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Signs such as the one above spell out the woes of local gasoline dealers, 20 of whom met last night to organize against what they feel is a conspiracy by government and big oil corporations to drive them out of business.

Oil giants, government behind crisis: dealers

by Bill Mason

Major oil companies and the American government have conspired to create the energy crisis and drive gasoline dealers out of business, according to Sid Staggs, executive director of the Tennessee Retail Gasoline Dealers Association (TRGDA).

Staggs spoke to a group of about 50 people who were meeting to form a local chapter of the TRGDA, last night at the McFadden Community Center.

"The whole energy crisis is contrived because the major oil companies want to force dealers out of

business so they can have complete control over all of the stations," Staggs said.

Government is involved because the oil companies were major contributors to the Nixon campaign, he said.

Staggs urged the dealers to unite to force an end to mandatory allocations, government regulation of prices and the ownership of retail stations by major oil companies.

"This is the hour for unity if service station dealers are going to survive," Staggs said. "We have a lot of things to do, and we can do them if we stick together."

Staggs accused the federal government of creating the energy crisis by freezing production in Alaskan oil reserves. Over 96 per cent of American oil reserves are in Alaska, but not one acre has been opened for production since 1967, he said.

Of 39 dealers present at the meeting, 20 decided to join the organization.

Owen Henley, owner of Mercury Plaza Exxon, was elected president of the new TRGDA chapter, and Ray Sherfield, Chevron station owner, was elected to be a member of the state board of directors.

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Disagrees with count

City appeals fish kill assessment

by Gina Jeter

Murfreesboro officials are scheduled to appear before the Tennessee Water Quality Control Board today to appeal a fine of \$8,199.87 which was levied for a September fish kill.

The assessment was set in November by the Tennessee Game and Fish Commission following a kill Sept. 11-12 on the West Fork of Stones River. Game and Fish Commission officials claim the kill

covered two stream miles and involved 32,483 fish.

"We're appealing on a number of things," said Joe Lovell, director of Murfreesboro's Water and Sewer Department.

Lovell would not enumerate the reasons for the appeal, which was requested by the Murfreesboro's City Council, but said the dead fish count set by the Game and Fish Commission is a factor.

"Yes, the count will be part of it," Lovell said. "We didn't make

a count at all, but they (Game and Fish Commission) will lay off a strip of river 1,000 feet by one foot wide, make a count in that area and then estimate the rest of the stream count like this."

Lovell had earlier expressed dissatisfaction with this count method.

Murfreesboro has been assessed for fish kills on more different occasions than any other Tennessee city since a state law first called

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Sadler resigns post, condemns ASB factionalism

by Wayne Hudgens

ASB Atty. Gen. Gary Sadler has resigned his post as the result of a struggle over personalities and objectives within MTSU's student government.

Sadler, Woodbury senior, who was appointed to the ASB's highest ranking cabinet position last spring by President Tim Watson, issued a statement with his resignation which attacked both Watson and the ASB congress.

"No longer shall I be a crony of Tim Watson nor shall I afford the ASB legislature an obstacle to crush," Sadler said in his typed, two-page statement.

His reference to the legislature was evidently the result of a long-standing feud between the former attorney general and leaders of the legislative branch of ASB, many of whom have expressed dislike for Sadler since his appointment last spring.

Sadler on several occasions found himself at odds with the student legislature.

Last fall his wife was ejected

from a House of Representatives meeting after that body declared that she was not the official representative of Phi Alpha Theta history society.

Sadler immediately placed an injunction against further House meetings, but the issue was dropped when a special committee ruled in favor of the unseating procedure.

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The political science major has also attacked the ASB congress over their "hatchet job" on the new constitution which was originally drafted by Sadler.

His proposed constitution, which was recommended for passage by a non-partisan committee appointed by the Congress, was ultimately stripped of its original provisions which included a unicameral legislature and deletion of the recognition of authority clause.

The Congress, ignoring a favorable report by the committee it had appointed, reinstated the bicameral legislature and inserted the recognition clause, which gives final veto power over all ASB actions to the university president.

More recently, the ASB House restructured a bill drafted by Sadler which would have created a general sessions court to handle a number of campus legal questions, including appeals to rulings of the Intra-Dormitory Councils.

"My original intention was to create the new court with three justices, one of which was to be a woman because cases from female dormitories would be heard," he said.

"The ASB House has decided that the court should have five justices for some obscure reason, and have dropped the provisions for a woman justice," he said.

"When the ASB legislature extricates itself from the sludge into which it has settled, perhaps they will discover that their role is not

obstruction, but, rather, legislation," Sadler said in his statement.

Sadler also questioned Watson's role in promoting the formation of a NORML (National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws) chapter on the MTSU campus.

"When Tim Watson comes down from the ionosphere, perhaps he will perceive that marijuana is not the burning issue he seeks to make it, nor the ASB the forum in which his personal opinions should be expressed on the matter," he said.

Some sources also indicate that Sadler was opposed to the recent appointment of Bill Bennett as election commissioner. Bennett was appointed by Watson.

