

Ingram urges attendance at Open Forum Wednesday

by Karen Zimmermann
 "I want to urge all students who want to raise questions or to express concerns to attend the Open Forum," MTSU President Sam Ingram said last week.
 The Open Forum, sponsored by the President's Advisory Council,

is scheduled for 11 a.m. until noon Wednesday at the UC theatre.
 "I am going to be there to let anyone ask any questions they want to ask," Ingram said.
 The president said that he is still in the process of identifying the concerns of faculty and stu-

dents.
 With nine departments left on Ingram's planned university-wide meetings 'circuit', he mentioned several obvious areas of faculty concern. Among those Ingram mentioned are the following areas:

—"The fact that we are unable to pay the salaries that we should."
 —"The area of evaluation of faculty and the criteria for promotion."
 —"The proposed new policy in regard to copyrights and patents."

(The policy says that the university would have first rights on research, etc. done by faculty members during their regular work time.)
 —The outside employment rule.
 —Student load.
 Bill Greene, administrative as-

sistant to the president, has been taking notes, Ingram said, "And he will be compiling a summary so that we can see the patterns that exist across campus."
 Noting that the meetings had "exceeded my expectations," Ingram said.



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Sidelines

Tuesday, February 13, 1979

UC damaged by water; Books, supplies ruined

by Lisa Human

Books and supplies at the University bookstore were ruined this weekend when a drain on the roof of the University Center leaked into the bookstore supply room.

Several tiles in the ceiling had gotten heavy with water pressure from the melting ice and had fallen through, allowing water to pour into the supply room.

The flooding probably started sometime Monday morning, according to assistant manager Rick Lawson who discovered the problem around 7 a.m. when he came to work.

The only flooding that occurred outside the storage rooms was in the back corner of the store where several tile squares had fallen through. No real damage was done in this part of the store, but phones were out all day Monday.

Flooding also occurred in the student programming office on the third floor of the U.C. and in the kitchen area of the grill.

plies, Lawson said he did not know exactly how much damage was done, but book department manager Earl Harris estimated that it is probably five or six thousand dollars work.

ARA not returning money

by Angie Galloway

No money will be returned to the university from the double taxes charged on the budget meal plan at High Rise and Woodmore cafeterias, according to Doug McCallie, campus manager of ARA.

"We only have parts of records from other years and cannot come up with any accurate figures," McCallie said.

Neither ARA nor MTSU has benefited from the oversight. "As far as I know, the proper sales tax was paid to the state," he said. The tax is recorded when collected at the time of sales and the sales is broken down when sent in for tax to the state.

Earlier this month, it was discovered that tax was initially charged at registration on the budget meal plan cards and a second time at High Rise and Woodmore cafeterias.

Each cafeteria keeps a weekly record of the number and type of tickets that come through each meal and the amount of money marked off of the budget card. At the end of each week, the records go to the ARA office for their files. They are then compiled and sent to the regional office in Atlanta.

Accident proves fatal; one dead, one injured

by David Pierce

An MTSU graduate was killed and another student suffered a broken leg in a sledding accident early Sunday morning, according to the Murfreesboro sheriff's department.

Dead is Dickie Knox, 23, a 1977 graduate who apparently suffered a ruptured spleen and a possible broken neck, according to coroner Rudy White.

Emily Williams, an 18 year-old freshman from Smithville, was also injured in the mishap which occurred on Tiger Hill in Murfreesboro at approximately 12:05 a.m.

Williams told police that she and Knox were sledging down the hill when their sled hit an obstacle, believed by police to have been a towel.



Dickie Knox

Williams is in traction at Rutherford Hospital and is scheduled for surgery Thursday to have a pin implanted in her broken leg.

History big part of Valentine's Day

by Linda Hardison

Valentine's Day has for many years carried the tradition of sending heart-shaped greeting cards to that very special person. However, cupid's red arrow has pierced more hearts in more years than some would believe.

Some legends have the holiday beginning when a Roman priest named Valentine was beheaded on Feb. 14 around 270 A.D. for refusing to renounce his faith during a time of persecution.

Also, the Roman festival of Lupercalia which annually fell in mid-February, saw the custom of young people choosing their lovers by drawing names written on slips of paper from an urn.

The oldest explanation of St. Valentine's Day is traced to an English poet who often wrote poems about birds choosing their mates in February.

In the mid-1800's, a period of history which found the United States in the Civil War, Valentine's Day became the next most recognized holiday to Christmas.

The war often caused many young men to become lonesome for that favorite girl who was left behind. The young soldiers often

sent the hand painted valentines which many times cost up to \$10.

Many of the valentine cards were hand painted and involved the art of cutting red paper in the shape of hearts, making unbelievable lace fantasies and composing short lines of sentimental verses.

Esther Howland, daughter of a well known printer, is credited for being the first to successfully manufacture valentine cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Albert Read of Pennsylvania have collected various forms of valentines including several of the hand-painted specialties. The Reads are noted for having the largest collection of past valentines.

During the month of February, Valentine's Day is probably the most celebrated occasion besides George Washington's Birthday. In the United States this special month is for love, affection and romance.

This special day is not a business or bank holiday and schools remain open on Feb. 14.

The week preceding the 14th finds many store merchants selling specialty items including party goods, cards and red-bowed candy.

Women and girls still receive candy, flowers and gifts from their "favorite valentine" as they did in the past.

So as Feb. 14th approaches, remember that special person with a small token of love.



photo by ROBIN RUDD

The third floor winners of the Cummings Hall door decorating contest put the finishing touches on their prize winning door.



photo by ROBIN RUDD

Mark Putnam of the MTSU concert choir sells singing Valentine in the UC Basement

Aid deadline set May 15

by Doyle Parham

Undergraduate and graduate students that are planning to apply for financial assistance for the 1979-80 school year should do so before May 15, according to James Chrietberg of the MTSU financial aid office.

The purpose of student financial aid is to provide assistance to qualified students who would find it difficult or impossible to attend college without aid, Chrietberg said. In the past it has been the responsibility of the family to finance the student's cost of attending college, but because of federally funded programs, students may receive assistance when it is determined that the student and family cannot meet the cost of a post-secondary program, he added.

"Last year there were between 4,000-5,000 students receiving some type of financial aid at MTSU," Chrietberg said. "This

figure is half of the enrollment on campus."

Assistance can be obtained through four types of programs. All of the programs require different regulations to receive help. Under the federal program a student can apply for eight different types of assistance. Included are the basic educational opportunity grant, National Direct Student loan, supplemental educational opportunity grant, college work-study program, nursing scholarship, nursing loan, law enforcement education program and the ROTC scholarships.

