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WORLD

Rebels, government sign treaty after 19-yearwar

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP) — Repeating a ritual that has twice failed to end their 19-year-old civil war, Angola's government and rightist rebels signed a peace treaty Sunday as fighting raged on in their devastated homeland.

UNITA leader Jonas Savimbi and President Jose Eduardo dos Santos didn't put their own names on the treaty, heightening fears it wouldn't stop the war. The rebel leader didn't even attend the signing ceremony; aides said he couldn't leave his bush camp in Angola because of government attacks.

NATIONAL

Democrats signal support for parts of GOP agenda

WASHINGTON (AP) — Outnumbered in Congress for the first time in four decades, Democrats are likely to lend significant support to Republican efforts to cut spending and taxes, reduce government and reform welfare.

"I'll vote for some spending cuts, sure," as well as work with Republicans on welfare, said Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., echoing the views of many Democrats.

At the same time, he said, "I think we have to have a social conscience. I think we have to be concerned about the working people."

STATE & LOCAL

Three teens killed in birthday car crash

BEECH GROVE, Tenn. (AP) — Three teen-agers on their way home from a birthday party died and three others were injured in a one-car crash on Interstate 24, the state Highway Patrol said.

Killed Friday were James Dunham, 17; Dean Gillespie Jr., 17; and Melissa Brumbelow, 16, all of McMinnville. The group was returning from Dunham's birthday party, Trooper Randy Nauman said.

The victims were passengers in a car driven by Mary Beth Rogers, 16, of Rock Island, Nauman said.

Rogers, who had set the car's cruise control at 80 mph, apparently fell asleep when the car left the highway and flipped, rolling several times and coming to rest on its top.

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Parking and traffic tickets bring MTSU over $300,000

ISAAC DANIEL
Staff Writer

MTSU makes over $300,000 a year as a result of the collection of parking and traffic violations on campus, according to Gary Hunter, manager of the Parking Authority.

Many students complain that there are not enough parking spaces, but according to Hunter, the university conducted a study recently during the peak hours of the day and found that spaces were not being used. "In fact, there are 1000 parking spaces not being used during peak hours. When people say that there are no parking spaces, what they usually mean is that there are no parking spaces close to where they want one to be; they want one right next to their class," said Hunter.

Hunter also said there is a need to accommodate adjunct faculty members who teach part time. "We have teachers who come to teach at night and they may get off their job at 5:00 p.m. in Nashville and have a class to teach here at 6:00 p.m. They (the teachers) need a place to park as close to the building as possible. They have to come with their materials in hand because they don't have time to come in and stop by an office to organize."

The parking spaces right next to the buildings are usually reserved for these faculty members, according to Hunter.

Parking tickets are written for color codes until 6:30, but violations for things like parking next to fire hydrants and parking in handicapped spots are written 24 hours a day.

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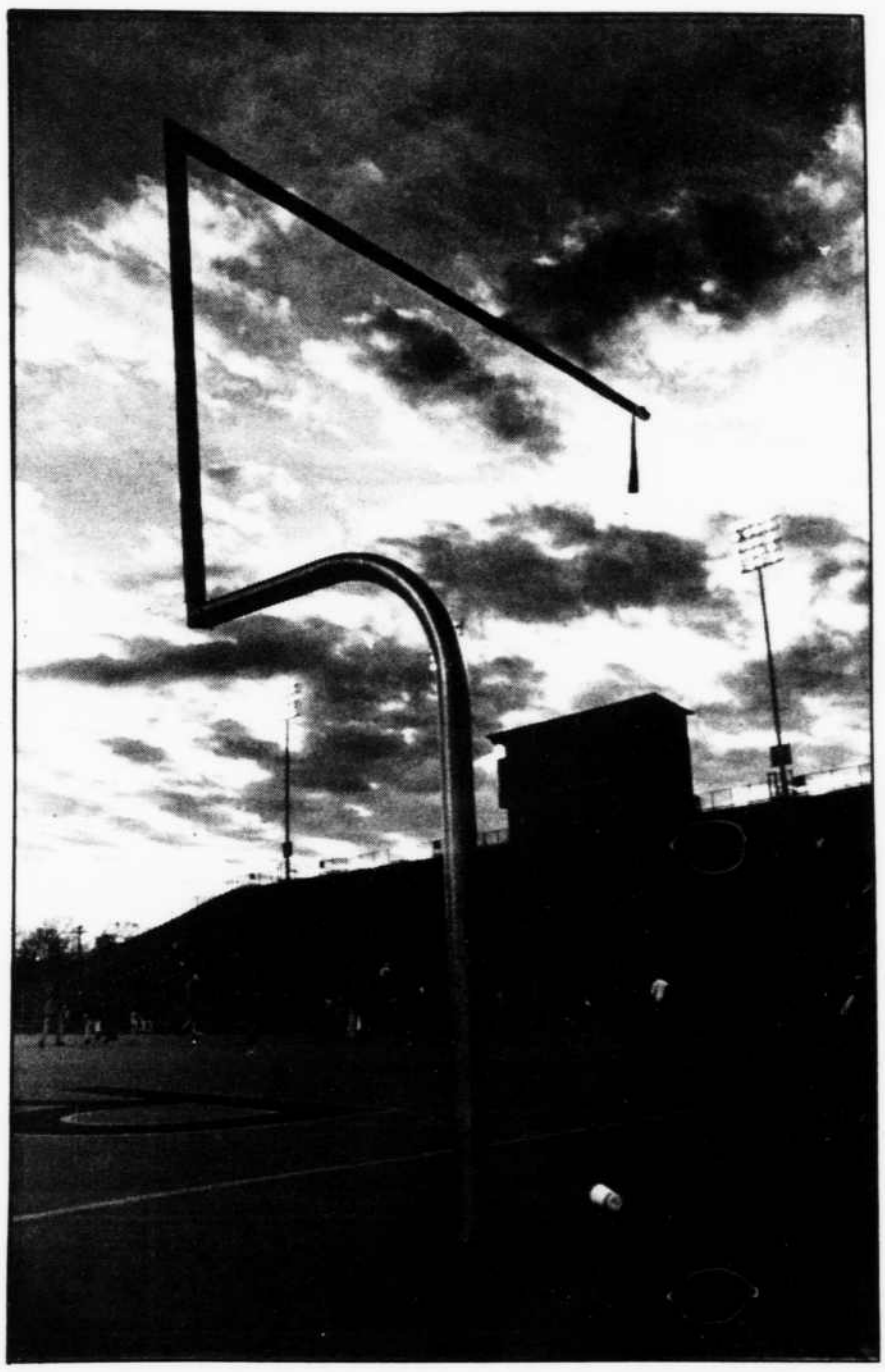

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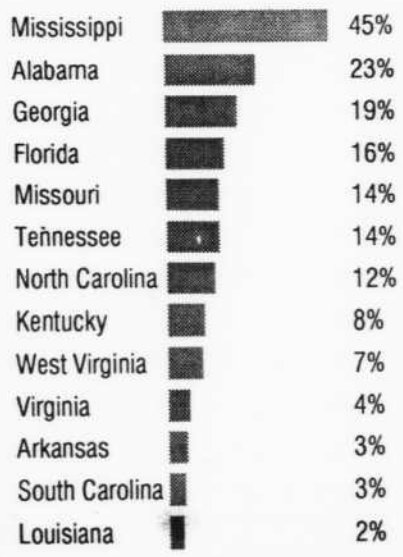
MEMBERS OF SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON fraternity removed half of the goal post following the Totem Bowl vs. Tennessee Tech at Horace Jones Field Saturday.

More state schools see funding increases in 1994-95

FUNDING INCREASES, SOUTHERN PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES 1994-95

Percentage of funding increase



SOURCE: Illinois State University Graphic by Todd Meyers

NORMAL, Ill. (CPS) — Life is improving at New Mexico public universities and colleges this year: more students have been able to take more classes, both on campuses and in far-flung satellite classes around the state; libraries got more books; and professors and administrators got raises.

And that's because overall standard of living in New Mexico is improving. The economy is on solid ground, and the population is growing and adding money to tax rolls. In return, the state legislature gave more money-20 percent more- to higher education than the previous year.

And New Mexico isn't alone.

In fact, more than 40 states joined New Mexico during 1994-95 in pumping more into their public school systems, according to a study conducted by Illinois State University(ISU).

In total, states gave $1.7 billion to their universities and colleges-an increase of $400 million over the previous two years and a marked contrast to the $600 million decrease in 1992-93.

But while an overall increase in state spending reflects an improving U. S. economy, said researchers, many public universities are finding that the money is needed just to keep pace with rising enrollments and to rebuild from cutbacks in staff, classes and salaries that were made during the recession years.

Alabama got even more money than New Mexico-a 23 percent increase-but it's using the windfall to compensate for several slim years. Enrollment is up, but there have been only tiny salary increases and no new hiring in several years, said Ed Rutledge, director of financial affairs for the Alabama Commission for Higher Education.

"I think that money will be quickly consumed," Rutledge said. "Colleges will be just trying to keep up."

Mississippi, which got a 43 percent increase, the nation's largest, is in the same catch-up position as Alabama, said Edward Hines, the ISU higher education professor who compiled the study.

States mostly fund higher education with state taxes; the better the

PLEASE SEE **FUNDING,** PAGE 5

Colleges to offer "one-stop shopping" for student loans

WASHINGTON (CPS) — Although receiving financial aid is necessary for many college students, no one says they have to like it.

Whether they're searching for a lender, waiting for that loan check to clear or filling out their tenth verification form, the jungle of red tape associated with grants and loans is often too much to bear.

Slowly, however, the federal government has been trying to simplify the process. In addition to the National Direct Student Loan Program, which allows students to borrow money directly from the government, Congress has passed the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program, which will introduce Individual Education Accounts, or IEAs.

"President Clinton campaigned on the issue, both in terms of national service and direct lending," says Madeleine Kunin, U.S. deputy secretary of Education. "One of his goals was to allow students to make different choices with their loans so they wouldn't be burdened down with repayment as soon as they graduated from college."

Similar to a home mortgage, the new plan gives student borrowers a variety of repayment options designed to fit their individual financial situation. These options include:

-**Standard Repayment Plan:** Borrowers can still choose the standard fixed payment over 10 years.

-**Contingent Repayment Plan:** Repayments rise when income goes up and decline when income decreases.

-**Extended Repayment Plan:** A borrower can extend his or her repayments over 12-30 years depending on the loan amounts.

-**Graduated Repayment Plan:** Borrowers have lower monthly payments initially, with payments increasing every two years over a period of 12-30 years.

Borrowers are free to change their repayment plan if their financial situation changes.

In addition to benefiting students, the new loan program will save taxpayers money, according to Kunin.

"We'll save $4.3 billion over a five-year period by streamlining the procedures for students, parents and schools," she says.

Not everyone agrees, however, that student loan reform should come from the government.

"It's essential for students to understand fully the consequences of the decisions they make about repayment options," says Mark Cannon, executive director of the Coalition for Student Loan Reform. "Under the government's plan, a student's interest payments could even double."

Still, federal officials are confident that they'll be decreasing the number of student borrowers who go into default because of the IEA's flexibility.

With the streamlined direct loan program, schools can offer students "one-stop shopping." Now, schools can process a student's entire aid package, including Pell Grants and PLUS loans.

And with an IEA, students can consolidate the loans and make one monthly payment.

"We hope to have the process in place by the beginning of next year," says Kunin. "More than 20 million students and graduates have loans out, so the sooner the system is set, the better."

Kunin says that critics of the plan fail to look at the big picture.

"This system can only lead to greater accountability," she said. ❐

Ever Get Somebody Totally Wasted?

CAMPUS CAPSULE

Today

The Domestic Violence Program will have a new volunteer orientation session today at 6:30 p.m. at Penny Plaza, Suite #10. Anyone interested in this program or who has questions about domestic violence in invited. Contact Gina Jones at 896-2032.

"Raiders For Christ" will meet at 7 p.m. in the Christian Student Center. For more information contact the Center at 896-1529 or Eddy Dyer at 3216.

The Fall Honors Lecture Series will host Michael Hallett, of the Criminal Justice Administration from 3:30 to 4:20 p.m. in Peck Hall 107. Hallett will lecture on "Reifying Police Subculture: 'Us vs. Them' in American Media and Incarceration Trends." Free and open to the public.

Tuesday

The Presbyterian Student Fellowship will host its annual Thanksgiving dinner at 6 p.m. Contact Michael Malone at 893-1787 for more information.

Tau Omicron will hold a meeting at 5 p.m. in KUC Room 305.

College Republicans will meet in KUC 322 at 7:30 p.m. Contact Tim Harrell at 731-7473 for more information.

Upcoming & Ongoing

The Japan Center of Tennessee in cooperation with the Scarritt Bennett Center will sponsor an Origami Exhibit on the 2nd floor of the Laskey Library at the Scarritt Bennett Center at Vanderbilt. The exhibit will run through November 1994. The public is welcome Monday-Saturday from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

The Baptist Student Union holds Bible studies or fellowship every Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Wednesdays at noon "Noonday" is held. All you can eat for $2. The Baptist Student Union is located at the intersection of Faulkenberry and Tennessee Boulevard.

The MTSU chapter of the National Association of Environmental Professionals meets on the first and third Wednesdays of every month at 5 p.m. in Wiser Patton Science Hall room 201. Contact Leonard Walther at 895-3212 for more information.

A Christian gathering for singing and sharing is held every Wednesday at 9:30 p.m. in the KUC Courtyard.

Church of God in Christ (COGIC ROC) Campus Ministries meets every Thursday in the KUC. Bible study and guest speakers. For more information contact Kevin Johnson at 895-5968.

ATTENTION! Students, Faculty, and Staff: Your efforts are needed in the MTSU recycling program. The price of recycled materials is down, so we need every piece of white paper, computer paper, and every aluminum can possible. All proceeds fund academic scholarships. Call 2847 for pick-up.

International Student's Association meets every Thursday at 5 p.m. in KUC 316. Contact Kaysone Panyanouvong at 893-4457.

The Student Coalition for Animal Rights meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. Contact Kellie at 898-0457.

Speech testing or speech therapy services are available to MTSU students. Students should call the MTSU Speech Clinic, 898-2661, for an appointment.

The MTSU Symphony invites interested students to rehearsals Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Contact the Symphony office at 898-2484 or go to room 264, Wright Music Building.

The June Anderson Women's Center has support groups for women meeting throughout the semester. All groups are free to students. Contact Mary Glantz at 898-5725 to sign up. Space is limited.

MTSU Lambda Association is a local support group for bisexual, gay, and lesbian students, faculty, and community members. Meetings every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in Mass Comm. room 149. Call hotline at 780-2293.

Phillips Book Store will be giving away a $50 gift certificate at every home football game. You must be at the game to win.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets Wednesday nights at 8:30 p.m. in KUC room 315. Everyone welcome. Contact Greg Logan at 3081 .

HELP! RECYCLE! "Thanksgiving: Catch 22" is a holiday recycling project to raise money for scholarships. Bring 22 aluminum cans (1 lb.) on Monday, November 28 to the Greenland Drive parking lot, or deposit in recycling containers across campus.

A representative from the AMERICORPS program will be in front of Phillips Bookstore on Tuesday, Nov. 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Find out about the NASHVILLE HEALTH CORPS, a full-time Americorps program starting in January. Earn money and educational award while improving the health of children and families. For more information call 259-4728.

Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society will hold its final meeting before Christmas break at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30 at 1001 Eaton St., Murfreesboro. Group will discuss Willa Cather's *The Lost Lady*. For more information contact Candace Moonshower at 646-4527 or Rodney McCash at 890-0641.

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McDermott named MTSU's first Woman of Achievement as a part of National Women's History Month celebration

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Staff Writer

Deborah McDermott, vice president and general manager of WKRN Channel 2, was named MTSU's first Woman of Achievement on Nov. 17 as part of a series sponsored by National Women's History Month.

McDermott rose to the ranks of general manager after working as the director of promotion and public relations for KOLN/KGIN TV in Lincoln, Nebraska and program director of KMBC-TV in Kansas City.

McDermott spoke on Thursday in the Mass Comm building on being a woman in a traditionally man's world.

Mainly addressing problems that face women in the business world, McDermott advised the audience to develop mentorships throughout their careers to help attest for their personal character and professional commitment.

She also stressed the value of working hard and establishing a good track record.

"It's important to prove to people that you can do something," McDermott said.

McDermott urged each person "to take every opportunity to let people know what you want." Asking questions and setting goals remain an imperative part of her career, she said.

She also talked about the business obstacle of resisting changing as a person. Because of the pressures to succeed, McDermott feels that it is easy to let go of the values that define each person.

"Handle people the way you want to be dealt with. Don't ever lose the human side of it," McDermott said.

She advises never yelling at an employee in front of others or shaming someone for personal gain. McDermott said she holds respect as the golden rule.

