



photo by Larry McCormack

Behind the scenes in filming for an advance TV course is Van Fox, the instructor standing in the rear; Kevin Lawrence, the technical director on the left; Larry Gholson, the director in the middle; and Elaine Owen, script supervisor on the far right. Students in the course get continued experience working in the LRC television studio with the main emphasis on directing and changing formats.

Lockers for commuters: bill approved by senate

Members of the ASB Senate Tuesday approved a bill to provide lockers for commuting students.

The bill, introduced by junior Senator Ken Jobe, calls for the opening of lockers in the University Center for use by commuters. Jobe said that lockers are available in the UC, but were closed some years ago because, he said, "there were undesirables hanging around them."

Brian Sellers was elected as speaker pro tem of the body by acclamation during Tuesday's session.

Senators tabled discussion on

two other bills pending further investigation. One bill dealt with the extermination of bees which are found around garbage cans on campus. The other bill calls for the moving of trays in the JUB cafeteria to make them more readily accessible to students.

Senate members also confirmed two more members of President Kent Syler's cabinet in the proceedings. Jackie Waddell was confirmed as special assistant to the president and Laura Schrader was approved as freshman justice in the ASB court system.

Flight school moves here; aerospace has new courses

By ZEBEE MC CULLOUGH

Sidelines Staff Writer

Murfreesboro's new flight school, International Flight Center, is scheduled to be in full operation by Oct. 1 under the direction of Olyvind Berg.

Berg's flight school is moving from McMinnville because of the lack of facilities due to the school's growth.

The City of Murfreesboro will be renovating the hangar at the Murfreesboro Municipal Airport to provide the school with a maintenance shop and will add a 20 x 30 foot classroom there.

They (the school) plan to remodel to make more classroom space. We have moved five planes over and we have two more to move," Tom Ridley, operation manager of Murfreesboro airport, said.

MTSU students will train at the school as part of the aerospace program. "The university has a department of aerospace and one of the courses that we have in this department requires actual flying in the airplane. This is the flight school that will conduct the flight training program. They are contracted to do all the flying for the students," Lamon Marcum, instructor, said.

"Primarily the students who come over here to get instructions

have been foreign students. These foreign students go from flying time to flight instruction. They do this in approximately eight months time," he added.

There has been some recruiting done in Norway and other European countries by Berg's school to increase the number of foreign students to 30.

MTSU will have approximately 40 students in the school. Thirty of them will be working toward a private pilot certificate, while the remainder will be working toward a more advanced certificate such as a commercial pilot certificate.

Two or three will also work toward a flight instruction certificate which will certify them to teach.

Future plans include working toward a professional pilot course where the major emphasis would be working with the airplane, thus providing more flight training than the present courses.

"We are coming out with a new brochure that will be available in the next two or three weeks. Then we will have a static display where we'll take catalogs up to Tullahoma (Tenn.) to a meeting at the Stagerwing Museum. There will be a lot of pilots there," Randall Wood, chairman of the aerospace department, said.



photo by Charlie Hunt

William Windom portrayed James Thurber last Thursday night in the DA. Windom told of past experiences with fables and stories.

When it rains, it floods; campus too flat to drain

Two weeks ago, heavy rains produced a miniature flood which damaged many cars parked in the Bell Street parking lot, knocked out the base stations at campus security headquarters and caused general discomfort all around.

Last week the Bell Street parking lot flooded again after a solid day and night of rain. Fortunately, police blocked off the lot before any cars were flooded out.

But there's not much that can be done for the drainage problem around here, according to Charles Pigg, director of campus planning.

"We're too flat around here and there aren't many places for the water to run off," he said. "It's a real puzzling, complex problem."

In 1973, MTSU worked with the City of Murfreesboro to alleviate

Board of Regents playing for 'catch up' with UT

By ANGIE GALLOWAY

Sidelines Staff Writer

In three years, MTSU undergraduate students will be paying approximately \$560 in yearly tuition fees under a plan approved by the Tennessee State Board of Regents Saturday.

The 27 percent increase plan is to be implemented over a three year period with a nine percent increase each year.

MTSU president, Sam Ingram, said all 16 of the board of regents schools will be affected by the increase in fees. The purpose of the increase is to attempt to catch up with the University of Tennessee system.

Last year's seven percent tuition increase by the board was the first raise in fees since 1976.

Each year the revenue from the Tennessee schools are averaged and an average is collected from each college and university. In the UT system, they charge more in tuition, but pay less in revenue; while MTSU charges less tuition, but has to pay the state more.

Ingram explained if MTSU charged a \$300 fee and UT charged

a \$400 fee, the average would be \$350. MTSU would have to pay \$50 more than they received from the student and UT would pay \$50 less.

Clay Harkleroad, assistant to the board of regents vice chancellor for business and finance, said there is a new revenue and expenditure plan which divides the schools into categories to a point where it helps some. The current plan divides community colleges, universities, and UTK and Memphis State into three different categories.

Ingram said, "I am a long-time advocate of low tuition. Even a low tuition is too high for some students."

"The committee presented some pretty convincing arguments. The regent schools were giving more money than receiving from the students," he said.

Ingram said he is unhappy about the new plan, but recognizes the reasoning behind it.

In expenditures for teaching, if it costs less for MTSU to teach freshman english and more at UT, MTSU will receive more because they do it on an average basis too.

The purpose of the plan is to bring the present regent schools' tuition fees up to the same amount as UT's.

A study conducted by the regents staff came up with the proposals which were submitted and reviewed by a council of all the presidents from the regent universities.

The proposals were then studied by a seven member committee of business and finance.

Students are now paying a yearly tuition fee of \$432. This is minus \$40 for debt-service fees.

MTSU tuition will increase by nine percent next year and will be \$471. The next year's fees will follow at \$513, with the final year costing \$561.

The plan assumes that UT tuition will increase approximately five percent each year. If the assumption is wrong, modification will be necessary to achieve equal tuition costs in the 1982-83 year.

In a quarter system, the students in the UT schools pay \$483 per year in fees. That will increase to \$507 the following year; \$533 the next; and the last year the fee will be \$561, the same amount as the regent schools.

Recommendation for fee changes affect part-time, graduates and out-of-state students as well. The figures just stated are based on the tuition for in-state, full-time and undergraduate students.

Windom and Thurber: one and the same?

By PAUL MC REE

Sidelines Entertainment Editor

Thurber once said (in a rather timid dog voice) that it's "better to get somewhere slowly than nowhere fast."

William Windom, playing Thurber here last Thursday, went almost everywhere you could go in two hours of one-man theatre.

Thurber, I mean Windom, slides onstage in baggy pants and visor, observing that his dreams of the adventurous life of traveling the world ended when he suddenly realized "you can't be running back and forth from Singapore every few months to get your eyeglass lens changed."

This sense of meekness and hesitation is projected all though Windom's interpretation, often in the form of animal or husband/wife dialogues. In one situation, a lemming and a man are having coffee, discussing philosophy of the day. Finally the man hits the lemming with a philosophical attitude that had obviously tortured him for some time.

"I just don't understand why every year you all run down to the sea and drown yourselves!" To which the lemming replies, "Well, I can't see why you don't."

Thurber was indeed a meek, though genius, cartoonist and observer, stating in his autobiography (written, most humbly, in the third person) that during his youth "he fell down a great deal...because of a trick he had of walking into himself.

Because of his badly focused lens, he saw, not two of everything, but one and a half." Thurber said he could never understand why this obvious perceptive handicap had not effected his drawings.

Windom conveys a cautious aggression, a timid, but angered middle-aged child, who has been bullied by society since grade school and is finally tired of it. "The weak but intelligent always outlive the stupid but strong. . . They grow old, they die, and if they're lucky, they get buried."

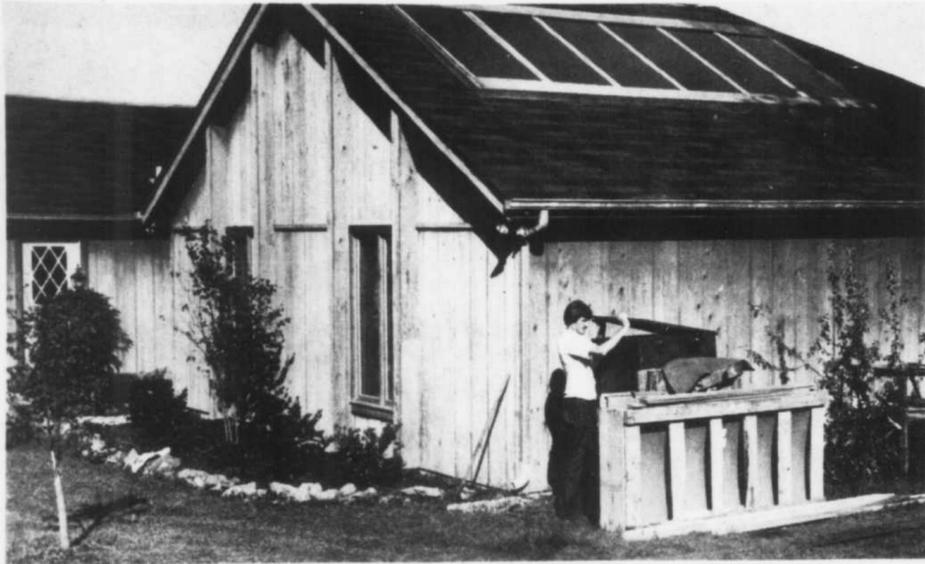
He's also an excited historian, telling of his favorite moment in history.

