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Walker and party march to Nashville, storm Gov's office and come out with the cash

SEBASTIAN CABOT

Sidelines Butler

MTSU President Dr. James E. Walker, fed up with the financial delays from Gov. Sundquist's office, led an administrative charge to Nashville Tuesday to demand action on MTSU's pending construction projects.

Flanked by former Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. James Hindman, who returned from his new position as president of a college in Texas to join the 35-mile march to the State Capitol, and Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Robert LaLance, Walker and an estimated six students stormed into the Governor's office and demanded to be heard.

"We want our buildings, and we want them now!" was the chant that arose from Walker and party.

Though *Sidelines* was not privy to the meeting, shouting between Sundquist and the MTSU participants could be heard through the door of the Governor's office.

"Dammit, Don!" Walker said. "Right now our library is a couple of Dr. Seuss books and a dictionary! We can't wait any longer!"

"And my feet really hurt, so don't mess with me!"

"Jim, I don't have a choice," the

governor replied. "I just finished greasing the General Assembly's palms with \$1 million a piece to shut them up. How the hell do you think we got this deficit, anyway?"

"Where the hell do you think I'm going to find \$25 million to shut you up?"

"Take it from the TBR salaries!" Walker retorted. "They're not worth a darn, anyway. Took them seven years to approve this damn library, and now you decide you want to make us sweat for it! I've sweated enough today! I'm tired of it!"

"I don't care where you get the money, just get it!" Walker said. "And throw in some new shoes while you're at it!"

"I came up here from Texas to kick your butt," Hindman was heard to say. "If we don't walk out of here with the cash and some shoes, we're going to treat your office like a rock band treats a hotel room!"

"Gentleman!" Sundquist interrupted.

"Don, am I going to have to call Martha (the governor's wife) on this matter?" Walker asked.

"Hold on!" Sundquist replied. "Let me open the safe."

Walker, Hindman and party left the Governor's office 10 minutes later with smiles on their faces and two large suitcases.

"The only statement I can make at this time is that Governor Sundquist has arranged for full funding for the new library, as well as the new business/aerospace building and the entirety of the MTSU Master Plan,



THE CHUCKSTER/Photo Genius

Let's get ready to rumble!

Drs. Walker and Hindman lead the party dressed in full ceremonial garb into the governor's office Tuesday morning for the confrontation. "We wanted him to know we are ready for war if it comes down to it," Walker said of the decision to wear black. "And, I have always thought Johnny Cash was a snazzy dresser. This is in honor of him, too."

immediately," Walker said. "Groundbreaking for the new library will take place immediately and hopefully will be completed by March 1996."

"We will be bidding immediately for the 1996 Olympic bookworm competition. Our new state-of-the-art facility should be well received by the Atlanta Olympic Committee (AOC)."

"And I like my new Nike's!"

When reminded that the Olympics are for athletic events, Walker replied, "Reading is fundamental. Athletics are about fundamentals, right? That makes reading an athletic event, right Jim?"

"How do I find that Jimmy Payne (head of the AOC) anyway?" Hindman replied. "I'll kick his butt!" ■

SGA disqualifies all election candidates

All other SGA offices eliminated, new election for president discussed

CATHERINE VARNELL

Sidelines Gossip Columnist

The SGA Judicial Committee disqualified every candidate currently running for SGA offices yesterday in the second meeting to discuss campaign violations.

The ballot for the second election, scheduled later this month, will only have the names of write-in candidates from the first election, said SGA Justice Earl Warren.

"I know that a lot of

students will be angry because of this and they have a right to be," Warren said. "We have a thing called the law at this school and ignorance of it can't be ignored."

In a related matter, SGA also voted to completely eliminate all offices from the organization and allow the president to be the sole operator of the organization. This will allow for easier election procedures in the future, said SGA president Drew Bergman.

"We can't seem to run one of these things without screwing it up, anyway," Bergman said. "We just feel that it is useless to continue

holding these elections.

"None of these sorry-ass students vote in them anyway," Bergman continued. "SGA can find a better way to use the money previously spent on elections, like private keg parties after meetings. We could get strippers, too. We had a bill about that a while back, but it got tabled so we could adjourn and go get drunk."

