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News Briefs

MOSCOW (UPI)—President Yuri Andropov was absent yesterday from the top of Lenin's Tomb where the lineup of Politburo members reviewed the Red Square military parade. Officials say he has a cold but there is speculation his problem is serious. After the parade a man set himself on fire in the square.

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI)—Syria, fearing that a reported United States buildup off of Lebanon heralds an American invasion in the Middle East, mobilized reservists yesterday, political sources said. In Lebanon, Syrian-backed Palestinian rebels rained rocket and artillery fire on a refugee camp in an onslaught to oust Yasser Arafat's forces.

DENTON, Texas (UPI)—A video-taped confession in which Henry Lee Lucas describes killing his 15-year-old traveling companion and hacking up her body is expected to figure prominently at his trial, which started yesterday. The 47-year-old former mental patient admits to killing at least 150 other women.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Surgeon General Everett Koop says the government's fight to obtain a severely handicapped infant's hospital records is because "every life is individually and uniquely sacred." The government has filed an unprecedented law suit in New York demanding access to the records of the infant, identified only as "Jane Doe."

BOISE, Idaho (UPI)—Geologists say a strong aftershock from the quake that ripped a 15-mile-long trench through southeast Idaho may be a prelude to a series of major tremors and predicted up to three intense tremors in the next half-century.

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Oil expert Dan Lundberg says motorists nationwide are paying almost a penny less for gasoline than they were two weeks ago. He said that "competition is momentarily neck-and-neck in the struggle in all sectors of the petroleum industry to maintain relative shares in the marketplace."

NEW YORK (UPI)—The stock market, caught up in a four-week slump, moved lower at the outset yesterday amid Wall Street's concern interest rates will remain higher because of government borrowing problems. Declines led advancing issues by a 6-4 margin. Volume in the first 30 minutes amounted to about 10.03 million shares.

HOUSTON (UPI)—Chris Evert Lloyd and Jimmy Connors proved their reunion on the tennis court to be more than a gimmick, gaining \$50,000 a piece and renewed respect as a doubles team in winning the World Mixed Doubles Championship Sunday. Connors-Evert Lloyd trounced Andrea Jaeger and Roscoe Tanner, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.

NEW YORK (UPI)—Major league baseball conducts its eighth annual re-entry draft yesterday and 45 players will be available. Rod Carew, a seven-time American League batting champion, and Rich Gossage, recognized as baseball's premier reliever, are a couple of players hoping to attract multimillion-dollar offers from new teams.

TISL delegates sponsor bills

By ELIZABETH PORTER

Sidelines Editor in Chief

ASB President Mark Ross this week will run for reelection as governor of the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature as MTSU delegates sponsor bills intended to improve education in the state.

"Students in this state would have a lot of pull if they'd ever unify," said Ross, who will be the first two-term TISL governor if elected this weekend when delegates from 32 state colleges and universities convene in Nashville.

"THEY ALSO HAVE a better chance of getting teacher pay raises through the state legislature than faculty alone do," he said. The top 10

TISL bills will be presented to state legislators for consideration as state law.

A resolution supporting the Master Teacher plan, sponsored by MTSU students John Gilbert, Marty Watt and TISL delegate chairman Tony Yates, will probably divide TISL delegates and may not result in clarifying TISL's position, Ross said Monday afternoon.

"At least it will encourage debate on the issue," he added.

ROSS SAID HE only recently decided to run for reelection to the TISL governorship when he learned that no members of the executive council would make a bid for the post.

TISL needs more ex-

perienced leadership than less-seasoned candidates could provide in order to keep up the progress that has been achieved in the last few years, he said.

Though the governorship is "an incredible amount of work," Ross said it will not interfere with his duties as ASB president. The organization is "largely dormant" during the spring, he added.

OTHER LEGISLATION slated for debate this weekend would raise requirements for admission to Tennessee colleges and universities, said Yates, who served as TISL governor last year.

Sponsored by MTSU students Mary Mason and Janet Spence, the bill would require

a score of 18 on the ACT test. It would also increase the number of credits needed to graduate from high school in mathematics, history and science.

Other legislation sponsored by MTSU students includes:

- An increase in the current Tennessee marriage license fee from \$16 to \$24 to fund development of spouse and child abuse centers for victims of domestic violence to be administered by the state Human Services Department, sponsored by Amber Pearce.

- Establishment of a screening committee for applicants to the Tennessee Highway Patrol, intended to decrease political influence on selection of

highway patrolmen, sponsored by Don Davenport and Eric Rogers.

- Streamlining of the state's court system by granting inter-court jurisdiction to trial and probate courts, sponsored by Greg Smith.

- Mandatory driver re-examination for citizens 65 and older which would include eye and road tests, sponsored by Cecelia West and Tracy Jo Goodson.

- Establishment of an alcohol rehabilitation program sponsored by the state and local government to be alternative punishment for persons convicted of public drunkenness.

- Requirement of all motor

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Freshman confirmed

Senator named

By MAT WILLIAMS

Sidelines Associate Editor

The ASB House of Representatives last week confirmed President Mark Ross' nomination of Danny Throgmorton to serve as freshman senator this year.

Throgmorton now joins fellow freshmen senators Paula McDonald, Tommy Bunch, Rita Walker and Ada Sanders. These four were elected by ballot-voting last month, but one additional position needed filling, which was done with the house's confirmation of Throgmorton.

THE 18-YEAR-OLD Collinwood, who is also a delegate to TISL, said he wanted to get involved at MTSU and thus decided to run for senator.

"I'm anxious to take part," Throgmorton emphasized. "I feel there's more to an education than just a degree."

Throgmorton said he was

active in student government at Collinwood High School, serving on the student council for three years and as vice-president for the Beta Club.

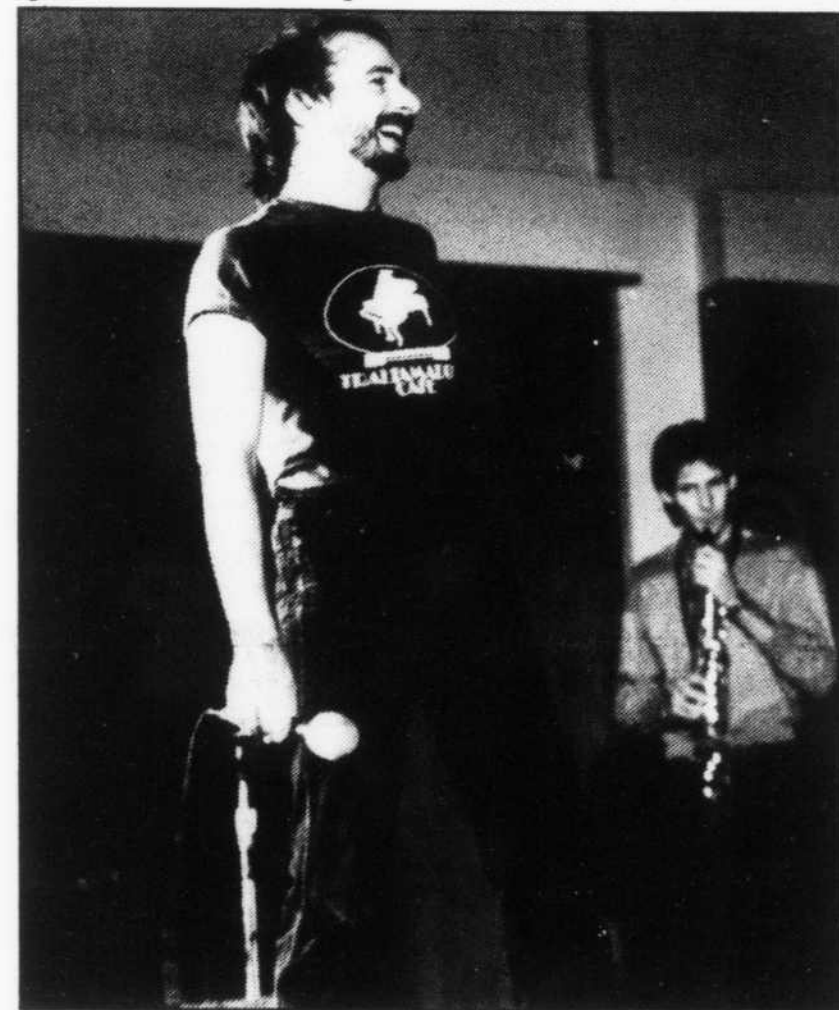
THE POLITICAL SCIENCE major said he is pleased to be able to serve on the senate and wants to be of help to anyone who needs it.

"I was really excited about it [his appointment]," he said. "I'm available any time to hear any problems the students might have."

