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PETITION SEEKS 2 DAYS

HOUSE MOVES ON DIXIE

Proposals Amended; One Step From Bill

By David Page

The House of Representatives voted Thurs., Dec. 5, to change three of five proposals in the committee report on the use of the Confederate Flag the Confederate soldier, the playing of "Dixie" at school functions, and the use of Nathan Bedford Forrest as the school symbol.

The committee report, as amended by the House, is as follows:

(1) Either the old MTSU fight song be played more often by the Band of Blue at athletic competitions or preferably that a new fight song be written, either by someone in the music department or a professional

(2) "Dixie" not be banned at athletic competitions, but used in an inferior position to the MTSU fight song.

(3) The name "Blue Raiders" remain as the school symbol.

(4) A mascot, an animal similar to the mascots of other schools be used. This mascot will be chosen from suggestions turned in by the student body;

(5) The Confederate Flag not be banned at athletic competitions; however, that an MTSU flag be designed and put on sale in the bookstore.

The House changed proposals three, four and five. The original committee proposals read as follows:

(3) The name "Blue Raiders" remain as the school symbol, but that the soldier in the gray uniform not appear at school functions in the future;

(4) In place of this mascot an animal similar to the mascots of other universities be used. This mascot be chosen from suggestions turned in by the student body; and

(5) The Confederate Flag not be banned at athletic competitions; however, that an MTSU flag be designed and put on sale in the bookstore, and that its use be encouraged in place of the Confederate Flag at school functions. Further more, that persons representing the University not be allowed to display the Confederate Flag when serving in such a capacity, as the Confederate Flag is not a part of the University.

Proposals 3 and 4 were amended despite the efforts of Syl-

vester Brooks, Young Democrats representative, who stated that the use of the soldier in the gray uniform and Nathan Bedford Forrest must be done away with at MTSU.

Brooks brought the issue to the attention of the MTSU student body by the Open Column, "Dixie: What Does It Mean" in the Oct. 21 issue of the Sidelines. The student newspaper then gave full page coverage in the next three consecutive editions, presenting student viewpoints on both sides of the issue.

Clay Holloway, T Club representative and House pro-tempore, told the House that he saw no reason for committees being formed in the first place and that the entire situation should be put back in its proper perspective.

After Holloway had finished, he invited Brooks or anyone else present to speak on the side of doing away with the items in question.

Brooks declined to respond, saying that he did not know that anyone was going to speak and that he did not have a speech prepared as Holloway did.

After the reading of the proposal, questions were raised as to how well known the MTSU fight song is to the students.

Lee Webb, CUBE representative and chairman of the committee, defended his report by stating that the committee members preferred that a new fight song be written such as that used by Georgia Tech.

Other discussion was on the use of the soldier in the gray uniform and Forrest.

Holloway responded to this discussion by saying that if these symbols are discarded the southern heritage of MTSU will also be discarded.

The proposals, along with the added suggestion of the House, will now be sent back into the committee. The committee will request them in the form of a resolution to be voted on by the House and, if passed, presented to Pres. Scarlett for consideration.

The members of the committee are: Dave Webber, Newman Club; William Phillips,

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What's Up

Monday, Dec. 9

4:00 Alpha Delta Pi--
UC 324

5:00 ISC--UC 322A
Fellowship Club--
UC 312

6:00 MTSU Acc't Society
Banquet--Dining
Room B

6:30 Freshman Class--
UC Theater
Home Economics
Club--Home Ec.
Building 200
Tri Beta--NS

7:00 Sigma Club--UC312
Student Nurses--
UC 310
NCAS--Vus. 102

8:00 "Little Me" DA
Arena

Tuesday, Dec. 10

5:00 Art Club--UC 324
Triton Club--Pool

6:00 AD Pi UC 324

6:30 Senate--UC 308
Circle K--UC 322
Blue Raider Sports
Car Club UC 310
7:00 Spelunkers--OS 32
Weight-Lifting Show
--Gym
NEA--UC 324

7:30 IFC--UC 312
AAUP and Faculty

Senate--DA Thea.
"Little Me"--DA
Theater
Arena
International Relations--UC 308

Wednesday Dec. 11

10:00 Dame's Club Brunch--Tenn. Room

6:00 Kappa Epsilon
UC 322A
Church of Christ
--SUB 304
Cumberland Presbyterian Group
UC 310
Nazarene Group--
UC 312

7:00
7:00 Phi Theta Psi--
UC 324
Supreme Court--
UC 312

8:00 "Little Me"--
DA Arena

Over 2000 Support Freshman's Suggestion

By Bobby Sands

A petition originated by Pete Toggerson, Ann Arbor, Mich. freshman, is now circulating over the MTSU campus. This petition requests the administration to extend the Christmas holidays from the present return to classes date of Thursday January 2 to Monday January 6.

Toggerson said he decided to begin the petition on December 4 after talking with other students and hearing wide-spread dissatisfaction over the date announced to return to classes.

Toggerson said the reception given the petition and the support it has generated has been tremendous. He went on to say that the petition got a big boost after the university center director, Dallas Biggers, gave him permission to display a sign concerning the petition and set up a table where students could sign the petition.

By Friday afternoon Toggerson said the petition had been signed by over 2000 persons.

Dave Weber, Nashville junior and House member, is preparing a resolution to be presented to both houses of the

ASB concerning this issue, on December 12. Toggerson said if the ASB won't take action or consider the pleas of their fellow students, the only recourse that those who support the extension of the holidays would be to present the petition to the administration directly and by-pass the ASB.

Toggerson expressed hope that the ASB would take a stance backing the plea of the petition to enhance the chances of favorable action by the administration.

Toggerson had this to say concerning the support for the petition, "It is good to see the students of MTSU get off their collective duffs and unite together to advance their own interests."

As of Sunday night the petition had the signatures of more than 2,100 students. Toggerson said the petition will remain in the UC for students who wish to sign it.

The following is the context

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'Little Me' Presented



Neal Simon's musical extravaganza, "Little Me" opens tonight in the arena theatre of the Dramatic Arts Building. Curtain time is 8 p.m. The show, starring John Gilpin, Smyra senior, and Phyllis Murphy, Murfreesboro senior, will run through Dec. 19.

Applications Sought For Spring Editor

Applications are now being accepted for SIDELINES editor and business manager for the spring semester, 1969, according to David Mathis, Sidelines editor-in-chief.

