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THE TRAIL BLAZER

Enrollment takes an 8% drop

By JUDY NEISWENDER

Although enrollment is down by slightly more than 8 percent this semester, Morehead State University President Morris Norfleet is satisfied.

Last Monday was the deadline for state institutions to turn in preliminary enrollment figures for the fall semester. The figures are only preliminary and are subject to change as the semester progresses, more information becomes available, and the figures become final.

The figures released indicate a drop of 617 students from the fall semester of 1978 to the 1979 fall semester. This is a decline in total "headcount" of a little more than 8 percent. There are 92 fewer full-time students this fall than there were last fall.

In breaking it down, the largest decrease has been at the graduate and part-time level. Out of the 617 student decrease, 459 of them were graduate students. There are 92 fewer full-time students, 76 of whom are graduates. That leaves a drop of only 16 undergraduate students.

Norfleet said the University is taking another look at the graduate and part-time programming in an effort to retain students. There are other things to take into consideration when looking at the decrease.

Last year the University had one of the largest part-time gains ever. Part of the decrease is being attributed to the graduation of part-time students.

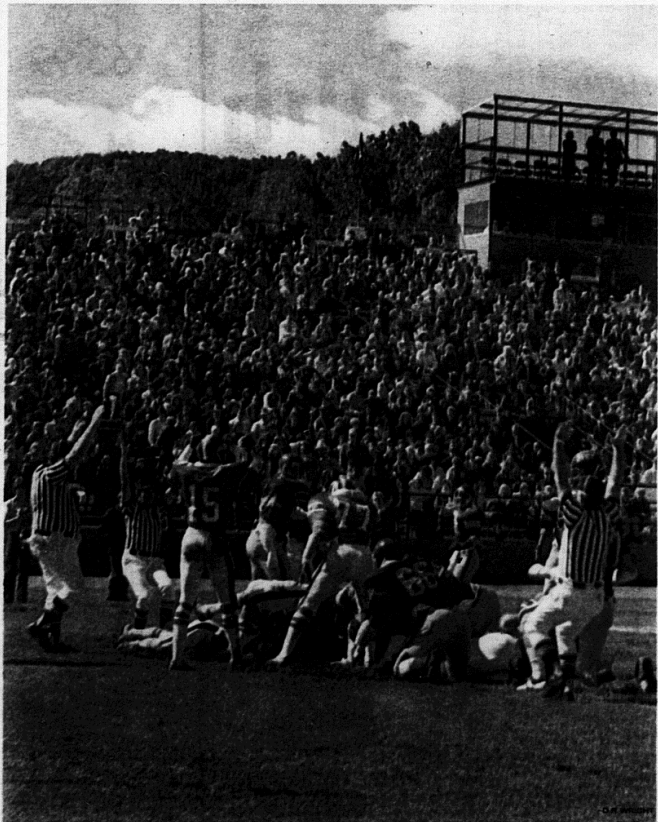
For example, Kentucky teachers were recently offered a salary increase as an incentive to complete the masters and Rank I certificate. This brought many teachers to the part-time program so they could take advantage of the salary increase and pick up a few more classes.

Norfleet said the decrease in part-time students was expected because in May and August the University had the largest part-time graduating classes ever.

"The economic picture certainly has had an impact," Norfleet said. The instability of the economy had an influence on the drop in part-time students. One factor is the gasoline shortage and expense. There are six regional centers off campus in various parts of the state.

"We are very happy that we have seen a drop in our percentage of out-of-state freshmen," Norfleet said. The

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The winning, and only, touchdown

TOMMY FOX, MSU's starting quarterback, lies just over the goal line as the referees signal touchdown in Saturday's Homecoming win over U.T.-Martin. The score early in the first quarter proved to be the only one, as the Eagles won their Homecoming game since 1971, 7-0. But

football wasn't the only highlight of the weekend. A parade, dorm decorations, a Harembee for black students, and several alumni events also kept former students and present students busy. For more Homecoming photos, see pages 6 and 7.

Enrollment

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number of out-of-state freshmen in during this semester to between 17 and 18 percent.

Norfleet said it is possible the Council on Higher Education may look at the 20 percent limit placed on out-of-state students in light of decreasing enrollment. He went on to say that he doubted the council would change any policy regarding the limit this year.

Norfleet said that full-time enrollment was only down between 1 and 2 percent this semester. He said this is not really significant and shouldn't have any effect on the budget recently submitted to the state.

The number of freshmen who decided to attend MSU this fall is up almost 7 percent. There are 109 more full-time freshmen on campus this fall than there were last fall.

Norfleet attributed part of the increase to the admissions program which has been trying to show eastern Kentucky people the advantages of going to college. Norfleet said the in-

crease has been mainly in eastern Kentucky.

"We certainly hope that the attrition will drop dramatically," Norfleet said. Attrition is the withdrawal among students. Additional programs and more emphasis on the advisement, counseling and developmental studies areas are underway to decrease the attrition.

According to the State Department of Education, there were 13 percent fewer graduates from Kentucky high schools in the past year. Norfleet said that the number is expected to continue declining until 1983 when it should level off.

The drop in enrollment had some effect on off-campus classes, but the effects were barely noticeable on campus.

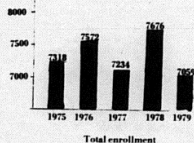
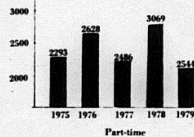
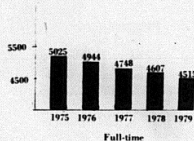
For example, the faculty-student ratio remains at about 20 to 1. Norfleet said this is a good ratio for a state school to have.

Some off-campus and on-campus

classes were cancelled because not enough students registered for the classes.

"If you're within 100 students of last year's full-time enrollment, you figure you're holding your own," Norfleet said. MSU is within 100 of last year, and seems to be fairly consistent with other state schools.

Norfleet said in the next five to seven years enrollment "will fluctuate like a yo-yo."



