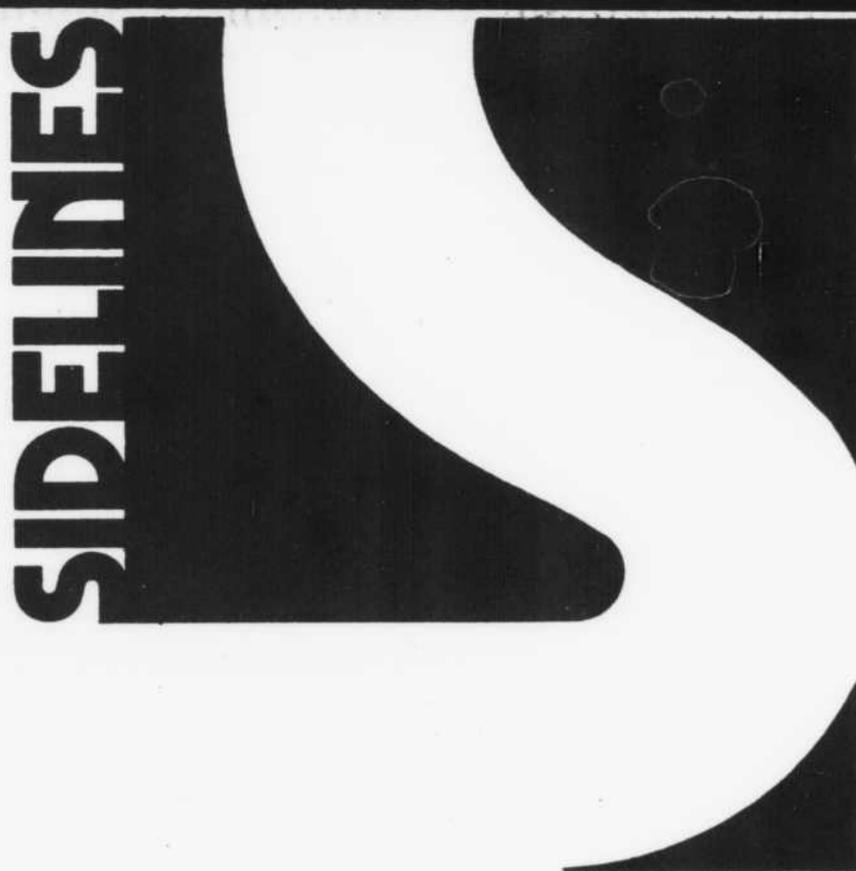




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There's one Johnny Parsley and he's Mr. Blue Raider

by Jerry Hayes

He can be seen at local sporting events with a smile on his face and a transistor radio in his hand. He wears a MTSU jacket and carries a blue and white shaker.

When the game gets exciting he becomes a one-man cheering squad and leads his own cheers. He dances to the music of the Band of Blue during breaks in the game.

He is probably the biggest fan that MTSU and local high schools have ever seen and his name is Johnny Parsley.

Johnny, a 29-year-old native of Murfreesboro, is mentally retarded but his handicap is no handicap to him. He loves supporting athletics and the whole city of Murfreesboro loves him for it.

Supporting athletics is his life, according to Johnny's mother. He

loves the games and he loves the players. He is well thought of by the athletes at MTSU and by the coaching staff, said MTSU head football coach Ben Hurt. "We're just real proud that he's a Blue Raider," Hurt added.

Johnny Parsley has meant a lot to the local high school, the city of Murfreesboro and especially the athletic program at MTSU. He is an enthusiastic person with a lot of spirit. Kathy Shauf, an MTSU cheerleader, said she thinks Johnny makes the cheering section complete. "He can get a lot more out of the crowd than I think anybody could," she added.

MTSU head basketball coach Jimmy Earle said he has known Johnny Parsley for 12 years and Johnny has been supporting MTSU for at least that long. Earle des-



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cribed Johnny as a super young man, saying he is the spirit behind the basketball team.

Johnny supports athletics whether the team wins or loses. Normally, if a team is having a losing season, some fans would stop supporting the team. Not Johnny Parsley. He's there win or lose.

During the football season, he can be seen on the sidelines wearing a Raider jersey-number 11, the number of quarterback Mike Robinson. He signals the extra point with as much expertise as the official on the field, and he shakes the hands of players making touch-

downs.

"If anyone has to say who is Mr. Blue Raider and who is the best Blue Raider supporter in this town, I think it would have to be Johnny Parsley," said coach Jimmy Earle. Johnny will shake hands with Earle and sincerely wish the players luck before each game.

Coach Earle said he introduces Johnny to the OVC officials before each game. According to Earle, it's not uncommon to be playing an away game and have an OVC official or someone inquire about Johnny. He has quite a fan club.

Johnny attended the Special
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Communication problem with linen service

by Phyllis Skipper

There seems to be a communication problem regarding American Linen Service, director of Housing Jim Craig said yesterday.

In a recent article published in *Sidelines* the linen service advertisement letter was criticized because of the statement: "We deliver to the students dormitory..." Several students complained that the letter was misleading because the linen was not delivered to each dorm but only to two pick-up points on campus.

"The statement in the letter is misleading," Craig admitted. "However, the reason for the statement is that some schools which the linen rental service supplies only have one dorm. The linen service is not under contract to deliver to each individual dorm."

Bids for the service are accepted each year and next year, according to Craig, "the letter will be changed, or American Linen won't get the contract."

However, there is still another problem regarding lack of commun-

ication. Craig terms it this way: "Apparently we haven't done an effective job in informing students where their linen may be picked up or there would be no question. Dorm directors are notified at the beginning of each year as to where the linen will be distributed. Signs are also posted at the grill, the cafeterias and in the NCB mall telling students who their representative is on campus and where they may get their linen. This will be done again next year."

Currently Craig is considering a new input method. "Probably the student subscriber will receive a complaint card in his mail box", he explained. "If I don't know about the complaints, then nothing can be done."

In fact, until recently Craig was not aware of any problem. "I want to be aware, and unless the student comes to me or the student representative, nothing can be done. It's not fair to the linen service."

"The linen service is very liberal about refund policies," Craig

continued, explaining that of 130 student subscribers this year, 13 received refunds. "All for good reasons, I'm sure," Craig said. "But 10 per cent is a very high refund rate. The linen service is not

trying to rip anyone off."

Any legitimate complaints concerning the service should be forwarded to Jim Craig, Housing Office, or Mark Evetts, Box 1310.

Fine Arts Festival kicks off Feb. 19

A week of free musical concerts, "surprise" events and a comedy act will comprise this year's MTSU Fine Arts Festival beginning Saturday, Feb. 19 and running through Sunday, Feb. 27.

On Feb. 19, the Festival will kick off with a special finale theater production of "A Flea in Her Ear," to be held in the Arena Theatre beginning at 8 p.m. On Sunday, Dr. T. Earl Hinton will conduct the University Community Orchestra at a 3:30 p.m. concert in the Dramatic Arts Auditorium.

The Louisville Ballet Repertory Company, a touring unit of 10 professional members under the direction of Richard and Cristina

Munro, will perform Monday, Feb. 21, at 8 p.m. in the DA.

Tuesday, Feb. 22, will bring a performance by a Knoxville play group in the Tennessee Room of the SUB at 8 p.m. Entitled "20 RPM," the performance will be a depiction of the history of America through mime, song, dramatization and poetic language.

"Imaginarium," a multimedia event to enhance sensory awareness will unfold Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the environmental lab of the LRC. The event will be presented by Robert H. McKim of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Stanford University.

Beginning what has been proclaimed a "star-studded" weekend, Friday, Feb. 25 will mark an appearance by famous comedian Steve Martin and singer/songwriter Dick Feller at 7 p.m. in the DA auditorium. Ticket information will be announced.

