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Auditor visits to check report of stolen items

By MARSHA ROBERSON
Staff Writer

MTSU was recently audited by a state comptroller after more than \$43,000 worth of school property was reported lost or stolen in the past year, President Sam Ingram said yesterday.

Ingram said the comptroller spent two or three days on campus looking at the security system. Comptrollers often audit state agencies when a large amount of state property is reported missing, he said.

"THE comptroller said that one of our biggest problems was that a number of department chairmen are not following proper procedures regarding keys. Some of them are not keeping up with who has keys, and they are not filling out the proper reports," he said.

Another problem, Ingram said, is the way departments keep up with their equipment.

"The departments don't appear to have a sound system of keeping up with their equipment. They may think a piece of equipment has been lost or stolen, and then a month later they find it down the hall in a closet," he said.

"The university is not always prompt in reporting when something is lost or stolen," he said.

Ingram said he recognized the problem before the comptroller came, and had asked that an inventory be taken every three months. Previously, an inventory was required on a once-a-year basis.

William Green, vice president of business and
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Termed 'very poor' Job forecast for summer bleak

By MARSHA ROBERSON
Staff Writer

The job outlook for this summer seems to be "very poor," Martha Turner, director of Placement and Student Employment, said.

Turner said the job forecast for the coming summer is worse than it has been for previous summers, and that students will be lucky to obtain even a minimum-wage job.

"OPRYLAND is the largest mid-state employer of students, and they hired fewer MTSU students this year than last year," she said, citing the reason for the decline as being that many of last year's Opryland employees are returning back to their old jobs.

Turner added that she doesn't expect manufacturing plants to hire students for the summer either.

Judge grants draft law reprieve

From staff and wire reports

Minnesota students have gotten a temporary reprieve from a federal law that would make all male students prove they've registered for the draft before they could get federal financial aid.

Judge Donald Alsop of the Federal District Court of Minnesota temporarily enjoined the government from enforcing the law, which is supposed to become effective on July 1.

ALSOP, ruling in a case brought by the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group and the Minnesota Civil Liberties Union on behalf of six



All's safe here

This fellow seems to take comfort in the protective surroundings provided by the MTSU Agriculture Department.

Photo by Keith Tippitt

Student lobbyists oppose drinking-age hike

College Press Service

Student political involvement isn't dead. It's just wetter.

Student lobbyists are swarming in unprecedented numbers this spring over state legislatures considering raising their legal drinking ages to 21.

AND in what has become an

1st in a series

annual spring tide of bills to hike drinking ages, the lobbyists are using more sophisticated civil arguments this time around. Those arguments, moreover, seem to be more effective in some places.

The Georgia Student Association, for example, "just beat" a proposal to raise the drinking age from 19 to 21 by "avoiding the old argument that if you're old enough to

fight for your country, you're old enough to drink," reports GSA President Jeanie Morris.

Instead, "we went before the state Senate, had our arguments down, and had the opposition's arguments down. We showed that drunk driving was high in the whole 20-to-34-year-old age bracket, and we challenged that it would be selective prohibition to only restrict 18-to-20-year-olds."

"I VIEW it as a civil rights issue in terms of fairness," Bob Bingaman, field director of the State Student Association in Washington, D.C., agrees.

The new argument used by 18-year-old drinkers' advocates, he says, seems to be that the new higher drinking ages make young people pay for sins committed by older drinkers, too.

"I would never deny there is a problem with alcohol abuse in this country," Bingaman

says. "But 18-to-20-year-olds shouldn't be singled out for a society-wide problem."

SINGLED out or not, the state legislative trend toward hiking legal drinking ages has only gotten stronger this year. At least 20 states have raised all or part of their legal limits over the last few years.

At least a dozen of the so-called "under 21" states are currently debating raising the

legal age to 21.

About 20 states still let 18- or 19-year-olds drink, while six others have set the magic number at age 20.

THE rest allow only persons over 21 to buy hard liquor, though 10 of them have lower limits—usually 18 or 19—for buying wine and beer.

All the pressures for change come from statistics that in-
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Proposed bill labeled 'constitutionally suspect'

NASHVILLE (UPI) — Legislation designed to make the conviction of teen-age drunken drivers easier is "constitutionally suspect," the state attorney general's office said Friday.

Under the bill, drivers younger than 19 would be presumed intoxicated when they have a blood alcohol level of .04 percent. The current level is .10 percent for all drivers.

CHIEF Deputy Attorney General Robert Littleton said the attorney general's office had concluded the provision was "constitutionally suspect under the equal protection clause" of the U.S. Constitution. The clause guarantees that all persons will be treated equally under the law.

Another provision of the bill provides for suspending the driver's license of passengers in a car driven by a youth who is convicted of drunken driving.

Littleton said that portion of the bill would violate the due process clause of the Constitution, since there is no provision for notice and a hearing prior to loss of driving privileges.

THE bill is sponsored by the House by Rep. Mike Murphy, D-Nashville, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee and in the Senate by Sen. Bill Ortwein, D-Chattanooga, chairman of the
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Photo by Keith Tippitt

True blue fans

Dena Atkins, freshman; Renee Olive, freshman; and Robyn Bates, freshman, brave the chilly temperatures to cheer the Blue Raider Baseball team yesterday.

Student fees designated to fund athletics

By NANCY SLOAN
Staff Writer

Athletics will be funded by student fees rather than state appropriations next year under a plan approved March 18 by the State Board of Regents.

For the semester universities, the allocation from each student's fees will increase from \$20 per year to \$41, adding \$125,000 to MTSU's athletic program.

THIS increase, however, will not result in an additional hike in tuition, Richard Rhoda,

administrative assistant to the SBR chancellor, said.

Instead the policy represents a "trade-off" with state appropriations going to pay for academic programs which student fees had provided for in the past, Rhoda said.

This change will increase the amount that MTSU athletics will receive.

Last year MTSU received \$375,000 from the state and \$500,000 from student fees, a total of \$826,000. This year this amount will be increased to \$925,000 solely from student fees.

This is misleading, according to Otis Floyd, administrative assistant to President Ingram, because the additional \$125,000 will probably be absorbed by increased tuition that must be paid for the athletes' scholarships.

Each university under the State Board of Regents has been receiving \$375,000 from the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, but THEC refused all requests for athletic funding from its 1983-84 budget.

Under the new plan, this state funding is replaced by increased funding from student fees, but it is uncertain if this will cause an increase in tuition, Floyd said.

The advantage of the new plan, he said, is that the larger schools will have more funds for athletics.

This will be beneficial to MTSU because it is the second largest school in the conference, Floyd said.

"I don't think they are giving us any more if those figures are correct," he said.

Additional actions taken by the Board include:

- Adoption of a Resolution in support of the governor's four-year budget proposal for the funding of public education.

Under the governor's budget proposal, state appropriations for the operation of all public colleges and universities will
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Student dies as a result of crash injuries

Bethany Kline, MTSU graduate assistant in the HPER department, died March 18 of injuries she received in an automobile accident March 10.

Kline, 24, died of brain injuries at Vanderbilt Hospital's Intensive Care Unit where she was admitted following the accident.

