

MARTIN, GILLESPIE, SMITH WIN

House Speaker Race Ends In 'Squeaker'



Cliff Gillespie, Nashville junior, squeezed by his lone opponent, Gary Hall, for the Speaker of the House position yesterday.

The House Speakership race was the only ASB position which was contested by more than one qualified candidate.

Van Martin was the only name appearing on the ballot in his bid for the ASB presidency as was Sarah Smith in her bid for the Speaker of the Senate.

Gillespie polled 567 votes compared to Hall's 515. Gillespie elated over his surprise victory over Hall said, "I'm certainly happy. I appreciate my fraternity brothers, from my friends throughout the school, and for the most part, the help I received from the freshman class."

for over a year, and I have found him to be a man of good character and intention. We hope that Lee and his supporters will help the ASB."



CLIFF GILLESPIE

Gillespie complimented his opponent, Gary Hall and called Hall's campaign, "the cleanest election I have ever seen or participated in."

"There was no mud slinging by either side, and it was close right down to the wire," he added.

Van Martin, appearing alone on the ballot, easily topped a last minute write-in effort by Lee Farless, a McMinnville junior. Martin polled 902 votes while Farless managed 162.

During the Circle K speak out Farless was asked why he entered after the qualifying deadline and responded by saying, "to give the students a choice."

Commenting on his lone opponent, Farless, Martin said, "Lee and I have been friends

ters will help the ASB."

Charles Ryan led the candidates seeking sophomore senate positions with 247 votes. Others winning sophomore senate seats are Martha Driver, Ron Sellers and Jack Turpin.

Sandra Baugh with 230 votes led all candidates in the junior senator race. Others winning are Lee Webb, Suzanne Smartt, Joey Livesay and Rodger Hardaway.

The senior senator race was headed by Carole Moore with 207 votes. The new senators are Frank Hayes, Sharlena Phillips, Thomas Graves and Bill Wedekind.

Martin said he looked to the

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... A Democratic Gauntlet

Bennett Says Faculty Senate Statement Is 'Worse Than No Statement At All'

By Wanda Ensor

"A null and void document, utterly useless and not a statement of university policy at all" is the description given by Doug Bennett, Speaker of the ASB Senate, concerning the revised statement on students' rights, freedoms and responsibilities.

In an interview yesterday, Bennett decried the "watered down" statement which was presented to President M. G. Scarlett for approval Tuesday.

According to Bennett, Dr. Quill E. Cope, former MTSU president, formed an ad hoc committee to come up with a statement of student rights agreeable to all aspects of university life about two years ago. On the advice of the state board of education, Bennett explained, this former statement has been studied and amendments have been proposed.

After various studies, the AAUP and ASB committees made joint statement of their proposed amendments last year. Yet the meat of these

amendments, Bennett charged, was deleted by members of the Faculty Senate before the document was presented to Scarlett.

"The faculty senate committee (William T. Windham, Joe E. Nunley and Marcia Zwier) came up with a good statement -- one that the ASB could have been happy with," Bennett went on. "It was a statement of clearly defined policy."

"It's been two years on a long, hard road trying to get an agreement which apparently will not come," commented Bennett, who has supported the project since its beginning. "Now the Faculty Senate has rejected the report of their own committee. They have rendered this statement entirely useless -- and I, for one, would just as soon scrap the whole thing and my two years of work on it as accept what the Faculty Senate has come up with."

Bennett hastened to explain that on nearly all major issues, the special committee of the Faculty Senate and the commit-

tees from the AAUP and the ASB were in basic agreement.

"But," he continued, "what they (the Faculty Senate) have come up with is not a statement of policy, and I feel like none of those who voted for it understand exactly what it is either."

"There are," he admitted, "elements of the Faculty Senate that seem to be progressive, but by and large the Faculty Senate..."

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Students Form Organization To Offer Aid For Rural Families

Voicing their intentions to help alleviate impoverished conditions within and surrounding Murfreesboro, a group of about 30 MTSU students met with Tennessee Tech student VISTA volunteers at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 25, in SUB 201.

The purpose of the Tech VISTAs (Volunteers In Service To America) was to show MTSU students the mechanics of their organization. And MTSU students are currently in the process of forming a similar (but non-VISTA) service organization here.

Not a club, full-time VISTA volunteer Ray Rogers says, the Tech group is merely an organization of truly concerned students. All members of the organization are equal, and each must carry his share of the work, which can never be completed.

Though still in the forming stages, the MTSU organization will closely parallel the policies of the Tech group. Two student volunteers will be assigned to each family. The students will then visit their family at least once each week, talking over problems, helping with family chores, giving advice only if asked, and trying to find social agency channels for improving the family's conditions.

The students are endeavoring not merely to supply impoverished people with 'charity' but to offer them much-sought after companionship and understanding. "In the long run, students have given very little materially," Rogers explained. "But material things aren't so important. Because these students are working to build up somebody's spirit -- and that's something no one can tear down again."

The Tech group has been in operation for almost one year. There are now over 100 students working with Cookeville area families on a weekly basis and up to 600 persons have participated in the overall project, Rogers estimated.

He added that they are now only working with the families which are in the very worst condition but hope soon to reach more people.

"This is the best experience I've had in my 19 years on earth!" declared one student volunteer about his work with needy families surrounding Cookeville. "Sometimes I get awfully disgusted -- but that only makes me want to try harder."

At the meeting here, Tech volunteers told of case histories of "their" families in order to give the interested

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Stoneman Family Gives Charity Show Tonight

The Stonemans, popular country and folk artists, will appear tonight at 7:30 in the MTSU gymnasium for the big two hour "Money for Mike" benefit show, sponsored by the Circle K Club.

Tom Peterson, president of the club, announced that the price of the tickets has been reduced to \$1.50. They may be purchased at the Ernest Tubb Record Mart in Nashville and

in Murfreesboro at WMTS, Pigg and Parsons, The Music Shop and in the UC Lobby.

Proceeds from the benefit concert will be divided between the Vanderbilt University kidney foundation and Mike Sledge. Each will receive 50 percent. Sledge's share will be put toward the cost of a life-saving kidney transplant.

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culty Senate -- as evidenced by their action on this statement -- is a conservative, traditional group who would just as soon keep things as they are rather than make needed changes."

Among the "disappointing" factors Bennett pointed out in the revised statement is the Faculty Senate's insertion sanctioning prior censorship of student publications. This statement, if adopted, will affect both the SIDELINES and the new campus radio station, WMOT.

