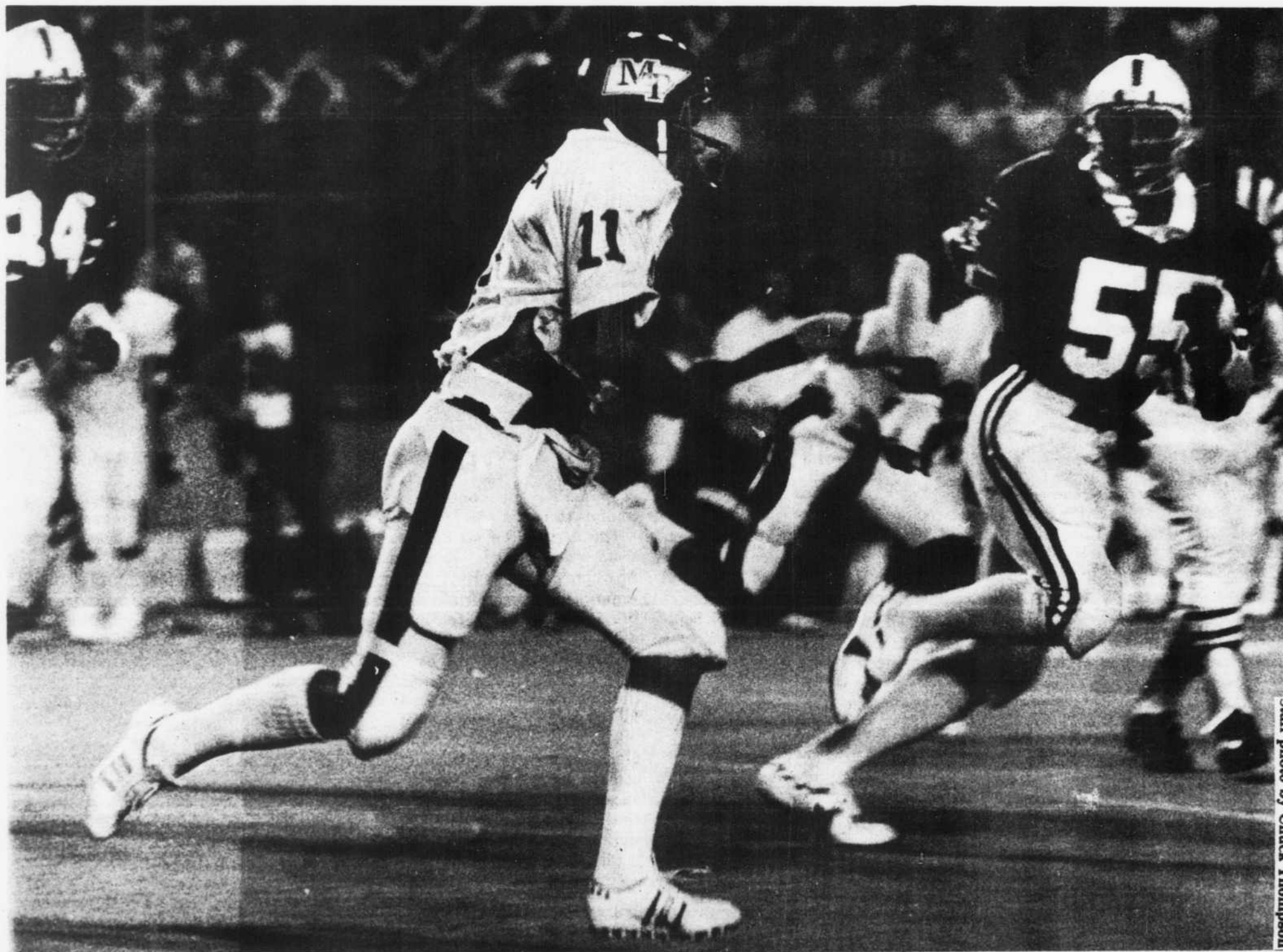


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HURT HOPEFUL AFTER OPENING LOSS

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

"We are sick about losing...the hardest thing a player or a coach has to face is bouncing back after a tough loss. But this team is going to do it."

That was the prediction from Middle Tennessee's head coach Ben Hurt after a 26-17 setback against talent-laden Tennessee State before 18,351 at Vanderbilt's Dudley Field Saturday.

It was the season opener for both teams. Middle Tennessee trailed by only two points (19-17) with less than four minutes to play.

A 30-yard scoring strike from nimble TSU quarterback Austin Thompson to Rodney Parker over Stan Murphy's head in the corner of the end zone pushed the Tigers to a 26-17 lead with 3:23 to play.

Parker, a Paul Warfield type receiver, was the game's leading receiver. He pulled in five of Thompson's aerials for 137 yards and two TDs. TSU struck for all three touchdowns via the air.

"Tennessee State is a lot better than last year. There's no question about that but so are we," offered Hurt after a 2 1/2 hour practice yesterday.

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Orientation director 'nudged' from registration

by John Pitts

Rick Smith, director of new student orientation, was removed from the card bank area during registration by an official of the university while helping freshmen, he complained yesterday.

According to Smith, Sherry Luttrell, a recent addition to the admissions and records department "gave me a little push" while attempting to force Smith to leave the card bank because he was wearing no name tag.

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Luttrell explained yesterday that the name tags were distributed as "a pass in to the card bank," and that when she saw Smith he was not wearing his, and she asked him to leave.

"I provided all of them with name tags," she said.

Smith, a Chattanooga senior, said he had finished helping a new foreign student pull his registration cards on Saturday when he noticed a long line in the science area.

"I said something to her (Luttrell) about how something needed to be done to shorten the lines around the biology section, and she asked me who I was.

After Smith identified himself, he said Luttrell "nudged me"

toward the card bank exit, and told the personnel working the entrance not to allow him back in.

"Everyone else working in the card bank quickly grabbed up name tags so they wouldn't get thrown out," Smith said.

Smith said he re-entered the card bank after having a name tag made up. "Apparently all I had to do was have a name tag—either mine or someone else's," Smith said.

Smith said "the fact that she nudged me may sound terribly major, but it's not," adding "she could have kicked some of the paid registration workers out, instead of someone who was doing something."

According to Smith, Luttrell also tried to have assistant orientation director Craig Collins removed, but student dean Robert MacLean intervened, allowing him to stay.