There are four categories in the State program financial assistance: the Tennessee student assistance award, guaranteed student loan, Tennessee student loan program and the special desegregation loan.

"The guaranteed student loan

Cummings' extinguisher found useless after fire

by Lisa Human

Fire extinguishers are for putting out fires, but if the fire extinguisher at Cummings Hall had been used when fire broke out last week, someone might have received a shock!

The fire extinguisher, just five feet away from an electrical fire, was full of pressurized water and was designed to be used on A type fires, which include paper wood and trash fires, not electrical ones.

In order to put out an electrical fire, an ABC type fire extinguisher would have been needed. ABC fire extinguishers put out grease, electrical and all other types of fires.

Why was an ABC type fire extinguisher not available?
 "We place the fire extinguishers according to what type of fire is most likely to occur in a certain area," Archie Sullivan, MTSU director of safety, said.

Since an A type fire extinguisher puts out wood and trash fires more efficiently than the ABC extinguisher does, and it is much more likely for a wood fire to occur in a dorm than an electrical or grease fire, an A type fire extinguisher was placed in that area.

"The State Fire Marshalls office is in agreement with us on this," Sullivan said. The extinguisher has been inspected for January and February of this year.

Sullivan added that it is important for students to know what type of fire extinguisher they are using before grabbing one off the wall.

For instance, if there is an electrical fire, the first thing to do is unplug the appliance from the outlet, thus changing the electrical fire into an A type fire. Then the A type fire extinguisher can be used without fear of shock.

ABC type fire extinguishers are placed in some laboratories and in places where grease or electrical fires have a high probability of occurring.

Murfreesboro fire inspector Bob Fulgum said "there are recommendations that A's be completely phased out," but that would take quite a while.

Until then it is important for students to remember that when a fire breaks out, no matter how hectic and chaotic things may seem, take a second to glance at the label on the extinguisher to make sure you have the right type of extinguisher for the type of fire.

Briefly

The ASB election commission will meet at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the ASB conference room to discuss polling places and times. Meetings are open to the public.

Persons interested in serving as Student Orientation Assistants should fill out the application on page nine of today's Sidelines and return it to UC 212 or mail it to Dean of Students, Box 30 before Feb. 23.

Applications are available for the position of editor-in-chief for the 1979-80 Collage. Deadline for applications is Monday, Feb. 19.

Forms are available from Frank Wm. White, Room 310B in the James Union Building.

Applicants need not be mass communications majors to be considered for the position. The new Collage editor will be selected Wednesday, Feb. 28, at a meeting of the Student Publications Committee.

4-Her is still involved being volunteer leader

by Patricia Bates

When Linda Goodloe fastened the 4-H emblem to her shoulder in the fourth grade, she didn't realize the organization would stay so close to her heart throughout the years.

Goodloe, an MTSU junior from Lavergne, spent nine years of elementary, junior high and high school participating in 4-H club activities—doing everything from being a camp leader to representing Tennessee during out-of-state trips.

When it came time for her to graduate in 1976 from Smyrna High, she signed up to become a volunteer 4-H leader for Rutherford County while attending college.

A Home Economics major, the lanky, sandy-haired Goodloe hopes to become a Home Economics extension agent someday and specialize in 4-H club work.

"Being a volunteer leader is helping me gain some extra career experience in 4-H work while I'm in college," Goodloe noted at an interview during a class break. "So far I've served as a judge at county 4-H contests and last summer helped set up Rutherford County's 4-H fair."

"Classes keep me busy," she continues, "otherwise I could do a lot more!"

What Goodloe can't always do in college, she made up for in high school and senior 4-H club work. She's received the highest award for senior 4-H club members in Tennessee, the Vol State medal. She once went with a group from Rutherford County to a Citizenship Short Course in Washington, D.C.

She went the farthest a 4-Her

could go in her selected project, home grounds. Winning competitions on both the county and district level, Goodloe advanced to the state contest and won in 1975. Her prize was an all-expense paid trip to National 4-H Congress in Chicago to watch national competition.

Goodloe also participated in Rutherford County exchange trips to Pennsylvania and Texas, where she learned about raising Appaloosa horses, peanuts and cattle.

She says she learned a lot about leadership while conducting project groups in this county and being a junior camp leader for three summers during high school.

Now, as a volunteer leader, she has a chance to assist 4-Hers during some of the same activities she participated in several years ago. For instance, Goodloe can volunteer to lead senior members on in-state and out-of-state trips, such as the state project competition, Round-up, held each August in Knoxville.

"I could have gone back to Round-up as a volunteer leader the year after I graduated high school," she says. "But I didn't think I would be an effective leader then, since I would have been only a year older than the participants!" She said she wants to go back! Round-up some time in the future.

As for now, working on a degree that's related to the agriculture extension service will help Goodloe remain close to 4-H.

There's another thing she has in her heart besides 4-H, though. In her large diamond solitaire ring on her left hand and she'll be getting married in June.



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Calendar

TUESDAY

Singing Valentine: Concert
Choir; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.,
UC Basement
Carnation Sale: Delta Tau
Delta; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., UC
Basement
Meeting: ASB House; 4:30
p.m., UC 322
Movie: Coma; 3:30, 6 and
8:15 p.m., UC Theatre

Women's Basketball: MTSU
vs ETSU; 7 p.m., Murphy
Center

Speaker: MTSU Education
Association; Dr. Cavit
Chesier, TEA, 7:30 p.m.,
Dining Room B, JUB

Jr. Varsity Basketball:
MTSU vs Mid Tenn.
Carpets; 8:30 p.m.,
Murphy Center

Business Meeting: Gamma
Beta Phi; 6:30-7:30 p.m.,
LRC Multi Media Room

WEDNESDAY

Carnation Sale: Delta Tau
Delta, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., UC
Basement

Meeting: PRSSA; 5:30 p.m.,
UC 305

Traffic Court: 3-5 p.m., UC
313 and 315

Speaker: President's Ad-
visory Council; 11 a.m.-
noon, UC Theatre

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Weekly menus to be posted in UC

A proposal by the food services committee to prepare a board with the weekly menus of High Rise, Woodmore and James Union Building cafeterias has been approved by Robert LaLance, vice president of Student Affairs.

The approval will be sent today to the committee and can be put into effect sometime next week, according to LaLance.

"There have been no problems

put in a board in the student in setting it up. The menu will be board on the same wall as the telephones on the second floor," LaLance said.

