

Amendment protects yet meaning evades

by Doug Cole

The Buckley Amendment affects all areas of students' records and yet its real meaning evades not only students but administrators as well.

Passed by Congress in 1974, the act called the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, restricts the funding of institutions that violate the guidelines set down with the act.

"Personally identifiable" records are restricted from release without the written consent of the student, but for those students

under 18 years, consent must be gained from the parent.

Certain federal, state and university officials may, however, receive records without the consent of the student.

In the years after the act was passed, the question of how far an institution can go without violating a student's rights has not been solved.

"There is still some debate," Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions and records, said in regards to the posting of grades.

"The position taken by this institution is the same as that

taken by many others. Grades can be posted if a student is given the choice or if they are posted in some non-recognizable fashion," he said.

Though it is not mandatory that grades be posted, many teachers feel it is important a student know what grade they are getting, Gillespie added.

Another area in question is whether a person who has applied to the university but was refused admission has a right to see their record.

The Buckley Amendment says no, but generally the university

will allow a student to see their record, Gillespie said.

Paul Cantrell, dean of students, pointed out that MTSU had its own policy printed in Rescue the student handbook.

This policy defines 'educational records' 'student' and 'directory information' along with stating who has access to the records. It also provides a chart with information concerning the type and purpose of record, information contained in the record, persons with access, the custodian of the record and who reviews the records.

The Higher Education Act of 1965 also requires that academic and disciplinary records be kept separate, Cantrell said.

According to Martha Turner, director of the placement office, the Buckley Amendment had the greatest effect on letters of recommendation.

Prior to the passage of the act, a student could not see the letters of recommendation. Now they are considered to be included in the accessible group of records.

Turner went on to say that an employer will know that a student has seen the letters of recom-

mendation. At the Rocky Mountain College Placement Association Conference in 1977, employers voted 5-1 in favor of confidential forms as opposed to open ones.

"We've always tried to safeguard any information for the student and his right to privacy," Turner said.

"Initially there was a problem with getting everything straightened out, but the university had been working on protection of student rights before the Buckley Amendment was passed," she added.

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WMOT plans expansion

Dwight Kinzer is seen here taking advantage of the broadcasting internships available to all MTSU students. Recent plans

to begin broadcasting 24-hours on the weekends have increased the need for student workers. For a complete look at

WMOT's plans for expansion, see FOCUS in Tuesday's edition of Sidelines.

photo by KAREN ZIMMERMANN

THEC may limit Ph.D. programs

by Karen Zimmermann

The Tennessee Higher Education Commission will vote tomorrow on the controversial plan to limit any new doctoral programs to the state's two comprehensive universities, University of Tennessee at Knoxville and Memphis State University.

The plan, if approved, would mean that no new doctoral programs will be approved in the next five years for MTSU.

"Whether or not that would also apply to the expansion of existing doctoral programs would depend on the vote tomorrow and on future requests for expansion," Sam Ingram, MTSU president said yesterday.

"THEC is reasonable in ap-

proving requests for new programs," Ingram added, "and it is not reasonable for them to approve requests when existing programs are short of students."

Ingram pointed to the fact that doctoral programs are very expensive and said, the general feeling is that there are currently enough programs to meet existing needs given the current reduced enrollments.

The THEC plan is opposed especially by Chancellor Roy Nicks of the State Board of Regents, who feels that the limitation would greatly hamper the expansion of Tennessee State University toward its goal of achieving comprehensive university status.

Robber apprehended

Two MTSU police officers got more than they bargained for when they stopped a car for faulty tail lights late Wednesday night.

Sgt. Willie H. Bullard and Officer Ed Luther radioed in the car's license plate number and were warned the driver to have his brake lights fixed when Murfreesboro police arrived with a warrant for the arrest for one of the occupants of the car.

Jeffrey W. Finley, 19, of Mount Herman, was arrested in connection with the Jan. 4 armed robbery of Buffalo Chips Arcade in Mem-

orial Boulevard. According to an employee of the Arcade, Finley took between \$150-\$180 and keys to the game machines from the cash register.

Arresting officers were Murfreesboro Police detective Sgt. Johnny Mosby and Sheriff's detective Gannon.

Detective Capt. Walter Gooch said Finley, who apparently has no prior arrest record, was not armed when arrested.

Finley is being charged with armed robbery and is scheduled for a Jan. 18 court appearance.

Briefly

Applications for Midlander editor are available in JUB 302B and must be returned by Jan. 22.