KIM Upchurch, Kline's companion, died the night of the accident near Smithville.

The women were on their way to watch the Lady Raiders' championship game against Morehead State in Cookeville when the accident occurred. Upchurch, a senior, played for the Lady Raiders last season.

Funeral services for Kline were March 21 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Columbia, Tennessee.

Finalists for teacher award announced

Finalists for the Outstanding Teacher Award, 1982-83 have been announced and will be rated April 2 through 9.

The seven finalists for the award are Jack Arters, Youth Education; Robert Bullen, Youth Education; Judith Hankins, Mathematics and Computer Science; Faye Johnson, Sociology and Anthropology; Ed Kimbrell, Mass Communications; Curtis Mason, Chemistry and Physics; and Linda Patterson, HPERS.

The finalists will be rated by their students, department chairmen and tenured colleagues.

Three winners will be chosen and announced at the Alumni Banquet May 7. Each winner will receive \$1,000 from the MTSU Foundation.

Campus Capsule

TODAY

MOVIE: TOM SULLIVAN'S "If You Could See What I Hear" will be shown in the University Center Theatre at 3:30 and 7 p.m. The showings are free and open to the public.

THE BLUE RAIDER BASEBALL TEAM takes on Wisconsin-Eau Claire in a double-header at 1 p.m. at Smith Field.

WEDNESDAY

SINGER/SONGWRITER TOM SULLIVAN will appear in concert and lecture in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building at 8 p.m. The program is free and open to the public.

MOVIE: MONTY PYTHON'S "And Now For Something Completely Different" begins in the University Center Theatre. Showings are at 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m. Rated PG.

THE SIGMA DELTA CHI MEETING originally scheduled for today has been canceled.

THURSDAY

MOVIE: MONTY PYTHON'S "And Now For Something Completely Different" continues in the University Center Theatre.

THE WEEKEND MILLIONAIRES BAND will perform at the Dance Committee's March dance in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building. Admission will be \$1

with an MTSU I.D. card.

FRIDAY

THE BLUE RAIDER BASEBALL TEAM entertains Eastern Kentucky at 7 p.m. at Smith Field.

THE MTSU TRACK TEAM will meet Western Kentucky and Ball State at 1:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

THE BLUE RAIDER BASEBALL SQUAD meets Eastern Kentucky in a double-header at 1 p.m. at Smith Field.

SUNDAY

THE MTSU BASEBALL TEAM plays Jacksonville State at 2 p.m. at Smith Field.

MONDAY

MOVIE: "VICTOR/VICTORIA" BEGINS in the University Center Theatre. Rated PG.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING SENIOR are available in Keathley University Center, Room 304. They are to be turned in by April 8. Any student with 90 credit hours is eligible.

Winning contestants return from Florida

By RONDA KRUMALIS

News Editor
"Great Poker Shootout" winners, MTSU students Delacy Bellenfant and Cathy Owens, returned from their Spring Break vacation in Daytona Beach with tans, smiles and memories.

Bellenfant and her roommate won the trip in a promotional contest sponsored by Busch beer. "The Great Poker Shootout" was an imaginary poker game at the Last Chance Saloon between five infamous gamblers—Black Bart, Diamond Lil, Digger Dan, Doc Holliday and Wyatt Earp.

CLUES to "The Great Poker Shootout" were featured in advertisements by the beer company in *Sidelines* for three consecutive weeks. Bellenfant was the first to call the toll-free

telephone number with the correct identification of who held the winning hand in the poker game and the five cards in that hand.

Bellenfant and Owens received round-trip air transportation to Daytona, beachfront accommodations, an Avis rent-a-car and \$100 spending money.

"We were there for seven days and eight nights," Bellenfant said. "It was just great."

BUSCH also threw in a case of beer, Bellenfant said, and hosted several parties which the pair attended. But the highlight of the trip for Bellenfant was appearing on stage with the Beach Boys.

"That was definitely my favorite part," Bellenfant said.

Nationwide drinking ages

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dicate an inordinate number of alcohol-related driving accidents involving 16-to-20-year-olds.

Former U.S. Secretary of Transportation Drew Lewis and former Secretary of Health and Human Services Richard Schweiker, after reviewing those numbers, have both called on all states to raise their legal drinking ages to 21.

AND a recent National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism study found the

number of alcohol-related injuries has dropped in states with new, higher drinking ages.

West Virginia legislators reacted by introducing six different bills to raise the drinking age there, aiming to halt "the slaughter of West Virginia's young drivers," as State Motor Vehicle Commissioner Virginia Roberts put it.

State student groups are generally opposed to the hike. "Raising the age to 21 doesn't

address the problem at hand," contends Michael Queen, a student government official at Marshall University and one of the lobbyists fighting the increase.

THE real problem, Queen says, are the few students over 18 who abuse alcohol and those under 18 who are already experts at getting booze illegally anyway, regardless of the legal age.

Students "are adults and should be given the same rights and privileges just like other

adults," says Bill Stanhope, head of the University of Oklahoma's lobbying task force.

Oklahoma legislators are debating several bills to raise the drinking age there. Stanhope's task force hopes to persuade them the better answer to the terrible highway death rate is more stringent enforcement of existing laws against drunk driving.

"THAT'S all most states need to do: simply better enforce the laws already on the books rather than raising the drinking age as a Band-Aid approach to the problem," says Bingaman of the State Student Association, a coalition of state student groups from across the country.

Raising the drinking age "is not a solution to the problem," echoes Patrick Duffy, Arizona's student body president.

"The real cause of the

problem," he asserts, "is people's attitude towards drinking."

A higher drinking age in Idaho, which is also considering an age bill, "is just going to rearrange where people drink," adds Idaho student body President Margaret Nelson.

Tennessee student body President Gary Harmon takes a more pragmatic approach. "We're not a party school," Harmon says, adding that a higher drinking age won't stop that many people from abusing alcohol.

And Bingaman likes to finally roll out the argument that convinced many state legislatures in the late 60s and early 70s to lower their drinking ages in the first place.

"IN most states, 18 is old enough to enter into contracts, be sued, vote and be drafted. It's inconceivable for the government to say the same group of people who are old enough otherwise to be adults are not responsible enough to drink," he says.

Student Lobbyists instead offer a variety of alternatives to raising the drinking age.

"We feel the emphasis should be placed on education," says Arizona's Duffy.

Tennessee's Harmon explains, "I'm not talking about B-grade horror films, but a program that intelligently addresses the problem [of alcohol abuse]."

Next issue: A look at the drinking age in Tennessee.

Summer jobs

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THE placement office currently has job listings for camps in New York, New Jersey, Idaho, Montana and Ohio, as well as for some jobs in Tennessee.

Additionally, the Easter Seal Society will be on campus April 12 to conduct interviews for day-camp counselors in the Middle Tennessee area, and The Blue Ridge Camp in Mountain City, Ga. will conduct interviews for summer counselors on April 4.

Other prospective jobs include lifeguarding and swimming instructors, Turner said.