The incident concerned one Lt. Johnson, a Union soldier whose troop was attacked at 3:30 in the morning. At the time Johnson had no clothes on, so that's how he left, scampering through the Virginia forest, a wood nymph of the first degree. Thurber always had delightful images of what may or may not have happened to Lt. Johnson. Finally, a relative of Johnson's informed him that after the attack his ancestor had courageously returned to the invaded camp, where he hid under an outdoor toilet (yes, right under it) until the whole Confederate army relieved itself and left. We haven't covered that in History 201 yet.

Much of Windom's portrayal was based around a frustrated husband/obnoxious wife interplay, including "Rules for a Happy Marriage." Rule one is "Always try to get your wife's friends' names right." Here he is speaking of the eternal six friends from college that every bachelor of arts wife has, with names like Mary, Marilyn, Mary Lee, Margorie, Madge and Marie. And, of course, they all have nicknames like Mimps, Mumps, Mar, Mae, Mimi and Marg. And, of course, the husband calls them all "Myrtle," unless he feels extra hateful, and then it's "Mugs," or even "Mucky." Thurber feels this can create a certain amount of friction in a marriage.

Other friction arises for a couple returning home from a trip. Wife is hungry, but she will only eat at a restaurant that is "cute." Husband will eat at any old "dogwagon," but she'd rather starve first. If Thurber was married to this biddy, it's no wonder he was a bit strange.

You may notice I've said little of Windom's ability and believability in portraying Thurber. That's simply because I'm now convinced they are probably the same person.



This house is an example of mini solar heating system built by the Natural Energy Systems. Joe Keenan is the owner of the Murfreesboro house. It is estimated that it will save up to 75-80 percent of the heating costs.

News Digest

Pope begins American tour

BOSTON (AP) — Pope John Paul II opened a pastoral visit to his divided American flock Monday, raising a shepherd's crozier to bless a drenched but ecstatic Boston. He had words of praise and friendship but warnings, too, for this rich and troubled nation.

"I greet you America the Beautiful," the pope told a cheering throng in Boston Common in the first major address of his six-city U.S. tour. "I want to tell everyone that the pope is your friend."

He hailed America as a free and generous land, but said its youth was being lured from religion to the empty "escape" of sexual pleasure, drugs, violence and indifference.

"I propose to you the option of love, which is the opposite of escape," the pontiff said amid a downpour that had turned the historic common into a sea of mud.

As many as 400,000 people crowded the park, waving flags, banners, handkerchiefs and whatever else was available as the pope, dressed in white and gold, raised his arms in blessing.

Solar energy outshines all other methods

By LISA HUMAN
Sidelines Features Editor

Joe Sarsfield's house is unique. It doesn't require oil, gas or electricity, but it stays warm because it is one of the few houses in Murfreesboro heated with solar energy.

About two weeks ago the Sarsfield's had a "mini solar system" installed in their home and although it's too early to tell how effective their system will be, Betty Sarsfield said she thinks the system will be very beneficial.

Copper solar collectors which convert the sun's energy to heat and transport it to an insulated storage tank were hooked onto the south facing side of the roof.

Cold water on its way to the water heater is routed through a large copper heat exchanger in the storage tank. Cold water is preheated before it reaches the water heater, in turn reducing the time the water heater has to run therefore reducing fuel bills.

Approximately 75-80 percent of domestic hot water is supplied year round with the mini solar system, according to Fred Snell of Natural

Energy Systems in Murfreesboro, the company that installed the system.

"A box on the wall tells us how hot the water is," Betty Sarsfield said, adding that the system was completely new to her.

The mini solar system also provides heat for the house. By pumping heated water from the tank through a water-to-air heat exchanger located inside a furnace duct or woodburning stove, heat is distributed throughout the house, according to a pamphlet distributed by Southeastern Solar Systems, Inc. in Atlanta, Ga.

The system cost approximately \$5,500 and will pay for itself in approximately five to seven years depending on a variety of variables, Snell said.

Snell is in the process in installing another mini solar system in Joe Keenan's home in Murfreesboro.

William Mathis, an industrial studies instructor at MTSU, lives in a solar energy home that he constructed last year with the help of seven MTSU students.

Mathis's home contains 15 door-size windows on the south side of the house. Sun comes in the windows and strikes concrete which warms up the floor and in turn furnishes the house with 35 percent of heat energy. Another 35 percent of the heat is conducted by blowing hot air in the attic underneath the floors.

"My system is unique because a wood stove and solar energy is all I have to heat with," Mathis said. He began construction of the system in April 1978 and completed it this summer.

We may be in an energy crisis now, but according to Snell, as long as the sun comes up, we'll have solar energy.

Sorority houses costly

The sororities at MTSU have a very logical reason for not having sorority houses.

It's not because there is a state law against them (a rumor that reached *Sidelines*), and it's not necessarily because they don't want them, either.

The simple reason there are no sorority houses at MTSU is because most do not want the financial burden that a sorority house would entail.

"Our dues are \$15 a month now. If we had a house, they would be at least \$45," commented one sorority member.

Although the sororities have house funds for their chapter rooms, there are no plans at this time to build any sorority houses. The national organizations for the local chapters do not encourage the building of houses because the cost could near \$500,000.

Negotiations are still underway concerning a fraternity row on campus. If such a row is created, the sororities will probably give serious consideration to building houses, according to Judy Smith, associate dean of students for women's affairs.

More trouble at Three Mile

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission said Monday that "under no foreseeable circumstances" would it permit the discharge of radioactive wastes from Three Mile Island into the Susquehanna River.

However, the commission also conceded that, as long as the radioactive water remains at the site of the March 28 nuclear accident in Pennsylvania, "potential risk to the public . . . cannot be completely discounted."

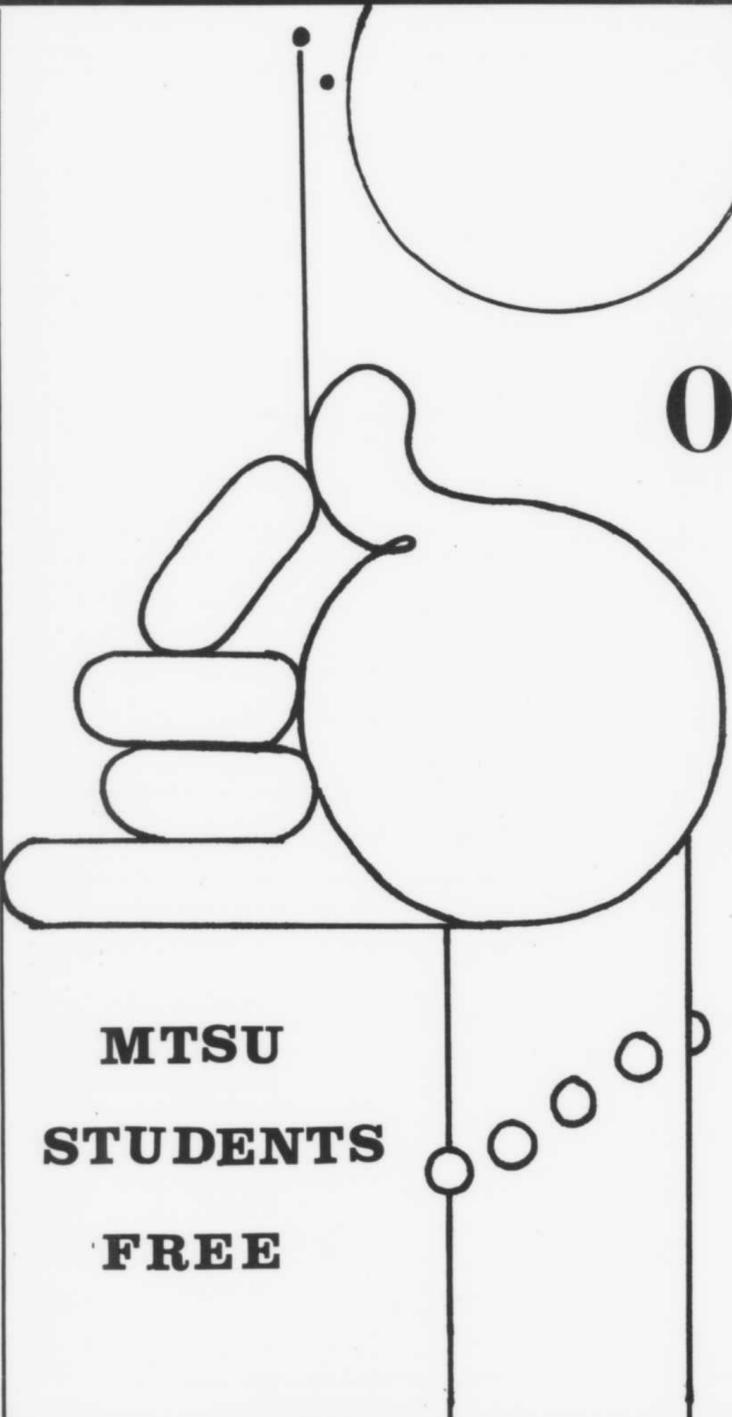
It also said that the main safety concern now is the possibility that workers might be overexposed to radiation from the contaminated water.