"This time I think someone can get the votes to get the bill through."

"What do I care? I'm done with this crap in three weeks."

The qualified candidates for the second election, according to Bergman, are

Quentin Tarantino, director of *Pulp Fiction*; the TICK, vigilante/superhero; MTV companions Beavis & Butthead; and Jack Daniel, the deceased creator of Jack Daniel's Whiskey.

Although none of the candidates are enrolled at MTSU, new SGA by-laws permit a grace period for admission should any of the candidates win.

"This is all a big mess," Bergman said. "I mean what do we say to the candidates who actually went out and campaigned—I'm sorry!"

"What if Quentin Tarantino were to win—did you see him at the Oscars!"

Although the first ballots

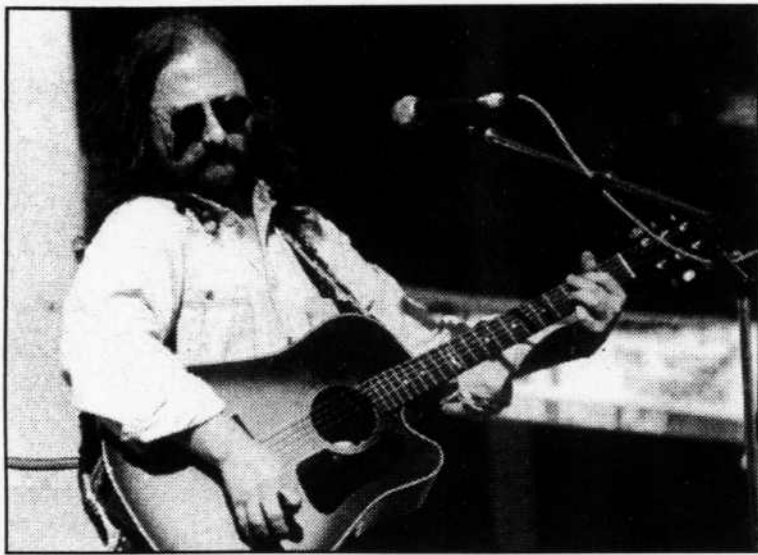
were thrown out due to disqualification procedures, the projected winner of the write-in candidates would have been the TICK, according to an anonymous member of the election commission.

"I really don't know much about this TICK character, but I don't like the idea of a masked vigilante on campus," said MTSU President Dr. James E. Walker. "We could lose millions of dollars in funding from THEC."

"We could, however, attract potential moneys

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STUPID STUFF



JOSEPH "BLUTO" BLUTARSKY/Staff

Guitarist David Crosby in his first gig since liver transplant surgery at Music on the Knoll three weeks ago. Crosby is bringing back the rest of the band April 20 for the Music on the Knoll Spring '95 Finale.

'Music on the Knoll' to finish on a high

Smith working to bring generations together for big spring wing-ding

DR. FRANK N. FURTER Special to *Sidelines*

MTSU's Division of Student Programming is working in conjunction with the Department of Biology to clone famous dead musicians for a one-time-only concert to wind up the Spring '95 Music on the Knoll series April 20.

MTSU professor of biology Dr. Patrick Doyle has obtained specimens of Jimi Hendrix, Slim Pickens, Janis Joplin, Buddy Holly, Roy Orbison and Liberace in order to recreate the legends and hire them to perform in front of the KUC.

"It's perfectly ingenious," Doyle said. "They were all great musicians, and they won't need to be paid because we can kill them when they finish their sets."

Doyle said he is working on getting family permission to obtain specimens of Sammy Davis Jr., Conway Twitty, John Belushi, Jim Morrison, John Lennon, Keith Whitley and Elvis Presley.

"I'm having a little trouble with the Twitty family," Doyle said. "They can't seem to agree on whether the kids or the second wife will be the official provider of the specimen. Of course, they can't agree on anything."

"We're also having a problem with the Presley estate," Doyle continued. "Lisa Marie still believes her father is alive. But then, she's been hanging out with Michael Jackson."

"We are 100 percent behind Dr. Doyle's efforts," said director of student programming Harold Smith.

