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Agnew Raps Muskie During Campaign In Music City

By Ronnie Thompson
Staff Correspondent

NASHVILLE—Gov. Spiro Agnew of Maryland addressed the party faithful here Tuesday, charging that his opponent for the vice presidency has encouraged civil disobedience.

Promising law and order under a new Republican administration, Agnew decried a statement reportedly made by Sen. Edmund Muskie at the University of Southern California in which he said he had no objection to demonstrators breaking the law if they were willing to pay the penalty.

The candidate said Muskie's attempts to encourage disobedience does "a disservice to America and the young people he leads astray."

"His statement was reprehensible," Agnew said. "He should reverse it immediately and tell them they are morally wrong and are hurting themselves and the United States."

The Maryland governor added that protest should be made in the "traditional method of the ballot box and the courts."

Agnew's remarks came during a speech at Belmont College before an estimated 1,500 persons.

Before his formal address, Agnew claimed that a vote for third party candidate George Wallace is either a lost vote or a vote for the Democrats.

"Mr. Wallace is not an electable candidate," he said.

Lambasting Wallace's running

mate, Gen. Curtis Le May, Agnew added:

"You know and I know a careless hand on that atomic bomb button will reduce this world to a cinder in minutes. We can't afford the risk of Mr. Wallace's third ticket."

In another slap at the campaign of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, Agnew sought to defend his running mate from charges that Nixon has not been meeting the campaign issues.

"MR. Humphrey ducked every contest. He refused every debate," Agnew claimed.

"Richard Nixon won the nomination of his party by discussing the issues and winning the support of the voters," he added. "Hubert Humphrey won his nomination by keeping the ashtrays empty and the water glasses filled at the White House."

Among those that met Agnew when he arrived here early Tuesday were Mayor Beverly Briley and Gov. Buford Ellington, an old friend of the Maryland governor.

In addition to the GOP congressional candidates, Agnew was also greeted and hosted by several of the state party's kingpins: Guilford Dudley, the state party's finance chairman; Buford Bates, candidate for public service commissioner, and Roy Acuff, country music star and state chairman of Citizens for Nixon-Agnew.



GOV. SPIRO AGNEW

Hannah Accepts Position As YDI Camp Director

By Donna Hanvy

Jerry Hannah, former Baptist Student Union president and a sociology major here at MTSU, has refreshing news for those who are interested in a challenge in the field of human relations.

After working for Youth Development, Inc. for two summers, first as a counselor, then as program director, Jerry has recently been appointed camp director for YDI.

He will be working for the next several months publicizing and recruiting for this organization. YDI is a social welfare agency which works with Negro and Puerto Rican teens in New York's Spanish Harlem.

Its city and camp programs have made commendable strides in the areas of counseling, education, and Christianity. Workers in the city program counsel and advise drug addicts, dropouts, and just the average kid on the street. Perhaps the YDI workers will find jobs for underprivileged teenagers or their parents, or he may refer them to other welfare programs. Professional teachers and

tutors are made available through YDI attempts to mold a philosophy of family and church that will satisfy the hunger for security.

A camp program exists in the summer (from the end of June through August) and is situated in upstate New York. MTSU students who serve as counselors in this program are: Terrel Bain, Fayetteville senior; Jimmy Nickols, Ringgold, Georgia junior; Jane Hannah, Chattanooga senior; and Janie Deavor, South Pittsburg senior.

From the Harlem 150 teenagers are taken and placed into a middle-class camp and stimulating environment. Jerry says it is a "tremendous camp; we have nothing comparable to it in this area."

YDI is not sponsored by any federal agency, and its income is derived from donations from all over the world. An ex-convict and electronics and mathematical genius by the name of Jim Vaus is the heart and soul of YDI.

Vaus formerly worked for Mickey Cohen in the underworld. In 1949, he became involved with

What's Up?

Thursday, October 10
10:00 Kappa Tau Delta—Store Room
11:00 Pi Sigma Epsilon—308
1:00 Kappa Tau Delta—310
5:00 Fellowship Club—312
5:00 Delta Pi Delta—Sub B
5:00 Triton Club—Pool
6:00—Delta Pi Delta—322 B
6:30—Lambda Psi—312
6:30 House—308
6:30 Senate—322
6:30 A.S.B. Food Committee—Sub A
7:00 Track and Sagra Club—Theater
Friday, October 11
3:00 C.U.B.E.—322
6:00 Church of Christ Hayride
6:00 Delta Pi Delta—322 B
Saturday, October 12
12:30 B.S.U.—Cafeteria
7:30 A.S.B. Movie—Theater
Sunday, October 13
12:15 Auto Cross—D. A. Parking Lot
5:00 Lambda Psi—322

the Billy Graham Crusade and was converted to Christianity. In 1958, he went to East Harlem to work with juvenile delinquents. Through his dedication Vaus managed, in 1961, to raise over one million dollars to buy property for a youth camp.

Now Jerry, as camp director, will travel throughout the South and Midwest recruiting for summer staff. Publicity can begin on this campus. Anyone interested (a sociology major is not a prerequisite) can drop Jerry a note at Box 6175. He will be happy to supply information on interview, application, and salary.

Pinto Tells of Castro's Rise to Power in Cuba

By Patricia McMurtry

Dr. Socrates B. Pinto, one of many Cubans who fled Castro's dictatorship, spoke before the German club Monday night at the University Center theater.

The audience heard a first-hand account of Fidel Castro's rise to power and learned of the depressing conditions that prevail in Communist Cuba today.

Pinto told the listeners of his own personal experiences while living under communist rule. Being a very close friend of Castro, he was also one of his avid backers. Ironically, it was Fidel's sister who exposed him to Pinto and finally helped him to escape Cuba in 1961.

Dr. Pinto described the "Voice of America" radio station as "a little bit of light for a person who is in a dark room." It was through this media that he was informed of current happenings during the time he lived under the Castro regime.

He also stated that "Cuba is a threat to this country." In his opinion, Cuba would never attack the United States, but she has a radio station that is much more powerful than the "Voice of America" and uses this as a means to do her damage.

During an open discussion which followed Dr. Pinto's delivery, he answered a former CIA agent's question concerning the "Bay of Pigs" invasion with this reply: "The Bay of Pigs could have succeeded, but when it failed it only reaffirmed Castro's power. That day just proved to the world that Cuba was under Castro's control with the help of Russia."

According to Pinto, the American and Cuban underground work did not correlate. Today, in Cuba,

the underground does not exist at all; it has been reduced to nothing.

