

Williams Speaks To Voters Council

By Bobby Sands

Avon Williams, a Nashville lawyer, in an address to the Rutherford Voters Council said, "Black Americans are on the battlefield fighting for first-class citizenship." Williams said that "for America to remain great, it must eliminate divisions among its people which means for Negroes to be socially acceptable and accepted."

Williams went on to say that the purpose of the TVC is to have a black primary on the battlefield to tell white racists that "we do not believe in violence, but we will fight you with every breath in our bodies using every non-violent, legitimate means available for first-class citizenship."

According to Williams, there are about 218,000 registered Negro voters in Tennessee. He estimated that 95% of these would vote for the candidates endorsed by the TVC. He pointed out that approximately 165,000 Negroes cast their ballots for Johnson-Humphrey in 1964.

The black man's heritage in America was traced by William's pointing out that black people helped to colonize the wilderness, fought for the colonies' independence and fought in other wars. He traced the black man through slavery into the civil war to the present time and commented that the black men have come a long way. Reference was made to Christmas Attacks, a Negro, who was the first man to be killed in Boston Common in 1774.

Williams explained that although people born in America are supposedly citizens, "black people have had to fight for their citizenship." He said that it was not possible for blacks and whites to live "separate and equal." He stated that it has been proven that separation of the races leads to violence and that it is necessary for blacks and whites to live "equally" together.

Williams was high in his praise of the NAACP, an organization working for an end to racial conflict and first class citizenship for Negroes. It was pointed out that a white woman, Mary O. White, was the founder of NAACP.

The 1954 school desegregation decision was a great step forward for Negroes—representing a complete turn from the Dred Scott decision of 1857 which said that slaves were property without rights, the Negro speaker elaborated.

Williams said that black extremists had served to wake up a part of white America and force them to realize the problem.

With his voice teeming with emotion, the orator said this about George Wallace: A man who stood in the door of a public, tax supported educational institution to bar the entrance of a Negro child, has the audacity to aspire to be President of the United States." Williams contended that Wallace was being financed by "white billionaires." He said that Wallace is saying in effect "elect me and I'll get rid of all the Niggers."

Richard Nixon was termed as Wallace's good friend. According to Williams, Nixon is saying the same things as Wallace, and that the terms "law and order" mean "keep the Niggers down."

With even more emotion, he asked if anyone had heard anything about law and order when Governor Orval Faubus of Arkansas called out the National Guard to prevent a black child from entering an all white school?

"Has anyone spoken up for law and order when nightriders shot and killed a white civil rights worker, mother of three, on the Selma to Montgomery highway in 1965 immediately after the famous Selma march? Has anyone heard anything about law and order in Alabama when a Negro church was bombed taking the lives of four small Negro children?"

"The white South and the white North doesn't give a darn about law and order except to keep the Negroes down. White America should hope for a whole lot of racial intermarriages."

Williams said, "the white man in America is egotistical beyond belief, thinking that only blonde hair and blue eyes were beautiful; and that white skin was clean skin while kinky hair was bad hair and black skin dirty." He said black was "beautiful, warm and comforting." It was contended that the white man has an in-group preference and had taught Negroes self-hate.

Throughout his speech on the black man's fight for first class citizenship, in one point in particular, Williams said "this fight is for the future of our children in American society."

He called for support of the Humphrey and Muskie ticket and termed these men "possibly not the best — but the best ticket available to fight white racism. Negroes cannot afford to go fishing on November 5."

"It takes group action by Negroes to achieve Negro political goals. It is important for us to get together and stay together," Williams declared.

In conclusion to his speech, he called for Negroes to vote for the Democratic party ticket for their own benefit.

The speech was heard by approximately 50 people at Bradley School in Murfreesboro. Included in this group was Dr. Thomas Van DerVort, from the MTSU political science department. Don Coleman, an MTSU student, introduced Williams.

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'Meet The Greeks' Program Scheduled

MTSU's five fraternities announce a "Meet the Greeks" program to be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9.

The program will be held in the Tennessee Room of the SUB and is considered a preliminary to rush which begins next week.

The Greeks issue the following statements: "One should learn of each particle of our system before taking that step forward. The rushee should keep in mind that the structure of a house housing over 50 men exists only when these men have structure and character. Choose the type of man you would like to call brother."

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AVON WILLIAMS... "MILITANT AS HELL, BUT NONVIOLENT"

Muskie Addresses 2000 In Nashville Saturday

The presidential campaign was once again brought to Tennessee's capital city Saturday in the form of Sen. Edmund Muskie, Democratic vice presidential nominee.

Opening his campaign speech with several analogies with the Truman-Dewey campaign in 1948, Muskie soon settled down to business — attacking the record of Richard Nixon and the threats of George Wallace.

Muskie told the approximately 2000 strong crowd at the Sar Memorial Building Auditorium that if the nation wakes up one morning and finds Richard Nixon president of the United States, it will "not be because the majority favors him, but because the minority have deserted the Democratic Party." The Maine senator spoke to a joint meeting of the Tennessee Young Democrats and the Tennessee Labor Council.

He continued to state that if Wallace wins or even receives substantial support, it will mean that "we will have nothing to cheer but fear." Muskie said it is true that Americans heard the truth about the three major candidates and then pledged, "We're going to tell it like it is!"

In his attack against Wallace, Muskie preferred to review conditions in "Wallace Wonderland"

(Alabama) and pointed out the increase in that state's murder rates and the low wages and benefits. Wallace attempts to "erect a wall between privileged Americans and deprived Americans." Once erected, Muskie pointed out "nobody on either side is safe and secure."

He then quoted Thomas Jefferson: "We get law and order only when every member of society has a state in society." We, as Democrats, wish to join the aristocracy of those who care."

In compliance with the theme of his speech, Muskie then turned his attention to the Republican presidential candidate, Richard M. Nixon. The former vice president was pointed out as a man offering no specifics in the campaign is-

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Sen. Muskie Chalks Up List of 'Firsts'

Senator Edmund Sixtus Muskie, 54, rolled up an impressive list of "firsts" during 22 years of political success in Maine before being nominated on August 29, 1968, as the Vice Presidential nominee of the Democratic Party.

In 1954 he became the first Democrat in 20 years—and the first Roman Catholic—to be elected Governor of Maine. In 1958 he overwhelmed the Republican incumbent to become the first Democratic Senator ever elected by the people of Maine. He is believed to be the first U.S. Senator of Polish extraction.