Balloonists continue soaring

VINCENNES, Ind. (AP) — Four adventurers trying to make the first non-stop transcontinental flight in a balloon swept across the Midwest and into southern Indiana on Monday, right on target for a Virginia landing.

The giant helium-filled balloon floated through clear skies over the rolling hills of central Missouri in the early morning, crossed the Mississippi River at St. Louis shortly after noon and reached southwestern Indiana just before evening, officials at the flight's command center here said.

The DaVinci Trans-America is expected to ride almost due east, with a possible southerly shift, taking it just north of Louisville, Ky., and near Cincinnati. Touchdown is expected Wednesday morning somewhere in Virginia, just where the balloonists want to land, spokesmen said.



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Senior recording industry management major Pete Waraksa, far left and Wyndlynx, will present a benefit concert from 8 p.m. until midnight, Thursday, at the Rutherford County Agriculture Center, on highway 231 South. Tickets are \$2 and will be on sale in the basement of the UC today or at the door.

Wyndlynx rocks benefit

By ALAN ROGERS
Sidelines Copy Editor

Disco music hasn't died yet, but talented musicians like Pete Waraksa dedicate themselves to fighting it with all the rock and roll their instruments will pour out.

Aslead guitarist for Wyndlynx, a rock band making their debut concert performance at the Rutherford County Agricultural Center this Thursday, Pete's searing guitar work will only be one outstanding facet of the group's performance.

Their show is fast-paced, their stage presence is undeniable. Together for two years, Wyndlynx's tight arrangements excite the soul.

"We play everything pretty much like it was recorded," Pete said, "We don't add too much to it." Their repertoire? "Zeppelin, Skynerd, Nazareth, Stones, Aerosmith. . ."

Rock at its hottest.

Combining with Pete's guitar is the drums and vocals of Charlie Torreion. Terry West on rhythm

guitar and vocals, with Daryl Stover filling out the remaining voice and bottom line.

Wyndlynx's music is enhanced by their special effects — fog, flashbombs and "probably the best light show in the area."

Pete's style, reflected from his predecessors in the music world, reflects the artists he lists as inspirations. "Probably Jimmy Page, David Gilmore, Jeff Beck — I listen to a lot of Jeff Beck."

A senior recording management major at MTSU, Pete volunteered his group for a benefit show to improve the RIM recording studio. Tickets for the event are only \$2 and are on sale today in the basement of the UC, or at the door. This is only the third time the Shelbyville band has played in

Murfreesboro. (The first two times the group played here was at the now defunct Gaby's.)

His experience dates back 12 years through a Murfreesboro band, "Sky High" for about one year and the others spent jamming in his hometown of Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Since those beginnings, the band has played such venues as "The Front Page" in underground Atlanta, the sports stadium in Chattanooga and the "111 Club" in Clarksville.

As his past has been music, so is his future. Pete has in mind "Engineering and producing, and eventually get a recording band together and go for the big time."

It shouldn't be too long.

Weight reduction guaranteed in writing

By JERRY WILLIAMSON
Sidelines News Editor

Losing 50 pounds in 90 days is not extremely rare, but what is bizarre is that one woman lost this weight while eating foods which appealed to her.

And, this is not the only person who has lost excessive pounds without having to crash diet.

Hundreds of people are presently involved in a behavior modification and weight loss program offered by the American Weight Foundation in Nashville. And all of those participating are reportedly losing weight.

Wolfgang Sauermann, vice president of the company and administrator for the Nashville branch, said the program usually consists of 16 office visits over an eight to ten week period, and weight loss is guaranteed in writing.

"Within this time, people lose 1-5 pounds a week and more if they need it," he said.

The program, which costs from \$175-\$300, depending on how much weight needs losing, includes habit changing systems, subliminal tapes, relaxation training and food adjustment programs.

Sauermann said the program is on an individual basis because, "Everyone is different and eating habits have to accommodate different life styles," he said.

The vice president of the

company said eating habits are taught to people by their parents, background and environment. And that is the reason for the habit changing systems program.

Upon every visit, the person wishing to lose weight is counselled about his eating habits — when he eats, how often, how fast, whether he is trained to clean his plate or leave food when he gets full. Sauermann noted that all of these are factors in the amount of weight gained.

Also, the person will listen to attitude subliminal tapes. These are tapes which re-program the person into the correct eating habits and ways of eating that will not make them necessarily gain weight. Another program that the person will undergo is a relaxation training program which trains the person to not eat food during a time they feel nervous or undergoing anxiety. It is designed to make the person confident in himself and help him take control of his weight problem.

In addition, a food adjustment program is used by the foundation. This program is designed so that clients may lose weight slowly, but constantly, and not feel deprived as many do in other dieting programs, according to Sauermann.

"All we ask is that they complete the program and do what we tell them to and they all lose weight," he said. Sauermann said this

program is a training program — one which trains clients to not only lose weight, but to keep the weight off.



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The Cotton Patch

JACKSON HEIGHTS PLAZA

from the editor

Resumption of construction on Tellico is advancement

After a delay of more than two years, workers resumed their labor on the Tellico Dam last week. And environmentalists throughout the nation begrudgingly accepted the fact that their efforts to save the tiny snail darter had proved futile.

On a vote of 48-44, members of the U.S. Senate two weeks ago followed the lead of their counterparts in the House of Representatives in voting the dam exempt from the Endangered Species Act. Then, President Carter gave his approval to the measure and work was resumed.

Carter's approval came as a sort of surprise to the parties involved. Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus had earlier been reported as saying that Carter would veto any legislation calling for completion of the project. Apparently, Carter reconsidered — the day after his approval, work was under way.

Visions of workmen sitting atop bulldozers waiting for word to come that construction could begin seemed to automatically come to mind. The speed with which work resumed is, no doubt, of record-breaking caliber.

Work on the dam has been halted for over two years because its construction could possibly endanger the tiny snail darter and cause the fish to become extinct. Court rulings have prohibited construction because the darter is on the government's official endangered species list.

Supporters of the dam have long maintained that its construction is essential for persons in the area to be served. Further, they contend that the snail darter will not be threatened due to successful attempts at transplanting the tiny fish.

If that is the case, the importance of constructing the Tellico Dam is merely a fundamental decision. The dam would provide 20,000 homes with much-needed electrical service.

This comes at a time when the need for adequate energy sources is more essential than ever. Construction of the Tellico Dam is something that has long been needed in Tennessee.

— Jeff Ellis

Happy Birthday NORML; good luck Tennessee

Archaic marijuana laws have ruined the lives of victims needlessly subjected to the prejudice of judges and arbitrary sentencing in the American court system.

- Jerry Mitchell, 19, sentenced to seven years for selling five dollars worth of marijuana. Upon appeal, the Missouri Supreme Court upheld the conviction which had already been reduced from 12 years. His father said, "They wanted to make an example of him."

- Stan Pickard, 28-year-old Army vet, was convicted of giving one ounce to a minor in Nevada is spending his entire life in confinement. It is ironic that this liberal state has no laws against prostitution and gambling, but Pickard's crime carries a life sentence.

- Roger Davis, a 27-year-old black in a prejudiced West Virginia community, was denied a change of venue and is serving a 40-year sentence (and \$20,000 fine) for selling four ounces and possessing six more. Again it is ironic that the white who beat his father to death when Davis was a child received three years probation.