Neither Watson nor Sadler would comment publicly on the circumstances surrounding the Bennett appointment. The new election commissioner was a member of the House of Representatives last spring when Sadler's confirmation was narrowly approved by Congress.

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LaVergne man bound over on shooting charge

A Lavergne man was bound over to the Rutherford County Grand Jury Friday in a preliminary hearing of charges relating to a shooting incident involving MTSU students, according to Circuit Court Clerk Robert Suddarth.

Glenus H. Byrge, 44, was bound over on \$2,500 bond, Suddarth said. The next meeting of the Grand Jury is scheduled June 17.

"The Grand Jury will decide if he will stand trial for the crimes he is being charged with," Suddarth said.

Byrge has been charged with shooting or throwing a missile with the purpose of committing murder or bodily harm, carrying a weapon and driving while intoxicated.

Byrge was arrested Feb. 7 after the bus transporting MTSU students from work at strike-bound Aladdin Industries, Inc. in Nashville met 22 caliber rifle fire.

No students were injured in the incident.

Candidate petitions ready today

Candidates for student elective offices may pick up their qualifying petitions beginning today in the ASB office, Bill Bennett, ASB election commissioner, said.

The qualifying petitions, which must be completed for a candidate's name to appear on the official ASB ballot, must be returned with the proper number of legitimate signatures by 5 p.m. March 7, he said.

Bennett said any proposals for special referendum or constitutional amendment elections must be turned in by March 6 with 500 legitimate signatures.

"The spring ASB elections, which will be held during the last week of March, may also carry referenda or constitutional amendment questions if anyone files the 500 names," he said. "Any referenda or amendment proposal should be submitted to me, worded as it would appear on the ballot, by March 6."

The offices of student body president, speakers of the senate and house, and sophomore, junior, senior and graduate student senators will be filled for a one-year

term in the campus elections.

"The election commission will check each candidate's qualifying petition to insure that all names and social security numbers are valid," Bennett said. "We're asking for social security numbers this year in order to speed up the process of clearing each petition."

Students may sign only one petition for each position to be filled in the election, Bennett said.

"For instance, a sophomore may sign only one petition for one sophomore senate candidate, or for any candidates for junior, senior or graduate senator posts."

Bennett said all students are eligible to sign a petition of a candidate for president or either speaker's post. Senatorial petitions may be signed by only those students who are eligible to vote

in a particular race according to their current class standing.

Candidates for the presidency or speakers' posts must be full or part-time students, have been a student at MTSU for two consecutive semesters prior to the election, have 45 or more university accredited hours course work and have a 2.0 cumulative grade average in order to qualify, Bennett said.

Hopefuls to senatorial posts must have a 2.0 cumulative grade average and be qualified for their class race according to university accredited hours. Sophomore candidates must have earned 15-43 semester hours; juniors must have 44-74 hours credit; seniors need more than 75 hours credit; and graduate students must be enrolled in the graduate school in order for their name to appear on the ballot.

Campus IFC head named state chairman during Atlanta convention

Ted Osborn, MTSU Inter-Fraternity Council president, has been named state chairman of the Southeastern IFC, Paul Cantrell, campus IFC advisor, said last week.

Osborn was appointed to the state post by Mike Hall, Area III vice-president of the Southeastern IFC, during a fraternity convention held in Atlanta, Ga. recently.

"I will be responsible for holding

at least two conclaves, one this spring and another next fall for all fraternities in Tennessee," Osborn said. "During those meetings we will discuss fraternity problems which are common to all of us."

Osborn said he generally would be responsible for coordinating all state fraternity activities and then reporting to the Area III vice-president.

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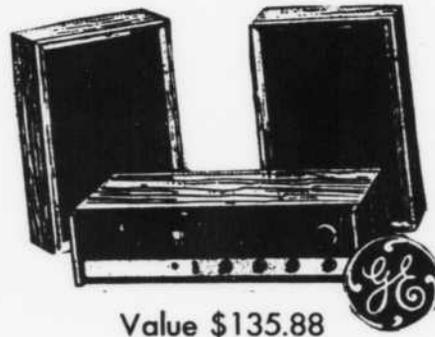
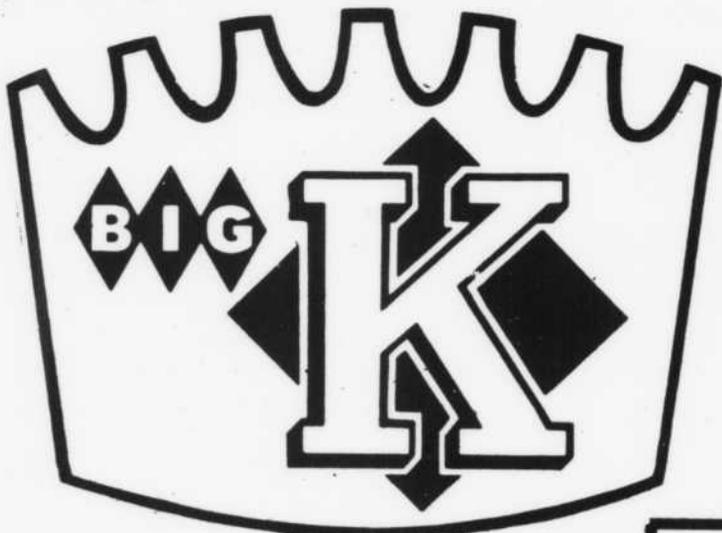
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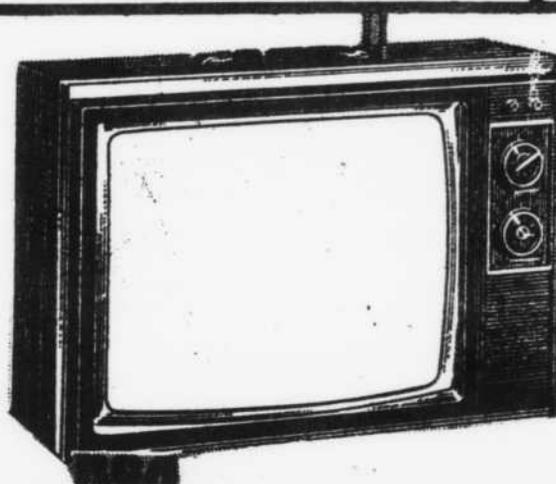


