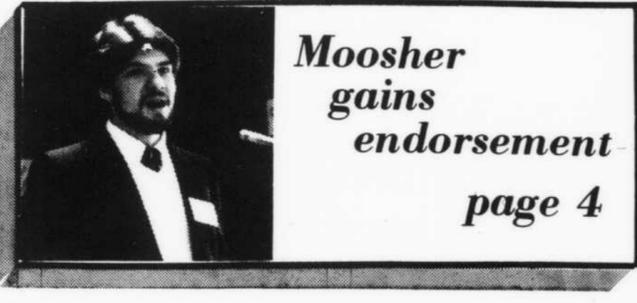
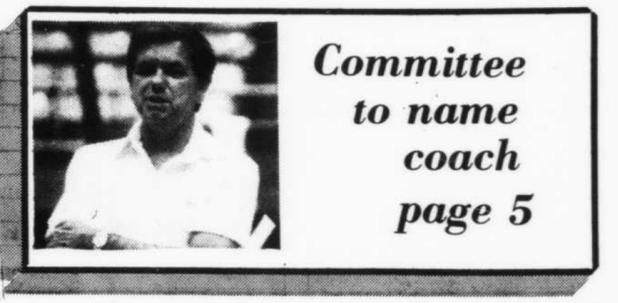


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SBR rejects liquor on campus proposal

By GINA FANN
Sidelines Editor in Chief

MTSU, along with other state universities, cannot permit alcohol at special functions, after members of the state Board of Regents Friday rejected a task force's recommendation for liquor on campus.

Rich Rhoda, special assistant to Board Chancellor Roy Nicks, said yesterday that the board concurred with a staff decision to reject the original recommendation. The first proposal would have permitted alcohol to be served

sponsored events, with the only at "special, university-approval of the president or his designee," MTSU President Sam Ingram said last month.

INGRAM IS ON vacation and could not be reached for additional comment.

"The board really didn't give a reason for its decision," Rhoda said yesterday, "but the staff [which developed the proposal] said that in no way did it [alcohol on campus] enhance education."

Rhoda added that he believed that decreased student involvement in making the policy change had some effect

on the decision.

"LAST YEAR there were more students and they were more vocal about it," he said. "There really was not much interest in the change."

ASB President Mark Ross said yesterday, however, that

students had been rather cautious, instead of disinterested, in endorsing the change this year.

"We've here of got the best of both worlds right now," Ross said. "The task force realized that they can't enforce

the current regulations [which prohibit any alcohol on campus] because of privacy rulings for dormitories.

"THE CURRENT level of enforcement is really sufficient," Ross added. "The Supreme Court has said

students have rights...and the only enforcement here is really flagrant violations."

In other action, Board members modified a current hazing policy to include "morally degrading" activities off-campus.

Moosher, Jarrett run-off tomorrow

ASB Senate Speaker Chris Moosher and Alonzo "Lonnie" Jarrett will meet tomorrow in a run-off election for the speaker of the senate position.

In the March 14-15 regular ASB elections, Moosher fell 19 votes short of the 705 he needed to win the race outright. Jarrett received 479 of the 1,409 votes cast. A third opponent, Ron McClary, received 240 votes.

ALSO INCLUDED on the ballot will be a constitutional amendment which would reduce the number of House meetings representatives can miss during the course of a year to three. Under present policy, three absences are allowed

each semester.

The measure did not appear on the previous ballot because, according to the ASB constitution, the ASB must approve a proposed constitutional amendment at least one month before it can be considered by the entire student body.

Because the run-off will take place so soon after students return from spring break, no speak-out is planned between Moosher and Jarrett, but Election Commissioner Kenny Summar said an additional debate will not be necessary.

"I think everybody knows the candidates by now," Summar said.

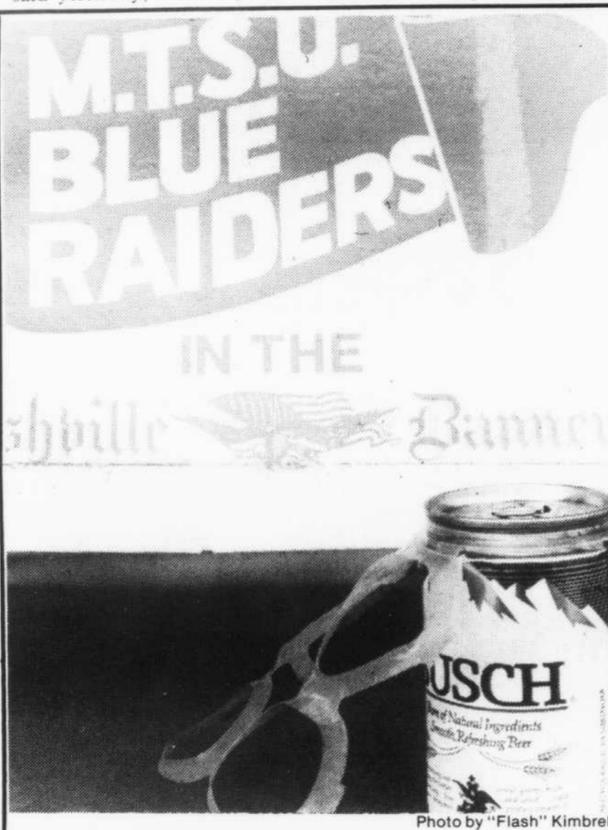


Photo by "Flash" Kimbrell
Alcohol on MTSU's campus remains illegal after last week's decision by the state Board of Regents to reject a proposal for liquor during "special university-sponsored events." The decision may influence state legislators' votes on possible increases in Tennessee's drinking age.

