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Transition year offers choice to summer grads

By MISSY CARROLL
news editor

The approximately 200 seniors who discovered during spring pre-registration they would have to wait until December 1992 to march to "Pomp and Circumstance" have received a welcomed concession.

Those seniors who had expected to finish up a few classes or complete an internship in the summer in order to march in the May graduation ceremony discovered two weeks ago they would have to wait until the following December ceremony to be publicly honored.

However, after students complained, university officials have decided to make this year a transition year. Students who finish in August 1992 may

decide to walk the line this May or the following December.

After the initial announcement, students planning to complete requirements in August were faced with the problem of having to take an overload of classes to be able to graduate in the spring. Otherwise, a journey back in December would be necessary.

Senior health care management major Tracy Cullins was one of those students caught in the university's attempt to make the December graduation meaningful. Cullins will be completing an internship in June and would have had to return to Clarksville to march. She and other students met with university President Oscar Page last Tuesday to discuss the matter.

According to Cullins, the general consensus of students is, "In the past, they

have done it (walked in the spring ceremony). We see no reason why it should be changed now."

According to Sheila Amos, assistant director of Records and Registration, the students have expressed that it was not communicated to them far enough in advance. "The seniors for the summer have not had enough time to make other plans," Amos said. A paragraph about the decision for the prospective summer graduates to march in the December graduation was included in the spring schedule of classes.

Amos and Dr. Dennis Dulniak, director of Records and Registration, have taken all the students' concerns into account. "We looked at the policy again and decided that this will be a transition year," Amos said.

In this transition year, summer gradu-

uates will be able to make a choice of which ceremony they will participate in. Amos stressed that this will be the only year that the students will be able to choose. In 1993, summer graduates will have to march in December.

Those students who plan to participate in the spring 1992 ceremony must apply for graduation and pay the \$25 graduation fee by Jan. 17.

Applications for graduation will be available Dec. 2 in the lobby of Ellington. The application must be returned to Records and Registration. The \$25 fee must be paid in the Business Office located in Browning.

If students have any questions concerning graduation, they may contact Sheila Amos or Jana Fort at 648-7121.

Senator's survey results in resolution favoring fall break

By JANICE REILLY
guest writer

The SGA passed a resolution last Thursday calling for a fall break to be added to the university academic calendar next year.

The action came after Senator Holle Fuqua presented results of a survey showing students favor a break by 20 to 1.

Fuqua said she decided to do this survey of Austin Peay students to see if others felt as stressed from tests and papers as she did.

Referring to the possible fall break, Fuqua said, "I'm really excited about this; I really want it to go through and work."

She said she decided to do this survey on her own, from the typing to the copying. Fuqua took 4,000 surveys to the campus post office to be placed in students' boxes. She said 427 surveys were returned.

The first question on the survey asked, "Do you feel that a fall break is needed?" Fuqua said there were 404 "yes" responses, and 23 "no" responses.

The second question asked, "How many school days do you think should be allotted for this break?" She tabulated five people who marked one day; 143 marked two days; and 250 people marked three days.

The next question was, "When do you

think the days should be subtracted/added to the school year for this break?" Fuqua said 252 students elected to return to the fall semester a few days early while 86 wanted to subtract the days from Christmas break.

The final question was, "When do you think the break should be scheduled?" She counted 37 who wanted the break the last week of September; 230 chose the week after Homecoming; 119 wanted a longer Thanksgiving break; and 41 wished to break at another time.

Fuqua recited some of the comments that were written on the surveys. One student said, "Good idea. Students will appreciate the break and will be more excited about school."

Another student wrote, "I think this is a really good idea. AP students really need a fall break - other schools do already."

"Burnout is a major problem in the fall," expressed one person.

One student wrote, "Breaks are for play, and I'm here to learn."

"Why does UT get a fall break and get out a week before we do if we start at the same time?" questioned one student.

Another student wrote, "I feel a fall break would decrease freshman dropouts due to a decrease in burnout and student apathy."

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DISCUSSING THE ISSUE—Left, Camille Reese, vice president of the SGA, recognizes speakers while Melanie Miller, at the podium, presents the "sexual orientation" resolution. Right, Pam Lake voices her opinion. (photo by Donna Lovett)

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News

Austin Peay expects large crowd for AP Day

By JANINE HAMILTON-SETTLE
Staff writer

Area high school students and their parents will have a chance to learn about every facet of campus life at Austin Peay on AP Day this Saturday.

Robert W. Biggers Jr., one of the coordinators of the event, said, "We are expecting about 800 guests on campus that day."

About 425 of those guests are expected to be prospective students. The other guests expected will be family and friends, according to Biggers.

"There are a lot of high school students that already know about Austin Peay Day. Whenever we go into the schools they say, 'Hey, we got a card or letter in the mail about Austin Peay. We know about that day, and they seem really interested,'" Biggers said.

Patty Williams, an admissions counselor who is also working to coordinate the day-long event, said they are expecting a bigger crowd this year than ever before—weather permitting.

"We had an AP Day here in 1983, but it really started in 1988. In 1988, we had about 300 students and parents. In 1989, we had about 500, and last year we almost had 700 students and parents attend," Williams said.

"This year what we are doing different is we will have two parent sessions where parents will be able to speak with Dr. Page and other panel members including representatives from financial aid. That's a big plus for us."

"Also, last year we had exhibits and displays set up from all of the departments for the guests to browse through. We are still going to have the displays,

but this year they can go straight to the departments and look around and ask questions," Biggers said.

Evaluations the admissions office had received in the past showed parents and students would have preferred to have had smaller tour groups. This year groups will be comprised of about 25 people each.

"Last year we had about three groups with 100 people in each one," Williams said.

"I believe that the smaller groups will be more effective. People will have a better chance to hear and see what is going on," Biggers added. "About 32 groups will be touring the campus simultaneously."

"We plan to begin the tours after everyone has attended the two 30-minute sessions we will have that morn-

ing. One session will focus on financial aid and scholarships while the other will be an entertainment session provided by the APeople—APSU cheerleaders, The Voices of Triumph, and other various groups," Biggers said.

During the tours, AP Day guests will have an opportunity to view all of the dorms.

In the past, prospective students from states other than Tennessee have included Kentucky, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and Indiana.

Each prospective student attending this year will receive a free APSUT shirt and will also have an opportunity to watch Austin Peay in their last season football game against Murray State.

Resolution soundly rejected

By JEFF WISDOM
assistant news editor

The APSU Student Government Association rejected a resolution aimed at adding "sexual orientation" to the university's non-discrimination policy last Thursday evening. The measure was soundly defeated by a margin of 19-6.

The resolution, sponsored by Senator Melanie Miller, was designed to grant homosexuals the same protection as other minorities on campus. It was first introduced to the SGA during the Oct. 31 meeting. Senators voted 11-10 to table the resolution during that meeting after some members expressed a need for more time to consider the bill.

Before the vote was taken, SGA members were informed by Dr. Philip Weast, vice president for student affairs, that "sexual orientation" had just been added to APSU's non-discrimination clause at the recommendation of APSU President Dr. Oscar Page.

Several senators questioned the necessity of taking a vote since the decision to enact the measure had already been made. Weast encouraged members to proceed with the vote as the "voice of the student body."

The actual vote was preceded by a lengthy debate involving senators both for and against the measure. Many senators were concerned about voting in favor of a resolution which seemed to condone homosexuality. Glenn Carter, chairman of the social work department at APSU, was a firm proponent of the resolution. He tried to convince the group that the resolution was merely a step toward protecting individual rights.

Some senators were also concerned about the legal aspects of the bill, specifically that homosexual activity between two individuals is illegal in Tennessee. Carter pointed out to the group that while it is illegal to engage in homosexual activity in the state, it is not illegal to simply be a homosexual. "It is also illegal to use heroin, but it is not

illegal to be a heroin addict," he added.

After the meeting, several senators expressed their personal opinions about the "sexual orientation" issue.

Senator Steve Mackey said, "I was against the resolution. I do not believe the campus should condone homosexuality."

Holle Fuqua, senator from the College of Education, agreed by saying, "the 'sexual orientation' clause has no place in the student handbook. A person's sexual orientation is no one's business but his or her own."

Senator John Bartee stated, "I would not vote for anything that promotes an illegal activity."

Senator Stacie Hamm, an adamant supporter of the resolution, stated, "I'm glad we voted, regardless of the way everyone felt about it. I supported the resolution. It is wrong to discriminate against a particular group."

Senator Melanie Miller, the prime sponsor of the resolution, said, "Although I'm disappointed the resolution wasn't approved by the Senate, at least the campus is made aware of the sexual orientation issue. Maybe some of the senators' beliefs will change eventually."

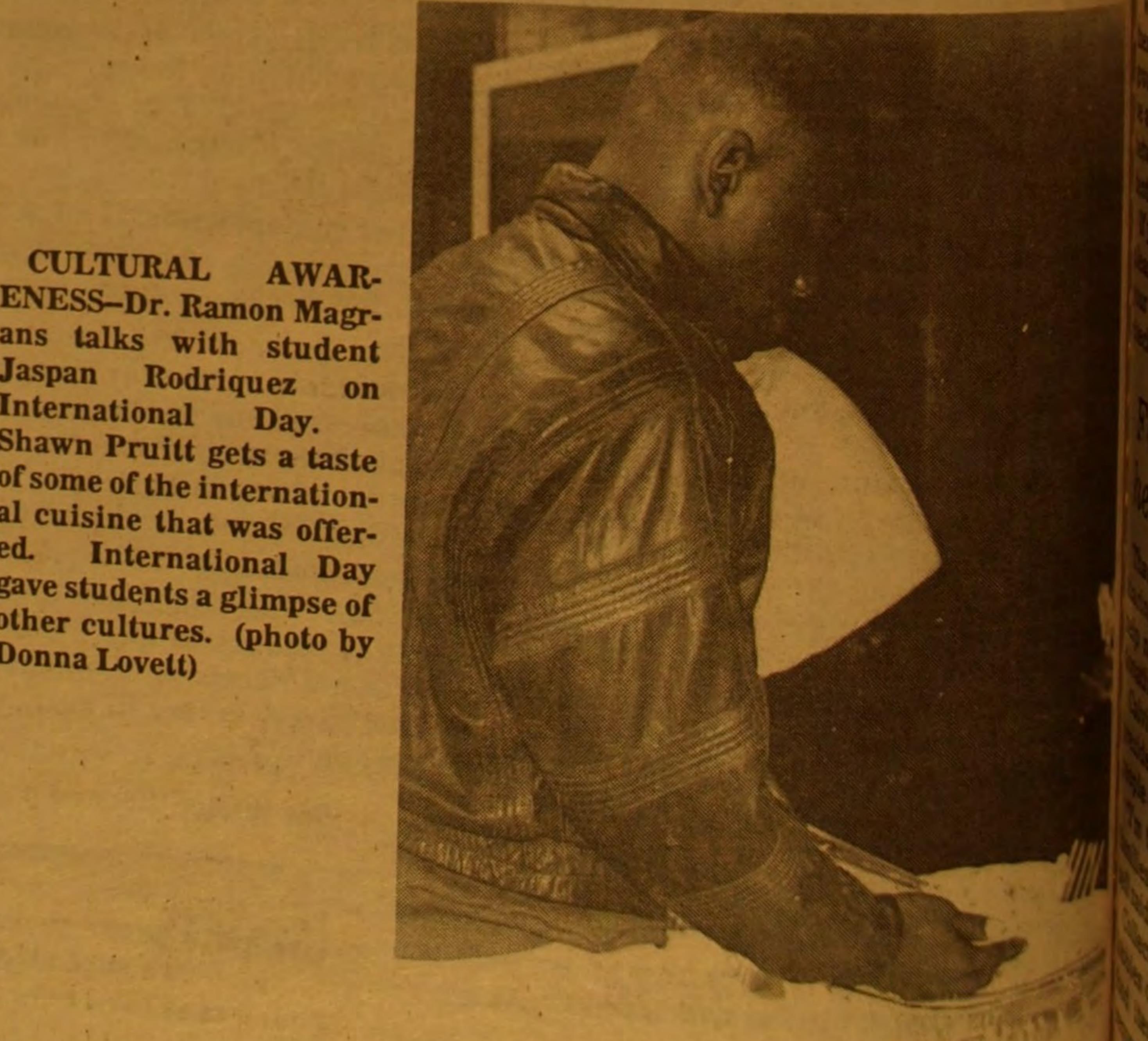
Senator Jude Crowell stated, "Everyone has experienced discrimination at one time or another and knows how it feels."