Applicants need not be on the present staff or mass communications majors. Experience is preferred, but not mandatory.

Randy James and Robert Parham have been selected by ASB President Mike McDonald to fill the senatorial vacancies left by the resignations of Cheryl Saggese and Dennis Poly.

James, a transfer student, is filling the vacancy for junior senator left by Saggese.

Parham, a transfer student who was on the senate at Gannon College, is filling the graduate senator vacancy.

Volunteer Jam V, the annual homecoming concert for the Charlie Daniels Band, will be broadcast live from Municipal Auditorium on Saturday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. over KDF-FM, Nashville. This year, proceeds from the concert will be donated to the T.J. Matrell Memorial Fund for Leukemia Research and the Van Zant/Gaines Memorial Fund.

Rapelling, combat, orienteering

Versatility required by the Forrest Raiders

Rapelling, hand-to-hand combat, orienteering, and escape and evasion tactics are a few of the field training exercises engaged in by MTSU's Forrest Raiders, according to Mark Gordon, senior ROTC student and commander of the Raiders.

Forrest Raiders is a campus organization opened to anyone with a 2.0 grade point average. But, according to Gordon, "You just can't come and join the Raiders, you have to earn it (your acceptance.)"

According to Gordon, when a

student begins the program he is known as a cadet and wears a green cap much like that of a baseball player.

During the course of the year, if the student passes his physical test, written exams and is passed by the review board, then he'll receive the coveted black beret, worn by the Raider members. It is possible to achieve this by the end of the student's first year, according to Gordon.

"It's an outdoor adventure training program," Gordon said. The simulated skirmishes held

MTSU ID accepted by merchants and bankers

by Karen Zimmermann

A random survey of 50 local merchants following a report that students may be having problems using their MTSU IDs when cashing checks showed that, in actuality, no problem exists.

Only one merchant, Revco Discount Drug Center in Mercury Plaza, refused to accept an MTSU ID as valid identification when writing a check.

However when contacted Monday, Danny Walters, manager of

the store, said that the policy was only in effect through Jan. 6, and that he was waiting for school to get back in session before accepting the checks.

"A lot of them (students) will write checks and move away and there's no way to run them down," Walters explained.

The survey, conducted Saturday and Monday by Sidelines staff members, covered businesses on the Square, Memorial Plaza, Mer-

during a December weekend at Cedars of Lebanon were an example. There cadets, under the leadership of Raider members,

attacked and counter-attacked the enemy groups to practice and to attain combat skills.

Gordon explained that one

doesn't have to be enlisted in the ROTC program to become a Raider, but that it's less ex-

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photo by LARRY McCORMACK

Mark Ferrell and Ben Williams are engaged in a many field training exercises practiced by the mock fight near the ROTC department, one of the Forrest Raiders.

New classes offer wide selection

by Angie Galloway
 Courses ranging from Promotion of Recordings to Shorthand for Males are among the courses being offered at MTSU this semester.
 Promotion of Recordings and Record Store Operations are new this spring in the Recording Industry Management department.
 "We had to run these courses in the spring because there were not enough teachers to run all of the courses this last fall," Geoffrey Hull, assistant professor of mass communications, said.
 "We alternated courses this year, but beginning next year this

should not be a problem," he added.
 Promotion of Recordings involves learning techniques of recordings promotion primarily through radio popularity charts. Students prepare tracking charts of radio stations, Hull said.
 Record Store Operations gets students involved in the problems in record retailing. According to Hull, "They learn about regular record store advertising, personnel, pricing and security."
 For mass communications students in all areas, Economic Analysis of the Media is being taught by Edward Daley, associate professor of Economics and

Finance, according to Barbara Haskew, department chairman of economics.
 It is running in the spring as a pilot project. The time and place will be decided later. This is an attempt to strengthen the students' understanding of the economic side of the media, Haskew said.
 Another class this spring will be Shorthand for Males. This course is designed to reduce sex-stereotyping. The course is not shown in the spring schedule, but will be offered at 11 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
 Also, being taught this semester is Death and Dying. According to Carl Freitag, associate professor of psychology teaching the course, it attempts to let people get in touch with their emotions

about death.
 "The students will design their own funeral and write their own epitaph," Freitag said.
 "We will discuss the embalmers art of making the dead look lifelike and peoples' denial of death," he said.
 The history department is offering a course in Development of Local Museums. It will examine the history of museums in the U.S. and will deal with the interplay between museums and Historical Preservation.
 Psychology for Women was taught about four years ago in a workshop as a pilot for a course, according to Jeanette Heritage, instructor for the course.
 "We will study the total aspects of the psychology of women, their