BSU choir plans busy tour schedule

By RONDA VIRGIN

"The Lord has a purpose for it. We hope that through something we do, someone may be influenced. We want to show where we stand."

Steve Rice, choir director at the Baptist Student Center, says the choir members are really serious about singing and don't want to sing just for the sake of performing. "They want to witness. That's the important part," he adds.

Presently, the BSU choir consists of 45-50 members. Rice explains that this number will probably decrease and gradually level off. "Now we have different people every week," he remarks.

The members practice every Tuesday night for about an hour and a half. Rice says the group is doing about average. "We've had some good practices."

Rice, a junior majoring in music education, says the group will sing in this general area (Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia). He explains that each church they visit gives a "love offering" that covers expenses. Any money left over will be given to the BSU summer missions fund.

The main trip for the choir, however, will be during spring break, when the group will travel to Florida to perform.

The money for the trip, according to Rice, will be obtained through fund raising.

Choir members will be performing almost every weekend during the second semester. Rice comments that this takes "lots of dedication."

The group will present a musical by Jimmy and Carol Owens, "The Witness." It tells the story of Jesus' life in song and narration.

Rice says, "It tells a great story. It really comes across in a good way. There's a lot of variety—from comedy to really serious moments. It should interest a lot of people."

Rice sums up the choir's goals by saying, "We want to grow with each other, improve our singing and witness for the Lord."

"All men have been created to carry forward an ever-advancing civilization... to act like the beasts of the field is unworthy of man. Those virtues that befit his dignity are forbearance, mercy, compassion, and lovingkindness towards all the peoples and kindreds of the earth.

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Grants Writing Seminar, all day, ADUC; also Friday.
New Faculty and Staff Brunch, 9 a.m. to noon, Eagle Room, ADUC.
Morehead Folk and Country Dance meeting, 8 p.m., Baird Music Hall.
Concert, "Octubafest," 8:15 p.m., Duncan Recital Hall.

friday

Business Education Fall Conference, all day, Cragger Room, ADUC.
Faculty-Staff Portraits for Raconteur, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., West Room 3, ADUC.
Catholic Student Center Square Dance, 7:30, Catholic Student Center.

saturday

KMEA Marching Band Festival, all day, MSU campus.
Community Clean-Up Campaign, all day, Rowan Center.
Celebration, 8:30 p.m., Cragger Room, ADUC.

sunday

KMTA meeting, all day, Baird Music Hall, also Monday and Tuesday.
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Deans want faculty to participate in teacher assessment system

By G. W. SHEEHAN

Students at MSU have an information feedback system. This system lets students anonymously tell faculty members what they like and dislike about their instruction in regards to style and method of teaching. Faculty members may voluntarily participate in the feedback system to give themselves opportunity to improve their instruction.

Dr. William White, vice president for Academic Affairs, said the school deans are "highly recommending" that faculty participate in the information feedback system.

The feedback system, labeled "student assessment of faculty instruction," was first used last spring. Approximately 225 faculty members used the feedback system in one or more classes to produce more than 8,000 student assessments. The 20-item forms were administered to students near the end of the semester.

Operation of the feedback system this fall and next spring will be the same as last spring. Students will complete the forms during a regular class period sometime after midterm. The information feedback will be given to the instructor after the final grades for the class are reported.

White said students may complete the forms more openly and honestly if they know their instructors will be given the information after reporting final grades.

Students will complete the forms under the supervision of a proctor in the absence of the instructor. The proctor will deliver the forms to an all-faculty committee consisting of Dr. Stephen Taylor, director of the Testing Center; Dr. William Hampton, coordinator of the Reading Center; and Dr. Donald Hay, associate professor of industrial education.

our mistake

In last week's SGA story, we mistakenly identified Married Student Representative Michael Doseck as Steve O'Connor. We apologize for the error.

Each form will be coded with a confidential number assigned to each participating faculty member. The forms will be data processed, and the information will be printed in a form listing the composite scores for each of the 20 assessment items for each class. The scores supplied will list the university norms and school norms, as well as the individual instructor results.

"It is my intention to urge all the faculty to use these student opinion questionnaires in all classes that are not lab or independent study-type classes," said White.

He said the information feedback process is designed to keep the student's assessments of faculty anonymous, and the resulting information supplied to the faculty confidential.

"The administration does not get copies of those (information feedback) files," said White.

When faculty are being considered for promotion, said White, they may choose to release the information derived from the feedback system. He considers positive student feedback a "measure of the fact that a faculty member is an outstanding teacher."

He emphasized that student assessment is only one of the criteria for promotion. The faculty should show evidence of outstanding achievement in three areas.

"Across the country we refer to them as the holy trinity—teaching, research and creative production, and professional service," said White.

He said, "The faculty are urged to continually look at instruments (forms) to see which one gives them better information from the students."

White believes the faculty could be using a better assessment form, and suggested the faculty have a choice of forms.

"Technically, as I look at it, there are instruments (forms) that give more information in a more reliable and valid manner," he said.

The form White prefers contains 69 items, and reports on five or six areas of instruction. Each area has 17 to 20 items measuring the same area, with

each asking the question in a different way. The present 20-item assessment form asks the question once, and measures only two or three areas, he said.

"If I were up for promotion, and wanted to get some evidence of my own teaching effectiveness, I would use the 69-item form," he said.

White would be pleased if 100 percent of the faculty used the present information system, but does not want to force the faculty to use it.

"At the present time legislating that would not be good for administration and faculty relations," he said.

The present information feedback system was activated in response to a faculty vote last spring which approved the recommendations of an all-faculty committee. The committee also recommended that faculty have the opportunity to assess the performance of deans, department heads, and administrators, including White and President Morris Norfleet.

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Non-students need ID's too

By TED SLOAN

Symbolically, marriage basically involves the joining of a man and a woman as one.

That's what it says in the vows, and that's the way two people joined in matrimony are usually regarded. They share a home; they can have a joint bank account in both of their names; they even share the last name.