Several resignations expected

ASB election commission to collapse?

by Laura Lewis

Due to resignations and appointments within the ASB, the election commission may be short several members in the near future.

Elections are scheduled for Sept. 21-22. The election commission is

responsible for conducting all campus elections.

The first of the six commission seats was left vacant Friday when ASB president Richard Langford appointed Danny Dunkleberger, previously a commission member, as election commissioner.

Dunkleberger replaces Butch Burns, who resigned from the position last week and who may run for speaker of the house.

Margaret Alexander, who had also been a member of the commission, left a second seat vacant on the commission so that she might devote full time to her work as homecoming director.

Bill Mason, who is presently the assistant election commissioner,

stated yesterday that he "definitely plans to resign just as soon as I can without causing any confusion" in order that he can become actively involved in the elections for senators and speaker of the house.

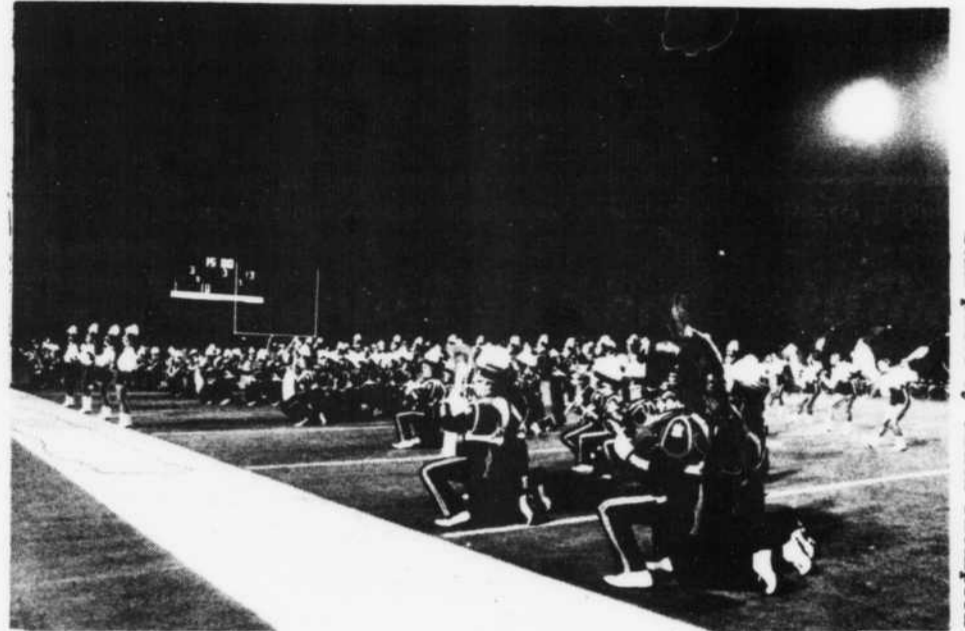
Mason added, however, that he wouldn't resign if he thought it would "hurt" the election commission.

Michelle Saggese, who presently holds a fourth seat on the commission, might have to resign if her position as administrative assistant to Langford is found to be in conflict with her duties on the election commission, as the ASB constitution states that no person may hold two major ASB posts at one time.

Pam White, holder of a fifth commission seat, was not available for comment by press deadline. However, ASB sources speculated that she might resign from the commission because she might not be returning to the ASB House of Representatives.

Foster Anthony, the sixth member of the commission, said yesterday that he plans to remain on the commission "as of right now," adding that he doesn't "know what the future holds."

The Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1975 states that six election commission members must be elected by the House to serve terms concurrent with that of the election commissioner. Presently, the first House meeting has not yet been set.



Halftime Festivities—The MTSU Band of Blue performs during the mid-game break of the Tennessee State contest at Dudley Field in Nashville.

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Dorm overcrowding relief underway—Craig

by Paulette Parkhurst

Overcrowding in some dorms is now being relieved by filling vacancies in other dormitories according to Jim Craig, director of housing.

At the beginning of each semester, a room is held for three days after classes begin for the student who has applied for a room and has been accepted for campus housing, Craig said.

After these three days have passed, the head residents begin to fill the vacant rooms with the students from the overcrowded areas, he added.

Approximately 23 housing areas are available on campus, but only

three are presently excessively overcrowded. In Gore and Clement Halls, there are many rooms with three students in each room.

In Monohan Hall, 10 students were placed in the study room and 10 students were placed in the TV room. Many of these students have already been moved, Craig said.

"Off-campus housing is very limited," said Craig.

During the summer, the housing office began to compile a list of available off-campus housing facilities for the students. The office does have many listings of off-campus housing, and in many cases the student will have to

contact the residence himself, since the office has a limited staff.

Many of the confused students were those who came in late looking for some type of housing, Craig said.

"Registration is much better than it used to be, and it will continue to improve, for things are always changing," Craig said. "This makes registration easier for the student and for us."

ASB to sponsor MTSU club night

Club Night has been set for Sept. 15 for all recognized MTSU clubs and organizations and is being sponsored by the ASB. All clubs are invited to participate Wednesday from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the front grounds of the University Center.

Presently about 50 different MTSU organizations plan to be represented. Information is available for anyone who is interested from Michelle Saggese in the ASB office.

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Senator slams employment bill in campaign

Republican incumbent Sen. Bill Brock labeled the Humphrey-Hawkins full employment bill "the worst bill I have seen introduced into Congress in my lifetime," before a breakfast crowd at the Holiday Inn here Saturday.

The breakfast in honor of Sen. Brock was the first of the Senator's current campaign visits to Murfreesboro.

The senator emphasized that a similar bill in England, which enabled unemployed people to become federal employees, was harmful to that government because the people refused to accept private positions once they became available.

"That is what they are proposing to do in America and I resent it," Brock declared.

According to Brock, he has proposed a bill in Congress which would give employers tax credits on the hiring of new employees.

The senator said that the Humphrey-Hawkins bill is the first clear-cut issue of his new campaign against Democrat Jim Sasser, who according to Brock supports the bill.

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Threatening weather fails to halt Air Show



Only threatening weather dampened the circus-like Tennessee Aviation Days air show last weekend in Smyrna, as thousands of spectators poured out for the event and gasped and gaped at the aerial acrobatics of the flyers.

The Thunderbirds, the Air Force precision team, delighted the crowd with their precision stunts such as the "bomb burst." The sleek jets flew straight up only to split apart, leaving trails of smoke as a firecracker might do.