In Dr. Pinto's words Castro is not only "power-drunk" but will finally "be killed by his own people."

Greek Probation Period May Be Altered: Scarlett

Dr. M.G. Scarlett, in his first major appearance as president before students here, hinted last night that the door will be open soon for national fraternities on the MTSU campus.

Several national fraternities have colonized local greek organizations here, but the university administration has said it will not permit full affiliation until after a three-year probationary period.

During a short address at the semi-annual "Meet the Greeks," a preliminary rush activity, Scarlett said:

"We are an embryonic university. In many ways, we are a university in name only, and we have much to do."

"I hope that the development of a stable fraternity system can do much to propel us along the road to the status we desire," he said.

Scarlett suggested that the administration here "reconsider" the three-year probation period, in an attempt to speed up the introduction of national fraternities.

"I don't see any reason why we can't reconsider this time structure," he said, "and hopefully provide national affiliation for all fraternities here."

The president's surprise remark drew an extended standing ovation from the estimated 300 persons in the Tennessee Room.

Cope Memorial Gifts Explained

The Development Office has outlined the procedure for making memorial gifts on behalf of Dr. Quill Cope through the Middle Tennessee State University Foundation.

A check for this purpose should be made to the Middle Tennessee State University Foundation and can be sent to the MTSU Office of Development.

Persons making memorial gifts are asked to denote the names for whom the gift is being made, as a card indicating the memorial will sent to the Cope family.

Brooks Exhibit Opens Sunday

An exhibition of drawings and prints by Larry Brooks, MTSU instructor of art, will open to the public at three p. m. October 13.

The opening will be between three and five p.m. in the gallery on the second floor of the Saunders Fine Arts building.

According to Brooks, who joined the faculty last year, this will be his first major showing in the Middle Tennessee area. The exhibition consist of about 23 works which represent the crux of about four years work, he said. Brooks has exhibited prints widely in national, international and regional shows, his latest award being Honorable Mention in the Drawing and Crafts Exhibition now showing in the Arkansas Art Center in Little Rock.

He received his M.F.A. degree from Tulane University where he studied printmaking with James L. Steg.

Freshmen Nominate Candidates Tuesday

Freshmen will nominate candidates for class officer posts during a class meeting at 4 p.m. Tuesday, according to Sandy Lappin, ASB press secretary.

The meeting will be held in the University Center theater. Plans for a freshman class float in the homecoming parade will also be discussed, she added.

In Humphrey Campaign:

Crime Fight Top Priority

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey is putting major emphasis on the question of police protection in his campaign for the Presidency.

The Vice President has vowed to make the reduction of crime one of the first orders of business during his Administration. In a position paper, he stressed the importance of adequate police protection as a first step in achieving a crime free society.

At present, he pointed out, our policemen are under-paid and most police departments are under-staffed.

In these turbulent and difficult times, training in modern methods of law enforcement are inadequate, or more often, non-existent. The enormous resources of advanced technology have not even begun to be applied to law enforcement. Many policemen, he declared, are tied down with clerical duties that keep them from the real job of preventing and deterring crime.

He also stressed that police have to develop community relations skills so that enforcement and protection are applied in a just manner. He pledged to initiate and support legislation to correct these ills.

At the same time, the Vice President said, we must plan a comprehensive program to deal with the social and economic ills that are a basic cause of the increased crime in our midst. The poverty in our society—in the ghettos, in Appalachia, in rural America—is a great breeding ground for crime. Mr. Humphrey declared that, as a country, we are rich enough and resourceful enough, to provide both the means for improved police protection and the programs for social justice. In fact, he believes there is

no other answer since "force and repression breed more force and repression. We know," he said, "they offer no long-term—only short-term—answers."

Some of the immediate steps the Vice President would take, if elected President, are:

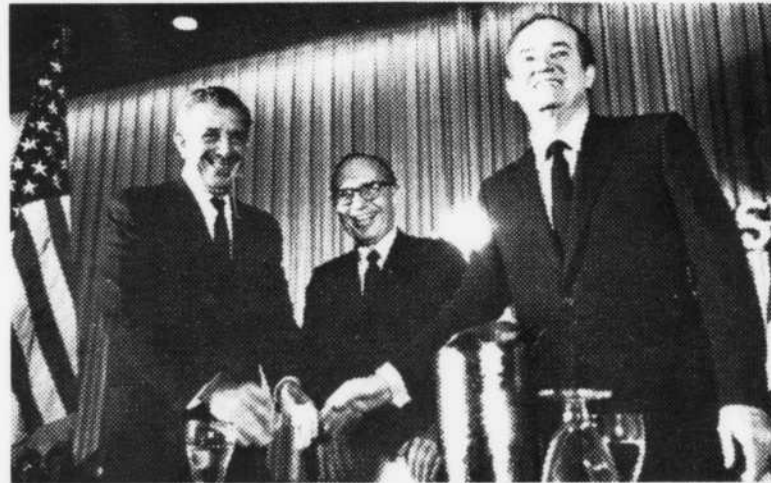
- Increased federal aid to help states and localities to recruit, train and pay the salaries of more policemen;
- Expanded federal, state and university programs for police training;
- More assistance for local police to bring them the benefits of the nation's technology in areas such as communications and data processing;
- Coordinated action by all levels of government to deal with riots and similar violence;
- Assistance to courts in expanding the number of court personnel and in reducing the backlog of cases; and
- Development of programs to promote community relations.

The Vice President Pledged to "commit the federal government to active partnership with state and local governments in the fight against crime."

Request Increase For Extension

There has been a marked increase in requests for extension classes under MTSU sponsorship this fall according to Bob Abernathy, MTSU director of field services. He attributes this demand to three factors.

Metropolitan School's in Nashville is requesting more in-service training for its faculty. The second impact is from industry in the area. The third influence is the establishment of classes at Columbia Community College which provide people of that area with instruction on the upper division and graduate level after completing junior college work there.



Vice President Humphrey is shown with Dore Schary of the Anti-Defamation League (left) and Philip M. Klutznick, honorary president of B'nai B'rith as Humphrey prepared to address the triennial convention of the B'nai B'rith, Jewish men's organization, at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C., recently.

HHH Would Set Up Agency For Consumer Protection

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey promises, if elected President, to establish an Office of Consumer Affairs to bolster government protection of consumers and represent their interests before courts and federal agencies.

