

State Defers Action On ROTC Phase-Out

The State Board of Education met in late August and deferred action on a proposal submitted by President M.G. Scarlett to abolish compulsory ROTC at MTSU and provide a schedule developed by President Scarlett for its phase-out. The action was deferred until November so that a committee appointed by the State Board can determine how it will affect other regional learning institutions. Harry Wagner, assistant to the President, was asked what action would now be taken by MTSU. "We will anxiously await the results of the study and will continue to support our recommendations." He added, "If approval comes at a later date the university will follow the scheduled phase-out."

If adopted the recommended schedule for phase-out would be as follows:

A. No change would be made in the Military Science requirement during the 1969-70 school year.

B. In the school year, 1970-71, sophomore students beginning their second year at MTSU would be required to meet the second year ROTC requirement.

C. Military Science would not be required for any new students entering MTSU effective the Fall of 1970.

This schedule was developed by President Scarlett at the request of a study group of faculty members, administra-

tors and students headed by Robert E. Lee, director of admissions. This group took a poll of both MTSU faculty and student body. The majority of those who voted favored a voluntary ROTC program.

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Norman Parks, head of the political science department, and one of the foremost opponents of compulsory ROTC at MTSU commented, "I can't imagine why the state Board would fail to approve Scarlett's proposals and this would remove the unconstitutional aspects of the ROTC program. The shift has already taken place on the majority of American campuses. We are rather belatedly following the trend. UT, Austin Peay and Columbia Community College have no compulsory military training programs."

Parks told the SIDELINES in an interview last year that compulsory ROTC at MTSU directly contradicts the equal rights guarantee of a U.S. Constitutional Amendment as well as the Tennessee constitution's provision that the state cannot compel its citizens to bear arms.

The Fourteenth Amendment cited by Parks states that no state may "deny any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

"Tennessee cannot compel persons within its jurisdiction at MTSU to take ROTC while exempting students at Austin

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Student Ambassadors Plan Tours

A number of MTSU students will be visiting area high schools this year as part of the ASB sponsored Student Ambassador Program.

Their first trip will be made on Tuesday to Franklin County High School in Winchester and to Manchester Central High in Manchester, according to Bobby Sands, program director.

The trips of the student ambassadors entail a sort of day-long good-will tour with college students entertaining and recommending their institution to interested high schoolers. Two or three schools will be visited on each trip.

According to Sands, a troupe of about 32 MTSU students -- usually including the Phi Mu Alpha stage band or other campus entertainers, ASB officials, and one graduate from each of the high schools to be visited -- will accompany each of the eight tours planned for this year.

Campaign Promise

The Student Ambassador Program was originally initiated as one of the planks of the campaign platform of Jim Free when he successfully vied for ASB president two years ago. "I wanted to get our students involved in the recruiting of high school students to our campus," Free remembers. "I think this is a place that the ASB definitely needs to be because we as students are in a better place to discuss our school's merits with other (high school) students." Free, now employed with MTSU's field services department, will serve as faculty advisor for the present program.

During that first year the new ASB group made trips to Chattanooga, McMinnville and Columbia under the organization of Bryant Millsaps, then secretary of student affairs, and M. A. Norman, who addressed the schools between entertainment



ORGANIZING AMBASSADORS for the coming eight tours are Jerry Cunningham and Gary Hall. Bobby Sands, director, was not present for the picture.

performances.

"Phi Mu Alpha did most of the work as far as impressing the students was concerned," added Free. "I feel sure now that Van Martin's administration is going to take our meager beginning and really go to town on it."

Already plans have mushroomed under the direction of Gary Hall, Nashville senior serving as secretary of external affairs for ASB, Bobby Sands, Lynnville sophomore serving as Student Ambassador Program director, and Jerry Cunningham, Columbia sopho-

more acting as Sands' assistant.

Separate Budgets

"Last year they had difficulties organizing student ambassador trips not because of a lack of student interest or enthusiasm but because of a lack of funds," explained Sands. He said that the total available for operating the program totaled around \$350.

This year, however, a separate budget has been prepared for the program and Sands expects about \$1800.

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Goforth Heads Sidelines Staff

Michael Goforth, editor-in-chief of the fall semester SIDELINES, has announced other staff members, whose work began with the publishing of this first regular newspaper of the semester.

David Word, Memphis junior, and Wanda Ensor, Oak Ridge sophomore, will serve as Managing Editors. Acting as feature editor will be Paulette Fox, Nashville junior, and Bobby Sands, Lynnville sophomore, will be news editor.

Gary Davenport, Chattanooga sophomore, will be sports editor again this semester. Bob Wagner, Logansport, Ind. junior, will serve as circulation manager. Jackie Crownover, Murfreesboro junior, is business manager.

In addition to the new staff members, the SIDELINES will be operating under two new faculty members. Miss Rosalind Elston began her work at MTSU during the summer semester and will continue as production supervisor during the coming year.

Mrs. Anne W. Nunamaker is the new SIDELINES advisor

The student newspaper will be published throughout the semester each Monday and Thursday.

Any students interested in working on the staff, either in the editorial or business departments, should come by the SIDELINES office in the basement of the Student Union Building or contact editor Michael Goforth, Box 42.