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GED Test: UC 314, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
 AAUP: UC 318, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
 Movie: "Monty Python: And Now For Something Completely Different," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.
 Traffic Court: UC 322A, 4-6 p.m.
 ASB House meeting: LRC Multi-Media Room, 4:30-6 p.m.
 Ideas & Issues: Poetical Recital, David Matthews, DA, 8 p.m.
 Lecture: Dr. Lou Silberman, Vanderbilt, "Modern & Contemporary Jewish Authors," 9:25, NCB 205
 Sigma Delta Chi: UC 313, 7 p.m.

Tomorrow

GED Test: UC 314, 8 a.m.-12 noon
 2nd Annual Tennessee Symposium on Higher Education: registration, lobby, LRC, 9 a.m.-1p.m.; general sessions, LRC, 1-5 p.m.; banquet, Tennessee Room, SUB, 5:45-7:45 p.m.; group discussions, SUB, 8-10 p.m.
 Movie: "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' Smarter Brother, UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.

Thursday

2nd Annual Tennessee Symposium on Higher Education: late

12-mile ride will benefit CF

by Phyllis Skipper

The Rutherford County Cystic Fibrosis Foundation will host a 12-mile bike-a-thon Saturday, March 12 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The bike-a-thon will take place at Stones River National Battlefield covering the two-mile bike route inside the park and the 10-mile route outside.

Sponsor forms may be picked up at the University Bike Shop, Sears in Jackson Heights Plaza and the Chamber of Commerce. Riders should obtain as many sponsors as possible to donate money per each mile that they ride. Prizes will be awarded.

An incomplete list of prizes to be given include a 10-speed bike given by the University Bike Shop along with two lightweight backpacks. A boy's and girl's ID bracelet donated by Zales Jewelers and a warm-up suit, compliments of Haynes Sports Land.

Prizes will be awarded at 5 p.m. by the Cystic Fibrosis Bike-A-Thon poster child, five-year-old Lisa Spry.

Volunteers are needed to help in any way. For more information contact Mrs. Nancy McGill, 890-5138, or Mrs. Robbie Garrett, publicity chairman at 890-6546.

registration, lobby, LRC 8-9:30; discussions groups, 3rd floor, UC, 8 a.m.-10 a.m.; general session, LRC auditorium, 9:45-11:30 a.m.; luncheon, Tennessee Room, SUB, 12 noon-2 p.m.
 Faculty/Press Luncheon: Dining Room B, SUB, 12 noon
 Council of Education Deans: Dining Room C, Sub, 2-9 p.m.
 Movie: "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' Smarter Brother," UC Theatre, 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.
 AAUW: Dining Room B, SUB, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Rip-Off Concert: UC Grill, 7:30-10:30 p.m.
 Quiz Bowl: UC, 6:15, Wood v. Delta Delta Zeta; 6:45, Ind. # 1 v. Smith; 7:15, ADPi v. Sigma Chi; 7:45, Ind. # 2 v. Beasley

Debaters cinch Red Clay Tourney

MTSU's varsity debate team emerged as tournament victors this weekend with the defeat of Wake Forest.

Representing MTSU at the 26th Annual Red Clay Invitational Debate Tournament were Murfreesboro junior Mike Dagley and Linda Hoffman, a senior from Pensacola, Fla. Dagley and Hoffman won both individual speaker awards and the top team award.

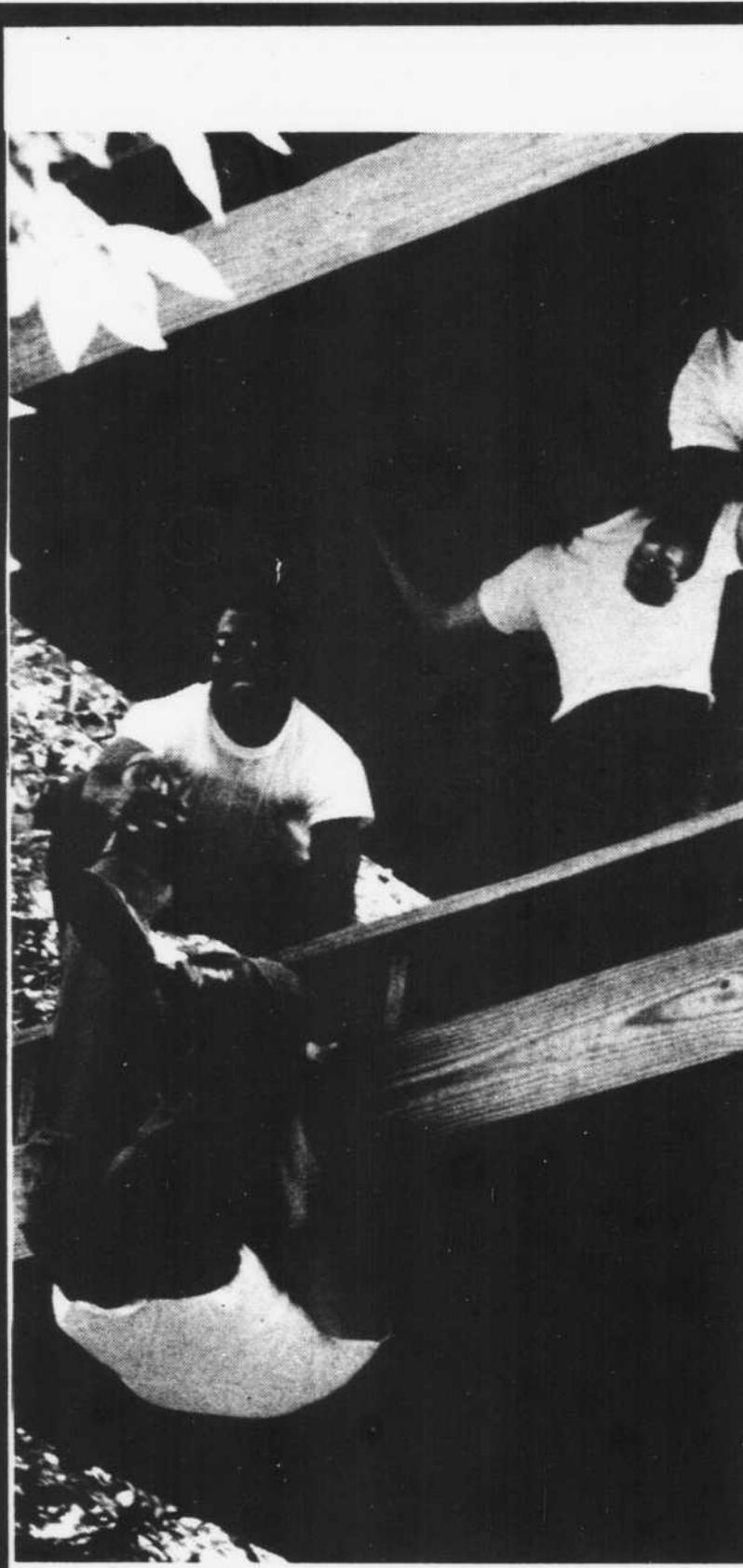
The tournament was held on the campus of West Georgia College in Carrollton. Forty of the top debate teams in the southeastern states participated. All teams competed in eight rounds of debating on Friday and Saturday. After these preliminary debates, the top sixteen teams with the best win-loss

records advanced to the elimination debates on Sunday.

In the octafinal debate, MTSU was seeded against Georgia State University and won with a unanimous 3-0 decision. In the quarter-final debate, the top team from Morehead State University was defeated by Hoffman and Dagley on another unanimous decision.

MTSU then won the semi-final debate, again unanimously, against the nationally ranked team from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The championship final debate was between teams from Wake Forest University and MTSU, with MTSU emerging victorious on a split two-one decision.



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Private giving reaches new high in 75-76

Private giving to MTSU reached a new high during the 1975-76 calendar year, according to President M. G. Scarlett and Chancellor Whitney Stegall, retiring president of the MTSU Foundation.

Two of the major gifts were a \$200,000 bequest to the University through the Board of Regents by Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Stark and a \$700,000 DC-8 jet aircraft given by the New York-based Equilease Corp.