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WISE aids women who have problems, needs

by Angie Galloway
 WISE, Womens Information - Service for Educational and other needs, is open for all women who need help in career planning, financial aid, or any other problem according to June Anderson, chairperson for the program.
 Established on campus about 18 months ago, it is sponsored and worked by faculty women. Services are available for any woman who needs aid or educational help.
 "We get calls for legal aid, job searches, to help write resumes and to teach people to read," Anderson said.
 About 20-25 faculty women help answer the phone and do counseling. "We try to counsel people, but we refer them to the right people," she said.
 The phone is answered by a secretary five days a week from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. After these hours, a faculty woman will answer it or an answering machine takes messages and the person is called back in the morning. However, in cases of emergency, the person can get in touch with one of the teachers at home for help.
 "We encourage women to come in and chat with us anytime because the room we are in is open all the time," Anderson said.
 "WISE is the closest thing to a crises center that Murfreesboro has," she added.
 "We have been working closely with 'Welcome,' a help center which opened about two weeks ago on Bridge Street at the McFadden Community Center.
 "They have the money and we have the expertise. We are fi-

nanced completely by the faculty women. There is no university money, but they gave us a dorm room," Anderson said.
 The WISE room is not large enough for shelter to help abused children or battered women. However, "Welcome" has the needed facilities.
 WISE applied for a grant, but reply is not expected for a while. "Even if the grant is received, it won't be finalized until March," Anderson added.
 With the money from the grant, WISE wants to offer a free six week program for women on the basic skills of reading, writing and arithmetic. This will give women a chance to improve their opportunities in the job field or take courses in college.
 "We encourage women who did not finish or go to college to start taking courses. We discourage them from taking a full load the first time because too much of a load might cause them to get discouraged and drop out," Anderson said.
 "There are a surprising number of enrollees at this college that we have helped or encouraged," she said.
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Calendar

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 Basketball: MTSU vs Tenn. Tech; 7:30 p.m., Cookeville

MONDAY
 Recruiting: U.S. Navy; 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC Basement
 CLEP Examination: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., UC 314
 Movie: "Sparkle," 3:30 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., UC Theatre
 Women's Basketball: MTSU vs Union University, 5:45 p.m. Murphy Center
 Banquet: State Farm Credit Union; 6 p.m., Tenn. Rm. JUB
 Auditions: Orchestra soloist; 7 p.m., DA

TUESDAY
 Recruiting: U.S. Navy; 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC Basement
 Movie: "Sparkle", 3:30 p.m., 6 p.m., and 8 p.m., UC Theatre
 Jr. Varsity Basketball: MTSU vs. Mid-Tenn. Carpets, 7 p.m., Murphy Center
 New Member Meeting: MTSU Horseman's Association, 7 p.m., 206 Stark Agric. Bldg.
 New Member Meeting: Forest Raiders; 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
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 cury Plaza, Jackson Heights and other area businesses. While the Revco in Mercury Plaza did not accept MTSU IDs, the Revco in Memorial Village did. Walters said that the check cashing policies were determined by individual store managers.
 Similarly, a spot check of area banks revealed that most bank officers treat each case individually. Don Moser, president of the Citizen's Central Bank, said that his bank would generally cash checks up to \$25 with an ID and driver's license, while he wouldn't for a non-student.
 Martha Cook, assistant branch manager for Commerce Union Bank of Rutherford County, South Tennessee office, said that the policy varies with the situation, but generally students have no trouble.
 Cook was referring to out-of-town students' checks, not those from other Murfreesboro banks.

Newsroom Comment:

Rideouts' reunion is a step sideways

John and Greta Rideout have decided to get back together. That is what the media has been focusing on as the latest twist in the first rape case brought by a wife against her husband while they were living together. Anti-feminists may be laughing as they speak of the reconciliation. Feminists may frown over the fact that he was not found-guilty. The point of the trial has been lost.

Whether or not Rideout was found guilty does not lessen the implications of this important trial. A 1977 change in Oregon's law disqualified marital privilege as a defense to rape. The Rideout case was the first case tried under the new provisions.

John Rideout's successful attorney, Charles Burt, may have been echoing the feelings of many when he said, "I think it points to absurdity of the feelings of rape as a law area. It's a waste of the criminal court's time to get into that area...."

Just because a woman is married to a man does not mean that she becomes his property. Until recently, women's rights, especially after marriage, have been largely excluded by law.

