



Omega Psi Phi Pearls do some 'bad steppin' Wednesday as part of Omega Week.

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## Alcohol-in-dorms recommendation voted down

by Ted Rayburn

A report compiled by a special ad hoc committee to study the possibility of allowing alcoholic beverages in dorm rooms on campus recommends a maintaining of the present rules, according to Robert LaLance, vice president of student affairs and committee chairman.

Recommendations to approve having alcohol in the dorms were voted down by a 7-1 committee vote. The direction of the votes was attributed by some committee members to a low response to a questionnaire used by the group to determine their decision.

Submitted to President M.G. Scarlett for consideration on April 1, the report served to recommend on Scarlett's recommendation to the Board of Regents on the alcohol-on-campus resolution.

The committee members, besides LaLance, included Bob Jones of the MTSU history department; Herbert Jones, accounting department; Judy Smith, dean of women; Jack Bynum, security captain; Anne Parsons, dorm head resident; Richard Langford, former ASB president; and Mike McDonald, ASB senate speaker.

Objectives of the committee were

two-fold: (1) to decide if MTSU should recommend the adoption of a policy permitting the possession of alcoholic beverages, and (2) if a policy of adoption should be recommended, how we would provide for its implementation," according to the report.

Information for the committee's considerations was gathered chiefly from a survey questionnaire, distributed to students, faculty, administrators, parents of MTSU students, and alumni.

Response to the questionnaire was "unenthusiastic," according to committee member Bynum. Approximately 29 per cent of the 3,500 questionnaires distributed were returned. Seventy-six per cent of

faculty members surveyed responded, while administrators polled responded by 70 per cent.

While parents answered by 31 per cent and alumni at 29 per cent, only 31 per cent of the students living on campus responded and only 17 per cent of off-campus students polled answered and returned the questionnaires.

Overall, those surveyed who responded opposed a change by a ratio of 2-1.

Committee member McDonald explained rationale for his final vote by stating "If student response had been greater, it would have made a great impact. I wasn't against

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## WMOT-FM to air radio classics

Tarzan, the Lone Ranger, the Green Hornet and the Shadow are just a few of the old-time heroes who will make a comeback on campus radio WMOT-FM (89.5) during "Earbuster '77" beginning tonight.

Billed as "The Return of the Radio Classics" by the station, more than 40 hours of music specials will be featured during the nine days of programming.

At 5:30 this afternoon the specials start, with old-time radio comedy (1920s-1950s) as the first offering. Tonight at 8, the history of jazz music, from its origins in New Orleans to its general acceptance today will be explored.

"Your Story Hour" and an adaptation of one of the Little House on the Prairie" stories is featured tomorrow night on the station. Other highlights of the special programming include: "A

Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" (Sunday, 8 p.m.); "The Lawrence Welk Story" (Tuesday, 8 p.m.) and a Beatles Special (Thursday, 8:30 p.m.).

Programs occurring several times through the week include "Sentimental Journey," a look at the people, events and music of the period from 1920 through the 50s; concerts by the Boston Pops, and adventure shows from the era of radio at its finest.

...On Sunday, excerpts from the 1976 Tennessee Fiddler's Championship will be broadcast beginning at 9 p.m. The contest, held in Clarksville, features not only fiddling but bluegrass banjo, old time singing and an appearance by Hee Haw regular Roni Stoneman, one of many musicians to appear at the 1975 "Volunteer Jam" in Murphy Center.

## Business school accredited

Dr. M.G. Scarlett has announced that the MTSU Business school received accreditation recently following eight years of "extensive effort."

The accreditation which comes from the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business makes MTSU one of three in the

state to receive this standing. The other Tennessee schools are UT Knoxville and Memphis State.

Plans are underway for various ceremonies recognizing the accreditation, which as Dr. Scarlett said "is a great honor for MTSU and should be a great asset in recruiting."



Alpha Phi Alpha member Foster Anthony [right] receives an award for his fraternity from McDonald's for the most food eaten by a fraternity in their division yesterday. Sigma Chi and Pi Kappa Alpha also won in their respective divisions.

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## Alcohol recommendation fails

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having alcohol, but against the resolution.

Rationale for the final recommendation, as listed in the report, included these points: (1) "the lack of a mandate for change from campus constituents"; (2) the poor rate of questionnaires returned by the students polled; (3) lack of unsolicited responses from students, faculty and administrators; (4) concern for having an "unenforceable regulation in effect"; (5) the question of "whether students have a 'right' to engage in

otherwise legal pursuits of their own choosing within the privacy of a rented residence hall room"; and "I felt the students were entitled to as many rights and freedoms as they could have, but that the greatest majority of them might not be ready for it," Bynum said. "I think they like things the way they are now."

"In my opinion, it was a matter of students' rights," dissenting member Langford said. "(With students) being 18, a legal adult, they should have the responsibility to have alcohol as they wish. They can't be sheltered here at school."

The Board of Regents will meet in June to accept any in-put concerning the alcohol-on-campus question.

### School gets airplane

The MTSU Foundation will soon be the recipient of another airplane.

An East Tennessee industrialist, whose son took aerospace classes at MTSU, is donating the plane.

Dr. Randall Wood, chairman of the Aerospace Department, said the plane is an early 40's vintage Lockheed Lodestar. It is a twin engine transport with a 10 passenger capacity and a cruise speed of 200 miles per hour.

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The University Grill will be open from 9 a.m.-1 a.m. Monday, April 25 through Thursday, April 28 and Sunday, April 31. Free coffee will be served by ARA Food Service as an exam break for students each night from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

The Nigerian Association will have a combination meeting and year-end party Saturday, April 23 at 6 p.m. at the Married Student Lounge, with all Nigerian students invited to attend.

Deadline for Student Orientation Assistants has been extended, according to Speaker of the House Joy Heath. Applications can be obtained from the Office of the Dean of Student Services, UC 212.

The educational placement bureau announces a service to aid qualified teachers in obtaining a position in their chosen field.

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Deadline for changing incomplete grades from the past semester is April 29.

Gamma Beta Phi members are invited to attend a hot dog picnic lunch for the society today from 12 noon until 2 p.m. The lunch will be held in the grassy area behind Monohan Hall and the food is free to members.

The MTSU varsity debate team this past weekend reached the final rounds of the National Debate Tournament held in Springfield, Mo., and was named ninth in the nation.

The tournaments, composed of the top fifty college debate teams in the nation, took place last Thursday through Monday. Representing MTSU were Mike Dagley, a Murfreesboro junior, and Linda Hoffman, a senior from Pensacola Fla.

Jim Brooks, MTSU professor of speech and Director of Forensics, has been named Outstanding Honors Teacher of the Year by the Honors Advisory Council.

The safety of saccharin use will be one of the topics of discussion when Barbara Banks of the Federal Food and Drug Administration speaks here Monday, April 25.

Banks, the FDA Consumer Affairs Officer for Tennessee, Kentucky and Mississippi, will speak in the Multi-Media Room of the LRC from 2 to 3 p.m.

Dr. Race Bergman is this year's recipient of Gamma Beta Phi's Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award.

An organizational meeting of the Tennessee Solar Energy Association will be held here May 9.

Further information on the meeting can be obtained by contacting members of the interdisciplinary Energy Council, created to coordinate university resources and staff in dealing with regional energy problems.

Energy Council members are: Dr. Jim Ramsey, economics and finance; Dr. David Grubbs, political science; Dr. Marion Wells, biology; Tom Moody, chemistry and physics; Bill Mathis, industrial studies; Dr. Earl Kesse, mathematics; and Dr. Jerry McGee, education.

## KIOSK

A field trip to study Gulf Coast faunal communities and their relationships to sediment type and environmental settings will be conducted by the MTSU Biology and Geography/Earth Science Departments from May 9 through May 27.

Tuition will be \$57 for undergraduates and \$66 for graduate students. Travel and boat rental will be \$143 per student. The fee must be paid by April 20.

Glenn E. Littlepage, MTSU psychology professor, has been selected for inclusion in the 1977 edition of *Outstanding Young Men Of America*.

A special problems course in Solar Home Design has been proposed by the Department of Industrial Studies for the fall semester, 1977.

The course, worth three hours credit, is to be a team effort to design, build a model, and conduct experimental analysis of a solar home. The energy contained in sunlight is to be collected, stored, and used to heat and provide hot water for the home.

Enrollment will be limited, with seniors and graduate students given first priority.

For further information contact coordinator Bill Mathis of the Department of Industrial Sciences at Box 279 or extension 2778.

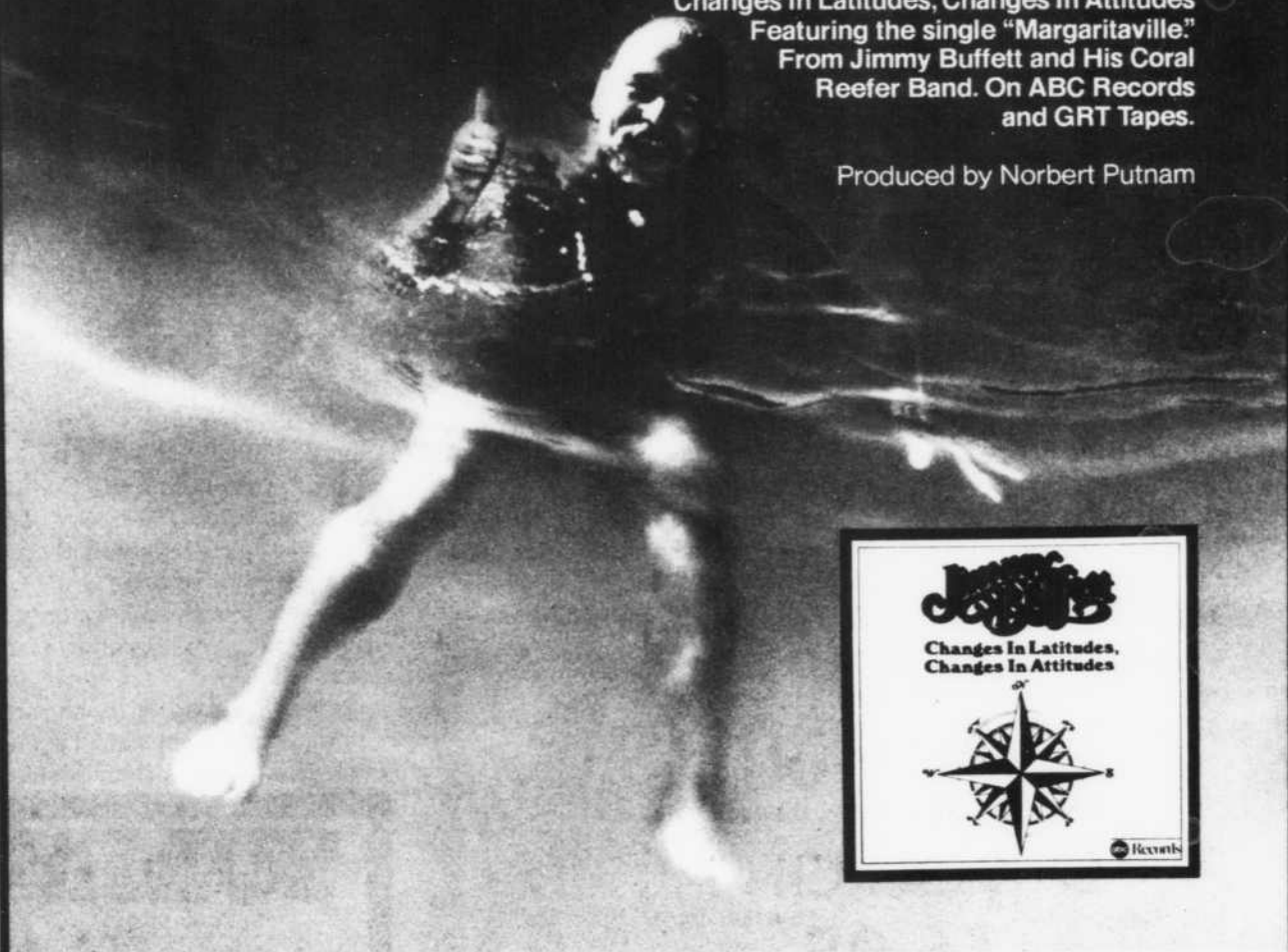
# For JIMMY BUFFET the climate is right

Jimmy's been floating to the surface for some time now. The critical establishment considers him one of those special performers who falls into the category occupied by artists like Nilsson, Newman, and Kristofferson. And with each succeeding album his public acclaim has grown considerably—even the First Lady has been seen sporting a Jimmy Buffett/Coral Reefer T-shirt.

