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## Gomer And The Pyles Play For ROTC Brawl

Cadet Colonel Edward G. Alexander, President of the Track and Sabre Club, recently announced that the annual Military Brawl will be had Friday night, 2 April 1965, from 2100 to 0100 hours. Under the auspices of the Track and Sabre Club, this year's dance, the number one campus social event as determined by a Club vote last week (the Club also voted that the Federal Inspection be deemed the number two campus social event) will have the romantic and intriguing theme "Moon Over Forrest Hall".

Music for the gala event this year will be provided by Gomer and The Pyles, a charming little

group direct from a recent engagement at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Queen and her Court. Frances Fatiques will be presented after her close election over the other candidates, Betty Brasso, Gertrude Gungho, Clara Canteen, and Kathy Kiwi. These girls will be escorted by Rife L. Range, Art Illery, Dickey D. Merits, and Clarence K. Dense.

Decorations of an Oriental motif will be simulated, and the refreshments, consisting of all varieties of C rations, will be furnished by the local USO.

P. S. The Forrest Raiders will not perform at Intermission.

## Attempted Suicide At Firetower

A sandy-haired middle-aged man, later identified as President Quill Cope of Middle Tennessee State College, today attempted to take his own life in a dramatic leap from MTSC's fire tower, but was thwarted when his parachute opened halfway to the ground. Spotted by alert ASB President Alfred E. Newman, he was hauled to safety less than two hours later by members of MTSU's internationally famed Gestapo Unit of the Forrest Raiders.

President Cope, upon being revived by the contents of a flask thoughtfully provided by Belt Keathley, Dean of Students at MTSU, commended the Gestapo Unit and their commander, Major Sandra Wynn, for their unusually fast action. He soundly berated ASB President Newman, however, for having summoned the Raiders in the first place, saying that "if I can't have a new desk in my office, too, I just don't want to live." This reporter could find no official reason for Cope's not having new furniture in his suite in MTSU's recently completed Administration Building, but speculation ran high among the crowd at the scene.

American Nazi Party commander Norman Rockwell Lincoln and the Rev. Martin Luther King, who flew to the scene from Selma, Alabama as soon as the news reached that city, said, in a rare moment of agreement, that there was a great possibility that Cope was on his way out, and that his successor was to be allowed to choose the furnishings. This idea was quickly dispelled by a call to Honorable Frank Clement, governor of Tennessee and immediate superior, finally located at Jimmy Hyde's "Carousel Rome." Far from being displeased with Cope, he commended him for having the courage to do what he (Clement) did not do following last August's Democratic primary elections. "Maybe Quill's more disturbed about that desk than I was about the election," Clement went on to say. "Considering the cause of woe

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## Miss Trellie Cussandfuss Chosen Spring Beauty



Sidelines photographer, Elmer Snodgrass, captures Trellie's look of surprise immediately following the announcement of her honor.

The MTSU student body has selected Miss Trellismae Cussandfuss, daughter of Mrs. Myrtle Cussandfuss of Cookeville, Tennessee, as Spring Beauty for 1965.

Miss Cussandfuss, a popular senior co-ed at our school, is a pre-med major with a minor in humanities. She plans to enter medical school at John Hopkins University next fall where she

hopes to specialize in plastic surgery.

During her past four years at MTSU, Trellie was a hostess in Haunt Hall, twice winner of the Miss Halloween Contest, and a runner-up in the Sadie Hawkin's contest.

Congratulations, Trellie, — we love you! !

## New Parking Regulations Are Issued

by Patricia Nelson

Due to the number of requests made by many of the students at MTSU that the parking situation be altered, the police force has set up a new program. This program is designed to eliminate the parking sticker headache.

Up until this time, the campus police have issued colored stickers designating the area in which the car is to be parked. The new proposal does away with this sticker which tends to clutter up windshields, especially on the small foreign and sports cars.

How does the new parking program work? It is simple and convenient. The color of the car indicates the area in which it is to be parked. Note the following color area:

Red color — Street Parking  
Blue cars — ROTC Parking Lot  
Green cars — Student Union Building Lot  
Black cars — Old Administration Building Lot

Students should carefully note that those persons driving two-toned colored cars, white, yellow, orange, or any color not appearing in the above list may not attend MTSU (at least, they may not drive to school). Pedestrians, please keep out of all the parking areas!