> ***"When I can make someone laugh or cry, create an emotion, that's what turns me on. . ."***
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> **Deborah McDermott, vice-president and general manager of WKRN Channel 2**

The last advice McDermott gave to the audience dealt with the difficulties of keeping the personal and private life in balance. She said that she knew of many marriages that had sacrificed having a family because they were so dedicated to their work. McDermott feels there is a way to accommodate both business and family into a woman's life.

After the birth of her first child, McDermott said, "I went back to work understanding working parents. I now look for ways to do more things in the same amount of time or to take time off to be with the children."

McDermott recommends that women be diplomatic but aggressive in business.

"You need to believe in who you work for. If you work for a person who does not appreciate you, find another job," McDermott said.

"I think there are still problems with the way women are perceived. People still say negative things about that strength, but women are as guilty of assaulting and stereotyping that strength as men," McDermott said.

When asked to sum up her work, McDermott responded, "When I can make someone laugh or cry, create an emotion, that's what turns me on. . . when you can make a difference. I love my job. I wouldn't want to do anything else."

A week's long celebration of women's history began in California in 1977, but by 1987, it had grown to cover the entire month of March. MTSU has taken part in recognizing women's achievement since 1983.

The Women of Achievement series is designed to recognize women in the arts, letters, science and commerce who have achieved national and regional reputations for excellence and who serve as role models for all women.

Deborah Gentry, co-chair of National Women's History Month, said, "Although Women's History Month is in March, we wanted to broaden the scope of activities highlighting the achievements of women. We wanted to spread the events throughout the year." ❐

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Computer glitch leaks University of Florida students' records

GAINESVILLE (CPS) -- When University of Florida student John Stepp checked his financial status at the computers in front of Criser Hall last month, the screen gave him more information than he requested.

"I accidentally entered my name incorrectly," the anthropology senior said. "Once I corrected it, the computer gave me a complete list of students' names and Social Security numbers beginning with my last name and scrolling to the end of the alphabet."

A hole in the university computer system program has allowed public access to not only Stepp's records, but all student records for the past year. Those students with a privacy flag-a request to place a computer block on personal information such as telephone numbers and addresses-also are affected.

Stuart Hoskins, assistant controller for UF Financial Services, said he wasn't aware of the hole in the system, although Stepp had contacted him.

"This is the first I've heard of it," Hoskins said.

After briefly examining the system, he verified that anyone could access the confidential information.

Ed Poppell, administrative affairs associate vice president, said it is an illegal breach of confidentiality when a Social Security number and a student's name are listed together.

Instructions on the computers led students to other menus that gave more detailed information on their accounts.

Hoskins said the computer system would be corrected within a few days.

The current menu program was set up a year ago as an interim one. Until the new system is in place, which could be some time around Christmas, students will not be able to access the other menus.

Pamela Bernard, UF general counsel, said the Buckley Amendment protects confidential information from access by third parties. The amendment covers all student records except directory information, but students have the right to request a private flag to restrict access to addresses and telephone numbers.

Students who want to keep directory information private can fill out a form at the Registrar Office. There are a number of reasons students protect their records.

"When I was a student, I kept my address private because I lived alone," Bernard said.

Bernard said the U.S. Department of Education oversees complaints against violations of the Buckley Amendment. If a university was found guilty of breaching student confidentiality, the Department of Education could withhold funds. However, if the breach was caused by a simple error, such action would be unlikely, added Bernard.

"With larger institutions like this, errors are made," Bernard said. "The university tries hard to watch out for the students' privacy and usually errors on the side of students' privacy."

Bernard said the best remedy for students who have a complaint and think their privacy has been invaded "is to bring the situation to the universities attention."

The new system may involve using a Personal Identification Number (PIN) for student access to records. However, as with any computer system, random errors are possible, Poppell said.

"All of these systems are not 100 percent fail-safe," Poppell said.

Stepp and other students were angered by the breach.

"It is a typical example of bureaucracy and its inability to properly handle the concerns of a large number of students," Stepp said.

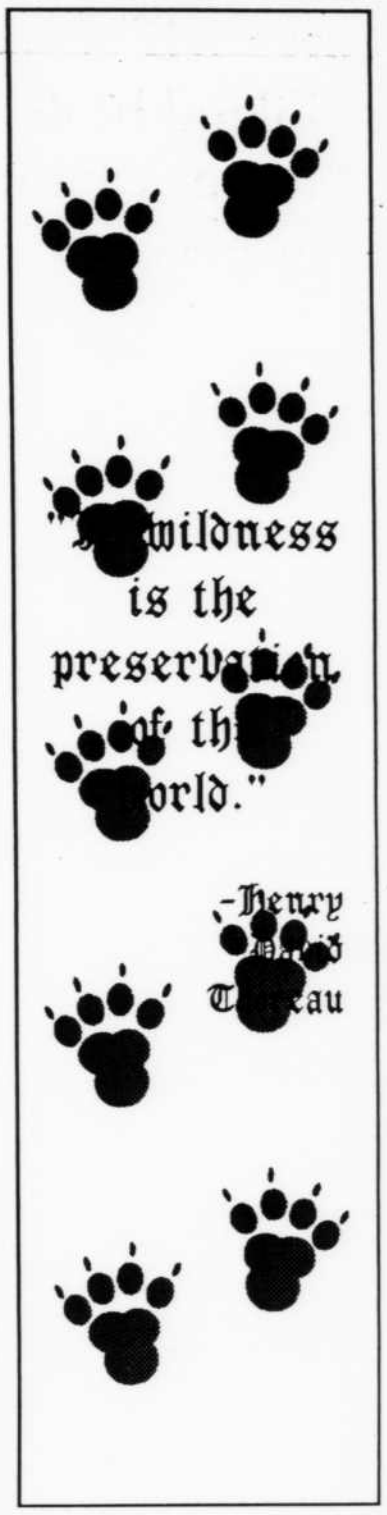
Khajuanna Carithers, a first-year student from Lake Wales, Fla., said her privacy has been invaded.

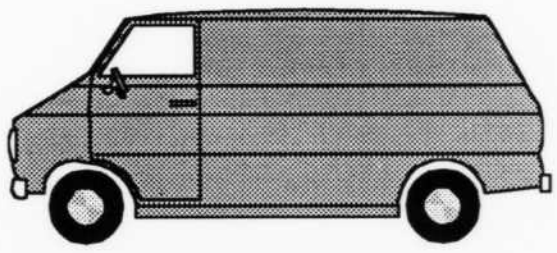
"If someone used that computer and went through my information, it is the school's fault," she said. "They shouldn't have that many faults in the system.

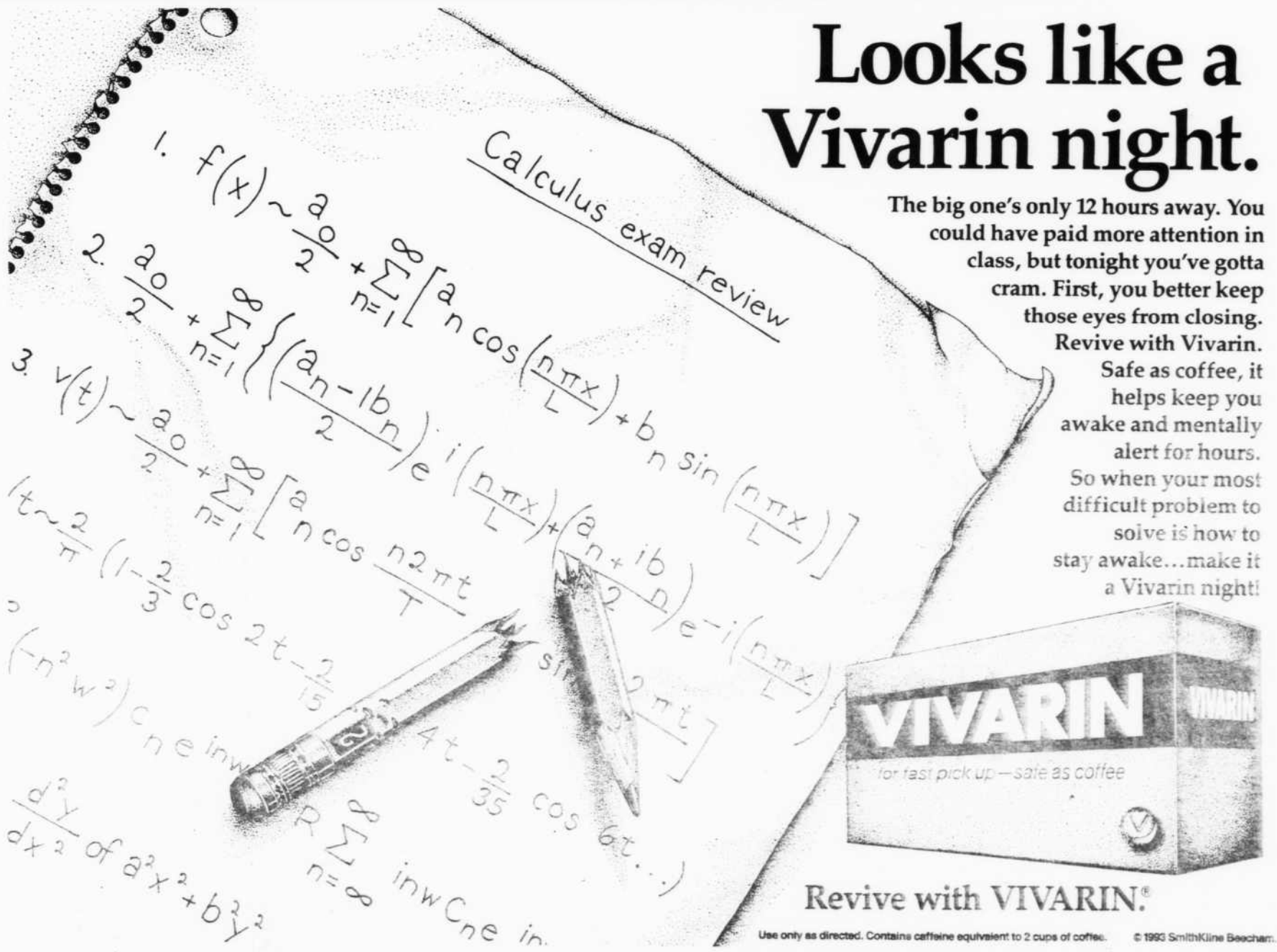
"They are correcting it now, but damage could have been done."

"Josh Stopek, a sophomore, said it bothers him that his Social Security number was available to the public for the past year.

"It is ironic," he said. "It is a lack of social security." ❐



Don't & 



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Gililand begins new postion, Alumni Chapter Coordinator

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Staff Writer

MTSU Alumni Relations has hired Lou Pitts Gilliland for the new position of Alumni Chapter Coordinator.

The position was created as a part of the University's Division of Development and University Relations.

Gilliland's duties include locating alumni, recognizing those alumni willing to work in leadership roles and planning activities with the alumni and students.

"(The position) allows opportunities for networking with those who share the privilege of going to MTSU," Gilliland said.

Gilliland is trying to reactivate groups of alumni in Bedford, Cannon, Davidson and Williamson Counties. She also works with active alumni chapters in Alabama, Southern California and Washington, D.C.

Gilliland helped organize "A Cajun Feast" for MTSU freshmen and Rutherford County alumni this fall and is presently working on an alumni reception in Atlanta.

Charlie Myatt, Rutherford County Alumni Association President and a 1969 graduate of MTSU, said that alumni are important ambassadors between the university and the community. Alumni are also needed financially, he says.

"I think if we're going to be as successful as we all want, then we have to keep alumni connected to the university," Myatt said.

Myatt works with Gilliland on activities for the 7000 local alumni such as pre-game chili dinners.

"I think it's really important for MTSU to reach out to its alumni as effectively as possible," Myatt said.

"The position was developed to help establish greater contact with alumni," Gilliland said.

Gilliland, originally from Cannon county, graduated from MTSU in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science degree in animal science with an emphasis in communications. ❐

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The university is proposing two 1000 space parking garages to be built on campus in the master plan for the future. "This is part of the plan for the new aerospace building that is being planned," according to Hunter.

Also according to Hunter, many students don't realize that when you talk about parking spaces being added, you may be talking about a lot of money. "The proposed parking garage is estimated to cost the university about $600-$700 per space. So when you do the math for a 1000 space parking garage, you can see that we are talking about millions of dollars in funds."

Daggi Willingham, sophomore economics major who has received several traffic violations says, "It seems like a conspiracy, because there are not always enough parking spaces. School officials know this. It's their way of making more money when they collect the fees."

Hunter also says that the fees that they collect are taken care of by the parking committee to pay for painting and repairing the parking lots and keeping the parking areas up.

Joe Haley, a Business major says " I think $10 a ticket is a lot, I can see three to four dollars here and there, but $10 is awful. "

Finally Hunter wants to add that "no matter where you park on campus, whether it is a multicolor area or not, you still need to have a parking permit rather its at night or whenever, you still need to have your vehicle registered and a parking permit." ❐

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economy, the higher the tax revenues and the more money schools get. So, as states climb out of the recession, they have more money to give.

The hardest hit were Western states, with Oregon leading Montana, California, Nevada, North Dakota and Alaska. States such as Montana and Nevada have chronic funding problems, because of low student populations and revenue sources, Hines said.

California, however, may be on the rebound, said Hines. It alienated many potential students a few years ago with an unpopular tuition hike, and even though it's still getting less money from the state government than last year, Hines predicts its public education system will recover within a year.

The same cannot be said for Oregon, said Hines. Harm caused by five consecutive years of budget cuts has "irrevocably damaged Oregon higher education," he said.

This continued budget crunch has translated into fewer classes, programs and services for students and salary cuts for professors and administrators. Some faculty are getting laid off, and others are leaving the state for better-paying jobs elsewhere, Hines said.

All over, though, state systems are restructuring their schools, Hines said. That means they're giving expanding programs that students demand, such as computer science and other technology-based courses. Less popular programs, such as philosophy, may be reduced or even eliminated as enrollment in them shrivels. ❐

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Two disabled female athletes display their abilities in collegiate competition

NEW YORK (CPS) – Minutes before a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III swim competition, Catholic University sophomore Joyce Luncher smoothes on her swim cap—and sheds her right arm.

With this prosthesis attached to her elbow and controlled by shoulder movement, Luncher can do almost anything her women's varsity teammates do, whether tying her shoelaces or lifting weights. Without it, the 19-year old biomedical engineering major holds her own, and more, in the competitive world of college swimming.

Last season, Luncher, a fetal amputee, swam to sixth place in the 200-yard butterfly event. In fact, Catholic University swim coach Tom Calomeris, who recruited Luncher for the team, said she's already improved close to 10 seconds on her best high school time in this event.

"It never crossed my mind there was anything different about her," he adds. "I never had any earlier experience with disabled athletes until Joyce. I'm from the old school where everyone gets a shot, and if you can do it, you can do it. Joyce is simply a fine, outstanding athlete, and Catholic's number-two butterflyer."

The opportunity at Catholic University to improve her competitive swimming skills is important to Luncher, who doesn't think of her disability as a handicap. "I've been swimming competitively nearly all my life, and I couldn't imagine stopping," she said. Luncher said she feels she might have been good enough to earn a swimming grant at a Division II school (which awards athletic scholarships, while Division III schools don't), but chose Catholic University because of its religious ties and program in her field of interest. "Competitive swimming adds a good, healthy balance to my life," she said.

Margaret Stran, meanwhile, enrolled at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign four years ago partly because of its wheelchair sports program. An English education major, the 21-year old college senior had played basketball and other sports before a 1990 skiing accident left her paralyzed from the chest down. "I love sports and would have felt cheated if I hadn't found a college hat offered me both educational and sports opportunities," she said. "In fact, I was really disappointed when I first looked at colleges and found that only a handful even had sports programs for the handicapped."

While at the University of Illinois, Stran has honed her athletic ability, playing in the Central Intercollegiate Conference (CIC), which sponsors a national wheelchair basketball championship every year, and against men's wheelchair basketball teams on campus for experience. Along the way, she was recruited as a member of the women's wheelchair basketball Team USA that won the silver medal in the Paralympic Games held in Barcelona, Spain, in 1992.

"I know a lot of disabled students who ended up transferring here because there were no opportunities to compete at other colleges," said Stran, who is now eyeing the Paralympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1996 and in Sydney, Australia, in 2000. "People think you can't achieve anything athletically once you're in a wheelchair. That's not true. That you're playing strapped in a wheelchair is only one aspect of the game." ❐

CHARLES HOGUE/Photo Editor

GOOD VIBES: Julie Kraft (right) shows Ole Blue a few moves during the halftime band performance at Saturday's football game at Horace Jones Field.

Florida State, North Carolina State and Stanford bands face possible suspensions

STANFORD, Calif. (CPS) -- College football and basketball teams aren't the only ones getting into trouble this fall. Now those responsible for the halftime shows are receiving their share of bad press as well. Recent episodes with marching bands at Florida State University, North Carolina State University and Stanford University have proven that scandals are not exclusive to athletic programs on college campuses.