Now he has a new album that's getting rave reviews. And he'll be appearing with the Eagles on a major Spring concert tour. With all the momentum he's built, the time has finally come for Reefer madness.

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# Take a local trip to the Orient



by Jenny Tenpenny

Would you like to take a trip to the Orient? Well, it may not be as hard or costly as it seems because located in Murfreesboro is a little part of the Orient at Oriental Gardens Restaurant.

Lawrence and Jenny Chiang, new managers of the restaurant, serve a variety of original Chinese dishes—some recipes several centuries old. But the secret to good Chinese cooking is "experience" Chiang says, and he is an experienced cook who enjoys his work. "We serve several dishes that are authentic Chinese cookery

such as beef che chan, Chun king pork and Hawaii duck, but things like egg fu yung are Chinese-American style," Chiang said, adding that every cook has his own technique.

Chiang explains that dishes such as chow mein and chop suey are not original Chinese dishes, "they are Cantonese dishes that were developed for American tastes." These are the items that Americans generally prefer, but these dishes do not exist in China.

One problem Chiang faces in trying to prepare authentic dishes is the availability of certain Chinese

Jenny offers to explain menu items to guests [top left], and she and Lawrence always have smiling faces when their guests arrive and depart. The food is always prepared with special care with the customer in mind. Photos by Quad Rice

vegetables that cannot be replaced with domestic vegetables. What are they? "They do not have an American name," Chiang said.

Chiang came to the United States in 1971 from Hong Kong. But as a child, he lived in China when it changed from the leadership of Chiang Kai-Shek to the Communist rule under Mao Tse Tung. "I do not like to discuss political matters because I was young then," Chiang said. Jenny arrived here only a few months ago to become Chiang's wife.

American food is much simpler, Chiang stated but said he enjoyed such things as sirloin steak, filet

mignon, and sea food "but I don't like hamburgers."

Jenny and Lawrence try very hard to please their customers, greeting everyone personally and asking how they enjoyed their food. You can't beat their friendship anywhere.

As for the food, I haven't eaten a dish I didn't enjoy—and I've tried many of them. And the food is as good or better as any of the area Chinese restaurants.

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# Lost something lately?



by Jenny Tenpenny

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There are many unclaimed articles in the office, especially keys, prescription glasses and gloves, according to UC secretary Shirley Craddock. Some have been there for a very long time.

"If someone has found an item and is unable to bring it by our office, they can call me and give a description of the item and perhaps I can locate the owner for them," Craddock said. "Or perhaps I can get the two people in touch with each other," she added.

Craddock said there are a stack of reports in the office for items never located and also items found that no one ever claims.

"I wish people who have found items would turn them in here and those people who are holding articles in offices on campus would let me know what they have, so we can get the things back to their owners," Craddock asserted.

In the meantime, there are keys, glasses, gloves, some watches and calculators and even a few unidentifiable books and notebooks just waiting to be claimed.

So if you have lost anything lately, you might try contacting Shirley Craddock, University Lost and Found, UC 208, phone 898-2590. Photos by Thom Coombes



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# MTSU hosts first intercollegiate horse show



by Phyllis Skipper

The first sanctioned intercollegiate jumping horse show in the South, sponsored by the MTSU Department of Agriculture and the MTSU Horseman's Association, will begin tomorrow at 9 a.m. in the Horse Science Arena on campus. Admission is free.

The show has been in the planning since February, and "now we're getting very involved," said Anne Brzezicke, instructor in the department.

MTSU is hosting teams from the University of Kentucky, Western Kentucky, Murray State, Hiwassee College, UT-Knoxville, and Miami University of Ohio.

There will be 15 classes of competition at all levels and there are 130 student entries with 22 to 25 horses being ridden. Judging will be Mrs. Charles Burke of Brentwood, a recognized American Horseshows Association judge.

The show is a major event for students at MTSU and other schools competing in the event because it is the first show of the Intercollegiate Horse Shows Association (IHSA) in the Southeast. As of now, the South is not included in the IHSA, but it is possible the Southeast will be voted into the IHSA as Region VI. "The IHSA is big in the North," explained Julie Murphy, horse science major.

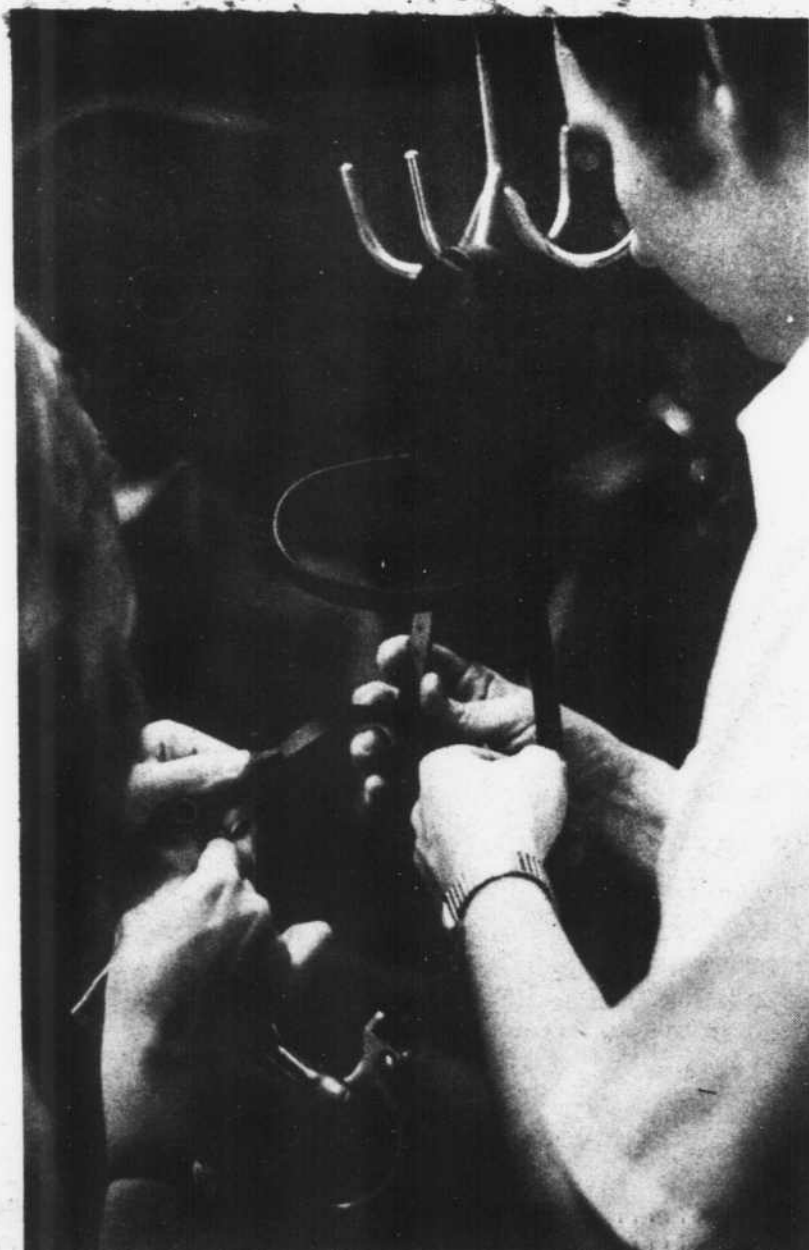
Perhaps the reason for prior lack of interest in the IHSA in the South is the fact that many of the colleges and universities in the South do not have a horse science major program as MTSU does.

"The horse science major is an option within the animal science department," said Brzezicke, who has been with the horse science department since September. "Many (of the 55 majors) are planning to make some phase of horse industry their livelihood."

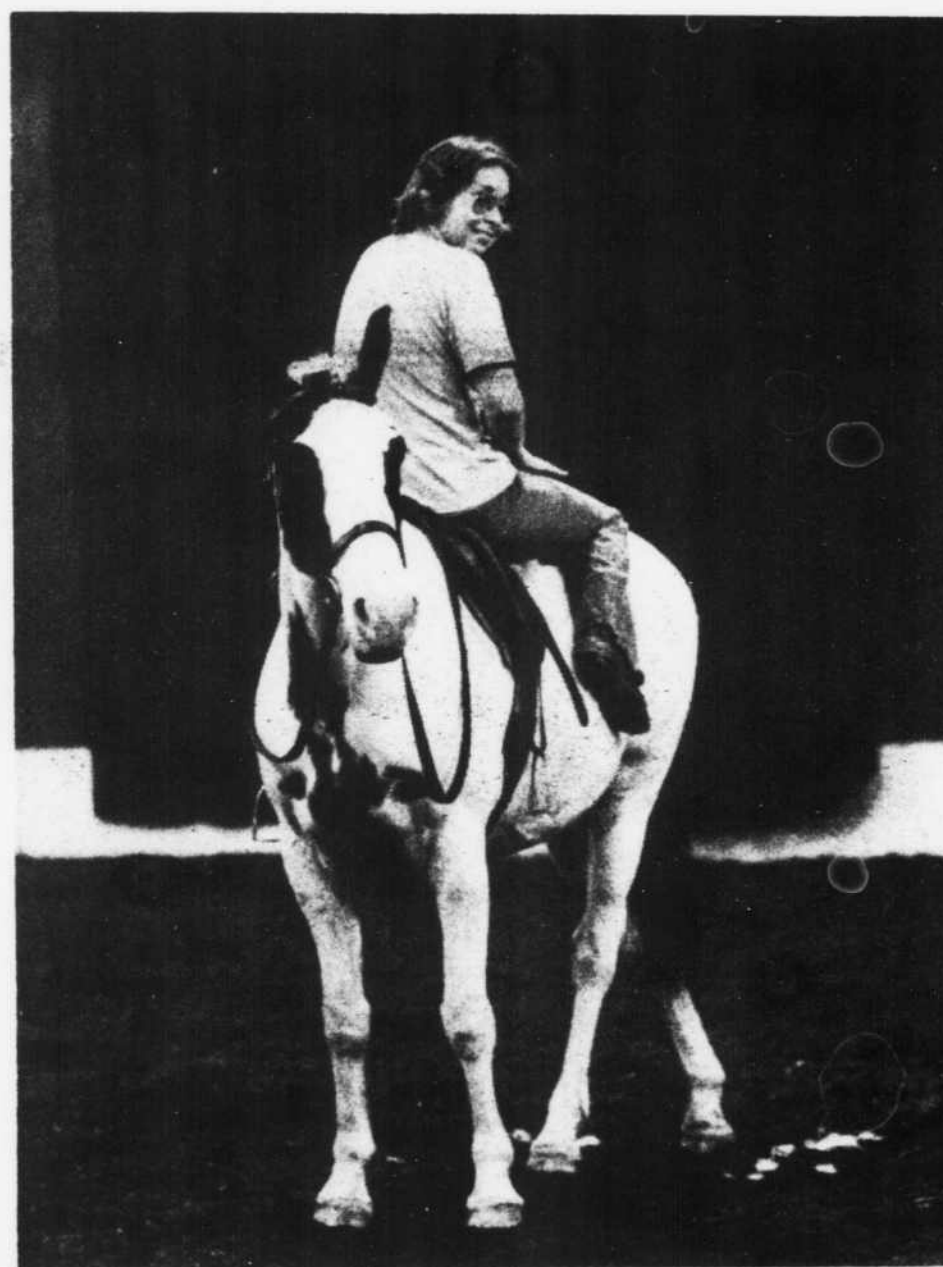
There are many jobs open in the horse science field—for instance, everything to do with shows—managers, instructors, trainers, groomers, judges, stewards, announcers, and fitters are needed as well as people to work in health services, breeding, and teaching. The list goes on. There are 50 different occupations alone on the track.

