

Westmoreland Tells Of Vietnam War

NASHVILLE-- General William C. Westmoreland, Army Chief of Staff, reminisced his military career at a public address at War Memorial Auditorium in Nashville Thursday night.

Only in discussing the Tet offensive, however, did he address his remarks to national policy.

He stated that the only enemy gain during Tet was "psychological impact on domestic and world opinion."

General Westmoreland referred to Tet as "the enemies Battle of the Bulge" and South Vietnam's "Pearl Harbor."

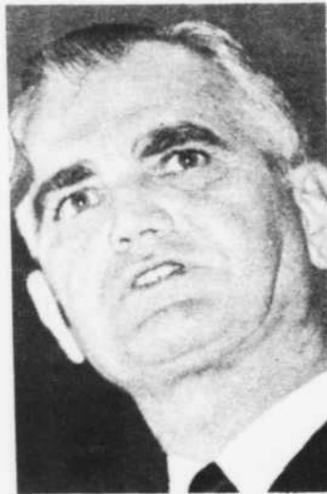
He stated that the work done while he was at Fort Campbell with helicopters and Recono training have helped the Vietnam cause considerably.

The General added that he wanted to "emphasize the performance of the young Americans in Vietnam has been magnificent."

While reminiscing his stay in Vietnam he cited the adaptations that the American forces had to make to be successful.

General Westmoreland also recognized the support that he got from the people in the Nashville area after he left Fort Campbell and went to Vietnam.

Earlier in the day General Westmoreland had a press conference and stated that the anti-ballistic missile system now under Congressional review, "will work and is oriented toward the Red Chinese threat," (Continued on Page 7)



GEN. WESTMORELAND

Campus Leaders Relate Favorable Reactions To Unicameral Plan

By Bobby Sands

Reaction by campus leaders to the proposal by ASB Senate Speaker Doug Bennett to change the ASB congress from its present two-house system to a one house plan appears to be uniformly favorable.

Sophomore Class President and CUBE House Representative, Lee Webb, when contacted said: "I think Bennett's proposal is a good idea because I know how easy it is for legislation to get tied up in our present system. I think this change will make the ASB more effective."

Chuck Furedy, House representative of Kappa Sigma fraternity had these comments: "As a member of the House of Representatives, I feel Doug

Bennett has taken a major step forward through introducing the idea of a unicameral legislature, and has the best interest of the students here at MTSU in mind.

"At the present time a large number of House Representatives are voting on issues according to their own beliefs," he said. "A representative is elected by an organization to represent not one's personal feelings, but the feelings of his constituency. The problem is not entirely the representatives' however; as many clubs meet only once or twice a year. "If the purpose of the House of Representatives is to represent a majority--then the entire structure of the House useless. If a student is elected by class as well as his indiv-

idual school of study--which is what Bennett has proposed--a working legislative body will finally be a reality here at MTSU." Furedy said.

Furedy serves as Parliamentarian of the House.

Clay Holloway, T Club representative, said, "I think the unicameral proposal is a good thing. This new concept will root out inactive members of the House."

"At present I would say that only about 20% of the House membership is actively involved in the work of the House. I am 100% in support of this proposal. The unicameral system will give us more direct representation," he said.

Senior Senator Ed Baker had these comments on the unicameral system, "I feel it would be a lot better in getting legislation enacted. It would be much better than our present system."

"With our present system, we run into trouble wording a bill so both Houses will agree upon it, whereas, with a unicameral system you will be able to work out all disagreements in one House," said Baker.

Pete Toggerson, an unsuccessful senate candidate last (continued on page 3)

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Female Students Seek Answer To Sororities' Social Merit

By Wanda Ensor

Since sororities made their debut on the MTSU campus three years ago, those organizations have been increasing in prominence.

For many coeds, sororities are the long-sought answer to the problem of finding a social

niche on campus. Others become disillusioned, and still others face bitter disappointment at not being chosen for membership.

Because sorority membership has evoked such strong and varied feelings, many who have had no personal experience with the groups are in confusion about their merit.

With rush over and the pledging period about to begin, many prospective pledges are especially interested in learning more about these groups. Here a number of MTSU girls--those in and out of sororities--gave their ideas about the vices and assets of joining a sisterhood.

"I think it's really a good system and one that will improve our campus a great deal," one sorority member predicted. "The most important thing to a girl is that it gives her a group to identify with."

One of the assets most frequently pointed out is the

strengthening of personal loyalties among sorority members. "No matter how many sisters you have," one girl explained, "you know that's the number of friends you can always depend on."

According to most sorority members "sisterhood" isn't just an angle. It's a real common bond among the members. As one sister explained it, "You become a part of the other girls and they become a part of you."

Another favorable factor, she believes, is that most sororities--especially when they go national--stress scholastics. Each girl is encouraged to do her best in academics and to participate in all campus functions.

But it seems those qualities which endear a sorority to its members are the very factors condemning it to non-members. The view from the outside looking in is quite different in most aspects from that of the sorority member.

Several of those non-sorority members questioned said they believed the groups served more as "social crutches" than

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O'Neal To Face Questions From Teacher Unit

Pat O'Neal, speaker of the ASB House and a prime mover behind the spring faculty evaluation, is expected to meet several "pointed and unfriendly questions" concerning the evaluation tomorrow.

O'Neal said Friday he had been notified by Dr. Robert Womack, president of the faculty senate, that he was expected to meet with an "education department committee" at 8 a.m. tomorrow.

"I'm not sure what the meeting is all about," O'Neal said. "Dr. Womack said only that I should expect some pointed and unfriendly questions about my evaluation."

Womack could not be reached for comment.

Grand Jury Indicts Instructor, Freshman

NASHVILLE--A part-time English instructor and a freshman at MTSU were indicted here Thursday by a federal grand jury on charges of selling marijuana.

Named in the indictment were Eldean Aune, 25, of 1118 Ewing Blvd., the English instructor, and Randall Darwin Guess, 19, the student whose address was listed as 438 Fourth Ave., Mur-

freesboro.