A FEW jobs may exist in the Murfreesboro area for students attending summer school, but Turner said that there will be few jobs on campus during the summer. She encouraged

students that are seeking summer employment to check all the listings at the placement office.

The poor job forecast seems to be the same all across the nation. According to the *College Press Service*, Manpower Inc.'s latest survey of employers found 15 percent of the nation's employers plan to decrease staff positions from last year's levels.

"This is probably one of the worst years; it is an employer's market," Camille Kozlowski, of Portland Community College's placement office, said in the CPS report.

EVEN internships which are generally unpaid are expected to hold at last year's level, according to the report.

Manpower Inc. reported that some jobs will be easier to

find this year—construction jobs and the manufacturing of durable goods will be on the upswing. Finance, insurance, real estate and education jobs will also see an increase in openings. Manpower predicts that the mid-west will see the largest rise in its job market.

Regents' decisions

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increase by 41.5 percent over the next four years.

- Endorsement of legislation proposed by Gov. Alexander to transfer the governance of the State technical institutes and area vocational-technical schools from the State Board of Education to the Board of Regents.

- Approval of the Master of Science degree in Computer Science and a certificate in Gerontology at MTSU. The

programs now will be forwarded for consideration by THEC.

- Termination of the Master of Arts in Finance and the Certificate in Agribusiness at MTSU.

- Establishment of the Clifford N. and Pauline W. Stark Educational Fund at MTSU. The fund will be used to make educational loans to academically well-qualified students attending MTSU.

- Naming the Old Science Building at MTSU, "Wiser-Patten ScienceHall", in honor of Dr. J. Eldred Wiser and Dr. John A. Patten, two distinguished department chairmen who have retired from MTSU.

paperwork burden on them.

"FINANCIAL aid often becomes a vehicle by which agencies try to get to other problems," Wrenn says. "That's why all of us in financial aid hated to see the registration for selective service as a basis for financial aid."

A few colleges—Earlham College, Harverford College and Swarthmore among

Audit

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finance, said that he has observed much improvement in keeping track of MTSU's equipment, and the quarterly inventory is helping "considerably."

Themass communications, music and mathematics and computer science departments

them—have announced they'll make private aid available to male students denied federal aid because of reasons of conscience.

The University of Minnesota originally filed a friend-of-the-court brief in the Minnesota case, but school officials say they probably couldn't afford to provide private aid to non-registrants.

have suffered the largest losses in equipment, Green said.

He added that the mass communications department is particularly susceptible because it has so much equipment. The department is also located in several buildings—making it harder to keep track of all the equipment.

Draft

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have begun to prepare for enforcing the law when it goes into effect, many financial-aid officers are opposed to the law.

They complain it forces them to discriminate against male aid applicants, that it makes them into police agencies and that it puts added

Alcohol

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Senate Judiciary Committee. The legislation is currently under study in subcommittees.

The attorney general's opinion was requested by Sen. Ernest Crouch, D-McMinnville, the Senate sponsor of a bill raising the legal drinking age in Tennessee from 19 to 21. Ortwein has suggested his measure could be an alternative to Crouch's bill.

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By RICHARD C. GROSS
United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Pentagon has created a paper weapon, a new class of submarine the Navy says exists only for accounting purposes.

It saved the Pentagon \$11.2 billion in the final quarter of 1982, but also on paper.

SIMILARLY, the quarterly Selected Acquisition Report to Congress, released by the Pentagon last week, is laced with other bookkeeping maneuvers designed to show defense costs have been brought under control—resulting in savings of \$18.4 billion from the third to the fourth quarters of last year.

The attempt by the Pentagon to depict cost savings when the price tag of some weapons actually increased seemed certain to infuriate Congress at a time when a bipartisan effort is under way to cut the defense budget by as much as \$30 billion for fiscal year 1984.

The Pentagon is required by law to make quarterly reports to Congress on the cost of major weapons to keep tabs on price increases.

A Pentagon briefing at which reporters were presented with the report and a statement in the name of Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger erupted into heated quizzing of officials from the office of Pentagon Controller Vincent Puritano.

Reporters comparing the financial statement with previously published data about major weapons programs insisted on answers from the officials about the discrepancies.

The most glaring among them was the Trident, a \$1.2 billion nuclear-powered submarine designed to carry the C-4 intercontinental range missile and built to accommodate the D-5, a new generation missile that will become operational in 1989. Fifteen Tridents are to be built, three of which have been completed.

The first eight subs of the class are to be fitted with the C-4 and later with the D-5 and the remaining seven with the D-5 only. The

Pentagon controller designated these seven the Trident II and eliminated the Trident I from the report even though both are the same submarine.

The newly created sub has no cost history and, therefore, no cost increases could be shown. Yet the total cost of the Trident submarine program went up \$2.8 billion to \$31.2 billion between the third and the fourth quarters.

The report said there was a "net decrease" in costs of \$11.2 billion . . . "due primarily to a schedule stretch out and a quantity reduction of seven ships."

REAR Adm. Frank Kelso, the Navy director of the Strategic Submarine Program, who made no mention of a Trident II in testimony before a House committee Monday, was called into the briefing room to answer questions about the new submarine. Navy spokesmen said they never heard of a Trident II.

"There's no new submarine," Kelso said. "It is one program. The

Navy has not cut back [on the 15 Tridents it wants to buy] and has not introduced a new type of sub."

Kelso agreed the appearance of the Trident II for the first time anywhere was for accounting purposes only.

"THAT'S all it is," Kelso said.

In addition, the Pentagon showed a saving of \$4.1 billion because of a reduction in the number of air-launched cruise missiles the Air Force plans to buy without indicating the cost of the new generation missile now under development.

Further, it deleted \$2.9 billion for a new generation F-16 fighter even though the Air Force has budgeted money for possible development of such a plane.

The report on 40 major weapons for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 showed their cost to be \$455.6 billion. The latest report on the quarter ended Dec. 31 put the cost of 53 major weapons at \$539.7 billion.

Death penalty not pursued against Neelley

SUMMERVILLE, Ga. (UPI)

— Prosecutors said yesterday they will not seek the death penalty against Alvin Neelley for two killings his wife called her to force her to carry out.

Judith Ann Neelley, 18, was convicted last week at Fort Payne, Ala., of murdering 13-year-old Lisa Ann Millican last September. The jury rejected the death penalty for Mrs. Neelley and recommended life in prison without parole.

THE Neelleys face trials in Chattooga County, Ga. on charges they killed Janis Chatman, 23, five days after Miss Millican was slain.

Chattooga County Assistant District Attorney Ralph Van Pelt said Alvin Neelley, 29, will face a maximum sentence of life in prison with possible

parole in seven years.

"We are not seeking the death penalty in Alvin's case. In large part, it's because she pulled the trigger and he didn't," Van Pelt said.

HER attorney, Bob French, claimed Mrs. Neelley was turned into a "zombie" by her husband and would have committed suicide if he ordered it.

Mrs. Neelley admitted prowling the streets of Rome for a month last year in search of young girls to satisfy her husband's sexual pleasures. A half dozen girls refused to go for rides with her, Mrs. Neelley testified.