Muskie doesn't let any one capitalize on his religious or ethnic background.

"I don't play politics with my religion," he said, "and I won't do so with my nationality."

The old-line Yankees, who time and again gave Muskie their political preference, shaped the man. A Catholic in a predominantly Protestant state and a Democrat working with a traditionally Republican constituency, he brought to the Senate Down East qualities that earned the respect of his peers.

"He is a Senator's Senator," said Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana. "He is a man who eschews publicity, works hard, and has gained a well-deserved reputation among his colleagues for integrity, fair dealing and effectiveness."

With his craggy good looks and lanky 6-foot-4 frame, Muskie is an imposing man who never imposes. He makes his marks with

solid attention to legislative detail, a quiet diplomacy that avoids personalities and a determination never to get into a fight unless he means to win it.

Muskie was born on March 28, 1914, in the paper-making town of Rumford, Me., the son of Stephen and Josephine Czarnecki Muskie. His father, who died in 1956, came from Poland, in 1903, and worked at several jobs, including a stretch digging coal in the mines of Lackawanna County, Pa., before settling down with his bride to follow his father's trade as a tailor in Rumford in 1911. His mother, now 77, a native of Buffalo N. Y., and daughter of Polish immigrants, still lives in Rumford.

Father Muskie made up his name from the original surname of Marciszewski because people had trouble pronouncing and spelling it. Muskie became official when he applied for U.S. citizenship.

The boy was shy and bookish until he entered Rumford High School where his height helped him to become a high-scoring basketball center. He took public speaking and became a star debater. As class valedictorian in 1932, he won a small scholarship to Bates College in Lewiston, Me.

After working as a waiter and dormitory proctor and at a summer resort as a bellhop to help pay for his education, he was graduated in 1936 as president of his class and with a degree magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa key. Another scholarship took him to Cornell University Law School and an LL.B. degree in 1939.

Muskie started the practice of law in Waterville, Me. (pop.



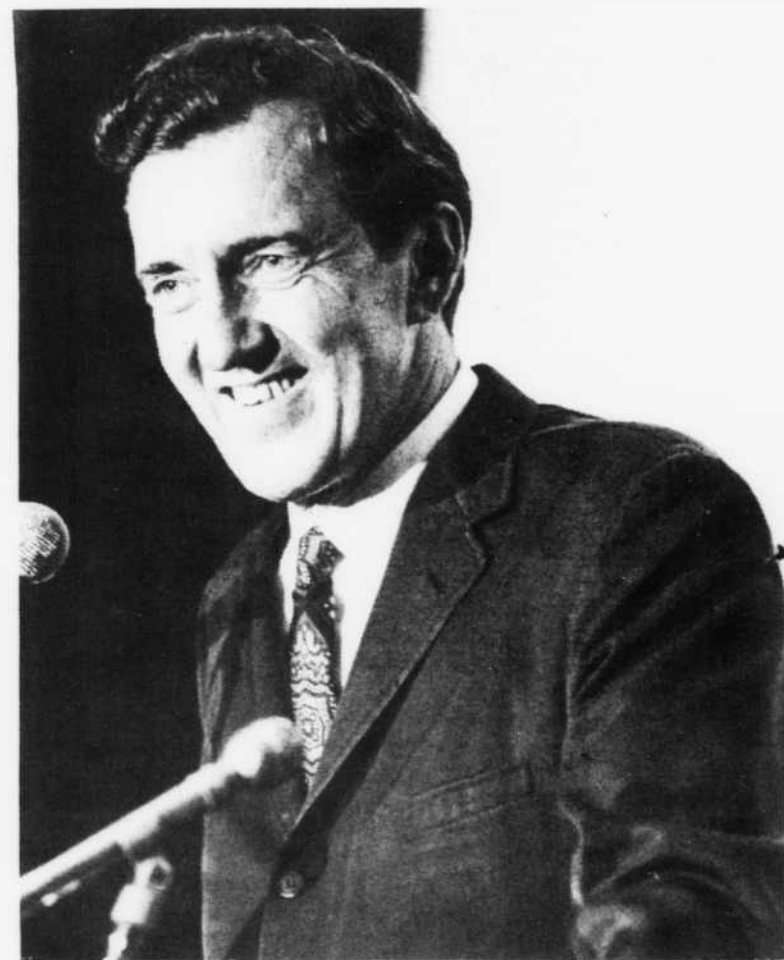
Senator Edmund S. Muskie, Democratic vice presidential candidate, posed for this family portrait recently before hitting the campaign trail. Senator Muskie, seated, holds Edmund Jr., 7, next to Mrs. Muskie and daughter Martha, 9. Standing are Steve Muskie, 19; Ellen, 18, and Melinda, 11.

19,000) but World War II interrupted. He served as a junior officer on destroyer escorts in the Atlantic and Pacific, winning three battle stars.

Returning to Waterville, he successfully ran for the state legislature in 1946. In 1947 he lost his only election in a bid to be mayor of Waterville but was re-elected to the legislature in 1948 and 1950. He was Democratic floor leader in 1948.

In January, 1951, Muskie was appointed Maine director of the Office of Price Stabilization. In 1952 he became Maine's Democratic National Committeeman.

In 1954 Muskie decided to run for Congress but Maine Democratic leadership prevailed upon him so seek the governorship instead. For the gubernatorial race and the Senate and House seats, the Democratic state committee had only \$18,000 but Muskie scored a stunning upset to become Maine's first Democratic governor in 20 years. Re-elected in 1956, he collected 180,254 votes, the most ever given a Maine Governor.



CYD Recruits O'Toole

Washington—Teddy O'Toole has been named national chairman of the Student Coalition for Humphrey-Muskie.

O'Toole, immediate past vice-

president of the United States National Student Association and co-engineer of the NSA student rights-student power effort last school year, was recruited as chairman

by Spencer Oliver, president of the Young Democratic Clubs of America.

O'Toole—anti-draft, anti-war, and pro-McCarthy—called support of Vice President Humphrey "a must if students want to have any role in forming policies that affect them."

Ray Appleton, past regional coordinator for the National-Rockefeller Youth staff, was named vice-chairman.

"The coalition is an ideal organization to bring those of us who supported Senators Eugene McCarthy, the late Robert Kennedy, George McGovern, Governor Nelson Rockefeller and Vice President Humphrey into one group to keep Richard Nixon out of the White House," Appleton said.