One of the more thrilling events

of the day came when a 40-person parachute group tried to break the world linkup record of 35. They never quite made it, however, reaching 33.

Crowds wandered around the old airport freely, looking, climbing in, around and over the experimental and modern helicopters and airplanes.

As the skies darkened, however, the visitors to the show assembled their belongings for the trip home.

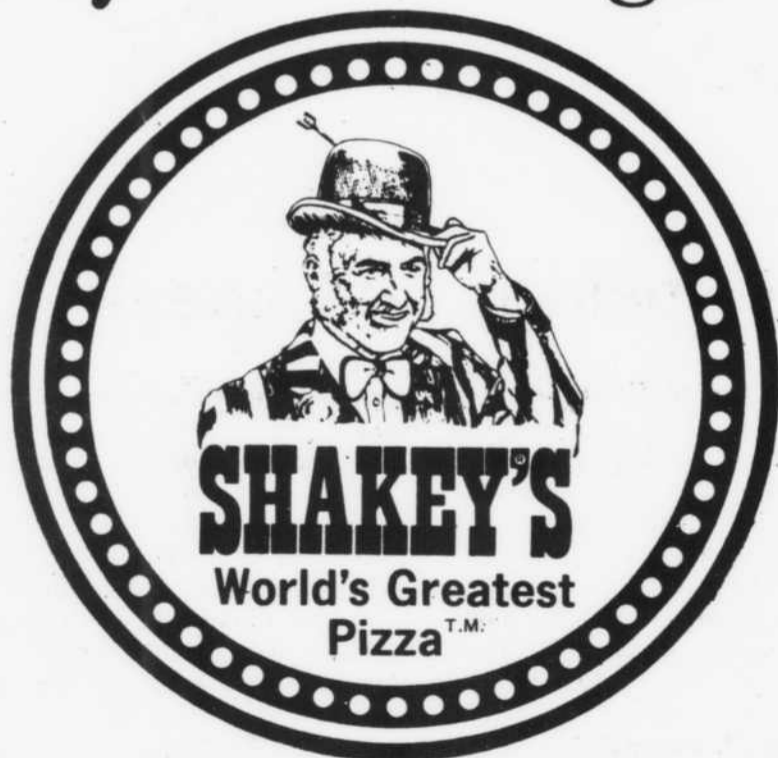
But a good time was had by all.



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Curious onlookers inspect the inside of an Army helicopter, on display at last weekend's Tennessee Aviation Days air show at the Smyrna airport.

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Paper's printing problems can be solved by MTSU

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Laughing at something in *Sidelines* that's wrong, a picture out of place or a paragraph that repeats itself or maybe a misspelled word.

Or maybe they're grumbling because the paper is late, when everyone is sitting in the grill bored and wanting something to read.

Well, we can't blame them.

Not everything that goes wrong with *Sidelines* is our fault, though a great deal of it is, no doubt. When something goes wrong, you might think we're stupid. And we might be.

But let us say this. *Sidelines* is only halfway prepared on campus. The students can only write the stories and take the photos and put the paragraphs in columns and fix everything the way we hope it comes out.

But it ain't necessarily going to be that way, because it still has to go to the printer.

The Mid-South Publishing Company, alias the Daily News Journal, is the sole publishing firm in Murfreesboro capable of printing this newspaper. It's a cold, hard fact.

OPINION

It seems amazing that a university of this size with the publishing needs that it has (7,000-issue newspaper, a creative magazine and yearbook plus countless public relations publications and the university catalog) does not have its own printing press capable of doing all the work.

It has been almost two years since the old University Publications Committee recommended that the university construct such a printing facility, with resulting savings in a great deal of money and the satisfaction of doing all these sundry jobs on campus.

Such a facility, staffed with competent and cooperative workers, could eliminate such problems as the late delivery of the Rescue handbooks to campus or the need to contend with a dozen different printers for a dozen different jobs within a single department such as the dean's offices.

It would be different if the off-campus printers were delivering high-quality and low cost jobs on time to the mutual satisfaction of all concerned.

Until some action is taken, readers will continue to have to contend with misplaced pictures and late newspapers or perhaps no newspaper at all.



The little engine that could, or speaking of speakers

by Bill Mason and John Pitts
Where is Third Avenue?

Things have been exceedingly slow lately. It's not easy being involved in the exciting world of responsible modern journalism, or its facsimilies.

Why, if it wasn't for the ASB, we would have no news at all. Come to think of it...

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Not that the ASB is dull. There is really not a word that can describe it. "Barren" is about the closest we can come.

We're sad to see Jeff Chugger leave student government as Speaker of the House. He did much.

And now that he's out of power, we can finally reveal how he got his nickname "Chugger."

Long ago (at least a month ago) when Combos found himself deep in the wilds of the Tennessee Tech locker rooms, he was suddenly confronted by Coach Don Wade leading the linebackers through their weekly grammar and potty training lesson.

"A before E, except when you Peay, #?!&!#!," Wade told the players.

Combos, trying to slip from the room, was suddenly discovered. Surrounded by jocks frothing at the mouth and dripping at the groin, he quickly pulled from his pocket his cherished picture of Vince Lombardi. Frightened at the prospect of being dropped to

knees and allowed Combos quick escape.

But that has nothing to do with how Combos got the nickname "Chugger." We just thought that it was an interesting story.

Now for the true story. As a very young child, Combos had a speech impediment. His hardest word was "Worcestershire" and to make up for it, he usually said "Chugger."

His mother was distressed. "No, dummy, no," she would tell him, waving a bottle of Worcestershire sauce in his face.

("Dummy" was the pet name given Combos by his parents, and it has carried over until today.)

"Chugger," Combos replied. On one occasion, Combos' mother was particularly vexed.

digging her fingernails into her face.

"Chugger, chugger, chugger," Combos returned with a steady voice, and then grabbing the bottle poured the thin sauce into her ear.

Upon returning home, Combos' father (a relative of professional nepotist Joe Smith) found Mrs. Combos in tears and his son nonchalantly watching "Howdy Doody" on TV.

"My God, my son is a mother chugger," Mr. Combos sighed.

And the name has been with us ever since.

That's the story, but it still doesn't explain about the girls from Cleveland State.

MTSU MERRY-GO-ROUND
Sigma Nu is already making plans for their annual St. Jude's

Jefferson's words inspire vision of America

Editor's note: Van West, an object of occasional satire in this paper, is one of Sidelines' most enduring and outspoken political columnists, a writer with a keen perception of history and definitive philosophy.

by Van West

Humbly I present myself today to the few friends who read my occasional discourses.