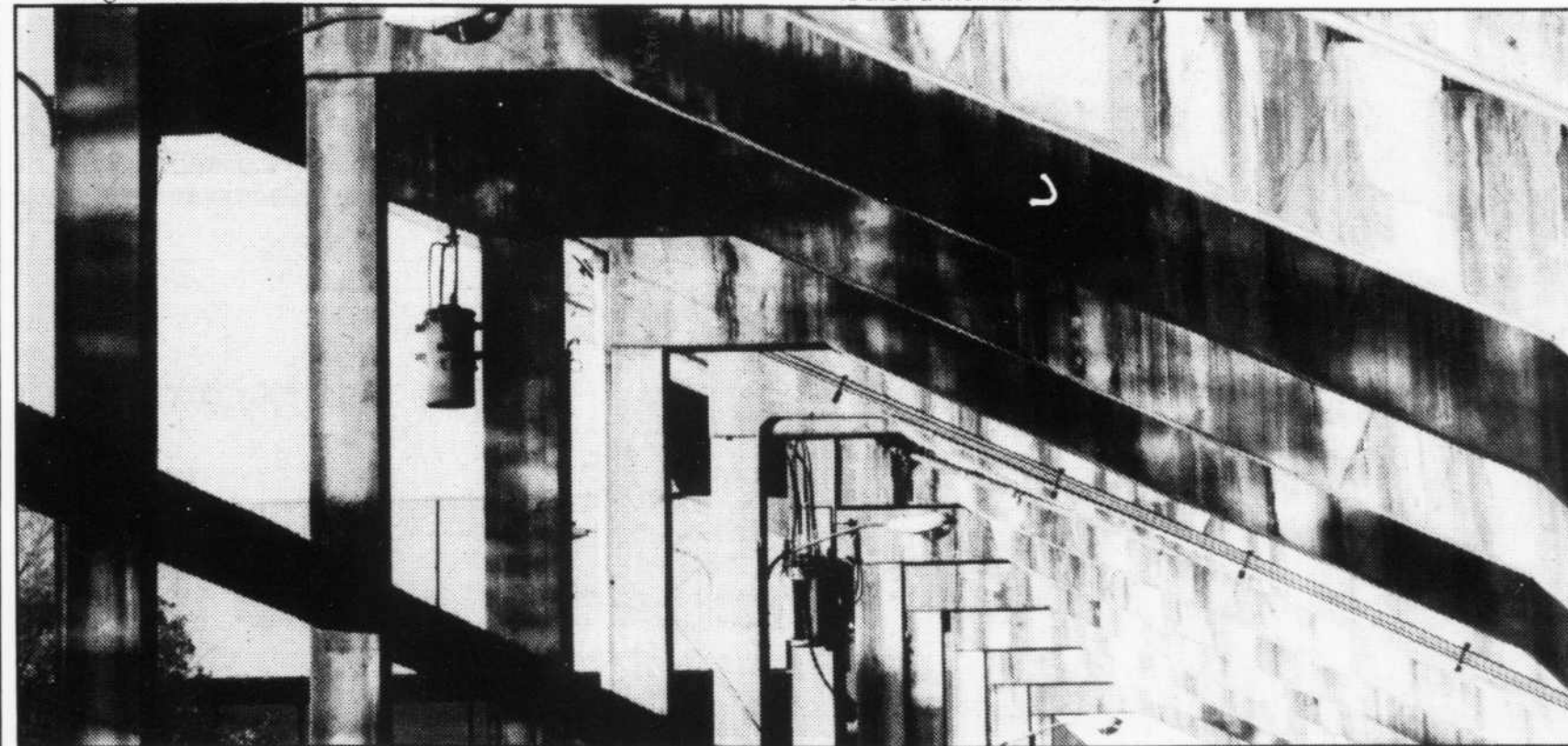
Ross nominated Throgmorton over five other candidates, after interviewing each.

"I THOUGHT DANNY was consistently strong in all the areas that I questioned him," Ross said. "He's enthusiastic, a hard worker and a fine addition to the senate."

Ross said the other candidates also showed positive qualities during their interviews.



Percussionist Steve Smith emerges from his drum-set sweaty but smiling Friday night following a concert of his jazz band, Vital Information, at the Wright Music Hall. Smith is also a member of Journey.



Late-afternoon sun bathes the underside of Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium in shadows Saturday.

Photo by Keith Tippitt

Aliens receive financial aid fraudulently

By JOHN-PAUL ABNER

Sidelines Staff Writer

A nationwide initiative to prosecute ineligible aliens who have fraudulently received financial aid resulting in approximately 210 indictments will probably not affect MTSU, Financial Aid Director Winston Wrenn said Friday.

Those indicted so far, according to a press release issued by the U.S. Department of Education, fraudulently received approximately one million dollars from four federal programs: Pell Grants, Supplemental Educational

Opportunity Grants, National Direct Student Loans and Guaranteed Student Loans.

THE MOST RECENT round of investigations of alleged criminal acts was completed in the last few weeks and resulted in charges being brought against 36 persons located in Illinois, New York and Colorado.

These individuals, 16 of whom were ineligible aliens, had fraudulently obtained approximately \$170,000.

"This initiative, which identifies abuse and

wrongdoing in the student assistance programs, should help in maintaining integrity in these programs and assure American taxpayers that their money is properly spent," said Inspector General James B. Thomas Jr.

"OUR CONTINUED success in this area is vital to improving the effectiveness of these multi-million dollar federal education programs."

The most common means used by ineligible aliens to obtain student loans or grants is to fraudulently claim to be U.S. citizens or eligible non-

citizens.

Falsely claiming to be a U.S. citizen would be fairly difficult, Wrenn said, since it would require one to obtain forged documents.

HOWEVER, IF one had the expertise, Wrenn said, it could be done.

Many federal agencies as well as state and local authorities are locating and bringing charges against the students, while federal, state and local courts are seeking restitution of the fraudulently obtained funds.

Most of the investigation will probably go on at a higher level, Wrenn said, since the recipients of Pell grants have already been checked out by the federal government.

If there was evidence that a student had fraudulently received financial aid, Wrenn said, then he would be called to validate his status by bringing certain documents to officials.

This will probably not affect MTSU, Wrenn said, since there is only a handful of foreign students here.

Petitions start; student wants times changed

By MAT WILLIAMS

Sidelines Associate Editor

An MTSU student says she will today start circulating petitions in hopes of stirring response to the current 5 p.m. starting time of the Lady Raider basketball games.

Amber Pearce, a sophomore from Clarksville, said she will circulate the 100 petitions because the present starting time for the games doesn't allow many fans to support the team, which finished 26-5 and made an appearance in the NCAA tournament last season.

"I'M DOING THIS so that the Lady Raiders can have the maximum support that they need, and also for the sake of convenience and efficiency in time," she said.

Lady Raider Head Coach Larry Inman said the 5 p.m. starting time is required by Ohio Valley Conference rules, but added he appreciates the support by Pearce.

"We [the team] appreciate that we have this type of individual as a fan," the coach said. "We're always thankful we've got that type of fan support."

Pearce said the petitions will be circulated throughout classrooms, dorms and places such as Keathley University Center.

SHE ADDED that no goal has been set, but that the petitions will be available for about 4,000 students, faculty members and administrative officials to sign.

Pearce, who transferred from Austin Peay University last year, said she got a chance to watch the Lady Raiders play during their outstanding 1982-83 season and simply felt she needed to do something to generate some response from both OVC members and MTSU students.

Campus Capsule

GAMMA BETA PHI will meet at 6:30 tonight in the multi-media room of the LRC.

SDX WILL MEET tonight at 7:30 in Room 316 of the University Center. Bob Crumpler, ombudsman for the Louisville Courier-Journal and Times, will be the speaker.

RIM WRITERS will perform at Mainstreet tonight from 8:00 to midnight in the second writers night of the fall semester. The public is invited to hear local songwriters perform a variety of original. Four bands will perform. Beer specials will be announced.

PSI CHI HONOR Society and the Psychology Club will meet today at 4 p.m. in Room 305 of the University Center. Dr. Scollon will speak on the progress of work at the juvenile center in Nashville.

SIMS HALL will sponsor a karate demonstration tonight at 7:00 in the lobby. Geoff Pace and Timmy Glover will be featured.

BACCHUS WILL give away "party planner" posters at its meeting tonight at 6 p.m. in Room 315 of the University Center.

THE CALIFORNIA Achievement Test for admission to teacher education will be administered at 4 p.m. today in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building. Students taking the test must present a valid ID. There is no charge for the test and pre-registration is not required.

SIMS HALL is sponsoring a sex and love seminar at 7 p.m. on Nov. 10 in the lobby. Youth Minister Timmy Glover will speak.

APPLICATIONS FOR Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges are available in Room 304 of the University Center. The deadline to turn in applications is Nov. 11.

THE RUTHERFORD County Crisis and Rape Center is starting its fall training workshop for interested volunteers on Nov. 14. This local United Way Agency provides a telephone hot line service to the people of Rutherford County and surrounding counties. The eight-evening workshop will instruct volunteers on how to provide counseling, referral information and crisis intervention. Guest speakers and tours are planned. The cost, which includes all necessary reference materials and manuals, is \$12.50. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer or requiring more information should contact the center at 890-7998.

THE RETIRED SENIOR Volunteer Program staff will sponsor a dance on Nov. 19 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Smyrna Country Club on the airforce base in Smyrna. Admission is \$1.50 each, \$2 per couple. You must be at least 18 years of age to attend. All proceeds go toward the annual banquet for retired volunteers.

APPLICATIONS for student ambassadors are available in Room 205 of the Cope Administration Building. The deadline is noon on Nov. 21. Minimum requirements are a second semester freshman standing and a 2.5 gpa.

Debate team takes top trophies

By KAREN LINGERFELT and CYNTHIA FLOYD

Sidelines Staff Writers

MTSU's varsity debate team won first and second places in a debate tournament at University of Tennessee-Knoxville recently, and in the process raised its national ranking from 18th to 4th.

When the three days of competition were over, both of MTSU's teams had defeated all of the competing schools and were to meet each other for the tournament championship. Coach Jim Brooks, of the speech and theater department, elected not to have the two teams debate, but to simply take first and second place trophies without determining a championship.

THIS WAS THE first time in the history of the tournament that two teams from the same school reached the final championship round.

Two MTSU two-man teams talked their way to victory over 19 other squads including teams from Tennessee, Illinois, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland, Alabama and Mississippi. The team of Tom Bickers and Greg Simerly won first place, while the team of Scott Greer and Mike Eaves captured second place.

The debate topic was "Resolved: That Institutions of Higher Education have Sacrificed Quality for Institutional Survival."

"THE TEAMS FOUND out

what the topic was on Oct. 1. Since then, I read at least 575 magazine articles, not to mention 12 or 15 books on education to prepare for this tournament," Eaves, a sophomore from Tullahoma, said.