According to Boyd Evans, director of development, other private support to the University through the MTSU Foundation for fiscal year 1975-76 totalled \$351,225, as compared to \$306,776 for fiscal year 1974-75. This

represents a total dollar increase of \$44,449, or 14.4 per cent.

"During the past two years," Evans said, "total giving to the Foundation has increased by \$75,765, which represents a 25 per cent increase."

Through comparative figures are unavailable for private giving at all state institutions this year, a survey last year indicated that MTSU was second only to the University of Tennessee at Knoxville in private support.

Scarlett said that he is particularly pleased with energetic support for MTSU from private sources, since such giving makes possible the programs which make the MTSU experience uniquely meaningful to its students and patrons. "This is indicative of the interest of individuals and corporations in important programs for the University," he said. "It's good to be part of a winning team."

Council votes faculty reps

Voting to endorse faculty representation on the Board of Regents, the President's Council of SGA-ASB passed a resolution at the January meeting in Austin Peay urging recognition of faculty members on the Board.

Calling faculty representation on the Board of Regents "vital in both the cultivating and developing of the university community" the President's Council recommended that this resolution also be introduced in senates at various schools within the Regents' system.

In other business, the President's Council discussed criteria for applicants for position of student member on the Board of Regents, with applications being made available to students who meet the

following requirements:

- 2.5 GPA and at least sophomore status;
- full-time student at a regent institution;
- resident of the state of Tennessee;
- involvement in ASB/SGA activities or statewide organizations;
- familiar with structure of ASB President's Council.

Deadline for applications is March 26 at 2 p.m.

With nine of the 16 universities represented at the January meeting the council also voted to invite Board of Regents Chancellor Roy Nicks to the March meeting to discuss Board responsibilities.



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Misapplication of Keynesian theories faulted

Objections have been raised to using Keynesian tools in democracy because Keynes was not a democrat, national economist James Buchanan said last night.

Speaking to over 100 persons, Buchanan said the "political democracy may not be able to survive the Keynesian test."

The Keynesian idea aimed at the 1930's was concerned with unemployment and demand, Buchanan said. The policy followed was to create a deficit to create more spending.

"We did not apply the Keynesian principles properly, the MTSU graduate said.

The Keynesian teachings were a "gross intellectual oversight by persons in these ivory towers because they overlooked democracy," Buchanan maintained. The Keynesian principles may "yet be judged a curse."

The Post-Keynesian thinking is not the answer to the nation's economic problems. It just doesn't work anymore.

Instead, the economist proposed that a set of constitutional rules be established. The constitutional rule "would put us on the record as saying that's what we want."

Presently, there is not much hope

of a constitutional rule but Buchanan would not rule out the possibility.

Buchanan predicted the nation's deficit would reach \$85 billion during the 1978 fiscal year.

For persons who believe the budget may be balanced in 1981, Buchana is skeptical. "It is just the never, never land of politics."

Voters want reduced taxes and more federal spendings so that the politicians respond.

"The politicians create the deficits and the economists five excuses," he commented.

In the five-year period between 1971-1975, the federal budget exceeded revenue by \$110 billion, Buchanan said. During the period of 1975-76, the deficit was more than the five-year increase.

Over the next five years, the deficit will reach between \$250 to \$500 billion, the economist predicted.

"My charge is that the Keynesian economy is incompatible with the political economy," he said. "Must we allow ourselves to destroy our institution?"

The popular notion that the "trade-off" of inflation and unemployment would balance each



James Buchanan

MTSU photo by Pat Daley

other doesn't work anymore, he added.

Balancing the budget over the business cycle and allowing the revenue to build up to a surplus is irrelevant, Buchanan said.

As a means to curb unemployment, Buchanan said the repeal of a minimum wage law for teen-agers would cause the unemployment rate to decrease two percent overnight.

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MONDAY THRU FRIDAY



Carter's political magic produces win

by David Beiler

Part III of a series of four articles concerning Jimmy Carter, his past and likely course for the future.

Carter was able to pull the political sleight-of-hand masterfully on repeated occasions, enabling him to bring many unlikely diverse groups under his all-encompassing banner.

Viet Nam War doves were told Carter had stood with them against this "morally corrupt war." They were not told he had issued a proclamation as governor in 1971 urging Georgians to protest the conviction of Lt. Calley or that in 1972 he had introduced a resolution before the Democratic Governors' Conference which called upon Democratic nominees not to make the war an issue.

Students were told, condescendingly, that J.C. quoted Bob Dylan and listened to southern rock. They were not told that in 1971, seven weeks after Kent State, Carter had vowed to send National Guardsmen to campus with live ammunition "before the trouble even starts!"

Populists were told by the candidate that the nation's tax laws were a "disgrace to human race!" Carter did not tell them (as he told corporate executives) that he favored the repeal of the corporate income tax as a means of making them less "disgraceful."

McGovernites were told Carter stood for their principles. They were not told that he had nominated Scoop Jackson and supported the "California Steal" McGovern

delegates at the 1972 convention.

Fiscal conservatives were told Carter would slash the 1,900 federal agencies to 200, saving enormous quantities of wasted money. They were not told that the Georgia state budget had grown by more than 2/3 during Carter's four years as governor, and also depleted the state's treasury reserves by nearly \$50 million.

Despite being the logical conclusion of the nominating system, Carter's own eccentricities and intense obscurity nearly cost him the Presidency. In a sense, he lucked into the result.

First there was Iowa, where Carter got a headstart on everyone else, starting to organize more than three years ago. His farm background and early strong stand against abortion (later retracted) gave him an appeal peculiarly potent to that area. He won the January caucuses there easily.

Immediately the media, trying to find some easier way to cover 12 candidates, began to concentrate on him. From that day forward it was always Carter first in the news reports, frequently only Carter.

Free media time for Carter amounted to a half million dollars a night after Florida. When the Federal Elections Commission had its authority to dispense funds trucked down by the Supreme Court, all the media could talk about was how it was going to help President Ford fend off the challenge from Ronald Reagan.

The real losers were Carter's numerous opponents, who were



'Ahza dyed in the wool nash'nul Democrat!'

getting little, if any, free air time. Carter was able to effectively shut them out on the airwaves.

Once the funds started rolling again Carter was losing all over the place. People had finally started finding out who he really was and were deciding they preferred someone else.

The most notable someone else was California's Jerry Brown, who defeated Carter in five of the six primaries in which the two competed. (Carter lost the sixth, Oregon, anyway; Brown's name was not even on the ballot). Idaho's Frank Church, an uninspiring Senate regular, had similar success against Carter.

It was all too little, too late

however, as the Carter bandwagon rolled to victory, propelled by sheer inertia.

The American public cannot be snowed forever. As was the case with Nixon in 1968, Carter watched his huge-post-convention lead (33 points) dwindle to the vanishing point by election day. His collapse represented the greatest loss of support ever gauged during a Presidential campaign in the forty-year history of the Gallup Poll.

In terms of how closely it came to having a different result, the Presidential election was the closest in a hundred years.

Friday: the coming battle between Carter and Congress.

If you're thinking about stealing something—don't

by Ivan Shewmake

Thinking about stealing something?

Please don't!

You should know by now that the University has a new policy regarding theft. In the past, most theft charges were adjudicated entirely on campus.

Two things have happened to change that. One, certain kinds of theft are becoming noticeably more popular, and, two, our penalties no longer seem to discourage some people from growing overly fond of possessing things that belong to another.

As an administrator, my first obligation is to protect the right and property of the victim of the thief's thoughtless act. In pursuit of this, we are spending more of our time and energy attempting to prevent theft. In addition, the penalties for theft are being extended to include the same procedures that a thief would face if he were caught

stealing in the city of Murfreesboro. From the perspective of the victim and his right to protection, that is what the situation demands.

As a human being, however, I take no pleasure in seeing any person carted off to jail, even when that person's acts have earned him the trip. And, if you steal, a trip to jail is in all likelihood what you are going to get.