The provision under Oregon's law is a landmark case in that it recognizes that women do have rights under the law. Women, like men, have the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. They have the right to bring suit against anyone who infringes upon those rights.

By the same token, however, the case brings up the question—Can men be raped? Will we next see the case of a husband trying his wife for rape? Certainly just because rights have for so long been traditionally denied to women, that is no excuse to turn around and deny rights to men.

Women and men are people, and must be equally protected and recognized under the law.

As for the Rideout's reconciliation—that's their business.

Movie offers viewers a taste of the gypsy life

by Jeff Ellis

Legend has it that gypsies travel around constantly because they were given permission by Christ to lie, steal and cheat. One must admit that they comprise one of the most interesting subcultures known to man and it's little wonder that they have become the subject of a film.

Frank Pierson has brought to the screen "The King of the Gypsies," an adaptation of the Peter Maas novel starring Sterling Hayden, Judd Hirsch, Susan Sarandon, Brooke Shields, Shelley Winters and newcomer Eric Roberts.

In pseudo-"Godfather" style, Pierson has attempted to trace the lives and times of one gypsy family with Hayden as the ailing family patriarch, Hirsch as his weak son and Roberts as the grandson, David, who wants more as the grandson, David, who wants more as the gypsy. "King..." does not, however, live up to "The Godfather" when the two are directly compared.

What "King..." does offer is a compelling documentary of events in the lives of one family.

When young David is offered a wife at the age of 12 he runs away, vowing to make it in the white man's world. Time passes somewhat quickly (as it tends to do in movies), and before you know it, David has grown up and is dating girls named Debbie, Sharon, et al. The grandfather is dying when his henchman apprehend David, in order that he may be made the new king, passing over his father.

Roberts, who makes a strong film debut as the brooding young

man indeed has a promising future ahead in film if his performance in "King..." is indicative of his talent. According to my two female companions, he should soon rank along with Al Pacino as one of the most popular leading men in movies.

Hayden's somewhat blustery performance as the grandfather is effective as is Hirsch's capable performance as the man you love to hate.

Sarandon, as Hirsch's wife, is as bit unnerving at times with her nervous actions, but she must be given credit for portraying a role that was quite difficult.

Shields, as the daughter of Hirsch and Sarandon, does well during her brief moments on screen. It is quite interesting that Sarandon-Shields duo are once again cast as mother and daughter, as they were in "Pretty Baby." And once more is sold, this time to a 12-year-old boy.

Winters is virtually wasted in her brief appearance as Hayden's wife. The once-svelte Winters looks as if she has added even more weight since her last screen role.

Overall, the technical quality of "Kings..." is excellent. The subdued colors make the movie quite inviting visually. It is a triumph of the cinematographer's art. Sound quality is good, as are the colorful gypsy costumes. The film's musical score of ethnic gypsy tunes provides an appropriate background to the movie's action.

"King of the Gypsies" is currently showing at Hickory Hol-

Winnowing

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The photographs of John McWilliams go on exhibit at the LRC's Photographic Gallery Jan. 14-Feb. 1. McWilliams holds a master's degree from the Rhode Island School of Design and currently holds the position as head of the photography program at Georgia State University as well as being the vice president of exhibitions for the

Atlanta Arts Festival 1979. He was the winner of the Guggenheim Fellowship in 1977 and the National Endowment to the Arts in 1975. In 1976, McWilliams presented a one man show at the Light Gallery, New York. The LRC is open Friday from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-noon, and Sunday 6 p.m.-10 p.m.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

In the midst of book buying and registration for a new semester, some of us pause to reflect on what the coming semester may bring. For some it will carry us inexorably toward graduation, tossing us into the job market. Considering the nation's economy at the moment, quite a few graduating seniors are facing a grim prospect.

However, over the holidays, some things have happened on the international scene to help the freshly graduated job seekers, either directly or indirectly. The most noteworthy of these is the recognition of the People's Republic of China by the United States. This highly interesting political situation will have ramifications far beyond academic interest.

For the marketing and management students, particularly those with interests in import and export, the mushrooming trade relations between the U.S. and the P.R.C. should open up new positions. Opened relations also mean increases in travel and tourism. This will probably result in at least a minor boom for the transportation, entertainment, hotel and merchandising industries, just to name a few that benefit from tourism.

It doesn't stop there. Vice Chairman Teng Hsiao Ping (pronounced Tung Show Bing) is planning a trip to the U.S. to discuss the possibilities of industrializing China, as well as modernizing existing industries using that well-known good old American know-how. Thus, industrial engineering majors may find a treasure cache of new jobs, particularly those who are willing to travel.