These two top positions on the biweekly student newspaper staff are open for appointment at the January publications board meeting. The present positions are held by Mathis, Humboldt senior, and Colleen Powell, Murfreesboro senior, who were selected in January, 1968 to serve the one year terms.

According to the present statutes of the publications committee, any second semester sophomore is eligible to apply for the editorship, whereas first semester status is required to hold the position of business manager.

Students should indicate their interest in one of the journalistic positions by (1) presenting a letter to J. M. Windhauser, advisor to the SIDELINES, box 42 campus mail and (2) filling out an application form that can be obtained in the newspaper's office, SUB 100. Final deadline is set for January 8, but applicants are urged to submit the

required forms as soon as possible.

All applicants will be individually interviewed before the publications committee after January 8. The new appointees will assume the publication responsibilities with the beginning of the spring semester.

The new editor will select the managing editors and, with their assistance, the other major positions of news, feature, sports and copy editors will be chosen. Likewise, the new business manager will name major staff members on the business staff. All these positions will also be open and application form should be obtained and turned into Windhauser by Jan. 8.

The nine member publications committee is composed of four students and five faculty members. The student members include Lynn Small, MIDLANDER editor, Jim Free, ASB president, Miss Powell, and Mathis.

Dr. Gregg Coleman, of the English Department, serves as chairman. Other Faculty representatives are Dalton Drennan, Mrs. Myla Parson, Dr. Homer Pittard, Hans Mueller, and Dr. Tom Van Dervort.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"HEY, FELLAS, I THINK I'VE FOUND ANOTHER SPECIMEN."

'Little International' Holds Second Meet

The Block and Bridle Club held its second annual Little International Thursday afternoon.

Jim Malone, president of the club, said about 250 students attended the event in the cattle barn on the eastern edge of the campus. Billy Joe Wiley was planning chairman, and Clay Wilson was the ham chairman.

The Little International consists of fraternity and sorority contests and a cattle showmanship contest. The showmanship contest is held in connection with Dr. Garrigus' livestock management class. The students gained experience in showing and training livestock.

Bill Cannon, Nashville freshman, won first place in the cat. The Tennessee Hereford Association presented Cannon with a permanent trophy. His name will be engraved on the showmanship trophy which will remain in the Agriculture Building.

Kappa Sigma won the Fraternity division championship for the second consecutive year.

The fraternity division events were the goat catching contest, the greased pig contest and the tug-of-war.

Chi Omega Colony won the sorority division champion. The girls events were goat milking

contest and a greased pig contest. The Chi O's also won both events.

A ham contest and sale was also held during the Little International, with area farmers entering their hams.

The winners were first place John Conger, Fayetteville, second place Sam Winters, Clarksville and third place John Winters, Clarksville.

The top ham sold to A. C. Luther of Fort Worth, Texas for \$2.75 a pound, the hams were judged by Dr. York Varney a meat specialist from the University of Kentucky extension service.

Peace Corps Enters Congo

WASHINGTON—The Peace Corps has been invited to send Volunteers to the Congo, Peace Corps Director Jack Vaughn announced this week.

The Congo becomes the 61st country in the developing world in which the Peace Corps is involved in programs to serve. Twenty four are in Africa.

Earlier this week Vaughn said the Peace Corps had agreed to return to Guinea.

Need for Effective Courses: Scarlett

"Are students being properly prepared for the future?" This is the question President Scarlett asked an audience at Paradox 216, a coffeehouse sponsored by the Wesley Foundation. Scarlett spoke Friday night to an audience of students and Faculty members.

Scarlett referred to a speech to faculty members in which he stated that many courses now taught lack relevance to students. "While I am not commenting on specific programs and instructors, I feel that many courses are not effective."

Scarlett stated that he hoped to establish a continuing dialogue among students, faculty and administration about relevance and effectiveness in college programming.

"Instructors deliver almost the same lecture composed only of facts many times. Yet, there is more to education than the assimilation of facts. In view of today's swiftly increasing body of knowledge, perhaps the teaching program should be overhauled to prepare today's students for tomorrow's world," he said.

Scarlett spoke of a recent trip to Oklahoma in which the structures there were studied in view of a proposed classroom complex to be built on this campus. According to Scarlett these classroom buildings, should be equipped to use all the electronic teaching aid now available.

In a question and answer period following his speech, Scarlett elaborated on this classroom complex. "The instructor would tape his lectures and the students could play and replay. This would probably permit the instructor to deliver a better lecture and would free him to meet individually with small groups of students."

"The initial cost of such a building would be great but the operating cost would not be as much. We must stop building buildings for 30 years ago and build them for 30 years from now."

Another question dealt with the possible response to the recent petition concerning Christmas vacation. Scarlett replied that while he had no facts on either the petition or the related state requirements, the proposal would receive serious consideration and a change is not impossible. He invited the questioning student, Vic McMaulley, Murfreesboro junior to "come by my office Monday morning and talk to me about it."

Scarlett also answered questions on requiring certain courses, declaring a major during the freshman year, and restrictions on students.

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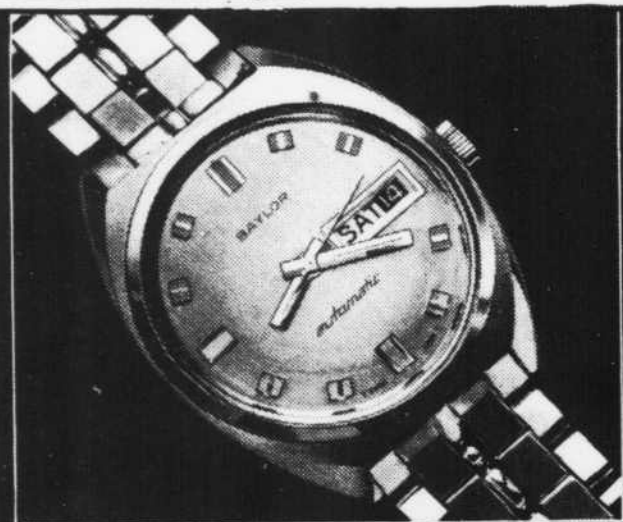
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Computer Begins Library Holdings

The computer center announced last week that it has begun work in the area of library holdings. Library files will be formed and maintained for most of the departments on campus.

Research has now been started on this program, and information is being collected in the computer center.



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White Finds Corps Life Rewarding

By Wanda Ensor

A former MTSU student was back on campus last week in a new capacity--as a recruiter for the U. S. Marine Corps.

