

## Socratics sponsor self-help program



*Youngsters from the Shiloh community are working with the Socratics Club building plexiglass chess boards. The project is designed to help develop the community without the use of federal funds.*

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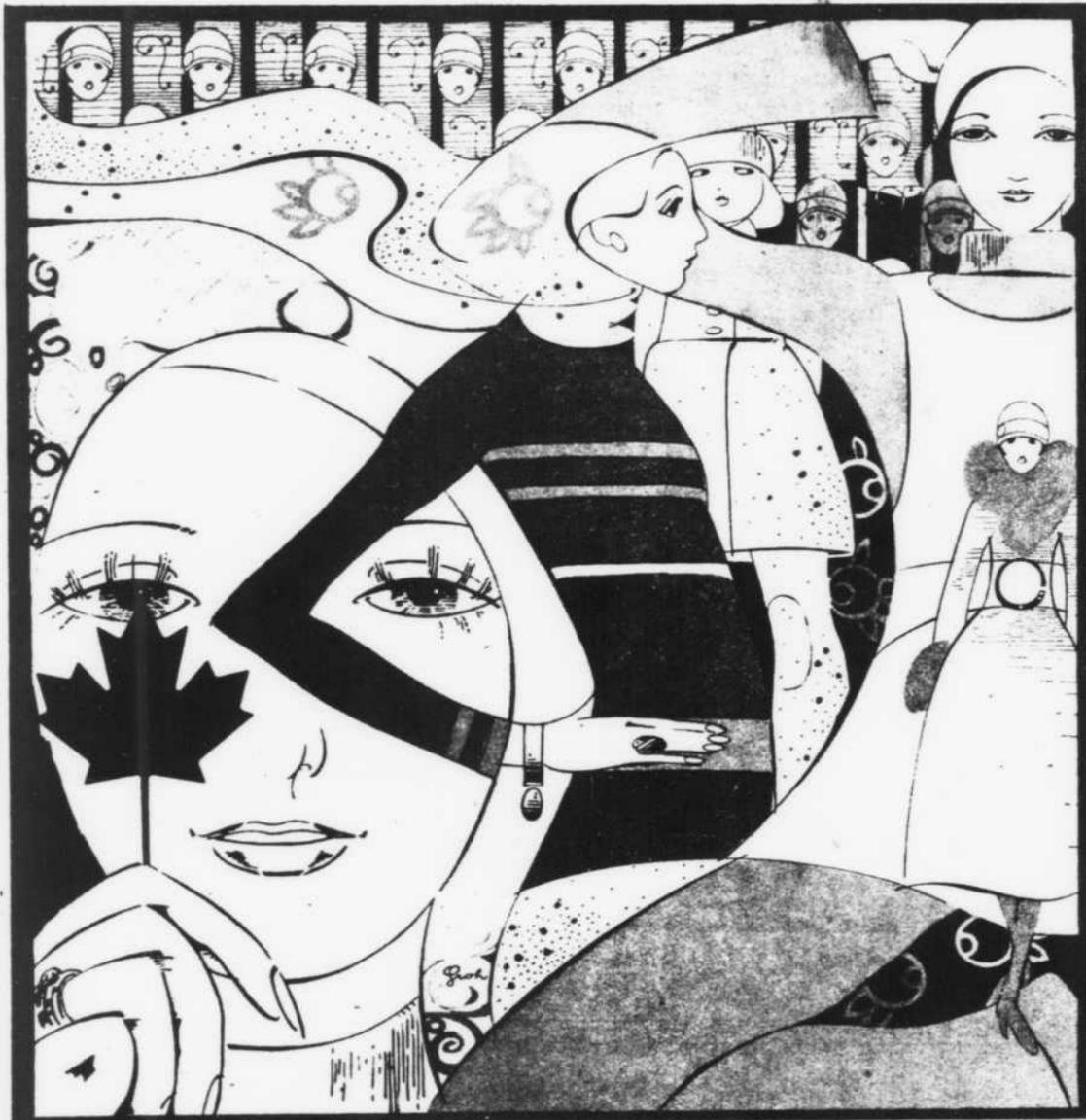
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## Spain cites instances of campus censorship

Charges of alleged censorship have arisen over the 1972 edition of the "Midlander" which began distribution yesterday.

Melanie Spain, editor-in-chief of the yearbook, cited changes in style, copy and photography in the final product from the proofs she returned to the printer's at the final deadline.

One of these changes, according to Spain, is the switch of an editorial page in the SIDELINES section of the publication. She said that the original layout included the SIDELINES editorial concerning the Scarlett controversy dated December 1, 1971.

The returned yearbook has in its place a column concerning presidential candidates dated March 7, 1972. Spain indicated that the final deadline for the yearbook was February 29, 1972.

Homer Pittard, "Midlander" advisor, admitted making the editorial switch as well as other changes in the book. He said he made these decisions following his review of two sets of proofs.

The administrator said that these were proofs he had not been shown by the editor but that he had made arrangements with the printers for all proofs to be mailed to him.

Pittard said that he made the change in the editorial because he felt the Scarlett controversy was during a time when the university had had much difficulty.

He added that he thought the editorial concerned a period of the year that shouldn't go into a permanently bound volume which would be a reminder to the students of the incident.

Other people in the Administration Building were consulted about the change, according to the advisor, and they, too, felt it best forgotten. He added that

By Sandra Wheeler  
News Editor

he had planned to discuss it with Spain also.

He said that President Scarlett had nothing to do with the change and that it was purely a matter of his own personal judgment.

Scarlett said that he was unaware of the situation until Monday afternoon and declined to comment until he was more aware of the facts surrounding the incident.

According to Spain, she was unaware of the changes until the yearbooks arrived.

"At first I thought it must be a mistake, and then it became obvious that I'd been censored," she said.

The editor added that she could not believe someone had gone over her head and that she was personally hurt by the action.

Chuck Snyder, business manager for the "Midlander," said he considered it a "breach of journalistic freedom."

"In my opinion, Dr. Pittard circumvented the channels already set up for resolving disagreements concerning the "Midlander" and other publications," Snyder stated.

The staff member added that he felt Pittard did not give Spain a chance to present her side of the story before making the changes.

Pittard said that his changes were not an attempt to circumvent the editor but that he felt they were made in the "best interest of the institution."

The advisor added that he felt the book was beautiful and that the editor and her staff had done a wonderful job this year.



'Pan'

"Pan," local rock band, plays early Monday evening at a rally held to raise money for David Mintlow. Mintlow, a 14-year-old Murfreesboro resident, is suffering from kidney failure. Approximately \$800 was raised on campus for Mintlow.

## AAUP passes Vernier resolution

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) passed a resolution last Thursday night asking Douglas Vernier to consider taking formal appeal procedures within the university against his transfer, according to Thomas Van Dervort, newly elected chapter president.