Appleton pointed out that he has joined early supporters of Humphrey and key workers from the McCarthy and Kennedy campaigns in a joint effort to elect Humphrey.

The coalition will print its own literature and position papers and will serve as consultant to Humphrey on issues affecting the student world, O'Toole said.

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Memorial Service Held For Dr. Cope

Members of the Student Christian Union at Middle Tennessee State University joined with officials of the Associated Student Body in a memorial service for Dr. Quill E. Cope Wednesday evening.

Derry Cochrane, president from the SCU, Henry Ramser from the Baptist Student Union, Richard Shriver from the Wesley Fellowship and Dr. Wymer Wiser from the Church of Christ group, and Jim Free, president of the Associated Student Body joined in a 30 minute expression of appreciation and commendation of Dr. Cope for his enrichment of the academic, physical and spiritual growth of the University, and his vast contributions to Tennessee education.

Members of the campus religious organizations joined in a cappella choir to provide music for the memorial.

Students Interested In WMTU-FM Meet

Students interested in the university radio station, WMTU-FM, will hold a meeting Wednesday in room 210, Dramatic Arts.

Douglas Vernier, supervisor, has stated both men and women are needed at the station to complete the proposed staff of 80 persons. Only 20 people, however, attended the first meeting Wednesday.

Dr. Cope's interest in the welfare of the students, the active participation of Dr. and Mrs. Cope in student events, His fairness, deep religious convictions and his encouragement, assistance and concern for all those in the University community, were extolled by Dr. Wiser in the final eulogy.

Dr. Cope served as president of MTSU for ten years, resigning in September of 1968 to accept a post at the University of Tennessee.

6,779 Enrolled For Fall Semester

With registration for the fall semester at Middle Tennessee State University completed, the record by Dr. John Weems, dean of admissions, for accuracy in projecting enrollments has been maintained. Last spring Dr. Weems projected a fall semester enrollment of 6,800 students. The actual head count as of October 2 is 6,779.

Included in the fall enrollment are 3,869 men and 2,910 women students. The freshman class is the largest with 2,348 members. There are 1,456 sophomores, 1,184 juniors, and 1,258 seniors. Of the 514 graduate students enrolled, 445 are part-time students. The total equated enrollment (average of all students taking a full load) is 6,287.

For the past five years Dean Weems had been projecting semester enrollments several months in advance with most phenomenal accuracy. Seldom has his projections been more than 25 students short of the projection.

Art Talk Presented At The Barn

An "Art Talk at the Barn" will be presented 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, in the lecture room at the Barn for all art majors, particularly new ones, according to Morris Brandon, head of the Art Department.

Four of the studio faculty members of the art department will be present to show and discuss their own work. They are Larry Brooks, Klaus Kallenberger, David LeDoux, and Phillip VanderWeg.

"These men are producing artists whose work is well known and well respected in the art world. There must be curiosity about and interest in the work they do and their point-of-view about the work. This is an opportunity to see what they are doing and talk to them about it," said Brandon.

An informal exhibition of the work to be discussed will be in the lounge of the Barn this week prior to the art talk.

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State Baptist Hold Fall Convention

The State Baptist Student Union fall convention will be held at First Baptist Church in Murfreesboro Oct. 11-13, according to Linda Hall, president of the MTSU BSU.

The convention, which will have the theme "TO EVERY AND NATIONS," will begin Friday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. and continue until Sunday at 10:30 a.m. All MTSU students are invited to attend, Miss Hall continued to say. There is no registration fee.

On Sunday morning, Oct. 13 the BSUer's from MTSU will present a drama entitled "Space Hawker". Also slides from the BSU summer missionaries from throughout the state will be shown. These missionaries spent their summers working in Jamaica, Europe, Israel, and various workcamps in the United States.

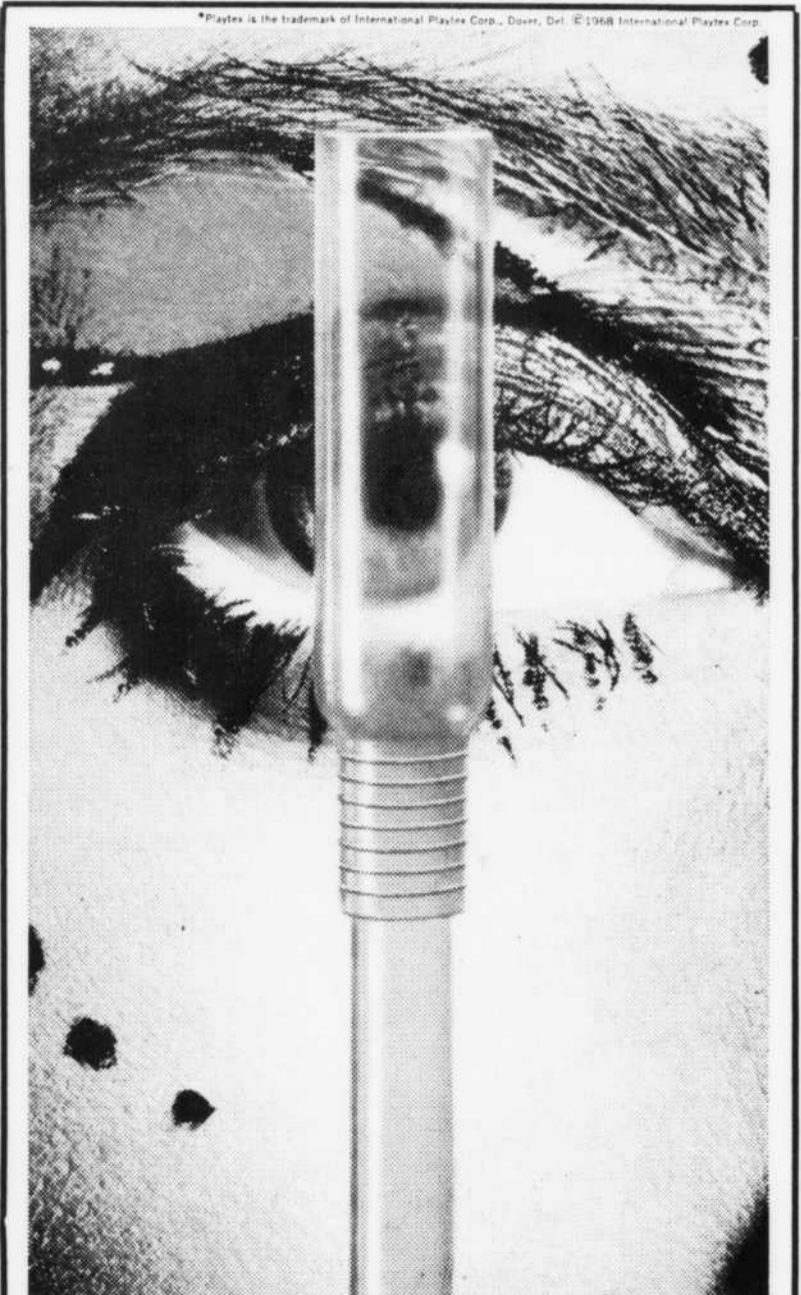
Henry Ramer, BSU Director, releases the following names as

