



Ralph Hillman

## Hillman wins due process appeal

By LISA HUMAN  
Sidelines Editor in Chief

Speech and Theatre instructor Ralph Hillman won his appeal for tenure recommendation and is waiting to see what MTSU President Sam Ingram will suggest to the State Board of Regents.

Ingram was out of town yesterday and could not be reached for comment.

"I'm happy," Hillman said in between telephone calls yesterday.

After Ingram's recommendation, which is scheduled to be made by May 15, the Board will make the final decision. However, Hillman said winning the appeal will at least give the president a basis for recommending his tenure.

A memorandum sent to

Ingram and Hillman yesterday stated "the Faculty Grievance and Appeals Committee endorses the decisions of the Liberal Arts School Committee and the University Promotion and Tenure Review Committee to grant Dr. Ralph Hillman tenure."

They gave two reasons for the decision.

In testimony before the committee, Hillman quoted Vice President of Academic Affairs Jack Carlton as telling him "when all this legality stuff is over, we will talk about it (Hillman's tenure)."

When the committee questioned him, Carlton confirmed making the statement and alluded to a university policy which delegates to the school dean the responsibility of

reviewing such data with the individual.

"In reviewing the policies and procedures manual, the committee does not find the statement to which Dr. Carlton referred," the memorandum states. Instead, the committee found another section of the handbook which delegates the responsibility to the department chairman, dean and vice president.

Also, the committee decided that Department Chairman Larry Lowe's statements made before the departmental advisory committee on promotion and tenure voted violated due process.

The Hillman controversy came to light in December when the Speech and Theatre Promotion and Tenure Advisory

Committee voted 5-3 not to recommend him for tenure or promotion.

Lowe forwarded that decision to Dean of Liberal Arts Robert Corlew's committee, who recommended 5-3 in Hillman's favor.

Nevertheless, Corlew recommended to the University Committee on Promotion and Tenure against Hillman. This committee, headed by Carlton, recommended 5-0 Hillman receive tenure. But Carlton's recommendation to Ingram was not in Hillman's favor.

Now the decision is with Ingram. "There are so many things that will have to be sorted through," Hillman said. "With enrollment, the budget and other things it's hard to say what Ingram will do."

## Blacks discuss rally

Approximately 80-100 black students have been holding meetings recently, allegedly organizing a protest concerning the lack of black participation in the ASB, administration and faculty here, sources report.

"Some students have talked to me about this," Dean of Students Paul Cantrell said. "We have a verbal okay as to how it is to be conducted, but we haven't done anything formal."

Their first meeting was held last Friday and 100-150 students attended. An organizational meeting was held last night in

the UC, but reporters from the local media were refused admittance to the meeting.

"I'm sorry, but there is nothing I can do. They (the students) just feel we should wait (about talking to the media) until we're more organized," Robin Crossing, a group spokesman, said.

"There will probably be a protest this week," she said, adding that it would probably be either Wednesday or Friday.

In a telephone interview after the meeting Crossing said a press conference on the issue will be held tomorrow. Several students contacted after the meeting refused to comment on the issue.

However, a confidential source said black students were also thinking about protesting for Pearl Gordon, a speech and theatre instructor who has filed a class action complaint against MTSU on the grounds that her termination was a result of race and sex discrimination.

"My contention is that the university is not doing anything actively to retain blacks," Gordon said earlier this semester.

Our confidential source said there were only 9 black instructors at MTSU.

Affirmative Action Officer Joy Callahan stated in an interview with a *Sidelines* reporter earlier this semester that MTSU "employed eight black instructors last fall."

"There might be a protest march," ASB Senator Mark Anthony King said in an interview before last night's meeting. When asked if it had anything to do with recent ASB cabinet appointments, he said "that's just part of it."

ASB President Randy James said three black students had been offered cabinet positions and only five applied. Louis Holiday and Crossing were the two that applied and were not given a cabinet position.

Holiday is in Baptist Hospital and said since he missed last night's meeting he really did not know everything that was going on now and declined to comment further.

James said he has not been contacted by anyone concerning a grievance on cabinet positions. "If there is a grievance, I would like to know," he said.

By ANGIE GALLOWAY  
Sidelines Copy Editor

Although the MTSU boiler plant still puts out black smoke occasionally, they have had only two notices of violation (NOV),

one on Jan. 28 and the second on March 31.

Harold Jewell, superintendent of maintenance, explained the smoke. "When the air in the boiler gets out of balance, then

## Permit obtained for protest concerning quality education

A legal permit for a peaceful protest rally and march on campus in support of a higher quality of education has been obtained by several students through Dean of Students Paul Cantrell's office.

Approximately 100 students are expected to turn out Thursday at 2 p.m. in front of the UC to participate in the rally, which will proceed around the loop and end behind the administration building, where a platform and public address system will be available for speakers.

ASB President Randy James, students Doug Cole, Brown and others will speak. MTSU President Sam Ingram has been invited to express his opinions also.

University police will be stationed at some points along the way, Cantrell said. "When a

group gathers, we are going to protect them. It's a perfectly legal and legitimate reason to meet," he said.

Cantrell said if traffic is heavy along the loop, the rally may be conducted in grass along side the road.

The rally stems from a semester-long controversy surrounding the tenure and promotion practices used for MTSU speech and theatre instructor Ralph Hillman.

Some students will be wearing black arm bands in protest for Hillman, while others are changing their majors to speech communications.

Hillman was denied tenure recommendation by administrators at three levels, although two of the committees advising the administrators recommended Hillman receive tenure and promotion.

there will be smoke. The boiler is checked three times in 24 hours and smoke will get out in the air when the men are either working on the boiler or removing the ashes," he said.

The first citation, Jewell said, was due to a malfunction of the automatic control in the plant.

Visible emission of pollution was spotted by Larry Bowers, the field enforcement officer for the Tennessee Air Pollution Control division. He was at MTSU when he issued the second citation.

Jewell explained the reason for this one. "The men were trying to start the fire in the boiler to burn the coal and we had trouble with some smoke getting out."

"We have had to close the plant down a couple of times to take care of some small repairs that had to do with coal catching fire in the stoker and a piece of the grates was broken which had to be replaced," he said.

Bowers said, "I took readings for 15 minutes and there was 55 percent amount of passive pollution. Twenty percent meets the regulations."

He explained he visually determined the opacity, or denseness, of the smoke against a

background. "You determine what percent of the background you see."

To be certified, one has to go to school every six months to be able to determine the percent of opacity. Each person's reading has to be no more than a 7.5 deviation.

"The NOV's are not really NOV's yet," Bowers explained. "The citation is just an allegation and they have to be looked at by John Walton, chief of enforcement for the Air Pollution Control division."

"If they are excused, then they are completely taken off the book, but it not excused and there is a history of unexcused cases, then we can go to court and fine someone."

He said it really depended on the magnitude of the cases if they would go to court. He also said he felt MTSU's citations would be excused.

Jewell said the corrections were made within two hours on the second violation and within a day for the first.

The boiler uses 30-40 tons of coal a day and has five boilers that can be used all at one time. Jewell said all five are in use only in real cold weather. He

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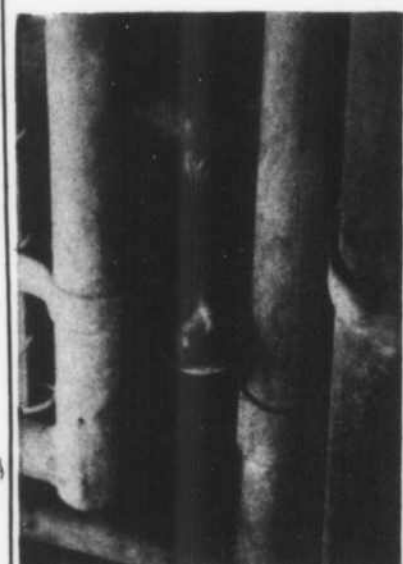
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Barbie Wolff, left, a senior from Chattanooga, reaches for a pot of chrysanthemums in the MTSU greenhouse as Karen Qualls, a senior from Brazil, Tenn. looks on.

photo by David Mudd



## Sidelights

### Conference to be held on Indian ideas

MTSU and the Tennessee Indian Council are co-sponsoring a two day conference, "A Message from the Earth: Traditional Native American Thought in Contemporary Society," on Friday and Saturday, May 16 & 17.

The purpose of the conference, to be held in the James Union Building, is to provide a forum where traditional Native American ideas can be discussed and applied to contemporary issues.

Vine Deloria Jr., a Sioux lawyer, will address the opening session of the conference and will be on hand for discussion both days.

Deloria, educator and author of "Custer Died for Your Sins," and other Native Americans will cover issue such as aging, health, ecology, family, public morality and politics.

The conference is free and open to the public.

### Blankman to speak on alcoholism

Bunny Blankman, director of the women's unit at Cumberland Heights in Nashville, will speak on "Alcoholism and Women: The Equal Opportunity Affliction," today at 1:40 p.m., Peck Hall 320.

Cumberland Heights is a private alcoholism treatment center and one of the largest private centers in the south.

Blankman will address sociology associate professor Dan McMurtry's class, The Sociology of Alcohol. All students and colleagues who are interested are invited to sit in on the class.

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# James' Cabinet, staff chosen

By JANE MIER  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Calling his Cabinet and staff a "good cross-section" of MTSU students and the "most solid on campus in years," ASB President Randy James has released a list of the positions and the people who fill them.

"We had close to 80 applications," he said. "It was just a flood."

James explained the screening committee did much work and came up with good recommendations. "I have about 40 members now but this number is flexible," he said. "We'll dissolve

some unnecessary positions and create new ones as needed.

"A lot (of the applications) were difficult to decide on," James said. "But I feel the ASB came out the real winner."