These are exceptional cases, but they represent the urgent need for state and national decriminalization of marijuana.

Yesterday marked the ninth anniversary of the founding of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML). Oregon's decriminalization law, the nation's first, celebrates its sixth birthday on Friday, Oct. 5.

Since that first law effectively reduced penalties for possession in 1973, ten other states and numerous cities, Nashville included, have followed suit.

It is appropriate then, that after nine years, eleven states and continued NORML effort, Tennessee will have a decriminalization bill before the house and senate to be voted on in February of next year.

Senate Bill 1149, House Bill 937, reduces possession of two ounces or less to carry only a civil penalty and a maximum fine of \$100.

Your support in this effort cannot be urged strongly enough. Write to your Senator and Representative on Capitol Hill, stress the importance of this bill to you and let them know how their constituents stand on this issue.

— Alan Rogers

Tuesday, October 2, 1979

Viewpoints



pops' people

by Larry Popelka

NORML fight is like America, mellow

A few weeks ago a fellow well into his 40s invited me to listen to some of his generation's music.

I've just about had it with Frank Sinatra, Lawrence Welk and Geritol commercials, so I declined.

"What's the matter?" he said. "Don't you like the Beach Boys, Jefferson Airplane, the Beatles or any of those other '60s groups?"

I do. But it wasn't until then that I realized just what's happened.

The '60s have grown nearly 20 years old. The flower children are businessmen. Richard Nixon is living in New York. Rolling Stone is doing articles about Johnny Carson. And Bob Dylan is singing about his born-again religion.

Marijuana has grown up, too.

In the '60s the act of lighting up a joint had meaning. It meant you were a rebel who hated the war, hated LBJ and probably hated your parents who were part of the establishment.

Today the only thing it means is that you probably can't afford cocaine.

Pot is as much a part of today's establishment as Hamilton Jordan, Chip Carter and all those other alleged druggies running the country.

At last count an estimated 37 million Americans had lit up at least one joint and many others who hadn't, viewed it as a legitimate form of recreation, like drinking, bowling and baseball.

Perhaps the best example of how times have changed, however, is found at the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws headquarters in Washington, D.C.

NORML is about as ordinary as any Washington lobby group. They've got an office downtown with desks, typewriters, stationery, copy machines and several full-time paid employees.

It's almost like a business. There are no marijuana plants growing in a back room or stashes of dope hidden behind books.

When I walked into their office a few weeks ago, Peter Meyers, their chief legal counsel wasn't fumbling with a rolling paper. He was fumbling with a carton of Carleton cigarettes.

Meyers, who looks like a throwback to the '60s with his long uncombed hair and unshaven face, has been with NORML for six years and seen it change.

"Six years ago we were just trying to break in and present a perspective that wasn't being presented," he remembers. "Nobody really took us seriously."

"Today we're established. We present ourselves in a straight middle-class way, and a lot times now the press calls us instead of us calling them. We're no different than the National Rifle Association. Some people — like the yippies — don't even support us any more, because they think we've gotten too conservative."

Yes, it's true. NORML has become just another conservative piece of the establishment. The long fight for marijuana legalization has mellowed them.

Earlier this year Keith Stroup, who founded and led the organization through its first nine years, left to seek fame and fortune as a Washington criminal lawyer. He mellowed.

To raise funds, NORML now sells a complete line of NORML accessories, such as match books and leafy-green T-shirts which are advertised in national magazines such as *Playboy*. Mellow, very mellow.

But last summer NORML topped itself. Instead of leading their annual Fourth of July Washington, D.C., smoke-in — which has become so established it now ranks mention in *The Washington Post's* listing of Independence Day events — the NORML folks backed out for fear that it would be too riotous. Now that's mellow.

"We didn't think the smoke-in would accomplish anything," says Meyers. "The yippies are still into that type of protest, and they were the only ones who came."

"Did you see what they did? The f----- idiots were scaling the White House fence and getting arrested. Nobody knew who was in charge. It was a mess."

According to Meyers, the more sensible thing to do is lobby government leaders.

So far his group has talked 11 states into decriminalizing pot, and Meyers says Washington, Wisconsin, Michigan and the District of Columbia are also close to dropping criminal penalties for simple possession.

Meyers says he also expects the federal government to decriminalize within the next year. The federal change won't have any effect on state laws, but it will eliminate criminal penalties on smoking pot in federal parks and buildings.

Needless to say, NORML's ultimate goal is national legalization — something Meyers says is still a long way off.

"I think it's going to be at least another three or four years before we begin to even have serious debates about it," he says. "No legislature is going to be ready until then. In all the surveys, the only group where a majority thinks it should be legalized are college students. People's perceptions are changing, but it's going to take awhile."

One of their biggest detractors so far, says Meyers, has been President Carter.

"Carter's been very good with

his words, but he's had no follow-up," Meyers says. "His Drug Enforcement Agency head, Peter Bensinger, keeps sabotaging us by putting out distorted studies on marijuana's effects. And Carter's never done a damn thing to help us out in Congress."

Whether or not Congress is ready to legalize marijuana in the distant future, there will still be one major stumbling block: the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, a 108-nation treaty approved by the Senate 12 years ago, which doesn't allow the United States to legalize pot without breaking that international drug control pact.

However, Meyers says NORML has found a few loopholes.

First, the treaty allows legalization for medical use, he says, so pot could conceivably be sold in drug stores alongside aspirin.

Second, the treaty says nothing about THC, the chemical in marijuana which makes you high. So, according to Meyers, synthetic THC could be legalized.

Finally, Meyers says, the treaty specifically includes nothing about cannabis leaves and seeds since in some countries such as India they are used in a popular drink called bhang.

"It's unlikely that the U.S. will drop out or try to change the treaty, so marijuana may never be sold in grocery stores like regular cigarettes," Meyer says. "But there are lots of ways to get around it."

Marijuana aspirin? Synthetic THC? Bhang soda?

Maybe we were better off in the 60s. At least then we knew what we were fighting.

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Perspective

panorama
by William Fitzhugh

Studying affected by 'Grillitis'

Monday morning comes early for the poor MTSU student who has to get out of bed at the absolutely intolerable time of 9:30 to greet his 10:00 professor with sleepy-eyed indifference, wet umbrella and probable hangover.

For most it is a time of shocking adjustment to the basic reality of the college career — going to class. Bright-eyed, eager knowledge seekers are rather rare and move with a garrulous attitude born out of a preparation and confidence which is somewhat foreign to most of us and, at the same time, irritating. What did they do last night, anyway? Study!?! Who ever heard of such a conformity? Why it's enough to make a grown college student protest. Study indeed . . . Good Lord, you might even miss the Johnny Majors Show!

Off in the distance Todd library distributes guilt to the silent passers-by who have to think of all the missed hours of planned studying time that hauntingly surrounds the 2.1 grade average.

The library acts as a versatile symbol. For some it represents the epitome of organized knowledge. Others see it as the dispenser of mental discipline needed to guide one's attention span through two whole hours of studying. Some find it a funny sort of place, where laughter is actually promoted by some kind of atmospheric disturbance, and still others think of it as a social party where the only invitation needed to socialize is an open text book and happy, wandering feet. I personally see it as a big diamond field that yields diamonds to all that search for them diligently. Oh, brother . . .

But how irony persists. The Grill, the library's arch enemy, resides right next door to it. I don't know if you have ever noticed it before, but it seems everyone walks extremely fast down the sidewalk that splits the UC and the library.

It's kind of a no man's land. On one side of the sidewalk, the Grill beckons with its intangible magic of goof-off, and on the other, the library calls, demanding responsibility. Boy, what a dilemma.

But the grill has what the library does not. It has a magnetism that coats reality with a pleasant dose of magic that makes responsibility seem elusive and unimportant.

I have no idea how many of my fading hours have been spent completely squandered in the grill. I seem to become water-logged in there. All the little chit-chat day after day. Ugh! But I still go in there. I'm definitely addicted.

Call those scientists over in the Biology department and tell them to get their test tubes working. We need a cure for Grillitis. Tell them it is a potent disease which develops slowly and deteriorates the potential of the intellect with excessive sluggishness. Oh, but the grill is old hat. Everybody knows it is destructive from atmosphere to food.

Anyway, the best place to go soon will be the new resort area that is to be built on the beautiful edges of the Bell Street Parking Lot Lake. Fishing, sailing, car-searching and water skiing will be a few of the fun extracurricular activities offered. Bait casting, canoeing and scuba diving will be taught there.

Maybe, just maybe, the whole MTSU student body will forget about school and just go out and float around on the lake, talking about this and that, and maybe we'll just all sail away into the sunset, and MTSU will become the Kafka sort of dream that it always was, but really wasn't, and who's to know, and don't wake me, I'll wake you . . .