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Watergate will not face GOP as 'big issue'

by Bill Mason

Watergate will not be a big issue in upcoming political races because the people of America "have the good sense to base their decisions on pertinent local issues," Nashville attorney Fred Thompson said Friday night.

Thompson, chief minority counsel of the Senate Watergate Committee, spoke to a group of county Republicans at their annual Lincoln's Day Dinner at the Stones River Country Club.

"Some would make the Watergate problem the problem of the Republican Party rather than one of individuals," Thompson said, "but the Republican party is not actually involved."

Candidates for local offices in this state and others will try to make Watergate the central issue of their campaigns, but the people

will not accept this "game," he said.

"Many have tried to make the Michigan congressional race an example of the problems of local Republicans," he said, "but each local race is billed as a test unless a Republican wins."

Thompson pointed to victories by Republicans in several states last year as examples of party successes in spite of Watergate.

The 1972 presidential campaign does not present a "pretty picture," Thompson said.

"Examining the campaign, one sees illegal acts, creation of enemy lists and scandalous literature against Democratic candidates," he said.

"As a Republican and a loyal party man, this disturbs me," Thompson said, "and we (Republicans), above all, should come down hard on these things."

Thompson said anyone involved

in the Watergate scandals must "pay the price" for his misdeeds.

However, there is a need to consider both sides of the question of illegal political acts in 1972, he said.

Thompson pointed to examples of firebombings of Republican campaign buildings, threats against Nixon workers and physical attacks against GOP delegates in Miami as instances of misdeeds by the president's opponents.

"The office of President Nixon's physician was vandalized, and his personal medical file was ransacked," Thompson said.

McGovern workers issued scurrilous anti-Nixon literature and set up phone banks to co-ordinate massive demonstrations against the president, he said.

Television coverage of the Watergate Committee's hearings ended before testimony about these



Fred & Sarah Thompson

actions was received, Thompson said.

"This, of course, does not justify other crimes, but it does show that they are not just a problem of the Republican party," he said.

"We must stand firmly against the premise that a person is guilty until proven innocent, against the playing of important tapes at cocktail parties and against trying cases in the newspapers by innuendo and leaks," he said.



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Debaters place third

MTSU's debate team placed third in competition at the University of Florida in Tallahassee last week, according to Harold Balcom, varsity debater.

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Qualified students wishing to join the Pi Sigma Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, history honor society, should bring the \$1 membership fee to NCB 223 before Friday. Requirements are 60 hours of college work, 2.8 grade point average and at least a 3.0 in 12 hours of history.

The Grace Nash music workshop will be held 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Saturday in U.C. 323. Admission will be \$4 at the door and will cover workshop material. Interested persons may contact the music department for more information.

Tau Omicron, a university honor society for women, will host its annual all-sing at 8 p.m. tonight in the Dramatic Arts auditorium. Admission is free.

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Balcom, a Huntsville, Ala., freshman and Nashville sophomore Mike Deal represented MTSU in the tournament, which sponsored 16 teams from all over the United States.

Florida Tech placed first in the tournament, and the University of Georgia finished second.

The resolution, "Government should control the supply and utilization of energy in the United States," was the subject of debates by participating teams, Balcom said.

Energy forms discussed in the debates included gasoline, solar energy, nuclear power and geothermal energy, he said.

Saga suffers cup 'rip-off'

Saga food service placed new eight ounce cups in the Grill before coffee prices jumped to 15 cents, and now they are being "ripped off," Saga director Greg Magill said yesterday.

"At the rate the cups are being ripped off," Magill said, "we might very well have to go to Styrofoam before the semester ends."

"We have another shipment of



yesterday . . .

the mugs ordered, but it's taking five or six months to fill an order," he said.

Steve Thurston, Grill manager, said 720 cups have been purchased and delivered.

About 89 cups were missing after four days from the first 144 put out, Thurston said, representing a loss of about \$90.