Three people compose the 1980-81 Cabinet. They are Cindy Porter, attorney general; Jimbo Gray, election commissioner, and Mark Johnson, treasurer.

The ASB Executive Staff includes Chief of Staff Bill Ray, Internal Affairs Director DeDe Heironimus, External Affairs Director Mike Williams, Press Secretary Chris Pierce and

Student Information Director Kathy O'Donnell.

Also, Congressional Liaison Byron Smith, State Lobby Liaison John Taylor III, Chamber of Commerce Liaison Mark Eaton, IFC Liaison Jay Holloway, Panhellenic Liaison Lisa Blaylock, Jeff Moore, handicapped affairs liaison, and Bill Esington, intramural director.

Homecoming director will be Jeff Ellis, assisted by co-directors Darrell Massengale, John Curley, Mike Robinson and Cathy Holmes. Gary Pomeroy

and Ruth Brock will be activities directors.

Special Assistants to the president are Mike Hagans, budget; Tom Williams, Greek affairs; Susie Wilson, university committees; Darlene Arnold, orientation; Tootie Adkisson, scheduling; Dawn Merrell, social director; Masudar Rahmon, retreat; Lynn Donnell, office operation, and Cathy Matthews, cabinet affairs.

Liaisons for foreign student affairs, ag council and the black student organization are elected by their respective groups. As of press time no group had notified the ASB of their elected liaisons.

## End of semester thefts rising; students should be careful

By JIM DE MARCO  
Sidelines Staff Writer

A warning that end-of-the-semester thefts may be here again has been issued by Ivan Shewmake, dean of men.

The last two weeks of school traditionally result in an increase of theft of personal property from dorms and textbooks left at book drops across campus, he said.

"We urge everybody to protect themselves," Shewmake said. "In the dorms, be especially careful to lock the room even if you're out of it for a few minutes."

He urged students to report any kind of unusual activity or theft to campus police immediately.

Students should have their name written on the inside left cover of the book rather than on the right page which can be torn out. Marking a page with your name inside the book and blocking out letters on various pages could aid in recovery of the book, he suggested.

"I feel a special concern for freshmen because quite often they've heard how easy it is to steal textbooks and that if they get caught, nothing will happen," he said. "But when they're faced with reality, things aren't too pleasant because the student is suspended. Theft is also a criminal offense so we often press charges on campus and in criminal court."

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## Grads have good jobs

By PHYLLIS HAMM  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Kirby Stanat, experienced recruiter responsible for the hiring of approximately 8,000 employees, spoke last night in the UC Theater on job hunting secrets and tactics.

Stanat began his talk on a positive note by saying that he does not predict widespread unemployment in the immediate future. He also noted the recent college graduate has a better chance of getting a good job than any other age group on the market because his starting salary is low and the recruiting process costs the least.

The price of recruiting an employee from a college campus is approximately \$400, Stanat explained. After being employed for five years this cost goes up to \$4,000 because of the added expense of higher salaries plus the costs of relocation.

He offered a 4 point formula to success in a job interview. First, tell the interviewer exactly what you want to do, or at least try to limit your interests to two major choices. To say "I'll do anything" tells the interviewer you aren't confident or that you aren't capable of making big decisions.

Second, be knowledgeable about the company you are applying to. Read the recruiting information and know what it says. Stanat noted that interviewers often have sly ways of finding out if you have done your homework.

Third, be professional. There are certain rules of business

etiquette that should be followed. Men should wear third pieced suits and be clean shaven. Women should wear skirts and blouses.

Fourth, offer a good sales pitch. Be interested. When the interviewer asks if you have any questions tell him you are interested in the company and want the job being offered.

Stanat also offered advice on filing resumes. He was especially concerned that the resume be up to date. He also noted that it should be perfect — no misspelled words, no grammatical errors and no messy smudges.

The importance of the first initial meeting between interviewer and prospective employee is of utmost importance. "By the time you sit down for the interview the interview is 80 percent made," Stanat stressed. As you rise from your seat in the waiting room the interviewer has already begun assessing you from the feet up.

Despite all efforts to present oneself as a valuable asset, the person who gets the job is often simply the one who is the most easily likeable. Stanat encouraged job hunters not to be discouraged and to explore all avenues. Companies usually exaggerate in their advertising, he warned. An ad which lists five years experience as a prerequisite may actually be a job which requires two years experience and if you have exceptional qualifications and no experience you still may be the best for the job.

## Boiler plant

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said this had not happened this winter though.

He added, within a few days, unless the weather gets cold, only one of the smaller boilers will be used for the entire summer. That one will be used to heat water in the dorms and for cooking purposes in the cafeterias.

The plant uses three types of fuel — gas, oil or coal. Jewell said coal was the cheapest to use, but explained it required more in labor, equipment and

electricity than gas or oil.

"Gas or oil were used last year, and some this year, but not near as much as in the past," he added.

"We burned both up until the third week in December.

"Last year, the plant operated 365 days for the first time. It was used all year. We usually close down for two days for the men to fix the leaks or any problems with the steam lines, but they didn't get off for Christmas or Thanksgiving. Right now, six men operate the plant on a 24-hour basis."

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## Rally weekend set for Raiders

When former students and old friends get together, jokes, stories and good times just come natural.

At least they did last year at Homecoming.

Sports Information Director Ed Arning and Ticket Manager Jim Simpson witnessed "the great time" alumni seemed to be having at Homecoming and decided it would nice if old friends could get together during warmer weather.

So the creating of "Blue Raider Rally" day began.

And this April 27, over 18,000 alumni have been invited to attend what may become a

traditional spring day of games, reunions, dances and a banquet.

"But the rally is for students, too," Simpson stressed. "It's not going to be an old fogie get together; we have something for everyone."

A baseball double header against Eastern Kentucky will take place at noon and the annual Blue/White innersquad game will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Jones Field.

At 6:30, there will be an alumni banquet in Murphy Center and graduating seniors are invited.

At 8 p.m. a dance featuring MTSU's jazz ensemble, The

Blues Crusade, will take place. Admission is \$1 for students, \$2 for non-student singles and \$3 for non-student couples.

Various class reunions will be held throughout the day and Faces restaurant is sponsoring a golf tournament on Fox Run. Five hundred t-shirts with "Raider Rally" on them will also be given away.

The Blue Raider Room will be converted into an MTSU archives room, exhibiting old trophies, pictures, ect.

"It should be an exciting day foreveryone," Simpson said. "Both former and current students."

## Earth Day marks decade of protection

President Carter has proclaimed today as Earth Day, 1980.

His proclamation calls upon citizens and government officials to observe Earth Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Earth Day commemorates a decade of progress in protecting the environment and the events which were fostered by Earth

Day in 1970. It also marks the beginning of a second decade of environmental progress in the 1980s.

"The active citizen involvement in environmental affairs spurred by Earth Day has been the major force behind the accomplishments of the past ten years," Carter said. "Public support for an improved, healthy environment remains

strong as we enter the 1980s."

Several pieces of legislation designed to provide more protection for the environment have been enacted since the 1970 Earth Day such as the National Environmental Policy Act; the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1970; The Clean Water Act Amendments of 1972 and the Safe Drinking Water Act; The Occupational Safety and Health Act; The Resource Recovery Act and the Coastal Zone Management Act.

"This has been a decade of memontous change in commitment among literally millions of people who fomery were not motivated. I think during this time we have turned irrevocably away from a mindless destruction of our environment. And we have committed ourselves to an immense national undertaking to protect it."

## Fluctuating economy cause of much psychological pressures

By LIBBY WILLIAMS  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Deteriorating economic ups and downs seem to be causing an increase in psychological problems in people, according to Marlyne Kilbey, chairperson of the psychology department.

She said aggressive acts increase under pressure and it is difficult to find cause or the effects if it happens.

"Inflation is socially based stress," said Kilbey. "People have to adjust to stress psychologically."

According to an Associated Press newswire story from Irvine, Cal., an increase in child abuse cases, suicides, mental depression and stress-related disturbances are said to be related to the rising economy.

When people have hard times, as in the case of a recession, they are prone to increase their hostility or become upset with the mounting problems that arise. They then in turn take it out on other people around them. This was the case as in the days of the Stock Market Crash in 1929.

Beryl West, associate professor of psychology, said

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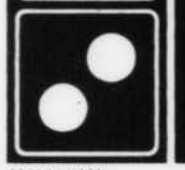
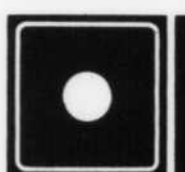
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## from the editor

### Ingram: *Look at committee findings and decide*

Yesterday, Ralph Hillman won a small battle in a big war. The Faculty Grievance and Appeals Committee's recommendation for him to receive tenure was a definite step in the right direction and a happy moment for many.

In a memo to Hillman from the Faculty Grievance and Appeals Committee, the committee endorsed the decisions of the Liberal Arts School Promotion and Tenure Advisory Committee and the University Promotion and Tenure Advisory committee who voted to grant Hillman tenure.

They also said Hillman was denied due process when Department Chairman Larry Lowe made statements to the departmental promotion and tenure advisory committee before they could make an objective decision.

This action and endorsement by the committee makes us feel even stronger that Hillman deserves tenure, like so many others believe.

The next decision will be MTSU President Sam Ingram's. Granted, this will be a tough decision to make. Sentiment is widespread all over campus.

And, it is understandable that things other than the Faculty Grievance and Appeal Committees must be considered. The budget and enrollment, which are integral parts of this issue, must be considered. Why the men over two tenure and promotion committees voted against recommending Hillman for tenure and promotion when their committees the opposite also remains puzzling.

However, we hope considerations like the budget, enrollment, personalities and other issues will not outweigh Hillman's outstanding qualities as a teacher in the final decision.