"We'd like to think that we have the most unique and outstanding (horsemanship) program in the country because of the way it's structured," Dr. Jerry Williams, director of the horse science building, said. "Everyone can find their place (in the department). We think the program is unusually unique in that the student is able to get involved from beginning horsemanship to the management of a show."

There is an enthusiastic group of students busily working at the







Photos by Thom Coombes

Horse Science Arena preparing for tomorrow's show. They have been up late hours cleaning, preparing horses, doing the organizational work, and doing everything for the show, Brzezicke emphasized. "They learn a lot more that way than just by paying a trainer and bringing the horse to the show to be ridden."

"One reason we think the show is so good," Brzezicke said, "is because many students don't have the money or the experience to be in a show. IHSA gives the student the opportunity."

The show will offer nine classes for the beginner to the novice. Year-end trophies are given to schools and individuals after a minimum of five shows and a maximum of 10. The winners then go from the regional horse show to national competition. Individuals are given points for each show and they may move up into another class in this way.

Riders in the show are limited to horse science majors or members of the newly formed MTSU Horseman's Association. The club was started this year and tomorrow's show is the first major project of the club. "This is a hunt seat show," Murphy explained. The hunt seat began with people that rode on fox hunts. It is the best seat suited to riding jumping horses.

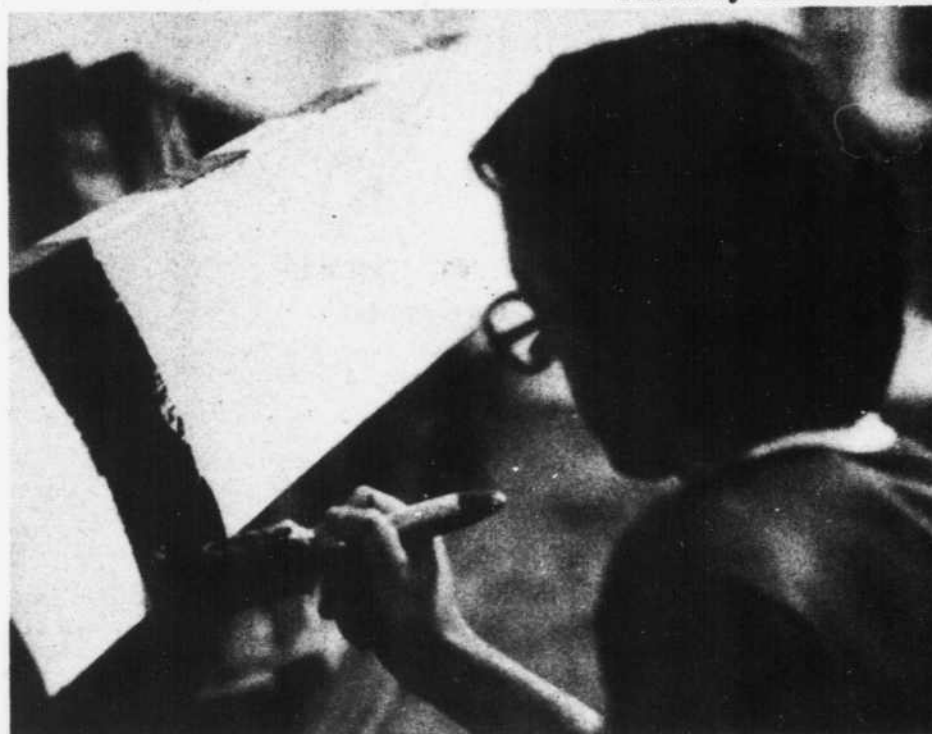
"The show is the fairest way to have a show," Murphy said. "Riders from the different schools draw numbers for their horse. The individual is judged on riding capabilities and not the horse."

"Next year we hope to add stock seat (or western) and saddle seat to the show," Murphy added.

Classes in the show range from one through eight; from the beginner walk/trot, to the novice over fences. Class VIII is 'open over fences,' but "no one is riding in class VIII because the show is new and the rider wouldn't have anywhere to advance," Murphy said. Class IX is the Gym Chana class. It is a team of four people who are timed for putting on the saddle and bridle, trotting, riding backwards, and cantering to the finish.

The MTSU horse science department offers horse training from beginner to advanced. Basic horsemanship is a one-hour credit course within the physical education department as well as the horse science department.

"Most MTSU horses are donated by people in the industry and we raise some," said Brzezicke. "We have a variety of horses for a variety of uses. The beginner needs a calm horse. Other horses of show quality are available for the advanced student."





## Pianist to play here Wednesday

Rexford Whiddon, piano soloist and head of the keyboard division of the Columbus College Music Department at Columbus, Ga., will be presented here in concert Wednesday, April 27, at 8 p.m. in the D.A. Auditorium.

Whiddon's program, sponsored by the MTSU Student Fine Arts Committee, will include "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach Bauer; "Reflects dan l'eau," "Claire de Lune" and "Two Nocturnes; Opus 72, No. 1 in E Minor and Opus 48, No. 1 in C Minor," "Two Etudes: Opus 10, No. 11 in E Flat Major and Opus 23" by Chopin.

Whiddon has studied piano since the age of five, beginning lessons at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville when his father was there as a student.

Some of Whiddon's more recent teachers and coaches have been Cecil Genhart, Menham Pressler, Brooks Smith and Jose Echaniz.

## High school band contest scheduled

Thirty-five bands and orchestras from Middle Tennessee high schools will perform in the Tennessee Room of the SUB Thursday and Friday, April 28 and 29.

These all-day events of the Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association High School Concert Festival, hosted by the MTSU Music Department, will feature a panel of three adjudicators, whose decisions will be combined for a final grade.



Photo by Thom Coombes

The MTSU Dance Club presents a portion of "Untitled," the spring dance concert last night. The concert will be presented again tonight at 8 p.m. in the DA Auditorium.

## Band finale varies music

Warm night air and starlight will set the mood for the annual open-air performance by the MTSU Concert Band on Monday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m.

The free concert will be held on the lawn of the Saunders Fine Arts building on campus.

According to director Joseph Smith, the music has been selected especially to interest MTSU students and faculty as well as the

community. Ranging from the 1940s to the present, the band's repertoire includes the popular medleys of such stars as the Beatles and Jim Croce, show tunes from "The Sound of Music" and "The King and I," and a medley of Glenn Miller's big band hits.

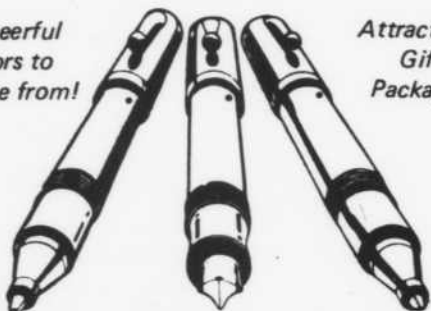
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# Readers respond

## To the editor:

There is one organization on this campus which involves more students than any other single organization on campus---more than ASB, more than fraternities, more than sororities,--and that is Intramurals.

Almost every dorm, every social group, everybody, participates in Intramurals every day. Just think of all the activities offered which involve hundreds of students--basketball, football, volleyball, swimming, track, etc.

Why then are intramurals virtually ignored in **Sidelines**? And why can't intramurals get the equipment they need and the support of the administration? MTSU Intramurals, by virtue of student involvement, could be one of the best programs in the state, but lack of funds, and lack of university support prevents this.

Coach Joe Ruffner certainly isn't at fault. He works constantly to keep introducing new activities, to

keep the equipment in good shape, to keep the officials in line, to keep all the teams happy and to offer the best available for teams. But his dedication is often overlooked while students bitch and complain about things the coach has no control over. Without university funds and support, his work is limited.

In my three years at this school I have never met anyone with Coach Ruffner's dedication. Everybody even remotely involved with Intramurals loves the hell out of that man because he works so hard to keep the program going.

It's just too bad that more people don't recognize the fact that Intramurals are such a huge part of university life. It's great to have the student newspaper interview people like Mark Fydrich and cover sports in Atlanta, but to ignore sports activities of such a scope as Intramurals on our own campus is a shame. Coach Ruffner deserves better.

Jim Starling  
Box 5935

## To the editor:

During the recent Sigma Chi Derby I became very disgusted and ashamed with the behavior of some fellow MTSU students.

These students seemed to have nothing better to do than cut down Sigma Chi Derby and make anti-Derby posters. It is truly a shame that these people are too self-centered and immature to support such a worthy function. All money earned during Derby goes to support Wallace Village for children with minimal brain damage. Sigma Chi Derby is not just for fun; it is for a reason.

One student told me she didn't like the way Sigma Chi earned its money, but how else can that great amount of money be earned in such a short time -- certainly not by selling candy! The same student also stated she believed the Derby posters encroached on her rights. The posters are up for one day only and are not that great of a nuisance. It seems that people could bear with it for one day in order to help those that are less fortunate than themselves.

If the posters bother them that much, why do they put up posters of their own? It's rather disgusting

that people refused to let Derby posters be put up and then put up posters of their own; some of which had no good cause to support. What's the difference between their posters and Derby posters?

I hope that by next year's Sigma Chi Derby these people will have matured and not be too self-centered to help other human beings, but I guess I'm hoping for too much!

Congratulations Sigma Chi! You did a great job! I just wish there were more people who cared about their fellow man as the Sigma Chi fraternity does.

Linda Mozingo  
Box 3199

## To the editor:

I would like you to put this in the **Sidelines** and bill me if it turns out to be in form of advertising. I would pay 100 hundred dollars a month for any girl who would go out with me 5 times a month starting anytime. Just send me a picture of yourself and your phone and starting with the first date, you will get 100 hundred dollars plus everything free on the date this is for real.

Thank you.  
Name Withheld by Request  
MTSU Box 5493

## ASB survey results show students favor alcohol

by Mike McDonald  
Speaker of the Senate

Following are results of the surveys conducted by the ASB Senate for the 1977-78 school year. Surveys, made available to students, faculty, staff and administration, were conducted in three women's dormitories and three men's dormitories. I handed out the surveys on a person-to-person basis in the Grill for five hours on Friday. Surveys were handed out in the basement of the University Center for eight hours. Questionnaires

were made available to all students. A total of 1,250 questionnaires were distributed 675 were returned. About 50 percent were returned to Box 4234--40 per cent during the survey in the basement and 10 percent to senators or me personally. The senators and I did all the tallying and I made the final report. The 75 top concerns did not come from the ASB, but you the students.

