Lawmakers demand 'self-supporting' yearbook

by Phil West

TCPA Correspondent

NASHVILLE—Yearbooks and annuals at some state colleges and universities may become extinct following passage of the state's general appropriations bill by the 89th General Assembly.

The first amendment to the bill, which funds the state's programs, states that ''no state tax dollars shall be expended for the publication by any college or university of a student annual or yearbook.''

Further, the amendment reads, "It is the legislative intent that such publications be self-supporting and that any funds appropriated in this act for such purpose shall be applied to payment of the deficit from previous years."

The amendment was added to the appropriations bill by a House-Senate Conference Committee established to hammer out differences in the two chambers' budget proposals. Lawmakers approved the conference committee's majority report over objections from some legislators that some programs were adequately funded while others were not.

Sen. Leonard C. Dunavant, R-Millington, who sponsored the Senate amendment, said Monday, "Our intention was that college yearbooks are not part of the educational process." He added that yearbooks and annuals "will either have to sell more ads or charge an extra fifty cents or so for each one." Dr. Wayne Brown, executive director of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, agreed with Sen. Dunavant's assessment.

"It (the amendment) is a sign of the times; it's an austerity move by the state legislators," Brown said. "There is some feeling on the part of legislators that here (yearbook publication) is an enterprise subsidized by state tax dollars."

Brown explained that some state colleges and universities have yearbooks that are "self supporting."

However, he said, yearbooks at state higher education schools "will have to depend on other sources of revenue." Those sources, Brown suggested, would include monies from advertising and fees charged to students for the books.

Brown who will serve on the three-member "publications committee" for higher education institutions, said he thinks the panel will "take up the matter" when the group meets "in two or three weeks."

The publications committee was established by lawmakers this session to "review" publications of higher education institutions and "to promulgate rules and regulations" governing the publications.

Brown, Board of Regents Chancellor Roy Nicks and University of Tennessee President Edward Boling comprise the committee.

A spokesman for the Board of Regents said he thinks the schools "will have to start with a zero-base budget."



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ASB President–elect outlines upcoming proposals

by Lisa Marchesoni

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A revision of the academic advising system will be ASB's "number one priority" next year, President-elect Richard Langford said yesterday.

"I want students to leave MTSU with an education and not just a diploma," Langford said. "Through quality academic advising, this can come about."

ASB will meet and work with the faculty senate and "try to come up with a uniform plan," Langford said. This plan will be forwarded for approval to Jack Carlton, vice president for academic affairs.



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U.S. Senate candidate Dave Bolin promises effort to increase voter concern (page 2)

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Alleged rapist released on \$40,000 bond (page 6)

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The ombudsman program will be expanded to handle complaints through the mail, Langford said. Plans are being made to work with residence hall presidents and members of campus organizations to implement the program.

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Continuation of the tutorial program and revitalization of the legal aid proposal will be undertaken, Langford said.

Utilization of the travel board and more planned weekend activities such as rip-off concerts, movies and intramural events will be initiated, he said.

In the area of community relations, Langford said he hopes to continue the student discount months and to involve more local merchants in the plan.

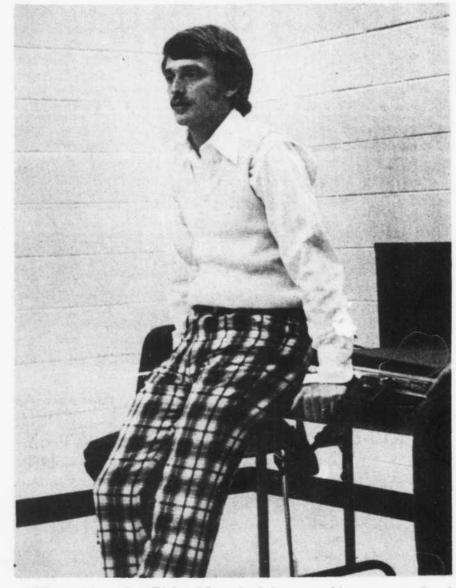
A student will be appointed to work as a ''liaison to the faculty senate,'' Langford said.

A typing referral service will be implemented in which a typist will be under contract to type papers at a set price, Langford said.

Freshman orientation will be used as a time to enlist interested students in ASB, Langford said. "We hope to get everyone who wants to be involved."

Langford, Senate Speaker-elect Buddy Creasman and House Speaker Jeff Combos will be inaugurated during ceremonies at the ASB Banquet April 14.

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ASB president-elect Richard Langford discusses his programs for the upcoming school year.

Bolin pledges stimulation of citizen input, concern

by Trina Jones

A process must be set up whereby persons can have an avenue of input with their elected representatives, U.S. Senate hopeful Dave Bolin told MTSU faculty and students Thursday.

"The basic question boils down to where people fit in after a representative is elected," the Democratic Senate contender said.

"That's where we've lost confidence in government," Bolin said. "People aren't finding representatives who are giving them avenues through which they can give input on issues."