Van Dervort said that Vernier had concurred with the decision and had agreed to go through the proper channels. The political science professor noted that the chapter was concerned over the basic question of procedure in the case, and hoped to settle the problem within the university structure.

Last month the AAUP passed a recommendation to call for further investigation of the Vernier transfer unless the administrative director of WMOT, Edward Kimbrell, would at the earliest opportunity "rescind the transfer of Vernier."

Van Dervort was elected president of the organization, succeeding James Huhta, history professor. Bart McCash, history professor, was elected vice-president and Frank Ginanni, English professor, was elected secretary of the local chapter.

## Local youngsters work to aid Shiloh community

Youngsters from the ages of 8 to 14 from the Shiloh community are working with the Socratics Club building plexi-glass chess boards in the east wing of the Old Maintenance Building.

"We started this project," said Ivan Shewmake, president of the club, "because the people in the neighborhood said they had nothing to work with that could benefit them. We wanted to get funds to develop their own neighborhood without the use of federal funds."

Shewmake explained that with the incentive to do something, chess boards made from scrap plexi-glass came into mind. "We try to use any scrap material we can beg, thus creating a two-fold project. We're using junk, the pollutants, and converting

them into something useful, the process of which helps the community."

Advantages of this sort of program are numerous, the MTSU senior explained. "For one, with the emphasis on corporate work, the neighborhood can take pride in something like this, as well as enhance the individual's self-concept."

Shewmake maintained that the neighborhoods are disintegrating, and by working together in this way, they are helping hold the neighborhood together.

"Furthermore, through this project in which the youngsters take a major role in the finances, the economic system won't be so frightening to them," said Shewmake.

"Every bit of the emphasis

should be placed on the youngsters," he said, "for they are the ones who make it work." He explained that each child is told not to come if he does not want to, for the Socratics Club does not try to arrange their preferences. "If they had rather play baseball than come to work one day, that's fine with us," Shewmake said.

"The kids have learned that work is supposed to be done right when it is done," said Shewmake. "If one of the chess boards is not completed right, the kids know to take it apart and do it over, right the second time."

It is not all work and no play, though, he explained. "After we pick the kids up, we take

them to the grill for Cokes, and for many the University Center is an entirely new world. On Saturdays we often walk around the campus just to experience something of a new environment," he commented.

## Students aid Mintlow

Fund-raising on campus Monday for David Mintlow, 14-year-old kidney patient, raised \$800, according to John Jackson, ASB president.

Money was collected in the University Center during the day and at the rally held in front of the UC Monday night. After the rally, members of the Interfraternity Council and Pan-

hellenic Council canvassed the dormitories for contributions. Jackson stated that the Circle K, CUBE, Wesley Foundation, the Civitans, Slater Food Service, and the Agriculture department helped in the collection efforts.

Entertainment at the rally was provided by Pan, Dexter Dodson and L. B. Farrel and the Starlighters, said Jackson.

## Editor speaks of quality writing

Lionel Linder, assistant managing editor for the "National Observer," told campus journalists Monday that his idea of quality writing involved the simple expression of a strong idea.

Every writer must be able to sort out the important facts in a story and yet make it simple enough for others to understand, said Linder.

He emphasized the importance

of the lead in a story because that is where you either gain your reader's interest or lose it.

The editor indicated that the "National Observer" had gone through a transition in the last few years changing it from the hard news approach to a feature analysis style of writing.

He also said that writers on

the "Observer" staff are allowed considerable freedom in their work and that editing at the newspaper is kept to a minimum.

One of the founding members of the "National Observer" ten years ago, Linder had previous experience on the Albuquerque Tribune and the Chicago Daily News. He has a graduate degree in journalism from Northwestern University in Illinois.

Linder, who spoke to classes all day, remarked to the faculty that being on a college campus was reminiscent of his days as a college editor at the University of New Mexico.



**Linder**

Lionel Linder, assistant managing editor of the "National Observer," spoke to journalism classes Monday on campus.

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## Akers receives ASB appointment

Charlie Akers has been appointed secretary of external affairs, pending Senate approval, according to John Jackson, ASB president.

The appointment came late Monday following the resignation of David Dodd, whose appointment to that position had been rejected by the Senate. Dodd was acting secretary of external affairs at the time of his resignation.

In his letter of resignation, Dodd said that although he felt the Senate's action was "not founded in logic or based on an objective assessment of my qualifications," he felt that "to continue engaging in useless debate would only be degrading to

the Associated Student Body of Middle Tennessee State University."

He added that he suggested Charlie Akers be appointed to the position.

Jackson said that he was surprised by Dodd's resignation but that he respected Dodd for taking the action.

He added that he felt it was unfortunate that this had occurred in that he believes Dodd to be

an extremely capable individual.

"I further am of the opinion that the ASB Senate, although acting in good faith, mistook their responsibility as a confirming body in that David was not turned down because he was

not qualified," the ASB president said.

He added that "it is my sincere hope that this will be a stepping stone rather than a stumbling block for the ASB because the difference in the two is simply the way you use them."

## Doran to speak

Graduation exercises will be held May 27 at 6 p.m. at Jones Field. Adron Doran, president of Morehead State University, will give the commencement address. Marshall Gunselman, education professor, will give the invocation. Degrees will be conferred by M. G. Scarlett, MTSU president.

Degrees will be awarded in 14 different areas.

## new staff session

Anyone interested in working the SUB, according to Diane Johnson, summer editor, should contact the SIDELINES office by tomorrow.

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# Smith compiles map series

# Scarlett gives awards to outstanding teachers

Helen Smith, associate professor in the MTSU geography department, might easily be mistaken for a benevolent grandmother, yet this quiet, unassuming woman played a part in a significant event of the Second World War.

She cooperated in the compilation of a series of maps on North Africa which enabled the military personnel to know when and where the most logical invasion could occur.

After leaving the University of Wisconsin where she was a teaching assistant, Smith went to Washington, D.C. There, at Wilson Teacher's College, she filled the position vacated by Ovid McMillion, who is now also a geography professor at MTSU.

McMillion recalls that she took his place while he served in the army and did an excellent job. "She was a young, progressive and conscientious teacher," he commented.

She finished out the school year for him and during the summer of 1942 was employed by the government in the Office of Strategic Services.

"I was in the drafting office and did preliminary reports for the Joint Chiefs of Staff," Smith indicated.

She did not realize the implications of her work at the time, however. "I just considered this my part in the war effort," she commented.

### She discovers

#### her 'war effort'

Only after the invasion occurred did she discover what a vital part her effort had played. "I remember when I picked up the paper at the door of my apartment the day of the North African invasion," she reminisced. "Then I realized that those maps had gone through my office three months before."

A native of Iowa, Smith began teaching there when she was 17. During the summers she attended Iowa State Teachers' College near her home. Transferring to the University of Colorado, she obtained her bachelor's degree there.

