

Sidelines



Lisa Human, office manager, enters a story into the VDT.

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Sidelines enters the computer age with \$50,000 of new equipment

Karen Zimmermann

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Sidelines has entered the computer age to the tune of \$50,000 worth of new equipment!

And that is not gibberish you see above, but actually the only language our Compugraphic Unified Terminal System (with a UniSetter on the side) understands.

What that means to you, our reader, is probably not much. What it means to *Sidelines* however, is that we will be able to prepare our staff members for the advanced electronic equipment they will inevitably have to use.

Although, ours is only the third newspaper in the state that has this particular system, many newspapers have similar units or

are planning for their purchase in realization that the video display terminals will be vital to newspaper production in the future.

Whereas before the VDT, reporters would type out their stories on our manual typewriters, have it edited, marked for typesetter specifications, and then have the story manually typeset, now the typewritten paper copy has been eliminated as well as the step calling for the story to be manually typeset.

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particular story, and edit it right on the screen.

The next step is to assign the story to the UniSetter where it is automatically typeset to the tune of 80 lines a minute. The time saved in typesetting alone amounts to the time it takes one person to manually type 80 lines.

With the new system, *Sidelines* will also be receiving stories from the Associated Press state wire news service. The stories come into the system via cables and are stored in a memory until they are called up to be edited and typeset or killed out of the system.

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By the time you have finished reading this, this story will have been set and is ready to be taken out of the machine and pasted up.

Briefly

Continuing education is offering a course in genealogy to help students find the resources available to them in tracing their family history. Classes will be held on Thursdays beginning March 29 at 7 p.m. in room 3 of the Todd Library.

Techniques in research of family history, learning how to find, locate and understand the resources available to an individual about his family history will be the main points taught in the course. A \$25 fee includes all the materials needed.

Herfried Mencke, international concert and recording artist, will give an organ recital at the St. Rose Catholic Church in Murfreesboro on March 27 at 8 p.m. The concert, sponsored by the MTSU fine arts committee, is on the schedule for his first United States tour. Mencke is widely known throughout Germany, England, Switzerland and Czechoslovakia. He will also conduct a masterclass in contemporary German organ music on Wednesday, from 9 a.m. to noon at St. Rose Church. Registration is \$5 per person and \$3 for MTSU students.

A one-day conference on state and national economies will be held on Thursday March 29.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the conference will last until 3:30 p.m. Fee for the conference is \$40.

An honors symposium will be held with President Ingram on March 28 at 3:30 p.m. in the Honors Center. All honor students and faculty members are invited to attend. Questions and comments are urged.

A class on "Investment Tips" will be held in UC 318 from 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday nights beginning March 27 through April 24. Major areas covered by the course will include mutual funds, bonds and tax shelters. Earl Hull Jr., office manager for the Edward Jones Company of Murfreesboro, will conduct the class.

There will be a \$20 fee for registration. The course is sponsored by the department of economics and finance and the office of continuing education.

917 students vote

Syler elected ASB president in run-off

by Janet Hyatt

Kent Syler was elected ASB president yesterday with 570 votes in a run off election with Mark Floyd who received 347 votes.

"We're very happy. A lot of people have worked a long time," Syler said after hearing the results of the race.

Syler said he plans to lean toward programs that were stressed in the campaign.

Floyd said he was "proud of the race we ran." He added that he would like to thank his supporters and friends who worked with him.

"We ran a clean, honest race. There's no reason why anyone involved in my campaign should be ashamed of the race we ran," Floyd added.

According to Syler the activity fee money will be put to use in programs that will benefit the students. "It will be put where the students will be able to use it," Syler said. He suggested financial aid and the intramural program as possible areas of concentration.

"I hope to help organizations

with special activities. I want to see the money go back where it came from," Syler said.

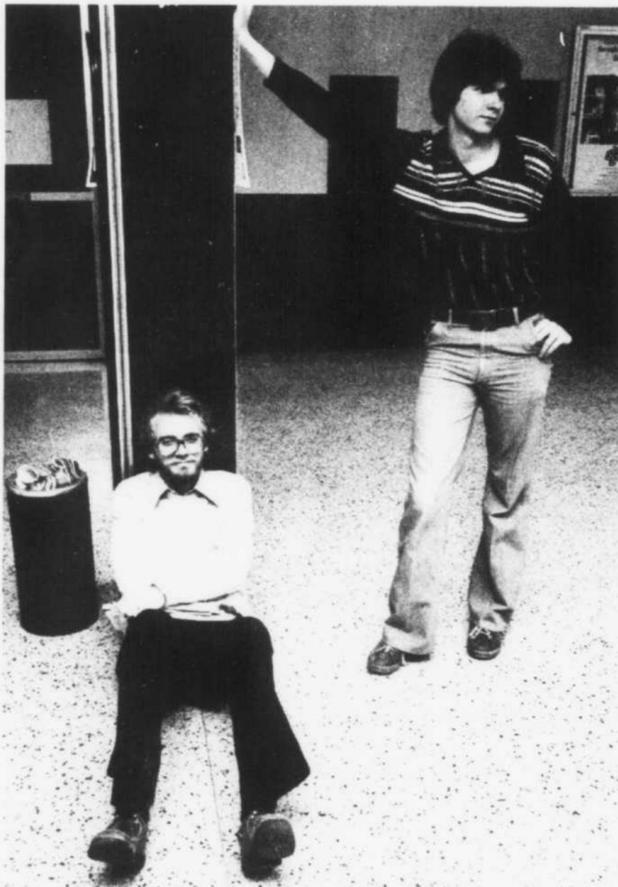
Syler said he would like to thank everyone who helped out in his campaign. He added that he was pleased with the outcome, but that he did not expect "that kind of majority."

Public relations and "telling the students what is going on in the ASB" will be a priority, Syler said. He added that he hopes the people who did not vote for him will get involved in the ASB.

Adding that he thought Mark Floyd had run a great race, Syler said he would like to see his input in the ASB next year.

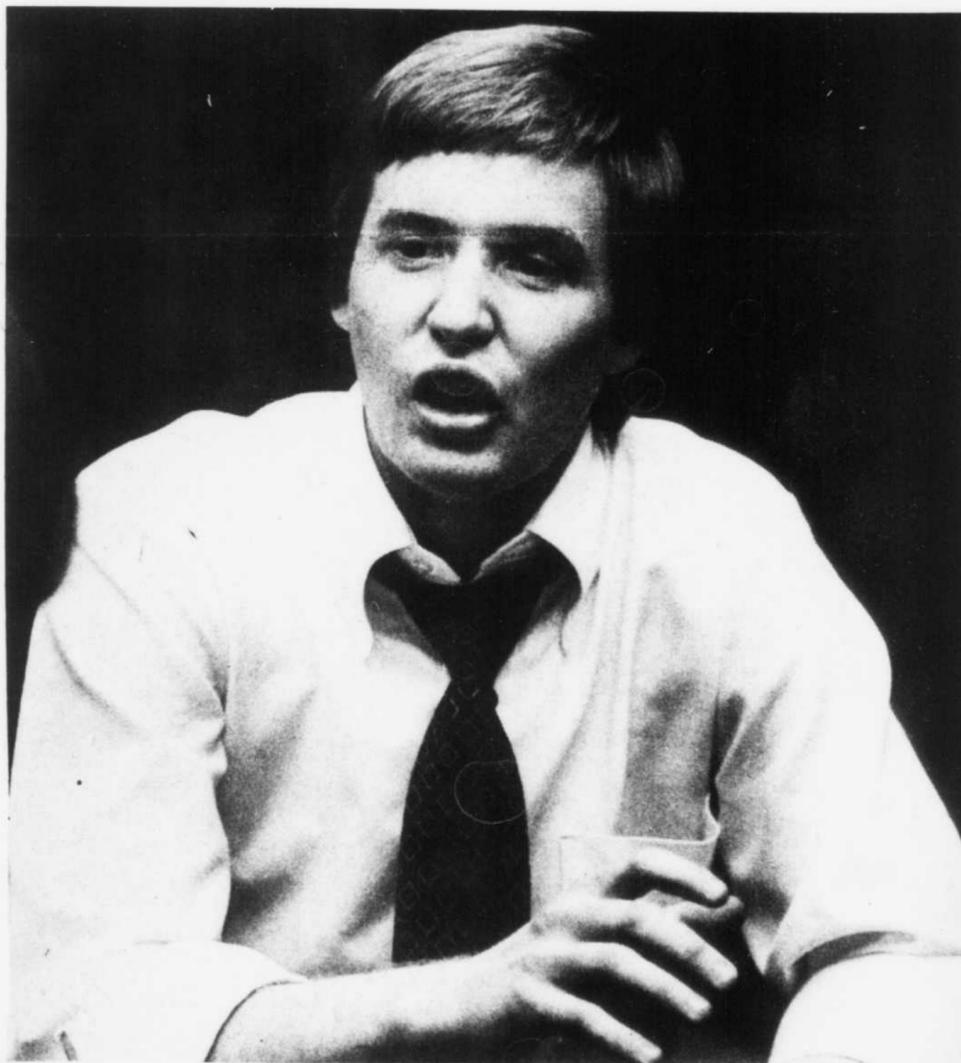
Floyd said that he did not know if he would serve any role in the ASB next year. "No role has been offered to me, so I don't know," Floyd said.