Scholarship Fund Honors Late Lt. Patrick McBride

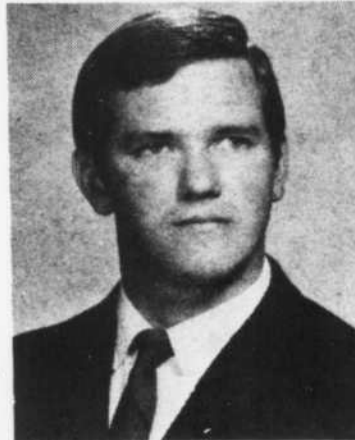
The Office of Development at MTSU has announced the establishment of a memorial scholarship fund to honor the late Lt. Patrick McBride.

McBride, a 1967 graduate of MTSU, was killed on August 11 in a training accident while serving in Germany.

Annual awards will be made from the memorial fund to worthy and deserving students attending MTSU. The final details are yet to be completed, but tentative plans call for the first award to be made in the fall of 1970.

McBride took advanced ROTC and obtained the rank of cadet captain. He was also a member of the Track and Sabre Club and was designated a distinguished military graduate.

While at MTSU McBride was a member of the Buchanan Players and the ASB House of Representatives. He was a charter member of Chi Alpha Pi



MCBRIDE

and did graduate work here.

According to John Hood, director of development, anyone wishing to make a gift to be added to the McBride Fund may do so by sending it to the Middle Tennessee State University Foundation.

MacLean, Martin Attend Presidents' Conference

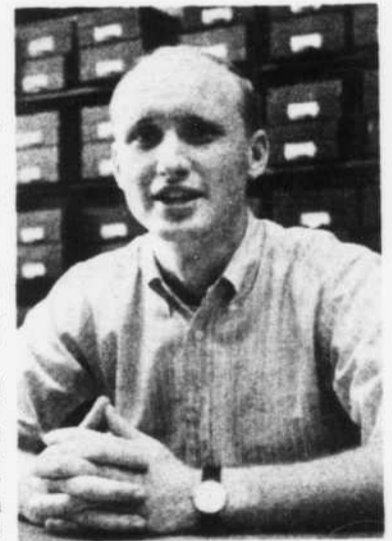
Robert J. MacLean, dean of students, and Van Martin, ASB president, were two of the more than 700 delegates who attended the first annual "Presidents' Conference" sponsored by the Association of Student Governments this past weekend at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington, D.C.

More than 300 campuses across the nation were represented by a member of the student government and the administration.

Among those that participated in this educational endeavor are: Robert Finch, Secretary of Health, Educational, and Welfare; Walter G. Davis, Director of the Department of Education for the AFL-CIO; Dr. James Allen, Jr., U.S. Commissioner of Education; General Lewis B. Hershey, Director of the Selective Service; and Chairman Edith Green of the House Special Subcommittee on Education.

The Conference, developed specifically for campus leaders, hopes to eliminate much of the confusion and misunderstanding which have plagued campuses in the past by creating a forum for the mutual exchange of information and ideas relevant to the pressing needs of higher education.

The Association of Student Governments is a national, non-profit, non-partisan, educational organization which represents over 300 colleges and through their respective student government organizations.



MARTIN

Martin to Address Sophomore Class

Van Martin, ASB president, will address the first meeting of the Sophomore class for 1969 according to Bobby Sands, sophomore class president.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 24, in the University Center Theatre. Martin will discuss the role of the individual student in student affairs.

Topics to be considered by the class will be homecoming preparations, and class organization.

Powder Puffs Get Rougher Treatment Than Expected

If you saw many young freshman girls limping around the campus last week, many with bruises and cuts, you may have wondered what was going on. Is this a normal occurrence of Freshman Week? Does it take that much energy to walk to class?

For the first time this year many freshman girls volunteered for a powder puff football game, which was played Friday night at 5:30 p.m. on the football field. They didn't know it, but they were soon to get rougher treatment than the regular boy's team. What the boys learn in a months practice, the girls had to learn in a week.

About the time the girls were really sore from practicing and thoroughly confused with the many plays they had to remember, it was time for the game to start.

The two teams took the field, accompanied by their coaches--fraternities Lambda Psi and Kappa Alpha. Lambda Psi

scored a safety on the second play of the game by rushing the quarterback in the end zone. The score remained 2-0 until close to half-time. Kappa Alpha ran across the goal line for a touchdown. The extra point attempt failed.

During half-time everyone on the field followed the cheerleaders over to the buses where Murfreesboro's "real" football team was leaving for Pensacola. After cheering them on to Florida, the girls had about ten minutes to rest up for the next half. Since it was getting dark, the next two quarters lasted eight minutes each with the clock running. The only scoring done in this half was a safety scored in the fourth quarter by Kappa Alpha to make the score 8-2. Kappa Alpha went on to be the victors.

Immediately after the game, the coaches and girls were served watermelon. Many of the girls commented that if they haven't learned anything from Freshman Week, at least they have learned about football.

New Freshmen Experience Confusion And Aloneness

By Jill Woodworth

Soon after his parents leave, the freshman experiences a curious mixture of confusion and aloneness. Meeting hosts of strangers does not diminish these feelings.

Moving into the dorm is the first initiation into the collegiate society. This experience is designed to exhaust, confuse, and ultimately subject the freshman. The move into the dormitory completes the task registration began. At the termination of these rites the freshman is easily manipulated, individually or in large groups, by his superiors (professors, dorm mothers, upperclassmen, computers, and janitors).

Supervisors can recognize the satisfactorily subdued freshman by the symbol he dons--the "T-cap". By wearing the "T-cap", the freshman signifies his susceptibility to pressure, his lack of individuality, and his willingness to pay for the privilege of identifying himself with others as manageable as himself, and demonstrates his desire to assimilate whatever the cost to dignity and self-respect. The T-capped freshman would eagerly wear an arm band, a sign around his neck, or a ring in his nose if his superiors required this of him.