The state auditor of North Carolina is investigating whether N. C. State's marching band accepted stipends from the athletic department for students who didn't attend games.

When the marching band traveled to the football team's away games last season, members of the band who weren't along for the trip were counted when meal money was passed out.

Some members of the band said that the extra money was put into a "slush fund" that was used for pizza and beer during the band's trip to the Hall of Fame Bowl last season.

While state auditors will neither confirm or deny that they are looking into any wrong-doing by band director Douglas Overmier, at least three members of the band say they have been contacted by members of the state department.

Debbie Griffith, spokeswoman for N. C. State, said the school is waiting on the state auditor's report before taking any action.

The Florida State Marching Chiefs were recently placed on probation for three years after FSU Interfraternity Council President Steven Voigt reported witnessing incidents of hazing in a letter to school officials.

A committee from the FSU music department found that each section within the band has some sort of initiation for their new members, or "gunkies." The committee concluded that some of the various rituals new members performed to get accepted into the band could be considered dangerous, especially those that involved the consumption of alcohol.

"The problems associated with the band's inappropriate activities are endemic throughout the Chiefs and this is of serious concern to the school of music," said Clifford Madsen, chair of the music department, in a letter to the band.

If any hazing is reported during the probationary period, the band will face a one-game suspension.

Twenty-one members of the Stanford Marching Band were suspended from the Oct. 29 game against UCLA after they performed in uniform Friday outside the Los Angeles County Courthouse, where the jury for the O. J. Simpson case was being selected. Even Robert Shapiro, Simpson's high-profile attorney, said that the band's appearance helped create a "carnival appearance" at the courthouse, and called it "a new low in tasteless behavior".

The Stanford band members were reprising an O. J. halftime show from the Stanford-USC game Oct. 15.

After seeing members of the band on CNN, Ted Leland, Stanford's athletic director, originally planned to suspend the entire band from the UCLA game. After learning that only a small faction of the members went to the courthouse without permission, Leland decided to suspend those members and let the remaining 81 perform.

"It's hard to tell what they'll do next," said Leland. "We have to have a sense of humor, but they have to remember they are representing the university."

The band issued a statement that said the participating members of the band "exercised poor judgment in choosing to represent themselves as the band and as members of the Stanford community in such a manner."

The 21 suspended members weren't able to participate in the band's halftime tribute to Proposition 187, California's illegal immigration measure. ❐

University of Washington basketball players receive suspensions for part in shoe exchange scam

SEATTLE, Wash. (CPS) – Two members of the University of Washington basketball team have been suspended for two exhibition games and the season opener for their part in a shoe refund scheme last spring.

Officials from the NCAA and the Pacific-10 Conference decided that sophomore guard Darren Mitchell and junior point guard Michael McClain should sit out three games.

Last spring, Mitchell and McClain each brought a pair of new basketball shoes to a local Nordstrom's and asked for a refund. The shoes, however, were provided to the UW players by the university.

Nordstrom employees recognized the players and knew the shoes were not purchased at their store. Four days after the incident occurred, Nordstrom employees brought the situation to UW coach Bob Bender's attention.

UW officials reported the incident to the NCAA and the conference, suggesting the three-game penalty and that the players pay back the money.

Although two of the three games for which the players will be penalized are pre-season games, Benders said that the suspension may hurt their chances of securing bigger roles on the team.

Mitchell was one of only two freshman on the 1993-94 team, averaging 8.5 minutes and 1.0 points per game. Although McClain started last season, averaging 5.6 points and 4.1 assists per game, his return to the starting lineup was not guaranteed because of the return of Bryant Boston, a junior who sat out last season.

Bender said that his players are now required to turn in their old shoes in order to receive new ones in an attempt to prevent similar incidents in the future. ❐

Final Examination Schedule Fall Semester 1994

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

7-7:50a.m.	Mon., Dec. 12, 7-9a.m.
8-8:50a.m.	Fri., Dec. 16, 7-9a.m.
9-9:50a.m.	Fri., Dec. 16, 9:30-11:30a.m.
10-10:50a.m.	Wed., Dec. 14, 8-10a.m.
11-11:50a.m.	Mon., Dec. 12, 9:30-11:30a.m.
12-12:50p.m.	Fri., Dec. 16, 12-2p.m.
1-1:50p.m.	Mon., Dec. 12, 12-2p.m.
2:00-2:50p.m.	Wed., Dec. 14, 1-3p.m.

Monday, Wednesday

1-2:15p.m.	Wed., Dec. 14, 1-3p.m.
2:25-3:40p.m.	Mon., Dec. 12, 2:30-4:30p.m.
2-3:15p.m.	Wed., Dec.14, 1-3p.m.
3-4:15p.m.	Wed., Dec. 14, 4-6p.m.
4:30-5:45p.m.	Mon., Dec. 12, 5-7p.m.
6-7:15p.m.	Wed., Dec. 14, 6-7p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday

8-9:15a.m.	Thurs., Dec. 15, 8-10a.m.
9:25-10:40a.m.	Tues., Dec. 13, 8-10a.m.
10:50a.m.-12:05p.m.	Thurs., Dec. 15, 10:30-12:30p.m.
12:15-1:30p.m.	Tues., Dec. 13, 10:30-12:30p.m.
1:40-2:55p.m.	Tues., Dec. 13, 1-3p.m.
3:05-4:20p.m.	Tues., Dec. 13, 4-6p.m.
4:30-5:45p.m.	Thurs., Dec. 15, 4-6p.m.

Evening Classes

Exams for evening classes not listed above will be Dec. 10-16 during regularly scheduled class meeting times.

Saturday Classes

Exams will be on Sat., Dec. 10, from 8a.m.-10a.m. or 10:30a.m.-12:30p.m.

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Stanford University settles case involving lead paint in housing

PALO ALTO, Calif. (CPS) – Stanford University has agreed to settle a case where a child living in campus housing was exposed to potentially dangerous levels of lead paint.

The university will pay $166,000 to Sarah Dennison-Leonard, the daughter of a law school graduate, for toxin exposure while the family lived in campus housing.

The Dennison-Leonards filed a lawsuit against the university in 1992, saying that the school failed to warn residents of Escondido Village Apartments that lead was prevalent throughout the complex. The couple said doctors found a small but potentially dangerous level of lead in their daughter's hair.

The $166,000 settlement becomes the first California housing case to involve Proposition 65, a 1986 law that requires residence owners to warn their tenants about the presence of chemicals that can cause cancer or birth defects.

An additional agreement with the Environmental Law Foundation of Oakland requires Stanford officials to provide warnings to parents on the dangers of lead. The university is now offering free blood tests to children and has set up an inspection program of all residential units.

"Stanford will be a safer place for children, and awareness will be raised regarding lead risks," said Dennison-Leonard in a statement. "We are pleased that Stanford has agreed to comply with the law after years of inaction."

Since the lawsuit was originally filed, Stanford has replaced benches, playground equipment and underlying sand in Escondido Village.

If undetected, lead causes learning disabilities and endangers children's lives. ❐

Earth-friendly jeans subject of study at North Carolina State University

RALEIGH, N.C. (CPS) – Could the next fashion trend be earth-friendly jeans? If it is, the fashion-conscious won't be looking to Paris or Milan for inspiration. Instead, they'll be emulating a professor from North Carolina State University.

Tommy Lassiter, a NCSU textiles researcher, has developed a process that converts scrap denim into reusable yarn. The breakthrough could mean substantial changes for the textile industry, which produces more than 70 million pounds of denim scrap from fabric and apparel production lines each year. The discarded material is dumped into U. S. landfills.

Researchers at Burlington Industries in Greensboro, N. C., had been attempting to reuse their discarded fabric but were having difficulty turning the scraps into something worthwhile. When they stripped the denim back to fiber form, they found that the fiber was far too short to spin into yarn, rendering it practically useless. At that point, Burlington researchers went to NCSU for help.

After 18 months of trials, Lassiter and his staff developed a method of spinning together numerous short fiber ends to form a yarn suitable for weaving into denim fabric.

The "reused denim" currently consists of 50 percent reclaimed denim and 50 percent virgin cotton. The material passed a variety of production tests, and is as durable as new denim.

Burlington has already begun providing The Gap and Levi Strauss with the material. The Gap is using the reused denim in its children's apparel while Levi has been incorporating the material in its Silver Tab jeans.

Researchers see greater potential for reclaimed yarn, since current tests show that jeans made with 100 percent reused denim are just as durable and workable as their new counterparts. ❐

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THE FUNNIEST MAN IN AMERICA COMES TO NASHVILLE

THE TOO MUCH FIBER TOUR HITS ZANIES

WARREN WAKELAND
Managing Editor

As my best friend and I arrived at Zanies for the late show Friday night, she commented to me that she didn't know why a place like this would be found in a neighborhood like that (2025 8th Ave. S. at Douglas Street). I thought of it as a nice touch of laughs in what could be considered a fairly rough place.

We walk into the place and there's a lobby area, just like all other comedy clubs, where they sell T-shirts and show off the excellent reviews they have received from various publications over the years.

Then we get to the restaurant and stage area. We look at the menu, and notice that the prices are pretty reasonable. There's a neat-looking mural on the wall. It's a tight space because the club is pretty small. We guess the capacity may be around 300. It's well-lit for a club. It allows us to see the photos of all the major acts they have hosted over the years—Richard Lewis, Tim Allen, Carrot Top, and many more. We decide it's a nice place, but we're more interested in the show.

James Gregory was the headliner Friday night. He's from Atlanta, where I have spent a good portion of my life, so I had heard of him before and had seen his act maybe a dozen times. Gregory bills himself as "The Funniest Man In America," and this latest set of dates, the "Too Much Fiber" tour, may be Gregory at his best.

Gregory rails about many subjects during his hour-long show, but it's the way he says things that makes him a consistent sellout.

Gregory has incorporated more movement into his act over the last two years. The movement is what has taken him to the upper strata of comedy. With his deep Georgia drawl and dumpy looks, he can take a phrase like "goddamn" and make it "g a a a w w w w w w w d daaaammmmmmm," and it's funny.

He talks about health. "People are too worried about their health. We don't get enough grease anymore. Too many people eating too much fiber, like Granola bars.... Oh geez." On paper it doesn't seem so funny, but when you see the body gyrations and facial movements he makes as he turns "Oh geez" into "Oooh geeeeeezzzzz," you have to laugh.

"Used to be, exercise was watching the shows on TV with a box of Pop Tarts in one hand and a beer in the other. Now, you got all these health clubs with the stationary bikes. Gaaawwwwwwwd daaaammmmmmm! These people think they're going 50 miles an hour. They're just sittin' there pedaling away with their veins poppin' out of their heads! **They ain't goin' nowhere!**"

He talks about tornadoes. "Have you ever noticed that when a tornado hits, the only victims are the people who live in mobile homes? The victims always say, 'It sounded like a freight train!' They never seem to know that there aren't any train tracks within 100 miles of their trailer! Why do they **say** that!"

"Tornadoes don't go to the rich neighborhoods. You never hear victims say, 'The tornado struck the neighborhood and destroyed one wing of our mansion.' That's because it never hits the rich people! Could be a law, I don't know!"

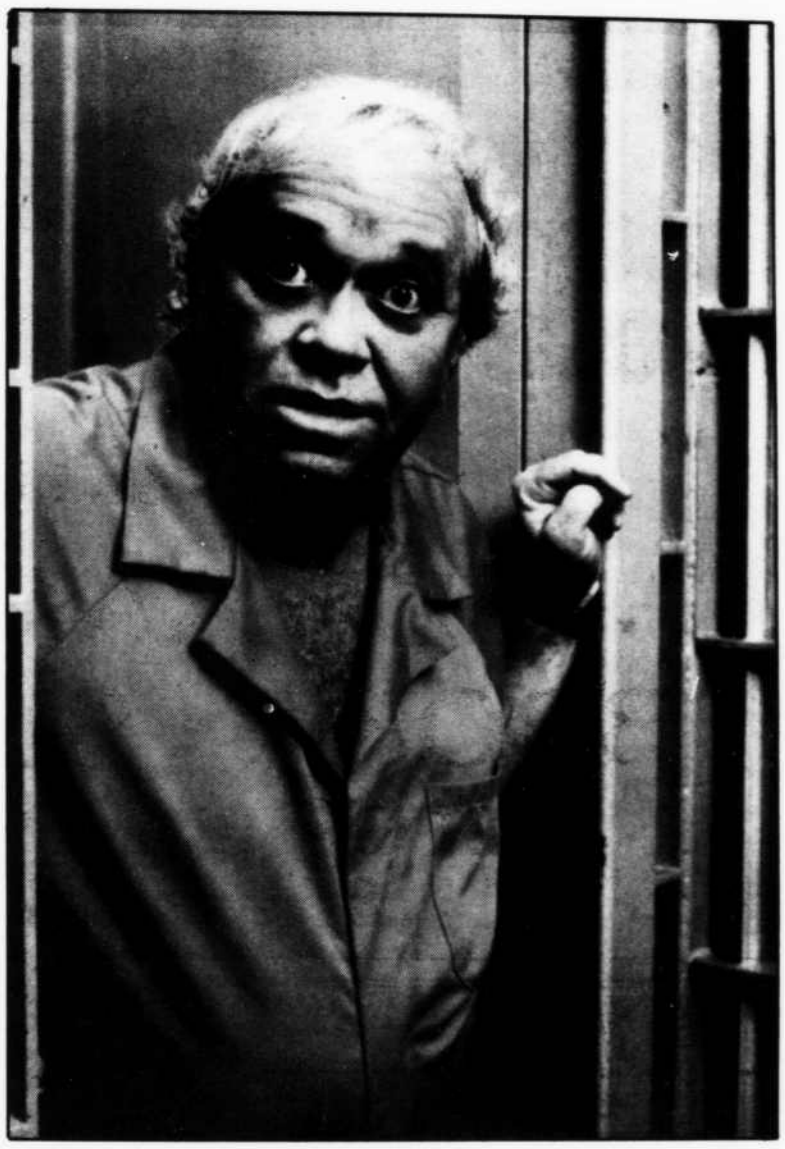
He talks about the lottery. "There was some guy in Dalton, Ga., who won $4 million in the lottery a few months ago. When they asked him what he was going to do with the money, he said, 'I'm going to **either**—that's the key word—pay off my car loan or put a new roof on my house. Now don't you think that if he won $4 million he could probably do both?"

"I got tickets for the Kentucky lottery and Florida lottery this week. If I win the money and I find out about it tomorrow (Saturday), there ain't gonna be a show tomorrow night. I'm gone."

"Some guy won the Georgia lottery about six months ago, like $8 million, and it took him four months to turn in his ticket. When they asked him why he waited so long to collect the money, he said, 'I couldn't get any time off work.' He's a dishwasher... man, **quit your job!!**"

As he gyrates around in one place and throws out funky facial expressions as he talks, you will be laughing so hard your head is pressed against the table to help you keep your balance.

Speaking of gyrations, we cannot forget his discussion of his trip to Memphis and, more specifically, Graceland. "You know, I went to Graceland. And I thought, 'geeeezzz, Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley.' That is living proof that Elvis is dead. Because if Elvis was alive, he wouldn't have let that happen!"



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JAMES GREGORY, the funniest man in America.

Gregory talks about a whole lot more in his show, but I was laughing too hard to remember much more.

Zanies is a nice place to go hear comedy in an intimate atmosphere. The food and beverage prices are not too steep as those things go. Gregory gets to Zanies in Nashville maybe three or four times a year. Tickets for this past weekend's shows were $16.00, and well worth the money.

If you think laughing is good stress relief, you will feel like a new person after seeing James Gregory. ❐

SUNNY SIDE UP

SUNNY L. BEASLEY
Assistant Features Editor

I have a question for those of you who actually read this column— What do you think of the paper? I recently have been stuck with taking the complaint calls from the election issue and several others. My only problem with this is that whenever I explain to the person that the staff is comprised solely of MTSU students, some of the quotes have been down right rude.

My life, however boring it may be, does not revolve around this paper. To my knowledge, no one that works here revolves their life around this thing. We take great pride in our work, but we do have other obligations than *Sidelines*.

Several of the people that work up here have other jobs and some them have enough homework to choke a large mammal. We already spend too many hours up here for too little pay.

For those of you who think that there is not enough campus wide news, here's a suggestion- CALL US AND TELL US WHAT YOUR ORGANIZATION IS DOING! We are not psychics! We are lucky to do our school work and work up here at the same time. We have PSAs in the paper that say, "IF YOU SEE NEWS HAPPENING, CALL..." I think that is pretty to the point that we need the students to come here to help us write. This is a large campus, we are not superheros and capable of covering everything in a single bound.

For those of you who have called in reference to the lack of campus activities in this section, I'll be blunt. We don't receive anything from the campus except from Student Programming. I know for a fact that we have advertised for writers and this section even accepts freelance writings from feature writing classes. If you have a suggestion, call us--we don't bite.