Aune was alleged to have made sales to two agents of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

Guess was also charged with making unlawful sales to the federal agents. He was charged with making two sales without having paid the required federal tax and having the necessary orders for the marijuana.



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Photo and article by Doug Sloan

Scarlett Reschedules Congress Address

President M. G. Scarlett will address a joint session of the ASB Congress at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow in the House chamber, 322 University Center.

Scarlett will speak on his philosophies of student government including its administration of the students and the function of the government itself.

Scarlett is also expected to discuss his views concerning the current controversy over the "Coed Codes" and the manner in which the ASB has handled

its attempts at revising the codes.

Several deans will attend the session, and ASB officials encourage interested members of the faculty to attend.

The address will be Scarlett's first to the Senate and House of Representatives and will be open to the public. The president was scheduled to address the Congress last Tuesday, but he contracted the flu and asked for a postponement.

MTSU

Impressions

At Mich. St.

Project Soul'

MTSU's business department is sending a team of students to compete in the Intercollegiate Marketing Competition at Michigan State University at Lansing, Michigan, April 25-56.

Joe Tenpenny, faculty co-ordinator of MTSU's four participants, reports that the Michigan State program has "one of the oldest business games in the nation." He continues to state that the sole objective of these games is to provide an experience available to students somewhere between the pure theoretical concepts of the classroom and the real life situation.

Last year, the first time that MTSU participated in the Michigan State games, the team placed fifth under the direction of Marion Rico of the business administration faculty. MTSU was in competition with all the "Big Ten" schools plus other colleges in the United States and other countries.

The games are simulated business complications with each of the fifty-five colleges and universities from all over the world forming their own teams. Each team is one part of an industry.

Each team makes decisions on certain situations provided them. These situations are simulated but are the same as those found in actual businesses to results from twelve decisions made before going to Lansing and their oral presentation given there.

Also included in the judging will be the net profit off their deals and the consistency between budgeting and actual performance.

Each team is composed of four students. One acts as captain with each of the others specializing in one of the three sales areas in the country.

Representing MTSU in this year's competition are: Joe Carlton, captain, Murfreesboro senior; Thomas Graves, Nashville junior; Lynn Sullivan, Murfreesboro senior; and Ted Watson, Nashville senior.

Gym Club To Hold Meeting

A meeting of students interested in forming a Gymnastics Club will be held tomorrow at 11:15 a.m. in the stage area of the gymnasium.

The purpose of the meeting is to set a schedule for future meetings of the club.

Those students interested in gymnastics are invited to attend.

Last Thursday night the Impressions justified their name as they turned on what became one of the most responsive crowds to attend the "Big Name Entertainment" this year. With a style entirely their own they alternately soothed and stirred with their very special soul music. For almost two hours the audience clapped and sang to the many hits they've created over the past 11 years. They sang such greats as "Amen" and "Keep On Pushing."

They showed unusual versatility with their varied selections from "Up, Up and Away" to their own version of "God didn't Make Little Green Apples." The songs were extremely entertaining but it soon became apparent that there was a stirring message of the new black pride which was brought to a head with their moving delivery of "This is My Country." The song told that they felt black people had their right to claim America as home. Many a black man has died to keep it free and his people proud.

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anything else. "I've never really thought about it this way before," one coed mused, "but I guess the people who really need the security offered by sororities most don't ever get it. The sororities are quite selective and if a girl isn't fairly popular to start with, she usually doesn't get accepted."

Another frequently mentioned criticism is that sorority members tend to stick together in little cliques. "Other girls feel like outsiders around them. I think belonging to a sorority king of closes them off from making new friends."

A criticism voiced perhaps not enough is the obvious absence of Negro members in the social organizations. Although the black woman has theoretically the same social standing as that granted the white woman on campus, she has yet to penetrate the ranks of sororities--at least in significant numbers.

The organizations must of necessity exclude the majority of women on any college campus. Here at MTSU there are about 35 members in each of the five

"The Enjoyment of Great Art" To Be Presented By Vincent Price

Vincent Price, noted actor and art collector, will speak tomorrow night at 8 p.m. at the University Theater on the topic "The Enjoyment of Great Art."

Price is sponsored by the MTSU Public Programs Committee and will appear as part of the 1969 Festival of the Arts. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia will present a Stage Band Concert on the same day at 12:30 p.m. in the university theater.

On February 19, "The Bald Soprano" will be presented at 12 noon in the Arena Theatre. "The Bald Soprano" is a one act play by Eugene Ionesco.

Also on Wednesday the Orchestris and modern dance classes will present a modern dance concert entitled "Dance: Words, Music, Movement".

The dance program will consist of eight dances, each one designed to emphasize a particular aspect of dance. "Unopens the program. It is decidedly not square. It is danced to music by Brubeck and the time signature is the uncommon 7/8. This dance is a challenge to the foot tappers and finger snappers.

"When Man Was New" is divided into four sections which

attempt to show a brief history of dance. A primitive ritual is the first dance in this group. The second dance is the Hebrew song "Shalom Shaverim." It will be danced and sung by Connie O'Connell.

A medieval religious dance of the three Mary's is to be followed by a secular medieval dance--"Pavane pur une Infant defunte." In this dance, Carla Neal portrays Catherine of Aragon soon after the death of her first child. This dance concludes the historical section of the program.

"The Mind Is an Island In Space" transports one from the medieval world to the fringes of life today. Even though the dancers attempt to portray a weightless world of no up, no down, the humanistic concepts of man still remain and appear in the meeting of minds even in the vacuum of space. This dance concludes the first half of the program.

"Things They Invent" is performed by twelve members of the first grade of the Campus School. Three Magical Inventors are at the crucial stage of their inventing as the curtain

Seniors Honors' Nominations Set Thurs.

Nominations for Senior Superlatives will be taken Thursday Feb. 20 at 11:00 a.m. in the University Center Theatre.

There are eight superlative honors. They are Bachelor of Ugliness, Lady of Blue, Most Popular Male, Most Popular Female, Most Versatile Male, Most Versatile Female, Most Outstanding Male and Most Outstanding Female.

