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News Briefs

Day care center may reopen

ROME (AP) — The prosecution demanded Mehmet Ali Agca be jailed for life yesterday for shooting Pope John Paul II, calling the Turkish terrorist "a man of hate, a man of violence, a man of desperation."

Prosecutor Nicolo Amato asked for the maximum penalty against the 23-year-old bearded defendant, who boycotted the trial yesterday to protest being tried in Italy.

Agca admitted to the Italian court at the opening of the trial he shot the pope in St. Peter's Square on May 13. His court-appointed lawyer said Agca refused to attend yesterday because he wants to be tried in Vatican City. Defendants have the right not to attend their trials in Italy.

NEW YORK (AP) — Samuel F. McNell, whose allegations of fraud prompted the resignation last week of Max C. Hugel as chief of clandestine operations for the CIA, has been reported missing by his company, *The New York Times* reported yesterday.

Triad Energy Corp. announced Monday that McNell, its president, had disappeared. The concern also halted trading on its stock, the *Times* said.

McNell has been missing since last week, when he and his brother, Thomas R. McNell, made accusations against Hugel, according to the New York-based company.

NASHVILLE (AP) — A lawyer for Coors of the Cumberland says the beer distributor will no longer use posters displaying a likeness of the late country music star Lester Flatt.

Executors of Flatt's estate asked for a temporary injunction banning distribution of the posters, but the agreement by Coors of the Cumberland resulted in cancellation of a Chancery Court hearing Monday.

Attorney Tom Black said the posters, showing Flatt and his band in a collage of Tennessee sights, were used by Adolph Coors Co. of Colorado when the beer was first brought to Tennessee but there are no plans to use them any more.

Flatt, who died in May 1979 at the age of 64, was a teetotaler and would never have approved of having his face on a poster advertising beer, Smith said.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A change in the original design of the sky walks in the Hyatt Regency Hotel doubled the stress on the part of the walkways that later pulled apart during the collapse that killed 111 people, the *Kansas City Star* reported yesterday in a copyrighted story.

The *Star's* report said the design change doubled the stress on three steel box-beams supporting the fourth-floor sky walk, one of two that collapsed. Those were the beams that tore away from their ceiling-anchored moorings Friday night, the newspaper reported.

Weather

Sunny and warm today through Thursday. Lows in the mid to upper 60s. Highs in the upper 80s or low 90s. The wind will be light and easterly today.

By MELANIE THOMISON
Staff Writer

The MTSU Day Care Center, closed for lack of funding, may soon reopen if it can become self-supporting, according to June Anderson, director of WISE (Women In Service for Education).

"We are looking into the possibility of finding out if we can run a self-supporting day care center that has now been vacated on campus," Anderson explained.

Anderson said that they are in the process of investigating those possibilities and trying to involve all the people who might be concerned.

ROBERT LALANCE, vice president for student affairs, volunteered his help in planning for the center.

"I was notified by Dr. Anderson of the possibility of reopening the day care center and assisting her in converting it," said LaLance.

LaLance said that conversion of the present facility is a necessity because lack of funding is a key factor. He also said that he, Dr. Anderson and others "looked into the problem two or three years ago and found it

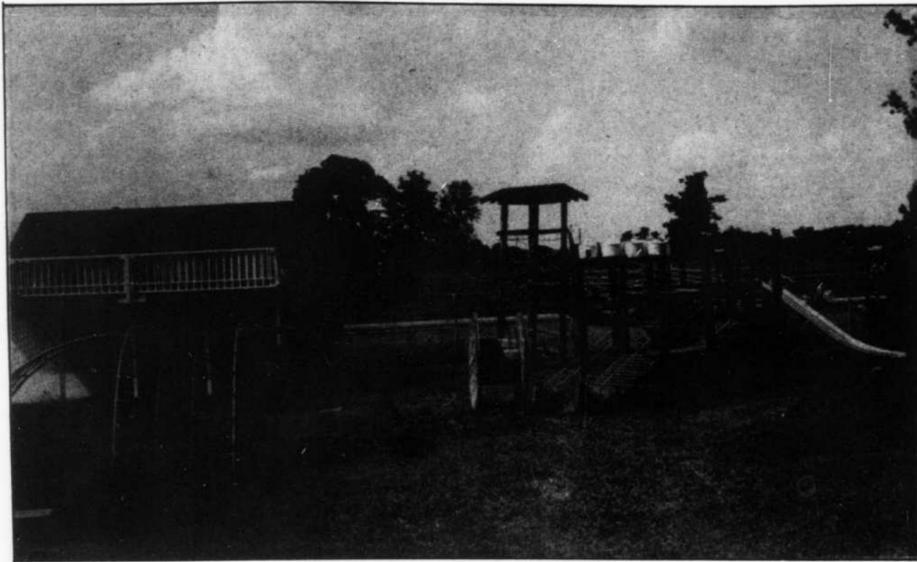


Photo by Liz Massa

A deserted playground and building may become a day care center for up to 25 children if the program proves self-supporting.

would require substantial sources other than its few paying parents."