Since some people did not fill out the entire questionnaire, some questions will have a greater

response than others. The survey was controlled by students showing their I.D. card and check on a computer printout. Of course, there is always the possibility of someone receiving more than one questionnaire and responding two or three times. If it did happen, I am responsible, not the Senators themselves. I wish to thank them for their time and effort. But more than anything, I wish to thank each and everyone of you who took the time to express your opinion of problems facing this university. Students mentioned more than 300

problems at the bottom of the questionnaire.

This summer and fall, those 300 issues will be looked into. It is not impossible to try to find solutions for them. But I will take time, effort and the support and involvement of you, the students. And next year, I will make these issues the top concern of the ASB. And hopefully next year at this time we will have found some answers, if not total solutions to the problems.

The entire survey and all questionnaires will be on file in the ASB Speaker of the Senate office.

### questionnaire results

	YES	NO	UNDECIDED
Do you favor alcohol on campus?	416	99	72
Are you in favor of mail order pre-registration?	437	89	7
Would you like to see more weekend activities/movies/recreation?	413	36	33
Would a 24 hour emergency help line benefit you?	311	199	37
Is the maintenance upkeep in your dorm satisfactory?	201	185	69
Would you like to see more financial aid programs?	405	55	68
Do you think that your advisor serves you effectively?	244	272	16
Do you know your advisor?	472	68	18
Do you have problems cashing out of town checks at local merchants?	233	280	48
Are you aware of the CLEP exam?	283	236	48
Do you have trouble receiving medical aid after the infirmary is closed?	167	341	3
Have you ever been stopped for D.W.I. (Driving While Intoxicated) on campus?	20	494	0
off campus.	31	444	23

### student concerns

1. Alcohol on campus
2. Pre-registration
3. Parking
4. Weekend Activities
5. Food Service improved
6. Dorm Maintenance
7. Grading Styles
8. 24-hour First Aid
9. Check Cashing
10. Student/Advisor Program
11. 24-hour Campus Operator
12. 24-hour Visitation
13. More Efficient Admissions and Records Department
14. Escort Service
15. Freshman Meal Tickets: if mandatory, should include weekends.
16. More Foreign Students Recognition
17. Longer Library Hours
18. Better Student Representative - in Special Events Committee
19. Book Store Prices (MTSU)
20. Shuttle Buses to Parking Lots
21. Lack of Attention - to married students problems
22. Open House Policy - in all dorms
23. Better Job Assistance - after graduation from MTSU
24. Stronger lobby movement for student concerns in education.
25. Male and Female: a) sunning areas  
b) study areas



## Carter deserves applause, but plans need scrutiny

President Carter must be applauded for taking the first step in getting the American public on the road to energy conservation and facing the impending crisis. Most of us have the habit of procrastination and most of us will deny that there is any need to conserve fuel or energy now.

But the truth is if we don't do it now we will be facing a much worse crisis than we could anticipate. But we all like to stay warm in the winter and cool in the summer. Most every family has a car for every member who is old enough to drive and it will surely be hard to give up all those electrical appliances that have made living standards so easy in America. But we're going to have to give up a little convenience and comfort now, if we plan to exist in the future.

However, the President's program has to be given careful consideration before it is enacted as he presented it Wednesday night. All points of the program must be weighed by the Congress and by the American people. And we must address ourselves to the proposed legislation before we dive into an extensive energy program.

Carter's proposals for solar-energy development should be commended and the American public should take every opportunity afforded to change to this kind of heating and cooling of their homes.

However, one point that should be studied is the proposed tax on fuel. That tax would do nothing but make gasoline and heating fuel harder to obtain for the poor and for those living on fixed incomes. It would do nothing to the rich who could still afford to pay the price for the fuel to be used leisurely and without any concern for conservation.

A better alternative would be fuel rationing—at least then there would be a more equitable distribution of the fuel and the price would still be affordable. Of course then, reality would dictate that people with political pull (in other words, the rich and influential) would still get the greater share of the rationing stamps.

So we must all give the President's energy program much thought and we must all express how we feel—or we might find ourselves paupers to the rich.



## Speaker reiterates ASB purpose

### To the students:

I would like to remind you of the purpose of the ASB. According to the constitution, the Associated Student Body is to provide the means whereby student opinion may be introduced in the governance of MTSU. Additionally, the ASB shall put the best interests of the whole student body, first.

As a part of the ASB, I wish to represent all of you. In the weeks following the elections, student suggestions made to me, regarding House activities and ASB priorities, have been extremely helpful. You

can be assured that many of these suggestions will be implemented.

Bobby, Mike and I are working to open the ASB to all who wish to participate. Presently, we are working on next year's budget. In so doing, we are optimistic in relation to services rendered the students of MTSU.

As a final note, I would like to invite you to express your opinion and work with us in the upcoming year.

Joy Heath  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

## Support urged by coaches

**Editor's Note:** The following letters were sent to Sidelines this week following a staff editorial responding to Charles "Bubber" Murphy's recent statement that these letters had been sent to Sidelines but not printed. The letters were not received earlier, but in keeping with Sidelines policy, have been printed here. The "article by Tom Wood" referred to in Murphy's letter was actually a column published on Jan. 28.

### To the editor:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our fine student body, our paper and our cheerleaders for their hard work and support of our basketball team. Your spirit and enthusiasm have been our home court advantage. You have supported us both at home and on the road, and we hope we can continue to warrant this support.

Jimmy Earle  
Head Basketball Coach

### To the editor:

In reference to the article written by Tom Wood in regard to our varsity cheerleaders, I would like to comment in full support of our cheerleaders.

I have been here at MTSU for many years and have had the opportunity to see the cheerleaders from MTSU and different schools, and, in my opinion, our cheerleaders are doing a fine job both at home and away.

I also want to congratulate the students, staff, and townspeople for their support of our athletic teams. In the years I have been at MTSU I have never seen the school spirit as great as was displayed on the night we played Austin Peay State University.

This is a fine, well coached basketball team that is a great pleasure to watch. I have never seen a team that gives as much of themselves as this one does.

I also want to congratulate Joseph Smith and his pep band for their contribution at the Raiders home games.

Keep up the good work.  
Charles M. Murphy  
Athletic Director

## Senior selection process clarified

### To the editor:

As co-ordinator of Outstanding Senior nominations and the subsequent selection process, I would like to make some clarifying remarks in regard to a recent Sidelines editorial. The process for the selection consisted of placing nomination forms in every post office box on campus. Every person nominated was forwarded an application form which he/she was asked to return to me personally at Box 1.

As was perceptively pointed out in the April 19 edition of Sidelines, there were no minorities, journalists, basketball players or members of the track team selected. One of the primary reasons for this so-called "oversight" was one minor detail. While minorities, athletes and journalists were nominated, they did not see fit to return their forms. I personally did

not perceive the necessity, as part of the ASB's role, to "track" down these people to obtain their application forms.

This endeavor was one which demanded a lot of work on the part of many people, and I would have gladly granted someone outside the ASB the privilege of this duty.

I somehow feel that once again the ASB will receive criticism for any project attempted, no matter how objectively it is conducted. The ASB may have controlled the process but this, in my opinion, is due to the lack of interest on any other group's part. Only four of the eight selected have ASB positions.

Therefore, I challenge Sidelines to get all of the facts correct, and for once, do something in the best interest of the students and conduct their own selection.

Buddy Creasman  
1976-77 Speaker of the Senate

## Nude model proposal favored by student

### To the editor:

I am an art major and am writing in favor of the proposal to allow nude models in drawing class. Understanding the human figure is an important and difficult aspect of drawing. The figure has a lot of design potential which artists, especially those in drawing, should know.

I have never heard of an art department—a good art department—that did not offer this. Art schools require it. In order to really be able to see and understand the body, one must be able to view it nude (not to mention careful study of anatomy). Clothes break the

natural flow of movement in the body.

I am personally interested in the figure, and was disappointed when I realized that "the school of my choice" didn't offer nude drawing. I feel this is very backward on the part of the administration.

MTSU has, or is supposed to have, one of the best art departments in this area—excepting, of course, an art school such as the Memphis Academy of Art. It would be a big improvement if the department were updated by offering a nude drawing class as well as the rest of the art courses.

Cathy Ryder  
Box 3224





## Writer asks end of energy waste

To the editor:

Well, it's done. The President has spoken to the nation and formally declared the "war" against energy waste. He has said that it is past time to start making every effort to conserve energy on an individual basis, and this applies to this university as well.

I wish to make a suggestion to President Scarlett and other members of the administration. The action called for by said suggestion would be a patriotic as well as a practical necessity.

We need better insulation in the dormitories. Countless nights I have gone to sleep listening to the melodious whistling of air seeping or rather, rushing through the cracks around the edge of the door. Many times I have heard my roommate's teeth chattering as he is being enveloped by cold air entering through a window that will

not shut correctly. The cold air from these doors and windows drives people to the other side of the room to avoid the very perceptible draft.

Proper insulation of doors and windows on campus would save energy, reduce long run costs and also make the dorms a little more comfortable. I hope the administration will give this suggestion serious consideration.

Gary D. Sullivan  
Box 7687

### Wood speaks again

To the editor:

I just want to thank Dean Judy Smith, coach Murphy, Art Swary and the cheerleaders for all the nice things they have been saying lately about myself and *Sidelines* in general. Hey, gang, wish I could return the compliments, but please don't ask the impossible.

Tom Wood  
Box 7661

## Logician finds fallacies in writer's religious philosophy

To the editor:

I could not help but be intrigued by Mr. Randolph's L-E-T-T-E-R discussing the general sinfulness rampant in the world today. Among other startling statements, Mr. Randolph amazed me with his erudition in these passages: "Sin exists today and people still reject God;...Sin is still sin;...I'm not totally dumb;...It is impossible for God to lie;...A turning back to the true and living God is the only thing that will help this world today."

Now I do not wish to question the indubitable logic of these statements, for it can always be argued that I have quoted out of context. Though this is not the case, since Mr. Randolph failed to develop any supportive context whatsoever in his rambling prose, I will nevertheless concern myself only with the reasonableness of these statements. In fact, Mr. Randolph, I will not even question the truthfulness of the first two statements. If it is true that women's insubordination to man is a sin, then sin does in fact exist today. Furthermore, the tautology "sin is still sin" can hardly be argued against, though I question its informative value. I do, however, have my doubts about whether Mr. Randolph is totally dumb or not, but since I tend not to be an absolutist about such things, I will let this pass as true.

I will take issue with the last two assertions. In some theoretical sense it may be true that "it is impossible for God to lie," but then this would make God less than omnipotent.

Empirically, however, it is evident that if God does not lie, He certainly makes it quite difficult to determine when He is telling the truth. A few popular examples will suffice to illustrate my point. We

are told at one point very explicitly that "thou shalt not kill," but we see numerous examples in the Bible of wars fought in the name of God and under the direction of God. Furthermore, God himself strikes down Ananias and Sapphira for what amounts to a little white lie. The Old Testament gives us the "eye for an eye" ethic while Christ (who admittedly is not God but is a very close friend) tells us to "resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on the right cheek, turn to him the other also."

What I find most offensive in Mr. Randolph's L-E-T-T-E-R is the blatantly mistaken notion that only belief in God can help the world. I would argue initially that this has not been born out historically. Things were going along quite nicely in Greece and Rome until Christianity began to spread. Then what happened? The Roman Empire fell apart and humanity was plunged into the Dark Ages, known otherwise as the Age of Faith. Civilization did not begin to

advance again and life did not improve until the Renaissance which was marked by a general increase in secularism and a diminishing of the power of the Church.

Things have gone along fairly smoothly since then, with the continual rise of scientism and fall of mystical faith, except when Europe was ravaged with such travesties as the Crusades, the Inquisition, and the pleasant revolt during the Reformation in which 100,000's lost their lives. I'm sure Mr. Randolph would be the first to note, though, that my examples do not represent the "true and living God."