"I earned all my own way because my father didn't think a college education was necessary," commented Smith, the oldest of six children.

A geography major throughout her undergraduate and graduate work, Smith is an expert on Asia. She explained that each geographer must specialize in one area. "I had always been interested in Orientals," she said, "so I chose Asia."

She received her master's degree from Peabody College, where she wrote her thesis on Shanghai and the surrounding hinterland.

After additional graduate work at the University of Chicago as

well as at the University of Wisconsin, she earned her Ph.D. at Clark University, Worcester, Mass. She has since written geographical dictionaries of Thailand and Burma and also prepared manuals to illustrate filmstrips on Asia.

While in Washington, Smith worked closely with a group of Thai students who were transliterating names on maps from the Thai characters. Several years later her interest in Thailand prompted her to apply for a research grant there.

During the 1952-53 academic year, she went as a Fulbright lecturer from Wheaton College in Chicago and taught geography and cartography at Chula Long Korn University.

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She also participates in the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship program, which is a non-denominational group for Christian students throughout the world, and she is sponsor for the Fellowship Club on campus.

Students who know Smith are perhaps initially impressed by her physical fitness program. She bikes to her office each day and may often be seen swimming laps in the university pool.

"I grew up on a farm and have always liked to work outside. I was always quite active,"

she explained, "and teaching is just standing."

Related to her profession is another hobby - photography. Smith developed her own film from her visits in Asia, and some of her black and white prints have been published.

When returning from her most recent trip to Thailand, she discovered that her hotel room in Beirut, Lebanon, was air-conditioned. "I spent most of the night in the bathroom developing film," she laughed, explaining that it had been too hot to do that in Thailand.

The shelves of her office overflow with the slides from her trips around the world, which she uses to illustrate her lectures. This method is quite effective, according to several of her students who find geography a dull subject otherwise.

"She's had a lot of personal experiences and has been to many of the places she teaches about," said one student.

She is described as "cooperative and enthusiastic" by her associate McMillion. "She has a pleasing personality and an inquiring mind," he added.

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## Natural sciences

# Students study campus museum possibility

The creation of a natural sciences museum at MTSU is feasible, according to Don Merritt, chairman of the museum committee of the MTSU Archaeology Club.

After much investigation of the proposed project, Merritt, a Tullahoma sophomore, and Bill Muehibauer, a senior history major from Alabama, have found the necessary departmental and administrative backing for a natural history and history museum.

The museum would include the subjects of anthropology, geo-

graphy, biology and history. Exhibits would be primarily from the Middle Tennessee area with the Tennessee and regional area contributions being secondary, according to Merritt. "The museum would include a history of the lands and the different peoples who lived on them," said Merritt.

### Looking for a home

Because of the demand for space on campus, the question of where the museum will be located is the major problem facing the

committee, Merritt stated. One of the buildings soon to be built on campus is favored as housing area for the museum by the committee.

"Considering all possibilities, the best place for such a museum would be in the Learning Resources Center," said Merritt. He added that the location of the museum should be easily accessible to the general traffic of the university.

The museum would consist of one room with a small storage area. Space limitations resulting from the novelty of the project would keep the museum small in area. Merritt asserts that by being small the museum could have a higher quality of work, and displays could be changed more frequently.

Major displays would be placed in cases. The creative possibilities of artifacts might lend themselves to other types of display such as a scale replica of an Indian village, said Merritt.

Needs for such a museum have been expressed by several departments. John Patten, chair-

man of the biology department, pointed out that a natural sciences museum would "be a fine addition to the university."

Patten said that the department would try to contribute displays to the museum such as collections of wild flowers from the Middle Tennessee area or shells of mussels found in Stones River near Murfreesboro. Displays of this type could be useful in informing school groups from the area about biological concerns in Middle Tennessee.

### Intradisciplinary support

Other departmental leaders stressing the importance of a museum on campus include Robert O. Fullerton, geography, who said that his role in the museum would be in giving it moral support and contributing displays and display cases for other exhibits.

James McBroom of the sociology department said he was very interested in seeing such a museum enlarge the scope of the university. Support has also been received from Robert Corlew, history department; Marshall

Gunselman, education department, and Homer Pittard, Alumni Relations, according to Merritt's research.

Merritt sites several needs that could be met by a university museum. It would serve as a historical supplement, aid in geography study and would be of interest to many citizens off campus. The museum's educational capabilities would be practically unlimited, according to Merritt. School groups from all levels would be able to use the museum.

"Graduate assistants along with undergraduates and volunteers are being considered by departments for possible caretakers of the museum," said Merritt. By working in the museum, he added, it would offer graduate assistants opportunities not only to increase their knowledge in their major field but let them work with concrete facets of their studies.

Merritt asserts that all reactions to the museum proposal have been favorable, and all those contacted have expressed their support for such a facility for increasing the universal intentions of MTSU.

## Students to study Indian culture at summer archeology field school

Four MTSU students will be traveling to Ramah, N.M., this summer to participate in an archeology and ethnology field school conducted by Vanderbilt and Wake Forest Universities, according to Kendall Blanchard, assistant professor of sociology.

Open to students without any previous ethnology or archeology experience, the field school will teach basic field methods for research.

Six hours credit will be earned by the students while they work on research projects in the seven-week course, he said.

Students studying ethnology will work with the Ramah Navajos while being introduced to their

language, culture and role within the larger culture of the Southwest, the anthropologist indicated.

He continued that the archeology students will excavate the "scenic Petit site," an ancient one hundred room Pueblo ruin.

Housing for the field school will be on a ranch in the midst of Navajo country. The community, Blanchard said, contains a population of about 1,250 Navajos, several Spanish-American groups and "many valuable, untapped archeological resources."

While working in the area, special field trips have been planned for the group including trips to Chaco Canyon, Mesa Verde,

the Hopi Reservation and Bandelier National Monument.

Ramah, according to Blanchard, is located about 40 miles south of Gallup, N.M., and is "well known in anthropology circles." The ranch will be at an altitude of over 7,000 feet, and the temperature will drop into the thirties at night, he said.

Blanchard, who has written several papers about his work with the Ramah Navajos, commented that he "hoped to have this program for several years into future."

Students from MTSU who will be participating in the program will be Marcia Chappell, Denny Lind and Carol and Thurman Whitson.

### Huhta addresses academic banquet

James Huhta, associate professor of history, told 509 students attending the academic awards banquet Monday night, May 8, that education exists to supply leadership for a troubled society.

"A university exists to provide an environment where reason, rationality and candor may exist, where restraint may provide for peaceful change. If such an atmosphere is not provided, violent change will result," he said.

Twenty-nine students were recipients of academic awards.