As the policy is stated, faculty advisors may censor any material and stop its publication. "The 'democratic process' they provide for," Bennett pointed out, "takes effect AFTER the material has already been censored. Then the publications may appeal to the publication committee, but then it is too late."

Speaker Censorship

Another area of disagreement is that of censorship of campus speakers. "The Faculty Senate has decided to let somebody else do the work of deciding policy," Bennett charged. "Censorship of all speakers is now left up to the faculty and will be stated at some vague future date in the faculty handbook."

According to Bennett, the AAUP and ASB committees were also agreed that university students should be free in the matters of dress, subject only to the laws of public decency. This section was also deleted by the Faculty Senate.

The Faculty Senate also struck the AAUP and ASB endorsed statement of student

room policy. The policy which was killed would give students the right to decorate dorm rooms to suit their own tastes as long as they met sanitation and safety requirements.

Before the final revision the AAUP, ASB, and Faculty Senate committee had agreed to make provisions for the periodical destruction of MTSU disciplinary records. The faculty Senate, however, deleted this statement and now the handling of university records is left entirely up to the discretion of the deans.

Off-Campus Drinking

Still another point of contention is off-campus drinking. The statement agreed upon by the AAUP and ASB freed the university from the duty of policing off-campus drinking. But this, too, has been scratched by the Faculty Senate, according to Bennett.

Statements included in the original version of the document but now excluded include: "It shall be clearly understood that it is neither a duty nor a prerogative of the university to exercise the functions of civil authorities" and "Institutional authority shall never be used merely to duplicate the function of general laws."

"They did leave in the statement that students shouldn't be placed in jeopardy twice," Bennett explained, but added that that statement did not suit the needs of the situation.

"Another insertion of the Faculty Senate is that all new campus organizations must be approved by a governing board composed of three members of the Faculty Senate, three members of ASB, the dean of men, dean of women, and dean of students.

Lost Ground

More ground was lost for the ASB when the statement that all members of the discipline committee (students included) should receive an equal vote

was deleted.

"I think the president of the Faculty Senate (Bob Womack) left the meeting as upset as I was," Bennett recalled. "His reaction was that the students have looked to the Faculty Senate for some kind of leadership. This statement was supposed to have been a statement of student rights, but Dr. Womack felt the Faculty Senate has let the students down."

In summing up his attitudes, Bennett claimed "Rather than set the tone of policy to be followed by administration, faculty and students, the Faculty Senate has left huge gaps and holes in their statement. It is within the power of Dr. Scarlett to accept this statement as it is, but the ASB definitely does NOT want him to do this."

Free Comments

Jim Free, president of the ASB, commented on the revised document by explaining, "I thought the statement was to be the final word in policy at this university. But to my disappointment, the Faculty Senate has, in some areas, left the statement in such vague terms that we don't know exactly what the rules are. And in some cases the policy will once more be left up to one of the deans' own personal opinion.

"We feel this is not the consensus of the entire faculty and we worked well with the Faculty Senate committee through out the year. But we are now somewhat disillusioned with the fact that we don't feel they've fulfilled their responsibility in reviewing statements of students' rights, freedoms and responsibility."

Ron Owens, an Atlanta senior who is chief justice on the student Supreme Court has this to say about the issue: "As a member of the all-campus rules committee, I want to make it clear that we (the committee) will consider both the AAUP and the ASB statements as well as the copy presented by the Faculty Senate."

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newly-elected senior senators for much leadership next year since several experienced legislators were returned to the senate.

"I think we have more potential this time. All in all, I think it's the best we've had," said Martin.

The new ASB officials take office May 1.



Gary Hall, left, discusses the election day progress in the UC lobby with Cliff Gillespie, Hall's opponent for Speaker of the House, and Larry Ledford, a Cleveland junior.

MTSU Rules Committee To Make New Additions

"The main purpose of the rules committee," states Boyd Evans, chairman, "is to evaluate existing rules and regulations that apply to the MTSU students."

Beginning March 14 when the first meeting was held, the rules committee, set up by President Scarlett, broke down into three sub-committees with the expressed purpose of better examining the rules.

"We felt that with a large committee of 10, everyone would have something to say about everything, making the process slower," Evans stated.

"With the sub-committees like they are, each group has a designated area to review, making the process better and faster."

Evans went on to state that they plan to make some new

additions to the rules, make corrections, deletions, and examine the present standards to see that they are serving the purpose they were originally designed to serve.

"As can probably be expected, these new additions won't be in effect until possibly the fall semester, but they must be approved by President Scarlett," Evans further stated.

He made it clear that the rules committee was not the final statement, that everything they seek to amend will have to be approved by the President, and then it will be made a new standard.

The sub-committees are scheduled to meet soon to present ideas for change to the entire group for approval.

Block, Bridle Club Holds Horse Show

The first annual Block and Bridle Walking Horse Show will be April 19, at 6:30 p.m. The show will be held at Grantland Rice Park on Memorial Boulevard. Registered Tennessee Walking and Pleasure horses will be shown, according to Alton Pierce Jr., of Atlanta, who will judge the show.

Prizes range from \$25 to \$150 and will total \$2,000. Trophies will be given to the winners of each class.

Admission to the show is \$1. Boxes seating four people will be sold at the gate for \$6.

Dr. C. E. Morgan will be the ringmaster. Pete Yokely will be the announcer, and Jimmy Richardson will play the organ.

A field of 200 horses is expected, according to Pierce.

ROTC Graduating Senior Cadets Receive Branch Assignments

Graduating senior cadets have recently received their branch assignments from the Department of the Army, stated Capt. Bob LaFrance, public information officer in the ROTC department.

Earlier in the year, each cadet planning to graduate at the end of this semester was given three choices based on

his own personal preference as to which branch of the Army he would like to serve. According to the Department of the Army, 76.2 percent of the 55 graduating cadets were assigned to one of their three respective choices.

In regard to those who were assigned to a branch other than the ones they chose, Pat O'Neal, cadet brigade commander, made this comment: "Regardless of what they asked for, they accepted their assignments with enthusiasm."

O'Neal chose and received the armor branch of the Army. When asked why he chose that particular branch, he said, "I feel that it holds a great future for the young officer, because the conflicts of the future will be centered around armor." He added, "I also feel that it will allow me to exercise my major."

Cadet Battalion Commander, Tom Helton was another who received his first choice -- artillery. When asked why he chose that branch, he quipped, "Napoleon said that the best generals are in the artillery."

Cadet Commander Donald Goff, a scholarship student, was one of the few cadets who chose infantry. Needless to say, the Army obliged his choice. In response to why he wanted infantry, he said, "Because of the challenges and responsibilities in leadership that the infantry branch requires."

