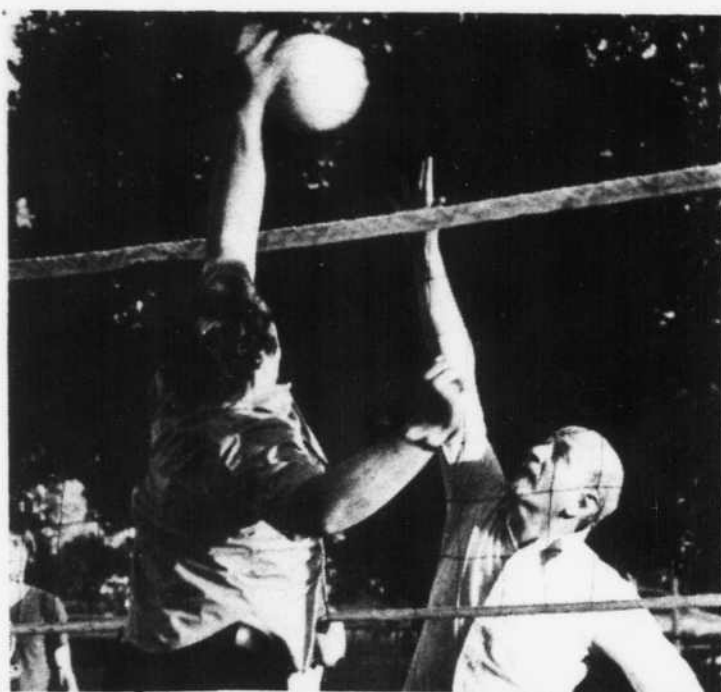




First FAST function finds followers

ASB's first FAST [Faculty-Administration-Student Together] function gets underway Thursday as students line up for barbecue [left] and a student and faculty member Robert Corlew engage in a friendly game of volleyball.

[Robin Rudd photos]



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Students vote to ratify canal treaty in forum

by John Pitts

Students attending a campus forum debate this week favored ratification of the controversial Panama Canal treaty by a 116-94 margin.

The hour-long forum, conducted in the UC Wednesday night, gave students a chance to express their feelings on the question "Should the Panama Canal Treaty be Ratified?"

Murfreesboro senior Mike Dagley represented the "yes" side of the question, while Jackson sophomore Mark Floyd defended the "no" side. Both speakers gave opening remarks, answered questions from the crowd and gave concluding remarks.

Dagley began by questioning the

importance of the canal to the national defense. "It is becoming obsolete now, in the era of the super tanker...it is no longer a strategic part of our defense," Dagley said.

Dagley stressed that there are actually two Panama Canal treaties: one which would turn the canal over to Panama in the year 2000 and one which would allow us to defend the canal zone after that date if it was threatened by outside forces.

"The canal was never ours... true, we built it, but they (Panama) never surrendered it to us," Dagley told the crowd.

He predicted that if the treaty was not ratified by Congress, "the U.S. is going to gain disfavor in the Latin American countries."

"The best way to lose the canal is to not ratify the treaty," Dagley said.

In his attack on the treaty, Floyd noted that the document "contains many hidden clauses and dangers that are now surfacing."

Presently, the U.S. pays \$2.3 million to the Panamanian government each year for the use of the canal, Floyd said. If the canal treaty is ratified, that figure would increase to \$60 million per year, plus an additional \$345 million in foreign aid.

"Our government would be paying billions of dollars to a marxist dictatorship" if the treaty is ratified, Floyd told the crowd.

According to Floyd, both Panamanians and Americans generally oppose the treaty. Students demonstrated "when the announcement of the treaty came out last



Mark Floyd makes a point against ratification of the canal treaty during the Campus Forum Sept. 21. [Thom Coombes photo]

week," he said.

Here in America, 46 per cent of the population is opposed to passage of the treaty, Floyd said.

Terming the canal "the world's greatest waterway," Floyd expressed concern for the safety of U.S. citizens living in Panama. "Within 30 months of the treaty ratification, all U.S. courts and

police must be removed...it poses serious threats to all U.S. citizens living there," he said.

At the end of Floyd's remarks, the floor was opened up for comments and questions from the audience. One audience member questioned Floyd's comparison of the U.S.-Panama Canal situation to

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Bragg criticizes pardon

by Steve Miller

A local democratic legislator said Tuesday night Gov. Blanton "made a mistake" in his recent decision to pardon a convicted murderer.

State Rep. John Bragg said "I think the governor has made a mistake and I think he'll regret it." Blanton announced to a television audience last week that he plans to pardon convicted murderer Roger Humphreys.

Humphreys, 30, was convicted of the 1973 double-murder of his ex-

wife and her boyfriend in Johnson City.

Blanton has since said he will appoint a nonpartisan committee to look into the Humphreys' case. "I think he's trying to get off the hot seat," Bragg said. "Anytime anybody gets in trouble they always appoint a committee."

"I DON'T KNOW that a citizen committee picked from all walks of life would have the knowledge or training to know whether the man is rehabilitated or not," Bragg added.