"Adequate funding of the programs of consumer protection agencies will be a basic goal," Humphrey said. "We cannot afford to be dollar-wise and people-foolish." The Vice President's basic position was set forth in a letter to the Consumer Federation, which solicited his views.

Vice President Humphrey's proposals include "attention to future antitrust policies and their implications to the individual, the consumer problems of the poor, updating consumer credit laws and insuring consumer safety."

The public interest should be coordinated by a central Office

of Consumer Affairs, rather than individual efforts by various government agencies, Vice President Humphrey said.

The Vice President cited his record in the Senate as "documentation of my interest in the problems of the consumers and their implication for the national economy and the free enterprise system." As a senator, Humphrey proposed legislation furthering the interests of the consumer. He proposed expanding coverage of the Flammable Fabrics Act, anti-pollution legislation and automobile safety programs.

In 1959 Humphrey "sponsored legislation to establish a Department of Consumers in order to secure, within the Federal Government structure, effective representation of consumer interests. Effective representation of consumers is still a worthy goal," he said.

Foreign Film Schedule Announced

Monday evening, Oct. 14, is the kickoff date for a new campus film series, according to Dr. Joyce Martin of the Foreign Language Department.

The series will include films of Antonioni (director of BLOW-UP), Ingmar Bergman and Charlie Chaplin. All films are free and will be shown at 7:30 in the University Center Conference Theatre.

The first program to be shown is THE CONFESSIONS OF FELIX

KRULL from the novel by Thomas Mann and THE GREAT TRAIN ROBBERY.

The series is sponsored by the Dean of Arts and Sciences and the Departments of English, Foreign Languages, and History, with the ASB handling publicity.

Dr. Martin said, "All programs have been carefully chosen for their aesthetic, experiential, and entertainment values, and with the belief that the film is a new and viable art form to be reconed with both now and in the future."

Bachelor Of Music Degree Inaugarated

At its meeting September 23, the Commission on Higher Education gave formal approval of request from MTSU to inaugurate a Bachelor of Music degree. MTSU is authorized to begin this program in accordance with the request submitted to the High Education Commission, according to Dr. John Folger, executive director of the Commission.

Nell Wright, head of the department of Music out lined the program to begin with the fall semester 1969 leading to this professional degree.

This new program which has been in preparation for two years, will provide majors in voice and various instruments. It includes non-musical studies to meet the general education requirements of the State Board of Education while providing a concentration of music study for persons interested in studio teaching, performance, college applied music teaching, church organ performance and similar endeavors. It also includes a comprehensive language requirement.

The Music Department will continue the presently offered Bachelor of Science degree with majors in music education and instrumental music while lead to public school certification in these areas, and also the Music Arts major which is taken within a liberal arts framework leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree, Mr. Wright stated.

Buchanan Players Release Schedule

Dorethe Tucker, director of MTSU has announced a five event repertoire for the Buchanan Players for the 1968-69 season.

Clay Hawes of the Speech and Theatre department staff will have charge of the technical production of two major plays, an arena theatre musical, a full length opera and a workshop theatre three one-act play production.

The fall season will open with "The Adding Machine," October 30 - November 1. Elmer Rice's satiric comedy is the expressionistic style will be presented in the University theatre. The arena theatre musical "Little Me" by Neil Simon with music by Cy Coleman will be presented December 9-14.

"Carmen" on February 14-15 will open the MTSU Fine Arts Festival. This presentation combines the work of the drama, music and art departments in an annual extravaganza. The presentation of Carmen by the MTSU group will be the English adaptation featuring the rarely spoken dialogue adapted by Virginia Card and George Houston.

The spring semester program will feature the three one act plays under advanced student direction on March 11-15. The finale will be a drama for the proscenium theatre on May 7-10.

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MTSU CHEERLEADERS who will be whipping up some school spirit at the MTSU game at Eastern Ky. Saturday are: Left to right, row 1—Bart Gordon (Murfreesboro), John Polk (Nashville), Lynn Cook (Crossville). Back row—

Carole Thornton (Nashville), Sandra Baugh (Chattanooga), Dianne Waggoner (Franklin), Carole Moore (Nashville), Claudia Walker (Nashville), Sandra Knight (Nashville), Connie Parkhurst (Nashville).

Kappa Sigma Chooses Court

By Michael Goforth

Dianne Waggoner, Franklin sophomore, was elected this week Kappa Sigma sweetheart for 1968-69.

Miss Waggoner, majoring in sociology, is secretary of the Inter Sorority Council, a member of Chi Omega Colony, and a member of this year's MTSU cheerleading squad.



DIANNE WAGGONER

→ The new Kappa Sigma sweetheart court are Diane Bruce, Nashville senior; Margaret Duncan, Gallatin senior; Carole Moore, Nashville junior; and Jan Williams, Hartsville junior.

Miss Waggoner and her four-member court were chosen Monday night from a group of 14 contestants.

Lambda Psi

Lambda Psi elected its sweetheart court last week.

Marsha Shacklett, Murfreesboro junior, was elected sweetheart. Members of her court are Beth Calahan, Linda Diane Pruett and Suzanne Smartt.

Miss Schacklett is a marketing major and a member of the American Marketing Association. She is social chairman of Chi Omega colony and a past member of the Inter Sorority Council.

Miss Calahan, Belfast senior, is a chemistry and math major and a graduate of the Marshall County High School. She is treasurer of Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society, historian for Kappa Delta Pi and president of Delta Phi Gamma sorority.

Miss Pruett, a Nashville freshman, is an elementary education major. She was a cheerleader at Stratford High School, a member of the student council and voted "most talented" by her senior class.

Miss Smartt, a Red Bank Sophomore, was a freshman homecoming attendant last year and president of Rutledge Hall. She is treasurer of the sophomore class.



Lambda Psi's recently elected Sweetheart and Court are left to right: Beth Calahan, Belfast senior; Marsha Shacklett, Murfreesboro junior; Suzanne Smartt, Chattanooga sophomore; and Linda Pruett, Nashville freshman.

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Editorial

The Recoil Politics Of an Ugly American

The campaigns for president during 1968 present the voter with a curious test. It is one that will, among many other things, serve as a measure of his ability to tear away the shroud of confusion-through-generalization at which certain of the candidates are very much adept.

Most office seekers in any election generalize to an extent, but to some it's the name of the game. One of the presidential candidates, either through an attempt to hoodwink stable voters or through an inability to deal with the problems otherwise, has created his own following by propounding a very old political philosophy.