Bill Chapman, cadet drill team commander, was not as lucky as the others. He chose the medical service and was assigned to the quartermaster. Nevertheless, he said that he is in the process of appealing his assignment, and is asking for infantry.

These graduating cadets, according to orders from the Department of the Army, will not go straight into active service. Rather, they will remain in the U.S. Army Reserve until March 31, 1970.

Most of the cadets will have only a two year commitment to active duty. However, the scholarship students and the flight school students will have four and three year commitments, respectively, the Army orders stated.

Class Officer Elections Set

Class officer elections will be held Wednesday in the University Center, Larry Gillem, ASB election commissioner, said yesterday.

Gillem added that students seeking to vote absentee Wednesday should come by the ASB office, third floor UC, between 5 and 6 p.m. Tuesday. To qualify for an absentee ballot, he added, the student must be absent from campus on official school business, such as student teaching requirements.

Qualifying deadline passed at midnight last night.

Democrats Club Sponsors Film

The Young Democrats club will sponsor a film, "While I Run This Race," on Thursday, April 17 at 8:00 p.m. in room 324-A of the University Center.

This film is put on by the VISTA organization and shows VISTA workers in action. All interested students and faculty are invited to attend.

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Social Organizations Active in Projects

In addition to planning for Greek Weekend this past weekend, the Greek social organizations were also active in other activities such as civic projects, election of officers, and important fraternity work.

Approximately 28 members of Kappa Sigma spent part of their Easter vacation at Georgia Southwestern where they installed Kappa Sigma's newest chapter. Until the installation of the chapter there, the MTSU Kappa Sigs were the youngest chapter in the fraternity.

The pledges of Sigma Nu Colony went to Central State Hospital Monday to conduct a party for mentally disturbed teenagers there. This is the second such party sponsored by the colony as the brothers put one on in February. The Kappa Delta sorority pledges were invited guests of the colony. "The Nu Breed" combo provided entertainment for the evening.

Gamma Pi Chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority held elections of officers for the 1969-70 school year. Those elected were president, Rosemary Escue; vice-presidents, Susan Jones and Carol Hall; corresponding secretary, Sue Colley; recording secretary, Ginger Brooks; treasurer, Joy Brom-

ley; activities chairman, Laurel Parry; altruistic chairman, Jill Lucas; chaplain, Carolyn Gray.

Editor, Debbie Alexander; guard, Patty Safley, house chairman, Brenda Weaver; Panhellenic chairman, Beebe Bryant; rush chairman, Sandy Pigg; scribe, Peggy de Priest; social chairman, Debbie Whitaker.

The chapter is being installed May 3.

The Iota Iota Chapter of Delta Zeta sorority also held its elections Wednesday, April 9, for the 1969-70 school year. Those elected were president, Jo Anna Rogers; vice-presidents, Glenda Perryman and Linda Hartman; treasurer, Janis Young; and recording secretary, Pam Casey.

Corresponding secretary, Sue Selby; historian, Rosalie Alexander; Panhellenic representative, Cindy Potter; scholarship chairman, Beirne Beauty; Standards Chairman, Elizabeth Morris; activities chairman, Olivia Powell, press chairman, Debby Kernan; room manager, Myrna Morgan.

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The "Money for Mike" campaign has already been able to purchase a kidney machine for Sledge. This machine is keeping him alive now.

The two hour concert will deal with both the old and the new in folk and country music, according to the Stonemans.

Sister Patsy Stoneman said, "We will start off with some of the oldest mountain folk songs and gradually follow the history of the music up to the songs everybody is doing today."

Courtesy Chairman, Cynthia Campbell; social chairman, Anne Tincer; art chairman, Kathy Waller; sponsorship Bev Pangle; athletic chairman, Darlene Swartz; cultural chairman, Sara Smith; judiciary chairman, Denie Smith; ritual chairman, Brenda Smith; philanthropies chairman, Libby Miller. They will be officially installed April 30.



LANE BOUTWELL, second from right, explains the procession for the inauguration of Dr. M. G. Scarlett as the fifth president of MTSU scheduled for May 1. Members of the committee from left are: James Jackson, Jim Free, Mrs. Clarence Greever, Dr. William Holland, Dean Robert J. MacLean, Dr. Howard Kirksey, Gene H. Sloan, Mr. Lane Boutwell, Dr. Homer Pittard, Dr. John Weems, the other member of the committee, was absent when the photograph was made.

Greek Week-End Offers Variety of Competition

Friday, April 12, marked the beginning of Greek week-end on the MTSU campus. Relays, skits, picnics and a big dance kept all the Greeks busy the rest of the week-end.

At 4:15 Friday evening, the Greeks dressed in togas and assembled in the parking lot behind the Dramatic Arts Building for the annual Bed Race. Each team was made up of four groups of two men and four groups of two women. The women in groups of two rode on the bed while the men pushed. Delta Zeta and Sigma Nu were the proud winners Friday afternoon. Other teams were Chi Omega and Lambda Psi, Kappa Delta and Kappa Alpha, Alpha Gamma Delta and Kappa Sigma, and Alpha Delta Psi and Chi Alpha Pi. All Greeks caught out of costume during the bed-race were arrested by an official and taken to the stockade.

Pledge skits began at 7:15, Friday evening, and were open to all Greeks. The pledge classes from each sorority and fraternity teamed up for the skits. Starting off the show was Kappa Delta and Sigma Nu followed by Alpha Delta Psi and Kappa Sigma, Chi Omega and Chi Alpha Pi, Delta Zeta and Lambda Psi, and Alpha Gamma Delta and Kappa Alpha.

Field day began Saturday afternoon at 1:00 under the supervision of Jim Walker. The afternoon was made up of relays and a picnic. Officials wearing red sheriff's badges supervised the series of relays in which all sororities and fraternities participated. Chi Omega and Lambda Psi walked off with the winnings Saturday afternoon.

Greek week-end was highlighted by the annual Greek dance Saturday night, April 13.

Scarlett's Inaugural Plans To Consist of Five Events

The inauguration of M. G. Scarlett, fifth president of Middle Tennessee State University, will consist of five major events during the week of April 28 through May 1.

The theme of the inaugural week will be "The Modern Regional University."

The event beginning Monday, April 28 is entitled "In Concert," in which the MTSU concert orchestra, directed by Earl Hinton, will perform. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. in

the Tennessee Room in the Student Union Building.

The sub-theme, "In Current Affairs," is scheduled for Tuesday, April 29 at 8:00 p.m. in the University Theater in the Dramatic Arts building. Douglas Kiker, NBC news commentator, will be the guest speaker.