Religious wars and purges, however, are supported, in spirit if not directly by scripture--by the Truth. I will note the following passages: "the Son of Man shall send forth His angels, and they shall gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity, and shall cast them into a furnace of fire; there shall be

wailing and gnashing of teeth," and "If thy hand offend thee, cut it off; it is better for thee to enter in to life maimed than having two hands to go into hell." (This last piece of advice led one young boy, who could not suppress his natural thoughts, to castrate himself.)

It is not surprising, then, that, as Bertrand Russell observes, when "you look around the world, every single bit of progress in humane feeling, every step toward the diminution of war, every step toward better treatment of the colored races, every moral progress that there has been in the world has been consistently opposed by the organized churches of the world."

But what if we should all take seriously such maxims as "love your neighbor as yourself," "turn the other cheek," and "do unto others;" I fear we would soon be run over like so many innane puppies by Communism or some other aggressive political organization.

It seems obvious to me that the Bible was not written for the "world today," but rather for the afterlife (if there is such a thing). God wisely refrained from commenting on such complex technical issues as economics, pollution, and the energy crisis. We should spend less time "proclaiming the truth with the help of God" and worrying about other people's morals, and spend more time dealing constructively with today's problems.

As long as we are going to be idealistic, Mr. Randolph, I feel that a spirit of scientific humanism, international political co-operation, and a lack of religious and ideological dogmatism could be infinitely more efficacious in "helping the world today" than abolishing pornography or enslaving women.

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## 'Fun, relaxation, thrills' guaranteed for all at Clark's traveling carnival



by Debbie Runions

What's more fun than a candy apple and a ride on the Tilt-a-Whirl? Nothing...unless it's cotton candy and a seat on the Disco Mouse. You can do all of this and more at the carnival now open on Clark's parking lot on Memorial Boulevard.

Clark's Department Store is sponsoring the Myers Amusement Company Carnival the rest of this week through midnight Saturday. The carnival offers approximately ten major rides, including such old favorites as the Bullet, the Tempest and the Bumper Cars, and such new attractions as the Zipper and the Himalayan ride which travels at the speed of 50 m.p.h.

There is also the usual assortment of concession booths with will readily relieve your need to shake your fist at Chance (and also relieve your wallet of any filthy lucre). At the carnival you can pitch softballs for bears, toss ping pong balls for goldfish, cast wooden rings for giant Cokes or flip nickels for dishes, or you can spin a wheel, hurl a dart, shoot a rifle or pick up a duck for a prize.

The Jackson-based amusement company is a 12-year-old outfit with 34 major rides. It tours cities in four states--Tennessee, Kentucky, Ala-

bama and Georgia--from the last week in March to the first week in November.

"This is just one of our springtime operations. We split up to play several small billings at one time," said Scott McCarthy, a concessions manager for the company.

"We play regional fairs such as the Atlanta or Jackson areas," explained Office Manager Ted Meadows. "Most of our employees are families who travel with the show in camping trailers and mobile homes. We have from 250 to 300 people employed in the complete operation."

Jobs are varied, including maintenance of rides, one as old as a 1962 model. This ride has recently been completely rebuilt and factory checked.

"All of the rides are checked

daily as a safety precaution," McCarthy noted. "We don't just shut them down one night and open up the next; we spend the daytime hours checking our equipment and fixing it if necessary. We do not run a ride if we believe it to be unsafe in the smallest way."

There are also those who sell tickets to the rides and there are two disc jockeys who keep the music hot and the crowd hyped.

The atmosphere around the

carnival is festive. The smell of hot dogs whose flavor cannot be found anywhere else permeates the air. Children with brightly colored clumps of cotton candy squeal with excitement, and even tired mothers and fathers become a bit rejuvenated by the sounds and sights surrounding them.

Myers Amusement Company will be in Murfreesboro until Saturday. If you need some fun, relaxation, thrills or daring visit them.



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# National Secretaries Week slated

by Laura Lewis

In 1867, Mark Twain, noted American journalist, author, humorist and world traveler, briefly partook in another profession—as private secretary for U.S. Senator William M. Stewart of Nevada.

Among Twain's assigned secretarial duties, he was to take care of Stewart's correspondence from the folks back home in Nevada—a job which proved to greatly dissatisfy Stewart and which eventually brought to an end Twain's career as a secretary.

The trouble began when citizens from a small, underdeveloped Nevada town bombarded Stewart's secretary's office with letters requesting that a post office be built in their town.

Without consulting his employer, Twain wrote back, suggesting to the townspeople that since most of them were illiterate and since any money coming through the post office would be stolen, a post office would do them little good. Twain recommended to the voters that they would profit more by requesting a schoolhouse and a jail. Soon after, Senator Stewart's office was flooded with complaints from folks back in his home state.

Two and a half months after he'd been hired, Twain was fired by a most upset Stewart, whose parting words were, "Leave the house! Leave it forever!"

"I regarded that as a sort of covert intimation that my service could be dispensed with, and so I resigned," Twain later wrote. "I will never be a private secretary to a senator again. You can't please that kind of people."

Fortunately, Twain's secretarial experience is totally unlike that of any of MTSU's 86 secretaries, who will be honored this coming week as part of National Secretaries Week.

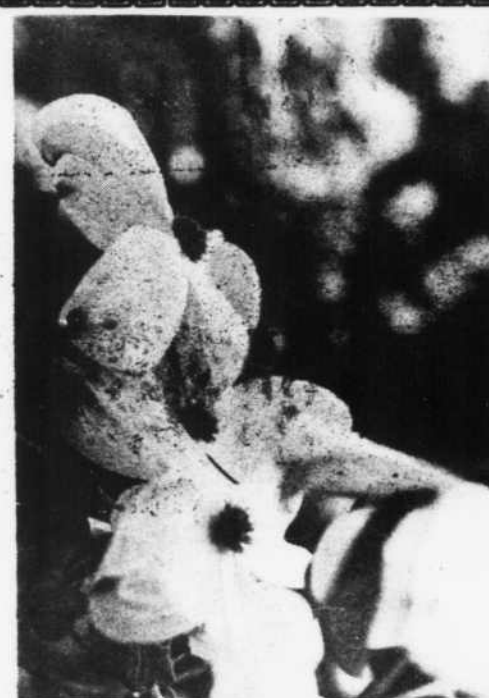
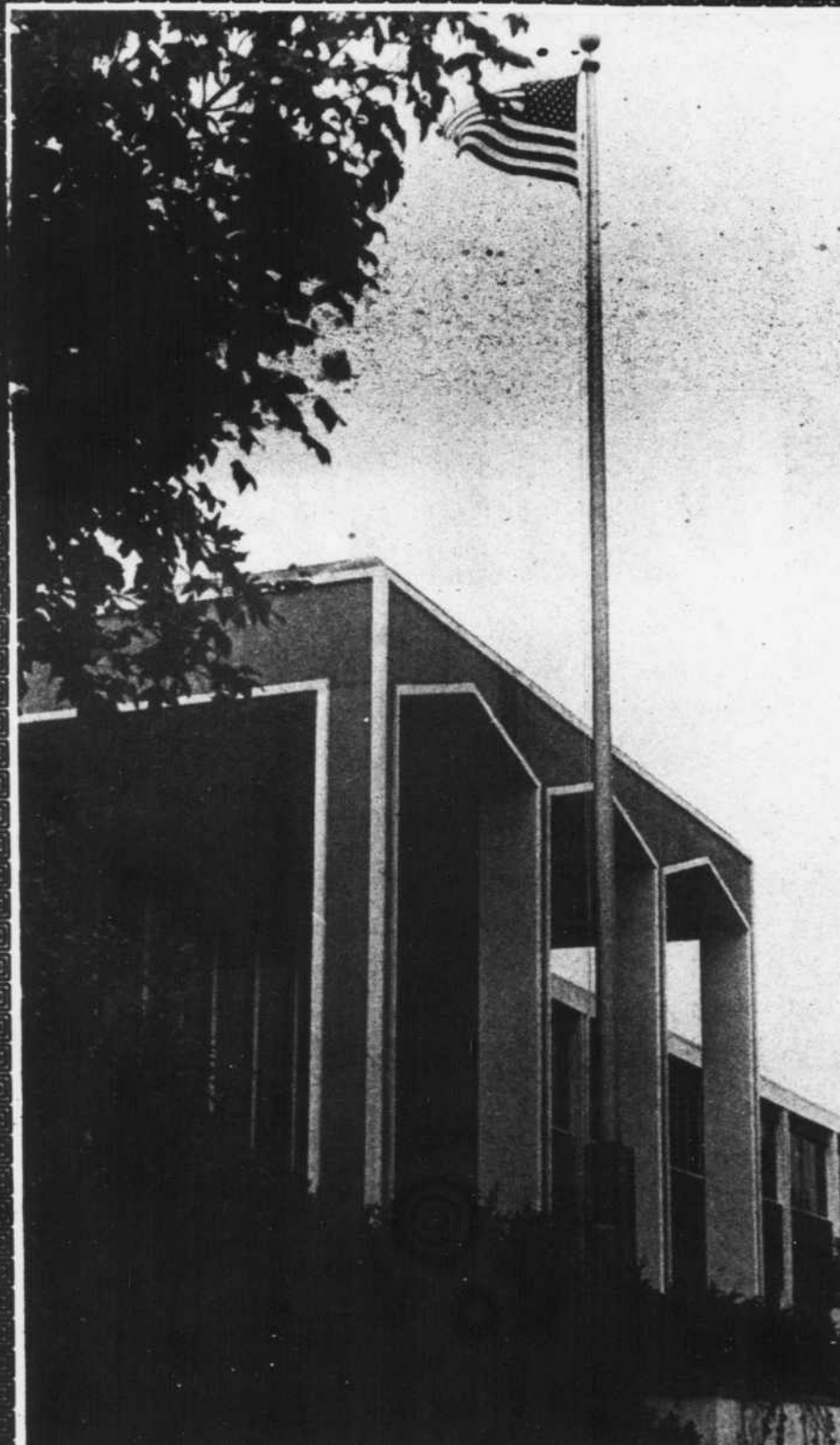
Without these valuable office workers, who do everything from answering the telephone and taking care of correspondence to taking dictation and keeping their employers' calendars straight, MTSU administrators would not meet half of their own obligations.

On Wednesday, April 27, which is officially National Secretaries Day, MTSU President M.G. Scarlett will fulfill a yearly tradition and honor all campus secretaries at a coffee.

Also on that day, a secretaries' luncheon will be held at the Holiday Inn, where the Secretary of the Year will be named. Other events taking place nationwide include seminars, workshops and educational forums.

So, employers, be especially kind to your secretaries next week—they've come a long way since Mark Twain's day.

Editor's note: Information on Twain was taken from the American West, Vol. 10, Jan. 1973.