This new system is a great improvement, don't you think? Another of the new things on campus.

(Incidentally, these regulations apply only on April Fool's Day from 12 midnight until 7:30 in the morning.)

### OFF AND ON BUT MOSTLY OFF CAMPUS

With Barbara Moore

Word has just come from the Office of the Dean Of Women that all MTSU co-eds will be allowed to wear shorts and capris to classes this spring. This way, the problem of wrap-around skirts and the wind will be eliminated.

President Johnson has just announced that he has appointed our A. S. B. President, Jerry Owens, to be treasurer of the United States Government. This is due to Jerry's

## Cope Declares Roman Holiday

by Sandra Millsaps

President Quill Cope announced yesterday that MTSU will have a Roman holiday April 5, 6, and 7. After several days of faculty meetings and special consultation sessions, the administration decided that the MTSU students deserved a Roman Holiday.

Festivities for the three days will begin with a Roman feast served in the university's cafeteria. A portion of the floor will be removed in the center of the cafeteria and a pit will be constructed to roast 1500 pigs that were stolen from the Walter Hill Community. During the feast twelve tantalizing dancing girls will entertain an expected five thousand guests. A gallon jug of wine will be provided each day to each guest compliments of the faculty.

Faculty members have set forth one regulation; all guests must dress in Roman costumes, preferably white sheets.

The holiday will conclude with dancing, merrymaking, and any other activities the guests find enjoyable. The finale will be held throughout the New Administration building. All lights will be removed to give a more authentic atmosphere.

Students are expected to return to classes Thursday morning ready to settle down and study for the remainder of the semester.

Grand finale will be demonstration by the MTSU Co-ed wrestling team — a pert du vue — or some such French phrase.

outstanding accomplishment of getting our student body out of debt.

Brian Oldfield will be Wrigley's Chewing Gum Model for 1966, the company announced yesterday. This honor is in recognition of Barnie's superb performance on this season's track team and for his role in "The Visit."

MTSU cheerleaders have just commissioned Cain-Sloan Co. to provide them with new uniforms to be worn at swimming team meets. The uniforms, blue and white lace bikinis, were selected with the unanimous approval of the faculty.

## Modene Grunch Adds To Chaos

by Mandy Gentry

In a recent interview with one of MTSU's most outstanding personalities, it was discovered that Modene Grunch is a leading contributor to much of the chaos here on campus. Having flunked out of colleges from Texas to Maine, Modene decided to enroll at MTSU where she wouldn't have a ghost of a chance of passing but had heard about the friendly students and the extraordinary faculty. Much to Modene's delight, she managed to obtain a room in the dormitory and she and her thirteen roommates have organized one of the most coveted "clicks" on campus.

Being not at all conscientious about her appearance or what others think of her, Modene feels most comfortable when wearing her "play boy bunny" shirt and her pin striped flip-flops to the tea-room and on occasional visits to

class. While working on her fiancée's new T-model Ford, Modene obtains greatest working ease in her madras cover-alls.

Modene is majoring in Horticulture and minoring in underground aviation and snaking. She plans to further her education in the Air Force Academy. With her many attributes, she should be very successful in any of these fields.

Collecting used locks and keys, fly fishing, participating in sit-in demonstrations, cross pollination of Western horny toads, and frying grot-burgers are a few of Modene's outside interests. She is very talented at playing cupid and hopes some day to become Dean of Women in a highly rated University.

Upon having been asked her opinion about the facilities for leisure activity in Murfreesboro, Modene replied, "There are numerous opportunities for increasing

one's vocabulary in the various "night spots" in Murfreesboro and for obtaining a questionable reputation. The facilities of the underground playground in the heart of the shopping area give additional stimulation to one's physical adaptations! Top ranking movies are always a treat, but if none of these appeal to your taste, Walter Hill is always a good last resort!" Modene feels that "where there's a will, there's a way."

Now that you have become acquainted with another MTSU student, please feel free to speak to Modene wherever you may see her.

### FLASH!!

See page four, column three for the most important announcement of this issue of the SIDELINES. Hurry, turn the page! It's coming and may already be gone.