For years the U.S. refused to acknowledge mainland China, choosing instead to grace Taiwan with a great deal of our overseas business. This policy created a large hole in our economy through which American dollars flowed. Now perhaps this new state of affairs will not only create jobs for recent college graduates, but by plugging the drain of U.S. capital and enlarging the market for our goods, it could quite possibly be one of the best things to happen for the young career planner or job seeker.

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To the Editor:

The article "Athletics versus Academics in \$270,000 Aid," by

David Pierce, which appeared in the *Sidelines* on Friday, Nov. 10, 1978 points out quite clearly and distinctly the double standards and misplaced emphasis that exist at MTSU.

Since the primary function of a university is academic in nature in that it seeks to develop knowledge, to inquire into the nature of truth and to prepare students for the many professions and vocations, it seems reasonable that students in academic pursuits should be able to receive scholarships as well as athletes. Although the article states that the university is not promoting athletics, this is obviously not the case. It is admitted that athletes do not have to maintain the same standards as non-athletes even though they receive much more money. Even "normal progress" is translated differently when it is applied to athletes. There is also some evidence to suggest that admission standards are eased when athletes seek admission.

Mr. Jackson raised the question about the manner in which recipients for an academic scholarship would be selected. When one considers that most major schools

give full academic scholarships to qualified students, it seems obvious that there must be satisfactory methods of making such selections. Surely an academician's ability to evaluate a student's record must be just as good as the coach's ability to select an athlete.

It has long been my opinion that no student or group of students in any university, should have more access to financial aid than another. Perhaps if we competed for students, our institution would be better academically than it is. It is interesting to note that schools better athletically also have good academic programs. It would seem that if the administration were interested in academic scholarships, a concerted effort could be made for endowments to make them a reality.

Then a faculty committee could develop a list of criteria which would form the basis for the awarding of the scholarships. Applicants who met all the criteria would get the full amount. Athletics would be only one of the criteria.

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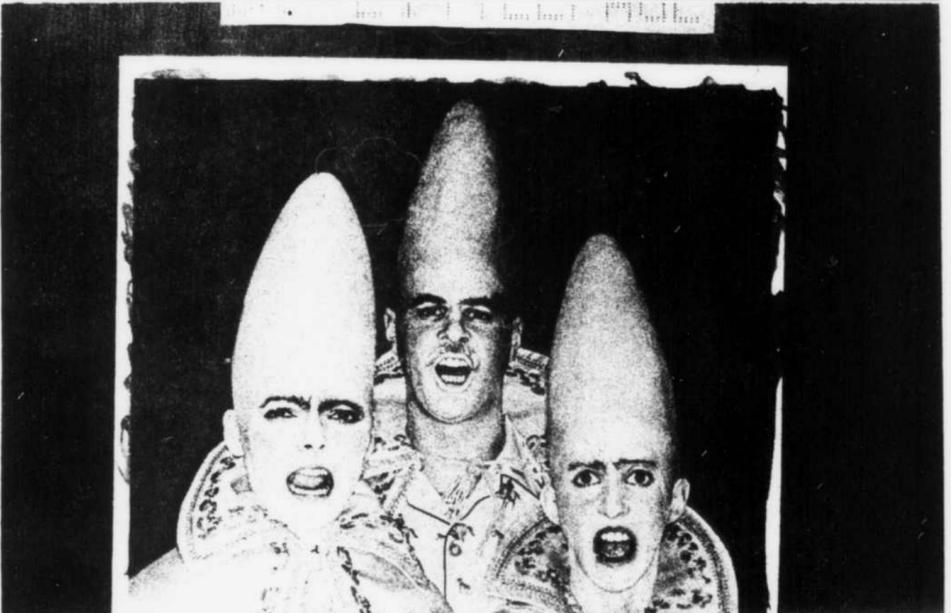
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Guest editorials must be on topics of interest to the university community. Query first in writing or by phone.

Et Cetera



Where but in the department of psychology would one find three zanies in such bad need of head shrinking? This picture was found on the door of the office of Glen Littlepage, assistant professor of psychology. This is not a Littlepage family portrait—It is a poster of the Coneheads, the "French" family of Saturday Night Live fame. Littlepage's office is located in Rm 314 of Jones Hall.

Oldest student learns on the '60-plus' plan

by Faye Hale

If you heard about a student who walked 3 1/2 miles before breakfast each day and admitted that she went to school because she liked to learn, you might not think too much about it.