"We want to give the students the highest quality entertainment possible."

Smith said he is having a problem booking the John Lennon act, but all else is right on schedule.

"Yoko Ono wants to perform with John, and we don't think it is in our best interest to allow that," Smith said. "We want *quality* entertainment."

Students asked about the possible show voiced widespread support for the concept.

"Golly gee, if I could see Slim Pickens just once before I die, I'll die," said junior agriculture major Bobbi Sue McCornstalk. "Slim is him."

"I have a principled disagreement with the idea of recreating human specimens for exploitative purposes," said senior art major Flower Child. "But if I can see Sammy Davis Jr., I guess I can put principle aside for a while."

Smith said live acts will be sprinkled in with the dead ones.

"We'll start with the live acts, like Crosby, Stills & Nash and The Eagles," Smith said. "We recognize that the dead acts may need a while to loosen up."

"But if members of the live acts die before showtime, their contracts will be cancelled," Smith continued.

"We recognize that we are trying something new," said MTSU President Dr. James E. Walker. "But if we can pull this off, it could be the biggest coup since the nuclear bomb. It would be excellent publicity for the university."

"Besides, I have always been a Jimi Hendrix fan," Walker continued. "His set at Woodstock was killer, man. It'll bring back some memories for my wife and myself. 'Wild Thing' was our wedding song. I hope he plays it." ■

Campus Capsule

Today

Fiction writer Thomas E. Kennedy will be explaining the lies from his recent work at 4 p.m. in Peck Hall 109.

Triple Crown winner Man O' War will be sold in sections from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in KUC downstairs lobby. Call the Livestock Center for prices on individual parts.

Vice President Albert Gore, Jr. will give a speech titled "What Was I Thinking About When I Took This Job?" concerning his term as Vice President at 8 p.m. in Tucker Theatre. Tickets are \$20,000. Money paid goes toward retiring the national debt. For more information call 898-WAFFLE.

The Native American Indian Organization will hold a rain dance from 5 - 6 p.m. in KUC 316. Attendees please bring umbrellas.

The American Criminal Justice Association will meet at 5 p.m. in KUC Room 314. A special agent with the Waco, Texas branch of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms will discuss proper methods to flush out religious cults from compounds. Anyone interested is welcomed to attend.

Friday, April 5
Students With Perfect GPA's will meet on the Knoll at 5 p.m. for a stoning by the general student body. Following will be a concert by Peter, Paul & Mary.

Upcoming & Ongoing

A photography show by Larry Flynt will be in the Photographic Gallery of the LRC from April 1 - 30.

The Committee for Growing Marijuana On Campus meets each Wednesday to discuss covert areas for growth. Contact Dr. Weed at 898-OH WOW MAN for more information.

The PR Society will hold its first annual Animosity Toward People Day next Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Mass Comm Building.

The Middle TN Caged Bird Club is holding its annual Spring Hunt April 8-9 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Creative Arts Building, TN

State Fairgrounds.

Drum Pentagram meets every Tuesday, fair weather providing, at 5 p.m. between Peck Hall and Cope Admin. amongst the voodoo dolls in the trees.

BICYCLISTS: Work on auto dodging techniques every Tuesday from 6-9 a.m. on I-24 between Hickory Hollow and I-440. Rides leave the Greenland Parking lot at 5 a.m. Amount of bloodshed allowed to be determined by consensus. More info from 898-SPLAT. (Helmets not necessary.)

Dr. Mark Byrnes' U.S. Presidency class will sponsor an unearthing of Murfreesboro native and 11th U.S. President James K. Polk April 10 from midnight to 2 a.m. at the cemetery. All are invited to attend. Bring shovels and body bags for the bones.

The Ozone Killers Club meets every Friday at the motor pool from 11-11:50 a.m. Bring aerosol cans. Anyone wanting to participate, please join us or call 898-SKIN CANCER.

The MTSU Poetry Society holds seances every Monday night to raise the dead for readings. This week's guest is e.e. cummings. Call 898-OUIJI for more information.