In an effort to stimulate and maintain input from the voters, Bolin said he has set up committees in all Tennessee counties. The committees are composed of "people who have the best interest of their county at heart." he said.

If elected, Bolin said he would

put some of the burden of government back on those who elected him.

Bolin emphasized that this approach to government would necessitate a system to get information to the citizens and desiminate the facts.

Turning to the economy, Bolin blamed the economy's lack of stability to the concentration of power in the hands of a few corporation conglomerates. "We need more competition in industry to restore confidence in the economy," Bolin said.

"We haven't gotten into any in-depth anti-trust work in a long time," he commented. "This is one of the major areas I would work with if elected."

Saying that he believes "in making the educational system meaningful," Bolin maintained that educational reform has to come on the local level.

When asked to comment on some of U.S. Senator Bill Brock's policies and actions, Bolin declined any comments, saying that he is running "a positive campaign."

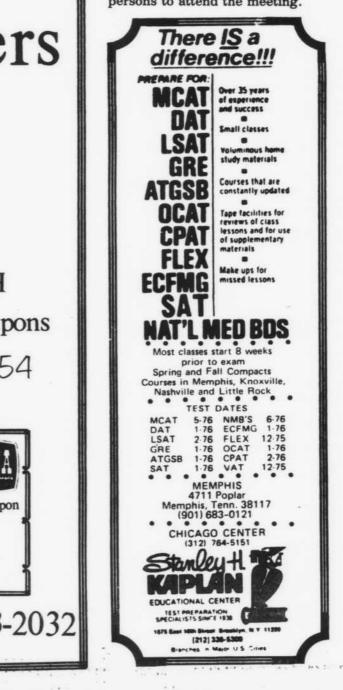
"I don't mind comparing voting records of elected officials, but I don't want to have a smear campaign," Bolin said.

"I am running on the basis of what I believe the people of Tennessee want," Bolin concluded.

Beer bill review set

An ASB bill proposing the elimination of four sections of the Murfreesboro City Code dealing with beer establishments will be considered at a meeting of the House of Representatives at 4:30 p.m. tomorrow in room 322 of the University Center, House Speaker Jeff Combos said.

Combos urged all interested persons to attend the meeting.



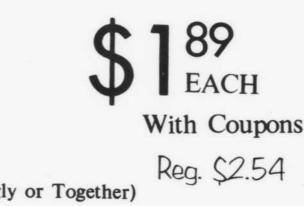


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Turntable deficit hits campus

by Frank White

"If money was available and if we were sure there was a need for record player facilities on campus, we would get one," Marshall Gunselman, LRC director, said.

Gunselman made the comment after it was brought to his attention that record player facilities are not available on campus for general student use.

"Our funds are frozen right now, but if someone pointed out that we need record player facilities, we will get them when we get more money," Gunselman said.

The university library had a record player for student use at one time but "it konked out several years ago," according to library director John Marshall.

"No provisions were ever made to replace or repair the record player," Marshall said.

"It seems logical that the LRC would be the place for record player facilities," Marshall added. "It seems that they would have the place to put it and the technicians to care for the equipment."

Gunselman pointed out that a record player was available in the Visual Handicapped Students' Lab but "everything else in the Personalized Learning Lab has been converted to cassette tapes."

The English Department has a limited record library for English

Debater places fourth

in Southeastern tourney

Gary Buchanan won fourth place speaker of all debate speakers at the Southeastern Debate Tournament this weekend in Carrollton, Ga., according to Jim Brooks director of the debate team.

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instructors, but "we are not equipped to check records out to students," Dr. William Beasley, department director, said.

The music department does have a record library available for students. The library is available for general student use but "is mostly for music students' use," according to a music department spokesman.

The record selection is limited to music department instructionrelated material and the facilities are too small for excessive general student use, according to the source

"If a student wanted to bring in his own class related record, he could," the department source said, "but we couldn't allow students to use the library for pleasure."



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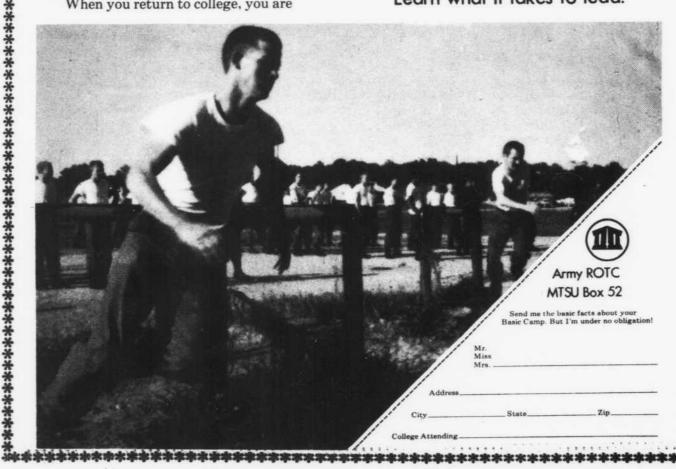
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Yearbook budget cuts deprive students

When it comes to cutting the state budget, it seems like students in higher education always get shafted.