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## A History Of April Fool

For unknown centuries the first day of April has been "consecrated to practical joking." From Latin we get the words "jovial" and "Jove", the name of the king of the gods (Jupiter) who enjoyed playing jokes on his fellow deities.

The first of April (All Fool's Day, or April Fool's Day) is not a real American holiday like the Fourth of July or Labor Day and is not observed by schools or the government. But no doubt even in our modern, sophisticated world some persons will continue each year to try to fool others on April 1.

Authorities have advanced several theories as to how "April fooling" got its start. Some believe it came from the vernal equinox celebration, about March 21, the beginning of a new year for many peoples. There were several days of festivities with a gift exchange on the last day. Others trace the custom to an ancient pagan nature festival, observed by the Hindus, and termed the "Huli," also connected with the spring solstice. On its last day—April 1—unsuspecting persons were sent on foolish errands. This pastime was popular both with the higher and lower classes of society.

Since it's long been a world-wide custom for fun-makers to celebrate on All Fool's Day, this will doubtless continue to survive. And if you are fooled, just remember that other generations before you were also "taken in" on this annual fun-fest.

Doyle Rogers



"How else do you think I would dress for the ROTC Brawl?"

## And All That Bop ...

by Creed Crowder

Some events have occurred recently which are shaking up the entire music industry, and they involve some familiar MTSU people. Dr. James "Skinny" Martin, known for always pulling a good joke on someone, has allowed somebody else to get the last laugh this time. It seems that Fink Records, one of the better known labels, taped Dr. Martin last week while he was singing in the shower. It was released on record, and has become an overnight smash! Fans everywhere are screaming for public appearances from "Skinny", as the label has affectionately named him, but he was heard to remark, "But I haven't a thing to wear, and can't seem to do anything with my hair". Friends, buy Martin's record, "Who Ate the Last Hot Dog", because his wife needs the money.

Have you noticed a change in the appearance of Dean Keathley lately? He's letting his hair grow . . . on the sides, anyway . . . and has even started to take guitar lessons at night. Word has leaked out that George Harrison has decided to quit the Beatles, and the Dean of Students, maintaining his image of being at the right place at the wrong time, plans to take Harrison's position in the rock and roll group. When this reporter asked Keathley why he decided to become a Beatle, he replied, "I've always wanted to be one of the gang, but Pres. Cope wouldn't let me". Be listening for Belt to belt out some of your favorite tunes.

Famous pianist John Weems was locked in a room with only a piano this week, but he kept playing it until he found the right key . . . Jimmy Jackson has formed a marvelous glee club down in the new business office. They sing by following the bouncing check . . . Charles Phillips, MTSU Bookstore manager, has got a new item which he thinks will sell big. It's an album of the Encyclopeida Britannica set to music . . . and Dr. Wiser of the chemistry department has recorded a song that was big when he was a youngster. It's called "Whole Lotta Shakin' Going On" or "I Was a Teenage Seismograph". APRIL FOOL!!!!

## Classes Out For Blue-White Game

It was a rare occasion when on March 23 all classes at MTSU were dismissed at 3:00 p. m. for the purpose of letting students attend the 108 annual Blue-White spring football game.

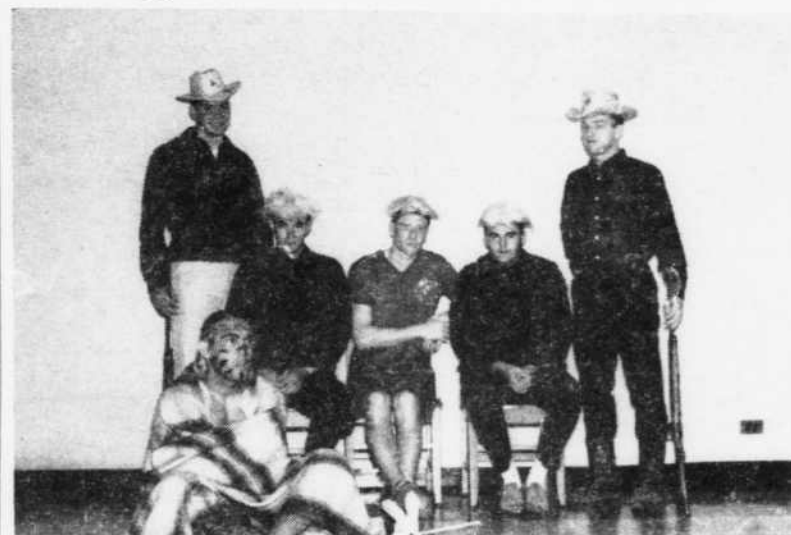
This year's game saw the Blue team, led by all-OVC center Teddy Morris, take on the White team, led by that promising sophomore scat-back Tiny Langford. Tiny stands 6'5" and carries around an undernourished 260 pounds.