The MTSU Vegetarian Club meets Wednesdays at 4 p.m. at the Tennessee Livestock Center. Bring ketchup, A1 and a hibachi.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Due to unforeseen factors, the Art Barn will not be burned to the ground this weekend. Stay tuned for further announcements about this and other arson attacks on campus this spring.
Fire-Breathing Dragon Society

The Society to Promote Cruelty to Animals will sponsor charity cock fights Monday, April 22 in the physical plant. All donations to go to the Society for Professional Journalists. Call 898-COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO for more information.

MTSU students who need speech testing or speech therapy services should call Muhammad Ali, 898-SLUGGISH, for an appt.

MTSU LAMBADA ASSOCIATION: A social

support group for dancing fools, meets every Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. at the Wesley Foundation. For more info. call 898-CHA-CHA-CHA.

College Democrats brings presidential candidate Pat Buchanan to campus for a public flogging April 30 at 6 p.m. on the steps of JUB. For more information call 898-FRIENDS OF BILL.

The MTSU Robin Hood Society, student bank robbery trainees, meet at 1 a.m. every Friday in the alley behind NationsBank. All accrued bounty goes to repaying student loans. Remember to bring tights. Call 898-STICK-EM-UP for more information.

Dogs for More Campus Fire Hydrants will hold a protest on the president's lawn Saturday, April 6 at 6:30 a.m. Owners come dressed in pajamas for free admittance. For more information call 898-WIZZ.

Students for Tastier Chicken meet Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Animal Sciences dept. This week, Frank Perdue will give a speech titled, "Why I Look Like A Pencil-Necked Geek." Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at all Krogers.

The Tongue Piercing Society of America opens its MTSU chapter with a grand gala Friday May 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Garden Plaza Hotel. For more information, call Coley Jackson at 898-OWWW.

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MORE STUPID STUFF

The strengths of higher education



THE PHOTO DUDE/Staff

MTSU CUSTOMS orientation leaders Biff Duffington (left) and Bambi Bubblehead instruct incoming freshman on proper hat-wearing procedure at the university. All freshmen are now required to learn the new procedure after 12,724 students were found to be cheating on mid-term exams this semester by taping answers and notes to the inside brims of their caps.

Gore, Sr. decides to throw his hat into ring

HUNTER S. THOMPSON
Sidelines Hallucinogen Specialist

In a startling announcement sure to rock the roots of student governments around the nation for years to come, legendary Tennessee senator Albert Gore, Sr. has announced his candidacy for the 1995-96 SGA presidency as a write-in candidate.

"MTSU needs a return to grass-roots politics," Gore said in his candidacy speech from the Garden Plaza Hotel. "The recent problems with the elections shows you people don't know what you're doing."

When asked how he planned to get around the requirement of being a student, Gore said, "I'll just give Walker the money for his new library. That ought to get me anything I want."

When told that the MTSU president had already announced the immediate groundbreaking for the new library after the Tuesday march on the Governor's office, Gore responded, "I've got my own center here, dammit! If I want to be SGA president I'm going to be SGA president! You got that!"

Current SGA president Drew Bergman said the requirement can be waved under special circumstances.

"We had originally intended to limit the candidates to those who had initially run for the position," Bergman said. "However, when a man the stature of former Sen. Gore announces his intentions in this way, we feel we must acquiesce."

"After all, the old man's dumped some bucks into this place. He deserves a shot," Bergman continued. "He'll probably be better than anyone we've got."

Other candidates were not as impressed. "What's that old geezer think he's doing?" said candidate Quentin Tarantino. "What is he—about 3,654 years old? I thought he was dead!"

"If he wants to be president of something, tell him to join a fraternity. Otherwise, I'll paint his face, give him some big goofy ears and call him Ol' Blue."

Dr. Jim Neal, curator of the Albert Gore Sr. Research Center in the LRC, was ecstatic at the news.

"He's really going to run?" Neal said.

"This is a real coup. The re-entry into the political arena of Tennessee's favorite son. Look out America—there's a new sheriff in town, and his name's Al Gore, Sr."

Gore acknowledges he has an uphill fight, but believes he can win.

"I've got to whip all those brats into shape—I mean, convince the students of my intentions—but I think my advanced age can help," Gore said. "Age means experience and two tablespoons of Metamucil every day to keep feeling regular. That is what SGA needs."

