

# Scarlett Assumes MTSU Presidency; States Students Have Protest Rights

By Keel Hunt

Militant students have a right to protest, but they must not endanger education for the majority who want to learn, the new president of Middle Tennessee State University said Tuesday.

Dr. M.G. Scarlett, 47, said small minority groups—usually dissatisfied with material they receive in the classroom—can always be prevented from disturbing the educational atmosphere on campus.

"However, if it does happen," he added, "you must permit students to protest. They have a right to do it."

"But the university must continue the programs which the other students on campus want," he added. "I would not want a group of students to stop the work that is going on here."

Scarlett, who arrived on campus late Saturday but did not assume his duties as president until Tuesday, said:

"The student of today is not the same as the student of 10 years ago, and certainly different from the student of 20 years ago."

What must be considered, he claimed, is the "total program," including both the curriculum and

the teaching methods. The program ought to be geared, he said, to the student's need and to what he wants to get out of college.

"I must be naive," Scarlett said, "but I believe the conflict between students and the institution exists because they believe what they get in the classroom is actually not relevant."

"They're just not satisfied with what they're getting," he said. He defined "the institution" as the university administration and faculty.

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Vice president Hubert Humphrey meets well-wishers during his first campaign visit to Nashville.

# Sidelines

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## 'Do Something Positive' Citizens Group Theme

By David Word

"Do something positive" is the theme for the Rutherford County Chapter of the Tennessee Council on Human Relations, organized to eliminate the "we-they" feeling among Negroes and whites here.

Several MTSU professors have taken an active part in the organization. Thomas R. Van Dervort, president, and Roscoe Strickland, grievance committee chairman, are both members of faculty here. Other active members from MTSU are Clayton James, William B. McCash, Dean Jones, James Huhta, and George Beers.

This human relations group was organized three months ago when a group of Murfreesboro citizens became concerned over race relations in Rutherford County. Deciding that it was time for action, they formed a local chapter of the state-wide organization.

Other officers are local citizens. Elected were Howard Kucker, vice-president; Mrs. Joy Smith, secretary; James Scott, treasurer.

## Cuban Expatriot Speaks Monday

Dr. Socrates B. Pinto, a Cuban expatriot, is scheduled to speak at 8 p.m. Monday in the University Center theater.

Pinto, who will speak on communism in Cuba, will be presented by Die Deutschen Kameraden, MTSU's German club. An open discussion will follow.

A Smyrna medical doctor, he is one of many of his profession who fled Castro's dictatorship in search of political freedom. The public is invited.

Housing, employment, education, and youth opportunity are the chief interests of the council. A workshop was held to discuss problems that prevail in these areas. Approximately 125 persons attended.

It is our goal to get people together to discuss common problems of the community," Van Dervort said. "We do not plan to attack anyone."

"The laws are on the books and it is our obligation as citizens to comply with them."

Commenting on open housing, he added, "The citizen has a moral and Christian responsibility to accept any neighbor on good faith and to treat him fairly," he continued.

Van Dervort suggested that concerned persons can help by signing the Covenant on Open Housing, a petition which supports fair housing practices. It is being circulated here by members of the council.

Creating Understanding By Effort (CUBE), a campus organization, should also be given due recognition, according to Van Dervort.

"Their tutoring program for deprived children is highly commendable," he said. "This is the understanding by effort our council is striving for," he added.

All members and interested persons are urged to make their recommendations for programs of positive action either to the chairman of the appropriate standing committee or to Van Dervort.

Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of every month at 8 p.m. in First Methodist Church, Murfreesboro.

## What's Up ?

THURSDAY, OCT. 3

9:30 Phi Theta Psi  
310  
10:00 Naval Airation  
312  
11:00 ASB Meet the Varsity  
D.A. Theater  
5:00 Fellowship Club  
312  
5:00 Triton Club—Pool  
6:30 Senate \304  
6:30 House—322  
7:00 Phi Theta Psi—310  
7:00 A.A.U.P.—Sub 201  
8:00 Young Democrats—322

FRIDAY, OCT. 4

9:30 Phi Theta Psi  
310  
2:00 Wesley Foundation  
Retreat

SATURDAY, OCT. 5

9:00 Delta Pi Delta—322  
9:30 Phi Theta Psi  
First floor lobby and  
Room 302 and 304  
1:30 Kappa Tau Delta  
First Floor Lobby  
2:30 Kappa Tau Delta  
Second Floor Lobby  
6:00 Kappa Alpha Colony  
Frat. Hay Ride

SUNDAY, OCT. 6

2:00 Kappa Tau Delta  
324  
2:00 Sigma Nu Fraternity  
Tea—Woodmore  
5:00 Lambda Psi—322

## Juniors Elect Senator

Election of a junior class senator will be held Oct. 16 from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the University Center lobby.

To qualify as a candidate, a student must be a junior and have at least a 2.0 cumulative average. Candidates must submit to the ASB office a petition bearing the signatures of at least 25 juniors.

The petitions, which are available in the ASB office, must be completed and filed with the election commission by next Wednesday.

## Humphrey Solicits Votes In Nashville Campaign

Vice-president Hubert H. Humphrey addressed a crowd of an estimated 5000 people Tuesday, Oct. 1 in Nashville. The Democratic presidential nominee said he came to the South "to speak harsh truths."

Humphrey was introduced by Gov. Buford Ellington and then promptly began his campaign speech which lasted for about thirty minutes. The majority of the speech was concerned with lambasting the other two presidential hopefuls. More emphasis was placed on the George Wallace campaign efforts than on Richard Nixon's.

The Vice-president charged Wallace with "extremism of those who preach disrespect for our courts — for certain laws — who play to the beset fears and deepest suspicions of our people."

He referred to people who disrupted public meetings and continued to state "disorder is not dissent. . . indeed, specially organized disorder is the enemy of dissent."

Humphrey continued to discuss Wallace with reference to the former Alabama governor's handling of the state courts and judges. "He (Wallace) decided which judges he liked and he insulted the others. He decided which laws he preferred and he tried to violate the others," Humphrey pointed out to the crowd on Me-

morial Square.

"We've got enough trouble in Washington already without bringing that to Washington," the Vice-president said.

He then stated that Alabama housewives paid the highest sales tax in the country, that wages for working men are the third lowest in the nation, and only two states in the nation spend less on education than Alabama.

Humphrey then stated that if that was what the workers wanted then they could get it.

Humphrey also stated that Nixon was still welcome to join the debate with him and Wallace on television.

He added that "the American people deserve" as much candor from Nixon as he (Humphrey) presented to the public Monday night.

The Vice-president then said, referring to the statement Nixon made supporting TVA, "it is nothing short of outright hypocrisy," and added that Nixon had spent a lifetime of public service fighting TVA.

The Eisenhower-Nixon administration did very little for Nashville stated Humphrey.

While in Nashville Humphrey toured the Country Music Hall of Fame a rally presented by the Davidson County Democratic Wo-

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## Humphrey...