"I've spent three years in the ASB and I don't regret any of it," Floyd said. "I think the ASB could be serviceable and I hope it will be in the future."



Campaign workers for Kent Syler rest after a hard fought victory.

photo by ROBIN RUDD



Kent Syler was elected ASB president in yesterday's run-off with Mark Floyd.

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Students return from spring break; find valuables stolen from rooms

by Jerry Williamson

Six dorm rooms were broken into during spring break resulting in "probably several thousand dollars of stolen property," Capt. Larry Nixon of the university police said.

The police department is presently calculating the exact figures of the stolen items from Sims, Gracy, Clement and Beasley Halls, according to Nixon. He went on to say that jewelry, stereos and calculators were the major items taken.

Two rooms were broken into in Gracy Hall, Jane Delbridge, dorm director, said. "One room was broken into Saturday night (March

17), but we don't know when the other room was broken into," she said.

Delbridge said she checked and secured all windows and doors to the dorm that same day. She said that entry through the windows was suspected since both screens had been removed from the rooms.

Over \$600 in camera equipment, jewelry and other small items were taken from the two rooms, Delbridge said.

In Sims Hall, approximately \$400 of stereo equipment was taken.

"I found the door open at about 9:30 Friday evening (March 23) and I noted that the window also

was open," Frank White, Sims Hall dorm director, said. "It had been open all week."

White said he checked the exterior door at 5 p.m. that day. "I walked past the room and would have noticed it (the door) if it had been open," White said. "The basement door to the dorm was shut at this time and I later found it propped open."

Charlie Akers, dorm director of Beasley Hall, and Tommy Brown, dorm director of Clement Hall, both said they were unaware of the robberies that had taken place.

Nixon said that investigations of the robberies are still being conducted.

April concerts announced

by Lisa Human

A shower of musical performers will highlight the month of April including a concert by Jimmy Buffet, the Beach Boys and a jamboree of bluegrass music. Buffet will appear April 14 at 8 p.m. in Murphy Center. Opening for Buffet will be the Amazing Rhythm Aces. Tickets will go on sale Wednesday in UC 309. Reserved seats are \$7.50 and general admission is \$6.50. Music from the Beach Boys will fill Murphy Center April 24 at 8 p.m. as Brian, Dennis, and Carl Wilson, Alan Jardin and Mike Love

perform. Tickets go on sale April 2 in UC 309, \$8.50 for reserved seats and \$7.50 general admission, with one dollar discount for MTSU students. Spring Bluegrass Jam I will take place April 17 at 7:30 p.m. in Murphy Center, featuring Grand Ole Opry Star Bill Monroe, the man responsible for originating bluegrass music. James Monroe and the Midnight Ramblers, Wilma Lee Cooper and the Clinch Mountain Clan, Shot Jackson and the Clark Family, The Osborne Brothers, and Jimmie Skinner will also perform. Tickets for the bluegrass jam are now on sale in UC 309 for \$3.

Chinese-Soviet relations subject of diplomat's sessions at MTSU

Jack Matlock, diplomat-in-residence at Vanderbilt University, will speak at MTSU Wednesday at 11 a.m. in PH 211 and again at 2:30 in PH 109. Matlock has served most recently as the Deputy Chief of Missions at the United States Embassy in Moscow. He also served three years as Director of Soviet Union Affairs in the U.S. Department of State and seven years in Africa in Ghana, Zanzibar and Tanzania.

Matlock, a career foreign service officer of the U.S., will give a short lecture beginning at 2:30 with the remaining time being spent on questions and answers from the audience. The presentation is free and open to the public. He will also be giving a lecture on Chinese-Soviet relations at 11 a.m. to Ester Seeman's Comparative Asian Government class. Both sessions will be taped and aired on WMOT April 4 and 11.



Professor F. G. Friedmann spoke on culture and politics yesterday. photo by GARY LONG

Culture, politics subject of professor's address

Professor F. G. Friedmann, director of the American Institute, University of Munich, Germany, tossed out a "few ideas" to a group of students and faculty when he visited MTSU yesterday. Friedmann, who spoke on culture and politics, said before his speech that the world is "not so simple." Culture, according to Friedmann, is the way people perceive problems while politics is defined as solutions to problems. Friedmann cited the misunderstanding of the two terms as a major problem. "Often we are not aware that people living under different circumstances don't think as we do," Friedmann said. He went on to say that politicians often make this mistake. Friedmann cited the Cuba invasion under Kennedy and the recent trouble in Iran as examples. "We based everything on CIA information," Friedmann said. He added that it is difficult for us to understand the thoughts of the people in other countries. People have a tendency to see cultures as pictures and music

while politics are viewed as fighting, etc., Friedmann said. "I would go as far as to say that they are two aspects of the same thing," he added. Friedmann pointed out that different civilization have different political thoughts. As an example Friedmann examined the purpose of the beginning of America saying that it was a "mission" of democracy or perhaps one of bringing about the kingdom of God. Pointing out that he sometimes over-simplifies to make a point, Friedmann went on to say that learning the facts and dates of history is fine only if one can see the connection between history and the present. When asked if there was an attempt on the part of the communists to change the culture in East Germany and in eastern Europe, Friedmann said that there was an attempt to build up a "artificial folk culture." It's like the commercialization of what is done in Nashville, he said, it can be distorted for a while but not indefinitely.

Fifteen selected for membership in faculty senate March 12 elections

Fifteen senators were elected to the faculty senate in the election March 12, according to Carl Freitag, chairman of the election committee. Elected from the school of basic and applied sciences are Patsy Forrest, Harley Foutch, Calvin Duggin, Kurt Blum and Lester Levi.

Ernestine Reeder, Robert Bullen, Jr., Elizabeth Brashers and Robert Eaker were elected from the school of education. From the school of liberal arts Paul Hamilton, William Kohland and June McCash were elected. Nathan Adams, Ed Daley and Jack Forrest were elected from the school of business.