"I have studied this run for the presidency carefully," Gore continued. "My presidential exploration committee has done many studies on the needs of the MTSU community and has found that with with me running this place, we will see efficiency in a governmental organization for the first time in the last 50 years."

"My son (Vice President of the United States Al Gore, Jr.) keeps saying that 50 years stuff and thinks it sounds good. What do you think?"

Gore says he will work mostly on the foreign policy aspects of the presidency.

"I believe normalization with the Middle East should be first on the agenda for SGA," Gore said. "We are going to need all that oil here if this campus expands according to the Master Plan."

When told that the Physical Plant supplies the electricity for the campus via coal, Gore replied, "So we'll switch to oil. How big a deal is that? I'll pay for it if I have to."

Gore asserts that the parking situation here is not as bad as some people believe.

"Hey, I've got a parking place for life here!" Gore replied. "What's your excuse?"

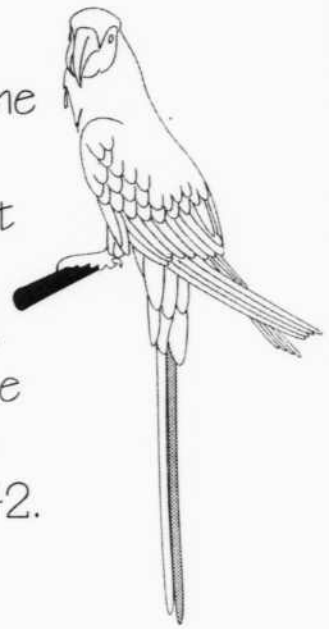
Gore thinks the idea of going to Division I-A in football is long overdue.

"I've had to buy UT season tickets for 40 years to see decent football," Gore said. "Going I-A means I'll save some mileage on my plane. It has to be done."

Gore said he does not plan to consult his son for advice about running the position.

"I'll be a president, and he's just a lowly VP," Gore said. "What can he tell me? Nothing. He don't know squat about presidentin'." ■

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EVEN MORE STUPID STUFF

New wheels for the prez



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MTSU president Dr. James E. Walker recently traded in his state-owned Buick Skylark for the "Landshark," a 30-foot-long, 7 1/2-ton machine of fury. "I thought it was time I let my hair down," Walker said when asked about the purchase. "Now I can go home and I don't even have to use the driveway." The president reports that he has trouble keeping the keys away from his wife, Gwen. "She turns into a crazed maniac with this car," Walker said. "I couldn't be happier."

WHO GIVES A FLIP ABOUT THIS STUFF ANYWAY

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from teenagers across the country if Beavis & Butthead were to win," he added.

A third meeting of the SGA Judicial Committee is scheduled for Monday, to discuss the possibility of removing Jack Daniel from the ballot.

"Don't get me wrong, I drink his stuff all the time," Finklestein said after the meeting.

"But he's been dead for almost 100 years and there's the possibility he could win."

Finklestein refused to comment when asked if he had been drinking Jack Daniel's prior to the disqualification procedures.

If Tarantino were to win there is a strong possibility that his next film, *Murder Death Kill*, may be filmed on campus, said Miramax officials. MTV, producers of the *Beavis & Butthead Show*, refused to comment about their top stars attending MTSU. The current whereabouts of the TICK are unknown.

"We're all kinda pulling for [the TICK]," said Public Safety officer Dustin Miller. "Can you imagine someone committing a crime with him around? I can't." ■

Housing creates its own 'Mob Murphy'

FORREST GUMP

Staff Writer

University Housing is following in the footsteps of the athletic department in its latest attempt to keep students on campus.

The athletic department, which recently did the "Mob Murphy" night, has suggest housing follow in its footsteps after the successful program. University housing is following by introducing the "Buried Raider Bucks" program. According to housing director Ivan Shewmake, housing officials will bury \$5, \$10, and \$20 bills throughout the courtyard in front of the Keathley University Center.

"All we want is to give the students at MTSU a reason to stay on campus during the weekends," Shewmake said. "By burying money we are saying, 'hey, stay on campus and dig with your friends.'"