I have once again taken pen in hand to strike down the virulent and pernicious assaults made against my political philosophy this past summer. These totally unprovoked attacks (as some correspondents have reminded me, they bordered on slander) painted this writer as being a right-wing reactionary and mindless visionary.

My political philosophy was attacked crudely on a number of occasions.

...AND WEST
IS WEST

However, the assaults launched this summer were without malice. The diligent young scribes seemingly only misunderstood my political philosophy—a reasonable mistake in view of a lack on my part of explaining.

Today, my response will be designed to remedy this fault, in order that future commentators do not mistakenly misrepresent my political vision for America.

As Thomas Jefferson said in his first inaugural address, "we are all

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[continued from page six] have refused to co-operate. "We ain't gonna help no Judes," they cry angrily, "why, the Judes killed our Lord..."

Leshia Batson, whose leadership of last year's homecoming won her the Gerald Ford initiative in leadership award and was second only to Don Fuoss' performance as head football coach, will direct this year's parade.

Already planned are a thunderstorm, three earthquakes and a special appearance by unsuccessful Congressional candidate Larry Irby...

Sherry Luttrell of the Admissions and Records office, threw ASB new student orientation director Rick Smith out of the registration areas because she mistook him for the late former Tennessee Gov. Gordon Browning.

That's the way it is. So long until next week.

You know,
though I see what he's
saying, I'm not sure
I agree. Really, all
I thought America
needed was more
football.



ed, remains the only outpost that liberty has against tyranny. Our nation is the one which identifies with human rights. We have made a compact with the future of mankind.

The nation must remain secure for us to keep the sacred obligation.

I believe that equal opportunity is the lifeblood of our nation. However, our goal of equal opportunity will not be met but only impeded by the adoption of quotas. One's place in society must be judged by their talents and worth and not by their color, sex or birth.

Freedom of one's mind is absolute. However, it does not follow that one's freedom of speech is absolute. Yet, I pledge along with Jefferson "upon the altar of God, eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man." Upon this cornerstone, I rest my philosophy.

These brief comments cannot describe my complete vision for America. They only provide an outline.

If the reader further wonders what I am about, they can judge my outlook as being based on a premise of our third president: "the first object of my heart is my own country."

I approach every question with this premise in mind for my philosophy—"the cause of America is the cause of all mankind."

If our union does not exist, then liberty and freedom will disappear from the face of the earth."

Contribution encouraged

Letters and open columns to Sidelines are sought and encouraged.

Letters should not exceed 400 words in length and should be submitted in a legible form if possible. Topics for letters are left up to the individual author, and may be edited for considerations of length and content.

Open columns should be arranged in advance with the editor and may be submitted by anyone involved in the university process, from student to University President.

Sidelines is still seeking help to produce the newspaper, and is accepting applications for reporters, feature writers, sports writers and news editors.

All correspondence to the newspaper should be sent through campus mail to box 42, MTSU.

Federalists; we are all Republicans." I am not an advocate of either existing political party because of a belief that the interests of the nation should be upheld instead of the interests of factions.

Both parties refuse to recognize that it is the union of the states which keeps our liberties safe and not the demagoguery of the factions.

I am not a nationalist in the absolute sense, but I believe that we must all band together to strike down the assaults now pending on our federal union. Experience has shown us that the states are surely not safe depositories for our liberties.

I conceive our increasing national

debt as being the greatest moral outrage our nation has ever perpetrated. The monster of debt has been erected because our Congress has been engaged in an ongoing conspiracy to undermine our freedoms by continually bribing our American people through our social programs.

No one can doubt that social programs are a necessity, but to administer these programs our Congress has created tyrannical bureaucracies which waste the nation's resources instead of helping the people. I believe in government by the people and not by bureaucracies.

I advocate that our national defense must be kept strong because America, though threaten-

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Bicycle safety pre-registration begins today

Pre-registration will begin today at the Murfreesboro and Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce for a Bicycle Safety Workshop scheduled Sept. 18 in the driving range at MTSU.

The workshop is planned to focus attention on the need for bicycle safety before the opening of the county's Bicycle Touring System Sept. 19.

"Research by the state Department of Conservation shows that there were over 65,000 bicycle accidents in Tennessee during 1974," according to Chamber Public Relations coordinator Gina Barham.

Workshop activities will include a bike maintenance check, safety instruction and different obstacle courses.

"Safety and cycling experts from the university and local bike shops are designing these obstacle courses to teach bikers what to do in various traffic situations and to test their riding skills," Mrs. Barham said.

The workshop is free and open to all ages. Registration forms are available at the Chamber office, 226 S. Church St. To secure enrollment, participants must be among the first 100 people returning a completed form.

Sponsors of the event are the Chamber, MTSU HPERS Department, Rutherford County officials, University Bike Shop, Sloan's Cycle Sales and the local branch of AAA.

Following the safety workshop on Saturday will be the grand opening and dedication of the Rutherford County Bicycle Touring System. It was developed by the Tennessee Department of Conservation as a demonstration project in cooperation with county officials and citizens.

The system roughly circles the county and is mapped along roads with little traffic. Featuring loops of varying lengths, the system takes bikers past many historical sites and other points of interest. For example, the route passes Readyville Mill, Puckett Glider Field, Percy Priest Lake and Stones River National Battlefield.

Scheduled for 2 p.m. Sept. 19, the dedication ride will be on a 3½ to 5-mile loop beginning at MTSU's Greenland Dr. parking lot. Plans are for riders to leave single file in groups of 10 at two-minute intervals.