### Rallies: *Peaceful protests can do some good*

Peaceful rallies and protests are a good thing because they allow students to gather and express their opinion in a unique and attention-getting way, but if they grow out of hand and cause trouble, nothing good can be accomplished.

Two rallies are in the makings this week. One has already been okayed by the administration.

As long as the rallies remain peaceful, that is fine. Let's make every effort to keep these demonstrations under control and hopefully they will get something good accomplished.

In a protest, there are usually two sides strongly opposed to each other. Emotions run high and it is easy for a person on one side to say something to make the opposite group mad.

We may have to walk a thin line to keep tempers from flaring out of control, but if we can have peaceful rallies, walking that thin line will pay off in the end.

**PROJECTION: A psychological condition in which one projects one's faults to another.**



Tuesday, April 22, 1980

## Viewpoints



## the last word

by Warren Denney

### New plans to save hostages suggested

It's been almost six months now and 50 American hostages are still eating in the embassy cafeteria in Tehran, Iran. Maybe it's time to do something. We can free the hostages; it is within our power.

Instead of sending them cards and letters of encouragement, we should send them M-16s and Ingram guns. Both can be easily broken down to fit in a standard sized shoe box. We could tell the militant captors that we were concerned about the condition of the hostages' footwear.

If by some chance the guns were discovered, we could claim that the packages were misaddressed and should be forwarded to Afghanistan.

A more covert plan may be in order. We could send the hostages strips of cloth disguised as bed linens with which the hostages could wrap around their heads and simply walk out of the embassy. It is very hard to tell one raghead from another.

If, however, both of these plans fail we may be forced to

use a more insidious plan. I propose that we cut off all veterinary supplies that are exported to Iran. By doing so, we could paralyze the maintenance of their most sophisticated mass transit system... the camel. The stench of diseased camels would stretch from Tabriz to the Arabian Sea.

Finally, if all else fails, we as a devoutly Christian nation could pray for God to embarrass the Islam nation publicly.

Perhaps Gabriel could be sent back down to retract the vision that he purportedly bestowed on Mohammed. Just think of what that could do to the average Muslim.

Actually, the suggestions outlined above make as much sense as the ones that President Carter has utilized. The American people are tired, the hostages are tired and I suspect that the militant students are tired. Come on, Jimmy, let's do something.

## as i see it

by Chuck Keller

### Incredible visit to Tinsel Town is a dazzling event

Last night, while watching reruns of old television shows on Channel 17, a strange thing happened to me.

Right in the middle of "The Andy Griffith Show" I started to

get a little drowsy. I fell off of the couch but never landed on the floor. Instead, I found myself in the strangely wonderful world of Tinsel Town.

It all began with a trip to "Dallas" where I visited "All My Children." While there, my daughter-in-law began to have labor pains after being pregnant for only seven episodes. We quickly rushed her to "General Hospital" on "52nd Street."

It was "Ryan's Hope" that he would finally have a son. Soon, "The Doctors" (Kildare and Casey) entered the waiting room and announced that "Angie" had given birth to a beautiful baby girl.

With a loud voice Ryan screamed, "That's it! 'Eight Is Enough!' No more children!" But soon the joy of being a father set in and he left the hospital "Walking Tall."

Later that week, I went "Downtown" to see a championship fight. After a few dull and lifeless preliminary fights, the crowd was anticipating the start of "The Main Event."

"The Champ" entered the ring followed by the cheers of his loyal fans and supporters. "Rocky" was clearly out of shape; his belly was flabby and he looked tired. The challenger, whose name just happened to be "Rocky Two," looked fit as a fiddle and ready for action.

The fight ended in the third round when the champ was knocked out. The knockout punch was so questionable that the next day, sportswriters all over the country were calling it "The Big Fix."

The night was still young, so I decided to walk back to my hotel room. On the way, I met two "Strangers in the Night"

standing near a corner streetlight.

After a few minutes of conversation, my new friends ("Donahue" and "Harry O") and I went to see an X-rated movie. The first feature was about a "Coal Miner's Daughter" who lived in a place called "Petticoat Junction." Since I had to leave town early the next morning, I excused myself from Phil and Harry and went back to my hotel room.

The next morning, my old friend "Benson" took me to the "Airport." I sat in my seat next to the window over the wing when suddenly my dream was pre-empted without notice.

I sat on the floor in a mild state of shock, not knowing if I had actually undergone such a journey or not. When I told my friends about my strange trip they all said the same thing — "That's Incredible."

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# Perspective

Tuesday, April 22, 1980

from our readers

## Cabinet should not honor itself

To the editor:

On Wednesday, April 23, the perspective ASB Cabinet is having a picnic in honor of itself and the old ASB Cabinet. I, for one, think this event is in poor taste for two reasons.

One, I think that if anyone should honor the Cabinet it should be the student body. After all, it was our votes that elected the presidents. We were the ones who gave them the ability to appoint their Cabinets.

Secondly, neither the Co-Curricular Committee or the

ASB House allocated funds for such an event. No matter what the cost of this event, the money could be better utilized. For example, the purchase of reference materials so that the senators and other students interested in writing bills would have the needed information at their fingertips.

If the ASB has nothing better to do with their money than to give picnics in honor of itself and the Cabinet members, then I suggest to the Co-Curricular Committee that they reduce the amount of funds appropriated to

the ASB and allocate these additional funds to an organization that is concerned with the whole and not a select few.

Robin Crossing  
Former ASB Treasurer

Dear ASB Member,

You are invited to a steak cook-out to be held Wednesday, April 23, in honor of the new ASB Cabinet and the old ASB Cabinet. The cook-out will be held at the home of Bill Ray, 320 E. College Street at approximately 4 p.m.

AKA food service will be providing salad, baked potatoes and baked beans, but each person needs to bring their own steak, hamburgers, hot dogs, etc. We will try to have a couple of kegs, so we will be asking a donation of one or two dollars per person.

So we will know who is coming and how much food to order, please RSVP with me at the ASB office, 898-2464, or leave word with Connie, before Tuesday, April 22.

Dawn Merrell  
ASB Social Secretary

## Reporter doesn't do proper job with theater

To the editor:

Though I should have done this two months ago, I am writing in regard to your staff member, Terry Morrow, who was supposedly assigned to cover the University Theatre productions of "Back County Crimes" and "Scapino!"

For "Crimes," the only coverage he completed with our knowledge was an article about the cast members for a local paper, in which over half the names, classifications or home towns were incorrect. Our theatre publicity staff had no part in an article he released in *Sidelines* prior to the February production, in which he

misquoted several cast members.

I talked with you, Ms. Human, about the poor job we felt he had done and received an apology. But since he was nevertheless assigned to write the review of "Scapino!" I have a few things to point out about his review in Friday's paper (April 18).

First of all, he said "in case the plot of 'Scapino!' eludes anyone . . ." Perhaps the plot would have been crystal clear to Mr. Morrow if he had not arrived 40 minutes after the play had started, and left before it was over. Maybe he's right in saying "the University Theatre is not a troop of professionals," but

I question the professionalism of a "critic" who tries to review a play after staying for less than half of the show.

Also, he mentioned "the love affair between two lovers, Shirin Sohrabi and Bill Jones." The character played by Bill Jones was her father, and David Cummings played her lover.

I'm glad he agrees that "Cindy O'Brien's talent will be sorely missed." It's inexcusable that he "sorely missed" the spelling of her name three times in one paragraph! When he said, "Still, the play does have some going for it in all that insanity," he showed that he obviously isn't familiar with farce. Insanity is

the main ingredient in this type of comedy.

I could mention several other quotes at the risk of sounding partial; after all, whether one likes a play is a matter of opinion. A critic is entitled to his opinion, but after reading his review I question whether his opinion is a valid one. Perhaps it's not possible to replace Mr. Morrow with a more qualified person, but if you send him to a production in the future, please suggest that he be on time.

Teresa Looney  
University Theatre Publicity  
Staff  
Box 3242

## Whole story not told on abuse seminar, nurses

To the editor:

A *Sidelines* reporter wrote a very informative article about the Child Abuse Seminar that was held at MTSU on Saturday, April 12. Sadly, the reporter failed to mention a few facts that are deserving of mention.

Among them are that the seminar was sponsored by the Student Nurses' Association, the department of nursing and the department of continuing education with the SNA's being responsible for the planning of the program.

Also, Marily Chance, R.N., is an instructor in MTSU's department of nursing. And there were three speakers during the afternoon session — Jeanette Heritage and Bob Demonbreun of MTSU and Mary Lou Jones of the Department of Human Services, state of Tennessee.

In the audience as a guest of the SNA was Ray Wiggins, executive director of the Hank Snow Foundation for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect. The reporter did have a copy of the program, listing all the speakers and their respective topics.

In addition, it seems appropriate to mention here that the SNA has had continuing problems this year in trying to gain publicity for its activities. Our organization has contacted *Sidelines* on several occasions in hopes of receiving publicity for our programs, etc.

We are a recognized campus organization, according to Rescue, that is affiliated with both the National Student Nurses' Association and the

Tennessee Association of Student Nurses. Shouldn't we be entitled to publicity as are other campus organizations? Then why have our requests often been ignored?

It might be of some interest to your readers to add some pertinent comments about MTSU's student nurses. We work hard, academically, in order to maintain the standards of the most demanding curriculum on campus. We are required to spend hundreds of hours in preparation and participation in the clinical area, and standards for being retained in the program each semester are higher on a numerical scale than any other department.

Therefore, when members of our organization give of their spare time in order to bring programs of current interest and educational merit to members of the university community as well as to the community at large, we feel deserving of mention in the article that details the program that was presented.

MTSU's student nurses are proud of their accomplishments and are proud to graduate from a nursing school that is respected throughout the state. Can any other department declare that 100 percent of their graduates each year are employed in their field of training immediately following graduation? That statistic tells a whole lot about the student nurses at MTSU. Nothing more need be said.