One of the calls that I took was from a very angry person that said that we should get more responsible news writers. Since that person cut me off in the middle of a sentence, here is the ending of my response: "Why don't you come up here and fill out an application?" I honestly wished that some of the people that have called here complaining about assorted issues would come and work for us for one issue, they would see a whole different side of the coin. .

I try very hard to try to put campus issues in the Features section, but there are times that this is just not the way life is. We are mainly sent tapes and CDs from record companies. They send us these not only for promotion but for the student's sake. This way the students know that there is something new out there aimed at them.

Every section of this paper has put our own ads in this paper asking for more writers, they usually get over looked.

In this issue, we are inserting a readership survey. If you think that the paper is good, bad, or indifferent, fill out the form and tell us. All you have to do is fill out the survey and mail it to box 42. If you mail it on campus it won't cost you a dime.

Even though there are only three more issues left, if you want to help us put out a "better" paper all you have to do is come by the JUB room 310 and fill out an application. ❐

Where In The World Is Louie B.

THE WAYS AND MEANS IN NEW ORLEANS

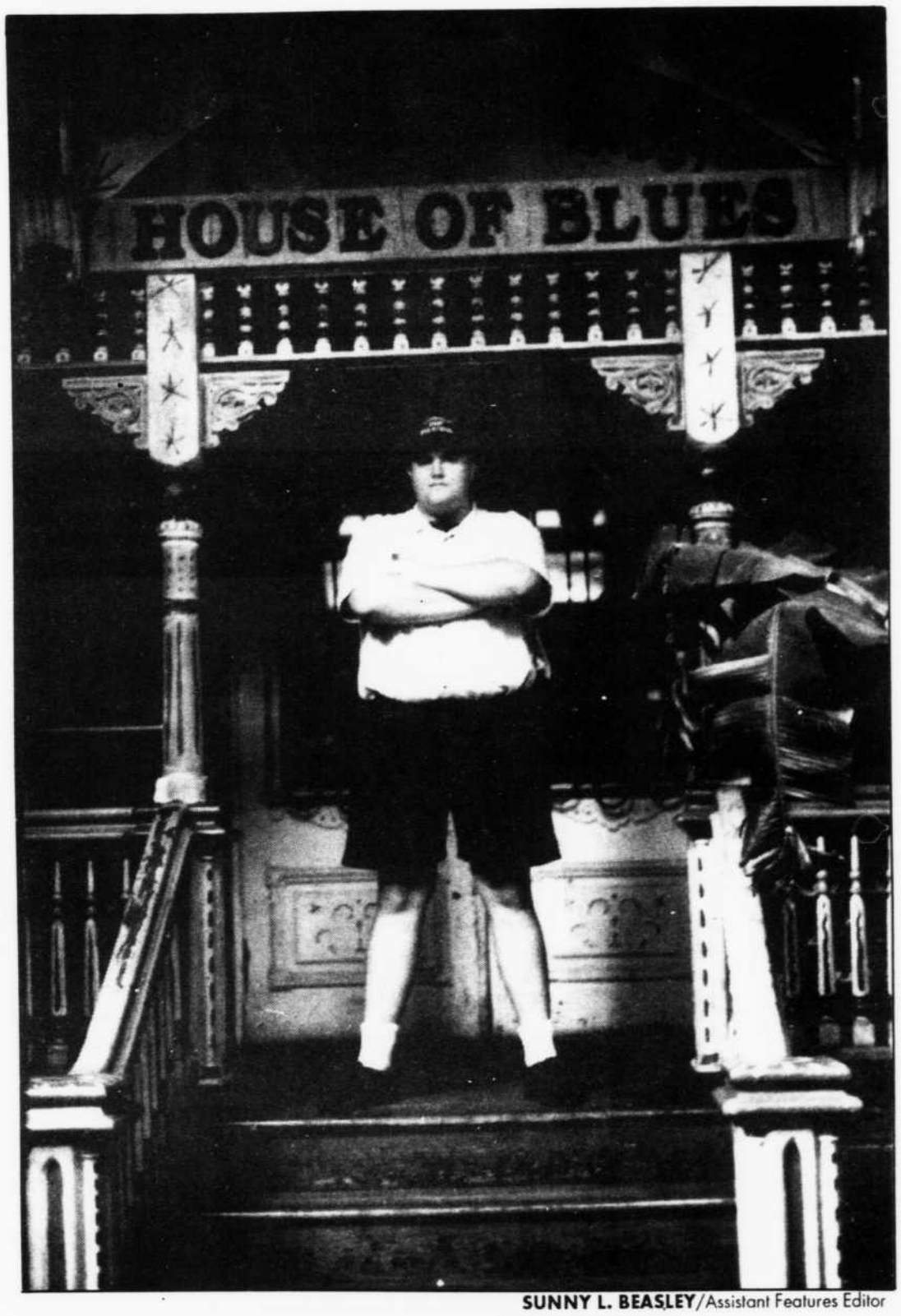
WARREN WAKELAND
Managing Editor

Recently, much of the *Sidelines* staff spent a few days at the ACP/CMA National College Media Convention in New Orleans. We knew we would come back with some fresh ideas for you, our loyal readers, but we also knew we couldn't go to "The Big Easy" without having a little fun.

So we contacted *Sidelines*' roving reporter, Louie B. Stumblin, via shortwave radio at his 800-acre winter retreat on the north shore of Pago Pago and convinced him to sacrifice a few days and meet us in New Orleans. As you all know, Louie is a connoisseur of New Orleans and its eclectic ways. We knew that if anyone could show us a good time in New Orleans, it would be Louie.

He met us at our hotel around 9 p.m. Thursday night, ready to hit the streets. We told him we needed a few minutes to get changed after driving all day, and he said he'd wait. But when we went down to the lounge to meet him, he was gone!

We looked all over the hotel for him to no avail. He wasn't in the bar, in the restaurant, or in the hot tub on the roof. After searching for about an hour, we decided to get some rest and pick up the search Friday after the seminar sessions.



SUNNY L. BEASLEY/Assistant Features Editor

NOT BY ME: Bubba, the bouncer for House of Blues, on a vigilant guard against any who dare threaten the foundation of music. He was so impressed by Louie B. Stumblin's playing, that he actually cracked a smile. Recentlly, Louie bought Bubba a Hard Rock Cafe in Sparta, Mississippi.

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FRIDAY: ON THE TRAIL

The sessions we attended were over about 4 p.m., and we met in the hotel lounge to discuss how to start looking for Louie. We've known Louie for a long time, and we knew he could literally be anywhere in the French Quarter. But we knew he was somewhere in the Quarter. When in New Orleans, Louie practically never goes anywhere else. Every story he faxes us from his various homes around the world is about the French Quarter. He had to be there. We decided that was where we would start looking.

We knew Louie to be a blues aficionado. So the first place we decided to look was House of Blues, on Decatur Street. The bouncer, Bubba, said Louie made a real impression.

"Yeah, he was here," Bubba said. "About 2 a.m. Thursday night, there's this big commotion in the upper deck of the stage area. All of a sudden, here comes Louie—leaps from the upper deck, does a double flip and lands on stage on his feet. Grabs a guitar and starts jammin' with The Smithereens!

"Louie 'bout rocked the place to the ground! It was the hottest thing we've had since we opened!

"Then, as quick as he appeared, he was gone! I don't know how—none of the emergency doors were opened, and I know he didn't get by me.

"Man, that Louie was wild!"

After hearing that, we kind of got the feeling he may be headed all around. Louie goes on these binges now and then, and he may have been in one when he showed up at the hotel. If this was the case, he could be anywhere.

We thought we'd go straight to Bourbon Street, knowing he'd show up there eventually. We went from bar to bar looking. Finally, we found some help at Daiquiri Delites from one of the servers, Brigitte Rougeau.

"Louie got here right before we closed Thursday night," Rougeau said. "He wanted a hurricane with extra rum, but we told him we were closing. So he bought the place—right on the spot! Then he declared the bar open 24 hours a day and doubled everyone's pay.

"I'd never seen anything like it! Then he looked at me. He wanted to take me to Monte Carlo for the weekend on his private jet. But I told him I had to work. He said he'd catch me next weekend, then took off.

"Louie was cool! I hope he's OK—I gave him my phone number."

We decided to keep moving. When Louie starts buying bars, he's definitely on a binge. We had to catch him before he bought New Orleans.

We found his old friend Fred, who lost the use of his legs a few years back when he and Louie crashed Louie's twin turboprop plane into a swamp while "entertaining" two flight attendants. Fred always said he never blamed Louie. He said even with the accident it was still the best time he ever had.

"Louie and I been friends for years," Fred said. "He staggered by here a little after dawn Friday. Looked better than usual—I figure he'd only been drinking for two or three days, and if you know Louie, that's not a lot.

"He dropped a $100 bill in my guitar case, smiled at me, and said, 'You just keep playin' that funky music, white boy,' and moved on. I'm not sure what that meant, but I figure he was too sober to know what he was saying.

"He's a pretty smooth dud you find him before you leave, b worry about him. When he gets enough, he'll have enough sens you."

By this time it was getti midnight, so we decided to tak advice for now. We'd keep an ey him, but we wanted to have so We'd find it ourselves for now.

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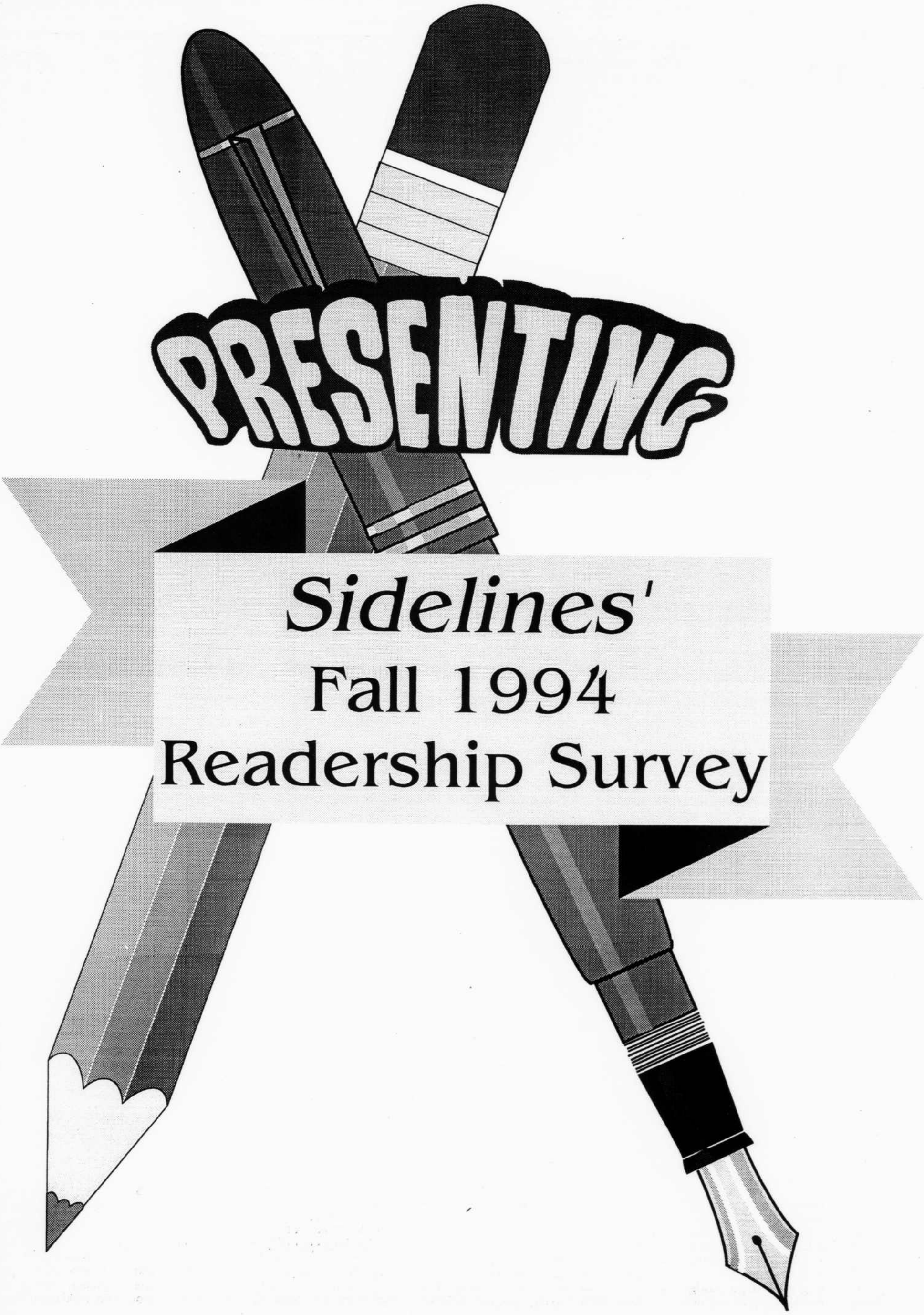

Sidelines' Fall 1994 Readership Survey

Sidelines Readership Survey

Your assistance is needed to help us improve *Sidelines* by telling us what you like and dislike about the paper.

Please take just a few minutes to express your feelings by answering the following questions. Instructions for recording your responses accompany each question. Thank you for your cooperation.

First, we would like you to rate *Sidelines* on some important characteristics. Just give us your first impressions regardless of whether you read the paper regularly or just open it occasionally.

How would you rate *Sidelines* on:

	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
Attractive appearance	1	2	3	4
Interesting photographs	1	2	3	4
Accuracy on facts	1	2	3	4
Enough information about campus activities	1	2	3	4
Enough news about the problems of MTSU students	1	2	3	4
Balanced coverage of all sides of controversial topics	1	2	3	4
Entertainment and relaxation	1	2	3	4
Practical and useful information about campus deadlines and procedures	1	2	3	4
Adequate coverage of the good news and not just the bad news	1	2	3	4
Easy-to-follow organization	1	2	3	4

Do you currently have a home delivery subscription to: (circle one number on each line)

The Nashville Tennessean	1 Yes	2 No
The Nashville Banner	1 Yes	2 No
The Murfreesboro Daily News Journal	1 Yes	2 No

Has anyone in your household bought any of the newspapers below in the last week from a vending machine or rack? (Circle one number on each line)

The Nashville Tennessean	1 Yes	2 No
The Nashville Banner	1 Yes	2 No
The Murfreesboro Daily News Journal	1 Yes	2 No

About how often do you pick up a copy of Sidelines (Circle one)

1 Every Monday and Thursday
2 About once a week
3 Just a few times a semester
4 Rarely
5 Never

About how many hours a day do you watch television? (Please write in number of hours)

About how many hours a day do you listen to the radio? (Please write in number of hours)

What radio station do you listen to most? (Please write in name)

Now we would like to find out how interested you are in reading various kinds of newspaper articles and features. How interested are you in stories about:

	High	Moderate	Low	No Opinion
Health care	1	2	3	4
Faculty and staff	1	2	3	4
The administration	1	2	3	4
Clothing and fashion	1	2	3	4
Successful MTSU graduates	1	2	3	4
Interesting students	1	2	3	4
Academic programs and departments	1	2	3	4
Intramural sports	1	2	3	4
Student government	1	2	3	4
Fraternities and sororities	1	2	3	4
Campus social events	1	2	3	4
On-campus entertainment	1	2	3	4
Off-campus entertainment	1	2	3	4
Professional and student organizations	1	2	3	4
AIDS Coverage	1	2	3	4
Local governments & politics	1	2	3	4
State government & politics	1	2	3	4
National government & politics	1	2	3	4
Self-improvement & psychology	1	2	3	4
Varsity athletics	1	2	3	4
Campus recreation	1	2	3	4
Consumer news	1	2	3	4
Nutrition	1	2	3	4
Editorials and opinion	1	2	3	4
Religion	1	2	3	4
Financial Aid	1	2	3	4
Job information	1	2	3	4
Legal advice	1	2	3	4
Environment and energy	1	2	3	4
Travel and vacations	1	2	3	4
Love and sex	1	2	3	4
Campus security	1	2	3	4
Stocks and business news	1	2	3	4
Music, books, theater and movies	1	2	3	4
Crime and violence	1	2	3	4
Calendar of campus activities	1	2	3	4
Recent elections or politics	1	2	3	4

Are there any other topics you are interested in? If so, write in here:

Now, we would like to know what kind of job you think Sidelines does in covering various kinds of news. How do you think Sidelines does in its coverage of...

	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
Health care	1	2	3	4
Faculty and staff	1	2	3	4
The administration	1	2	3	4
Clothing and fashion	1	2	3	4
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Crime and violence	1	2	3	4
Calendar of campus activities	1	2	3	4
The recent presidential election	1	2	3	4

Now we would like to know what types of coupons and discounts you find useful in *Sidelines*. Considering the following kinds of products and services, would you like to see more or less advertising and coupons for...