Shewmake would not give the exact amount of money to be buried but said it was over \$10,000. The average depth of the money is two feet, and containers are colored with fluorescent orange spray paint.

"There is enough money buried right now to make it well worth the effort to dig," Shewmake said. "I want to see as many students as possible out there digging."

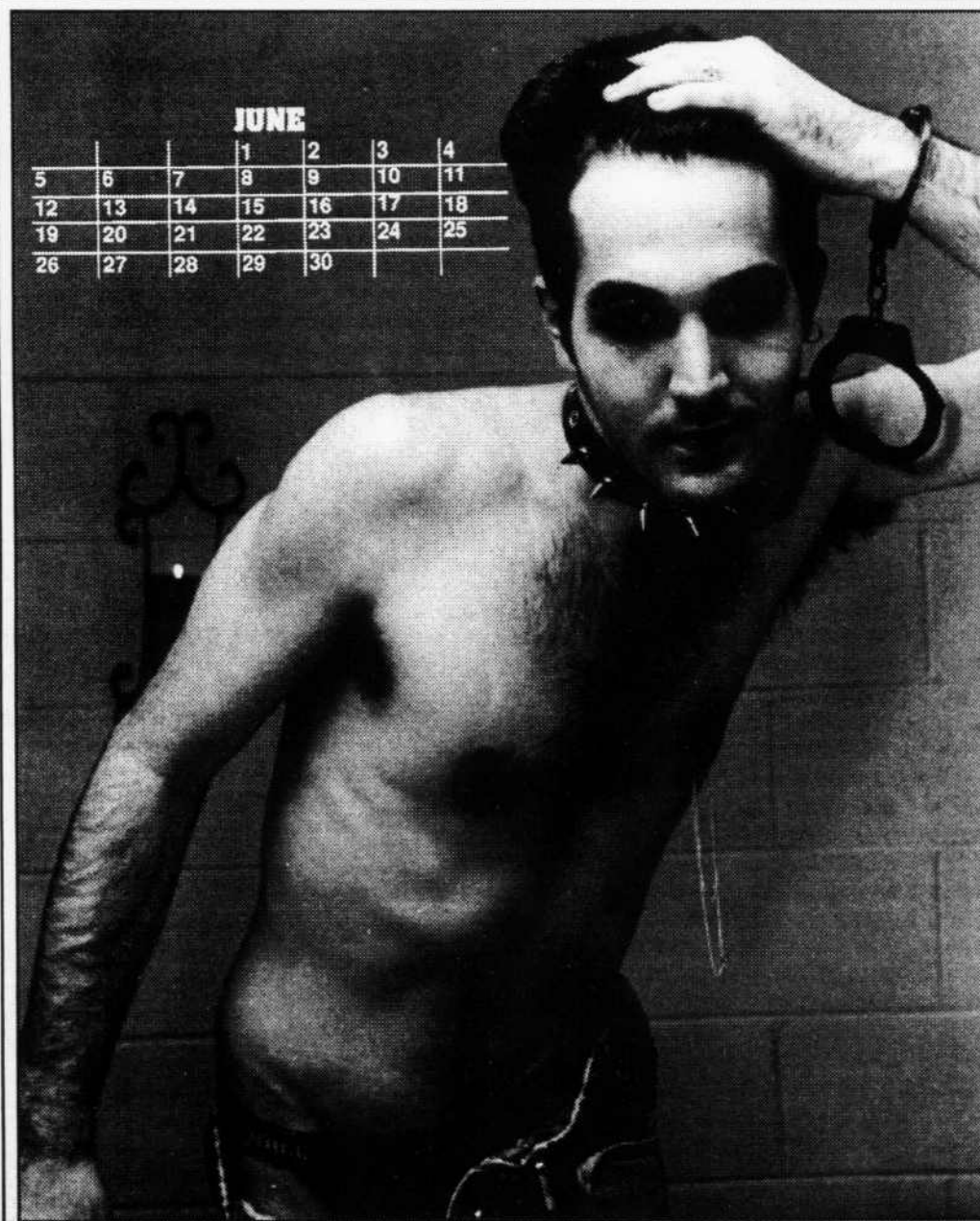
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