Mrs. Neelley said she shot Miss Millican in the back and kicked her body into North Alabama's Little River Canyon

after several injections of liquid drain cleaner did not kill the girl. Alvin Neelley raped Miss Millican four times in three days before he ordered her

slain, Mrs. Neelley said.

Mrs. Neelley testified she shot Miss Chatman three times and left her body along a creek bank in rural North Georgia.

Excluding instructors to be viewed by court

WASHINGTON (UPI) —

The Supreme Court yesterday agreed to take up a free speech case testing whether college instructors who refuse to join a faculty union can be excluded from key talks on school policy.

The justices next term will review a ruling condemning Minnesota's community colleges for refusing to let non-union instructors elect or serve on special committees appointed to meet with the

administration on school policy matters.

A federal court, ruling 2-1, found the policy violated the non-union instructors' constitutional rights to free speech and association.

Administration officials and the faculty union appealed to the Supreme Court, accusing the lower court of creating "new and wide-ranging First Amendment rights for college faculty" that they do not believe exist.

news at a glance

By United Press International

BOSTON — A judge yesterday issued a preliminary injunction against the federal government's planned sale of oil drilling leases off the New England coast. The injunction stopped sale of about 500 plots of seabottom on the environmentally sensitive Georges Bank, one of the richest fishing grounds in the world.

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — Millions of Argentine workers defied the military government and shut down business and international air traffic yesterday in the second nationwide strike in four months. The workers demand

a 17 percent wage increase.

WASHINGTON — EPA officials urged in a 1981 draft report that fishing in the Great Lakes be banned because of dioxin contamination, but the government did little to discourage fishing, agency officials say. Regional officials in Chicago said cancer risks were too high for fishing to continue, sources said.

WASHINGTON — The government has a moral obligation to ensure every American receives adequate medical care, regardless of health insurance, a presidential commission says. The commission said the government need not get involved when people receive good medical attention through insurance, charity or their own resources.

TEL AVIV, Israel — Israeli health officials yesterday dismissed reports that more than 300 Palestinian school girls hospitalized on the occupied West Bank were victims of poison gas, saying they may have suffered mass hysteria. But Israeli newspapers said investigators found conclusive evidence of premeditated poisoning.

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin said his government was on the eve of a decision about withdrawing troops from Lebanon despite reports U.S. envoy Philip Habib made no progress in talks Sunday. Israel's key Lebanese ally, Maj. Saad Hadda, warned Soviet advisers had infiltrated the nation.

TIMES BEACH, Mo. — Looters are stealing "anything not fastened down" from hundreds of homes abandoned because of flood damage and dioxin contamination, officials say. The Police Department has arrested 100 looters since December.

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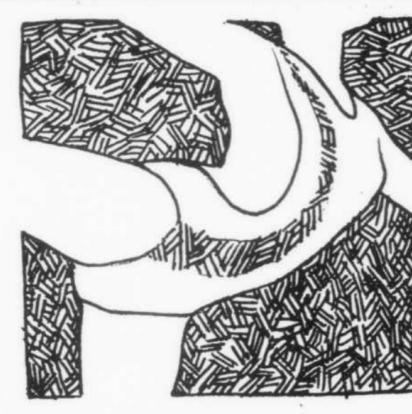


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Reagan seeks support; defense budget rejected

President Reagan has gone to the airwaves once again, and this time his topic of concern is the defense budget. Reagan is irate over the fact that the Democratic-controlled House of Representatives rejected his plan for a 10-percent increase in military spending in favor of their own plan, which would call for about half of what Reagan is asking for.

The nationally televised speech was simply a re-run of Reagan's same old bag of political persuasion, as he resorted to photographs of Soviet influence in Central America and charts which supported his arguments in order to impress upon the American people the need for a massive military building program.

REAGAN denounced the Soviets for their build-up of land-based nuclear weapons and stressed the danger which this build-up presents. Reagan is correct in asserting that the amassment of Soviet land-based intercontinental ballistic missiles is a definite threat to NATO and the United States.

In order to counter this Soviet build-up, Reagan wants to dramatically multiply our production of land-based missiles. As logical as this might sound, there are other facts which the President failed to mention which would make his call for more ICBMs unfounded.

Reagan never mentioned the fact that the United States has a number of nuclear submarines at sea, each with the capability of destroying several hundred Soviet cities. Whereas land-based missiles can be located by both the Soviet Union and the United States, these submarines are constantly moving and cannot be tracked. Even in the event that the Soviet Union should destroy the entire United States, any one

of these submarines could deal the Soviet Union a fatal blow.

DURING his speech, Reagan also unleashed plans for the future abandonment of the long-held policy of mutually assured destruction (MAD) in favor of a technologically advanced defensive system which would make nuclear weapons obsolete. Reagan pointed out that such a system would take time to develop, and he made a plea to scientists for help in developing the system.

Although Reagan's intentions might be good, such a system could present as many dangers as the current MAD policy. The rumored employment of this kind of system could provoke the Soviets to launch a nuclear attack because of a fear of being militarily inferior after the system is put into operation. The new technology involved in the system could include lasers, charged particle beams and microwave devices, all of which could lead to new weapon systems in space and eventually wars in space.

If Reagan is truly sincere about wanting to stop the arms race and end this insane path to world-wide destruction, he should quit putting his entire faith in technological advancements which make one kind of weapon obsolete only to open the doors for new kinds of weapons.

It is time to start making serious attempts at a negotiated settlement between the United States and the Soviet Union. Reagan's idea of peace through strength is based on his lack of faith in the ability of people to find human solutions to problems. As long as we continue to rely on machines to solve our problems, we must rely on machines to rule our destiny.

lobbying and more time lowering interest rates," he said.

IT happens to all presidents. At some point in their administration they are bound to collide with old friends and backers—the kingmakers who can no longer call the shots.

If that isn't enough, the president also is fighting a rearguard action against the Democratic budget proposal that would repeal the third-year tax cut, reduce defense spending and increase some tax levies to bring the deficits down.

REAGAN has used his harshest rhetoric against this proposal, calling it a "dagger in the heart" of his economic recovery program, and a "declaration of war."

The fight for his own 1984 spending program has brought out his most intensive lobbying since he put over his tax-cut program two years ago.

Somewhere down the line, probably in the Senate controlled by the GOP, Reagan

may get closer to his own terms, although he will have to show some ability to compromise on Pentagon outlays.

ON other fronts, the president also has been beleaguered.

His top appointees to the Environmental Protection Agency have either had to resign or be fired, leaving the agency in disarray. With seven congressional committees looking into the EPA operation, Reagan had to move quickly to reassert the credibility of his commitment to the public health and safety.

He did so by calling William Ruckelshaus back to duty as EPA chief, a post Ruckelshaus held 13 years ago when the agency was created in 1970.

REAGAN insists the attacks against the EPA operation are "unwarranted" and says he believes it was a "misreading" and a "misunderstanding" on the part of any agency appointees who may have tilted toward business.

But the president says that



Miami man wants cable channel

By MAXWELL GLEN
and CODY SHEARER

MIAMI — Since January, local lawyer Ellis Rubin has expanded his television menu by subscribing to cable television service.