	More	Same	Less
School supplies	1	2	3
Take-out food	1	2	3
Laundry and cleaning	1	2	3
Groceries	1	2	3
Movies and concerts	1	2	3
Clubs and other live entertainment	1	2	3
Hair care	1	2	3
Cosmetics	1	2	3
Restaurants	1	2	3
Tanning salons	1	2	3
Travel and vacations	1	2	3
Automobile	1	2	3

About how often do you use at least one coupon or take advantage of at least one discount advertised in *Sidelines* (Circle one)

1 Every Monday and Thursday issue
2 About once a week
3 Occasionally
4 Rarely
5 Never

Now, just a few questions to help us analyze the results...

Which of the following best describes how much of each issue of Sidelines you read? (Circle one)

1 Read only a few stories
2 Read about half of the stories
3 Read most of it from cover to cover

Which category best describes your employment status? (Circle one)

1 Employed part-time
2 Employed full-time
3 Not employed

Which choice below best describes your residence? (Circle one)

1 Live on campus in campus housing
2 Non-Murfreesboro resident living off campus in apartment
3 Murfreesboro resident living off campus
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If you commute, do you commute from: (Circle one)

1 Nashville/Davidson County
2 Wilson County
3 Rutherford County
4 Williamson County
5 Maury County
6 Coffee County
7 Cannon County
8 Other county (Write in)

What is your current class rank? (Circle one)

1 Freshman
2 Sophomore
3 Junior
4 Senior
5 Graduate
6 Other

What is you major? (Write in)

Which category best describes your age category? (Circle one)

1 18-22
2 23-26
3 27-30
4 over 30

Which category best describes you marital status? (Circle one)

1 Single
2 Married
3 Divorced
4 Widowed

What is your sew? (Circle one)

1 Male
2 Female

What racial or ethnic group do you belong to? (Circle one)

1 Black
2 White
3 Oriental
4 Other (Write in)

Do you own a car? (Circle one)

1 Yes* 2 No

*If yes, do you usually have your car with you at school?

1 Yes 2 No

About how much spending money do you have each week? (Circle one)

1 $200
2 $150
3 $100
4 $50
5 Less

About how much of your spending money do you spend locally? (Circle one)

1 25 percent
2 50 percent
3 75 percent
4 100 percent

About how much of your spending money do you spend in Nashville? (Circle one)

1 25 percent
2 50 percent
3 75 percent
4 100 percent

Please use the following space to share with us any reactions you have about *Sidelines, Midlander or Collage,* what you like and don't like, what you would like to see included in future issues of the newspaper, yearbook or magazine, what you would like to see more or less of, anything else you care to express:

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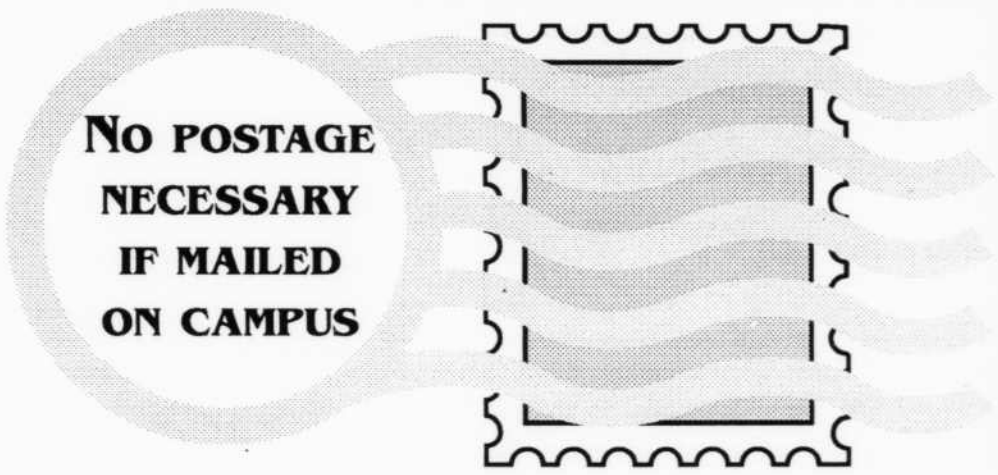

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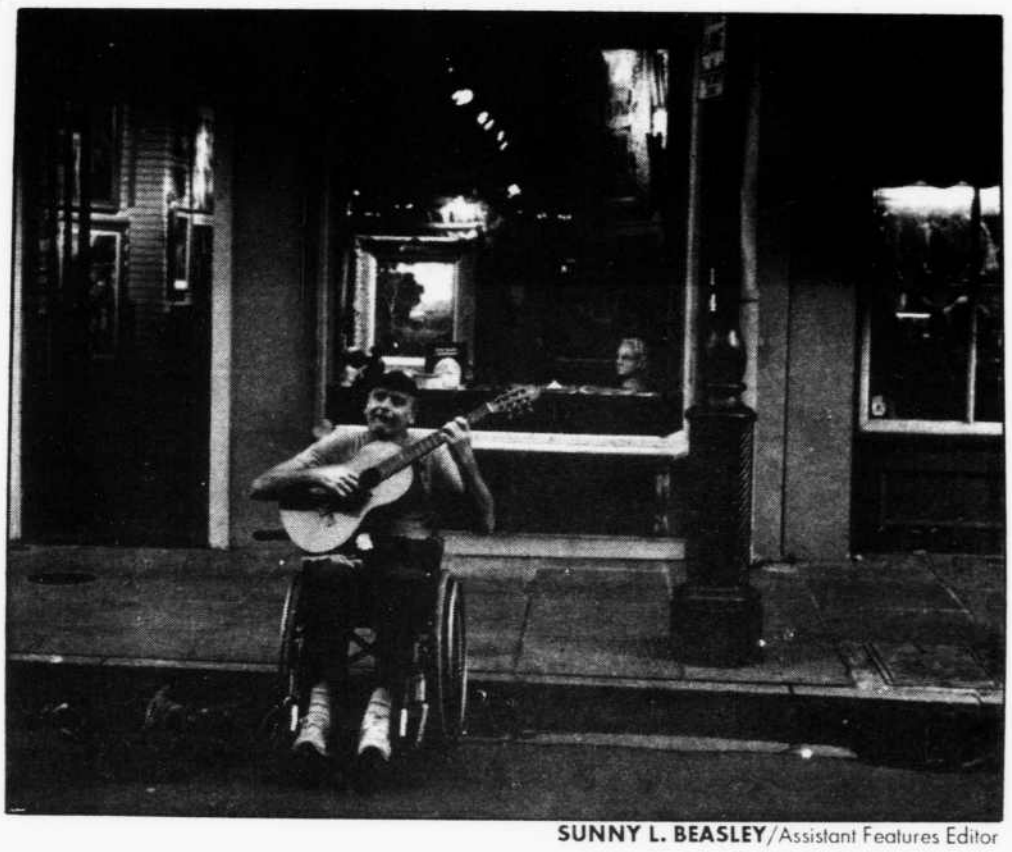
ROBIN DIXON/Features Editor

?: Louie's tax attorney outside the ociates on Bourbon Street.

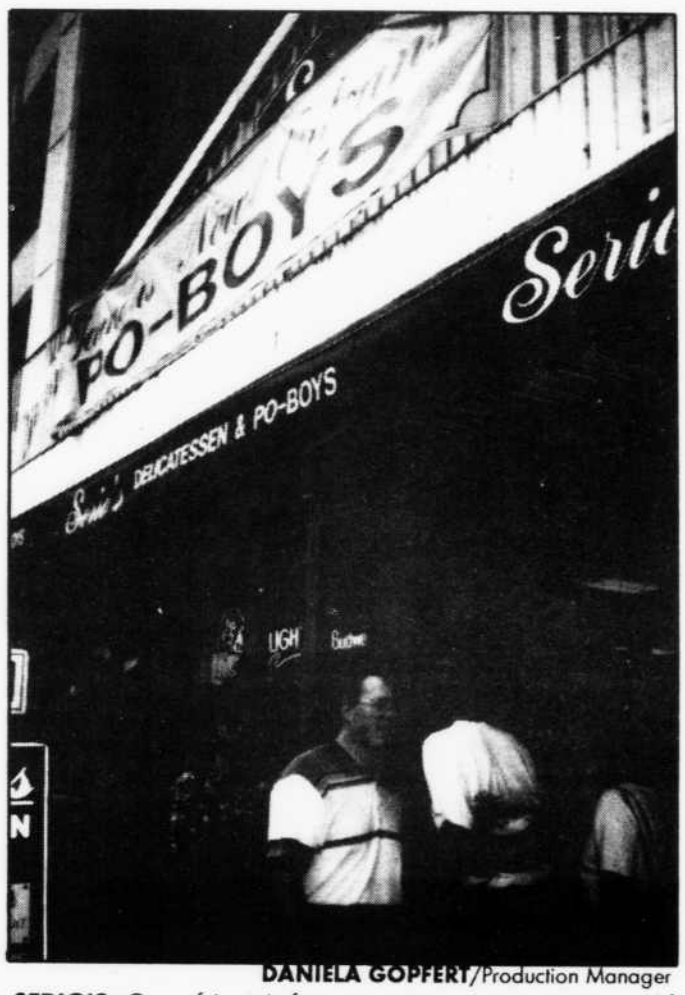
WARREN WAKELAND/Managing Editor

After a long weekend of debauchery in the naps in one of his hotels. He was too trashed



SUNNY L. BEASLEY/Assistant Features Editor

FRED KNOWS BEST: Louie's old friend and former co-pilot of the *Funky Stumblin*, Fred, on Bourbon Street. It was his wisdom, "When he gets trashed enough, he'll have enough sense to find you," that rang true at the end of the weekend.



DANIELA GOPFERT/Production Manager

SERIO'S: One of Louie's favorite restaurants in Na-Lens. Of course, he doesn't eat that much in Na-Lens.

wondered how someone could go on that kind of a binge and survive. Evidently, for Louie this was a normal week. But we were still worried, and were still wanting to be shown the hot spots of the city.

We started where we knew he liked to eat. We figured he had to eat sometime. We went to Serio's on Carondelet, just outside the Quarter. Po-Boys are a way of life. Louie loves Po-Boys with a couple of Miller Lites, and Serio's is the best place to get them in The Big Easy.

We talked to Mario, the owner and also a good friend of Louie's. Everyone's a good friend of Louie's. He said Louie showed up about 11 a.m., just a couple of hours before, but all he ordered was all the beer in the cooler. Mario said he tried to get him to stay a while and dry out.

"I've seen him like this before, but not too often. I knew he needed to slow down." All to no avail.

We were now only a couple of hours behind him. We felt sure we'd catch up sooner or later, but kept thinking about what Fred said: "When he gets trashed enough, he'll find you."

We ran into Louie's attorney and best friend outside of his office, and tried to ask if he knew of his whereabouts, but he had obviously tried to hang with Louie and failed. We decided to leave him alone—he looked comfortable.

Moving on, we came across a jazz band at the corner of Bourbon and Burgundy. Louie loves dixieland jazz, so we figured he would have at least stopped to listen. The leader of the band, Jacques, said Louie did a little more than listen.

"Louie blew through here about an hour ago," Jacques said. "He grabbed Marques's tuba and went nuts, man. I'd never heard such soul out of that horn! It was amazing!"

We asked if they could tell us which way he went when he left.

"Man, you never know where Louie's going. He can go left, right, east west, up, down—he can even do loops."

Do you know where we might find him?

"Don't sweat it, baby. He'll find you."

As we walked up Bourbon, we came across Marie Laveau's House of Voodoo. We thought Louie might be trashed enough to have garnered a taste for the occult.

"Louie stops by here every time he's in the Quarter," Marie said. "He's really nice. He likes to buy the alligator heads."

Has he been here in the last few hours?

"He was here about 1 o'clock Friday afternoon. Bought some incense sticks and a skull. Said he had a date with a high voodoo priestess named Moonshine, and he wanted to be prepared for anything.

"She sounds nice. May the spirits be with him."

Now we were beginning to see a pattern emerge. Louie's got a date, so he's gone to get ready. Knowing Louie, the next logical stop had to be The Panda Bear, an S&M shop on Bourbon.

"Louie stopped in earlier this afternoon," said Dominatrix Louise, the cashier. "He usually just blows in and out, like the wind. But he took his time today and looked around for just the right whips and handcuffs.

"He said he had a luxury box for the Saints game Sunday and was taking someone named Moonshine, a voodoo priestess. That sounds just like Louie. He's always trying something new.

"All I can say is Miss Moonshine is in for a wild time. That Louie can really boogie."

By now, we had been looking for him all afternoon to no avail. It was becoming obvious we weren't going to see him during this trip. Louie always has his own agenda. We decided to go back to the hotel and get ready to hit the Quarter ourselves.

When we got back to the hotel, there was a message for me on the hotel's voice mail. It was Louie, mumbling something unintelligible. Then there was a shriek, and a woman's voice saying, "Louie, don't leave—I haven't been spanked enough yet!" Then he hung up. We decided to leave him be, that he and the voodoo priestess were having fun. I figured he was probably researching another *Sidelines* column, so it's best to let him go at it.

We hit the Quarter and forgot about Louie.

SUNDAY: LOUIE'S READY TO GO, AND SO ARE WE

Sunday morning we were planning to leave early. It was a nine-hour drive back to Murfreesboro, and we had to be back to get the paper out. We went to bed about 3 a.m. Saturday night with the thought that we'd contact Louie in Pago Pago in a week or so, and ask him to write about his weekend.

Then, Sunday, we wake up and there he is! During the night, he broke into the room, grabbed a sleeping bag and curled up by the table, with the empty beer bottles that traveled with him and his liquor bottle in a bag next to him.

He woke up bright and refreshed, and said, "OK, let's go! There's a whole lot of places to be seen and a whole lot of drinking to be drunk, and only two days to get it all done!"

We looked at him, astonished at what we were seeing.

"Where have you been for three days?" I asked him. "I thought you were coming up here to show us around! Where the hell have you been?"

"Waiting for you guys!" he said. "What do you mean three days? We've been here three days?"

"Yup," I responded, as the others in the room began to get aroused by the loud voices.

After pondering that for a minute, Louie comes up with what we now know is the typical Louie response. "Well, hell. I guess I'll hit the Quarter! Got a story to do!" ❐

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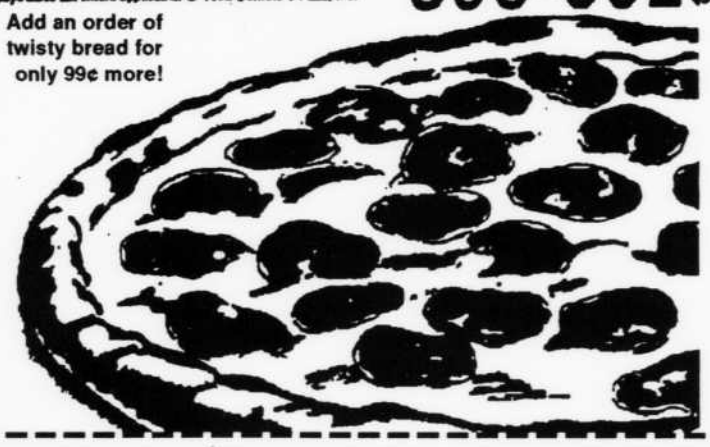

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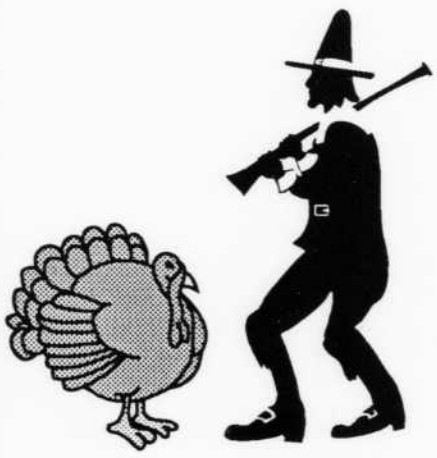

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A NEW WAY TO CARRY YOUR BOOKS AROUND CAMPUS

NANCY TUCKER
Special to Sidelines

Are you tired of carrying your heavy books? Does your chiropractor bill skyrocket when school begins each semester? One MTSU student understands and she has found an alternative to an aching back.

You might have seen her. You might have wondered why or maybe you thought that she was just a little bit crazy— the Red Radio Flyer wagon girl.

She strolls along campus without care in the world, pulling her brand new red wagon behind her— a K-Mart blue light special.

"I was sick and tired of carrying all my books to class," says Amy Tilla-Hill, a photography major at MTSU. "My back was hurting. I'd get home and be aching and in so much pain. Talk about a 'Flex-All' bath!"

Tilla-Hill explains that all of her teachers require her to bring her books to class. One teacher in particular will count you absent if their book isn't present in class with them.

"That's my main reason I bought it [the wagon]," she says. "I think it should be against the law for the teachers to require you to bring books to class."

"My accounting book is about the size of *Webster's Dictionary*. It's so huge," she says. "I probably have a good 40 pounds of books I have to carry around with me... I think I'll weigh them someday," she adds, picking up one of her books and looking at it intensely.