All nominees must be a full time student with 102 semester hours and a 2.0 over-all average. The nominees must never have been nominated for a superlative before, and a student may be nominated for only one superlative. There will be no campaigning with the exception of a picture of each candidate at the polls.

To win on the first ballot, a candidate must receive a simple majority.

The election will be Wednesday Feb. 26, in the UC Lobby from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. If a runoff is necessary, it will be held the next day.

Cliff Gillespie, ASB Election Commissioner, said, "These elections are honors, not offices. The no campaigning rule will be very strictly enforced by the election commission."

AKPsi Plans Open Rush

Alpha Kappa Psi, professional business fraternity, will hold an open rush Feb. 18 and 26 at 7 p.m. in the downstairs lobby of the SUB.

The purpose of the spring rush program is to acquaint prospective members with the organization.

Anyone interested can visit the offices in NCB 257 or secure an application from any Alpha Kappa Psi member.

Basketball Squad To Participate In Research Project

The MTSU Varsity and Freshman Basketball Squads are participating in an extensive research project which will have far-reaching implications in the fields of psychology, physiology, and health.

Marion R. Wells, M.A., Assistant Professor of Biology, and Price E. Harrison, Ed.D., Associate Professor, Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, were recently awarded a faculty research grant from the Middle Tennessee State University Faculty Research Committee for this research.

These two faculty members of MTSU are cooperating with E. J. Anthony, B.S., and John Wittrig, Ph.D., of the Psychobiology Laboratory at Murfreesboro Veterans Administration Hospital, in this study of the influence of exercise and stress on the metabolism of creatinine, creatine, lithium, calcium and magnesium in healthy college men.

The subjects for this extensive study of compounds, currently of great interest to scientists in the allied health fields, are the squad members of the MTSU Freshman and Varsity Basketball Teams and selected basketball fans. Also participating are Coaches Ken Trickey and Jimmy Earle, who have approved of their teams' participation. The outcome of this project could have tremendous significance for understanding the interrelationships of exercise, stress, and health.

Dr. Harrison has stated that the success of this project is dependent upon the careful and time-consuming efforts of all participants. Their cooperation as well as the cooperation of the coaches and other members of the Athletic Department, is appreciated by the research group. The project will continue through the Spring Semester, 1969.

campus sororities. Perhaps bitter feelings at being rejected account for some of the anti-sorority feelings on campus. As one woman expressed it, "I guess they're fine for girls who are popular enough to be chosen--and can afford it!"

In defense of her group, one sorority member admitted that there can be bad feelings within the organization but added that, "This is just like anything else. Ygu get out of it just what you put into it...and there can be no disadvantages unless you make them."

Psychology Club Sets Requirements

Xi Psi, a club designed to promote interest in the sharing of ideas in psychology and associated studies, was recently formed on the MTSU campus.

All persons majoring or minoring in psychology are eligible for membership if they have a 2.0 accumulative average, a minimum of thirty semester hours, and at least six hours in psychology at the end of the present semester.

Anyone interested should meet in NCB 109 at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 19.

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'Called' & Constricted

A student prayer printed in MOTIVE magazine in 1960 began: "Thou hast called me, oh God, to spend this portion of my life as a student. Although men and women of any age, born in other countries must work in fields and shops to support their families, Thou hast released me from these tasks and given me the burden of searching out Truth..." At the first of each semester freshman classes all over the nation are told of their new "responsibilities" as adults. They are told that they are now "responsible" for their acts; they can choose. The next week they are told of the school's mandatory attendance policy, of its rules of enforced morality, rules not designed to protect the educational community, but to

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"mould young characters" to fit in a world of biases and prejudices belonging to the past. Some of the nation's most creative youth do not wish to be moulded, and therefore must forego the real advantages a college education can bring. Any sensitive American of college age is shaken to see pictures of young men and women dressed in grey and wearing Chinese Communist uniforms, or carrying on the fight against communism in an East Berlin University. He wants to help. He would help from the depths of his being, but to help from any real depth demands freedom, real freedom to act or not to act out of his self, and not from rules made by his peers. A student often has the feeling a soldier might have who volunteered for a dangerous mission involving life and death. Having volunteered the soldier would be disgusted to hear an NCO threaten him with K.P. if he did not clean his weapon before leaving. A student in the twentieth century doesn't appreciate being threatened with "demerits."

"But," say school administrators, "if such rules as those of mandatory attendance were not enforced, no one would come to classes. The college student is not mature enough for this freedom." If a student can pass a course without coming to class, it merely indicates that nothing is being taught in class. If a student misses class, and therefore, fails, he simply fails. This is the logical outcome of his choice; here would be a lesson in the meaning of freedom. If a man has needs which can only be met by talking to a captive audience, his place should be other than the teaching profession. If he has needs which can only be met by moulding people after his own morality, he should not try to teach. So, the real teacher is a rather rare thing. A teacher is a person who knows his subject thoroughly, and is devoted to it

and his students. He can use his subject as a means of communication of facts much more important than the facts of the course itself. By whether an English professor places prime importance on the objective memorization of lines of poetry or that which is communicated subjectively to the student through form and feeling says a great deal about the orientation of the professor. Or, on a different level, if the students in a class know the professor has just had a rather heated argument with the dean but still comes to class without blood in his eyes or the intent of venting his wrath upon his students--this is a lesson in freedom. Here character is not moulded by an external mould, but a bell of freedom is struck which effects sympathetic vibrations in the minds of the class members. If a professor can gracefully say he is wrong or gracefully remain steadfast in his opinion without making an enemy of all those who oppose him, he is teaching a valuable lesson. It is not easy to be a teacher.

Of course, the student must accept the consequences of his choosing to be a student. Even under a dictatorial type administration he must never lose sensitivity to the fact that he is "called" to spend this portion of his life in concentrated learning. This should be the student's primary task, but he must decide, perhaps after counselling, along which lines this learning must take place. Perhaps it will be in attending classes without fail; perhaps it will be in the form of watching human reactions at a party (this could be a reason for attending a party; real relaxation might be another one); perhaps it will be growing a beard to see how one can be ostracized rather severely for something no deeper than skin. It can be any number of things and probably should be any number of things. The role of education should be that of allowing the student to see himself and his talents in light afforded by competent, dedicated teachers. Organization men are moulded; students learn to mould.