Linda C. White, an MTSU English major who graduated last May and received her commission on the same day, is now serving as a Second Lieutenant with the Corps. The sparkling, blue eyed blond describes her job as "a kind of combination of everything--if you like people, there's really no better job!"

Linda who has signed up for three years service, believes that everybody--women included owes something to his country, especially in times of national stress. "After all," she explained, "we were able to get our education because someone was out there protecting the country. I feel that each person has a debt of service to the nation."

Her choice of the Marine Corps was made, she said, because of the fantastic spirit of the corps. The old saying "once a Marine, always a Marine" isn't a cliché to those in the Corps, Linda has found. It is a very firm truism.

Linda loves her work, especially because it affords her an opportunity to work with other young people. There aren't many Woman Marine officers, she remarked, only about 200. And there are between 3000 and 4000 enlisted women. "This places a great deal of responsibility on the women officers," Linda admits, "but the work is also very rewarding. It really helps you grow up in a short time."

Here to discuss her branch of the service with interested students, Linda is herself very impressed with the opportunities and the benefits one can gain from the service. "The reward is really an intangible sort of thing," Linda described. "It's a people-to-people relationship that you can find in no other type of job. When you have an honest pride in yourself, in your Corps, and in your country, there's not much that "There aren't many real Americans left," Linda feels, "but you can find plenty in the Marines."

She was also a very active MTSU student, serving as vice-president of the ASB, Speaker of the Senate, and a member of the Band of Blue. Sitting at her recruiting table on the first floor of the University Center, Linda smiled that this assignment was more like a reunion than anything else. Indeed, she has left many lasting friendships here, and a constant line of friends filed by to offer congratulations and to discuss former times.

The students here have been receptive to her descriptions of the Marines, Linda informed. By Tuesday afternoon, four boys and two girls had expressed interest in joining that branch of the service. Linda was particularly pleased that one of the young ladies was a Negro, because "we need able young Negroes and are encouraging their participation in the

Linda, who has been in the Woman Marines less than a year, has already been on three bases and has many friendships at each one. She spent nine weeks in Officer Candidate School and nine weeks in basic school, where she was instructed in law, administration, national defense, leadership, current events, and foreign affairs. She will report for her next

assignment in about two weeks, after visiting other college campuses as a temporary recruiter. Linda hopes to take over duties as executive officer of the Woman Marine Company at the Marine Corps Air Station in Cherry Point, N. C.

Service to the country seems to run in the White family. Linda proudly explained that her father, Ralph J. White, is one of four Americans to be awarded the Department of Defense Civilian award for service in Vietnam. This honor was awarded because of his work with the Army-Air Force Exchange Service there.

Assumption of her loyalty to the service may be found in the Marine's Creed, Linda explained. The creed reads: "It is my destiny to serve in obscurity most of my life awaiting a crisis that may never occur. It is my trust to know the solution if the crisis does occur. It is my duty to continually give all that I have for my country and my Corps."

Linda isn't sure yet whether she'll renew her tour of duty at the end of her enlistment. But for the coming three years, she says, the work is "absolutely fantastic!" And besides, she reminds the coeds who are prospective Woman Marines the ratio of men to women on any base are at least 15 to 1!

Petition...

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Math Club Mike Jean, Rifle Club; Helen Mason, SNEA; Jeanee Seals, Kappa Omicron Phi; Susan Smith, Wesley Foundation Gary Smith, Circle K; Webb and Brooks.

Other business included:

The next meeting of the House will be a joint meeting on Dec. 2. This meeting has been called in order to discuss a possible change in the date to return after the Christmas holidays.

The House also heard a report on the proposed change in the grading system by Layman Moyers, instructor in the education department.

After hearing Moyers, the House voted to prepare a resolution in support of Moyers' proposed grading system.

Priscilla Owen, Old Hickory senior, presented a proposal concerning the election of senior superlatives. The proposal was put in a committee to be written as a bill.

At the end of the meeting, Speaker of the House, Pat O'Neal, read sections of the editorial in the Sidelines on Dec. 5. O'Neal said that the article "slices the ASB into pieces." He added that he hoped that the House could do something to change this opinion.



Linda White (USMC): "There's no better job!"

'Dixie Issue...

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of the petition originated by Toggerson.

The following signees do hereby request the administration of Middle Tennessee University to consider the following course of action in the up-coming Christmas vacation:

1. Classes shall resume on Monday January 6, 1969 instead of Thursday the second.

2. If the administration should deem it necessary, they would be obligated to provide extra days of classes to replace the two lost through this change.

3. The ASB would be made responsible for notifying the students of any change in the vacation period.

The following are the "listed" reasons for the above mentioned change:

1. It would allow for reduced traveling time for students returning home on Saturday January 4; The heavy traffic loads on the highways immediately after new year's is very dangerous.

2. Students living a greater distance would be able to enjoy four extra days with their families.

3. Vacation time would be the same as that of other colleges in this area.

4. Students, faculty, and staff would be able to enjoy a longer vacation with its many advantages.

Scarlett To Name Ad Hoc Committee

President M. G. Scarlett is expected to name an ad hoc study committee this week in an attempt to find where the weaknesses lie in MTSU's system of public programming.

Jim Free, ASB president, said Friday that Scarlett was requested last week to take such an action.

The request came, Free said, after a meeting of the school's three public programming groups: the faculty social committee, the Public Programs committee, and the ASB social committee.

"During that meeting, it got to the point where each committee was pointing to another, and we were getting nowhere in trying to find out who is at fault," Free said.

"Then we agreed to request that Dr. Scarlett set up an ad hoc committee to find out exactly what needs to be done to resolve the situation," he added.

It could not be learned Friday who will be named to the committee, but reliable sources claimed that the study unit will have a majority of students and only a handful of faculty members.

Tritons Emphasize Christmas Season

The final showing of the Triton Club production of "Winter Wonderland" was presented Friday night in the university swimming pool.

Highlighting the show was a six-couple number, "White Christmas," choreographed by Mike Putnam, Chattanooga sophomore.

Members of the campus swimming club presented fifteen acts, each choreographed by the students to Christmas music.

Among those acts executed were "Deck the Halls," "I'll Be Home For Christmas," "Drummer Boy," "Jingle Bell Rock," and "Season's Greetings From all the Triton Club Members," which closed the show.

The Dec. 6 show marked several firsts for the Triton Club, according to Mrs. David Buttross, sponsor.