Tuesday, October 2, 1979

from our readers

To the editor:

This letter is written in response to Cassie Martin's resignation. This is going on my second year of being associated with the ASB and I can't agree with her more about the conduct of the house last week. However, I have channelled my grievances down a different avenue than the one Ms. Martin has chosen. Instead of taking a sideline seat (resigning), I am going to stay in there and fight for the things I feel are right.

I feel that one's true devotion to an organization or anything else can only be appraised when that item is faced with discord. No help or support is needed when things are going well, but it is when the times are not so blessed with felicity that a person's support, strength and encouragement are essential. Ms. Martin's resignation will not change anything, whereas if she were still in the organization she could speak out and stand up for what she believes in and possibly bring about a change. A sideline seat is no place for a person with Ms. Martin's experience. I ask her to reconsider her resignation. If we all work together we can make things happen.

Mark Anthony King
Sophomore Senator
Box 7273

To the editor:

Of course you want to be liked — who doesn't? Knowing that others seek you out and enjoy your company makes you feel secure and comfortable and gives your spirits a lift. That's only natural. But some people live their lives as if they were competing in a popularity contest; they are on an obsessive quest to be liked.

These popularity seekers will efface themselves, obliterate their honest feelings, automatically conform, do just about anything, even if their actions are ultimately harmful to themselves, in order to be liked by all of the people they know, all of the time.

Because total approval from others is impossible to achieve, they are bound to be disappointed. And each rejection, no matter how slight, brings an awful hurt and another blow to their already low self-esteem. Yes, we all can be popular, but that's not all that important. Being liked does not necessarily bring happiness and fulfillment. It is nice and it feels good to be liked, but it's more important to like yourself.

Kathy Luffmane
Box 3401

To the editor:

Bravo to Ms. Cassie Martin on her letter in response to the events that occurred at the Sept. 27 ASB meeting of the House of Representatives. I could not have put it better myself. I, too, was appalled and ashamed of the way the representatives from TISL were treated by some members of the student government. I should also like to extend my apologies to those representatives.

I have had my reservations about being a representative in the Associated Student Body for the reasons of the pettiness and childishness often coupled with such organizations. Well, I certainly received an earful of such

actions Thursday night. I feel that the House itself has been insulted through the conduct of some of its members. I am also exceedingly disappointed in Speaker of the House Randy James. It is one thing for representatives in the house to become emotional, but I would think that the Speaker of the House would be a bit more level-headed. Mr. James' comments of "I don't pretend to present a showcase of parliamentary procedure, but I am here to get business done" and "I am not a voting member of this body, but I would do everything in my power to see that \$100 does not come out of our budget for TISL" were decidedly childish and un-called for. The duty of the Speaker

of the House is to conduct the meetings of the House and to serve as a mediator and a leader, not an agitator. The floor show by Mr. James at the House meeting Thursday was not a show of such qualities.

I should also like to add that ASB President Kent Syler's remark about vetoing any bill for appropriation of funds for TISL was extremely gauche and unprofessional. I hope that he will have second thoughts about carrying out such a threat (???)

LaRita T. Bailey
ASB House Representative
Box 1553



To the editor:

I am a regular reader of your Sidelines newspaper. It pains me when I look at your newspaper without seeing the African column. So many of us are mass communications majors. We urge you to look into this matter and open an African column. This will enable the Americans to understand who we are and where we come from. Other schools like Texas Southern University have taken this step and we want you to do the same.

Henry Onyejiaka
Box 1408

To the editor:

I had the privilege of serving as the University's representative to the Army Advanced Camp at Ft. Riley last summer. I was most favorably impressed then by the performance of the MTSU ROTC cadets. It was with considerable pride I witnessed the award ceremony this week. MTSU's cadets were named the top unit at Ft. Riley because of the dedication I saw in the ROTC faculty. They worried about individuals and individual development. They muttered darkly when one of the

cadets was not performing to capacity. But, above all, they seemed to be hoping that the cadets would serve the nation, however briefly, with distinction. I take this opportunity to join in the stream of praise flowing to the ROTC program this week and to publically congratulate Col. Smith, Major Pilvinsky, Sergeant Schneider, the cadets and my old traveling mate, Col. Plaster.

Edward M. Kimbrell
Chairman, Department of Mass Communications

To the editor:

I am writing in regard to the editorial in the Sept. 28 issue of Sidelines by sports editor Henry Fennell.

Mr. Fennell finds it hard to believe that there are students at MTSU who like football teams such as Tennessee, Alabama, etc. I am under the impression that he feels that everyone came to MTSU to cheer at football games.

I (being a sophomore from Oak Ridge) have grown up to be an avid Tennessee football fan. This is not to say that I don't support MTSU football. On the contrary, I am quick to back up the football team anytime someone talks them down. Mr. Fennell is talking about when he refers to students wearing Big Orange jackets and caps. I have worn Big Orange paraphernalia since I was a child and see no reason to stop because I am enrolled at MTSU.

Mr. Fennell thinks that it would be interesting to kidnap the UT and Alabama football teams and substitute MTSU and Tennessee Tech players in their place. He feels that the crowd of 85,000 in Knoxville wouldn't know the difference. First, for Mr. Fennell's benefit, the Tennessee-Alabama game is scheduled for Birmingham's Legion Field this year. Legion Field only seats about 60,000. A petty fact, I suppose, but I'm not the sports editor of a

To the editor:

Recently I had the pleasure (?) of reading the Sept. 25 issue of our Sidelines newspaper. I realize that this is a reflection of different people's views of situations on our campus, and in our vicinity, but the articles you have carried recently on "Pelican pizza, part of sex retreat" does not reflect the feelings of most of us on this campus, nor does it reflect the feeling of pride which a campus

newspaper. Second, I find it offensive that Mr. Fennell feels that fans who have supported two institutions such as Tennessee and Alabama would not recognize their respective teams. Third, being a student at MTSU, I think Mr. Fennell is belittling the MTSU-TTU rivalry by comparing the two with UT and Alabama. I think that students at MTSU (who are fans of Tennessee's against Alabama), are just as good as fans to cheer against Tennessee Tech.

Mr. Fennell also says that OVC football in 1979 compares with SEC football of about a dozen years ago. This may be true, but if it is, where are the Ken Stablers, Joe Namaths, Paul Nanmoffs, Jack Youngbloods, Jack Reynolds. . . must I go on? I will grant that there are some very fine football players in the OVC. We at MTSU have our share despite past performances. I just think it unfair to expect people to drop support for a team they have followed all their lives.

Finally, I do not feel like a "misguided Tennessee faithful." I feel like an MTSU student with strong feelings toward an athletic program I grew up to admire. I will always be an MTSU fan who will cheer until I'm hoarse, at the same time wishing I knew if "The Big Orange were going to a bowl game."

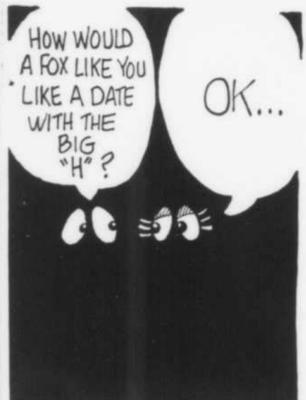
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paper should show. Some of the articles lately have no place in a paper, no matter how liberal minded we are, and I feel that you, and some of your readers, would do well to read the story of Sodom and Gomorrah, and the book of Revelations. Study them well, my friends. In them will you find the reasoning for articles such as these? Thank you.

Name withheld on request

Clooseclub

by David Arnold



Former MTSU graduate assistant hits big time

By DEBI HOLLINGSWORTH
Sidelines Staff Writer

hour pilot which has been bought by ABC.

Hanks, who has been in California for about a year, had been to several auditions before he got the call to audition for *The BAD CATS*.

"You learn how to go to all of these interviews without getting your hopes up," he admitted.

After auditioning for the role, "son of a gun" if he didn't receive a call to go to Aaron Spelling's office to do a scene. After auditioning again, he was told that they would be in touch.

Apparently, everyone in Spelling's office was in agreement that he was the man for the job. He was called in for a screen test last Friday and the following night, he got a call from his agent.

"Are you sitting down? You got the role!" she told him, after which, Hanks admitted, "I went crazy!"

"I just happened to look the part and, doggone it, I went in and got

the role," he said.

Steve, who did his undergraduate work at Florida State, was working at Six Flags over Georgia when he met Russell Fox, an MTSU student who was also working there at the time. Russell, along with his father Van Fox, convinced Steve to come to MTSU to emcee Syllaboo, a game show produced in the Learning Resources Center by MTSU students.