Calendar

TUESDAY

Recruiting: Navy; 8 a.m.-5 p.m., UC Basement
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 Yearbook Seminar: Taylor Publishing Company; 8 a.m.-2 p.m., JUB Tennessee Room
 Graduate Test: 1-4 p.m., UC 314
 Movie: The Goodbye Girl; 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m., UC Theatre
 Meeting: ASB House; 4:30-6 p.m., UC 322
 Fellowship Evening: Gamma Beta Phi; 5 p.m., Murphy Center Dance Studio B
 Banquet and Initiation: Tau Omicron; 6 p.m., JUB Tennessee Room

CPR Course: HPERs Dept.; 6-10 p.m., AM 204
 Dr. J. Allen Hynek: Ideas and Issues; 8 p.m., LRC 221

WEDNESDAY

Recruiting: Marines; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., UC Basement
 Health Fair: HPERs Dept.; 8:15-11:30 a.m., Murphy Center
 Jack F. Matlock: International Relations Club; 2 p.m., Peck Hall 109
 Traffic Court: 8-5 p.m., UC 313 and 315
 Movie: Saturday Night Fever; 3:30, 6 and 8:15 p.m., UC Theatre

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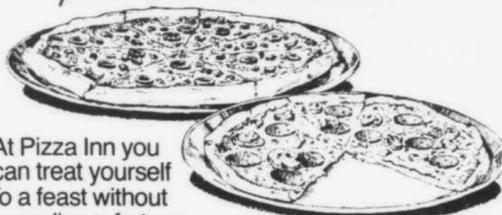
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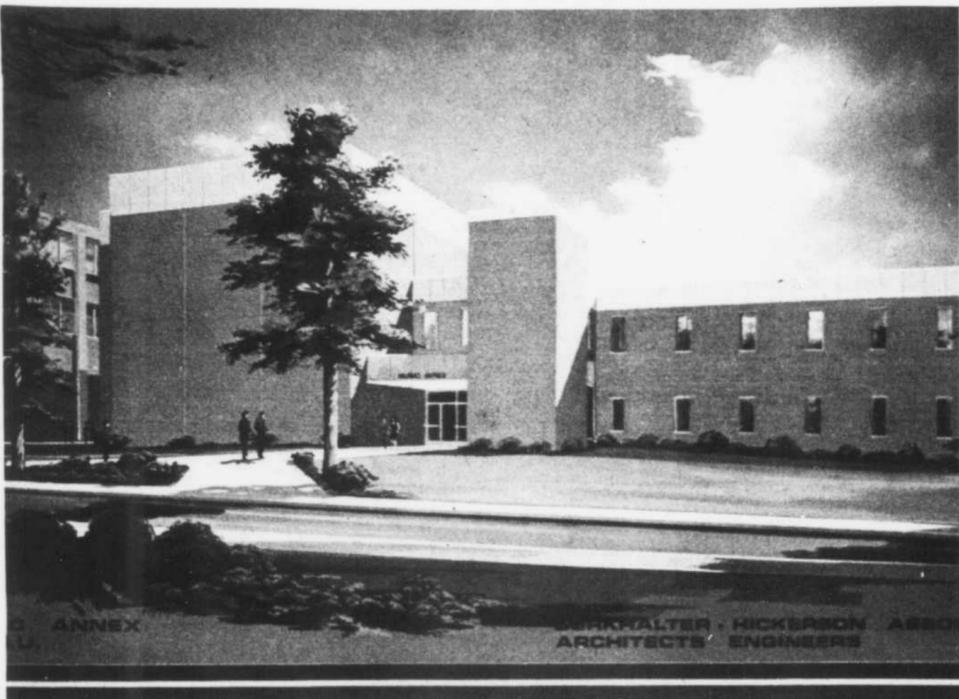
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An addition to the Saunders Fine Arts Building is planned for construction later this year. photo by GARY LONG

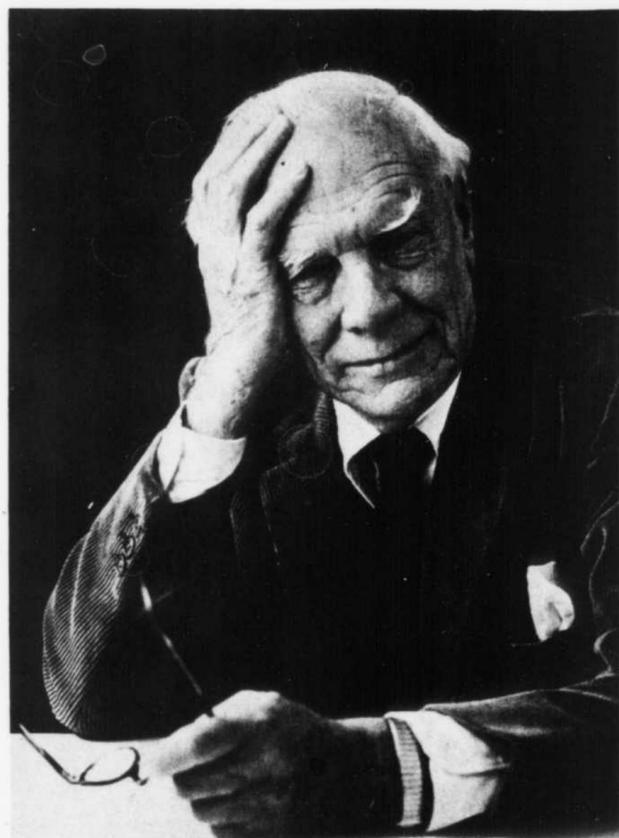
UFO authority J. Allen Hynek to speak tonight

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, one of the world's leading experts on UFO's and technical adviser for "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," will speak Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Multi Media room of the LRC.

For over 30 years Hynek has researched the subject of UFO's and has written several books including *The UFO Experience*, *The Hynek Report of UFO's* and *The Inside Story of Project Bluebook*. As astronomical consultant to the U.S. Air Force for over 20 years, Hynek studied and processed UFO sightings reported at air force bases.

Now at age 67, Hynek is a Professor of Astronomy at Northwestern University and Director of the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Illinois.

Hynek's presentation is sponsored by the Ideas and Issues Committee and is free and open to the public.



Malcolm Muggeridge will speak next week.

British author Muggeridge to speak

British author and journalist Malcolm Muggeridge will be the guest speaker next week in the fourth annual Henry Harrell

Memorial Lecture Series in Religion on campus.

The Tennessee Room will be the setting for the 8 p.m. lecture next Thursday, April 5.

Muggeridge, currently in Canada as journalist-in-residence at the University of Western Ontario, began his career with the *Manchester Guardian* in England and was their Moscow correspondent for a period in the early thirties. During World War II, he worked for British Intelligence in Africa and then as liaison officer with the Free French.

Since the war he has worked in both Washington, D.C., and England and for 15 years was book reviewer for *Esquire* magazine and has served as editor of *Punch* magazine.

He has completed two volumes of his memoirs, *Chronicles of Wasted Time*, with a third volume nearing completion. He is also author of *Jesus: The Man Who Lives* and *A Twentieth Century Testimony*. In addition, he is a published playwright.

Open to the public, the Henry Harrell Memorial Lecture Series is provided by a gift from Mrs. Henry Harrell to the MTSU foundation.

Further information is available from Dr. John McRay, professor of religious studies, at 898-2460.

\$2 million music annex to be built

by Jerry Williamson

Bids will be opened April 12 for the construction of an estimated \$2 million music annex to the Fine Arts building, according to Charles Pigg, director of campus planning.

The annex will consist of a music hall which will seat 500 people, Tom Naylor, chairman of the music department, said. "The music hall will be used for recitals, practice and teaching," he added.

Also included in the annex will be rehearsal rooms for the band and orchestra, approximately 17 practice rooms for students and teaching studios, Naylor said.

"We'll know shortly after April 12 if the building we are talking about can be built with \$2 million," Naylor said. He went on to say that if the cost of the building goes over the \$2 million

that a new draft of the building will be made to meet the expense limit.

"They will probably start construction within two to three weeks after the bids are opened," Naylor said.