The Volunteer Classic, sponsored by UT, is a "high-level competition of nationally-ranked schools" and is one of the largest such tournaments in the east, Simerly said.

In addition to winning the team championship, MTSU debaters received top individual honors. Bickers was named the best of the 40 debaters in the tournament. Greer won the second place speaker award, while Simerly finished third.

Delegates

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vehicles to stop at all railroad crossings.

- Requirement of one-time completion of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency's Hunter and Firearm Safety program for purchase of a hunting and sport fishing license.

TISL is an excellent avenue of input into the state legislature, Ross said. He added that leaders in state government take TISL very seriously, and that several state laws originated in TISL.

Governor Lamar Alexander, State Sen. Victor Ashe and U.S. Rep. Albert Gore Jr. are among those slated to address TISL.

Waste contaminates two rivers

OAK RIDGE (UPI)—Hazardous waste—including deadly plutonium—has flowed from an Oak Ridge National Laboratory lake into the Tennessee and Clinch rivers, contaminating fish with radiation, according to a state report released Saturday.

The state Public Health and Environment Department report cited the Energy Department for a wide array of violations linked to the dumping of wastes at the Laboratory.

THE POLLUTION has

turned White Oak Lake into one of the most radioactive lakes in the nation and other leaks at the laboratory have contaminated underground water supplies that could lead to private drinking wells, the report said.

"White Oak Lake is the most radioactively polluted lake in at least the state of Tennessee and perhaps the nation," the report said.

"In its present condition, White Oak Lake presents an ongoing and primary source of

radioactive contamination of fish, water and sediments of the Clinch and Tennessee Rivers," it said.


THE WASTES ARE discharged into White Oak Creek, which winds through the laboratory grounds before flowing into the lake. Radioactive elements found in the lake's sediments included plutonium, cobalt, cesium, tritium, zirconium, iodine and others.

The report recommended cleaning up the lake and closing it to the discharges.

"Based on the information available, cleanup and closure would seem an appropriate action," the report said. "Plans and implementation schedules must be established to eliminate this source of contamination rather than allow releases indefinitely."

Wayne Hibbits, chief of the Energy Department's environmental protection branch, said he was surprised by the recommendation and said the state needs to examine ways to prevent the pollution from reaching the rivers.

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Andropov's absence prompts speculation

By STEVEN R. REED
MOSCOW (UPI)—President Yuri Andropov failed to appear at Lenin's Tomb to review the annual Red Square military parade yesterday in an unprecedented absence that set off speculation about the Soviet leader's health and ability to govern.

A spokesman for Andropov, who has not been seen in public since Aug. 18, said the 69-year-old leader was recovering from a cold but Western diplomats were convinced that the illness was serious.

"THIS IS THE FIRST time in the history of the Soviet Union that the general secretary of the party hasn't shown up on the mausoleum for the Nov. 7 parade," said

one Western diplomat. "I would interpret it as something far more serious than a cold."

"Obviously he must be extremely sick," another Western diplomat said. He speculated that the earlier references to his cold "were done to prepare the public for a possible non-appearance and to lessen the shock of it."

In the past, when Andropov dropped from public view for prolonged periods, unconfirmed reports circulated that he was suffering from a heart condition or an undisclosed kidney ailment.

DIPLOMATS WHO viewed the Red Square parade, which culminated three days of celebrations marking the anniversary of the 1917

Bolshevik revolution, said Andropov was clearly still in power.

On Saturday his portrait was first among those unveiled on banners decorating the capital, signaling his secure hold on power.

But they said signs that the Soviet leader was seriously ill raised questions about his ability to govern effectively and rekindled once again the issue of succession just a year after the death of President Leonid Brezhnev.

LAST YEAR, BREZHNEV wobbled up the marble steps of Lenin's Tomb and sat or stood, waving for more than one hour in freezing weather as the display of Soviet military power passed. He died of a

heart attack three days later.

Andropov, one diplomat said, "probably is very ill since he was prevented from being at an occasion he should have been at at all costs."

"It is perfectly permissible to start thinking about a succession because we can see this person probably has difficulty in governing," he said.

Diplomats and other observers feel there is no clear-cut heir apparent to Andropov. Speculation includes Leningrad party boss Grigory Romanov, 60, Moscow party boss Viktor Grishin, 69, Brezhnev protege Konstantin Chernenko, 72, and Mikhail Gorbachev, 52, the youngest of the ruling elite.

Crumpler to speak before SDX tonight

By DEBORAH LILLY
Sidelines Staff Writer

Bob Crumpler, ombudsman for the *Louisville Courier-Journal* and *Times*, will address journalism students on Nov. 8-9, in accordance with the MTSU editor-in-residence program.

Crumpler, known to his associates as "Crump," is scheduled both days and will speak at a meeting of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

THE 32-YEAR veteran journalist will also give a personal "critique" of *Sidelines* while he is at MTSU, Dr. Glenn Himebaugh, coordinator of the program, said.

THIS marks the second year of MTSU's participation in the nationwide editor-in-residence program, which is sponsored by the Dow Jones Newspaper Fund and the Newspaper

Society of Newspaper Editors. The program is designed to support universities across the country in an effort to encourage professional journalists to visit their campuses.

Crumpler said his trip to MTSU would initiate his involvement in the program.

"I DON'T KNOW all the answers," he said, "but I know where to look for them."

A North Carolina native, Crumpler graduated from Marshall College in Huntington, W. Va. He has worked since 1951 as a reporter for the *Louisville Courier-Journal*, and later joined the *Louisville Times*, where he was promoted first to city editor and later to assistant managing editor. He has had the position of news ombudsman since 1981, and currently writes an in-house publication for the *Times* called "Crumpets."

Crumpler is married and has three children, two of whom are also involved in journalism.

Patient resumes chemotherapy

KNOXVILLE (UPI)—Cancer stricken Pamela Hamilton was returned to a hospital Monday to resume court-ordered chemotherapy against her religious beliefs after a restful 11 days at home, officials said.

The 12-year-old daughter of a preacher weighed 89 pounds upon her return—three pounds more than when she left East Tennessee Children's Hospital Oct. 27 for her first trip home since she entered the hospital Sept. 17.

PAMELA'S TREATMENT violates her family's fundamentalist Christian beliefs.

But Dennis Prewitt, director of the Campbell County Human Services Department, said the family did not interfere with Pamela's return to the hospital.

Pamela stopped by a fast-food restaurant for tacos before she entered the hospital. From home she brought along two stuffed dolls and a stuffed dog named Russ, hospital spokeswoman Pat Kelly said.

"She wanted to know why she was not being put in the same hospital room. We told her somebody else was in it and she said, 'I don't like that.' But she'll get used to it," Kelly said.

PAMELA'S FATHER, Larry

Hamilton, a pastor for the Church of God of Union Assembly at La Follette, was upset when he was not allowed to drive his daughter home 11 days ago but gave officials no problems Monday when she was driven back to Knoxville by human services officials, Prewitt said.

"We hope this [rest period] has been helpful for her and I hope it's something we're able to continue," Prewitt said. "I think we've gotten cooperation from the parents and I'm optimistic we can do this again."

Pamela, a shy seventh-

grader, suffers from a rare bone cancer known as Ewing's sarcoma that produced a large tumor on her left thigh. The tumor has reduced in size considerably after three rounds of chemotherapy drugs and the fourth round begins Tuesday, Kelly said.

ONCE FIVE ROUNDS of chemotherapy are completed, doctors will decide when to begin treating the tumor with radiation, Kelly said. That could begin early in December.

Kelly said Pamela had a low white blood cell count last week but apparently the count had returned to normal by

Monday. A low white blood count is typical of cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy because the drugs reduces the body's ability to resist infection, Kelly said.

After Pamela completes the fourth round of chemotherapy, she will probably be allowed to return to her home 40 miles north in La Follette for another 11-day rest starting Nov. 16, Kelly said.

Pamela was ordered hospitalized by a Juvenile Court judge who rejected the family's argument that they have a constitutional right of religious freedom to refuse cancer treatment.

The state Court of Appeals turned down the family's argument and Hamilton has been considering whether to appeal the case to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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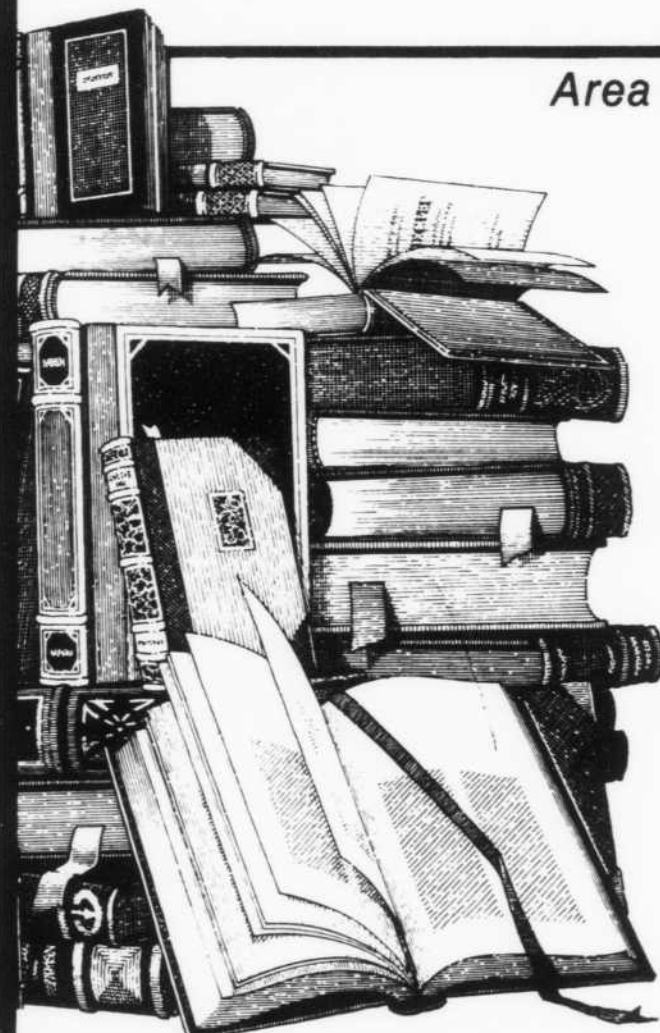
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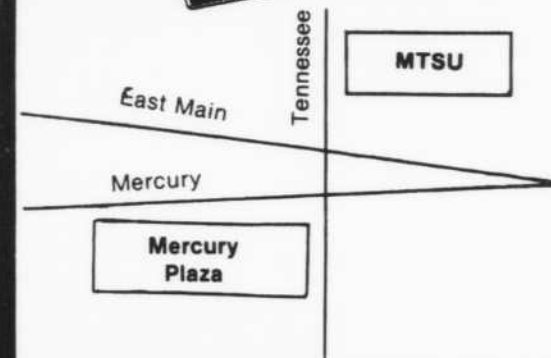
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Firing of commissioners set-back for Civil Rights

