting takes a back seat to crooning. Not so here. The cast is well balanced and talented. De-

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spite this fact, there are certain people to watch for.

Derrick Buford steals the show with his Elvis-like gyrations during "Serve Yourself." Lee Blair does a wonderful job as the lazy mechanic. Tracey Howard's voice is worth the price of admission.

The cast includes newcomer Taylor Davis as a harmonizing biker dude. His singing and dancing female counterparts are played by Amanda (Miss Giles County 1990) Heatherington and Cara Coates.

What MLT production would be complete without Ralph Smith, who has been in so many

productions it's become a city ordinance? With him in the background is talented singer/dancer Michael McGee whose song about fishing with his grandmother added a very touching moment to the show.

T.J. Smith plays the leader and spokesman of the Pump Boys. Smith was effective dramatically and musically.

The Dinettes, Rhetta and Prudie Cupp, are played by Tina Haynes and Tracey Howard. The musical duo add a wonderful flair to the production.

Dale McGilliard of the speech and theatre department directed the show. McGilliard is the newest member of the theatre faculty and should be commended on a job well done. McGilliard is currently casting "Baby With The Bathwater" by Christopher Durang and next semester will direct Molier's Tartuffe."

"Pump Boys and Dinettes" will run Oct. 11, 12, 13, 18, 19 and

Faces of destiny



ON EXHIBIT: This photo of Chief Red Cloud is one of 35 photos in "Faces of Destiny," a photographic exhibit on display at the Children's Discovery House. The photos were taken at the 1898 Indian Congress, and will be on display until Oct. 24. For more information, call Children's Discovery House at 890-2330.

Blood Salvage quintessential' Briggs film

JOE BOB BRIGGS

Drive-In Movie Critic

Somebody finally put the seventies out of their misery:

cancelled Magazine.'

(If you're reading this in one of the show's original towns, the answer is, "Yes, that's the same thing as Evening Magazine." But most of the people in the country know it as "P.M. Magazine," or,

after it got boring, "B.M. Magazine.")

"P.M. Magazine" was the first show to develop the formula for local TV that still reigns today:

One groovy blonde cheer-

McRae, teases her hair three times a day, and giggles a lot when she finds out a new way to make a Caesar salad. Let's call her Deena.

One blow-dried ex-husband in soft Italian shoes who thinks parasailing is "mind-blowing." Let's call him Fred.

Fred and Deena have an attention span of thirty seconds, but that's okay, because they can say everything they have to say in thirty seconds. They've had cosmetic surgery to mold their lip lines into a grin. They say the darndest things, like:

"This is not just any shaggy-dog story..." (for that inside report on pet groomers).

They say a stitch in time sayes nine, but not for America's leading expert on needlepoint. Mrs. Winifred Sturtivant of Parsons, Kentucky, can sometimes take as long as three years to make one rug! That's coming up later, Fred, but right now let's check in with...

"You ever wonder what a modern fireman does down at the station house? Well, there's a lot more to it than fire poles and red ladders!"

Had enough? Say uncle? Do you want me to stop?

What's truly amazing about his show is that, when it started, in

leader who dresses like Meredith 1976, it was considered informative. The country had gone crazy. First we elected Jimmy Carter. Then we bought Crockpots.

And let me remind you of this - and do not try to deny it:

You enrolled in one of those John Travolta disco-dancing classes, didn't you?

Liar! You're a liar! You did, too! Stop trying to get out of it. The whole country did that.

And so the country sort of deserved "P.M. Magazine.

But not fourteen years of it.

I'm begging vou now, Mr. Bigshot Hollywood People who are looking at this as a "void in the market"--please, whatever you do, do not start this show up again.

It's taken us till now to get the people in New Jersey to quit wearing cowboy boots.