If he voices the voters' discontents, they will, at worst, be slightly satisfied, and at best, rally behind him.

George Wallace has sought to set the issues afire and let reason burn. And he has become the unfortunate victim of his own contradictions.

But the intelligent voting element of this great country must not react with enthusiastic approval to the candidate who suggests easy answers for tough questions. It is a simple, though effective, maneuver to promise that protesters will be shot or run down. Neither is it difficult to pledge that American forces either will get all the way in or all the way out of Vietnam.

These comments, however, offer no plan for finding and correcting the cause of civil unrest, and they offer no remedy to the internal and external difficulties in that Southeast Asian country—the reason we are in Vietnam.

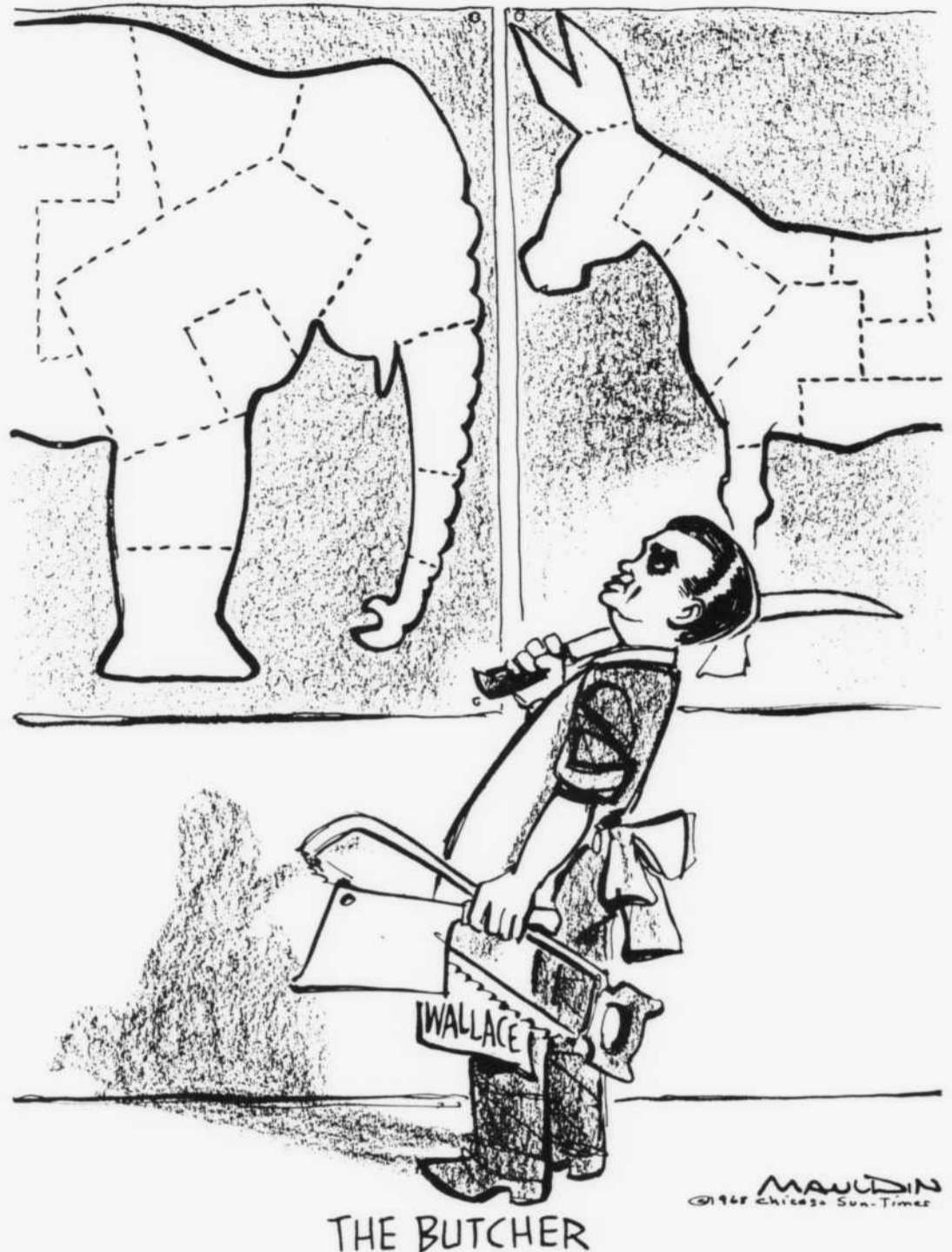
Mr. Wallace's political revolution, which has swept the country with lightning speed and random direction, has been said to be based on recoil politics with a vengeance. Except for Mr. Wallace's forceful stand on "law and order," his is not an issues movement. It is a movement of mood based upon rage and protest against protest.

Since it is a basically irrational movement, it cannot be effectively met by rationality in the manner that Hubert Humphrey and even Richard Nixon are attempting it. There are characteristics of Mr. Wallace's movement which are sick and ugly: it is anti-intellectual, anti-Negro, and anti-press-and-media.

The intelligent voter must ask: Can Mr. Wallace be trusted? If the answer is no, the voter must then choose between the best of two remaining candidates. If he decides, however, in the affirmative, the next step is to vote and prepare for the hit-and-run society.

No Cheap Solutions!

In 1952, Adlai Stevenson spoke words as fresh and appropriate today as when he uttered them: "There are no cheap and painless solutions to war, to hunger, to ignorance, to fear and to the new imperialism of the Soviet Union. My friends, you know full well that intemperate criticism is not a policy for the nation; and denunciation is not a program for our salvation. Words that are calculated to catch everyone may catch no one."



THE BUTCHER

The Brilliant '68 Campaign

By Arthur Hoppe

Herewith is another unwritten chapter of political history from "The Making of a Loser-1968." Its title: "The Greatest Plot of All."

At the time, political observers were at a loss to explain the strange developments of the 1968 Presidential campaign. Their private consensus was that the democratic process had gone mad.

Why had the Republicans nominated their weakest candidate? Why had the Democrats followed suit? Where was George Wallace getting the seemingly-unlimited funds to wreck what little chance either major party had of garnering a majority? What was a Spiro T. Agnew? Who...

But in retrospect it can now be seen that the eventual winner waged one of the most brilliant campaigns in the annals of politics.

The story begins with the surprise withdrawal from the race on March 31 of President Johnson, who had no hopes of re-election, saddled as his Administration was Vietnam, riots and growing public unease.