The freshman finds that though he seems perpetually confused and lost, he is not without willing assistants. He has only to mill about, clutching his computer-registration

form, plaintively inquiring, "But how can I go to room

476 in a three story building?" and shortly an angel of mercy (in the form of a superior) will appear before his glazed eyes and explain sublimely that "476" represents the 'call number' of the course and that the course is actually in room 312 and that the class ended an hour and fifteen minutes ago and that

the freshman is thus late to his next class which is on the opposite side of the campus.

Bewildered freshmen fill the bookstore until it resembles the bargain basement of a metropolitan department store, purchasing with fervid abandon items they neither want nor need. They crowd the cafeterias and hold up lines fumbling for their meal ticket certifications, and correct change. They lock themselves out of their dorm rooms an average of three times daily.

They lose the combinations to their post office boxes; forget the cafeteria hours, the dormitory regulations, their roommate's name, the location of their dormitory, and even their own home phone number. They sit through a class for fifteen minutes before they realize they're in a second year German class instead of in elementary biology.

After bandaging blistered feet with yards of adhesive tape, the freshman class becomes very automobile-conscious, staring with frank envy after Cougars, Mustangs, GTO's, and eventually, even Volkswagens.

The freshman learns to make friends (not a difficult task on so friendly a campus), relearns the art of walking, discovers how to prepare everything from coffee to chocolate souffle in a popcorn popper, learns to adjust to living with a variety of personalities, to be tolerant and to respect differences in people, and to somehow find his way around the campus--all within the first week. Perhaps by the end of the semester, the freshman can also learn why he is on campus and what he is supposed to be doing here.

Alpha Pi Omega Awaits Recognition

Alpha Pi Omega, founded on May 18, 1969, is awaiting recognition from the University. The fraternity was organized by seven founders and now consists of 28 charter members.

Since their first organizational meeting the fraternity has been involved in many activities and duties. One of their first projects was to secure a house for the use of the fraternity. Through the help of Walton R. Guyton, Province 8 Chief of Alpha Tau Omega, they have set up correspondence with ATO.

Their activities during the past summer were under the supervision of Jim Ormond, acting chairman. Other acting officers include Harold Hayes, corresponding secretary; Mike Burroughs, treasurer; and Andy Dunn, recording secretary. At their next meeting, the fraternity plans to elect officers for the next year. They will also vote on a faculty advisor for the fraternity.

Sigma Pi Kappa Grows to Forty

On April 28, 1969, Sigma Pi Kappa Fraternity was organized by nine founders. During this short time, they have grown to an active membership of 40.

Throughout the summer the members were very busy organizing and planning for their new fraternity. Securing a house and setting up correspondence with Pi Kappa Alpha national fraternity were their major projects during the summer.

Through the help of Robert LaLance, dean of men, a special screening committee will be formed. During the next week, Sigma Pi Kappa will be reviewed by this committee to receive official recognition from the University.

Leading Sigma Pi Kappa is Tomny Rainy, a junior at MTSU. Other officers include Terry Huff, vice-president; Jim Barr, recording secretary; Craig Wilson, corresponding secretary; Chris Heller, treasurer; and Jim Taylor, social chairman.

MTSU Picked As Test Center For National Teacher Exam

MTSU has been designated as a test center for administering the National Teacher Examinations on Nov. 8, 1969, James A. Martin, Director of Guidance and Testing announced today.

College seniors preparing to teach and teachers applying for positions in school systems which encourage or require applicants to submit their scores on the National Teacher Examinations along with their other credentials are eligible to take the tests. Last year more than 107,000 candidates took the examinations, which are prepared and administered by Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N. J.

The designation of MTSU as a test center for these examinations will give prospective

teachers in this area an opportunity to compare their performance on the examinations with candidates throughout the country who take the tests, Dr. Martin said.

At the one-day session a candidate may take the Common Examinations, which include tests in Professional Education and General Education, and one of the 15 Teaching Area Examinations which are designed to evaluate his understanding of the subject matter and methods applicable to the area he may be assigned to teach.

Bulletins of Information describing registration procedures and containing registration forms may be obtained from James A. Martin, Room 209, Cope Administration Building, MTSU, Murfreesboro, Tennessee or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, box 911, Princeton, N. J., 08540. Prospective teachers planning to take the test should obtain their Bulletins of Information promptly, Martin advised.

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Peay, Columbia Community College or the University of Tennessee. It follows, therefore, that the state cannot award a degree at one college without ROTC while denying a student at MTSU a degree unless he takes two years of military training," Parks stated.

Parks said that, as far as he knows, no one has challenged the constitutionality of mandatory ROTC in the nation's courts. But he added that should someone decide to do so, "he could win hands down." He said that the state board of education realizes this, too, and has indicated a willingness to withdraw mandatory programs if asked to do so by individual institutions.

Cliff Gillespie, Speaker of the House and a student member of the study committee appointed by Scarlett, was optimistic about the actions of the State Board. He said, "I am confident that it will pass in November."

House, Senate Meet Thurs.

The first meeting of the ASB House and Senate will be held Thursday night.

The House will meet at 6:30 in room 322 of the UC, and the Senate meeting will be in room 308, UC, also at 6:30.

Danforth Foundation Offers Fellowships

Inquiries about the Danforth Graduate Fellowships, to be awarded in March, 1970, are invited according to William M. Beasley of the MTSU English Department, the local Danforth representative.