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Election commission chosen

ASB house changes voting rules

ASB's House elected an election commission, approved a bill to change the publication of election times and places and created two committees at its meeting Thursday night.

Members of the election commission include Steve Head, David Davis, Danny Dunkleberger, Susie Francescon, Janey Clark and Beth Edwards.

Working with Steve White, head of the commission, they will establish rules for ASB elections.

A change in election proceedings was passed 24-15. The bill will allow the times and places of elections to be published seven days before the election instead of 21.

David Wilbanks, who sponsored the bill, said that publishing the places and times seven days before the election would lessen the chances of students forgetting where and when to vote.

A bill which would have allowed more than one pollster for each

candidate at each poll site was defeated unanimously.

Wilbanks, who sponsored the bill, said that Vanderbilt allowed more than one pollster and that "it had increased excitement at the polls."

Danny Dunkleberger opposed the bill for the very reason it was proposed.

Janet Talmadge said that pollsters were at the polls to see that regulations were followed, not to create excitement.

Students

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the England-Suez Canal situation of the '50s.

"If you don't know all the facts on the Suez Canal situation, what possible way could you convince us that you know anything else?" an audience member asked Floyd.

Dagley rose once to defend his point of view during the audience-participation segment of the forum.

"You cannot defend the canal with 100,000 men...we've got 38,000 men down there and there is no way you can stop it from being sabotaged."

"One Panamanian with a bomb can put the canal out," he added.

Floyd rose to call the additional money which would be provided to Panama under the new treaty "another giveaway...we're giving

them the money to sweeten the pot."

"Those monies should be appropriated to benefit Americans, not Panamanians," Floyd insisted.

In his closing remarks, Floyd termed the treaty proposal "the raffle of the year," adding, "We're paying someone to take something that belongs to us."

"It's our land...we bought it with our tax dollars and built it with our sweat," Floyd told the crowd.

In the final remarks of the forum, Dagley stressed that the "big ditch" is of little concern to the national defense. "If we want to insure the safety of Americans, the sovereignty of the canal and the national defense, we should ratify the treaty."

Dagley compared the position taken by Floyd on the canal issue to that of a bank robber who protests to a judge that "It's my money—I stole it fair and square."

Steve Miller tickets go on sale Sept. 28

Tickets for the Oct. 16 Homecoming concert featuring the Steve Miller Band, will go on sale Sept. 28 in room 308 of the University Center.

Tickets for the 8 p.m. concert in Murphy Center, will be \$7.50 reserved and \$6.50 for general admission. There will be a \$1 discount on two tickets with a student I.D.

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Bragg

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Humphreys was sentenced to 20-40 years in prison but has served only two months at the Tennessee State Prison in Nashville. Today Humphreys is working as a state photographer for the Tourism Department.

According to Bragg, it is common practice for state convicts to be out of prison working at state jobs. "I have been to the mansion under many different governors and there are convicted murderers, felons and everybody else out there working on the table, waiting on people or working on the grounds," he said.

"THE ONLY WAY in the world you're ever going to rehabilitate anybody is give them something to do," Bragg said.

Humphrey's father, Frank Humphreys Jr., reigned last night as chairman of Blanton's Washington County Democratic Patronage Committee. Accusations of preferential treatment in the Humphreys' case have come from all across the state.

"When you have patronage committees who try to use patronage to their own benefit, you're stepping over the line," Bragg said.

Troubleshooters' group formed

ASB and the University Police have organized the Law Enforcement Troubleshooters to act as a buffer between the students and campus police.

Russell Holloway is student chairman of the committee, which also includes Sylvester Dikas, Linda Nelson, Ward Wampler and Nanette Young.

Subjects of concern for the

The legislator said that other governors he has been involved with have had similar committees.

DESPITE ALL THE problems in the Blanton administration, Bragg said some good things have been done.

"He's got some problems, but he's got some good commissioners and good public servants," Bragg said. "The policies that the legislature has set in most cases are pretty well being carried out by people in the executive branch."

"The most problems he seems to have are personal in some statements and some of the appointments," Bragg said. "That's really not a lot of people, but I think he has opened the way to a lot of criticism."

Bragg said Blanton should not resign. "I think he'll be a better governor for the rest of the term if some of these past experiences have any effect on him," Bragg said.

DESPITE THE criticism of Blanton, most of the potential democratic candidates for governor next year have remained silent about the Humphreys issue.

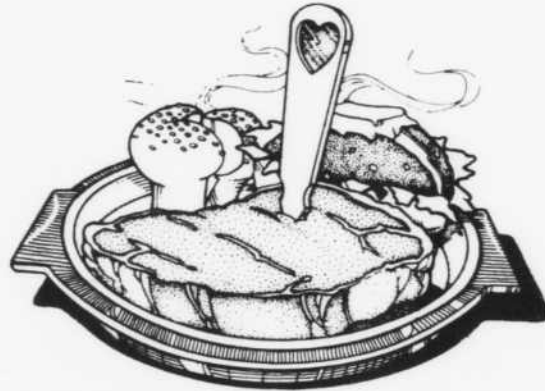
"I don't think these other fellows really want to touch it; it's a pretty hot potato," Bragg said.

committee include parking, student rights and judicial issues. The "Troubleshooters" will also work with Police Chief Matthew Royal to find answers to law-enforcement problems on campus.