President Reagan's big-stick, bullying foreign policy of late took domestic form last week as he assaulted the Civil Rights Commission, firing three members who served under the Carter and Ford administrations.

Mary Berry, Blandina Ramirez and Murray Saltzman were critical of Reagan's civil rights policies, so he replaced them with some folks who agree that busing and quotas are not the way to end racial discrimination—Morris Abram, John Bunzel and Robert Destro.

Now, he has a hand-picked Civil Rights Commission that will most certainly make recommendations that the administration wants—not necessarily what the people of this country need.

It would seem that members of the commission would now be reluctant to openly criticize the administration. And

Reagan is now in a position to influence civil rights in this country more profoundly than ever before.

Reagan cast reservations aside about the Rev. Martin Luther King as he signed a bill declaring a national holiday honoring the slain civil rights leader. But while he was busy with that nice, symbolic gesture the president was busy doing his homework where it counted.

However, Congress noticed.

Republicans and Democrats alike were against the firing of Berry, Ramirez and Saltzman. A bipartisan effort has begun to make the commission an investigative arm of Congress, and House democrats issued a statement condemning the firings. And well they should.

These actions should clue the president in to the fact that Congress will not sit idly by while his Big Stick comes crashing down, be it here or abroad.



Clyde-O-Scope

By CLYDE CRAWLEY
Sidelines Columnist

I took a peek at the calendar the other day and was hit right smack between the eyes with the fact this semester is almost over. That means final exams are catching up to us; indeed, they are breathing down the very backs of our necks.

At least we have Thanksgiving first. But that is only a temporary respite. Like death and taxes, the specter of finals is certain to raise its ugly head.

Legislators love it

Complicating the situation immensely is, of course, the need to make those last minute plans for Christmas vacation. Personally, I had reservations on a lovely, little out-of-the-way place called Grenada. But, owing to a peculiar aversion I have to combat zones, I'm having to change my plans. Thanks again, Mr. President. If I want to hang around where there are a bunch of people in military garb, I'll just stay on the MTSU campus, okay?

Gosh, here I am wasting space when I could be ranting and raving about nuclear war and other stuff I can't do anything about, at least not right this minute. I mean, I have studying and Christmas card lists to update and turkeys to stuff. And I still haven't firmed up my vacation plans. Maybe I'll visit Vietnam. That seems like the last place where we'd get involved in another "Vietnam War." It would just be *too much deja vu*.

Finding new taxes latest fad

By DAN BATEY

NASHVILLE (UPI)—The latest fad in the halls of Tennessee government is thinking up new tax schemes. Nearly every week now somebody comes up with a new tax or an idea to overhaul an old one.

The Tax of the Week this week is the flat-rate business tax. The runner-up is the robot tax.

Gov. Lamar Alexander is apparently serious about abolishing the bewildering array of state business taxes, a morass of levies knitted together in the Tennessee Code over the past 100 or so years.

Being taken less seriously is the robot tax. The idea is to tax companies that employ robots to do the jobs once performed by tax-paying humans.

The flat-rate business tax, on the other hand, was recommended last spring by the Small Business Task Force, a six-member committee headed by former state Finance Commissioner William Sansom.

This week, at his annual Economic and Community Development, Alexander told a group of about 300 potential investors from around the nation that Tennessee is interested in creating a more friendly climate for business.

A better business climate, he said, would include stripping off the tangled mat of business taxes and replacing it with a simple tax that would be presumably easier to collect, cause fewer headaches for accounting departments and spread the business tax burden more equitably.

Alexander was quick to point out he is not interested in raising more tax money with the flat-rate tax, just in installing a better system.

There is a growing consensus in Nashville that tax reform is on the way. Some legislators, such as Rep. John Bragg, D-Murfreesboro, chairman of the House Finance Committee, favor tinkering with existing taxes to achieve more fairness. Bragg also favors taxing diversions such as bingo, a Tax of the Week from last spring.

Other members of the Tax of the Week Club have been the income tax, advertising tax, occupational privilege tax, video game tax and the ever-popular but as-yet-shunned parimutual betting levy.

While most legislators seem

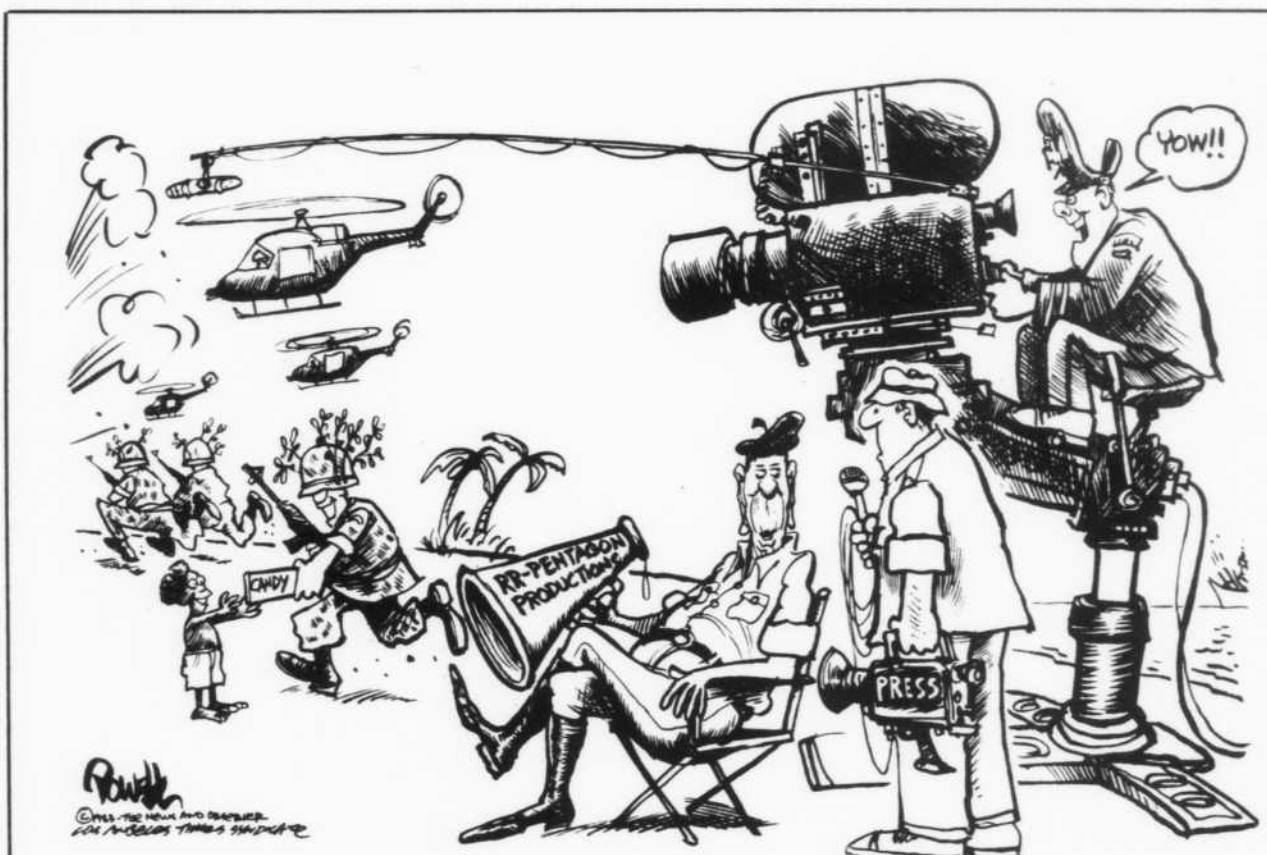
willing to modify existing taxes or simply add on some novel approaches to taxation, others—Rep. David Copeland, R-Chattanooga, for one—have taken a more extreme stance. Copeland has suggested pitching the entire Tennessee tax code in the Cumberland River, so to speak, and starting over.

Alexander has taken no big position on tax reform, except to say that someday it will probably be necessary. He has been more concerned with seeing his 10-point education improvement plan become law, and has stuck to his proposal to increase the state sales tax by a penny to pay for it.

If he can get his Better Schools Program off the ground, the governor has said, then he would turn his attention to tax reform.

Apparently Alexander thinks his Better Schools fight is about won, because this week he made his strongest comments so far on reworking the tax code.

"It [flat-rate business tax] wouldn't be an option for January or February, but it would be something we would hope could be considered in 1985 or 1986 as the Legislature considers tax reform," he said. "It would involve the repeal of all or almost all other business taxes, the personal income tax on dividends and the reduction of some other taxes."