Parliamentarian Lalo Bradford felt that fellow SGA members misunderstood the purpose of the resolution. "It should have been passed," he said. "I think everyone missed the premise of the resolution. It was not a matter of being for or against homosexuality. It was simply a matter of legislative protection for a particular group. The senators were elected by students and they should represent students."

Senator Jacqueline Tyl stated, "If the university were taken to court for discrimination, the university would lose. It is wrong to discriminate."

Carter contributed his assessment of last Thursday's meeting. "I was very

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CULTURAL AWARENESS—Dr. Ramon Magrana talks with student Jaspan Rodriguez on International Day. Shawn Pruitt gets a taste of some of the international cuisine that was offered. International Day gave students a glimpse of other cultures. (photo by Donna Lovett)

Campus Briefs

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Golden to attend national workshop

An Austin Peay State University professor of psychology, who also has made a name for himself in outcomes assessment, has been invited by the National Center of Education Statistics to participate in a workshop, the agenda of which may have significant ramifications on national policy toward postsecondary education.

Dr. Anthony Golden is one of only 60 people nationwide invited to participate in the workshop as "informed experts." Golden is director of the Project of Area Concentration Achievement Testing (PACAT), a project that investigates higher order thinking and communication skills.

According to Golden, they will work on formulation of a national policy statement regarding one specific goal, which states: "By the year 2000, the proportion of college graduates who demonstrate an advanced ability to think critically, communicate effectively and solve problems will increase substantially."

Prior to this workshop Nov. 8-9, Golden will attend the 13th annual University/Urbn Schools National Task Force meeting in Atlanta, Ga., to address the role of assessment and instruction at national, state and city levels. Attendance is by invitation only.

Blood drive makes return trip to UC

The American Red Cross blood drive is returning to Austin Peay State University on Wednesday, Nov. 20.

In the past year, organizational participation has been a major factor in making the blood drive at Austin Peay very successful. In order to show our appreciation for these efforts, the Red Cross and Sigma Chi Fraternity are presenting a plaque to the group or organization which has the most participation in the blood drive.

When you sign up before giving blood, there will be a place for you to enter your group or organization's name. This would be a great way to promote public relations between your organization and the students, faculty and the American Red Cross.

If you cannot participate in giving blood, please ask a friend to give and be sure to put your organization's name down on the check-in sheet.

Food donations help needy families

Thanksgiving is a time for feasting and sharing. Austin Peay has an opportunity to help needy families this Thanksgiving by donating to a food drive.

Calvin Russell, the university's NAACP president, planned this drive to bring people together.

"I'm trying my best to make sure some families have a happy Thanksgiving," Russell said.

Collection boxes have been placed in the lobbies of each dorm. Any non-perishable food items, such as canned goods, are requested.

These food donations will be collected

Friday, Nov. 22, and given to a church to distribute.

Austin Peay's NAACP and Housing and Residence Life are co-sponsoring this event.

High-risk students benefit from grant

High-risk students can receive a helping hand from Austin Peay State University with the continuation of a major grant for the U.S. Department of Education.

The Student Support Services Program recently received \$124,162 in second-year funding, which includes a \$24,162 increase in the grant amount for 1991-92. Also, according to Linda Freed, director of grants and sponsored programs, APSU will contribute \$23,059 (or 16 percent of total project costs) in direct support of the project. The grant will be re-assessed in August 1992.

According to Dr. Carlette Hardin, project director, APSU has received the funding for the Student Support Services Program since 1980. "The program provides academic assistance to those students who are high-risk because of their academic or socio-economic background," she said.

Students who are eligible to participate in the program include those with disabilities, those whose family income may exclude them from attending college or those whose parents did not attend college.

Through the grant, 165 students will receive the services provided.

Students who meet grant eligibility and are selected as participants are provided tutoring, information about financial aid sources and academic assistance.

For more information, telephone Hardin at (615) 648-7612.

Craft bazaar and barbecue planned

The Austin Peay State University U.S. Army ROTC members will sponsor a bazaar on Nov. 23 and Nov. 24. Barbecue dinners will be served on Nov. 23 by the Chi Omega Women's Fraternity.

The bazaar will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. on both days. Dinner will be available from 4-7 p.m. on Nov. 23.

The bazaar will feature vendors with homemade crafts, including items for Christmas.

Tickets for the annual Chi Omega barbecue dinner are \$5, with proceeds going to the children's ward at Clarksville Memorial Hospital.

Both events will be held in the APSU ROTC Armory building on Marion Street.

First "Turkey Trot" set for Nov. 23

A Turkey Trot, sponsored by Bendix Brake Co., is scheduled for Nov. 23 with the proceeds benefiting the Habitat for Humanity.

The eight kilometer race is set to begin at 9 a.m. and will be followed by a one mile fun run. All winners of the races in their age category will be awarded a turkey due to the Thanksgiving season. There will also be a team challenge division for different organ-

izations who have five members to participate.

All proceeds will go to the newly founded Clarksville chapter of the Habitat for Humanity which is an international, inter-denominational Christian organization that provides low income housing for the homeless.

The registration fee is \$8 and includes a free T-shirt. For information or to register contact Mark Forrester, campus minister for the Wesley Foundation and member of the Habitat for Humanity at 647-6412.

Research Day set for nursing students

The Fifth Annual Nursing Research Day will be held at Austin Peay State University on Nov. 22 from 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Blanchfield Army Community Hospital, the Nursing Research Committee and the APSU chapter of the Nursing Honor Society will co-sponsor the event in the Joe Morgan University Center Ballroom at APSU.

Keynote speaker will be Col. Susan Shipley-Christoph, who holds a doctorate of Nursing Science from Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

Col. Christoph, who is chief of the department of nursing at Ireland Army Community Hospital in Fort Knox, Ky., will present the program; "Demystifying the Research Process."

The presentation will outline the difference between student research and nursing practice research, discuss three major issues impacting nursing research and relate the eight major steps in the nursing process.

Other featured speakers will be Francisca Farrar, associate professor of nursing at APSU; Maureen Groer, director of the doctoral program for the College of Nursing at University of Tennessee-Knoxville; Wynona Bice-Stephens, doctoral student at Vanderbilt University in Human Resource Development Training Program; and Steve Brannon, doctoral student at Vanderbilt in the Human Resource Development Training Program.

Admission is \$15 and includes lunch. For more information, telephone (502) 798-8315 or (615) 648-7710.

Speaker to address change in philosophy

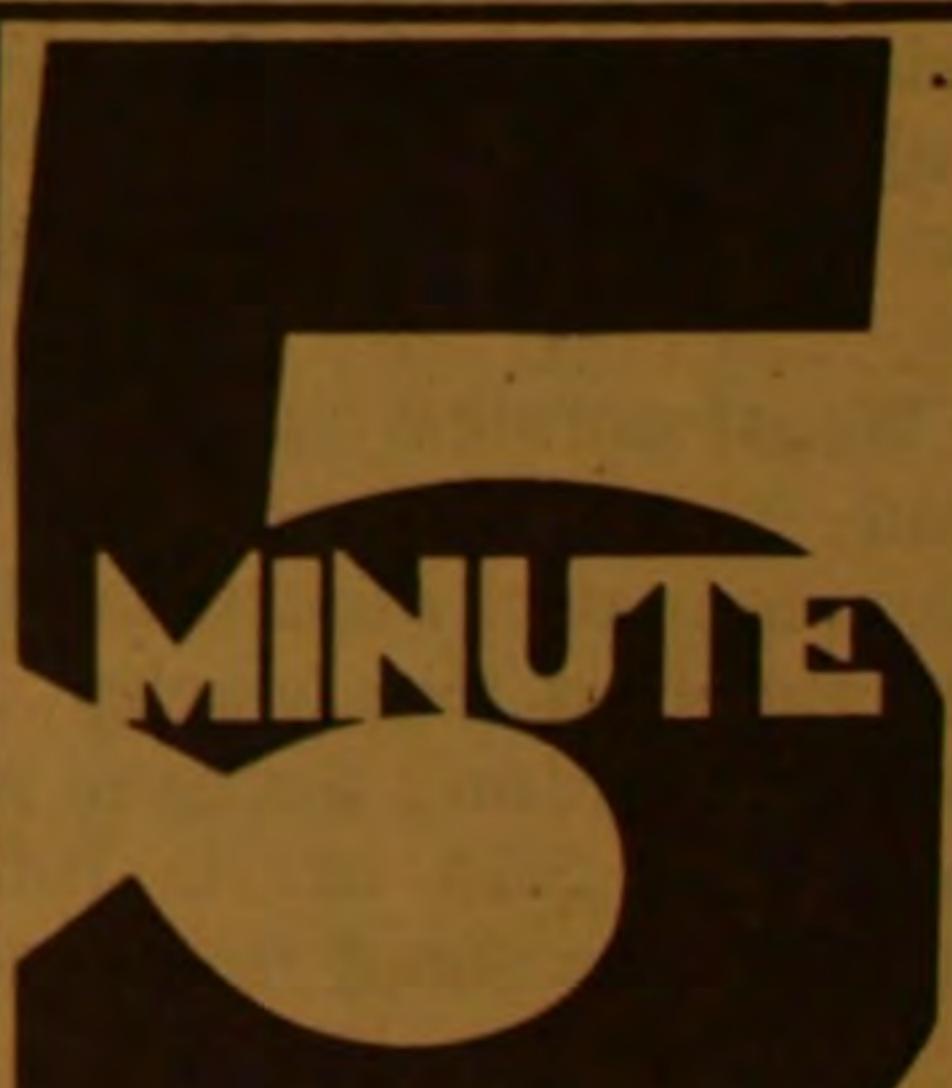
A change in philosophy will be discussed at the Phi Kappa Phi forum to be held at Austin Peay State University at noon, Tuesday.

The Rev. Bob Coleman, associate pastor at West End United Methodist Church and former campus minister of APSU's Wesley Foundation, recently traveled through the western Indian states of Rajasthan and Gujarat. During his talk, titled "Spinning, Journaling and Listening: My Experiment with Gandian Truth," he will tell how his travels have challenged his philosophy of life, his Christology and his worldview.

The forum will be held in APSU's Executive Dining Room in Harvill Cafeteria and is open to the public. Those attending may bring a brown bag lunch or purchase a meal in the cafeteria. Lunch on your own begins at 11:30 a.m.

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Due to Thanksgiving, Christmas holidays and final exams, The All State's last date of publication for the semester will be Nov. 27. If you have any material for publication, please remember it must be in this week.



Alcohol abuse prevalent on college campuses

By BETH BARBER
staff writer

Colleges nationwide are dealing with the prevalent problem of alcohol abuse on campus, and Austin Peay is no exception.

"Normal drinking on a college campus is alcohol abuse in society," said Joe Mills, director of Housing and Residence Life at Austin Peay.

"Most students perceive (alcohol) use to be higher than it actually is. Because of these perceptions, students tend to use more because they feel they are abnormal," said Diane Berty, director of the Alcohol and Drug Prevention Center.

Alcohol is a drug and as such it is open to misuse and abuse. Drug misuse is the irresponsible use of drug(s) that creates a potentially harmful condition for the user. When the misuse of drug(s) results in harm to the user or someone else, it becomes drug abuse.

The college student often abuses alcohol without actually realizing that it is abuse. "The abuse of drinking is having five or more drinks in one setting over a two week period of time," Berty said.

Abuse happens because college students do not hold beer in the same standard as they do liquor. One beer is equal to one shot of whiskey, but reality is sometimes covered by fantasy.

Austin Peay's problems arise when students are found drinking in the dormitories or are found in possession of alcohol on campus. The main concern for the university occurs when students return from off-campus parties intoxicated or driving while intoxicated.

"A large percentage of our problems are alcohol-related," Mills said. The majority of people using alcohol on campus are rarely caught, but when they

are, there are consequences.

"The first time a student is caught possessing or using alcohol while on campus and there has been no other violation of the Student Code of Conduct, the student is met within an informal disciplinary discussion and referred to the Alcohol Education Workshop," said Barbara Phillips, associate dean of students.

"If a student is caught in possession of alcohol or using alcohol on campus and has also violated another portion of the Code of Conduct, then the student must go through a formal hearing and is given a disciplinary sanction as listed in the Student Code of Conduct," Phillips said.

Each sanction is determined on an individual basis. The student is not only given a formal sanction, but is referred to the Alcohol Education Workshop.

For the 1990-91 school year at Austin Peay, there was a total of 75 disciplinary cases involving the use or possession of alcohol. For the fall semester of 1991, there have been a total of 29 disciplinary cases involving the use or possession of alcohol. These include both formal and informal cases.

The university is almost always informed when a student is stopped on or off campus for driving under the influence. The students are reported to the Associate Dean of Student's Office and referred to the Alcohol Education Workshop.