If any students have questions or problems in these areas, they can contact Holloway at post office box 1841.

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Are we the last generation?

by F. H. Powers, Jr.

John F. Kennedy once told the American people that we had the chance to be the best generation or the last.

I'm not sure that he was right about that. I hope that we won't be the last, but I'm not sure that we can be the best. Admittedly, if we are the last generation, we might stand as the best. But what satisfaction can be drawn from being the best with no one to find out about our success.

We've lived with the threat of nuclear war all our lives, with pollution burning out our lungs and eyes, as well as the odd car wreck which at any moment might snuff out any one of us like a candle.

With all the hazards we have endured, I think we might make it. But only if we are very careful about what we decide to do.

We are the people of tomorrow—the future leaders and policy-

makers—as well as responsible for the regeneration of the human species. This task includes leaving something for our children. We need to leave them a place to play and to work. But primarily, we need to leave the children a place to live and something to eat—besides each other.

Some of you may not feel up to this task, but if we don't do it, nobody will. We have got to get back to the reality of survival. With such ominous weaponry as the cruise missile and the neutron bomb, I feel as though we, as a nation, have lost sight of those things which are essential—pursuing and living a life of peace and harmony in conjunction with the peoples of other nations and with Nature herself.

We must rise up now! We must stop the desecration of our land and our people! We must get involved!



Reader feels racism operates both ways

To the Editor:

Bobby Anderson is absolutely right! MTSU is a racist institution! How much more racist can you get than the official policy of affirmative action and preferential treatment in employment? (No more goals; give me quotas.)

Who is willing to say that a certain racial component is over-represented and dominates the football squad, basketball and track? Natural ability? Tell me more. Certainly you're not going to tell me that one race can "naturally" dominate all fields. Racism is simply an irrational preference for one race over another.

We are fast approaching a "Negro crisis." There simply aren't enough of them to go around. We cannot force them to study engineering, architecture, mathematics, statistics or economics. Thus, if your affirmative action plan says "blacks," you have an impossible problem. Either you hire a charlatan, without the necessary qualifications, leave the

position vacant or violate your affirmative action intentions.

Yes, MTSU is a racist institution. For years we have had a Black Student Association on campus. It has been accepted as a normal token of Afro-Americana. However, a White Student Association is automatically racist, reactionary, violent and dangerous. Hypocrisy! Black Muslims, Black Panther Party, Ku Klux Klan and the AFL-CIO are all racist organizations. "Only the color has been changed to protect the innocent."

We have the alternatives. We can throw out black racism as well as white racism. Deal with people on an individual basis...or...we can have fair and proper quotas based on percentage of population (including athletics and music).

As for the matter of inter-racial mixing, I would like to hear what the black women think of "their" men dating white women—especially blondes. We may hear something akin to Jimmy Carter's "ethnic purity" statement.

It should be no surprise to anyone that the vast, vast majority of warm bodies in this country are of European stock—white. In our democratic republic, nothing can

occur that they are collectively against. Flex your muscles, white America!

Don Q. Reynolds, Jr.
Box 4886

Writer asked to view ASB

To the Editor:

Bobby, in response to your letter in Tuesday's *Sidelines*, your expressed concern for your fellow students has led me to invite you to get involved. You are always welcomed to voice your ideas, opinions and concerns. Your ASB office is open every day from 8 a.m.

to 4:30 p.m. The president's cabinet meets every Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. The ASB house and senate meet every other week.

We once again invite your involvement and your constructive criticism.

Mark Floyd
ASB Director of Internal Affairs
Box 1

News media criticized

To the Editor:

Thursday, Sept. 15, 1977, the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Mu Zeta chapter, performed its annual fall semester "Hopdown." This activity was certainly worthy of some response, be it pictures or articles in *Sidelines*, especially since several *Sidelines* photographers and reporters were present at the "Hopdown." Also over half of MTSU black students were present. Surely this gathering of some students should merit newspaper coverage. When you print a story about an Elvis R. (Racist) Presley fan and omit an activity attended by more than half the black students at MTSU, news is evidently no longer news.

(P.S. A BIG "RIGHT ON" to Bobby Anderson)
K.B. McKinney
Box 5152

Thanks expressed

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the organizations which participated in "Club Night. It was due to your participation that Club Night was a success.

Special appreciation is extended to Janet Clark, Susan Estes and Dr. and Mrs. Beasley for their assistance.

Joy Heath
Speaker of the House

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Marathon woman...

Gail Brown, 38-year-old student, readies for Jackson footrace

by John Pitts

Gail Brown is a woman on the run.

She's not a fugitive...she's a marathon runner, and her daily training routine keeps her in better shape than most women half her age.