Alcohol legislation expected Legal age--21?

By CYNTHIA FLOYD
Sidelines News Editor

Editor's note: This is the first in a series on Tennessee's drinking age issue. Part two will deal with opposition to raising the drinking age.

Many state legislators agree that some measure concerning Tennessee's legal drinking age will be approved this year by the legislature—they just do not agree on the form that legislation will take.

Two separate Senate bills that would raise the drinking age from 19 to 21 were approved last week by the Senate State and Local Government Committee and were sent to the Senate Finance Committee, where they will be reviewed before consideration by the entire Senate.

ONE BILL, sponsored by Sen. Ernest Crouch, D-McMinnville, would simply raise the drinking age. The other, sponsored by Sen. Jim Lewis, D-South Pittsburg, would not only raise the drinking age but would also require spending \$3.35 million to expand alcohol and drug abuse treatment facilities.

Crouch's bill has been en-

dorsed by every newspaper and civic organization in his district, the sponsor said, adding that it has an "excellent" chance of passing.

"The people of Tennessee are for it [raising the drinking age] in all 95 counties," he said.

IN ADDITION, 300,000 persons "from Bristol to Memphis" have signed petitions in favor of the age hike, Crouch said.

Nevertheless, many people misunderstand the bill, he said. "This is a life-saving measure, not prohibition," he explained.

ACCORDING TO American Automobile Association statistics, 5,000

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Social Work program slated tonight

By RANDY BRISON
Sidelines Staff Writer

An Indiana teen incarcerated last year for truancy was killed by a convicted murderer with whom officials had assigned him.

An Illinois high school student jailed for the same reason became so scared of his fellow inmates that he hanged himself with his own t-shirt.

THESE AND similar incidents which CBS's 60 Minutes detailed in one of its recent shows are the kind of things Linda O'Neal and the Institute for Children's Resources are trying to prevent.

O'Neal, director of the federally-funded Institute, will speak tonight in Dining Room B of the James Union Building. Her program, "Children in Jail," will begin at 7 p.m. and is scheduled to run until 8:30. It is being sponsored by the MTSU Social Work Program and MTSU Advocates for Social Work as a highlight of Social Work Month.

"I'll be talking about alternatives to putting children

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Goin' for broke

Spring finally broke on campus, as this tree facing the James Union Building bursts into bloom and signals the first week of spring. Weather forecasters predict warming temperatures and a chance of showers for the first part of the week.

Photo by "Flash" Kimbrell

Teacher finalists selected

Thirteen finalists for the 1983-84 Outstanding Teacher Awards have been chosen, Delbert Meyer, vice-president for academic affairs, announced last week.

- They are as follows:
- RICHARD H. BAUER, psychology;
 - James T. Brooks, speech and theater;
 - Bichaka Fayissa, economics and finance;
 - WALTER E. GREENE, management and marketing;
 - Judith A. Hankins, mathematics and computer science;
 - Christian L. Haseleu, mass communications;
 - JEANNETTE HERITAGE, psychology;
 - King Jamison, mathematics and computer science;
 - Ed Kimbrell, mass communications;
 - JOHN RAY, geography and geology;
 - Joe E. Sawyer, business education, distributive education and office management;
 - Frances Stubblefield, mathematics and computer science;
 - BERYL WEST, psychology.

Campus Capsule

TODAY

THE SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM and Advocates for Social Work are sponsoring the presentation "Children in Jail" in Dining Room B of the James Union Building from 7-8:30 p.m. today. The program is free and open to the public.

THURSDAY

TENNESSEE COURT of Appeals Judge Lew Conner will be the guest speaker when the Pre-Law Society meets at 4:30 p.m. in Room 208 at Peck Hall. Conner is a potential candidate for governor in 1986 on the Republican ticket. Everyone is invited.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE today for new MTSU student ambassadors. Applicants must be a second semester student and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. Applications can be picked up in Room 205 of the Cope Building and must be returned by noon.

NOTICES

A MOCK LSAT will be offered by the Pre-Law Society on April 7 at 8:30 p.m. in Room 208 at Peck Hall. Registration fee is \$3.50 for Pre-Law members and \$10 for non-members. Register in the political science office by April 4.

A RESUME-WRITING and Job Interview Workshop will be conducted by Ms. Martha Turner, Placement Office director, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, in Room 322 of the University Center. The workshop is sponsored by the Office of Student Information and Minority Affairs in conjunction with BSA.

THE MTSU BLUES Crusade will present its annual Swing into Spring concert on April 3 at 8 p.m. in Music Hall at the Wright Music Building. Also performing will be the Nashville Jazz Machine, featuring the top jazz musicians in Nashville. Afterwards the Jazz Machine will present an instrumental clinic for all interested individuals. Concert admission is \$2.