The Fellowships, offered by the Danforth Foundation of St. Louis, Mo., are open to men and women who are seniors or recent graduates of accredited colleges in the United States, who have serious interest in college teaching as a career, and who plan to study for a Ph.D. in a field common to the undergraduate college. Applicants may be single or married, must be less than 30 years of age at the time of application, and may not have undertaken any graduate or professional study beyond the baccalaureate.

Approximately 120 fellowships will be awarded in March, 1970. Candidates must be nominated by liaison officers of their undergraduate institutions by Nov. 1, 1969. The Foundation does not accept direct applications for the Fellowships.

Danforth Graduate Fellows are eligible for four years of financial assistance, with a maximum annual living stipend of \$2400 for single fellows and \$2950 for married fellows, plus tuition and fees. Dependency allowances are available. Financial need is not a condition for consideration.

Danforth Fellows may hold certain other fellowships such as Ford, Fulbright, National

Wright, Harvin Entertain At Faculty Recital Tuesday

Neil Wright, baritone, assisted by Laurence Harvin, violinist, will be presented in Faculty Recital Tuesday evening, Sept. 23 by the music department of MTSU.

The program will be held in the University Center Auditorium and Margaret Wright and Phillip Howard of the music faculty will serve as accompanists.

This program will be open to the general public and all are cordially invited to attend. The program will be as follows: The Song of Momus to Mars.... Dr. William Boyce; The Ash Grove....Arrangement Benjamin Britten; Presto, Presto

Io M'innamoro....Fiovanni Mazzaferata O Bellissimi Capelli....Andrea Faleonieri; Mephistopheles' Serenade (Faust)Charles Gounod; O God, Have Mercy (St. Paul)...Felix Mendelssohn (Me. Wright); Sonata in D Major....Jean Leclair (Harvin); There Is a Lady Sweet and Kind....Norman Dello Joio; So We'll Go No More A'RovingNeil Wright III; Rain Has Fallen....Samuel Barber; Dover Beach....Samuel Barber; Twentieth Century....Martin Kalmanoff (Wright).

Lambda Psi Announces

Nationalization

Lambda Psi Fraternity, chapter-elect of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, has recently announced its nationalization plans for December 13, 1969.

This past June, eight representatives attended the national convention in San Francisco. By a unanimous vote, Lambda Psi was granted a charter is SAE. Thirteen locals from across the nation received the right to petition the national convention. Of these thirteen, eleven were granted charters. Lambda Psi was one of three locals to pass the convention unanimously.

The highlight of the weekend's activities will be the installation of Lambda Psi as the Tennessee Beta chapter of SAE on December 13.

Weems Predicts 7,500 Enrollment

In October, John Weems, dean of admissions, made a projection for the fall semester, 1969 enrollment of 7,320 persons.

With the opening of Motlow Community College and the University of Tennessee Chattanooga, Weems revised his estimate in the early summer of 1969 to suggest an enrollment of 7,200.

When the last day of registration closed this week there were 7,335 students enrolled. In view of past experience Weems stated Friday that with eight more days for late enrollment it was "very probable" that the enrollment this year would pass 7,400 and possibly would exceed 7,500.

In 1968 the fall semester enrollment was 6,779. "We are pleased that both our original projection of October 1968 and the revised figure have both been exceeded", Weems stated.

Ambassadors...

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"The program is so much expanded, so much improved over last year's that it's like starting a completely new program," Sands said. "I think the student ambassador program has the potential to become the one program that does more for our school than any other because this is something new, something operated by students and for students," he added.

In describing the program format, Gary Hall emphasized that "There will be no films--this is one of the most boring things high school students have to put up with. Our programs will consist of one-act plays, band performances and a short speech telling a few of the things about our school and what we're trying to do here," he said. "Of course our overall purpose is to bring more superior students to MTSU."

A second facet of the program, Hall said, will be to bring about 125 high school seniors here for a leadership conference on Oct. 4. Plans for that conference will be announced later, he said.

ASB officials are currently considering ambassador visits to Lebanon High School, Portland High, Galatin High, three schools in the Chattanooga area, Columbia State College, Columbia Central High, Martin College, Giles County High, Murfreesboro Central, Smyrna High, Franklin High, Springfield

High, Clarksville High, Fayetteville Central High, Marshall County Senior High and Shelbyville High.

Sands added that although the program has already tripled the scope of last year's pilot program, "We hope to be able to expand every year."

"The administration has been extremely cooperative," he said. "Dr. Scarlett, Dr. Wagner, Mr. Sloan and Mr. Abernathy have all been very receptive to our plans. They have shown real enthusiasm, but of course we know that their continued enthusiasm depends on how we carry out this year's program. I hope our performance on this project will merit their continued support and enthusiasm."

Photo Schedule Announced

Lym Womack, Midlander editor, has announced the following picture schedule for this week, September 22-25, Monday through Thursday.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday pictures will be made of MTSU faculty and students from 1-4:30 p.m. in room 122 of the Old Main.

On Thursday, pictures will be made from 5-8 p.m.

The cost will be \$2 for six billfold size pictures.

Vandals Spoil Melon Cutting

Vandals spoiled plans for another watermelon cutting on the campus picnic grounds scheduled for 4 p.m. today by destroying some 80 watermelons left over from Friday's picnic according to Bart Gordon, Secretary of Freshman Affairs.

The vandals struck Saturday night smashing the remaining melons.



Science, Rhodes, etc. concurrently and will be Danforth Fellows without stipend until the other awards lapse. Danforth Fellows may also be designated Woodrow Wilson Fellows.