MTSU'S PRESIDENT Sam Ingram said that the center will have to be self-supporting simply because there are no appropriations available.

"To run the facility by another means other than self-supporting would mean diverting instructional money," he said, "and this is not in keeping with legislative intent. There are tremendous (instructional funding) needs, too."

He said that the facility itself would be responsible for direct out-of-pocket expenses. The university would probably pay for utilities, but board policies are involved in such a process.

Anderson said that at this point, they are concerned

mainly with investigation of the feasibility of reopening the center.

"**AT THE START**, we plan to open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. A night service would be ideal, but it might entail too much," said Anderson.

The day care center would hold a maximum of 25 children, ideally ages three to five years.

"I believe the most promising age group with regard to regulations, licensing and staff, is that of three to five years," added Ingram.

Anderson believes there is a need for the facility, but she has to find out how great the need really is.

"We'd like anyone interested to call and let us know in order to help us to acquire use of the center once again," Anderson said. "Since there is a need, figures are will help us find out what we have to work with."

SHE ADDED that if the plan becomes feasible, the next concern is to find qualified people. Since there is a question of funding, she said they might be willing to consider part-time workers.

"The main money would go to the director of the day care center, and helpers would receive minimum wage," explained Anderson.

She said that there seems to be a lot of people who would welcome a day care center for their children.

Ingram feels that the center would be an added benefit for the students.

Herpes virus fast-spreading foe

By BILL WARD
Managing Editor

Herpes simplex.

It doesn't sound terribly forbidding, but unless a cure is found soon, chances are that a majority of Americans will have this annoying affliction by the end of the century.

That's because this venereal disease never completely goes away, and that's why "60 Minutes" is re-running their report on herpes this Sunday night (6 p.m., Channel 5 locally).

IN FACT, the original broadcast of this segment on the highly-rated news-magazine show has helped to bring herpes "out of the closet" and aided researchers looking for a cure.

Herpes simplex is by far America's fastest-spreading venereal disease, and, even though not as painful as other strains, it certainly puts a crimp in one's sex life.

EVEN AFTER the sores subside, he adds, the danger to others is not over, for the cells can shed in such a way that herpes can be transmitted for another five or six days. Those

afflicted should abstain from sex during that time.

The disease, which can be transmitted orally or genitally, is evidenced by lesions and/or sores in the mouth or genitalia area, according to MTSU physician's assistant Don Young.

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Perhaps the worst aspect of herpes is that it can re-occur at most any time, sometimes as often as every 3-4 weeks, Young says.

"There are two types of the disease," Young notes, "and it can be transmitted from mouth to genitalia or vice versa."

At the present time, he adds, about 20 percent of the cases in the mouth area are "type two" (the variety originating in the genitalia), and a like percentage of the lesions in the genitals originated as "type one" (oral) herpes.

BECAUSE OF the current trend toward "more freedom of sexual activity," Young said, these figures are expected to reach 50 percent within a few years.

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Oops!

Due to last-minute production difficulties, the article in the last issue of *Sidelines* about MTSU's continuing education water safety and awareness classes was not attributed to staff writer Melanie Thomison. *Sidelines* regrets this omission.

MTSU gardens boast beautiful, bountiful blooms

By ELIZABETH PORTER
Staff Writer

Many students may wonder if they've been whisked away to the land of Oz as they stroll by the flower beds at the main entrance to Todd Library.

However, they are merely in Murfreesboro—gazing upon a lantana tree.

"A lot of people ask about that tree," said Jamie Proctor, head of the university's flower planting crew. "It's not a very hearty plant. They can't survive the winter."

"We dig them up every year and put them in the greenhouse."

THE PLANTS are so common in Florida that the residents refer to them as weeds, but they are a fairly unusual sight for Tennesseans. Their presence adds a storybook quality to the 55 gardens on campus.

Seven horticulture students assist Proctor in caring for the plants—quite a task, considering the fact that some 20,000 plants were used last year.

"They are all outstanding," the bearded MTSU graduate said of his crew, which consists mainly of students on the work-study program. "We try to let each student plan one flower bed every year to get a little variety."

PROCTOR DESIGNS most of the gardens himself. He came up with the swirling arrangement of "Joseph's coats" in front of the Dramatic Arts Building while toying with a telephone cord. A chandelier inspired the spiral of "burning bushes" near J and K apartments.