This year's expansion to two performances, the first on Dec. 3, was a result of the "successfulness of last year's production," Mrs. Buttross said.

The programs will also become semi-annual beginning this year. Plans for the spring production, which will consist

of a medley of tunes, are scheduled to begin in January.

A theme has not yet been decided upon, but no seasonal theme is expected, according to Mrs. Buttross.

This year's show was also the first winter performance by the club, those in previous years always having been in April.

"There were many students who swam for the first time in this performance, and will be more experienced for the next one," she explained, "so the next production should be even better than this one."

The show was produced entirely by the students, under the direction of Mrs. Buttross.

O'Neil Speaks To Pre-Law Group

Henry O'Neil, city manager for American Airlines in Nashville, will speak to the Pre-Law Society at 10:40 a.m. Dec. 19, in room 326 of Old Main. O'Neil will discuss the airline industry, with special emphasis on corporate life. His talk should be of interest to anyone planning to go to law school or enter into the business field.

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As I See It

By David Mathis Editor-in-chief

Would you call it joining the bandwagon of evident opinions or finally finding a subject safe enough on which to editorialize? At any rate, my topic of discussion in the December 5 writing of "As I See It" was (for once) well received as a popular subject.

I chose to write a few personal statements on holiday assignments, tests before final exams, final exams after the holidays, and a general criticism of the entire antiquated semester system. One gripe I issued with little opposition, was the rather pointless tradition of MTSU students treading back to this institution on New Year's Day to begin their January 2 and 3 classes--on Thursday and Friday no less. Why not wait until Monday, January 6 to begin the last two ridiculous weeks of classes before we cram for exams?

In the past we have run editorials urging dissatisfied students to do something constructive about their complaints and stop sitting around issuing destructive "suggestions" to persons who can do nothing or who won't do anything about them.

In the realm of student proposals, we have recently witnessed a petition that has attracted a great deal of support. It involves our coming back on January 6.

This lengthy list of supporters will be submitted to President Scarlett for consideration and hopefully, a favorable acknowledgment releasing the student body of a needless two days of learning. The only possible and reasonable explanation that we do not receive a positive response to this suggestion is that the schedule of classes is established and controlled by the State Board of Education.

Another advantage of this petition is that we can see our student government in action--in a joint session of the ASB House of Representatives and Senate. These two governing bodies will prepare a resolution to present to the university's administration to encourage our two days of freedom.

So, we see in the final analysis that our student body is not divided, but on the contrary will join together under true pressure. Surely there is no greater problem on this campus than missing two days of classes. But, we all realize there are other problems, but none that is completely agreeable with everyone.

What Kind Of World?

By Robert M. Hutchins

Times have changed since I became a university president 40 years ago. Who would have thought even a few years ago that black students would now be demanding segregation?

Who would have imagined in the '50s that in the '60s we would be longing for students who were apathetic and interested only in extracurricular activities? Now dreams of Max Berbohn's Judas College at Oxford float through our minds. There all the students committed suicide for the love of Zuleika Dobson, and the professors finally had the kind of college they wanted. They were conscious only of an "agreeable hush."

In California a dean I know is working out a plan for giving all instruction by computer and putting a console in every home. In this way the students will get their education by remote control, and never be seen or heard on the campus, which will, in fact, be sold off as it becomes obsolete. I hear they are thinking of naming the computer Zuleika.

No plans have been formulated, so far as I know, even in California, for recapturing the attention, or even the presence, of professors whose natural and laudable cantankerousness has been raised to new heights by foundation grants, consultantships and the general conviction that through their esoteric labors the prosperity and power of the nation are somehow guaranteed.

Nor does anybody seem to know how to moderate the passions of big government and big business, who in my day left the university to starve and who now clasp it to their bosom in an embrace that sometimes seems suffocating.

There can be no doubt that an era ended with the last war. Until that time Cardinal Newman could more or less make good his claim against the demands of the industrial state that a uni-

versity is, according to the usual designation, an alma mater, knowing her children one by one, not a foundry or a treadmill or a mint. Now everybody agrees that a university must "serve" the community.

No doubt every institution in society must serve society. Otherwise it will not last very long. But the question is: what is the special, peculiar, unique service a university can render? How many different kinds of service can a university render without ceasing to be one, or without becoming incapable of rendering the special, peculiar, unique service it could offer? If a university is expected to meet every need, respond to every demand and yield to every pressure, how

does it avoid becoming totally other-directed? What, then, is its claim to that freedom traditionally called academic? If it may properly respond to some demands and reject others, what is the standard of acceptance or rejection it should apply?

Obviously, the ordinary test of action, the test of purpose, is meaningless if the university's purpose is to do whatever the society wants. Yet we all have a vague feeling, even yet, that there are some things a university ought not to do and some things it cannot do without ceasing to be a university.

There can be no objection to a community's setting up of institutions to reflect what it thinks it wants at any given time. What it wants it should, or at any rate it will, try to get. The university, I suggest, is the institution that preforms its highest, its unique, service to society by declining to do what the society thinks it wants, by refusing to be useful, in the common acceptance of that word, and by insisting instead that its task in understanding and criticism. It is a center of independent thought.



"LET'S QUIT FARMING AND TAKE UP MINING."

Problems And Answers

ASB Much More Than Booking Agency, Mr. Editor

To The Editor:

After reading your editorial of Dec. 5, 1968 "Must They Stand and Wait", I asked myself: Just what does the ASB do with its time?

First, let me say that I agree wholeheartedly with your backing the proposal of the University Center Board. Relieving the ASB of the task of supplying Big Name Entertainment would definitely give student government a chance to perform the functions of aiding the students in a more direct way.

Your article grossly misrepresents the present functions and actions of student government on our campus.

By working with the administration during the past summer the ASB helped get a few changes in the co-ed rules. It was through the ASB in coordinated efforts with the AA UP, that the statement on Students' Rights and Responsibilities was drafted. This statement is in the Congress now, under careful study by our student senators, who are ironing out flaws in the original

proposal.

It is the ASB which, at the present time, is promoting MTSU by sponsoring Student Ambassador programs to such cities as Chattanooga and Columbia.

The ASB took the initiative to study our "Dixie problem". It was the ASB leaders who at Camp Hy-Lake, unanimously passed a proposal to encourage the history department to offer courses in Afro-American history.