So she concluded that enough was enough .

At first, she thought of purchasing a luggage cart, but she decided that she did not want to look like she was going to catch an airplane.

Then the idea came to her— a little red wagon. She felt that this idea was unusual enough that if anyone tried to take her "textbook transportation," she would immediately know because hers is the only one on campus.

"It's kind of a silent protest," she says, explaining that she has no signs or banners on her vehicle telling others of her cause. "It's obvious why I've got the wagon, or I'm dorky, my books are so damn heavy."

But she says that not everybody could get away with tugging a wagon around campus.

"I can get away with it because everybody knows that I'm weird," she says laughingly. "Some sorority chick wouldn't be able to."

She tells of one teacher that stopped her and asked her how much she would charge for a ride. She told him it would be free, so he tossed his cargo on top of hers and they continued the trek across campus. Another student, whom Tilla-Hill describes as a " skater dude," simply uttered, "Cool man."

Jonathan Saad, an MTSU student and close friend of Tilla-Hill, says that he thinks he wagon is a smart idea.

"It's a great and unique alternative to just to just the simple backpack. It's much more convenient–and original," he remarks. "It's not weird. Everybody should be using them...it should have been done a long time ago."

Saad feels that the "wagon trend" will catch on, citing bell bottoms and the "grunge look" as other ideas that have caught on in the past.

"People are pretty gullible," he says, referring to fashion trends. "At least this [the wagon] does have a purpose."

Associate Dean of Students, Dr. Gail Stevens commented on Tilla-Hill's wagon, explaining that there has never been a complaint of this nature to her knowledge.

"Faculty can make certain requirements in their classrooms," she says. "In my opinion, an instructor requiring a student to bring books to class is not an unreasonable request to me. The books are heavy, that's inevitable," she adds.

Stevens also says that MTSU does not have a policy concerning students bringing wagons to school. The only problem that would arise would be if the wagon became a disturbance in the classroom.

But teachers do not have to worry about Tilla-Hill's wagon coming into the classroom. She arrives each day equipped with a lock and chain to secure her vehicle while she is class.

"I have this attitude," she explains. "I'm not self-conscious anymore. I'm married... who do I have to impress? I'm just out there to be comfortable."

So Tilla-Hill unlocks her wagon, heaves her cargo onto the wagon bed, lights a cigarette and dons a smile as she proceeds to her next class. ❐

In Our Opinion

By the *Sidelines* Editorial Staff

Will you take the challenge?

This semester, I have consistently made every effort to promote a diversity of opinions within the Perspectives section of *Sidelines*. I have repeatedly run ads calling for writers to submit opinion pieces of any viewpoint, and I have not yet failed to publish a single piece submitted for print, whatever the political or ideological content.

As a result, a professor recently told me I was the most liberal editor this paper has ever had. I'm sure many readers will disagree, but I believe he was correct. My policy as editor has been one of inclusion rather than exclusion, and censorship has been nonexistent.

I have sought and printed opinions with which I disagree, often at the exclusion of my own works. I have run articles in which I was the subject of personal attacks and insults, and I have consistently printed Letters to the Editor that criticized or complained about me or my job, choosing instead to put letters of praise into my personal file.

Some people have asked me why I have done things this way. The short answer is because I am not afraid of ideas, and I enjoy putting other people's ideas up next to my own. That seems like the most natural thing in the world, but it apparently is not.

College is about learning, and a large part of that means exposure to different ideas and ways of thinking. I know that my piece in this issue is difficult reading. It's not fluff stuff. But whether you are liberal or conservative, Christian or Atheist, I challenge you to read it.

We shouldn't be afraid of ideas, and my column probably won't change the world one way or the other. But it might make you think, and that's exactly what it's supposed to do.

Todd Meyers
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Remember the meaning of Thanksgiving

TODD MEYERS
Editor in Chief
FOR THE RECORD

This Thursday is Thanksgiving Day, probably the nation's third most important holiday after Christmas and Easter. Each year at this time, our families gather to remember and celebrate the blessings of life, and we professedly do this by giving thanks. But how and to whom do we give our thanks? Are we truly mindful of the significance of Thanksgiving?

Unfortunately, most of us either forget or simply do not know the real meaning of the occasion. But Thanksgiving, rich in history and tradition, offers us much to remember and cherish.

The practice of giving thanks to God for His aid and direction is present in our nation's earliest beginnings. Although modern revisionist textbooks dismiss the thanksgiving festivals of the Jamestown settlers and the Plymouth Colony Pilgrims as merely "peasant folk customs," the truth is that they were explicitly Christian celebrations.

Jamestown, founded in 1607, was the first permanent English settlement in America. The settlers immediately gave thanks to God the moment they stepped onto American soil, first erecting a cross on the shore and then reenacting the Last Supper, giving thanks to Almighty God for His providence and praying for His continued guidance and protection over the colony.

Giving thanks to the Almighty was not a ritual or custom, but rather was a natural expression of a Christian people's faith in and reliance upon God. After the harvest crops were gathered in November 1623, it was Governor William Bradford of Plymouth Plantation, in Plymouth, Massachusetts, who proclaimed that:

All ye Pilgrims with your wives and little ones, do gather at the Meeting House, on the hill . . . to listen to the pastor, and render thanksgiving to the Almighty God for all His blessings.

Over the next century and a half, the practice was repeated unofficially but regularly in all the colonies at such times as seemed appropriate. But as an official, federally-sponsored holiday, Thanksgiving was first declared on Nov. 1, 1777 by order of the Continental Congress. The proclamation reads as follows:

Forasmuch as it is the indispensable duty of all men to adore the superintending Providence of Almighty God; to acknowledge with gratitude their obligation to Him for benefits received, and to implore such farther blessings as they stand in need of; and it having pleased Him in His abundant mercy not only to continue to us the innumerable bounties of His common Providence,

It is therefore recommended to the legislative or executive powers of these United States, to set apart Thursday the eighteenth day of December next, for solemn thanksgiving and praise:

That with one heart and one voice the good people may express the grateful feelings of their hearts, and consecrate themselves to the service of their Divine Benefactor; and that together with their sincere acknowledgments and offerings, they may join the penitent confession of their manifold sins, whereby they had forfeited every favour, and their humble and earnest supplication that it may please God, through the merits of Jesus Christ, mercifully to forgive and blot them out of remembrance;

That it may please Him graciously to afford His blessings on the governments of these states respectively, and prosper the public council of the whole; to inspire our commanders both by land and sea, and all under them, with that wisdom and fortitude which may render them fit instruments, under the Providence of Almighty God, to secure for these United States, the greatest of all human blessings, independence and peace; That it may please Him, to prosper the trade and manufactures of the people, and the labour of the husbandman, that our land may yet yield its increase; to take schools and seminaries of education, so necessary for cultivating the principles of true liberty, virtue and piety, under His nurturing hand, and to prosper the means of religion for the promotion and enlargement of that kingdom which consisteth "in righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost."

And it is further recommended, that servile labour, and such recreation as, though at other

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THANKSGIVING

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times innocent, may be unbecoming the purpose of this appointment, be omitted on so solemn an occasion..

On Aug. 20, 1778, George Washington, our first president and the father of our country, penned a letter to his good friend Thomas Nelson. In it, Washington wrote that God's hand was undeniable in reviewing the events of the Revolution, and that this evidence had inspired him to become a preacher. But when destiny called this man instead to lead the infant nation, Washington's heart remained with God in all things. As President, he called on the country to remember God and pray for the nation when on Jan. 1, 1795, he wrote his famed *National Thanksgiving Proclamation*:

When we review the calamities which afflict so many other nations, the present condition of the United States affords much matter of consolation and satisfaction. . . . In such a state of things it is in an especial manner our duty as a people, with devout reverence and affectionate gratitude, to acknowledge our many and great obligations to Almighty God, and to implore Him to continue and confirm the many blessings we experienced.

Deeply penetrated with this sentiment, I George Washington, President of the United States, do recommend to all religious societies and denominations, and to all persons whomsoever, within the United States, to set apart and observe Thursday, the 19th day of February next, as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, and on that day to meet together and render sincere and hearty thanks to the great Ruler of nations for the manifold and signal mercies which distinguish our lot as a nation; particularly for the possession of constitutions of government which unite and, by their union, establish liberty with order; for the preservation of our peace, foreign and domestic; for the reasonable control which has been given to a spirit of disorder in the suppression of the late insurrection [the Whiskey Rebellion], and generally for the prosperous condition of our affairs, public and private, and at the same time humble and fervently beseech the kind Author of these blessings graciously to prolong them to us; to imprint on our hearts a deep and solemn sense of our obligations to Him for them; to preserve us from the arrogance of prosperity, and from hazarding the advantages we enjoy by delusive pursuits, to dispose us to merit the continuance of His favors by not abusing them, by our gratitude for them, and by a corresponding conduct as citizens and as men to render this country more and more a safe and propitious asylum for the unfortunate of other countries; to extend among us true and useful knowledge; to diffuse and establish habits of sobriety, order, morality and piety, and finally to impart all the blessings we possess or ask for ourselves to the whole family of mankind. In testimony whereof, I have caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed to these presents, and signed the same with my hand. Done at the city of Philadelphia the first day of January, 1795.

(signed) George Washington

Thanksgivings as national holidays continued to be held at various times whenever proclaimed by Congress or the president. But it was Abraham Lincoln, struggling to hold the country together in the midst of the Civil War, who instituted Thanksgiving as an annual day of remembrance and praise.

In his *Thanksgiving Proclamation*, Oct. 3, 1863, President Lincoln glorifies our God and Father as Americans and stresses the infallibility and inerrant truth of the Bible, the Word of God, which instructs us to "give thanks unto the Lord in all things for His manifold blessings to us."

Lincoln's beautiful and stirring words ring as true today as they did in 1863, for America now is in the midst of another civil war. Rather than an armed conflict, our present battle is one of values and ideas, a struggle between morality and selfishness, between God and man. Lincoln's proclamation reads as follows:

It is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord.

We know that by His divine law, nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world. May we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people?

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown.

But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.

(signed) A. Lincoln

There can be no denying that our forefathers considered God's hand over America to be obvious. They also wrote and believed that His hand of guidance and protection was likely to vanish when America fails to honor Him.

This Thanksgiving, may we all remember the significance of our celebration, and let its commemoration bind us together with those who came before, setting America apart as a nation under God. ❐

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When I was five in 1967, my father took me to a roadside stop that overlooked the Cockrill Bend Penitentiary Farms west of Nashville. What I saw impressed me: inmates with hoes and shovels tilling fields to grow produce for a prison system that until the late Sixties sustained and paid for itself. His words sank heavily into my young conscience: "If you break the Law and commit crimes, you'll get put out there with them. If you try to escape, that guard with the big rifle will shoot you. Any questions, son?"

I had none. The point was very clear in that teachable moment: criminals go to jail and serve hard time. Period.

After returning from the Gulf War in 1991, I was on a National Guard recruiting tour and passed that same roadside stop while out hunting for a high school where I was scheduled to speak. I pulled over and was appalled by the view: no inmates, dormant fields choked with weeds and multiflora rose bushes, an illegal dump beside the road, and the State Penitentiary in the distance beyond.

How did this happen? First, lawyers, contractors, and unions put a stop to the prisons' manufacturing capacities. (Prison labor constituted "cruel and unusual" punishment, subverted bid laws, and restricted employment opportunities for the working poor.) Second, secular humanists and psychologists lobbied for new therapeutic cures that promised to reform criminals through behavior modification and psychopharmacology. (These were the same nice white-coats depicted in 1984, A Clockwork Orange, and One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.) Last, the Public Health and Corrections Departments decided to upgrade the quality of life, so they built the prisoners recreational facilities, gave them "rights" and free TVs, dismantled the self-supporting aspects of the housing and mess facilities, and established system-wide dependency on tax revenues for supporting the prison populace. (Hmmm... it's neat how fraud, conspiracy, and nepotism creates the nouveau-riche in subtle ways.)

Since the 1960s, the legal system has mandated the corrections agencies of the Federal Government and the States to relieve prison overcrowding as each saw fit. For the most part, this has consisted of pardons, parole, and early release programs that move convicted criminals out of the prison system and back out onto the streets. Often, they must release convicts early **by court order!** Consider these facts, all according to the US Department of Justice's own figures:

1. Over 70% of all violent crimes are committed by roughly 6% of all criminals;
2. Over two-thirds of released criminals will be arrested again within three years;
3. Of the more than half who are released awaiting trial, 20% of these **escape** and 16% will commit **another** crime while released;
4. Over 80% of state penitentiary inmates are repeat offenders;
5. For every 100 serious crimes, 5 criminals will go to prison, and on the average they will serve only a third of their sentences before being paroled or released.

It is becoming more apparent each day that the halcyon days of secular humanism are over. Sparing the rod gave way to appeasing the spoiled inner child, thus stripping mainstream society of a set value base gained the hard way over time through experience and moral responsibility. Society need not be held hostage to the whims of criminal behavior or the interpretation of legalese any longer, for a few solutions are hereby proffered:

First, we insist that our high school and collegiate athletes be held accountable to the provisions of the "no pass, no play" rule. The reasons for this are clear and are good common sense. Why not apply the same rule to the corrections system and call it **"no pass, no parole?"** The reasons for this are equally as clear: when an inmate is functionally illiterate, **who** will hire him once he is released? What new skills will he possess that will make him marketable in today's world? What are the chances that he will return to a life of crime? (Answers: practically no one, probably none, and about 80 percent.) Doesn't it make more sense to teach convicts to read and write, then parole them **after** they've passed the same minimum competency test given to our high school seniors as a prerequisite for graduation?

Second, prisoners should be taught marketable trades that will allow their reentry into society. Thirty years ago prisoners built wooden furniture and clocks, made license plates and pencils, raised garden produce, and sold their crafts to sustain their existence. They worked hard, but when their sentences were up, they possessed salable skills and most reentered mainstream society as productive citizens. A return to this form of **positive** corrective rehabilitation is long overdue.

Third, the repeat offenders need removed from American streets permanently. This means building more prisons, hiring more police officers for protection, and increased capital punishment. Victims have lost their own rights when they are shackled by laws that limit their **legal** access to firearms and technicalities that set jailed criminals free to strike again! After analyzing crime data, it makes much more sense to remove criminals from society than to disarm law-abiding citizens and leave them defenseless to the former. Our Country's founding fathers recognized the right of citizens to keep and bear arms, and—unlike today—possessed enough scrotal fortitude to hang robbers, rapists, and murderers. The criminals and their behavior should be addressed rather than the ownership of firearms by the law-abiding!

Last, mandatory minimum prison sentences for using firearms in the commission of crimes **must** be adopted at both the Federal and state levels. Period. In addition, we need to eliminate plea-bargaining and other ludicrous vindications that relieve the courts of their duties and cretins of their behavioral accountability.

Even if these proposals were implemented, we have no guarantee that crime rates would go down. But many veteran police officers I know believe they would result in a sharp drop in violent crime rates. At the very least they would provide a means for ensuring violent criminals are either measurably reformed or locked away for good. The adoption of a rigid nation-wide "No pass—no parole" policy would be a step in the right direction. ❐

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The History Department announces the following additions to the Spring 1995 schedule that were not printed in the spring schedule book:

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Blue Raiders roll over Tech on way to playoffs

◆ MTSU to travel to Division I-AA power Marshall Thundering Herd

SCOTT STEWART
Sports Writer

When MTSU started the 1994 football season, three games stood out on the schedule as keys to a successful season.

Saturday's 31-3 win over Tennessee Tech in the Totem Bowl gave the Blue Raiders a sweep in those three games.

Having already avenged last year's losses to TSU and UT-Martin, MTSU overcame early mistakes to take revenge for last year's 35-14 embarrassment at the hands of Tech.

BLUE RAIDER FOOTBALL

"We've been looking toward this game since they embarrassed us last year," said MTSU coach Boots Donnelly. "I'm very proud of the way we played, I couldn't be more pleased."

MTSU's offense started strong, moving the ball at will against the Tech defense, but quarterback Kelly Holcomb was intercepted twice in the end zone on two of their first three drives.

"Our defense kept us out of some bad situations," Holcomb said. "I made two bone-head mistakes early, but we were able to overcome those and win."

MTSU overcame the first interception by driving the ball 72 yards in 14 plays to score with only three seconds left in the first quarter.

The drive was capped when tailback Kippy Bayless, who carried the ball 11 out of the 14 plays, dove in from one yard out, Garth Petrilli added the extra point.

The two teams swapped possessions, each turning the ball over once with Tennessee Tech taking advantage of Bayless' fumble on MTSU's 35-yard-line.

The Eagles moved the ball 19 yards in 5:02 and Derek Scott kicked a 32-yard field goal to pull the score to 7-3 with 4:26 left in the first half.

The Blue Raiders answered the score with Bayless carrying the ball six times on a nine-play drive, including a 27 yard run to the Eagles' 7-yard-line.