For Wednesday, April 30, at 8 p.m. in the University Theater, a symposium entitled "In Quest of a Definition" will be held. Honored guests for the

event are as follows: moderator, Everette Derryberry, president, Tennessee Technological University; forum members, Phillip R. Shriver, president, Miami University of Ohio; C. C. Humphreys, president, Memphis State University; Adron Doran, president, Morehead State University; Alexander Heard, president, Vanderbilt University; Allan Ostar, president, Executive Director of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities; and John Folger, executive director for the Commission on Higher Education for Tennessee.

Homer Pittard, member of the inauguration committee, said that the discussion will be oriented toward finding a true definition of the modern regional university, relevant to the Inaugural Week theme.

On Thursday, May 1, at 10:30 a.m., MTSU will present, "In Inauguration," in which President Scarlett will be inaugurated.

The event will take place in the area between the Quill E. Cope Administration Building and the New Classroom Building (weather permitting), otherwise, the ceremonies will be held in the Memorial Gymnasium.

The MTSU Band will play during the procession, and the various attending groups will parade carrying their respective flags, the public relations department added.

Guest speakers include Jim Free, ASB president; W. H. Westbrooks, Murfreesboro mayor; James Threet, county judge; Ostar; Governor Buford Ellington; Elmer Malone, alumni president; and Bob Womack, president of the Faculty Senate.

Tennessee Education Commissioner, J. Howard Whart, will make the investiture.

Following the inauguration, there will be a luncheon in the Tennessee Room in the Student Union Building.

Later that evening, Inaugural Week will culminate with "In Conviviality," the Inaugural Ball which is to be held in the Tennessee Room also.

The inaugural committee announced that the Phi Mu Alpha Stage Band will perform at the Inaugural Ball from 8 p.m. until 12 p.m.

Students, faculty, and administrators are cordially invited to attend. Admission will be by ticket only. Tickets are free and may be acquired from the office of the University Center Director from April 28 through May 1, during the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., announced the committee.

Business Club Holds Meeting

The actives and pledges of Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity attended a dinner meeting at the Bonanza Steak House on Thursday, April 10. A dinner of this sort is held every semester during pledge training.

Jack Farris, of the American Banking Trust Company of Nashville, spoke after dinner. Farris is an Alumni of Alpha Kappa Psi. He spoke on the need for and the great opportunities of the computer world in the future and having the desire to achieve.

This week-end the fraternity will hold their formal initiation ceremony for the pledges.

Lost and Found

A woman's coat and a boy's jacket has been found in the Student Union Building. If one of these articles belong to you, please contact the hostess office of the SUB.

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MTSU volunteers a glimpse of what problems they might expect to encounter.

One of the families cited consisted of a mother and her 21-year-old daughter, who between them had eight illegitimate children. They live in a two-room "home." The inside of the rooms is covered with old cardboard for insulation.

The 10 family members exist on the few staples they can scrape together--mostly beans, bread and water.

Working with this family since August, the Tech volunteers have helped put up new cardboard inside and painted the interior of the two rooms. They have outfitted the children with good used clothing and find that their cleanliness habits are gradually improving.

One of the most important changes, however, is that in the attitudes of the children toward school. Most underprivileged children look forward to the day when they can legally drop out of high school and find a job to bring a little more money into the family.

After having known the Tech volunteers and having been taken for a visit on the TTU campus, however, the little boys in this family are taking a new interest in their studies. They now want at least to finish high school -- and possibly to continue into college if they can find the means.

Volunteers report that it isn't the material help which their families prize most highly.

Most are happy just to have found a friend, to have someone who will listen to their troubles.

"We have a very low dropout rate of students working with our Cookeville families," Rogers stated. "The students, too, value their new relationships."

In Murfreesboro such help is also needed, Rogers pointed out. Areas in town such as McFaddin and Happy Hills are enough evidence for concerned college students. But there are families in rural areas surrounding Murfreesboro whose poverty is compounded by extreme isolation. These would be the ones an MTSU program would seek to help first.

There is still much work to be done. Families are to be found and a constitution is to be set up for operational purposes for the local group. It can work only if MTSU students make it work.

Those who are interested in working with the campus group or who wish to learn more about it in its initial stages should attend the next meeting. Volunteers will meet at 10:40 this morning in NCB 318.

"The main thing to decide here (at MTSU) is that if you're going to do something, you have to get started right away," Rogers advised.

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Farless Is Applauded For Creating Choice

Van Martin was elected yesterday President of the Associated Student Body, overcoming token opposition late in the campaign and meeting no one on the ballot.

From the early hours of the Martin campaign--late last spring--until the election commissioner announced the results yesterday, there was little doubt what the outcome would be.

Lee Farless from McMinnville, who was riddled with useless questions during the "Speak Out," possibly made the greatest and most appreciated contribution to the entire election. When he was asked Tuesday night why he entered late and with little organization, he answered:

"To give the students a choice." We applaud that.

ASB President Jim Free, who will leave office May 1, observed, "Look at our platform of last year, and you'll see that we accomplished all of it."

It is sad that the Martin organization will be able to make that statement May 1. All who read the platform he distributed saw that it was torn with generalities, void of information. It will be an easy goal to reach.

Most political platforms are like this. But in the past the ASB presidential campaign platforms have carried at least a few specifics in planning.

Cliff Gillespie from Nashville was the favorite yesterday among two very good candidates for the House speakership. In that election--the only exciting facet of the entire week--Gillespie overcame Gary Hall. It was an interesting contest between two friends.

The Sidelines congratulates Van Martin, Miss Sarah Smith and Cliff Gillespie on their elections yesterday, but we also commend Lee Farless who ran and lost unashamedly so that there may have been a choice.



Mankiewicz & Braden

Israel Has Anti-Imperialist Occupation

JERUSALEM--"It is," said the lady official from the Israeli Foreign Office, "an anti-imperialist occupation policy."

She said it primly; indeed if it had not been for her eyes, "priggishly" would be a better word.

But her eyes sparkled with high intelligence and understanding. Thus what she said had a faintly mocking quality, as though she were laughing at herself.

Nevertheless, "anti-imperialist occupation" is a serious business here where Israel must govern 26,000 square miles of Arab territory and a million Arabs overrun as the result of its brilliant victory in the six-day war.

That is why there is an odd atmosphere of schizophrenia in this country, a schizophrenia summed up by such self-reversing phrases as "anti-imperialist occupation."