Although the legislators were kinder with funding higher education than in previous years, they could not resist one significant dig against students.

Our legislators committed a deplorable action by slicing all appropriations to fund yearbooks and annuals.

The amendment, sponsored by Sen. Leonard Dunavant, R-Millington, said no tax dollars will be used to fund college yearbooks. Instead, these publications must be self-supporting.

Dunavant said, "Our intention was that college yearbooks are not part of the educational process."

Sen. Dunavant, we beg to differ with your opinion.

Working on a college yearbook allows a student to gain a practical knowledge of photography, graphic design, copyfitting, headline-writing, layout and copywriting.

Before we disagree any further, we must inform Sen. Dunavant that we do learn basic journalistic skills in academic classes.

However, working on a college yearbook gives a student the chance to actually use basic journalistic skills to produce quality publications.

Many prospective employers demand a portfolio of work completed by students in both print journalism, graphics and photography. Thus, yearbooks become an excellent portfolio for a student seeking employment.

Sen. Dunavant, when you and your peers delete funds from college yearbooks, you are essentially limiting the job potential for some Tennessee journalism students.

While you and your fellow lawmakers enjoy those "pork barrel" projects at home, remember that some journalism students may be denied the opportunity to qualify for a job due to your deplorable actions.



comment

Light vote suggests Election Commission failure

by Frank White

The Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1975 was written "to encourage greater participation by the student body in all elections," according to the act.

"To establish clear and proper procedures for the conduction of campus elections," was also presented as an objective of the act.

It is questionable whether either of these objectives were met in the recent ASB election.

Student participation, even though higher than last year, was lower than it could have been if the election had been handled more effectively by the election commission.

The election polling places and times are to be publicized in the student newspaper at least three issues prior to the election, Article VI of the act dictates.

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The election commission did not take proper steps to insure the election was publicized properly.

Instead of contracting ad space and properly announcing the election dates, times and places, the election commission chose to allow the student newspaper's news staff to seek out the information. For this reason, the needed information was included with other information about the election and was not as prominent as it might have been if the election commission had attempted to properly publicize the election.

The polling places were listed in the student newspaper. However, the polls were not in all the places designated by the election commission. Therefore, students had to actively search for a poll in order to vote.

Polls were set up in Woodmore and High Rise Cafeterias and near the UC grill as publicized. On the first election, day, the fourth designated polling place in the NCB mall was not open.

Polling places at campus dining facilities are accessible to many but not all students.

The fourth campus facility, the SUB Cafeteria, was not covered by a voting poll. If the plan was to reach students on their way to lunch, the SUB diners were neglected.

Also, it should be considered that
not every student eats on campus.
Many students commute from
, nearby areas and never go to any of

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the campus dining facilities. These students were not given an opportunity to vote on the first day.

The fourth publicized polling place was to be in the NCB mall. Had the poll been in the mall, it would have been an excellent place.

Most students within the course of two days pass through the NCB mall, since it is suspected that the primary reason for students enrolling in the university is to attend classes.

On the second voting day, a poll was set up in one of the four entryways of the NCB. Because of the placement in an entryway instead of the mall, the poll was not seen by 75 per cent of the students who possibly would have seen it in the mall.

Two slight changes in the polling places would have increased student exposure to the polls.

First, the poll in the UC could have been moved to the first floor.

The post office on the first floor of the UC draws virtually every student on the campus within the course of two days while the second floor lobby attracts only the section of the student body that patronizes the Grill. (I realize it may be a shock to some people, but not every student on campus patronizes the grill.)

Second, if it was impossible to place the poll in the NCB mall, signs could have been placed in the mall to direct students to the polling place.

Signs could have been used

effectively at other polling places also.

The elections could have been conducted more effectively if voting machines or secret ballots had been used.

With the polling situation, the secret ballot guaranteed in Section 1, Article X of the Electoral Act was denied in some cases.

I voted at the poll in the entryway of the NCB since it was the only poll I was able to "nd.

The table was positioned in a cramped stairwell and three poll workers made the situation more crowded than necessary. The three poll workers were sitting at the table making it impossible to use the table to secretly mark the ballot.

As I balanced my books on a bubble gum machine to mark my ballot, one of the poll workers informed me he had failed to initial the ballot.

In order to have my vote counted, I had to hand it back to the poll worker for his initials, This made the ballot official, but less than secret.

The low turnout of voters can be blamed partially on student apathy. Apathy is shouldered with the blame of most unsuccessful campus activities.

In this case, the blame also must be shared with the Election Commission for their handling of the election.

letters

Students list educational benefits of yearbooks

An air of unreality surrounds the Tennessee Legislature's recent move to prevent the operation of university funded yearbooks beginning in the fall of '76.