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man's Club.

Humphrey left Nashville about 5 p.m. and flew to Knoxville where he made another speech at the University of Tennessee.

He was in Tennessee for around 34 hours, spending Monday night in Nashville and Tuesday night in Knoxville. The Vice-president left Knoxville Wednesday morning for Jacksonville, Fla.

Humphrey also made several television appearances and tapes while in Nashville.

## Rodeo Club Elects Officers

The MTSU Rodeo Club held its first meeting Thursday, Sept. 26 in room 121 in the new Agriculture Building. Several officers were elected as follows: Bill Adcock, Murfreesboro junior, president; Charlie Gaskell, Detroit, Mich. sophomore, vice-president; and Jim Burkhalter, Atlanta, Ga. sophomore, rodeo chairman.

Jerry Williams, horse science instructor, was elected as the new club sponsor. Marilyn Adcock was elected an Honorary Member.

The club also discussed tentative plans for the future. The club invites interested persons to attend the next meeting. It will be held Thursday, Oct. 3, at 7:00 p.m. in room 121 in the Agriculture Building.

## KTD To Be Pledged

Kappa Tau Delta announces their forthcoming affiliation with Alpha Delta Pi, a national social sorority.

KTD will officially be pledged to ADPi Saturday. After the pledge ceremony there will be a reception for the new ADPi's and their mothers. The reception will be given by executives and alumnae of the sorority from Knoxville, Nashville, Chattanooga and Murfreesboro.

Anxiously awaiting the beginning of open rush, KTD announced this week they encourage all eligible girls to participate. Rush is an exciting time for Greeks and offers unlimited opportunities for MTSU coeds.

# H. H. H. In Nashville



Humphrey drives home a point during his speech in Nashville's Memorial Square.



An enthusiastic crowd—estimated at 6,000 and sprinkled with antiwar dissidents — lends an attentive ear to the vice president.

## Scarlett...

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This means students must be treated like adults, he said, adding "the paternalistic system of university administration is something of the past."

Scarlett, who has spent 13 years in the South and earned all his degrees in southern schools, would not comment on possible changes he will make at MTSU.

"I have some ideas that I want to work towards," he said, "but I think you have to live in the situation for a time and become oriented to it."

"I want to be a learner for a while," he added, "before I begin to seriously think about making any changes."

Scarlett was president of Farmington (Me.) State College before coming to MTSU. He was also serving as interim chancellor of the University of Maine, the result of a recent consolidation of the state's nine college campuses.

He has taught at Northwestern State College in Oklahoma, Bethel College in McKenzie, Tenn., and Kent State University, Ohio. He served as academic dean of Hastings College of Nebraska and academic dean of Mankato State College.

While at Bethel, Scarlett met his wife, Caroline. They have three children, John, 18, David, 15, and Nancy, 12.

## Sacred Harp Singers Present Concert

The MTSU Sacred Harp Singers will be presented in concert tomorrow and Saturday at the State Folk Festival at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City.

They will also appear Oct. 24 at the University of Tennessee Space Institute in Tullahoma.

The MTSU Sacred Harp Singers perform a capella, seated around a table in sixteenth century madrigal style. The repertoire consists of early English madrigals and folk songs, Sacred Harp hymns and white spirituals and southern folk songs and ballads.

The group was organized here in the summer of 1947 and is composed of twelve singers. Personnel includes Brenda Anderson, Chattanooga junior; Glenn Belcher, Murfreesboro junior; Jack Birchett, Chattanooga senior; Wendy Brickell Bone, Chattanooga junior; Bill Cantrell, Hixson senior; George Clinton, Chattanooga senior; Rocky Craft, Nashville senior; Mickey Dyce, Nashville sophomore; Ann Jackson, Chattanooga junior; Phyllis Norwood, Ashland City sophomore; Jack Ray, Chattanooga freshman; and Patsy Smith, Nashville sophomore.

The ensemble is under the direction of Margaret Wright of the university faculty.

The MTSU Sacred Harp Singers have toured Tennessee and parts of Georgia each spring for the past 21 years. They have been featured in Tallahassee, Florida on the convention program of the Music Teachers' National Association, and have sung for the State MTNA Convention in Memphis.

They were featured in a documentary television film tape, "A Folk Singer's Christmas," in December 1967, produced by WDCN television station, Nashville. The record album "Folk Songs Sacred and Secular" by the MTSU Singers was released last year.

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# D.A. Building Is Alive

## Green Room Expresses Atmosphere Of Theater

By Jonelle Parsley

"There's something about this building; it breathes; it's almost human." Although it's an impressive structure when viewed from a distance, you grasp the full significance behind this statement about the Dramatic Arts building only after you're inside it. It contains one of the finest theatres in the South and a group of highly involved, creative individuals, known as the Buchanan Players. It is the small green room adjacent to the main stage which captures and conveys the exuberant life of the building and its people.

Traditionally in the theatre, there is a green room off stage where actors wait for their cues. It is a room of varying moods.

Immediately before a production there is serious concentration as actors "get into their roles." At other times, the Buchanan Players have turned their green room into a place to come to talk and think freely, to "lose some old ideas, to accept each person as he is to gain an education within an education."

Students on their way to classes give more than a passing glance to the green room and its inhabitants. The people in the green room are very much aware of the attention they attract. As one Buchanan Player said, "Many students have interests; we're just not afraid to show ours."

The Buchanan Players are also

aware that a great many students see only part of the life of a person who works with the theatre and interpret this part as the whole. There is fun and spontaneity, but there is also work — rehearsing, building sets, making costumes, perfecting make-up and lighting techniques. . .