The university is concerned when students attend parties and return to campus intoxicated. One problem this can create is fighting between those people who are intoxicated. Another problem occurs when students return to campus and are driving while intoxicated. These types of problems arise at least

once a month at Austin Peay. The university does not condone such behavior.

The university began the Alcohol Education Center as a way of responding to alcohol misuse and abuse on Austin Peay's campus. The Alcohol Education Workshop is the first step in disciplining those students who violate the university's alcohol policy. The workshop is entitled "Live the Dream...Not the Nightmare."

The Alcohol Education Workshop "focuses on value clarification and responsibility associated with (alcohol) use. It emphasizes that the use of alcohol on campus is forbidden and there are consequences if you choose to use," Berty said.

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Resolution

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impressed with the professionalism of all the senators," he said.

"Senators did not resort to personal attacks on each other. Instead, they argued the merits of the resolution. They could all disagree and still be friends. I do feel that most votes were based on moral values and beliefs and not facts. There seems to exist an irrational fear of homosexuality on campus."

Weast pointed out that the question of whether to add "sexual orientation" to the university's non-discrimination clause had been under consideration for the past four weeks. He emphasized that the administration's decision was never meant to undermine the SGA or its influence. He stated that discussions about revising the current non-discrimi-

nation policy were well underway before the resolution was presented to the SGA.

Concerning the administration's decision, Weast said, "At an institution of higher education such as Austin Peay, it is essential to foster a wide range of experiences and opportunities for students. All students need to value differences in others. There should be no discrimination at the university level. There should be no inhibitions to the learning process."

The addition of "sexual orientation" to the non-discrimination clause has currently been sent for approval by the Tennessee Board of Regents. If approved as expected, APSU will become the first state public institution of higher education to add "sexual orientation" to its policy of non-discrimination.



DRESSING FOR SUCCESS—These fellows look like they stepped off the pages of "Esquire." They actually were participating in the Professional Image Workshop For Men. The workshop was conducted by Sandy Waynick, certified Color Me Beautiful Consultant with JC Penney's. (photo by Donna Lovett)

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Next to Peking Duck

Der says APSU

By JANINE HAMILTON-SETTLE
staff writer

This is the first in a series on sexual harassment on campus. Next week's article features problems students face with sexual harassment and how they should handle their problems.

Since Anita Hill made her complaint of sexual harassment against now Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas many have expected the number of sexual harassment complaints filed to sky-rocket.

But, according to APSU's Affirmative Action officer Ann Der, that is not the case on Austin Peay's campus.

"We haven't had a lot of cases. There are some, but I wouldn't say a lot. I have had four or five this calendar year," Der said.

"I get the calls where an employee is harassing another employee or an employee is harassing a student. Public Affairs handles the cases where one student harasses another," Der added.

Der said she believes the number of cases reported this year is up in comparison to years past.

"I don't think that every case is reported. I am the person that complaints can be made to," Der said.

Der stated, "In most cases, the one doing the harassing is in a power role. If it is an employee

VSO investigates concerns about credit for tests

By BURTON RAYBORN
guest writer

The Veterans Services Organization blue ribbon panel is investigating allegations that Austin Peay State University is not honoring tests taken in the military for college credit, according to VSO officials.

The panel, instituted at VSO's general membership meeting on Friday, Nov. 8, will continually research and investigate university policies and procedures with specific regard to veterans' rights.

Elected vice-president of the VSO was Ilse Alumbaugh, who emphasized the service orientation of the organization. A food drive is being sponsored by the VSO to build food baskets for needy Clarksvillians. Non-perishable food items may be donated at Room 220, Ellington Building.

Auxiliary membership was voted upon favorably and will, according to group officials, "allow non-veterans who support the ideals and purpose of the organization and are willing to display that support financially and by actively participating in organization functions, to become members."

Crime Scene

By TARA MAK
staff writer

The following incidents have been reported since Nov. 8:

- On Nov. 8, it was reported that eight prescriptions were taken from the victim's book bag located in the library. Total value of the prescriptions was \$300.

- Nov. 12, Pam Godbolt's Yugo GV parked in front of the Memorial Health Building was struck and damaged by another vehicle which left the scene. Total value of damage was \$300.

- On Nov. 12, it was reported that Scott Quade's Calais Oldsmobile located in the north parking lot of the Dunn Center was broken into and property was stolen. A compact disc player worth \$380 was missing.

Lester Peavyhouse who has been charged with two counts of first-degree murder and two counts of attempted first-degree murder was bound over to the grand jury last week.

has few harassment complaints

harrassing another employee, it usually takes place in the office. If it is an employee harrassing a student, it usually takes place in a classroom or in an academic building on campus.

"Usually they (the harassers) have the power to control grades and employee evaluations and pay increases," Der said.

Typically most people associate sexual harassment with women. But men are harassed too.

"We get both. We have fewer men complaining about being harassed, but I have had males to complain," Der said.

"I think they should report it. It's hard to handle it alone. If people aren't sure if they are in a situation where they are being harassed, they can come by and talk to me."

"It's strictly confidential unless I know the name of the person that is doing the harassing. Then I have an obligation to go to them and talk to them. If they want it completely confidential, they can talk to me without mentioning the person's name who they think is harassing them," Der said.

APSU has a sexism committee that has printed a pamphlet about sexual harassment which has been distributed across campus widely. Now, according to Der, they are taking steps to improve the pamphlet

and add additional information.

Betty Joblin, of the social work department, chairs the committee of people including students Michele Vaden and Jeff Wisdom.

The law about sexual harassment is—it's prohibited. It is prohibited by the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended in 1980) and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. It is described as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal and physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or academic standing;

- Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions or academic decisions affecting such individual or

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Opinion

Editorial

U.S. economy in ruins

By all reports, the United States' economy is in bad shape. Last Friday's stock market nose dive has put fear in the hearts and of wallets Americans. Already in the midst of a recession, the United States is creeping deeper and deeper into the abyss of debt.

The proposal of a ceiling on credit card interest rates has bank officials predicting certain death for the credit card accounts of millions of Americans. Lowered rates sound like a great deal for the American consumer. If legislation is enacted, and if bankers fulfill their own prophecies, many Americans will

lose their credit cards. The reasoning bankers use for potential slashing is to reduce the risk for lending institutions. That may be of more benefit to the economy than many Americans realize.

Most people who have credit cards use them excessively. The concept of "buy now, pay later" has taught an entire generation of Americans that owing more money than one makes in not only accepta-

ble, but seemingly fashionable!

Perhaps Americans are following the example of our federal government. The budget deficit has become outrageous. Is it so difficult to understand that we cannot spend

what we do not have? Apparently so. "The land of plenty," as America has so often been described, is still a land of plenty, but plenty of what?

Plenty of Americans are so deeply indebted that they are able only to pay the interest due on their credit card bills each month. The strange

thing is, like most of its citizens, the United States is not operating at a loss because of necessities that must be purchased, but because of luxury items that we, as a nation, feel compelled to buy.

President Bush is taking a lot of criticism for the U.S. economy. The time has passed for government to accept responsibility for the nations. The time has also passed for private citizens to act responsibly and do something about their own debts.

Experiences with physicians humiliate and bankrupt student

When I was a little girl, if a bug was in the air, I would surely catch it and land a spot at the doctor's office. I didn't like it much then. My mom made me go to a pediatrician until I was at least 16. There were all these toys and small

than tonsilitis my whole life. But suddenly at just the right time, my senior year in college, some strange unknown, unidentifiable illness has struck me.

If I weren't sick before, what I've been through for the past three months has definitely been an illness in itself. I used to think doctors were some strange breed of miracle workers who had all the answers. Now I think they toss a bunch of disease names in a hat and draw one out while they think you're not looking.

In my experience, being sick is much like being a dead cow in a meat processing plant. They take one look at you, skin your pocket book and then convey you on down the assembly line to another doctor.

Going to the hospital is even worse. That is the one place you want someone to treat you nicely and give you a little sympathy. In my case, however, I've been poked, prodded and stuck all to no avail.

First I took medicine that cost \$1 a pill, twice a day. Then they decided that wasn't strong enough and put me on medicine that costs \$5 a pill once a day. That's too strong so they put me back to the medicine that costs \$1 a pill twice a day. I'm so confused! For all I know, I'm probably taking Tylenol Gel Caplets.

Not only have they stripped my bank account but they've taken away all my dignity. Few things are more humiliating than the way you're treated in the hospital. Hospitals are supposed to be

By
Sherri Adcock
editor-in-chief

seats. And I didn't really feel right accepting a balloon or a lollipop.

And those mean snotty nosed little kids always stared and pointed at me while I read Dr. Seuss as I waited. To make it worse, my mom always went with me.

I longed for the day when I would get to go to a doctor who treated his patients for problems other than colic and swallowing marbles.

College finally afforded me that opportunity. Something strange happens when you go to adult doctors. They don't give you balloons any more. They give you plastic cups (not for water) and ask embarrassing questions that don't really seem to be any of their business.

I used to get lollipops and people gave me a lot of attention when I went to the doctor. Now I have to pay \$70 just to get a doctor to even talk to me.

I've never had anything more serious

Parking area off limits

I had intended to write on something with a little more social relevance than parking spaces this week, but after the events of the past week, I changed my mind. On Saturday evening, I attempted to park my car within reasonable proximity to the student publications building, which is on Drane Street. However, that was impossible.



By
Amelia Bozeman
opinion editor

The entrances to the parking lots beside and across the street from our building were barricaded with signs, road markers and sawhorses. It looked like the scene of a crime.

After parking in the general parking area near Summer Street, I walked across the parking lot, which contained a remarkable number of unoccupied spaces. I asked a Clarksville police officer the reason why I wasn't allowed to park near my place of employment. He told me that the area had been reserved for members of the Governor's Club, who came to watch the APSU-Fort Campbell basketball game. I told him that I was there to work for *The All State*, and that I should be allowed to park beside the building.

Needless to say, I was not. On Monday night, I made another attempt to park in those areas. Again, I was denied access to the parking lots for the same reason: another game.

I am not complaining about Austin Peay basketball games. I hope the APSU teams have a wonderful season. My objection is to the university system and the Gov's Club. I realize that members of the club donate large sums of money to the school, and are given special treatment. I appreciate their contributions to Austin Peay. However, the university should not place the egos of certain individuals above the safety of Austin Peay's students. Contrary to the opinions of some people, staff members of *The All State* and *The Governors' Pride* put in a tremendous amount of hours (most of which are weekends) to produce APSU's student publications. Therefore, we should at least be permitted to park near our place of employment. Members of student publications are not only students, but provide a service to the university community through their efforts. I realize that the paltry profits from student publications do not compare to those generated from sporting events, but we are Austin Peay students. We do not pay tuition to be told not to park on our own campus. APSU's advertising slogan "You can be somebody special at Austin Peay" apparently does not apply to students.

doctor told me to come home immediately. Oh, no problem. I'm close to death and he wants me to make a three hour drive. Well, at least he cared.

I promised him I would see my doctor here instead. His receptionist wasn't moved by my story. So I called back dramatizing it as much as possible in order to get an appointment. It wasn't to be. Everyone in Clarksville must have come down with a bug, because I couldn't even get the doctor to return a call for two days, let alone make it into the office.

I finally decided to give up. If I die, I hope my mom sues without mercy. What do you have to do to get medical attention these days? It's not like they are not getting paid to stick me with needles and do other injustices to me in the name of medicine. I wish my mom were a doctor. At least she calls and checks on me every day.

She might as well be. Her home remedies have been about as effective as these clowns who keep passing the buck. I'm just waiting for my insurance company to cancel on me. My two greatest daily concerns are that my car runs and that I run. My car was sick all summer. So I guess it's my turn. The car doctors did the same thing to my car. They kept fixing the wrong thing, causing something else to tear up.

All I've got to say is that I hope mechanics and doctors don't go to the same school, or I'm in big trouble.

Interest of one group shows disregard for others

By SCOTT SPROUSE
staff writer

This university is made up of many groups. It is important that the rights of these groups are protected, but the interest of the overall student body should not be disregarded in the process.

Some of the groups on this campus include students that do not fit the image of the traditional university student. Austin Peay has a large number of students that are married, once-married, parents, grandparents or people

returning to school from the work force.

I believe that these non-traditional students have the ability to add as much to the dynamics of this campus as the traditional student, but that in many cases they fall short.

Many times the good of the entire student body is lost to the interest of this one group. In September, representatives of the non-traditional student organization with Harvill Hall resident representatives to draw up guidelines concerning the use of the dormitory's lounge by both groups.