Valerie Buchanan  
President, MTSU Student Nurses' Association

## Sex Ed. needs improving

To the editor:

It seems that letters on abortion, both pro and con, are running rampant in your newspaper these days, and I'm about to do my part to cut down by making this my last letter (and consequently my longest!) on the subject.

It seems Tommy O'Connell and his good buddy Chris Lordall are primarily concerned with earthly pleasures in life and also with how far the issue of filling unborn and/or unwanted fetuses will spread into other areas such as the elimination of "old, senile people or . . . retarded people." I can see his point and it is a good one.

However, for the time being, until we can better educated the people in this country on the matter of birth control devices, we're going to have unwanted pregnancies whether we want them or not! A more thorough understanding of sex education is needed in this country, along with a radically more liberal attitude about sex in general. Ignorance literally breeds children.

But ignorance isn't the whole issue here, only a part of an even bigger problem: feticide. I don't like the thought of abortion and never did. But I'm not a female capable of bearing children, so I can't criticize what appears to be their only chance to right a wrong which probably didn't have "God's blessing" in the first place!

Some girls (a very few) are pregnant at the age of 12 and if their "accident" is allowed to fully develop, either they have a Caesarean or they go through pain and humiliation that can ruin their lives and their bodies. Or, they can die. . .

In 1977 the youngest girl in Tennessee who had an abortion was 11. There were two 12-year-olds who had babies and 14 who

had abortions. Among the age 13, there were 52 abortions and 192 for the 14-year-olds. These figures are outdated by now and are only indicative of the numbers actually reported.

Abortion is needed to protect these unfortunate and most likely ignorant (uninformed) youth in our country who would otherwise be contributing to populate their worlds with (at their age) unwanted children, which would just be subjected to even worse conditions when their time comes around.

Orphanages would be a great solution, but when they start to overfill as they have in times past, just who do you think will foot the bill for feeding and caring for them? Not too many, I'm sure. Besides, there are plenty of foreign orphans who could use a home right now.

Why should we contribute to the problem? Those that would have been orphans are most likely sitting at the right hand of God the Father this very minute in a world far better than our own, and are better off for it! Frankly, I'm jealous!

(There is, however, the idea which a few believe; that their soul simply is given to another body. This presents an entirely different train of thought.)

One last view — Mr. O'Connell quotes the figures as between 7 and 9 million babies which have been aborted legally so far. If the parent(s) who cared so little for one's life, that she and/or he would decide to abort it, had to bear the child(ren) because a law said the mother couldn't terminate, do you think the said parent(s) would care enough to take proper loving care of the children in real life? Doubt it. . .

Richard Silk  
Box 696

P.S. "Know thou this: that men are as the time is."

## observations

by Billy Edwards

### Being member of family is 'the way, the truth, the life'

Leaving home for the first time is a big adjustment to make. For many students going away to a large college or university is the first time to leave family and friends for any length of time.

No matter how hard we try, our minds go back to home to those good times we cherish so dear. We think about friends we ran around with and long to be with them again.

We think often during the day about our family. That time of the day when all of the family was together sharing with one another the experiences of the day. Maybe it was around the dinner table or gathering to watch evening television, but whenever it was, you were together with the ones you love.

We look forward to the time when school is out to go back home and relive some of those sweet experiences we love so much.

The person who has just accepted Christ as the Savior and Lord of his/her life and begins to grow in his new life looks forward to the time Christ promised that we will be with Him in heaven.

Jesus talked much about heaven during the time He was on earth. He was the only person who ever lived that could really describe the true beauty and splendor of heaven because He came from heaven.

Talking to His discouraged apostles, Christ said, "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me." (John 14:1)

Like so often we become discouraged about our life and the things we do, so we're the ones who followed Christ. Often times we come to the point where we feel it is useless to continue.

This kind of attitude was what Jesus was facing with His followers. They were concerned about circumstances in their life. They were worried. Instead of trusting fully in the grace of God, they were disturbed about that which they had no control.

The second thing I would like for you to notice about this verse is the way Christ identifies Himself. He equates Himself with God. Christ was not in error in doing this, for we know from other passages of scripture that Christ was truly God incorporated in human flesh.

We can rest in knowing that we as believers have an eternal home simply because Christ said. If we had no hope of a heavenly home, He would have told us. Right this very moment, Christ is making preparations for us in heaven.

Christ continued in saying, "And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there you may be also."

Probably the greatest thing about heaven will be that we will dwell eternally with Jesus. He is coming again in a universal rapture to gather all those who professed His saving grace.

"And where I go ye know," Christ told His faithless followers, "and the way ye know."

Thomas, one of the disciples, was confused about the whole matter. The things Christ was speaking of were not making much sense to him. He then asked, "Lord, we know not where thou goest; and how can we know the way?"

In answering him, Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life; no man cometh to the Father but by me."

Heaven will someday be a reality for all people saved through the blood Christ shed on the cross. Will your everlasting citizenship be in heaven? I am writing this to say it can be by simply trusting Christ as Savior.

## punchline

By Danny Tyree

### Comic books are 'drek' because writers are lazy

I thought I had qualified my recommendations last week when I warned that the comic book industry produces an abundance of mediocre work. Now Alan Sissom informs me that I am in danger of a midnight beating because most comic books are "mindless drek" and "trash."

I won't argue about degrees of inferiority, but I will comment on the causes of "low" quality.

Alan asserts that comics are mindless drek because they have been stifled by being "in thrall of" the Comic Code Authority. Interesting. Gold Key brand comics refuse to submit to the Code, but about the most "mature" thing they've done is have Donald Duck running around bottomless.

I'm afraid the "mature" subjects that a lot of writers are itching to tackle probably include illicit sex, excessive gore and gratuitous profanity. There have been some stupidly hardline decisions made by the Code Authority, but most worthwhile issues can be raised within the pages of comics. Would the elimination of restrictions really improve the overall quality of comics?

For every writer who uses his newfound freedom to create a literary classic, 10 will become law and resort to cheap thrills. Why concoct an ingenious new weapon for Superman to thwart when you can just have him hop in bed with Lois Lane and catch V.D.? Why rack your brain to supply Spider Man with witty quips when you can add comic relief by inserting a "funny" dope fiend?

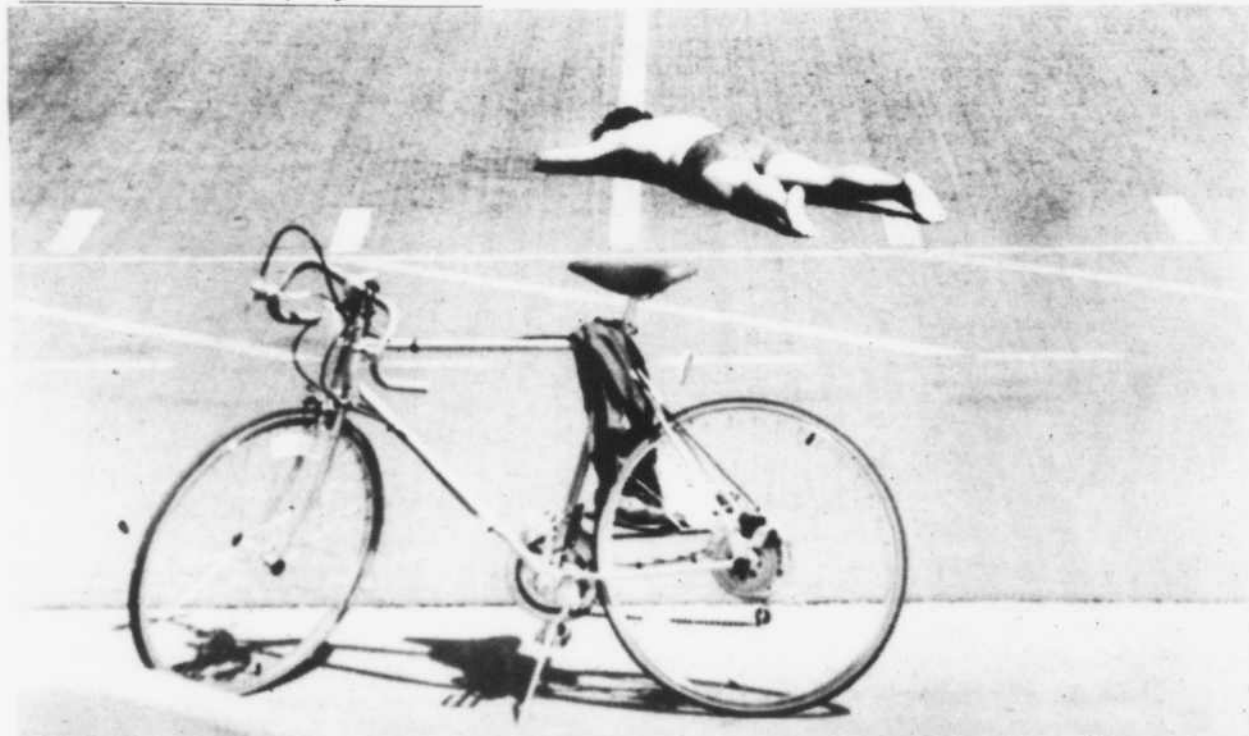
I'm sure there are a few scripters who really feel strangled by the Code, but most of them turn out "drek" because: (a) they lack the talent to do better, (b) they're too lazy to do better, or (c) their goal is to turn out material that is "merely" entertaining.

Alan said he wishes everyone read comics because then there would be more mature stories. Exactly. By and large, it's not the Code that keeps comic books from doing deep, philosophical stories about controversial subjects; the publishers (rightly or wrongly) just don't consider them commercial enough.