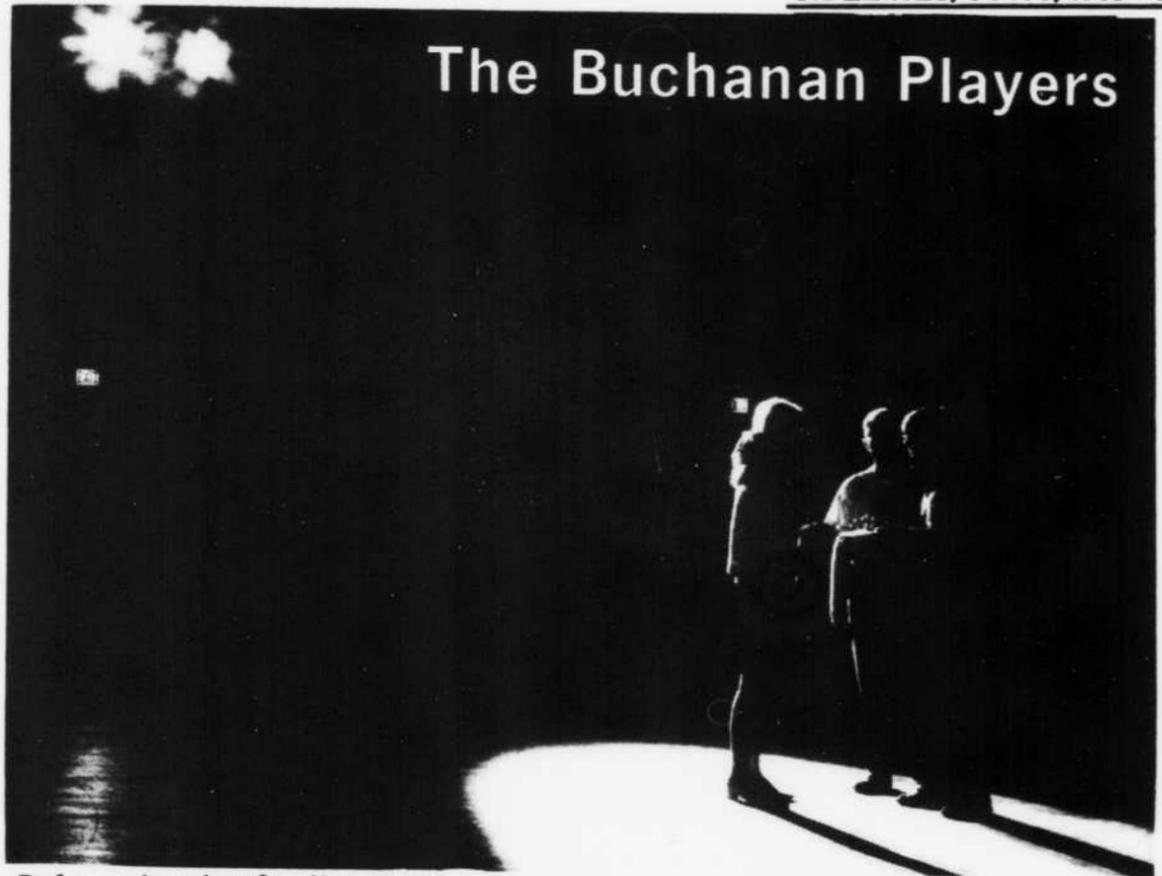
The Buchanan Players also know that many students have a misconception as to the actual composition of their group. There are Buchanan Players whose major fields range from biology to pre-law. The only prerequisite for joining them is a willingness to work. "There are no 'stars,' whatever job needs to be done no one hesitates to do it."

The Buchanan Players meet every Tuesday night; there is a show at each meeting, and all interested students are encouraged to attend.

The first major production of the year is "The Adding Machine," directed by Clayton Hawes. The cast has 23 members. Andrea Lindsey is assistant director; new faculty Mary Skiba is in charge of costumes; Susan Ray is master carpenter; Henry Schofield, lighting technician; and Sylvia McKnight, prompter.

The dates for the show are October 30-31 and November 1. All students may obtain free ID reservations.

The underlying factor behind this first production and all the activities of the Buchanan Players was expressed very well by one of its members, "Campus life is usually a life of tension, but with us competition is so open that tension relaxes and is transformed into achievement."



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# Today and Tomorrow

BY WALTER LIPPMANN

Fortunately, it seems to me, this is still September and so there is still some time left in which to make the choice which the two conventions have offered the country. There is good reason to think that neither candidate is very popular except among the regular members of his own party.

As a result the ticket chosen in Miami was greeted with boredom and resignation. The ticket chosen in Chicago was met with bitterness and something very much like a wish not to win the election.

This overriding unhappiness is due to the obvious contrast between the two uninspiring candidates and the magnitude and complexity of the problems the next President must deal with. It may well be that there was no one available, not Nelson Rockefeller, Eugene McCarthy nor George McGovern, of whom one could say confidently that he was the man who could lead the country through the international confusion or could pacify the dangerous discontents here at home.

But to say there was no one else who clearly adequate is cold comfort, for it is to say that one is not sure that those who were chosen

are adequate. It leaves us with the fact that the choice is between Richard Nixon and Hubert Humphrey, and that neither of them inspires confidence.

Here in the middle of September we see that the professional politicians in both parties proceeded on the fundamental assumption, which is statistically correct, that the active dissenters—the young, the intellectuals, the clergymen, the blacks—do not amount to more than a quarter of the registered voters. The election will be decided by the undissenting majority, by the "unpoor, the young, the unblack" who are opposed to disorder and to violent change.

Some of the members of this majority could go over to George Wallace, but they will not go to the left, and the winner in November will be the man who has put together a conservative coalition.

This may well be the correct diagnosis of the array of forces in 1968. It is obvious that a great majority is furiously angry against the burning and the looting in the black ghettos. The white backlash is a reality. It is also plain that the ideology and the programs of the New Deal, which have created the

welfare state, have become unpopular in their recent incarnation when they are called the Great Society. There is no doubt that the preponderant majority is against the war in Vietnam as President Johnson has waged it.

By the ordinary rules of the game the failures of the Johnson Administration would mean certain defeat in November for the Democrats. This may well be the simple truth of the matter, but there are some reasons for waiting to see. One of them is that 1968 differs from 1932, when the Hoover Administration was swept out of office, in that the country, though it is unhappy and nervous, is for the most part remarkably prosperous. Another reason for waiting is that there is in the Democratic Party a large collection of groups which have vested interest in the Democratic measures enacted from Franklin Roosevelt's time to Lyndon Johnson's. A third reason is the widespread anti-Nixonism among what has been during the past generation the great Democratic majority.

The campaign begins with a contest in liabilities. Humphrey is carrying the unpopularity of Mr. Johnson and Nixon is carrying his own record and his party's ideological eccentricities. Will anti-Johnsonism or anti-Nixonism prevail? I do not know. But there is as yet no sign that there will be a clear choice in which one of the candidates stands out clearly as a man who can lead this country out of its troubles.

The serious question the voters have to answer is which ticket has the best chance of being able to put together an administration that can govern in the turbulence of our times. It is easier to ask this question than to answer it, and as a matter of fact I think it is not possible to answer it today before the two parties confront one another in the campaign.

## Sidelines

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The Republicans could put together a very competent and enlightened administration, for they have a large pool of younger Republicans on which to draw. It is not certain, however, that Nixon knows enough of these Republicans outside of the party workers whom he knows so well. Nor is it certain that he will not impose or feel compelled to impose an ideological veto on some of the most promising new Republicans. The Nixon Republicans are a wider set than the Goldwater or Reagan Republicans. But they are not nearly so wide as the whole Republican constituency.

There is also the question of whether in the course of campaigning Nixon will not commit himself to a military solution in Vietnam. If he does this, he will make it almost certain that his administration will fail just as Lyndon Johnson's has failed.

There is also the question of whether he will appease Sen. Strom Thurmond and the Wallace people and thus will make the racial conflict in the cities insoluble. We know from the past that Richard Nixon is not by nature a confident and prudent man, that he is in fact an unconfident and imprudent man, and that his course can be erratic and dangerous.