Speaker calls education 'authoritarian'

by Mike Gigandet

"The modern institution of education is an authoritarian process. It is one of the most anti-democratic inventions of man," John Holt, author, teacher and educational reformer, said Thursday night.

Holt spoke in the Dramatic Arts auditorium on the "Structure of the Educational System in 2000 A.D." as part of the Emphasis '74 program.

"Education is a process that deliberately sets out to shape, form and mold other people. The shape of an individual is most sinister," Holt said.

"Behavior shaping must be pulled out by the roots. That's why I am an education abolitionist," he said.

Holt strongly criticized modern teacher training.

"I do not think much of what goes under the name of teacher training. I think that most of it is deeply harmful," he said.

Teachers should have a variety of experiences with young people of different ages and must see a wide range of types of schools and

classroom practices, Holt said.

"The indoctrination of making people learn something that other people want them to learn, the custodial function of schools, and the ranking and labeling system must be removed from modern schools," he said.

Holt discussed two of his recent books which attack the institution of childhood.

"The modern institution of childhood takes young people out of the mainstream of human life, away from the adults and puts them in a little world of their own," he said. "This separation is a recent invention."

This institution does more harm than good for those who want to live more actively and independently, Holt said.

The responsibilities, duties, rights and privileges which go on people when they become adults should be made available to people at earlier ages, he said.

Holt said children should have the right to work for money and take part in political affairs, full

protection of the law, be able to bring law suits, own property and manage their own learning and school.

Young people should have the right to make a home and live with friends of their own choosing, he said.

Holt is the author of five books on learning and education. He is currently writing *Doing, Not Education and Escape From Childhood*, which criticize the amount of influence schools have on learning and children.

Sadler resigns

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"My experience with the executive branch, if such a misnomer may be used, was disheartening," Sadler said in his statement. "If one seeks a working definition of futility, I recommend involvement in this sphere of our student governmentlessness."

"I wish to make clear that my role in student government was played only through a series of repetitive failures," Sadler said. "I have nothing to stand on as a buttress of self-righteousness save my intentions, which admittedly count for little."

Watson, in response to Sadler's resignation said, "I honestly believe that Gary's reasons for resigning were much too narrow and centralized."

The ASB president also defended his efforts to form a NORML chapter on campus. "We used the most traditional method of changing the system that we knew--forming a special interest group," Watson said.

Brazo Barry, speaker of the senate, refused to comment on the Sadler resignation when reached by telephone yesterday afternoon. "I haven't seen his resignation and I feel it would be inappropriate to comment on it at this time," Barry said.

City appeals fine

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for such fines in 1971, said Wayne McCoy of the State Public Health Department.

A water quality study of the West Fork of Stones River conducted by MTSU and the University of Tennessee-Knoxville has called for Murfreesboro to expand its new sewage treatment plant and abandon its old plant.

Murfreesboro was charged in several fish kills which occurred near the old plant when Stones River was below usual flow.

Plans for expansion of the new plant have not been approved, Lovell said, and construction cannot begin until approval is received.

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Watson justifies ASB administration

by Tim Watson
ASB President

Again the time has come to speak of the loving relationship between the ASB and the Sidelines.

Lisa Marchesoni's article on ASB activities in the Feb. 22 issue left something to be desired in terms of journalistic expertise. A reporter should do more than invade an office in search of sufficiently mean adjectives and adverbs.

Let me deal first with those programs she chose to mention.

It has never been the claim of those who know anything about the ASB's past negotiations with WDCN that such a program is in its "final stages." The purpose of this administration has simply been to reassess the purposes of

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such a program, which has existed up to now as merely a confusing suggestion to Gaylord Ayers, director of WDCN, on the part of past ASB officials. Even a very prominent instructor in the mass communications department concurs that 'ostensible confusion' and 'misconception' are "accurate assessments" of the original negotiations.

If this administration can redirect this confusion toward sensible goals, and convince Ayers that such a program is worth his time, it will have accomplished its purpose. The full support and cooperation of the Student Personnel administrators has been enlisted to this end. It is simply one of those projects that I will not, for that matter cannot, see through to its completion.

Conservatives already know

Duck River dams mean area progress

by Ray Notgrass

A little background information: TVA has been planning to build two dams on the Duck River, which flows through southern Middle Tennessee. One dam is to be built near Columbia, and the other at a little town up-river called Normandy. Several environmentalists groups filed lawsuits against construction of the dams, on the grounds that they would destroy one of the last large free-flowing rivers in the state.

The groups included the prestigious Environmental Defense Fund. I say included, because all but one of the suits have been dropped. That last one is still being heard in Winchester. Many of those testifying against the dams country, testifying because of their knowledge in the environmental field.

Okay. Some time ago a man testified in court that damming

As for the deplete budget of the ASB, it might help you to know that this administration has paid well over three thousand dollars' worth of bills and expenses incurred by programs of the previous officeholders. That amount equals more than one fourth of our total budget. I've decided that we cannot obligate the monies of the next administration for our own purposes. I've "been there before."