Yet the attitude of the Student Government Association ignores what the rest of the world readily accepts by categorizing each spouse differently in cases in which one is attending Morehead State University and one is not.

The particular case in which this discrimination came to the fore deals with the subject of benefits only full-time students receive from possessing a student ID. As things stand now, a non-student who is married to a student cannot receive these benefits, and must pay his way into events that full-time students can go to for free—even if that non-student is paying most of the bills, which in such an arrangement is often the case.

A proposal made by Michael Doseck, representative of married students, would alleviate this problem. Doseck proposed that non-student spouses of students be issued an ID card of their own. This card would open the doors to this slighted minority to every benefit made available to full-time students except students except student health services, intramurals, and an issue of the Raconteur.

By categorizing the cost of these benefits the non-student husband or wife wouldn't receive,



Doseck arrived at a figure of \$14.23 that would pay for the services that spouse would receive. He rounded that figure to an even \$14, and arbitrarily added \$1 for athletic events so the cost would come to \$15—in exact figures, 77 cents per spouse in the black.

A perfectly logical solution which amounts to no expense to the full-time students, and provides a service to men and women indirectly connected with the University.

Yet this proposal was put in a holding pattern because of one question: Who will pay for the extra expense of the added number of

IDs? The motion was tabled, and Doseck was asked to supply this information.

But what about the extra 77 cents per person levied on the cost of the non-student spouse's IDs? Among several members of this unique group, couldn't that amount take care of the minuscule cost of a few more cards wrapped in plastic?

The proposal is perfectly logical, and eventually should have a good chance of passing. But why stall it out? This service needs to be provided to a neglected group of people that helps bring or keep a few more persons to Morehead State University.

Governor's race has obscured amendments

By TONY FARGO

You probably haven't heard, but there are two proposed amendments to the Kentucky Constitution on the November ballot.

Lost amid the mud-slinging of the Brown-Nunn campaign are an amendment to increase the number of amendments that can be proposed by the legislature from two to four in a session, and one to change the way our representatives are elected.

The latter proposal offers the most to the taxpayers in terms of getting their money's worth.

As things currently stand, the 100 members of the House of Representatives are elected to two-year terms on odd-numbered years, such as 1979. They are elected in November, as are the governor and other constitutional officers.

Since the General Assembly meets for a 60-day session in January of every even-numbered year, the legislators that are elected in November begin work almost immediately. The representatives are sworn in and immediately set to work on consideration of over

1,000 pieces of legislation, not the least of which is the governor's budget proposal.

Needless to say, legislators, especially freshman representatives, are ill-prepared for this onslaught. But at least they are well-paid for it—\$100 a day during the session, plus a salary of \$550 per month when they are not in session.

Under the proposed amendment, the people of Kentucky would get a little more work for that \$550 per month investment.

The amendment would change the elections to even-numbered years, such as 1980. The representatives would still be elected for two-year terms, however.

After the election in November, the representatives would have over a year before the next General Assembly session to prepare for it.

The plan includes a 10-day session in January, following the election, to allow the representatives to choose the House leadership and appoint them to committees.

During the rest of the year, the legislators would meet in the interim committees, preparing legislation and learning the basics of how the system works. By the time the General Assembly meets in January, they will be ready to take an active part in the proceedings.

Besides allowing the legislators more time to learn the ropes, this amendment would allow the people of Kentucky to get more work out of their representatives.

Unfortunately, the amendment has received almost no publicity whatsoever. It has been lost in the shuffle of the gubernatorial race.

Because of this indifference of the press and the candidates, who haven't mentioned it either, this amendment, and also the other one, are likely to be defeated. It is doubtful anyone will vote for an amendment they know nothing about.

Let's hope the press and the public awake to the importance of this measure before another election passes by without a change in this wasteful system.



AMERICA PLAYED before a packed house at the SGA Homecoming concert in Wetherby Gymnasium Thursday.

BILLY BIDDLE

America thrills audience at Homecoming concert

Sparked by dynamic guitar and vocals, America thrilled the rock-n-roll hungry crowd at the Homecoming concert in Wetherby Gymnasium Thursday night.

Playing before a packed house, they sang many of their older tunes such as "Sandman," "Sister Golden Hair," "I Need You," "Ventura Highway," "Tina Man," "Muskat Love," and "Daisy Jane." They also did quite a few songs from their new album.

As an encore, America performed their popular song, "A Horse with No Name," and by this time, nearly everyone was obliged to sing along without being asked. The crowd had waited anxiously for this group, and

sights and sounds by John Pennell

now they were seeing them at their best.

A comic note was inserted when one member of the band sat down at the piano before a song. He looked up and asked seriously, "What the hell's a Smashburger?"

When it was time to leave, it was apparent that hardly anybody was ready to go. Gradually the crowd drained from the gym, but only after they had witnessed a truly great concert by the band America.

Exams instill discomfort in MSU students

The following is a guest essay by Dr. Kevin Smith of the Sociology Department at MSU.

I used to be of the belief that along with taking examinations, giving examinations ranked up there with the major discomforts of academic existence. I was convinced that there was nothing pleasurable at all in overseeing dozens of students taking their minds to sort out (or fabricate) hopefully correct answers to questions which I had set in front of them.

In particular, I felt that what was especially unpleasant about the examination situation was the boredom—an hour's worth of mindless staring, or at best, an hour's worth of role-playing as a warden.

However, after a recent set of examinations, it dawned on me that it was not and not the intrinsic nature of the test situation which produced my displeasure and boredom. In point of fact, the examination situation is rich with unique human behaviors. Moreover, these are not idiosyncratic or random behaviors, but rather shared, social behaviors. So I set out to categorize them.

Before revealing my attempt at categorization, I feel it necessary to review the "rules" of the examination game. First, basic human rights are tossed out. Search without warrant is normative, freedom of speech suppressed, and most significantly, guilt is assumed (or at least suspected) until innocence is proven.