Art teachers requested that Proctor and his crew place a wide variety of plants in front of the Art Barn, so that students could sketch the different colors and textures.

"I thought it would look terrible," Proctor said, "but it turned out to get a lot of comments from people since there are so many different types of flowers to look at."

PRESIDENT INGRAM'S garden is also under Proctor's care, and that area presents some special problems, even for the seven green thumbs tending it.

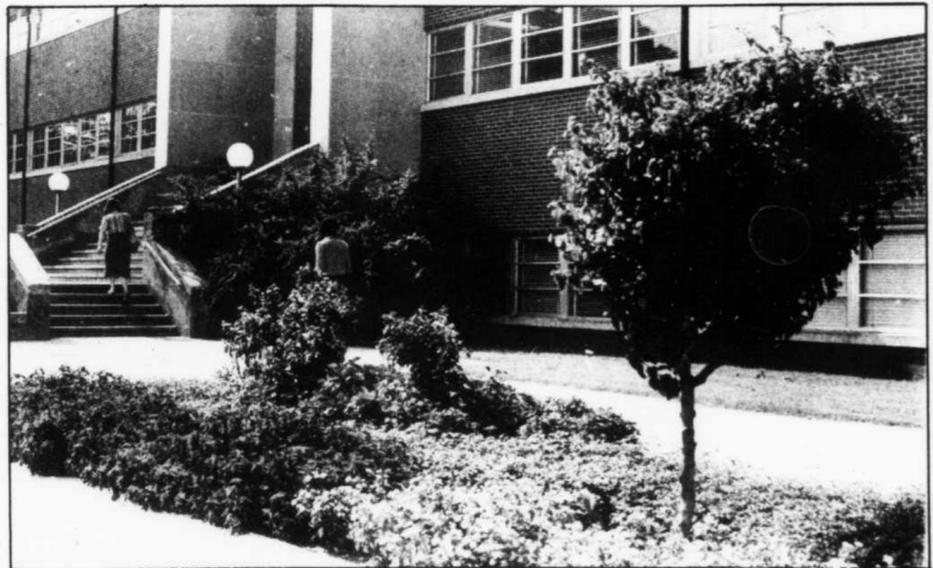


Photo by Liz Massa

The flowering lantana tree in front of Todd Library provides a bright spot on campus. The flower beds are lovingly planned and cared for by Jamie Proctor and crew.

"We like to use blooming plants that she (Mrs. Ingram) can use for arrangements," Proctor related. "Those varieties require lots of light, and the yard is so shady we sometimes have trouble with them."

The crew is presently taking

up pansies which were planted in early spring because they don't last through hot summer weather. They will be replaced by chrysanthemums for the fall. Proctor is also hoping to get an herb garden planted.

"We have quite a few

herbs growing already," he quipped, referring to the cannabis plants the crew encounters from time to time on campus. The fate of those weeds was not discussed; however, it is doubtful that they are cultivated by the agriculture department.

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On this date in 1860, novelist Frederick William Rolfe (Baron Corvo) was born in London. In Peter Luke's brilliant fantasy-autobiography of Rolfe, *The Play of Hadrian VII*, the Rolfe/Pope Hadrian character growls: "Human error is sometimes excusable. In-human behaviour is not. Ill-considered judgements by those in authority are damnably culpable."

Today's students return to pre-60s idealism

Ten years ago the expressions, "cool," "laid-back," and "mind-blowing" did not carry the negative connotations they do today.

The current expressions "go for it," "ambitious," and "up and coming" have replaced much of the slang used to describe the ideal young person and his or her situation. These terms may have been considered insulting in the late '60s.

"Business men" conjured up composites of polluting, materialistic hawks who were hell-bent on destroying every forest, moral commitment and Vietnamese on earth in the name of capitalism, financial gain, and the dread "establishment."

Marriage sanctioned by a license and a blood test was simply the hollow commitment to tried-but-failed tradition reinforced by centuries of government regulation of affection and partnership.

Even a "good job" was felt by many young people to be indirectly contributing to the unwanted war effort. Extremists thought the 9 to 5 position was the most meaningless existence imaginable.

The threat of nuclear war had been ingrained in the minds of all college-age people since the civil defense drills at grade school in the '50s. Some students felt it useless to plan for the future beyond buying some land in the hills to run for when the holocaust came.

The music reflected the disenchantment of an entire generation. Neil Young envisioned "sitting in a burned-out basement . . . hoping it was a lie" while Joni Mitchell escaped the harsh reality by hallucinating bombers turning into butterflies.

More pragmatic-minded activists protested by marching, sitting, standing and being in places "the establishment" did not want them to. Women burned bras; men burned draft cards; and when it became clear that the collective voice of dissension was not only ignored, but suppressed by Washington, some became frustrated machine gun-toting revolutionaries.