Rubin can now watch, in addition to the networks, movies on Home Box Office (HBO), endless religious programs, Latin soap operas and game shows.

BUT, unlike 400,000 cable subscribers elsewhere in America, Rubin can't get the Playboy Channel. The popular softcore cable service has been banned here by an ordinance passed by referendum last fall.

Frustrated, Rubin has filed suit in federal court seeking an injunction on grounds that cable television broadcasters and viewers deserve constitutional protections.

"I don't want the city to come into my bedroom and turn off my set," Rubin said recently.

PERHAPS to the dismay of those who document permissiveness, the issue is not whether the antics of "Emmanuelle," "The Stud" and "Playboy's Playmate Sweepstakes" are appropriate programming for commercial television. At the heart of the matter is whether local governments can tell cable operators what they can and cannot broadcast.

he wants "common sense" in regulating the environment and still believes some environmentalists are extremists.

If that wasn't enough, Reagan has also been upset with those in his administration leaking information to the press.

HE HAS not pinpointed them, but he did sign an order which severely cracks down on so-called leakers, putting their jobs in jeopardy and subjecting them to lie detector tests.

But a couple of weeks after Reagan cracked down on potential leakers, he declassified some of the nation's top-secret photos to make his case for a strong defense buildup.

And so it's spring. And the president says he is "up to his keister" in leakers, bankers and environmental "extremists." But about midterm for any president that is par for the course.

Not surprisingly, cities and many of the 4,792 cable outfits in the U.S. are closely watching the Miami case for hints about whether to regulate and what to broadcast. (Ironically,

appropriate to apply to cable operators the First Amendment principles governing newspapers." UNFORTUNATELY, the Miami ordinance is, in places,

here and now

neither Playboy nor HBO, which stand to win or lose the most in this case, are risking their reputations by filing friend-of-the-court briefs.)

Because cable TV offers so many more channels than its network counterparts, and because it arrives via wire—not antenna—the two forms of the same medium have never been regulated identically. In fact, federal and local officials have generally stayed away from cable regulation.

BUT after Miami Mayor Maurice Ferre saw "naked bodies" on cable during a trip to New York, he vowed to keep the stuff out of Dade County living rooms. Ferre pushed through the anti-porn referendum, in his words, to help "reinforce a community's moral standard."

In its preliminary brief prepared for Judge William Hoeveler, the city argues that it has a right to govern cable content, particularly when minors may be exposed to "obscene" and "indecent" programming.

As Assistant City Attorney John J. Copelan wrote, "Cable operators, like publishers and wireless broadcasters, are entitled to First Amendment protection, but it is inap-

tortured law. It gives the city itself the right to question—and then determine—what is indecent, regardless of less-sweeping Supreme Court standards.

Rubin says that the responsibility lies with subscribers themselves.

"Rather than government requiring cable operators to take preliminary steps to protect children and unwilling adults," Rubin wrote in his brief, "the appropriate remedy lies in the viewer's ability to switch channels or turn the set off or . . . not to subscribe to cable television in the first place."

AS FOR minors, Rubin told our associate Michael Duffy that lock boxes and scrambling devices can be attached to most sets to keep cableporn out of the reach of children (or anyone else).

As for public fears about the proliferation of trash, that's clearly a matter of taste. Many Americans already take exception to the inane and violent fare currently available on the networks; others are as insulted by 24-hour religious crusades as by cable porn. Whether society can settle on what's good and bad is doubtful.

From Our Readers

'Poor attitude' upsets student

To the editor:

Overall I think MTSU is an excellent school with superior teachers, but recently I was infuriated by a teacher's remark to the class.

The teacher said that he did not care if we, the students, passed his class or not. I feel this is a very poor attitude on the part of the teacher.

As a future teacher, I strongly feel that if a teacher does not care, then he should choose another profession. The main problem with education is teachers who do not care. How can a teacher who does not care expect his students to

care?

Something should be done to improve these teachers' attitudes, or they should move to a vocation they enjoy.

Kathy Jorgenson
P.O. Box 9154

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Features

Nelson performance a treat for fans

By RANDALL WITT

Copy Editor

Willie Nelson fans got exactly what they paid for in his March 19 concert at Murphy Center—an evening packed almost exclusively with the revered "outlaw's" own music.

The concert drew around 8,600 persons, according to Georgia Dennis of Student Programming. Although the crowd was well short of Murphy Center's 12,000 seating capacity, Dennis said she was pleased with the turnout and that scheduling the concert on the first Saturday of Spring Break had little, if any, effect on student

turnout.

STARTING 20 minutes late and interrupting the announcer as he was pointing out emergency exits, Willie surprised and ignited the unsuspecting crowd with "Whiskey River," as an

Life," exhibiting superb guitar work.

After a rip-snorting piano rendition of "Down Yonder" by Bobbie Nelson (Willie's sister) that woke up the audience's feet, Willie chimed in with "If You've Got the

first wakes up in the morning.

Willie then proceeded with a medley of Kris Kristofferson hits including, "Help Me Make it Through the Night," "Me and Bobbie McGee," and "Loving Her was Easier (Than Anything I'll Ever Do Again)." It was during the latter song that Grand Ole Opry star Jeannie Sealy came on to harmonize with Willie and Payne.

Also during the medley, the sound system really straightened out, complimenting the laid-back, relaxing music and accentuating Willie's smooth vocal work. Concerts are often ruined by the drowning out of the entertainer's lyrics, but this one succeeded in bringing a pleasant sound to the ear.

THIS pleasant sound continued after Willie and the boys finished jamming on "Bloody Mary Morning," satisfying the mellow freaks and nostalgia buffs with "Blue Skies," "All of Me," "Stardust" and "Georgia On My Mind," which wouldn't have been complete without the harmonica playing expertise of Mickey Raphael.

The classic "Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain" brought tremendous audience response and the T-shirt-jeans-and-red bandana-clad songwriter deluxe woke up the good ole boys in the crowd with "Mamas Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up to be Cowboys." Later Willie involved the audience once more with the up-tempo "On the Road Again," activating the foot-stomping and hand-clapping of what had been a comparatively quiet crowd and necessitating an encore.

Approximately 200 cigarette lighters flicked on as the appreciative crowd basked in the excellence of one of the red-headed stranger's biggest hits, "Always On My Mind." This was followed by Willie's typical adherence to gospel as he finished the first part of the show with a medley of "May the Circle Be Unbroken," "Amazing Grace" and "An Unclouded Day."

The audience of course screamed for more and Willie responded with six more songs including "Rollin' in My Sweet Baby's Arms," and "Luckenbach, Texas." He finished up like he started while an American flag rolled down to the tune of "Whiskey River," concluding over two hours of the very best of Willie Nelson.

concert review

enormous Texas flag unfurled at the back of the stage.

Willie continued in an up-beat style with "Stay All Night," and "Good-Hearted Woman," then settled into a mellow medley of "Ain't it Funny (How Time Slips Away)," "Crazy" and "Night

Money, I've Got the Time," followed by the tear-jerking "Sweet Memories."