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in jail and the whole juvenile justice system," said O'Neal. She added that the purpose of her lecture is to "educate" the public about the problems encountered when juvenile and adult offenders are confined together.

SUSAN PARRISH, who works with Rutherford County's juvenile offenders, could not be reached at her

office yesterday, but a secretary there estimated that juveniles are jailed with adults about "two or three times a week."

Karen Lee, director of MTSU's social work program, said that Tennessee may not get some federal money that has been allocated for juvenile justice work if the situation was not corrected.

"I think it's more a problem

in rural areas because there's not as many delinquents," she said, "so they see no reason to build a special facility."

"I've read that conditions at the Rutherford County Jail are bad for adults," she continued. "It must be bad for kids."

Lee added that Tennessee had facilities for so-called hardened delinquents, but that the main problem was in overnight or short-term confinement.

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teenagers are killed and 130,000 are injured each year in alcohol-related accidents.

Moreover, the cost of alcohol-related accidents, one-fourth of which involve persons in the 16- to 20-year age group, is "staggering," Crouch said. These accidents cost an annual \$70 billion in property damage, law enforcement costs, medical and insurance costs and loss of life, according to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

"We have an obligation as public officials to try to strengthen the moral fiber and safety of our people," Crouch said. "We're losing some of our best minds—some of the very minds we need to solve the multitude of problems the world faces."

CROUCH'S co-sponsor in his campaign to raise the drinking age, Sen. Leonard C. Dunavant, R-Millington, agreed that the bill is often misunderstood.

"The notion is that we're

trying to do something to people, but we're really trying to do something for them," Dunavant said.

Preventing 19- and 20-year-olds from buying alcohol would help to curb alcohol abuse—a "serious, serious social problem," Dunavant said.

"IF WE CAN get people to stay away from it until they're older, more would probably decide not to [drink alcohol]," he explained.

But simply raising the drinking age to 21 will not be enough to correct the serious problem of teenage drug abuse, which includes alcohol, said Lewis, a member of the Senate subcommittee charged with reviewing Crouch's bill.

"We [the subcommittee] were not meeting just to review Senate Bill Four. We were attempting to combat alcohol and drug abuse," he said. "I felt some kind of drinking age legislation would pass and wanted to request a more effective means."

several things in addition to raising the drinking age, including:

- appropriation of \$350,000 to double from 15 to 30 the number of drug abuse treatment programs in the state;

- appropriation of \$3 million to provide 90 state-supported beds for drug abuse treatment for persons ages 13 to 21;

- requiring existing high school health courses to include instruction on the effects of the consumption of alcohol on driving abilities;

- stiffer laws governing the sale of alcohol.

Part two will appear in Friday's issue of Sidelines.

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Scorpions 'expanding scope' but still rock

By MARK SHERROD
Sidelines Staff Writer

You can usually count the number of German bands on the American charts with no hands. Unless you're a Nena with 99 balloons, the Atlantic is wide and deep.

Scorpions worked long and hard before room was found for its high-powered style. Formed in 1971, the band has since released 10 albums, slowly building a cult audience whose loyalty is unparalleled.

ONLY TWO MEMBERS remain from the original lineup, singer Klaus Meine and rhythm guitarist Rudolf Schenker. However, the current members have been together since *Lovedrive*, a 1979 release.

The band suffered a devastating blow early in its career with the loss of lead guitarist Michael Schenker, younger brother of Rudolf, to UFO. A teenage phenom, he was hustled off to England to

play for a band with some European success and an American record contract.

At this point Scorpions had released one record, *Lonesome Crow*, which failed to land it an American record deal. However, in 1974, the band was signed to RCA which proved to be an almost fruitless arrangement. Total lack of support by the label hampered the band's development.

THE FIRST TWO records released on RCA, *Fly To The Rainbow* and *In Trance* did attract the attention of those that love it hard and loud, particularly fans in the band's homeland of Germany and in Japan. The Hendrix-like guitar of Ulrich Roth was the backbone of the band, its songs being in the progressive heavy metal vein.

Three subsequent albums were released on RCA before the label dropped them after the double live release *Toyko Tapes*. Soon afterward, Roth quit to embark on a solo

career.

At the same time, Michael Schenker was having personal problems with UFO, leaving the band in the middle of a European tour. He soon joined up with Scorpions for some live dates and later for three songs on the *Lovedrive* record.

THIS CAUGHT THE attention of officials at Mercury records. The band then hired a full-time guitarist, Matthias Jabs, and was back in business.

Unlike its previous label, Mercury pushed the band in hard rock markets such as Chicago, Cleveland and San Antonio. Scorpions soon found itself enjoying radio airplay, albeit limited, and on the road with Ted Nugent and Def Leppard.

With the release of the next two albums, *Animal Magnetism* and *Blackout*, the band received the attention it deserved and was soon touring diligently on the road as a



Scorpions are currently on tour promoting their latest rock album *Love at First Sting* and are tentatively scheduled to tour the mid-South in early summer.

headline act.