It really seems hard to believe that the elected representatives of the people could so quietly and quickly propose and approve an act that will affect every person on every state campus.

There are many purposes for a yearbook; it acts as a record of past years for the student to reflect on his "school days gone by;" it provides new students with an insight into what the campus and the school were like last year or 20 years ago; and it is a helpful recruiting tool for the school, provided at a reasonable cost.

Most importantly, however, the book provides invaluable experience to students interested in graphics and magazine work, giving them a chance to learn a lot they would never be able to learn in the classroom.

It is this "firing line" experience that makes university-related publications so important for the aspiring journalist.

And that is why it is so inconceivable that the legislature would all but eliminate this medium from the campus scene. It may be possible to reincarnate annual publications across the state, although several will no doubt fold up and the quality of the others will be tremendously affected. But all of this will take time, and the dedication and support of students and administra-



tors.

What will it be next, Mr. Legislator? Shall you take away the campus creative publications? The student newspapers too? How about the funds for the journalism departments, do you want to take them away too?

It is a damning indictment of the single-sightedness of the legislature when they mindlessly damage a valuable program like campus yearbook production to reduce costs a little after tacking so many useless "pork barrel" items like reflectorized license plates or the probably unconstitutional, and grossly unfair, tuition grant program.

The legislature needs to learn, and learn fast, that a good educational experience isn't always indicated by winning football teams, expanded programs or big, gleaming buildings; sometimes it can be disguised in a simple and enjoyable job such as putting together a yearbook or other student publication.

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Safety measures proposed for pedestrian crosswalk

I would like to bring attention to the pedestrian crosswalk in the area between the library and the NCB. I consider the safety of this crosswalk to be minimal. The sign which states **Stop For Pedestrians in Crosswalk** is positioned on the right side of the road, and is frequently masked by parked cars. These same cars, which are parked right up to the walk, often hide pedestrians from the view of on-coming traffic, causing pedestrians to "pop out" into traffic.

It has also been my observation that vehicular traffic seldom stops unless a large number of walkers are in the walk. Individuals or couples are frequently chased out of the walk by oncoming cars, or at least, engaged in a war of nerves with these cars. If the campus security force enforced the safety of this walk with the same dedication they show to parking violators, it would reduce the potential for a serious accident. (How many dangerous drivers have you seen in this area, and how many have you seen stopped by the campus cops?) A day of observation of this area will, I'm sure, support my contention.

I suggest 1) Moving the warning sign to the left of the roadway where it will be more visible, 2) Changing the parking space immediately preceding the crosswalk to a no-parking zone, and 3) Considering the addition of a) a speed bump, b) a pedestrianactivated traffic light, or preferably c) a stop sign. The minor inconvenience to automobile traffic can not possibly outweigh the safety of the great many pedestrians on campus who use this crosswalk daily.

I hope that serious consideration will be given to this situation by the administration, security force and student government. Jay M. Ura Box 8079

Parking policies questioned

Last Saturday night (March 20) I was astonished to find cars parked in the streets for the state basketball tournaments. Cars were parked in the right-hand traffic lane (northbound) of Tennessee Blvd. from the Phillips 66 station to the Lascassas Highway. I feel that these cars parked in the road were a traffic hazard, especially to motorists turning right from Greenland Tennessee and coming onto face-to-face with parked vehicles less than 50 feet from the intersection. Also, the person directing traffic at the Greenland Drive Blue Raider parking lot was motioning cars to park on the side of the road which was posted as a tow-away zone.

I feel that the police department's oversight of this matter is a case of unequal application of the law. Imagine if there was a concert held at Murphy Center and students and other people attending the concert parked their cars in the same manner. The police would have been towing cars away all night long. May I also add that having myself attended concerts over the past three years and living at Villager Apartments, I have never seen concert goers park with such thoughtlessness and disrespect of the law.

If there are going to be exceptions to the law, all of the no-parking signs might as well be taken down around MTSU. Why should people attending sports events be above the law while those attending concerts are not? Apply the laws to all or do not apply them at all.

Paul J. Rebmann 1014 N. Tennessee Blvd.

Sidelines invites letters to the editor on the issues affecting our campus. The best letters are brief and to the point. Write Sidelines, Box 42.

Law enforcement agencies' efforts commended by appreciative student

This letter is in response to the March 9 Sidelines column concerning the alleged rapes.

I would like to express my appreciation of the cooperative effort between the Murfreesboro Police, University Police, the Rutherford County Sheriff's office and the Tennessee Bureau of Identification. I feel that each party involved is working to their capacity to make our city and our campus a safer community. It is a comfort for myself and my fellow coeds to know that we have these organizations to help us.

I am aware of the dangers surrounding me and appreciate the advice and the protection given to me by these institutions.