We would like an absence of both victims and the necessity of putting people in jail. We can do something about ridding ourselves of victims by the thought and effort we put into our job. The only person who can eliminate the necessity of locking people up is the person who is tempted to steal. And the only way he can stop it, is to keep temptation in his head and other people's property out of his hand.

We would like to give the potential thief encouragement to refrain from stealing. That is what the present penalties are designed to do.

If you are caught stealing or

dealing in stolen goods, you will face the strictures imposed by Middle Tennessee State University, which generally include suspension from the University for some period of time and at a minimum include restitution and disciplinary probation for as long as you are a student.

In addition, as of now, the thief will be arrested and transported to the County jail. There he will have to post bail in the amount of \$500 for petty larceny and \$1,000 for grand larceny (theft valued at over \$100). The maximum penalty for a conviction for these acts is two to five years and three to ten years in jail, respectively. Generally speaking, however, a first offender will be fined in some amount and given a 90-day suspended sentence.

So, the thief has a fine, the cost of a bail bondsman (10 per cent of the bond), the cost of a lawyer (usually \$250 to \$700), the possibility of a jail sentence and a permanent criminal record.

I think two things generally

encourage a thief to steal. One, the penalties he will face if caught are so minor that he really doesn't think he will lose anything. The penalties I have outlined above ought to convince anyone but a fool that theft is not a profitable occupation.

The other thing that encourages theft is the belief by the thief that he cannot be caught. A larger number of the thieves that I have known were amazed that we caught them. They were convinced that we were too stupid to come in out of the rain without help, let alone catch someone as smart and cool as they obviously were.

My files are full of hip, smart thieves who had all the angles figured. Now, Rutherford County's criminal records will be a repository of their enlightenment, too, I suppose.

And all they had to do was stop and think.

Thinking about stealing something?

Please, don't...

Resident angry

To the editor:

I live on the sixth floor of High Rise West and am thoroughly annoyed that they are painting our rooms. Why now? It's totally inconvenient for everyone. We have to move all our things out and take down all posters. If we leave things in the hall, they are in danger of being stolen. According to the girls on the seventh floor (where the painters started yesterday) they called about 7 p.m. and told them to have everything cleared out by 8 a.m. the next day. I have received no notice. We should have been warned in advance.

Why can't they paint the rooms between sessions or during spring break when fewer people are here? I talked to one of the directors and she told me they hadn't redecorated in 10 years. She said, a little defensively, that the rooms are equally full all year.

Even if this is so, they could at least do it during warmer weather so we can open the windows and air out the room. The paint fumes smell terrible and are probably dangerous.

I think it was very careless and inconsiderate of the management to choose this time to paint the rooms and especially to not forewarn us. We paid to live here, and I don't think it is right that anyone should have to go through all this trouble for something that could be done while no one is here.

Cathy Ryder
Box 3224

Deserters should get pardon too

To the editor:

This is in answer to Gary Howell's letter of Jan. 28. I believe Jimmy Carter has the right idea about pardoning draft evaders, and I also think he should pardon the deserters. After all, which is a greater sin: disobeying a law and by so doing harming no one, or obeying a law and killing hundreds?

What gives any government the right to order its people to kill? Why allow countless suffering and great loss of lives? War is very wrong. No one should be punished for realizing this and refusing to be a part of it.

The families of those who died suffered great loss, but they should hope no one else would have to go through it. Of course it is hard to forget and easy to remain bitter, but bitterness and revenge will not bring their loved ones back.

As far as forgiveness is concerned, surely God's love was more in the hearts of those who

All-Sing director expresses thanks

To the editor:

With the conclusion of All-Sing 1977, I would like to express my deep gratitude to all those who were involved in any way whatsoever. I'd like to take this time and space to single out a few people to whom I express special thanks:

1) Merry Lynn Starling—for the beautiful programs she designed.

2) The MTSU Print Shop—for recognizing my ignorance of the

printing process and trying to explain it in a few easy-to-understand steps.

3) Cindy Phelps and her crew—for the beautiful lettering of "All-Sing '77."

4) Patty Farr and Wayne Prince—who together ran the show from behind the scenes, via stage and sound booth, and somehow tolerated my hyperactivity and craziness (I so often exhibit)! Also, thanks to Neal who "toiled" on rehearsal night.

5) Bill Smotherman—for accepting my 101 calls and for graciously giving me everything I requested.

6) Cathey, my roommate—for becoming "Laurie's answering service" for a month, with few complaints. No doubt, she'll make a fine secretary!

7) Mary Jane, a dear friend—who saw me at my worst yet gave me the support I needed and willingly gave of her time to do all those "last minute things that must be done before showtime!"

8) Joe and Ralph—for their antics on-stage and for their (ever-present) light entertainment backstage.

9) Marcus—for recognizing a need and giving mental as well as spiritual support.

I appreciated the cooperation of all participating groups and the girls of Tau Omicron as it made my job easier. I don't believe I have ever worked so hard—yet enjoyed anything more—in my lifetime!

Again with sincere feelings, I say thank-you.

Laurie Shirley
All-Sing Director
Box 6451



Assassination committee future shakey

To the editor:

The future of the newly formed Select Committee on Assassinations, investigating the murders of John Kennedy and Martin Luther King, is uncertain. There are indications that Congress is wavering in its commitment to investigate assassinations. A scheduled vote in the House of Representatives to re-establish the Committee for the new Congress has been postponed until early February. Doubt over

couldn't bear to destroy others than in the hearts of those who killed over and over again in the name of nationalism. Cowardice has nothing to do with it. It takes a lot more courage to stand up for your rights (to live and let live) than to fall into an easy path that everyone else is taking, especially when propaganda glorifies it.

Finally, that last remark about Carter dragging the American flag in the dust was totally uncalled for.

Cathy Ryder
Box 3224

whether there was the 2/3 vote needed to approve it prompted House leaders to delay until a vote taken under different procedures and requiring only a simple majority could be taken.

I wish to urge all concerned students to send a telegram or write letters to Congresspeople supporting the Select Committee.

The following are of particular importance because they sit on the House Select Committee on Assassinations:

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Budget hearings set

Nashville—Hearings on the executive budget for fiscal 1977-78 will be held by the Joint Finance, Ways and Means Committee February 10, 11, 14, 15, 16 and 17 in Room 16 of the Legislative Plaza.

Senator Douglas Henry, Jr., is chairman of the Senate Finance, Ways and Means Committee. Representative John T. Bragg is chairman of the House committee.

"In order to make the budget more easily understood," Representative Bragg said, "the Joint Finance, Ways and Means Committee has taken steps to break down the complex structure of the budget into more simplified units of fiscal information."

"Staff members of the offices of the Comptroller of the Treasury, the Treasurer and the Fiscal Review Committee are assisting in the budget study and will prepare reports which will be provided at the appropriate time at the various hearings," he said.

"We have met with Representative Riley Darnell, chairman of

the Fiscal Review Committee; State Treasurer Harlan Mathews; Comptroller William R. Snodgrass; Donald L. Morton, director of the Fiscal Review Committee; Frank Greathouse, director of the Division of State Audit of the Comptroller's Office and others," he said.

"We have heard a presentation of budget overview by Finance and Administration Commissioner Bill Jones and we have made a pilot study of the budget of the Office of the Comptroller for the purpose of preparing a format for the reports staff teams will prepare on each department for the coming budget hearings," Sen. Henry said.

Representative Bragg said that under a memorandum by Lt. Governor John Wilder and House Speaker Ned McWherter, standing committees are authorized to attend hearings on the departments which fall in their area of endeavor. Members of the General Assembly desiring to attend any other parts of the budget hearings should request approval from the Speaker's office prior to the hearing date.

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All classes will be held in Dance Studio A of Murphy Center. For additional information, contact William Chris Hayes at 893-7897 or the Office of Continuing Education at 898-2462, where registration forms are available.

Entitlement for veterans training under the GI Bill has been extended to 45 months, the VA reported.