On the one hand, the brave people of Israel feel secure for the first time in their 20-year history. Because of the territory their soldiers won, Gamal Abdel Nasser's air force--to cite only one example of the new security--is no longer three minutes away; it is 15 minutes away. The difference is the difference between living in terror and living dangerously, but it is a difference all the same.

On the other hand, there is the price that must be paid for this difference. And it is not a pleasant price to pay. For this is a nation of tolerant and

fair-minded people brought together out of centuries of oppression. Now--with agonizing reluctance--the oppressed must become oppressors; the civil libertarians censors; the liberals dogmatists; the underdogs--and they hate it.

"Light but firm" is the way Defense Minister Moshe Dayan describes the Israeli occupation policy, and indeed Israel has made a conscious effort to avoid the atmosphere of the Gauleiter. No soldiers stand on street corners in the occupied lands; no tanks clatter through narrow alleys; no jeeps scurry through towns, bearing brass.

Moreover, the occupiers permit Arab families to visit across the Jordan, and Jordanian and Syrian relatives to visit the occupied lands. Arab agriculture has been improved; 17,000 Arabs are employed in Israel, and 10,000 former Jordanian officials are now on the Israeli payroll.

Thus the "light" side of Dayan's policy. But there is a "firm" side, too, and it is getting firmer. Take the case of Ahmad Odeh, an American citizen who lives in the Eastern, or Arab, quarter of this city.

Odeh was suspected by Israeli police of having played a role in the recent ghastly murder of civilians when a bomb exploded in an Israeli supermarket. His house was searched, arms were found and he was hauled off to jail.

While he was in jail, Israeli soldiers blew up his house. Later he was released for lack of evidence. But he no longer has a house.

To an Arab, a house has symbolic as well as physical and monetary value. It symbolizes his manhood, and its destruction is thought to destroy his manhood. The Israelis know this--which is why they have adopted the "firm" policy of "punishing the house" in which arms are found.

Odeh is a figure of pity among his neighbors here, but since he is an American citizen, and American authorities are pleading his case with Israeli officials, he is not quite the martyr the Arabs are looking for. Indeed, every Arab village is a potential uprising in search of a martyr. And despite the "gentle" part of Dayan's policy, it seems likely that, as the occupation continues, a martyr will eventually be found.

Thus the atmosphere of schizophrenia among a people whose whole history cries out in horror against playing the role of an occupying power.

Thus, too, the arguments in the Israeli cabinet and the division among Israel's people over what to do with conquered lands.

A wise Israeli judge put it this way: "I have never seen such heroism as I saw in 1967 when our boys knew that unless they won we would be extinguished. We must never give up the lands which made us secure. And, yet, how can we take in a million more Arabs? We are not the kind of people who would deny them their rights. Given their rights--and their birth rate--in 30 years Israel would be an Arab country."

Election Reactions Vary

By Everett M. Dirksen

It is both interesting and exciting to go back and examine the election figures that were tallied over that period of time in our governmental progress when a workable and growing two-party system existed in this country. The researcher will take note of the voter reaction at the different quadrennial elections as it pertained to voting for a President and for members of the Congress.

The high point in voter plurality was reached in 1964 when Lyndon B. Johnson received a plurality of nearly 16 million votes. That massive landslide of votes brought about the reelection of Republican and Democratic senators who were then members of the Senate. There was actually a change of only two votes in the Senate, and in the House of Representatives in the 89th Congress there was a change of 38 seats when the Republicans were losers by that many votes.

Smallest Change

Probably the smallest change that ever took place in a national election was when James A. Garfield was elected as a Republican President in 1876 and the 45th Congress came into being. Garfield's plurality for the entire country was only 9,457 votes. In that year, a tie developed in the Senate with 37 Republicans and 37 Democrats. Two senators were identified with other parties. The election accounted for a loss of six Democratic Senate seats and a gain of four Republican Senate seats.

What must be the most devastating election that the country

has seen was in 1936 when Franklin Delano Roosevelt ran for a second term. His plurality in the country was 11 million votes, and when the smoke of the one-sided battle cleared away the Republicans were found to have elected 17 senators as against 36 in 1932, and 56 in 1928. The Democratic Party, on the other hand, jumped its membership in the Senate from 47 in 1930 to 69 in 1934, and then to 75 in 1936. That made the ratio in the Senate less than 5 to 1. The ratio was equally unbalanced in the House of Representatives, where in 1930 the Republicans had a majority of 218, only to drop in 1936 to 89.

Looking Back

And while looking back I am reminded that those were the days when Republicans were twitted with the paraphrased observation—"As Maine goes, so goes Vermont," and cracks like the one that said the Republican party has been reduced to such dimensions that it could hold its conventions in a telephone booth.

In the second election of President Abraham Lincoln in 1864, his plurality for the entire country, consisting then of 26 states, was 414,000. He was contorted, however, with a Senate that was overwhelmingly Democratic.

The election of Franklin Roosevelt in 1932 for his first term commanded a national plurality of 7 million votes that carried with it a Democratic Senate. Only a few years before, the Senate had a virtually tie vote, but the number of new

Democrat senators who were elected with Mr. Roosevelt raised the party's proportion in the Senate to 59 against 36 for the Republican Party.

Interesting Election

One of the most interesting elections occurred when John F. Kennedy was elected in 1960 by a plurality of only 113,000 votes. Yet he managed to obtain a Senate which was comprised of 64 Democrats and 36 Republicans and a House of Representatives where the ratio was 263 Democrats and 174 Republicans.

The latest available figures now indicate that President Nixon's plurality last November was 224,197 votes. At the same time, the Senate still remains substantially Democratic by a vote of 58 to 42, and in the House the membership consists of 243 Democrats and 192 Republicans. Thus the voters elected a Republican President and a Democratic majority in both houses of Congress.

Second Part

Americans Chose Eisenhower As Soldier-Hero President

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is the second of two parts in attempt to appraise Gen. Eisenhower and his place in history.

By Max Lerner

When Americans want to make a soldier-hero President, they are perverse (or maybe wise) enough to pick an unpolitical soldier. That happened to Ulysses Grant, who fought like an angel but governed like Poor Poll. That happened to Dwight Eisenhower, who was less of a military genius than Grant, but respectably competent as President, where Grant was not.

They might have chosen George B. McClellan when he ran against Abraham Lincoln, and they might have chosen Douglas MacArthur when he came home after Harry Truman dismissed him. But they did neither. It is as if, taking the gamble of a military man in the White House, they hedge their risk by choosing a civilian general who seems to stand above politics.