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Yours truly, The Protected

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Rape suspect charged, freed on bond

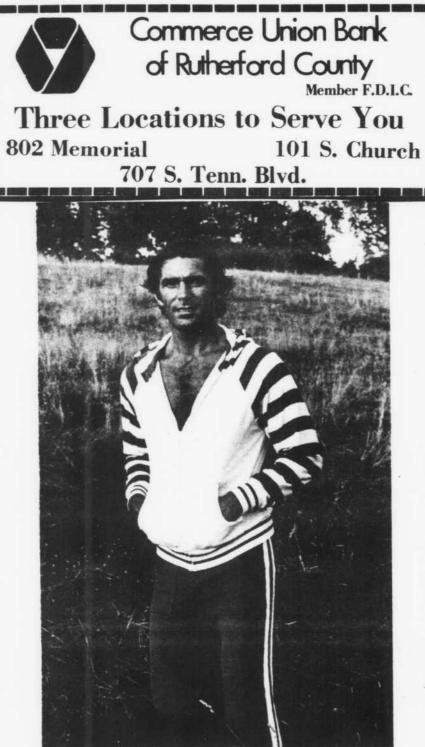
A man charged in the rape and kidnapping of a MTSU coed Feb. 26 was bound over to the grand jury and released on \$40,000 bond yesterday.

Johnny L. Smith, 23, of the Villager Apartments in Murfreesboro, is charged with a total of four counts--one count of attempted rape, two counts of rape and one count of kidnapping.

His preliminary hearing, originally scheduled for March 15, was held March 20 after a notice had mistakenly been released that the trial was rescheduled for March 22. A bail of \$10,000 for each count was set during the preliminary hearing Saturday and he was released from the Rutherford

County jail today when the \$40,000

bond was posted by his lawyers. In addition to the alleged rape of the MTSU student, Smith was identified in a police line-up by two other women and charged with one count of attempted rape of a female employee of Handy Market on



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Lascassas Pike, July 31, 1975. Another count of rape was filed against Smith involving an employee of Century 21, a clothing store on Woodbury Pike, May 14, 1975.

Defense film slated

A film entitled "How to Say No to a Rapist and Survive" will be shown at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Multi-Media room of the Learning Resources Center.

The hour-long film is free and will be open to the public.

"How to Say No..." outlines the rape defense techniques advocated by Frederic Storaska, who will be a guest speaker on the MTSU campus March 30.

Atmospheric study lecture scheduled

"Atmospheric Phenomena," second in a series of environmental seminars, will be presented Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the University Center Theatre.

Second in the Environmental Insights lecture program, the seminar will examine results of recent studies in atmospheric science, including thunderstorms, tornadoes and fog.

Campus

Calendar

College; 3 p.m.

p.m.; SUB 200

p.m.; UC Theatre

Murphy Center

a.m.; UC Theatre

p.m.; Baseball Field

Circle K: 6 p.m.; UC 314

Today

Baseball: MTSU at David Lipscomb

Council on Student Publications: 3:30

Movie: "The Big Store," 3:30, 6 & 8

Fencing Club: 7:30 p.m.; Dance Studio B,

Tomorrow

Seminar: "Atmosphere Phenomena;" 11

Baseball: University of Wisconsin; 1:30

Movie: "The Great Waldo Pepper;"

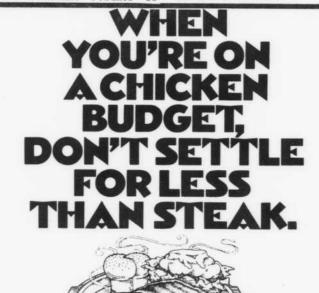
3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.; UC Theatre

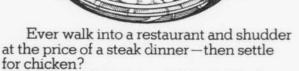
Chess Club: 7:30 p.m.; UC 315

Bicentennial Lecture: 8 p.m.; LRC

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Hikers chase 2,000-mile dream in Appalachians

by Jenny Tenpenny

Have you ever wanted to pick up your belongings and take off on your wildest dream, leaving behind the dull routine of your life and the doldrums of an 8-5 job? For most of us, it is only a dream.

However, two MTSU graduate students, Jim Chrietzburg and John Riser, both of Murfreesboro, and Chrietzburg's uncle, John Clark of Greensboro, Ala., will be leaving everything behind in order to do just that-they will spend the summer hiking the Appalachian Trail in its entirety. The Trail stretches approximately 2,043miles and spans 14 states.

Chrietzburg terms it his "most ambitious project" and says he has been "thinking about doing it for years and the opportunity, time and finances made it now feasible."

Chrietzburg and Clark began the hike Sunday at Springer Mountain, Ga. Riser will join them in Damascus, Va., after the completion of this semester. They hope to reach their destination, Katahdin, Maine, sometime in mid-August (their trip will take 150 days).

Needless to say, a trip of this nature requires extensive planning. "This particular trip has taken at least five or six months to prepare for," said Chrietzburg, who is an experienced backpacker. Clark, who is retired, said he has "mostly hunted for the experience" and has recently been jogging to get in shape for the journey.