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## Ruffner presents intramural trophies

Trophies for team and individual sports winners and second-place finishers for all intramural activities this year were awarded yesterday, according to Joe Ruffner, director of intramurals. Following is a list of teams or individuals who received awards:

### Badminton

Singles (M)-	First, Pal Christianson Second, Chai Nandavisai
Singles (W)-	First, Emily Walker Second, Nancy Scott
Doubles(M)-	First, Nandavisai-Treeputha-raksa Second, Hesungnarm-Ruangtra-kool
Doubles (Mixed)-	First, Ruangtrakool- Chiamvi-gitia Second, Harris-Kemp

### Volleyball

Men-	First, Physical Education Faculty Second, Mu Iota Kappa
Women-	First, Revised Pozzy Second, Kappa Delta

### Tennis

Singles (M)-	First, Ron Persons Second, Richard Campbell
Singles (W)-	First, Bonnie Khym Second, Patty Pangle
Doubles (M)-	Undecided at this time
Doubles (W)-	First, Khym-Burklow Second, Sanford-Hill
Doubles (Mixed)-	First, D. LaLance, Burklow Second, Khym-K. Chambers

## Phi Delta obtains local recognition

Local recognition was granted to Phi Delta sorority by Harry D. Wagner, vice-president of student affairs, May 9, according to Joyce Smith, sorority president.

Some of the goals of the sorority are to obtain national recognition from Delta Sigma Theta sorority, encourage scholastic excellence and aid the community, she said.

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## APSU takes Blue Raider tourney

Austin Peay trounced MTSU 9-0 in Sunday afternoon's second game, after losing the first to the Raiders 2-1, to take the title in the first annual Blue Raider Classic baseball tournament.

After losing their first game in the double elimination tourney, MTSU eliminated Tennessee Tech and East Tennessee State in the loser's bracket to advance to the final-day confrontation with APSU. The Gavs defeated Tech and ETSU to enter the final day's competition with no defeats.

In a bid to win the initial Classic, MTSU stopped ETSU 4-2 on Friday and Bobby Parton pitched two-hit ball for four innings before giving way to Gary Elrod in the fifth with the bases loaded and no outs.

Elrod was credited with the save after he induced the next Buc hitter to ground into a double play. One run was scored on the play and two seventh inning errors led to the last ETSU tally.

Marcus Calsor had two hits, scored a run and drove in a run to pace the Blue hitters. Ed Robichaud had two hits and an RBI, and Mike Townsend doubled in a run.

MTSU pulled even with the Gavs in the four-day tournament by winning the first game on Sunday behind the pitching of Randy Bratton, who went the distance on the mound for the Blue.

Consecutive singles by Townsend, Dave Glover and Don Hibdon loaded the bases for the Raiders in the second inning with no outs. An APSU error and an RBI single by Danny Gibson accounted for all the Blue runs for the game.

APSU turned the tables in the second game by jumping to a three-run lead on the strength of a Charlie Sorey home run blast to right field in the first

inning with two teammates aboard.

Sorey continued to be a thorn in the Raider side by driving in two more runs in the second inning with a single.

After APSU added another pair of runs in the third inning, the third Raider pitcher of the game, Elrod, staved off the Gavs until the sixth when a walk, a single and two-base throwing errors followed by a double scored the final runs of the game.

Austin Peay's winning record for the Classic was 3-1 followed by MTSU at 3-2 with ETSU posting a 1-2 mark while Tech was winless and went home with an 0-2 slate.



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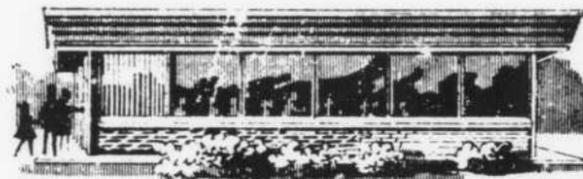
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## OPINION PAGE

### Editorial

## Tolerance minimizes violence

Monday afternoon George Wallace, candidate for the Democratic nomination for President, was shot.

Immediate reaction included President Nixon's statement of hope to Cornelia Wallace while she waited by her husband's hospital bed.

Other presidential candidates cancelled their campaigns or sent messages to the Wallace family. Senator H. H. Humphrey who was also campaigning in Maryland rushed to the hospital to offer his assistance.

Wallace was the second Democratic presidential candidate to be shot in as many campaigns. The other, Robert F. Kennedy, was killed in California less than four years ago.

When the political leaders of the United States go into public they are surrounded by legions of secret servicemen, but they are still risking their lives because some people in this country attempt to keep others from expressing different ideas.

We are appalled by the violence which has struck again. Wallace, Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Jr., John F. Kennedy—how many others will fall before this country will be free from fear and senseless violence?

We urge that everyone remember our basic freedoms and, even when other ideas are contrary to our own interests, help protect the rights of all.

Bill Mauldin



## Duck River dams to maintain water shortage

Mayor Eugene Jernigan of Manchester has asked a pertinent question about two proposed dams on the Duck River.

"What was the real reason for building these dams?" the mayor asked at the May 1 meeting of the Manchester Planning Commission, and he went on to complain that under the present plan "Manchester is left out."

The commission recommended that the mayor and board of alderman ask TVA to reconsider raising the height of the proposed Normandy dam by 20 ft. This would bring the dam elevation at the top of the flood gates to 900 ft. and back up the reservoir closer to Manchester.

TVA claims it studied the effects of the higher level but rejected the plan because of possible damage to the Old Stone Fort State Park near Manchester.

The mayor and many of his constituents claim Manchester will be deprived of promised water supplies and recreational benefits unless the reservoir is enlarged.

"I'm interested in all this area," said Mayor Jernigan, "but it appears to me that Manchester is not benefiting as we should, and we are paying the cost."

Jernigan is right, but he does not say enough. Not only is it doubtful that Manchester is benefiting as much as once projected, other cities along the proposed reservoir should compare the increase in their water supply to the planned increase in Columbia's.

Under the contract entered into by Manchester, Tullahoma, Shelbyville, Lewisburg and Columbia, the Upper Duck River Development Agency agrees to make available to Columbia 26 million gallons of water per day. In 1970 the city's average daily use was 5.4 million gallons.

### Scene from the hill

By Larry Harrington  
State Editor

Columbia is a growing community, and it is the exception among the cities listed in that over the next few years its use of water may exceed the amount available from the free-flowing Duck River.

However, Columbia has been nego-

tiating to supply Brentwood in Williamson County with water after the reservoir is built. If Columbia is in need of so much water, how can it afford to share it with a growing suburb of Nashville. Manchester's Mayor Jernigan should have inquired.

Discussing the matter with the planning commission, the mayor pointed out that Manchester might be able to obtain water from nearby Woods Reservoir, controlled by the Army Corps of Engineers.

He should have added that the low flow of the Little Duck River in its present state is three times his city's average daily use. If water were taken from the Big Duck River, the city could be assured of 10 times its average water use.