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ROTC Opinion Poll Results

Results of the student opinion pole taken by the ASB on the acceptance of ROTC.

Total Sample Response (301 responses)
 53% favored having a ROTC program at MTSU
 46% favored not offering a ROTC program at MTSU
 Concerning MS I and MSII only
 82% favored a voluntary program over a compulsory program
 16% favored a Compulsory program over a voluntary program
 Responses of those who have had ROTC at MTSU (245 responses)
 54% favored a voluntary program at MTSU
 Concerning MS I and MS II only
 82% favored a voluntary program over a Compulsory program
 16% favored a compulsory program over a voluntary program
 Responses of those who have not had ROTC at MTSU (56 responses)
 50% favored offering an ROTC program at MTSU
 50% favored not offering an ROTC program at MTSU
 Concerning MS I and MS II only
 84% favored a voluntary program over a compulsory program
 16% favored a compulsory program over a voluntary program

Ambassador Seeks Future Cultural & Economic Ties

His Excellency Karmin Bangoura, ambassador to the United States from the Republic of Guinea, visited the MTSU campus February 11.

Bangoura visited his son Ibrahim Bangoura, a freshman at MTSU, and spoke to interested faculty members at a seminar.

Bangoura was en route home where he will take the dual role of minister of transportation and communication and advisor on foreign affairs.

The Ambassador was guest

at a noon luncheon, attended by Mayor W. H. Westbrook of Murfreesboro. Ambassador Bangoura presented Mayor Westbrook with a native sword and battle axe and the University with an original native painting.

At the seminar the Ambassador discussed the history of Guinea and the confrontation with General Charles de Gualle in 1958 which resulted in the establishment of the Republic of Guinea. He then spoke of the economic problems that had faced the new Republic and its efforts at public recognition.

Ambassador Bangoura said that the dream of all Africans was for unification but the practical problems of communication and transportation would mean that this would be a slow

and painful process. Such unification, he suggested, would ultimately come from economic

Sigma Club Taps Eight

Eight men were initiated into the Sigma Club on Feb. 3.

New members of the men's honor society are James Williams, Mulberry junior, Bill Peters, Winchester senior, Anthony Webster, Greenbrier junior, Danny Jennings, Mulberry junior, Russel Willis, Nashville senior, Stephen Centimole, Greenbrier junior, Louis Oliver, Hendersonville junior and Dana Dieckman, Donelson junior.

Reaction...

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year, said, "Bennett's proposal sounds like it would probably be more efficient. We need efficiency in the 'B. They haggle over this in one House and carry it across the hall and haggle over it again. It seems to me it would be a lot easier to have one House."

Doug Bennett, the originator of the unicameral proposal, concerning the comments of Baker, Holloway, Furedy, Webb and Toggerson said, "Their reactions show that those who are involved in the ASB know how inefficient our present system is and how badly we need a change."

ASB President Jim Free nor Pat O'Neal House Speaker could be reached for comment Friday.

and cultural association between the nationalistic States. "We are Guineans first. We

want good relations with all peoples. We are seeking aid for the development of our Republic wherever it may be found," he stated.

He said that Guinea was not Communist but was carrying on trade relations with Russia, Czechoslovakia, and China, as well as European, Canadian, South American powers and the United States.

Ambassador Bangoura concluded with a description of the present and future development of Guinean resources.

Wells Speaks On The Appaloosa

Lenard Wells, President of the Tennessee Appaloosa Association, will address a meeting of the mtsu Rodeo Club tonight.

Wells will speak on the history of the Appaloosa breed in the United States and in Tennessee.

The meeting will be held in room 125 of the Agriculture Building at 7 p.m.

All interested students are invited to attend.

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Progress Demands A Question-Answering

Progress, it is said, is a word that goes well in the language of America. And real progress is a tangible thing that is very much visible through the shroud of insignificant and temporary activities.

The philosophies around which the several student governments are centered on American college campuses are quite varied, and they reflect the thinking of students whose theories of change and progress are rested upon very different points on the spectrum of student involvement.

It is a fact that college students are more active than they once were and especially more active in the affairs outside their own time and place.

But again, students vary in the degree of involvement, and the South is a different land. Still we must become involved.

There is an immense sweep of change that students at MTSU just might effect here this spring, but it is urgently important that they all plug themselves in to what's going on.

Practically every phase of campus life is very near the point of radical change. Apparently the first step of the "desouthernization" here has begun.

The university is currently under investigation in many of its most sacred areas--its teachers, the structure of its student assembly and the antiquated manner in which it regulates the women.

These are the important issues, the great questions. These are the things we can proudly leave behind. The justification for a student government lies embodied in these types of questions.

Whether any of the announced proposals are adopted--and that will depend upon their degree of organization and inherent logic--the university administration, if not many of the students, will long remember the spring of 1969.

The call for change requires the asking of these questions, and the need for progress demands good answers.



"YOU SAY YOUR SON HOPES TO ENTER THE UNIVERSITY SOME DAY? SO DO I, MADAM -- SO DO I."

Carla Neal

Greeks Determine Fate Of ASB Legislation

Social fraternities and sororities have officially been on the MTSU campus for only three years. During this time, they have expanded their prestige and power considerably. Not only have they become nationally affiliated, but investigation shows that the Greeks now dominate this campus in both social affairs and activities and in student government.

Out of approximately 123 members of the ASB, about 45 belong to a fraternity or sorority.

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giving the Greeks 37 percent representation. This figure does not include the percentage of Greeks serving on ASB sub-committees, Midlander or SIDELINES staff, or on other campus clubs. Neither does it include the percentage of Greeks serving as class presidents, dorm presidents, ROTC sponsors, Homecoming Queen, or other positions of leadership. According to one Greek, the ratio of Greeks to non-Greeks in these positions is likely to be two to one.

A look at the upper echelon of student government shows that Greeks have an overwhelming majority. Of the 17 members of the Senate, 12 are Greek, with a 71 percent representa-

tion. The ratio in the top government posts is two to one.