the three featured speakers at the convention: Dr. W. S. Howard from the Texas Department of Student Work; Ed Seabaugh, consultant of summer missionaries at the Baptist Home Mission Board located in Atlanta; and Benton Williams, a missionary from Southeast Asia.

Track And Saber Club To Elect Sponsors

The Track and Saber Club will elect twenty girls as cadet brigade sponsors during its first meeting Thursday, Oct. 10, in the University Center theater.

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As I See It

New-New Classroom Building LVI

By David Mathis, Editor-in-Chief

The impressionable high school senior's eyes opened wide as he entered through the front gates of the university where he hoped to obtain his degree in four more years. If things went as he and his parents planned, he would enter the university the following spring after graduation. He had already selected his major area of study, his dormitory, and even his schedule of classes. With all such details established, he just wanted to visit on the campus and become acquainted with the students and the various building locations.

Since he had previously obtained a class schedule and, in somewhat of a dream, had arranged his classes as he wanted, he knew exactly in what buildings he had these prearranged classes. The object of this particular visit was to plan, with his parents' assistance, his route of travel for each day of class. Of course on weekends this would be no particular problem as he would not be on campus.

Yes, the school he chose was MTSU. The time he would enter is the fall semester, 1988. If you will bear with us for a brief look into the future, we will examine one problem (one of many) that even twenty years from now reflects upon the precedents set forth in the fall semester, 1968.

In the search for various sites on the campus, the conversation would probably go something like this:

MR. PARENT: Well, son what are some of the buildings listed that you will have classes this year?

SONNY: Well, according to this schedule I have biology lecture in the new science building which was built twenty years ago. My lab meets in the old science hall just behind the new science building. Chemistry meets in the old science building next to the new classroom building.

MR. PARENT: What about your other classes? Are they also located in these new buildings that were built twenty years ago?

SONNY: Oh no Sir, I even have English in the new-new-new classroom building III. Algebra is taught in the math building, ROTC in the ROTC building, and speech in the speech building. These last three buildings have on adjective telling when they were built.

MR. PARENT: You should be thankful not to have any occasion to go into the Old Main Building, for if these others are called new, I can't imagine the condition of anything termed 'old'.

SONNY: Dad, I suppose you are right on that point. One thing that confuses me is the fact that none of the buildings have names. Some of them are very fine structures and certainly someone in the history of the school's graduates is worthy of having a building named after him.

MR. PARENT: As I understand it, MTSU does not like to offend anyone. Since not all the graduates and professors can have a building or statue named after them, then NONE of them has this honor. This, you will find, is a very conservative university and it does not want to arouse any degree of unrest. Before you get your degree from here you will appreciate the value of the status quo.

SONNY: To me this sounds ridiculous, for common sense tells most people that when a university has sixteen dorms called "high rise dorm" and twenty-one buildings called "new classroom building," something has got to give.

MR. PARENT: But Son, there is tradition to consider.

SONNY: Traditions are not always good and may arise out of mere habit.

MR. PARENT: Well, you force me to tell you a very distasteful story. Look at that little building over there, yes, New Classroom Building, 1968. The tale is told that it is haunted by Mrs. Betty Avent Murfree, MTSU's first librarian. The school tore down Murfree Hall to build that building and did not name the new structure Murfree Hall — or anything else. At the time of destruction, there was much controversy, but the administrators continued with their plan. Since that time the tradition of naming buildings faded away with Murfree Hall. Seemingly the only thing left to remind us that MTSU once had the forethought and imagination to label structures is the ghost of Mrs. Murfree.

After this the son looked so pale and weak that Mr. Parent took him home for a rest. But before leaving, they went by to look over Sonny's dormitory — New Men's Hall XXXVIII.

Sidelines

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"MY, THE WORKING MAN HAS COME A LONG WAY IN THIRTY YEARS."

Can S-X Be Patriotic?

By Arthur Hoppe

"Hi, Millicent. I guess your folks went down to the Support Your Local Police & Cut Local Taxes Rally?"

"Yes, but come on in, Rodney. I'm just sitting in the living room all alone, addressing 'Stamp Out Red China' pamphlets for the Young Americans for Individual Freedom. But what's wrong? You look depressed."

"Oh, it's this book I've been reading by a couple of political scientists, Rogow and Lasswell. It's called... Well, it's called 'You Know, Culture and Politics in America.'"

"You know?"

"Yeah, you know. It says the reason we're young Conservatives is because of childhood conflicts over... well, you know. And we've got unhealthy, repressive attitudes toward... well, you know."

"Oh, Rodney, what bosh. I've got the normal healthy attitudes of any red-blooded, patriotic American girl. I can even say the word."

"You can?"

"Sex!"

"Gosh, Millicent. You're wonderful. And I want you to know I'll never think the less of you for doing it."

"Thank you, Rodney. I guess that takes care of those sick, no-nothing scientists."

"Not quite, Millicent. You see they also say that these same childhood conflicts produced all these dirty, long-haired Left Wing radicals — only they're rebelling against these restraints. That's why they believe in free — excuse the word — love."

"Ugh! These scientists are right. Free love certainly has no place in our free enterprise

system."

"But don't you see, Millie? The basic problem, if I can speak frankly, is that because these beatniks believe in licentious free love, they're going to — forgive me — outbreed us Conservatives."

"I don't see the connection, Rodney."

"Just take my word for it. Unless we do something, they'll overpopulate the world with little Left Wing radicals. They'll overwhelm us by sheer numbers."