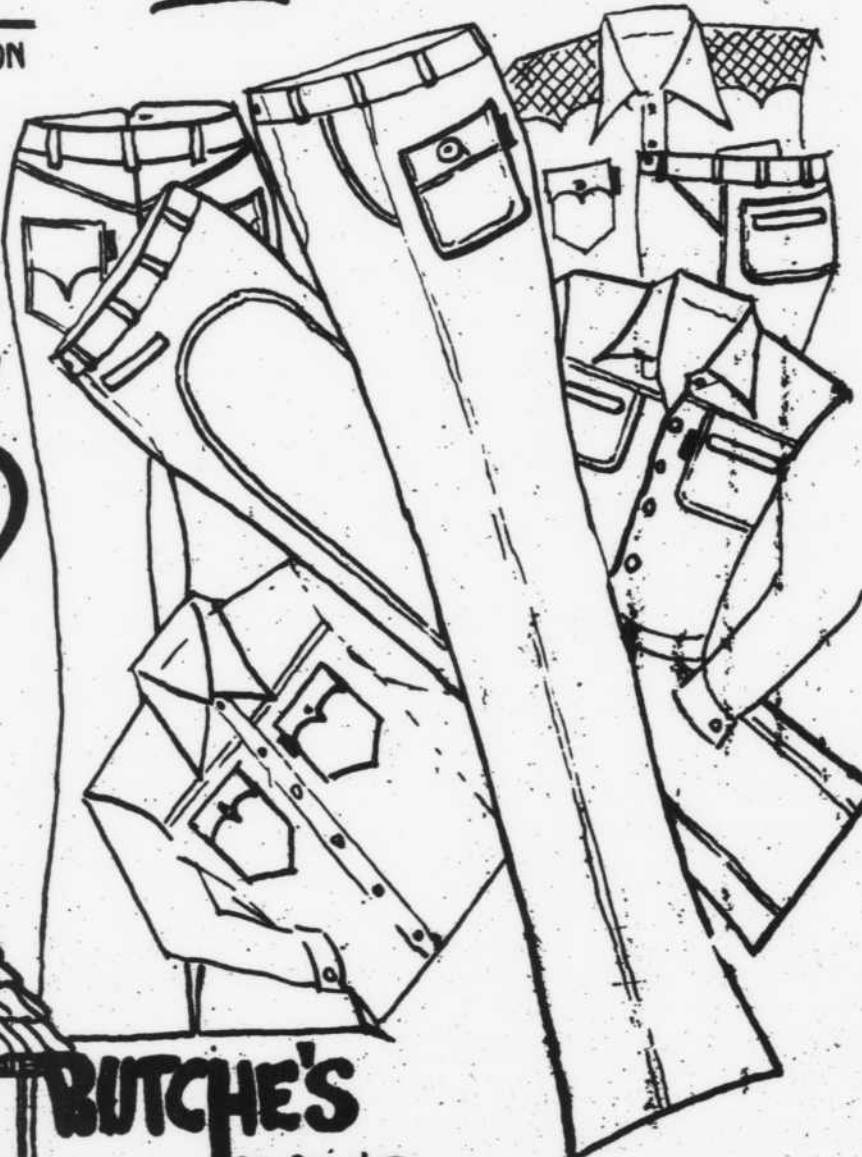
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Buffett treats crowd at Landing show



by Jenny Tenpenny

For those of you who have never had the pleasure of experiencing a Jimmy Buffett concert, you have missed a treat. That is about the only way to describe Buffett's appearance last Saturday night at Hermitage Landing Beach. Buffett opened the set with the "The Great Filling Station Holdup" and filled the next hour with a pleasant mixture of old and new recordings. The hour was not boring to say the least.

Buffett's style is not easy to categorize. Many of his songs are ribald humor such as "God's Own Drunk," a piece which could compare with B.B. King blues in tune only. But he easily moves into pieces that are rock-oriented such as "Make My Music For Me."

"Pencil Thin Mustache" is a nostalgic, fast-paced song about the Saturday morning heroes of the '50's. But Buffett is probably best remembered for his sensitive story "The Captain and the Kid" and his tender "Come Monday."

The Coral Reefer Band accompanied Buffett on this trip to Nashville and are a quite-accomplished group of musicians which include: Roger Bartlett, lead guitar; Greg "Fingers" Taylor, harmonica and

keyboards; Harry Daily, bass; and Phillip Fajaredo, drums.

The Ozark Mountain Daredevils preceded Buffett to make a truly entertaining evening.

There is not a lot that can be said about Ozark but that they are good—giving everything that is expected and a little more.

Ozark started with an unconventional version of a conventional



Jimmy Buffett and company

Photo by Quad Rice

ENTERTAINMENT

oldie—"She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain" played on kazoos.

"The Chicken Train" was another unconventional tune with what might be described as "chicken-cluckin" harmony.

Ozark did a good job of mixing old and new tunes, playing a few cuts from their new album but not missing their hits such as "Jackie Blue" and "If You Want to Get to Heaven."

The boys from the mountains of Missouri are among the top of the field in the Southern-rock category. They are versatile, entertaining and crowd-pleasers. Being called back for an encore, Ozark played their

first record "Roll Away the Stone."

The evening on the beach was very pleasant—a unique experience. Aside from a girl in the men's restroom who lost a \$20 "bag" and a complete stranger who wanted to sell some "crystal T," the concert was uneventful except for the fireworks display after Buffett ended his set.

For those of you who missed the concert, catch Buffett's show the next time he is around. Regardless of the type of music you care for, you will like Buffett because as one of his songs goes, he sings "words to make you happy, words to make you cry."

'Stairway' tops WKDA 300 chart

What's the name of the best song that has ever been made? Millions have tried to come up with that one, but according to a WKDA-FM's "Labor Day 300" the answer is Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven."

The Nashville station asked listeners to write in the names of their five favorite songs and artists, and compiled the Labor Day special from those answers.

The listing is sure to spark a lot of controversy, as the Beatles didn't make the top ten while Yes scored twice in the top category.

The best answer to this question is that this poll represents the top 300 choices of WKDA-FM listen-

ers, and anyone disagreeing is entitled to their own opinion. The top 20 choices are:

1. Stairway to Heaven, Led Zeppelin
2. Free Bird, Lynard Skynard
3. Layla, Derek and the Dominos
4. Desperado, Eagles
5. Roundabout, Yes
6. Road to Moscow, Al Stewart
7. Whipping Post, Allman Brothers
8. Aqualung, Jethro Tull
9. 24 Hours At A Time, Marshal Tucker
10. Close to the Edge, Yes

11. Hey Jude, Beatles
12. Funeral for a Friend (Love Lies Bleeding), Elton John
13. Can't You See, Marshal Tucker
14. Don't You Feel Like We do, Peter Frampton
15. Sweet Judy Blue Eyes, Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young
16. Taxi, Harry Chapin
17. You and I, Yes
18. All Along the Watchtower, Jimi Hendrix
19. In-a-gadda-da-vida, Iron Butterfly
20. Low Spark of High-Heeled Boys, Traffic

Mother's Finest changed, making new sounds on latest release

by Steve Huhman

To begin with, don't let the people on the radio mislead you. The new album by Mother's Finest is not their debut album, although it is their first in something like five

years. Their previous album attracted little notice, even in their hometown of Atlanta, disappearing from the record catalogs after approximately a year and a half. Exact details are hazy to me, because only the fact that they were

an Atlanta band caused me to evince the slightest interest in the first place.