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Aerie's 'Gooney Bird' flies skies again

by Nancy McCrary

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Your dad may remember the "Gooney Bird" as the R4D, which logged 85,000 flying hours on a single airframe or as the more than 10,000 DC-3s which were assigned to the military during several wars.

The huge two-propeller bird first began to make history, aside from one of the first "warm" air transports, with the challenge of World War II and served almost every purpose for which air transportation for people and things was needed.

"Gooney Bird" has equaled a master of disguises as it has been utilized as a commercial airliner, an executive aircraft, troop transport, an air cargo hauler, a hospital plane, glider, amphibian, flying command post and even a bomber. Imagine flying to work on a bomber when you're a civilian.

Military personnel had a number of affectionate nicknames for the DC-3 such as: the Gooney Bird, the Dakota, and Dak.

As wartime production rose to a peak, the U.S. airframe builders were putting together the historic bird at the rate of 1.8 DC-3s per hour.

After all these years, it's nice to know that taxpayer's and govern-



Harry Hill, a Tullahoma senior, uses his metal detector to look for hidden Civil War relics. His hobby is often profitable because he also locates coins, bracelets and other items that have been lost.

photo by Chris Wimbrow

ment money was not spent in vain.

Aerie's Clyde Cook, owner and president of Nashville's largest commuter air service, says almost

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'Mister God' tells story of a remarkable girl

by Merry Lynn Starling
MISTER GOD THIS IS ANNA. By Fynn. Ballantine Books. 180 pages, \$1.75 [paperback].

Book Review

Mister God, This is Anna is the story of an irresistible five-year-old with an uncanny ability to understand life whose relationship with her creator was so personal, so intimate, she referred to Him as Mister God.

Discovered by "Fynn" at the age of four in London's docks Anna became a member of his mother's household, as she had no home of her own. Immediately Fynn was overwhelmed by her curiosity, her amazing ability to figure things out, her intense interest in life. Everything around her was scrutinized, taken apart, analyzed, until she came to some sort of conclusion (usually correct) about it. Her curiosity attacked the piano, a radio, mathematics, French, geometrics, birth, angels, church and, of course, Mister God.

"The difference from a person and an angel is easy," Anna once told Fynn. "Most of an angel is in

the inside and most of a person is on the outside." Though sometimes difficult to follow, Anna's logic usually wound up being right on target.

In explaining God to Fynn one day she said, "Fynn, you can love better than any people that ever was, and so can I, can't I? But Mister God is different. You see, Fynn, people can only love outside and can only kiss outside, but

Mister God can love you right inside and Mister God can kiss you right inside, so it's different."

Anna's approach to every problem was the same: analyze it through Mister God. Armed with this method, all the major problems of life were simple to her. Death was merely a rest given to people by Mister God; life was a time to learn.

When Anna died in an accident

at age seven, Fynn was filled with hate—how could such a happy, loving life be cut so short? Then he realized that Anna's life had finally been fulfilled—she was with her Mister God at last.

Mister God, This is Anna is not a saccharin sweet story possessing all the answers. Rather it is a sentimental, funny, touching account of one five-year-old's attack on life. And it is a story for everyone to read.

Turrentine's sax proves lustrous on album

RECORD RACK

By Bill Milton

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STANLEY TURRENTINE "The Man With the Sad Face" (Fantasy F-9519)--The veteran tenor sax man is, as usual, diligent and consistent and occasionally lustrous on his latest of five virtuoso albums. This is his solo effort as a producer, and he does a competent job. Some of the cuts feature larger orchestras and more panoramic productions

than is common in the Sixties type, intimate club setting which was a staple for the jazz idiom for so many years. The bigger production number here is reminiscent of a Count Basie or Duke Ellington motif. This sets up a bit of competition between Turrentine and the larger groups and perhaps dulls the full impact of his considerable skills.

Record Rack

THE BLACKBYRDS "Unfinished Business" (Fantasy F-9518) --If, like most of the civilized world,

you're into disco you might as well go with some of the better practitioners of the sound. Formed by Donald Byrd (he is not with the group), founder of the School of Jazz Studies at Howard University, the Blackbyrds is the outgrowth of his efforts to give his students practical experience. From this nightclub circuit OJT, the group went on to become one of the premiere aggregations of the past few years.

It is obvious at the outset that disco is in the hands of highly-trained, well-schooled performers versed in R&B, jazz and other pop mediums. A lot of disco is studio packaged, over-engineered tripe, but the Blackbyrds give it variety and style.

Despite that locked-in disco beat, the group interlaces some interesting instrumentation and effects around it. The cuts have more of an improvisational tone than most disco. The band is instrument oriented; singing and lyrics are not their strong suit. Occasionally the vocalizing borders on the inane, the words on some tunes coming perilously close to high school advanced-composition levels. But let's face it, nobody writing disco music today is a frontrunner for a Pulitzer Prize for poetry. Motion is the medium here.

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Hall opens course

Songwriting is instinctive

by Debbie Runions

"I truly believe every person has an instinct to write a song," insisted Tom T. Hall at the opening session of his three-session course in songwriting at MTSU Monday night. "When you think about it music is the only sensual pleasure man has that's not a sin."

Hall spoke to 50 students of the Continuing Education Program who ranged from cowboys to executives, young homemakers to grandmothers. The only interest all 50 had in common was the desire to write songs.

If anybody is qualified to teach the course it's Tom T. Hall, the man who has earned the title of Country Music's Storyteller. He is author of 1,000 songs of which 500 have been recorded.

Speaking with the voice of a cultured bullfrog, he has lost most of the Southern accent he learned as a boy in Kentucky. Partially belying the down home flavor of his talk were a sprinkling of quotes ranging from Twain to Hemingway to Sir Francis Bacon. Still the impression he gives is that of a farmer who made good.

"Write what you know about—about yourself," he suggested. "You'd be surprised how interested people will be in what you have to say."

"You don't have to know anything about formal music. The important issue is an honest look at yourself and your world," he stressed.

Hall has become, as he puts it, rich and famous, from writing about his world. Since 1968 when his "Harper Valley P.T.A." hit the charts, to his latest single, "Fox on the Run," Hall has bombarded

country music fans with his impressions of life.

"Write songs that communicate," Hall instructed. "That's what songs have done throughout history. The troubadour, the first songwriter, was a traveling Walter Cronkite—He had something to communicate."

"Tell a story, express your feelings, be a musical Mary Hartman," he grinned. "That's what songwriting is all about."



Tom T. Hall

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in the stadium, or on the floor

Johnny has the spirit-Blue Raider Spirit

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Education School in Murfreesboro until he was 21. He is now employed full time by the Tennessee Vocational Training Center where he works on many assorted jobs.

Johnny says that he likes football because it's rough and basketball because it's exciting. He also likes wrestling. Johnny summed it all up when he said, "I like all sports."

As far as MTSU's basketball action, Johnny says the team looks good every time he sees them play but this year he isn't as optimistic about the OVC tournament. He picks MTSU to finish second behind Austin Peay.

When the Blue Raiders won the OVC basketball tournament two years ago, the team and coaching staff wanted to do something for Johnny to show their appreciation for his support of the team. They presented him with an autographed basketball during half-time.