Unfortunately for the student, innocence is not established until the test is over and the exam turned in. Another rule of the game pertains to the permissible behaviors before and during the quiz. Laughing, twitching, giggling, cramming, chit-chatting, and so on are permitted before the hammer is dropped, but never after. A misconstrued twitch or chit can lead to an unpleasant encounter with the warden

once the exam is underway.

The third and final "rule" is that all behavior during the test must be deliberate and open to inspection. Like the bad guy in cowboy movies turning over his guns to the arresting sheriff, no sneaky, hidden, or shady moves are allowed. So where is the rich behavior in the midst of this behavioral repression?

It comes from two sources. First, it comes from the shared, patterned behaviors of the non-cheaters, and secondly, it comes from the devious ways in which the cheaters manipulate these acceptable behaviors for personal gain.

The acceptable, normative behaviors found in virtually every exam situation are numerous and are practiced by almost every student. These include the following major types:

"Solo massages"—Now then, we all enjoy a good massage, but we have got to admit that they are considerably more enjoyable when someone else is the masseuse. Nevertheless, during tests, students massage themselves. They rub their foreheads, knead their arms, squeeze their necks, pull on their lips, and flex their cheeks.

"Calisthenics"—Often the massage gets a bit carried away and turns into out-and-out exercise. Pumping arms, twisting torsos, and deep breathing exercises are common, and isometrics certainly are not rare.

"Instructor check"—Another acceptable exam behavior which is almost universally shared by test-takers is the "instructor check." No doubt due to a sincere concern about the professor's well-being, students frequently raise up, make eye-contacts with the warden, and then dive back into their misery.

"Scratching"—For some unknown reason, exams produce itching. Test-takers often scratch and claw their heads, arms, necks, noses, and any other nearby appendages. In-

terestingly, however, the lower lip seems to command the most attention.

"Farrah Fawcett flip"—Despite the fact that it is apparently not in their way, long-haired students almost ritually take time during the exam to throw back their necks and run their fingers through their hair.

"Finger snacking"—Tests seem to bring out the oral in all of us. Except for the exam itself, everything else tends to find its way into the mouth. Fingers, pencils, pens, hair, shirt collars, and yes, even lower lips are chewed with gusto during even the shortest pop quiz.

"Word mouthing"—A not-too-unknown behavior which ostensibly has therapeutic value for test-takers is to "mouth-out" thoughts. Of course, this is totally nonverbal, such as not to violate the "rules" of the game. Moreover, this behavior is frequently performed in conjunction with "instructor checks" and finger-counting.

"The four-corner gaze"—Permissible views are severely limited in test situations. Students cannot look side-to-side, behind them, or even in front of them without attracting the warden's attention. Of course, staring at the instructor is all right, but it tends to quickly become uncomfortable. One option remains—the ceiling. Consequently, it is quite common to see students gazing from one corner of the ceiling to another.

The above behaviors are acceptable; they in no way cast suspicion upon the student's integrity. But, what about cheating behaviors? Cheating involves several devious variants upon acceptable behaviors. Here are a few common cheating behaviors.

"Eye line blinds"—Cheaters sometimes use deception in order to catch a quick glance at someone else's work. One of the most clever of these deceptions is for the cheater to create the impression that there is a "blinder" between his eyes and his neighbor's

exam. This is easily accomplished by placing a seemingly opaque hand in the line of view. However, a slight spreading of the digits is usually sufficient to steal a glimpse.

"Stretch peeks"—Another deceptive move involves the seemingly innocent stretch in which the stretch stretches eyeballs as well as muscles.

"Obstacle gares"—Instead of using deception, an obstacle strategically placed between the cheater's eyes and the warden's eyes is often successful. This play is easily accomplished by using a hand, another test-taker, or even the test itself.

"Shifty eyes"—The object of cheating is to acquire illegal information with a minimum amount of shady movement. Since eye movement is about as minimal a body movement as possible, it is the preferred mode of cheaters. Admittedly, it does produce eye strain, headaches, and so on, but I guess everything has its price.

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letters to the editor

Band barbs

To the editor:

We have a very good band at MSU. I know they must work very hard and their halftime show is excellent, but they do very little to create the kind of atmosphere typically associated with collegiate sports. They just don't help create enthusiasm at games.

I cite these examples: (1) The pep band arrived at about halftime of the game at Ky. State, (2) the

band dispersed after halftime of the Middle Tennessee game, (3) the band sat idle during timeouts and quarters in the Austin Peay game, while one trumpet for Austin Peay held fire up its fans, and (4) at least two basketball games last year, the band never struck a note before the game started.

Since the football and basketball games are what attract the people,

it seems the band could contribute more. If the band put on a concert, they'd be lucky to attract 100 persons even at no admission charge.

As I said, the band is good, but I'd like to see them get involved and make the atmosphere at MSU athletic events more exciting and enjoyable for the student body.

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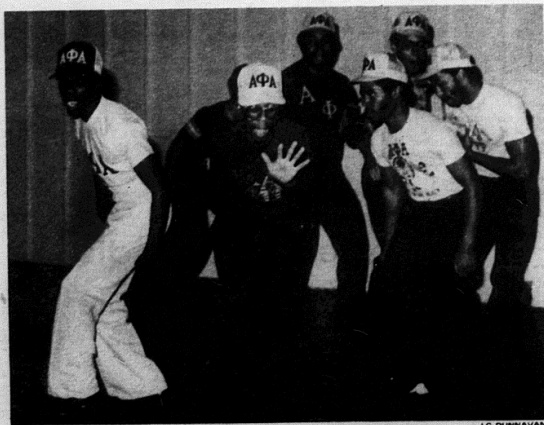
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LOISTENE NORFLEET, MSU president Morris Norfleet, and Homecoming Queen Tammy Jo Worthington and her escort, Randy McCleese, pose for pictures during pregame activities at Saturday's game, above. Lynn Harrell helps to decorate Mignon Hall for Homecoming, left.

Gregory Threat, Chris Bennett, Gary Boyd, Artilla Scisney, Chris Turley, Cleagell Petty, and Joe Tuck of Alpha Phi Alpha perform during the "Step Show" of the Harambee on campus this weekend, below.