All this in itself is neither surprising nor alarming, even though Greeks represent only six per cent of the total student body. As one Greek said, "People who are in Greek organizations are the ones who take more initiative and interest in student government." The fact that they also have good organization behind them probably contributes to their success in student government elections.

With the student government dominated by Greeks, it isn't surprising that the only legislation which can pass is the legislation supported by the Greeks.

The ASB has introduced much legislation within the last year. Academic freedom, teacher evaluation, ROTC, "Dixie," and Coed Codes have all been attempts to "desouthernize" MTSU and bring it up-to-date.

But a comparison of two issues, "Dixie" and Coed Codes, shows that while the ASB government is behind a move to enfranchise the women students of this campus, it still hasn't realized the necessity for progress in the area of race relations.

"Dixie," although the external issue was abolition of a song and a soldier (remnants

of tradition which were viewed by the black students as degrading to themselves) was really a plea for progressive-ness (racial equality). Most people (especially the Greeks and thus the ASB) were unable to tolerate this kind of progress and unable to let go of their "sacred heritage." The measure was defeated.

But when the same issue came up in the form of Coed Codes, desouthernization and progressiveness (women's equality) were praised as virtues. Most people (especially the Greeks and thus the ASB leaders) wanted to see Coed Codes abolished. This measure has a great chance for success.

Many people will be unable to view "Dixie" and Coed Codes in the same light, just as the ASB was unable to do so. It is true that the abolition of Coed Codes is in a position to directly benefit more students than "Dixie" could have done simply because there are more women students than there are Negroes on this campus.

I, however, deplore the kind of self-deception and hypocrisy that allows a measure like Coed Codes to gain success in the name of progress and that at the same time denies the black students and the university a chance for even greater progress.

Open Column

Bicameral System Disrupts Progress

By Doug Bennett

ASB personnel are in the process of changing our student legislature from a bicameral (two house) system to a unicameral (one house) system. Many people wonder why we want to disrupt the status quo and seek a new system. There is one reason. It will be BETTER FOR ALL STUDENTS AND BETTER FOR THE OPERATION OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT.

First, let's look at the bicameral setup under which we operate at the present time. We have two houses in the student Congress--a small Senate and a huge House of Representatives. Any legislation must receive a majority vote of both houses to be approved. This leads to a negative approach toward needed legislation. As it now stands, NINE PEOPLE, a majority of the Senate can STOP ANYTHING. But to pass legislation a majority of both houses is required. Overall, a small minority of the aggregate Congress can stop anything, but a large majority of the aggregate Congress at times cannot enact legislation. This negative approach is not conducive to progressive student government.

The bicameral system is inefficient. Separate houses mean separate debate on the same issue. Small discrepancies can tie up legislation for weeks, and even months, as has happened on several occasions this fall. This serves no useful purpose and, I feel, may tend to cause some irresponsibility on the part of some legislators. This is not meant to be critical of our legislators, but critical of the system under which we operate.

Some students believe there is some basic superiority of two houses over one. This comes, in part, from viewing our national Congress. These students have failed to learn that our "Founding Fathers" formed this type of legislature as a compromise, not because it was a better structure. Without the Great Compromise, there is doubt that the United States could have been formed at that time. So we can see that there is no magic in a two house system. Having been a member of both the House of Representatives and the Senate, I have been in a position to view the relationship between our two bodies from both sides. All too often there exists mutual antagonism between the two houses for various reasons instead of a spirit of unity of purpose and of cooperation.

At this point I would like to speak of the positive aspects of a unicameral legislature for our campus and our student government. It is my feeling that the organized student government is the legitimate voice of the student body and the logical avenue of communication from the student body to the administration. Issues arise from time to time--and in our generation increasingly so--that require efficient, quick but thoughtful attention. Where our present bicameral legislature would be blundering slowly, a unicameral legislature could provide quick, efficient, and yet thoughtful attention to important issues. If this system of flexible efficient action on the part of the student government is not developed, those students with legitimate complaints or issues will by-pass the student government structure--leaving behind a group of people caught up in the role of playing games. With the growing mood of restlessness on our nation's campuses we cannot afford to allow student government as the logical and legitimate avenue of student expression to atrophy.

Upon deciding that a unicameral legislature is desirable and essential, we must produce a structure that will fit our needs. This we have done and will explain analytically and in detail in the next edition.

Letters

Coed Codes: How Long Will We Sit Back?

To the editor:

There have been several articles placed in the SIDELINES from female members of this university, concerning the coed codes, attitudes of the house-mothers, innocent fun that was changed to false accusations, and the numerous punishments given to girls for trite matters. They didn't write these letters to see their names in the paper or to receive a pat on the back for courageous effort; they wrote them to impress on our minds the need of change on this campus.

Recently, the girls have started a petition on conduct standards and the way students wish to dress. Will this petition impress us in such a way that we will want to do something about the present situation, or will it just fade away?

I would like to present one example of the unjustifiable conduct penalization that girls like myself have received.

Since my parents live in Venezuela, my sister, who lives in Murfreesboro, is my guardian. She has been given full authorization by my parents to let me go where she feels I can go and she also handles anything that comes up here at school or any other place. Two weeks ago, I wanted to go home

with my fiancee to visit his folks for the weekend. Saturday afternoon, I signed out for my sister's home and immediately went over to her house and told her where I was going. My plans were fine with her and my fi-

ancee's number was left in case she needed me. The following Tuesday, I was called to the Dean of Women's office only to have to set and listen to accusations such as: You have no right to sign out for your sis-

ter's house and leave Murfreesboro, my sister hasn't the authority to tell me where I can go, I galavant around the country, I have no right to park in the car near my dormitory, and that I've been seen walking out of apartments at 8:00 a.m. in the morning.

As a result of these "false" accusations that were so impressed on my housemother's and the Dean of Women's minds, I was punished by serving 1 week strict campus, 2 weeks regular campus and I am unable to sign out on the weekend till mid-term.

How long are we going to sit back and be guided like a baby? Must we take accusations that tend to do nothing but slanderize our names? We are old enough to decide where to go and when to go and how we want to dress without having people show us.