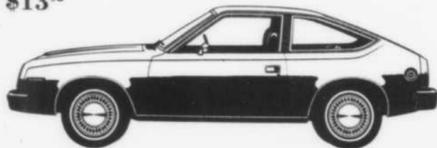
Completion date of the annex is expected within 18 months of the contract signing date.

Correction

In the March 16 issue of *Sidelines* Jane Poole of the elementary and special education department was not named as one of the finalists for the Outstanding Teacher Award. *Sidelines* regrets the error.

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Newsroom Comment Election rumors dispelled; objectivity was questioned

by Karen Zimmermann

Rumors have been flying amidst all those persons concerned with the ASB student elections regarding an incident that occurred on Thursday, March 15, the last *Sidelines* production night.

On that night, five *Sidelines* editors decided that, in the interest of the student body of MTSU, and in view of the election results leading to a run-off between Mark Floyd and Kent Syler, that *Sidelines* should editorially support Floyd's candidacy for president.

For many reasons, it was the consensus of the editorial staff to editorially support Mark Floyd's candidacy for president. It would not be a blanket endorsement, but an editorial written and signed by the editors.

As it happened Floyd called me that night, wondering if any endorsement would be made. I gave him the same answer that I gave his opponent, Kent Syler, when he called shortly afterwards. Needless to say, the resulting uproar that disrupted *Sidelines* production for more than five hours, would not have occurred had the endorsement been in favor of Syler.

Since it was not, Syler immediately had a number of people calling the office to protest the decision. The lines were busy constantly, until I had to begin refusing all calls.

Syler then proceeded to call Frank White, publications advisor, to discuss the decision with him and find out the means to remove an editor. (You have to raise the issue before the publications committee.)

By now the whole thing was totally out of hand. As a courtesy, I had told Floyd about the decision, and, true to his word, he did not mention it to anyone. Syler, on the other hand, made it his business to interfere with our operations, calling me a liar, (because we had decided not to make a blanket endorsement in Newsroom Comment before the main election but now were changing our minds) and accusing my news

editor, Janet Hyatt, of working for Mark Floyd, (though he admitted that he felt the coverage had been impartial thus far). He had evidence he said, which I agreed to consider.

As soon as he got off the phone, we received a call from Riley Clark, former election commissioner. Clark told me that Syler had just called him and said that he had put him "on the line with *Sidelines*." What Syler apparently had assumed was that Clark would support his contentions about Hyatt.

Clark reported to me that Janet Hyatt had at no time showed partiality in the process of covering the campaign. He did say that they had discussed some of Floyd's policies as friends, last semester before anyone's candidacy had been announced and, even then it was strictly "off the record." Clark also said that I could quote him on that, and that he would stand by his word.

At this time, 1 a.m., the decision was made to drop the editorial supporting Floyd, because the reasons for running the editorial had changed so drastically and because production night was running so far behind. It was not because of the masked threats or phone campaigns that Syler had organized. His evidence, after all, had proved to be non-existent.

In the meantime, however, the election result story was being typeset. Through a human oversight, the last page of the story, which reported Floyd's endorsements by other candidates, was not typeset.

The story had been written as objectively as the other stories, but a production error deleted the last five paragraphs. The error was very unfortunate, and since the election is over, nothing can be done now to rectify the situation. *Sidelines* offers its sincerest apologies to Mark Floyd and wishes to congratulate him on being an intelligent and honest candidate. Admittedly it is small consolation now.

MTSU breathes grateful sigh of relief over Vanderbilt-Peabody merger

Last week while you may have been peacefully relaxing in the sun or on your parent's living room couch, George Peabody College for Teachers approved a merger proposal from Vanderbilt University in Nashville.

The surprise action March 19 in which Peabody College's board of trustees unanimously approved the last minute proposal came just nine days after the State Board of Regents' TSU-Peabody merger proposal had been submitted and approved "in concept."

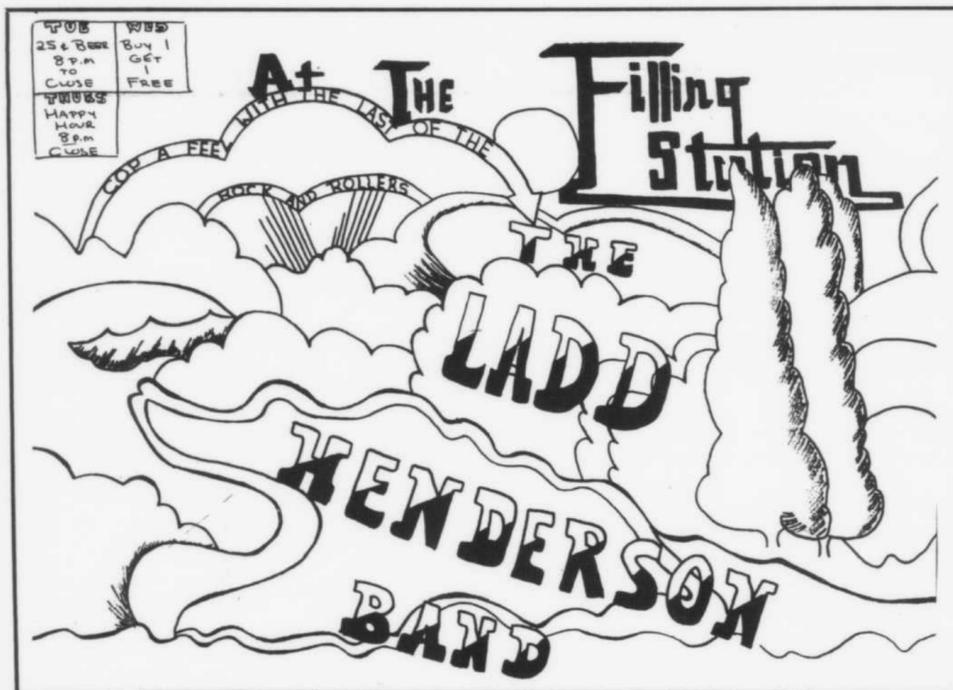
More than a few sighs of relief were uttered at MTSU by concerned students and faculty who had been worried about the possibly detrimental effects such a merger could have on this university.

Now, though, the possibility of a large urban state university, which could have directly competed with MTSU for students and programs is a mute point. Peabody, which is located directly across the street in Nashville from Vanderbilt, will become a professional school within Vanderbilt. The arrangement seems logical not only because of their physical location, but also because the two schools were already sharing athletic facilities and the Joint University Library.

Details on such questions as faculty rights, which had held up the final Board of Regents' proposal, will be ironed out before both boards meet to vote on the final proposal at the end of April.

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by Tim Downs



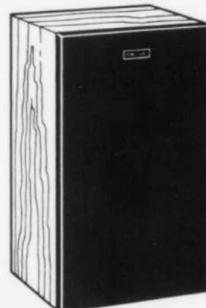
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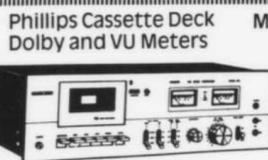
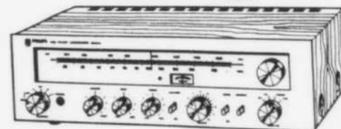
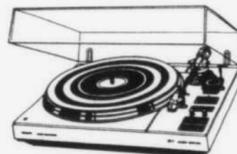
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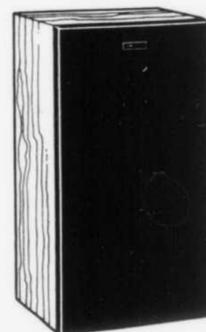
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Sharp remains treading after eight hours in the water.



Sharp steps out as a record breaking champion



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Small bits of bread and honey helped Sharp keep up her strength.