If he will conduct a candid campaign, if he will convince the voters that he can be trusted with control of nuclear weapons and the enormous military power of the United States, he may succeed in neutralizing the old anti-Nixonism which

is Hubert Humphrey's last best hope of winning.

It is very difficult to make a case, I think, for a continuation of the Johnson-Humphrey Administration. Humphrey will probably be able to bring home some of the dissenting Democrats. They will be afraid of Nixon. They will remember the Humphrey of former days.

But the fearful breach between the Johnson Administration and the intellectual community, the young and so much of the religious community will not be repaired easily by Hubert Humphrey. The alienation of the intellectual and moral leaders of the country who are a small minority in numbers has left the Democratic Party without its mind and without its soul.

These alienated teachers and students and artists and clergymen are not to be confused with the hippies and the Yuppies. They are the saving remnant of the Democratic Party, and without them it is a collection of interested groups and wheeler-dealers and old politicians.

The renovation and restoration of the Democratic Party requires time in which, relieved of the responsibilities of office, Democrats can sort out the inner muddle of the party. The old politicians will have to retire, the younger men will have to mature, the youngest will have to grow up.

If, as one must hope, the Republicans will do well if they are elected, the Democrats will have a rival to compete against in their labors of renovation and renewal.

## What Kind Of World?

BY ROBERT M. HUTCHINS

The Warren court has left a marvelous legacy to posterity. It has brought the Negro up from second-class citizenship; it has established national standards for the administration of criminal justice; it has reapportioned political power within the states on the basis of the equality of all citizens.

These are contributions for which the country must always be grateful. Given our system as it is, the Warren court has done a wonderful job with it. The question is whether we have a good system of keeping our Constitution effective in a changing world.

Our system makes the Supreme Court the highest legislative body in the land. It can declare the acts of the legislative branch unconstitutional, and of its own motion it can alter the rules under which our society lives. It performs, therefore, the most important political functions. A decision by five of its members can have the same effect as a constitutional amendment, and often does.

In this country it is difficult to amend the Constitution in any significant way. Chief Justice John Marshall grabbed the power of judicial review, and since that time the Supreme Court has interpreted and reinterpreted the Constitution to conform to its views of public policy.

It is not inconceivable that if given a chance the American people would vote to have a body of nine men decide by majority vote what changes should be made from time to time in the Constitution. But I think it is inconceivable that the citizenry would want to have them appointed by the President, appointed for life, or to have them all lawyers. It is also inconceivable that if we faced the issue anew we would want to have the Constitution interpreted and reinterpreted by the method of deciding legal cases.

Under the present system there must be a case or controversy. The court will not render advisory opinions. Then there has to be a lawyer on one side of the case

or the other who sees some possibility of success in arguing a new constitutional point. Then the court must agree with him that the point is important; otherwise it will not allow the case to come before it. Finally, his argument must convince a majority of the court as it is then constituted that his interpretation of the constitution is correct.

This system was reduced to absurdity in the last term of the court when for the first time we learned, 102 years after it was passed, what the Civil Rights Act of 1866 meant. The court held that it meant that private persons could not discriminate against Negroes in the sale or rental of housing.

Nobody knew this until 1968. Until this year everybody believed that state action, and only state action, was forbidden by the statutes passed pursuant to the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments. The framers of these amendments and statutes were thought to have been aiming at the state governments in the South, rather than as private citizens.

The Supreme Court had appeared to believe this with respect to housing. It had once or twice in recent years seemed to be asking Congress to pass an act forbidding private discrimination in this field. It was unnecessary for it to make this suggestion if there was a law on the books that had already achieved this result.

Private discrimination in housing had been forbidden for more than a century and we did not know it! We did not know it, in fact, until it was unnecessary for us to know it: the Civil Rights Act of 1968 makes it illegal for private persons to discriminate in the sale or rental of housing. It is safe to say that there will never be another case under the 1866 act. The case that told us what the act meant was decided just as it was being superseded.

This method of keeping the Constitution up to date is altogether too chancy. The constitutional problems of the present and the future are too important to be left to legal roulette.

## Spiro Unites Nation

BY ART HOPPE

Herewith is another unwritten chapter of history from "The Make of a Loser—1968." Its title: "The Secret of Spiro T. Agnew."

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At the time, Richard Nixon's selection of Spiro T. Agnew, a Greek-American, as his running mate appeared a master stroke designed to unify the ethnic minorities. And unify them Agnew did.

The campaign was but a week old when he unified all Polish-Americans by calling them "Polacks." And hardly had the furor died down than on a visit to Hawaii he unified its large Japanese-American population by referring to a reporter as a "fat Jap."

At first, political observers charitably ascribed these gaffes to one of three theories: Agnew was (1) inexperienced in politics, (2) an idiot or (3) an inexperienced idiot.

But such theories failed to hold water when Agnew went on, early in October, to refer to Mao-Tse-tung as "a chink in the enemy's armor" and followed this a week later with an address to the NAACP entitled "Let's Call a Spade a Spade." Which he did.

It was not until the campaign ended that the truth was revealed: the real Spiro T. Agnew had been kidnaped in Miami and a character actor named Hartingford Grommet had taken his place!

This political coup was the work, of course, of none other than Dick Tuck, the Democratic master-spy.

"It was easy," said Tuck modestly. "The moment I heard Nixon had chosen Spiro T. Agnew, I called Central Casting and ordered a florid, silver-haired type who looked like a Vice President. They sent me Grommet and we made the switch."

But did Grommet look like Agnew?

Tuck seemed surprised. "Who ever knew what

Agnew looked like?" he said.

The rest is history. Some felt Agnew-Grommet's joke about "this Wop admiral who bought a glass-bottomed boat to review the fleet" might have drawn a few laughs—if he hadn't picked the Itali-Americans Columbus Day Banquet at which to deliver it.

His choice of Northern Maine for a lecture on the joys of frog sticking was also questioned. And he chose a B'nai B'rith Luncheon to deplore "vicious attacks against my kike friends."

In Minnesota, he confused "honkies" and "hunkies." And in El Paso he shook hands with a Mexican-American service station attendant lubricating a car and asked how he liked "being a greaser."

By election eve, the Nixon campaign was a shambles. In desperation, Agnew-Grommet was given a half hour of prime time to explain his position.

He opened by saying he was sorry if he had offended anyone. And he devoted the remaining 28 minutes to a single sentence which began, "Why some of my best friends are Polacks, Japs, Chinks, Spades, Wops, Frogs, Kikes, Hunkies, Greasers, Limeys, Micks, Bohunks, Mackerel Snappers, Squareheads, Spicks. . ."

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A few historians stubbornly have refused to accept that Agnew was actually a plant by the Democrats. But they never have come up with any other theory that would adequately explain the odd manner in which he waged his first campaign.

In any event, all agreed that he was the first candidate in history to unify the Nation. "For the wonderful thing about this country," as one historian musingly put it, "is that there's nobody here but us Polacks, Japs, Chinks, Spades, Wops. . ."