Earle said that Johnny Parsley is

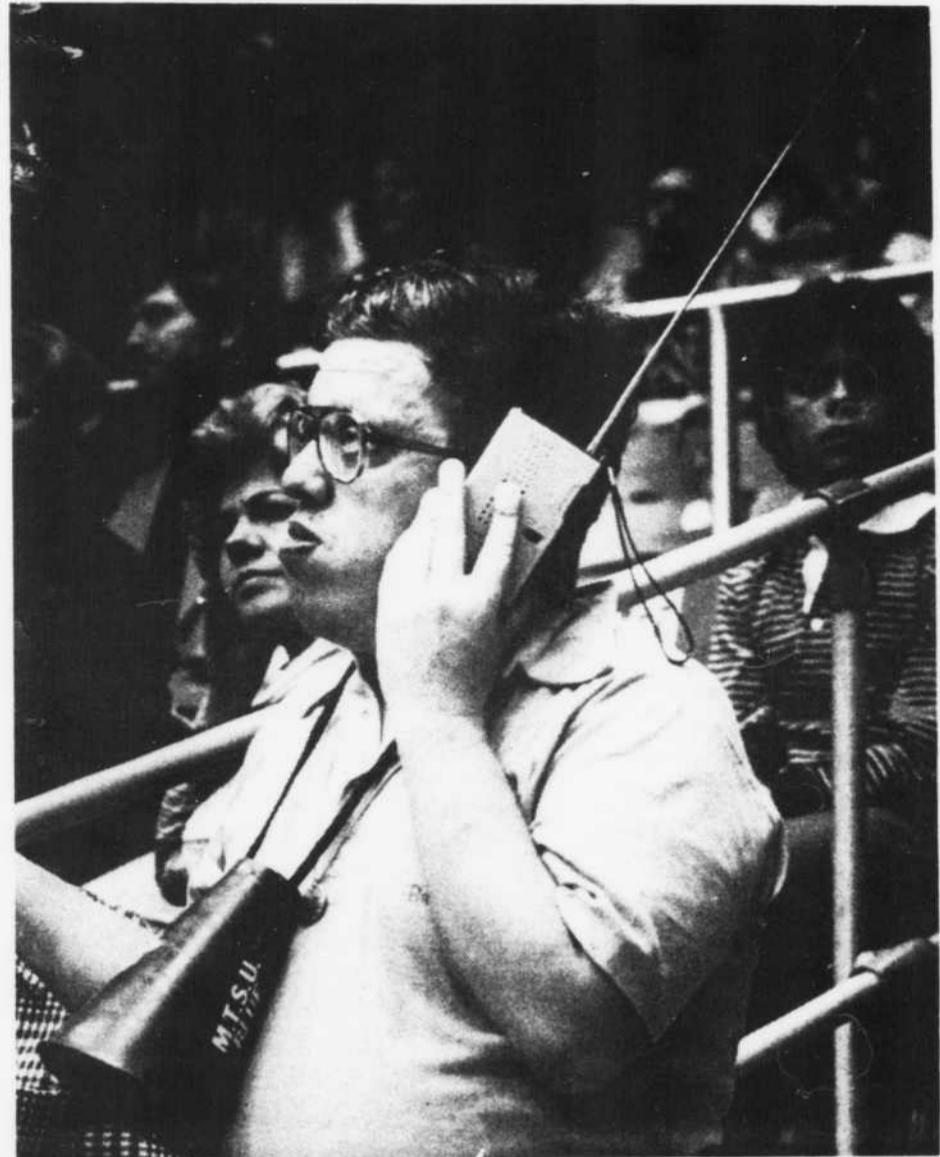
the most avid supporter MTSU has. He has even managed to make it to several away games during this season.

Johnny Parsley is very sincere in what he does and it shows. He doesn't like to lose and when we do, Johnny feels as badly as the players. He described the recent losses to Murray and Austin Peay as "heartbreaker."

Johnny is well known by everyone around the city. Jane Parsley, Johnny's cousin, says that she sometimes goes to town with him and it is not unusual for him to talk to 15 or 20 people that he sees.

It's a sure bet that Johnny Parsley will continue to support athletic events around the community as long as there are teams to play. It's his life and there is nothing more that he enjoys than watching and yelling his teams on to victory.

Johnny Parsley is the true Raider fan. There will always be fans and supporters, but there will only be one Johnny Parsley.



"He can get a lot more out of the crowd than I think anybody could." Kathy Shauf, MTSU cheerleader

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1. The festival will hopefully be an annual affair with more Tennessee colleges and universities (community and 4-year schools) participating in future years.

2. The first festival will be held on the Austin Peay State University campus. The date is Sat., Feb. 19.

3. The following sports will be played the first year:

Activity	#Of Competitors	# From Each School
A. Basketball	2 Men 3 Women	3 Men 4 Women
B. Volleyball	3 Men 3 Women	4 Men 4 Women
C. Innertube Water-basketball	3 Men 3 Women	4 Men 4 Women

4. All sports will be Co-Rec (men and women) and governed by the rules of the host school. Modifications may be agreed upon by the directors from each institution.

5. Teams will be made up as follows: MTSU men with Peabody women; Peabody men with APSU women; APSU men with MTSU women.

6. Competition and winning will be de-emphasized. The fun of playing and the social experience will be the objectives.

7. No awards will be made.

8. Eligibility rules will be those that are in effect at each institution. Selection of those persons to compete is left up to the discretion of each school's Intramural Recreation office.

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Soaring Raiders waltz past Buccaneers

by John Pitts
Assistant Sports Editor

The Blue Raiders remained in the thick of the OVC race with their third homecourt win in six nights, a 78-67 victory over East Tennessee.

The win kept Middle tied for second in the OVC with Murray State, with both teams behind the high-flying Governors of Austin Peay.

With 18:53 showing in the first

Sports

half, Lewis Mack hit a pair of free throws to give the Raiders a lead they never gave up during the rest of the ballgame.

Outscoring the Buccaneers 18-7 in an eight-minute stretch, the Raiders hit offensive doldrums, and were shut out in the final three minutes to make the halftime score 41-30.

In the second half, the Raider offense took a few minutes to get in gear, but the defense held the Bucs at bay.

MTSU's greatest lead in the game came in the last five minutes,



Sleepy Taylor



Raider coach Jimmy Earle [with blackboard] plans team defensive strategy while players and coaches look on.

when the Raiders took a 78-58 lead and a full compliment of substitutes took the floor for the Blue.

Again, the last three minutes of the period were costly, as East Tennessee managed nine unanswered points to provide the final 11-point margin of victory.

Head coach Jimmy Earl was "displeased" despite the win. "I thought we got ragged play from our substitutes at the end of the game—we had set a defense goal of 62 points in the game, and the turnovers at the end prevented us from attaining that goal."

At the end of the game, the Raider lineup was Kip Puryear and Derek Render at guards, and Greg Laravie, Clint Dennison and Gil Thompson at forwards.

Center Bob Martin led the Raiders with 18 points, and 14 rebounds while guard Lewis Mack was close behind with 17. Juluis Brown regained his outside touch for 14 points, while Greg Joyner contributed 12 and substitute Leroy Coleman hit for nine points. Both Mack and Sleepy Taylor had eight assists.

Middle hit a blistering 56.8 per



Lewis Mack

cent from the field, compared to the Bucs 48.2. The Raiders had another good foul shooting night, canning 20 of 25 for an 80 per cent night.

The Raiders lost the rebounding duel to East Tennessee 34-32.

East Tennessee's offense was paced by center Bob Brown, who hit for 22 points and pulled in 11 rebounds. Charlie Stewart, who blistered the Raiders here last year for 34 points, was limited to 12 as the only other Buc in double figures.

Women avenge loss; stun Tech

by John Bliven

You've gotta believe.

The Lady Raiders got the "believing feeling" Saturday night, and rose up to upset nationally-ranked Tennessee Tech 80-78 in a win coach Pat Jones has been waiting for.

"We've been waiting a long time for this, and it should put us in the national rankings," a tearful Jones said after the game, which broke

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Tennessee Tech's Sally Thorntom [55] looks ready to block the shot of MTSU's Linda Carter, but the field goal was good, and Carter helped lead the Lady Raiders to a 80-78 victory.

Team:	Record:
Austin Peay	8-1
Middle Tennessee	7-2
Murray State	7-2
Morehead	6-3
East Tennessee	4-5
Western Kentucky	3-6
Eastern Kentucky	1-8
Tennessee Tech	1-8





Liz Hannah

MTSU women shock Tech

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her personal six-game losing streak against the Eaglettes, who were ranked sixth in the nation before the game.

After a 97-67 loss to Tech in Cookeville a month ago, Jones returned to Middle determined to get a win. "You have to believe it and you have to want it," Jones observed from the "winners' circle."