"Oh, Rodney, what can we do?"

"Well, first let me put your Guy Lombardo record on in case anyone's eavesdropping. There. Now come close and I'll whisper my plan."

"Gosh, Rodney, when you look into my eyes like that..."

"It's up to each of us to do his or her part, Millie, to save this great country of ours."

"And when your voice goes all husky like that, Rodney..."

"Sometimes, Millie, we have to violate the conventional morality in order to preserve it. Sometimes, we have to sacrifice ourselves on the altar of freedom to keep our Nation strong."

"Oh, Rodney, when you take my hand in yours like that, I just melt inside. I'll do anything you ask."

"Anything?"

"Anything."

"I knew I could count on you, by golly. Meet me in front of the Youth for Wallace Headquarters after breakfast and we'll pass out these bumper stickers. They say, 'STAMP OUT (forgive me, Millie) SEX!'"

Problems And Answers

Nixon Supporter Supports 'Sidelines' Endorsement Rights

I wish to commend the SIDELINES for taking a stand on the coming election which could be one of the most crucial of all times. For a long time, students have decried the triviality and lack of enthusiasm and conviction which have characterized this paper.

The editorial board, as the editor pointed out to Miss Fouts, should have the right to determine editorial policies; whether or not the endorsement reflected the opinion of the faculty, administration, or the majority of the students is unimportant. If the endorsement stirred up controversy and criticism, then the MTSU campus is the better for it.

Indeed, I personally do not feel the endorsement of Humphrey reflected majority opinion. I support Dick Nixon as a rational alternative to the flaming liberalism of Hubert Humphrey and the oppressive gestapo type of government advocated by George Wallace. Therefore, I do not speak in defense of the SIDELINES because of partisan sentiment for Hubert Humphrey.

I would urge the SIDELINES to

not become so partisan as to exclude relevant news of the opposition nor to engage in name-calling and slanderous attacks.

In regard to the letter by Mr. Monaco, I agree that the public program committee has the interests of MTSU at heart in trying to upgrade the level of programs presented. I most certainly advocate an all-out effort by the new president, Dr. Scarlett, and other administrators to obtain more funds to be used for this purpose. However, those who complained did so upon reflecting that other universities invite speakers from both parties to speak openly as well as other controversial speakers

such as William Buckley, Jr. and Stokely Carmichael. Perhaps more funds is the answer.

Believe it or not, Mr. Monaco, there are students who take advantage of the opportunities afforded by this university consistently and yearn for more. I hereby attest to the fact that I spend most of my evening studying and reading; I have never licked a Wallace sticker, and I spend my weekends participating in politics and socializing with my fiance. Besides, I would gladly come to hear William Shakespeare speak on drama; in fact, I would settle for a re-appearance of John Ciardi.

Shirley Russell

Former Student Wants Change Praises 'Sidelines' Stand

Editor:

I hope you don't mind a former student addressing the SIDELINES. After reading the September 30th issue of the SIDELINES to my horror, I found my beloved

newspaper endorsing Vice-President Humphrey for President. I feel that Humphrey would only be a continuation of the present administrations's policies. This country cannot take another four years of such a policy.

Naturally, at this point, my main interest is the war. Humphrey has given every indication of continuing the present Vietnam war policy. Where has it gotten us, but only deeper into our present situation? It is one thing to say end the war, but another to keep the war going for the benefit of a few Hawks and people on Wall Street. Yes, we need to be there, but let's win it. There are two other men offering their solutions for a just end.

I feel we should allow one of these men a chance at running this country. This is what we need—a change not a continuation.

I am proud that the SIDELINES has taken a stand even though I disagree. This is what is so badly needed today in America, to be able to voice one's opinion and still respect the other's ideas.

May the SIDELINES continue to prosper as it already has under your leadership.

Byron Adams

Former Editor Reviews Past Political Scene

To the Editor:

As one who is interested in MTSU and its student body—as an alumnus, a graduate student, an instructor, and especially as a former editor of the SIDELINES—I commend you on your recent editorial endorsement of Hubert H. Humphrey. This action reflects the marked progress in student freedom and student responsibility which has developed during my tenure at this university.

My pleasure is not based on the advocacy of any particular candidate, although in this case I happen to agree, but on the principle involved. It has historically been the policy of this school's administration and publications committee to discourage political stands by the student newspaper.

I can recall that as recently as two years ago, all political activity was successfully squelched. Groups supporting state and national candidates were denied the use of campus mail to contact members, were forbidden to meet on campus, to advertise off-campus meetings by posters or personal contact, and even to deny students the right to invite their candidate to appear on campus.

I can very clearly recall times when SIDELINES editorials were screened before publication to avoid controversy or possibly arousing the antagonism of the state power structure. I will never forget being told that the student paper should restrict itself to campus affairs only and not delude into state or national politics.

My philosophy rejected those conservative restraints then and it condemns them now. The student newspaper has a responsibility to its readers to meet the pressing matters of the day head-on and "tell it like it is." A paper which dates to call itself a student publication cannot rely on the administration to make its decisions or to approve its judgment. Nor is it

possible to accurately reflect the consensus of the students in all instances.

The editor-in-chief and his editorial board cannot become pollsters to canvass the campus for the opinions of all 6775 of our students. We live in a representative and not a direct democracy. Our leaders are chosen because we entrust them with the responsibility of expressing our wishes and protecting our rights according to their best judgment.

The editor speaks for himself or for the editorial board as mentors of opinion. Molding and encouraging student opinion is the function of the editorial column. The students speak for themselves through their letters to the editor. News columns express objective facts; editorial columns express subjective opinions. It could not be otherwise.

I praise the situation and the more flexible atmosphere which now permits students and student leaders to accept their responsibility. The days of seeing our campus as a miniature world, aloof from the demands of external

society are dead.

"The torch has been passed" and in the disillusionment and despair of our youth over the political chaos of the last few months, someone must accept it and hold it up again. It must be today's students and their leaders.

Tony B. Pendergrass

Fouts Questions Editors Again On Endorsement

Editor,

Re my letter to the editor October 3.

In response to your rebuttal, let me say it was just as expected. Now, let me ask who is on the editorial board? Who chose the members of the editorial board? Did the members of the selection committee represent anything resembling the MTSU student body? Has the SIDELINES ever attempted to find out how the students feel on important issues?