With President Johnson out of it, the pieces fell in place one-by-one just as the eventual winner planned.

The Republican pros, emboldened by his this sign of Democratic weakness, passed up a proven vote-getter like Rockefeller in favor of a two-time loser closer to their hearts, Dick Nixon.

The Democrat pros, figuring that even the most ineffectual candidate possible could beat Nixon, nominated him.

And it was the eventual winner, of course, who secretly financed the entire Wallace campaign. By mid-October the public was thoroughly appal-

led by the whole miserable business. The polls showed that 17.2 per cent disliked Humphrey and Wallace more than Nixon; 15.8 per cent had more contempt for Nixon and Wallace than Humphrey; 12.3 per cent hated Nixon and Humphrey more than Wallace; the remaining 54.7 were undecided which of the three would be the greatest disaster.

It was into this chaotic situation that still another bombshell was dropped. October 21, Mr. Johnson revealed that he had long promised Humphrey that his loyalty would be rewarded with the Presidency. "And as of right now, he's got it," said Mr. Johnson, "because I resign."

The experts promptly ascribed Johnson's resignation to a last-gasp attempt at giving Humphrey some stature. But most gloomily predicted that, even so, all three candidates would go down to defeat. They did.

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For on election-eve a familiar figure strode before the nationwide television cameras to make a dramatic appeal for a write-in vote for himself.

After vigorously attacking "the sorry record of the Humphrey Administration," he called for a change. He cited his experience in high office and noted that he was neither a two-time loser, a sycophant nor a Southern know-nothing.

Here, obviously, was precisely the candidate a confused Nation had been yearning for. Thus it was that the most brilliant campaign of the greatest master politician of them all came to a successful fruition.

And Lyndon B. Johnson was elected President in a landslide.

Problems And Answers

Graduate Commends Cope

To the Editor

I am a native of Wartrace, graduating MTSU in 1967 and subject to the military draft call for October, 1967. My parents are Mr. and Mrs. Alan Bomar of Wartrace. I would appreciate your considering the following for publication.

Several days have passed since the news of the death of Dr. Quill Cope, former president of MTSU. However, as I am currently serving with the United States Army in Tan Son Nhut, Republic of Vietnam, the news was delayed in reaching me. My family, knowing my admiration for Dr. Cope, sent me an article about his passing. I was deeply saddened.

Many tributes have been paid to this great administrator by his peers and others "in high places." None-the-less, I'd like to give my impression of Dr. Cope from my standpoint as an average MTSU student.

As a member of the student government, I had talked with Dr. Cope on perhaps one occasion, but did not really know him personally. I did know of his reputation as an excellent educator and a devotee to the betterment of the Tennessee educational system. I had heard him address the student body many times in a dignified, yet easy and friendly manner. I think his attitude is one reason there was never any mass conflict to mar the physical and social beauty of the MTSU campus.

As a student there were, naturally, times when I felt the school's administrative policy was a bit strict. But I guess that was all a part of my role as a student. As an ex-student I understand his attitude better and even wish it were perhaps a bit more strict.

One day I was walking along the campus and my path crossed that of

Dr. Cope. He often strolled about with his pipe in his mouth and just observed the campus and the students. (Both experienced tremendous growth under his administration.) As he passed in front of me, I respectfully said, "Good afternoon, Dr. Cope." And, to my astonishment, he responded, "Hi Woody, how are you, today?"

I believe one of the greatest compliments one person can pay another is to remember his name and call him by it. This is especially true when the two are not well known to each other, either by social or business relationship.

A great educator? Yes. A great administrator? Yes. A great man? Yes. But the thing that will loom largest and longest in my remembrance of him is that Dr. Cope knew my name.

SP4 Wilson "Woody" Bomar
United States Army
Republic of Vietnam.

Endorsement Concern Grave

To the Editor:

I noted with grave concern the editorial endorsement of Hubert Humphrey for the presidency. One must stretch his imagination to vast proportions to ponder what manner of egotistical, self-proclaimed prophet would be so presumptuous as to pretend to speak for 7,000 students, each of whom possesses an equal and presumably fair share in our student newspaper. This is a public press, supported and subsidized by public funds which have been placed in trust by the students and their tax and tuition paying parents, to provide a fair and unbiased articulate vehicle for the general knowledge of, and service to, the student body.

You, the editorial management of our paper have misplaced this trust and the good faith designated to you. It is altogether improper and ill-advised to speak for the entire student body on this explosively volatile and partisan issue.

While it is obvious that the vast majority of our students support a candidate other than the one of your endorsement, it would be improper for you to endorse any candidate. This is a clear violation of the ethical standards to which we aspire for our student newspaper. Hopefully, your indiscretion will not soon be repeated.

Larry Craig Boyd

WASHINGTON — In this year's lurid presidential campaign, one of the most important figures behind the scenes has certainly been Joseph Bachelder of Princeton, N. J.

Bachelder is a poller with a small planning-and-analysis staff of his own; and he also has access, by contract, to Dr. George Gallup's nationwide polling apparatus and to the Gallup machinery for sorting and computation in Princeton. Long ago, Bachelder became Richard E. Nixon's personal poller, and Bachelder has since been taking polls for Nixon, almost nonstop, in depth and on a very big scale.

The results that Bachelder has passed on to Nixon are among the most closely guarded secrets of the Republican candidate. Yet it is transparently obvious that the former Vice President's campaign strategy is heavily poll-dominated. It is safe to say, indeed, that the Nixon campaign to date has been mainly shaped by Bachelder's results.

In order to see why this is so, you have only to glance at the published results of other, less secretive pollers, such as Louis Harris. There is a near-perfect fit between Harris' most recent findings about the mood of the country and the things that Nixon and Spiro T. Agnew have been saying and doing since they took the stump. These things, one may be sure Bachelder has told Nixon, are just the stuff to feed the troops.

By a majority of 81 to 14, to begin with, Harris has found that the America majority is now convinced that law and order have collapsed in the United States. Further, by three to one, our people believe that the courts have contributed to this result. So the Nixon acceptance speech had law and order as its prime

theme; and a vivid green light has been given for blocking Abe Fortas' nomination to the chief justiceship.

Over 60% of our people partly blame organized crime for the alleged breakdown of law and order. So organized crime has also been given a good going over by Nixon and Agnew, even although the federal structure does not permit American Presidents to do a great deal about organized but local crime.