If regular newsstand comic books (as opposed to underground comics) becomes as permissive as TV and movies, the mothers of America will start another crusade. I don't know about you, but I would rather have comic books censored by comic book people than by Uncle Sam. Any day of the week.







photos by Don Harris  
This MTSU student joined many other sunbathers yesterday as temperatures climbed into the 80s. The unidentified tanner (he was asleep) found the Horace Jones Field a refuge for soaking up ultra-violet rays.

## Contenders campaign in state

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — With Tennessee's May 6 presidential primary only two weeks away, former U.N. ambassador George Bush planned an underdog appearance Friday in Memphis in his bid for the Republican nomination.

At the same time, Knoxville is to get a stand-in visit from First Lady Rosalyn Carter, who will fly from Corpus Christi, Tex., to try to rouse the Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women on behalf of the president.

A week later, Vice President Walter Mondale is to be in Nashville, representing the White House at a Jackson-Jefferson Day fund-raising luncheon at the Hermitage, ancestral home of former

president Andrew Jackson.

Sen. Howard Baker's endorsement of former California Gov. Ronald Reagan appeared to dim Bush's hopes to win many of Tennessee's 32 delegates to the Republican National Convention in Detroit in July.

Sen. Ted Stevens, Baker's assistant as Senate Republican leader, said the endorsement gives Baker an excellent chance to have Reagan choose him as his running mate. Baker, who dropped out of the presidential running in March, tried to win the vice presidential nomination four years ago but failed.

Reagan's Tennessee campaign, which will include a overnight stop as a guest of Gov. Lamar Alexander at the Executive Residence, begins May 1.

Bush's Friday airport stop in Memphis, for a news conference and a fund-raising reception, is to be followed by statewide stand-in stops by his son, Neil Bush, and his mother, Mrs. Prescott Bush, the following week.

Also on the GOP ballot will be U.S. Reps. John Anderson and Philip Crane, Illinois Republicans, although Crane has withdrawn from competition for the nomination and has endorsed Reagan.

Carter is favored to win most of Tennessee's 55 delegates to the Democratic National Convention in New York in August, just as he did four years ago. Sen. Edward Kennedy, his nearest rival, has failed to open a state campaign headquarters.

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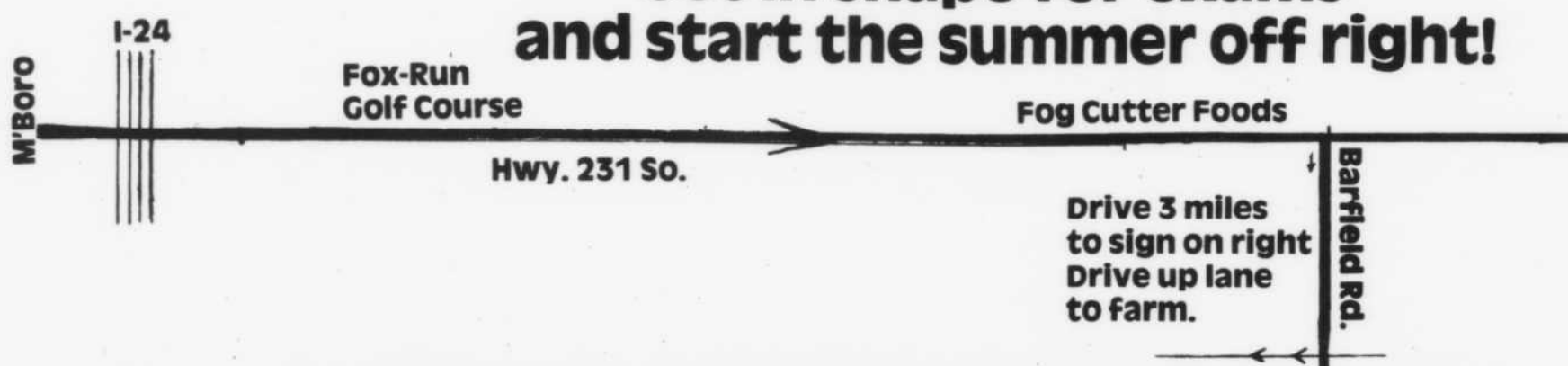
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By LINDA HARDISON

Special to Sidelines

Amelia Earhart, Charles Lindbergh and the Wright Brothers made great strides in aviation, becoming legendary in United States record books.

MTSU may not be able to claim these aviation greats, but chemistry professor Paul Ducker is one year away from completing his first self-built airplane.

"I was 12 years old when Lindbergh flew the Atlantic and it sparked an interest in me to learn everything I could about aviation," Ducker recalled.

Ducker, who will retire from MTSU in June, read as much as he "could get my hands on" about flying. He added the more he read the more interested he became.

The MTSU professor worked in the Methodist ministry for 20 years. During this time he was employed part-time at a Luppel, Indiana, airport where he received flight instruction.

"I took my first solo flight in 1946 but because I was low on money, I had to quit flying in 1961," he remembered.

Ducker's oldest son had developed an avid interest in aviation and bought his own personal plane soon after 1961.

"It was hard to resist flying with a plane in the family. My son and I worked quite a bit together and soon we decided to build our own plane someday," he said.

The Duckers moved to Tennessee in 1965 when he took his present job at MTSU.

"The house we moved into

had a large ground level basement and we decided that this would be where we would build the plane," Ducker reminisced.

In 1966, Ducker's son was killed while giving gliding instruction at a Lewisburg flight school.

"When my son was killed, I guess it made me even more determined to build the plane" he said sadly.

Approximately seven or eight years ago Ducker bought the plans for a Smyth side winder, a plane originally designed by a naval pilot.

However, the plans were not an example of the aircraft Ducker anticipated building. Therefore, the next year was

spent modifying them to suit the plane Ducker wanted.

In order to equip the two-seater plane with the correct parts, Ducker purchased damaged airplanes from insurance companies which enabled him to find the necessary equipment at lower prices.

With the exception of brakes, wheels and instrument panels, the rest of the parts were built from raw materials.

"I purchased a rebuilt engine from the Fayetteville airport and the raw materials came from at least 25 different companies across the country" Ducker explained.

Ducker, who attended Indiana Central College was a

ministerial student, had no outside help on the plane.

He confessed that the only problems he has encountered were the retraction of the nose wheel landing gear and finding the time to work on the plane.

"It seems like it always takes more time than you think when you start a project like this," Ducker said laughingly.

About a year ago Ducker stopped work on the plane to establish some interests for his retirement.

"I put the plane on the back burner for a year to start some personal businesses but hopefully the plane will be completed by the fall," Ducker revealed.

Even though Ducker has less

than \$5,000 invested in the plane, similar planes are selling for \$15,000 to \$20,000.

The 64-year-old professor said he will be flying the plane and his wife will accompany him after retirement, but no special trips have been planned.

Ducker's variation of the Smyth side winder has not been named, and no particular colors have been chosen. However, Ducker predicted the plane would be painted two colors.

The MTSU chemistry professor-turned-aviation hobbyist may not excel to Lindbergh's height of accomplishment or capture Earhart's dreams. But within a year Ducker "hopes to complete" the dream of building his own airplane.

## Exchange Club sets

## Pioneer Day date

for April 26

The Noon Exchange Club and Cannonsburgh Committee are sponsoring Pioneer Day at Cannonsburgh Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Cannonsburgh is located in the log buildings behind Shoney's on Broad Street, Robert Hopson, a member of the Noon Exchange, explained.

There will be hillbilly dances, demonstrations of Indian crafts and dances by Boy Scouts, a performance by quick draw artist Mike Jennings and exhibits that show aspects of the lifestyles of the early days in Murfreesboro, he added.

"Craftsmen will be coming from all over the state to demonstrate weaving, painting, making pottery and other crafts," Hopson said.

An auction of donated articles — "everything from trash to treasures" — will be held to benefit Noon Exchange community projects. Major projects include sponsoring the National Crime Prevention Program and child abuse projects.

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# Different conduct for different concerts

By TERRY MEACHAM

Sidelines Staff Writer

There is an acceptable etiquette for those avid concert-goers attending orchestra and chorus concerts, jazz concerts and rock concerts and country music and gospel concerts.

"Etiquette was made so that people would not disturb other people," Associate Professor of Music Laurence Harvin said.

Concert etiquette involves knowing the correct times to applaud, proper attire and when to enter and leave the concert. Orchestra, band and chorus concerts require similar audience behavior, as do jazz and rock and country music and gospel concerts respectively.

"Those going to an orchestra concert will feel in place by wearing church clothes such as a

suit and tie, a dress or nice pants outfit. Jeans are seldom worn to this type of event," Harvin said.

In order to know when applause should be given in an orchestra, band or chorus concert, it is best to remember that applause should occur only when there is no doubt that it will disturb the performance.

"When the conductor walks on stage, applause should be

given. Also when a soloist walks on stage to perform and when he is finished performing he should receive recognition.

"It is rude to applaud while anyone is performing at this type of concert. The composer is insulted when what he wrote is interrupted by applause or talking or by someone walking in or leaving while his music is being performed," he added.

Late arrivers to a orchestra performance are looked down upon, and ushers will not seat these people until after the first number is finished.

Etiquette for jazz and rock lovers differs from that of classical music lovers. Those attending these concerts dress informally.

"When a soloist finishes a featured solo, people usually

applaud. It is frequently known to applaud during the solo as the soloist reaches a climax," Director of the MTSU Blues Crusade John Duke said.

"Audiences behave slightly different in jazz and rock concerts. In rock concerts, the sound is continually amplified so people freely move around and don't pay as much attention to a long, improvised solo."

"Jazz concerts are different," he continued, "in that people sit back and enjoy the entire concert. They tend to notice the featured soloists more and show their appreciation more because the sound is not as amplified."

The most excitable audiences can be found at country music and gospel concerts, according to Charles Wolfe associate professor of English.