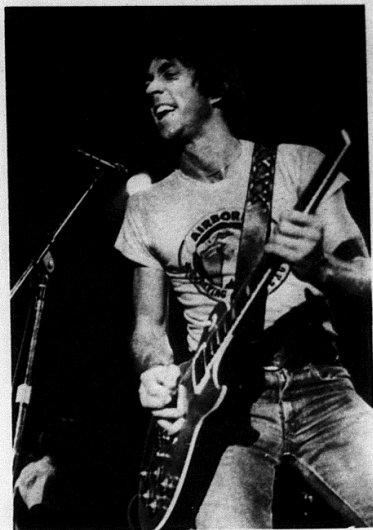
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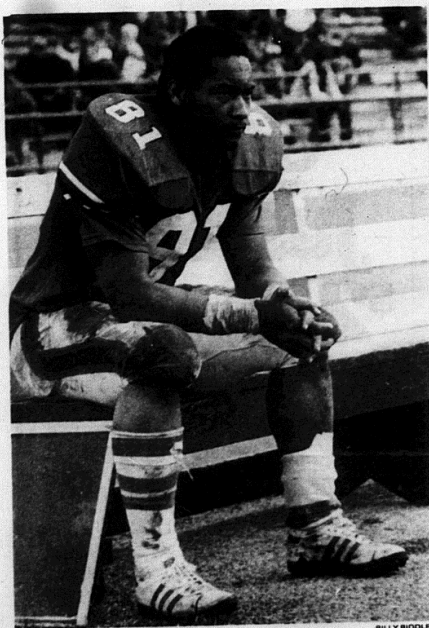
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MICHAEL WOODS OF AMERICA belts out a tune during Thursday night's concert in Wetherby Gym, right. Henry Aaron Jr., son of the major league batting king and a member of the UT-Martin football squad, sums up his team's frustration in its loss to the Eagles, below left. Chris Turley, Artilla Scisney, and Gregory Threat begin work on the Alpha Phi Alpha float for the Homecoming Parade, which won the first place prize of \$400.



BILLY BIDDLE



D. R. WRIGHT

At Citizens Speak Out

Collective bargaining big topic

By RONNIE BLAIR

Professional negotiations for teachers was the primary topic discussed at the "Citizens Speak Out" held in Reed Hall Oct. 10.

The program was jointly sponsored by the Legislative Research Commission (LRC) and the area Jaycees, and gave citizens a chance to state their views on current issues to members of the 1980 General Assembly.

Lake Cooper, a teacher at MSU and former member of the Rowan County School Board, said she had heard from teachers say they were afraid to speak to the board.

"Many teachers are just as afraid as a prisoner of war," said Cooper. "There are communities in the state that have

dictators (for superintendents). Consider them (teachers) as human beings so they can stand up and say what they think."

Rep. Ronald Cyrus (D-Flatwood) was the only member of the legislative panel who spoke in favor of professional negotiations.

"Why would the school board have any fear to sit down with teachers and talk about problems?" he asked.

Michael Little, an MSU student, also was in favor of professional negotiations. Little was chiefly concerned with the number of students that are assigned to a classroom and the number of subjects a teacher must teach.

"With professional negotiations, and with a no-strike clause, the teachers

would not feel intimidated about going to the board," said Little.

John Brock, superintendent of Rowan County schools, expressed his views against professional negotiations. He said the board would have to have a professional negotiator and this would cost public funds.

Brock also said he feared all the talk between the teachers and the board would deal with professional negotiations rather than education.

A man who failed to identify himself suggested that the state tax on the basis of income, rather than on a straight percentage that is equal for everyone.

"I think all income collected by the federal government from people who make less than \$20,000 should be left at the state level," said the man. "Also, I think the utility tax is the most regressive tax there is because it hits poor people the hardest. I think those people who make great wealth should help out the country that provides them with this great wealth."

Other topics discussed at the forum included aid for senior citizens, nuclear waste, synthetic fuels and writing of laws in layman's language.

Legislators other than Cyrus participating in the forum were Rep. Pete Worthington (D-Ewing), Rep. Woody May (D-West Liberty), Rep. George Plummer (R-Vanceburg), Sen. John Rose (D-Winchester), Rep. Adrian Arnold (D-Mt. Sterling), and Rep. Ray O. Brown (D-Sandy Hook).

The "Speak Out" session was the last of a series of twelve. Other forums have been held in Somerset, Louisville, Covington, Paducah, Lexington, Owensboro, Bowling Green and Cumberland.

Yearbook will get here--someday

By RONDA VIRGIN

Have you been wondering why the yearbook that was supposed to come out in early October still isn't here?

The Raconteur staff is also wondering. Raconteur faculty adviser Paul Wright explains that the date students will receive the yearbook is still uncertain. He adds that everything now depends on the plant in Dallas responsible for printing the yearbook.

This year's staff consists of 27 members. Two or three of these students write, seven serve as photographers and the remaining 17 do odds and ends such as layout, work on a specific section or gather information.

In addition to these regular staff members, Wright is helping his Feature Writing students gain experience by assigning features to be contributed to the Raconteur. He explains, "The only way to learn is to go out and do it. This way we kill two birds with one stone."

The theme of this year's yearbook is "Consistency in Contrast." Wright explains that consistency is a comparison of like things, and contrast is the differences. "Everyone and everything is consistent within itself, but in a group everyone is different."

The Raconteur has a budget of \$44,000. This includes everything: film, supplies, etc. Actual printing costs are between \$36,000 and \$37,000. This money is mainly obtained from

university funds and student fees.

Editor Maggie Lake says that any students interested in working for the Raconteur can come to the meetings (Wednesday at 3:30 in Allie Young 17) and fill out an application. She adds, "The application is just so we will know where to put them. No one is turned down."

Assisting Lake on the staff are Managing Editor Allen Lake, Student Life Editor Gloria Greene, Sports Editor Donna Murphy, Academics Editor Shelley Arnold, Organizations Editor Jean Espenschied and Classes and Index Editor Cathy Armstrong.