The college students of that era of hyperactivism addressed the social injustices of the time with fervor no matter what the actual reasons for involvement.

Since that time, Watergate, Chappaquiddik, Abscam, and Biafra have anesthetized many to the point of ignoring or at least, rationalizing political corruption and moral malfeasance.

Humans have a way of adapting to the least desirable environments, although in some instances, time will tell if our coping ability is actually maladaptive.

Once again a good job, a good income, and a good marriage are the idealized futures for college youth. Business schools and money-making propositions are once again the popular concerns of youth.

No more "dangerous" subversives disrupt the campus. No more demonstrations of concern over poll taxes, much less the reinstatement of the draft. Just the occasional discussion of stock market investments and people honking because they love Jesus.

Campus life is back to normal—or is it?

Hobnobbing with heavies in D.C.

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON
Staff Writer

The next best thing to actually working in Washington, D.C., is interning there, even for a few days.

Thanks to a travel grant from *Reader's Digest*, my editor and I were given the opportunity to rub shoulders with (and bow and scrape to) many of the heavies of the Washington press corps.

Our 15-day symposium with the Washington Center for Learning Alternatives not only brought us into contact with top-notch journalists, but also with persons inside the government itself.

MY FIRST venture into the cold, cruel world of Media vs. Government was my most unforgettable day in the nation's capitol. My assignment was to trail CBS political reporter Lee Thornton around town as she gathered news for the evening telecast. (The real challenge, however, was to navigate the labyrinthine maze of Washington roundabouts, one-way streets, cul-de-sacs, and other capital corridors.)

The day got off to a bad start when I had to tramp some two blocks through a downpour to fetch an umbrella from my car—rendered useless by the horrendous parking situation. En route, a malicious Metrobus splashed gutter sludge all over my white skirt.

BUT HARDCORE journalists perform best in times of adversity, I recalled, so I blotted my skirt as best I could and boarded the bus that I prayed would deposit me at the proper destination.

Upon lunging through the notoriously fast-closing exit doors, I sank into a half foot of

mud. Naturally, I was wearing sandals. But I was cool.

Lost, muddy, but determined, I hiked the five blocks to the CBS studio, frantically searching for water puddles to rinse my feet in.

I trudged into CBS, mud squishing between my toes, and asked the security guard to tell Lee Thornton that her intern for a day had arrived. Thornton was not in, I was told, but she would contact me as soon as she came in.

MEANWHILE, I washed my shoes and feet in the sink of the nearest ladies' room, then returned to the reception area to watch "Captain Kangaroo" through the control room window.

Halfway through "Donahue," the guard informed me that Thornton had been called to cover a hearing and would be there all day.

So I left a note telling her how disappointed I was and took my leave. The guard offered instructions where to catch a bus that would take me to another bus that would take me back to my apartment.

Along the way, I stepped in a crack in the sidewalk and broke my waterlogged shoe.

BACK AT the Woodner Apartments, or, as we lovingly referred to it, the "Roachner," I contacted the WCLA office and received another assignment.

An instant change of luck occurred.

I was to meet Bob Kur at the State Department, where he is NBC's No. 3 man.



Claudia Robinson, sophomore mass communications student stands behind the podium in the press briefing room at the State Department in Washington, D.C.

After clearing security, I wandered the halls of the State Department for a short time until I located a room with a sign on the door that read, "PRESS...and then Push." This was the press room.

Bob was number one today due to the absence of Marvin and Bernard Kalb, numbers one and two.

He had me read clippings from the morning papers and the wire room before attending the noon press briefing.

THE BRIEFING room was filled with faces I had seen and voices I had heard before. It was a strange of feeling.

I sat on the front row between NBC and Newsweek.

The tone of the news briefing was very adversarial. Several reporters, including some of the Heavies, asked very long, involved question. Each included several statements that I thought the reporters were trying to get reactions to, not answers. Perhaps they were looking for some hint or clue to whether they were pursuing a fruitful path.

AFTER LUNCH, we staked out Treasury Secretary Donald Regan.

With a bustle of Secret Service agents, the secretary appeared. Bob asked him questions as I tried to stay out of the way of the cameras and take a few pictures of my own.

When Regan came back down from his meeting with Haig, several reporters had questions to ask him.

I asked him a couple of questions about his reaction to Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's slap at the role being played by Saudi Arabia in the peace negotiations then going on in the Middle East. He had not heard about it.

NONE OF Bob's work for the day made the "NBC Nightly News" except the questions we had asked Regan. Irving R.

Levine used them in his report from the Treasury Department.

When I tried to leave the State Department, the guard stopped me and demanded to see my pass. I said I did not have a pass.

"You can't get out of here after 6 o'clock without a pass," he growled.