The Danforth Foundation, created by the late Mr. and Mrs. William H. Danforth in 1927, is a philanthropy concerned primarily with people and values. Over the years the work of the Foundation, while oriented toward these concerns, has taken varied forms depending upon changing circumstances and the presence of promising opportunities for constructive action. Presently the Foundation focuses its activities in two major areas, education and urban affairs.

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New Semester Brings Hope of Another Great Year

The past year has brought striking change to the MTSU campus. With the coming of a new president the administration of the University has become increasingly aware of student opinion and has offered a listening ear to the requests of the student government.

For the first time, the Associated Student Body actually became involved in governmental matters last year. This combination of the administration and ASB experiencing this change has resulted in several major policy changes at MTSU. For example, the liberalization of campus rules, the faculty evaluation, and the ROTC proposal now before the State Board of Education are all results of the University administration and ASB working together.

The past year brings great hope for the coming year. The work of making MTSU a modern regional university is far from being done; there are still many areas that need reform, and the results of the past year are only a start in the right direction.

With the beginning of a new year and a new SIDELINES staff new objectives and goals of the campus newspaper must be outlined.

The SIDELINES will continue to demand effective and responsible ASB actions and in turn to expect the university administration to show respect to student government.

The goals of the SIDELINES will be to see a follow-up on modernization of coed rules, an area where there is still great room for improvement; a more effective student discipline system created; more interest in campus affairs shown by the student body; improvement in academic areas and the faculty evaluation program; scholarships provided student government officers, and an increased ASB budget; the acquiring of a campus television station; the establishment of a new system of programing and provisions made for a more effective campus police department.

It will also be the objective of this newspaper to promote better race relations at MTSU. And if the SIDELINES should come under fire from alumni, faculty, administration, or students because of these just and honorable objectives, we will not yield but continue this policy until no longer allowed to do so.

Lerner: Nixon's Time Strategy

Troop Withdrawal Draft Suspension To Cut-Down On Domestic Problems

By Max Lerner

Did anyone ever dream that an era would come when the national Administration's military-political forces would be geared to the opening of the schools? Yet that is exactly what is happening on the Vietnamese war and the draft.

The withdrawal of 40,000 American troops between now and the end of November, which is bitter tea for Thieu and Ky to drink, has been deemed crucial in Washington if the campuses this fall are not to break out into angry violence again.

This goes also for the hints about the suspension of the draft for a spell, while one of those task-force study groups broods on the problem. It accounts also for what will probably be a draft revision involving 19-year-olds only.

Clearly President Nixon hopes that a combination of troop withdrawal and draft suspension should give him a little longer spell of freedom from domestic confrontations in which to go on with the peace-front battle of will and patience with Hanoi.

In most wars of the past the effort has been to win space. In the Vietnamese war a new time dimension has been added, and the formula has become an Einsteinian space-time formula. If Vice President Ky is right -- and he was right in his original announcement about the 40,000-troop withdrawal -- Mr. Nixon's aim is to have 200,000 men out of the war by the end of 1970. This means cutting the American military presence by less than half, but by much more than half of the actual fighting men.

The logic of President Nixon's time strategy is fairly clear. The idea is to keep the student confrontations constantly off balance by making a series of concessions exactly at the turning points of popular impatience with the pace of peace. But the idea is also to keep the withdrawals from toppling the Thieu regime or undercutting the poor fighting morale of the South Vietnamese troops. For if the de-Americanizing of the war also means the re-Vietnamizing of it, it is essential from Mr. Nixon's standpoint -- and those of Ellsworth Bunker's and Gen. Creighton Abrams' -- that there be

some Vietnam core of strength around which the war can be re-Vietnamized.

I suspect that the Abrams-Bunker optimism about the growing exhaustion of the Viet Cong and Hanoi forces is again wishful, as such estimates have been in the past. But you don't have to agree with them to understand the thinking behind the President's time strategy.

A Yale political science professor, James Barber, has been working for several years at a new psychological approach to the political styles of American presidents. Among those he is studying is Richard Nixon's, and at the political science meetings a few weeks ago he gave a preview of his analysis of the President's way of thinking, feeling and acting.

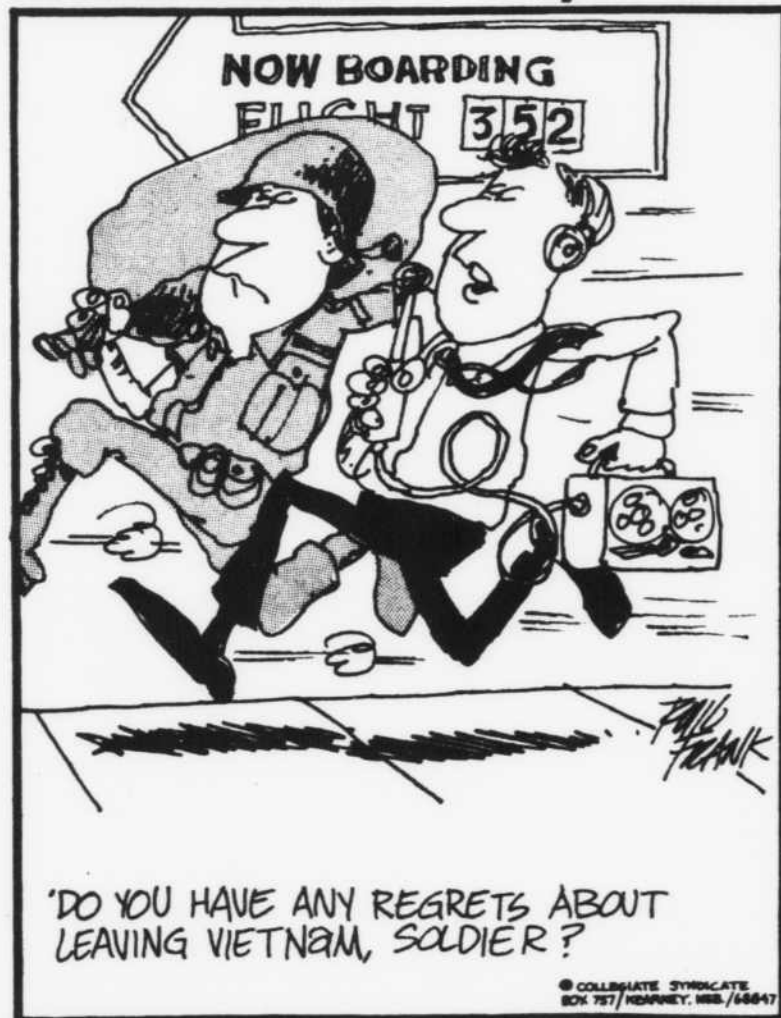
One assumption he makes in all his studies is that a president tends more or less to freeze his political style along the lines that gave him his first notable political success. How does this fit Mr. Nixon's present personality and his most crucial expression of it thus far--his effort to extricate America from the Vietnam embroilment?