Gail Brown is 38, wife of management and marketing instructor Steve Brown. Two years ago, when her husband taught at East Tennessee State, she was on the women's track team. Now she's here and she runs on her own.

Although she started running several years ago, it wasn't until 1975 that she really began thinking about running in competition. She started out by whipping the ETSU track coach.

"Coach David Walker (at ETSU) taught my swimming class, and one day we started talking about running...we went out to the VA course there in Johnson City and I outran him," she said.

"Then he suggested that I try out for the girls' track team," Brown said.

She was one of four members of the team. The others were 18, 19 and 20 years old.

"Coach Walker took us out to Jonesboro, which is about six miles from the school. We all ran in, and I made it...the other girls were pretty surprised," Brown said.



The road to success? Gail Brown prepares for a 13-mile challenge

Two years later, Brown is preparing for her greatest challenge: she and two MTSU instructors (Race Bergman and Guy Penny will be competing in Jackson this weekend.

"This will be my first mini-marathon (13 miles)...I've been running at least 10 miles a day since I recovered from surgery last year," Brown said.

She's had remarkably few injury problems in her career as a runner. There've been a couple of pulled hamstring muscles and a twisted knee.



After some unrelated surgery last year, she began the task of getting back into shape. "At first, three miles was about all I could run...I had to just endure the pain until I could run the distance I wanted.

"I'm getting to where I can run a six-minute mile...of course, sometimes my speed drops off with the distance," Brown said, predicting that she could run the Jackson race "in about an hour and 20 minutes if I don't have any injuries."

After Jackson, there will be other races for Gail Brown to run: in



Hendersonville, Nashville and next year in Atlanta's Peachtree marathon. But she's got her eyes on the mecca of marathon runners: Boston.

"I've got Boston (a 26-mile race) in the back of my mind...I'd like to run there before I'm 40," Brown said with a grin. She's not concerned about winning—"I just want to know that I finished the race."

How long can she go on running? "I feel like when I'm 50 or 60 I'll still be running...once you start running it does something to you...it becomes a daily habit."

Wins date with Olivia

Student wins contest, travels to Hollywood

by Chuck Cavalaris

How would you like to:

—Win an all-expenses paid trip to Hollywood for two.

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—Sit down to a juicy steak and have Olivia Newton-John close enough to pass the salt.

—Or John Travolta (Barbarino on TV's "Welcome Back Kotter") sitting within a whisper of "Sweat-hog!"

—Eat a meal that has Sid Ceaser, Duddy Goodman, Eve Arden and Frankie Avalon serving the buffet line.

—Get lost on one of the sets and stumble into "The Fonz."

Impossible? Hardly. At least it wasn't for MTSU freshman Keith Pope, who won the trip to Hollywood and a small part in the movie "Grease," scheduled for release next April.

"It was the greatest experience of my life," beamed Pope, who graduated from Hillwood Hillwood High School last June. "It was even greater than I expected."

He won the "Back to School Bash" sponsored by 15-WLAC

Radio and Cain-Sloan department store. Over 5,800 contestants vied for one of the 15 finalist positions. Pope won in a three-way runoff.

A picture of each contestant's "make up" had to be submitted with the initial entry. An impartial panel thinned that group down to the finalists, who were called out one at a time onto a stage. Applause meters decided the winner.

Pope cast himself as "The Kid," a takeoff of "The Fonz," but credits friends as a big reason for his triumph.

"I recruited a lot of people to come out and cheer," he explained. "The way I was dressed up had something to do with it, but I think my friends won it for me."

Pope was clad in "real tight jeans, super greased hair, sun glasses, penny loafers and cigarettes rolled up in my tee-shirt sleeve."

Even before the runoff, he was convinced he was going to Hollywood. "I blew 'em away the first time anyway," he bragged. "It was a breeze the second time," when he



added a touch of warmth to his act on stage.

"They asked us who we would like to take with us if we won," Keith explained. "I said, 'Hey... My mamma.' It was an innocent thing that moved the crowd. No, I wasn't worried. Several of the sponsors told me I was the best after the first time."

Keith and his mother, Nancy, joined 40 other representatives from other states for the August 28-31 binge in Hollywood.

The first day in California was spent at the Paramount movie studio, checking out the sets of "Happy Days," "Laverne and Shirley," "Bonanza," and "The Ten Commandments."

After eating supper with Olivia Newton-John "at the very same table," the cast tucked in bed early to meet the 5 a.m. call on location at a high school. Keith was greeted by two hair dressers. "I have curly hair," he joked.

Pope is on the screen twice. "The first time I'm in the background escorting a girl to class, but my big part comes at the end of the movie. I'm the first person to come running out a door screaming."

Though it was necessary to film the scene from four directions 21 times, Keith figures it was worth it. "I made \$56 a day," he said, "but other extras made \$78."

...Meeting "The Fonz" face-to-face was one of the biggest thrills, Keith said. "I walked past his reading room and there he was. We talked for about three minutes and shook hands. I didn't know he was that little," Pope said of the 5 feet 6 inch actor.