CULLED FROM THE *Blackout* set, "No One Like You" became a radio standard with the help of airplay on M-TV. Contrasted with the band's style of a decade earlier, the song had pop hooks, yet retained the snarling power of the early years.

The new album, *Love At First Sting*, has again used the formula which brought Scorpions success without

sacrificing the basis of its music—a driving beat and powerfully crafted guitar solos.

"We're expanding our scope a little but our music is still pure hard rock 'n' roll. I can't see Scorpions getting too far away from that kind of music," lead singer Klaus Meine said.

The band is currently on the road and is tentatively scheduled to appear in the mid-South in the early summer. "Rock You Like A Hurricane" is on the airwaves everywhere, sparking heavy early sales of *Love At First Sting*.

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Moosher gains endorsement

Without question, Chris Moosher, the incumbent ASB Speaker of the Senate, should be re-elected to his post during Wednesday's runoff voting.

His opponent, Alonzo "Lonnie" Jarrett, a junior, has governmental experience comparable to Moosher's, but his policies and proposals are vague. For example, while Moosher suggested in the March 12 "Speakout" that ASB senators meet with their respective classes at least once a year to get input from students and prove that ASB officials are out

working, Jarrett merely mentioned that senators meet among themselves and discuss what's going on in the ASB. Moosher also implemented the three-year textbook policy currently under discussion in the faculty senate.

Jarrett's enthusiasm and ideas are commendable, and the ASB needs persons with his energy to push proposals through. But enthusiasm is not the only thing the ASB needs—it needs experience and know-how. Chris Moosher provides both, and should be elected ASB speaker of the senate Wednesday.

Clydelines

By CLYDE CRAWLEY
Sidelines Columnist

For the last couple of columns I have just been coasting, sort of getting some of the bullshit (can I use that word?) out. I've also been waiting for something interesting to come along. We haven't conquered any nations lately—as a matter of fact, we haven't even threatened to—and the men's NCAA basketball championship is, even while being exciting, not within the self-limited scope of this column.

But now I've caught election fever. The Democratic primaries and caucuses have suddenly become as entertaining as the old "Mission Impossible" series. And the fact that the general election in November is just around the corner leaves me breathless. This may work itself into a whole series of columns.

Before I go any further, I want to make a public disclosure of my past record of voting in presidential elections. In 1972 I voted for George McGovern. In 1976 I voted for Eugene McCarthy. And 1980 found me voting for John Anderson. As you can see, it's a good thing I was voting and not betting.

However, I still believe in every person I voted for, and I think this country would have been a saner place in which to live, if just one of my choices

had been elected. But if your only concern is voting for the winner, it might not be wise to follow my advice.

I really can't endorse any candidate right now—we will take a look at the three Democratic hopefuls in future issues. At this point in time, I can give you nice people this one piece of advice: Do not vote for Ronald Reagan. Let me tell you why.

Ronald Reagan has one of the finest minds of the 17th century. I feel that statement is more polite, if less accurate, than inferring that the man is totally lost in space. He and his clique of country club cronies have set up one of the most insensitive, cruel, bigoted, immoral and crooked plutocracies to ever disgrace the White House. Sure, former administrations have had their faults, (that's one reason they are no longer in power), but that is no argument for four more years of Bonzo's buddy.

Mr. Reagan promised to balance the budget by cutting taxes and entitlement programs and raising the military budget. This was not only heartless, but it didn't work and anyone with a modicum of reasoning power should have realized this before Reagan was given the chance to create gargantuan deficits, renew the cold war, and literally starve some people to death.

Mr. Reagan has tried to undo every significant piece of civil rights legislation enacted

in the past 20 years. What possible beef could Mr. Reagan have with blacks?

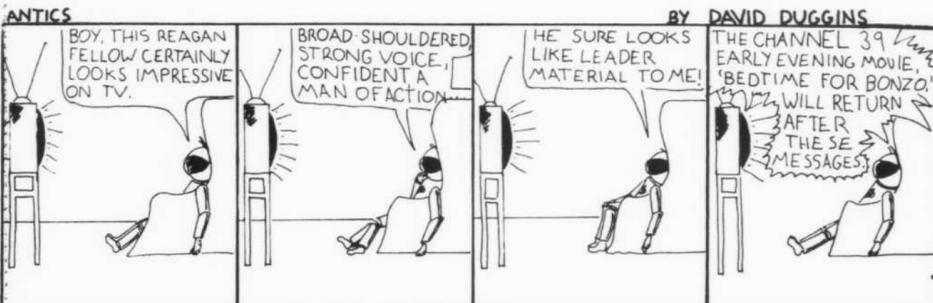
Edwin Meese is the latest example of the kind of people Reagan has for advisors and appointees. Also, just to name a few, Reagan has, or has had, such quiz kids as James Watt, Anne Burford, Rita Lavelle, Raymond Donovan and William Casey (the CIA chief who, after being forced by Congress to make a financial disclosure, was found to have stock in at least two companies currently doing business with the CIA) in his administration. How does Reagan emerge unscathed? He just "aw shucks" it off and the American public allows him to go on with business as usual.