"There is not much of a dress code at these concerts. And the musicians aren't disturbed by people getting up and walking around. It is expected for them to run up to the stage and take pictures, for instance," he said.

Wolfe recalls one particular bluegrass concert where people began getting out of their seats and dancing. He considered it a "very successful communication going on between the musicians and the audience" as several people jumped on stage and danced.

In most bluegrass and gospel concerts musicians expect the audience to take an active role in their music by clapping. Some of the more modern country music artists prefer a more sedate audience.

## Alpha Gamma Rho sponsors show May 3

Alpha Gamma Rho, MTSU's social-professional agriculture fraternity, will be sponsoring a horse show Saturday, May 3, at 7 p.m. in the Rutherford County Agriculture Center.

The show will be affiliated with the National Regulatory Committee of the Tennessee Walking Horse industry, according to Bob Connelly, junior agri-business major from Fayetteville. Proceeds for the show will go toward further development of the fraternity's house and property.

There will be entries in 20 classes, and \$125 will be awarded for the winning horse in class 20 for the AGR Championship Stake Class.

Seventy-five dollars will go to the first place winner in classes 1 through 19. Cash prizes will also be given to second through fifth place winners.

"Entry fee for class 1 is \$11; class 3 and 12 require no entry fee; a \$25 fee is required for the stake class and the entry fee for all other classes is \$12," Alpha Gamma Rho treasurer Tim Hill said.

Rain date for the horse show is set for Sunday, May 4.

## MDA to sponsor dance marathon

The Greater Nashville Day of the Dancer, sponsored by the Muscular Dystrophy Association, will be held Friday and Saturday at Vanderbilt's Memorial Gym, 6 p.m.-6 p.m.

Each couple entered in the marathon will be charged a \$15 entry fee. Pledge sheets and official dance T-shirts will be given. Any high school or college-age student may participate and compete for prizes, which include tennis rackets, cameras, luggage and albums.

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photo by Mark Holland

## Postal rates to be raised from 15 to 20 cents early next year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Blaming inflation, the Postal Service asked approval Monday to increase charges from 15 to 20 cents for mailing most types of letters, effective early next year.

Postmaster General William F. Bolger said the Postal Service will need new revenue by next February or March because of rapidly rising labor and energy costs.

"Had inflation not shot up since May 1978, the time of our last rate hike, but stayed at the level of that time, we would not today be seeking new rates. In fact, we could have been able to keep the current rates in effect until 1982," Bolger told reporters.

The rate request, averaging 28 percent higher for the various types of mail, went to the Postal Rate Commission. The commission can hold up to 10 months of hearings on the request before recommending new rates. After that, the Postal Service board must give final approval before the new rates take effect.

The postmaster pledged new efforts to improve productivity and said without these steps the letter rate would have had to go to 22 cents.

Other aspects of the rate request were:

- Increasing the Second Class rate used by mass circulation newspapers and magazines by 1.9 percent.
- Boosting Third Class bulk

rates used for advertising mail by 17.7 percent.

- Moving parcel post rates up 8.4 percent.

•Allowing First Class discounts to major business mailers who sort their letters before turning them over to the Postal Service. That would result in charges as little as 16 cents.

Bolger said the mail agency also is considering a holiday season discount for consumers who send Christmas mail between Dec. 1 and 10. He said the discount probably would be 2 cents per mailing and would be in effect by the Christmas mailing season of 1981.

Bolger repeatedly said pay increase for postal workers and spiraling energy costs in delivering mail had major responsibility for making higher rates necessary.

# Abandoned animals put to sleep

By CYNDI CLINE  
Sidelines Staff Writer

The largest percentage of dogs and cats that are abandoned in Rutherford County are by students according to local rabies control authorities.

Some 1-2,000 abandoned animals are picked up by the dog pound each year in Rutherford County while another of these 800-1,500 animals are put to sleep through euthanasia because they have no home, said Linda Hartsfield of the Rutherford County Rabies Control.

"Most of our calls that we respond to are the result of people dropping unwanted dogs out in the country thinking that the farmers will take care of them, when it's the farmers who will be least likely to take care of them. Also, a large portion of our calls deal with animals getting in to garbage cans," she commented.

According to Hartsfield, people that abandon their animals are low-income, transient people, such as college students, who can not afford to or find it too much trouble to take care of the animals after

they graduate or go home during the summer.

"Some students think of a dog or cat as a cute little fuzzy plaything," Hartsfield remarked. "They refuse to understand that an animal is alive and requires attention and responsibility to stay alive."

"Students are just too busy sometimes to bother with feeding, watering or walking their animals. Sometimes, animals are left to stray and wander around neighborhoods to fend for themselves."

"I just don't have the time to take care of my dog after I graduate that is why I plan to leave him here," said Ron Kirst, a senior from Watertown, Tenn. "I'm not worried about him someone will take care of him around here."

Everyone has seen dogs wandering around the campus. What happens to these dogs? How will they survive without food, water, shelter, and attention?

Tennessee law states that all dogs must be on a leash, placed in confinement or be under good verbal command of the owner. Also, according to law, all pets,

including cats, must have a rabies shot, she added.

Any animal that is not in compliance with this law could be picked up by the rabies control, Hartsfield said.

The policy of the pound is that animals with collars are retained for five days. After the allotted time, the animals are put to sleep through euthanasia.

"I hate to see animals being put to sleep, but I also hate to see animals suffer and starve to death," Hartsfield remarked. "People should take more responsibility toward animals, especially adults. It is usually adults that are the least responsible toward animals. More organizations and classes are also needed to be formed to educate people about animals."

Another organization who deals with abandoned animals is the Rutherford County Humane Society.

To prevent cruelty to animals and to relieve suffering of animals is the purpose of the Rutherford County Humane Society, stated Susan Parrish of the Humane Society.

"The Humane Society began in October 1975 by several concerned citizens to provide

treatment for any animal in need of protection and to provide adoption for unwanted animals," Parrish said.

The Humane Society receives on the average of 30-40 animals a month to find homes for, Parrish said. "Most of the animals we receive are from people that are moving such as college students. We don't receive that many abandonment cases, even though it is a large problem in Murfreesboro."

According to Parrish, most people that have an unwanted animal will call the pound. "People take out hostilities on animals that run loose, even though it is the owners' fault that they are loose."

The Humane Society is funded totally through donations. To join the Humane Society, a single person must pay \$5. Families can join for \$10.

"We will take anything. We are poor," Parrish commented. "We need dog and cat food, newspaper, cat litter, dry milk, garbage sacks and volunteers."

"We would like to see more college people become involved with us. We definitely need more people," she added. "We have 150 active members with 25 workers for our shelter."

## Professor judges Pulitzer winning book

By CYNDI CLINE  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Judging a Pulitzer prize-winning book would be considered a great opportunity, and Robert Wyatt, assistant professor of mass communications and the book editor for *The Tennessean*, received just that opportunity.

"I was scared to death that my decision would not be right," Wyatt said. "One day last May, I received a letter at my desk asking me to be a juror with two other professionals to judge books for the Pulitzer prize."

"I was so astounded because I never considered myself to be a professional critic of books. Here I was asked to judge with men who work for *The New York Times* and *The Saturday Evening Review*," he commented.

The Pulitzer prize is \$1,000 award given to writers in the United States. Wyatt judged the category of "general non-fiction."

According to Wyatt, publishers were asked to submit books to the jury. About 150-200 books were submitted. "We then narrowed the books down to top

10 lists and circulated them among ourselves," Wyatt said.

Surprisingly, the book that won was not on a list that a publisher submitted. "Godel, Escher, and Bach: An Internal Golden Braid," by Doug Hofstadter was asked, via a notice from the Pulitzer Committee, to be judged by Wyatt and his jury.

"It was a remarkable book," Wyatt said. "It will never make the top 10 list, but it is a work of genius and should be read by all."

What has Wyatt learned from his experience as a Pulitzer judge? "A book cannot be judged by its cover; each book must be read and judged in its own merit."

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## MTSU's first in tennis history

# Lady Raiders claim first OVC title

By SCOTT ADAMS  
Sidelines Sports Writer

For the first time in the four year history of the women's Ohio Valley Conference tennis championships the Lady Raiders of MTSU brought home the team championship.

The Lady Raiders put together a point total of 38 to outdistance defending champion Western Kentucky who had 30. The Lady Hilltoppers have dominated women's tennis since the inception of conference play having won all three team championships in previous years. They were also the only team to beat MTSU during regular season conference play.

Most people didn't give head coach Sandy Neal and her team much of a shot at the title, due

mainly to their season record of 6-8.

"Almost everybody was shocked when they found out," Neal said. "People looked at our record but they didn't look at our schedule. We played a lot of tough teams like U.T. and L.S.U. and that didn't help our record but it helped our team."

After day one of the two-day event held in Cookeville, MTSU was leading the Lady Toppers by two points and were in great shape to take it all because they had four singles players in the finals and also two doubles teams. But Western wasn't far behind having two singles participants and all three doubles teams in the finals.

"I couldn't help but think about last year a little bit because we were in almost the

same shape with four people in the singles finals, but we ended up losing three of the four," Neal said. "I felt a lot better about our chances this year because last year everybody was just hoping to do well, but this year everybody was confident."

Tarja Ojala started the winning off by defeating Muge Ozgenel of Western, 6-1, 6-3 at number three singles. Diana Myers got by Murray's Becky Jones 7-6, 6-4 to win at number four while the teams only senior Kaye Wrather won the number five singles championship, 6-0, 6-2 by defeating Lena Laftman of Murray.

Nancy Broadhurst was the other singles champion, downing Cheryl Lancaster of Murray 6-1, 6-2. In doubles, the

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photo by Don Harris

Members of the 1980 OVC women's tennis championship team are (front row, from left) Leigh Morell, Tarja Ojala and Kay Wrather. Standing, from left, Coach Sandy Neal, Jenny Orr, Diana Myers and Nancy Broadhurst. It was the team's first championship.