Good Soldier

I am speaking now of tactical decisions that were in Dwight Eisenhower's province, as well as the larger military-political strategy which was Franklin Roosevelt's and was handled as badly. Americans have still not learned how to estimate the political consequences of seemingly "military" decisions. They paid for it after the war and are still paying for it.

If this lack of sophistication in Gen. Eisenhower was a fault, it had its aspect of strength, too. He had no corrosive or original mind, but the mind of a unifier who reached for what people had in common, whether in football squad, an Army or a nation. If some heads of state govern by fear and some by love, Gen. Eisenhower governed by good will and heart -- which is why he was so widely loved. The "civic religion," which Tocqueville saw as in part responsible for America's successes in democracy, found one of its most committed practitioners in the American general, who was born of a pacifist family in a frontier town in exactly the year when the census said the frontier was starting to shrink.

'Consensus'

For Tocqueville's civic religion, read the modern "consensus" or -- more simply -- a social cement. As a good soldier Gen. Eisenhower had a vision, however hazy, of a good society that came from good relations between people. He was not an activist President, as Roosevelt and Truman were before him and John Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson were after him. Mainly, I suppose, his nonactivism came from a touching faith in an essential harmony of interests inside a society and inside a human being which was better left alone. Hence his conservative views



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Letters

Big Name Entertainment Prejudiced To Negroes?

To the Editor:

Well, what do you know? Another week has passed into history, and another "Big Name Entertainment" program has been presented on this campus. Even though I didn't go, I was told by several people that did go that it was a good show.

Well and good, but I have something to ask and I want to ask it now. Why have the vast majority of the entertainment programs at MTSU this year been presented by members of the Negro race? This is something I can not understand. Well over seventy per cent of the programs this year have been conducted by Negroes, yet approximately 90% of the MTSU student body is composed of Caucasians. Immediately one can see that something is wrong with this setup. I want to make it clear that I have absolutely nothing against the Negro race, in fact, the programs that have been presented by members of their race here this year have been good, but shouldn't the entertainers here at this university be in proportion to the races represented here? You can't have members of a race which compose only about ten per cent of the student body on a majority of our programs and still maintain justice for the majority race. If the white majority here at this university cannot have at least an equal representation of their race on

the programs, then are they really receiving a fair deal? I believe that I share the opinion of others when I say I don't believe they are.

Maxey Piper
Box 6039

Donors Receive Thanks for Blood

Letter to the Editor:

I want to thank all of the students who so generously donated blood for Kimberly on March 4. She received 110 pints and this will be placed on reserve for her at Saint Judes hospital in Memphis. Knowing that she has this much on reserve means a great deal to me and I appreciate what all the students did to achieve this. The staff at Saint Judes hospital also stated their appreciation since these children need a great deal of blood and what is not needed for Kimberly will be used to help other children with Leukemia. Kimberly has just finished 4 weeks of intensive radiation therapy and is doing well. Again thank you all for your concern and help.

Marilyn Blackman
Instructor, Dept. of Nursing

on the economy, his long refusal to attack Joe McCarthy lest he awaken even sharper discords, his cautiousness on Vietnam.

He lived and governed just before the cracking of the social cement in America. His deepest intuition was to try to keep it from cracking. If he failed, it was not from lack of good will, but from relying too heavily on it alone. But those who followed him also failed, with their innocent faith that the sheer dynamism of "getting the country moving" would somehow provide cement for the splits that a mindless dynamism inevitably brings with it.

Unswerving Service

In Gen. Eisenhower's case, they felt that someone who had served the nation so unswervingly as the good soldier (if one dare use the phrase again after Ford Madox Ford's novel) would prove the good soldier again in political command. He did, and he continued to play the role after the Presidency. Even as a man facing death, he agreed to the plan for a drawn-out state ceremony, Churchill-fashion. Being a modest man, he could not have needed it for his vanity, but may have recognized the chance it gave America to recall a time when it was unified, to celebrate some old and unheeded virtues and perhaps to cement some of the cracks in society.

Since his qualities were not flashy, but those of a flexible mind, with a knack for absorbing experience and for getting at the nub of a problem, his advancement was slow, and he was still a colonel at 50. Both Gen. George Marshall and President Roosevelt saw his capacity for growth and gave him his chance at greatness. Because of its immense resources and power, and because it was engaged in the coalition war, America didn't require a great strategic brain (the British had a better sense of strategy) but a military co-ordinator, and Gen. Eisenhower and the time found each other.

Military Mentality

But he also shared the weaknesses of the American military mentality, especially the simplistic notion that you could separate the military from the political. Winston Churchill knew better, but after the first year or two President Roosevelt and Harry Hopkins and Gen. Marshall didn't listen much to Churchill, who had a pretty good idea that war strategy should be directed toward the postwar period.

The result was Gen. Eisenhower's political floundering (along with Robert Murphy and Gen. Mark Clark) in the African invasion "Torch" on the Jean Francois Darlan deal and the Peyrouton mess and his decision in the Italian campaign to cancel his bold idea of an air drop over Rome and finally his failure to follow Churchill's advice to "shake hands with the Russians as far east as possible."

Coach Fuoss to Unveil Team in Blue-White Football Game

Coach Don Fuoss will unveil his 1969 edition of the MTSU football squad here Saturday afternoon in the annual Blue vs White game. Kickoff is 2p.m.

The Raider mentor named Jim Finley as head coach for the Blue team and Bill Peck as the White squad head tutor. Finley will be assisted by coaches George Catavolos, Gary Whaley and Ike Franklin. Peck's assistants include Charlie Butler, Mike Matheny, and Rodney Hayes.

"There is already a lot of rivalry between the coaches and players for the game," Fuoss commented. "I hope we can give the area fans a good show."

Coach Fuoss plans to match his number one offensive unit against the number one defensive squad. He commented, "We might as well find out what our best can do against our best. After all, this is a practice for us, and we don't want to stack the thing to make one of the teams show up well."

When asked about the progress of the now 54-man Blue Raider squad, Coach Fuoss remarked, "We had two objectives when we began Spring drills. First, we wanted to evaluate our personnel and then slot them in our Pro-I offense and the type of defenses we will be using. I think we have accomplished this pretty well."

"Our second objective was to expose our players to as much offense and defense as possible. I know they will not

remember all of them over the summer, but we can determine in fall drills which of the various formations we can use."