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Discount Day a success

By JUDY NEISWENDER

Programs Director Kathy Lanter says the Student Discount Day held last Wednesday was "the best it's ever been."

At the Student Government Association meeting Wednesday, Lanter said several downtown merchants that did not participate this time had already expressed an interest in helping with the next Student Discount Day. Lanter said February is the tentative time for the next one.

In other SGA news, Entertainment Committee Chairman Bill Bolser and Consensus Committee Chairman

Donna Totich put an entertainment survey proposal before the congress. The survey will be distributed among the students in an attempt to discover musical preference and what the students know about the entertainment budget. The bill was passed unanimously.

Bolser also said a bid is being sent out to Leon Russell for a possible concert during the proposed "Stay in Morehead Weekend".

President Karl Selichter said the voter registration held by the SGA and the Young Democrats was successful. Selichter said 250 people were registered to vote.

Speech team places sixth

By G.W. SHEEHAN

The speech team should be one of the top ten in the nation again this year, said Chip Letzgus, director of individual Events.

After finishing sixth in the nation last year, the team opened the season at Western Kentucky University by placing sixth in a field of thirty. Seven of the top ten teams were in the competition.

"It is a very encouraging way to start the season, and indicates this year is going to be just as good as last year, if not better," he said.

Cathy Figg placed second in after dinner speaking, while Cathy Thomas

took fourth. Randy Turner placed third in informative speaking, and fourth in persuasive speaking.

Randy Turner also placed sixth in the Triton. The Triton is for competitors who had entered a public speaking, limited preparation, and oral interpretation event.

Letzgus said the first tournament is a hard one because everyone has not practiced over the summer. He added, "To perform well at the first tournament is an indication of the strength of the entire year."

The team's next competition is on Oct. 19-20 at Trevecca-Nazarene College in Nashville, Tn. Two weeks later the team will host the fifth annual Eagle championship on campus.

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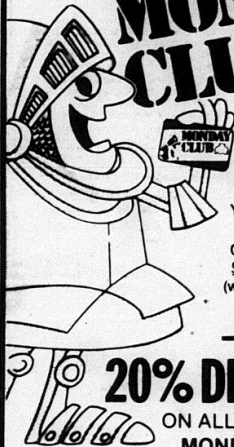


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Lady Eagles take second; win two of three in tourney

By GORDON SPYLOT

The Lady Eagle Volleyball team played two "preliminary" matches Saturday before facing the only tough opponent, the University of Dayton, bowing to the Flyers, 15-12, 15-8.

The women did play two matches before the Dayton match, but out-classed both teams, downing Virginia Tech, 15-3, 15-7, and blasting Kentucky State, 15-3, 15-3.

That left the Flyers and as junior Margie Ruschman put it, "We played an up-and-down game."

Although none of the players The Trail Blazer spoke to would admit it, Coach Laradeen Brown said she felt there was another reason for the loss—psychological intimidation.

Specifically, the intimidator was Ann Meyers, a 6-1 powerhouse of a spiker.

Meyers began her intimidation by putting on a spiking show before the match itself, and although the Lady Eagles had seen her before, her mere presence, in Brown's opinion, played a part in the loss.

"Ann's intimidating—she gives Dayton the appearance of being a strong team. She's very agile and she has tremendous self-confidence," the Lady Eagles' mentor said.

But she pointed out that the women did not lose the game primarily because of Meyers' ability, because they were able to block her spikes effectively, for the most part.

But she added, "With Ann, UD has the appearance of a confident, almost arrogant team."

Brown was highly pleased with the overall play of her team, especially commending freshman Lynn Nicholson for her work as a setter in a substitute role for senior Karen Forge, who was under a doctor's care.

The coach agreed with Ruschman's assessment of an up and down game, citing excellent spiking, but adding that five critical serving errors were made

in the final game, as well as other errors of judgement.

Junior Donna Wiezecki summed up the team feeling when she said, "We were always behind (Dayton) led both games from the start! Then when we got close, we couldn't pull it together."

The team travels to Wright State University Friday for a two-day tournament and will face Louisville at U of L Tuesday.

Ladies lose to Marshall; drop to 5-3

The poor weather Morehead has had so far caught up to the MSU women's tennis team in a different way Saturday.

The Lady Eagles dropped a narrow 5-4 decision to Marshall University in their last home match of the fall, after a week of rain restricted Morehead State's practices to the indoors.

"We hadn't had a good practice in a week with all the bad weather," Coach Beverly Mayhew pointed out. "We hit against the wall in the gym, but that just isn't the same."

The top three Morehead State singles players notched victories. Freshmen Allison Hill and Maria Hellstrom and sophomore Jennie Circle all won in straight sets. Hellstrom remained undefeated with her eighth straight triumph. Hill and Circle combined for the Lady Eagles' only doubles win, a convincing 6-0, 6-2 victory.

Morehead State will take a 5-3 record into action next Saturday as Mayhew's team meets Middle Tennessee at Eastern Kentucky. The match is MSU's last before the KWIC Division II Championships, which start Oct. 26.



DAN HITEPOLE

MSU's KAREN PORTER crosses the finish line in the cross country meet held at Morehead on Saturday. Porter, a freshman, took first place with a time of 18:54.

Men's A team second at EKV

The men's cross country team took two teams to the Eastern Kentucky Invitational on Saturday and placed an

A team in second place and a B team in fourth. They also managed to run their best five-mile times of the season.

Eastern Kentucky won the meet, followed by MSU's A team, Cincinnati, MSU's B team, Centre, Bellarmine and Transylvania.

MSU's Dave Bowman placed first with a time of 23:41, and Steve Gosney placed third at 23:50.

Other finishers for the Eagles were Kevin Ruland, eighth at 24:38; Marty Withrow, tenth at 24:53; Dave Campbell, twelfth at 25:01; Tim Back, thirteenth at 25:06; and Bill Valenzano, sixteenth at 25:10.