And speaking of culture shock, 'Blood Salvage" is the story of a junkyard car mechanic named lake who runs tourists off the road, drags their bodies into his barn, hooks them up to old carburetors and Chevy engines, and removes one organ at a time so he can sell em off to My Favorite Martian. The guy at The Hollywood Reporter called this "a quintessential Joe Bob Briggs film," but I think he went a little overboard. It's got zombies, it's got slobbering rednecks, it's got Please see JOE BOB Page 8



DARN IMPORT TARIFF: In "Blood Salvage," Lori Birdsong finds out the meaning of the Jake's Salvage Yard motto: "If Jake can't fix it, it's been dead too long." Just a note, the car is an Impala, not a Pinto blowabout.

Advisor helps athletes get complete education

LISA VINSANT Staff Writer

It's the fourth down in the fourth quarter with sixteen seconds left on the clock. Howell drops back; it's a long pass — out, out, out! The end receiver catches it and runs the remaining yards for the touchdown. Students win by a 2.5 margin, or better stated, a 2.5 grade point average.

Mike Howell, coordinator of athletic academic advisement, is not unlike the quarterback in this scenario. Sometimes the game is basketball or tennis, but he always follows through, and when he throws you'd better be sure that the students in his program are ready to catch.

Howell was hired by MTSU as a full-time faculty member in the fall of 1990. The program was set up to monitor athletes academically during the course of the semester. All freshmen and transfer students are required to participate in the program until they make a good enough grade point average to study on their own.

Programs such as these are being established throughout the country. The NCAA requires every NCAA school to have an academic counselor to monitor the student athletes. But this sort of program is not new to Howell, who has been working with similar programs for the past eight

In his earlier days at Elon College in North Carolina, Howell, who has a master's degree in guidance and counseling, took it upon himself to start an academic advisement program for athletes. He left Elon to assist with the athletic academic program at the University of Arkansas, and finally to the Land of Blue here in middle Tennessee.

"My main goal is to make sure these kids get the best education they possibly can," said Howell. "It bothers me sometimes that a lot of these kids come here, and



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the first thing they think about is ball. I say all the time, day in and day out: the most important thing to you in your whole life is your health and your education. All this ball and stuff is fun, but it's secondary.

"But the means for some of them to go to school is to earn an athletic scholarship. And in order to keep that scholarship, they must do the school work.'

Howell comes from a background of mixing academics with athletics. His father was a coach and his mother, a teacher. This may explain the attitude of determination that Howell displays. This attitude is shown through his enforcement of the program, and students sense the seriousness of

"He's strong." said freshman Patrick Hicks. "You're going to do what he says. He's nice too, but he demands respect. That's what

I like about him."

"He's really thorough about it. He's really strict. He wants you to get the education first," said freshman George Richardson.

Attending study hall is one of the most important aspects of the

"If it weren't for study hall, I would probably not take the time to do the studying," admitted Richardson.

Debbie Eliott, who is attending MTSU on a full athletic scholarship, proved that her study skills are up to par by making a grade of 90 percent on her first test.

A special aspect of the program involves the organization of a series of seminars specifically designed for the students in the program. Goal-setting, time management, stress and drugs are among the topics covered in the semi-

Students are also expected to

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?: Mike Howell Jr., the new coordinator of athletic academic advisement, helps a student with her schedule. Howell, a former athlete, came to MTSU from the University of Arkansas. "Education is important," Howell says. "Students need to realize that."

attend class regularly. Howell body, but it just makes me feel goes as far as to check up on students to make sure they're in

"I'm not trying to catch any-

good if I know they're in class. And if they know I'm walking around, then they'll go," said Howell.■





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dead tourists, it's got car chases, it's got maniac alligators, it's got Elvis on life-support, it's got a helpless bimbo in a wheelchair, it's got Ray Walston, and it's got the Cates Pickle Man. But think about it a minute. What else would it need to be the ultimate Joe Bob Briggs movie?

Heads do not roll.

Livers roll. Kidneys roll. Hearts roll. We even have a closeup spinal tap. But the head proper remains firmly on the neck and shoulders. You guys in the press need to do more research.

And more important: Bras do not spill.

Bras come unhooked. Blouses are ripped off. But the garbonza per se remains firmly wrapped.