From Our Readers

Lady Raiders' starting time should be changed

To the editor:

As the basketball season steadily approaches, a concern about the starting time of the Lady Raiders' basketball games has arisen.

For many years the starting time of the most successful basketball team on this campus, the Lady Raiders, has been 5:00. Most people find it inconvenient to arrive for a 5:00 game, since they are, for example, just getting off of work or having dinner. As a result, the attendance and the support has been, at its best, extremely poor.

It is imperative that a better starting time be set. A suggested starting time would be 6 p.m. or 6:15.

There would be no time

conflict with the beginning of the men's basketball team as close observation of last year's season would clearly prove a consistent wait of at least 45 minutes after the women's game. This wasted time could be changed to efficient time if a new starting time was set.

If by some chance an overtime game was in motion, the wonderful facilities of MTSU would come to the rescue with the presence of two auxiliary gyms, thereby giving the men sufficient warm-up time.

Any sports fan can acknowledge that a basketball game consists of two 20-minute halves with an intermission. Surely it does not require two hours (5:00 to 7:00) to play the women's game! High school teams play both games in two hours.

If you mentally support and agree to adopt a new positive

change in starting times, then it is necessary to physically support the proposed change by signing the circulating petitions concerning this issue.

Amber Pearce
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Sports editorial accurate, but tasteless, reckless

To the editor:

This is in response to the Nov. 1 article titled "The Three Men."

I feel you should've addressed the attendance problem at the Youngstown State-MTSU game, but I think the 'three writers should've given some more consideration to how they dealt with the problem in the article.

First of all, let's remember attendance at opening home

games is usually pretty good. Secondly, remember that the Eastern Kentucky game was on Parents Day and Industry Day ticket promotion was done by the athletic department. Finally, remember that thousands always come to homecoming every year. All three home games mentioned here received a lot of hype.

Given these facts, consider the YSU attendance (5,500). Granted, there were some who went to see Vandy play and others on campus who probably didn't bother to take in MTSU's game. I agree, these fans need to be converted, gentlemen!

Others you have directed in your "Three Men" article are: those "running home every single weekend to see Mom or see their ole alma mater play. I agree, these fans also need nudging!

But please be careful when

you write about the YSU game attendance! I don't believe there was a local ticket promo done for the YSU game. You ought to be prodding the university community and local residents of this town! Does the MTSU athletic office always have to offer special ticket days to get local residents to attend games?

Also, there are many avid MTSU fans, like myself, who still try to see their ole high school team play occasionally in big games. If you haven't noticed, this is the time of year when many high school district championships and bowl bids are finally nailed down. It's also around the time when prep teams have homecoming festivities. Look, students supporting their alma mater or visiting old acquaintances doesn't mean they lack support for MTSU!

I just feel you all need to step back and consider things

before you accuse with tasteless, reckless abandon.

It's really not great journalism to tell students to "get the hell out of here..." or to "go to hell with their genitals aflame." (No matter whether or not they're guilty of being lazy or fickle fans!)

Also, it's certainly not professional to call your readers "stupid."

I'm surprised *Sidelines* Faculty Advisor Don Meadows and Editor in Chief Elizabeth Porter allowed such poor taste of words to be printed in what has been an award-winning college newspaper!

I'm a former sports editor of *Sidelines* and I'm ashamed of the way you handled the "Three Men" article. Gentlemen, be sharp, piercing, witty, aggressive and even accusing—but think first and don't be tacky and tasteless.

Craig Arnold
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entertainment

Vital Information: A 'journey' through jazz

By JEFF MARCELL

Sidelines Staff Writer

Last Friday night, Steve Smith and Jerry Tachoir came to Wright Music Hall for their Vital Information tour, featuring jazz in Smith's first solo effort away from his mainstay band, Journey.

Jerry Tachoir opened the concert, and although the show was 20 minutes late starting, Tachoir's performance proved to be well worth the wait. Tachoir plays

the xylophone with no holds barred. I've seen drummers get into drumming and guitarists getting into playing the guitar, but getting into the xylophone is something unique.

ONE OF THE tunes Tachoir played was "Gideon," which featured the best in jazz using keyboards and of course, the xylophone. Tachoir also performed his award-winning tune "Infraction," which was, in my opinion, the best song he performed.

Next up was the guy for whom everyone appeared to be waiting: Steve Smith. Smith apologized for the delay at the beginning of the concert (Tachoir had only said it wasn't his fault), but after playing a while, the delay didn't seem to matter.

The songs from Smith's jazz album, *Vital Information*, sounded a bit better live. However, the excessive use of percussion made the tunes sound more like rock than jazz. "Vital Information" was the first one played, and Smith gave his drums a workout. He must have gotten more exercise on that song than if he had participated in the 20 Minute Workout.

SMITH PERFORMED "13th Month" and "Looks Good, Feels Great" from the *Vital Information* album. He also performed a few drum solos, sharing the spotlight with Dave Wilczewski on saxophone.

Even though *Vital Information* was a jazz tour, it presented a very strong rock 'n' roll flavor, which is no doubt due to Smith's drumming with Journey.

This is the first tour of *Vital Information*. As they play more gigs, they are sure to increase their following. The *Vital Information* tour obviously impressed those who were at the concert Friday night. It was one of the few times I've gotten a lot for just \$5.



Photo by Gina Fann

Jerry Tachoir burns up his xylophone on his award-winning jazz tune "Infraction."



Photo by Pat Henry

Steve Smith showed his versatility as a percussionist last Friday night in his first concert tour with *Vital Information*, a jazz ensemble group.



Photo by Gina Fann

The members of *Vital Information* jam with jazz, playing their title tune from their new album.

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Crystal Gayle serves as chairman for CF event

By DAWN WATERSON
Sidelines Staff Writer

Country music entertainer Crystal Gayle will serve as honorary chairman of the Cystic Fibrosis Bowl for Breath campaign on Saturday, Nov. 19, at the Murfreesboro Bowling Lanes Bowling Center.

Murfreesboro Bowling Center manager Rick Tettelbach said the center is ready for its fifth year of the Bowl for Breath.

"LAST YEAR WE raised the 11th largest sum of money," he said. "This year with the Junior Bowling leagues' participation, there is an even larger expected turnout."

Tettelbach said that the Annual bowl is cystic fibrosis' major fundraiser.

"It's a good way to bowl cheap, and have a good time," Tettelbach said. "The center is offering local prizes as well as a chance to compete for state prizes."

Last year, we raised the 11th largest sum of money...

The first prize winner at the bowling center will receive a Commodore VIC 20 Home Computer; second prize is a new bowling ball, courtesy of the center. Cystic fibrosis t-shirts will be given to participants who collect money from 10 or more sponsors and an AM/FM headphone radio will be given to all participants who turn in money from 25 or

more sponsors.

BOWLERS WILL BE able to bowl three games between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. for a special price of \$2.50, Tettelbach said.

Pledges are set at one cent per pin scored in the three games. Money collected by participants needs to be into the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in Nashville by Dec. 10 for participants to receive their prizes.

"The main thing that matters," Tettelbach said, "is that it is not the amount of games you win, but the amount of sponsors you have that make you more eligible."

GRAND PRIZE statewide is the choice of a Commodore 64-K home computer system,

including the monitor and single disc drive, a 19-inch color television with an Atari game system, or a video-cassette recorder with a 13-inch color television set included. The state grand prize will be provided by Safeco

Insurance Co.

Volunteer co-ordinators for the Bowl for Breath are Kathy and Donnie Moore of Murfreesboro.

For more information on the Bowl for Breath or cystic fibrosis, contact the Tennessee Chapter at 4004 Hillsboro Road, Suite 229, Nashville, Tenn., 37215, or call Jaime Sloan at the chapter at (615)297-3582 or Rick Tettelbach at the bowling center.

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Soviet journalist's lecture canceled

A Nov. 9 lecture on Soviet policy and journalism by Soviet journalist Vladimir Posner will be rescheduled for early spring if reapproved by the Ideas and Issues Committee.

According to Harold Smith of Student Programming and the American Programming Bureau in Chicago, Posner has postponed his U.S. tour until next year due to the illness of his mother.

"It [the lecture] still will happen, it is just a matter of when," said Smith. "It is also up to the Ideas and Issues Committee and whether or not they are still interested."

Posner has worked for the Novosti Press Agency in Russia, been managing editor of *Soviet Life* magazine and written for the Soviet equivalent of Readers Digest, *Sputnik*. He has also worked in broadcasting for ABC News Nightline.

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Synchronicity! Photo by Jim Bond

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The Three Women (and no, we're not Chi-Os)

John, Happy Birthday! Hope you have a big one!

The Gang

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Greg Wendzicki

CHILBERT: It's about time you grew back your beard, you big sex guy.