With such devastating monetary problems, we will do well to conduct even a preliminary study of Professor Evaluation. Fortunately, we can expect assistance from two political science classes that are working along the same lines of investigation.

The "carpool study" mentioned by Marchesoni was distorted beyond recognition. The ASB has simply assisted in planning and operating the current carpool for commuters. Even this is not easy when an organization is an incredibly understaffed as the ASB.

If Marchesoni's statement concerning the search for political power was directed toward intra-

ASB only assisted in car pool study

ASB politics, I can readily agree with her attitude. The 'back-lash' political maneuvers die down about half-way through the administrative term and start up again roughly two months before end of term. This is certainly confusing for the administrative aspect of the office. Even the secretaries are affected by this "who's-running-for-what?" fever.

Certainly Marchesoni was correct in stating that the ASB seeks higher political power. It has been

highly instrumental in helping a crippled Tennessee Student Association. ASB representatives have made frequent trips to the capital to speak with legislators, both potential and current, about student concerns. The ASB main-

Election fever hits secretaries

tains a liason with Board of Regents actions and has recently urged the Board to hold those "open hearings" we've heard about so that university governance can benefit from a two-way flow of ideas and disintegrate the prevailing atmosphere of false images.

Some rather biting words have been written about the ASB's involvement with NORML. My philosophy has been neither to condone marijuana-smoking nor to advocate its legalization. I do believe, however, that the penalties for possession are much too harsh in a society where people voluntarily (and legally) drink themselves into oblivion, die horrible deaths in automobile accidents and drown (quite needlessly) in hundreds of 'recreational' swimming pools every year. To this end, I've guided the establishment of NORML, an interest group capable of influencing and changing attitudes about the

Marijuana group seeks change

penalties for possession and use of marijuana. This is the oldest and most traditional approach to changing a law, and any com-

plaints about it can be attributed to acute paranoia.

I'm obligated to add a few words about student participation. We have repeatedly asked the student body to help us by submitting their recommendations concerning the proposed Ombudsman Council and possible changes in rules governing student use of the Athletic and Convocation Center. So far we have received one letter concerning the latter.

This lack of involvement is best described by a concerned and student-oriented professor in the political science department: "This student body is satisfied with its lot. The only legal input they make, in fact, the only time they ever appear in the courthouse is when they pay traffic fines or probate Grannie's will."

I'll be the first to admit that the Sidelines has done a consistently and fairly credible job of reporting that MTSU student government is not what it could be. People resign. (Fact is, I would have if it would have helped matters any and not added to the general turmoil.) They get angry without immediately tangible results.

Vicious cycle of apathy reigns

They do not attend meetings. Programs are dropped. Direction is lost. Ah, that cycle does continue, doesn't it?

The ASB is under-funded, understaffed, and, subsequently, unheard-of, except in a very sarcastic vein. So come on, kids, and join the merriment. All of the above conditions are most conducive to that "party atmosphere" which pervades the ASB offices.

the Duck River would destroy the trout fishing in the river. This is a noble and worthy activity to protect.

On the other hand

The problem is that there has never been any trout in the Duck River. Surely he meant minnows or shad or something. But he seemed a little less than prepared.

Just a couple of weeks ago, another witness testified in Winchester that the dams are not needed to control flood waters on the Duck (a main objective set out by TVA) because the Duck simply does not flood.

It would be funny if it were not so serious. Twice within the past year people all along the Duck have had to evacuate their homes because of flood waters caused by torrential rains. Well, put it this

way: people living on the river had to leave their homes because water was lapping into the houses. But if the expert says it don't flood, it don't flood.

Actually, it does flood, fairly often, and many people are agreed that the dams would significantly alleviate the problem. The fact that the environmentalists are sincerely trying to do what they think best is nice, but everyone else is sincere, too.

An important point is that in the area to be affected by the dams, its flood control and its recreational benefits, there is little significant opposition. I think it is fair to say that most people welcome the dams.

There's a moral in all this, but I won't bother with it because conservatives have known it all along and liberals wouldn't pay any attention to it anyway.

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Reader's views

Murphy High?

To the editor:

Since it seems that everyone is at least talking about the self-study recommendations, remedial courses, grading systems and general improvement of academic standards here at Murphy High, it seems appropriate that another problem be added to the list.

Being within ten hours of graduation at the beginning of this semester, I decided to enroll in a graduate level course. This would seem simple enough, right? Well, permission of the instructor, proper number of hours earned and a 3.5 GPA aren't a drop in the proverbial bucket.

I found at the graduate school office that I had to apply for full admission as a graduate student even though I had been accepted for graduate work at another university and did not care whether I got graduate credit for the course (I had a hidden motive; I wanted the material the course had to offer).

That application, of course, means paper work (in triplicate), buying a transcript down the hall, character references, Miller Analogies Test, Cooperative English Test and a statement (150 words or less) on why I want to become a graduate student at MTSU (which I don't).

Well, after filling out the paperwork, I decided that was just too much of a hassle for an overworked undergraduate to put up with just because he wanted to work a little harder and learn a little more (sounds out of character for a typical Murfreesboro student, huh?).