Just behind organized criminals, Negro rioters are also blamed for the end of law and order by 59% of our people. So the "Southern" strategy has been adopted by Nixon. School desegregation is approved in principle, but its enforcement is attacked. Every step is taken, short of the overt racism in which Nixon will certainly never indulge, to win over the voters who have been frightened by black extremism.

Communists were also blamed for disrupting public order by a substantial majority — no less than 56%. So Gov. Agnew raises the Communist issue. He even says he has a little list or will shortly produce one. And although the governor later said he does not have that reminiscent little list after all, the people who are worried about Communists have also been successfully catered to.

It is all quite wonderfully smooth, quite wonderfully professional. Even the choice of the obscure Agnew, with his home-folks way of blurting out the things that the angrier home-folks are saying among themselves, has turned out to be the acme of political professionalism. As for the long-planned, smoothly working organization of the Nixon campaign, it is downright dazzling. While poor Hubert Humphrey

can hardly afford pay for any television time at all, Nixon and his people have been conducting a saturation effort on both radio and television, with hardly a pause since the Republican convention — except when the Democrats were tearing one another to pieces in Chicago.

This saturation effort is not dramatic or headline-making, because it does not as yet include any big, nationally televised shows. Nixon has in fact avoided such risky national shows for a long time, even refusing the free appearances on the big Sunday interview - programs that most candidates fight and bleed and die for. For Nixon personally, the recipe is the local telethon or locally organized interview, timed with his personal campaign appearance in this state or that.

The even more important but far less conspicuous part of the effort is meanwhile devoted to numberless 30-second and 60-second radio "spots," and paid fragments of television time lasting only two to five minutes. A Democratic politician who drove from New York to Washington last week arrived in the capital in open despair.

"Whatever channel I turned to," he reported to the Humphrey high command, "I kept hearing these Nixon spots, mainly from the acceptance speech, mainly on law and order. It was like the radios under the pillows that they used in 'Brave New World.'"

Altogether, the Nixon campaign would appear to be the first in our history to be fully adjusted to the era of the mass media. As with newly introduced detergents, poll techniques have been used to discover what kind of product the country wanted; and for packaging and selling this product, Madison Avenue's earlier ventures in the political field have been made to look terribly feeble and antiquated. Furthermore, it appears that this really is the product the country wants.

Problems and Answers

All material for "Problems and Answers" (letters to the editor) should be sent to David Mathis, box 42, campus mail.

All letters must be signed and the name will be printed except in unusual incidents. The names will be withheld only by the discretion of the editorial board or the editor-in-chief. In this case, the name will be kept on file, but will not be released to interested parties.

Letters of not more than 250 words will have the best chance for publication. Because of space limitations, letters may be edited.

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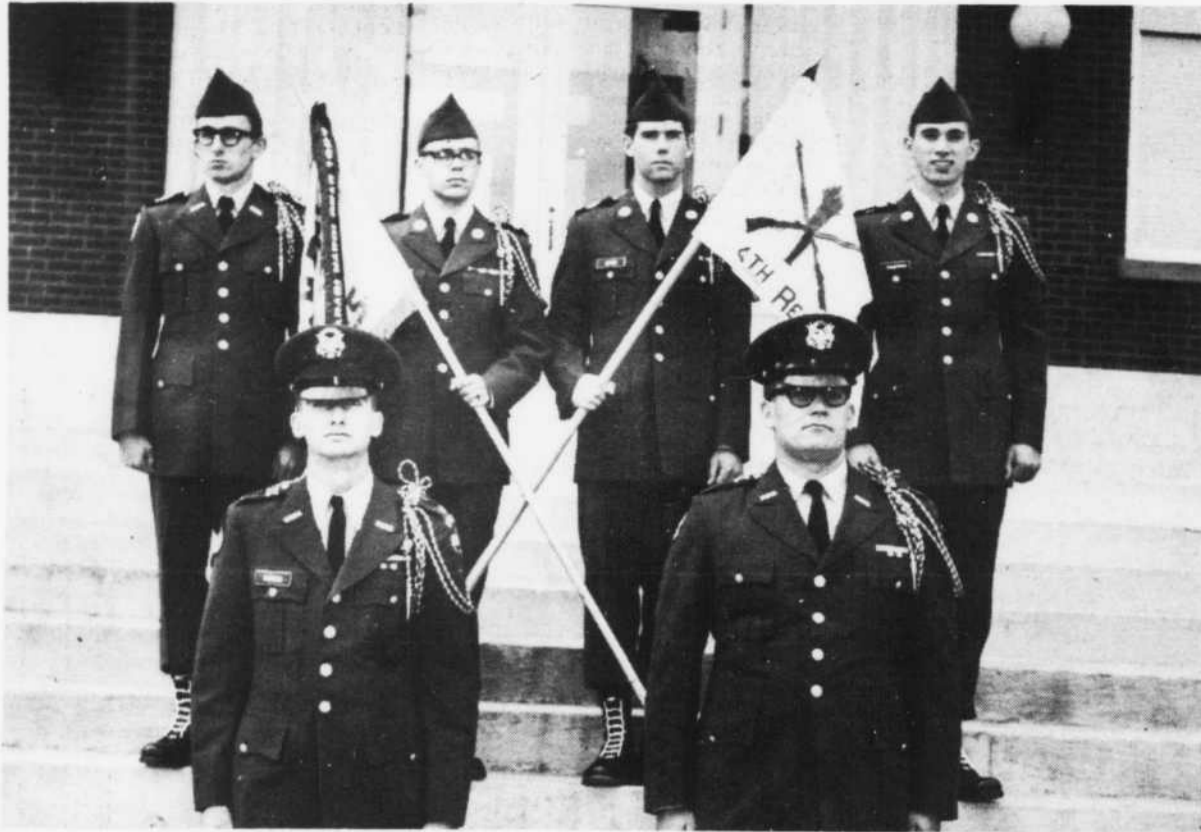
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The members of the Pershing Rifles are from left to right: first row: David Hooven and Bill Chapman; second row: Ronald Rowlette, Terry Posey, Ron Simms, and John Zimemrman.

Pershing Rifles' History Traced

The acceptance of Sam Davis Rifles in the National Society of PERSHING RIFLES last spring climaxed an action-packed and widely traveled year for the team. The National Society of PERSHING RIFLES was founded in 1894 at the University of Nebraska by

Lt. John J. Pershing, who was destined to be the American Commander during World War I.