It is the ASB that worked with the Public Program Committee to bring Rep. Gerald Ford to our campus instead of such people as Jack and Sally Jenkins who "entertained" us last year.

The ASB does much more than act as a booking agent, Mr. Editor.

Some of our "old regime" administrators are very much satisfied with the ASB spending all its time on entertainment. If the UC Board were set up, the ASB would have more time to do things that will help the students, ASB could concentrate on student freedom, the co-ed rules, etc. if it had more time.

This scares some of the old

conservatives, they don't want us to study student problems, because that means headaches for them. Maybe a few headaches wouldn't hurt some of these people, it could make them forget the pains they receive sitting on their "other" ends, while the students are "jailed" by many of their senseless rules.

Cliff Gillespie
ASB Election Commissioner

Free Supports Recent Words

To the editor:

In your last publication of the SIDELINES, your editorial voiced my opinion completely. The student government at a university the size of MTSU has far too many governmental responsibilities to be burdened with such a time consuming activity as that of programing big name entertainment.

This job should be given to a student committee that deals exclusively in this area, and one that is adequately budgeted.

In a rapidly changing university such as ours, the problem of student rights and academic freedom should--and could take all the time of the student government personnel. I hope a change in the present system will, as your editorial said, no longer make the ASB stand and wait.

Jim Free
ASB president

The ASB Conflict Of Interests With Student Programming

In view of the public criticisms leveled here last week at the administering of an entertainment policy, it could be helpful, perhaps, to make a certain comparison.

One can suppose that there are two spheres of ASB interest: the student government, which is its justification, and the other affairs, which include entertainment for the people.

An Opinion

The last two ASB administrations based their operations, and realized their successes, in either of the two spheres. Compare the two.

Bill Boner of two years ago is remembered as being outstandingly popular, and part of that public affection is due to his success in supplying the campus with true "big name" entertainment. Boner booked the Beach Boys, The Supremes, The Lettermen and the Righteous Brothers. He is remembered.

Last year's Paul Womack excelled in the other sphere: student governmental administration. It was under Womack

that the campus received the Statement on Student Rights, Freedoms and Responsibilities, and other legislation. And he too is remembered by at least those who worked with him.

In both cases, it may be remembered that each man effected popular, as well as significant change. But what is significant in the comparison is that neither succeeded in producing a totally well-rounded administration.

Boner effected little important student legislation. There was a cheerleading bill at the end of his term. And Womack lacked in another field. There were Josh White Jr. and Jack and Sally Jenkins.

Consider this comparison, and then consider the "double-effort" being waged by James Carlton Free.

Boner and Womack resided in two different administrative camps which required a full-time devotion, and in their own ways, both were successful. But since it is the ethic of Jim Free to attempt excellence in every phase of campus life, he is not succeeding. The reason is that he has chosen not one or the other, but both

One cannot be in two places at the same time, lest one finds himself in neither.

There is here, perhaps, a hint of a conflict of interests. The frictions have been kept at a low pitch, however, for most of the past four months.

Now there are faint but gathering cries from the people, both faculty and student, who bring charges and a challenge

The responsibility of pleasing a student body with commercial entertainment must be lifted from the shoulders of the student government leaders, because it is becoming the albatross around the neck of the Associated Student Body.

No attempt is being made here to determine, or imply, whether entertainment is more important to college life than is student government. That, in itself, is an interesting question, but it's not the intent here.

The creation of a University Center Board is at best the way to distribute the necessary responsibility into freer hands, and at worst, it is a step in the right direction

Our Man Hoppe

By Arthur Hoppe

Once upon a time in the country called Wonderfuland, the President stopped the war.

The war had been going on for as long as anyone could remember against the Dread Red Gooks in a little jungle country far, far away. And the President stopped it, he said, so he could talk to the Dread Red Gooks about peace.

This made everybody happy. For everybody was sick and tired of the boring old war. They were sick and tired of draft protests, soaring taxes and reading the same story every day about "Kill 42 Reds Near Cao Dung."

"Of course," the President ominously warned the enemy, "if you don't talk about peace in an enthusiastically peaceful fashion, I'll start the war up all over again."

Well, the Dread Red Gooks were stubborn. And the Loyal Royal Allies were uppity. And the peace talks never did seem to get anywhere.

Finally, the President got so mad that he pushed a button and said, "Start the war up all over again."

"Do we have to?" said the Generals. "The terrain proved unsuitable the first time for brilliant tactical maneuvers that will bring us honor and glory."

"Do we have to?" said the Privates. "We already fought it once and we didn't like it much the first time around."

"Frankly," said the television networks, "we did every conceivable story on our fighting men the first time they fought this war. And re-runs are very bad for the ratings."

"More taxes," cried the civilians. "Who wants to pay to sit through a long, dull war that was a bore the first time he sat through it?"

So all of Wonderfuland muttered and grumbled. Indeed, the whole country seemed on the verge of revolting against the idea of starting up the dumb, stupid war all over again.

The pacifists were delighted. "At last," they said, "after millions of years of slaughter, mankind has realized the futility and stupidity of war. We shall now have peace and brotherhood forever."

But the President was alarmed. "Something must be done to unify the country. Chaos threatens when a President can't start up a war when he wants to. And that's odd, because it was easy enough to start up the first time around."

He thought about that. And then he had a marvelous idea. He forgot the Dread Red Gooks and started up a war instead with the Mean Green Greepies in a little desert country far, far away in another direction.

Oh, how Wonderfuland was united. The Generals said excitedly that the terrain showed "great promise."

The Privates said excitedly that "it was sure swell to get out of the jungle." The civilians excitedly bought all new war maps and contributed tin cans and lard to defeat the Mean Green Greepie menace.

And all of Wonderfuland, flags flying, drums beating, trumpets trumpeting, marched bravely off shoulder to shoulder to this wonderful new war.

Moral: Mankind often gets tired of war. But just the old ones.

Senator's Notebook

By Everett M. Dirksen

In an earlier column on the question of President-elect Richard Nixon and what he can expect from Congress, I cited his views on matters such as appropriations and the multi-lateral nuclear treaty; and I wrote that it should not be too difficult to reach an accord with the Congress wherever necessary.

Now let's look at other areas of legislative activity that will arise in the course of the 91st Congress.

There is, for example, the question of the policy of foreign aid which the United States has been pursuing for 24 years and on which we have spent, in round figures, about \$150 billion. For the fiscal year 1969, which began on July 1, 1968, the Congress appropriated the smallest sum ever for foreign aid. The implications of that action must be quite clear.