I was right. From Dean Voorhies I found that all I had to do was apply as a transient graduate student.

Why couldn't Dean Aden or his secretary have told me that when I asked if they were certain (more than once) that I had to do all those things? But I keep forgetting (and getting reminded every day) that competence very apparently isn't a requirement for employment at MTSU. Now all I have to do is buy a transcript and type a statement explaining why I want to become a

graduate student at MTSU (which I don't).

The course has turned out to be a good one (stroke of luck) but the sad thing is, another student, more capable and intelligent than myself, also wanted to take the course and couldn't. The student, in a pre-professional curriculum and leaving after this semester, had to take a second best choice.

It seems that top grades, permission from the instructor and the pleading of the student, eager to study and learn, had no effect.

What did?

A rule that says you're too dumb and immature if you don't have X number of hours. Is this system not supposed to stimulate a student's interest, spark a desire for more knowledge and then supply that knowledge? Is individual consideration and evaluation not a part of this educational system?

If so, then why, since advanced undergraduate study for credit is next to non-existent here, is the only other possible avenue made so damned difficult (and impossible) for capable students to reach? And

tell me somebody, why a letter like this should ever have to be written in an "academic" community and the second largest educational center in the state?

Kerry Glenn Gailbreath
Box 2531

Student's choice

To the editor:

In your editorial Feb. 12 concerning the students working at Aladdin Industries you call for a position of neutrality by the state. How can you claim that denying a company the opportunity to post job notices is a position of neutrality? It is a position in favor of the union.

As you say, let the student consider the moral ramifications. Under the present conditions the student has the choice whether or not to take the job.

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Shoplifters raise costs for bookstores

by Mel Davenport

Shoplifting has cost the University Bookstore about \$10,000 in the last year according to Charles Phillips, bookstore director.

"The pilferage is done by a very small minority of students who come from various backgrounds. They are of both sexes, usually steal small, petty items and almost always have enough money to pay for the things they steal," Phillips said.

Low shelves and counters, turnstiles at the front of the store and the eyes of the employees are the only defenses against shoplifters, he said.

Protective measures such as surveillance cameras, uniformed security men and floor detectives would cost more than the amount stolen and would create a bad atmosphere, Phillips said.

The Blue Raider Bookstore has also been plagued by shoplifters, Phil Loyd, store owner, said.

"Most of the people who take things from our store are from outside the university," Loyd said. "Common items taken are beauty aids and sporting goods."

"We try to discourage shoplifters by giving prompt customer service and giving rewards to employees who catch shoplifters," he said.

Loyd said shoplifting is increasing at his store. Anyone caught stealing will be turned over to the police and prosecuted, he said.

Shoplifters caught at the University Bookstore are handled by the office of student affairs unless a large amount of money is involved. The police are notified in those cases.

"Our degree of theft seems to be staying about the same," Phillips said. "Should we find ourselves losing as much as \$20,000 a year, the problem would be critical and preventive steps would have to be taken."

To 'benefit' students

Library tightens check-out

by Michael Gigandet

Many students have complained MTSU's check-out procedure in the library cannot stop people from taking needed material, and its existence irritates others, according to Don Craig, assistant librarian.

"We do not feel students have been well enough informed," he said. "This voluntary checking policy is the same used in every academic library."

"The solution is to be a little more careful about checking. From now on it is not going to be a voluntary policy, it is going to be mandatory."

Signs will be hung in the lobby informing library users their books, brief cases and backpacks will be checked at the exist, Craig said.

"We have narrowed the exit space so this will improve our ability to check more closely," Craig said. "This will benefit students in the long run."

We are trying to accomplish two things in the periodical department," he said. "We are trying to identify articles that have been torn out and replace those articles at the desk."

If a student finds a needed article missing, he should report it to the periodical desk, Craig said. Some missing articles that have been duplicated are on file.

"There is no way to prevent people from taking material if they really want to," Craig said. "We are attempting to increase our ability to check for this material. I do not believe that it has offended that many people."

"If a student refuses that check, he will be charged, and that's a disciplinary matter. It boils down to our obligation to other students on campus to protect library materials," Paul Cantrell, associate dean of students, said.

"It is a very reasonable policy. It is not a violation of privacy but a protection of university property," he said.

Craft fair asks for exhibits

by Jennifer McGhee

Anyone interested in exhibiting items in a crafts fair may enter the Richland Creek Fair May 4 at Martin College in Pulaski, Tenn, according to Jeanette Held, Martin professor of English.

This is the second annual fair to be held on the campus, she said.

"We were pleased last year with the number of exhibitors and visitors to our first fair. We would like to extend an invitation to everyone in Middle Tennessee to plan now to attend and-or exhibit in this year's fair," Held said.

Exhibits may include anything from original paintings to tradi-

tional handicrafts such as weaving, pottery, wood carving, stitchery and leather crafts.

The fair also welcomes demonstrations of skills native to this region such as making lye soap, hominy, home made bread, baskets, furniture, etc.

"One of the main objectives of the fair is to recognize and preserve the dying arts, crafts and skills that are a part of our regional heritage," Held said.