The main barrier lies in the fact that the administration tends to forget that they are not dealing with 6 and 7 year old children, but they are dealing with mature adults or students who are trying to be mature if only given the chance.

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Coed's Dilemma

OEO TO BE DISMANTLED

By Frank Mankiewicz and Tom Braden

WASHINGTON--Some of President Nixon's campaign promises are proving a little hard to fulfill--it appears there will be no "housecleaning" at the State Department--but that is cold comfort to the poverty warriors at the Office of Economic Opportunity.

OEO--the war on poverty--like foreign aid lacks much of a constituency, and the shape of its impending demise is becoming clear. It is, of course a holding company in many ways, including Head Start, Job Corps, Neighborhood Youth Programs, VISTA and Community Action.

Administration spokesmen--the Cabinet and the White House--are now saying that OEO will not be eliminated, "although some of its functions may be transferred to other agencies." This is as if the Justice Department trust busters were to say that General Motors will not be broken up, even though the Chevrolet, Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac and Cadillac divisions were being transferred to other companies.

The war on poverty began with an early task force and high purpose just five years ago this week. It has drifted onto bureaucratic shoals. Old-line agencies, jealous and apprehensive when Sargent Shriver was freewheeling at the White House with a new program--it seemed--every week, are moving in like marine scavengers for the salvage.

Operation Head Start, a high-visibility program aimed at the preschool child of poverty, has been successful. It will be moved off to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare where it will be lodged, doubtless, in the Office of Education

and perhaps parceled out from there to state and local control.

When it is remembered that one of the demonstrated needs for Head Start was the inadequacy of the nation's educational establishments, the prospect is not an exciting one.

The Job Corps, which runs centers and camps to teach a trade to poor urban youths and which President Nixon once promised to abolish if elected, will not be abolished. Administration men now concede that he was hasty about the corps, which has a steady, if spotty, record of achievement, is run for the most part by solid organizational bureaucrats and returns a tidy profit to the private business firms which operate the camps. It will go, instead, to the Labor Department, whose record in manpower training over the past years has not been one to inspire respect and confidence. Whatever spirit of élan remains will surely disappear.

There is talk that VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America), a domestic version of the Peace Corps, may find itself locked into a new youth or volunteer agency, which will include Peace Corps, Teacher Corps

and other volunteer efforts. It is the Community Action

Program, controversial from the start, which will suffer--the word may well be apt--the greatest change. This program, which spends the most OEO dollars of all, exists in thousands of cities, counties and

neighborhoods across the nation, for the most part independent of local elected authority, and for the most part including the cherished OEO goal of

"maximum feasible participation of the poor."

This has led to some spectacular successes and, to be sure, some spectacular failures. But although it has created, as White House urban affairs adviser Daniel P. Moynihan has said, "maximum feasible misunderstanding," it has also created

Community Action will now be moved into the Model Cities program, an ambitious undertaking co-ordinated in each city by the elected local officials. The poor will thus be reminded of what they knew all along--you can't beat Kew Hall.

Oil Slick Raises Very Embarrassing Questions

by Robert M. Hutchins

The great Santa Barbara oil slick, which threatened to "spread around the world," raises all kinds of embarrassing questions.

In view of the guarantees against pollution that were made before the drilling started, are we to conclude that the "experts" were lying or that they did not know what they were talking about? Were the oper-

ators careless, or ignorant, or both?

These questions are embarrassing to the citizens of California as well as to the oil companies. When the proposals for drilling in the Santa Barbara channel were made, political leaders were carried away by dreams of the wealth that was to gush forth from beneath the ocean.

But the most interesting question is political. The Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions in Santa Barbara has been working for a long time on a project to devise ways of bringing science and technology under public control. The effort is to design machinery that would minimize the chances of such a disaster as the Santa Barbara oil leak. The side ef-

fects of technological "advance" would be examined and weighed before rather than after they appeared. An invention would not be introduced unless its social benefits were greater than its social cost.

The attempt to direct technology to the common good would have to be the responsibility, I have always assumed, of some agency of government. After all, the government has been set up to promote the common good.

Who is to protect the public interest when public officials have the same motives and the same standards as private developers? The question applies in many fields. The abominable pattern of land use in our cities and suburbs often appears to result from the interest of public bodies in promoting bad development for the sake of increasing their tax revenue.

The project at the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions is called "The Constitutionalization of Science and Technology." The job looks harder--and even more important--than I thought.

Raiders Lose Close One; Drop Below .500 Mark

By Sue Porter

In a typical rough-and-ready game Saturday night, MTSU was defeated by their arch rivals Tennessee Tech. Except for one other game this year against Austin Peay, here, this reporter had never seen such officiating that took place

Granted, some calls were probably unseen by the spectator, but when an ex-basketball player looks at the game, he could tell the officials were not performing their job correctly.

In the first half of play, the Raiders were hitting only 27.5 per cent from the floor,

compared to Tech's 33.3 per cent. Heading the Big Blue in scoring for the first half was Art Polk with nine points. The Eagle's top scorer was Kitchel Strauss with eight.

The second half of play was equally interrupted by the sound of whistles by the referees

continued to call fouls on every thing they could think of.

According to the statistic sheet, in the second half MTSU scored 35.4 per cent on its field goals. Tennessee Tech scored 38.4 per cent. In charity lane throwing, Tenn Tech put the squelch on the Raiders by

connecting on 64.5 per cent of their throws, as opposed to MT 54.4 per cent.

Leading scorer for Tenn Tech was Kitchel Strauss with 21 points. MT came through in the rebound column with 64 to Tech's 54.



ART POLK

Individual scoring was Art Polk, 16 points; Terry Scott, 16; Willie Brown, 16; Booker Brown, 12; Steve McElhaney, 4; Tommy Brown, 4; Derry

Cochran, 2; Darryl Bentson and Rick Lasseter came in late in the final half, but failed to connect on the shots attempted.

MTSU is now ten wins and eleven losses. In total OVC competition they are 2-9. The

next game will be with East Tennessee tonight at 7:45 in the gym.