## Problems And Answers

# 'Sidelines' Endorsement Questioned

Editor:

The SIDELINES, as a paper of and for the MTSU student body, (controlled neither by the administration or the editors) is to reflect the views of the students of MTSU. Therefore, as an instrument of the students, the paper should endeavor to consult and then proceed to publish the will of the majority. Especially this should be the case in all important event, such as the upcoming Presidential election.

The personal opinions of the SIDELINES editors should NOT be construed as the consensus of opinion on this campus. If the students at MTSU are a part of the democratic society in which the wishes of the people are obeyed, the editors of a student-oriented paper should obey the will of the students, whether the results are

pleasing to the editors or not. I propose that the SIDELINES sponsor a campus poll-with the three leading candidates listed-and study the results. Editorial policy should then respond to the results of the poll.

Sincerely,  
Connie Fouts

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Dear Miss Fouts:

Thank you for writing your letter, I'm certain your suggestions and acquisitions reflect not only your ideas, but also those opinions of many other readers.

Let me begin by pointing out one basic flaw in your argument. True, the SIDELINES is a student-oriented newspaper, but this does not mean that the majority of the student body will dictate the editorial

policies. If this was true, why have an editorial board? We would have no purpose or power.

The editors were chosen to direct and run the SIDELINES and its editorial opinions. Our purpose is not to act as an echo of student wishes, but to act in such a manner as to cause the readers to think for themselves. It has been pointed out that "the editorial policy of the SIDELINES as determined by the members of the editorial board" in every masthead on every editorial page in every edition of the paper.

This is the first time the editors of the SIDELINES have ever endorsed anybody for anything. We expected some degree of confusion, but hold to our stand for Humphrey and to our right of endorsement.

—David Mathis, editor

## Does The Editor Take Pride?

NOTE: The following letter is written in reference to the column "As I See It — Children Yell; Adults Talk" in the Sept. 30 edition of the SIDELINES.

Editor:

I regard it as odd that the editor of the SIDELINES takes pride in the slow progress being made in academic and social freedoms at MTSU. His pride is comparable to the pride of George Wallace in his state's progress in civil rights.

Does the editor take pride in the fact that in the most democratic country in the world, academic governments are the most undemocratic in the world? Does he take pride in the fact that the president of a university is virtually a dictator and his decisions require only the approval

of the political bosses who hire him? Does he take pride in the fact that a student is denied the basic right guaranteed all American citizens? Finally, does he take pride in the fact that students have no real voice in the affairs of the university?

I would like to suggest that the editor of the Sidelines come down from his ivory tower and take a realistic view of the power structure at MTSU. Perhaps then, his pride will turn to despair.

Bobby Lynch

## H.H.H. Blizzard

Dear Mother Editor,

Despite the pain typing this letter in my frostbitten hands, I would like to know when you proposed to burp the MTSU student body after feeding us your last snow covered issue of the SIDELINES. In the future I request that you give your readers a little more credit in their knowledge of the candidates and keep your endorsements to yourself.

Ness Gross

## Stage Band Open For Engagements

Bill Cantrell, president of the MTSU chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Stage Band is now open for engagements. He continued to state that the band is now working on "music for any occasion."

According to Cantrell, the MTSU chapter of Phi Mu Alpha (the largest fraternity in the United States—either social, honorary, or professional) will once again sponsor a variety show similar to the one presented last spring entitled The Rhythm of Life.

Anyone interested in engaging the Phi Mu Alpha Stage Band should call 893-0707 or write box 6325, campus mail.

## Finding The Real Villains

Editor:

Your editorial regarding the pre-conditions set for Rep. Gerald Ford's speech misses the mark. The so-called partisan speech which you advocate, given barely a month before the national elections, would have been little more than a campaign harrangue for Ugly Puss and Uncle Spiro. The Publicity Affairs Committee, I understand, was not trying to save the student body from controversial ideas, but attempting to skirt the touchy issue of "equal time."

All things considered, you might have aimed your verbal barbs elsewhere, instead of criticizing a committee which is making an honest and long-needed effort to improve the level of programs on campus. You should have questioned publicly the administration as to why such paltry funds are allocated for such activities. (Simplistically, more money means more speakers, and, thus, more controversy.) Better yet, you might have aimed your verbiage at the people on whom, in the long run, what a campus has or doesn't have by way of speakers and controversy depends. Your fellow students, most of whom, I take it, spend their

evenings counting their fingers, licking their Wallace stickers, and anticipating the Friday exodus home to mama, probably would not show up to hear a resurrected William Shakespeare speak on drama.

If the SIDELINES is so concerned with controversy, it might set a better example. The most profound thought you've ever set off in my mind is whether the next issue can be as full of trivia, inanities, and errors as the last one. Lest you take such nasty arrogance too seriously, my final words are encouraging. The next time you find something to write about, think a little more deeply, and maybe you'll come a bit closer to pinning down the real villains.

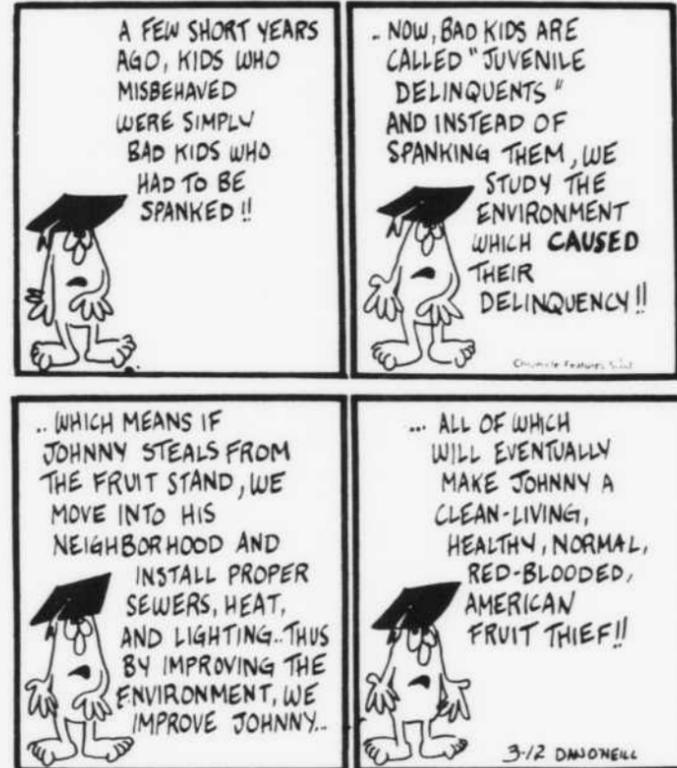
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## More T-Cap Controversy

Dear Editor:

As a new Freshman on campus, I resent the pressure placed on us to buy T-caps. After I bought mine, I was greatly disappointed because it was of no value whatsoever.

As a resident of Murfreesboro, I realize what the T-cap has represented in the past. Its purpose is to evoke school spirit and make the first days of campus life a little more humorous for Freshmen.