The game's first touchdown was scored by Dr. Skinny Martin of the White team. But no one seems to know just how Dr. Martin scored. Some believe he he ran the kick-off back, others think he picked up a fumble, and still others think that the White team manager, Jim Locke, somehow slipped a football to Martin. Nevertheless, the officials were confused enough to award a T.D. to the Whites.

It was not until the fourth quarter when John Girtan, a football-minded MTSU student, started sending in plays from the stands,

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## MTSU "T" Club Holds Kangaroo Court Trial



Accused Chief Bill Robertson is seated on floor. Judges left to right are Jack Haley, Ken Shulman, and Jim Locke. Standing are deputies George Clayton and Bill McKinley.

by Butch Rutherford

The "T" Club officers of MTSU's club for athletes means to see justice done.

It seems that one fine day last week (it was raining), Bill "The Chief" Robertson (of the "T" Club) jumped the reservation and went on a wild Indian rabbit hunt—He bagged one rabbit with a bow and arrow.

Not to let the monstrous crime go unpunished, "T" Club President Jack (King) Haley sent "T" Club sheriffs George Wytt Earp Claxton and Wild Bill McKinley to round up that wild Indian Chief.

After cornering the Chief in the lobby of Sims Hall, a six hour battle followed between Robertson and Sheriffs Claxton and McKinley. It appeared that Chief Robertson had the upperhand in this battle until (help?) arrived in the form of Jack (King) Haley, Ken (Hot Rod) Shulman, and last and least Jim (The Head-Hunter) Locke. With the help of this fearsome threesome Chief was brought in for trial.

In order not to waste the athletic department's money, Chief was quickly brought to trial. It seems the jailer had been requested to make several trips to Slaters on behalf of the little boy's midnight snacks.

It was at this point that your roving sports editor happened to be strolling through the Athletes Mansion (some times known as Sims Hall) when he came upon a most impressive sight; that being justice in action.

There decked out in their judicial best were judges Haley, Shulman, and Locke. Before them was that poor ole Indian Chief, heavily guarded by sheriffs Claxton and McKinley. Oh, yes! A lifeless rabbit lay at the feet of Chief Robertson.

After carefully weighting all the evidence for about three and one-half minutes, the judges decided the Chief to be guilty as charged. Due to the fact they could not agree to a suitable punishment, the Chief was released and all charges dropped.

This sports fans is how our athletes are kept in line by the newly elected officers of the "T" Club.

Heroism is eating dinner at your girl's house and telling her mother the meal was lousy.