THEN it was backup vocals and lead guitarist Jody Payne's turn as he bellowed out "Workin' Man Blues." Payne's voice sounded a bit like Jack Klugman must sound when he

Wednesday at Main Street

Boys Band, Invasion of Privacy to jam



The Boys Band

The Boys Band and Invasion of Privacy will rock out at the Club on Main Street tomorrow from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. as Coors celebrates the return to school from Spring Break.

Tomorrow night's show will

mark the last appearance in the Middle Tennessee area of The Boys Band's lead singer, Greg Gordon.

Jean Chapman's Invasion of Privacy, an avant-garde rock band, will share billing for

tomorrow's show. Chapman was formerly a backinger with the Babies and with Elton John.

Four dollars will get you into the concert and provide you with all you can drink.

MTSU grad Whaley to give concert

By LINDA WARREN

Staff Writer

The MTSU music department will present Vincent Whaley, an MTSU graduate in music education, in concert tonight at 8 p.m. in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building.

Whaley will perform all original compositions, said

Thom Hutcheson, professor of music and Whaley's teacher.



THE Free Will Baptist College Choir, where Whaley is the choir director, will join Whaley in two pieces com-

posed just for the choir.

A trumpet solo piece will be performed next, followed by a drama titled "Oaks of Mamre," with incidental music performed by a cast from Free Will and a pit orchestra composed of members from MTSU and Free Will.

The concert is free and open to the public.



The outlaw!

Country singer Willie Nelson performs before an audience of approximately 8,600 people in a March 19 concert at Murphy Center. Nelson's fans got exactly what they paid for—an evening packed almost exclusively with the revered "outlaw's" own music. (Photo by Jack Ross)

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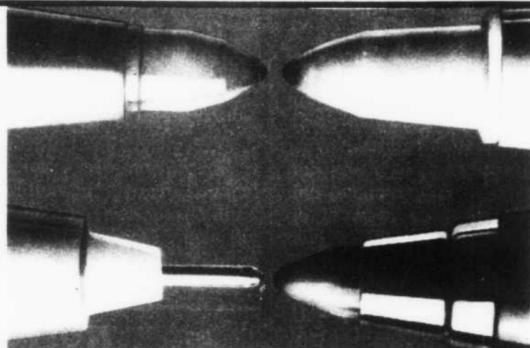
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Meares exhibit on painting with light to run at photo gallery Sunday through April 28

Free-lance photographer Lorrin Meares will exhibit a collection of his work Sunday through April 28 at the Photographic Gallery in the Learning Resources Center.

In addition to the exhibit, Meares will conduct a free photography workshop April 29 and 30 "Painting with Light and 3-D Image Photographing and Projection."

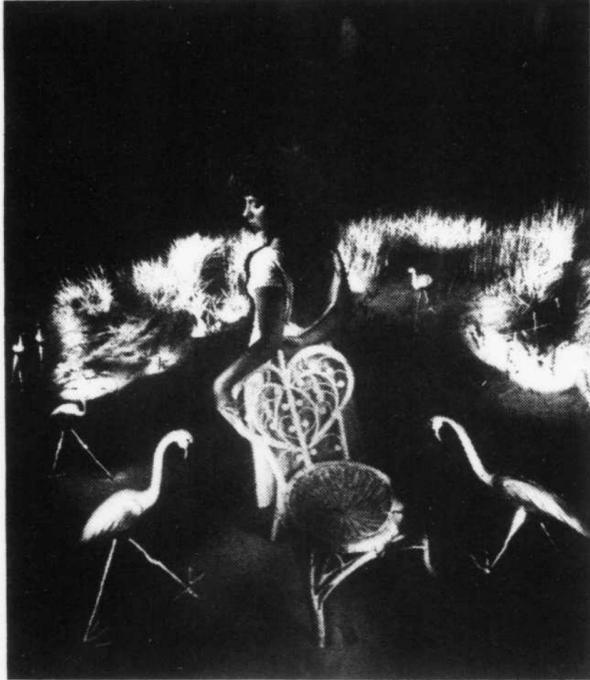
The workshop will be held in Room 101 of the Photography and Graphics Building. Participants for the workshop will be chosen on a first-come basis. It will be limited to 20 persons, but anyone wishing to observe may do so.

All participants will need a bright and continual burning light or flashlight. Each will need black construction paper and wide-angle lens if available as well as color or black-and-white Plus-X film and an SX-70 camera.

Some Polaroid film will be furnished.

MEARES is a 1974 graduate of Central Florida University. He currently is a photography instructor at Virginia Intermont College.

"Since 1973, I have been philosophically entranced with



One example of the work of Lorrin Meares which will be on display Sunday through April 28 in the Photographic Gallery. The photo illustrates his technique of painting with light.

the concept of light-energy being spiritually regenerative and having transcendental properties," Meares said.

"My efforts to achieve a photographic materialization

of this concept inspired the perfecting of a lighting and imaging technique called painting-with-light.

"THE exposure is lengthy and must occur at night or in a

darkened location; this allows the artist the freedom of walking about unseen in front of the camera while selectively illuminating with a flashlight or other portable continuous light source all that is aesthetically desirable. The exposure recorded on the film's surface is a collective of the entire lighting sequence," he said.

"I designed and built a stereo camera utilizing Polaroid film packs to permit instant evaluation and subsequent modification of the image 'in progress.' The resultant 3-D images, when viewed with a stereoscope, permit the viewer to truly enter the spatial realizations of my fantasy," Meares said. "All image manipulations are accomplished during the exposure using various light-painting techniques."

The Photographic Gallery will be open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon Saturday and 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. For more information about the exhibit or the workshop, contact Harold Baldwin, curator of the Photographic Gallery, at 898-2491.

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Blind entertainer Tom Sullivan to speak on campus tomorrow

When Tom Sullivan walks into a room, he says, "Glad to see you," — a normal greeting—except that Sullivan is blind.

Sullivan, a television personality, entertainer, olympic-class wrestler and sky diver, will appear tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building in a combination program of lecture and concert presented by the Ideas and Issues and Special Events committees.

"IF You Could See What I Hear," a movie made from one of Sullivan's books, will be shown today in the University Center Theatre at 3:30 and 7 p.m. Admission is free to both the movie and the lecture.

Although Sullivan was not born blind, he says he cannot remembering seeing. As a premature baby, he was given too much oxygen in the incubator and a film developed over his eyes which resulted in his blindness.

But his blindness never got in the way of a normal childhood. His mother taught him proper table manners and made him



Tom Sullivan

follow them, and he was allowed to play in the street. He was never told that blind children couldn't do that.

AFTER receiving his degree in child psychology from Harvard and getting married, Sullivan began his music career. It was he who sang the National Anthem at the 1976 Super Bowl.

Perhaps the hardest part about being blind is never

losing the label of being blind, Sullivan says.

"What blind people have to learn is how to make that uniqueness work for them, because they'll never shake it," he says.

Sullivan and his wife are involved in fund-raising events and humanitarian organizations. Their goal is to encourage other people to overcome their handicaps.