Formerly, the T-cap fulfilled these purposes; but now it has

no meaning. Unfortunately, the student body has allowed the T-cap to become nothing more than a means of raising money.

Why not renew the significance of this Freshman tradition? Why not renew the rule that Freshmen MUST wear their T-caps or suffer the (humorous) consequences. I believe that if it held this much significance, the incoming Freshmen would be more willing to buy T-caps and would enjoy wearing them.

Kathy Miller

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## Raiders Offer Travel And Techniques

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A number of trips are being planned for the Raiders this year. These include journeys to Fort Carson, Colorado; the Army Ranger Camp in Florida; and Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Tucked high in the Rocky Mountains, Fort Carson provides year round training in skiing, snow patrolling and arctic rescue. In contrast, the Florida Ranger camp stresses training in waterborne

operations and swamp warfare. Fort Bragg is the home of the famous Green Beret Special Forces. The Raiders will have the opportunity to put their skills and stamina against the elements while learning the latest techniques from professional demonstrators.

On campus, the Raiders meet twice weekly to receive instruction in hand-to-hand combat, map reading, repelling, first-aid and military tactics. Field training exercises are conducted throughout the Middle Tennessee area to increase proficiency.

Membership in the Forrest Raiders is open to all ROTC cadets who have completed one school semester. Interested students should contact Danny Dent, Box 5678, or ask any cadet who wears the black beret.

## Fan(s)? Deplore Lack Of Enthusiasm

By Phil Hicks

School spirit is probably the favorite subject for sportswriters to write about, but nothing has been said this semester, and in my estimation it remains a very sore subject.

On last Saturday night, I witnessed at least two thousand fans, not cheering, yelling, or even supporting the person sitting next to them, much less their football team. Only twice, during the entire game, did these people utter a sound. When the referee finally called a personal foul on Morehead, and when the announcer said hand-

kerchief for flag.

Once, when I stood up to yell, a person behind me asked me to sit back down, because he couldn't see through me. Is this the attitude of MTSU fans. . . if they are fans?

The people who sit in the reserved sections on the other side actually yell louder than our students. Cheerleaders aren't there just for their looks, but mainly because they display and can initiate school spirit. They are qualified to stimulate the Student Body. . . but who can work with a bunch of mutes?

The Booster Club and fraternities do try to out yell each other, probably because they will get some demerits if they don't yell; but alone THEY can produce little. Would you want to do your best, if you were a football player and got your head bashed in, for no support?

I'm not trying to suggest any drastic changes; only students can change their attitude on participation, but YOU chose this University as your home for the next nine months and surely it would not be too hard to support and cheer your teams!

## Gary Draper; OVC Player The Week

Gary Draper, 6-1, 190 pound senior, has been named the "defensive player of the week" in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Draper, a three year letterman from Old Hickory, was credited with six individual tackles and three assists in last weeks games against Morehead.

The Raiders brawny monsterman intercepted a Morehead pass and blocked an extra point attempt.

The previous week against Pensacola Navy, he was credited with 10 tackles and one assist.

Draper was a second-team All-OVC choice last year and is a pre-season pick for the All-Conference team this year.

Another Raider was cited for his outstanding play in last weeks game. Taylor Edwards, 6-0, 180 pounds soph. from Martinville, Va. scored two touchdowns, rushed for 92 yards in 24 carries and caught three passes for 47 yards against Morehead.

Edwards rushed for 55 yards in 11 carries and caught three passes for 44 yards against Pensacola.

## Tritons Announce Future Plans

The Triton Club will present two water shows Dec. 3 and 6 to the theme of "Christman Carols from Around the World" it was announced this week.

The group finalized plans for the event during its first meeting this year. Shows will be held in the university swimming pool, adjacent to the gymnasium.

New Triton Club officers for 1968-69 are Richard Thompson, president; Claudia Copeland, secretary; Fradonna Phillips, treasurer; Mike Putnam, ASB representative; Ronnie Nelson, equipment controller, and Bill Bond, reporter.



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# Around The OVC

After an opening loss to Pensacola Navy, MTSU scrambled to come ahead on top of Morehead 27-18. It was the OVC debut for both teams.

Even though Dickie Thomas, Murfreesboro junior, received a relatively hard tackle in the third quarter, MTSU had ample replacement with Bobby Gatlin, who passed for another Raider tally. Both teams were penalized a great deal, but overcame the handicap. The final score was 27-18.

Even though Western Kentucky was without their star tailback, Dickie Moore, they bombed the Governors 42-0.

Murray State came up with their first win Saturday against Tennessee Tech at Cookeville. There was quite an improvement over last week's defense action and this showed up in the score with the Thoroughbreds winning 19-0.

Eastern Kentucky gave the Buccaneers a jolt and beat them 23-20. In games this weekend MTSU will travel to Chattanooga. Austin Peay hosts Eastern Kentucky; Murray will be at Morehead; Tech at Arkansas State in Jonesboro, and Western Kentucky travels to East Tennessee to meet the Buccaneers.

OVC Standings are:

	Conference			All Games			Pts.	
	W	L	T	W	L	T		
Western Kentucky	1	0	0	2	0	0	86	0
Eastern Kentucky	1	0	0	2	0	0	26	20
Murray	1	0	0	1	0	1	34	7
MTSU	1	0	0	1	1	0	25	30
Morehead	0	1	0	0	1	1	20	34
East Tennessee	0	1	0	0	1	0	15	23
Tenn Tech	0	1	0	0	2	0	13	52
Austin Peay	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	83

In other OVC action last weekend, MTSU's cross country team went down to Tech's Golden Eagles, 36-23. Paul Vergerson, Tenn. Tech, edged out Richard Russe of MTSU in the five mile event.

MTSU hosts the cross country meet at the VA Hospital golf course, which is located about four miles from town on US 231N.

The next cross country meet is October 5, when MTSU travels to East Tennessee.

## ★ OVC Statistics ★

TEAM	RUSH OFFENSE			
	RUSH	PASS	YDS.	AVE.
W. Ky.	765	255	1018	509.0
E. Ky.	413	415	828	414.0
MTSU	309	301	610	305.0
Murray	191	81	272	272.0
Morehead	207	331	538	269.0
Tech	341	472	813	406.5
A. Peay	355	101	456	228.0

TEAM	TEAM DEFENSE			
	RUSH	PASS	YDS.	AVE.
W. Ky.	217	124	341	171.5
E. Ky.	295	200	495	247.0
MTSU	75	198	273	273.0
Morehead	165	298	463	231.5
Tech	441	197	638	319.0
MTSU	229	423	652	326.0
A. Peay	535	403	938	469.0

TOTAL OFFENSE	PLAYS RUSH PASS YDS.			
	PLAYS	RUSH	PASS	YDS.
Tillman MU	76	24	331	307
Thomas MT	59	28	287	280
Schreiber TT	46	265	—	265
Vance WK	30	109	147	256
Brown WK	20	232	—	232
Guice EK	39	1	229	230
March EK	33	42	186	228
Marston MO	52	84	131	215
Collins AP	52	47	232	185
Hake MU	43	154	—	154