...Newton-John is "just as beautiful as everybody says, but she is real little. Her waist is so tiny." Olivia will make \$728,000 for the movie, while Travolta will make the same plus a percentage of profits.



Members of the MTSU Chess Club display their wares at Club Night Sept. 21. [Thom Coombes photo]

Campus parking proposals fail passage in Senate

by Cathy Wood

Two proposals which would provide more campus parking area were introduced but not passed at Tuesday's ASB Senate meeting.

A resolution calling for extension of Grill hours was passed by the legislative body.

Senior senator Gerald Melton sponsored two bills asking that the yellow curb (no parking) area on east C St., which runs between Gore and H-Hall, be returned to dorm and commuter parking.

One bill stated that, because of a lack of sufficient parking spaces for dorm students, the area in front of

the basketball courts be rezoned for green stickers.

One senator suggested that a committee of faculty and administration members study the parking problem and make recommendations.

Sophomore Senator Kent Syler objected to this. "I think the faculty is already aware of the problem. They wouldn't take parking spaces away from the students unless they had a good reason.

Defeated 2-9 (two senators were absent), the resolution was referred back to Melton for further research.

Melton sponsored another bill calling for re-establishment of commuter parking on another section of yellow curb on C St.

"This change will bring 20 or more additional spaces," Melton said. The intersection of B St. and C St. would remain yellow in Melton's proposal.

Syler again questioned the decrease in right-of-way space. "I can't see endangering everybody who drives on that street just for 20 more spaces.

"We shouldn't try to change what the traffic people have done," he added.

Melton replied, "If ASB doesn't challenge what the administration does, we defeat our purpose."

Senators unanimously voted to table the bill until an accident report concerning C St. could be reviewed.

Homecoming meeting planned for Tuesday

There will be a meeting for anyone interested in working on Homecoming, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. in the ASB conference room in the UC.

Anyone interested in running for Homecoming Queen or entering a float in the parade must have their entry forms in the ASB office by noon on Sept. 28. A \$5 entry fee must be sent with the forms for both activities. To qualify for Homecoming Queen, send an 8" x 10" black and white waist-up photo and 50 signatures along with an entry form.

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Gerontology minor 1st to get funds

by Ben Eubanks

The gerontology minor at MTSU is the first program at a state school in Tennessee to receive federal funds.

Francis D. Glamser, director of the program, said he thought the program is "The most comprehensive gerontology program in the state."

Gerontology is the study of aging and the effects of aging. Glamser said that this field of study is the "Wave of the future. The birthrate is down and there is beginning to be a shift in this country away from youth."

The program began in 1973 under the direction of James Wood who is now retired. Glamser took over as director in 1975.

Glamser said the program here was not a medical study of aging such as what happens to cells, but was a program to help people understand the effects of aging. Courses in nutrition, economics and recreation also offer a practical side

to aging, Glamser added. There are now about 20 students in the minor program. Glamser said that most of the students are from the sociology and psychology departments.

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Campus Calendar

FRIDAY

Meeting: Campus Traffic committee; 2 p.m., UC 128
Dance: Koolettes; 8 p.m. SUB Tennessee Room

SATURDAY

TOEFL: Exam; 8-12 p.m., UC 314
Industrial Studies: Health Occupation Preservice; 9 a.m.-1 p.m., UC 311
Car Wash: NCAS (National Collegiate Association of Secretaries); 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Beasley's Car Care Center on Memorial Blvd.
Football: MTSU at Morehead; 1:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Symposium: Southeastern YMCA; 2-8 p.m., Multi-Media Room, LRC
Recital: Cynthia Perkins; 8 p.m., UC Theatre

MONDAY

Symposium: Southeastern YMCA; 8 a.m.-5 p.m., UC 322
Doughnut Sale: Delta Omicron; 7:30-9 a.m.; Fine Arts Building
Bake Sale: Schardt Hall; 8 a.m.-2 p.m., UC Basement
Meeting: Chess Club; 7 p.m., UC 314

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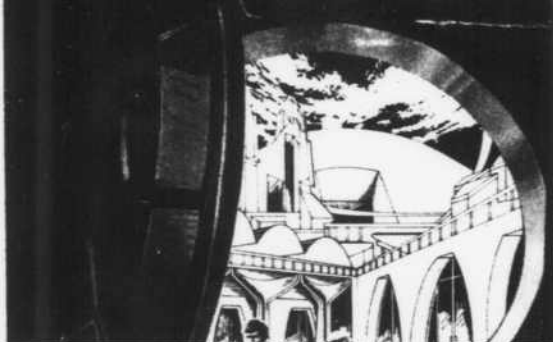
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Rep. John Bragg

Shaky U.S.-China ties predicted

by Steve Miller

Relations between the U.S. and China will remain "a continuing problem" in the near future, according to State Rep. John Bragg, who visited that communist nation last November.

Bragg was here Tuesday night to speak about his experiences in Red China. The presentation was sponsored by the Ideas and Issues Committee.

Bragg said the biggest problem

confronting the two superpowers is the "Shanghai Communiqué" written by the Chinese in 1972.