PLATTER CHAPTER

At that time, as I remember, they were primarily a white soul band, complete with horn section. Betwixt albums, they underwent a definite metamorphosis. The group is now two thirds black. Gone of the horn section, leaving a four piece band plus male and female lead vocalists. Curiously, the addition of the new band members has, instead of reinforcing the rhythm and blues schtick, led the band into an almost acid form of hard rock, with only touches of soul influence.

Many bands claim to be fusions of rock and rhythm and blues, but I have to admit that I've never heard one that sounded like this. They don't sound like J. Geils, or Jimi Hendrix, or Earth, Wind and Fire. After all this introduction, my only problem is to tell you what they DO sound like.

Well, it's all electric. It's all high energy. It doesn't thrive on extended solos, but utilizes continuous leads behind the vocals instead of simply chording along during the verses. Although Mother's Finest doesn't really break any new ground, their arrangements are anything but stale. The buzzing electric guitar

tone is one seldom heard anymore, and in itself transmits raw excitement.

A song called "Niggizz Can't Sang Rock and Roll" anticipates the initial reactions of many people, myself included. For once, the album liner notes tell the truth, in that they admonish the reader not to try to label the group. Remembering the previous disc, I fully expected to hate this album, figuring the group was only dredged up because of the current disco fad. Instead, I have to admit that I like it, and in my own jaded way, am even excited by it. Perhaps the best description of this album is an overused one: it cooks.

Jam tape tickets distributed free

Tickets for the videotape showing of the 1975 Volunteer Jam concert at Murphy Center may now be picked up in the Student Programming office on the third floor of the University Center.

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Nashville's only independent television station, WZTV (Channel 17), opened its new season yesterday, and much of their programming should appeal to MTSU students and faculty alike.

"Star Trek," one of the most popular shows to ever air, returns

this fall in a 7 p.m. time-slot Monday through Friday. In addition, a "Best of Star Trek" show featuring the top show of the previous week will be shown Saturday's at 6 p.m.

Sports on WZTV will receive heavy emphasis this fall, with the

Cincinnati Bengals of the NFL, the Indiana Pacers of the new-look NBA, and the WHL Cincinnati Stingers. Colleges being covered this fall are Memphis State and the University of Kentucky in basketball.

Alabama and Memphis State coaches review shows are included in the format as well as NWA wrestling, roller derby, drag racing and bowling.

The "golden age of comedy"

returns with Steve Allen and Ernie Kovaks on Saturdays.

Sci-Fi Theatre and Creature Feature are among the weekend movie format scheduled for this fall. Some of the movies included in the week night lineup are: "The French Connection," "The Longest Day," "M*A*S*H," "To Kill A Mockingbird," and "The Birds."

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Blue Raider comeback serenade foiled

[Continued from page one]

"Our defensive line was the most pleasing part of the game. The front seven are so much better. I guess the most discouraging aspect was the three long bombs and our failure to protect the quarterback in a passing situation."

The TSU game plan was to attack the interior of the defensive line, running sweeps when the defense tightened up and then unloading the long pass, Tiger coach John Merritt revealed after the game.

"The game was almost a replay of last year, except both teams are vastly improved," offensive coordinator Bobby Baldwin said after viewing films of Carson Newman, host to Middle Tennessee Saturday in Jefferson City.

SPORTS

Baldwin said the "effort was there. That was pleasing. We made several mistakes, but they weren't made standing around. Two turnovers (one fumble and one interception) will stand up with any opening game performance in the country," Baldwin said.

Tennessee State took the early lead, 3-0, after the swarming Blue Raider defense pushed the Tigers from a first and goal at the two to the 12-yard line.

Three minutes into the second half, Thompson lofted a 43-yard TD pass to Randolph Wilson, who out-manuevered All-OVC pre-season pick Johnny Carver.

The most consistent Blue Raider drive of the first half against the



BELL RINGER—Junior College All-American defensive tackle Morris Bell (60) slams into a Tennessee State runner in Saturday night's opening game loss, 26-17, at Dudley Field. Bell was the game's leading tackler with 10 solo stops and four assists.

Staff photo by Tom Coombes

seasoned Tennessee State defense stalled inside the Tiger 25-yard line and walk-on Peter Shelton, a transfer from Tennessee Tech via Motlow State Community College, booted a soccer style 38-yard field goal for MTSU's first score.

Another defensive stand by MTSU saved the Blue Raiders when MTSU thwarted a TSU drive late in the second quarter and the Tigers settled for a 13-3 lead at halftime.

Fullback Mike Moore, who ground out 80 yards in 16 carries to top all rushers, followed crunching blocks by the entire right side of the MTSU offensive line to a 3-yard TD.

Shelton added the extra point as MTSU pulled to a 13-10 deficit 7:35 into the third quarter.

With three minutes gone in the final stanza, and TSU facing a third

and seven at the Tigers' 37, Thompson lofted a 63-yard TD pass to Parker after safety Ronnie Cecil tripped and fell when he nudged Parker.

MTSU quarterback Mike Robinson, who dodged or was downed by the intimidating Tiger pass rush, heaved a pass to tight end Vincent Harris to set up the final MTSU score.

Harris, an All-Mid-State selection from Lebanon, grabbed the ball after it was batted by two TSU defensive backs and raced for the goal line. He was caught from behind at the TSU eight. The pass covered 56 yards.

Four plays later, halfback John Dukes took a third down handoff

and followed the bone-jarring blocks of seniors Tom Wright and Frank Long to pull the Raiders within two points after Shelton's extra point with 9:25 to play.

Long graded as the top offensive player in the game. The 6-2, 227-pounder shared captain duties for the offense with Wright.

Defensive end George Goodson, who left the stadium by stretcher after dislocating his elbow in the fourth quarter, was awarded the top defensive player.

Goodson, who will be out two weeks, will be replaced by Kim Bankston to give MTSU two starters on defense from the Tampa University program.



Staff photo by Chuck Thompson

BLUE RAIDER EXPRESS—Sophomore running back John Dukes lowers his head in picking up part of his 46 yards. Dukes plowed into the end zone late in the fourth quarter to pull MTSU within two points.