The purpose of this organization was to develop precision drill as a model for the rest of the ROTC unit. The Society has since grown to include almost 180 universities across the nation. 1969 marks the 75th anniversary of the founding of the PERSHING RIFLES.

Since 1894 the Society has grown, flourished and expanded in a continuing effort to set the standards that have placed all PERSHING RIFLEMEN above the normal ROTC cadet.

In addition to performing in the local parades and at the Homecoming game, the team was invited to participate in the Christmas parades of Franklin, Tullahoma, and Hopkinsville. After the first of the year, thoughts and

travels turned to the "City That Care Forgot"—New Orleans—and the highlight of the year—Mardi Gras. The team became well known to the city, and Bourbon Street became well known to the team through its nocturnal activity.

Afterwards came the Vanderbilt Drill Meet where the Colorguard placed second against the rugged competition of nine Southeastern Universities and Colleges by performances for visiting dignitaries and notice of the acceptance into PERSHING RIFLES.

Each member of the team then had to go through a week of rigorous training to prove that he would be able to act and endure under pressure. This is known in common circles as Hell Week. During that week grades slipped, nerves were worn but backbones stiffened, and out of that week was built a TEAM.

New uniforms based on the style of West Point are being ordered and will be arriving early next semester. And, in the not too distant future, a house will be acquired giving a sense of belonging to every PERSHING RIFLEMAN.

Apply Now For Fellowship

WASHINGTON---The National Research Council has been called upon again to advise the National Science Foundation in the selection of candidates for the Foundation's program of graduate and regular postdoctoral fellowships.

Panels of outstanding scientists appointed by the Research Council will evaluate applications of all candidates. Final selection will be made by the Foundation, with awards to be announced on March 15, 1969.

Graduate fellowships will be awarded for study in the mathematical, physical, medical, biological, engineering, and social sciences, and in the history and philosophy of science. Awards will not be made in clinical, education, or business fields, nor for work toward medical or law degrees. Application may be made by college seniors and graduate students working toward a degree.

Postdoctoral awards are open to individuals for study or work in the mathematical, physical, medical, biological, engineering, and social sciences, and in the history and philosophy of science. Applied and empirical studies in the field of law which employ the methodology of the social sciences or which interrelate with research in the natural or social sciences may be proposed. Awards will not be made in clinical, education, or business fields. Applicants must have earned, by the beginning of their fellowship tenure, a doctoral

degree in one of the fields of science listed above or have had research training and experience equivalent to that represented by such a degree. In both programs, all applicants must be citizens of the United States and will be judged solely on the basis of ability.

Applicants for the graduate awards will be required to take the Graduate Record Examinations designed to test scientific aptitude and achievement. The examinations, administered by the Educational Testing Service, will be given on January 18, 1969, at designated centers throughout the United States and in certain foreign countries.

The annual stipends for Graduate Fellows are as follows: \$2400 for the first year level; \$2600 for the intermediate level; and \$2800 for the terminal year level. The basic annual stipend for Postdoctoral Fellows is \$6500. Dependency allowances and allowances for tuition, fees, and limited travel will also be provided.

Further information and application materials may be obtained from the Fellowship Office, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N. W., Washington, D.C. 20418. The deadline date for the submission of applications for graduate fellowships is December 6, 1968, and for regular postdoctoral fellowships, December 9, 1968.

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Around the OVC

By Sue Porter

Despite the fact that Dickie Moore, All American fullback for Western Kentucky was out of action this weekend, the Hilltoppers proved again that they were tops. They trounced the Buccaneers on their home field 23-0. The Hilltoppers' tremendous defense held the ETSU team to a minus 46 yards rushing. Leading the scoring for Western Kentucky was freshman Jay Davis, who caught two touchdown passes.

Dickie Moore is supposed to return to action this weekend when the Hilltoppers travel to Western Illinois. They are now 3-0 in Conference play.

Austin Peay gave a genuine fight for their life against Eastern Kentucky. Despite lack of interest from the Clarksville fans, Supps' boys never gave up. Scoreless until the last of the third quarter, the Gov's brought the score within one point in the last 12 seconds. On the last team effort they went for two points and lost. In his coaching career, Dupes was quoted as saying that his team had never gone for a tie. Austin Peay winds up

the OVC ratings, but their boys are to be commended.

Tennessee Tech. came across with a big upset playing Arkansas State. Having the advantage of two blocked punts, they won 15-12. The golden Eagle defense was outstanding. Tech., now 0-3 in OVC ratings will tangle with ETSU Saturday afternoon in Johnson City.

Murray State didn't loose any ground in retaining their unbeaten stride in the OVC. They are now 3-0. Murray beat Morehead 28-21. Murray will travel to Cape Girardeau, Mo. for a game with S.E. Missouri this weekend. Morehead will attempt to beat Austin Peay this weekend in Clarksville, each team hunting for their first win.

Although MTSU was defeated last Saturday night, Dickie Thomas moved up the ladder to the top spot statistically in the OVC. He leads the Conference in total offense with 516 yards and has completed 15 of 33 passes for 64 yards. Saturday the Raiders will journey to Eastern Kentucky and will play its second conference game of the season.

Raiders Face Eastern Ky. In OVC Battle Saturday

MTSU's Blue Raiders will carry a 1-2 record against the nationally ranked Eastern Kentucky Colonels in Richmond, Ky., Saturday, at 1 p.m.

The Colonels are the defending Ohio Valley Conference Champs and were the fourth ranked small college team in the nation last week.

The Raiders who were defeated by Chattanooga 28-15 last Saturday, plan to have a shake-up in the defense in the Eastern game.

The Raider offense will be led by quarterback Dickie Thomas, who had his best game against Chattanooga. Thomas completed 15 of 33 passes for 164 yards and rushed for 72 yards.

The Raiders are third in the

OVC in total offense and are seventh in total defense, behind everybody but Austin Peay. Eastern is second in both offense and defense.

Eastern, who has not lost a game since the 1967 opener with Dayton University, takes a 3-0 record into Saturday's game with the Blue Raiders. In Eastern's string of wins is a 27-13 victory over Ball State in last year's Grantland Rice Bowl.

This season, the Roy Kidd coached Colonels, have defeated Hillsdale 63-0, and have downed East Tennessee and Austin Peay in Conference action.

The Raiders hold a commanding lead in the series with an 11-4 mark.

Intramural Report

By Bill Peters

Two low-scoring battles, a run-away and an upset marked the opening action for eight of MTSU's 22 intramural flag football teams as the program moved into high gear Tuesday, Oct. 8.