The trio will be carrying everything that it takes to sustain life-food, water, shelter and clothing-in a 40 lb. pack. They will also be carrying first aid kits, snake bite kits, journals and cameras.

Hiking permits had to obtained from the Appalachian Trail Conference (ATC), in order to insure them of reservations in the Trail shelters that are located at frequent intervals along the way. The ATC is a non-profit organization of trail clubs which supervises and maintains the trail.

Aside from the usual backpack-

ing preparation, the trio had to carefully map their journey to insure that food supplies can be replenished at regular intervals and correspondence can be received from home.

Although they plan to live off the land to some degree, Chrietzburg explained that it would be too time consuming to hunt for food in the woods on which to survive. So they are planning to use grocery stores that are near the trail. Clark has also prepared some dried ground beef and a peanut butter and honey mixture to carry along.

Food will present less of a problem than drinking water, however. Clark said, "It won't be a serious problem, more of a nuisance than a problem." But they will be taking along extra containers to carry good water in as well as water purification tablets.

The weather will be another problem but will not present any dangers. It will be quite cold and rainy in the mountains now, but they hope to follow spring northward. The weather will, of course, improve as summer approaches. Chrietzburg says that he is looking forward, however, to Mt. Washington in the White Mountain Range. Mt. Washington its extremely is noted for treacherous weather and in 1930 recorded winds up to 231 mph. The mountain has also been the scene of 70 deaths due to exposure.

Chrietzburg's wife, Mary, will meet the trio in Maine and will bring them back to Murfreesboro in time for a short rest before fall semester. Chrietzburg and Riser will begin another school year and Clark will settle into winter retirement knowing that they have fulfilled, at least in part, a dream.



MTSU trackmen outdistance foes in outdoor meet

by John Shires

Earning seven first place finishes in 17 events, MTSU's track team opened its 1976 outdoor activities with a quadrangular win against Eastern Kentucky, East Tennessee and Miami of Ohio here Saturday.

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In winning, MTSU totaled 63 points to 49 for Miami of Ohio, 371/2 each for East Tennessee and Eastern Kentucky.

The famed "Grasshopper Gang," a group of MTSU jumpers composed of Sheikh Faye, John DoDoo, Marvin Hill and Jimmy Washington, paced the attack as expected.

Faye placed first in the high jump with a leap of 6'6", second in the long jump with a spring of 24'2 3/4" and second in the 100 yard dash with a 9.5 second run.

DoDoo finished second in the





...leaping to first place

triple jump, jumping 49'5" and third in the long jump, soaring 22'91/2".

Hill was right behind DoDoo in the triple jump, finishing third with a jump of 48'93/4."

The remaining member of the "Grasshopper Gang," Washington, captured first places in both the long jump and the triple jump, rocketing 24'31/4" and 50'2" in the two events, respectively.

Ted Hausauer won first for the Raiders in the shot put with a heave of 55'4" followed by Scott Akins in fifth with a put of 49'11."

Junior Harison Salami set an MTSU record in the discus, winning first place with a toss of 169'9." Bill Elmer of MTSU was fourth with a throw of 147'8."

Salami and Elmer also placed third and fourth respectively in the javelin, with Salami tossing it 188'11'' and Elmer 184'6.'' In the pole vault, MTSU's Jack

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Warner won first with a vault of 14'.

Russell Holloway of MTSU captured first in the 120-yard high hurdles with a time of 14.4 seconds.

Other finishes for MTSU included a second place spot by a 440 relay team with a time of 42.4 and a third place for a mile relay team.

A second place in the 440-yard dash went to speedster J.T. Musgrove with a time of 49.3 seconds and a fourth place spot for

freshman John Timberlake in the 880-yard run with a time of 1:57.5.

"I was real pleased with the way they performed," Coach Dean Hayes said of his squad.

Hayes pointed out that although the Raiders got most of their points in the field events, he thought they did well in the running events, too.

"We got good places in those events, and, if we continue to score like that in running events, we'll do well," he added.

Motlow JUCO All-American decides to join Blue Raiders

by Chuck Cavalaris **Sports Editor**

Middle Tennessee has inked a 6-7, 210-pound junior college All-American to join the Raider basketball squad next season.

Bob Martin signed the letter of intent late last week to become the first MTSU signee this year, Coach Jimmy Earle said yesterday.

"It is an unusually early signing, but he is the type of player who can give us instant help," Earle said.

Martin average nearly 25 points a game at Motlow Junior College in 1975 and was named the Tennessee Junior College Player of the Year by the Coaches Association.

Though he was out with a broken foot for most of the 1976 campaign. according to Stan (Ramrod) Simpson, an assistant coach, Martin still managed to score 40 points, grab 17 rebounds and block eight shots against nationally ranked Pensacola Junior College.

"He is extremely aggressive and that is what you look for," Simpson said between puffs on his pipe.

Martin first played basketball in the Air Force.

"He started playing in the service and just got better and better," Earle said.

How's the recruiting coming along?