PASS RECEIVING	NO. YDS. TD EP			
	NO.	YDS.	TD	EP
Roberts AP	17	229	1	0
Buehler EK	10	128	2	0
Hess MU	9	147	2	0
Hicks MU	7	72	0	0
Walroth EK	6	130	2	0
Edwards MT	6	91	0	0
Wavis WK	6	74	0	0
Abols TT	6	70	0	0
Wolf MU	6	62	1	0
Hunt MU	5	55	1	0

PASSING	AT COM INT YD TD PCT					
	AT	COM	INT	YD TD PCT		
Tillman MU	61	28	4	331	4	459
Thomas MT	39	19	1	287	1	487
Collins AP	36	16	4	232	2	444
Guice EK	32	14	4	229	4	438
March EK	17	12	1	186	2	706
Marston MO	31	12	4	131	1	387
Vance WK	28	10	2	147	0	500
Egan WK	19	10	1	106	1	526

SCORING	TD EP FG TP			
	TD	EP	FG	TP
Ike Brown WK	4	11	3	24
Jerry Pullins EK	3	—	—	18
Jim Vorhees WK	3	—	—	12
James Brooks EK	2	—	—	12
Don Buehler EK	2	—	—	12
Chuck Walroth EK	2	—	—	12
Taylor Edwards MT	2	—	—	12
Billy Hess MU	2	—	—	12
Larry Schrieber TT	2	—	—	15

### ASB Helps Seniors Fund-Raising Plan

The senior class has tentatively planned to raise money by sponsoring a "dunking machine" Oct. 3 on campus. Students will be able to dunk their "favorite" ASB officials from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

The senior class will have its next meeting at 5:00 p.m. Monday in the University Center theater. There will be a doughnut sell after the meeting.

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### Raiders Face Mocs

MTSU will travel to Chattanooga to meet the University of Chattanooga in a non-conference game Saturday at 8 p.m. E.D.T.

The Mocs will be led by their Little All-American candidate quarterback Roger Cantino.

Cantino has led the unusually strong Moccasins to two straight victories with his excellent running and passing.

Raider Head Coach, Charles "Bubber" Murphy said that the Mocs were the best offensive team that the Raiders have faced all season.

Tickets for the game may be purchased at the Athletic Office across from the gym.

### Lt. Ann Kwiatanowski To Interview Co-eds

Lieutenant Ann Kwiatanowski of the United States Marine Corps will be visiting on campus October 15th and 16th at the University Center.

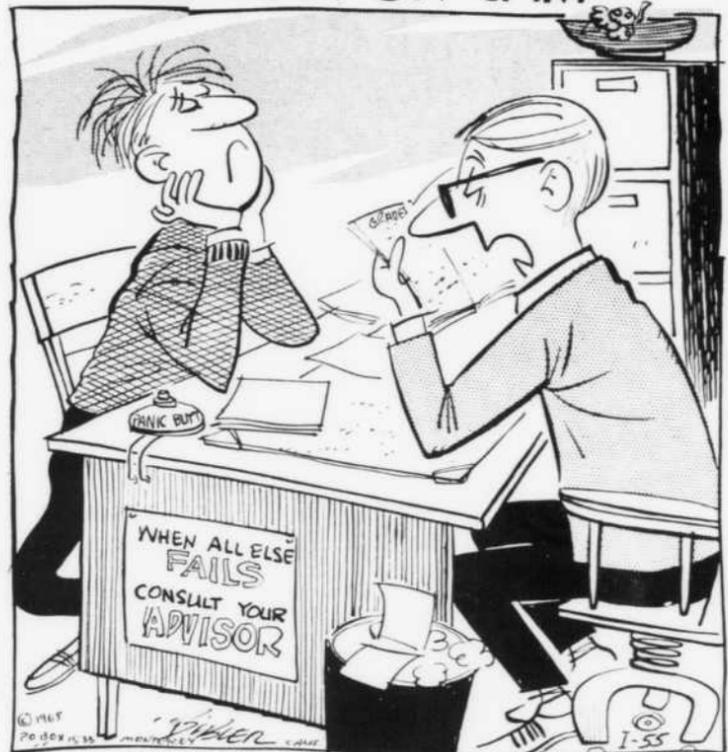
Lieutenant Kwiatanowski is interested in interviewing junior and senior co-eds who are interested in the Woman Marine Officer Program.

Basic qualifications required for this program are as follows:

1. Be a U.S. Citizen
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Those who are qualified will be sent to the Woman Officer Candidate Course at Quantico, Virginia for 7 weeks of training during the summer months. Qualifying juniors will return to campus to complete requirements for their degree and are then eligible to accept a commission as a Second Lieutenant. Qualifying seniors and graduates are eligible to accept their commissions immediately after the summer training program.

### LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



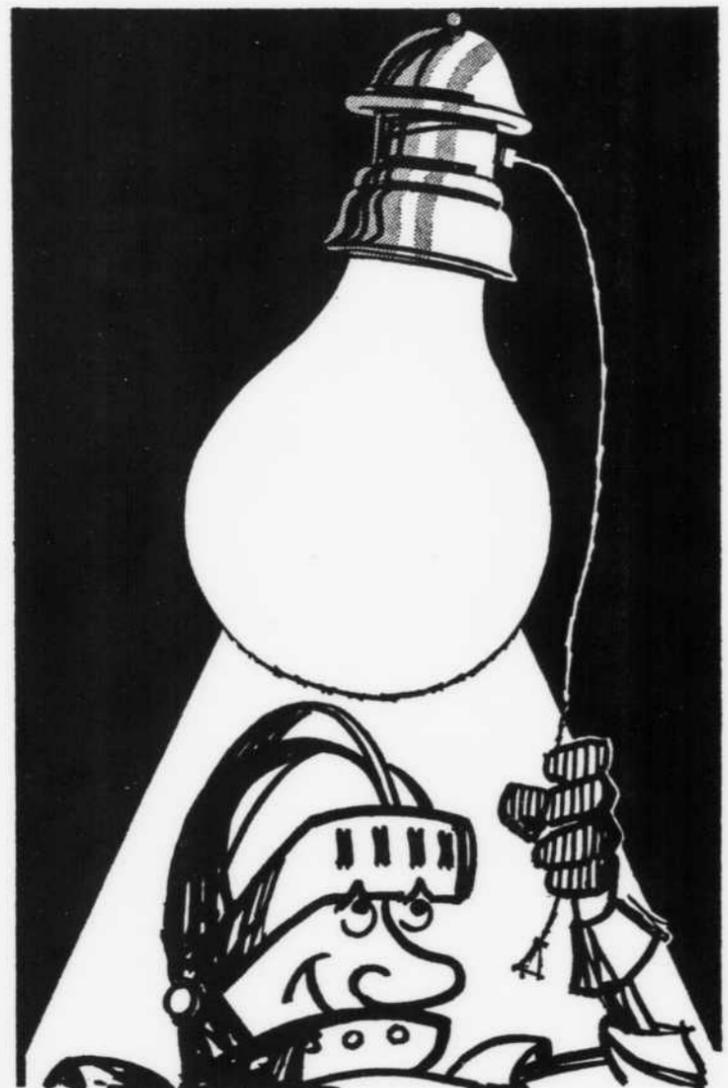
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# Students Protest Action On Panther Lecture

BERKELEY (CPS) — University of California uproar may encompass more than the Berkeley campus in protest against the university's Board of Regents and California Governor Ronald Reagan.