Bayless, who finished with 191 yards on 38 carries, ended the drive with a one-yard plunge. Petrilli's extra point gave MTSU the 14-3 half-time lead.

"I felt it was the senior's role to lead the team," Bayless said. "In the beginning the

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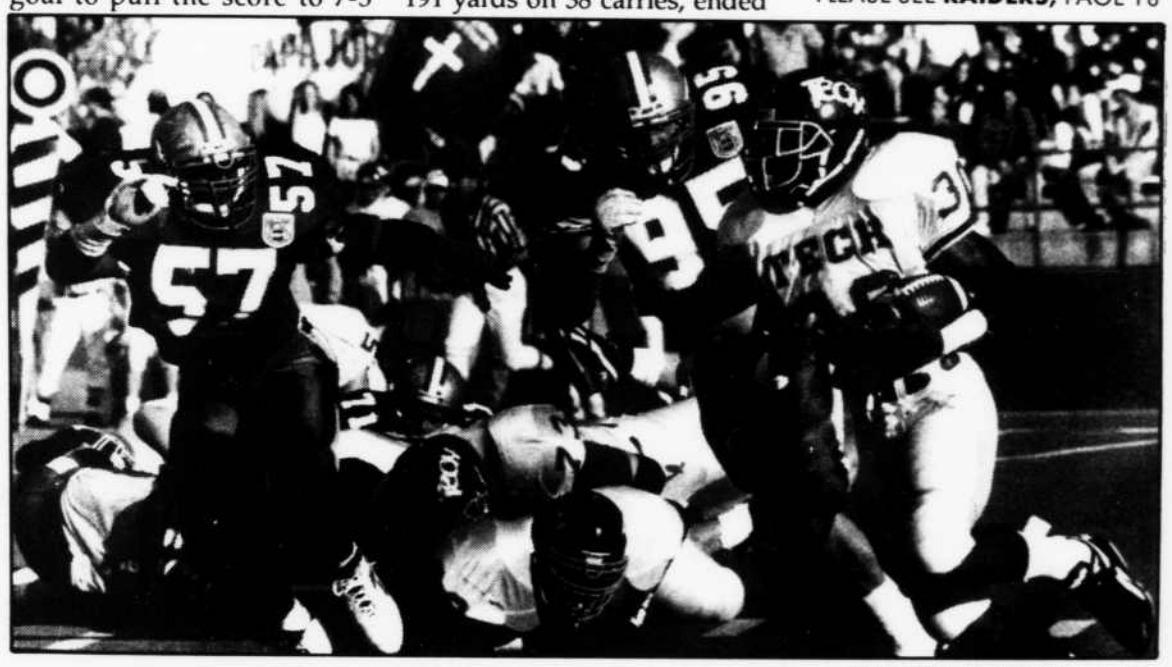

CHARLES HOGUE/Photo Editor

RUNNING OUT OF ROOM–Senior linebacker Mike Ellies (57), and junior linebacker Brian Yorston(95) chase down Tennessee Tech running back Michael Penix. Ellies and 15 other seniors played their final home game, defeating Tech 31-3. MTSU will play in the Division I-AA playoffs against Marshall Saturday at1:00 p.m.

MTSU wins exhibition games, ready to start season

DREW BUTLER
Sports Writer

With the sounds of the pep band and hecklers in the stands ringing throughout Murphy Center, the MTSU men's basketball team started their season with exhibition wins last week.

The Blue Raiders started with a Wednesday night win over the Kentucky Crusaders 96-83 and continued with a Saturday night win over the Belorussia nationals 77-70.

In the Crusaders game, MTSU ran hot and cold throughout the contest. At times, they executed on both ends of the court but also struggled against the opponent's defense and allowed easy baskets inside.

With the help of a 6-0 run, the Blue Raiders got out to a quick 12-6 lead in the first half. But after a Crusader time-out, MTSU lost the lead on a five-minute 16-6 Crusader burst.

"Last night, we had a very poor defensive identity. So I think they have a better idea today in practice of what I'm talking about and how important is it," said Head Coach David Farrar.

From that point, the Crusaders kept the lead for most of the half but never by more than four points. MTSU took the lead back on a Roni Bailey lay-up and foul shot with 4:22 left in the half.

The Blue Raiders kept the lead for good when Paul Washington hit a 3-pointer from the baseline with 1:23 left in the first half.

In the second half, the Crusaders never got closer than four points. The Blue Raiders built a lead as high as 15 points before eventually winning by 13.

BLUE RAIDER HOOPS

Tim Gaither had a game-high 28 points and was one of five MTSU players in double figures. Other players with double figures were Roni Bailey with 20, Bobby Clark with 15, Shawn Driskill with 12 and Velvious Goodloe with 10 points coming off the bench.

"Our team needs time on the court against other opponents. That's what these two exhibitions and the four games before Christmas are for," said Farrar.

In the Saturday night game against the Belorussia Nationals, MTSU again started fast. They broke out to a 7-0 lead in the first three minutes of the game.

But Belorussia tied the game 11-11 with the help of an 11-4 run in the next four minutes.

From that point, the game was close. MTSU never trailed by more than a point but there were no big leads until late in the first half. Belorussia always had a key basket to keep themselves in the game.

Belorussia took their only lead in the game on a basket with 8:43 left in the game. The lead lasted one possession and they never lead again.

The key point in the game was when Belorussia guard Andrei Krivonis was ejected after being issued two consecutive technical fouls after arguing a foul call. Driskill hit a free throw and Gaither connected on four more because of the technical fouls to extend MTSU's lead to 36-27.

The second half opened with poor shooting and caused a slow start for both teams. The teams combined to score only 12 points in the first seven minutes of the second half.

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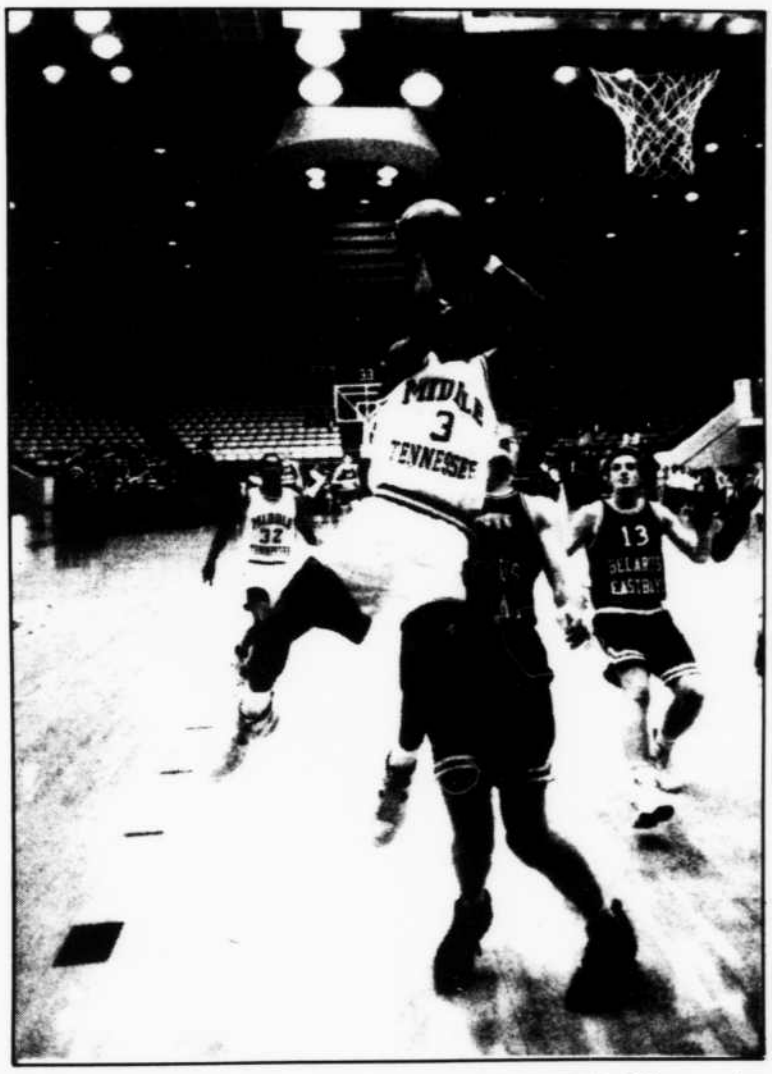

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TAKIN IT TO THE HOLE–MTSU guard Tim Gaither (3) takes the ball to the hoop against players from the Belorussian National team Saturday night, as the Blue Raiders won 77-70. Thursday the Blue Raiders defeated the Kentucky Crusaders 96-83. Their first regular season game will be Saturday Nov. 26 at Murphy Center.

Lady Raider basketball team plans to take charge with consistency

JESSICA CLAYBORN
Assistant Sports Editor

The Lady Raider basketball team is ready for 1994-95 season and plans to prove it.

Although the Lady Raiders went 21-7 last season, they finished fourth in the OVC with a record of 11-5. This year, they feel they have a fresh start and plan to make noise.

"We should have less distraction this year," said head coach Lewis Bivens. "We plan to have a more outside oriented game instead of inside like we had last year. Hopefully, we'll also have fewer injuries."

Despite the loss of post players Priscilla Robinson (MTSU's second all-time leading scorer), Maggie Cox, Michelle Jackson, and Clarissa Woodard, Bivens feels his inside game should help both the returning and new players.

Returnees include starting guards Sherri Tucker, who averaged 15 points and over 5 rebounds per game and Heather Prater, who averaged over11 points and 5 assists a game. Bivens also expects increased productivity from forward Jessica Beaty, who averaged 5 points and almost 4 rebounds a game.

Bivens said his returning players could play an important roll in team leadership.

"We've got [Tucker], our only senior. . . she'll be very important in terms of leadership. Prater's an excellent shooter, and Beaty did a great job before she was injured."

Tucker realizes her leadership role is important.

Although three of the five starters and seven out 13 players team are gone from last year, Bivens said his team is still excellent.

"We just have to play as hard as we can." Bivens said. "We have to play as a basketball team and really develop."

Part of Bivens' development includes playing team such as Clemson, Georgia in the upcoming SportsBelle Classic Doubleheader Nov. 27 at Murphy Center.

"We try to play a tough schedule," Bivens said. "It doesn't always work out that way, but this year it did. It will definitely make our team better." ❐

MTSU soccer team makes good showing at national tournament

SCOTT STEWART
Sports Editor

MTSU's soccer team went into the national tournament of the National Collegiate Soccer League number one in the South, one win and two losses later the Blue Raiders ended their season tied for ninth in the nation.

The amazing part of this accomplishment is the fact that it was MTSU's first year in the East division of the Southeastern Collegiate Soccer League, which is a region of the NCSL.

The Blue Raiders finished the season 18-3-2, and tied with Michigan and Mankato State for ninth in the nation.

MTSU won its first game against Wisconsin 1-0, with Keith Parrish scoring the only goal of the game at the 79 minute mark in the 90 minute game.

After the Thursday afternoon victory, MTSU went on to play Thursday night against Kansas.

The Blue Raiders were defeated 1-0.

"We played some excellent soccer in that game," said MTSU coach Charlie West. "It was just one of those games where we couldn't get anything to go."

West was talking about MTSU's 23 shots (11 on goal) to a total of eight by Kansas.

Of the 23 shots, the Blue Raiders hit the frame of the goal five times, and were denied by the goalie for Kansas twice.

"We spent 80 percent of the second half on their defensive end of the field," West added.

The loss Thursday night sent MTSU to the elimination round Friday against the University of Texas at El Paso.

UTEP won the game 3-1 over the Blue Raiders. Parrish scored the goal for MTSU, set up by I.P. Laurenceau, who made the All-Tournament team.

"Since this was our first year in the league, we know what we have to do next year to be successful again," West said. "We definitely plan to go back." ❐

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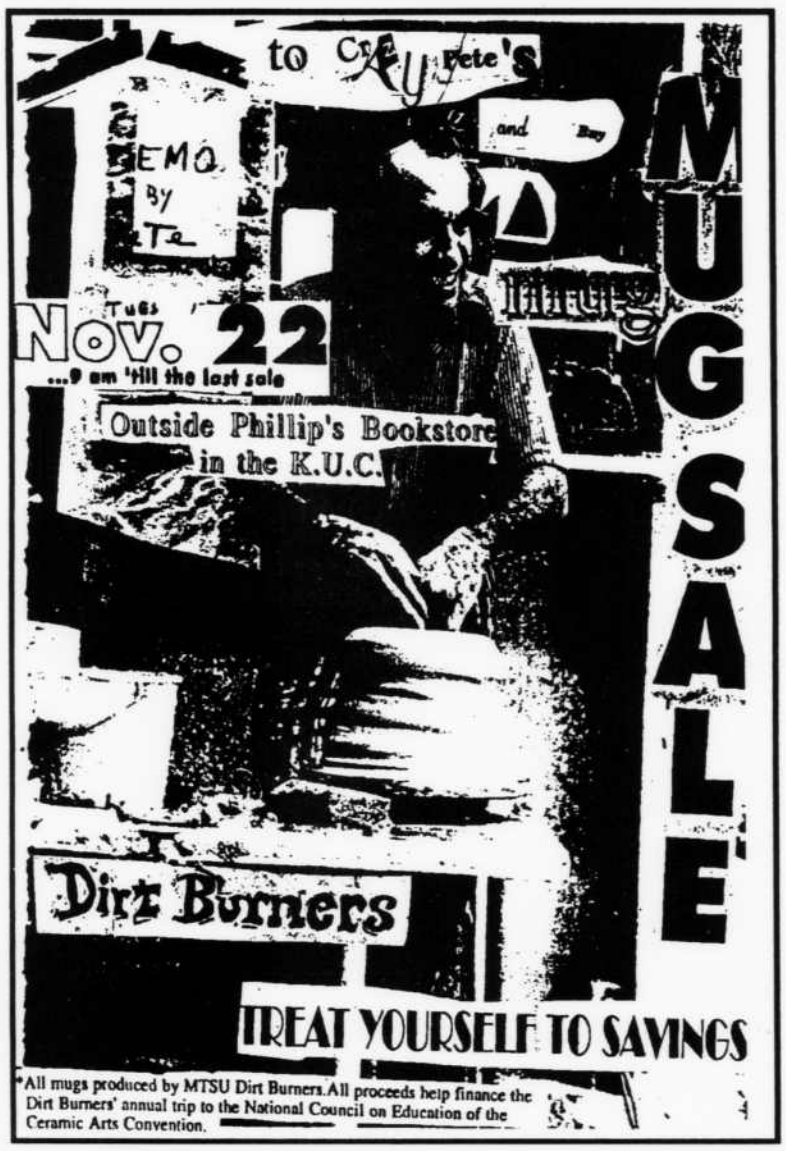

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half.

Despite the bad shooting, MTSU kept at least a 10 point lead until late in the game and lead by as many as 19.

Belorussia used a late rally that was highlighted by an Andrei Proskouriak 3-pointer to cut MTSU's lead to 75-70 with 24 seconds left in the game. But the rally came up short.

The Blue Raiders were again lead by Gaither who had 23 points. Driskill finished with 14 points. Washington and Bailey finished with 11 and 10 points, respectively.

MTSU starts their regular season against North Georgia on November 26 at Murphy Center. ❐

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seniors made the mistakes, but we got it going to win the game."

While the offense was taking control, the defense never allowed the Eagles' offense to get on track, allowing them only 177 yards total offense and no touchdowns.

"Coming into the season this defense was a question mark, with no marquis players," Donnelly said. "I can't find one guy I was displeased with today."

MTSU continued to roll offensively, scoring 17 points in the second half.

The first score of the second half came with 3:55 left in the third quarter, when Holcomb hit receiver Demetric Mostiller for 27 yards after a long touchdown run by Brigham Lyons was called back for holding.

Leading 21-3, MTSU then moved 70 yards in 14 plays scoring on a 24-yard field goal by Petrilli giving that Blue Raiders the 24-3 lead with 4:31 left in the game.

The final touchdown was scored with 36 seconds left in the game, when Bayless scored from two yards out.

The carry by Bayless was his 38th for the game, tying him for the most carries in one game by an MTSU running back, set in 1977 by Mike Moore against Austin Peay.

The win gives MTSU an 8-2-1 mark for the regular season, and 6-1 in conference play.

The final goal was reached yesterday when MTSU was chosen to compete in the Divsion I-AA playoffs against the second seeded Marshall Thundering Herd.

The game will be played Saturday, Nov. 26 at 1:00 p.m. ❐

Florida, Alabama face each other in championship, UT may go bowling

No. 3 Florida	**24**
Vanderbilt	**7**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) – Anyone calling Florida a pass-happy team better think again.

The No. 4 Gators focused on the run Saturday in downing Vanderbilt 24-7. Florida churned out 229 yards on the ground against a team ranked fifth in the Southeastern Conference at stopping the run.

"People have been saying we had better not be one-dimensional," said Elijah Williams, who carried 15 times for 96 yards.