The Lady Raiders looked awesome in the first half, which saw them trade leads with the Eaglettes several times, but MTSU went to the lockerroom with a 46-38 halftime lead.

Early in the second half, the Lady Raiders took their biggest lead (10

points) with a layup by forward Liz Hannah, but then Tech rallied to pull within four at 52-48 with 15:39 left in the game.

In the closing minutes of the game, two Raiders fouled out, dimming MTSU's offensive potential. Forward McClannahan, with 21 points (9 of 17 from the field, three of seven at the foul line) committed her fifth foul with 3:32 remaining. Zitney fouled out 12 seconds later, having racked up 18 points (seven of 14 from the field, four of four from the line).

Despite the losses, the Raiders stayed close, and found themselves down only 76-75 with 54 seconds on the clock. Junior guard Linda Carter was fouled by Tech standout Kim Grizzle, sending Grizzle to the bench and Carter to the line.

Carter hit both shots to give the Raiders a 77-76 lead, and the bench exploded with the chance of an upset in the making.

Peek almost doused the Raider's hopes with a jump shot in the last 20 seconds, but Raider Liz Hannah sank a baseline shot to put the Raiders ahead 79-78 with ten seconds left.

A last second Eaglette shot fell into the hands of forward Pat Amos, who secured her final rebound, and the game.

Amos joined Zitney and McClannahan as scorers in double figures, finishing with 15 points and ten rebounds. Hannah finished with 11 points. For Tech, Gayle Burgess (21), Peek (19) and Pam Cassity (14) were scorers in double figures. Cassity led all rebounders with 17.

Sizzlin' Mack propels MTSU past Tech

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

Senior guard Lewis Mack canned a 25-foot jump shot with three seconds to play against Tennessee Tech Saturday night and then scored the Raider's first six in overtime to carry MTSU to a 98-91 victory.

The contest, called an "excellent spectator game" by Tech coach Cliff Malpass, was witnessed by a Parents' Day crowd of 10,100.

Mack, a 6-3 senior from Silver Creek, N.Y., finished with a career high 29 in "playing a tremendous game for us and probably won it there at the end," Raider coach Jimmy Earle said.

The win gave Middle Tennessee a 6-2 OVC slate and a 15-5 overall record prior to last night's win over East Tennessee.

Tech dropped to 1-7 in the conference and 7-12 overall.

With Tech down by eight (71-63) with eight minutes to play, the Eagles fought back to a tie at 79-79 with 3:19 left.

Both teams exchanged baskets before Eagle forward Randy Hampton stole the ball and raced down court for a layup to make it 83-81 Tech with 35 seconds to play.

Middle Tennessee worked patiently for a final shot, but suddenly threw up a field goal attempt with 10 seconds to play.

Tech's Jerry Mathews grabbed the rebound and tried a long pass downcourt that was intercepted by MTSU's Julius Brown.

Brown flicked a pass to Mack, who calmly dribbled between his legs before bagging the biggest shot of his career to date at MTSU.

Flashy Greg Joyner contributed 25 to the Raider cause, with several coming on tips of missed shots. Martin (15), Sleepy Taylor (15), Brown (6), Leroy Coleman (4) and Greg Laravie (4) concluded the Raider scoring.



Lewis Mack drives past Buccaneer opposition to set up the MTSU offense. Mack added eight assists to his team record in the game.

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Hannah sparks Raiders over ETSU, 88-67

by Eddie Gossage

After defeating sixth-ranked Tennessee Tech Saturday, the MTSU women came back to hand East Tennessee State University a 88 to 67 defeat last night in Murphy Center.

The victory, MTSU's second this season over ETSU, was led by Liz Hannah's game-high 24 points, 19 of which came in the first half. MTSU had two other players in

double figures, Karen Carter and Barbara Biles, each adding 10 points.

East Tennessee, which had two starting players sidelined with knee injuries, was led by Forward Connie Franklin's 18 points. Also adding to the final total were Melody Neumeister, who bucketed 14 points, and Ruthie Ellis, who pitched in 12.

When asked if there would be a letdown after the big victory

Saturday, MTSU head coach Pat Jones replied, "We were afraid of a let-down, but I feel we just came out cold."

Super-sub Kathy Riley came off the MTSU bench to contribute 9 points towards the victory. Starter Jan Zitney and substitute Patrice Amos added eight points each. Sharon McClannahan scored six points, Linda Carter had three points, Stephanie Johnson, Kay Green, Bonnie Angus and Nancy

Bolen added two apiece, and Sharen Armstrong and Carol Lance each had one point.

Co-captain Bonnie Angus returned to the lineup after missing several games with an ankle injury.

The MTSU women's varsity and junior varsity will be in action this Friday and Saturday. They will meet Murray State University and U.T. Chattanooga in the MTSU Women's Invitational Tournament at Murphy Center.



Pat Amos [42] led an aggressive Raider defense to gain Pat Jones' first win over the Tech Eaglettes in eight outings.



Liz Hannah

Soccer meeting set tomorrow

An organizational meeting for anyone interested in playing on the MTSU soccer team will be held tomorrow night at 6:00 in the University Center, room 313.

"This meeting is extremely important because we will discuss the constitution and our by-laws. We will also outline plans for our fall schedule," Dave Beaty said yesterday.

Donations have been received for uniforms, Beaty explained, and "we are in the process of finalizing the financial arrangements."

Beaty said one of the most important topics to discuss will be spring training.

For further information, or if you are unable to attend the meeting, contact Beaty at 898-3240.

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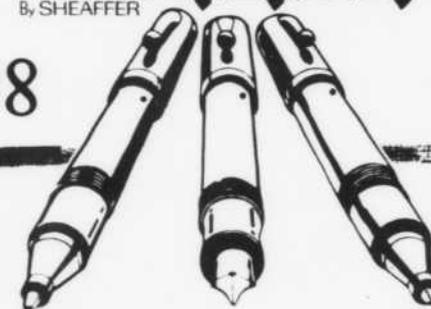
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by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

Reports around Murphy Center allege Charles M. "Bubber" Murphy was snarling when he licked the stamp.

Unless the mailman flopped on his delivery, folks at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga are fuming right now.

What did Murphy do? Why not let him tell you.

"I told 'em we would be glad to play them in our gym, but I was going to recommend we didn't

Chuckwagon

play at UT-C any more," the MTSU Athletic Director said last night.

The letter, which climaxed a series of bitter verbal exchanges between the two institutions last week after the Mocs posted a controversial 101 to 90 win, was mailed to Harold Wilkes, Chattanooga athletic director.

Murphy pointed to a pair of things which perturbed him greatly after the Moc's win of a week ago.

—Unacceptable choice of officials, and unprofessional conduct of those picked.

—Inability to secure enough tickets for MTSU students and Murfreesboro townspeople.

Murphy's first complaint centers around UT-C hand-picking two referees from the Southern Conference, where the Mocs' play, and not having at least one OVC official on the crew.

The second gripe concerns a mere 100 tickets allotted to MTSU in a gym that barely seats 4,000, yet over twice that number of tickets could be sold for any game.

UT-C reportedly is in the process of accepting bids for a structure quite similiar to Murphy Center, but that would take one year of red tape and over two years to build.

"I just don't feel like we ought to play them under the conditions we do," Murphy said. "Unless somebody above me tells me to...I won't."

That somebody obviously is MTSU President M.G. Scarlett.

...Though Murphy claims the incident is unrelated to his desire not to play at UT-C, a snake pit of basketball misfortune for the visiting club, remarks made by Moc forward Fred Rayhle seem to play a part in the decision.

Rayhle, a senior from Cincinnati, signed a football grant with MTSU

and played sparingly his freshman year before reaching a decision to switch to Raider basketball, but eventually transferred to UT-C.

After scoring 26 points—a career high—Rayhle said in the Moc dressing room he was told "by MTSU coaches he was not good enough to play basketball for Middle Tennessee."

Rayhle also had several statements, including "bush league" to describe MTSU. None were complimentary.