Congress believes that foreign aid should taper off sharply and finally be reduced to a to-

ken amount. Moreover, we have helped nations from whom we have received little or no real co-operation, and Congress, under such circumstances, has certainly been restive about all foreign aid.

There is every reason to believe that President-elect Nixon is rather pragmatic about all this and that he has his feet on the ground, as usual. Certainly, he and the Congress can find much common ground in the field of foreign aid.

One issue of a controversial nature will be that of foreign trade. Our imports of meat--especially beef--dairy products, steel and textiles have taken a substantial share of the American market, and all signs indicate that these imports will increase.

Actually, if import and export values are calculated on the same basis, which is either FOB or CIF--cartage, insurance and freight--it is necessary to add 10% to the value of imports to ascertain their true value. If that is done, we

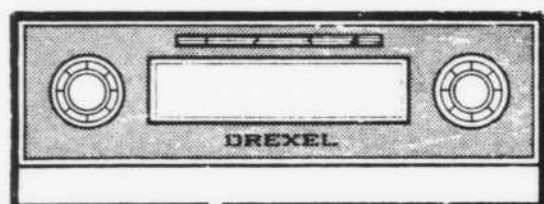
will find that we actually have a deficit in our trade balance, and that becomes a considerable complication. The U.S. Tariff Commission can verify the accuracy of that statement.

What complicates this matter, and what will continue to complicate it, is that American workers are becoming sharply conscious of the number of jobs that are displaced by the surging increase of imports, and, through the various labor organizations, the workers are about to make a real issue of it.

In view of the low wage rates in other countries, surely a voluntary approach can be found which will be fair to all and which will not invite the imposition of quotas. Quotas can only mean retaliation by other nations, and they can become the road to misunderstanding.

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MTSU TOPS BETHEL, MARTIN

Raiders Tame

Wildcats, 101-83

By Gary Davenport

Showing the finesse of the Globetrotters, the Raiders rolled over Bethel College, coming into the game with a 4-1 record, 101-83 before a capacity crowd.

MTSU was never in any real trouble as they upped their

record to 3-0 and broke the century mark for the second time this year. With the score deadlocked at 12-12, Booker Brown hit a bucket and a foul shot, Willie Brown sank two from the charity line, and Tom Brown sank a bucket from the head of the circle to move them into a lead which they never relinquished.

The big gun for the Raiders was Willie Brown, defending OVC scoring leader, with 26 points on nine field goals and 8 of 12 foul shots. Following Willie Brown was Terry Scott, Cleveland, junior, with 19 points

The magical Tommy Brown tossed in 16 points and delighted the crowd time after time with his behind-the-back passing and between-the-leg dribbling.

A little extra was added to this game that put the pressure on the Raiders. With less than a minute left, MTSU had scored 97 points and amid the chanting of the crowd, "We want a hundred, we want a hundred," Willie Brown headed down the lane with what appeared to be

an easy layup but was fouled. Missing the first shot, Willie Brown calmly sank the last one and further added to the score.

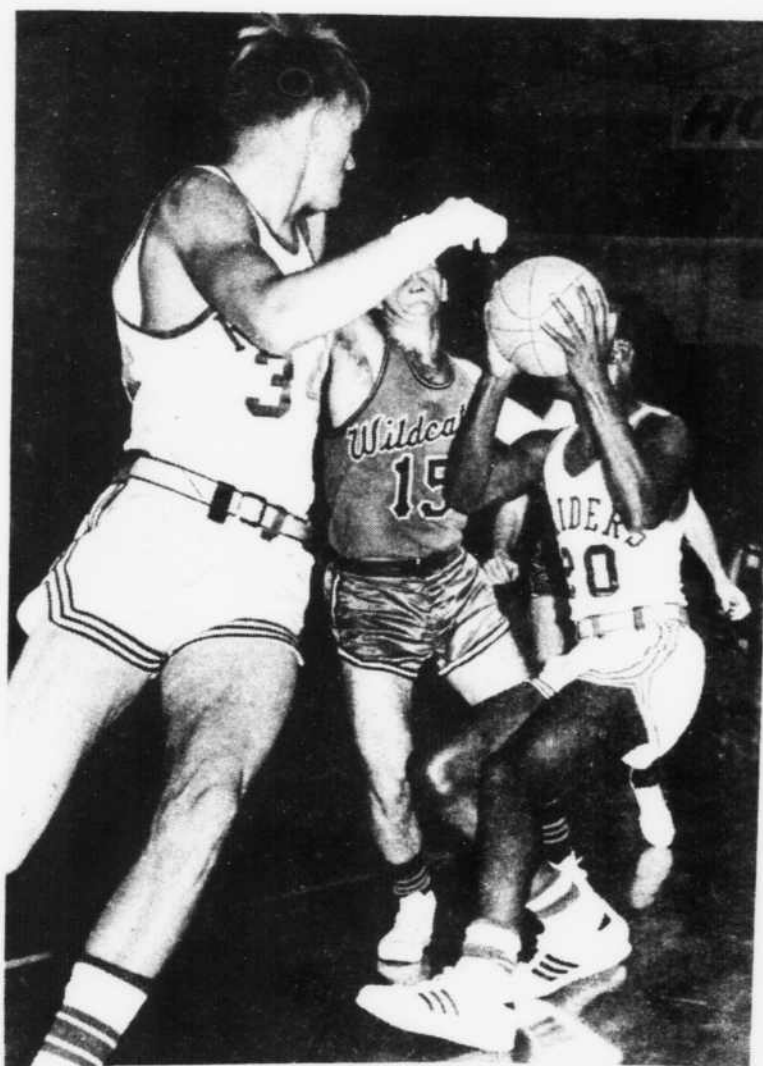
Time was running out and they still didn't have 100 points. Polk added a foul shot and with seven seconds left drove down the sidelines before passing to Cochran, who stuffed in the final points as the buzzer sounded. The Raiders have averaged over a hundred points thus far this season.

In the freshman game, the Baby Blue were never pressed as they won over the Bethel freshman 98-70, behind the 34 of Joe Barclay.

Century Mark Passed Again

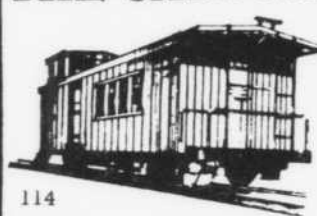
The "Fantastic Five" have done it again.

