

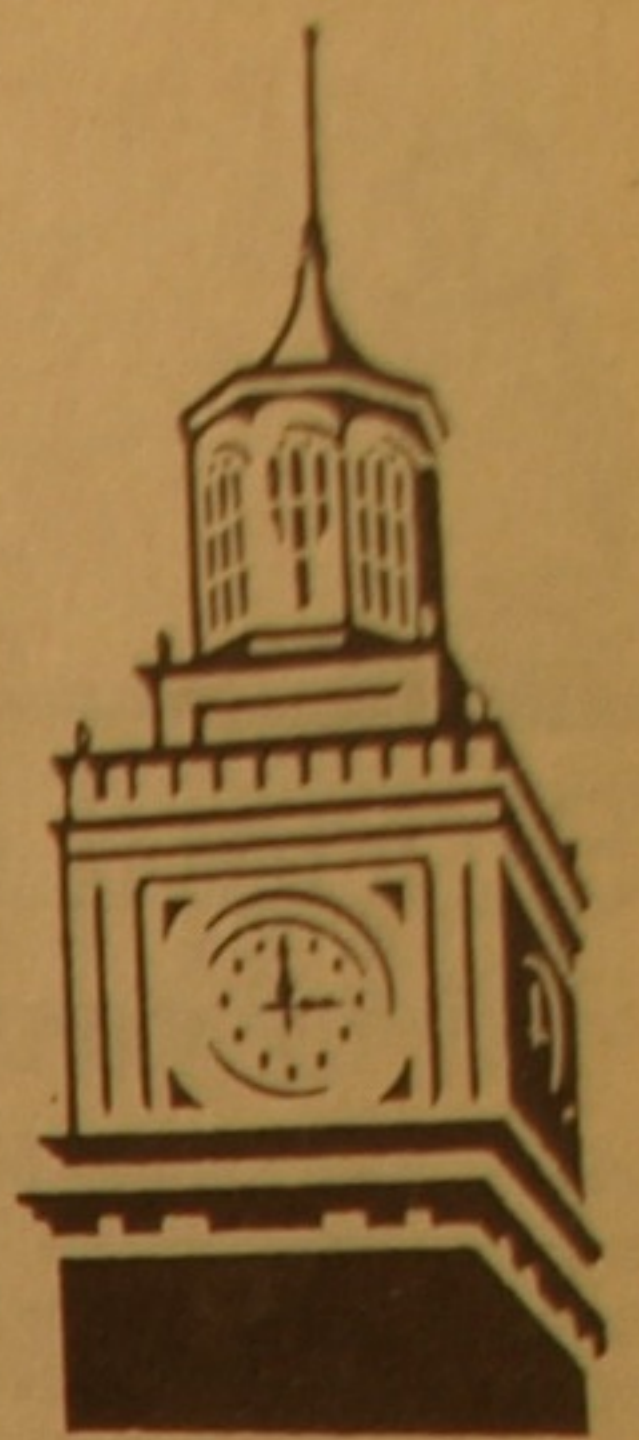
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Student Government renovates, renews commitment

By Johnny Sparks
editor in chief

If you haven't seen it, take a closer look. It may be happening right in front of you.

Austin Peay State University's Student Government Association continued its renovation

process in a lunchtime meeting Thursday at the Cafeteria.

"The SGA is here and it is about to explode and excel," Gavin Roark, chair of the governance-design committee said. "To see SGA thrive it is going to require the involvement of everyone. Everyone can sit down, but

it is time to stand up and voice your opinion."

Like many other post-tornado and pre-university center student organizations, the SGA has struggled to find its place on campus. The current SGA feels that it may have found its place.

"I loved meeting in the café," Louise Morales, con-

stitutional committee chair, said. "If it is possible to continue doing that, SGA will seem more approachable."

This is one example of the SGA's all-new practicality over precedence philosophy that they adopted following last spring's botched election.

In a turbulent campus

environment, the SGA faltered to a point where no constitutionally qualified candidates were available to fill vacant executive positions.

"The SGA went downhill over the past two years," Ladaveon Burford, chair of the allocations committee said. "That's not good. Our

goal is to reorganize it and make it twice as good as it was before."

The current renovation project involves major revisions of the previous SGA constitution.

Noticeably missing from this year's SGA are presidents, vice-presidents and

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APSU welcomes round two

Neal voices higher ed philosophy

By Johnny Sparks
editor in chief

Dr. Annie Neal impressed students with a real-life application of her higher education philosophy.