Focus

Student breaks world record

by Lisa Human

Some said she was crazy and some said it couldn't be done, but with drive and determination MTSU student Teresa Sharp treading her way into the Guinness book of World Records last Friday at 2 p.m.

Treading for 30 hours in a vertical position in an 8 by 8 foot square of MTSU's pool, Sharp broke the 24 hour record for treading water non-stop set in 1973.

It all started several weeks ago when Sharp (known as "Moby Dick" to many of her friends) decided that since she was staying in Murfreesboro during spring break, she might as well do something constructive, so she geared her efforts toward breaking the record.

Although Sharp could not practice beforehand because of a lack of time, she did read up on the effects water would have on her body and with the help of faculty members planned a special diet composed mostly of liquids and high protein foods including honey, bread, granola breakfast bars, Gatorade, grape and orange juice.

After clearing her intentions with the administration and finding lifeguards and faculty members to stay with her while she treaded water, Sharp was ready to put her plan into action.

A few minutes before 8 Thursday morning, Sharp rubbed vaseline over her body to keep in body heat and anxiously watched the pool clock while Dr. Powell McClellan, a HPERS instructor, checked her pulse.

As the second hand approached 8 a.m., Sharp moved to the side of the pool, put her swimming goggles over her eyes and quietly jumped in the water, where she remained until 2 p.m. the next day, except for a few short trips to the

restroom.

"As long as I stay in constant motion and don't take too long, it's okay to go to the restroom," Sharp said while treading.

Using the side kick and whip kick, she remained in her designated square of water, talking to friends and smiling with dismay at the click of camera shutters.

"What are all these people here for?" Sharp asked, finding it hard to believe that so many people had come to see her.

Maybe she wasn't expecting so many passersby, but Sharp admitted that talking to people helped break the monotony and pass time.

The pool clock was covered so Sharp would not be tempted to look at it and records playing in the background, amplified by an underwater speaker, also seemed to pass the time.

Every now and then Sharp fed herself liquids through a squirt bottle and asked for bits of bread and honey which people fed to her by hand. She did not try to have regular meals, but ate small amounts of food when she was hungry to keep up her energy and drank liquids every hour to keep her body from dehydrating.

Five hours passed. When asked if she was tired, Sharp replied "not yet." The crowd seemed to agree that late Thursday night would be the time Sharp would need encouragement to go on, but with the help of friends, Sharp made it through the night, quite well.

Dr. Jim Wiseman from the HPERS department showed a slide presentation of his trip out west, Paulette Edwards, a friend of Sharp's, played the guitar to keep Sharp's mind occupied, and Beata Chmielewska, a HPERS instructor, brought Sharp a vase of carnations with the message to "keep on treading."

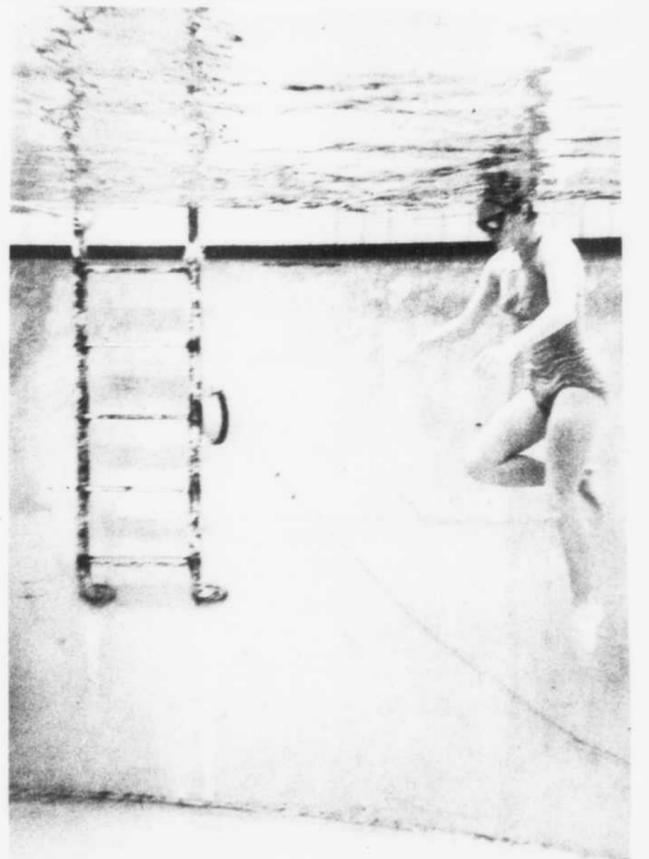
The low point of the 30 hours came at 8 Friday morning, when Sharp was not sure if she could go on or not. "Her weakness now is the psychological trauma that she has no way to relieve herself,"

Wiseman explained, but after a quick trip to the restroom and a pep talk by roommate Annette Grines, Sharp treaded on.

An hour later the record was [continued on page 7]



A tired champion relaxes in the girls locker room.



Sharp listens to music piped through an underwater speaker.



Teresa Sharp waves a thank you to friends who helped break the monotony during the night.



photo by LARRY McCORMACK

Vaulters do some spring cleaning

For pole vaulters on the Blue Raider track team, the spring competitive season brings with it not only meets with other universities, but a bit of spring cleaning as seen in the picture above as they load equipment onto a car.

Takes command of the language

Student goes to Germany to study

by Jeff Ellis

Most American students studying the German language gain the bulk of their knowledge from their teachers, textbooks or an occasional film. But for one MTSU student, a trip to Germany helped to make her command of the language "twice as good" as before she went.

Eloise Flynn of Murfreesboro recently returned from an eight-week stay at the Goethe Institute in Grafing, Germany, a city just outside of Munich. Her studies at the Institute were made possible through a full scholarship on the basis of scores earned on a comprehensive German examination.

Describing the Institute's program as "intensive," Flynn said that because of the Germans' different teaching methods, "I'd go home and study for hours" in an effort to perform at the expected level.

Each week found Flynn in class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. On Monday and Wednesday, she was in the classroom from 8:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Following lunch on those days, it was back to the books from 2:30 to 4:15. On Fridays she attended classes only in the morning.

While in Germany she lived in Ebersburg, a town some five kilometers from the Institute.

Living in a students' home, which she described as being "just like a coed dorm," Flynn had as her roommate, Lura Massey, another MTSU student from Murfreesboro. Massey, also winner of a full scholarship, chose to remain in Germany for an extended stay, Flynn said.

"There were students from all over the world Switzerland, Brazil, Italy, Japan, Turkey I don't remember any native Germans," she remarked.

The international flavor of the academic setting spilled over into dorm life with Flynn's self-admitted overeating the result. "One night we had a Turkish dinner and the following night, a Japanese dinner," she explained. Eating with chopsticks for the first time, she said, "I did quite well."

Flynn and her compatriots had an opportunity to work off the extra calories by taking part in a variety of planned outings including sledding, iceskating and skiing.

One such outing took the students to Oberammerdorff where they took the initial plunge into the sport of bobsledding. As Flynn described it, the would-be athletes would go down the mountain at a rate of 30 to 40 miles per hour.

"We fell off hundreds of times

and one guy went into a creek which flowed by the sledding course," Flynn laughed. She pointed out, however, that no serious injuries befell the students.

Also included on Flynn's itinerary were trips to the Hofbrau Haus, a famous German beer hall; Schloss Nymphenburg, a castle; and a tour of the Deutsches Museum. In addition, Flynn had her first exposure to opera and ballet while in Germany.

After seeing the opera, "Das Reingold," and the ballet, "Giselle," she said, "It was just beautiful. It was my first opera and first ballet and I loved it. I wanted to see more but didn't have the chance."

Prior to leaving for Germany, Flynn's only misgiving was the fact that she would be forced to leave her daughter, Christy, with relatives in the States. Now, however, Flynn views it as a good experience for both mother and daughter.