New You Knew

Leo Tolstoi, who some have called the greatest of all novelists, died in 1910 in a railway station like the ill-fated heroine in his novel "Anna Karenina."

College film contest now taking entries

Entries for the Seventh Annual Films of College and University Students (FOCUS) Competition, sponsored by Nissan Motor Corporation in U.S.A., are now being accepted through April 18.

The FOCUS program will be officially opened in a ceremony at Burbank Studios Thursday, featuring representatives of the film industry and sponsoring companies as well as past FOCUS winners.

EXCELLENCE in creativity and technical achievement will be recognized in six categories: filmmaking, documentary, animation/experimental, screenwriting, sound achievement and editing. These are the

areas which are co-sponsored by Columbia Pictures, Embassy Pictures, Warner Communications Inc., Dolby Laboratories and Hollywood Film Co.

More than \$60,000 in scholarships and Datsun automobiles will be awarded to FOCUS winners.

SERVING on the Board of Judges this year are Nina Foch, Taylor Hackford, Randal Kleiser, Charles Lippincott, Syd Field, Gail Parent, Frank Warner and Carol Littleton.

For further information on entrance requirements and procedures write to: FOCUS, 1140 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10036.

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Sports

Netters swing in Vegas

By MAT "CHILI" WILLIAMS
Sports Writer

While many MTSU students were basking in the Florida sunshine or loafing around the house during spring break, the men's tennis team enjoyed the exciting night life of Las Vegas.

The Raiders, led by Coach Dick LaLance, faced some stiff competition and finished the week with a 5-1 record.

MTSU whipped Idaho 5-4, hammered North Arizona 8-1, and smashed Cal-Lutheran 9-0. They then fell to Nevada-Las Vegas 7-2 before blistering California State 9-0 and closing the trip with a 7-2 win over Mesa College.

Upon its return, the squad promptly embarrassed state rival UT-Martin 9-0.

LaLance said he is pleased with the present play of his team.

"Our singles are playing very, very good right now," the coach noted.

NUMBER one singles player Mark Tulloch has an impressive 11-2 record, as does Graeme Harris, Dan Donnelly and Mike Feltsman. Peter Bear has compiled an 8-5 singles slate, while Jimmy Earle stands at 9-4.

The key to the remainder of the season will be doubles play, according to LaLance.

"Our only problem right now is getting our doubles going," he said.

The Raiders are now 10-0 and will face conference foe Murray State at the High Rise courts at 2 p.m. on Wednesday.



Ralph David of the Blue Raider baseball team slides into second yesterday during action between MTSU and Wisconsin Eau-Claire. MTSU split with the Blugolds in a doubleheader.

Raiders split with Wisc. E-C

By MARTY WATT
Sports Writer

MTSU's baseball squad split a double-header with the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire yesterday, winning the first game 8-3 and losing the nightcap in extra innings, 4-3.

In the first game, Brad Windham had a perfect 3-for-3 day, Scott Turner and Gary Cathcart had two hits each and Marty Smith took the win.

THE SECOND game was the heartbreaker for the Raider nine. Doug Birkofer executed a bunt to score Jimmy Petty from third to tie the game, but then Windham hit a sharp line drive to left which was caught on a shoestring. Turner attempted to tag, but the umpire ruled he

had left base too early, ending the inning.

MTSU's hurler put the Blugolds down in order in the sixth, but the Raiders could not score the needed run.

The seventh inning was the killer for the Raiders as Eau Claire's Ross Kingsley hit a deep home run to right center with nobody on. MTSU then retired the remaining batters in order.

ALAN COLBURN started a comeback attempt in the bottom of the eighth with a single through shortstop, but Tim Goff was called out on strikes to end the inning.

Bill Triplett took the loss for the Raiders in the 42-degree weather,

MTSU Trackmen enjoy success on Florida journey

By KEVIN WEST
Sports Writer

MTSU track coach Dean Hayes, after a disappointing finish in the NCAA indoor meet, prepared his troops during Spring Break for the beginning of the outdoor season.

The Blue Raider tracksters ran in two competitions, the Domino Classic and the Florida Relays, during the respective weekends of Spring Break.

AT THE Domino's, March 18-19, a new event appeared on the collegiate track agenda—the shuttle-hurdle relay. Hayes had his team ready as Ron Davis, Andre Kirnes, Kenny Nesbitt and Miguel Williams took first place in the

event with a time of 58.1 seconds.

Highlighting the meet was Williams' performance in the high hurdles as he set a new school record and placed third with a time of 13.7 seconds.

The sensational Raider mile-relay team once again proved their strength as Perald Ellis, Tim Johnson, Gary Mitchell and Nesbitt streaked to a third-place finish with a time of 3:06.9 and qualified for the NCAA tournament in the first meet of the season.

ORESTES Meeks ran in the college-division 100 meters and finished in 10.4 seconds, which was a personal lifetime best for him, while All-American Eddie Loyd led the triple jump with leaps and bounds of

51-10 1/4.

This past weekend, Hayes kept his troops motoring as they visited the Florida Relays and once again performed well.

It was all shuttle-hurdle relay as Hayes's group blitzed through the tape in 56.90, taking first place and setting a school record. Although there aren't any standards to compare the time to, Hayes said he feels that it will be one of the best in the nation.

"I FEEL that it is a great advantage to have four good hurdlers on the team to run this event because other schools might be struggling to put together a team. This will certainly help us in our quest

for the NCAA," Hayes said.

Williams once again took to the wind in the high hurdles as he ran a 13.69 in the trials and set a new Florida Relay record, a new school record and qualified himself for the NCAA. Williams placed second in the finals.

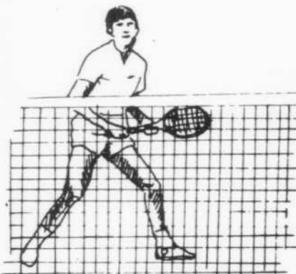
Nesbitt finished fifth in the intermediate hurdles, running a 53.30, while the 400-meter relay team finished third after dropping the baton in the Domino's, with a time of 40.12. The team consisted of Kenny Shannon, Kirnes, Meeks and Mike Farris.

DWIGHT Johnson, Meeks, Shannon, and Farris took fourth place in the 800-meter

relay as they burned around the track in 125.2, as Hayes's mile-relay team glided across the finish line at 3:10.68 to take second place.

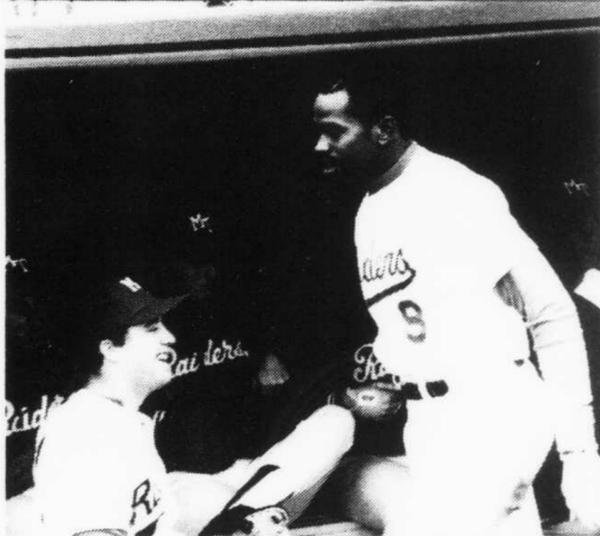
In the jumping events Johnson took fourth for the Blue Raiders in the long jump with a leap of 24-1, while Loyd finished second in the triple jump, sailing into the pit for a measurement of 53-3 1/4. The leap insured Loyd of a spot in the NCAA.