MTSU reached the century mark the third consecutive time while defeating U.T. Martin 103 to 89 for the Raider's fourth



Tommy Brown, with ball, moves toward the goal in MTSU's 101-83 victory against Bethel. Darryl Benton is number 34 for the Raiders. The Raiders play Bellarmine tonight in Louisville and will meet Belmont Saturday night at home.

THE CABOOSE

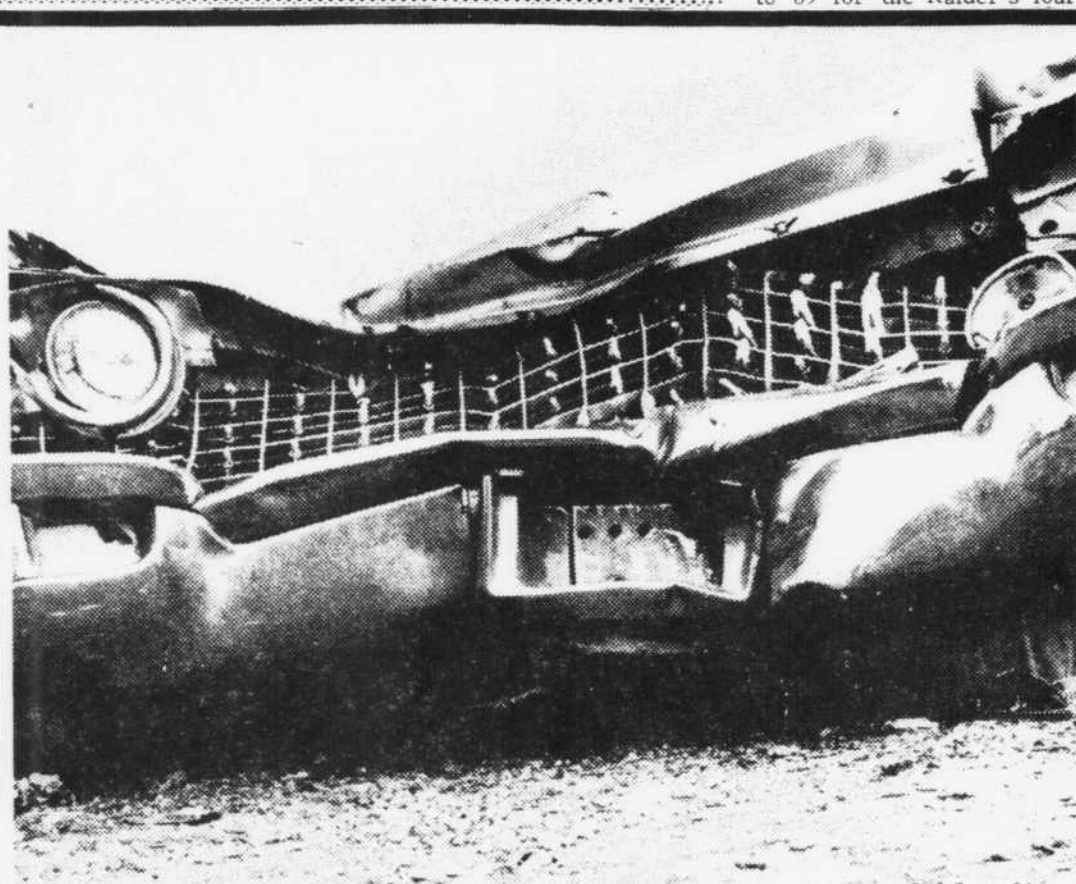


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victory in as many starts.
Booker Brown, 7-0 center
led the Raiders with 28 points
and 29 rebounds. He was aided
by Tommy Brown who scored
22 points, hitting 10 of 14 field.

Last year's OVC scoring
leader, Willie Brown, scored
21 although he had to miss
the last 10 minutes because of
foul trouble.

Forward Art Polk scored 14
while Terry Scott added 13 as
all five starters reached double
figures. Roger Fisher added
five points while replacing Wil-
lie Brown, who was in foul

trouble.

Guard Joe Lowery was the
top scorer for Martin with 29
points while center Mike Ru-
dolphi added 19 for the Vols.

The Raiders held the lead
in rebounds with 70 to 48 for
Martin and also in shooting
as the Raiders hit 43 of 93
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Akron will be previewed in this paper and Louisiana Tech will be previewed in Thursday's paper.

Akron had a very impressive season beating Butler 32-7, Indiana State 41-13, Bradley 27-13, Illinois State 46-0; Youngstown 48-13 and Baldwin-Wallace 59-19. Akron was tied by Western Kentucky 14-14.

Akron has three "Little All Americans." Don Zwislner, Ken Delaney, and Mike Kura.

During the school year, the Zips broke 44 school records. Some of these include longest fumble return, 64 yards by Ken Krummel against Eastern Kentucky; most yardage by reception, 149 yards by Dan Ruff against Illinois State; most passing yardage, 312 yards by Don Zwislner against Youngstown State; and least yards allowed rushing, 16 against Butler.

Akron will be bringing their 125 member band to march at half-time of the game.

The University of Akron has had only one All-American football player in 78 years of the sport on the campus.

So far this season Zwislner has completed 100 passes in 177 attempts for 1561 yards and 11 touchdowns, and run for

four touchdowns.

This versatile young man, 22 years old, is a very consistent punter. He has punted 179 times for a 37.4 yard average.

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The Grantland Rice Bowl has been in Murfreesboro the last three years. If support is not given the game this year, the bowl will be moved elsewhere.

Proceeds from the game will aid the Rutherford County Mental Retardation Association.

Thursday morning at 10:50 in the UC Theater, Paul Messiah, Louisiana Tech, and Ken McDonald, Akron, will show films of both schools teams in action. The films will be free and all interested persons are invited to attend.

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DON ZWISLER
QUARTERBACK

Around The OVC

by Sue Porter

In final OVC football acclaim, Murray States' Quarterback, Larry Tillman, who threw 25 touchdown passes for the '68 season was the conference's leading offense and passing player of the year.

Tillman completed 162 out of 307 passes and had 17 intercepted.

Larry Schreiber, Tenn. Tech's junior tailback edged out Louis Rogan, Morehead's ace for the individual rushing crown. Schreiber carried the ball 286 times for 1251 yards and Rogan had 1,125 yards with 278 tries.