Florida (9-1, 7-1) wraps up the season against Florida State Saturday and meets Alabama in the SEC Championship game Dec. 3.

"'We made it a goal this week to get the running game back up to par,'' said true freshman Fred Taylor, who rushed for 140 yards on 16 carries. "It's real important so other teams won't try to kill our pass."

The Gators had been averaging 161 yards on the ground, but the passing game drew all the attention with 327 yards and 37 touchdowns a game.

Florida coach Steve Spurrier ran the ball 42 times against the Commodores with only 24 passing attempts. Vandy's defense sacked Danny Wuerffel four times and allowed 221 yards through the air, 213 of those in the first half.

"Offensively, we sputtered again," Spurrier said. "It seems like (Vandy defensive coordinator) Carl Reese's defense is tough on us. We never go far throwing the ball against Vandy. We didn't do very well last year, we didn't do very well this year. ❐

Tennessee	**52**
Kentucky	**0**

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) – Tennessee and Kentucky's 90th meeting set a new low in the series' battle for the beer barrel.

Tennessee's 52-0 victory was the largest margin since Kentucky won the initial game of the series 56-0 more than a century ago. Grover Cleveland was president at the time.

The game was every bit as lopsided as the score suggests — Tennessee scored its last points with more than 11 minutes left to play — making for a long day on the Kentucky sidelines.

The Vols (6-4, 4-3 Southeastern Conference) controlled the ball for 36 minutes and gained 332 yards on 63 rushes in a total offensive output of 471 yards. Kentucky managed just 162 yards all day, almost none of it while the outcome was in doubt, which wasn't for long.

James "Little Man" Stewart led the Vol attack with 143 yards on 26 carries to come to within 84 yards of the school's all-time leading rushing record. He now has 2,769 yards in his career.

The victory was Tennessee's 10th straight in the series, the second-longest streak in the 90 years it has been played (the Vols won 11 from 1965-75).

The loss was Kentucky's 10th in a row since a victory in the season-opener and brought a painful season to a close for coach Bill Curry and his players. After making a bowl appearance last year, the Wildcats finished 1-10, 0-8 in the Southeastern Conference.

The victory, Tennessee's fifth in six games, means the Vols don't have to give up on hopes for a bowl invitation. ❐

No. 4 Alabama	**21**
No. 6 Auburn	**14**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) – Alabama won its state championship Saturday with a thrilling win over Auburn. With two more wins, the Crimson Tide also could make a strong claim for the national championship.

Jay Barker threw two long touchdown passes, Sherman Williams ran for 164 yards and one score and Alabama withstood a furious Auburn rally for a 21-14 victory in a battle of unbeaten arch-rivals.

The victory kept fourth-ranked Alabama (11-0, 8-0 Southeastern Conference) in the hunt for the national title, ended No. 6 Auburn's 21-game unbeaten streak and gave Terry Bowden his first loss in two seasons as the Tigers' coach.

Auburn (9-1-1, 6-1-1), which trailed 21-0 at halftime, pulled to 21-14 on a pair of 1-yard sneaks by quarterback Patrick Nix. But a last-ditch drive by the Tigers ended when Frank Sanders was stopped inches short on a fourth-down reception with 31 seconds left. ❐

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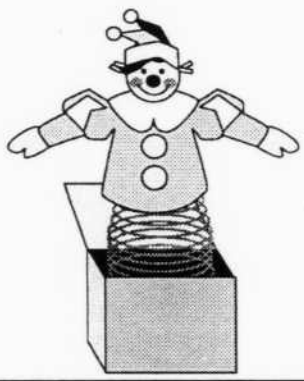

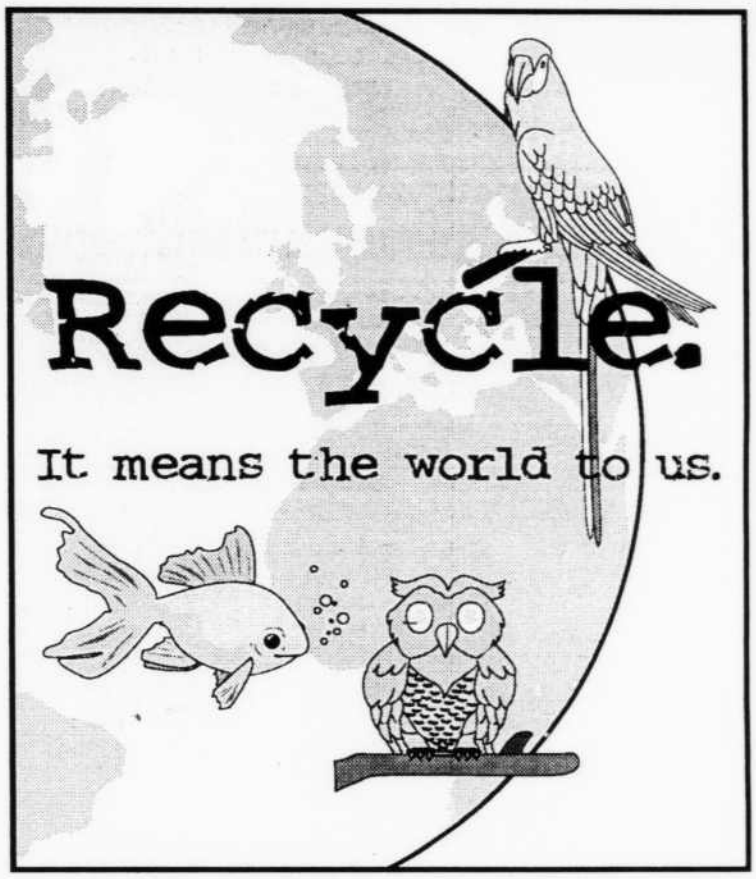

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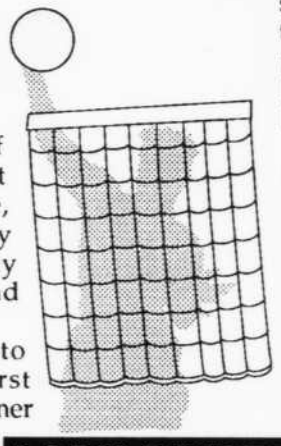
Lady Raider volleyball team falls just short in tourney upset bid

STAFF REPORTS

MTSU's Lady Raiders felt they had won even though they had lost the coin toss to break the tie for eighth seed in the OVC volleyball tournament.



The winner of the toss had to got the first round bye, but had to play second seed Murray State in the second round.

The loser had to play TSU in the first round, with the winner advancing to the second round against top-seed Southeast Missouri State.

LADY RAIDER VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Raiders felt they had won because they fest confident they could defeat TSU, and they played better against SEMO during the season than they had Murray State.

Their hopes proved to be right in the first round, where they defeated TSU 3-0 (15-8, 15-5 and 15-4).

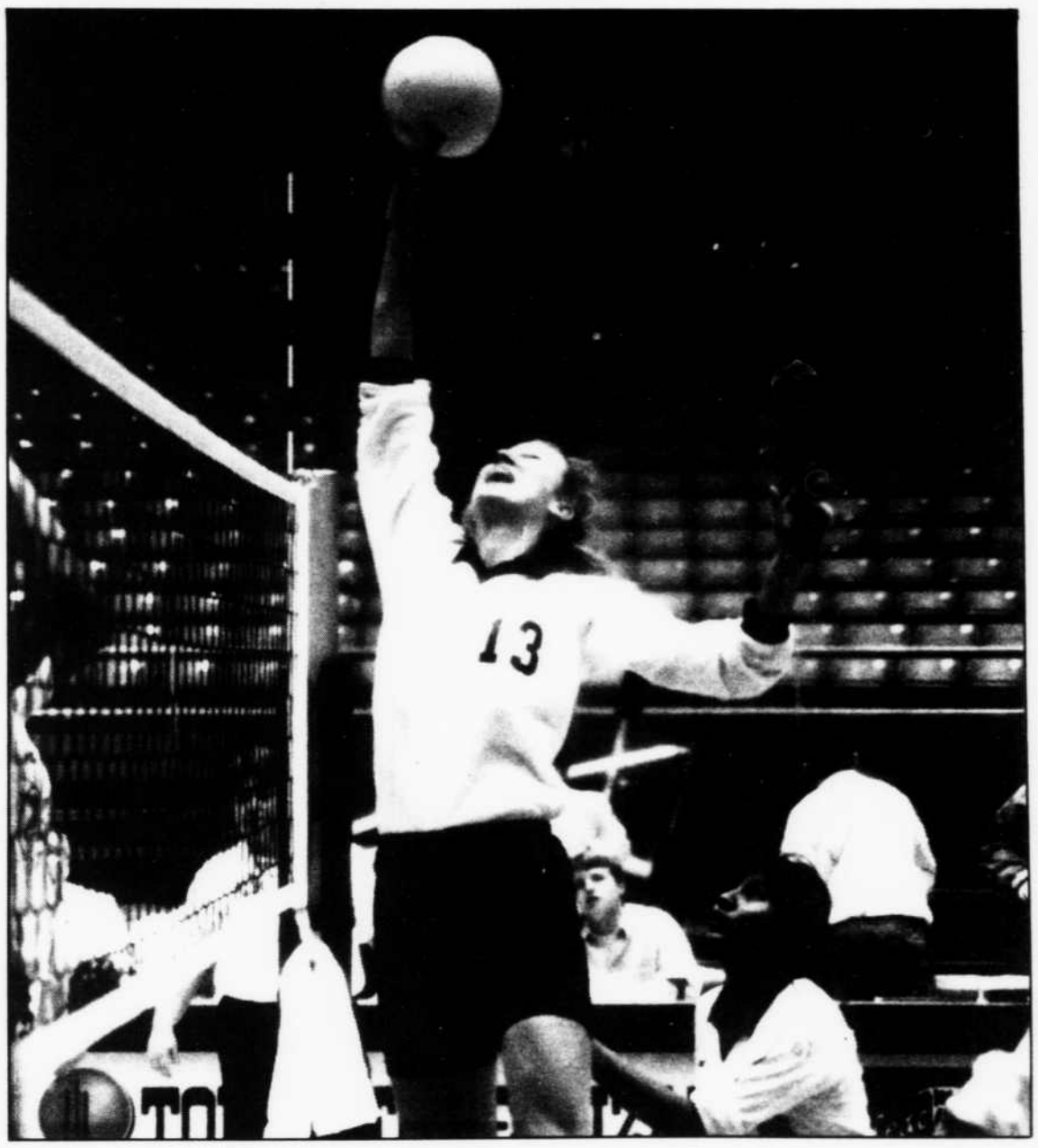
Their hopes against SEMO seemed promising three games into their match, with MTSU leading the Lady Indians 2-1.

However, SEMO showed why they were seeded number one, coming back to defeat MTSU 3-2, scoring 5-15, 16-14, 15-6, 5-15 and 12-15.

Senior outside hitter Angie Raffo led the Lady Raiders against TSU with six kills.

Raffo and outside hitter Tara Miller led MTSU in their upset bid of SEMO.

Raffo had 23 kills, while Miller added 16. ❐



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UP AND OVER–MTSU middle hitter Susan Bishop (13) and Setter Ndza Castillo try to get the point against TSU in their Ohio Valley Conference tournament match against Tennessee State. The Lady Raiders defeated TSU three games to none scoring 15-8, 15-5 and 15-4 in the sweep. The win advanced the Lady Raiders to the second round against top-seeded Southeast Missouri State. MTSU took a two games to one lead, but SEMO came back to defeat MTSU3-2, scoring 5-15, 16-14, 15-6, 5-15 and 12-15.

ON THE LINE-STUDENT STANDINGS

Because of the weekend, the deadline for student picks will be moved to **Wednesday, Nov. 23.** Any received by Wednesday evening will be counted, any received after Wednesday will not count. The games are listed in last Thursday's paper. If you need a copy call *Sidelines* at 2337 to obtain one. Good luck

William Wood retained first place at 126-45, but Emeri Gordon gained two games and vaulted into second at 127-45, just one game behind Wood. Forrest Moegle moved back to third at 124-47, tied with Monica Gordon (there is a relationship to Emeri). Corey Staggs at 119-52, Robin Lindsay at 118-53, Lee Eaton and Carter Henson at 117-54 and Greg Meyer at 111-50, round out the top student pickers.

ON THE LINE	TONY ARNOLD Sports Advisor	SCOTT STEWART Sports Editor	JESSICA CLAYBORN Asst. Sports Editor	ANDREW BUTLER Sports Writer	SCOTTY LEAMON Sports Writer
Syracuse vs W. Virginia	W. Va. 35-21 As sure as Coley's butt is soft	W.Va. 17-14 Orangemen crushed	Syr. 21-15 W.Va. falls from Mountain	Syr. 21-14 Orangemen seeing red	Syr. 24-10 Big East, Shmig East
N.C. State vs Virginia	Cavs 17-10 At least that's what Christina says	Cavs 34-21 Wolfpack too turnover prone	Cavs 28-17 Second-best team in ACC	Cavs 31-30 ACC wanna be's	Cavs 35-21 wolfpack can"t hold the ball
Arizona St. vs Arizona	Cats 31-10 Not about the game, but....	Devils 24-23 I don't know, it don't matter	Cats 10-7 Desert Swarm burns Devils	Cats 17-7 Where's the offense?	Cats 13-10 Another war in the desert
UT vs Vandy	Vols 21-17 ...about Coley's BUTT	Vandy 35-28 It's got to happen sometime	Vols 35-3 Vandy can't beat UT.	Vols 50-3 Vandy too big for their britches	Vols 45-10 This is a no-brainer
LSU vs Arkansas	Hogs 17-13 I wouldn't really know	Hogs 27-21 Tigers have hit an all -time low	Hogs 24-10 Tiger fans ready for Basketball	Hogs 24-21 Will LSU turn ball over? Yep!	Hogs 35-10 This one too
Mississippi St. vs Ole Miss	State 14-10 I really don't care	State 24-7 Hatred runs deep with these two	State 14-9 Ole Miss in for tough times	State 31-17 Rebels need to conform	State 24-3 Ditto
Florida vs Florida State	Noles 24-23 I don't really care if I ever know	Gators 42-40 Gators actually beat one Bowden	Noles 35-28 Spurrier can't beat the Bowdens	Noles 21-10 I just want to stay ahead of Stewart	Noles 48-44 Florida in over their heads
Georgia Tech vs Georgia	Dawgs 42-17 Yes, I'm still on Coley's butt	Dawgs 45-3 How did they lose to Vandy?	Dawgs 33-10 Tech sucks	Dawgs 31-14 Dawgs came around too late	Dawgs 33-17 Zeier best in the country
Notre Dame vs USC	Trojans 13-10 Not Guilty?	Irish 28-24 With one hand behind their backs	Trojans 35-33 Irish luck turns bad	Irish 21-17 Irish just aint that bad	Trojans 45-30 No luck for Irish this year
Boston Co. vs Miami	Canes 31-13 Yes, I ran out of things to say about Coley's butt.	Canes 45-37 Two words: Orange Bowl	Canes 28-24 Eagles perish in eye of the storm	Canes 70-3 This will be very ugly	Canes 21-13 The Orange Bowl will be death off Eagles

OVC Commissioner struck; Could Arnold be a suspect?

Ohio Valley Conference Commissioner Dan Beebe was struck in the knee with a black object Saturday night while leaving the OVC volleyball tournament held in Murphy Center.

Beebe, who was rumored to be mentally unstable by past *Sidelines* officials, was seen screaming "Why me" over and over. After settling down, when the doctor gave him a lolly pop, Beebe stated everything was a blur but it appeared as if his assailant had red hair.

Ironically, *Sidelines* 'On the Line' leader, Tony Arnold has red hair. Apparently Arnold approached Beebe about talking to the SEC in hopes of getting them to turn Vandy's loss to South Carolina into a win following a blown call that cost Vandy the game and Arnold a big cushion. Beebe refused to do so.

"How could I be a suspect," Arnold said. "I have two witnesses who will admit I was with them."

Those witnesses are Coley Jackson, who was reportedly seen yelling to a Belorussian official "Did you go to the Dan Beebe School of Officiating" at the basketball game and Travis Millsaps who wrote an article criticizing OVC officials last spring.

Despite Beebe's tears, it was only a bruise and he won't pursue his assailants after receiving a Mickey Mouse Band-Aid and a kiss from his mommy.

Regardless, Arnold is in good shape to claim his second 'On the Line' title this week with a 5-4 mark. Jessica Clayborn was tied for the lead but fell two back with a 3-6 mark and only disagrees with Arnold on one game this week. Scott Stewart went 5-4, Scotty Leamon 4-5 and Drew Butler continued to sink with a 3-6 mark.

"Just wait to the bowl picks," Clayborn screamed.

Line Standings

	W-L	GB	Pct.
Tony Arnold	86-32	-	.795
Jessica Clayborn	84-34	2	.777
Scotty Leamon	81-37	5	.749
Drew Butler	79-39	7	.730
Scott Stewart	66-42	20	.610