The next test for the Raider track team will be this Friday, here at MTSU, in a dual meet with Western Kentucky. Following that, Hayes will take a van load to the SE Motions meet on Saturday, April 2.



Karate lessons offered at Wesley Found.

Michael Green, a second-degree black belt artist, will give lessons in Moodukkwang-Tang Soo-Do Korean Karate at the Wesley Foundation Building beginning this Thursday at 8:30 p.m. For more information call 898-4559.



'Good job, big fella'

A teammate welcomes Ralph David back into the dugout after David scored a run during baseball action yesterday at Smith Field. MTSU hosts Wisconsin Eau-Claire in a doubleheader today at 1 p.m.

Rugby squad wins at Nashville

The MTSU Rugby club participated in the Nashville Bash last Saturday.

The Nashville Bash is not a tournament, but a weekend event in which the Nashville Rugby Football Club invites some of the top teams in the area to play each other.

MEMPHIS' Old No. 7, ranked number one in the Mid-south Rugby Union, was one of the visiting squads along with

Atlanta's Renegades, who are number one in the Southern Rugby Union. Other clubs in the event were the All-whites from Louisville and the Huntsville Rugby Football Club.

MTSU's rugby team opened the tourney with a match against host Nashville. During a rugged first half of action, Nashville managed to notch a penalty kick for three points to take the early lead.

A second-half rally by MTSU—including a score in the final seconds—led to an 8-3 victory for the Moosemen.

Stars for the MTSU squad included Barry Dunnivant, who scored the winning try and Rob Cameron, who made a nifty pass to Dunnivant setting up the try. Bart Butler got the winning play started with a diving scoop to Cameron.

MTSU's record is now 1-4.

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NCAA Tourney offers most excitement in years

This year's NCAA tournament is without question the most exciting in recent memory.

The talent level has been tremendous in terms of individual players and the brilliant pairings in each region have resulted in a non-top brand of prime college hoop.

WHEN talk arises about the best game in the tourney, the Louisville and Kentucky game, the battle for bragging rights in the Bluegrass state can't be overlooked. It was perhaps the only game of the year that lived up to its advanced billing.

Fan intensity was at a maximum, the players were highly motivated, and the controversy created between the Cardinal's Denny Crum and the Cat's Joe B. Hall prior to the game concerning the inability to schedule a regular season contest between the two schools lended fuel to the already raging fire.

Action during the contest was heated, but tempers were kept under control. Kentucky jumped out to a comfortable lead in the first half, but their inability to break the swarming Louisville press was a foreshadowing of the impending doom of the overtime period that was to follow.

EVEN though the Kentucky vs. Louisville tilt has been the highlight of the tourney so far, there were other outstanding confrontations that have easily tickled the fancy of hoop-watchers around the nation.

These contests alone could satisfy the hunger of any college basketball fan for an entire season.

- Georgetown vs. Memphis State
- Houston vs. Memphis State
- Louisville vs. Arkansas
- Kentucky vs. Indiana
- N.C. State vs. UNLV
- N.C. State vs. Virginia
- N.C. State vs. Pepperdine
- Georgia vs. St. John's
- Georgia vs. North Carolina
- Virginia vs. Boston College

Despite the disbelief of many around the nation, Georgia and N.C. State are playing as well as anyone in the country at this time.

Jimmy Valvano has brought his team out of their midseason

slump with the help of the returning Derrick Whittenburg and the Pack is "Hungry Like the Wolf." N.C. State is the most underrated team in the ACC and is man-for-man the most talented, but because they don't have a first-team All-American, they don't get the credit they deserve.

THE bottom line is that Virginia was highly overrated this year

Chewin' With The Boys

By Mike Jones and
Mat 'Chili' Williams

and has been since the arrival of Ralph Sampson on the Harrisonburg campus. The 7-4 superstar had a weak supporting cast for all of his four years with the Cavs.

This year for instance, Jim Miller, Tim Mullen, Craig Robinson, Kenton Edelin, Ricky Stokes and Rick Carlisle were all merely role players on a team that did well only because they had a tremendous center in Sampson and a great coach in Terry Holland. Their elimination from the tournament was to be expected.

Sampson's only plausible help came from Othell Wilson, who is himself an overrated performer, but still talented enough to contribute substantially.

ON THE opposite spectrum is the underrated Bulldogs of Georgia, who have silenced all critics, including North Carolina's Sam Perkins.

Casual remarks by Perkins before the television cameras after Carolina's win over Ohio State concerning his unfamiliarity with the Southeastern Conference and Georgia were assinine. One can only feel Hugh Durham replayed this to his young horses over and over to inspire them.

Perkins and company were completely outclassed and the rangy junior All-American would feel the bite of the Dogs in a glorious victory for Durham's troops, setting the stage for a brawl between the Wolfpack and the Bulldogs.

THE tournament has also been a showplace for some of the best talent to come along in college basketball in recent years.

First and foremost is the Nigerian warhorse, Akeem "The Dream" Olajuwon.

Akeem can now be mentioned in the same breath with Sampson, Keith Lee and Pat Ewing when dominating big men are discussed. He was unstoppable in his 20-point, 11 rebound and eight-blocked shot performance against Villanova Sunday afternoon. He almost singlehandedly demolished the talented Wildcat club.

ALONG with Akeem on the All-excitement team are Clyde Drexler, Darrell Walker, Terry Fair and Michael Adams.

Walker and Adams proved they were as quick as anyone as Walker's outrunning of Louisville defenders on several occasions and Adam's ball-handling wizardry against Virginia were practically feats unknown to man.

Slam dunk is the norm and not the exception for Drexler and Fair. Fair's personal vendetta against a shocked St. John's came in the form of several jams, the last of which put the icing on the cake in the Bulldogs upset of the Redmen.

DREXLER wheeled past Andre Turner of Memphis State in the Cougar victory to devastate Kemper Arena and a national television audience with the demoralization of a super-slam. Drexler is perhaps the most talented man wearing sneakers in the tourney field.

As for the final four, it promises easily to be more exciting than last years foursome. The pairings, however, will lend distress for some who think that Houston and Louisville should be playing in the championship instead of in the semifinal.

One thing can be said for the Cougar/Cardinal tangle—it could be the most talented collection of athletes assembled at one time on a basketball floor in collegiate history. Enough said.

The aforementioned Georgia vs. N.C. State battle will be equally exciting, despite the scoffing of critics.

Hang on to your drawers, America.



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Airborne horse

A member of the Blue Raider football squad dives during the opening day of spring practice, yesterday at Horace Jones Field.

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