The same is true of Shelbyville which, according to TVA, has 16 times the average daily use of water available from the free-flowing Duck, an amount "sufficient to satisfy the foreseeable future needs."

At Lewisburg the low flow of the Duck River is 24 times the 1970 average daily use of 1.4 million gallons per day.

By tapping another spring and using

water from the free-flowing Duck, Tullahoma can increase its water supply to at least five times what it needed in 1970.

Of course, all of these cities want to grow, and they may be able to point to expansion that would require more water than they now have. This projected expansion, however, must be weighed against irreversible effects on the environment of the region.

TVA must disagree. They started dealing for property before their report on environmental effects submitted to the Council on Environmental Quality could be studied by concerned citizens and impartial experts.

## Students lack nature concern

To the Editor:

Concern over the quality of the environment is well justified. The environmental crisis is a very real problem in this country today.

The systematic destruction of our air, water, land and mineral resources is continuing at an alarming rate. Up until recently, little was done to rectify this sorry situation.

Concern over the quality of our environment is not a passing fad, soon destined to join the ranks of past crusades. However, after attending MTSU for one semester, I have observed blatant violations of all rules of environmental respect.

A prime example of our student body's regard for the outdoors is the mill. A pleasant location only minutes from campus has been turned into a junk pile of beer bottles and cans. Broken glass hides in the grass and the dam and adjoining abutments have been turned into a chalk board for the fraternities and sororities to practice writing their Greek letters on.

If this total disregard for property that isn't even ours, is indicative of how our student body feels about the outdoors, then we are no better than the older generation that is responsible for the environmental crisis today.

The simple fact remains that we cannot afford to ignore our environment, the safety of our water and air and the food we consume in order to survive.

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# Book changes denote guideline definition need

A "controversial" item in the "Midlander," an editorial page of the **SIDELINES** which called for the use of reason in the crisis over President Scarlett's position with the State Board of Education, was omitted and another page was substituted in its place.

Homer Pittard, adviser to the "Midlander," made the substitution without the knowledge of the editor, Melanie Spain, or her staff.

We feel that this action is deplorable, yet we must recognize that it is a result of the absence of well-defined publications guidelines for the "Midlander" and a failure by both the "Midlander" staff and the adviser to follow the procedures indicated in their guidelines.

The present "Midlander" guidelines require that the "editor makes final decision (with advisor's approval) of what actually is printed in the book."

Spain did not allow Pittard to see all of the final proofs before they were sent to the publisher. Pittard did not consult with Spain when he recalled the proofs from Hunter Publishing Company and made changes in the yearbook.

We do not feel that these guide-

lines are consistent with other nationally recognized guidelines for the student press and with court decisions specifically, *Trugillo vs. Love* which deny a publication's adviser prior restraint of the student press.

Nevertheless, it must be recognized that neither the "Midlander" staff or its adviser, followed appeal procedures recognized in cases of disagreement. Neither group gave an opportunity for this procedure to work.

We as a student publication are the last to deny that a wrong has been done. We do not in any way approve of censorship or intimidation of the press, student or otherwise, in any form.

The "Midlander" guidelines are out of date, and the procedures similar to those used in changing the material have not been found within the limits of legality.

The freedom of the editors of the "Midlander" and all other student publications is protected by a resolution passed unanimously by the Communications Committee that "the Communications Committee supports the principle that student editors and managers shall be free to develop their own editorial and news policies without

undue influence from any source."

The MTSU Faculty Senate recommends in a resolution that "when the editor and adviser are unable to resolve a conflict involving censorship, the case shall be referred to the publications committee (Communications Committee) and there resolved by democratic process."

Neither the "Midlander" or "Collage" have within their guidelines a clear statement concerning the due process of problems that they are unable to resolve within their own structure.

The **SIDELINES** has adopted within its guidelines the "Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students" which, while recognizing that the institution as the publisher may have to bear the legal responsibility, also notes that it has a responsibility to "provide written clarification of the role of student publications."

The statement recognizes the editorial freedoms of these publications which include: that the student press should be free of censorship and advance approval of copy and its editors and managers should be free to develop their own editorial policies and news coverage.

Furthermore, it calls for the protection of editors from arbitrary suspension and removal because of disapproval of editorial policy or content, and a disclaimer noting that the views of the publications are not necessarily those of the college, university or student body.

While both "Collage" and **SIDELINES** have these disclaimers, the "Midlander" does not.

It is our belief that an adviser is not equivalent to a censor and that he should serve as a consultant to the student publication and help the publications personnel to maintain as responsible a publication as possible to its readers.

A lack of clear definition for the handling of such cases is evident. This could be alleviated through a reexamination of the existing guidelines in order to clarify procedure in questions of censorship and publications problems, and the initiation of formalized procedure where none exists.

Yet, before guidelines can be designated as a solution, there must be a willingness on the part of students, administrators and faculty to follow them.

## SIDELINES switch

# Pittard deletes editorial

By Jim Leonhirth  
Special Reporter

Despite denials of censorship on campus, it can no longer be claimed that no such condition exists. Homer Pittard, adviser of the *Midlander*, arbitrarily and without the knowledge or the editor-in-chief, Melanie Spain, or her staff removed one page from the annual.

He removed a page from the **SIDELINES** section which was a reduced editorial page from the December 1 issue of the newspaper.

Contained on the page were an editorial concerning the Scarlett controversy which occurred on campus last semester and two opposing columns on the same subject.

Pittard justified the removal by saying that the contents were "rehashing the Scarlett controversy" and were critical of the State Board of Education.

As far as the editorial is concerned, the latter could not be farther from the truth. In fact, the concluding paragraph of the editorial was: "Vilification of the State Board or any of its members will not provide answers to questions concerning President Scarlett's status, it will not aid the university in any of its problems and it will not bring the university any closer to the 'truth' that the bumper stickers call."

Ironically, this "critical" editorial was read to the state board in its closed session prior to the meeting in which President Scarlett was given a vote of confidence.

In fact, the editorial was praised

following the state board meeting by detractors and supporters of the president alike.

If the quality of the editorial page was in doubt, it was part of the three papers which were submitted to the Southeastern Newspaper Competition and the **SIDELINES** received runner-up award in that competition.

On the first point, there can be little objective comment. Pittard's view of the annual as a public relations device must overshadow his sense of propriety in consulting the staff.

If the editor had been persuaded not to use this page for whatever reason, perhaps there could have been some justification, but the flagrant unconcern for the staff deserves only disdain.

It is almost pathetic that Pittard should feel it is his duty to be a prophylactic against the dissemination of this page to the university community especially since it has been distributed before and the Crystal Palace has not cracked.

Pittard has done the communications media on this campus a grave injustice, but more importantly, he has destroyed whatever case made that there is no censorship on campus.

There is and its implications are saddening to someone that has tried throughout his college career to use responsibility in the student press

ple in the back is not good for public relations.