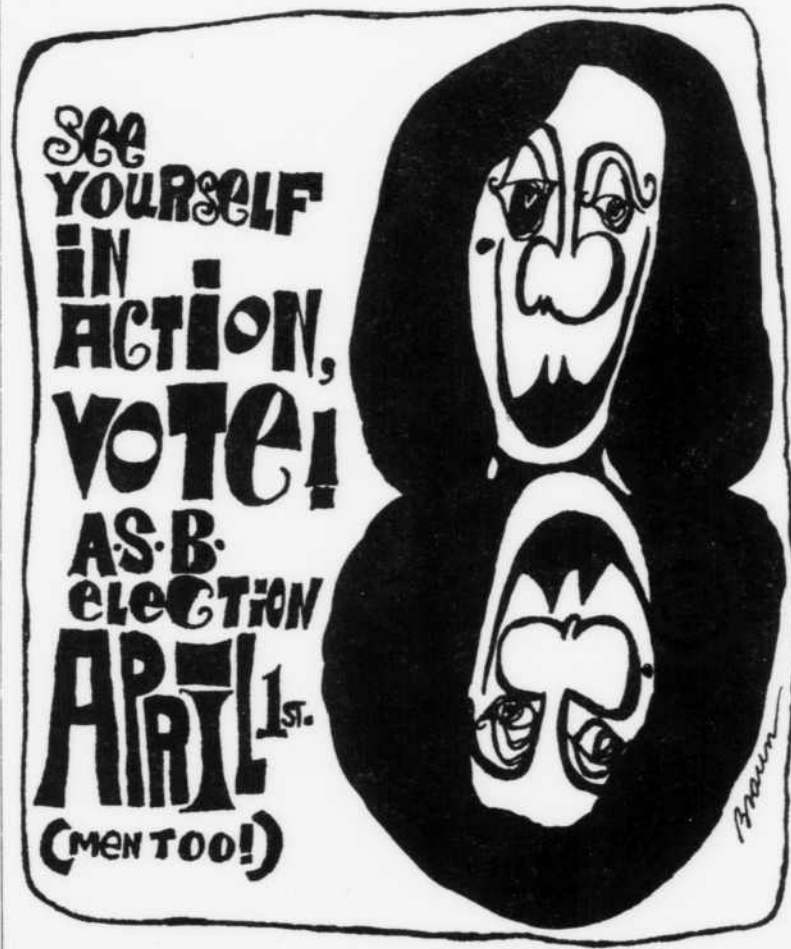
Heroism is rushing into a burning building and rescuing an ugly girl.

Heroism is browsing through a Times Square bookstore and looking at the nudist magazines. Heroism is browsing through a Times Square bookstore and **not** looking at the nudist magazines.

Heroism is not tipping a waitress.

Heroism is doing research work in Middle Tennessee State Library with TPI bookcovers on your books.

Heroism is reading the **Sidelines** on the days few pictures appear.



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**Classes Out . . .**  
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did the Blue team move. Led by the blocking of center Teddy Morris and guard Bob Hlodan, the Blues managed to push over their only score for the afternoon.

But the White team was not to be deminded with what seemed to be the backing of a full house and began their goalward march. In this drive Herbert Owenby from his fullback spot gained ground with unending consistency behind the punishing blocks of Billy Walker. The White second T. D. came on what people at the time thought was a pass from Quill Cope to Belt Keathley. If this is true or not is still unknown.

With the score 13-7, the Whites somehow got the ball and moved toward the promised land as time was running out on the "big" score-board. But again the White team pulled what viewers believed to be a shady play as local campus beauty Treliemae rifled a pass into the waiting hands of Martha Hampton. With this the game came to a close with the Whites winning 19-7.

As the thousands of students were filling out, the voice of head football coach Charles Murphy was heard over the public address system asking everyone to be his guest that evening at the Torch Club.

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Boys, fashion editors urge you to swing into spring with this delightful new look in campus wear. All owners of the MTSU nightie are sure to make a hit with all the fellows. Rush right now to your campus bookstore and become the leader of the pack.

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ford County Hospital. The hospital spokesman, a Dr. Kildare, said that his condition was not the result of his fall, but was due to a violent thrust inspired by Dean Keathley's flask. Kildare went on to say that with a good supply line, however, Cope could return to his desk in "serious" condition at Ruthers.

"That news should cheer President Cope, who was listed late this morning about it."

in each case, the desk is certainly more important. I'll see what I can do about it."

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**From The Sidelines**  
by Butch Rutherford

**Hi, there—boss!**  
(This is one time I fooled you.)



## PLAYLAND

## WHIZ WASH

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## ASB Officers Farewell Addresses



MIKE ROTHMAN

During the 1964-65 school year I have had the privilege and honor to serve you, the students of MTSU, as Vice-President of the ASB.

My main objective, as I stated in my nomination speech last year, was to organize a House of Representations composed of members from the various clubs and organizations on campus. Since the beginning of the year through the cooperation of the various organizational Presidents, to whom I am deeply indebted, the House has climbed from an idea to a structure of our student government with sixty members. These representatives have truly been a credit to their clubs and fellow students. Members of the House of Representatives have spent much time and energy working on Bills and Recommendations for the Student Body. Some of which are: Student Discount Service; a special English course for Foreign Students; Construction of basketball goals; lights for the tennis courts, plus several Bills concerning the function of the ASB.