This is a meeting that should have never taken place. The lobby of a dormitory is designed for the use of its residents because of varying needs. These residents have paid for the rights to use this lobby with housing fees.

The lobby is important to them as a place to meet with guests when visitation policy does not permit in-room visits, to escape the confines of a dorm or roommate, or to take advantage of services offered there (cooking, watching TV, attending meetings). These are the rights of the students who paid to live there.

Non-traditional students argued, with weak points, for their "right" to another group's lobby. They stressed the need for a place to "hang out." (The university center is designed with such a need in mind.) They explained they can't study in the UC. (Neither can I. I use the library when I am not in my own home. For it was designed for everyone's need to study.)

Austin Peay is a university, not a senior citizens' center. APSU should concentrate on education instead of catering to special interest groups. Keep your brats out of the classroom.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rude treatment annoys reader

Dear Editor:

This afternoon I went into the financial aid office concerning the Air Force Aid Society Grant (AFAS). All I wanted to know was why I did not receive a full grant like the previous year instead of 50 percent this year.

While I was talking to the gentleman about this, R. Kendall interrupted the conversation stating that the policy had changed. I told him I did not care why he divided the grant, but why I was not notified. He then proceeded to repeat himself and if I had any questions concerning the grant I am to call the main office. Apparently he refused to answer my simple question.

I am the one awarded the grant—not financial aid. I would like very much to know if there are any changes in policy whether it be the grant policy or the office policy. I have read everything concerning the conditions of the grant that was sent to me. It did not state anything about any changes.

The AFAS was due in by Sept. 2, 1991. It did not, however, arrive. I was bounced from the business office to the financial aid office for over a month. Nobody had heard of the grant. Finally, out of frustration, I called the main office. The woman I spoke to stated that no one from Austin Peay had notified her that the grant had not arrived.

I went to the financial aid office and was told to come back in one week (I have been told that since I first asked about the grant.) I told a person that I called the main office because I was tired of being bounced back and forth, and gave her the number to the main office. She then proceeded to call the office and told me that the checks must have been lost in the mail. Approximately one week later, she gave me a call to update me. She said that the checks had never been mailed, but they were on the way.

Is it not too much to ask for a simple

question to be answered? R. Kendall refused to answer a simple question. He RUDELY interrupted a conversation that he was not asked for any input on. He also called me LIAR when I told him what I had to do in order to get the checks. When I tried to speak, he kept cutting me off stating that I was a liar. This incident has only heightened my anxiousness to transfer colleges to one that has more considerate, polite and more organized people. Many people feel the way I do. We are bounced back and forth. And in some incidents are treated very rudely, as if we are idiots. I am here in college to get an education, not to do something that someone else is trained and paid for doing.

Sincerely,

Jo A. Placke

Student says change needed in All State

Dear Editor:

No one expects a college newspaper to be perfect. However, *The All State* has problems that would shame a sixth grader.

"President Bush will join Gorbachev in Spain this week to open the talks today," wrote Jeff Wisdom, the assistant news editor.

Calling the Austin Peay football program "risque," a September editorial opened a whole new dimension of intercollegiate competition, evoking an image of the defensive squad dancing the seven veils on the sidelines, while the offense maneuvers the ball past their distracted opponents into the end zone.

The All State's shrill denunciation of the attempt by off-duty police officers and stadium officials to restrain a rampaging student mob following a football game overlooked the fact that the students were acting in violation of the law.

Editorial negligence plummeted to new depths in the September 25th edition of the paper, when "Crime Scene" reporter Tara Mak was permitted to name names based on allegations of vandalism and theft.

The paper's opinion editor, Amelia Bozeman, manages to violate just about every rule of responsible journalism in her column. Her latest gaffe occurred on November 6, 1991, when she averred that "Brutal, deliberate crimes are committed daily against millions of people with vehicles." Is she saying that vehicle owners are being assaulted, or that vehicle owners are assaulting people? Those questions aside, her statistics would seem to leave the U.S. devoid of a viable population.

The All State needs to take a critical look at itself and its practices. Currently *The All State* is little more than an anthology of sophomoric expression. A newspaper should be something in which the university population can take pride. *The All State*, with some hard work and introspection, could be that paper.

Robert Stuckey

Paper suspends rights of accused

Dear Editor:

In your column in the Nov. 6 issue of *The All State*, you single-handedly suspended Mr. Peavyhouse of one of his most precious rights as a U.S. citizen, that of being "innocent until proven guilty."

The first paragraph read flatly, "Lester Peavyhouse killed two young people and wounded two others at a party next door..." Gee that was very quick and easy. No trial, no judge, no jury; just *The All State* in all its infinite wisdom. Having usurped the powers of the judicial system, you were able to play both the judge and jury to Lester Peavyhouse and find him guilty.

Remember the rights of the "ACCUSED" are still protected under our Constitution. The media is no place for a trial.

Sincerely,
Wade Oliver

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Sports

It's back..

The Top 10 List

Due to continued pressure from friends and peers, I have been egged on to write an updated Top 10 list for improvements at Austin Peay. Last year's list got me in mega trouble with faculty, the art department, and many others, but I am proud to report that four items on my list were enacted since that edition hit the press last April!



By
Daniel Murph
sports editor

Those who care enough to speak out can help make a difference. And, I have learned over time that if nothing is said, nothing is ever changed. So let's not be so naive, and realize that Austin Peay is not perfect. But, it is your job and mine to make it better. And, without any more delay, here are my new and improved top 10 suggestions for Austin Peay (I kept items from last year's list which have yet to be changed):

10. Replace the unidentified, green moldy statue on the middle of campus. Bury it. It lived a good life.

9. Put more emphasis on the quality of food served in the school cafeteria. I've had better meals at the Huntsville Prison commissary!

I remember last year witnessing a cafeteria employee refilling the punch dispenser with punch carried in a mop bucket. Needless to say, I now try to stick with milk!

Those of you who don't have the pleasure of dining in "Heartburn Harvill" might think that I am being a little harsh, but there is just something repulsive about picking up a supposedly clean fork which has dried up chunks stuck to it from the previous person's meal who ate with it!

8. Why not fill a couple of the sink holes on campus with water, making a couple of lakes on campus? I can already hear some administrators arguing what a liability it would be. But hey, we are all big boys and girls and should be treated as such. Plus, even a lot of high schools have lakes!

7. Granted, Austin Peay is a liberal arts university. But, we should pay less money on the abstract art sculptures and put the funds in more needed areas, such as the library. For example, have you seen the unidentified statue in front of the Trahern Building? Until I was notified what it was, I thought some plane wreckage had fallen from overhead. Hell, pay me \$50 and I'll Crazy-Glue some pipes together!

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Eastern Kentucky shuts out Govs

By DANIEL MURPH
sports editor

The Govs fell short Saturday afternoon on a cold rainy field belonging to the nation's second-ranked I-AA team, Eastern Kentucky, by the score of 21-0.

"We gave a good effort considering our caliber of opponent," said Govs' Jeff Stec. "We proved that we were capable of moving the ball on them, but penalties and mental errors kept us off of the scoreboard."

After a scoreless first quarter, the Colonels' offense ignited with a 19-play, 95-yard drive, which culminated on a 3-yard touchdown run from senior fullback Tim Lester.

Then, on their next drive, EKU quarterback Joey Crenshaw connected with wide receiver Leon Brown 35-yards downfield to increase their lead to 14-0.

Govs' Darius Willis blocked an EKU Brian Barrett punt just seconds before the half and returned it to the Colonels' 12, but was brought down as the clock expired to halftime.

On the opening drive of the second half, EKU's Markus Thomas broke away for a 53-yard touchdown, which would prove to be the game's final score, 21-0. Thomas, the OVC's leading rusher, carried the ball 15 times for 123 yards.

The Govs will return home this Saturday to Municipal Stadium for their season finale against Murray State, who just won its first OVC game of the season this weekend by defeating Southeast Missouri, 14-10.

"It will be an important game for us," Stec said. "No, we are not in the conference race or anything like that. But, it's important that we close out this turn-around season on a positive note."

Lady Govs defeat Ft. Campbell, 100-57

The Lady Govs opened up their 1991-92 season with a bang Saturday night by defeating Ft. Campbell, 100-57.

"I'm very pleased," said head coach LaDonna Wilson. "Our young kids really contributed, and this is just a good way to start things off."

Austin Peay freshman Georgie Vaughan led the game in both points and rebounds with 20 and 12, respectively.

"We needed to be a little more patient at times," Wilson said. "But, I know that it has been a very long time since we have scored 100 points."

The Lady Govs will next host Tennessee-Chattanooga Nov. 23 in a 7 p.m. match-up.



ON THE MOVE—Govs' quarterback Reggie Williams completed four of twelve passes for 45 yards against the Colonels. He dashed for a 27-yard gain midway through the second quarter, contributing to his 50-yard rushing total for game.

November 23
1:30 p.m.



Austin Peay

Conference: Ohio Valley

National Affiliation: NCAA, I-AA

1990 record: 0-11

Offensive System: Multiple option

Defensive Alignment: Multiple fronts



Murray State

Conference: Ohio Valley

National Affiliation: NCAA, I-AA

1990 record: 2-9

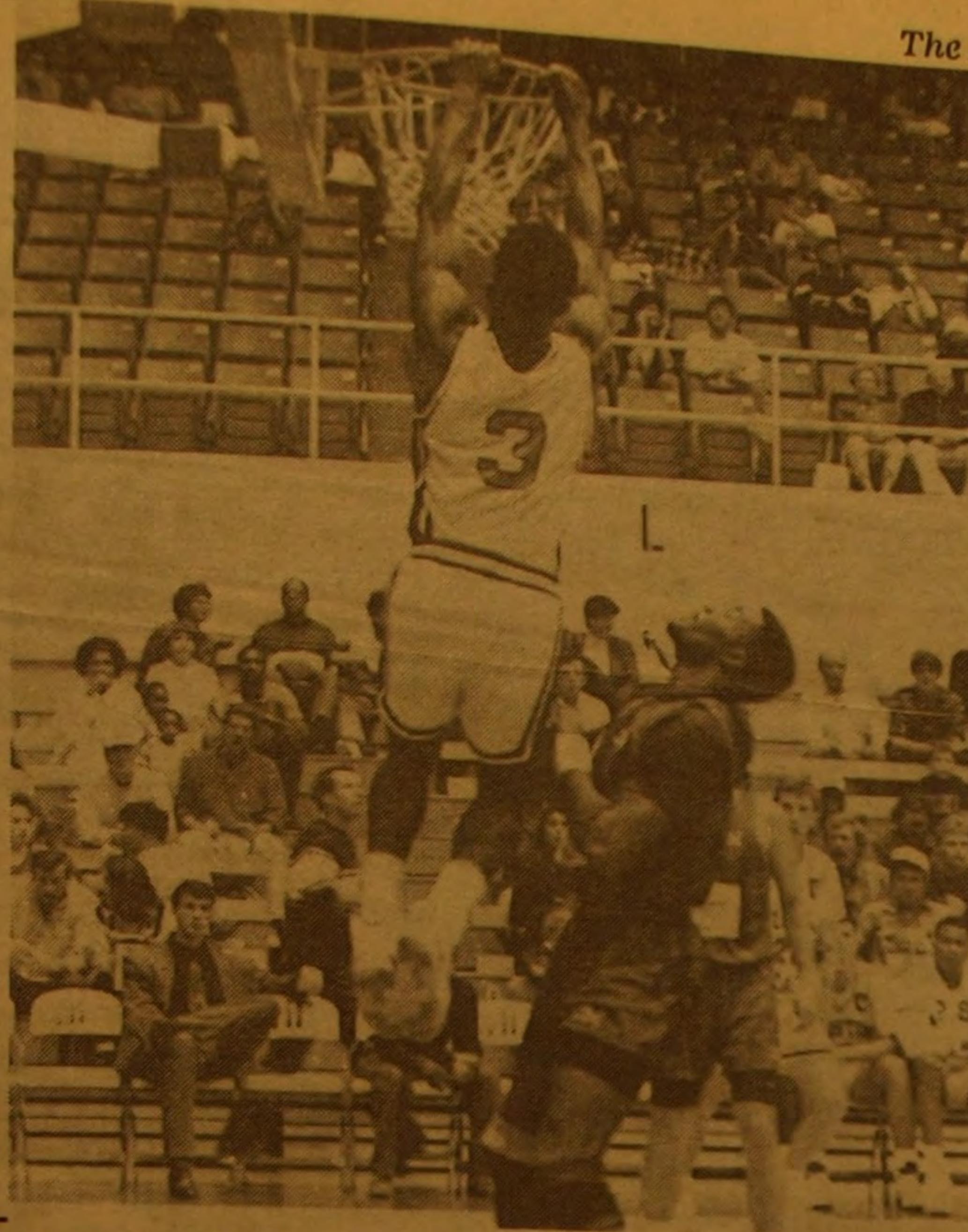
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Defensive Alignment: Wide-tackle six

Municipal Stadium

Clarksville

COUNT IT—Senior Lamonte Ware led the Govs Monday night with 29 points and 9 rebounds. His slam dunks, such as this one, helped entertain the 3,006 people on hand. (Photo by Donna Lovett)



Govs squeak past Czechs, 95-90

By DANIEL MURPH
and LUCY ANN GOSSETT
staff writers

The Govs used a late rally to put away the Czechoslovakia Select Team of Spar-
ta Monday night at the Dave-Aaron
Arena by the score of 95-90.