"I offer a sound philosophical perspective premised on my sincere belief that every individual is entitled to a quality education at the highest level of his or her academic interest and ability," Neal said.

Neal, the only African-American candidate in the presidential race, called students to action Wednesday following the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

"I don't march on Martin Luther King's birthday anymore," Neal said. "I try to do something to make a difference."

"For us to March right now and sing 'We Shall Overcome' isn't helping. I don't think that is what Martin Luther King was all about. It is about making a difference for others. I'll march with you after we work."

In applying her philosophical perspective, Neal said that she would start working with Austin Peay's neighbors down Eighth Street in Lincoln Homes.

She says she would not ignore the residents, but would reach out to them and work to build strong ties within our shared com-

munity. Further, she proposes active recruitment in the area.

"My husband and I drove over here on Saturday and we came the back way," Neal said. "What hit me was those projects over there. If I have the opportunity to come over here I will find a way to meet with people there, and to hope that they will find a way to work with others to help themselves, so that they know we care about them."

She is an advocate of affirmative action, as well as "grow-your-own" programs.

"Affirmative action is access," Neal said. "Somehow affirmative action has gotten a bad wrap. We say 'we don't need that. We are putting unqualified people in to jobs.' That is not what affirmative action is all about."

Neal, one of five finalists in the race for the Austin Peay State University presidency, encouraged the selection of a "senior-season" candidate during her stop with students at the Daniel C. Wilbur African-American Cultural Center.

"I offer Austin Peay State University long experience at interacting successfully with institutional governing boards with elected oversight bodies, including state legislatures



photo by Tammy Sparks

Dr. Annie Neal visits with students following Wednesday's session.

and city councils," Neal said.

Neal demonstrated her experience in higher education marketing when she presented materials from her work at the Meharry School of Medicine in Nashville.

At Meharry, you need

look no further than their name to determine their mission. Neal says she can help establish such an identity for APSU.

"Our niche is liberal arts," Neal said. "We have to focus on how to foster that in this community. It is

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Armstrong shares vision

By Johnny Sparks
editor in chief

Dr. Tom Armstrong shared a unique vision of the future.

Armstrong, the last of five finalists for the presidency to meet with students as part of the two-day on-campus interview process, worked the crowd at the Daniel C. Wilbur African-American Cultural Center as he discussed Austin Peay State University's future under his guidance.

"Bigger is not necessarily better," Armstrong said. "There is something to be said for having a size of about that of Austin Peay. I really think it is a wonderful size to be comprehensive enough to offer everything that needs to be offered, but small enough that people can really get to know you."

A "bigger is better" philosophy on the part of students and candidates dominated previous discussion sessions. Armstrong's contentment with APSU's current size distinguished his vision.

In order to improve upon the current setting, he encourages frequent communication with alumni.

"You look for ways to connect with the alumni," Armstrong said. "One way of doing that is by visiting



photo by Tammy Sparks
Dr. Tom Armstrong

with them."

Also, Armstrong says he is qualified and willing to petition governing bodies on APSU's behalf.

"Relating with the community, alumni and legislature is important," Armstrong said. "Austin Peay is part of the Tennessee Board of Regents. I have a lot of experience working with the Georgia Board of Regents. It takes a lot of things, and the president's role is to make sure those things are happening."

And, as in previous interviews, students expressed their concerns regarding diversity issues.

"The campus has to constantly deal with issues of diversity and do everything it can to encourage interac-

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Hoppe takes time to get personal with students

By Johnny Sparks
editor in chief

Many of the same students, who had dropped their gloves in no-holds-barred sessions with other presidential candidates, put them back on with interim president Dr. Sherry Hoppe.

Hoppe introduced the students in attendance to "Sherry," rather than "Dr. Hoppe." She told students about growing up on the Tennessee-Georgia border in Chattanooga.

"A lot of people have been concerned that I had an unfair advantage, because I was here as an

interim," Hoppe said. "I will tell you it cuts both ways. I can't stand before you and say 'if I were the university president, this is what I would do' because the people here have seen the kind of person I am."

Hoppe reaped the benefits of her personal messages. She told students about working her way through school and completing a doctoral degree.

Although she saw virtually the same faces as the other candidates, she heard a much different story about APSU from students.