Tomorrow you will go to the polls to cast your vote for the next President and Vice-Presidents, but before you mark that ballot be sure that the individual of your choice is one who will work for you — the students of MTSU. Student Government exists as part of an institution which seeks to promote independent but responsible thinking; our Associated Student Body is justified only if its actions are based on an awareness of what is vital to the effective function of the University. Student Government cannot be regarded as apart from the purpose of education.

I would like to extend my appreciation and thanks to the members of the ASB and administration for their help and cooperation during the school year and my tenure at MTSU, and a special thanks to YOU, THE STUDENTS, for the opportunity to serve you.

Mike Rothman



BETTY JANE GRAHAM

As my year of serving you as your Associated Student Body Vice President draws near its conclusion, my mind wanders back to the many fond memories—some of "menial tasks"—of service to you.

The year began last May when I pondered over the many capable persons on campus as to who could do the best job on the Social Committee. Another chore at this time was sending an order for campus movies for September and October to Twyman Films Inc.

The close of the Spring semester brought my class work to an end but marked the real beginning of my duties. Weekly visits to campus involved discussions with Dean Keathley and Dean Hampton—planning the ASB Calendar which in meetings. Another decision to be made was that of what we could afford to pay bands for fun nights and what price we could pay for movies. Then there was the pleasant task of speaking to the "large" groups of freshmen who came to our campus on Fridays for pre-registration. Of course there were the beanies and a few left over campus pacs to be sold!

One week of August found me living in Monohan Hall while, along with a little goofing off, vigorously typing the stencil for the Raider Handbook.

With the exception of the second nine weeks of the fall semester during which I did my student teaching at Moore County High, most of my duties of service to you were quite routine. As Vice President, it is my duty to preside over the Senate, as well as serve as overall chairman of the Social Com.

In spite of all of the work to my position, there are many occasions that were extremely enjoyable—attending SUSGA convention in Biloxi, Mississippi in May, being in the receiving line for the President's Reception, presenting flowers to the Homecoming attendants, and representing your ASB in the numerous campus activities—all of which are memories that I will retain all of my life.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Dean Hampton and Dean Keathley for their interest, concern, and help given me in my service to you. And last but not least, I want to say a heartfelt "THANK YOU" for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Associated Student Body Vice President for 1964-65.

Betty Jane Graham



JERRY OWENS

Last spring, at this time, I was in the middle of one of the hottest campaigns in the history of Middle Tennessee State College. In a tense runoff, you elected me president of the Associated Student Body. This display of confidence provided me with the initiative to devote my time and energies to improving our campus life. Many of our objectives have been obtained this year. Girl's dorm hours have been lengthened, lights have been placed on the tennis courts, a basketball goal has been placed near the gym for the students to use, we will have had more big game entertainment than any other year, and the financial position of the ASB has been strengthened.

These things have not been done by one person or even a few people. We have been able to improve campus life because of the co-operation the ASB has received from the students, faculty, and administration of this college. Dr. Cope, Dean Keathley, and Dean Hampton have especially been very attentive to our requests and responded with the best interest of the students and college in mind. I have been blessed with good workers, without whom we could have accomplished very little. Mike Rothman, Betty Jane Graham, Jim Beasley, Troy Blevins, Russell Johnson, and many others have worked hard to successfully accomplished their duties and the goals of the ASB in general.

The responsibilities of the ASB have greatly increased over the past few years. Middle Tennessee is recognized throughout the Southern Universities Student Government Association as having one of the top student government organizations anywhere. Many of the larger schools in the country are using our judicial system as a goal toward which to work. We are one of the few schools with a bicameral legislature. This, plus the fact that last year's attorney general, Dennie Welsh, was a Vice-chairman to SUSGA, representing the state of Tennessee, has put our student government in national view.

I mentioned this because you should be aware of the importance of electing well-qualified, conscientious persons to an office in your student government.

I have enjoyed working for you this year. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your ASB President.

Jerry Owens

## FLASH!!

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