That document states that the U.S. must withdraw all forces from Nationalist China (Taiwan) and recognize that tiny country as part of the People's Republic of China (the mainland nation), Bragg explained.

Bragg said our relations with China were worsened by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's recent trip there. "He didn't do what they said they would do in '72. The Chinese expected him to come over there and just all of a sudden do this thing," Bragg said.

"I don't think Mr. Carter or Mr. Vance either one are ready to do what they agreed to in '72...toss out Taiwan and normalize relations with China," Bragg said. "I don't know how we can normalize relations with China and not give up what we've done with Taiwan," he added.

Bragg said Japan has normalized relations with Red China and officially withdrawn from Taiwan which is actually owned by the Japanese government. Japanese diplomats, who have been officially withdrawn from the country, are now operating out of a trade company and doing a better diplomatic job than before, Bragg said.

Bragg noticed upon arrival in

China the everpresent communist propaganda. In addition to the usual posters on the sides of buildings, all radio and television programming is government-oriented. Even in the schools, the children were putting on plays demonstrating the policies of the Communist Party, Bragg said.

China has made tremendous progress in the fields of education, Bragg said. When Mao-Tse-Tung took over the government in 1949, 90 per cent of the people were illiterate. Today, 90 per cent of the people are able to read.

Average income in China is about \$30 per month, he said, but the cost of living is very low. Rent is about \$1 per month and medical care only 75 cents per year.

Chinese consider a man in prison to be a parasite on society, so he is put to work. Any one receiving the death penalty is put in school for two years. If, after that time they are rehabilitated, the death sentence is dropped.

"The Chinese will have more problems as more people get educated about western society," Bragg said. He said that as the people realize what they don't have, they will become dissatisfied with their way of life. This could cause problems for the Communist party.

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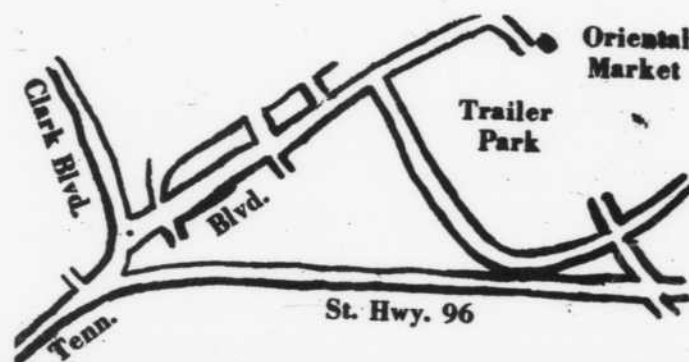
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'Gallery Talks' open with lecture by art instructor

by Cathy Wood

"Gallery Talks," a mini-lecture series involving MTSU's art instructors, began Wednesday night, according to Carol Alexander, president of MTSU Art Club, sponsor of the program.

David Bigelow, assistant professor of art, was the first speaker in the series. Bigelow's work is now being exhibited in the Art Barn Gallery as part of a special two-man art show.

"We wanted to bring the art faculty and the students closer together," Alexander said. "These evenings will be discussions and talks rather than lectures.

"In an informal atmosphere, the instructors can give us a different point of view, one from the angle of personal experience," she continued.

"Not all of the faculty are studio artists," Alexander said. "The art

historian and the art educator will have different discussions than the working artists."

The schedule for the series is as follows:

Oct. 5, Oliver Fancher (whose work is being exhibited with Bigelow's); Oct. 19, Kenneth Catbagan; Nov. 2, Philip Vanderweg; Nov. 16, Marilyn Dafoe; Nov. 30, Charles Jansen; Jan. 18, David LeDoux; Feb. 1, Janet Higgins; Feb. 15, Lon Nuell; March 1, Helen Janes; March 15, James Gibson and March 29, Klaus Kallenberger.



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Raiders to begin 'whole new season' Saturday

by Frank Vickers
Sports Editor

Head football coach Ben Hurt is calling Saturday's Ohio Valley Conference opener at Morehead the "opening of a whole new season."

Considering the first two games, nobody can blame him for wanting to start over.

"We will just have to forget about the first two games," Hurt said. "This is a new season now."

"The players are tired of losing," he added. "They want to win."

Although an MTSU football team has opened the season with a 0-3 mark only once in the last 52 years, the Raiders will be a slight underdog Saturday.

Despite the poor showing in the first two games, Hurt insists that the team has not lost confidence.

"We have worked the players real hard," Hurt said, "and they have a great attitude. The morale is excellent."

"I think they will give a real good account of themselves," Hurt added.

Although quarterback Mike Robinson is not likely to see action due to an ankle sprain suffered against UT-Martin, Raider offensive coordinator Marshall Taylor is optimistic about his unit's chances.

"We feel that we will be able to throw the ball more than we have been able to so far," Taylor said.

"We are going into the game wide open offensively," he added. "We are going to throw the ball 35 or 40 times if we have to."

We feel like we are pretty sound offensively," Taylor added. "We believe we have the ability to run the ball well."