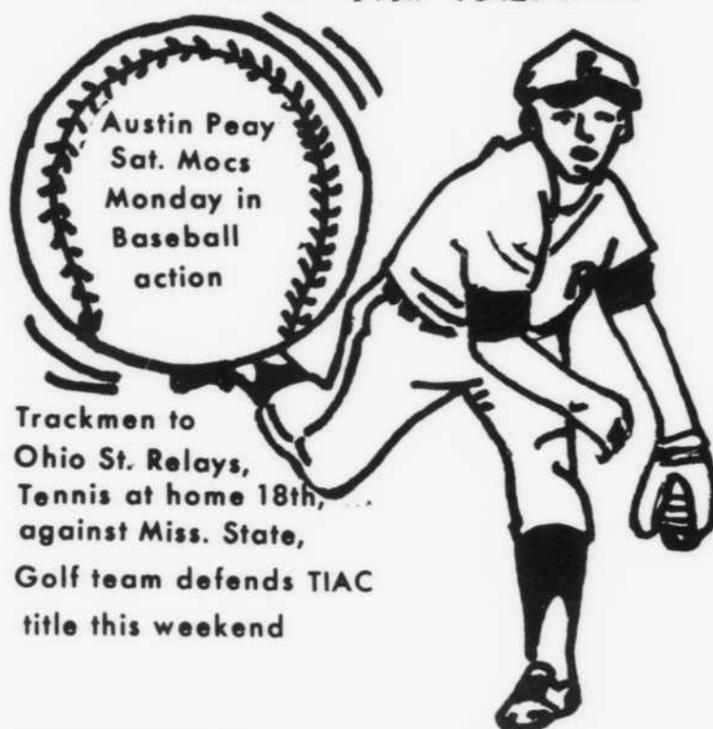
Last season, the Raiders spring roster listed 90 gridders for the spring clash. The 54-man squad is one of the smallest ever to perform for a spring game. Steve Colquitt, a regular offensive end, will miss the game because of a knee operation.

The team is looking real good in practice, it seems to this writer, and are playing some real aggressive ball.

A lot of practice is being spent on the defensive squad with pass protection, while the offense is trying to improve their blocking.

Tickets for the game will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

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Willie Brown Drafted by Dallas Chaparrals

Willie Brown, three year basketball star at MTSU, was drafted by Dallas of the American Basketball Association in the annual ABA player draft held Tuesday, April 15.

Brown, who stands 6 foot 3, holds the all time scoring record at MTSU. Last season saw the Nashville native score at a rate of 23.3 points per game, and also grabbing an average of 8.7 rebounds per game.

Willie broke several records this year including career points scored. Against East Tennessee, Willie connected on 38 points which was a record.

He hit 15 field goals twice to set a new record in that department. Willie also holds records for most free throws

made and most free throws attempted. He hit 12 of 16 free throws to claim the record in each department.

This year marked the second year Willie was selected to the All-Ohio Valley Conference basketball team. He was also selected to play in the annual Franklin Road Jaycee Tennessee-Kentucky All-star game.

Willie scored 20 points in the All-star game which featured senior stars basketball players from Tennessee and Kentucky colleges and universities. The Tennessee team took its first win this year.

Willie impressed the professional scouts for the past two years with his ability to score from any position on court and his hustling defensive play. His 8.7 rebounds per game average for this season is considered high for a guard.



WILLIE BROWN

Departing basketball coach Ken Tricky said that Willie was the most outstanding player he had ever coached.

Willie was drafted by the Dallas team along with Tommy Hagan, 6 foot 3 Vanderbilt star.

Each team in the ABA was allowed to select five players. Others drafted along with the two Tennesseans were Bobby Christian, 7 footer from Gramling, A.W. Holt, 6 foot 8 from Jackson (Miss.) State and Cliff Shegogg, 6 foot 5 from Colorado State.

No order was given for the selection of the candidates.

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Raiders Drop Bisons 81-64 Behind 23 Points by Phillip Gardner

By Gary Davenport
Sports Editor

MTSU's trackmen completely ran over visiting David Lipscomb Tuesday night in a dual meet, 81-64 with junior Phillip Gardner scoring 23 points.

Taking the high jump, triple jump, broad jump, 120-high hurdles, and finishing second in the 440-intermediate hurdles, Gardner outshone all competitors.

The Bisons from Nashville had built up a lead in the field events behind the javelin throw



Andy Russell, David Lipscomb miler and two-miler, has defeated the top runners in the South in both events. Here he is shown running the two-mile.

of Joey Haines, and the shot-putting of John Newberry.

Lipscomb won the mile, two-mile, both by the South's finest in both events, Andy Russell, discus, 440-intermediate hurdles, and the pole vault.

As usual, the Raiders showed strong support in all the events with the host team taking many first and seconds in the same event.

Lonnell Poole, hurt during the Blue Raider relays Saturday, competed in the 440-relay along with Irskin Smith, Jerry Singleton, and Dave Wyatt to take that event at 42.5, a fine time.

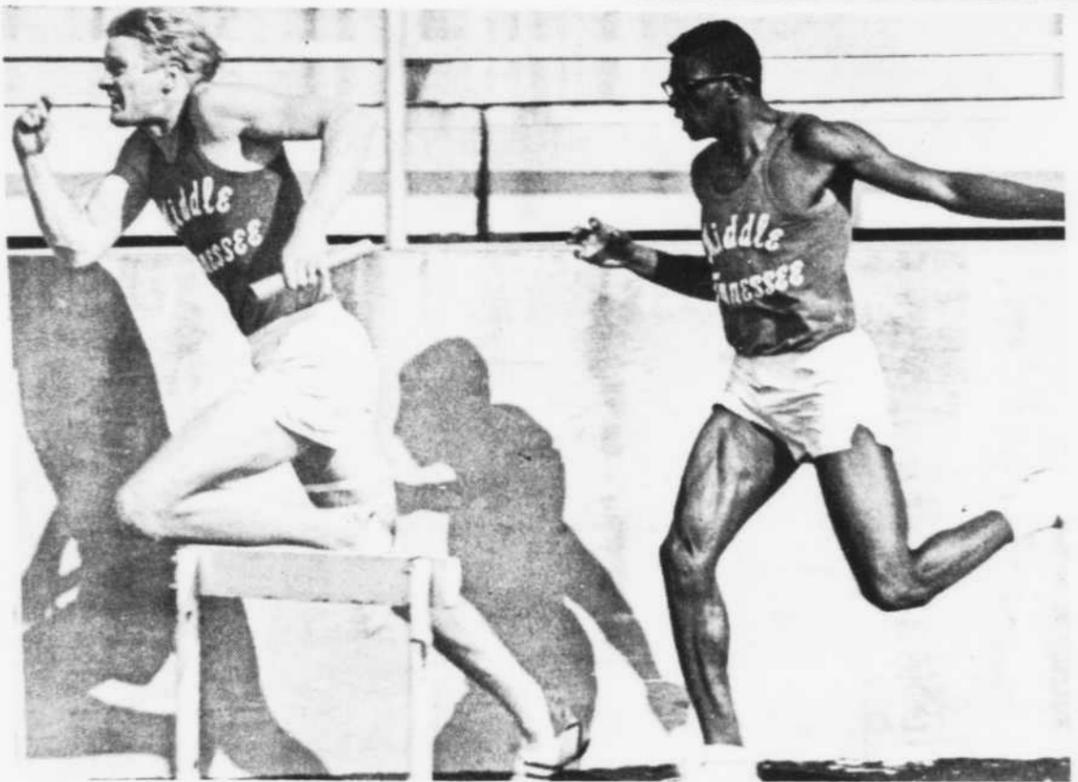
Dennis Bandy ran the half-mile in 1:55.9 to take that event, and competed in the mile relay with Terry Scott, Jerry Singleton, and Dusty Hughes to win with a 3:16.8.