It's one thing to take an excel-

lent "Texas Chainsaw Massacre" ripoff like this and say, "Nice spew job."

It's another thing to invoke the name of Joe Bob Briggs just to pump up the box office.

On second thought, my kinda

No breasts. Eighteen dead bodies. Two motor vehicle chases, with crash and burn. Eyes roll. Liver rolls. Open-heart surgery with a power drill. Knitting needle through the arm. Heart-eating gator. Gratuitous Elvis. Gratuitous bimbos in swimsuits. Shotgun Fu. Ford Torino Fu. Trash-compactor Fu. A 76 on the Vomit Meter. Drive-In Academy Award nominations for Danny Nelson, better known as the Cates Pickle Man, as Jake the junkyard surgeon, for saying "You look like a real healthy little kid"

and "You don't have any medical problems I should know about, do you?" and "Where you been? I had to staple that man up"; Ralph Pruitt Vaughn, as Roy the fatso idiot half-wit brother, for saying "I'm a special person"; Ray Walston, for having no reason to be in this movie but being in it anyway; and Evander Holyfield, the heavyweight boxer, for getting his name in the credits as "executive producer."

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Sports

Raiders hope to cruise by Pacers

MTSU looking to deal '92 OVC members a loss

ELIZABETH POPOWSKI Staff Writer

After last weekend's OVC loss to Eastern Kentucky, the Blue Raiders will head into Saturday afternoon's contest with UT-Martin as the No. 5 team in the nation instead of No. 1.

More importantly, the Raiders will try and return to their winning ways against the UT-Martin Pacers this weekend. The UTM squad is currently 2-4 on the sea-

MTSU fell to 5-1 with it's 10-7 setback in Richmond. UTM played North Alabama on the road and was destroyed 49-0.

The Pacers are members of the Division II Gulf South Conference but will join the OVC in 1992.

The two squads have not met since 1983, when the Raiders cruised to a 39-3 victory.

The Pacers have two OVC teams on their schedule this season to prepare them for the transition to I-AA, one of them being MTSU. The other was Austin Peav which fell to the Pacers 24-10 earlier this year.

"We are looking forward to playing (another) OVC team," UTM Head Coach Don McLeany

Between the two schools, the Raiders lead the series, 11-6-1, with wins in both meetings this past decade.

On paper, the Pacers appear to

be no competition for the Raiders, who have played one of the toughest schedules in the I-AA nation. But the Raiders aren't the only concern for UTM, which will bring an injury-plagued squad to Murfreesboro. Heading the list of players not expected to play is senior quarterback Leonard Will-

Williams has averaged 117 yards through the air this season, compared to MTSU QB Phil Ironside's 190-yard average.

Freshman Bobby Beasley or sophomore Rickey Armstrong are expected to fill the quarterback slot Saturday.

UTM's offense has thrived on the pass this season. Out of the 18 touchdowns they have scored this year, 13 of them have come through the air. The Raiders have posted 19 TD's this year with only four of them coming from Ironside's tosses.

The backfield between the schools is no comparison, with a major edge swaying the Big Blue's

The Pacers will be led by tailback Scottie Mitchell. He has scored one touchdown and averages 55 yards per game.

MTSU will counter with Joe Campbell, who leads the Raiders with a 90-yard average and four touchdowns. The Raiders also have Ricky Martin awaiting a chance to shine with his blistering speed.

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IN THE AIR: Eastern Kentucky fullback Tim Lester attempts to jump over MTSU's Mike Caldwell and Jamie Redmond in the Raiders 10-7 loss to the Colonels last weekend. The defensive battle went down to the wire before Eastern pulled out the important OVC win. MTSU hopes to get back on the winning track this weekend when they host the Pacers from UT-Martin. Kickoff is slated for 1:30 at MTSU's Horace Jones Field.

Breathing room

Picks a bit easier this weekend

This week proves to be a little breather compared to the contests that have taken place on the grid iron the past few weekends.