Pretty clearly the Nixon case is more complex than most, because his successes came with his anti-Communist campaign and the Hiss-Chambers affair, and his tenure of presidential power is taking place in a wholly different emotional climate. The President has become far less of the Savonarola, far less crisis-oriented, far more of the wary tightrope walker.

I agree with Barber that Mr. Nixon's technique is to gather opinions and then isolate himself for decisions, and I agree also that his danger lies in the systole-diastole beat of his personality which vacillates between isolation and crisis-reaching.

In the lonely hours when he broods on how to get out of the war, his brooding is mainly about time and timing. But the same time obsession may also lead him to reach for his crisis thinking if his wary time strategy on Vietnam should fail to pay off.

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Letter to Mom

Bill Mauldin

Unfinished High-Rise
Is Rather Inconvenient

By Paulette Fox

Dear Mom,

Well, I have finished registering, and I got nearly every thing I wanted. I am staying in the new high rise dorm or more specifically High-rise East (such imagination--wonder how long it took them to think that name up).

It really will be a nice dorm--when they get it finished. Actually it isn't all that bad. I mean I do have a bed; even though it isn't too big. My feet tend to hang off the edge of the bed, but I understand that fresh air helps to prevent athlete's foot. However, something will have to be done about my sheets dragging the floor; they get dirty too easily.

We don't have much room to store our clothes so I have to keep my rollers in a small suitcase under the dresser. But you can't see the suitcase for all the trash in front of it. It seems that our wastepaper cans haven't come yet. Actually there is a good reason for this delay. You see the incinerators don't work yet, and there would be no place to empty the cans if we had them.

I have a real nice desk even though the drawer is only two inches deep, just the right size to keep one's pencils but nothing else. I would hate to sound like a student protestor. . . but it would be nice if they would give us chairs so we could sit at our new desks.

Don't worry, Mom, because if we never get our chairs, I can always study in the study room. It features the newest concept in designing; to make sure the sound didn't bounce off the chairs, they didn't put any furniture in there. If it gets too crowded in the study room, I can always go to the T.V. room and study. Not only do they not have a television in

the T.V. room, but they also do not have furniture.

We have real nice bathrooms, and it would be even groovier if they would finish the showers. I really don't mind climbing under a ladder to get to the shower. It is having to lay my clothes on the floor that bothers me.

Actually these are rather minor inconveniences. As soon as the lobby gets finished. . . oh, didn't I tell you? Well, it is coming right along, and when the floor is finished we will at least be able to sit and talk to our guests. It shouldn't take them too long then to finish the walls and to bring the furniture in.

Really it is rather exciting living here--like it's almost an experiment in coeducational living. I mean there are construction workers all over the place, and construction workers are so cool. It really does something to your system to walk out of your room in the morning and see male faces when you haven't really woken up yet. . . probably does something to their systems too.

And guess what! This morning my roommate and I were awakened by a man serenading us. Actually he was walking down the hall whistling 'Dixie.' The problems were that I didn't want to wake up at 9:00, and I absolutely hate the song. Besides he was off-key.

I shouldn't complain because the view up here is fantastical. We are situated out in a former cow pasture, and for miles you can see nothing but dirt.

I really am thankful and all that for a new dorm, but please mom will you send me a chair, a wastepaper can, shorter sheets, storage boxes, and an ironing board and. . .



"EVERYBODY WANTS TO MOVE INTO IT, BUT NOBODY WANTS TO LIVE IN IT."

Mankiewicz & Braden: A Double Standard for Judicial Ethics

Griffin Devises Novel Double Standard

WASHINGTON--Sen. Robert Griffin (R-Mich.), who led the charge that finally forced the resignation of Abe Fortas, has devised a novel double standard of judicial ethics. He announced, on the eve of the hearings on the confirmation of Clement Haynsworth's nomination to the Supreme Court, that he will vote for confirmation.

The new doctrine thus seems to define a conflict of interest for a judge as insignificant if he is properly conservative but grounds for impeachment if he is a liberal and member in good standing of the "Warren Court."

On the record, Judge Haynsworth's conflict of interest and ethics is, if anything, stronger than Fortas'. The difference seems to be that Fortas supported the main thrust of the Supreme Court's activism in the past decade, particularly in matters of race, labor and civil liberties, and Haynsworth has opposed it.