Singleton ran in the outstanding time of 47.3, a time ranking him in national competition.

Dave Wyatt came around the curve like a steam-roller to win the 220 in the fine mark of 21.7.

The results:

Triole Jump — Phil Gardner (M) 42-4;
4: High Jump — Phil Gardner (M) 6-7;
440 Relay — MTSU (Poole, Smith, Singleton, Wyatt) 42.5; Mile Run — Andy Russell (L) 3:20.3; Discus — Centre Henry (L) 132-31.2; Javelin — Joey Hains (L) 291 1/2; High Hurdles — Phil Gardner (M) 15.7; Long Jump — Phil Gardner (M) 20-10 1/2; 440 Dash — Jerry Singleton (M) 47.3; Shot Put — John Newberry (M) 72; 120 Dash — David Wyatt (M) 21.7; 220 Run — Dennis Bandy (M) 1:55.9; 440 Intermediate Hurdles — Buddy Martin (L) 54.0; 200 Dash — David Wyatt (M) 21.7; Two-Mile Run — Andy Russell (L) 3:16.8; Mile Relay — MTSU (Scott, Pandy, Hughes, Singleton) 3:14.8; Pole Vault — James Teale (L) 13 feet.



Daryl Bentson and Irskin Smith are shown during the exchange of the 440-yard relay in the Blue Raider Relays held Saturday afternoon.

Girls' Track Meet Set For May 1

May 5 marks the day the girls of this university show the fellows just what "they have that we don't have."

The occasion is the girls' track meet, and will be held after class hours beginning at 5 p.m.

Anyone who would like to enter should send their name and the events they wish to compete in to Miss Landreth, Box 392 Campus Mail by April 30.

The captains of the shuttle events should send in the team members names. But girls, you can't do everything, so only six events for each participant. Four girls run in the shuttle events.

Also will be the high jump, 200, 200 - shuttle relay, and 400 - shuttle run.

The events will be the 100, standing broad jump, 50, running broad jump, and softball throw.

Soccer Team Beats Peabody

MTSU's soccer team won 3 to 1 over Peabody College in a game here Sunday afternoon.

Tawat Mesomonta, Bob Hazel, and Ben Sohrabi each scored giving the club a record of 7 wins and 1 loss.

Triton Club Presents Carnival

The Triton Club at Middle Tennessee will present its annual Spring Water Carnival on April 17, 18, and 19. The theme of the water carnival, 'Kaleidoscope,' will be portrayed through various popular movie themes such as 'Born Free,' 'Dolls,' 'Exodus,' 'The Good, Bad, and the Ugly.'

The show will begin at 8 on Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the Alumni Memorial Swimming Pool. Admission will be 50 cents for students and 75 cents for adults.

Participants include Ladenea Smith and Richard Boyce Thompson from Cleveland; Olivia Powell from Athens; Betty Blalock, Lawrenceburg;

Claudia Copeland, Cowan; and Darlene Schwartz and Madeline Tilford from Murfreesboro.

Also in the show will be Michael Domeck, Ronnie Nelson, and Michael James Putnam, Chattanooga; and Amy Webster, Margaret Hardin, Carolyn Phillips, and Lunetto Allen, Nashville.

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Appreciation Banquet Given for Coach 'Bubber' Murphy

An "Appreciation Dinner" for Coach Charles (Bubber) Murphy has been set for Saturday night, April 19. The event, sponsored by the Blue Raider Booster Club, will be in the Tennessee Room at Middle Tennessee State University.

Murphy recently retired from active football coaching at MTSU to devote his full time to his role of Director of Athletics.

He served his Alma Mater as head football coach and athletic director for 22 years and provided Blue Raider fans with some of the finest teams in the nation's college division. His 1965 football squad posted a perfect 10-0-0 campaign in the Ohio Valley Conference, considered by many as one of the toughest college division leagues in the country.

As a player for MTSU (1936-1937) everything was his dish. He lettered in four sports, football, basketball, baseball and tennis for the Raiders. While playing tailback his 67 points scored in 1936 still stands as the 3rd highest scorer in the school's history. He tallied 127 points during his three years on the fridiron, becoming the

school's first Little All-America representative.

Bubber coached at Goodlettsville High School after graduation from MTSU in 1938.

The 54 year old ex-mentor served in the U.S. Navy from April 1942 to December 1946, received his master's degree

from Peabody College and coached at Peabody Demonstration School. He was called to his alma mater as head coach and athletic director in 1947.

Murphy's teams captured seven Volunteer State Athletic Conference championships before dropping from that conference after winning the crown in 1957. MTSU entered the Ohio Valley Conference in 1952 and have been champions or co-champions of the eight team league seven of his last 14 seasons. Four of those "Other Years" MTSU was runner-up for the loop title.

Murphy has provided many of the high schools of Tennessee with head coaches. More than fifty are currently holding head positions in the state

His record against OVC competition was an astonishing 73-26-2. During his 22 seasons, the soft-spoken Murphy posted a record of 155 wins against only 63 losses and 8 ties--one of the best in the nation. ---all Murphy tutored. In 1965, Murphy was selected by his fellow OVC coaches as Ohio Valley Conference "Coach of the Year" and was one of the finalists for National "Coach of the Year" honors.

Tickets for the buffet dinner have been set at \$5 and may be purchased from any Blue Raider Club member. Tickets

are also available at Moudy's Drug Store, MTSU Bookstore and MTSU Athletic

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Send your name, box number, and events entered to Miss Landreth, Box 392 Campus Mail by April 18.

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