Doug McCallie, campus manager of ARA, said there would be no problem in getting the menus up by next week. The only problem would be the LRC getting them blown up to size on time.

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Planetarium reveals stars

by Jane Mier

The sky darkens as a low humming reaches your ears. Suddenly you find yourself floating through space, dodging planets and constellations.

A new video game or science fiction movie? No, just a common occurrence at Baldwin Planetarium, located in OM 303.

The planetarium, named in memory of Edward B. Baldwin, an MTSU professor for 31 years, was established around 1967.

"Baldwin, who was geography and earth science department chairman from 1966-70, was the planetarium," Ralph Fullerton,

current department chairman said. "He did all the work to get it here—obtained government funding, did some maintenance work, just everything."

Presently the planetarium gets two or three requests a week for shows, but during the spring as many as two shows a day are run.

"The planetarium, which has a seating capacity of 50 or 60 people, is available for use by any group who calls to make reservations," Fullerton explained.

"Geography and aerospace classes use it quite often. We also have a lot of public school groups, Kiwanis and Exchange club members and boy and girl Scout troops come out, too," he added.

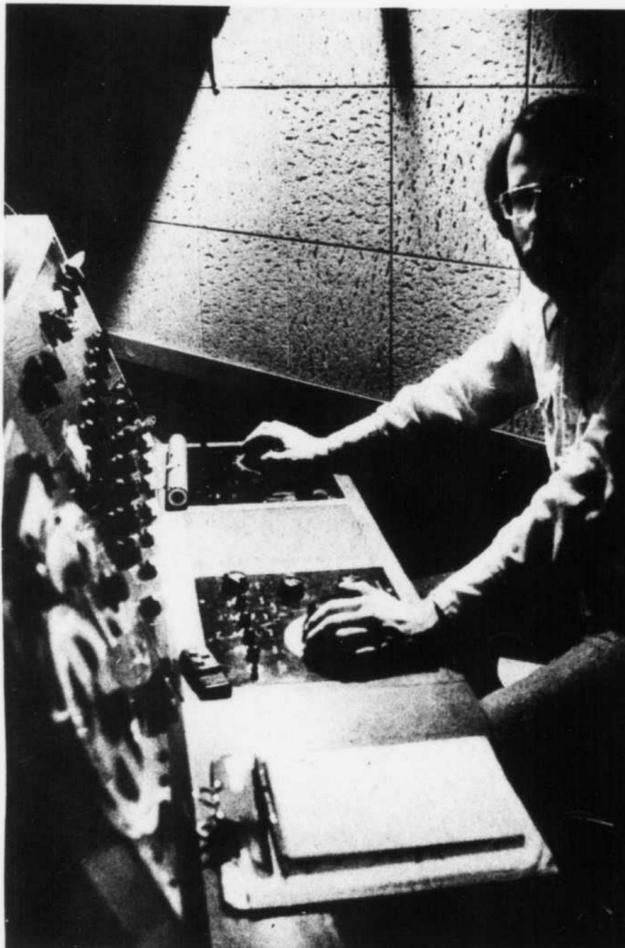
The planetarium library contains approximately five different shows, including one entitled "Beyond the Stars" and a Christ-

mas season program offering possible explanations for the appearance of the star of David.

"Hopefully, we'll have one on the formation of the universe by next fall," Fullerton said, adding that the department does not write or produce any full programs of its own due to equipment and time limitations.

"It's hard to get someone to run the equipment all the time, particularly when a group wants to visit over the weekend," Fullerton explained.

"We'd really like to see the planetarium move to the environmental simulation lab at the LRC and, at the same time, obtain a newer, automated instrument," he said. This would open the planetarium to more people and allow it to be used as it should be."



Larry Vincent sets up a planetarium program photo by BILL COOK

Financial Aid

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program and the Tennessee student loan program are basically the same. The only difference in the two are the sources from where the money comes," Chrietberg said.

"Students are also eligible for the institutional programs which include the work scholarship program, MTSU foundation loan, MTSU foundation leadership/achievement scholarship, athletic scholarships, music scholarships, memorial scholarships, graduate assistantships and the doctoral fellowships," Chrietberg added.

Other sources of aid are Vocational Rehabilitation, Social Security, Veterans Benefits and private scholarships. All of these programs are taken care of in offices off campus.

The only programs that graduates can apply for and receive help are the National Direct Student loan, college work-study program, Guaranteed Student loan and graduate assistantships, according to Chrietberg.

The May 15 deadline does not mean that after that date a student cannot receive help but his or her chance will be decreased, according to Chrietberg.

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average in order to keep the scholarship.

A letter of not more than 500 words telling why the applicant wants a scholarship and a photograph of the applicant must accompany each application. Applicants also must have a letter of recommendation from a college authority.

Application blanks may be obtained from the Ralph McGill Scholarship Fund; Box 4689; Atlanta, Ga. 30302.

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Cathy,
Happy Valentine's Day.
I love you always,
Mike

To My One and Only
With all my love
CHARLIE

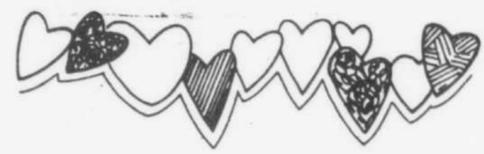
Larry
Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
You take nice pictures,
And I love you,
Happy Valentine's Day,
Love Lisa

To my Valentine, Pumpkin,
I love you in small ways, I love you in big ways,
I love you now and I'll love you always!
All our love forever, Puddin and Mickey Mouse

Vinny,
Happy Valentine's Day,
Love Always,
Doris

C.C.
You're my favorite puto.
Luv, Sugarplum

Happy Valentine's Day



to the Kappa Alpha Southern Belles

Love, The Brothers

Jan,

You are the best
Little Sister in the world.
Please be my valentine.
Love,
Keith

Little Annie Oakley,
You are the best
dam lawyer in
town. Will you be
my valentine.
Love,
Jessie James



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The Sisters
of Alpha Delta Pi
send their love
to their favorite valentines

Candee,
Happy Valentine's
Day!
I'll always
Love you!
Richard

TO: The Brothers
of Alpha Tau Omega
Happy Valentine's Day
FROM:
The Little Sisters of the Maltese
Cross

Lisa Patterson,
Your beauty and grace are without equal. I'd love
to get to know you better but I'm just too shy, so
I'll remain,
Your Secret Admirer

Heather,
You are the greatest.
Please be my valentine.
Love, Keith.