"I was pleased with the way they came back," Govs' head coach Dave Loos said. "If anything, I wasn't too pleased with my coaching performance. With this being an exhibition game, I wanted to get more people more time. But, we pretty much ended up going down the stretch with the same five or six people."

The Czechs mounted a 46-44 lead at half. And, just five minutes into the second period, managed to increase that lead to 58-50. But, six unanswered Governor points capped off by an alley-oop from Rick Yudt to Lamonte Ware closed the gap, putting the Peay in a dog fight for the duration.

"We should look at this game as a learning experience," Yudt said. "The team we played tonight is no where

near the caliber teams we will be playing down the road, so we have a long way to go." The Govs' freshman racked up 17 points and 5 rebounds.

Ware led all in scoring with 29 points, one of which was the go-ahead shot on the foul line with 2:49 remaining.

"It's just amazing what Lamonte can do," Loos said. "He put forward a great effort tonight and helped force us a win."

"Other than on the free-throw line, I felt as if I had a pretty good night," Ware said. "I knew I was going to have to do well with them being such a tall team."

Govs' Greg Franklin earned 19 points and 3 rebounds. "We didn't play as well as we should have," Franklin said. "It should not have been nearly as close as it was, but hopefully we can use it as a learning experience."

The Govs travel this weekend to take on Cincinnati.

"Cincinnati is about the same size as the team we played tonight but much more athletic," Loos said. "They really crash the boards, and we'll no doubt have our hands full."

Murph

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6. Come up with another mascot name not to replace, but to supplement "Governors." In my fourth year here at Camp Peay, I have probably heard more joking about that name than anything else.

5. Have more incentives for students to stay on campus during the weekends.

4. Pay pretty people to wear nice clothes and throw frisbees around campus, enhancing our image for prospective students.

3. Better promote Austin Peay around Clarksville. I was really embarrassed a couple years ago when a man that had lived in Clarksville for two years approached me and asked me where I went to school. After replying "Austin Peay," he kind of squinted at me and

said, "Where's that?"

Maybe find a way to get more Austin Peay merchandise in local stores. Most shops in the mall are stocked with Vanderbilt and Tennessee items, but do not even carry Govswear!

2. Lower prices in the Grille, or at least make it where a student can get more for his or her I.D. card than an apple and a glass of water.

And now, for the second consecutive year, the number one most needed change at Austin Peay...

1. Paint over the ugly, baby-blue stripes around the library. How much uglier is it possible for any building in America to look? I think the painters were sipping a little too much Jack Daniels that day!

Lady Govs secure third place

By TISA BATEY
guest writer

The Lady Govs clinched a tie for third place in the OVC on Saturday with a four-game win at Murray State.

Despite losing the first game to the Lady Racers, the Govs responded by winning the next three 17-15, 15-14 and 15-11.

Tennessee Tech will host the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament Nov. 22, 23 and 24. Austin Peay's Lady Govs volleyball team is hopeful going into the tournament.

The Lady Govs, 17-11, have had their best season yet since head coach Cheryl Holt has been here. "We work well together," Holt said, "and that just goes with having experienced players on our team."

The team consists of five seniors: Yolanda Westfield, Tisa Batey, Patty Kidd, Alicia Fletcher, and Jennifer Roach. Holt also attributed her success to having more money to recruit two junior college transfers this year: Isabella Canedo and Melissa Gailey, both from Miami. "I think we are peak-

ing right now," Holt said, "because we're playing better ball now than we have all season." The last few wins have given the Lady Govs confidence, which Holt attributes to making fewer mental mistakes.

Most of the players have been playing together for a few years now and they play well together. Holt said, "You can have a lot of talent and still not play well as a team." That has not been the problem for the Lady Govs this year.

Right now the seating for the OVC teams is pretty much in the air. The number one spot is shared by SEMO and Eastern. The third spot is split between Austin Peay and Morehead. Second and fourth will be determined by the outcome of the next two games. Fifth is Murray. Sixth is Tennessee Tech. MTSU is seventh, and TSU is eighth.

The playing times on Friday will be at 9:30, 11:30, 1:30 (Austin Peay) and 3:30. On Saturday, the winners will play their matches at 5:30 and 7:30. The championship match will be played on Sunday at 1:30 pm.

The Lady Govs will go into the tournament with a very positive attitude. "We'll just try to keep it simple and do it well," Holt said.

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Features

Ingle visits campus to address death penalty

By JUDY GENESER
staff writer

Through the collaborative efforts of the sociology and political science departments, the visiting speakers and artists committee and honors program, an authority on the subject of the death penalty will be speaking at Austin Peay on Thursday, Nov. 21.

Joe Ingle, who was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1988 and again in 1989, will address the topic, "The Politics of the Death Penalty."

Founder and former director of the Southern Coalition on Jails and Prisons from 1974 to 1990, Ingle authored a book, titled "Last Rights." He has also appeared on "CBS Evening News," "Larry King Live," "The Today Show," and National Public Radio.

According to Glenn Carter, chair of the department of sociology and social work and coordinator of the event, public opinion about the death penalty has changed over the years.

"The morality of the death penalty should be considered, and Ingle will give students an opportunity to ask questions," Carter said.

Although the National Association of Social Workers issued a policy statement opposing the death penalty, a recent Gallup Poll showed that 70 percent of Americans are still in favor of the death penalty.

"I think that the increasing support for the death penalty reflects the growing alarm caused by such violent crimes



SEEING A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE—Joe Ingle, who will be visiting our campus to speak on the death penalty, talks to an inmate on death row at the Tennessee State Penitentiary. (photo courtesy of Public Affairs)

as those of serial killers and mass murderers. Acts of violence, such as these, trigger knee-jerk reactions by the man on the street who fears for himself and his family," Carter said.

However, Carter further added, "There's no evidence the death penalty deters crime."

Carter also noted how many Americans are under the impression the

death penalty is a way of saving the tax payers money. However, Carter said for each criminal on death row, the costs can be as high as \$1 million. This includes attorney fees and appeals that usually last up to 10 years.

After rewriting death penalty statutes, many states, including Tennessee, now have the death penalty. Yet, no one

has been electrocuted since 1961. According to Carter, most Southern states do have the death penalty.

Ingle will speak at the Clement Auditorium at 11 a.m. and conduct an informal question-and-answer session at 2 p.m. in Claxton 103. Both talks are free and open to the public.

For further information, contact Carter at 648-7730.

BSU provides attention to kids

By MICHEAL McAFFEE
guest writer

Games, songs, stories and refreshments are just a few of the activities that the Baptist Student Union provides for the children in the Summit Heights area.

Tracy Greenwell, missions promotion director at the BSU, and Joy Davis, missions coordinator, both agree that the purpose of this program is to be good role models and to share the love of Jesus to let the children know that someone loves them because some of them do not receive love at home.

Greenwell said, "The kids eat up the attention we give and all the parents have been receptive and glad that we come."

The BSU has ministered to the children in the past but the ministries stopped for a short while. Last spring, they started going back to Summit Heights when the Rev. James Redding, pastor at Gracey Avenue Baptist Church, asked the BSU if they would be interested in starting the project with the church as an outreach program. The church provides the materials and

refreshments while the BSU provides most of the workers.

Greenwell said, "It takes a lot of energy to get the project together, but it is worth it every Tuesday afternoon when we go there. We average about 15-20 workers and between 25-35 students."

Greenwell said, "Anybody can come and work; we will give them something to do. I always leave feeling better than when I came because the kids give me more than I give them."

Davis gained a lot of experience working with children when she was a summer missionary in Houston. "I noticed that kids need love, and they are open to receiving love and responsive to any attention they get," she said.

"The main reason that I am working on the project is because I think that I am helping children and it is preparing me for my future," Davis said.

Greenwell said, "If you feel like you need to help then contact the BSU, and we will tell you all you need to know about the project. But, if you just want to go and watch what we do, you just have to show up at around 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays at the BSU."



SPREADING A LITTLE SUNSHINE—Michael McAfee, one of the volunteers of the Baptist Student Union, is shown with one of the children that the BSU entertains with games, stories and refreshments. (photo by Leigh Averitt)

November 20, 1991

Center introduces students to research

By TARA MAK
staff writer

Budget cuts have spread across the country due to a resounding recession which America struggles to break free of. Austin Peay State University and its centers of excellence have not gone untouched.

According to biology professor Dr. Edward Chester, Austin Peay established the Center for Biology of Land Between the Lakes about five years ago. In its sixth year now, the center has become an accomplished center overseen by Dr. Peter Consacaro, acting vice chancellor for academic affairs for the Tennessee Board of Regents in Nashville, and evaluated by people out of the field, Chester said.

The name of the Center of Field Biology of Land Between the Lakes, however, has been recently changed to center for Field Biology. "This gives more flexibility to do things out of Land Between the Lakes," Chester said.

"One of the greatest benefits of the center has been introducing undergraduates into research," Chester said. He explains the relationship developed between faculty and students at the center as "one of mentorship where students learn how to do research because they are actually involved in research projects."

Another benefit of the project is senior research fellows who come to do research in Tennessee in cooperation with Austin Peay.

Seminars are also given for students of the Center of Field Biology. "This broadens their background and experience and frequently opens doors for them as well," he said.

A number of projects are researched at the center. Dr. Floyd Scott currently is researching pond ecosystems of Land Between the Lakes as well as research on the status of alligator snapping turtles. Both research projects are funded internally.

Dr. Chester will be heading research with colleagues at the University of Kentucky on ecological life cycles of several Land Between the Lakes plants. In addition, Chester will be working with colleagues from the University of Tennessee and Vanderbilt on a computerized atlas of Tennessee plants.