Photos by Thom Coombes

## Campus filled with springtime beauty



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# Campus Calendar

## Today

Tennessee Office Education Clubs (TOEC): State Leadership Conference, UC Theatre & Selected Rooms, UC, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Murphy Center Arena, 9 a.m.-9:30 p.m. (Dinner - 6:30 p.m.)  
Selected Rooms, Murphy Center, 9 a.m.-12 noon.  
Women's Tennis: MTSU/Southern Illinois, Tennis Courts, 2 p.m.  
MTSU Modern Dancers: Performance, D.A. Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.  
Dance: Kool Club, Tennessee Room, SUB, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.  
Dance: Omega Psi Phi, Dance Studio A, Murphy Center, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

## Tomorrow

Continuing Education: Tennessee Women's Meeting, International Women's Decade, UC 322, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Middle Tennessee Music Teachers Association, D.A. Auditorium, 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.  
Tennessee Office Education Clubs (TOEC), State Leadership Conference, Murphy Center, 9 a.m.-12 noon.  
Women's Tennis: MTSU/UTC, Tennis Courts, 9 a.m.  
Women's Tennis: MTSU/University of The South, Tennis Courts, 1 p.m.  
History Department: Picnic, Picnic Area, 2 p.m.-8 p.m.  
Dance: KA Psi, Dance Studio A, Murphy Center, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.  
Dance: International students - Tennessee Room, SUB, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

## Sunday

Men's Tennis - MTSU/Arkansas at Little Rock, Tennis Courts, 10 a.m.  
Senior Recital: Randall Brooks and Cynthia Fulton, UC Theatre, 3:30 p.m.  
Senior Recital: Jack Mallard, UC Theatre, 8 p.m.

## Monday

Lyon Hall, Miss Mary Hall Picnic: Picnic Area, 4:30-7 p.m.  
General Crafts Class: Sale, UC Basement, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.  
Photographic Display: UC Lobby, April 25-29.  
Home Economics Department: Speaker, Barbara Banks, "Recent Legislation - F.D.A. on Saccharin Controversy," LRC Multi-Media Room, 2 p.m.  
National Defense Student Loans: Exit Interviews, UC 318, 3 p.m.  
Panhellenic Meeting: UC Theatre, 5 p.m.  
Phi Delta Kappa: Banquet, Dining Room B, SUB, 6:30 p.m.  
MTSU Band Concert: Front of Fine Arts Building, 7:30 p.m. (In Case of Rain -D.A. Auditorium)

## Tuesday, April 26

Clerical Caucus: Dining Room B, SUB, 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.  
Oakland High School Track: Jones Field Track, 3:30 p.m.  
Phi Mu Alpha: Picnic Area, 1-6:30 p.m.  
Advanced Directing Class: Two One-Act Plays, D.A. Auditorium, 6-8 p.m.

## Wednesday, April 27

National Secretaries Day: Coffee, Dining Room C, SUB, 9-10:30 a.m.  
MTSU Foundation: Luncheon (Regarding Aerospace Program), Dining Room A, SUB, 12 noon.  
Music Department: Piano Concert, Guest Artist Rexford Whiddon, D.A. Auditorium, 8 p.m.

## Thursday, April 28

Senior High School Concert Festival: Tennessee Room, General Lounge, Dining Rooms A & B, SUB and Fine Arts Room 101, 7 a.m.-10 p.m.

## Friday, April 29

Senior High School Concert Festival: Tennessee Room, General Lounge, Dining Rooms A & B, SUB and Fine Arts Room 101, 7 a.m.-10 p.m.

Women's Tennis: MTSU/UT Martin, Tennis Courts, 3 p.m.  
Sigma Delta Chi: Elections, party, Lisa Marchesoni's house, 7 p.m.

## Saturday, April 30

State Wide Percussion Convention: D.A. Auditorium & UC Theatre, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes Day: Murphy Center Track, Arena, Jones Field & Track, Soccer & Softball Fields, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Philosophy Dept. Workshop: Regional Conference on Health and Human Values, UC 322, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Women's Tennis: MTSU/Southwestern, Tennis Courts, 9 a.m.  
Continuing Education: Quality Control Conference, UC 318 9 a.m.-12 noon.

Women's Tennis: MTSU/Carson Newman, Tennis Courts, 2 p.m.  
MTSU Foundation: Executive Committee, Dining Room C, SUB, 5 p.m.

Annual Alumni Banquet, Tennessee Room, SUB, 6:30 p.m.

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# Raiders make a wish

## And clinch Western Division championship

by Chuck Cavalaris  
Sports Editor

Steve Smith pleaded for a chance to pitch. Stanley Shanks longed for a belt-high fast ball. And the rest of the MTSU baseball team just wanted one win over Murray State.

They all got their wishes yesterday with Smith pitching 6 2/3 innings of one-hit relief and Shanks banging out a three-run triple as the Blue Raiders rallied to take the second game of a double-header here and capture the Western Division title of the Ohio Valley Conference.



**WE DID IT**—Jubilant members of Middle Tennessee State's baseball team celebrate the

second straight Western Division title after a 5-2 victory over Murray State. Photos by Robin Rudd



**Steve Smith**

As a result of the 5-2 win, Middle Tennessee, [26-15] and defending conference champ, will meet Morehead State, last year's runner-up for the second straight year to decide the conference baseball champion. The winner will serve as representative to the NCAA regional tournament in Starkville, Miss. in June.

The divisional meeting, scheduled May 6-7 at Morehead, will find

the Blue Raider pitching staff facing the best collegiate hitting attack in America. Morehead has five of the top six hitters in the OVC.

"It will definitely be a challenge for us," Stanford conceded only minutes after second baseman Tom Nichting had fielded a ground ball and calmly flipped to first basemen Jon Weathers to end the game.

"But this team has proved it can meet the challenges and stand toe-to-toe with anybody when we are ready. I am anxious to get it on," Stanford said.

Murray bombed Raider starter Bob Hardin (6-2) out of the opening contest and posted an 8-1 triumph. In the nightcap, Mike Graham was plagued with wildness from the start, walked two batters, and a pair of Raider errors put the visitors on top, 2-0, with one out in the first inning.

Smith, a senior who battled back after a near fatal automobile accident in July, came on and promptly held Murray hitless for the next four innings before yielding a single and then retiring the last nine batters in the game.

"I may keep my uniform on all night," Smith laughed after a wild celebration on the mound. "Once we got some runs, I knew we would win. There was never any doubt in my mind."

After he had doubled in a run in the second inning, Shanks ripped a Mark Wezet fast ball to the power alley in left for a triple and sent Raiders Rick Cheshire, Weathers and Ben Lankster scampering across the plate with a 4-2 MTSU lead.

Shanks, who slid into third head first, scored the final run of the game on third baseman Kerry Maxwell's single to right.

"I've kept my hands closer to my chest before swinging," explained Shanks, the hottest hitter on the squad with five hits in his last 10 trips to the plate and a .325 batting average.

Depending mainly on a slow breaking ball and a crafty changeup, Smith continued to baffle the Racers and finished with three strike-outs. Murray hit but five of his pitches out of the infield.

Normally a short reliever, Smith said the extra mound duty was no burden. "I pitched four innings of relief in the first game but stayed in the bull pen," quipped the fast working southpaw.

Middle Tennessee, held to four hits in the opener, banged out 13 in the second game and provided Smith with spotless defensive play after the pair of errors early in the first inning.

Third baseman Maxwell clipped a Murray rally in the fifth inning

after a walk and single by fielding a high chopper off the bat of Racer cleanup hitter Don Walker and flipping it to second for an inning-ending force play.

Center fielder Danny "Pogo" Moore, the second leading MTSU hitter with a .314 average, crashed into the outfield fence in the final inning after chasing down the next to last out of the contest.

"After a slow start," Stanford said, "this has turned out to be a tremendous baseball season. I'm just glad it didn't end today."



Shortstop Ben Lankster forces Racer Tom Fehn at second after a throw from Jon Weathers [20] in yesterday's second game.



**Stanley Shanks**



# Sudden cloudburst takes dual meet with Tech

by John Pitts

Assistant Sports Editor

Dean Hayes' track squad "quit while we were ahead" in a home meet yesterday, with rains halting a chance to avenge a 79-65 loss to Tennessee Tech last season in Cookeville.

The shortened contest can't dampen the spirits of the team as it looks optimistically to the Tennessee Intercollegiate Championships (TIC) in Memphis on April 30, and the Ohio Valley Conference championships at Bowling Green, Ky., in May.

The team finished its outdoor track season with a perfect mark having recorded wins over all OVC opponents except Tech. Yesterday's meet, like a baseball game called early due to rain, will not be recorded as a win or loss for either team.

Hayes noted that MTSU "had scored more points than I thought we would by that point in the meet" when a persistent drizzle turned

into a full-fledged rainstorm. The rains came before field events could be completed and running events begun, Hayes said.

Noting that "we were all afraid of getting somebody hurt," Hayes and Tech's coach agreed to call the meet. MTSU athletes were dominating Tech despite the conditions.

Tech's Darcy Boynton had won the javelin with a 168-11, obviously hampered somewhat by the rains (his best this season is a 201-3). MTSU's Bill Elmer took second in the event.

The Raiders dominated the discus, with Harrison Salami leading the pack with a 145-foot effort, considerably short of his conference-leading 180-0 record. Again, Elmer took second in the event.

Both Salami and Elmer are seniors, and were competing in their last home meet. Four other seniors were hampered from making a dramatic exit from Jones Field by the rains.

"It was obvious that even if the meet continued that there would be no good times or scores," Hayes said after the brief competition. "The football field (around which the track circles) was already soaked by the time the match was called."

Hayes has good reason for hoping that no Raider would be hurt. The MTSU team, along with conference foe Austin Peay, will be favored in the TIC at the end of the month. State schools including Memphis State, Carson Newman, and Tech will also attend the meet.

"Austin Peay and MTSU will be favored in the OVC championships, so the rivalry in the TIC should be intense," the Raider coach said. He added that while the other state schools will bring some good performers none will display the depth of the 1976 outdoor champion Peay, or the runner-up, MTSU.

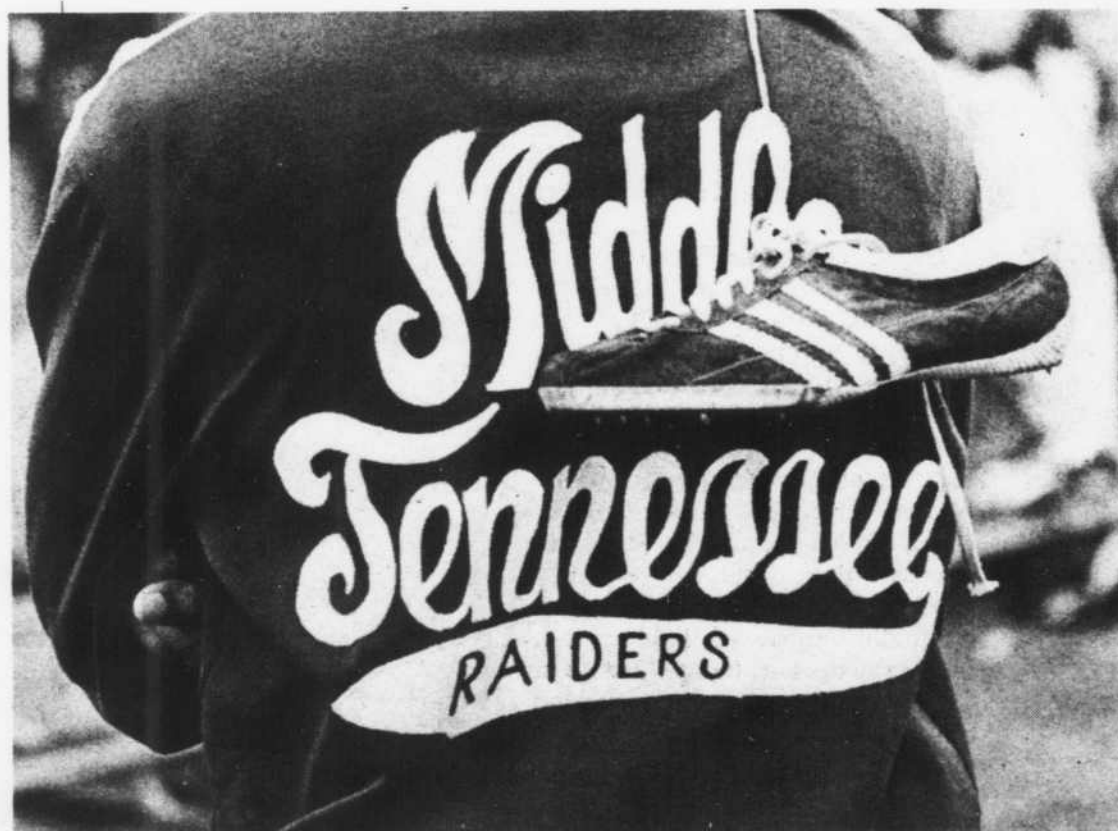
Salami will pace the team in both meets, looking to bring to Murfreesboro a pair of champion-

ships as a going-away present for his coach of four years. Salami not only paces the OVC in the discus but has a 197-6 hurl of the javelin that ranks him in the OVC's top three in that event. Elmer backs up the Ghana native ably in both events, and is ranked fifth in the conference in discus and fourth in the javelin.