Dear Susie,
I love you.
Your
loving
husband,
Doyle

Pammy and
Suellen,
I'd drink your
bathwater.
Love and kisses,
Logan

Logan,
Three days old? You should be so lucky!
Besides, all we have is a shower!
Until we bathe again
love and kisses (you wish),
Pammy and Suellen

Happy Birthday
Bill Weske
A & B

Christie,
Won't you be my
Valentine?
ALL MY LOVE.
Tony B.
(The Doctor of Love)

Julie,
Five more years to go until the wedding.
Love and lust,
Jeff

I before E or is it E before I, well anyway remember
what I said about the marbles. I still mean in it.
Love, Chewey

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY
to the pledges of Phi Mu
Alpha.
Love,
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Happy Valentine's
Day
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Bob's
Right Arm

We wish the brothers of
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Happy Valentine's Day
Love,
The Kappa Sweethearts

Tim,
We love you.
Spook, Lynyrd, & Nichols

Lori
I love you for what you
are. The beautiful person
God made you to be.
Mike

Dear Brothers,
Happy Valentine's Day.
We love you.
The Delta Darlings

Dear Valerie,
Happy Valentine's Day.
Love Always,
Timothy

Happy Valentine's
Hardy Knocker
Love
P.H.

Happy Valentine's
Day
Kayla
I do love
you
Mike
"The Dough Head"

Andra,
Star-Light, Star-Bright;
You Make My Heart
Feel So Right!
Luv, Lil. Bro.
alias "The Man from Blanche"

Happy Birthday
Sunshine!
Love, Livingston

Happy Valentine's
Stevie, Cheekie.
LOVE
Your Little Bitty Baby

Hey Jen,
I'm really going to miss
being with you tomorrow.
of all days. My thoughts will
be with you on the road to
Mercer.
All My Love,
VOTRE PETIT CHOU
MOMMA JANE

Gary Joe,
"Love is sharing
whatever life
holds,"
Happy Valentine's
Day.
Love Always, Lisa

Hey Hop-Along,
I LOVE YOU

To Mr. Carter &
Clark Gable-
The summer is Ours.
Your Lion Lover

Happy Valentines Day

TO ONE AND ALL

Dr. Sam Ingram



Happy Valentine's Day

To the Little Sisters of the

Shield and Diamond

With Love,

The Brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha



Happy Valentine's Day

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With Love

LITTLE SISTERS of MINERVA

BE MY VALENTINES

Ed, Frank, Geoff-SL

Happy Valentines

Linda P. Yes, still interested Richard

The Haeb

LIFE WAS EMPTY AND NOW IT IS FULL LIFE WAS SADNESS AND NOW THERE IS LOVE ALL THESE THINGS ARE BECAUSE OF YOU YOUR LOVING HUSBAND CHANCE

P.P.

I'll be home for supper tonight.



I love you.



BB

We Love You

KA Brothers

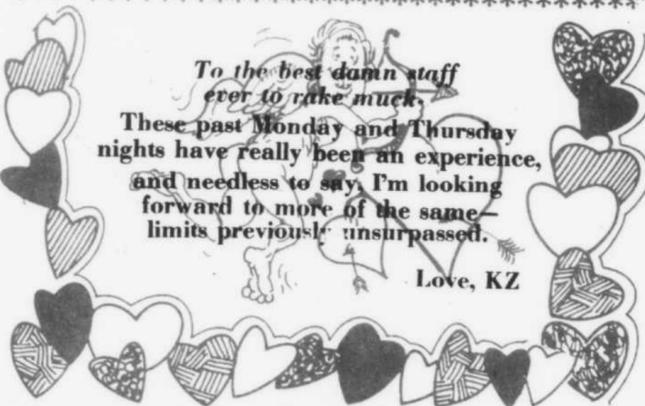
Happy Valentine's Day

Love, Southern Belles



To the best damn staff ever to take much. These past Monday and Thursday nights have really been an experience, and needless to say, I'm looking forward to more of the same - limits previously unsurpassed.

Love, KZ



Happy Valentine's "Rho Mates"

- Donna Jo Carol Lisa Glenda Mary Beth Ellen Cindy Sherry Cella Patty Sharron Cheryl Betty Linda Melodie Mona

With Love,

The Brothers of Alpha Gamma Rho

!!To My Three Sons!!

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Happy Valentine's Day,

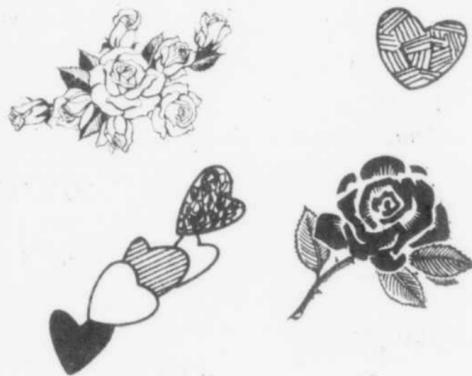
Luv,

Big Bro Stan



To the Little Sisters of the White Rose

Happy Valentine's Day



With Love,

The Brothers of Sigma Nu

To my Little Yellow Friend

with happy hair.

Happy Valentine's Day

Kalo



Happy Valentine's Day Delta Darlings



With Love and Appreciation, The Brothers of Delta Tau Delta

H.P., "You be nice and I'll try?" I've tried, but basically you are a very inconsiderate person. I'm sure you disagree, but that's alright. I expected you to. Let's be friends anyway. I'll try--you try. O.K.?

Carinos, I.D.

HAPPY V.D.! S.E.G., Flipper and Foxy Lady Love, Batch

To the boys in C-16, we think their names are Danny and Gene. We wish you a Happy Valentine's Day, From you know who - K.S.P.A.

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Newsroom Comment:

Foreign policy two-faced

The rebels are in power in Iran. Prime Minister Bakhtiar's transitional government set up by Shah is over. Bakhtiar's home is burned and he has disappeared.

The commander of the ground forces and the commander of the imperial guard were killed. The Iranian army has declared itself neutral.

Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, Iran's Moslem leader, has returned after 15 years of exile to head the new government. The world is watching Iran closely—what kind of government can he create from the chaos?

The United States is still officially recognizing the Shah's ousted government—an ironic position in view of Carter's much publicized position on human rights.

In consideration of the key role Iran plays in our oil supplies, what choice does the United States have but to recognize the new government?

What, for that matter, will Iran's new position be on the United States, in view of our support for the unpopular Shah?