Dr. Steven Hamilton, Dr. Mack Finley and Dr. James

"This broadens their background and experience..."
--Dr. Edward Chester

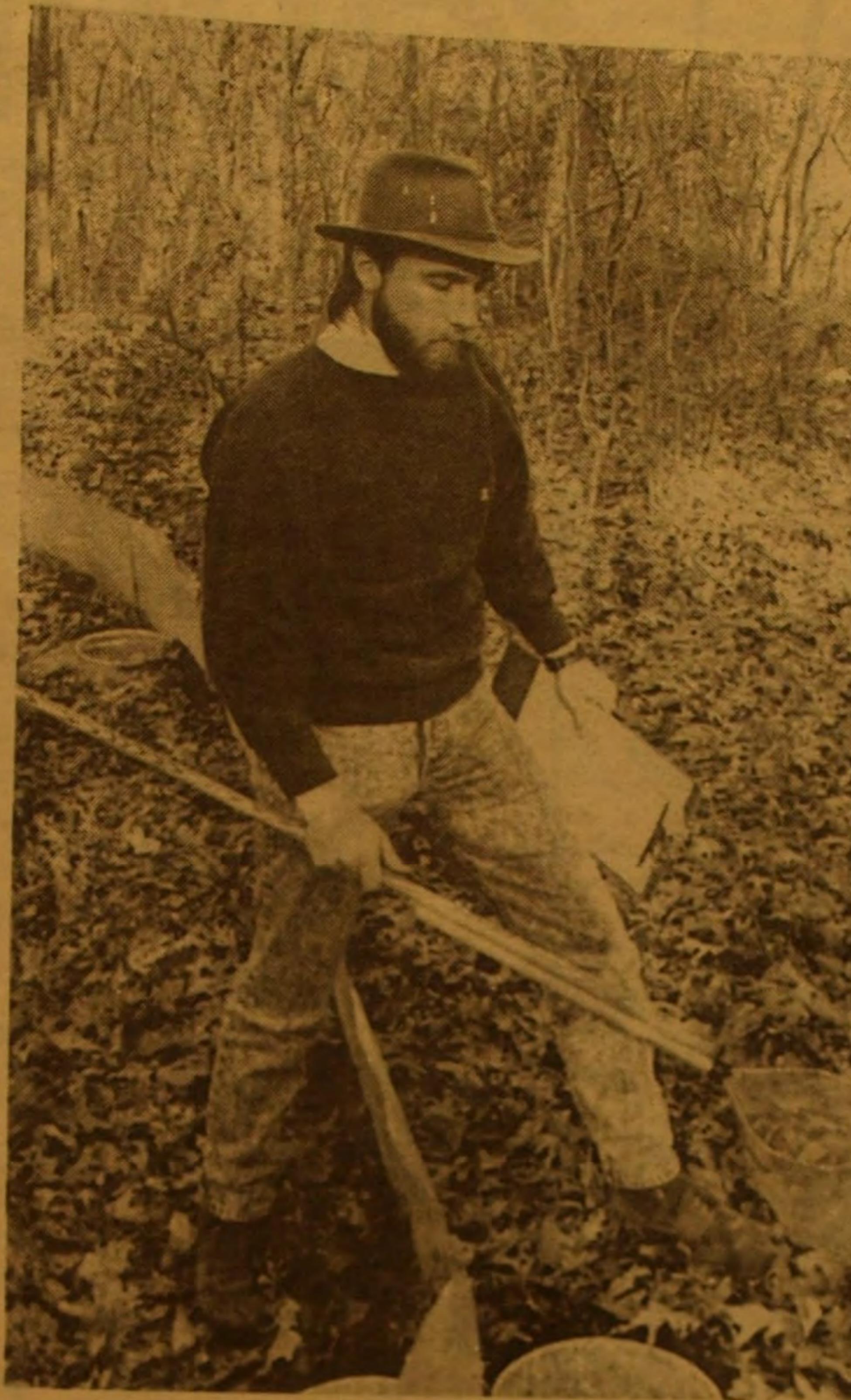
Gore are researching ways to improve water quality in the West Sandy Creek drainage. Gore explains, "This is a critical area over Paris because it goes into the Sandy Bay." Pollution has entered from non-point sources, suspectedly from hog parlors, and caused a pollution, killing fish and mussels. To alleviate the pollution, structures to improve both the habitat for animals and water quality are being built. Funding for the project came from the EPA and Tennessee Department of Conservation for \$200,000. More funding and volunteers to help build structures are sought.

Funded by the Tennessee Wildlife Resource, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, and the Alabama Fish and Game Department, a project on Shoal Creek costing an estimated three quarters of a million dollars will reintroduce endangered fish and mussels into Shoal Creek. Gore says, "We estimate it will take 10 years to implant structures and to make sure the populations introduced are viable. Gore will be working with Tennessee Tech on the project.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is funding a project for Gore on the Little Missouri River in Arkansas. Evaluation of habitat and restoration structures and low head dams will be researched to decrease water going downstream and check flooding.

Currently, they are developing computer models and systems of programs. Gore said, "We hope these models can be used downstream of any dam by stream managers to improve habitat without impinging on the operation of the dam itself."

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GETTING IN TOUCH WITH NATURE—Barry Hart checks some traps at the Land Between the Lakes. (Courtesy photo)

An African project funded by the governments of South Africa and Zimbabwe to assess and describe the habitat of endangered animals of the rivers of wildlife preserves in South Africa was forfeited. The only cost to the university according to Gore would be a \$2,500 plane ticket. The university, however, had its hands tied by new Tennessee Board of Regents policy that out of state travel by faculty and staff in the TBR system is forbidden except under exceptional circumstances. Despite the effect of TBR's budget cutting policy, Gore has arranged to do the research anyway. It just won't be done under support of the State of Tennessee.

The Research Center has suffered "any number of budget cuts that are devastating and borderline destructive to the Center," Gore said. Operation of the center is limited. Despite research underway, in years past twice as much research was being done, Gore said. Other cuts include an annual conference in field biology for regional scientists, operating account to purchase new equipment and repair broken equipment, travel in-state by 50 percent, and money to fund visiting scientists to come and conduct research at APSU by one-third.

Field Biology's 41 percent budget cut, compared to the university's 20 percent, has caused less support of graduate, undergraduate and senior researchers. Gore says, "It makes you wonder what the purpose of a center for excellence is when they can suffer a larger budget cut than the university as a whole."

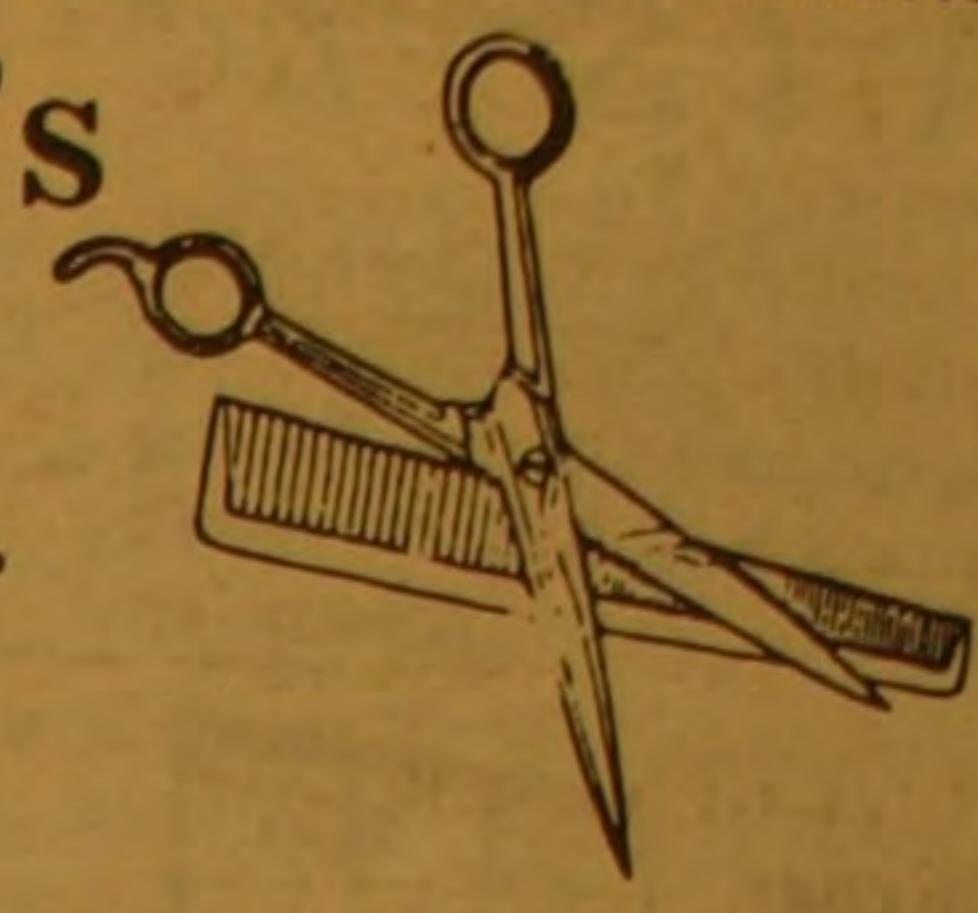
The university has been very generous in the past to the point of exceeding required amounts of money given to the center. This year, however, the State of Tennessee cut money given to the center by 20 percent. The university was also forced to cut money to the minimum requirements.

"Despite budget cuts our mission is still the same, but we are moving a little slower this year. We have excellent scientists doing a lot of good research," Gore said. Budget cuts are not limited to Austin Peay or Tennessee; they are spread throughout the country. Many universities, including the University of California that received a 50 percent across the board cut are weathering far worse than we, according to Gore.

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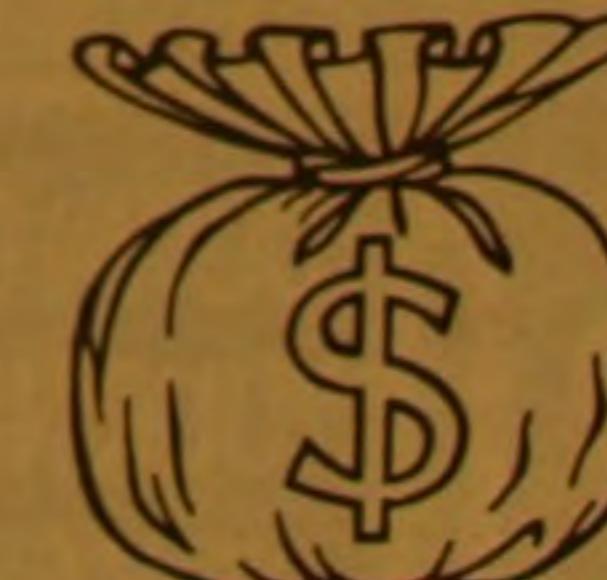
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Art Scene

Austin Peay State University's department of music and Center for the Creative Arts will present soprano Sally Ahner in



recital Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 8 p.m. in the concert theatre of the music/mass communication building.

The performance is free and open to the public.

Accompanied on piano by Marie Altvater, Ms. Ahner will perform a program titled "Star-Spangled Song" featuring American music and American words.

Ms. Ahner is adjunct artist teacher of voice at

Vanderbilt University's Blair School of Music.

Austin Peay State University's department of music and Center for the Creative Arts will present the APSU Brass Ensemble in concert Thursday, Nov. 21, in the concert theatre of the music/mass communication building. The 8 p.m. performance is free and open to the public.

Under the direction of APSU Associate Professor of Music Richard Steffen the groups will perform classical works as well as more contemporary selections.

For more information about the brass concert, telephone the APSU department of music at (615) 648-7818.