The invasion of Grenada, which was a monstrous lie perpetuated on the American public, the criminal waste of American lives in Lebanon, and the "secret" war in Nicaragua all point to what appears to be a near-pathogenic paranoia and a thirst for blood that a civilized, high-tech country like the USA should not tolerate.

These (and some other reasons we'll look at later) are why it would be more or less...oh hell, just plain stupid to vote for Reagan.

There is so much more to say, but I have a deadline to meet. I hope everyone had a groovy Spring Break, I know I did. If I could only remember.

BY DAVID DUGGINS



LETTERS

A different view of abortion issue offered by reader

To the editor:

I could not allow Phil William's column about "anti-abortion" views to go unchallenged. For the past 11 years, the American people have been seduced into the type of thinking that Phil Williams and the pro-choice people advocate. Mixed carefully with the popular politics and attacks on Reagan, the real issues surrounding the abortion question [are] conveniently sidestepped.

The pro-choice people have a very small soap box on which to stand as they promote their doctrine. In justifying abortion on demand, inevitably they bring up the rape victim, disregarding the knowledge that pregnancy by rape rarely happens. When rape occurs, pregnancy can be prevented within 24 hours of the rape.

The uglier incest problem is always mentioned, yet the pro-choice advocates disregard that incest accounts for a very small percentage of abortions, as does the problem of whether to save the life of the baby or the mother. Long before abortion on demand was forced on our society, doctors made decisions on life and death and usually chose to save the life of the mother. Those decisions, whether rightly or wrongly made, surely could not have been the catalyst for abortion on demand.

Where did Mr. Williams get the line that experts can't agree as to when human life begins? Every expert I have talked to agrees that a new human life is created at conception. (Why else would the creators of the "test tube babies" concept be ever so cautious and careful those first few hours, unless they know something in the Petri dish was alive and very precious?)

To what degree that new life has certain human qualities can be debated. However, at 10 weeks gestation, when most abortions take place, this "whatever" has fingerprints that could be identified by the FBI, complete sets of fingers and toes, functioning organs and systems, brainwaves that are distinctly human and the ability to react negatively to pain. I now understand that an unborn male baby is capable of having erections before the third month, giving this so-called fetus, product of conception, or blob of tissue (as the pro-choice people are fond of calling it) a sexual nature.

It may not be human by some standards, but as it is certainly a separate entity with its own genetic make-up and potential, shouldn't we, as a society and the only ones capable of bringing it into the world, be giving it the benefit of the doubt? (It is ironic that the tiny snail darter fish received protection under Federal law while unborn children six months and under have as of yet no legal recourse.)

The majority of abortions are being performed on healthy young women that would have had healthy babies. Irresponsibility for one's actions and a "me first" generation have produced the curse of abortion on demand. (I am not suggesting at this point that it has only been the women who have been irresponsible.)

It should be considered a privilege to create life, and an even greater one to bring it

forth, but with this greater privilege comes the greater responsibility. Therefore, it stands to reason that women, having so much more to risk in a sexual union, would be prepared to be doubly responsible. Child abuse, sexual abuse of children, incest, venereal disease, poverty and illegitimacy are with us in ever higher percentages. In 1973, the pro-choice movement promised that the above mentioned would disappear as women began to have the freedom of their own bodies. We have paid a high price in our society for our decaying moral standards by the death of millions of innocent children and 15 percent of the population now becoming sterile.

By the way, who said that morality cannot be controlled by the government? Our government, through its elected officials and the legal system, has decided that we can't kill one another, we can't drive and drink, we can't rob other people or mistreat children or animals. These are clearly moral issues which were legislated and decided upon by the government. What Mr. Williams means is that immorality cannot be controlled by the government. Once one distinguishes between the two, then perhaps a true morality will enter into government decisions.

That day may not come. I can't explain why Mr. Reagan wants to blow the budget on war items when the good health of the nation's poor seems threatened. I wish Big Business cared about the environment. Can we expect a truly caring and sensitive society which is concerned for life if we blindly skirt a basic violation of human rights facing us in the abortion issue?

Those in wheelchairs which one may pass at the Grill have reason to be uneasy. The Baby Does born a few years ago had no choice; they got to live, courtesy of the government and the law. Now they may live or die according to the whims of a very fickle legal system. The elderly have reason to be angry at their unfair treatment. They sense as no others in our society that they are next in line.

Twelve years ago, no one could have even dreamed of delivering an aborted baby and throwing it in a dirty linen closet to die. It has happened now, and no one thinks much about it. It is now unthinkable to put to death the old and the misfit that our society may deem unworthy to live. In 12 years, unless the current trend for a total disrespect for human life is reversed, it is possible. Can Mr. Williams understand why his issue is full of emotion?

Black people 120 years ago were considered not human, but slaves. It took a war and a great deal of emotion (via the Civil Rights movement) to convince most of us that black people were human and had equal rights. No one condemned the use of emotion when the anti-nuke demonstrators protested. It was praised as a sign of devotion to a worthy cause. No one has died in a nuclear war in almost four decades. Can you really see why some of us are weeping over the dead millions? Speak no more of a woman's decision between her and her doctor. Because one is too small and ever so silent, does it give anyone the right to condemn her to death?