"Well, right now we really won't know anything for a few days. It's tough competing against Division I schools in all sports for the 'class' player," Earle said.

He cited the new NCAA rule limiting prospective athletes to a total of six visits to all schools as a reason why. And the maximum number any Divison I school can have visit at 18 is another.

"That's right, it is a waiting game," Earle said before opening and envelope he said he hoped was from a guy 6-10. It turned out to be from a 5-8 guard.



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Wisconsin-Eau Claire here at 1:30 tomorrow

Raider nine invades David Lipscomb today

by Ed Arning Assistant Sports Editor

MTSU's baseball team will put its 9-5 record on the line against David Lipscomb, this afternoon in Nashville. Danny Neal, 3-0, will pitch for the Raiders.

The University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire will battle MTSU in a doubleheader here tomorrow afternoon at 1:30, and North Central Illinois will take on the Raiders here at 3 p.m. Friday in a single game.

"We are really going to push ourselves this week to get ready for our OVC opener at Murray, Saturday,"said Coach John Stanford.

"Miami of Ohio is the best team we have faced," said Stanford following the Raiders 5-0 loss to Miami Sunday afternoon. George Ploucher, 1-3, took the loss for MTSU.

Saturday, the Raiders split a doubleheader with Milliken University.

MTSU dropped the first game of the twin bill, 9-5.



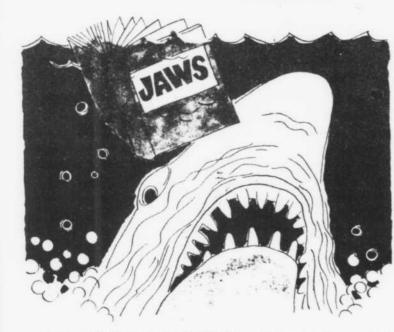
Raider second baseman Spot Howard goes airborn to avoid the spikes of Miami of Ohio's John Bachman. MTSU lost 5-0. Tim Hamilton Photo

Behind the pitching of Steve Smith, 1-0, MTSU came back to win the second game, 6-1.

MTSU whipped Union Friday, 12-0, as the Raiders pounded out 14 hits. Ricky Wheeler and Danny Moore collected three RBI's apiece and they both connected for homeruns. Danny Neal went the distance for MTSU as he picked up his third victory in as many games.

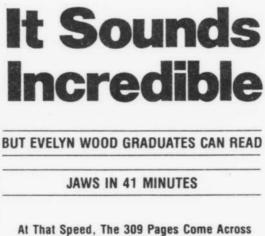
Thursday afternoon, MTSU swept a doubleheader from Tennessee Temple, taking the first game, 8-0, and the second, 11-1.

Ploucher tossed a no-hitter in the first game as he struck out 15



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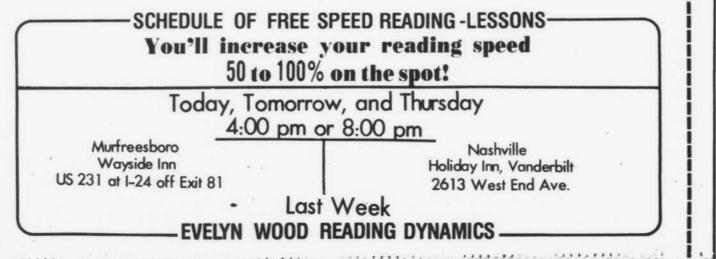


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batters and walked only three. Ploucher had a perfect game going for five and two-thirds innings.

Bob Hardin pitched a three hitter in the second game as he increased his record to 2-0 on the year. Ben Lankster and Denton Peters had three hits and three RBI's in the doubleheader.

Beer keg on line

All entries for the fraternity softball throw April 3 between the MTSU-Austin Peay doubleheader must be submitted to Box 5471 by Saturday.

Contestants must be a member of a fraternity in order to compete for the free keg of beer.

Each fraternity will be allowed three enteries only for the competition.

Mike Summers owner of Mike's Market on Greenland Dr. has donated the keg of beer for the event.



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Football hopes perk up

"It's the calm before the storm."

Chuckwagon

That's how MTSU offensive coordinator Bobby Baldwin summed up the feelings today toward any Middle Tennessee aspirations on the gridiron in 1976. He was talking about tomorrow at practice, too.

The footballers are hard at work. They are "continuing the carry over from last year," according to Baldwin. Assistant Coach Jim Sypult agrees.

Both said the program has made great strides in one year in both performance and attitude. The period of adjustment is past, they said, and now it is time to mold a winner.

Head Coach Ben Hurt has the fever just as bad. He was showing line coach Monty Crook the other day why a block wasn't working on the <u>field. They</u> were in Hurt's office.

by Chuck Cavalaris

Sports Editor

Saturday morning was brighter than most last week. It marked the first intra-squad scrimmage. The next is Saturday morning at ten. The public is invited.