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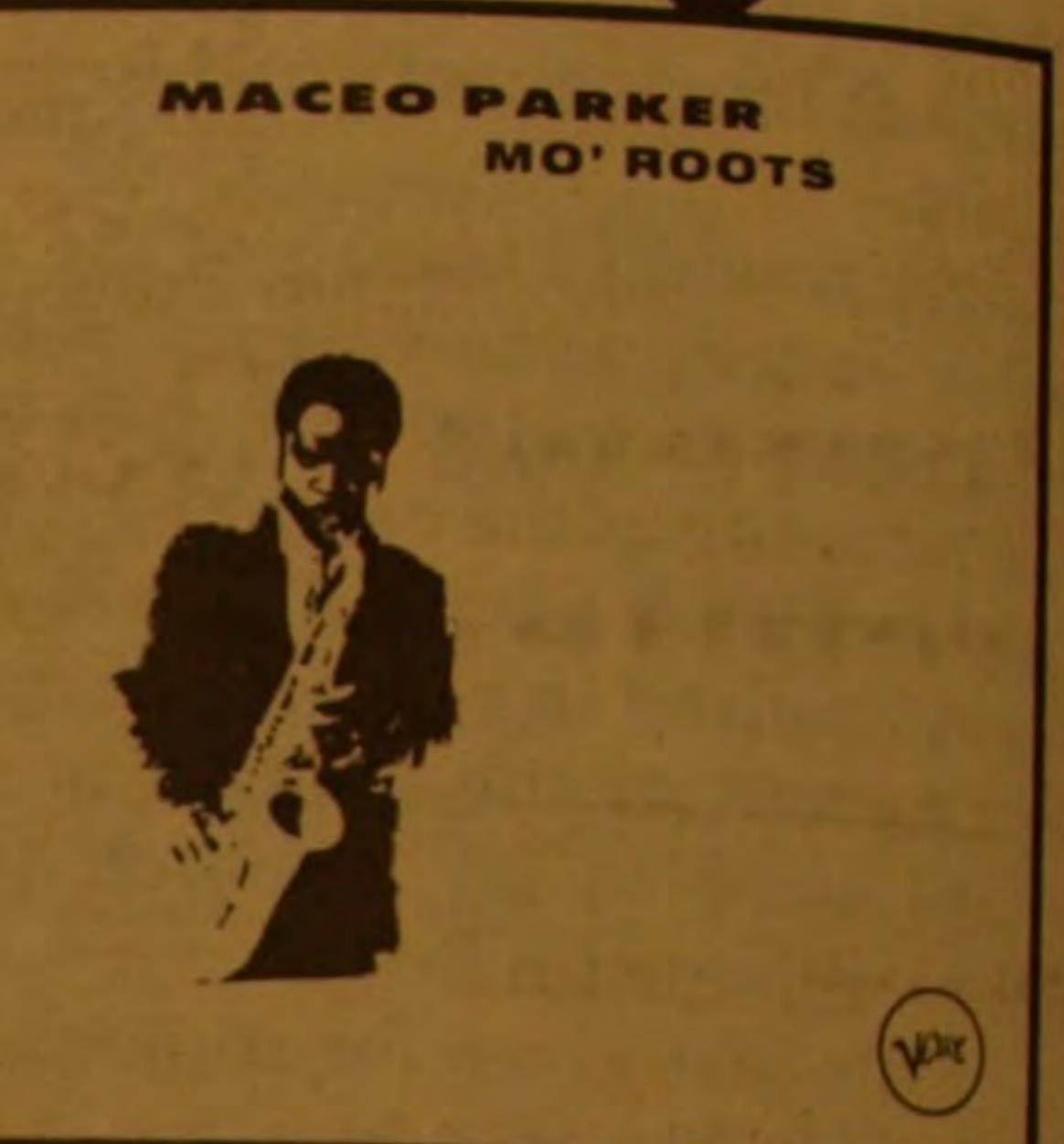
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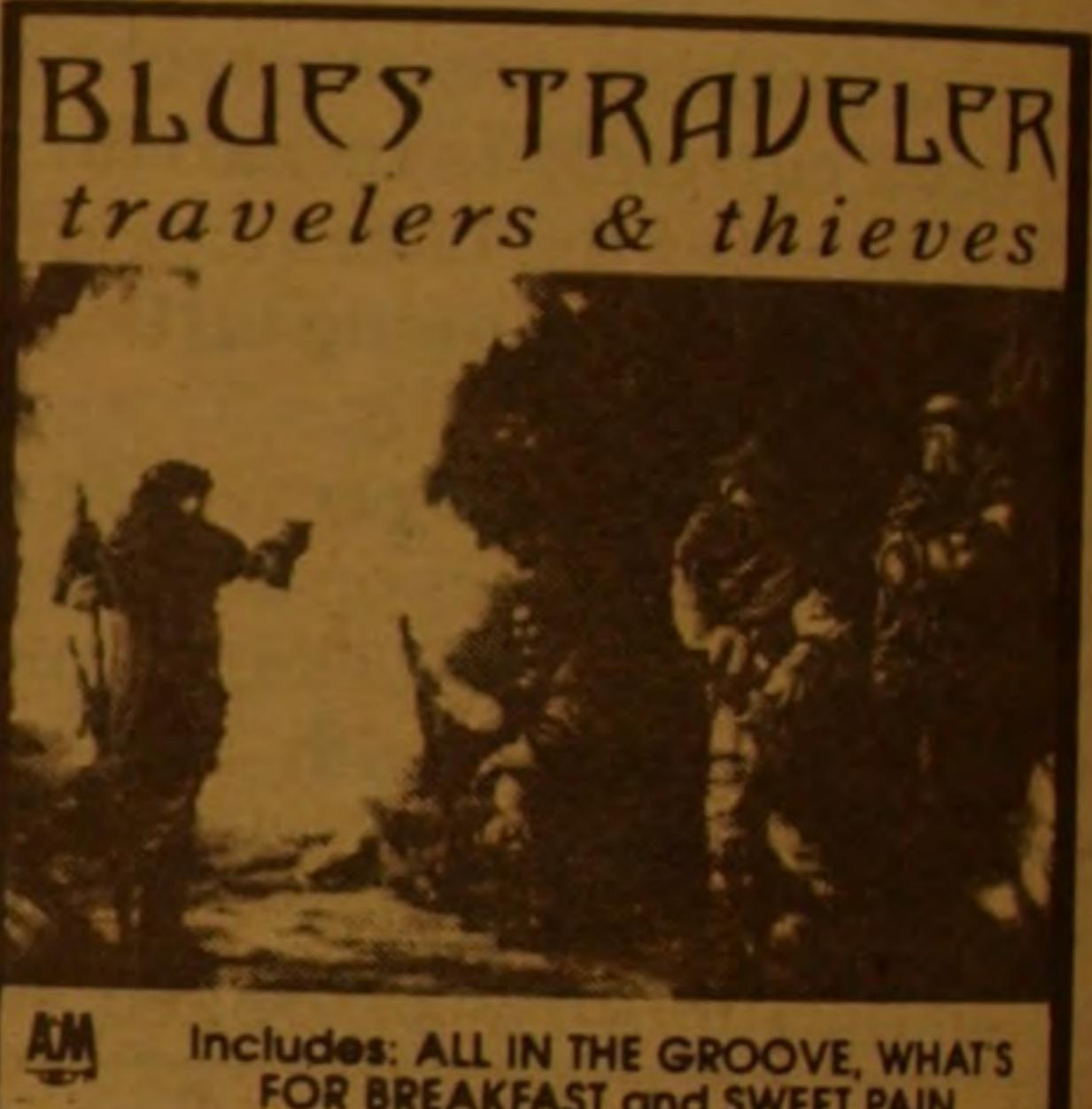


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"Thingy World!" playwright visits premiere

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By BURTON RAYBORN
guest writer

"Thingy World!" playwright David Budbill visited Austin Peay State University for his play's premiere performance produced by AP Playhouse Nov. 13-17.

Budbill said, "This is the first fully mounted production of 'Thingy World!' I am delighted because the last part of the play deals with effects on the third world countries, which involves interracial casting. Austin Peay provided a wide variety of talent and racial integration, which helps the authenticity of the play."

Budbill said the play addresses issues through satire to show the American lust for "things" by using a game show within the play. "Game shows are

Review: Clarksville meets premiere with enthusiasm

By JOHN TANNER
guest writer

Last Wednesday night was opening night, in every sense, for playwright David Budbill's "Thingy World!" at AP Playhouse. As I sat in the back row waiting for the house lights to dim, I thought about the problems that could crop up (and, insiders inform me, did, mostly at the last minute) during a debut production. I also thought about the theme of the play, a blunt satire portraying American society as materialistic, wasteful, and uncaring about the consequences, and whether or not an audience, particularly a Clarksville audience, could sit through both acts without either squirming self-consciously or missing the point entirely.

If either of these considerations could be considered insurmountable, then AP Playhouse has to be duly credited with brilliantly pulling off the impossible. Not only did the first ever performance of "Thingy World!" go off without a hitch (at least from the audience's perspective), but the audience's response seemed at least as enthusiastic as the performers onstage...

...Which is a miracle of sorts. "Thingy World!" takes a tongue in cheek, biting look at our world through the very means we get much of our information nowadays: television. The entire play appears as a television program, populated with saccharin-sweet newscasters and game show hosts and, naturally, plenty of corporate commercialism. OWOW-TV (set in an all white studio, nudge, nudge) spoonfeeds its viewers with watered-down news, luxury cars, soft drinks, fast food, beautiful people, and wanton greed loosely disguised as a game show. The selling point of all these is almost always the same—"it's the American Way."

To counter this, another TV station - UGTV - presents another view of the world: as an endangered species on the verge of extinction by our own doing - specifically, the White Man's doing.

At the center of the play is its namesake - "Thingy World!," "the game show where you can get what you want, if you want it bad enough." Self

the essence of American materialism gone arwy and that's the essence of the play," he said.

"The models on the game shows are not whole human beings when they're on stage and have to be treated as cartoon characters. I don't normally do satire and this play is very atypical for me. I think the play might make some people angry. I hope it raises some issues," Budbill commented.

"Thingy World!" utilizes a multi-media effect using slide projections on four video screens and music. Budbill said, "Gary Harris did a terrific job designing the set, which provides four separate playing areas."

Budbill said the play's director, Sara Gotcher, has been terrific to work with and is "a real go-getter." Budbill came

to APSU in October to work with Gotcher on preproduction tailoring of the script and casting.

Budbill said, "I will learn things from this production that I will use in the future. I will likely continue to rewrite the script. I keep tinkering with them for several years sometimes."

Budbill was commissioned by Vermont's Department of Environmental Conservation in 1989 to write about solid waste. "I decided right away that I didn't want to write about solid waste.

I decided right away that I didn't want to write about the symptoms, but the disease itself. I wanted to show what consumerism and materialism are doing to the world," Budbill explained.

Budbill said, "I have a responsibility to my audience. That responsibility is not necessarily to entertain them. This play happens to entertain but 'art' is not only entertainment-it is something that should provoke thought and discussion." Budbill continued, "I hope the audience will be challenged."



EXHIBIT OPENS—“Wide flux: Irrational Order,” a show featuring works by APSU Assistant Professor of Art Susan Bryant, opened in Trahern Gallery Friday. The show will be on display Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sundays 1 p.m.-4 p.m. (photo by Leigh Averitt)

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Holiday season prompts release

By TONY MALONE
movie critic

Well folks, it's that time of year again, the holiday season. During this time of year studios release Oscar hopefuls and promising blockbusters. This season means more to Tinseltown than any other, simply because it's its chance to make up for the horrid sales of summer. Below are ten of the most awaited Hollywood hopefuls.

• "Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country"--All that anyone knows about this one is that Spock is in love. New cast members include Kim Cattrall and Iman.

• "Cape Fear"--A remake of the 1962 hit and stars Robert De Niro, Nick Nolte, Jessica Lange and Gregory Peck. It is directed by Martin Scorsese. A convicted rapist gets out of jail and harasses the family of the

defense lawyer who put him behind bars.

• "The Addams Family"--This movie stars Raul Julia, Anjelica Huston and Christopher Lloyd. An intruder poses as Uncle Fester to swipe the family's fortune.

• "Beauty and the Beast"--an animation.

• "An American Tail: Fievel Goes West"--an animated sequel to the hit "An American Tail."

• "Bugsy"--This movie stars Warren Beatty, Annette Benning and Ben Kingsley. It is directed by Barry Levinson. The storyline is the romance of Bugsy Siegel and Virginia Hill and how he built Las Vegas for her.

• "For the Boys"--A musical drama which stars Bette Midler.

• "Hook"--This movie stars Robin Williams, Dustin Hoffman and Julia Roberts, and is directed by Steven Spielberg. Peter Pan grows up, and just when his life gets boring, Captain Hook kidnaps his children.

• "My Girl"--Jamie Lee Curtis, Dan Aykroyd and Macaulay Culkin star in this motion picture. The

of new movies

storyline is of a little girl adjusting to her father's falling in love.

• "Shining Through"--Michael Douglas, Melanie Griffith, Liam Neeson and John Gielgud star in this movie. A working girl posing as a spy during World War II is the plot for this story.

Greek Scene

Zeta Phi Beta member wins scholarship

By LUCY ANN
GOSSETT
staff writer

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. sister Bettie Dinkins won a \$200 scholarship at the state meeting Oct. 12 in Nashville.

Sigma Nu Fraternity recently elected new officers: Brett Story-commander; Shane

Carlson-lieutenant commander and treasurer; Robert Rice-rush chairman and candidate education; Shawn Carlson-alumni contact officer and Jay Ryder-recorder.

Sigma Nu and their guests will enjoy their annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Smith-Trahern Mansion. Sigma Nu will be sponsoring the Great

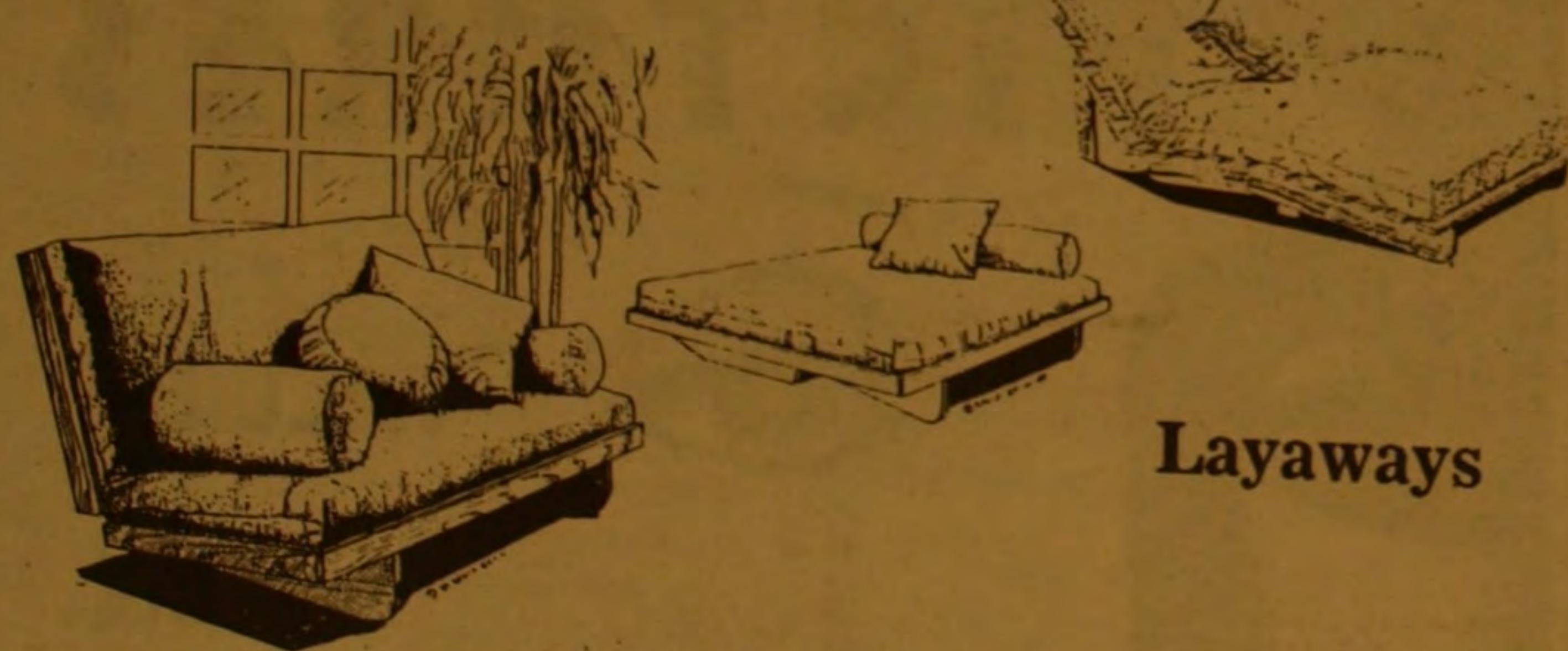
American Smoke-Out in the UC lobby on Nov. 21 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The smoke-out is an effort to get smokers to quit their habit.