Visions of interrogations in a dark room with a spotlight shining in my eyes flashed through my mind.

I thought of the rat's cage in 1984, the electric torture in *The Day of the Jackal*, and the Soviet interrogators in *Gulag Archipelago*.

MY PROBLEM was I had nothing to confess! How could I get them to stop the torture if I could not confess any secrets?

In a state of panic, I explained to him why I was there and why I did not have a pass.

"OK," he said. "Forget it. But don't do it again."

I enjoyed the State Department so much, I went there four more days. Hobnobbing with the reporters I admire (and wish to emulate) will go down as one the greatest events of my life. In addition, the experience sharpened my desire to be a political reporter.

THE OTHER high points of my visit were a trip to the Israeli Embassy, a visit with syndicated columnist Jack Anderson, a day in the press gallery at the House of Representatives (including a press conference with Dan Rostenkowski, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee), seeing West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt arrive at the State Department, sitting in on tapings of "Meet the Press" and "Washington Week in Review," and interning with John Wallach, foreign policy reporter for the Hearst Newspapers.

The only way to top my trip to Washington, besides maybe winning a Neiman fellowship, would be to work there for real some day.



Last issue, FORUM asked readers to voice their opinions concerning the Rutherford County Commission's vote to ratify the wheel tax bill by having a May referendum on the issue. This is your response:

It appears that the county government has a nice policy regarding MTSU students and the wheel tax. In order to have a voice in Rutherford County politics, we will have to pay a \$25 wheel tax. Forget the millions of dollars that are pumped into area businesses by the college community.

Although they have themselves covered pretty well, the wheel tax is essentially a poll tax regarding students. If they want to register to vote in this county it will cost \$25.

Personally, I can't foresee anything happening in Rutherford County important enough to motivate me to change my registration from Davidson County. So to heck with Rutherford County, I'm not paying anyone \$25 for my constitutional right to vote.

Carey Moore
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The issue for this week is:

In recent years ours has become a "throwaway" society. According to a recent study, 40 percent of soft drinks and 15 percent of beer is bottled in returnable bottles. This compares to the 1960 figures, 95 percent of soft drinks and 50 percent of beer.

Bottle bills are currently in effect in six states. Proponents argue that benefits include energy and natural resource conservation, new jobs, and less garbage and litter.

What are your feelings about a bottle bill for Tennessee? Mail your response to Sidelines, Box 42, or come by Room 310, James Union Building. All letters should include the author's name, campus box number, and telephone number for verification.

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College credit for 'real world' experience

By BILL STETAR
Staff Writer

Can you earn seven semester hours of credit for a course you took to become a towboat cook? Well, it's possible!

Actually, the course in towboat cooking is quite comprehensive. Offered by the Harry Lundenberg School in Piney Point, Md., it's a six-week program that includes 29 hours of lecture, 24 hours in lab and 224 workshop hours. The American Council on Education (ACE) recommends students who have successfully completed the course be awarded seven semester hours in Food Preparation.

The course in towboat cooking is one of more than 1,000 noncollegiate courses for which the ACE recommends that colleges and universities award credit.

Two types of documentation attesting to successful com-

pletion of the course are required before credit is awarded by the Office of Admissions and Records. Generally, these should be a certificate of completion and a letter of verification from the institution where the course was taken. The credits do not figure into a student's grade point average.

The School of Banking of the South, the YMCA, the American Red Cross, and the Xerox Corporation are just some of the nearly 100 organizations, institutions and corporations that offer training programs for which the ACE recommends awarding credit and which MTSU may accept.

Requests for credit consideration through this ACE program must be submitted to the dean of admissions and records for review. If the request is approved, students are granted the amount of credit recommended by the ACE.

Suds-seekers find nirvana here

By **BUBBA BODINE**
Staff Writer

Ya say you're stuck on campus without any wheels, and the dog days of summer are drainin' ya? Or ya like to exercise your bod, and that hammerin' heat and humidity build up a right powerful thirst that that raunchy Gatorade don't quench?

Well, suffer no longer, fellow brew-seeker, for a frosty, frigid mug of beer beckons at any of a half-dozen establishments within hoofin' distance of our beloved campus. And most of 'em serve up some dandy vittles, too.

Up on the campus's "North Pole," Sir Pizza, Bosun's Reef, B&L, and the recently opened Ida-ho's all serve up brewskies, and the truly thirsty traveler can nab a gallon or half-gallon of draft at East Main Market as well.

Sir Pizza, located on East Main Street along with the other North Side eateries, claims to have the "coldest beer in town—gur-run-teeed."

AT LEAST so the feisty, fiftyish female who waited on us claimed, and she'll get no argument from this quarter. But at \$4 per pitcher, twice what a slightly smaller (and, oft as not, lukewarm) such container costs at Bosun's Reef, it oughtta be.