How They Scored

Tennessee State 3 10 0 13-26

Middle Tennessee 0 3 7 7-17

TSU—Stan Johnson, 30 FG

TSU—Randolph Williamson, 43 yd. pass from Austin Thompson [Johnson kick].

MT—Peter Shelton, 38 FG.

TSU—Johnson, 31 FG.

MT—Mike Moore, 3 yd. run [Shelton kick].

TSU—Rodney Parker, 63 yd. pass from Thompson [kick failed].

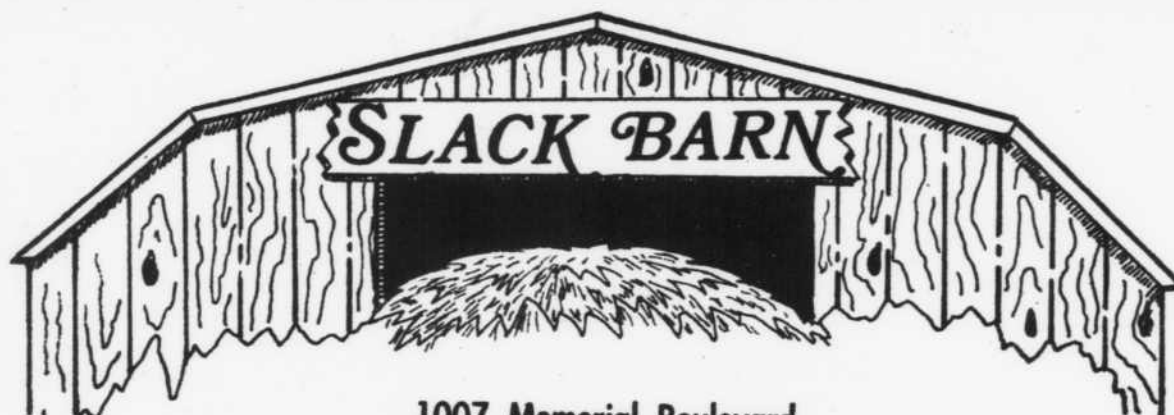
MT—John Dukes 4 yd. run [Shelton kick].

TSU—Parker, 30 yd. pass from Thompson [Johnson kick].

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Stat Sheet

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NET YARDS GAINED PASSING	212	98
TOTAL OFFENSE	334	247
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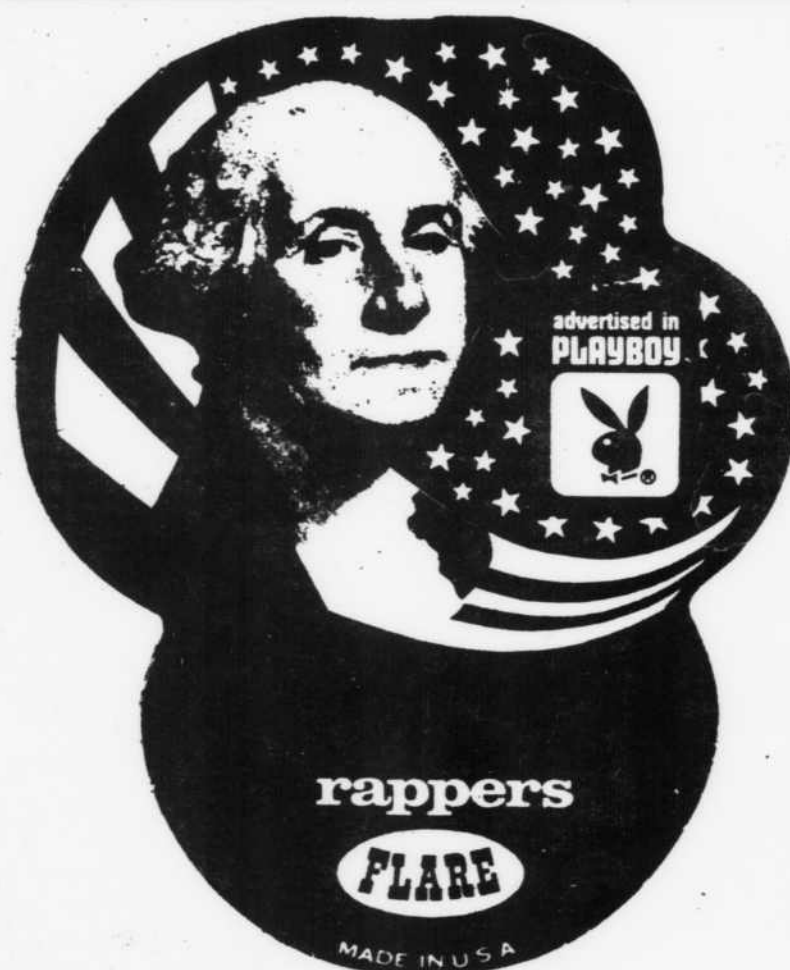
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Soccer style kicker adds potency to Raider attack

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

COOKEVILLE — It seems colder than it did here last year in November, but the teams are on the field, playing for the 1976 championship of the Ohio Valley Conference.



Overall Stadium is packed, the 16,500 fans are huddled together for warmth as the battle on the field continues.

Surprising Middle Tennessee trails Tennessee Tech.

The scoreboard says the Blue Raiders are losing 23-21, but the MTSU offense is moving late in the fourth quarter.

MTSU is out of timeouts. The ball rests on the Tech 33-yard line. The clock says 15 seconds remain in the game with a championship hanging in the balance.

Coach Ben Hurt turns his gaze to the MTSU bench. His eyes stop on diminutive kicker Peter Shelton. He knows it would be a 50-yarder. . .

Impossible, you say? Don't tell Peter Shelton.

"I love kicking from long distances because the crowd usually doesn't think you will make it and I love to hear them yelling when I'm on the field," the 5-9, 160 pound native of Manchester revealed yesterday.

He is the latest addition to the MTSU football team. Perhaps no player in the history of the Ohio Valley Conference has entered a game under the same conditions Shelton did.

Shelton's career at MTSU started last Wednesday. He walked up to line coach Ray Hughes and said he wanted to play.

"They put the ball on the 45-yard line and gathered the whole team around. I guess they wanted to see if I could handle the pressure. I hit a few 55-yard field goals and put a

couple in the end zone kicking off.