Chi Omega Women's Fraternity recently elected their new officers. The officers are: Christie Smith-president; Tracey Brame-vice-president;

Jennifer Jones-secretary; Laura Helms-treasurer; Jill Cardwell-GAC delegates; Tammy Ray-rush; Darcy Hartz-pledge trainer and Mary Ann Wall-personnel.

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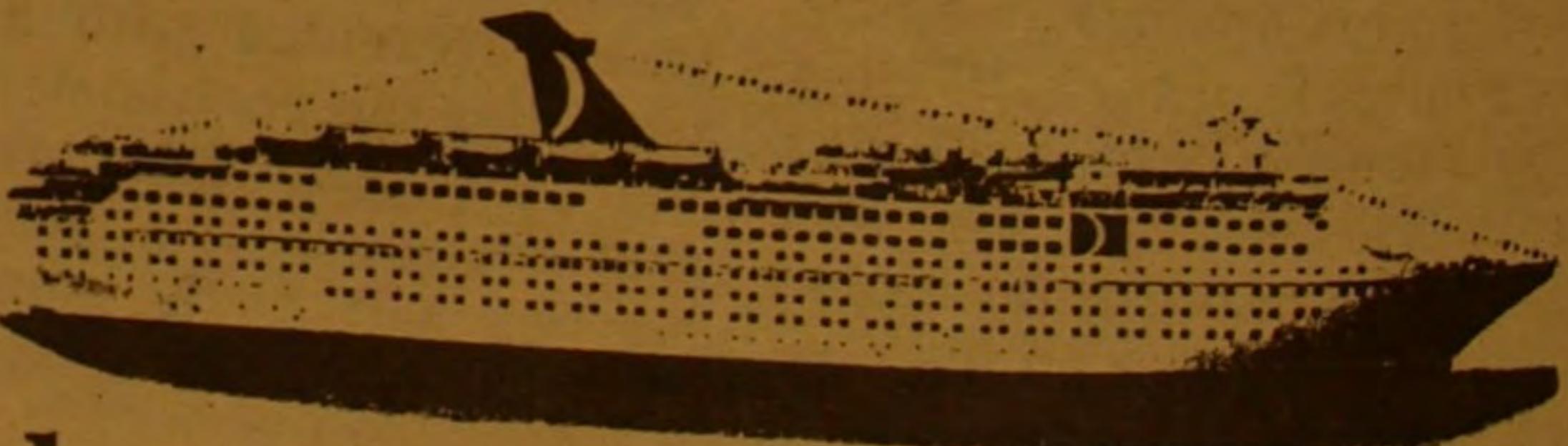
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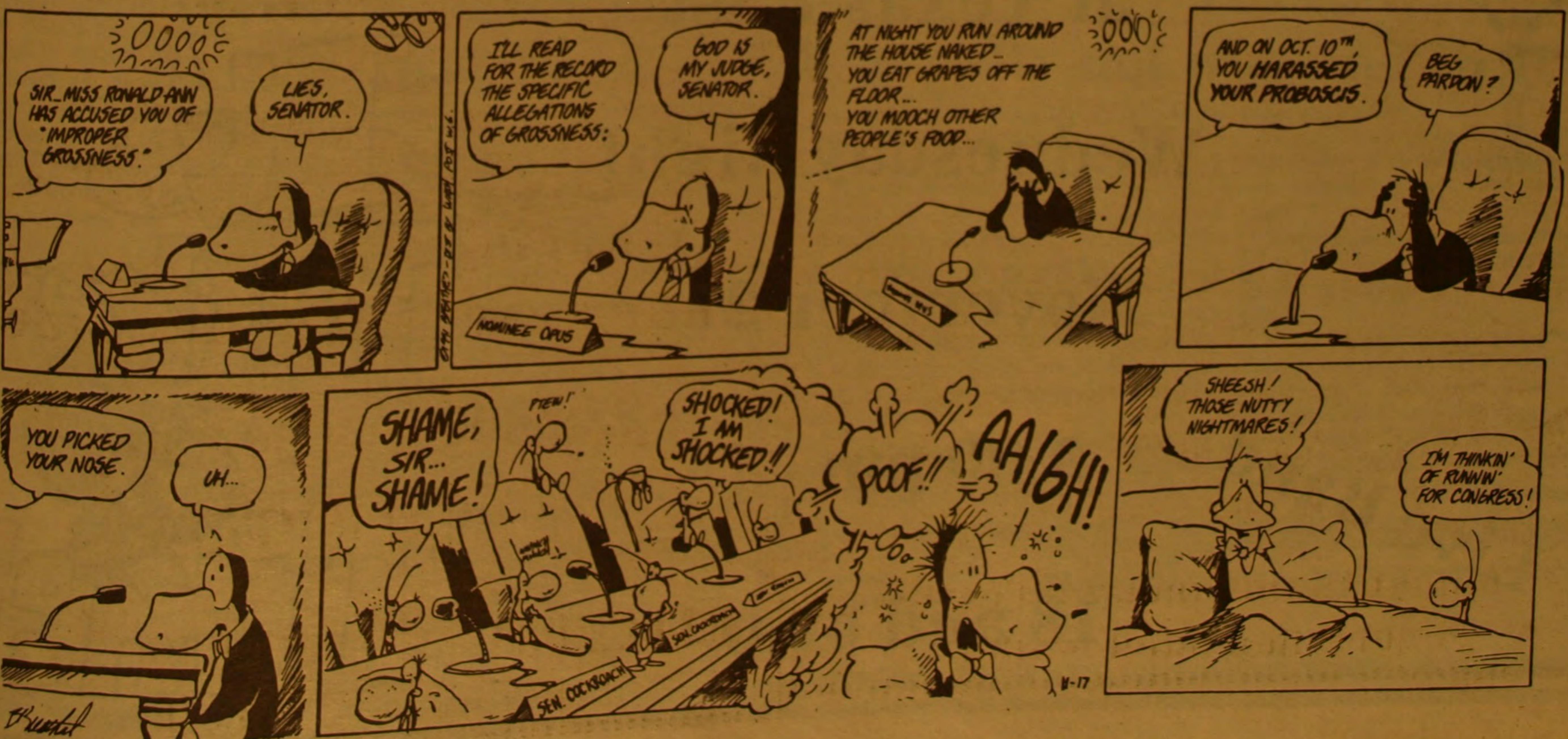
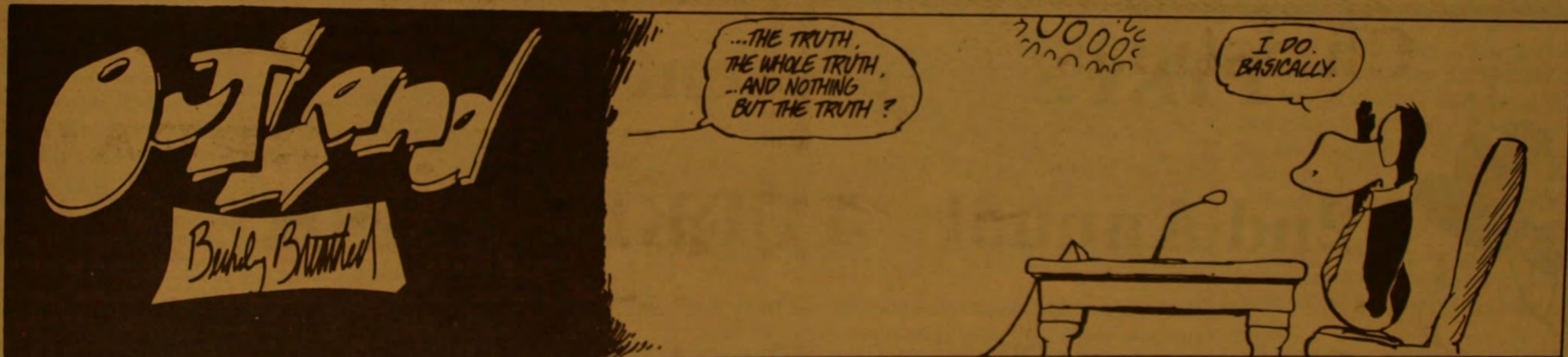
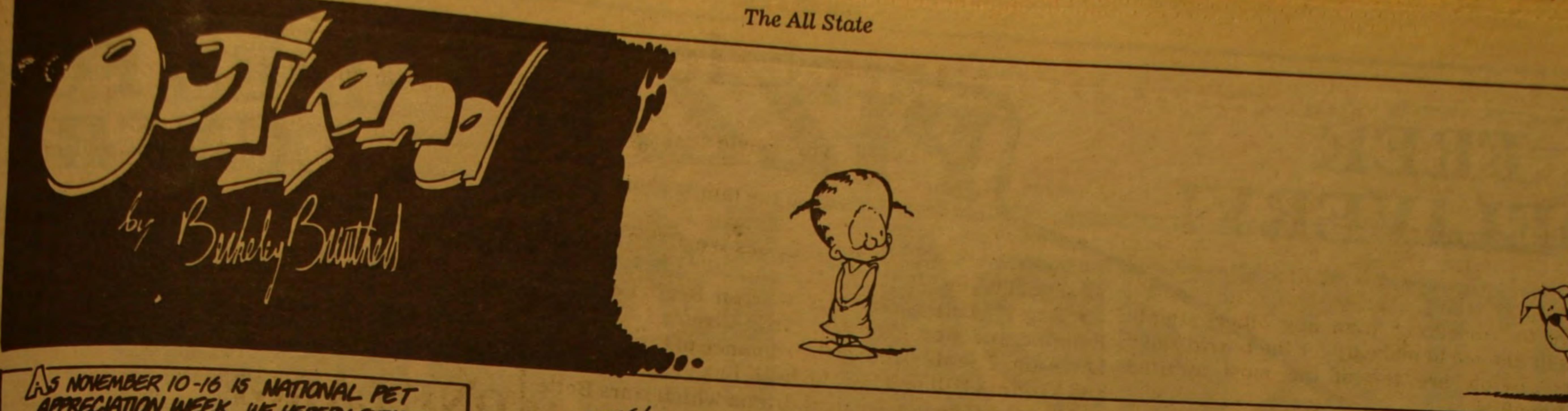
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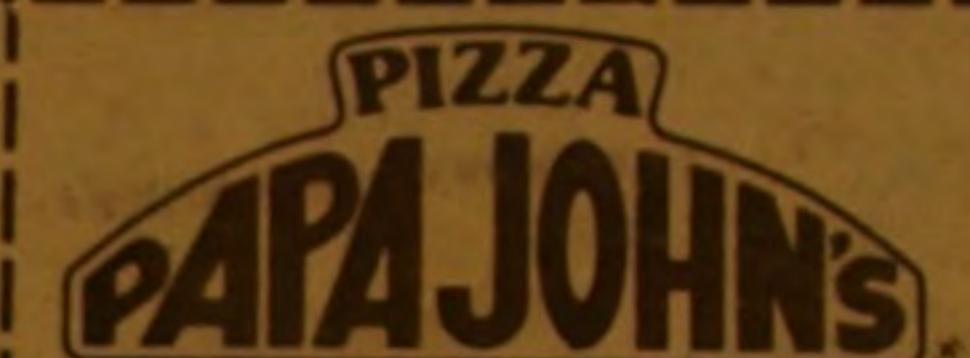
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