The Eagles will host Marshall Saturday at 11 a.m.

Runners win; eye OVC

The Lady Eagles sweep five of the top eight places in their only home meet of the season on Saturday.

MSU and Ohio University were the only full teams at the meet, but Marshall and Bellarmine were also represented.

Karen Porter took first place with a time of 18:54, while teammate Hope Caudill placed third at 19:35.

Barb Ferris was fifth at 20:12, Becky Bennett placed seventh at 20:40, Laura Baker finished eighth at 21:23 and Mary

Charles Crockett ended 15th at 23:10.

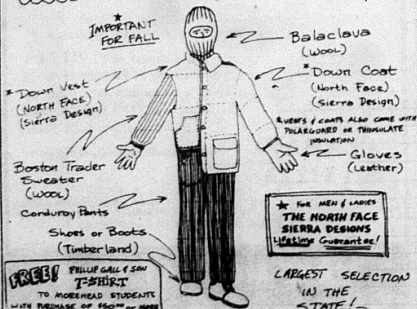
Coach Jane White commented, "I think we've come a long way over the course of the season but we still have plenty of room for improvement. We have two weeks before the Ohio Valley Conference meet and we should be in top shape by then. We really have no excuse for not winning the OVC."

The Lady Eagles take this weekend off before competing in the OVC Championships next Saturday at Western.

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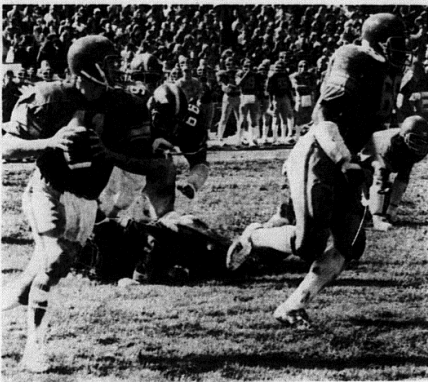
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MOREHEAD STATE quarterback Tommy Fox (11) looks downfield as he rolls out behind Mike Ealey (66) in Saturday's game against UT-Martin. The Eagles edged the Pacers, 7-0.

—BILLY BIDDLE

MSU Soccer Club bows against Eastern

By GORDON SYPOLT

With a 4-2 loss to Eastern Kentucky Saturday, it is quite apparent how much the soccer club misses the presences of injured defensemen Fred Hans and Bobby Sorrels, and unavailable goalie Kent Brown.

Coach Mohammed Sabie said, "We just aren't the same team without

them," but quickly added that their substitutes are good players.

Sorrels, Hans and Brown are three of the best defensive players in the state and cannot be replaced without its having an effect on the team.

Goals were scored by juniors Mike Sparkman and Ramzy Bayatti.

The team has a key match with Kentucky Saturday (3 p.m. at the

soccer field) and Sabie expects the three defensemen to be ready, stating with confidence, "If we have them, we'll win the game and the state championship."

The game with UK is vital because the Wildcats are 3-0-0 in Division I play, while MSU stands at 1-0-1. Only games played against Division I teams count toward bids in the state tourney.

Rifle team first in nationals

By SEAN KELLY

Morehead State's rifle team placed first in the first of a two-day All-American College Conference national tournament at Eastern Kentucky University Saturday.

MSU scored 4,250 points out of a possible 4,800 for the victory.

The four participating members competing in the second division (non-scholarship) placed in the top ten positions.

Mark Brunelle, a senior from Loveland, Ohio, was first, scoring 1,090 out of a possible 1,200.

Scott Goode, co-captain, a Versailles senior, placed second, scoring 1,081.

Floyd Johnson, sophomore, from Burbon County, finished fourth with 1,045.

Team captain Bill Thompson, a Valley Stream sophomore, came in sixth with 1,034.

Fifteen colleges participated in the two-day tournament. The second half was held Sunday at Murray State University.

Last weekend, MSU won a tournament held at Button Auditorium, defeating the University of Kentucky and Xavier University.

Bill Thompson said that although the team lost two good shooters to graduation, the team is still strong. "Each teammate makes up a little bit for that," he said.

Thompson also said that their victory this weekend has "helped build up confidence for our next match," which will be Nov. 10 at a UK invitational. The Walsh Invitational at Xavier follows on Nov. 11.

Thompson credited the team's performance to coach Sgt. Joseph A. Donaldson.

"He stays on us pretty much," Thompson said. "He watches us and discusses any problem we have in practice." The team practices two hours a day, four to five hours a week.

Thompson also mentioned that winning the tournament by 100 points "made our coach especially proud."

The two alternates are Paul Donner, a junior, who was at the tournament, and Jeff Lewis, a Greenup county freshman.

sports calendar

Football, at Tennessee Tech, Saturday.

Men's Cross Country, MSU Golf Course, Saturday, MSU vs. Marshall, 11 a.m.

Women's Volleyball, at Wright State Tournament, Friday and Saturday; at Louisville, Tuesday.

Women's Tennis, at Eastern Kentucky, Saturday, MSU vs. Middle Tennessee.

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Eagles win first Homecoming game since '71

MSU beats Pacers 7-0; ups record to 4-1

By GREG LOOMIS

It wasn't an exciting offensive game, but following MSU's Homecoming victory over University of Tennessee-Martin on Saturday afternoon, Eagle Head Coach Tom Lichtenberg summed it up simply: "A win's a win, men."

An even though it was the third straight week that the Eagle offense managed to score only seven points, it was enough to set the following Morehead milestones:

Coupled with last week's 7-0 win over Austin Peay, the first back-to-back shutouts by the Eagles in 15 years.

In hiking their record to 4-1 under first-year coach Lichtenberg, the best MSU start since 1971, the last year the Eagles had a winning season.

The first MSU Homecoming triumph since 1971, when Tennessee Tech fell 14-7.

Lichtenberg refuses to take the credit for Morehead's somewhat surprising record. "It isn't superior coaching or superior athletes, but having quality kids. They do the things we ask them to and that makes a difference."