Defensively, the Raider's main problem will be shutting down Morehead quarterback Phil Simms. The OVC's total offense leader through two games, Simms has already passed for 454 yards and six touchdowns.

MTSU linebacker coach Benny Monroe is fully aware of Simms' capabilities.

"Simms throws the ball real

well," Monroe said. "To win we will have to control their passing game."

"They are not a real powerful offensive team," Monroe added. "They don't have outstanding running backs. Their game is the passing game."

Hurt said that the Raiders will have to cut down on turnovers. In the first two games the team has lost five fumbles and three interceptions.

"We have been beating ourselves," Hurt said. "We have been working this week to eliminate the mistakes. We have been inconsistent so far."

Football captains selected

Three senior standouts have been named to lead the Blue Raiders in the conference opener against Morehead Saturday.

Serving as game captains will be safety Ronnie Cecil, offensive tackle Alvin Palmer and defensive end Chris Keen.

Cecil was a mainstay in the defensive secondary last season, making 44 tackles, 11 assists, two pass interceptions and one fumble recovery. He is the fourth leading tackler on the team through two games this year.

A two-year letterman on defense, Palmer was moved to the offensive line last season where he quickly became a standout. In the loss to UT-Martin last week he was graded highest of the offensive linemen for his blocking.

Playing his third position in as many years, Keen is the Raider's third leading tackler this season. His seven-tackle effort against Martin earned him honorable mention as defensive player of the week.

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Frost rebounding from surgery; will be out for '77-'78 season

Mike Frost is on the road to recovery.

Fresh from a session with the surgeon, the 6-9 basketballer from Pulaski is starting to show progress from an operation to remove cartilage from his right knee.

Although the surgery was termed a "success," MTSU head basket-

ball coach Jimmy Earle has announced Frost will be red-shirted for the upcoming season.

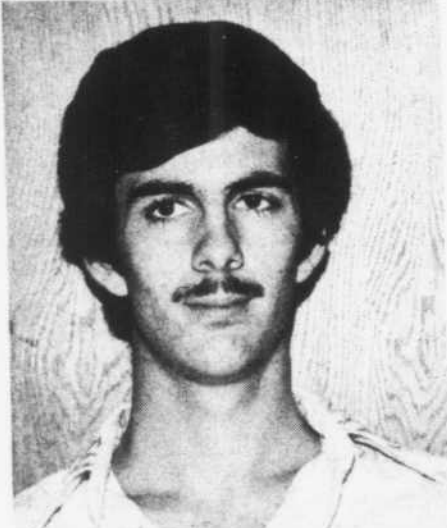
Red-shirting is the process by which a player is held out of competition for one season, thus retaining his four years of eligibility.

"The leg doesn't hurt, but it is stiff," Frost said recently, "I'd rather be red-shirted because I'll still have four years left to play."

Frost began a weight program yesterday to strengthen the knee, but it will be two months before he is able to run on it.

Wrestling cheerleader tryouts scheduled

An organizational meeting for persons interested in becoming cheerleaders for the MTSU wrestling team will be held Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room of Murphy Center.



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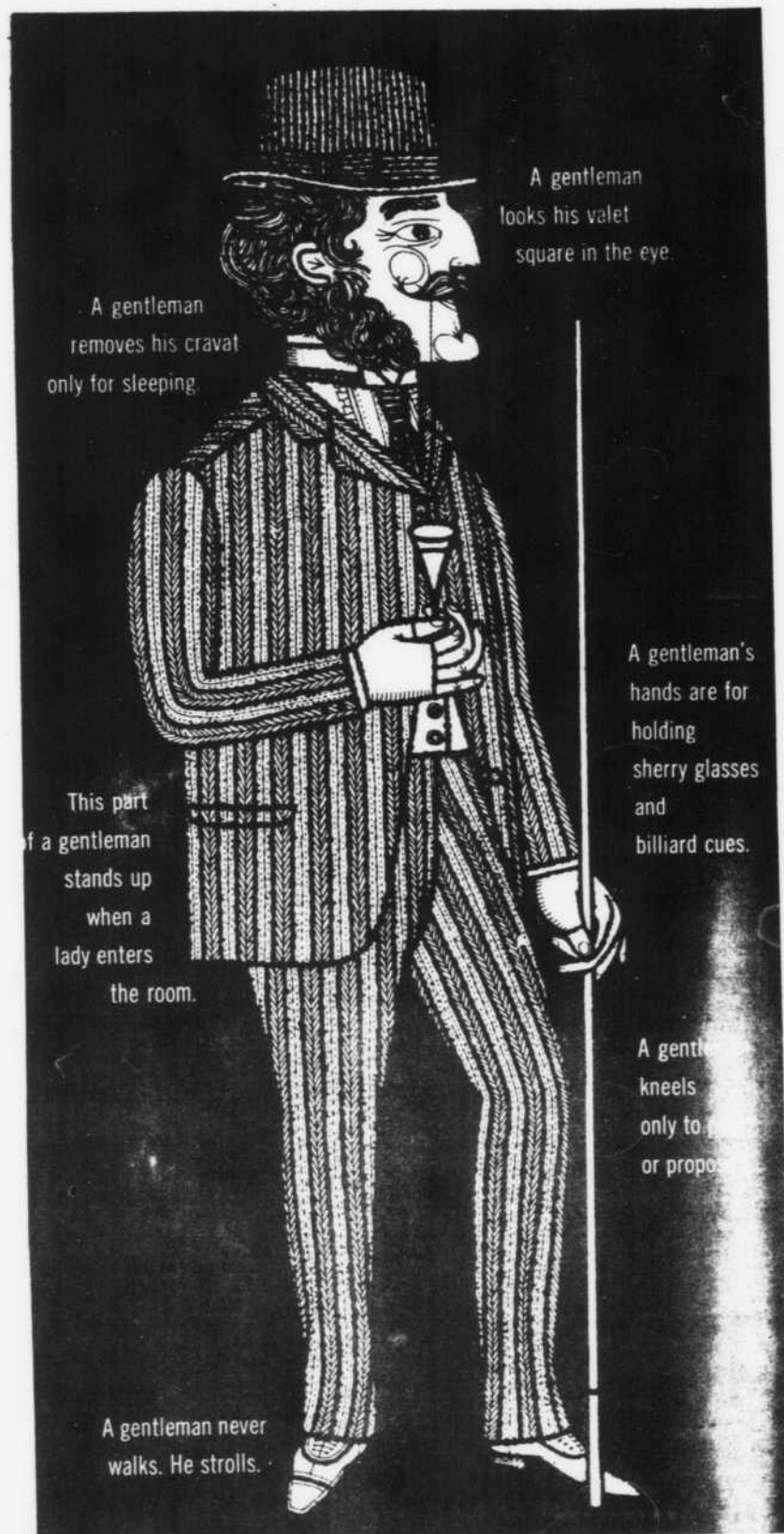
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Lady netters blast Sewanee; soccer team wins