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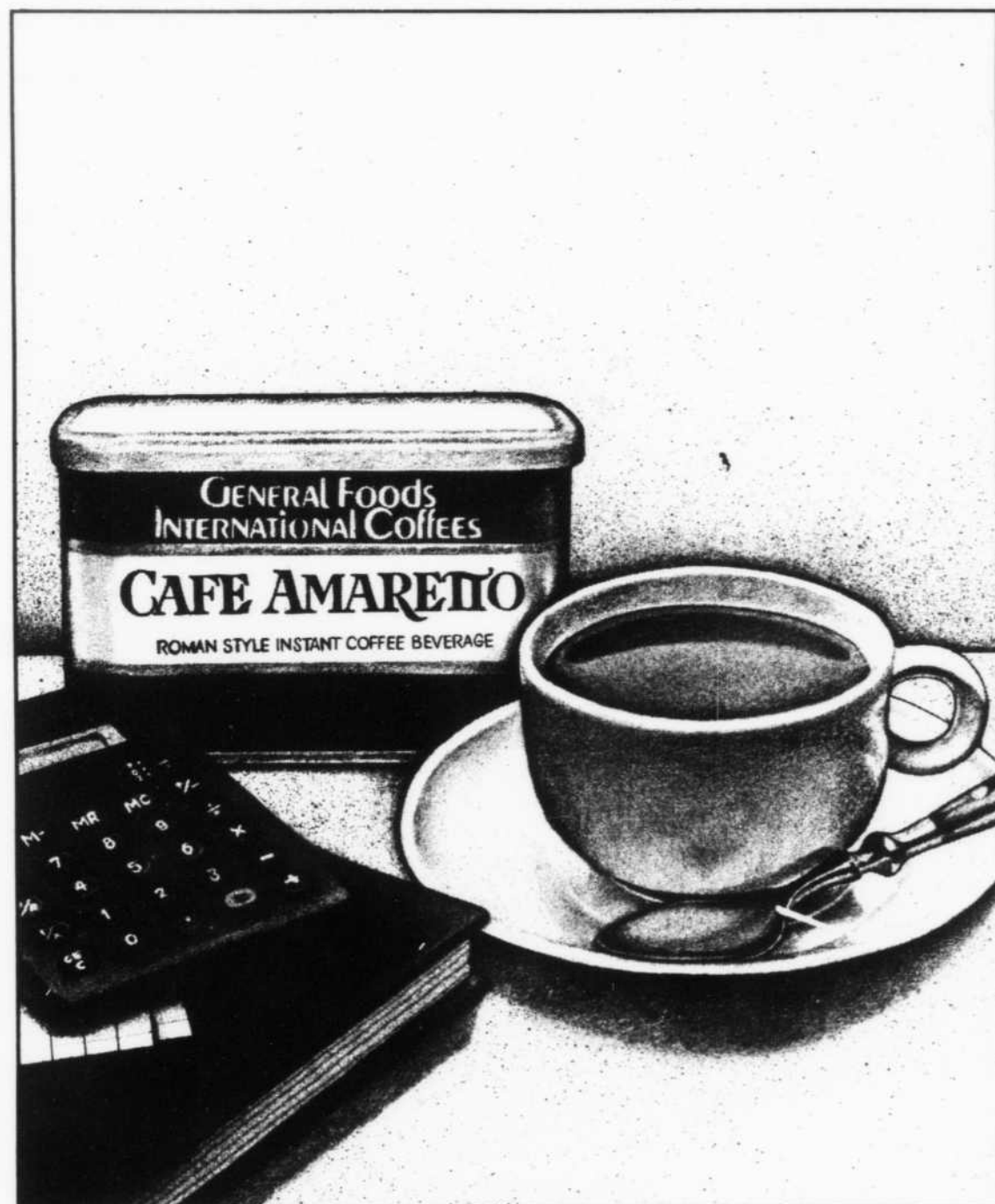
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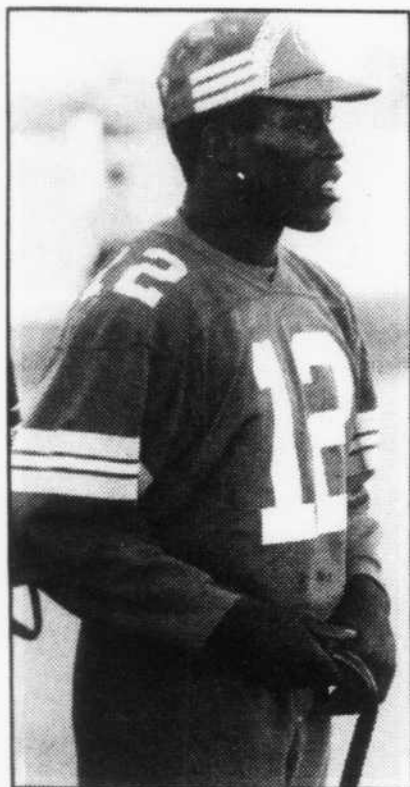


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Sports



Injured Vince Hall watches the Raiders win from the sidelines.

Pretty drive sparks Raiders over Western

By MIKE JONES
Sidelines Sports Editor

It was a day when the Blue Raiders didn't have to come from behind or hold on to win a football game; they controlled the tempo the entire way Saturday to dismantle Western Kentucky 26-7.

MTSU turned the all-important tempo their way with a goal line stand in the second quarter and then followed that up with a 98-yard drive culminating in a two-yard touchdown run by fullback Danny Colwell.

TO HEAD COACH Boots Donnelly, the stand and drive were works of art.

"It was pretty, wasn't it?" Donnelly smiled. "That was the

second goal line stand we've had this year, and we turned both of them into touchdowns. To see our defense stop them like that really gets our offense up. It's very difficult to do against a good football team."

The Hilltoppers had four cracks at scoring after picking up a first down at the MTSU 11-yard line.

DON GRIFFIN NAILED Western quarterback Scott Travis as he tried to sweep in on third down from the Blue Raider five and then a host of Raiders stopped Pat McKenzie as he tried to vault into the end zone on fourth down from the two.

With the win, MTSU's record goes to 8-1, keeping the Raiders' hopes of a I-AA

playoff berth alive with only one game left on the schedule.

After the touchdown, MTSU increased what could have been a tie (had the stand failed), into a 17-0 margin when placekicker Kelly Potter nailed the first of two field goals, a 33-yarder, which was set up by a Griffin interception at the MTSU 43 yard line.

MTSU GOT ON the board on their first possession of the game with a Kevin Baker touchdown waltz from seven yards out. Baker rushed for 136 yards on 26 carries while playing in place of the injured Vince Hall, who watched the game from the sidelines in sweats and with cane in hand.

Hall underwent arthroscopic surgery on his knee earlier in

the week, but should be back for the Tennessee Tech contest on Nov. 19.

Baker said he had no qualms about having to fill in for his roommate.

"WE KNEW WHAT we had to do. We were pretty well prepared and the offensive line was blocking well," Baker said.

"We never thought about Kevin not being able to carry his load," Donnelly commented afterward. "We're a tailback football team. They [WKU] pinched down hard on us inside. We then went to tossing the ball out to Danny [Colwell] and he got something done for us out there."

Colwell had another impressive game after coming off his best performance of the

season against Youngstown State last week, when he rushed for 77 yards on eight carries. Against the Hilltoppers, Colwell picked up 55 yards on 13 carries while catching three passes for 31 yards, including an 18-yard grab.

COLWELL ALSO HELPED control Western's All-American linebacker Paul Gray, who Donnelly earlier said had always been a thorn in MTSU's side in previous games with the Hilltoppers.

"He's a good linebacker," Donnelly said. "Danny neutralized him quite well. Our offensive line played pretty good, although they [WKU] got to the quarterback

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MTSU drops in poll despite 26-7 win

MTSU, despite winning 26-7 Saturday over Western Kentucky, fell from a tie for fifth in the NCAA I-AA poll to sixth, behind fifth place Eastern Kentucky.

The Colonels put together a 24-7 win Saturday over

Tennessee Tech to tie MTSU for the Ohio Valley Conference lead. Eastern faces Morehead State in its final game of the year, while the Blue Raiders host Tennessee Tech Nov. 19.

Tennessee dropped from a tie for seventh in the poll to a tie for 11th with

Eastern Illinois. The Big Blue Tigers blistered the University of the District of Columbia Saturday.

The top four teams in the poll (Southern Illinois, Holy Cross, Northeast Louisiana and Furman, respectively) remained unchanged.

Russell Smith stars in scrimmage as MTSU basketball men near opener

By MIKE JONES
Sidelines Sports Editor

The MTSU men's basketball team had another intrasquad scrimmage Saturday night in preparation for its Nov. 26 opener against 1982-83 Final Four contestant Georgia.

The Raiders face the Bulldogs in the opening round of the Wendy's Classic in Bowling Green.

THE RED TEAM defeated the blue team 46-29, with transfer Russell Smith leading the charge for the winners with 31 points and 17 rebounds.

Several players saw action for both teams during the scrimmage, but sophomore center Raleigh Choice poured in 18 points during his stint

with the red team, while junior transfer Lonnie Thompson had 14 points.

"I thought we got some good individual performances, but we still have a lot to work on," Head Coach Stan "Ramrod" Simpson said after the game.

BLUE RAIDER FANS will get a peek at this year's squad at the Blue-White game, scheduled for Monday, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at Monte Hale Arena in Murphy Center.