The key component to the Eagle win was once again the defense, which limited the Pacers to 171 total offensive yards. Senior linebacker Tommy Warren, named the game's most valuable player, led the team with 11 unassisted tackles, despite being lifted in the third quarter due to a pinched nerve in his neck.

Senior defensive tackle Matt Blair, who suffered a knee injury in the first half, will be out two to three weeks.

The defense set up the only score of the game. With less than three minutes gone in the game, Pacer quarterback Jimmy Wash fumbled the snap from center and defensive end Marc Kessler recovered the ball at the Marc 16-yard line.

On first down, senior quarterback Tommy Fox surprised the 8,500 Jayne Stadium spectators as he hit tight end Tim Devine with a 15-yard sideline pass. Two plays later, Fox sneaked in

from the one, and Eagle placekicker John Henderson added the extra point.

"We planned to pass on the first possession all week," Lichtenberg explained after the game. Fox, who ended up with only one completion out of three attempts, said the offense tried to fake the Pacer linebackers to the left and pass to the right, but the Martin defense wised up after the initial surprise.

The Pacers challenged the Eagle defense twice in the second half. In the third quarter, Tommy Warren stopped Martin running back Everett Deveaux for no gain on a fourth down play at the MSU 16. In the fourth quarter the Pacers threatened again, but Julius Combs broke up a third down pass attempt from the Eagle 18-yard line. On the fourth down desperation effort, Pacer quarterback Neil Ross' pass fell incomplete.

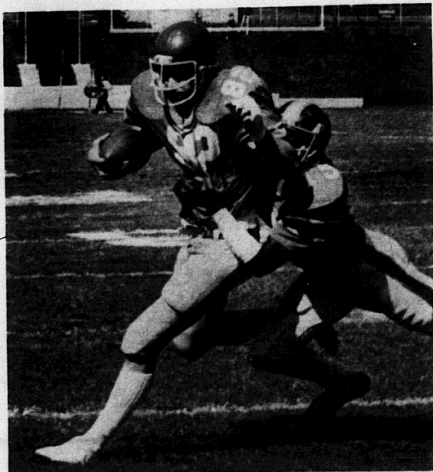
Lichtenberg couldn't give enough praise to his defensive squad, singling out Warren, linebacker Rodney Jefferson, end Ken Alexander and relatively inexperienced defensive back Bill Vogt, who Lichtenberg said did "a darn good job for a freshman."

Senior Greg Bright, who helped the Eagle secondary hold Martin to only 17 passing yards, said the defensive team is playing as a total unit now. "No matter how close they got—even if they were first and goal on the one—I'd tell it to your face they won't score."

Lichtenberg said Martin was a much tougher team defensively than some people thought. Eagle fullback Bernard McIntosh, who was leading the Ohio Valley Conference last week with 37.3 yards per game and a 7.1 yards-per-carry average, was held to 44 yards in nine attempts.

Fox, who appears to be gaining more confidence each week running option plays, picked up 44 yards on the grounds, and sophomore Dwight Yarn added 40.

Triple-threat Dorrton Hunter, who Lichtenberg says is about 90 percent recovered from an ankle injury,



G.W. SHEEHAN

TIM DEVINE (12) is grabbed by a UT-Martin player in Saturday's 7-0 Homecoming victory. The Eagles travel to Cookeville on Saturday to take on the Golden Eagles of Tennessee Tech.

managed only 36 yards rushing and an 18-yard kickoff return. Lichtenberg pointed out that the fleet-footed wide receiver had difficulty making sharp cuts on the muddy end of the field. "If we get Dorrton on a dry field, watch out," the coach added.

Two standout starters at offensive guard for the Eagles will be lost for the rest of the season. Sophomore Dean Copeland and senior Davey Locke, who were injured before the Murray game, will be put on hardship waivers to retain a year of eligibility.

This Saturday the Eagles will return to OVC action against Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, Tenn. Tech, which was the pre-season pick to finish in the OVC's top three, is winless in the conference and 1-5 overall.

Lichtenberg cautions against taking Tech lightly. "Why they are not near the top of the league, I don't know. It's their homecoming game, and they're going to be ready for us," he said.

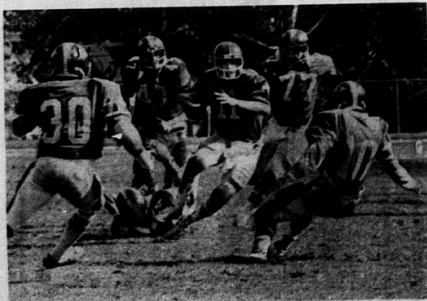
In two conference games Saturday, league-leader Murray State (the only team to defeat MSU) topped Middle Tennessee 29-8. Western Kentucky, tied with Eastern for second place with 2-0 marks, thumped Tennessee Tech 49-7. Eastern and Western will square off this Saturday.

Lichtenberg said Fox and the offense are improving each week.

"We moved the ball better today than last week," he said after the Martin game, "but stupid mistakes hurt us, such as a fumble loss along with a clipping penalty on a punt return."

Obviously pleased with his team's enthusiasm and mounting confidence, Lichtenberg says that as long as the defense is not put in bad field position "it's going to be tough to score on them."

"With our kids we needed to win a couple early," the coach added. "They needed to believe in themselves."



G.W. SHEEHAN

EAGLE QUARTERBACK Tommy Fox (11) is cornered by UT-Martin players in Saturday's contest at Jayne Stadium. The Eagle victory boosted the season's record to 4-1, the best start since 1971. It also marked the first MSU Homecoming triumph since '71.

OVC standings

	OVC	Overall
Murray St.	3-0-0	5-1-1
Eastern Ky.	2-0-0	3-1-0
Western Ky.	2-0-0	2-2-0
MOREHEAD ST.	2-1-0	1-1-0
Tenn. Tech	0-2-0	1-5-0
Austin Peay	0-2-0	2-2-0
Middle Tennessee	0-2-0	0-5-0