But the atmosphere in Sir Pizza's has got the Reef's beat by a Cannon County mile, and Clara's, as it's more popularly known hereabouts, also serves up a mighty flavorful version of its namesake.

B&L's pies aren't quite so tasty, but they'll do in a pinch. The waitresses are right neighborly, too, serving up some cool-as-you-please brewskies and deli sandwiches that are A-OK in my book.

THE PRICES are kinda special, too, with a pitcher costing \$2.95 (\$2 for Busch during Happy Hour), but if you order by the mug (at 60★ per), ya get a brand new frosty one

mighty near ever' time.

Practically right next door is the Bosun's Reef, with the street's lowest beer prices and an atmosphere to match.

The new kid on the block, Ida-ho's, features—you guessed it, ya ole fox—"taters that are, as Tennessee Ernie is wont to say, "pea-pickin' good." The peas ain't half bad, either.

The young 'uns who have done such a dandy job of converting the old Sig Ep house into a fancy-pants restarant (and a good one, at that) are starting to offer specials on suds during certain hours and on weeknights.

OVER YONDER on the campus's "South Pole" are a couple of brew-fetching joints, along with what must be the world's only pizza parlor that doesn't serve beer: Armondo's.

A few doors down from that enigma is still another, CJ's. Contrary to recent rumor, it looks like these folks are gonna stay in business, and it don't take a genius to figger out why—it was every bit of 117- the last time I darkened their doors. The health inspector probably wasn't too all fired up about the "heating system," either, and CJ's has been closed up the last couple of weeks.

'Tis a shame, in a way, 'cause it used to be the only place around where a hot person could stay that way while quaffing brew. The folks at CJ's make some pretty darn good deli sandwiches at decent prices, too, but lately they've been out of those bagel fellows that those Yankee folks are so crazy about.

I MYSELF am partial to those



all-American burgers that ole Buddy Harrell's been slappin' on his spankin'-new grill the last couple of weeks.

Buddy's wife, Becky, buys the ground beef fresh ever' mornin', and at \$2.25, this honest-to-goodness quarter-pounder with fries and a draft may be the 'Boro's best bargain. In fact, let ole Bubba Bodine here and now be the first to predict that the burgers and weiners, along with the nachos and chili soon to come to the Pub, will make this place almost as popular come

lunchtime as our very own University Grill.

Especially since Buddy and Becky are still carryin' the city's widest selection of suds, with four (count 'em—Coors, Miller, Busch, and a "mystery beer") kinds of draft and a couple of dozen bottled or canned varieties, including a whole slew of 'em brewed by foreigners.

Which just goes to show ya, quenching by quaffing is popular with folks from all over. Lucky for us we got easy access to a cold 'un.

Spanish perpetuate old feud

MADRID, Spain (AP) — King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia have decided to boycott the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana to continue a protest dating to 1704.

The Spanish government announced Tuesday the king and queen declined the invitation to next week's wedding because the royal couple plan to go to Gibraltar to board the royal yacht Britannia for a honeymoon cruise.

Gibraltar, located on the Spanish mainland, has been a British colony since a joint Dutch-British force seized it from Spain in 1704. Spain has been pressing for years to get it back.

"We have been notified the Spanish king and queen will not be attending the wedding," said a Buckingham Palace spokesman who declined to be identified.

The king is a distant cousin of Prince Charles.

Herpes

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noticeable increase in the reported cases of herpes at the MTSU clinic in recent years, even though national figures have risen drastically in the last decade. Young said there are generally "several bouts every season" reported here.

Since there is currently no cure for *herpes simplex*, victims are urged to keep the lesions clean so that the bacteria won't spread; Young recommends "good, mild, clean soap" as the most effective cleansing agent.

Still, he says, anyone who believes he or she may be afflicted should come to the McFarlin Clinic for an evaluation and/or blood test.

And anyone who is sexually active will find this Sunday's "60 Minutes" time well spent.

Graduation garb

Graduation dress and regalia will be available at the University Bookstore during regular store hours beginning Monday, August 10. The price of the cap and gown is included in the \$20 diploma fee paid earlier in the semester.

Campus Capsule

THE FIRST ANNUAL "GREAT AMERICAN PIE RUN" will take place Saturday, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m. on the MTSU campus. The race is 5,000 meters (3.1 miles) long and is open to the public.

Registration fees are \$4 per runner, or \$3 for any runner belonging to a track club, track team, or other running association. Race flyers are available at Murphy Center and other campus locations as well as area sporting goods stores.

The top 100 women and men will each receive a homemade pie, and the top 400 finishers will receive a T-shirt.