It was stated (in your rebuttal of my last letter) that your purpose was to make the students think for themselves. The method you chose was not objective, but an emotional, flag-waving endorsement of a particular candidate. (THE SIDELINES could have performed a much greater service by informing the student body about registration procedures, including absentee ballots, state and local (county) requirements, registration centers and so forth. After supplying this necessary and pertinent information, an even greater service could have been rendered by urging the students who are eligible to get out and vote—for the man of their choice, whoever that may be!)

I affirm the editors' right to make editorial policy. However, the SIDELINES, as a student newspaper, not dominated by the editors (or is it?) has the responsibility to record the views of the MTSU students. Have you tried to do this since "Choice 68"? Four months have gone by since "Choice 68" and the political scene has changed considerably. I again suggest that a poll be taken among the students in order to bring the SIDELINES up-to-date on our views. Then the SIDELINES should publish the results; providing the students with a view not originated by the editor or rubber-stamped by the editorial board.

Connie Fouts

EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Miss Fouts:

Allow me to answer your questions before I restate to you what

I stated in my October 3 answer.

1. The editorial board is composed by the three managing editors and the editor-in-chief.
2. The editor-in-chief is selected through means of application and interview by the Publication Committee (composed of members of the administration, faculty, and students.) The editor then chooses managing editors and, with their assistance, chooses the staff heads through applications.

3. This school year we have not sponsored a poll. The ASB plans to conduct an election of this type October 18.

I hope further space in this newspaper will not be wasted by elaborating on the organization of our staff. I feel this is rather boring reading for the majority.

I close by pointing out both your confusion on the purpose of a college newspaper's editorial policy (explained to you in October 3 edition) and your contradictory statements about editorial policy.

We will, of course, publish the results of the ASB political election. This will be news and therefore will be covered in the SIDELINES. We hold steadfast to our endorsement of Vice-President Humphrey and our journalist right to take this stand.

David Mathis, Editor-in-chief

Confusion Of Intent

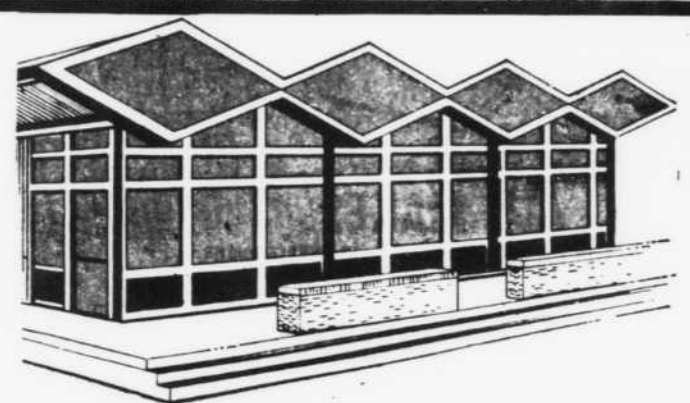
Dear Sir:

Your recent editorial, endorsing the candidacy of Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey for President of the United States of America, had the dubious honor of receiving mention in the "Nashville Tennessean."

Intentionally or not, the "Nashville Tennessean's" report of your endorsement has had the effect of misleading the general public. The public may not be aware of the fact that your endorsement did not reflect the opinion of this outstanding educational institution.

I urge you to keep the record straight. Remind your readers that your endorsement did not reflect the opinion of this University.

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SPIRO T. AGNEW, Republican Vice Presidential candidate, will be in Nashville on Tuesday, Oct. 8. He plans to tour several parts of Tennessee's capital city just as Democratic candidates Hubert H. Humphrey and Edmund Muskie have done within the past week.

Leftist Students Protest

NEW YORK (CPS)— With the presidential elections one month away, leftist student and peace organizations across a broad spectrum have begun planning a "fall election offensive" opening a new

phase in the national protest of the electoral system which began in Chicago last month and which will continue through the inauguration in January.

The National Mobilization to End the War in Vietnam (known as 'Mobe' for short), a loosely formed organization which in the past has coordinated many of the mass anti-war demonstrations and which earlier this year called for the protest in Chicago, is the one group so far to become specific about its plans.

Mobe leaders say they are calling on students to "find new ways of voting this year—in the streets rather than in polling places" since voting for one of the three major candidates gives no chance to vote for ending the Vietnam war now.

Muskie...

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sues. Also Muskie states that Nixon is the man "who is afraid to debate Hubert H. Humphrey, the democratic presidential candidate.

"We've all heard the Nixon slogan 'Nixon's the one,'" Muskie said. "You may have wondered as I did, 'Which one?' 'Who's going to wake up on Nov. 6 knowing what Tom Dewey felt like in 1948? Nixon's the one.'"

"You may wonder who cast the deciding vote against federal rural electrification loan funds? Nixon's the one.

"Who voted to deny social security coverage to 750,000 workers? Nixon's the one.

"Who cast the deciding vote against federal aid to education when he was vice president, Nixon's the one.

Sen. and Mrs. Muskie arrived at Nashville Municipal Airport at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. Upon arriving downtown at the auditorium, he was greeted by many supporters carrying signs, one of the most noticeable reading "Save the bomb. Drop Curtis LeMay."

In a brief press conference held in the Hermitage Hotel after the speech, Muskie was asked if he thought the Democrats would carry the state of Tennessee. He said, "I am in no position to act as a prophet as to what Tennessee will do on November 5."

CYD's Meet Tues.

The College Young Democrats will hold their second meeting of the school year on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in room 308 of the University Center.

President Tommy Peterson urges all interested persons to attend.

The order of business will include election of new officers, discussion of membership dues, campaign plans, and a possible political debate.

After the meeting of the CYD's there will be a meeting of the Students for Humphrey-Muskie group held in the same room. According to Linda Judd and David Mathis, co-chairmen, the purpose of this second meeting will be to make posters and discuss the prospects of a campaign booth and forum.

Fellowship Offered In Public Administration

Students interested in a career in public administration in the national, state or local government are offered an opportunity to apply for a fellowship to study at three different universities. Candidates must be American citizens who have completed or who will complete a Bachelor's degree with any recognized major by June of 1969.

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Beginning this June, fellows will serve a three-months' internship with either a department of the state government in Alabama, Kentucky, or Tennessee or with a federal agency in the South such as the TVA. During the 1969-70 academic year, they will take graduate courses in public administration at the Universities of Alabama, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

Completion of the twelve-months' training period entitles fellows to a certificate in public administration. They can be awarded a Master's degree at one of the three universities attended upon completing a thesis and passing appropriate examinations.