## Fast running Robinson hopes to keep it 'all in the family'

By CAROL A. STUART  
Sidelines Sports Writer

Archie Bunker may be coming upon rough times, but David Robinson plans on keeping it "All in the Family."

In fact, it runs in the family. Robinson, a senior member of the Blue Raider track team, got his start in athletics because of family influence.

"We're a bunch of fighters," he said. "My family just loves to compete."

His father was an athlete, running track and playing baseball in school, and is now on the Pro Bowlers' Tour. Robinson also has a younger brother back home that plays basketball and baseball in high school.

"While I was in high school, my older brother was running track and we never had the chance to play sports together. I wanted to do something with him before he graduated so I ran track," Robinson said.

The Chattanooga native ran his first meet in the ninth grade in the CIL championship. Until that time, he says he had never really heard of track and field. Now several years later, he's winding down a college career in the sport.

It was also that same family influence that brought Robinson to the track and field program at Middle Tennessee.

"When I was in high school, Coach Hayes was recruiting my

older brother and I watched him and how he treated my brother," the trackster said.

Then it came time for Hayes to recruit the younger Robinson.

"My brother had quit school here and I felt like it was a family honor to pick up where he left off," Robinson recounted. "I guess I took it on myself to take his place here at MTSU."

Robinson, who runs both the indoor and outdoor seasons, has done more than take his brother's place. In the 1980 indoor season, he all but reached one of his and any runner's goal — to be named All-American (as part of the mile relay team). But due to a slight error, the Blue Raiders were disqualified in the national meet even though they placed in the top five.

"It was just some bad luck, but I'm not completely dissatisfied," he said. "We're just going to try to hit the All-American honors in the outdoors. It'll be twice as hard, though because the West Coast guys are competing."

In the outdoor season, Robinson runs the 100 and 200 meter dashes and is part of the fearsome mile relay team.

"David has good solid legs in the relays. He runs till he drops," Hayes said. "He's really

doing a good job, is a good leader, and is running his lifetime best."

Robinson, a believer in himself and his team, looks for the Blue Raiders to take the OVC title this spring.

"We have a strong team, there's not a whole lot of us, but the quality is there. We have the OVC in our hands if we work



—David Robinson—

together, keep our head straight, and stay injury free," he said.

Right now Robinson's last goals are national recognition as All-American and that OVC title, but what's left when it's over? Jogging clubs or Olympic aspirations?

Robinson's reply: "Marriage and a family."

## MTSU handles Racers

By EDDIE GOSSAGE  
Sidelines Sports Editor

Middle Tennessee State won three of four games against Murray State this weekend, keeping the team in contention for the OVC's four-team playoff.

MTSU and Murray split a doubleheader Saturday at the Racers' field, Middle claiming the first with a 14-2 bombing of the hosts and Murray took the second, 6-1. Sunday afternoon, before a niced size crowd under the sun, MTSU swept a doubleheader from Murray, 6-0 and 9-1.

### Hayes upset at track finish

By CAROL A. STUART  
Sidelines Sports Writer

Friday was just one of those days for coach Dean Hayes' track squad.

As the veteran coach put it, the Blue Raiders just "couldn't chew bubble gum and walk at the same time."

In the dual meet at Murray State, the host Racers practically breezed by the MTSU tracksters, 91-54.

"We're not a dual meet team anyway and that gets us in trouble before we start," Hayes said.

The relay events were a total disaster for the Blue Raiders as the Murray State teams capped both the 4 X 110 and mile relays.

Middle Tennessee did dominate the sprints with David Robinson winning the 100 and 200 meter dashes with 10.3 and 21.2 times, respectively. Ed Steagall recorded a time of 47.2 in grabbing first place in the 400 meter dash.

Stegall's victory was unfortunately overshadowed by a leg injury suffered at the meet. According to Hayes, the injury is most probably to the tendon and could put him out for the season. Stegall is scheduled to see a doctor today.

The meet with Murray also yielded Greg Artis a first place finish in the triple jump at 50-7. Artis, usually a strong spot for the Blue Raiders, however failed to win the long and high jump events with his 23-11¼ mark in the former and a third place 6-2 attempt in the latter.

In the hurdles, Middle Tennessee's Pete Williams wrapped up the team's first place victories. Williams finished the 400 meter hurdles with a 54.4 time.

"It was just known as one of those days where nothing came off right," Hayes said.

The MTSU squad will be in Clarksville for the Tennessee Intercollegiate Meet this Saturday. Last year the Blue Raiders edged past Austin Peay and Memphis State for the title.

"It'll be a little bigger meet where our quality can come through," the coach said. "Not having Stegall will hurt us, though and I expect it to be the same kind of tough competition it was last year."

"We looked a little better this weekend," manager John Stanford said. "Murray is a good team, You can tell because they beat Western twice."

"Mathematically, we are still in it (the race for the conference tournament)," he added. "We played like we were capable of playing Saturday and Sunday for the first time in a long time."

In Sunday afternoon's first game, Jeff Mallas cracked a two run homer in the first to give MTSU a lead it would never relinquish. MTSU relied on a big fourth inning for insurance, making sure the Racers were put away for good.

Greg Houts hit a ball through Murray second basemen Doran Perdue's legs to score a runner from second to begin the big frame for MTSU. Shortstop Mike Yarotsky hit a ball to center field, knocking in two runs as MTSU pulled in front 5-0.

The scoring was capped in the sixth as Yarotsky again picked up an RBI, this time with a sacrifice fly to center, scoring a runner from second.

Southpaw Mike Freels turned in a strong performance on the hill, tossing a two hitter in the game. Freels went the distance and raised his seasonal mark to 2-1.

Middle Tennessee picked up five hits in the game while committing two errors.

In the second game, Murray State jumped out to an early 1-0 lead in the first inning after Raider hurler Jerry Moore worked himself into a jam. Middle Tennessee was lucky to only have one run against them.

MTSU tied it up in the bottom half of the initial frame as Mallas hit a slow grounder to third with bases loaded. The runner on third base scored, but

the Murray second basemen tagged the runner on second out at third base.

The Blue Raiders relied on another big inning, picking up three runs in the second to insure the win.

Freshman Dave Collier started the scoring when he singled to right field, knocking in a runner from third. Randy Starkey hit a hopper to second, where the shortstop tagged out the runner coming from first. However, the Raider runner on third scored and Starkey was safe. The score was upped to 3-1.

Middle scored again in the inning on a wild pitch by the Racer pitcher. With two outs in the inning, Murray yanked the starting pitcher and replaced him with Brad Taylor.

Two innings later, Taylor threw two wild pitches in the fourth, scoring a runner both times. MTSU scored another run in the inning and picked up two more in the fifth.

Jerry Moore, pitching for MTSU, allowed six hits in the game. MTSU also picked up six hits off the Racer pitchers, but the wild throwing by the Murray hurlers spelled the difference.

Moore raised his seasonal mark to 2-1, identical to Freels.

Stanford praised both pitchers for their performance.

"Neither one of the pitchers gave up a single earned run," he said. "Freels and Moore played real good. The secret was, the team found themselves as a team."

MTSU is idle today but will be traveling to the University of Alabama-Birmingham to make up a rained out doubleheader tomorrow. Thursday, MTSU travels to Vanderbilt to face the Commodores in a single game.



photo by Don Harris

Toby Miller hauls in a pass in front of a defender in yesterday afternoon's spring practice. Miller, Kolas Elion and Gerald Robinson are the only three seniors on the squad and are expected to lead the team.

### Donnelly counting on players

## Trio of seniors to lead Raiders

By EDDIE GOSSAGE  
Sidelines Sports Editor

Seniors: endangered species.

That's the way it seems when you look at Boots Donnelly's Raider football team. Out of the 60 or so players on the roster, only three are seniors. Indeed, upper classmen seem to be scarce.

Kolas Elion, Toby Miller and Gerald Robinson have seen it all. From the dismal and disappointing days during their freshman and sophomore years to the hopeful beginnings of the Donnelly era.

Yet despite not winning enough games to fill up one hand, they are still willing to give it their all.

"All three are players," Donnelly said. "I think it is a true trait in all of them that they want to play. Quitting is not easy to them. It seems that no matter what you do to them, they still keep coming."

But what has kept them going over the years?

"Personally, it's a goal I set for myself," said Elion, minutes

before yesterday's workout. "I've just got to prove something to myself."

"I love to play football, that's all there is to it," Miller explained. "I really get into football and I try to do my best. I don't worry about what is going on around me."

Robinson, a hard working student, was tied up with classes and unavailable for comment. Donnelly said his class load keeps him away from some practices, but said the place kicker works hard at other times to make up what he misses.

"Gerald set an NCAA Division II record last year for the most consecutive field goals," Donnelly said. "He did not miss a single kick for us last year. He is a super kid. He's got a ton of personal pride."

"Kolas has as much physical ability as anybody in the conference," Donnelly added. "A lot of pro scouts are looking at him."

"Toby has more natural athletic ability than anybody on the team," he continued. "He is

closer to playing any sport in the university than any other player we have."

Elion and Miller both returned the praise.

"I think that if it had been anyone else (named head coach) I would have dropped football," Elion explained. "He is an inspiration. He demands a lot — and most of the time he gets it."

"I like coach Donnelly because I like a challenge," Miller smiled. "He is a challenge. He is a good coach, too. We are gonna come off that 1-9 record last season. We are really looking good in practice."

And while Donnelly and staff are working hard to being the sagging program back to championship caliber, he will be relying on the trio of seniors to lead the way.

"Leadership comes from within a senior, but we need other players to lead, too," Miller emphasized. "We are going to help, but we will need help from the others."

"But, I think we gonna be okay," he said.