Melanie Spain worked hard this year on the "Midlander." She wanted to produce a book that would be meaningful and communicative. She was proud of the book she thought she was going to put out. Now, that pride must be just a little tarnished.

Censorship is bad. Homer Pittard is bad. Melanie Spain is good. The world is going to hell in a quart fruit jar.

So it goes.  
Good bye.

## University must have a return to reason

No statements have yet been made by the State Board of Education or President M.G. Scarlett regarding the current controversy over the president's status.

While rumors have been ever present, no concrete facts have been presented to clarify the situation.

One fact, however, has become increasingly clear and that is that individuals and organizations are using the controversy to further their own ends rather than seeking the facts or merely supporting the university.

The Nashville Tennessean is using the controversy as a means to attack the Dunn administration although it has not yet conclusively shown that the Dunn administration is a cause or a

factor in the controversy. Similarly, other individuals and groups are finding a good means to further whatever they espouse without focusing on the problems between the president and the State Board and their ramifications for the university.

The issue may be no more than what was originally stated in an early news report, that is that the State Board has no confidence in the president.

The reasons for this situation have not been explained, but perhaps it may be enough to say that the president and the State Board can no longer work together in an effective relationship.

While many parties wait for some clarification of the Scarlett contro-

versy, there should be an end to polarization on campus and a return to some semblance of reason.

Vilification of the State Board or any of its members will not provide answers to questions concerning President

Editorial

Scarlett's status, it will not aid the university in any of its problems and it will not bring the university any closer to the "truth" for which the bumper stickers call



Open Columns

## Republicans cite poor leadership

In the preceding week, events have occurred to which we feel we can no longer remain silent. During the latter part of the week of Nov. 15, a series of news reports ignited a controversy of rumors concerning President M.G. Scarlett and the State Board of Education. These events we sincerely wish had never occurred.

But we regret more the quality of leadership on this campus in the wake of the confusion which followed.

We criticize in particular the actions of certain leaders of the student body and faculty committees in the actions they took on Monday Nov. 22.

In both cases, the leaders succumbed to the emotions of the moment and called hastily meetings which were premature and ill-thought out.

The MTSU College Republicans were asked to participate in one of these meetings but chose not to do so. If those, however, to show calm and restraint, to set about to find out the facts before action, a path it seems, no other campus leader chose to tread.

And because it chose not to participate in such a meeting of emotion the College Republicans were subjected to numerous indignities from the members of the audience and the ASB president, Bobby Sands.

The actions of the members of the audience

By Phil Cash  
President, College Young Republicans

can perhaps be overlooked, but such actions coming from a so-called campus leader is undignified.

As in the actions of the Faculty Senate, the faculty of MTSU were notified Monday morning of a general meeting Monday afternoon.

At that time, the faculty was asked to vote on a pre-prepared resolution which, in our view, was not well worded. To demonstrate how premature this meeting was, the chairman was late because of a phone conversation with the Commissioner of Education. In ascertaining facts about the situation, a call that certainly should have been completed before any meeting was called.

Again we regret the circumstances under which this confusion arose, but we sincerely chastise the leaders of this campus for their hasty actions and caution them in the future to use calm and restraint in their reaction to controversy, a type of leadership the Republican party has shown in the past and will in the future provide.

## Sudduth gives controversy views

I know sports editors are supposed to be in capable of spelling, let alone thinking, and in many cases I would agree that philosophy is not the realm of the sports writer.

The only reason this is worth mentioning is that, according to fairly well substantiated reports, the State Board of Education has just state believes the editorial policy of the **SIDELINES**, a student publication with almost no readership outside the campus community and I don't mean the city of Murfreesboro, has enough influence in the local political arena to warrant firing a severely provision.

If a campus newspaper's editorial policy is influential enough to be an issue in the administration of the character and career of any president of any institution of higher learning, then it surely should be ascertained and applied in the selection of coaches, staff, AD's and SAs.

I can't find a precedent for this action concerning campus sports, but then I can't find a precedent for using campus editorial policy as one of the jobs reasons for firing a man's man's career over what is essentially a personality conflict, either.

A new Board of Education? A possible solution, considering the high-handed manner in which they apparently have dismissed MTSU's president, whether they ever make it public until next July or not.

I would assume the Board feels about me as I feel about them. What about a compromise? Instead of firing them and getting rid of me, why don't we change plans for a semester? I am absolutely certain, beyond a shadow of a doubt that I can't screw up the educational process at MTSU any more in a semester than they have in a week.

Time now, it's not essentially president M.G. Scarlett who really gets here by all this, it is the university MTSU. That is us, folks. The few panem-artists languishing on campus looking for an issue will immediately have

Scarlett gets Spanish support

By Heidi Draughon, Vice-President  
Español y los Americanos Unidos

We, the members of Espanol y los Americanos Unidos, wish to express our confidence in Dr. M.G. Scarlett as President of this university. We feel that he is doing his job and doing it well because we see tangible evidence of progress at this university. By adding our vote of confidence we join ASB President Bobby Sands in seeking truth to insure justice.

## Editorial page originally selected

This, my last column, was to be a sort of farewell address; but that was before the issue of "Midlander" censorship arose.

Now instead of saying nice things about this school and the people who run it, I am going to write a terse statement regarding censorship, Homer Pittard and Melanie Spain.

Censorship of college student publications is absurd. Universities should be places where students go to be presented with a wide variety of ideas and allowed to decide for themselves what is right and wrong.

**Frobish**  
concludes  
on censorship

By Dennis Frobish

It should not be the place of the administration to decide what students will or will not be reminded of 10 or 15 years in the future.

Pittard took it upon himself to censor the "Midlander." He was, evidently, trying to preserve or create a good image for the university.

I, for one, will have to recommend to prospective MTSU students that they look for a school where censorship is not so rampant. Stabbing peo-