You might become interested, however, when you find out that the student is 70 years old.

Annabelle Bourne is listed as the oldest student at MTSU and feels that such a distinction isn't bad at all.

"I want to keep my mind alert," Bourne said. "I take classes to have something in my head."

Bourne, enrolled at MTSU on the 60-plus program, is auditing a graduate English course.

This is Bourne's third semester at MTSU and although she takes only one class per semester she says she "thoroughly enjoys" her studies.

"The instruction here is very good," Bourne said, "and my teacher Ronald Coleman is a wonderful professor. He's very enthusiastic. It's as though he stepped out of the period he's teaching."

Bourne limits her studies in order to have time for her other interests.

"I really enjoy traveling," Bourne explained, saying she visits her relatives in other parts of the country often. "My freedom is very important to me."

"I also love to read and cook," Bourne said. "Everything I do is interesting. I don't want my other interests to become secondary."

Wes Williams, director of undergraduate admissions, explained that people who are 60 years old or over may audit classes free and those 65 or older can take classes for credit at a reduced rate of nine dollars per semester hour.

"I really can't see why more

people my age don't take advantage of this opportunity," Bourne said.

Special consideration is given to those students who are eligible for the program. Prospective students register late and a secretary from the admissions office is on hand to help.

The only drawback in the program, Williams points out, is that the older people are required to register last by the law that provides the money for their education. "They're given classes by space available only," Williams continued, "but if the class is full I don't think a professor

would turn them away, so that shouldn't discourage anyone."

Williams expressed a wish for more senior citizens to become involved in the program and said he couldn't understand why more weren't enrolled.

"They could help younger students since they've been around a long time. I feel we could learn from them," Williams said.

As far as her classmates go, Bourne said she admired "younger friends." "I don't see how they do all they do," Bourne said. "They coordinate their studies and get where they're going. They're all very nice," she added.

Prospective students must show proof of their age but no prior education is needed if classes are being audited. There is also a \$5 application fee for those students enrolling who have never been at MTSU before.

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Blue Raider baseball team looks for good recruiting year to help

by Doyle Parham

MTSU baseball coach John Stanford has built up a reputation of winning at MTSU. However, the 1978 campaign was not his best year, finishing with a 26-24 record.

As a result of the 1978 season, the Blue Raider coach has spent one of his busiest years recruiting since he began coaching.

"The only thing that I know about the upcoming season is that we'll be better," says Stanford. "If the young pitchers come through, we could be a lot better."

Pitching has been Stanford's main concern for the past two seasons, the problem being a lack of experience. Last year the team ERA was 5.29. The bulk of the staff that returns was over that mark.

Stanford recruited five pitchers for the upcoming season, including 6-6 freshman Mark Smith, All-State in both baseball and basketball at Nashville's Lipscomb High School. Others include junior college aces Mitch Trotter, Chris Faulkner, Don McKenzie and freshman Jerry Moore of Nashville.

Although Stanford lost Sophomore hurler Robert Culley, who returned to his hometown in Texas to pitch for a junior college there, Tom Wilson is back and is

doing well according to Stanford.

Wilson spun three-hitters at Eastern Illinois and Ole Miss and will be depended upon to come through early for the Raiders.

Four of the top pitchers are back, including first baseman Doug Hicks, who set two school records with 13 home runs and 57 RBI's, hitting .364; right fielder Bobby Hines (.335, 42 RBI's); catcher Eric Graves (.318, 35 RBI's) and Tom Zakotnik (.306).

The overall defense of last year's squad did not please Stan-

ford, but two outfielders have been recruited for 1979

Mike Tobitt, 1978 shortstop will be moved to second base, with Mike Killian and Jimmy Henson taking his place at short.

The season is still over a month away, but Coach Stanford will be preparing his team for the big Florida Invitational Tournament that will be held Feb. 24-25 at Fernandino Beach and the first home game, March 3 against David Lipscomb.

Sports Talk

by Scott Adams
Sports Editor



NCAA restores play-off bid

Well, it looks as though the NCAA has given the Ohio Valley Conference the kiss of life once again with the restoration of the automatic post season play off bid in baseball. In 1978 the NCAA withdrew the OVC's automatic bid, but following an appeal at the annual convention in San Francisco the NCAA reversed its decision. The delegation which consisted of Conference Commissioner Bob Vanatta, Morehead State baseball coach Steve Hamilton and Murray State athletic director/baseball coach Johnny Reagon, presented a prepared statement to the special NCAA committee which was looking into the situation. After several hours of deliberation, the committee decided on the reversal.