"She was too dependent on me and now she's much more independent," Flynn observed.

Flynn, currently teaching Title I reading at the Cascade School in Bedford County, holds both a bachelor's and master's degree from MTSU. She said that the German experience will "definitely make me a better teacher. I've learned so much about English grammar from studying German. I think studying a foreign language makes you a more well-rounded person."

Regarding her increased knowledge of the language, the young woman said, "I began to think German without translating it first."

Flynn, who previously lived in Germany several years ago for a period of one and a half years, has plans to return in the future with hopes of doubling her skills once more.

Correction

In the March 16 issue of 'Sidelines' Gary Pomeroy was mistakenly listed as a sophomore senator and a write-in candidate in the ASB election. Pomeroy was elected junior senator on the regular ballot. It was also erroneously reported that Kelly Derryberry was elected sophomore senator. Steve Nester was elected as a sophomore senator. Sidelines regrets the error.

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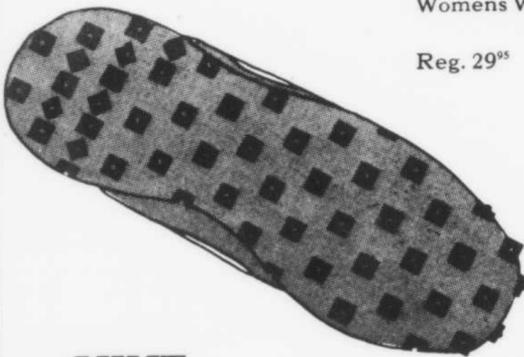
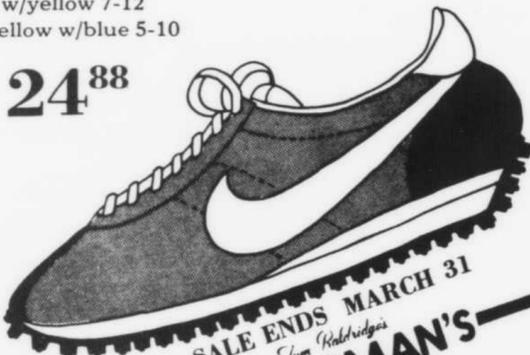
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Interest rate legislation passes

NASHVILLE--Interest rate legislation shot into the passing lane and the state car bill was junked last week as the House moved through its seventh work week.

And, Rep. Don Hood (D-Kingsport) "down-shifted," idling his death injection bill while he checks the measure's support and alignment.

The much-studied interest rate package was approved Wednesday by the House Commerce Committee with the main proposal setting the rate for most loans at the figure proposed by Gov. Lamar Alexander--a maximum of five points above the federal discount rate. An attempted motion for a maximum of four points in the committee failed.

Legislators were given the responsibility of rewriting the state's money lending statutes when last year's constitutional referendum abolished the ten percent ceiling on loans.

In addition to approving the five percent above discount rate, House Commerce adopted definitions for the interest rate proposal agreed on by a special panel of lawmakers and administration officials. The package also sets a maximum interest rate of 18 percent on credit card purchases and installment loans as it is now while limiting rates on home mortgages to two points above the Federal National Mortgage Association's market auction rate.

House members Wednesday voted 48-45 to re-refer the Fiscal Review Committee's state car bill to the House Labor and Consumer Affairs Committee.

Alexander administration officials, Public Service Commission members and state university officials had actively worked against the measure which would

have eliminated most state-owned cars.

The Fiscal Review Committee offered the bill as an effort to curb the abuse of state vehicles, estimating the measure could save the state \$600,000. The House's re-referral action, however, means the bill probably is dead for the session.

"Apparently, the few who have cars are more powerful than the many who don't have them," said co-sponsor of the bill, Rep. Riley Darnell (D-Clarksville) after the vote.

In other action last week, Rep. Don Hood delayed for three weeks a House vote on his measure providing lethal injections instead of electrocution in capital punishment cases because he wants to study a proposed amendment which would allow a prisoner a choice of electrocution or injection.

Other legislative developments included:

★ ABORTION--The Senate approved legislation requiring doctors performing an abortion on women younger than age 16 to notify the patient's parents two days before the operation.

★ CONJUGAL VISITS--A program of family and conjugal visits for state prison inmates would be established under legislation approved by the Senate State and Local Government Committee. The bill was sent to Senate Finance because it carries a price tag of \$647,000 a year.

★ CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDY--House members approved the establishment of a special committee to conduct a comprehensive study and revamping of the state's correction and criminal justice systems.

★ HEADLIGHTS--Legislation by Rep. Nathan Ford (R-Newport) requiring headlights to be used when rain, mist, snow or other precipitation makes the use of windshield wipers necessary.

★ INSPECTOR GENERAL--A Senate State and Local Government subcommittee cut \$30,000 from Alexander's budget that had been earmarked for the governor's "inspector general" who is supposed to investigate corruption in state government.

★ MARRIAGE--House members approved legislation by Rep. Jim McKinney (D-Nashville) allowing court clerks to perform marriage ceremonies.

She's got the makings for turtle soup

by Lisa Human

Not many 19 year old women own a single shot bolt action rifle, much less know how to use one, but MTSU student Ann Martin used hers quite efficiently last week shooting turtles for dinner.

Actually, Martin was shooting turtles for a historic preservation medieval banquet that will take place April 28. Students in the class will dress, act and eat like their medieval ancestors.

Martin knew a unique way of hunting turtles, so with her rifle over her shoulder and some shells (shot-gun, not turtle shells) in her pocket, Martin set out on a turtle hunt.

Standing on a river bank in Paducah, Ky., Martin waited patiently for a turtle to appear, aimed at the head and fired.

Before he knew what hit him, a big snapping turtle sunk to the bottom of the river, but his body would float to the top within 24 hours, at which time Martin planned to collect her prey.

After shooting four or five turtles, Martin left the river bank and waited for the bodies to surface.

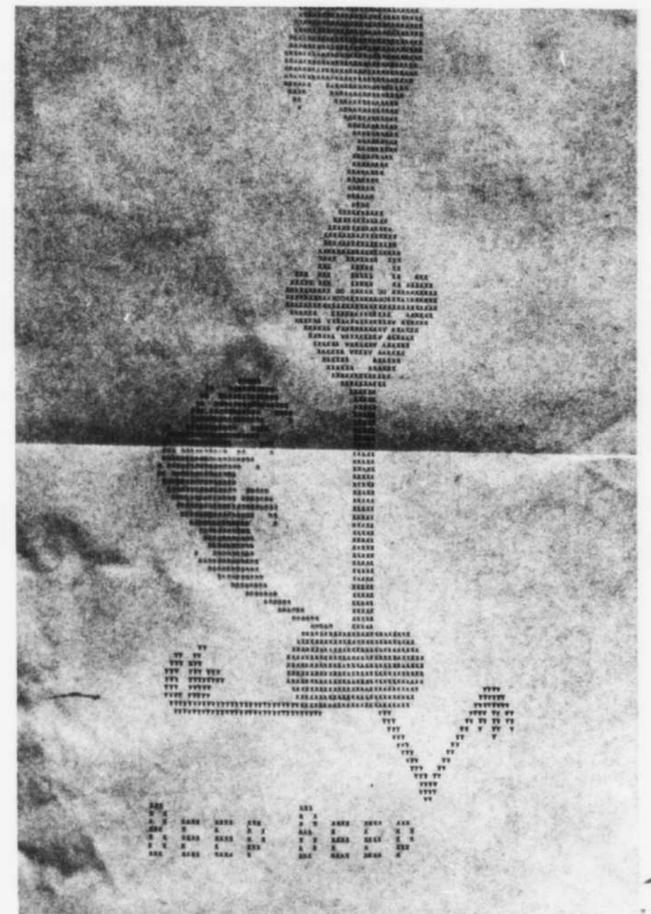
Unfortunately, a storm arose before the bodies could be retrieved, and the bodies were blown away, unable to be found.