Note: As I support abortion in the case of woman's health and life being seriously threatened, and also the use of DES to prevent rape pregnancy, I do not stand entirely with my pro-life

colleagues. I believe there is a line that can be ever so lightly drawn in the interests of preserving life while at the same time, having to make unpopular decisions, as in the case of tubal pregnancies. After all, when a house is burning down, a fire fighter can rescue the one closest to the window and not be accused of murder if the other perishes. Having been faced with the awesome decision five years ago of whether to abort my son or risk death in trying to carry him, I chose to have him. Although he eventually died, I do not regret a moment of my decision. I dedicate this letter to him in loving tribute.

Janice Jentsch
Music Department

Reader questions Dworak's attacks on TV evangelists

To the editor:

In response to *Rant 'N' Rave*, Sidelines March 6, 1984: What do the TV evangelists do with the money sent in response to their requests? Why is Jim Bakker on top of a hotel? If you had, indeed, watched these preachers of the gospel, you would know more than to say it is fattening their pocketbooks.

The facts and figures about Jim Bakker's "hotel" are available to the public upon request. For the past month the PTL channel has explained in great detail the purpose for the hotel and the reason for donations. Any of the other evangelists will gladly supply financial statements explaining where the money goes to anyone curious enough to ask.

The giving of money to TV evangelists, churches and other religious organizations has a special meaning to anyone who has given his life to God and has studied His word. Once you accept Christ as your saviour and God as your King you begin to understand how the Spirit of God works for His people. By studying His word you learn about giving—and not only money—to receive the blessings and truth that He wants us to have.

Do not take my word for it. You may not believe as I do, as your article surely illustrates. Do a little studying of the Bible and dig out some facts for yourself so you will understand why donations to God are necessary.

I believe that the answers you find will bless you in your life if you let God put them to work for you.

Ricky O. Adams
Route 9, Murfreesboro

Staver's charges against rock music called 'silliness'

To the editor:

In response to Randy Brison's article, "Satanic messages in rock music," I think it is a shame that people like Matt Staver actually devote time to try and prove that rock music is detrimental to one's life. It is absolute silliness! The messages are a gimmick used by many performers to sell albums. And if people like Mr. Staver keep trying to prove these performers wicked, then not only will it do no good, it will boost these artists' sales. I am an avid fan of Ozzy, Black Sabbath and Pink Floyd, and have been for years. You won't see me floating in the air, spouting words in tongues or joining some cult. I'll be sitting back listening to the OZ, Black Sabbath and Pink. Excuse me! I'm going to be sick!

Daniel Clinton Johnson IV
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Sports

Committee to trim field of applicants to five

First step taken to tab Simpson's successor

By DON TILLET
Sidelines Sports Writer

MTSU's Athletic Committee met last night to begin the first step in determining a successor for the head coaching position vacated by men's basketball coach Stan Simpson, who resigned March 8.

The committee met in order to trim the field of 50 applicants to five finalists, who will then be interviewed to determine a successor, Chairman Fred Colvin said.

"WE WILL MAKE our choice, based on experience, letters of recommendation from the head coach and other head coaches, the ability to recruit and the ability to relate with the players," Colvin said.

With the national signing day just over two weeks away, the committee is being hampered by the lack of time involved, but care still needs to be taken in the selection process, said Colvin, the group's spokesman.

"We want to act quickly, but

use the utmost care in the process," he said.

THE TIMETABLE for the selection of a new MTSU head coach has yet to be determined, Colvin said. However, this subject will be a main topic during the committee meeting.

Published reports have listed possible successors for the job. They include:

- Bob Burton, an assistant under head coach Don DeVoe at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville;
- Benny Dees, an assistant

under head coach Wimp Sanderson at the University of Alabama;

- Bruce Stewart, the head coach at West Virginia Wesleyan, the 1983 NAIA champion;

- Lee Fowler, an assistant under Dana Kirk at Memphis State University;

- Dale Clayton, an assistant under head coach C. M. Newton at Vanderbilt;

- Lake Kelly, an assistant under Joe Hall at the University of Kentucky and

formerly head coach at Austin Peay.

THE COMMITTEE voted at its first meeting to place a gag rule, forbidding any of the members to discuss the actions taken at the meetings, Colvin noted.

In addition to Colvin, members of the committee include:

- Curtis Mason, professor of chemistry and physics;
- Dan Scott, the Faculty Representative to the NCAA;

- Charlie Babb, the chairman of the department of chemistry and physics;

- Joe Sawyer, professor of business administration;
- Larry Tolbert, the president of the Blue Raider Club.

A source, who asked to remain anonymous, said he hopes a successor to Simpson will be named by the first week in April, giving the new coach a week to recruit before the national signing date.

Men's tennis team falls to Va. Tech, Morehead State

By ANDY REED
Sidelines Sports Writer

The MTSU men's tennis team dropped heartbreaking home tennis matches over the weekend to Morehead State and Virginia Tech by identical 4-5 scores.