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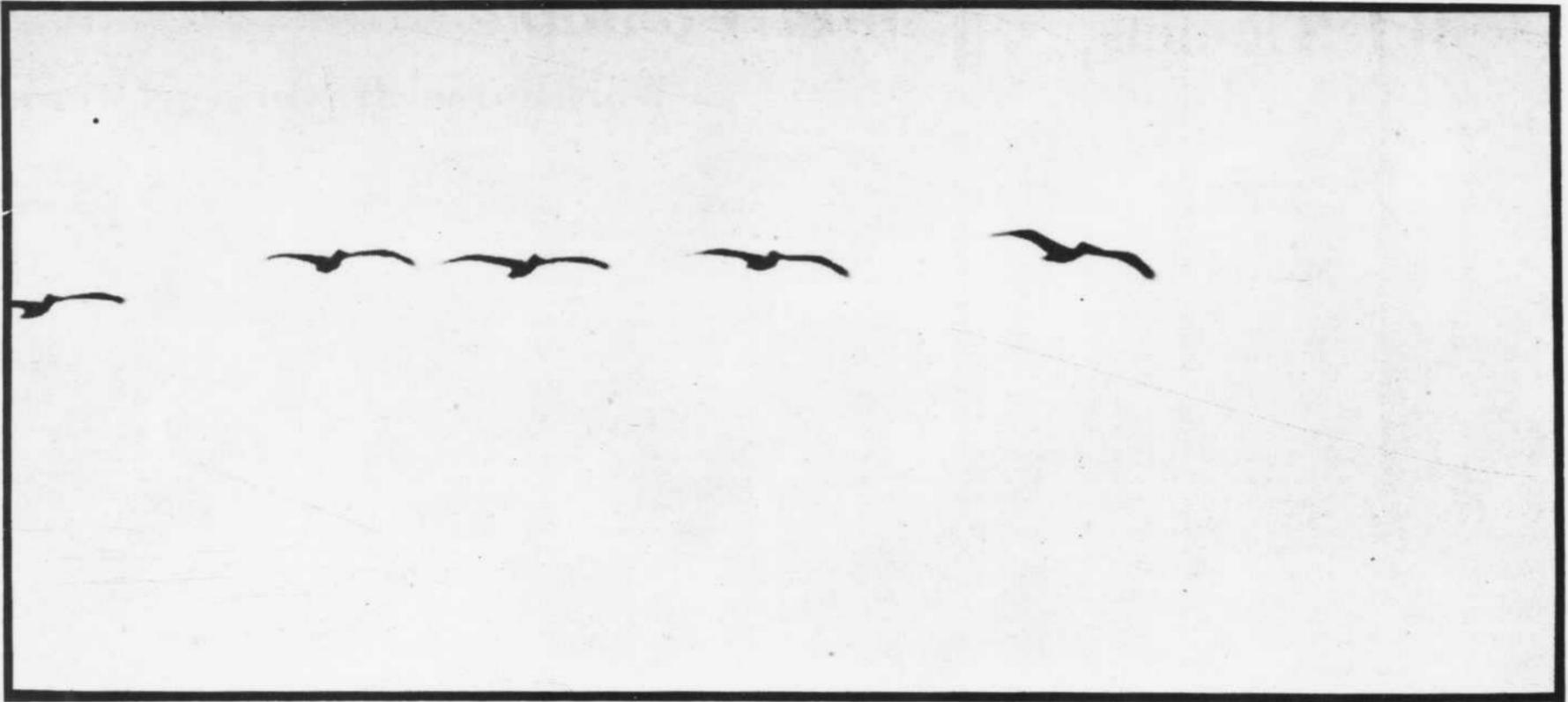
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## *concerning nature, life*

First-year photography students are showing their final prints in the University Center until May 27, according to Harold Baldwin, photography instructor.

Baldwin explained that each semester first-year students exhibit three final prints which constitute a major part of the final grade.

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## Most Valuable

### 'Workhorse' Haynes gets award

By Wayne Kindness  
Asst. Sports Editor

Tommy Haynes proved to be a valuable workhorse for the Blue Raiders in last Thursday's and Saturday's track and field meets. In Thursday's meet with Tennessee Tech, Haynes scored one win and two second place finishes in individual events and also ran one leg of the victorious 440 yd. relay team.

In the Commanding General's Invitational Meet at Fort Campbell, Ky., on Saturday, he scored 24 points for the Blue to earn the Most Valuable Performer award for the meet.

At Cookeville on Thursday, the Raiders easily defeated the Tech Eagles 96-48. Blue Raiders finished first in 14 of the 17 events.

Jesse Agnew cleared the bar at 6-6 to capture the high jump. Jimmy Washington's leap of 23-2 1/4 was the winning mark in the long jump. Barry McClure and Haynes finished 1-2 in the triple jump with respective jumps of 51-0 and 50-4 1/4. McClure's leap established a new Tech stadium record.

A put of 49-0 1/4 by Greg Lintner in the shot put added another victory to the Raider scorecard. Lintner also garnered a third place in the discus.

Fred Rohrdanz and Terry Stepp finished second and third in the pole vault. Rohrdanz cleared 13-0, the highest for an MTSU pole vaulter in two years.

The javelin event was another first for the Blue as Keith Cromartie won it with a throw of 183-2. Cromartie captured two more wins for the Raiders. His 14.3 in the 120 yd. high hurdles and 53.2 in the 440 yd. intermediate hurdles were both winning times. In the intermediate hurdles, Cromartie and teammate Myles Maillie joined hands as they crossed the finish line in a tie for first place. Huey Johnson was third in the event. Distance runner Rich Russo

garnered first places in both the mile run and the three mile run with times of 4:18.0 and 15:14.6 respectively. Jim Myles finished third in the three mile run.

MTSU swept the three dashes as Charles Wilson (9.6), Haynes (9.7) and Henry Kennedy (9.7) finished 1-2-3 in the 100 yd. dash. Haynes and Kennedy tied for first place in the 220 yd. dash with a time of 22.0 for each. Homer Huffman and John Johnson added another 1-2 combination in the 440 yd. dash with respective times of 48.6 and 49.5.

In the 880 yd. run Grady Manning garnered second place with a time of 1:55.7.

The 440 yd. relay team of Kennedy, Haynes, Melvin Daniels and Wilson timed 42.1 in a winning effort. In the mile relay, Huffman, Wilson, Washington and Maillie teamed to win the event with a time of 3:20.0.

In Saturday's Commanding General's Meet, the Blue Raiders finished second in team scoring to the Western Kentucky Track and Field Club, a combination of WKU tracksters, graduates and transfers. Western scored a total of 174 points to MTSU's 140 (last year the Blue won the meet with only 64 total points).

As in the Tech meet, first places were captured in the high jump (Agnew, 6-6), the long jump (Haynes, 23-4) and the triple jump (McClure, 47-7). Haynes' leap of 47-3 was the second best mark in the triple jump.

Two more firsts were garnered by the 440 yd. and mile relay teams. Kennedy, Haynes, Huey Johnson and Wilson teamed up for a 41.8 in the 440; while Huffman, Kennedy, Maillie and John Johnson ran a total time of 3:13.2 in the mile.

Hurdles events were also captured by Blue Raider runners. In the 120 yd. high hurdles, Cromartie (14.6) and Nate Porter (14.8) captured first and third places respectively. Maillie (53.4) and Huey Johnson (54.7) finished 1-2 in the 440 yd. intermediate hurdles.

In distance races, the Raiders garnered two seconds and one third as Russo, second in the mile run (4:18.5) and third in the 3000 meter steeplechase, and Jim Myles, second in the two mile walk (22:09.0) were the point-getters.

To round out the Raider scoring, John Johnson placed second in the 440 yd. dash (47.8), Huffman placed second in the 880 yd. run (1:54.1), Haynes placed third in the 100 yd. dash and Manning placed fourth in the 880 yd. run.