Martin, who has been hunting since she was 10 and received a shot

gun from her father when she turned 16, said she does not hunt often because she loves animals. She only hunts creatures she does not like, such as snakes and snapping turtles.

"I'm going to go back and hunt turtles again," Martin said, because she said she knows it can be done. "I guess they had bad luck like I did in medieval times too," Martin said, but unlike her medieval ancestors, she got in the car and drove to the supermarket for her food.

Et Cetera by Bill Cook



This computerized rendition of the Road Runner is found on the door of Wayne Gober, assistant professor of accounting and information systems. Gober says there is no special significance to this display -- although there are times when teaching leaves him feeling as if he has run many miles. His office is KOM 271.

Student breaks

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broken, but Sharp continued until 2 p.m., a goal she had set earlier.

"I knew it would be hard, but I didn't know it would be this hard," Sharp said, before going into a vertical type of float.

Although she said she got chilly when she floated for a long time, the pool was kept at 86, a temperature that was comfortable to Sharp. Her body temperature was taken about 1 p.m. Friday, and although Chrietberg said she would have expected it to drop to at least 95, her temperature was

97.6, one degree below normal.

With no fear of hypothermia, Sharp treaded on, and on and on until...five four three two one...a champagne cork popped, the crowd applauded and a record breaking champion stepped out of the pool.

After thanking everyone for helping her and examining her shriveled hands and feet, Sharp said she wanted to go home and go to sleep, but first, after 30 hours in the water, she wanted to take a shower.

Calendar

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Peer Counselor Training Seminar: Guidance and Counseling; 4:30-6 p.m., UC 316

Benefit Basketball Game: Kappa Sigma and SAE; 7 p.m., AM Gym

Senior Recital: John McHenry; 8 p.m., JUB Tennessee Room

Deadline: theses and dissertations; graduate office

THURSDAY

Dance: MTSU Dance Club; 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Murphy Center Dance Studio B

Bake Sale: Delta Omicron; 8 a.m.-4 p.m., UC Basement

Conference: Continuing Education; 8 a.m.-3 p.m.,

JUB Tennessee Room Meeting: Personnel-Clerical and Secretarial; 10-11 a.m., UC Theatre

Meeting: Dormitory Head Residents; 11 a.m., UC 305

Movie: Saturday Night Fever; 3:30, 6 and 8:15 p.m., UC Theatre

Track: Oakland High School; 8:30 p.m., Jones Field

Traffic Court: 4-6 p.m., UC 313 and 315

Little Miss Delta Pageant: Delta Sigma Theatre; 7-10 p.m., AM Gym

Meeting: AAUP; 7:30 p.m., UC 322

Brass and Percussion Concert: Music Dept.; 8 p.m., JUB Tennessee Room

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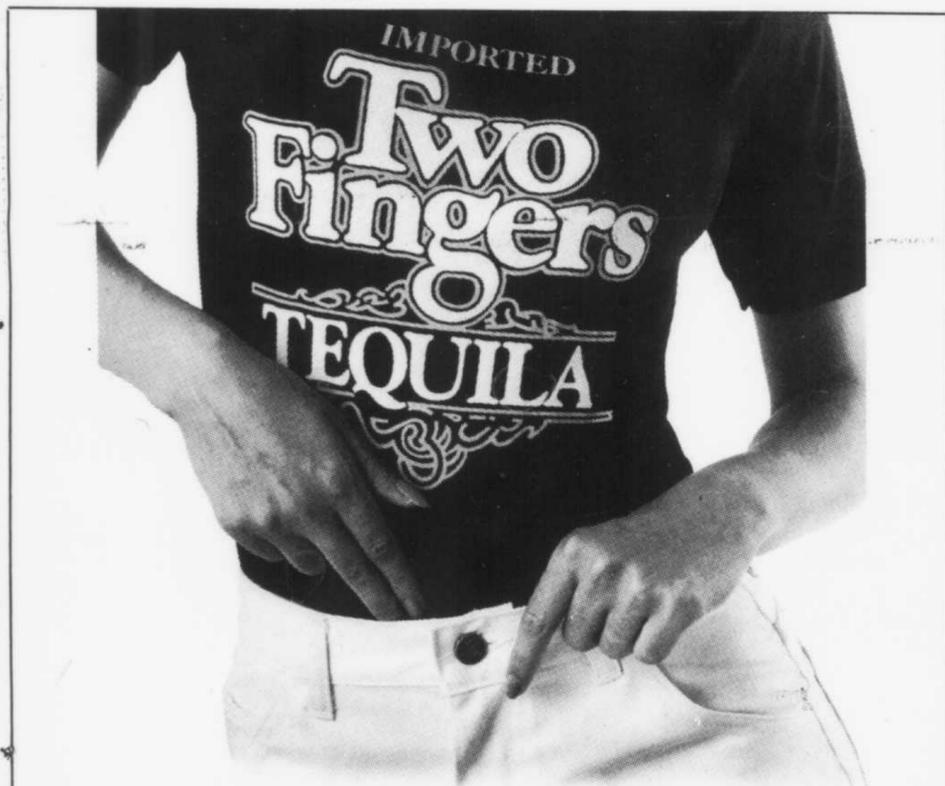
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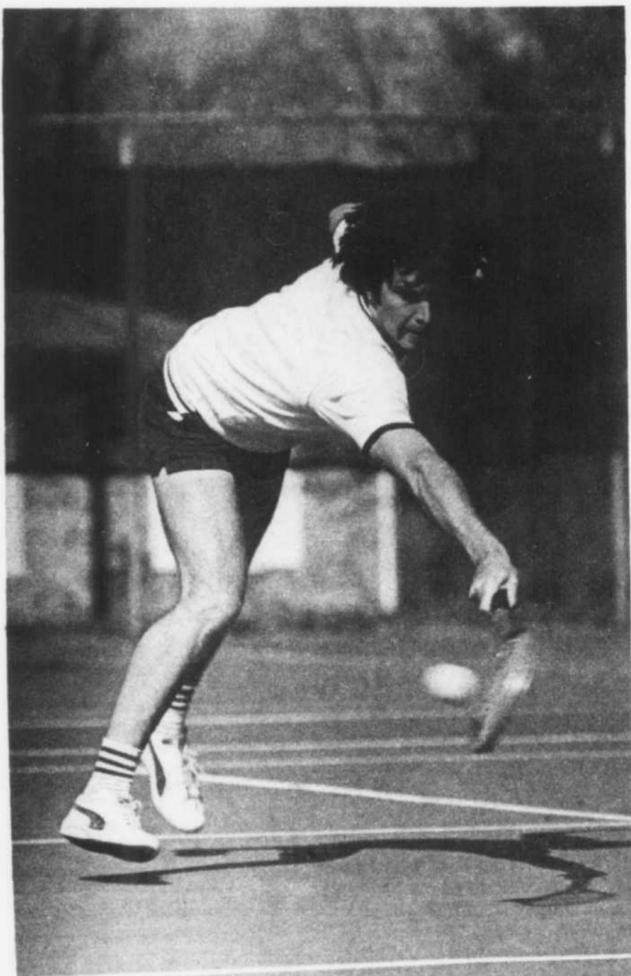
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Tennis teams go undefeated during holiday matches



Peter Roberts photo by BILL COOK

Spring practice opens

by Henry Fennell

MTSU's new head football coach Boots Donnelly opens what promised to be a long, hard spring practice yesterday afternoon.

Donnelly began the 21 day session with 80 members in this year's squad. Donnelly, however, doubts he'll have that many players left when the spring work has been completed.

"I hope we'll end up with 40 to 45 after spring," said Donnelly. "We won't be embarrassed to take what's left on the field he added.