"We were most pleased with the people we have moved since last year," Baldwin said of the action which pitted the best on offense and defense against the rest.

He mentioned Chris Keen who moved to center from linebacker and Alvin Palm now calling home his right tackle position.

Somebody must have been doing some work in the trenches. Mike Moore piled up 138 yards in 24 carries and John Dukes gained 133 in 14 tries.

"I don't think there is any doubt that we are better," Baldwin said in comparison to last year. That is when MTSU missed the total offense record for a single season by 158 yards.

Moore is 17 pounds heavier, Baldwin said, and one-tenth of a second faster than what helped him reset the school's individual rushing record for one year. He was a sophomore and the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year.

"The objectives of the players are so much higher this year," Sypult said yesterday. "They know they can get it done."

The change in the defensive effort Saturday was "no major breakdowns," Sypult said, adding that the front wall had four players to grade in the top five defensively.

"We will take the football away from some people this year," Sypult said. "We were last in team defense last year so that just leaves us one way to go and that's up. And we will improve."

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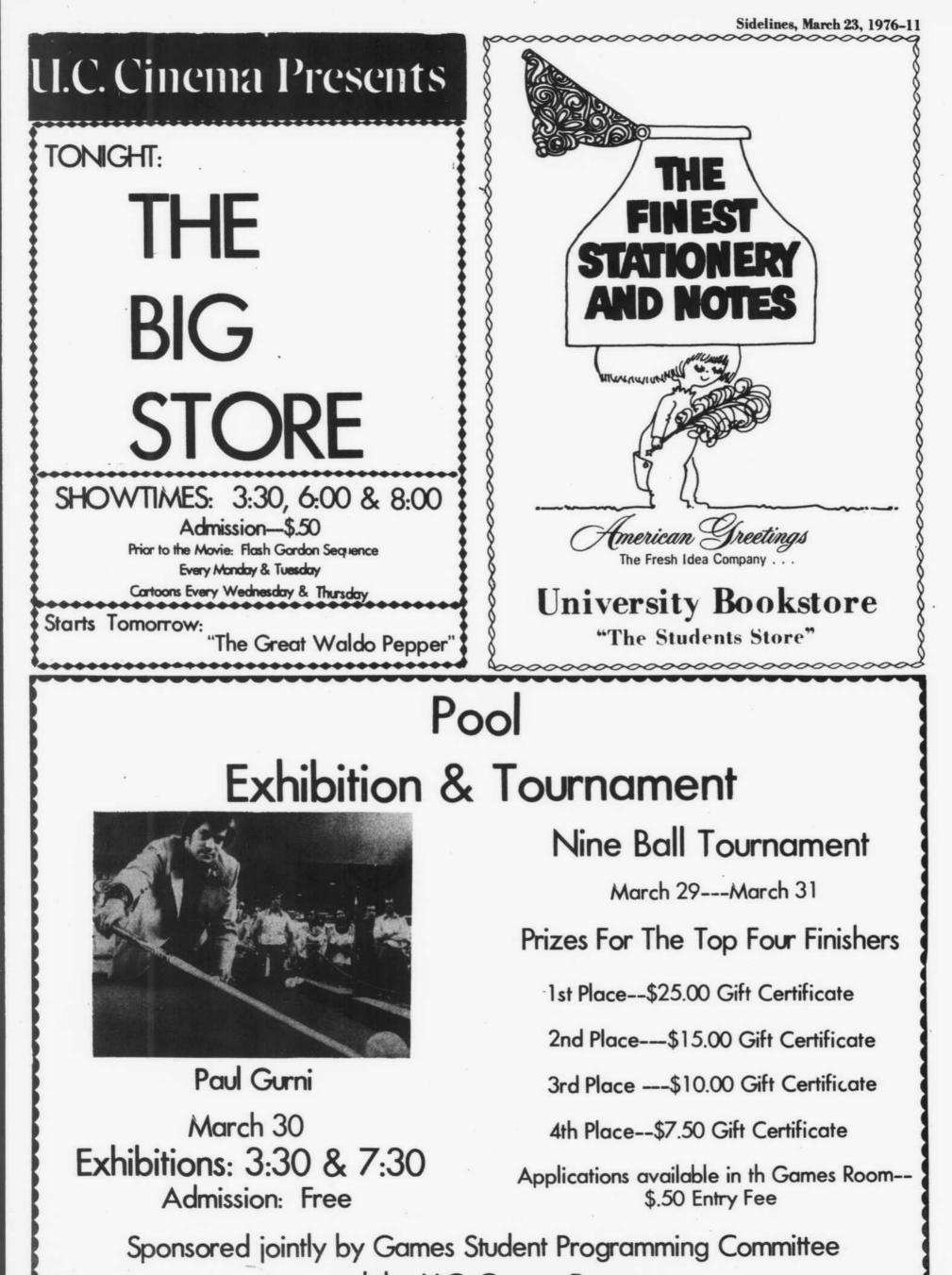
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