CAMPUS RECREATION has scheduled a whitewater canoe trip for Aug. 1. The deadline for sign up is July 27, at 4:30 p.m.

An Appalachian Trail hike has been scheduled for Aug. 16-22. The sign up deadline is Aug. 7, at 4:30.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION shows a film on an outdoor screen every Monday night, weather permitting, at sundown by the baseball field. A concession stand is also open.

Neither rain, snow, sleet nor strike...

In the event of a postal workers' strike, mail service on the MTSU campus would not be interrupted because university post office personnel are state employees, not federal employees.

According to the Murfreesboro postmaster, local post office officials "do not anticipate" a strike, but they have assured the university community that mail delivery to campus would not be slowed in the event of a strike.

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Simpson to speak at state coaches school

By STEVE PRICE
Sports Editor

MTSU head basketball coach Stan "Ramrod" Simpson has been known to be quick with the word. Therefore, his speaking engagement at the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Coaches School this week should be right up his alley.

Middle Tennessee State will host the annual school, as it has since the early seventies, beginning today and lasting through this Friday.

THE EVENT is financed by the TSSAA, who is also responsible for getting the coaches who will speak. MTSU simply provides the facilities.

Some 750-800 people statewide will attend the school, Simpson predicted, with the majority being either high school or college coaches who will be wanting to talk with other coaches about possible recruits.

A unique fact about the TSSAA school is that it is free and open to anyone who would like to attend. Most states charge admission to its coaches school.

THE TSSAA has lined up an impressive array of college coaches from across the country to speak on their philosophies about their particular sport.

In the basketball department, Simpson will discuss his ideas on attacking zone and pressing defenses along with practice drills.

Auburn's Sonny Smith, who formerly coached at East Tennessee and brought the team up from the cellar to a first place tie for the conference



Raider basketball coach Stan Simpson, shown here kneeling next to sidekicks Larry Slaughter and Austin Clark along with several Raiders, will

speak on some of his roundball philosophies at this weeks TSSAA coaches school.

championship with MTSU in 1977, will talk about such subjects as basketball's zone offense and the power game.

HANK RAYMONDS, who succeeded Al McGuire as basketball coach at Marquette and

served as his assistant for many years, will speak on the fast break and the half court offense.

Glenn Wilkes from Stetson will be on hand to discuss basketball's multiple defenses.

"Wilkes is probably one of the better known

coaches in the nation," Simpson said. "He's been there (Stetson) for over 20 years and holds one of the best basketball clinics in the nation."

FLORIDA'S basketball skipper Norm Sloan, who coached David Thompson and North Carolina State to the NCAA Championship in 1974, will present his procedures in quick pass motion and attacking full court pressure.

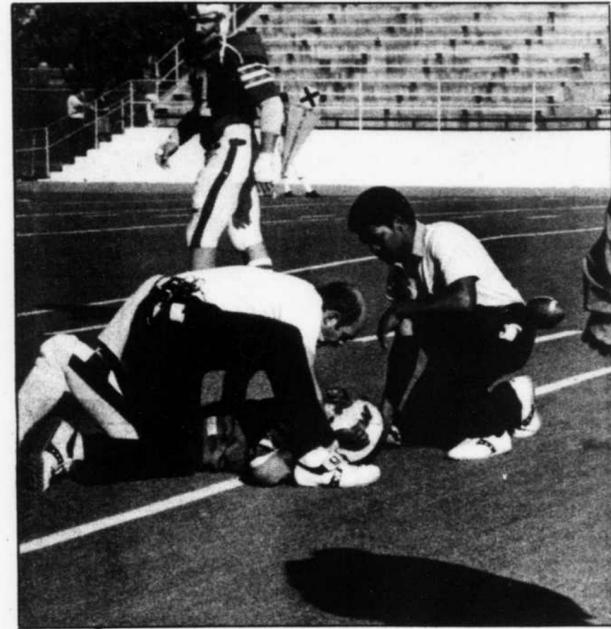
Vanderbilt baseball coach Roy Mewbourne intends to confine his speech to simply pitching and hitting.

Football coaches on hand will include Murfreesboro native Ken Shipp, who will speak on quarterbacks and offensive play at South Carolina. Shipp at one time served as head football coach for the New York Jets of the National Football League.

ALSO FROM South Carolina comes head football coach Jim Carlen to tell about offense and defense at his university.

Finally from Memphis State, new head football coach Rex Dockery, who last year coached the Red Raiders of Texas Tech, will explain his philosophy on coaching the quarterback, offensive line drills, and the eight-man front defense.

Anyone interested in hearing any of these coaches should pick up a schedule of speaking times which is available at Murphy Center.



MTSU head trainer George Camp receives assistance in administering medical attention to a Blue Raider.