Don't look for the NCAA to smile fondly upon the OVC until the conference improves its overall record of 0-10 post season play off activity, though.

"We've definitely got to play better in the post season tournaments, but I really think we will from now on," said Blue Raider head baseball coach John Stanford.

We'll have more conference games this year and will finally operate on a true round robin schedule," Stanford said. "Plus we're going to have a four team double elimination tournament at the end of the season and I think that all this will work together to give the OVC a stronger conference representative."

Another decision made at the NCAA's annual meeting was one to place Murray's Reagon on the Division I baseball committee, a move which according to OVC Sports Information Director Ed Arning could turn out to be as important as the reinstatement of the bid.

"I think one of the main problems the NCAA had as far as their confidence in the OVC is that they just don't know enough about us," Arning said. "But from now on when the NCAA has any doubts about the conference they'll have Reagon to discuss them with." Of course it didn't hurt having former New York Yankee pitcher Steve Hamilton, now the head man at Morehead, at the meetings.

"Sure, having a former big league star on your committee doesn't hurt, if for nothing else just for prestige," Arning added. "But I think the best thing about having Hamilton there was that the NCAA might listen with a little more interest when a former big league player tells them that we have a first class conference down here."

What happens from here will depend on what the conference representative does this year in post season action, but for now, all systems are go for the OVC baseball.

Joyner men's Player of Week

Senior forward Greg Joyner has been named the OVC men's Player of the week after opening the Raider's OVC slate with 47 points and 26 rebounds. Joyner connected for 28 against Morehead last Saturday and 19 against Eastern Monday. He also handed out 10 assists in the two games.

After last week's action, Joyner remained second in the conference scoring race with 21.2 average. James Tillman leads with an average of 25.8 a game. Joyner, who leads the conference in rebounding with 130, a 10.0 per game average, is also fourth in field goal percentage (52.6) and fifth in free throw percentage (82.3).

Tech's Chambers is weeks best

The women's player of the week award went to Pam Chambers of Tennessee Tech who exploded for 72 points in the Golden Eaglette's last three games. She also had 16 assists and 11 steals to help move Tech to 2-0 in the OVC and 7-5 overall.

Lady Raiders' Kathy Riley and Sharon McClannahan remained the second and third scorers in the conference with 20.5 and 20.3 points per game averages, respectively. McClannahan is also fifth in rebounding with a 10.8 average.

Lady Raiders head for Tech

Although MTSU has only had a women's basketball team for a short time, an intense rivalry has already been started between the Lady Raiders and the Golden Eaglettes of Tennessee Tech.

So far the Lady Raiders haven't been too successful against Tech, having won only one game in their eight meetings. That game in 1976 at Murphy Center, when the women pulled off a squeaker, 90-88.

Coach Larry Inman's Lady Raiders will have their work cut out for them Saturday night in trying to stop OVC's fourth leading scorer, Pam Chambers. Chambers is averaging 19.6 points per game.

Other probably starters for Tech are Carmen Dowdell (13.4), Pam Kilday (10.8), Carla Tart and Barbara Dam.

Game time is set for 5:15 in Cookeville.

Raiders ready for Tennessee Tech

by Scott Adams
Sports Editor

After securing a split in their first two OVC games, Blue Raider head coach Jimmy Earle and company will have to leave the cozy confines of Murphy Center and head for the not too friendly Hooper Eblen Center in Cookeville.

The Blue Raiders edged a much improved Morehead team 99-97 in a double overtime thriller last Saturday, but dropped an 81-77 decision to Eastern Kentucky Monday.

"We probably played a better ball game against Eastern, but we just couldn't hit the basket with any consistency," Earle said. "Eastern was my pick to win it all, and they confirmed my earlier opinion. They were able to do what it took to win."

Earle was concerned with consistency, or lack of it, in another area. Against Morehead, the Blue Raiders' two freshmen centers, Chris Harris and Mike Frost, accounted for 26 points and 19 rebounds. Against Eastern, they could manage only eight points and five rebounds.

"I keep reminding myself that they are only freshman, but you simply can't win when you don't get anything from your post position," Earle added.

Earle was pleased with the play of seniors Greg Joyner and Jimmy Riley, however. Joyner scored 47 points, pulled down 26 rebounds

and handed out 10 assists in two games, while Riley came in against Eastern in the second half and scored 19 points.