Last week I had a little bit of difficulty as the Raiders dropped a tight one in Richmond. The luck of the Irish also ran out as Notre Dame was upset, ruining the matchup with UT later in the sea-

Let's see how good I can do this week. You'll also notice that I added a few predictions that aren't college football.

Well, here's the menu.

UT-Martin at MTSU

I know that you can always be big-headed and let a team like this sneak up on you, but don't look for it to happen in Murfreesboro this weekend.

On The Line By Tony J. Arnold

The Raiders are coming off a defeat to Eastern Kentucky. The loss should be the only black mark

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SU falls in I-AA pol

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

Last Saturday's 10-7 loss to Eastern Kentucky in Richmond not only ruined the Blue Raiders perfect record, it dropped them to No. 5 in this week's national rankings.

Entering the contest, the Big Blue was ranked No. 1 in the Division I-AA nation.

MTSU took over the top ranking in the fourth week of the season after downing teams like Georgia Southern and Western Kentucky.

It was the first time that the Raiders were the top-ranked

squad since the 1985 season. That season, MTSU compiled a perfect 11-0 record during the regular season with players like Don Griffin, Kenny Tippins and Dwight

Griffin is now considered one of the best cornerbacks in the National Football League with the San Francisco 49'ers. Tippins is a starting linebacker for the Atlanta Falcons, while Stone is an all-purpose player for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

The Eastern loss virtually eliminated the Raiders' chances as repeating as OVC Champions.

They gained that title in the

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Division I-AA Poll

1. Eastern Kentucky (5-0)

2. Grambling St. (5-0)

3. SW Missouri State (5-1)

4. Nevada (5-0) 5. MIDDLE TENNESSEE (5-1)

6. New Hampshire (4-0-1)

Youngstown State (6-0)

8. Massachusetts (3-0-1)

9. Furman (4-2)

10. Boise St. (4-2)

11. Colgate (4-1) . .

12, Citadel (3-2)

13. Northern Iowa (3-2).

14. Georgia Southern (3-3)

15. North Texas (3-2)

16. Wm. & Mary (3-2)

17. Marshall (3-2)

18. Weber State (4-2) 19. Eastern Washington (3-2)

20. Holy Cross (3-1-1)

LINE from page 9

on the Raiders' record this scason, if they can begin moving the ball effectively, like they didn't do in the EKU contest.

The Big Blue's defense is as solid as any around and they will rise again.

I'll take MTSU in a blowout, but UTM will put a few points on the board when the Raiders take their starters out of the game. MTSU 55 UT-Martin 17

EKU at Murray State

This should be another laugher.

The Racers aren't nearly as strong as they have been in the past few seasons.

Usually they are near the front of the OVC pack, but this year

they are ready to pack up and go home.

Murray sports an unimpressive 1-4 record and has been outscored 195 to 20 in the contests to date.

EKU, on the otherhand, is as powerful as ever and should have no problems, even though an upset would be nice for the Raiders this weekend.

EKU 47 Murray 10

Austin Peay at Morehead

This might actually be a good, bad game.

The Governors are sporting a winless 0-5 mark while Morehead is 2-4.

Both teams have young, raw talent which might make it interesting.

APSU 17 Morehead 24

Tenn. Tech at Western Ky.

Tech has been impressive thusfar sporting a 4-2 record, including a perfect 2-0 OVC slate.

However, things don't look so bright as they have to travel up the road to Western.

The Hilltoppers fell to MTSU earlier in the year and have struggled against some stiff competition since.

Tech has been playing good football, but their opponents have been nowhere close to Western's calibor.

Western 38 Tech 10

Vandy at Auburn

Poor Vanderbilt.

Last weekend they had to feel the wrath of Syracuse, who downed them 49-14. This weekend they have to face a real team.

The 'Dores will hit the road to Alabama and go to Auburn to face the Tigers.

Vanderbilt's struggling squad stands slim chances at even making a game out of this game.