Anyone interested should contact Held or Bill Rutherford, director of public affairs at Martin College.

Tutorial program launched locally

by Debi Clifton

MTSU's education department has launched its spring tutorial program involving 265 Education 211 students and Murfreesboro and Rutherford County public schools, according to Cornett Woodley, program coordinator.

Acting as tutors in areas including reading, writing, arithmetic the students give individualized instruction to youngsters who need remedial or enrichment help.

The program, administered through the student teaching office, allows education students "early first-hand teaching experience," Cornett Woodley, coordinator for the program, said.

The primary objective, Woodley said is to allow students to determine whether or not they are suited for a career in education before they become seniors and enter actual student teaching.

With the exception of those who make their own arrangements, the tutors are placed in nine area schools-Bellwood Elementary, Bradley Model, Campus School, Central Middle School, Hobgood Elementary, McFadden, Mitchell Neilson Primary, Mitchell Neilson Elementary and Reeves-Rogers Elementary.



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Tech captures women's title



Behind the scoring of Valeria Russell and Debbie Bumpus, Tennessee Tech's Golden Eaglettes defeated Fisk and Austin Peay to take the District 2 women's basketball title last weekend at Murphy Center.

MTSU's Raiderettes, shown above getting instructions from

Coach Karen Ledford during a timeout, took a 54-43 thumping from Austin Peay in the tourney's second game and lost 50-49 to APSU in the consolation game.

Despite the losses, the Raiderettes qualified for the state tourney along with Austin Peay and Tennessee Tech.

Raider title bid jolted by 91-66 drubbing

by Tom Wood

Led by James "Fly" Williams, the Austin Peay Governors trounced Middle Tennessee 91-66 to grab sole possession of first place in the OVC before a full house in Clarksville.

Williams, called by Raider Coach Jimmy Earle "the finest forward in the country as far as ability goes," scored 38 points and grabbed 17 rebounds to lead the Gobs in their humiliating victory over the Raiders.

A dejected Earle, however, said, "We had a great effort tonight. We've played well all year, and I can't fault any of our boys. I have to give credit to Peay, though. They just plain beat us."

Statistics backed Earle's comments. While field-goal percentages were evenly matched, the Governors connected on 85.2 per cent of their free throws compared to 50 per cent by MTSU. The Raiders were also outmuscled, 59-36, in rebounding.

Tim Sisneros took top honors for the losing Raiders, scoring 13 points and getting nine rebounds. Jimmy Martin had 12 points, and Fred Allen and George Sorrell scored 11 each. All of Sorrell's points came in the first half. Forrest Toms contributed eight points.

Earle reiterated his earlier statements by saying, "APSU was just super. They outshot, outrebounded and outthustled us. They could have beaten anybody tonight."

The Raiders were outscored in the second half by 30 points in a game that saw 50 personal fouls called. Jimmy Powell, along with



Jimmy Earle

... 'a great effort'

Peay's Danny Odums and Richard Jimmerson, fouled out.

Reflecting upon the worst loss of the season, Earle said, "I've been in both situations. If you can't lose graciously, you can't be a winner."

Mathematically, the Raiders aren't out of the conference race yet. Austin Peay needs a victory over Murray State Saturday afternoon to wrap it up. A loss could drop the Governors into a three-way tie with the Raiders and Morehead if both teams win.

The Raiders' OVC record dropped to 9-4 while their overall mark fell to 18-7, still the best in the school's history.

The final game of the 1973-74 season comes up Saturday when the Blue Raiders take on Western Kentucky in Bowling Green. Tipoff time is 7:30 p.m.