After leaving MTSU last May, he went to Dallas, Texas to work at Six Flags over Texas. His agent began receiving calls and eventually he was sent to California to test for *The Dukes of Hazzard*. Though he didn't get the role, he made valuable connections while there. Soon after returning to Texas, he "decided it was time" and packed up to go to Los Angeles with the hopes of working in television or motion pictures.

He called the aunt and uncle of a friend he made at MTSU, who took him in until he could find and afford a place to live. He then got a job as an instructor at the Sierra College of Business in downtown



Steve Hanks was the emcee for the MTSU "Syllaboo" while working as a graduate assistant here.

Los Angeles, teaching Accounting and Business Law. On the suggestion of his employer, Steve

left his post at the college when the auditions became too numerous and conflicted with his job.

He considers Beverly Hills, where he now resides with two friends from Florida State, "almost as nice as Murfreesboro," adding "My year in Murfreesboro was one of the best years of my life."

Steve, whose father is a minister in Florida, attributes his success to God. Before he received the call from his agent, he had received a letter from Oral Roberts asking for \$500 and explaining that it was truly needed and would serve as a

"seed for a miracle." Steve wrote the check, adding \$100, and mailed the letter while jogging. Thus planting the seed, he returned to his apartment. A half-hour later, he received the news that he had been cast in the role of Ocee James.

Steve Hanks definitely has something going for him, be it "terrific charisma," God's will, or a combination of both. "It's been that way from day one," he explained.

Well, son of a gun, it looks like it just might be that way for a long time.



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Interior design program approved as major

By LISA HUMAN
Sidelines Feature Editor

There's more to interior design than decorating rooms, according to interior design instructor Diann Speaks, whose students will now be able to enter the professional field with a major in interior design.

In the past, students majored in home economics with an interior design emphasis, but on Aug. 24 the Tennessee Higher Education Committee approved the long-awaited interior design major.

Several new courses added to the program include contract design, historic interiors, lighting design and a special problems course.

Speaks was hired this year to teach the courses and is presently the only interior design instructor. "Funds have been allocated for more help," Speaks said, adding that she teaches five courses each semester.

Most of the classes involve special projects that require extensive amounts of time. For example, Speaks assigned her junior class to design a kitchen. "Each line of the drawing has to be

scientifically and mathematically calculated. The girls formulate a grid and get the furniture to scale. Then they box in shapes and start refining," Speaks said.

When the drawing is completed students are required to give an oral presentation explaining why they designed the room the way they did.

"It is not unusual for a student to spend 40 or 50 hours on a drawing," Speaks said.

LeAnn James, a senior in interior design, said she stayed up until 3 a.m. Wednesday morning working on a project.

James will graduate in May, along with nine other interior design majors. There are presently a total of 85 students in the major.

Job openings in the field include working in architectural firms, store planning, salesmen and commercial or resident designers.

"We want to be professional people when we graduate," Helen Lamar, president of the student chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers, said.

When the interior design major was approved, MTSU was invited by the National Chapter of the Society of Interior Designers to begin a campus chapter whose goals are to promote

professionalism and social activities," Speaks said.

With a new major and new classes, interior design students are one step closer to professionalism than before.



Fereshete Lavasani and instructor Diann Speaks, perfect a drawing project for the recently accredited Interior Design major.

Renovation on pool nearing completion date

Upgrading the quality of the pool has been on the list for funding through the capitol maintenance committee for the past three to four years, according to Charles Pigg, director of campus planning, said.

Reconstruction began May 29 and is expected to be completed by Dec. 1. Charles Pigg, director of campus planning and construction, said a change in the filtration system and reworking of the chlorination system was installed. New ventilation, electrical wiring and lighting are to be added along with new doors, windows and shower partitions.

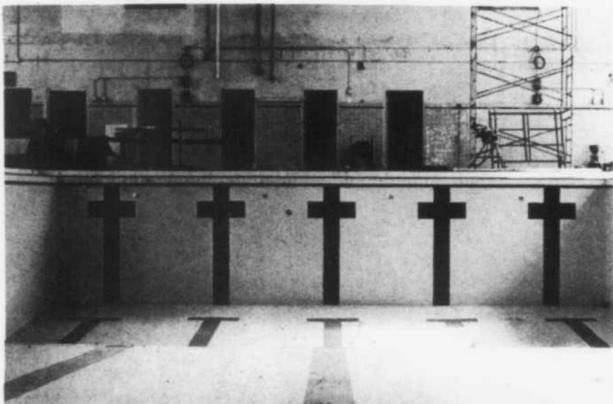
The hold up on construction was due to the materials not arriving on time, but the pool is expected to be finished on time anyway, according to Grady Parker, estimator for Reed Construction of Wood-

bury, whose company is contracted for the job.

Total costs for the pool are running toward \$165,000 with an additional \$3400 for installation of a pool lift for handicapped persons. This device consists of a frame with a seat that can lower or raise a handicapped person in or out of the water, Pigg said.

The date for reopening the pool depends on the completion time and the class schedule for the Spring semester, according to Joe Ruffner, director of campus recreation. There will be an announcement as to when and at what hours the pool will be opened.

Students are urged to stay out of the building due to the various equipment laying around. Caution should be used when around the vicinity of the pool, Pigg added.



Despite problems with materials arriving late, the date for reopening of the MTSU pool is set for Dec. 1.

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Male shorthand in second year

Shorthand for males is now in its second year according to H. Dalton Drennan, chairman of the department of business education.

Public grants enabled Drennan to offer this type of course in shorthand.

Each student completing one semester will be provided with a reimbursement of \$63, the cost of a

three semester-hour course. Anyone wishing to enroll must have completed one year of high-school typewriting or BDOM 131.

"Students from Mass Communications and Criminal Justice or anyone involved in reporting are advised to enroll in this course," Drennan said.

Carpool sign-up still available

Carpoolers can still receive help finding rides and riders to school from the MTSU carpool center, Pat Pender, coordinator, said.

Letters will be sent in October to all who signed up for carpooling at the beginning of the year. Students will be asked if they used the system and information on others willing to carpool available from the carpool center.

The office is open in Peck Hall 255, from 1-3 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, and 8-12 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Students may call also 898-2767 for information.

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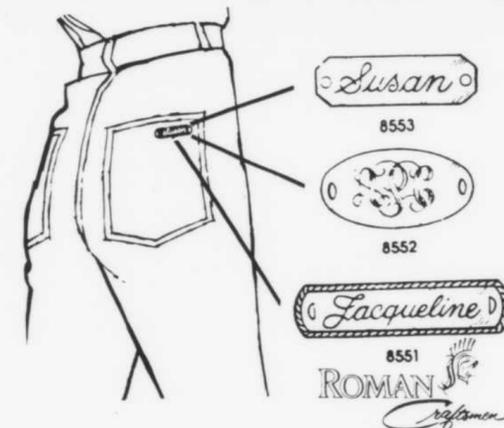


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Senator, homecoming elections this week

Elections to fill seven senate seats in the ASB, including one sophomore, one graduate and five freshman seats, will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 3 and 4, in Peck Hall and the second floor of the UC from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ten freshmen are running for the senate seats are: Randy Shuptrine, a mass communications major from Chattanooga; Teresa Duggan, a Nashville fashion

merchandising major; Tony Yates, a pre-law major from Kingsport; Allen Segrest, a Memphis accounting major; Ranota Thomas, a pre-med major from Strawberry Plains.

Also running are: Daniel Brown, a pre-law major from Nashville; David Green, a Murfreesboro mass communications major; Rick Allen, an Athens pre-med major, Beth Moore, an elementary

education major from Millington; and Walter Sloan of Nashville.

Candidates for the sophomore senate seat are Jim McMurtry, a pre-med major from Nashville, and Don Wilson, who could not be

reached at press time.

The graduate senator will be chosen by write-in votes, because there were no candidacy applications turned in for that position.

Who'll be in Who's Who?

Applications for *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges* are available from ASB Speaker of the House Randy James in the ASB office on the third floor of the University Center.

Persons applying for *Who's Who* should be seniors with a 2.8 grade point average or who have made an outstanding contribution to the University. Selections will be made by a committee composed of the ASB president, speaker of the

senate, speaker of the house, the president of the faculty senate and eight members of the faculty senate.

Who's Who is published annually to honor the most outstanding students in American institutions of higher learning. Students have been honored with inclusion in the directory since 1934.

Deadline for applications is Thursday, Oct. 25.

Business department plans trip

The 1980 European Tour, sponsored by the MTSU School of Business, is in the planning stage now and is scheduled for 24 days during May and June.