# Styles vary in boxing

By EDDIE GOSSAGE

Sidelines Sports Editor

The heavyweight fight in last night's campus boxing event was billed as the "battle of the bouncers."

John Ricks, bouncer at Cajun's Wharf in Nashville, and Mickey Gibson, bouncer at Spinner's Disco in Nashville, squared off in the final bout.

Ricks had one previous fight before last night's bout in a campus-style event last fall. Gibson had no previous experience.

It became apparent that the fight would become a brawl as the two fighters stumbled and slugged their way through the match. Ricks' previous fighting experience paid off, as the judges declared him the winner on a decision.

"I figured it was going to go the way it did," Ricks said after the match in reference to the sloppy fighting style. "I was trying to fight with a good boxing style, but when somebody comes at you all bent over like that, you have to cover up."

Twelve other matches were

fought prior to the heavyweight bout. Jeff Parks knocked out Rob Forrest in the opening match with a hard right to the head. The second match pitted two fighters with a good deal of boxing style but saw little action. Robert Morales peppered Randall Cook with jabs and combinations to take a decision.

A controversial decision gave Vanderbilt boxer Holt Satterfield a decision over MTSU's Greg Brown. Satterfield punished Brown on the ropes, but Brown fought back in the second, landing a blow that cut the Vandy boxer's left ear.

Justin Smith beat Jamie Perry in the second round as the referee stopped the bout after Perry landed a devastating left. Chuck McDowell lost on a

decision to Terry Richardson in the next match.

John Driver took a decision from Vanderbilt's Mike McCormick after dominating most of the action.

In other matches, Earl Dickson took a decision from Jeff Mimms, Mike McNeil was awarded a decision over Tim Kennedy, Donnie Drayton claimed a decision win over Curt Newby in a wild match, Sam Lashlee stopped David Curtis in the third round of their match, Randy Sickmeier quit early in the first round of his match after being battered by Mike Barnes and David Patton was stopped in the first round when he suffered an apparent broken nose at the hands of Scott Bateman.

## Lady Raiders

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team of Broadhurst and Myers lost to WKU's top duo 6-2, 6-3, and Jenny Orr and Ojala dropped a heartbreaker to Western's number three team 6-2, 4-6, 7-6.

MTSU was scheduled to play Austin Peay today in a match previously rained out but it was called off to give both teams a chance to get ready for the upcoming state tournament which begins Wednesday in Memphis.

# Wrather 'makes good' in tennis

By SCOTT ADAMS

Sidelines Sports Writer

Hometown girl makes good.

Look in just about any newspaper anywhere and you'll probably find a story about some local person who has moved away and accomplished some great feat.

That's kind of the story here, with one exception. This hometown girl, Kaye Wrather of the Lady Raider tennis team, stayed home to perform her heroics.

Wrather, who played her prep tennis right down the road at Murfreesboro Oakland High, is the only senior on this year's squad which just brought home a first ever team championship in the Ohio Valley Conference.

When a team wins a championship, the first player most people go after with their questions is the senior. Because with the experience a senior has acquired usually goes the stigma of leadership.

"You really can't say that any one player on this year's team was the deciding factor in our winning the championship because we all look to each other for help," Wrather said. "We're all real good friends and it's been that way the whole time I've been here."

Winning the conference singles championship at the number five position was "the highlight" of Kaye's career here

which saw her come in as a highly touted freshman to play in the number one singles position.

Nancy Broadhurst came along the next year and edged Wrather out for the top spot and then everybody moved down in the lineup when two-time OVC Player of the Year Elina Durchman showed up. But, moving down in the lineup didn't affect

recruits. But, playing the toughest schedule in the team's history coupled with the loss of Durchman for the season ruined hopes for a kind of an impressive record.

"Having a losing record is kind of hard on your ego, but I think everybody realized that playing such tough competition would make us a lot better, and I guess it paid off in the tournament."

Going into the tourney at the number five singles position, Wrather had an overall record of 8-5 which seeded her second behind Lana Laftman of Murray. Preceding the tournament Wrather stated that Laftman and Eastern's Jacquie Powell would probably provide the most competition at her spot, but little did she know that she would have to play them both in order to win the championship.

Wrather got by Powell in the first round in straight sets and then literally blew Laftman off the court in the finals beating her, 6-0, 6-2.

"Winning the championship is most definitely the highlight of my career here, but I couldn't have done it without Sandy and everybody else pulling for me," she concluded. "I've gotten a lot of encouragement from Sandy since I've been here. She's not only a good coach, she's also a great friend."



Kaye Wrather

Kaye for long.

"It hurt a little at first but after awhile I realized that the team was getting so much better and we were beating teams that we never had before so I didn't worry about it too long," she related.

Coming into this season, Kaye's last as a Lady Raider, the team was predicted to be better than ever because of the addition of some top notch

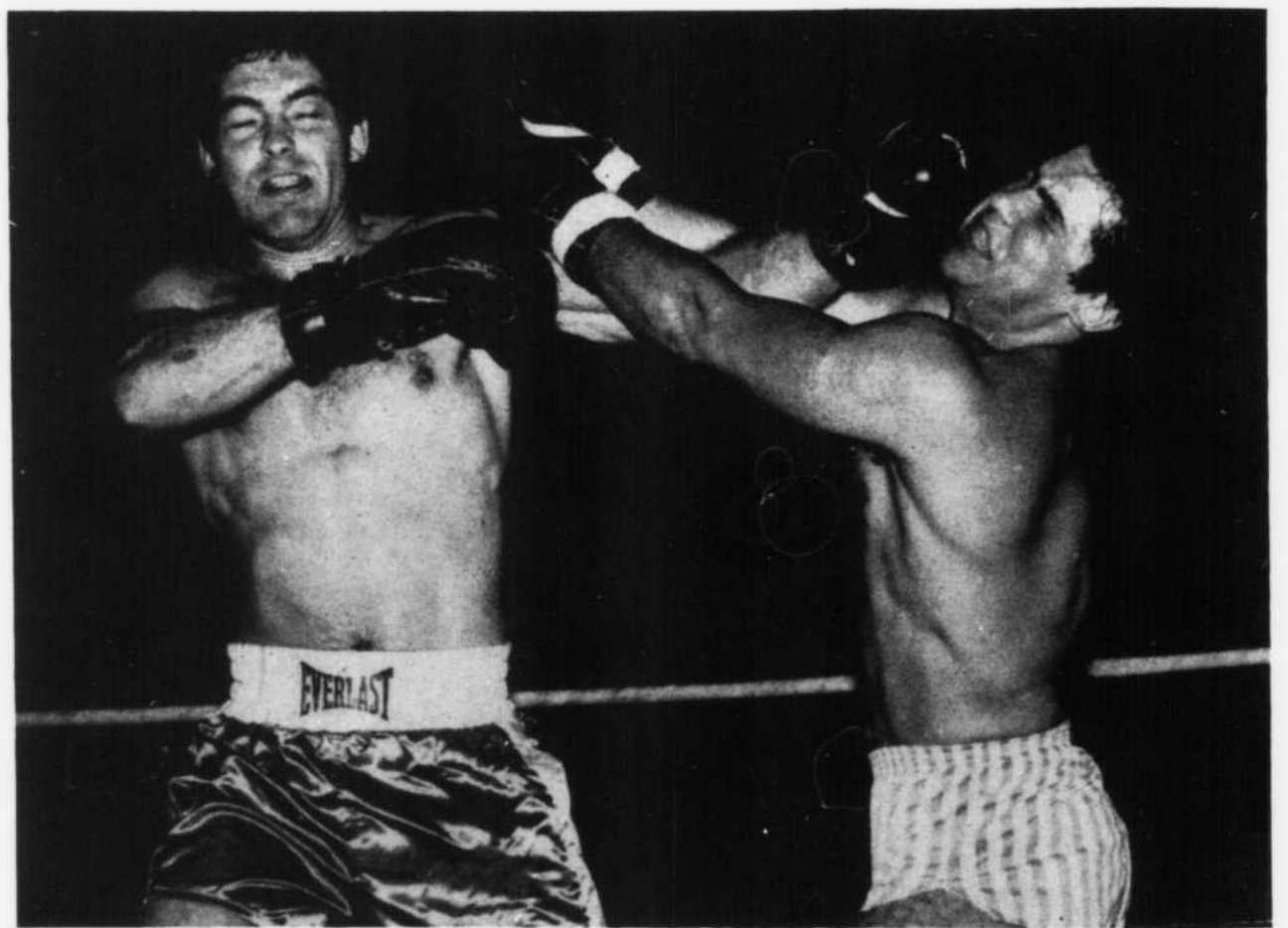


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Holt Satterfield, left, of Vanderbilt and Greg Brown of MTSU, swap blows in last night's campus boxing card. Satterfield claimed a controversial decision over Brown. Proceeds from the matches went to the Nashville Boxing Association.

## Callison happy despite finish

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Middle Tennessee's women tracksters came back with a little or nothing team score from the Western Kentucky Invitational Saturday, said Coach Vikki Callison, still had a smile on her face.

"We had many improved individual performances and some new personal records," the first year coach said. "Generally I am pleased."

The host Lady Hilltoppers took top honors in the 10 team field, which included the likes of Tennessee State, University of Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky, and the University of Louisville.

Yet the Lady Raiders didn't blend into the background. Freshman Marcia Hill grabbed fifth place in the 200 meters at 25 seconds flat and sophomore Susan Vaughn placed seventh in the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 68 seconds.

"We were really pleased with Susan's performance in the hurdles because this season has been the first time she has run them," Callison remarked.

Hill and Vaughn both joined Jane Simms and Antoinetta Scruggs on the mile relay team to take a fifth place finish.

Although she didn't place, long distance runner Sharon Johnson broke a school record in the 1500 meter run in a 5:07 time period.

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