"I was real pleased with the way we played," Blue Raider coach Dick LaLance said of his team whose record dropped to 3-3 for the season heading into home matches today and tomorrow against David Lipscomb and Trevecca, respectively.

LaLANCE POINTED out the play of three Blue Raiders in particular.

"David Wherle and Ken-Ventimiglia played exceptionally well this weekend," LaLance said. "Peter Beare played the best I've ever seen him play."

Beare, a junior from Melbourne, Australia, was the only Blue Raider to win both of his singles matches. He downed Morehead's Ian Grout 6-1, 6-0 and Scott Sherman of Virginia Tech 7-5, 6-3.

FRESHMEN Ventimiglia and Wehrle split their respective singles matches.

Ventimiglia, from Rockport, Mass., defeated Paul Hope of Morehead 6-0, 6-3 before losing to Tech's Oliver Sebastian 2-6, 2-6. Wehrle, who hails from Marietta, Ga., lost a close match to Morehead's Fred Kangwa 6-7, 6-4, 4-6 before rebounding the next day to defeat Tech's Kimbo Clark 6-7, 6-3, 6-4.

LaLance said his team can beat Lipscomb and Trevecca with continued good play.

"DAVID LIPSCOMB is a good NAIA school. They're solid," LaLance said. "We got a chance to win if we play a good solid match."

Trevecca, who lost to MTSU 1-8 on March 9, is led by Dick Johansson, one of the top NAIA players in the country. LaLance's thoughts about the Trojans echo those concerning the Bisons.

"We're just going to have to play solid tennis."

Both matches will begin at 2 p.m. on the varsity courts behind Murphy Center.



Photo by Mike Poley

A member of the MTSU men's tennis team works on his backhand during a practice session yesterday afternoon. The squad faces Trevecca and David Lipscomb at 2 p.m. today.

Zuccalmaglio zaps Raider baseballers with 3-run homer

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Third baseman Glenn Zuccalmaglio's three-run homer in the bottom of the eighth inning lifted Tennessee Wesleyan College to a wild 12-9 victory over tough-luck MTSU yesterday.

Zuccalmaglio's two-out blast off reliever Steve Sonneberger spoiled a furious comeback by the Blue Raiders, who saw their record dip to 10-7 with the loss.

TRAILING 9-3, MTSU scored six runs in the top of the eighth to tie the contest before Zuccalmaglio, who transferred from MTSU to Tennessee Wesleyan last year, ended the comeback with his third home run of the season.

"We didn't get too many breaks today, but we gave a good effort coming back from so far down," assistant coach Andy Smith said. "You've got to give him [Zuccalmaglio] credit. He hit a pretty good pitch."

Rightfielder Jimmy Petty started the rally with a towering three-run tater off Tennessee Wesleyan starter Todd Shellmut to cut the lead to 9-6.

MTSU SENIOR John Selitto then drove home Jeff Nix, and centerfielder Gary Cathcart tied the game with a two-run single to relief pitcher Jesse Beard.

The 27-hit slugfest featured two excellent individual performances by Zuccalmaglio and Blue Raider first baseman Allen Colburn.

Zuccalmaglio went four-for-five in the game with five RBI's and four runs scored while Colburn continued his torrid hitting (10 for his last 18) with a four-for-four performance that included two solo home runs and four runs scored.

Sonneberger, a sophomore from Smithville, took the loss after pitching six innings in relief of starter John Barbato, who gave up six runs in two shaky innings of work.

SHAKY PICKED UP the win for Tennessee Wesleyan as the Bulldogs upped their season slate to 7-4.

The Blue Raiders swing back into action tonight at 5 p.m. in a doubleheader with Cumberland College before hosting North Alabama in a twin-nighter Thursday at 5 p.m.

Johnson takes first with leap of 24-6½

Tracksters turn in strong performances during two spring break competitions

By CARLTON WINFREY
Sidelines Sports Writer

The MTSU men's track team turned in a strong performance during spring break at the Domino's Classic in Tallahassee, Fla., and the Georgia Relays in Athens, Ga., Coach Dean Hayes said.

"The Domino's meet turned out pretty good," Hayes said. "We had a strong showing and the weather was great, too. I was very pleased with our performance."

DWIGHT JOHNSON was the only Raider that received a first place in the Domino's meet. Johnson jumped 24-6½

Miami of Ohio tramples Neal's troops 8-1

in the long jump and also ran a tough 200 meters in which he placed fourth.

Linwood Harris tied the school record in the high jump in both meets when he jumped 7-0. Harris nearly cleared 7-2 in both attempts.

"He'll make it [7-2] one of these days," Hayes said. "Just give him time."

THE 4 x 200 METER relay team, including runners Kenny Nesbitt, Kenny Shannon, John McDowell and Johnson, took third place.

The mile relay team placed fourth in the invitational meet with a time of 3:00.8. Perald Ellis ran a "super leg" in the

relay with a 46.2, his best ever, Hayes noted.

Running the 400-meter relay in a time of 40.62, Gary Mitchell, Kenny Shannon, John McDowell and D. Johnson had an impressive showing, Hayes said.