Along with the excitement of visiting such countries as England, Germany, France and Italy, the student will receive three hours credit in international management or marketing.

The cost of the tour will be approximately \$1500, including transportation, accommodations and some meals. Tour guides and interpreters are also provided.

This past summer, 30 students visited Europe and that will be the maximum number for the 1980 tour. For more information, contact Kathy Stucky in the Management Department, 898-2856.

Campus Calendar

Tuesday
 Kappa Delta Pledges-Bake Sale, UC Basement, 8-4:30 p.m.
 Movie-"Greased Lightening" UC Theatre, 3:30, 6, 8 p.m.
 Traffic Court-UC 311 - 312, 4-6 p.m.
 Kappa Delta Pi-Initiation, JUB Dining Room B, 4:30-6 p.m.
 Volleyball-MTSU/TTU, AM Gym, 6 p.m.
 Football-Central Middle School/Mt. Juliet, Jones Field, 6:30 p.m.
 Campus Crusade for Christ-UC 316, 7 p.m.
Wednesday
 ASB-Homecoming Queen and Freshman Senators' Election, UC Lobby and Peck Hall Mall, 8-4 p.m.
 Sigma Chi Little Sisters-Bake Sale, UC Basement, 9:30-4 p.m.
 Graduate Test-UC 314, 1-4 p.m.
 Traffic Court-UC 311 - 312, 2-4 p.m.
 Movie-"Superman" UC Theatre, 3:30, 6, 8 p.m.

Thursday
 ASB-Homecoming Queen and Senators' Election, UC Lobby and Peck Hall Mall, 8-4 p.m.
 Navy Recruiting-UC Basement, 9-4:30 p.m.
 Faculty/Press Luncheon, Tennessee Room, JUB, noon.
 Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association - Marching Band Contest, Riverdale High School, Jones Field, 1:30-10:30 p.m. and Murphy Center Track, Dance Studio A, Auxiliary Gym 2, 1:40-9 p.m. (In case of rain contest will be on Oct. 20)
 Movie-"Superman," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6, 8 p.m.
 Theatre Department touring show production-"Opening Night - MTSU" and "Behind the Beyond," DA Auditorium, 8 p.m.
 Concert - The Speer Family will be at the First Church of the Nazarine, 1618 Hamilton Dr., Murfreesboro, 7 p.m.



To the right, the Inter-Fraternity Council Greek pledge scholarship winner this semester was Terry Isabel of Sigma Nu. Isabel, a senior psychology major, had a 4.0 gpa, one of the highest ever recorded. Eddie McGee, IFC secretary, handed the check to Isabel which will go to help with tuition costs. Above, Barbara Akins, left and Vicki Crowley, sisters of Zeta Phi Beta sorority and the Sweethearts, worked toward the completion of a project displayed in the UC last week.



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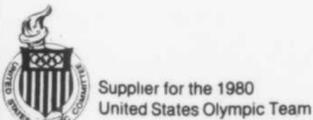


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MTSU finishes fourth

South Carolina sweeps Classic

Middle Tennessee State's Lady Raider tennis team came up with a fourth place finish in the second annual Lady Raider tennis invitational, held this past weekend on the MTSU courts.

Elina Durchman, playing number one for the Lady Raiders, pulled off a big upset in the second round on Friday, stopping Kathy Denton of Alabama, 6-4, 7-5. Durchman eventually lost to Susan Smith of South Carolina 6-1, 6-3 in the finals.

South Carolina won the team championship with four singles and all three doubles titles, rolling up 48 points. Last year's champion North Carolina finished a distant second with 32 points while Alabama was third with 24.

Host Middle Tennessee finished with 16 points and fourth place, just one ahead of Ole Miss who finished with 15. Mississippi University for Women was sixth with eleven and Austin Peay finished seventh with seven.

Prior to the tournament, MTSU head coach Sandy Neal had said she hoped her team could finish somewhere in the middle of the field.

"I was very pleased with the fourth place finish, considering the quality of the teams ahead of us," Neal said following the tournament. "Any time you face players from North and South Carolina along with Alabama you are going up against some of the finest players in the country, so I

feel our girls certainly showed some bright spots."

Neal also indicated she was pleased with the play of Durchman. "Elina had a good tournament," Neal said. "I was very pleased with her beating Alabama's number one girl, Kathy Denton."

The Lady Raiders' next meet is Saturday when they travel to Murray State. Their next home match is on Monday, Oct. 15 when they host Tennessee Tech on the Blue Raider courts.

Sports

Tuesday, October 2, 1979

Runners take unexpected second place

By SCOTT ADAMS
Sidelines Sports Writer

To say that Blue Raider cross country coach Dean Hayes was a little surprised at the way his team performed in the Middle Tennessee Invitational would be a mild understatement.

By his own admittance Hayes said that he didn't put that much emphasis on cross country because all of the runners on the squad also participate on the indoor and outdoor track teams. And most of

the time that means that most of them are used to shorter distances.

Although team scores weren't kept in the race won by Austin Peay's Chris Bedard, it was figured later that MTSU would have captured the team title by virtue of their second, fourth, eighth, tenth, sixteenth and thirty-sixth place finishes.

The teams eldest member, Joe O'Loughlin a sophomore, roared over the finish line only 18 seconds behind Bedard to capture second

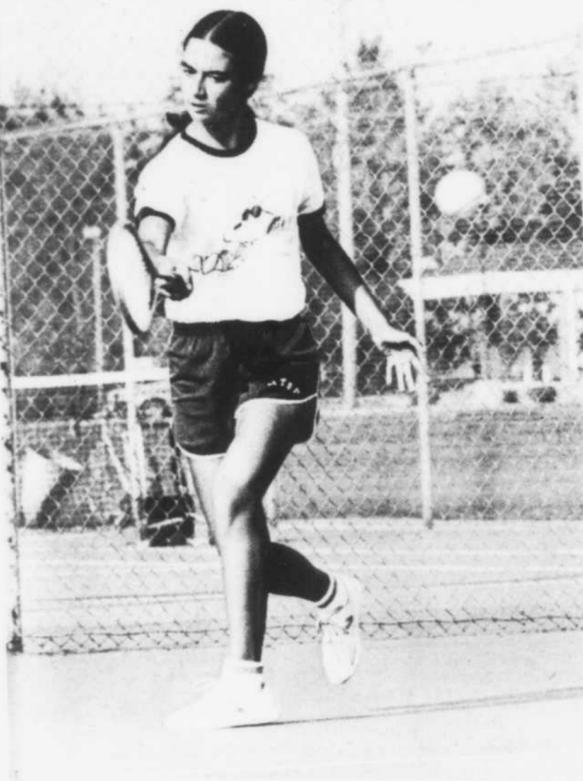
—followed by Zafar Ahmud also of Austin Peay. MTSU's Ross Dowland finished fourth with Harry McKee taking eighth. Newcomer Tim Webb was the biggest surprise according to Hayes as he placed tenth. The Blue Raiders other top finisher was Josh McMurry who took number 16.

"I was really surprised at how well we hung in there," Hayes said. "Except for Joe we're an all freshman team so I don't really know how good we are at this

point."

"Tim Webb was a welcome surprise because he hasn't been on the team too long so I didn't really know what he could do," Hayes added. "If he keeps on at this pace we could be a lot stouter than I thought."

The Blue Raiders next outing will be the David Lipscomb Invitational on Saturday. The four mile race will be run at Percy Warner Park and is scheduled to begin at 10:20 a.m.



Diana Meyers fought her way through the consolation bracket to take third place in the Blue Raider Classic. Meyers plays number three singles. photo by Nancy Bolen

Saturday's OVC results

Murray State's Racers stand atop the Ohio Valley Conference following Saturday's number two conference play.

Murray destroyed previously unbeaten Morehead by a score of 31-7. The Racers are now 3-1-1 overall and 2-0 in the OVC. Morehead dropped to 2-1 and 1-1.

Murray's league leading defense sparkled in Saturday's win. They limited Morehead's powerful rushing game to only 142 yards. Bernard McIntosh, the league's leading rusher entering the game, was limited to only 58 yards. Morehead had averaged 304 yards rushing per game before Saturday.

Eastern Kentucky all but eliminated Austin Peay from the OVC championship chase. The Colonels romped to a 35-10 decision over the Govs.

Eastern rolled 503 yards in total offense in the game. Quarterback Bill Hughes hit on 14 of 21 passes for 226 yards and three touchdowns. One of the the touchdown tosses covered 61 yards.

Eastern's defense intercepted Peay's Steve Brewer five times during Saturday's game. The defense also delivered what will surely be a more severe blow to the Govs' offense. All-OVC split end Steve Puthoff suffered a dislocated shoulder early in the second quarter and will be lost for the season. Puthoff was leading the OVC in pass receptions prior to Saturday's game.