The Baby Raiders beat the Tennessee Tech frosh by a margin of seven points. Leading the scoring was Jim Drew with twenty-one points. Behind

him was Joe Barklay with 19. Next was Tommy Legg with

Girls Dropped by Belmont, Stand 5-2 for the Season

The Middle Tennessee's girls team has compiled a record of 5-2 for the year, with the only losses being against Tennessee Tech (39-32) and Belmont (46-43).

Betty Carole Fite is the leading point producer for the team with a 14.5 average. Judy Linville is close behind with a 14.3 average in the seven games. Audrey Rasco is knocking the nets for a 10.9 mark.

Rhesa Sumrell, former Chattanooga Notre Dame star, and sister of Stan Sumrell, is averaging 8.8, and Susan Ingram has put in 7.2 per game.

The team plays under DGWS rules, which results in two stationary guards and forwards,

and leaves two to rove freely. It results in 4 on defense and 4 on offense.

The team has beaten McMinnville High 62-47, dropped Gainesboro 48-33, and clob-

bered Belmont College 66-35. Other wins include close victories over Hillsboro, 63-61,

and Tennessee Temple by a 60-48 count.

The team goes to Tech Mar. 1 for a game there at 4:00 and

will play in the tournament there March 11-12. They are also trying to schedule a game with UT and David Lipscomb.

Wyatt Topples Singleton's School Mark in Ohio Meet

Dean Hayes' Raiders traveled to Columbus, Ohio over the weekend and came back with some new records and exciting results in the Ohio State Open.

Dave Wyatt finished second in the 300 yard dash and set a new school record with a 31.4 timing. Jerry Singleton, who was the holder of the record, ran a time of 31.6, and finished third. This time was an equal of the old record.

Coach Hayes, about the running of Wyatt and Singleton, stated that "I thought they looked great. Wyatt ran a 22.2 on his first 220 and this is outstanding of his run." He thought Singleton looked tired in the last few yards.

Lonnell Poole ran through the 70-yard high hurdles in 9.1, and in the quarter mile dash, Singleton placed first with a 49 flat timing. Wyatt placed second with a 49.4. Hayes thought

both boys looked good in their running, but thought both boys could have run better.

Dennis Bandy traveled through the 1,000 yard run in 2:19.0, placing third. "Bandy was in the lead until the last 150 yards, but his run was real good."

In the two-mile run, Bob McLeer ran a 10:06.7, in the 300, Frank Stewart ran a 32.6, Lonnell Poole completed the run in 33.3, and Frank Smith hit a 33.5 Smith also ran the 440 in 53.4.

Coach Hayes thought "this was a real good meet. There were over 1,000 athletes running and many of them were ranked in the world." He's real optimistic about the spring meets, in which he feels the Raiders should do real well.

This weekend, the team travels to Louisville, Ky. for the Mason-Dixon Games.

Raiders Play Last Home Game Tonight

Willie Brown still leads the basketball team with a 22.6 average, but it has dropped .8 tenths since the first of the month.

Art Polk is rapidly improving with a 15.9 average and has moved into second in the team scoring. Booker Brown is the third scorer on the team with a 13.8 record.

The scrappy Steve McElhaney is the next in line with a 9.8 average while Terry Scott is hitting at a 9.6 rate.

Willie is now hitting .382 percent of his shots, but is topped by Polk with his .432 per cent on 120-of-284 shots

attempted, and McElhaney, .385. Scott is hitting at a .382 rate to tie with Willie for third.

16, and then Sam McCamey with 9 and Ray Dennis with 2.

Pacing the Tech freshman was Richard Stone with 21 and Furlong with 17. Percentages were high with the Raider hitting 49.1 per cent of their field goals and 78.6 per cent of their freethrows. Tech wasn't far behind with 43.1 per cent of their field goals and 62.5 per cent of their freethrows. Final score was 67-60.

In rebounds, Booker is averaging 17.1 per game, with 342 being pulled down in his 20 games played.

Polk is next in line with 225 rebounds in 20 games for a 11.3 average.

Willie's 38-points against East Tennessee is still the record for most points scored and Polk's 14-24 against Morehead is still the top mark in that department.

Booker's 30 rebounds against Austin Peay puts him way ahead of the field in that category, but

Polk's 20 against Morehead places him in the number two spot.

Belmont and Austin Peay have been the guinea pigs for the Raiders thus far this season, with five team records being set against them this year.

They are: the number of free throws made, number of

throws attempted, field goals scored, and most points scored.

The Blue Raiders have lost by a margin of ten in ten of their eleven losses this year.

The Raiders have lost by three against Murray, six against Western Kentucky in their second game and by three in their first game.

Bellarmine beat them by one point, and Eastern Kentucky also beat them by the same margin.

Saturday they play Eastern Kentucky, Monday week they play Transylvania, and February 27 they go to Chattanooga for a game with the Mocs, and March 1 for the last game of

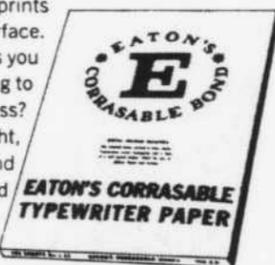
the season with a game against Austin Peay.

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Impressions...

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In a bull session during intermission, I discovered a witty but sincere bunch of guys who can only be described as men of high professional ethics and character as well as serious artists.

They felt that people tend to often be put entertainers on a pedestal when all they want is to be a part of it all. They're just a normal bunch of guys that happen to know a few more songs than everyone else. To them entertaining is a way of expressing themselves and doing their thing the best way they know how. There is a deep involvement between them and their audiences; they seem to understand that people differ and not all of them can get as involved in a show as others. They dig all the audiences and really enjoy performing.

It seems their views on life in general were much the same as yours or mine about such things as our Coed Codes. They felt that the students principle objective for being at school was an education and everything else should come second, but that the weekends should be their own, so that they might

have something to look forward to.

Their involvement in life and people is best expressed by their views on our present racial strife. They feel that the fighting and constant demonstrations are a waste of time and that much more could be accomplished if everyone would stop to realize that we are all people first regardless of color and that this is Our Country.