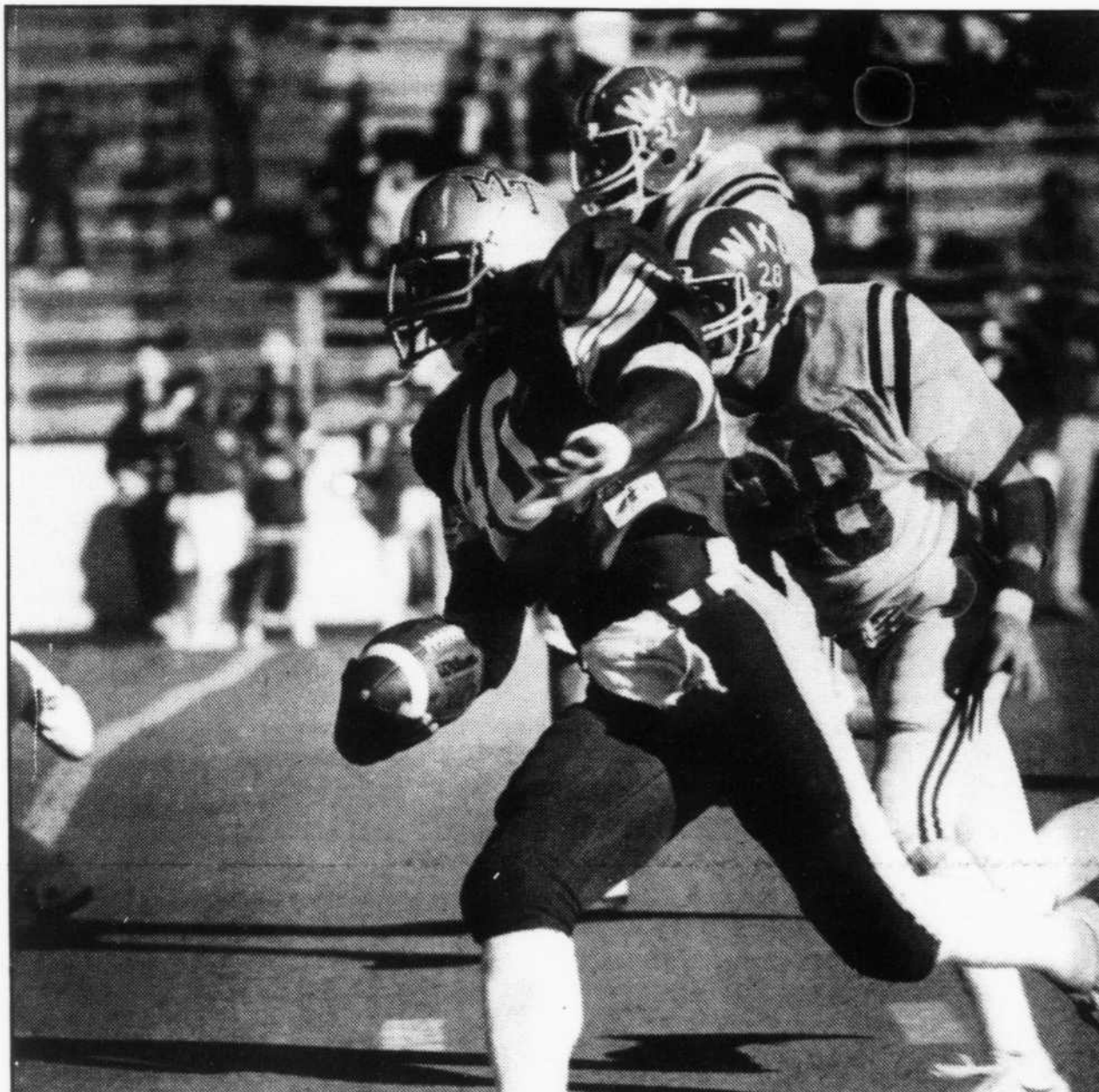
Two highly touted high school seniors were on hand to watch the Raiders Saturday night. Charles Earles, a 6-foot-5 senior from Gainesville High School in Gainesville, Ga., and Rodney Holden, a 6-foot-6 senior from Harper High

School in Atlanta made one of their official visits to the school.

Earles is the cousin of MTSU forward Doug Lipscomb, who also attended Gainesville High School. Earles said he was being looked at by every Ohio Valley Conference school, along with Georgia, Georgia Southern, Clemson and Nevada-Las Vegas.

Gainesville won the state championship last year in Class AAA and Earle averaged 12.5 points per game.

Holden said he is being looked at by Marshall, Temple and Auburn, among others. He averaged around 18 points per game and 12 rebounds a contest.



MTSU fullback Danny Colwell bustles around end with the football in Saturday's 26-7 win for the Blue Raiders over Western Kentucky.

Grogan getting job done in fine form

By DON TILLET
Sidelines Sports Writer

Mitzi Williams Grogan, a four-year starter on the MTSU Women's Volleyball Team, does a real good job.

Those are the words of volleyball coach Diane Cummings, and she added that at 5-4, Grogan can be very deceiving.

"SHE HUSTLES MORE than any individual on the floor. She can jump well, despite her size. She's one of the best blockers on the team. She's also a very capable hitter, even though we don't use her in that capacity," Cummings explained.

"Each game she just gets

better and better."

In addition to her athletic ability, Grogan also has been selected as a scholastic representative finalist for the Ohio Valley Conference.

CUMMINGS DESCRIBES her as a "team leader—both on and off the floor."

"I just try to help them out by keeping them up," Grogan said.

Despite a dismal 4-18 record, Grogan added that she knows the team is going to improve.

"I let them know that they have a chance to improve. Right now, they are improving with every game," she said.

"WE'VE PLAYED WELL against Tech, [Tennessee Tech, the team which won the OVC Round Robin] but we've been up and down all year. We seem to get an edge and then just let down."

Grogan is Cummings' ideal player.

"She's a coach's dream. You tell her something once and you know it is going to be done," Cummings said.

An Elementary Education major, Grogan said that she plans to pursue a primary teaching job in her hometown of Greenbrier after she graduates.



Mitzi Grogan

Women's volleyball team
four-year starter

Lady Raider netters to North Alabama Thurs.

By ANDY REED
Sidelines Sports Writer

The MTSU volleyball team takes its 4-18 record Saturday into a tri-match with North Alabama and Austin Peay after a loss to tough Alabama-Birmingham last Thursday night.

The Lady Raiders, though swept by the Lady Blazers, played very well against a unit Head Coach Diane Cummings described as a "class A team."

"IF WE COULD play this well against the teams in the OVC, we could do very well," Cummings said.

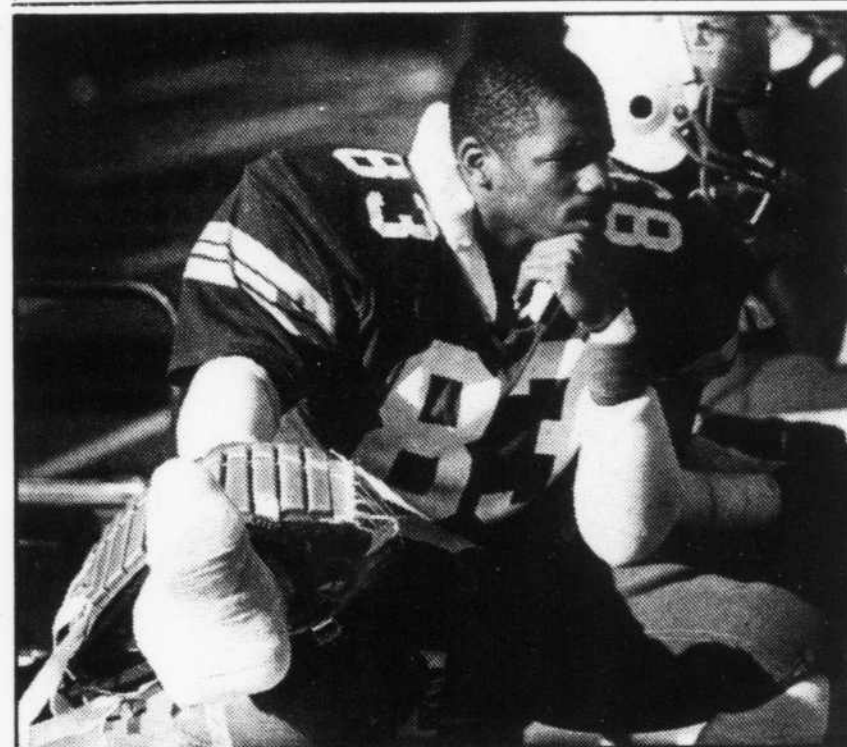
Vickie Clark did return to action against UAB briefly.

The freshman from Greenbrier sat out last Tuesday's match after turning her ankle during the previous match with Murray State.

SHE IS EXPECTED to be kept out of action for the remainder of the week, Cummings said.

The Lady Raider mentor is expecting tough matches against North Alabama and Austin Peay, each of whom has already won victories over MTSU this season.

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MTSU defensive end William Thomas sits on the bench after injuring his ankle Saturday against Western Kentucky in the 26-7 Raider win.

Tired Raiders face open week, then Tech

By MIKE JONES
Sidelines Sports Editor

After 10 weeks of football with very few breaks, Boots Donnelly finally gave his squad a few days off.

The Blue Raider head coach called off practices through today and the team will begin preparation tomorrow for their Nov. 19 feud with long-time rival Tennessee Tech. It will be the final game of the year for MTSU.

"IT WAS AN important win for us," Donnelly said after MTSU's 26-7 win Saturday over Western Kentucky. "It was important for us to play well, and it tickled me to death to see our guys play that hard."

Donnelly was so tickled that

he took off on the recruiting trail, hitting Chattanooga and northern Georgia in search of potential Blue Raiders.

"I want them [the players] to stay away from the football office and football as long as possible," the coach said. "We need time to heal up. Thank goodness we've got a week off."

MAJOR INJURIES that will need time to heal include a knee injury to Vince Hall, which he suffered during the win over Youngstown State. Hall underwent arthroscopic surgery last week, but should be able to play against Tech.

Defensive end William Thomas suffered an ankle injury Saturday during the win over Western Kentucky.

The break also comes at a key time in the season, with the Raiders expected to pick up a I-AA playoff bid if they defeat Tech.

"MENTALLY, THESE guys have fought it pretty hard," Donnelly said. "Sometimes they get flap-dab, on-the-floor silly over football. Our players have to understand the importance of this last game. They know our season comes down to the Tennessee Tech game. With the time off, we're hopin' they can come and really lay their ears back against Tech."

Most of the players also agree the break comes at a good time, giving players a chance to heal, reflect and

prepare. "I hurt my shoulder, but it's nothing serious," bruising fullback Danny Colwell said. "Tech is an important conference game for us, and the week off will give us a chance to work harder."

"A LOT OF US are starting to think about the playoffs," Colwell admitted.