Rebounding from season-opening losses to Purdue and Western Kentucky, the women's tennis team trounced the University of the South 8-1 in a dual meet Tuesday.

Lead by Nancy Broadhurst's 6-0, 6-1 victory, the Raiders won seven of the eight matches in straight sets.

The lady netters are in action this weekend in the Crimson Tide Invitational at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

In their second game of the season, the MTSU soccer club defeated Webb School 5-1 Sunday. The next game is scheduled for Saturday when MTSU hosts the University of Tennessee.

The soccer club is still accepting new members. Interested students should attend practice Friday afternoon at 4:30 at the soccer field on Greenland Drive or call 898-5022.

Thursday's season-opening cross-country race with Tennessee Tech at Cookeville was cancelled, according to Raider coach Dean Hayes.

"They have been having financial difficulties up at Tech," Hayes said Thursday. "I've tried finding out about the status of the meet

without any luck, so I'm assuming it has been cancelled."

There was no word as to whether the meet will be rescheduled later. MTSU's next action will come Oct. 1 at the David Lipscomb Invitational in Nashville.

Three legends in the MTSU athletic department have been chosen as the 1977 inductees into the Blue Raider Hall of Fame.

Frank Faulkinberry, E.K. Patty and Maxie Runion will be inducted at the annual Letterman's Breakfast on Oct. 15, the morning of the Raiders' Homecoming game against Murray State.

The three will join Horace Jones, Bubber Murphy and Teddy Morris, who were the original inductees into the Hall of Fame last year.

Golf coach E.K. Patty launches a rebuilding year for his Raider linksmen Friday when the team opens play in the Murray State Invitational at Murray, Ky.

Although only one player returns from last year's team, Patty expects to have a championship contender by next spring.

Joining senior Emile Vaughan on the squad will be junior college transfers Chris Farr, Steve Campbell, Chris all and Steve Goldstein.

The four transfers came to MTSU from Alexander City Junior College in Alabama, last year's junior college national champion.

Fall practice has begun for the MTSU baseball team. Coach John Stanford has scheduled 26 unofficial games this fall in preparation of defending the western division title next spring.

At least twelve new players have been signed by the baseball Raiders, whose next game is scheduled for Saturday in a doubleheader against Cumberland College.

MTSU's mens' tennis team, surprising second place finishers in the Ohio Valley Conference in May, opens a fall practice slate with a match in Kentucky Saturday.

The Blue Raiders will face the University of Kentucky and Eastern Kentucky in a three-way competition.

According to coach Dick LaLance, the practice matches 'will help up find our strengths and determine our weaknesses.' One of the Raiders' biggest strengths is sophomore Dale Short, who will play at number one singles position.



Elina Durchman

Veterans Peter Heffernan and Tony Fernandez will join transfers Stuart Thompson and Peter Roberts in the next four positions, although LaLance said he was 'undecided' on how the netters would be placed. Freshman Danny Wallace will play the number six singles spot.

In doubles, the Raiders will field Short and Heffernan, at number one Thompson and Stuart at number two and Fernandez and Wallace at the third doubles spot.

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