Leapers John DoDoo and Shiekh Faye are a smaller version of MTSU's traditional "grasshopper gangs." DoDoo is a double threat in the long and triple jumps, while the recently-injured-and-recovered Faye concentrates on only the longs. Either could make an appearance in some short running events (DoDoo has a 21.8 in the 200 meters) and will be among the league's best.

Basketball veteran Clint Dennison has a 6-7 high jump this season.

Shot putter Scotty Akins and Pole Vaulter Jack Warner round out the Raider squad of field experts. Akins





is having his best year as a senior with a 52-6 best effort while Warner, also a senior, is looking for a second consecutive OVC championship despite tough opposition.

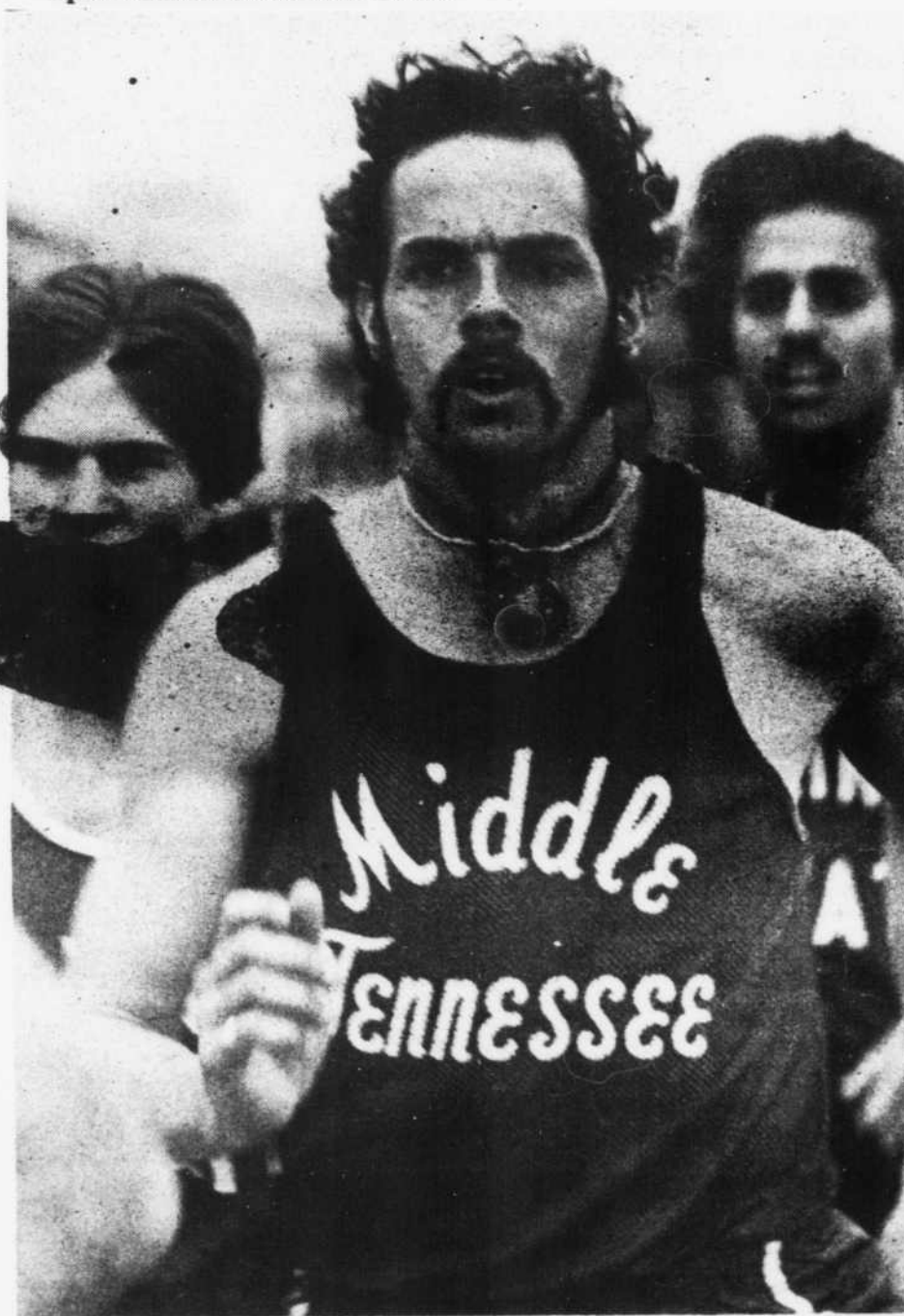
Distance runners Dennis Votava and Gary Perry have batted the Raider record book around like a beach ball this season, with the senior Votava taking a 3:46.0 clocking in last weekend's Dogwood Relays for the present record. Freshman Perry is close behind with a 3:47.2. Votava will also appear in the 880 meters (he's ranked third in the OVC with a 1:53.3) and Perry will run in the 5000 (he has a 14.49.0 to his credit this season).

Speed merchants abound on the

Raider team, with the mile relay team streaking to a 3:11.69 at the Dogwoods, a personal best for the team of Larry Cotton, David Robinson, Ed Stegall and J.T. Musgrove. That performance betters their earlier 3:15 considerably and puts them solidly on top of the conference.

Musgrove, Stegall and Cotton will also appear in the 400 meters (all three are in the OVC's top five) while Lew McBee is among the best in the 100 meters with a 10.5 time.

In the hurdles, Ed Thomas and Russell Holloway will do duty in the 110 meter highs and the 400 meter intermediates. Both are ranked in the top five of both events in the conference.





**But he's no baby**

# Racing 'Kiddie Korps' includes MTSU student

by Eddie Gossage

Only a few years ago, when the blue and white Cougar would take the track at Nashville Speedway, people would stand and cheer for Darrell Waltrip.

Now, whenever the blue and white Cougar takes the track, the people stand and cheer just as loudly as they did before. Only now they are cheering for 19-year old Mike Alexander, a freshman at MTSU.

Alexander, from Franklin, Tenn., is one of the most successful members of the "Kiddie Korps." The Kiddie Korps is made up of four of the youngest and more successful racers in Nashville in many years.

The four are Sterling Marlin, son of popular Grand National driver CooCoo Marlin; 21-year old P.B. Crowell; Dennis Wiser, also 21; and of course Alexander.

Alexander was voted "Rookie of the Year" at Nashville Speedway last year as well as being voted the "Most Popular Driver."

Why is Alexander so successful?

Well, part of it could be the equipment and the experience of his crew. The car Alexander is now running was built for Darrell Waltrip three years ago.

Alexander is also the veteran of four seasons of racing in the Limited Sportsman Division at the Speedway. At that time, Alexander raced on the 1/4-mile track; he is now racing on the 5/8 mile oval in the Late Model Sportsman Class.

Last year was Alexander's first year on the bigger and faster track,



Stock car driver Mike Alexander [left] after a recent victory at the Nashville Speedway.

but he responded to the challenge by winning last year's record of 11 races.

Despite the odds, Alexander was involved in only one bad accident last year. The accident occurred in turn number one with P.B. Crowell when both cars spun out and caught on fire. Alexander hurt his leg and was pinned in his car, while Crowell jumped out and ran down the track to try and save him. Crowell ran only a few feet when he collapsed unconscious and rescue workers pulled Alexander from the fiery car.

Bill Donoho, president and promoter of Nashville Speedways, had nothing but praise for Alexander. "Mike is a fine gentleman, on and off the track.

We've never had any trouble out of him either. He's a fine little driver."

Donoho expressed "little" because Alexander stands only about five-foot-eight and weighs 120 pounds.

Darrell Waltrip said Mike has an advantage over his fellow drivers because he "has experience on the 1/4-mile track and has first-class equipment."

This past Saturday was the opening of another racing season at the Speedways with the Winston "Salute to America 200." Alexander qualified his number one car in the 11th position in the 27-car field.

However, Alexander's car didn't meet the weight specifications so the car was loaded up and rushed back to the shop in Franklin. Once at the shop, the crew took the number two car and added several pounds of lead weight to it in order to meet weight specifications. Then it was back to Nashville.

Once at the track, the car had to be re-weighed, and again Speedway officials found it under specifications, this time 20 pounds. With only five minutes till race-time, the crew added a 40-pound weight in the trunk area and the car was re-weighed. This time the car met the weight requirements.

Alexander's father, who is head of the crew and owner of the car, said, "The scales aren't right. It will ruin the setup of the car."

Meanwhile, the car was put in the 27th position--dead last because Alexander had qualified his number one car but was using his number two one. The slower cars ahead of him told Alexander they would move over and let his faster car pass.

Alexander responded to the question, "Will you be nervous?" almost immediately. His response was, "You know I will!"

He then climbed in his car and fired up the engine. His crew stepped back and now he was alone--Mike and 3200 pounds of powerful machinery, a stock car.

Alexander patted the accelerator in rhythm with the others. He stared straight ahead, concentrating on his task ahead--to sift his way through the slower cars without having a wreck.

The race began and Alexander was slowly but surely working his way to the front. Wrecks and spinouts were very frequent as the caution flag came out 11 times for a total of 65 laps run under the yellow.

Alexander slowly worked his way to the front, all the way to second place after starting last. A pit stop put Alexander in about fifth place, and once again he started working toward the front.

Suddenly, coming out of turn number two, blue smoke erupted from the rear of Alexander's car. His race was over on the 160th lap. Mike had blown an engine.

The car coasted around the track and into the pits. For several minutes, Alexander just sat in his car, saying nothing. Finally, a member of his pit crew said something funny and everyone, including Mike, "broke up" laughing.

Alexander climbed out of his car, talking and laughing, acting as if nothing happened. Quickly the tiny freshman was whisked away to the radio booth where he was interviewed for several minutes.

Alexander then came out of the booth and explained that the race was too long for the car to run full-out for 200 laps.

That was the past. As for the future, you can be sure that car number 84 will spend many Saturday nights this year in victory lane with little Mike Alexander beaming from behind the wheel.



Members of Sigma Chi fraternity celebrate a 30-29 victory over Sigma Alpha Epsilon that netted the all-sports award.





David Bow meant business when he joined the Blue Raider 100 Mile Club. All he did was average 10 miles of running a day to become the first person to surpass the goal.

## Whack!

by Chuck Cavalaris  
Sports Editor

Morehead's baseball team, Middle Tennessee State's foe in a best of three game series May 6-7, for the conference title, is rumored to be so confident that they leave tips before meals.

Now, that's cocky.

But the Eagles have reason to be self-assured. They can hit the ball like no team in the history of the Ohio Valley Conference. Take this case for instance.

You can be the coach at Tennessee Tech. Your ace pitcher is on the mound (in Cookeville) and the game with Morehead is tied at 3-3. It's the top of the eighth.