Yesterday's workout lasted over three hours and Donnelly promised the work will only get tougher later on.

Donnelly expressed a real concern over a general lack of enthusiasm during the workout. "We're looking for enthusiasm and I just didn't see it today, but we'll change that," said the first year coach.

There was a noticeable absence of elbow and neck pads during yesterday's practice. Donnelly explained the bare bones approach by saying, "We don't believe in them (extra pads) if there is no need."

Donnelly also appeared troubled over what he called a lack of

togetherness within the squad. Donnelly himself admitted he didn't know the squad at this point.

The Raiders will scrimmage Tuesday and Friday afternoons over the next three weeks beginning with their first scrimmage this Friday. Scrimmage sessions will begin at 4 p.m. All practices and scrimmages are open to the public.

Golf team loses by one stroke

MTSU's Blue Raider golf team was edged by one stroke in the Miami Invitational Golf Tournament in Florida last week by the University of Miami.

The Raiders finished with a four day total of 1206 to the University of Miami's 1205. The University of Tampa, Notre Dame and Bowling Green University filled out the top five finishers in the fourteen team tournament.

In individual scoring, MTSU's Chris Hall finished second behind Miami's Bill Morettie with a total score of 296 to Morettie's 295.

Other MTSU golfers who finished well were Chris Farr with a 300 and Steve Goldstein with a 301.

by Scott Adams

While most MTSU students were basking in the Florida sun during Spring break, the Raider tennis teams were amassing a combined record of 12-0 in holiday play.

Sandy Neal's Lady Raiders rolled through Southern Florida with wins over Central Florida Community College (8-1), Kent State (9-0), Central Florida University (6-3), Daytona Community College (5-2) and Flager College (6-3).

The biggest foe for the team throughout the week was probably the cramped situations that they had to put up with. Due to the unavailability of a school van, the team was forced to take a station wagon. All six players plus coach Neal and baggage and equipment definitely made living a little hectic for the team during the six day excursion.

"I was really happy with the way we played," Neal said. "Things got pretty cramped at times, but I guess we were just lucky to be able to go on a trip like that, so I'm not going to complain."

Neal seemed most pleased with the teams last victory over Flager College in St. Augustine.

"Last year Flager beat us 8-1 and they had just about everybody back from last year, so I guess that just shows how much we've improved," Neal said. "Kaye (Wrather) is really playing well right now and I was really happy with the way Tarja (Ojala) played last week. Even though she lost her match

against Flager, she showed the real determination of a winner."

Wrather, who plays at the number five position, leads the team in single's play with an overall record of 7-1.

For Dick LaLance and his Blue Raider netsmen, it was seven matches in seven days with most of their action taking place in South Carolina.

MTSU started off with wins over Benedictine (9-0), and the University of Illinois (6-3), on the Murphy Center courts before taking off for South Carolina and a match with the Citadel. They took an impressive 6-3 win there before sweeping successive matches with The College of Charleston (5-4), Coastal Carolina (5-4), Presbyterian (6-3) and Newberry (9-0).

Stuart Thompson went through the week's play without a loss in singles competition while Peter Roberts made it through with only one setback.

"Everybody just played great," Roberts said. "We all had one bad day, but luckily it didn't come on the same day."

The Blue Raiders, whose record is up to 10-2, were scheduled to face Michigan State last Wednesday but the match was postponed due to the weather. Their next matches will be against the University of Louisville on Friday and with Ole Miss on Saturday. Both matches are scheduled for the Murphy Center courts.

The Lady Raiders will carry a 7-1 record to Austin Peay tomorrow for their first Ohio Valley Conference match of the season.



Kaye Wrather photo by BILL COOK

Inman signs state's top scorer

Lady Raider head basketball coach Larry Joe Inman has announced the signing of the state's leading scorer, Jennifer Taylor of Johnson City, to an athletic grant-in-aid for the upcoming season.

Taylor averaged 40.2 points per game this past season to edge Humboldt's Ester Coleman for the state scoring title. As a freshman, Taylor averaged 35 points per game, then led the state as a

sophomore with a 39.6 average. Last year as a junior, Taylor scored at the rate of 35.4 points per game, good for fourth in the state.

"The state's leading scorer is a heck of a way to start our recruiting campaign," Inman said. "We are extremely pleased to have Jennifer Taylor in our program, and feel that she will make quite a contribution to our team in the next four years."

Lady tracksters take third place in season's first meet

First year women's track coach Debbie Chitwood, took her first year Lady Raider track team to Morehead State University for a four teams meet last weekend and amassed an amazing 32 points.

It was amazing from the standpoint that Chitwood has only seven members on the team while every other school in the meet had full squads of about 25.

"This was our first meet of the season, and I was very pleased, to say the least, with our girls' performances," Chitwood said. "If we had one more girl for the distance events and one more to compete in the field events, we would really be tough."

Of the seven girls who participated for MTSU, all scored the establishment of a special third in a given event.

First place finishers were Millie Mosley in the 880 yard run, Antoinetta Scruggs in the 220 yard dash and the mile relay team of Susan Vaughn, Marion Gilbert, Mosley and Scruggs.

Morehead won the match with 68 points, followed by Louisville with 46, MTSU with 32 and the University of West Virginia with 15.

The Lady Raiders' next meet will be in Memphis this weekend in the Memphis State Invitational.

"This will be our biggest meet of the season," Chitwood said. "There will be about 20 teams in it and this will really tell us a lot about how we stand as far as other schools are concerned. Of course, no matter what happens, I'll be very proud of the girls because this is our first year in competition."

Simpson inks first recruit

by Scott Adams

Newly appointed men's head basketball coach Stanley "Ramrod" Simpson has announced the signing of his first recruit, Ray LaComte, a 6-8, 200 pound center from Bruceton, Tn.

"We've been looking at him for about three years and I'm really glad we could sign him," Simpson said. "He's 6-8 right now, but he has real big hands and feet, which means that he could grow another two or three inches."

LaComte led Bruceton Central High School to a 23-2 record this season, but the small single A school was eliminated in the finals of the regional tournament after LaComte went out early in the first quarter with a sprained ankle.

Simpson said that he still had three more scholarships to hand out, and added that there are still 12 athletes yet to visit the campus.

"We're looking for a good shooting guard, preferably a junior college player who could come in and help right away," Simpson said.

Most of Simpson's efforts have centered around 6-3 Robbie Randolph who has played for Howard County Junior College in Big Springs, Texas this year. Randolph is originally from Memphis where he prepped at Memphis Treadwell High School.

Treadwell won the Class AAA championship in 1977 and Randolph was named the tournament's most valuable player in his division.

Earlier in the week Simpson announced that Jan Stauffer would remain on the staff as his top assistant. Applications are being accepted for the other assistant coach position for which Simpson says "87 people have already applied." The other assistant coach will be chosen around the first of July.



Lady Raider signee Jennifer Taylor, bottom right, poses with her high school coach, left, and mother.

Raider nine in tourney

MTSU's baseball team scored big during spring break, winning six of seven games over a seven day period.

The Raiders ran their record to 9-4-1 by beating Belmont, Trevecca, Vanderbilt and Luther College in single games. MTSU also won both games of a doubleheader against Kent State. The Raiders only loss was a 4-3 decision to David Lipscomb.

MTSU is set to begin play in the Worth Spring Classic at Nashville this afternoon. The tournament

field includes Aurora, Belmont, Trevecca, Lewis-Clark, Vanderbilt and MTSU.

Every team in the tourney will play every other team in round-robin style. The field is divided into two divisions and the teams with the best tournament records from each division will play for the championship on Saturday.

The Raiders begin play today with a 12 p.m. game against Lewis and Clark, followed by a 3 p.m. game against Belmont. Both games will be played at Vanderbilt's field.



Spring workouts began yesterday with 80 players attending the session.

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