Tennessee Tech is 0-1 in the conference so far, the loss coming at the hands of Austin Peay in Clarksville last Saturday, 73-58.

The Golden Eagles took an early lead, but APSU used a decisive rebounding advantage to come from behind.

"We gave them too many offensive rebounds, and even though they hit a poor field goal percentage, they were able to win," Tech coach Cliff Malpass said. "Our offensive execution was poor, but we played pretty well on defense."

"We're hurting, but we're far from dead. There are 11 more conference games and I'm confident we'll bounce back," Malpass added.

Four of Tech's five starters are averaging in double figures, with pre-season All-OVC pick Jimmy Howell leading the way at 14.7 points per game. Paul Chadwell (12.5), Pete Abus (12.0) and Brian Troupe (10.9) fill out the cast of Tech's balanced attack.

Abus is leading the OVC in field goal percentage (59.0), hitting on 43 of 93 shots from the field. Howell, on the other hand, is second in free-throw shooting with a percentage of 86.2 from the charity stripe.

The Golden Eagles are 4-1 at home this season, with wins over



Brian Troupe [31], a 6'7 senior, is one of four Tennessee Tech players averaging over 10 points per game. The Blue Raiders achieved a split with Tech last season in Cookeville 65-60 but winning at home 57-51.

photo by ROBIN RUDD

UT-Chattanooga, Belmont, Eastern Michigan, and St. Francis, but have dropped all seven road decisions. Their only loss at home was to East Tennessee last night,

74-67. MTSU will take a 9-5 overall record to Cookeville for the Saturday night game. Tipoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

Omega Psi Phi clips Kool Club

The Omega Psi Phi Invitational Basketball Charity Tournament, sponsored by Omega Psi Phi, earned \$400 which will be donated to the Murci Home for Retarded Children located in Nashville.

In the championship game, Omega Psi Phi clipped the Kool Club 53-50 while Sigma Chi breezed past Kappa Sigma 47-38 to take third place in the tournament.

The two-day tournament was originally conceived as a warm up to intramural basketball play sponsored by the HPERs department.



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This is only a sample of the action in the annual Omega Psi Phi basketball tournament which took

place in the Alumni Memorial Gym. Omega Psi Phi won the tournament dropping the Kool Club 53-50.

New Classes

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abilities and if there are differences between women," Heritage said.

The biological and social aspects of a woman's development and the social expectations that she faces will be discussed also.

David Grubbs, department head for political science, said that on Urban Land Use labor-

atory, which was only taught during intersession, will now be an evening course offered one night a week. This course will study urban and city planning and help the student understand growth and planning problems.

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Tax 'cut' could be increase

January 1 brought more than a new year. Significant economic changes are affecting most Americans.

The \$18.7 billion income tax cut passed by Congress a few months ago that has been praised by some will in fact result in higher taxes for the average family.

Fifth district congressman Albert Gore, Jr., (D-Tenn.) reported that a family of four with an income of \$10,000 paid \$446 in income tax in 1978. With the new cut, the same family will pay only \$374 in 1979, a cut of \$72. Due to increased payroll taxes and inflation, the family will end up paying

\$24 more in 1979 taxes than they paid in 1978, Gore added.

An increase in Social Security taxes is the result of a 1977 bill which authorizes annual payroll tax increases. For an individual with a yearly income of \$10,000, the payroll tax bite will be \$613; the person who earns \$20,000 will have to pay \$1226 in Social Security taxes, Gore said.

For individuals over the age of 65, there will be a rise in the Medicare deductible. This rate, reports Gore, is adjusted by law annually. The 1979 deductible will be \$160, an increase of \$16 from 1978.

Versatility

[continued from page 1] pensive and less trouble if he or she is.

"The student is under no obligation to the army whatsoever

for his first two years of ROTC," Gordon said. "And he can still be a Raider his first two years without obligation." A student may also receive one hour's credit

for each of his four semesters of ROTC, he said.

"The Raiders prepare undergrads for advanced programs," Gordon said. He emphasized that, "It also develops your leadership abilities, helps you to work with people, and gives you a better understanding of people."

What are the rewards gained in the Raiders? "Personal satisfaction is one," he said. "The first time you lead a good patrol, there's a great feeling of personal

satisfaction."

Being in the Raiders helps one to "overcome personality conflicts and teaches people to work together," he added.

According to Peter Patten, second in command of the Raiders, "It's not really like a fraternity, but the closeness and the same bonds are there."

Gordon said that being a Raider has helped him in numerous ways, both physically and as a person.



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