The United States' foreign policy is necessarily

dominated by economic and strategic considerations—so why all the hoopla about human rights? Our official position in Iran has made a mockery of the other stated policy on human rights.

Now Carter has announced that he will be meeting with Mexican leaders this week to discuss, among other things, Mexico's natural gas and oil reserves.

As one of our closest neighbors, why has Mexico been so long ignored? If the long silence from Latin America is due to a generally poor record on human rights, why the policy change?

Interestingly enough, steps are being taken only now when it looks like the lack of oil production in Iran may drive our prices to \$1 a gallon and possibly halt the sale of gasoline on Sundays.

Our state department is chasing, rather than leading. Its shortsightedness has become blatantly obvious in recent months.

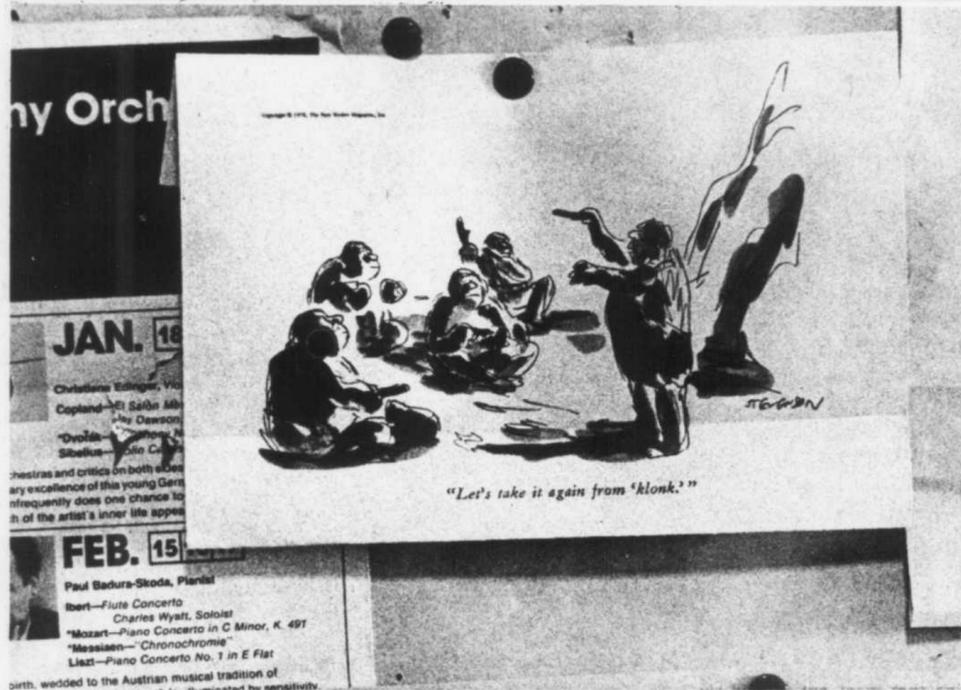
It is increasingly apparent that Carter's administration may go down in history known not only for its waylaid stab at the inflationary spiral, but also for its ineffective foreign policy.

Winnowing



Et Cetera

by Bill Cook



"Klonk?" Barl Hinton may not have the sheet music to this song, but if current trends in modern music continue, he may well have. The featured

bulletin board is found in Saunders Fine Arts Building.

Guest Editorial

Audience big losers in rating game

by Jeff Ellis

Growing up in McNairy County, where social life is virtually nonexistent, one watches a lot of television. It doesn't exactly compare with the theatre or the disco, but it beats the hell out of cruising up and down the streets.

So, imagine my joy when I discovered that "Gone With the Wind," "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" and "Elvis" were going to be on the small screen, I planned to clear out space on my calendar (this journalism business really keeps you hopping) so I could watch these feats of the cinematic and television arts.

But, last week when I went to Kroger to pick up a copy of "TV Guide" (for which I risked my life on the parking lot ice), I was quite dismayed to discover that all of the above mentioned shows were to be telecast on the same evening. Shock, despair and rage filled me (actually I have a tendency to over-react to some things) and I vowed to dash off a letter to the networks. Something, however, came up and instead I

wrote a Sidelines guest editorial.

The heart of the matter can be stated thusly: Why did those blasted programmers commit such a horrid deed? For ratings, my friends.

You see, we are now (or rather, the television networks and our friends at the Nielsen Company) in the midst of "sweeps." Now to understand "sweeps" is no small feat; it requires a lot of thought.

The month of February is the time in which Nielsen takes more comprehensive ratings than it normally does. That is to say that the viewing habits of persons in the television markets are more closely determined. From these ratings, the number of persons watching a particular show on a particular network can be tabulated. This number in turn is used by the networks in deciding how much money they can charge for advertising airtime.

Got it straight? To be quite frank, neither do I.

For the networks, this practice is hunky dory: they get to parade their biggest specials and best

movies before the entertainment-hungry throngs (not only in McNairy County, but across the country as well.)

The result of these scheduling conflicts have a detrimental effect on the television audience. Families become embroiled in bitter conflict, roommates become dreaded enemies, and lovers become haters.

Get the picture? No doubt you have been in the same quandary. But what do you do? Mainly, you suffer and hope that it won't happen again. The fact is, however, such conflicts are inevitable.

As long as the networks are locked in this fight to the death over ratings, scheduling conflicts will be a fact of life. Maybe someday they will realize that the audience are the ones who suffer. And it's the audience the programming is directed at!

What did I watch? Hush my mouth y'all, but I watched "Gone With the Wind." (But during every commercial, I heard shrieks of "Damn it, Jeff, turn over to Channel Two.")

The Low-Down

by Ken Jobe



So far, in the album of the year category, the main contender is Peaches & Herb "2 Hot." Every song on this album is good enough to become a hit if released as a single.

"Shake your Groove Thing" is already a disco-favorite. "Reunited" is one of the most soulful songs being played today and on a level with it is "Four's a Traffic Jam." The soulful vocals, the excellent lyrics and the tight background music makes these slow cuts really stand out.

Peaches & Herb have come back with one of the most consistent and enjoyable albums on the market today.

On the other hand, there's Rick James' new album, "Bustin' Out of L Seven." Rick's new album is good, but it is not half as good as his first album, "Come Get It."

It's the fast songs that make this album. "Bustin' Out," the title track, is just beginning to be played at discos and is doing very well. "High on Your Love Suite/One Mo Hit (of Your Love)" is getting radio air time and is also doing well. These two songs lead off the album in 13 minutes of non-stop partying.