Fortas agreed to accept a \$20,000 annual payment (to go to his wife after his death) for unspecified work from the foundation controlled by Louis Wolfson, a financier in trouble with the Securities and Exchange Commission. He later returned the only payment and was, in fact, far less than candid about the whole affair. For that, Sen. Griffin and others quite properly called for--and got--his resignation.

Haynsworth was an officer and a director and a major shareholder (and his wife was at least the corporate secretary) of an automatic vending machine company for seven years after he went on the Court of Appeals. In 1964 his was the decisive vote in favor of a company with whom his vending machine company was doing a substantial business. While he was considering the case, his company doubled its business with the ultimate winner, and he sold his stock six months later for \$450,000. He had paid about \$2,500.

Neither of these acts was criminal; neither was illegal. No one seriously proposes that a law was violated by either Fortas

or Haynsworth (although Atty. Gen. John Mitchell did his best to stimulate suspicion that Fortas did). Nor is there a suggestion that Haynsworth personally profited from his decision, or that Fortas would not have disqualified himself from a case involving Wolfson.

What is involved--what is very seriously suggested--is that both men acted improperly, without a sufficient sensitivity to the appearance of conflict of interest, and by that degrading of the judiciary indicated their unfitness for the high bench.

The whole notion of conflict of interest--and the requirement that a judge disqualify himself where it exists--lies in appearance and judgment. If Haynsworth had made money out of his decision, the Senate would not be debating his confirmation but his impeachment. We demand, after all, something more of our high judges than we do of those who labor in the market place where a certain jovial disdain for ethics, as the saying has it, "goes with the territory."

The Senate's Judiciary Committee should demand of Haynsworth that he do better by way of explanation than either he or his supporters have done to date. He says that he "orally" resigned as vice president of the vending machine company when he went on the bench. But the committee members should find out why the minutes of the corporation show him in that office seven years later, why his wife remained as secretary, why Haynsworth himself remained as director and why, five years later, he became a trustee of the profit-sharing plan.

For that matter, they ought to find out why this nominee of an administration pledged to law and order did not sell any of his stock, as the Canons of Judicial Ethics expressly require him to do, and why he did not disqualify himself from a case where his company was very much involved.

As for the emerging Griffin rule, it would seem that the country needs one standard of judicial ethics, before we try for two.

Letter

Math Instructor
Points Out
Omission of Study

To the Editor

I note with amusement that in your article "There is Plenty to Do at MTSU", in the September 18 issue, you do not mention study. Perhaps this is one of

the activities that the new student will find out, as you say, "by experience".

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Instructor, Math.
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Letter Writing
Policy Outlined

Letters to the editor should be sent to Michael Goforth, P.O. Box 42, Campus Mail. They must be signed, as the name will be printed except in unusual instances.

Names will be withheld only by decision of the editorial board or the editor-in-chief. All letters, however, will be kept on file as submitted and will not be released.

Choobus, Wright Shine; Raiders Fall to Pensacola by 26-20 Count

Pensacola Navy's Gene Arnette threw three touchdowns in leading the Goshawks to a hard-fighting 26-20 victory over Middle Tennessee State Saturday night. Nares Choobus proved the brightest spot-of-blue as he kicked two field goals and two extra points for the Raiders.

Choobus opened up the scoring for the night with a 38-yard field goal, and MTSU led at the end of the first quarter by a 3-0 margin. But Navy got its offense to rolling early in the second quarter and finished the half with an 18-3 lead.

The Goshawks scored on a four-yard pass from Arnette to John Pittman, an eight yarder from Arnette to Banks, and a seven yard Pittman run.

The third quarter proved the best for MTSU, as they scored 10 points. Their first touchdown of the game and the season came on a Bobby Gatlin to Gary Wright pass covering 20 yards, with Choobus kicking the extra point, and later adding another field goal, this time covering 32 yards.

Pittman caught another Arnette pass in the final period to put the victory icing on the

cake, but the fighting Blue Raiders weren't through yet.

Bill Griffith went to the air in a desperation effort to get the Blue back in the ballgame, and moved the team well. Gary Wright capped the drive by scoring his second TD of the game on a 16-yarder from Griffith.

Choobus added his eighth point with his extra point, and the game ended minutes later.

	Navy	MTSU
First Downs	17	11
Rushing Yardage	153	20
Passing Yardage	216	190
Return Yardage	133	83
Passes	21-37-1	11-29-1
Punts	6-28.0	5-34.0
Fumbles Lost	1	2
Yards Penalized	100	30

Pensacola held a 17-11 advantage in first downs, a 153-20 rushing total, and passed for 216 yards compared to the 180 for MTSU.

The Raiders travel to Morehead next Saturday night for their encounter there, before opening the home season the following weekend against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.



WRIGHT

A Long Hard Look at New Coaches

by SUE PORTER

William Peck is another new member of Coach Fuoss's staff. He is a native of Nackensack, N.J. He comes to MTSU from North Illinois University where he served as end coach and offensive co-ordinator for the past four years. Prior to his NIU appointment he coached at Ridgefield Park and Paramus in New Jersey.

His Paramus 1963 team was ranked as State Prep Champs-Group III.



PECK

Peck did his undergraduate work at Stetson University where he was a member of the football team. From there, he went to Leesburg, Fla., as head coach and played tackle on the Orlando pro team of the Continental League.

Peck's area of concentration will be the defensive tackles and middle guards.

Jim Finley, former pass receiving great at Purdue University is another new member of the football staff.