Westy...

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Westmoreland had earlier announced that his night time address would be "personal" and any questions on policy would be confined to the afternoon press conference.

Westmoreland, who was invited to Nashville by the Military Affairs Committee of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce, was accompanied by his wife and aides on the one day trip to Nashville. He was greeted at the airport by Mayor Beverly Briley, Lt. Gov. Frank Gorrell, Maj. Gen. S.H. Matheson, commander of Fort Campbell, and Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce.

He was commander of Fort Campbell from 1958 through 1960. He became Chief of Staff last July.

Table Tennis To Tenn. Open

The table tennis club will send a team to the Tennessee Open in Nashville which will be held

in April. Many of the top professional and amateurs in the United States will participate.

James Koutette, a good competitor in past tournaments, will be one member on the team, as

will Kenny Gentry, who has defeated many of the top players on campus.

There will be a special training program for the team competitors about a month before the tournament.

Nares Choobus, the number one player on campus, will be the Middle Tennessee State top hope in the competition. Nares has defeated all the top players on campus to have this very high honor and title.

Murphy Announces Football Schedule

Athletic Director Charles Murphy announces the 1969 football schedule with the first game of the year being against Pensacola Navy, and the final game against arch-rival Tennessee Tech at home.

Homecoming will be on October 18 against Murray State. On November 1, the team will play Ball State, always a powerhouse in football.

There will be five home games and five away games. The schedule: September 20, Pensacola Navy (there); Sept. 27, Morehead State (there); Oct. 4, Chattanooga (here); and on October 11, Eastern Kentucky (here).

On Oct. 18, Murray State (homecoming); Oct. 25, Austin Peay (there); Nov. 1, Ball State (there); Nov. 8, Western Kentucky (here); Nov. 15, East Tennessee (there); and Nov. Tenn. Tech, (here).

Dahlgren, Oldfield, Scott Top Record Performers on Track Team

Track and field is in full swing now, with the team already participating in three indoor meets participating in three indoor meets, and three school records being set.

Many more records will be broken, it is predicted, because of the new track and the boys getting better physically conditioned for the outdoor season.

Here are the records as they stand before the track season began:

Barney Oldfield holds the record with a 59-2 heave, and also is the holder of the discus mark with a 166-5 toss

In the quarter mile, Singleton is the holder with a fabulous 47.2 time. He also holds the 300-yard dash record at 31.6, and the 600 with a 1:10.9.

Mallard holds the 100-yard dash mark in 9.7, and Anderson is the holder of the half-mile mark at 1:52.7.

In the broad jump, Ronald Ward holds the mark with a 23-4 jump. This mark was set in 1964.

Charlie Dahlgren holds the mile and three-mile marks with 4:12.5 and a 14:41.8 respectively.

In the triple jump last year,

Terry Scott leaped to a 47-4 record, and in the high jump, Stevens jumped 6-5 for the mark there.

Stevens also holds the pole vault standard with a 14-9 a

record set in 1967.

The hurdles is dominated by Lonell Poole with his 14.5 in the high hurdles in 1968, and his 60-yard low hurdles mark of 7.1 this year.

Poole also holds the 60-yard dash record with a 6.4 clocking, and is the co-holder of the 70-yard high hurdles with Cooper in

61 with identical 7.7 clockings.

Jerry Singleton, who has already qualified for the NCAA finals in May, holds four MTSU records.

In the 220, Singleton is the co holder with Dave Wyatt at 21.6, a fine time. Both runners ran this time last year.

The 440-relay time is 42.3, the half-mile time is 1:29.2, the mile relay record is 3:12.5,

and the two-mile relay mark is 7:34.4.

In the shuttle hurdles relays the mark stands at 1:02.1, the sprint medley mark is 3:25.1, and the distance mark is 10:13.

The year is still very young, and it should be a good one for MTSU track. It could be the best ever for track here at the University.

Coach Hayes is very optimistic over the possibilities of many records falling this year.

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ASB Moves From Inauguration Plans Near Completion 'Southern Type'

The student government is presently undergoing an "enormous change" according to Doug Bennett, Murfreesboro senior and speaker of the ASB senate.

Bennett described this change as an evolutionary process from the traditional "southern-type" idea of a student government to an actual government which exerts an influence on campus proceedings concerning the students.

Students are gaining power on campus as the ASB begins to accept this role of a governing body, according to Bennett. The role of the student body in this movement is to respond by accepting the ASB as a "legitimate avenue of communication with the administration," he said.

Marines To Solicit Bodies

The Officer Selection officer will be on the MTSU campus today through Wednesday to discuss the Marine Corps' Platoon Leaders Class Training and the Officer Candidate Course Training with interested students.

Immediate openings are now available in the PLC and the OCC programs.

Freshmen, sophomores and juniors may enroll in the PLC program now and train during two summer vacations and be commissioned upon graduation.

Seniors and graduates may enroll in the OCC program. Training is completed after graduation.

Final plans, except for the announcement of the name of the inauguration speaker, have been tentatively completed for the inauguration of Dr. M. G. Scarlett as 1969 president of Middle Tennessee State University May 1.

Dr. Howard Kirksey, chairman of the Steering Committee said that the four-day program would open with a concert by the MTSU-Community Orchestra April 28 and would conclude with the inaugural ball on May 1. "The Regional University"

will be the theme of the Inauguration. A current Affairs address by Douglas Kiker of NBC News will be presented in the Drama Arts auditorium on April 29.

On Wednesday a Symposium on the role of regional university will be offered. Three of

the six expected panelists have accepted invitations. These include Dr. Phillip R. Shriver, president of Miami University of Ohio; Dr. C. C. Humphreys, president of Memphis State University and Dr. Adron Doran, president of Morehead Kentucky State University.

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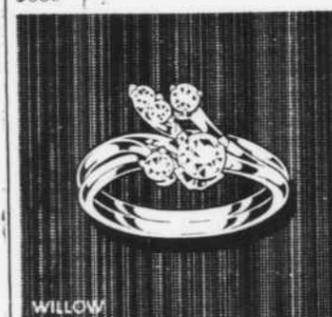
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