MTSU assistant coach Stan "Ramrod" Simpson, at MTSU when Rayhle says he was told to stay with football, denies any member of the Raider coaching staff made such a statement.

Whatever the true reasons, a tremendous intra-state rivalry seems to be in serious jeopardy.

It's easy to sit behind this desk and offer answers to problems we probably know nothing about. But this one seems so simple...why not challenge UT-C to a game in the Alumni Memorial Gymnasium and forget it.

The last 21 teams to enter Maclellan Gym have gone home as losers. Why should MTSU be any

different in a game where the deck seems stacked before the tip-off.



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Grapplers whip Tech; extend streak to five wins

by Tom Wood

MTSU's wrestling team stretched its dual meet record to 11-7, including five wins in a row, with a 31-20 victory over arch-rival Tennessee Tech Saturday.

The win streak, the longest the Blue Raider matmen have accumulated since wrestling was renewed in 1973, began last Thursday night with a 27-14 victory over Maryville College at Murphy Center.

An MTSU-hosted quadrangular meet Friday night netted the Raiders three more wins as they blanked Chattanooga State 48-0, while trouncing Northern Kentucky 38-3 and the University of the South 37-12.

David James, Mike Osborne, Pat Simpson, David Buck and Dan

Tourtellotte went undefeated over the five-win span.

"We're really streaking now," MTSU wrestling coach Gordon Connell said yesterday. "We're really looking sharp."

Connell's grapplers are idle until Friday when they travel to Maryville, Tenn., for the Southeastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association (SEIWA) tournament.

At last year's SEIWA tourney, Connell was named the organization's Coach of the Year...

...Because of the humiliating defeats and other factors, Chattanooga State and Tennessee Tech have cancelled matches scheduled for later this month. "Wrestling schools that don't have much of a program hurts us more than it helps us, so we didn't raise too much

fuss," Connell said of the cancellations...

...MTSU may be hosting an AAU Olympic Development wrestling camp this summer, Connell announced yesterday. "A summer training camp such as this would benefit both the university and the wrestling program," Connell added. Should the camp come to MTSU, Connell probably will be named a staff member.

Faye, Perry shine in Indiana; both set meet, school records

by John Pitts
Assistant Sports Editor

Long jumper Sheik Faye set a school, meet and personal record of 25-7 1/2 to capture first place in the Indiana Relays competition in his event Saturday.

Coach Dean Hayes called Faye's jump in the finals "the longest collegiate long jump this year, so far as I know." The jump was five inches longer than Faye's personal best of 25-2, set a few weeks ago in Champaign, Ill.

John DoDoo, who combines with Faye to form a smaller version of last year's "Grasshopper Gang," finished fourth in the long jump with a 24-6 performance.

DoDoo finished third in the triple jump, with a best performance of 51-10 1/2. "He was the same as always," Hayes remarked about the jumper, who has a pair of victories to his credit this year.

Freshman distance runner Gary Perry took third place in the fastest 1000-yard run in the relay's history.

Perry's mark of 2:09.4 eclipsed the meet's old record in the event and qualified Perry for the NCAA indoor tournament, to be held in Detroit in March.

"Perry and Dennis Votava (another distance runner) are filling a big hole for our squad this year," said Hayes, whose teams have traditionally been better known for their leapers.

Votava finished seventh in the 1000 run with a 2:11.8 showing.

Freshman Ed Thomas competed in the 300 yard run "for the first time that I know of" and scored a third place finish with a time of 31.3, Hayes said.

Another freshman, footballer Harry Majors, finished fifth in the high hurdles with an 8.4 best time, to go along with two 8.5 performances in the preliminaries. Thomas also ran an 8.5 in the early competition, but was not in the finals.

In the mile relay, the team of

Chester Ransom, Russell Holloway, Ed Steagall and J.T. Musgrove finished sixth with a 3:20.6 timing.

The Raiders competed individually against 23 other teams from the south and midwest, including all the Ohio Valley Conference teams.

"Teams are just getting ready for the outdoor season, and there is usually no scoring by teams in these events," Hayes explained. "The track coach added that teams are also looking to get people to the NCAA tournament."

The Raiders are enjoying success in that venture, having now qualified four performers: Faye in the long jump, DoDoo in the triple jump, Majors in the high hurdles and Perry in the 1000 run.

This weekend, the Raider track team will split up, with half going to the Federation Games in Montgomery Ala. and the others going to the Mason-Dixon meet in Louisville. Both meets will be scored by individual performance only.



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Jimmy Martin: Ex-Raider great returns 'home' as a coach for Manchester High School's Red Raiders

by Mary Massey

Jimmy Martin is back home... again.

Not his home in Windfall, Ind., where Jimmy was an all-state basketball player, but his home on the basketball court. The same place where Martin has spent a great part of his life.

Only this time Jimmy Martin is in a new position.

The former MTSU playmaker is now the coach for the Red Raiders of Manchester Central High School.

Martin, who played college basketball from 1971-75 (All-OVC on the '75 conference champs), returned to his home on the court last fall after assisting MTSU coach Jimmy Earle following his graduation in 1975.

Coaching basketball is something he has always wanted to do, Martin claims.

"When you've played ball since you were five, it's hard to get it out of your system," Martin asserts.

Being a novice in the coaching profession, the 23-year old Martin confesses there is quite a difference between playing the sport and coaching it.

"Feeling the pressure as a player is different than as a coach. As a player it is more of a personal satisfaction—your goal is winning, but in coaching you realize that maybe your job depends on whether you win or lose, Martin admitted.

He also mentions it is sometimes difficult for him not to go out on the court and do things himself during games.

"Sometimes I just wish I could go out there and show them how it's supposed to be done," Jimmy muses.

Coach Earle has nothing but praise for Martin. In fact, it was Earle who helped secure the job for him.

Coffee County School Superintendent James G. Jarrell contacted Earle when Manchester's basketball coach resigned. Earle immediately thought of Martin, who was in Indiana at the time.

"Jimmy always wanted to coach basketball," relates Earle. "I don't have any doubts about his ability as a coach. The only thing he lacks is experience.

"But he knows fundamental basketball. In fact, I look for him to be a college coach some day. I just hope that when he loses some



Former Raider guard Jimmy Martin [center, kneeling] now leads a team from the bench as Manchester's head basketball coach.

ballgames he doesn't get disillusioned," Earle continues.

Martin may have had reason to become disillusioned at the beginning of the season when he had two technical fouls called on him in the second game.

"I was only trying to find out why the official sent my player to the dressing room," Martin explained. "I wasn't arguing the call—just asking for an explanation."

However, he soon found out that his efforts were in vain when he was ordered back to the bench. Martin adds that he was very upset about the incident. But, as he puts it, "It's one of those 'agony of defeat' situations you can't do anything about."

One of the Red Raiders' weak points is "being a team," Martin



Jimmy Martin

said. "We won eight straight games for awhile—playing as a team—but then some of the players wanted to do it all themselves and we came up with a record of 10-6. I thought we would lose only about three games."

"I think we have potentially some of the best players in the mid-state. One of our players has already been contacted by over 100 scouts. But as a team what I'm concerned with now is hustle, execution, and determination from the players," he notes.

What is Martin's attitude toward

the coaching profession?

"I think that maybe I expected too much in the beginning. But I don't think I've been wrong in what I've actually done as a coach. It's just been different from what everybody has seen, Martin revealed.

"When I played, we did things and they worked, and I don't see why they can't work with these guys. I'm not a quitter, though. I'm optimistic about the rest of the season and I feel that once we get started in the tournaments we can at least make it to the regionals."

Besides coaching, Martin teaches anatomy and physiology, health and first-aid at Manchester, which has an enrollment of about 1,000.

How does life in a small town suit Jimmy?

"I am used to a small town," Martin explained. "Where I lived in Indiana was smaller than Manchester."

The only thing Martin and his wife, Lynda, really don't like about Manchester is "there's not much to do."

But one thing seems certain. Jimmy Martin won't be bored on Tuesday or Friday nights, basketball nights in Manchester, Martin's adopted home.

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