The first batter strides to the batter's box, takes a mighty cut and blasts a home run. So does the second...and the third...and the fourth. The fifth batter strikes out, missing a home run on the pitch before by a couple of feet.

Guess what the sixth batter of the inning does? He drills a shot over the fence for the fifth home run of the inning that also had four consecutive homers before...now that's swinging the bat.

Morehead just happens to be the No. 1 college team in the entire United States in hitting. The team batting average is .353, that's right, .353.

"It is unbelievable," Blue Raider coach John Stanford remarked in the aftermath of his second straight Western Division title. "We have had to rely on pitching and defense all season. Sometimes it was there and sometimes it wasn't.

"But lately we have been playing as well as I could ask," the 1976 OVC Coach of the Year continued. "Earlier we had some rough times, got drilled worse sometimes than any team at Middle Tennessee probably ever has, but nobody blamed anybody else. We won and

lost as a team and that pulled us closer together."

Stanford admitted that rap session in the clubhouse three weeks back was vital in putting the pieces to a championship in place.

"Yes, I think that is what brought the team closer together because they started sitting down on their own and talking about what we could accomplish this season," Stanford explained.

The team held private meetings before each conference game and talked about what it would take to win. The conference record is now

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8-5, in the strongest division (from top to bottom) in the league.

But the big question mark a month ago was leadership. Who would provide something that comes natural, and can be disastrous if it's forced?

"Steve Smith became one of our top leaders and he was a relief pitcher," Stanford said. "He runs the pre-game routine with Coach (Steve) Peterson and if we got down, he would come into the dugout and start hollering to get everybody going. He never quit."

Such was the case yesterday when a divisional title or defeat fell squarely on Smith's shoulders. "Come on," he shouted after coming on in relief and pitching out of a first inning jam, "Let's get going. We ain't beat."

Ben Lankster, a senior shortstop who covers ground like a scared rabbit, is a "big reason we are where we are," Stanford pointed out.

The Corbin, Ky., native has made major league plays all season, like yesterday when he

scooped a ground ball on the outfield grass and threw the runner out at first.

The hard, if not ultra-determined work of assistants Peterson and Carmen Fusco, who coach the base paths during a game, has been a vital factor in Middle Tennessee's unprecedented quest for a second straight conference baseball title.

"They have hit a million fungoes since January 1," Stanford pointed out. "When things got down, they just hit that many more."



John Stanford

A game just as important as yesterday's MTSU baseball win over Murray in the second game, came Wednesday when the Blue Raiders stuck Austin Peay with a 7-4 loss in Clarksville.

Second baseman Tom Nichting cracked a three-run home run in the eighth inning to push the Raiders to victory. Southpaw Mike Moore picked up his seventh win in eight games after firing a six-hitter.

"Everybody was sky high on both teams," Raider coach John Stanford said. "That was one of the better wins I have ever had in coaching because of the pressure, a big crowd and we came through."

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# Injury barrage slows women netters' progress

by Eddie Gossage

Tennis anyone?

Actually, we're not talking about just anyone. We're talking about the MTSU women's tennis team.

Head coach Sandy Neal is quite proud of the team's accomplishments despite their 7-8 record.

It seems that most of the season, MTSU has been nagged by injuries to some of the key players. As a matter of fact, one of the top six players is out with an injury right now.

Kaye Wrather plays the No. 1 position for the Lady Raiders and is doing "a great job" according to Neal.

"The number one position is a tough position with a lot of pressure and tough competition, but Kaye has done a good job," Neal explained.

Wrather has several more years in front of her as the Murfreesboro native is only a freshman.

Playing No. 2 is Corrine McDonald, a junior from Lookout Mountain, Tenn. Neal said that McDonald, in her third year with

the team, has a good attitude which is in turn good for team morale.

Playing in the No. 3 position is Tracy Williams. The Red Bank, Tenn. product was out part of the season with a cracked bone in her foot but has been back for the last two weeks.

Williams has been playing "exceptionally well" with a powerful forehand, Neal said.

Sophomore Karen Miller from Madison, Tenn. received high praise from Neal. "She (Miller) is definitely the most consistent player I've ever seen in my life."

A good example would be the recent matches with Tennessee Tech and Vanderbilt. In those two matches Miller was the only member of the team who won her singles match.

Playing the No. 5 position is a Murfreesboro junior Carol Crain, an "aggressive player with a good net game," Neal described.

The sixth player on the squad is freshman Debby Dietch from Chattanooga, who has a dislocated knee and has been out for the last two weeks. Neal said, however, that they hope to have her back next

week in time for the state tournament.

Rounding out the rest of the squad are Joy Schwan, Pay Youree and Margie Skinner and have filled in this year in the wake of numerous injuries.

Neal felt the three substitutes gained valuable experience because they saw lots of action and helped hold the team together.

The Lady Raider tennis team has seven more matches left in the regular season followed by the women's State Tournament on May 4-8 at Memphis State.

## Studs romp to IM title

The Studs battled out of the loser's bracket to capture an intramural softball tournament with a decisive 20-8 victory over the Above Average Whites yesterday.

David Stamps got the Studs on the scoreboard in the second inning with a grand slam and the winners never trailed in posting their fifth straight win in double-elimination tournament play.

Bobby Kavanaugh and Bart Fite also connected for homers for the Studs. The game was called after five innings due to the 10-run advantage rule.

Sigma Phi Epsilon put the Studs in the losers bracket last week in a 9-1 game but the Studs, composed mainly of members in Sigma Chi fraternity and former MTSU baseball players, battled back to cop the championship.

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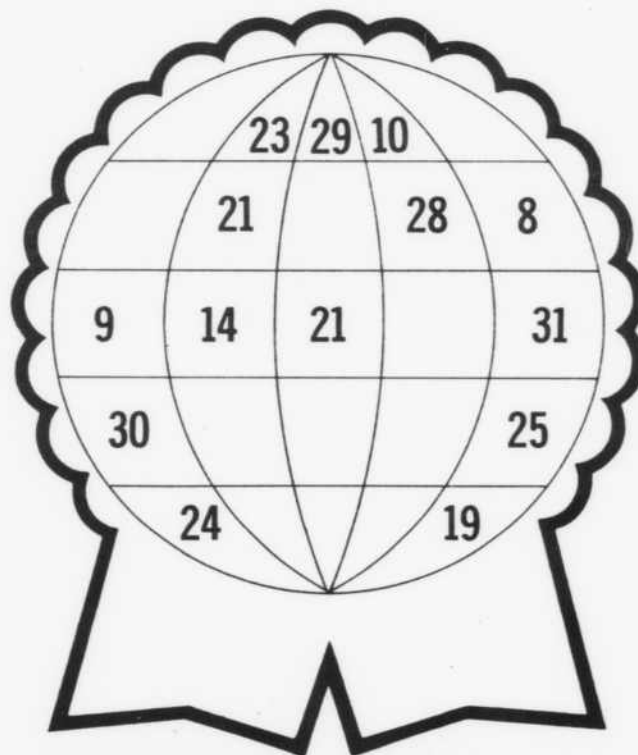
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# Recent success isn't keeping Lady Raiders very satisfied

by Eddie Gossage

Following a very successful 1976-77 basketball campaign, new Lady Raider head coach Pat Sarver is looking for some help from this year's high school graduates at the center position.

The Lady Raiders are returning 13 of the 15 members off of this year's team. Among those are most valuable player Jan Zitney, two-time Junior College All-American Liz Hannah, junior-to-be Sharon McClannahan as well as many others.

Since there are several scholarship athletes returning, there are not many scholarships available. The Raiderettes plan to use the scholarships they do have very carefully.

The No. 1 prospect this year is 6-2 Pam Amos, sister of Patrice Amos, the scrappy reserve center who will return next year for her sophomore season.

Pam Amos starred for Hillsboro High School in Williamson County and seems to be the kind of player MTSU needs to enhance their fortunes for an even better season next year.

Also high on this year's priority list is Ann Elsea from Piny Flats, Tenn. Elsea is a 5-10 forward from East High School in Bluff City.

Bellvue's Jill Oberhellman is another prime candidate to join the Lady Raiders next season.

Oberhellman is a big 5-11 forward and Sarver said she was

definitely going to "take time and look at her."

Four other girls are under consideration to join the Lady Raiders next year as guards. Susan Swink, a 5-8 guard from Tullahoma, is considering the Lady Raider program.

Other possible guards are Jill Driver from Nashville Overton, a 5-8 senior, Terry Muckle, a 5-3 guard from Nashville's Father Ryan High School, and Polk County's Kay Healan, a 5-5 guard who competed in this year's state tournament here at MTSU.

Lynchburg's Wanda Cannon, a 5-11 forward, stands a good chance at coming to MTSU. Cannon is the third forward that Sarver mention-

ed as a top-notch player.

Sarver also added that there may be a couple of transfers from other colleges or junior colleges interested in playing basketball for the Lady Raiders next year.

MTSU held a try-out for several girls last Friday afternoon. About 20 girls turned out hoping to land a spot on next year's squad.

"We're doing less recruiting than we normally would because we have a lot of people returning," Sarver commented yesterday evening. "We want to pick up a few girls and give them a good background on basketball then possibly give them a scholarship after next season when we have six graduating.

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6:00 MW, 6:00 W  
7:15 W, 7:25 MW

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7:00 M, 7:15 M, 7:25 M

8:00 TTH  
TBA and Others

### WILL HAVE EXAMS:

Tuesday, April 26, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
Tuesday, April 26, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 26, 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 26, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 26, 8:00-10:00 p.m.

Wed., April 27, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
Wed., April 27, 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.  
Wed., April 27, 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
Wed., April 27, 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
Wed., April 27, 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Wed., April 27, 8:00-10:00 p.m.

Thurs., April 28, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
Thurs., April 28, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Thurs., April 28, 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
Thurs., April 28, 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
Thurs., April 28, 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Thurs., April 28, 8:00-10:00 p.m.

Friday, April 29, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
Friday, April 29, 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.  
Friday, April 29, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Sat., April 30, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
Sat., April 30, 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.  
Sat., April 30, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Monday, May 2, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
Monday, May 2, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Monday, May 2, 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
Monday, May 2, 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Monday, May 2, 8:00-10:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
To be arranged by instructor between  
April 26 and May 3.

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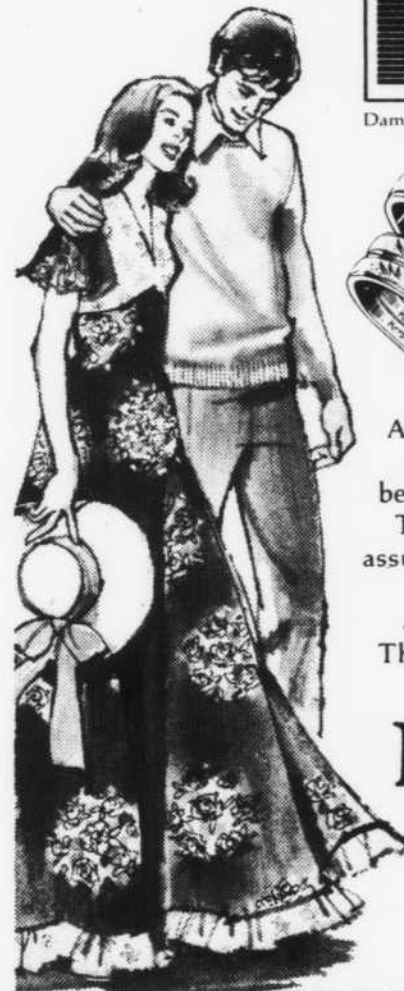
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