Austin Peays' Harold Roberts was the top pass receiver, catching 63 aerials for 900 yards and 8 touchdowns.

Billy Hess, Murray, had the most touchdowns, 13 for 78 points.

In team stats, Murray averaged 394.8 yards a game total offense. The Racers averaged 243.3 yards passing to lead that department. Western Kentucky was the No. 1 rushing team with 199.8 yards a game. Western also was tops in defense only giving up 206.7 yards a game.

Middle Tennessee's Ron Taylor, was top punter with a 41.9 yard average.

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Twentieth Century Marks New Renaissance In Female Fashions

By Jenny Tenpenny

In a jeweled coat made of velvet, she radiates peace. In tweeds and plaids, she flings ideas at her classroom instructors. In a silver pants-suit and beggar beads, she anticipates tomorrow's trip to the moon. With a stubborn honesty and a touch of skepticism, she looks out upon the world and chooses her purpose. Now she is bold, now she is shy, and sometimes she may be extreme. She and her society would both do well to have patience. She is unique, yet not so unique. As there was a Renaissance of the minds of men five hundred years ago, the twentieth century is the Renaissance of the girl, and she is reaching for something beautiful.

The Renaissance of girls has brought a new freedom in fashion and the MTSU co-ed is no less a part of this age than the Radcliff or Branard girl. Whether she is decidedly sophisticated, of free, honest, and gallant, or soft and romantic. The MTSU girl can utilize the new Renaissance look to fit any

type or mood. The looks of the Renaissance are many.

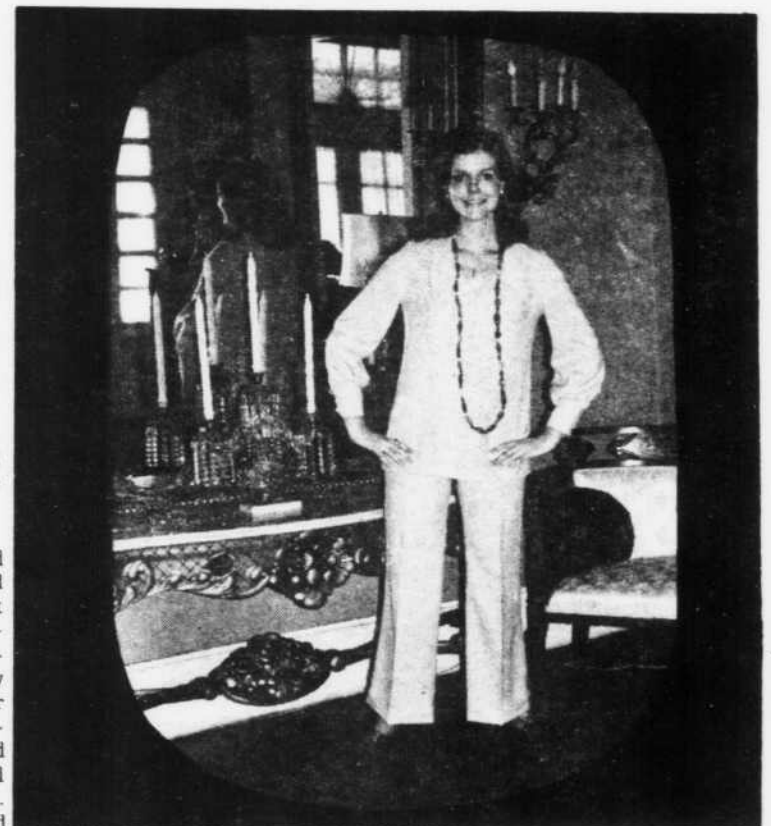
Hemlines are both high and low. With a hint of the Bolshevik era in Russia, maxi-length skirts are best accented with heavy textured stockings and boots. Legs are never bare, especially in short dresses. To complete the Bonnie and Clyde

look and to add a touch of innocence, wear softly, patterned stockings or colored opaque hose. The shoes are chunkier at the heel and toe. The look is what ever you make it.

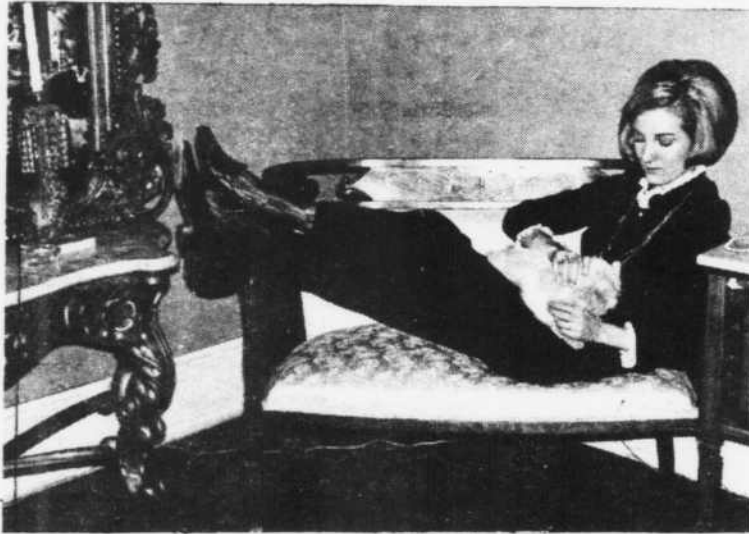
Pants are the thing. They go with you as you entertain guest, or romping through the woods. Velvets and jewels, or blends and wools, pants fit the mood of every activity. The legs go

wider and the shoe heel goes higher. Blouses feature covered buttons and bulging sleeves. Beads and rings are used in number. For the bold and daring, scarfs are the new accessories. Traditionally used around the neck, scarfs have found new positions around the head in Indian style or around the waist in place of belts.

The Renaissance has not forgotten the traditional minded girl either. Dirndle skirts and Eisenhower jackets are most appropriate with the right accessories. The Renaissance incorporates the look of many influences.--Nehru and the far East, the American Indian, Bolsheviks, Victorian, Bonnie and Clyde, and Tomorrow. This girl is free, and natural--herself. She is searching for peace and beauty within herself and the world. The Renaissance look--the look of you.



Style and sophistication are radiated by Marsha Shacklett, Murfreesboro junior, wearing a pants suit from the collection of the Village Square, 1150 East Main.



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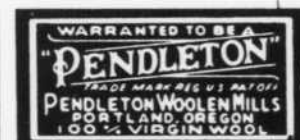
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