The offensive line has been relatively untouched by injuries, but offensive tackle David Kerell agreed that the rest is welcome.

"We've been working real hard since the Akron game. It's been surprising that the offensive line has not had more injuries," Kerell said.

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Greek All-Stars prep for battle

By DAVE FUQUA
Sidelines Campus Rec Guy
Sports Editor's note: David is the coach of the MTSU Greek All-Star team.

The MTSU Greek All-Star team will begin practicing today for its upcoming battle against the Tennessee Tech Greeks on Nov. 19 prior to the MTSU vs. Tennessee Tech football game.

The MTSU Greeks, who are hosts for the game, are sponsored by Busch and Skoal Bandits.

THIS TEAM WILL feature good speed on offense and defense. Look for Martin Aldridge and Richard Smith to provide the outside running attack along with Jimmy Fox for the tough inside yardage.

On defense, quickness will

also be the team's main asset, with Ross "Wild Man" Dewberry and Phil Massey getting lots of playing time.

Twenty-three players representing MTSU were selected this year with 13 chosen by the individual fraternities and the remainder by the coaches. The other players chosen were selected to fill needed slots.

THE GAME SHOULD be very physical with the rules giving MTSU a slight edge since Tennessee Tech doesn't play flag football.

Last year's game was hard-hitting and closer to full contact flag football. There will be an extra incentive this year with MTSU trying to avenge last year's loss at Tech.

The Campus Rec volleyball season will be in full swing this week now that football is over.

Everyone should look for Total Rec to be strong again this year under the leadership of Glenn "The Cannon" Hanley, who will be out to defend their title against all opponents.

IN THE MEN'S Greek division, SAE should be tough once again under the watchful eye of Mark Miller, who claims an addiction to the sport and helps pull their talent together.

The women's Greek division should also prove to be tough with no clear favorite at this time.

NOTE: The women's flag football champion was Rutledge Hall, who routed Kappa Delta 49-0 to avenge last year's loss.



Photos by Mike Poley

Ouch!

MTSU tailback Kevin Baker is hit by a Western Kentucky defender during Saturday's 26-7 win for the Blue Raiders over the Hilltoppers. Baker carried for 136 yards on 26 carries.

Pre-season OVC Picks

Morehead State was selected by conference coaches last week to repeat as Ohio Valley Conference basketball champions for 1983-84, while MTSU was picked to win the women's title.

The OVC Coaches Poll:

MEN

1. Morehead State
2. Tennessee Tech
3. Murray State
4. Akron
5. Middle Tennessee State
6. Austin Peay
7. Youngstown State
8. Eastern Kentucky

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- Joe Jakubick-Akron
- Lamont Sleet-Murray State
- Lenny Manning-Austin Peay
- Guy Minniefield-Morehead State
- Stephen Kite-Tennessee Tech

MEN'S SECOND TEAM

- Earl Harrison-Morehead State
- Doug Lipscomb-Middle Tenn
- Ricky Tunstall-Youngstown
- Greg Andrews-Austin Peay
- Lonnie Boone-Tennessee Tech

WOMEN

1. Middle Tennessee State
2. Morehead State
3. Eastern Kentucky
4. Tennessee Tech
5. Murray State
6. Austin Peay
7. Akron
8. Youngstown State

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- Holly Hoover-Middle Tenn
- Jennifer McFall-Middle Tenn
- Priscilla Blackford-Morehead
- Lisa Goodin-Eastern Kentucky
- Chris Moye-Tennessee Tech

WOMEN'S SECOND TEAM

- Rita Berry-Morehead State
- Lynn Miley-Morehead State
- Lori Barrett-Murray State
- Amy Davis-Austin Peay
- Tina Cottle-Eastern Kentucky

Lady

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"UNA [University of North Alabama] is a real strong team, right around the caliber of UAB.

"Austin Peay is like us. They're young and small and

anything can happen," the coach said.

The MTSU-North Alabama-Austin Peay match gets underway at 6 p.m. Thursday at Alumni Memorial Gym.

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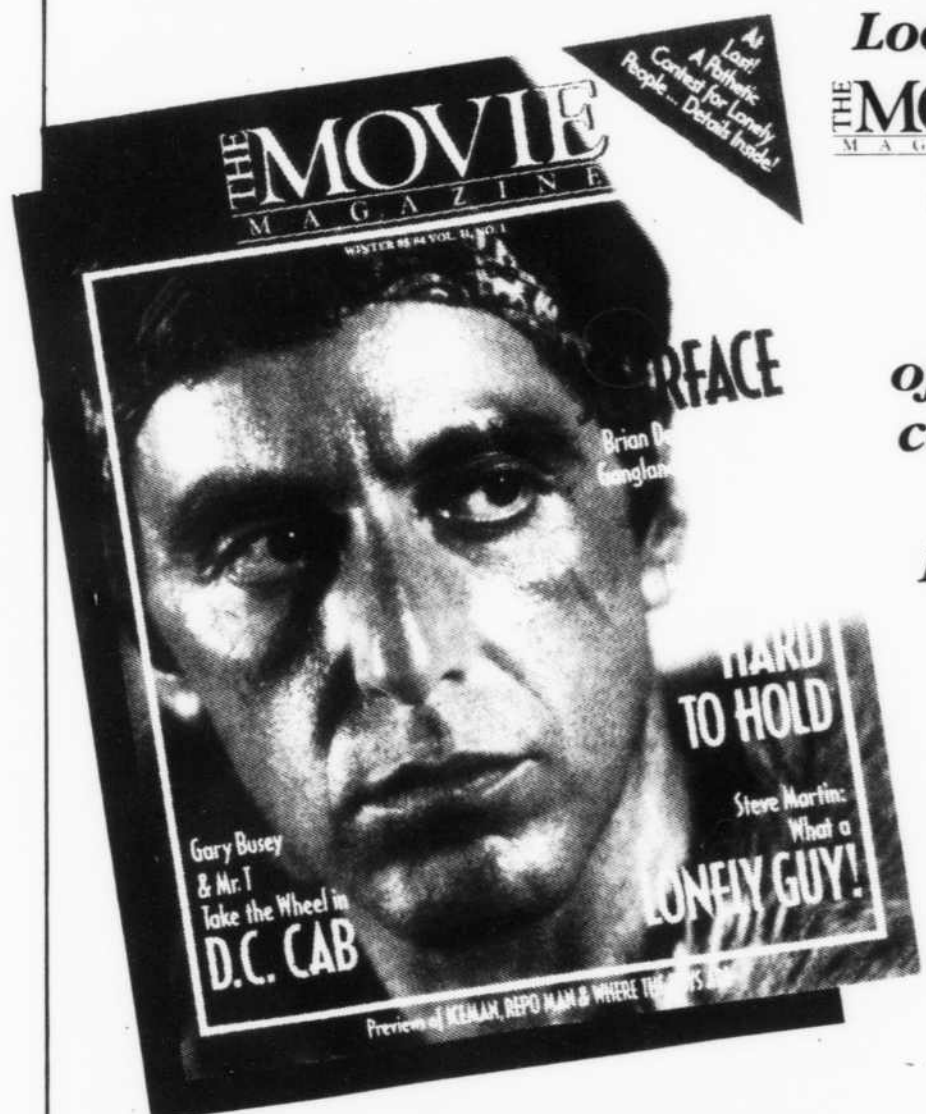
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some in the third and fourth quarter."

Quarterback Mickey Corwin definitely felt the effects of the protection, throwing for 178 yards on 13 of 17 passes. The junior from Downey, Calif. was cool and collected in the backfield all afternoon, even when the pressure came late in the game. After a couple of down weeks, Corwin again found consistency.

"IT'S EVENING out and we're starting to get more

completions again," Corwin said. "As long as they're catching the ball I'm gonna throw it if they don't mind."

Corwin said the loss of Hall in the backfield was of some worry, but that Baker eradicated any offensive frustration that may have come about because of Hall's absence.

"We were concerned," Corwin said. "But we all have faith in each other. Kevin just did the job today."

MTSU INCREASED their

lead to 20-0 early in the third quarter when Potter powered a 52-yard field goal into the wind.

Western drove into scoring range several times in the fourth quarter. After a 14-play drive early in the quarter to the MTSU 18, Blue Raider cornerback Steve Puryear picked off a Scott Travis pass in the end zone.

After MTSU failed to move the ball, punter Mark Morrison responded with his longest punt of the year, a 57-yard

effort from the Blue Raider 16. Western, however, picked up their only score of the game on the next play when Travis hit a streaking Jeff Mullins for a 73-yard touchdown play, making the score 20-7.

THE FINAL TOUCHDOWN was set up when Western's Keith Paskett dropped a Morrison punt which was recovered by MTSU's Jerry Lockhart at the Western 43. A few plays later, Corwin rolled in the end zone from two yards out,

giving MTSU the 26-7 margin after a two-point conversion attempt failed.

Jeff Spencer, Mike Mathis, Allen Ball and Griffin were the leading tacklers for MTSU, with Mathis also having three pass break-ups.

The Raiders racked up 353 yards total offense, compared to Western's 260. MTSU held the Hilltoppers to 45 yards on the ground.

The Blue Raiders face an idle week, before hosting Tennessee Tech Nov. 19 in the final

regular season game of the year for both teams.

Tired

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"It comes at an excellent time," reserve center Dino Deluliis said. "We finally get a chance to have a couple of days off. Some of the top teams have big games this week, so it gives us a chance to see how they'll come out and see how they'll affect our standing."

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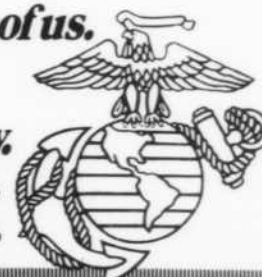
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