A trainer's job is never done

By TODD FOSTER
Special to Sidelines

You are watching a Blue Raider football game on a Saturday afternoon. Suddenly, without any warning, Johnny Tailback is rudely slung down on the turf and lies there motionless.

BEFORE you can repeat the score, a man in blue double-knit slacks carrying a black bag and dangling a roll of tape from his belt rushes out of nowhere to the aid of the injured player.

Yes, football fans it's another episode of Supertrainer!

Faster than a Joe Namath bullet and able to leap over six water buckets in a single bound, Supertrainer scurries over to the relief of the hurt athlete and meticulously begins to apply a bag of ice to the player's knee.

NO DOUBT that anyone who has ever seen a football game has also seen an athlete injured during that contest. Did you ever wonder how a player with a twisted ankle can return to the game within moments after being hurt?

Probably not, which is why student athletic trainers never get the credit they deserve.

If you have never seen a trainer rush out onto the field at

a football game, then you may be wondering just exactly what is a trainer in the first place.

A student trainer's general responsibility is the care and prevention of all athletic injuries in all sports.

THE WORD "all" is the key here, because it means that athletic training is a year-round process, involving all sports from football to baseball to women's volleyball.

Taking care of such injuries shouldn't take a whole lot of time, or at least one might think that. However, that is not the case at all.

ACCORDING to student trainer Willie Nolte, student trainers at MTSU might put in between 55-60 hours per week during football season alone.

That staggering amount of hours is coupled with a full school load, which for Nolte is normally 17 hours.

Why would anyone want to work under those conditions?

"I enjoy helping people and I love all sports," Nolte replied, "and being a trainer gives me an opportunity to do both at the same time."

The long hours that trainers work is only one setback to the job. A limited social life and less

time for academics also go along with the life of a student trainer.

"A LOT of times we can't make dates because we never know what time we will be getting through with our job," Nolte remarked.

A good example of this occurred last fall when Nolte was getting ready to lock up the training room at 6:30 in the evening.

The football team was on the road at the time, and only Nolte and fellow trainer Dennis Nipper were in the training room.

Just when they were walking out the door, a baseball manager rushed in to report a couple of baseball injuries that required immediate assistance.

When Nolte arrived at the diamond, he found out that two players had collided in the outfield while chasing a fly ball. One player could not move his jaw, and the other was holding a tooth—roots and all—in his left hand.

NOLTE drove the player with the missing tooth to an oral surgeon, while Nipper attended to the player with the stiff jaw. Fortunately for everyone involved, there was a happy ending. The tooth was saved,

and the jaw was found unbroken.

Driving players to the doctor is just one responsibility that student trainers have.

"We don't know all to the answers so we have to do a lot of research and a lot of consulting with our head trainer George Camp."

Camp has been the head trainer at MTSU for over 10 years, and before that he spent five at Northern Illinois University.

WITH several student trainers here at Middle Tennessee, Camp can concentrate on a number of things and not just the routine chores that can really saddle a head trainer down.

These individuals are an extremely important facet to the athletic program.

"My student trainers provide an invaluable service to the athletic department and the university," Camp explained, "and without them we could not run a program here."

All of this adds up to one thing—the next time that you see an athletic trainer rush to the aid of an injured player, remember that these people are really super.

Do you know me?



I first came to MTSU in 1934 and proceeded to letter in four sports, football, baseball, basketball, and tennis.

I played Triple-A baseball in 1939 and returned to Middle Tennessee in 1947 as head football coach.

My association with the school has spanned over five decades.

Answer: Charles M. "Bubber" Murphy

OVC adopts football tie-breaker

Ohio Valley Conference football games will no longer wind up in a tie after a recent 7-2 vote by the league's athletic directors to use a tie-breaker.

The two schools voting against the tie-breaker were Austin Peay and Western Kentucky.

If a regulation game ends in a tie, a toss of the coin will

determine which team obtains possession in the overtime. The winner of the coin toss may choose to take possession of the ball on the opponent's 15-yard line or play defense.

After the team with the ball scores or loses possession on downs, the other team would place the ball on the 15 and try to score. This procedure would

continue until a winner was determined.

ANY FUMBLE recovered by the defense would be a dead ball.

MTSU Athletic Director Jimmy Earle said that a tie-breaker would make for a more exciting game.

"I would want to play to win or lose," Earle explained. "I

don't think any spectator wants to see a tie."

In the past, the OVC required a flip of the coin to decide the OVC representative in post-season activities when there was a tie for the league championship. Now a league championship would be decided on the field instead of off.

THE OVC has one of five automatic berths to the NCAA Division I-AA national championship playoffs.

Akron and Youngstown State were the only league teams to play to a tie last year.

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