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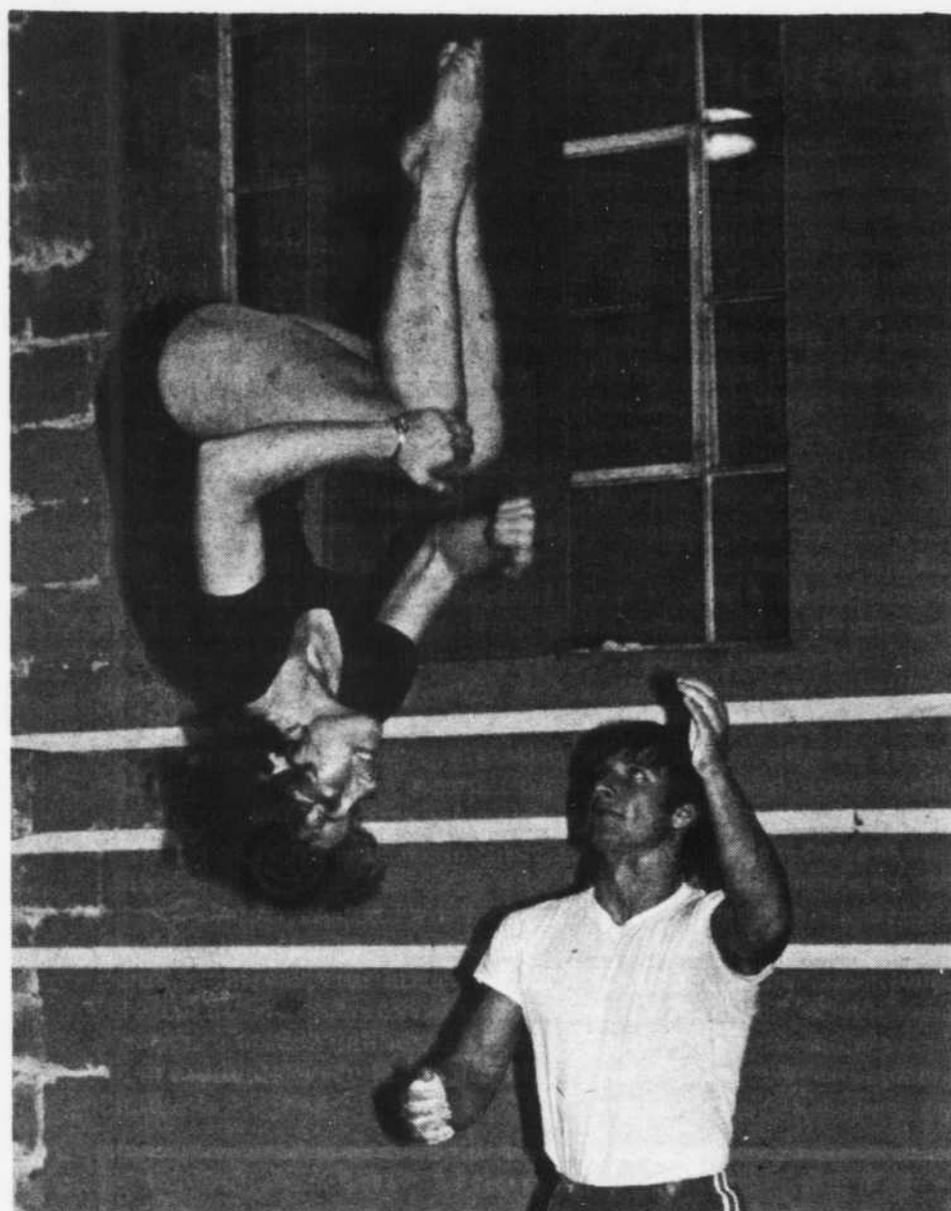


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ALLEY-OOP!-- Flying through the air with the greatest of ease is MTSU gymnast Sally Krakoviak. She led the Blue Raiders in scoring this season while recording several individual wins against tough competition such as UT-Knoxville.

Haynes gains spot on U.S. team for track competition in Moscow

A member of the MTSU track team, Tommy Haynes, will represent the United States in an international dual competition meet with the Soviet Union Saturday in Moscow, track coach Dean Hayes said yesterday.

"It is certainly an honor for Tommy to represent the United States in this competition," Hayes said. "He earned the honor."

Haynes, a Nashville senior, qualified for the event by placing third in triple jump competition

at the National Amateur Athletic Union meet in New York City Friday night, Hayes said.

About 35 men and 25 women will represent the United States in the competition, Hayes said.

Two other Tennesseans, Theresa Montgomery and Mamie Rallins, both of Tennessee State University, will also participate in the event.

Haynes left the country yesterday and should return March 3 or 4, Hayes said.

Norwich holds key to tennis success

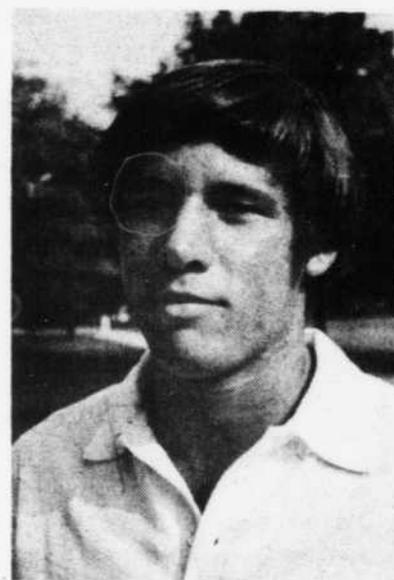
If the Blue Raider tennis team wins the Ohio Valley Conference title this year, a player who will have a lot to do with it is Wally Norwich.

Norwich, a senior from Cocoa Beach, Fla., is a former junior college All-American on whom MTSU Coach Larry Castle is very high.

"Wally is definitely one of the top players in the OVC," Castle said. "He will be in one of the top four positions on the squad this year."

Norwich played number one and two singles in 1973 for the Raiders.

"He's got a fine backcourt game," Castle said, "and a lot of over-all ability."



Wally Norwich

Norwich will team with Geoff Gilchrist to form "one of the top doubles teams in the OVC," according to Castle.

Bus trip to Peay is cancelled

The Blue Raider bus did not transport students to the Austin Peay game last night as was expected because no tickets were available, according to David Kellerman, Blue Raider Bookstore manager.

A notice that the bus would make the trip was received from a store employee and printed in Friday's Sidelines.

"We tried to take a bus," Kellerman said, "but Austin Peay wouldn't give us any tickets."

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