A native of Dwight, Ill., Finley comes to MTSU from Honey Creek High School (Ill.) where he served as head football and head track coach.



FINLEY

While at Dwight, he excelled in all competitive sports and won 10 letters. He was voted to the AP's All-State football team as a quarterback. (This was the first time a school with less than 500 enrolled was represented.)

While at Purdue, Finley set a pass receiving record against Michigan with 11 receptions for 154 yards. The total yard record has since been broken, but the 11 receptions still hold.

Coach Finley holds a B.S. and Master of Science degree from Purdue. He and his wife, the former Karen Von Qualen, are the parents of a six month old boy, Scott William. Finley will handle the ends and flankers as his main assignment.



CATAVOLOS

George Catavolos rounds out the staff of Fuoss's coaches. He also hails from Purdue, where he was a starting defensive back.

This new Raider coach played three years for the Boilermakers and ranked third in the Big 10 in passes broken up and touchdown saves.

After graduating from Purdue, Catavolos gave pro football a whirl in the next two years with both the Philadelphia Eagles and Cincinnati Bengals.

Both times he returned to Purdue to work on his masters and assist the coaching staff. He holds the B.A. and M.A. degrees from Purdue. His area of concentration is defensive backfield.

Volleyball to Begin

The women's intramural volleyball will begin October 6, according to Miss Landreth, the director of the women's division, with a deadline set for September 29 on all entries.

Each entry should include a team name, team captain, and a box number for that captain, along with a roster of the team members.

A restriction is set for the members. They must have at least 10 players on the team, and no more than five can be physical education majors.

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The Peeled Eye
with gary davenport



Ra-Ra-Ra

There's a spot of blue in big orange country, watch it grow. In as few words as possible, this describes the ambition of Bill Yarbrough. He's got some ideas, and he's trying to get others to join in and make these dreams reality. I believe he's on the right track.

Bill was appointed by ASB President Van Martin to get the pep and spirit "up" at this university. Their conversation went like this:

Van: I'd like to do something to build up the spirit and pep at this University.

Bill: I'd like to do it.

Van: Well, I don't know, Bill. I'll tell you what, take a few days to play with some ideas, and then come back and discuss them with me and we'll decide then.

Well, Bill began to "play" with some ideas. One is the slogan about the spot of blue, but it was only the beginning. Next came the idea of a pep club, then of signs outside of the city limits of Murfreesboro, and finally the idea of the club getting organized and traveling to the out-of-town games and showing our support of the team.

Things were beginning to materialize around this time, and as the freshman saw in a class meeting last week, they were good. I heard about it at this meeting while standing back stage, and decided to back those ideas.

Bill has this plan for the club: We want to call it the blue Wave, but we need people to sorta head the club. We plan to organize a goon squad, composed of two representatives from each fraternity and sorority, and add 8-10 independents. A few spots are left open right now and the freshmen will be picked up at a later date this week.

Membership Drive Begins

A membership drive will begin today, and run until Thursday of this week. At the end of the week we will elect a president, and then go to work.

"Let's face it, MTSU isn't a tractor-farmer school anymore. We're not the same size as some of our neighbors, but we're competing with them and we ought to get busy and let them hear about us here."

"Sure people may laugh at the idea, and say we're silly, and I don't mind this. BUT I don't want to hear them laugh unless they have a better idea."

Each member of the club will receive a membership card, a Blue Wave badge, and a cow bell. They will also have the opportunity to get special decals to put on their cars, something like: Raiders Reign Supreme in 69-70.

"Let me be quick to add that we don't have to win every ballgame to have good spirit and pep. Of course winning does help, but doesn't pep help to win ballgames? In a sense of the word the students lose when the team loses; we are MTSU, not just the boys on the team."

Ideas will spread, and spread, and spread. They won't however, if you the students don't back them and get them to spread. Bill has some great ideas, but he can't develop them by himself.

I have one comment: Good.

Let Us Know

Anyone who wishes to write for the sports department of the SIDELINES is asked to either call me at 896-4293 or come by the office some time this week. Also anyone with a gripe or complaint is asked to send it through the campus mail to Box 8596.

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Harriers Take Win Over APSU

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Bob McLeer covered the four miles in a splendid 21:54.4, while APSU took second and third places.

Others running for the Raiders were Richard Russo, Myles Maillie, Homer Huffman, Bill Alred and Danny Crews. Their finishes were not known at press time.



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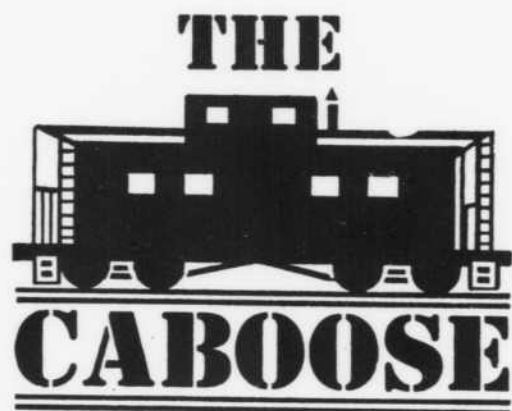
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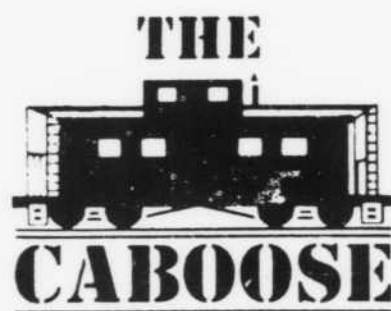
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