Next on the Raider thinclads' schedule is the Ohio Valley Conference Championships, May 19 and 20.

## Golfers receive OVC title shot at Johnson City

Shooting for their first Ohio Valley Conference title since 1967, the Blue Raider golf team goes to Johnson City this weekend where they will be one of the teams given a shot at the title.

Paced by senior Gerry Risberg and junior Mark Wheaton, the Raiders will field their most balanced team since the 1967 champions.

Wheaton has been the most spectacular performer thus far, averaging 73.3 strokes per tournament-round and winning two tournaments. Risberg is next with a 74.1 average.

Others on the team include sophomore Bill Buck, junior Harry Nesbitt, junior Jim Atkins and junior Charles Duckwall.

Buck won one tournament as a freshman, while Atkins also has one tourney win to his credit. Nesbitt and Duckwall are impressive junior college transfers.

"East Tennessee is definitely the team to beat," said MTSU coach E. K. Patty. "They would be favored on anybody's course, but playing at home will give them an even bigger edge. They could run away with it."

Patty also considers defending champion Murray State a title threat, especially with 1971 low medalist Chris Piggot back to defend his title.

"Anyone is going to have a hard time beating East Tennessee. We'll have to shoot as well as we can to do it," Patty declared.

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## Raiderscope

# Athletes attack 'Midlander'

Wonder when the flak will start to get thick concerning the color of the "Midlander" cover this year? Already several of the athletes have bent my ear with comments about people who would come out with the school's annual resplendent in the hues of MTSU's biggest foe.

If you haven't guessed by now, the "Midlander" this year is purple and gold, or the school colors of Tennessee Tech. Supposedly the Raider colors of blue and white were considered to be "ugly" and to quote the publication's editor, "We wanted to find complementary colors and those are what we decided on."

Though Tech's colors may be esthetically pleasing to people who are not involved in supporting university sports, they are definitely a bitter dose to swallow for those people who represent MTSU or support the athletic program here.

Let's just hope the content is less offensive than the cover and will justify this gross affront to the sensibilities of a large portion of the student body.

### Baseballers win 22

Raider baseballers rebounded during the last two weeks of the season with a 7-3 finish to notch 22 victories for the year. That's 42 for the last two spring campaigns.

MTSU pitching in the Blue Raider Classic was outstanding with the exception of the first inning of the first game against East Tennessee and the last game against Austin Peay.

In the three Blue wins, Raider pitching was only touched for a total of three runs. Even in the Bucs' loss no runs were scored against the Blue after the second inning.

As a matter of fact the Raiders had, from that point on, 16 consecutive scoreless innings before the Bucs again scored two games later while being eliminated 4-3.

The best single effort by far was Prestly Guy's two-hit, 1-0

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Sports Editor

shutout over Tennessee Tech. Randy Bratton was also tough in the clutch in Sunday's first game as he left eight runners stranded in a 2-1 complete game win.

I don't know what Ed Robichaud's whole spring batting average is but for the Classic he averaged at least two hits per game. Mike Townsend finished his career as a Blue Raider with a hot bat and some fine work at first base.

Big Mike had three or four doubles including one ground rule blow which stuck in the fence, besides having one double taken away when it was called foul down the left field line.

### Watch that stick!

Ah, pro hockey! For such a refined and gentlemanly game there was an unseemly amount of time spent by members of both teams during Stanley Cup play in the penalty box for fighting, whacking each other about the head with sticks and various other little no-no's.

I watched the sixth and final game with more than a little interest since several people were kind enough to inform me in print that the sport was now cleansed of such base and demeaning aspects as fighting and flailing each other with clubs.

The only difference I was able to detect was that now instead of one big fight, there are dozens of little dueling duos on skates. And don't tell me they were just holding hands when all those gloves were lying on the ice!

For all the irate hockey fans (both of them), I have never questioned the innate skills required in the game. And they still amaze me. As long as the Hadfield's and Green's continue to play, hockey will be a prime spectator sport, something baseball must remember to survive

the inroads of sports like football, hockey and auto racing on the fan market.

Without more Bobo Newsome's, Dizzy Dean's and Billy Martin's the game will suffer. New faces like Vida Blue are regimented to such a degree they are constantly on the verge of getting out of the game.

How many young ballplayers can you name who are household words and will draw people to the game just to see them warm up, whether they play or not?

Not a whole bunch for sure; you can count them on one hand and still have several fingers left.

### Sudduth reviews year

Since this is the last issue of the paper for the spring, I believe a little review of the year is in order.

\*MTSU footballers won seven and tied for second in the conference with a junior-dominated squad.

\*Raider basketball survived a thin year talent-wise by posting 15 wins after being picked to win only around six.

\*Track isn't over for the spring, but with any luck the Raiders will finish in the top three in the conference after a very successful cross country season last fall and a seventh-place finish in NCAA Indoor Competition.

\*Tennis is returning to its previous level of respectability and the Raiders should finish in the first division of the OVC.

\*Though competing in few tournaments this spring, Raider golfers have to be rated no worse than a darkhorse to win the OVC and some feel they should be the favorite.

\*The baseball season's completion saw the Raiders with their second consecutive 20-game-winning season, as the Blue diamondmen won 22.

Not bad, and things are looking up in every sport for next year. See you next fall if the creeks don't rise.

## Army selects Fullerton as lecturer

Ralph Fullerton, chairman of the department of geography and earth sciences, has been selected as one of the 12 civilian faculty members from throughout the United States to lecture at the United States Army Command and General Staff College (CGSC).

Fullerton will deliver a series of lectures on the geography

of South America with emphasis on Brazil. In addition he will also be a member of the evaluation group preparing recommendations on the nature, scope and development of the College's program leading to the masters degree in military art and science.

He began his work with CGSC May 11 and will continue through

May 26. "The Command and General Staff College has invited 12 civilian faculty members from over the United States as consultants to the school's regular faculty to provide a means of improving communications with the civilian academic community and to enhance the college's academic excellence," Fullerton explained.

## Lady Raiders win

The Lady Raiders tennis team edged David Lipscomb College last week 5-4 before competing in the Tennessee Women's Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament (TWITT).

Winning singles matches were Lynn Burklow, Nancy Fox and Patty Pangle; while Bonnie Khym teamed with Burklow at number-one doubles and Rita Bates teamed with Pangle at number-three doubles to garner the fourth and fifth points for the Blue. All victories were in two-set matches.

In the TWITT held at the Centennial Tennis Center in Nashville, Khym, Burklow, Fox and Pangle each won first-round matches. Only Fox was able to get into the semi-finals at number-four singles. Khym lost to the eventual number-one singles champion, Kathy Kraft of Vanderbilt.

Khym and Burklow breezed through the first two rounds at number-one doubles, winning the first round 6-1, 6-0 and the second by default. The duo was beaten in the semi-finals.

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