"Everybody around me was screaming and yelling," Shelton continued, "but they started going wild when I made those 55-yards."

One day before he was perfect in his first performance as a Blue Raider (one field goal and two extra points), Peter was racing to Motlow Community College trying to get the transcript that would make his college eligibility official.

"When I got back, I found out I had to go to Tennessee Tech (Shelton was back-up to All-OVC kicker Murray Cunningham) and get a letter of release from coach (Don) Wade," Shelton said after yesterday's practice.

Shelton, a soccer style booter, learned the side-winding approach in high school. Why?

"My foot was too little for the square toe shoe all straight away kickers need. I just changed in my backyard. No, I didn't pattern myself after any professional kicker. I just kept experimenting until I hit it right," Shelton explained.

He started kicking soccer style as a sophomore. Manchester High School was glad. Columbia wasn't.

Shelton's junior year he connected on a 42-yarder and added



Peter Shelton

one from 27 as Manchester beat Columbia, 13-7. The next time the teams met, he kicked three extra points, two in overtime, and added the field goal that won, 24-21.

What was going through his mind when MTSU was trailing, 19-17?

"I was hoping to kick a field goal and win the game. I guess all kickers have thoughts of grandeur. It would have been great but it didn't happen.

This time last week, Peter had three goals.

"I wanted to come out and make the team, make it to first string and then make the All-OVC team. My main goal is to beat out Murray Cunningham as the kicker for the All-OVC team. Yes, we are still good friends," he said.

In case you didn't notice Shelton Saturday night, he was wearing number 11, the same as starting quarterback Mike Robinson. Peter didn't say it was a goal, but somebody should give him his own number.

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Lack of experience paints dim harrier picture

The big question facing track coach Dean Hayes is whether or not the Blue Raider cross country team can hurdle its eighth (and last) OVC finish of last season.

There are no returnees from the last squad, leaving coach Hayes a completely new team.

"I feel we are stronger than last year," Hayes said, "but I won't know how well we'll do until after the second or third meet."

A good prospect for the Blue Raiders six-mile run is Dale Short,

"a good distance runner," as the coach said, from Oakland High in Murfreesboro. Dale was the state cross country champion in the three miler last year and is a top player on the tennis team.

Jr. College transfer Dennis Potva holds a 4.10 in the mile, and Randy Oliver from Knoxville Doyle has looked good in practice.

Donald Hines from Nashville North has experience as a half-miler, but basically it will be an inexperienced team.

Linton Whaley from Castle Heights had no cross country at Martin Jr College, and Robert Hwitt from New Jersey hasn't ran since 1973.

John Lerchenfeld from Broome Tech Junior College was sidelined

with a foot injury last season, while Jim Gilbert also couldn't run due to illness.

The Blue Raiders will have their first test of the cross country ordeals Sept. 14 against Fisk University at the VA Hospital.

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MEN'S TENNIS: Any MTSU student wishing to tryout for the varsity tennis team should contact coach Dick LaLance at Murphy Center in room 170 (898-2120) before Sept. 8. Interested candidates will be screened down to eight players with a tournament deciding the top two who will join the team.

GAME'S ROOM: After uncertain hours during registration, the games's room has announced set hours for the rest of the semester.

Sunday-Thursday: Open 9 a.m. and closes 10 p.m. **Friday-Saturday:** Open 9 a.m. and closes 11 p.m.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL: Tryouts started last week under new coach Pat Sarver, but players are still being allowed to join practice.

BASEBALL: Tryouts began Friday. Prospective players should contact coach John Stanford (898-2815) and furnish their own equipment for practice.

INTRAMURAL NEWS: Team meetings for softball, swimming

and tennis will be this week. Softball will be Tuesday night at 7 p.m.; swimming will be Tuesday at 7, and tennis singles will be Thursday at 7. The Official's Clinic

for softball will be Wednesday and Thursday at 4 p.m. at the A.M. Gym. All teams planning to participate in respective intramurals program must have a representative at these meetings.

Neglected netters need help

by Gary Pryor

With only Lassie Durchman and Pete Pihko returning to the Blue Raider court, new tennis coach Dick LaLance is confronted with a rough rebuilding year.

"Clyde Smithwick totally neglected the program," LaLance said, referring to former tennis coach Clyde Smithwick who is now in Treasure Island, Fla. "It'll take five years to get the program back where it was."

Four players were lost off the '76 tennis team, which won the OVC crown, and only two have been replaced. Dale Short is a 6-0, 140-pounder from Oakland High

who was All-State in track and tennis. "He was the top junior in the state last year, and just turned 18," the coach said.

High school All-American Tony Fernandez stands 6-1 at 162 pounds and is from Orland, Fla. He was voted MVP in tennis the last three years at Maynard Evans High.

Though the Blue Raiders won the OVC last year, LaLance said, "we may finish in the bottom or last. Western and Eastern Kentucky will again be the two powers."

The Blue Raiders will compete in the Kentucky Hardcourt Championship match on Sept. 11-12 at Murray State.

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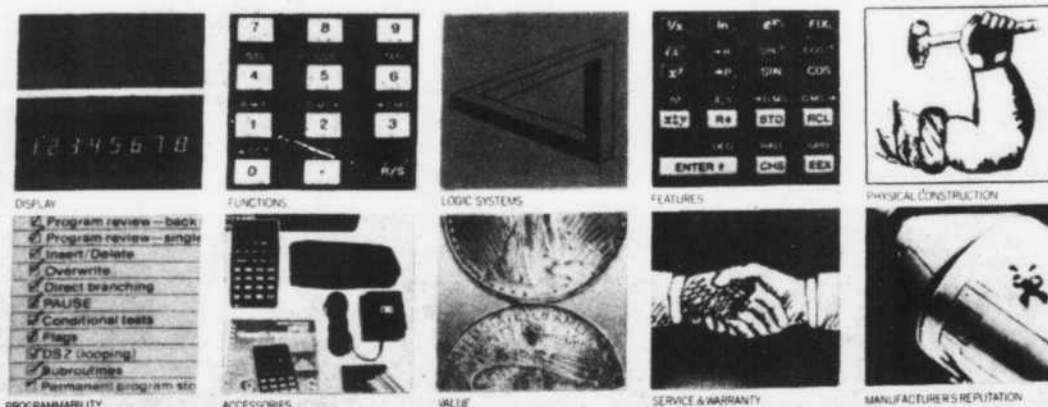
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