The Tigers are a big favorite in everyone's book. Auburn 55 Vanderbilt 24

Florida at Tennessee

The Vols will have their hands full when the Gators come to Knoxville.

Florida has been playing solid football this season and so has the Big Orange.

Tennessee had a week off after tying Auburn, while Florida rambled past Louisiana State 34-8.

This game has the makings to

be a great one and Tennessee won't make it a blowout. Tennessee 24 Florida 17

Other college picks: Furman 28 Appalachin St. 27 Miami 44 Kansas 10 Notre Dame 55 Air Force 10

Let's take a pick at the NFL this weekend.
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Cleveland 18 New Orleans 7
San Diego 10 NY Jets 21
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The Pacers' leading scorer is wide receiver Robert Thomas, who has five TD's with 26 catches for 373 yards.

In case the Raiders overlook the Pacers and the kicking game becomes a factor, MTSU will send Matt Crews on the field.

Crews leads the Raiders in the scoring department with 33 points. UTM counters with Ross Barnhard who has 29 points.

Crews has hit 6 of 10 field goal attempts while Barnhard has nailed 4 of 7.

Unlike MTSU's defense, which

is led in tackles by the defensive secondary, the Pacers are led by the linemen.

Defensive end Lanarido Perry has 43 tackles while defensive tackle Todd White has made 41 stops.

MTSU's defense strengthened last week with the return of All-OVC linebacker Anthony Coleman, who sat out the previous three weeks with an injured knee that had been scoped." Linebacker Scott Boykin and free safety Marty Carter lead the Blue Raiders with 59 and 49 tackles respectively.

McLeary has filled the UTM

head coaching position for four years. This will be his first encounter against the Blue Raiders and he isn't exactly thrilled.

"We have to play this game with a lot of spirit," he explained. "I know that Middle has a good football team and we want to make a good showing."

With last weekend's OVC loss, the Raiders will be looking to begin a win-streak that should carry them to the playoffs. To do so, they must begin Saturday.

Kickoff is slated for 1:30 at Horace Jones Field. ■

POLL from page 9

1989 season but Eastern Kentucky is in the lead now. Unfortunately, MTSU appeared to be their only league competition on paper.

The Raiders might move up in the polls if they can mount a win streak that carries throughout the remainder of the season.

Grambling, South West Missouri, and Nevada all have tough schedules ahead of them.

However, Eastern Kentucky, who took over the nation's top billing, have played the toughest half of their schedule.

Unless an upset occurs, the Colonels look to be on their way to holding that ranking. Their toughest opponent appears to be Marshall, who upended nationally ranked Furman earlier in the season. They will face them on November 10.

The rankings are important in the fact that they play a role in who hosts playoff games and who hits the road.

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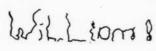
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by Will Osborne and Philip Mishello



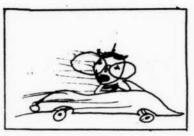














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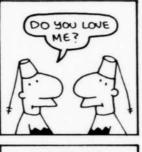


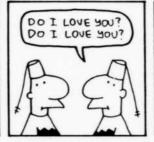


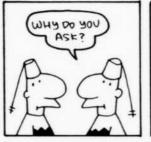




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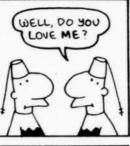


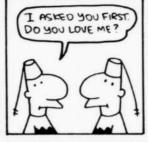


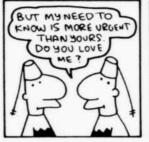


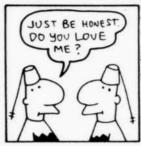


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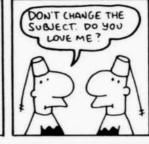


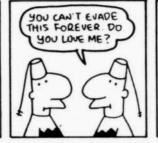




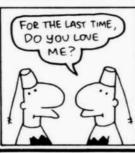




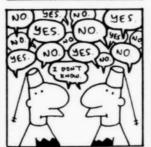


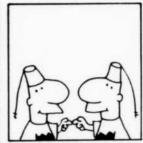












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