Student rallies have been scheduled this week on both the Berkeley and UCLA campuses in the wake of a weekend board meeting which limited black militant Eldridge Cleaver to one campus lecture appearance this fall.

The UCLA academic senate met over the weekend to denounce the move, and the senate at Berkeley is expected to take similar action this week.

Cleaver, widely known as Minister of Information of the Oakland-based Black Panther Party for Self-Defense, Presidential candidate of the Peace and Freedom Party, and author of the best-selling "Soul on Ice," a book on the Negro experience in America, had been scheduled to deliver a series of ten lectures on racism on the Berkeley campus as part of an experimental course in race relations.

Also scheduled to address the seminar are black and Mexican-American writers, psychiatrists, and Oakland Police Chief Charles Gain.

No sooner had word of his scheduled appearances gone out than outraged cries were heard from Republican Senatorial candidate Max Rafferty, presently the state's Superintendent of Public Instruction, and from California Governor Ronald Reagan.

Reagan likened the appointment of Cleaver to "asking Bluebeard the Pirate, the wife-murderer, to be a marriage counselor," and demanded that the Regents rescind the appointment. Rafferty called Cleaver a "racist bigot" and said if he were allowed to lecture the state's educational system was in need of complete overhaul. Even Jesse Unruh, Speaker of the California Assembly and usually a supporter of the university, said he thought the appointment unwise.

The State Senate approved a resolution censuring the university for inviting Cleaver to lecture, and Reagan threatened a "legislative investigation of the university from top to bottom" if the Panther were allowed on campus. It wasn't, he said, that he thought the students weren't responsible enough to be able to hear whomever they chose, but that

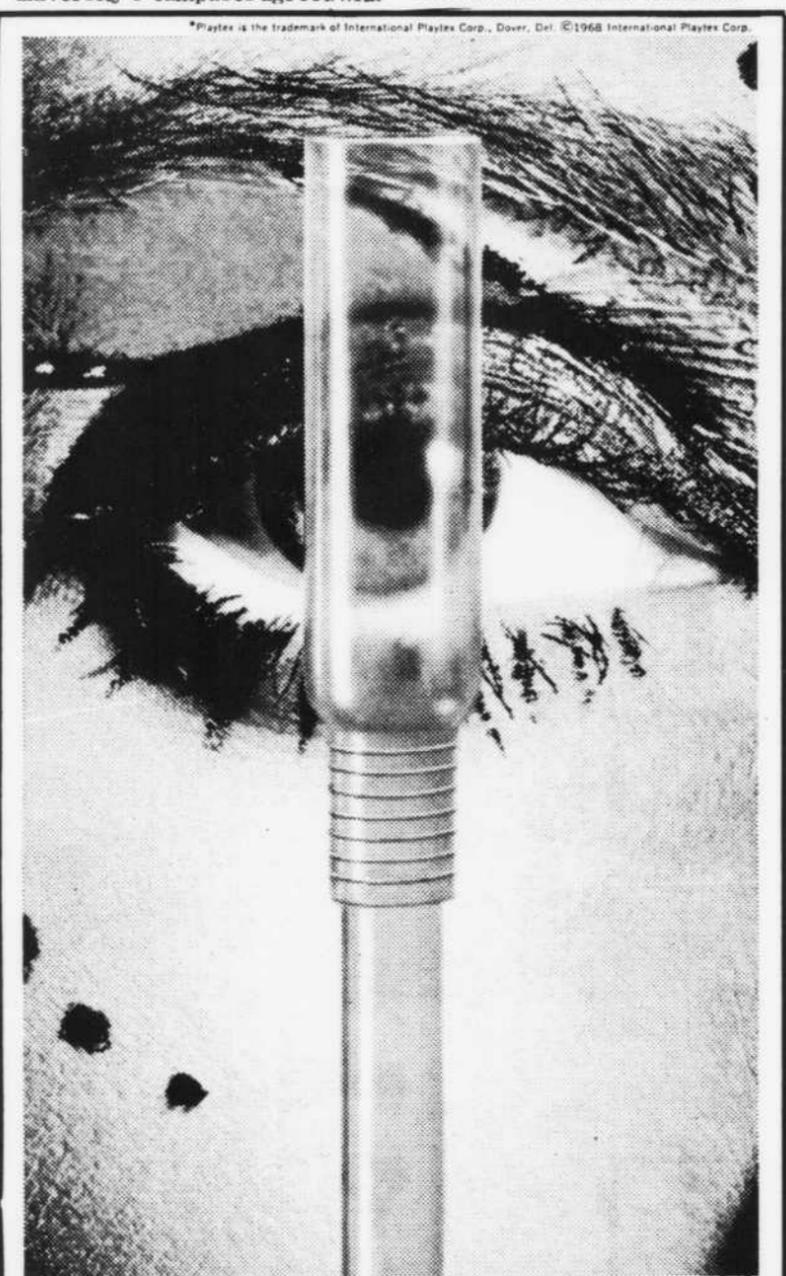
to see their money going for such purposes.

The Regents, obviously hoping to calm the fires from both sides, approved a resolution by President Charles Hitch, head administrator of the university's nine campuses, which limited Cleaver (and the other participants in the seminar) to one appearance rather than ten.

Several of the Regents expressed their reservations about Cleaver and his lecture engagement, but said they would not vote to ban him entirely because of "the danger in letting the Regents start naming who could and could not appear as lecturers."

Students and professors on the university's campuses agreed with

that principle, but not with the Board's action. Nettled by the Board's willingness even to debate the issue, which they consider an encroachment on academic freedom and an intellectual restraint, they see the "compromise measure" allowing one appearance as only a token gesture meant to pacify them. Students, who regard Cleaver as an articulate spokesman for today's militant blacks, say such a token is not enough. More moderate faculty members, who are ambivalent to Cleaver's presence, are equally angry; their anger stems from fear that the Regents' practice of listening to every muttering from the State House about academic affairs and interfering with teachers and curriculum will become common.



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Registrations for the examinations must be forwarded so as to reach the Princeton Office not later than October 18, Martin advised.

BULLETINS OF INFORMATION describing registration procedures and containing Registration Forms may be obtained from Martin, Room 209, Administration Building, or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, New Jersey 08540.