For information and applications, students should write to Coleman B. Ransone, Educational Director, Southern Regional Training Program in Public Administration, Drawer I, University, Alabama 35486. The deadline for submitting applications is March 1, 1969.

Williams...

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In an interview with this reporter after the speech, Williams responded to questions candidly. When asked if he had any bad feelings toward white persons in general, Williams replied that when he referred to the white man he was referring to a way of thinking and no one man in particular.

Asked what label he would use for himself, he replied, "Militant as hell, but nonviolent."

Responding to a question concerning the black community's probable reaction if George Wallace was elected president, Williams said "This would be a good indication that the white man was no longer going to agree to Negroes using peaceful means to advance themselves and Wallace's election would set the stage for a race war for this is what Wallace was building up.

Asked if he would consider a bid for governor in 1970, Williams said "Sure, if I could develop enough support."

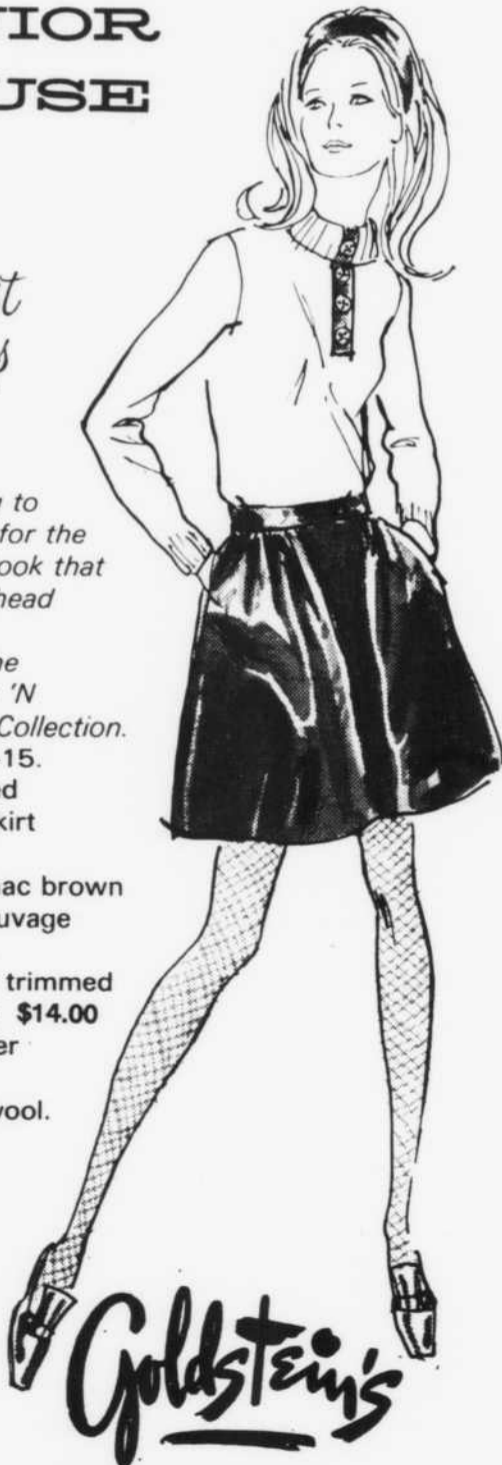
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Mocs Dump Raiders 28-15 ; Edwards Scores For MTSU

MTSU was unable to curtail the running and passing of Chattanooga's sensational quarterback Roger Caterino as the Raiders were defeated by the Mocs 28-15.

Chattanooga was in complete control the entire night as they compiled a total 23 first downs and scored a touchdown in every quarter.

The Moc's Robert Smith plunged over from the one during the first period foiling a 63 yard drive.

The passing of Caterino and receiving of tailback Bucky Wolford were the highlight for the Mocs. Wolford scored the second Chattanooga tally on a one-yard pass from Caterino in the second period which capped a 92 yard drive.

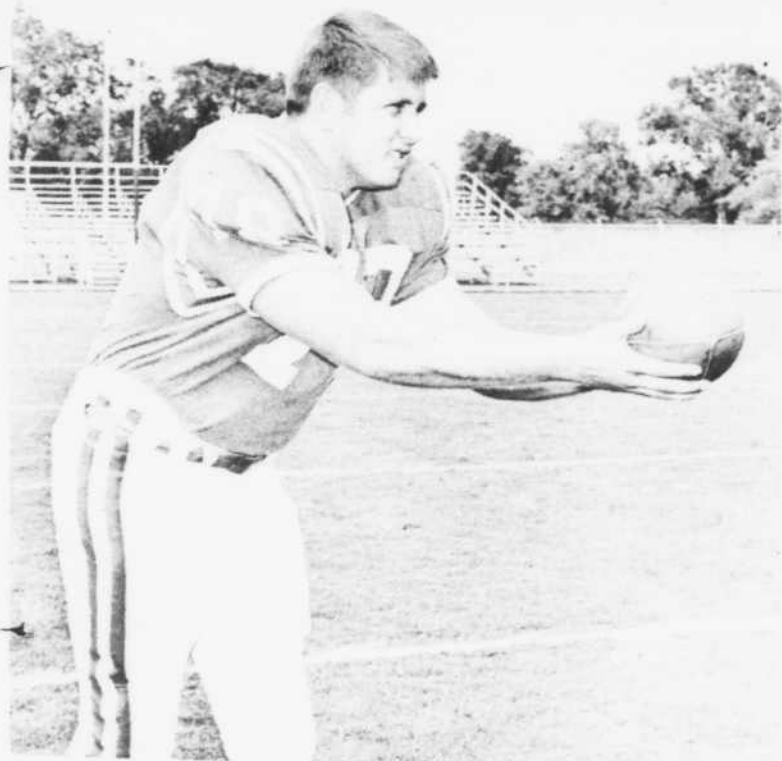
The Moc's other two touchdowns were also scored by Wolford. One was on a 24 yard pass from Caterino and the other was on an 11 yard run.

The Raiders, hindered the entire night by field position, finally scored in the fourth quarter with the score 28-0. Both scores were by Taylor Edwards on runs of six and two yards. Both Raider scores were aided by pass inter-

ference calls. The Raiders first extra point was kicked by Kevin Tucker and quarterback Dickie Thomas ran the other.