Chi Alpha Pi, last year's intramural champions, were tagged with an opening defeat as they were upset by Lambda Psi, 7-0. Pat Swallows scored the lone TD and Mickey Haddock added the extra point on the option play for the big win.

In the "B" league of the four-league football program Steve Mitchell gave the BVD's a squeaky win over the 69'ers 6-0 while the "C" league Tenn. Roadrunners demolished the Boon Doggies 15-0. The Roadrunners' Jim Temple took

high scoring honors in the game with a TD and extra point, while Stanley Wills added a two-point safety. The additional TD put the game out of reach for the Boon Doggies.

High scoring honors for the day, however went to Paul Towler as he led the "D" league Crusaders past the Chargers 13-6. Bubba Moody scored the additional option-play point for the Crusaders. For the Chargers, Bell scored the lone TD.

League action will continue today as the Vets Club, captained by Leo Gulley, meet the Alpha Kappa Psi's on field A, while the P.B.R.

Raiders take on the Rejects on Field B. Kick-off time for both games will be 3:15 p.m.

Later 4:15 p.m. action will pit Kappa Sigma against Sigma Nu in an "A" league tussle on Field A, while the Project Pittsuckers battle the Rebels in "B" league action on Field B.

Intramural flag-football champion and ultimate MTSU representative against Tennessee Tech. in an extramural contest on Thanksgiving will be determined by double-elimination play-off at the end of regular season play.

Track & Sabre Club Schedules Fall Dance

The Track & Sabre Club will hold its annual Halloween Dance October 25, in the Tennessee Room. The dance is the second largest social event of the school year.

Entertainment for the 8 p.m. dance will be provided by the "Messengers." The Track & Sabre Club has also provided for the most unusual psychedelic lighting and film system of its kind in the southeastern United States.

Tickets for the semi-formal dance are now on sale in Forrest Hall and from any junior or senior ROTC students. Students with Track & Sabre Club memberships will be admitted free with a date. All students are invited, and tickets for non-members are \$2.50.

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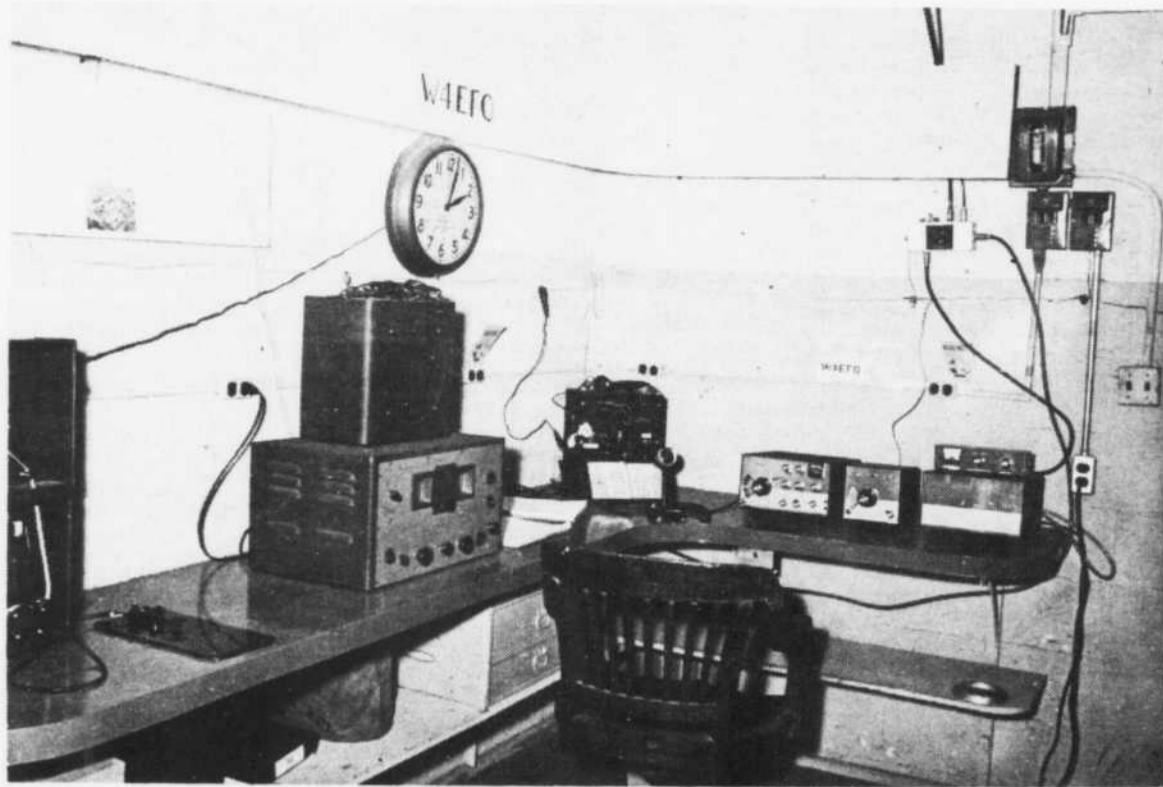


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MTSU Dames Tea October 16

The Middle Tenn. State University Dames Club is planning its annual Get-Acquainted Tea to be held October 16, 3:00-5:00 p.m., in the Tennessee Room of the Student Union Building. Mrs. Val Smith, Chairman and Mrs. George Pittman, Co-Chairman, are in charge of the Hostess Group for this occasion. Mesdames Charles Murphy, Gerald Parchment, Norman Parks, Everett Payne, Evelyn Phifer, Charles Pigg, Hixon Pugh and Eris Read will be assisting Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Pittman in this capacity.

The Dames Club extends a welcome to the wife of MTSU's new President, Mrs. Melvin Scarlett. She will be in the receiving line and this will give all an opportunity to meet and

welcome her to the community and University. Others in the receiving line will include Mrs. Price Harrison, 1968-69 President of the Dames Club; Mrs. John Weems, Vice-President; Mrs. James McBroom, Recording-Secretary; Mrs. Ralph Fullerton, Corresponding-Secretary; and Mrs. Robert Alexander, Treasurer.

Test Date

The final date for teachers to forward registrations to the Princeton office for the National Teacher Examinations, is Oct. 18, not Oct. 1, as previously indicated.

The examination will be given at Middle Tennessee State University on Nov. 9.

An estimated 133,000 American Indians lived in California when the first Europeans arrived; by 1890, only 17,000 remained.

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