COACH DEAN HAYES thanked Gary Houseman of Domino's Pizza in Murfreesboro for assisting the Raiders. Domino's donated over \$600 it raised during their fundraiser.

In the Georgia Relays, the Raiders did not receive any first places.

Harris placed third in the triple jump with a leap of 48-

11.

SHANNON RECEIVED fourth in the 100 meters with a time of 10.50., and in the 110 meter hurdles Ron Davis placed with a time of 14.20.

The 4 x 200 meter relay team placed fourth with a time of 1:24.2. D. Johnson ran a great lead off leg in the event.

The sprint medley relay team, consisting of Shannon, McDowell, Hayes and D. Johnson placed fourth with a time of 3:28.6.

"We got the quality we need and they are really doing a good job," Hayes said. "It's just the matter of getting them together."



Photo by "Flash" Kimbrell

Domino's Pizza delivers

Gary Houseman of Domino's Pizza (left) presents MTSU men's track coach Dean Hayes with a check for \$600. The money was raised to assist the track team in its spring break journey to the Domino's Classic in Tallahassee, Fla. Raider sophomore Dwight Johnson captured a first place finish in the long jump with a leap of 24-6½, while freshman teammate Linwood Harris won the high jump with a 7-0 leap.

Shortened spring break bad for lady netters

By ANDY REED
Sidelines Sports Writer

The MTSU women's tennis team returned from spring break two days early only to drop a match to a strong Miami of Ohio team 8-1.

Michelle Giral was the only Lady Raider to win her match, 6-4, 6-0. Renee Giroux won her

first set 6-3 before losing 6-3, 6-3. The other Lady Raiders lost in straight sets.

MTSU COACH Sandy Neal conceded that Miami was a superior foe.

"They're [Miami] definitely a strong team," Neal said. "But we didn't play as well as we could.

"They've always had a good, strong team and this year is no different."

SOME GOOD NEWS for Neal and her troops is that Brigitte Platt will return to action this weekend from a broken foot that has sidelined her all season. However, Coach Neal cautioned not to

expect too much from Platt this early.

"She hasn't hit now in six weeks and [she] is gonna have a lot of work to catch up," Neal said.

The Lady Raiders travel to Tuscaloosa, Ala., for a match against Alabama Friday and battles against South Alabama and Tulane Saturday.

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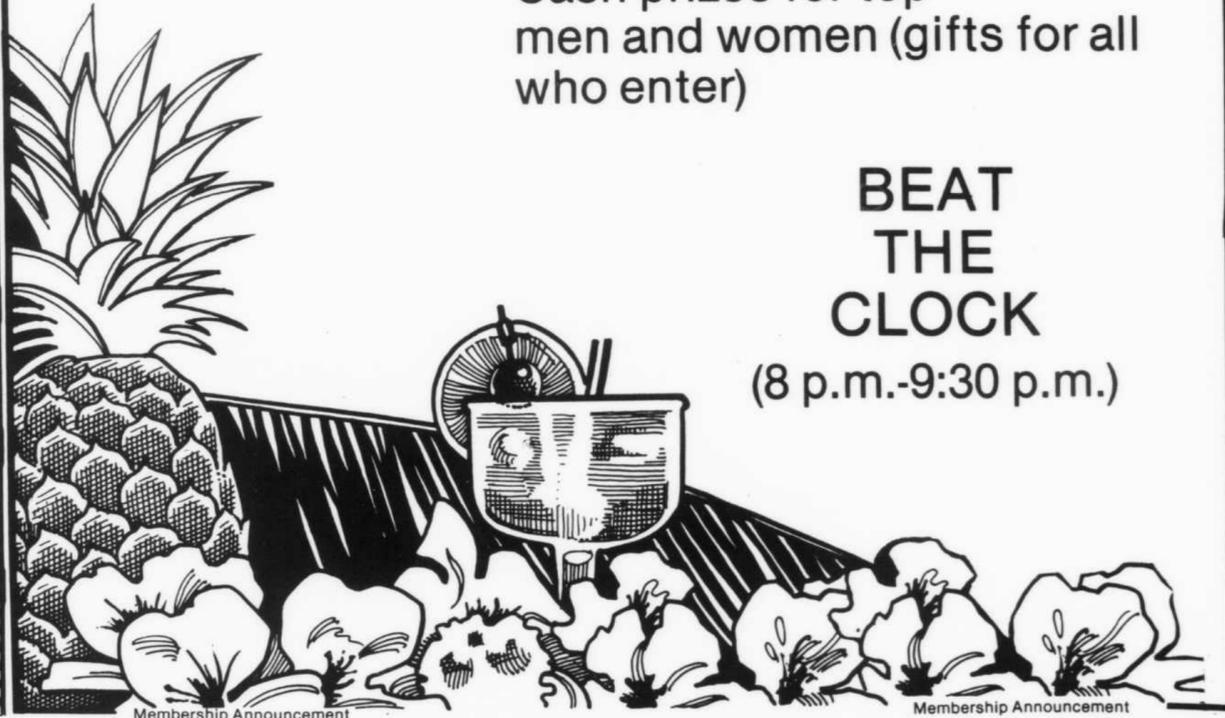
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