Thomas completed 15 of 33 passes for 164 yards and rushed for 92 yards. The Raiders are 1-2 overall and 1-0 in OVC play. The Raiders travel to Richmond Ky. next week to battle Eastern Kentucky.

MTSU's Ron Taylor, Gallatin sophomore, presently leads the OVC and possibly the nationwide small college and university division in punting. He presently boast a 43.7 average after 16 punts for the Raiders this year.



RON TAYLOR
LEADING OVC PUNTER

Sporting The News

by Phil Hicks
Sports Editor

Lately there has been a considerable amount of talk on campus concerning the subject of school spirit, so I would like to state my feelings about it. MTSU, in my estimation, has some of the greatest athletic teams in the South. Not only do the young men on the teams contribute to this, but also the hundreds of students who are backing our team this year. I think the spirit on our campus this year is great. The organizations which create this spirit are the fraternities, sororities, and other groups on our campus.

Last week's Thursday issue of the Sidelines ran an article on school spirit which a freshman girl wrote with whom I have become acquainted. The article was turned in to me and I turned it in with my news stories to the editor. He in turn placed my name under it. The writer of this article did not submit her name, but this is not important.

The important thing is, to describe the situation we have at hand. There is a trophy called the "Blue-White Trophy," which will be presented for the first time at the end of this year to the fraternity which promotes the most school spirit. I know that the fraternities are not out to try to out-yell the other fraternities to see who can make the most noise. They are yelling because they are behind the Blue Raiders 100% and they want their teams to win as much as the players themselves or maybe even more. I just wish that every member of the MTSU student body would possess the spirit that the members of the fraternities and some other student organizations do. I am sure that our players and coaches feel the same way I do. One example of our great spirit was exhibited in Chattanooga this past weekend when the entire MTSU side of the stadium filled. We actually had more backing than the Moccasins had on their home field.

One more comment: where are all of the MTSU students going on the weekend?

CORRECTION

In the Thursday, Oct. 4 edition of the SIDELINES, a by-line was credited to Mr. Phil Hicks. This was an error and we hope caused no misunderstanding.

Gamma Epsilon

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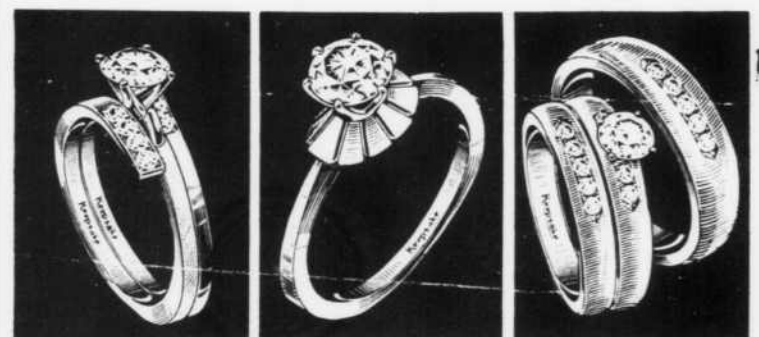


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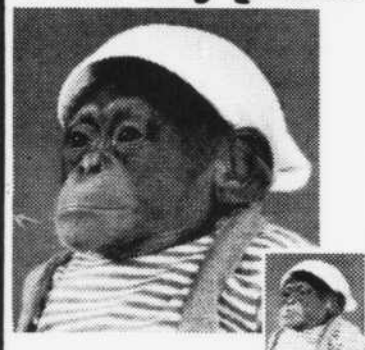
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APG Elects Officers

The MTSU chapter of Alpha Phi Gamma, national publications honorary fraternity, recently met to discuss plans for the year.

At the meeting officers were elected as follows: David Mathis, president, Humboldt senior; Zolleen Powell, vice-president, Murfreesboro senior; Emily Kelly, secretary, Waynesboro senior; Tony Pendergrass, treasurer, Murfreesboro graduate student-assistant and Lynn Small, ASB House Representative, Nashville senior.

Plans were made to initiate new members into APG on Sunday, Oct. 27. To be eligible for membership, a student must have served on one of the MTSU publications either in a major position for one semester or in a minor position for two semesters. Also the quality of work accomplished by the prospective members will be under consideration, stated John Windhauser,

faculty sponsor.

A permanent meeting date was set for the first Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. There will be a call-meeting Wednesday, Oct. 9 in the SIDELINES office.

Cumberland Presbyterians Plan Fall Retreat

The Cumberland Presbyterian college group announced completion of its plans for its annual fall retreat, scheduled to begin next Friday.

The three-day retreat will be at Crystal Springs Camp near Kelso, Tenn., and the agenda includes discussions on current topics, singing, recreation, vespers, and Sunday morning worship.

Transportation will be provided, and non-members may attend. The group will meet Wednesday in room 308UC.

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LeDoux Sells Painting

The Tennessee Arts Commission has purchased a painting by David LeDoux, a member of the MTSU art faculty, for inclusion in an exhibition titled "Tennessee Painting Today."

The painting, titled "Entry Into My Garden," pictures Tennessee hills under mist.

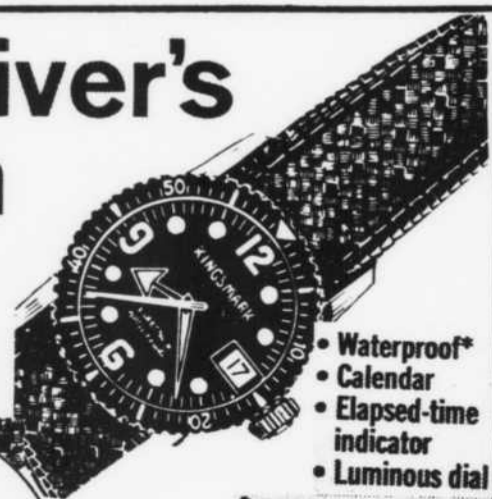
The exhibition was assembled at Cheekwood in Nashville and will tour art museums throughout the Southeast during the next two years.

LeDoux's work has been displayed in numerous regional and national exhibitions, including showings in Richmond, Ky., Winston-Salem, N.C., and New Albany, Indiana.



RECENTLY THE MURFREESBORO ALUMNI of Sigma Chi National fraternity gave a barbecue banquet in honor of the brothers of Chi Alpha Pi fraternity.

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