The only two slow songs are "Spacey Love" and "Jefferson Ball." "Jefferson Ball" has good instrumentation and is nice to listen to. "Spacey Love" is a love song written to Patti LaBelle and that, by itself, makes it worth listening to. But, neither song has the soulful qualities of last album's "Dream Maker" and "Hollywood."

I suggest you pick up the new Peaches & Herb. Listen to Rick James' new one before you buy it to make up your own mind.

Allegorical "Watership Down" is no hare tale

by Jeff Ellis

When I think of rabbits in cartoons, I automatically think of Bugs Bunny. However, you won't find him cavorting around in "Watership Down," the animated feature film now showing at Cinema One.

What you will find, however, are very human rabbits. That's correct, human rabbits; ones you care about and worry about.

"Watership Down" is an allegorical look at the problems confronting mankind reduced to

rabbit terms. The threat of rapidly approaching progress and the uprooting of people are among the issues dealt with in this charming film.

It seems that Fiver, a smart little bunny with the ability to predict impending doom, is trying to persuade the members of his warren to move. He meets with the disapproval of the warren's leader (a Churchill-like figure) and he and his brother Hazel, along with some other discontented rabbits, choose to leave on

their own. Their adventures are dangerous and exciting—more than once I sat with baited breath while the ingenious cotton-tails managed to escape their problems.

But "Watership Down" is not just about rabbits, it's about anyone who has the courage to voice their opinions even if they are extremely unpopular. It documents the struggles of anyone who has ever been faced with public ridicule and scorn.

"Watership Down" is a good

movie that makes a strong point—never give up in the face of adversity.

The technical quality of the animation is first rate; never before has animation looked so real and appealing to the eye. "Bright Eyes," the theme song performed by Art Garfunkel is lyrical and poignant—a fitting anthem for the industrious rabbits. Color and sound reproduction is excellent, making the film a joy.



Paula Martin, Sue Gay and Fawzy Attio star in "A Stitch in Time Saves Nine." The play will be presented tonight at 6:30 in the arena theatre. Admission is free and open to the public.



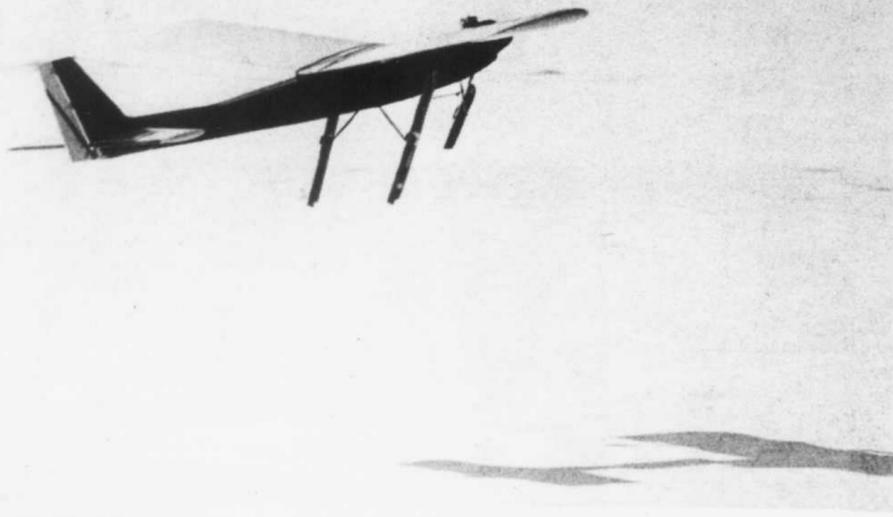
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Focus

*"Ski planes"
pass test
on MTSU snow
and ice*



It may have been cold for some to venture outdoors this weekend but for three MTSU students the snow made their day even more adventurous.

Matt McKnight, Murfreesboro senior, Jeff Johnson, Tullahoma junior, and Jim Parrish a senior also from Tullahoma fitted their model planes with skis and took to an airstrip provided by mother nature in the form of snow.

The two planes, a Falcon 56, so named because of its 56 inch wingspan, and a Aero-Master, were both built from regular plane kits but skis were added to adjust to Murfreesboro's recent Arctic weather.

Even though the wind was gusty, and there were a few technical problems the day at a snowridden airfield went as well as anyone could ask.

Technical problems included an engine that went out in mid-air. However, with the help of radio-remote control the plane was guided in for a smooth landing.

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MTSU's Jimmy Riley [33] battles with Mercer's David Lewis [32] for a rebound in last week's overtime loss. The Blue Raiders travel to Macon, Ga. tomorrow for a Wednesday night rematch.

Win in overtime

Golden Eagles shock Blue Raiders

by Bob Gary
It was one of "those games" for the MTSU Blue Raiders last Saturday night when they dropped a bitter 76-72 overtime decision to the Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles.

It was one of "those games" because it marked the fourth time this season that the Blue Raiders have lost in the confines of Murphy Center (the second consecutive overtime loss at home). It was one of "those games" because MTSU frittered away a lead of 22 points with 13:46 left in the game, and ultimately lost in overtime. It was one of "those games" simply because the MTSU club that the fans saw in the last ten minutes last Saturday night was so dissimilar to the team Blue Raider fans have seen play so well on countless occasions.

There is evidence to back the preceding statement. Strong evidence. The fact is that of the starting five on the floor last Saturday night, only Chris Harris failed to foul out of the game and he played the final 18 minutes (counting the five minutes of overtime) with four personals.

Rick Johnson, Tim Johnson, Cordell Haynie, Curtis Fitts and David Thornton gave good accounts of themselves in a pressure packed situation, but they just could not fill the shoes of Joyner, Coleman and company.

In the first half it looked as if the Blue Raiders could do no wrong as they coasted to a 35-20 halftime bulge. The Raiders shot a hot 51.6 percent from the field in the first half, while the defense held Tech to just eight out of 21 from the floor.

To top that, the Golden Eagles were decisively outrebounded, 23-16. There were, however, a couple of distressing notes in the halftime statistics. For one, MTSU could manage only 3 of 9 from the free throw line. For another, at halftime Greg Joyner had only one point and three



photo by ROBIN RUDD

Blue Raider head coach Jimmy Earle gives his players advice during a time out in Saturday's game with Tech. Middle lost the game which dropped their conference mark to 4-5.

personal fouls. The Eagles' rally began with a John McNish free throw with 13:25 remaining. From that point, the Golden Eagles outscored the Blue Raiders 41-18, and sent the game into overtime. Through that stretch, Joyner fouled out and MTSU was four for eight from the charity stripe. Tech was 12 out of 17.