Tennessee Tech's Golden Eagles dropped their third game in four attempts to non-conference foe Nichols State by a 13-10 score. State connected on a field goal in the final minutes to sew up the win.

Frisbee champs named

Frisbee representatives for the ACU-I tournament in Charlotte, N.C. were decided last week as David Kessler won the men's division and Donna Wilson won the women's division.

Runners-up for both divisions were Terry Johnson in the men's and Kelley Lambert in the women's division.

October will be the busiest month on the Campus Recreation schedule with nine activities slated. Wiffleball will start off the month's activities with play beginning Oct. 1 followed by table tennis on Oct. 2. Sign-up for table tennis will be on Oct. 1.

Other activities this month include the chess tournament, free throw contest, racquetball singles, mini-marathon, backgammon, volleyball, table soccer and pool.



Sophomore distance runner Joe O'Loughlin turned in one of his best performances ever as a Blue Raider in Friday's MTSU Invitational.

O'Loughlin finished second among a strong field. The Raiders were surprisingly strong in taking second place in their first meet of the season. photo by Kathy Trav

Freshman linebacker typifies '79 youth movement

By SCOTT ADAMS
Sidelines Sports Writer

How does it feel to play for a high school that goes 9-2 for two years in a row and then go to a college that loses their first three games of the season?

Well for freshman David

Crowell it hasn't been a barrel of laughs, but he says he wouldn't trade the experience for anything.

"We had a couple of pretty good teams my last years in Shelbyville so I'm not used to losing," Crowell said. "But even though we've lost our

first games here, the excitement of playing college football is still a big deal to me."

Crowell started the Blue Raiders first two games and was one of the teams leading tacklers with 10 and two assists. But a shoulder and

neck injury have sidelined the 6-0, 205-pound linebacker and he's having a hard time making his way back into the starting lineup.

"David got beat up pretty bad the first two games and we thought he was favoring his shoulder a little so we replaced him for the time being," defensive coordinator Ed Bunio said. "He is definitely a fine player and we're depending on him to come back strong from this injury."

Another freshman, Robby Ridings of Knoxville started at the weak side linebacker spot against Morehead and according to Bunio did a fine job.

Crowell said that he thought one of the biggest problems with starting so

many freshmen, four on offense and eight on defense, was that everybody still has trouble "loosening up" for the games.

"Even though we've already played three games, I still get pretty keyed up before a ballgame," Crowell added.

Of course a certain amount of nervousness is expected from even seasoned veterans, but Bunio said that it has a tendency to affect the freshmen more.

"One of our biggest problems is that the first year players are so nervous that they're afraid to play wide open for fear that they'll make a mistake," Bunio said. "If we could just get them to go ahead and run through it full blast the mistakes would

eliminate themselves."

Bunio went on to say that another big problem with the majority of the starting lineup being freshman was that they had "nobody to look to for leadership."

"If you have a question about something during the game and turn around and there's another freshman looking at you it makes kind of tough," Bunio stated. "One thing you can say about the players that we have out there now is that we're really getting good hustle and effort, and that's something that we've been looking for all year."

The Blue Raiders will play their second home game of the season Saturday night against a powerful Eastern Kentucky team.

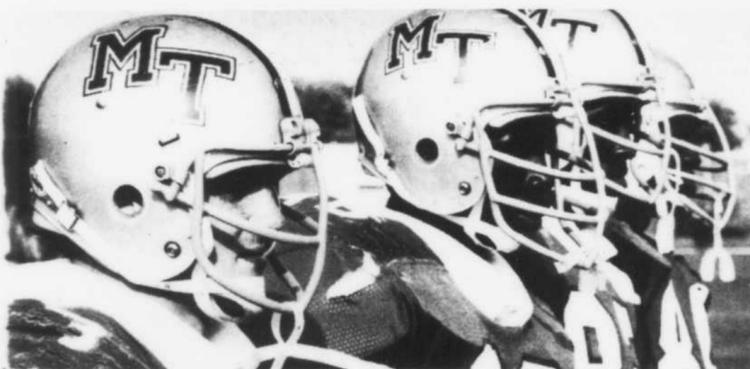


photo by Larry McCormack

MTSU freshman linebacker David Crowell (left) is one of a host freshmen who have seen playing time this season.

Lady Raiders find tough go at Tech tourney

By CAROL STUART
Sidelines Sports Writer

Amidst stiff tournament competition at Tennessee Tech over the weekend, Middle Tennessee's volleyball team pulled out two victories in five matches, including an upset over rival UT-Chattanooga.

The Lady Raiders got off to a slow start in the tourney with opening losses to UT-Martin and Tech on Friday afternoon. Nationally-ranked UTM dominated the first match, 15-6 and 15-8, while the Golden Eagles managed to edge MTSU two out of three games, 15-8, 7-15 and 15-11.

The Middle squad had already beaten Tech in the season opener.

"The first two games were disastrous. When you don't play up to your potential, it's a disaster, and we didn't," Coach Melinda Borthick commented.

In the Friday night contests, the MTSU netters came alive. An upset victory over UT-Chattanooga, coupled with a late-night win over Covenant College pushed the team's record to 3-2.

Both of the wins came as the Lady Raiders took charge of their tough opponents. The UTC confrontation was a deadly battle at the end, with Middle edging the

rivals 17-15 in the last game, only after crushing them 15-6. Covenant College was also a victim of an MTSU lashing, 15-7 and 15-9.

"That night they did a good job and were fired up," Borthick said about her team. "They were doing the things that we've worked on in practice better."

Saturday morning, though, the Lady Raiders faced a defeat at the hands of the University of Tennessee, 16-14 and 15-2. Tennessee went on to win the tournament, with UT-Martin finishing second.

"They looked real good in the first game against Tennessee," the volleyball coach said. "Every game

they are looking better and better."

Jill Carroll and Lois Rainey led the defensive efforts for MTSU.

Tonight marks the home opener for the Lady Raiders volleyball squad. Tennessee Tech comes into Alumni Memorial Gym at 6 p.m., challenging the team in a best three-out-of-five match.

Yesterday the team spent time readying for Tech, working on the weak spots which are mainly on offense.

"I hope we will have some surprises for them," Borthick remarked. "We're ready to go after them, and we need a lot of support."



Lady Raider Asaji Komatsu is intent on the flight of a successful dig during this weekend's action at Tennessee Tech. MTSU won two of five matches in the tournament.
photo by Nancy Boien

Chattanooga hosts gliders

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.

Those daring young men in their motorless flying machines take to the sky Oct. 13-21 in the second American Cup International Hang Gliding Team Championship.

Officials of the competition, announcing it at a Chattanooga news conference, said they hope as many as 10,000 enthusiasts will

attend.

Teams from the United States, Australia and Canada will challenge defending champion Great Britain for the prize, the American Cup.

The championship is scheduled at a Lookout Mountain site just over the Georgia border in neighboring Dade County, Ga.

Basketball try-outs set

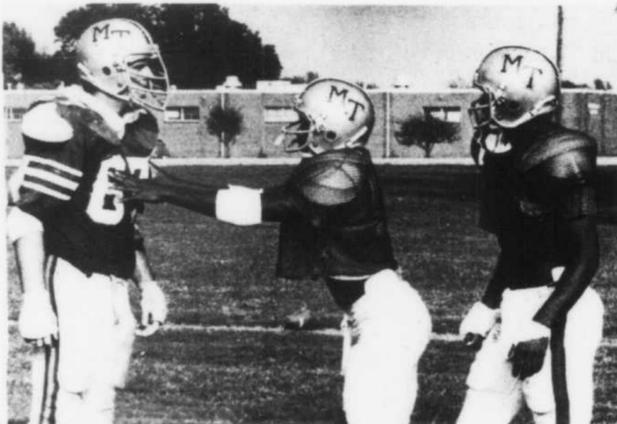
Tryouts for the men's varsity basketball team have been set for Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Murphy Center.

Blue Raider assistant coach Jan Stauffer said that the tryout was open to any student on campus but that two requirements must be filled before anyone will be allowed to tryout.

First, the person must produce a card stating that he has had a physical examination recently and secondly, the person must meet all requirements set down by the NCAA. Stauffer added that anyone who had questions regarding NCAA eligibility could get in touch with any of the basketball coaches.



Football is an emotional game even when played between members of the same team. A typical practice pits team-mate against team-mate for long periods of time and emotions are bound to run high when both players are striving



to do their best to improve their skills and impress coaches with their abilities. MTSU practices are no different. Altercations do occur, but are usually short-lived. These photographs were taken at yesterday's Blue Raider practice.
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