As bad as the last minutes of regulation were, the five minutes of overtime were worse. Tech's Pete Abuls nailed a short jumper

with 3:37 left and the visitors were never behind again.

Greg Armstrong and Haynie scored clutch baskets as they desperately tried to keep the Raiders in the game, but it was not to be.

With Coleman, Riley and Joyner gone, it was asking too much for a talented but largely inexperienced group of MTSU subs to stay with a court-wise, red-hot bunch of Golden Eagles.

As far as individual totals were concerned, Tech's miraculous

comeback was reflected in the balance of their scoring. Abuls, Brian Troupe and Jimmy Howell had six, five and three points respectively at the half. They finished with 19, 20 and 17.

For the Blue Raiders, Harris had one of his finest efforts. He led MTSU with 17, including 10 in the first half. Coleman had 13, Armstrong 12 and Joyner managed 10 second half points before fouling out with six minutes to go.

Travel to Macon

Raiders out for revenge

by Scott Adams

"That's one of the toughest losses I've ever had to take since I've been coaching, said Blue Raider basketball coach Jimmy Earle.

Earle was of course speaking of Middle's overtime loss to rival Tennessee Tech last Saturday night in Murphy Center.

"One time back during the '74-'75 season we had VMI (Virginia Military Institute) down by 22 at the half and they came back to tie the score late in the game, but we won that one by about four," Earle said. "So I would definitely have to call this one of my most bitter defeats."

Dating back to the Western Kentucky game last month in Bowling Green, the Blue Raiders have lost four of their last five games. But, one must consider that three of the losses came in overtime, (Western, Mercer, and Tech) and one came in Richmond, where MTSU lost to the power-laden Colonels by one point.

So by no means have the Blue

Raiders fallen apart during the last few games, but even Earle had to concede that things weren't going as well as they could be going.

"We play great at times, but then at other times we play like we have never seen a basketball," Earle said after practice yesterday. "If we could just be a little more consistent I think that things would really begin to fall in place."

Anyone witnessing yesterday's workout in Murphy Center would never have guessed the Raiders were coming off an overtime loss to perhaps their biggest rival.

"I'm really glad to see the guys hustling and not giving up," Earle said. "I guess the ironic thing about this whole situation is that if this team does get into the conference tournament, they could very easily win it all."

The Blue Raiders head for Macon, Georgia today for a Wednesday rematch with Mercer University. Mercer beat the Raiders in Murphy Center last week in overtime.

Junior Varsity loses to Hiwassee

MTSU's junior varsity lost to a tough Hiwassee Junior College team Saturday night in Murphy Center, 82-71, but JV coach Austin Clark said there was one consolation in the contest.

"Hiwassee has been averaging 103 points a game and I think it says something for our defense to have held them to 82," Clark said.

Hiwassee, with 17-5 overall record and an 8-5 record in their conference, (Tennessee Junior College Athletic Association) was ranked in the top twenty among

the nations junior colleges.

Jimmy Rawn led the Raiders with 24 points followed by Scott Holder with 15.

James Davis led Hiwassee with 26.

MTSU hit 29 of 56 shots from the field for 51.8 percent and 13 of 18 from the foul line for 72.2 percent.

The loss gives the Raider junior varsity a 3-3 record with their next outing scheduled for Monday afternoon at 3 p.m. against Aquinas Junior College.



Kathy Riley

Lady Raiders host East Tennessee

by Scott Adams
Sports Editor

Coach Larry Inman's Lady Raiders, coming off a heart breaking loss to Eastern Kentucky in last week's OVC tournament, will take the floor tonight in Murphy Center thinking only of the future.

MTSU's women host the Lady Buccaneers of East Tennessee tonight at 7:30 p.m. and even though they aren't in the confer-

ence anymore, Inman says this game means just as much as a conference match up.

"Even though East Tennessee dropped out of the OVC last year this game still means a lot to us as far as ranking in the state tournament goes," Inman said.

"Sure it was tough to lose to Eastern, but we've got to start thinking about the state tournament next month in Knoxville now," Inman continued. "We had a great practice yesterday and I really believe we'll give East Tennessee all they want tonight."

Sharon McClannahan and Kathy Riley, who both made the All-Tournament team in the OVC tournament, continue to carry the load on offense, but are getting a lot of help from Ileana Portik.

McClannahan leads the team in scoring with a 20.4 points per game averaged followed closely by Riley at 19.4. Portik is the only other double figure scorer, average wise, at 11.4 points per game. McClannahan also leads in



Sharon McClannahan

rebounding, averaging 9.8 a game followed by Riley and Portik who average 6.7 and 6.4 a game respectively.

The Lady Raiders carry a 8-11 record into tonight's game.

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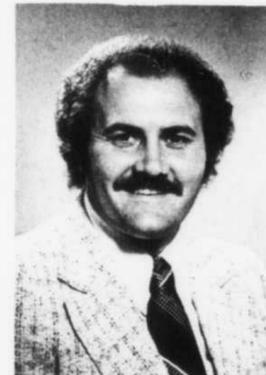
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Western Kentucky	6	3
Morehead	5	5
Middle Tennessee	4	5
Austin Peay	2	7
Murray State	1	8

Yesterday's Scores:

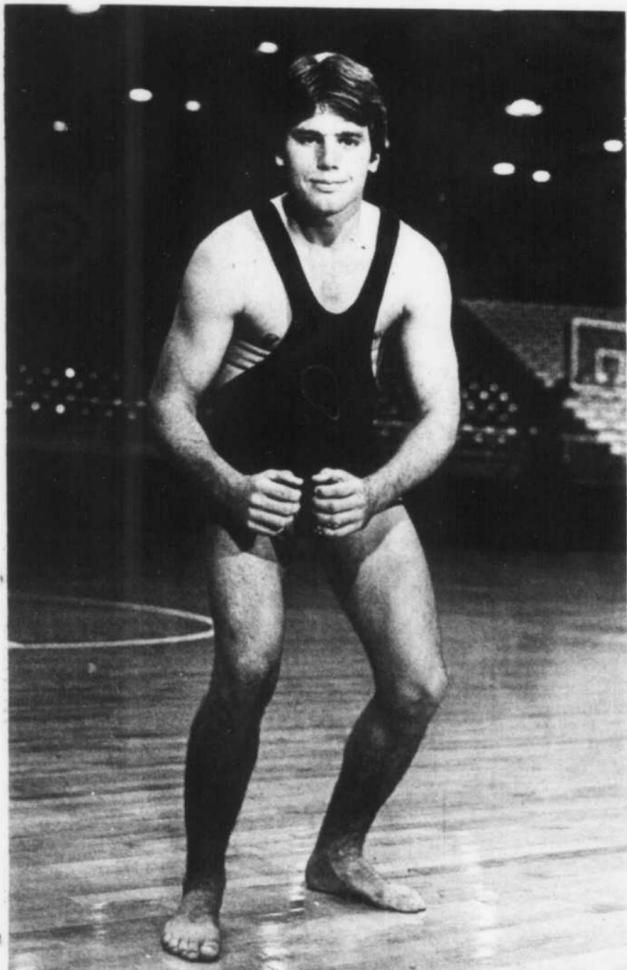
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Austin Peay	75	Murray	76
Western Tech	80		
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Saturday's games:

Western Kentucky at Austin Peay
Middle Tennessee at Murray State
Tennessee Tech at Morehead
Tiffin College at Eastern Kentucky



Larry Inman



Pat Simpson

Wrestlers take fourth in match

MTSU's Blue Raider wrestling team took fourth place in last weekend's Southeastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Tournament in Sewanee, and senior Pat Simpson was named the Most Valuable wrestler.

ville's Father Ryan High School, has been invaluable to the Raider wrestling program this season which has been riddled with injuries since the start of the season.

Auburn won the tournament, followed by Tennessee and UT Chattanooga.

MTSU students fare well in Knoxville meet

Winners of student programming games tournaments traveled to Knoxville last weekend to compete in Region 5's game tournaments, and brought back first place trophy's in table tennis events.

Diana Myers won first place in women's singles and Sain-wain Kwok placed first in men's singles.

Myers and Susan Reaney captured first place in women's doubles at table tennis.

These winners, who competed against schools from Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and North and South Carolina, will go to Houston, Texas sometime in April to compete in the National games tournament. Myers, however, will not be able to go to Houston due to a tennis tournament at MTSU that she will be playing in.

MTSU placed second in events including chess, and women's frisbee, and placed third in numerous other events.

Placement points for all competing schools will be totaled up and a grand first place winner will be chosen, but Harold Smith, director of student programming will now know those results until Wednesday.



MTSU's game room tournament winners are ready to board the bus which will take them to competition in Knoxville. photo by GARY LONG

Tech

The difference in the game as is the case so many times, was at the foul line. For the game, MTSU converted 12 of 27 attempts, while Tech hit on 24 of 36.

Looking ahead to the next two weeks, it doesn't get a whole lot easier for Jimmy Earle's ballclub. They travel to Macon, Ga. for a

re-match with Mercer Wednesday night, followed by a trip to Murray for the OVC television Game of the Week on Saturday.

The Blue Raiders close the season at home with Austin Peay on Feb. 19 and also at home, Western Kentucky on Feb. 24.

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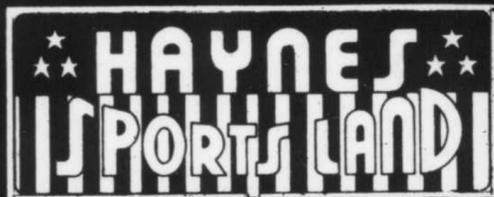
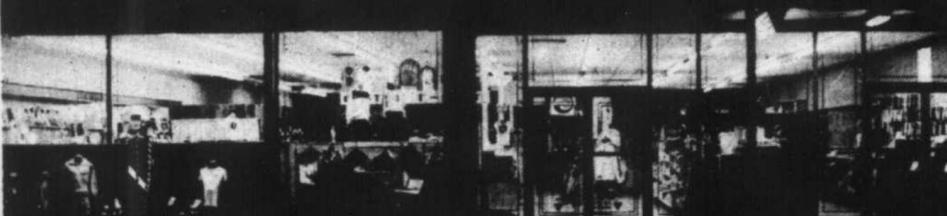
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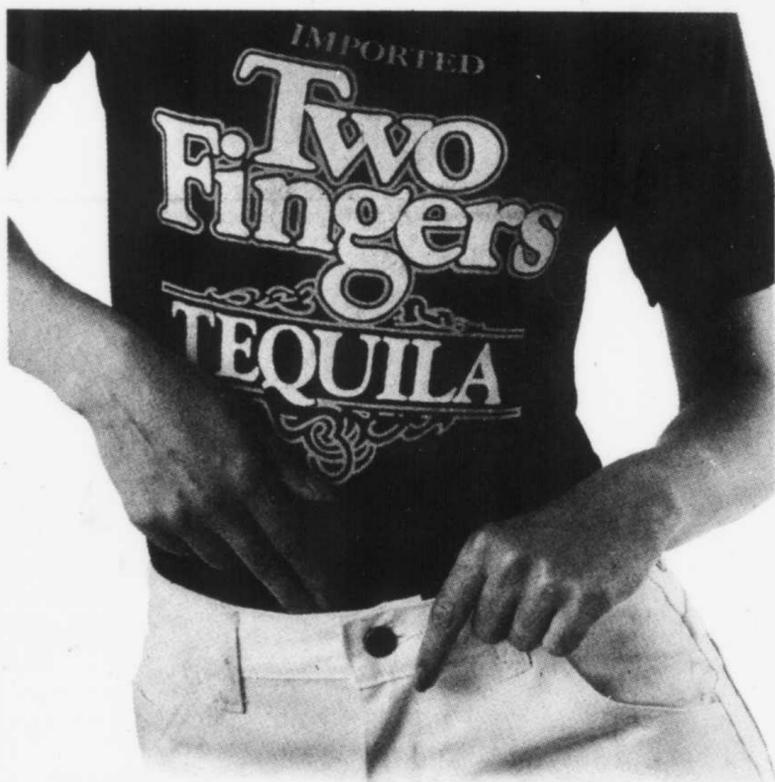
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Bill Neal

The longest basketball game in history, in either high school, college or pro competition, was played by two North Carolina high schools a few years ago when Marners High defeated Angier High in a game that went through—believe it or not—13 overtime periods!

Did you know there was once an owner of a sports team who fired his team but kept the coach!... Usually it works the other way... But when Ned Doyle owned Miami of the American Basketball Association, his team had a bad year in 1969-70, so he got all new players for the next season, but kept his coach, Hal Blitman... That's probably the only time that's happened in professional sports history.

Do you have any idea how many miles a player runs during a basketball game? ...It's been estimated that the average regular in the National Basketball Association runs about 5½ miles up and down the court in each game!

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