Students were less criti-

cal of current affairs and revealed less frustration in their experiences.

However Hoppe could not escape the consequences of her interim service, when student questions forced her to shoulder responsibility.

"I don't have all of the answers," Hoppe said. "I need you to tell me what you need. We are in this together."

She took responsibility for university resources.

"My job in a leadership role is to make sure that resources are allocated in such a way that you get the education experience you need, expect and

deserve," Hoppe said.

Hoppe pointed to her strong ties with the Tennessee Board of Regents as an valuable asset.

"I think I am a good candidate because I have 23-plus years in this system," Hoppe said. "I know its rules and regulations. I know how to get things done within the system. I have a network of relationships across the state that I can call on."

Hoppe, the interim president and one of five finalists for the Austin Peay State University presidency, answered student questions as part of her

two-day on campus interview process.

The questions broke from the norm when she was asked a series of questions regarding allegations of racial insensitivity published last fall in "The All State."

"It is important that you know the type of person I am," Hoppe said. "I have been in higher education in Tennessee since 1977. I think most people would say to you that she is fair and equitable regardless of the color of your skin or your gender. I personally don't think there is any evidence that

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photo by Tammy Sparks
Dr. Sherry Hoppe speaks with students during the interview process.



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other executive branch leaders, but the positions are expected to return in the fall with a newly amended constitution.

Currently, "rules for rules' sake" has taken a backseat to "rules for stu-

dent's sake."

Unlike SGA meetings of old, common courtesy was the only "rule of order" Thursday.

"We're looking for people to get involved now," Roark said. "Our goal is to have a

working SGA that has everyone's involvement. It's time for a change and we're in that process."

Students hoping to make a difference are welcomed with no experience required.

Many of the proposed constitutional amendments include more lenient regulations in the election process.

SGA officials say that these amendments will be

ratified, possibly via student ballot, long before the election.

The SGA plans to have its open election in mid-April.

By late March, SGA will begin an awareness campaign and collect candidate petitions for election. Many of the traditional positions will return to the ballot including president and vice-president.

"We will have an 'open' election in the best sense of the word," Roark said.

"We want new faces and fresh blood. It is open to everyone. We want a diverse group. You don't have to sit on SGA for a year to run for office."

The organization says that they are renovating to appeal to student needs and build a stronger foundation

of representation for the future.

"I hope to get more people involved and make a difference," Dana Carpenter, chair of the judicial committee said. "There is always room for improvement."

"I think the SGA will be better this semester and in the future because we are taking a fresh new approach to things."

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tion and understanding of culture," Armstrong said. "Essentially, what it comes down to is walking the talk."

Armstrong's approaches the presidency as a "challenge."

"I am delighted to be part of the candidate pool for the presidency of Austin Peay," Armstrong said. "My whole career has been about looking for ways to really make a difference."

He cited other challenges in his higher education career, as examples of times he made a difference. Among the experiences he discussed, Armstrong mentioned a one-year stint at a South Carolina institution.

"I think I made a difference even though I was only at South Carolina for a year," Armstrong said.

"I was promoting the concept of faculty-shared governance or a faculty senate. I didn't stay because the president didn't like what I was doing," Armstrong cur-

rently serves as a vice president at Texas-Wesleyan.

"I have been able to do a lot of thing to advance Wesleyan as a private liberal arts institution, but one that serves a very diverse student population," he said.

In addition to his duties as vice president, he teaches history.

Holley Prescott's, a Texas-Wesleyan graduate and current communications graduate student at APSU, testimony concurs.

"Wesleyan was a small school," Prescott said. "Dr. Armstrong was always around. He was a great teacher and did a lot for organizations on campus."



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more needed than ever before because we live in a knowledge-based society."

By fostering APSU's niche in the community, Neal believes she can ensure the prosperous longevity of the university.

"As president, I would provide leadership and articulate a clear vision to promote the effectiveness and efficient operation of the university, thereby assuring that its 'niche' is visible and viable," Neal says. "Austin Peay State University must always be perceived as a necessary institution in the state."

In other business matters, Neal addressed funding insufficiencies in the APSU budget and across the board in higher education. She proposed a capital campaign for Austin Peay.

"There is no money attached to the strategic plan," Neal said. "We have to develop a capital campaign for this institution."

photo by Tammy Sparks

Dr. Tom Armstrong (left) sits with students and entertains question Friday at the Daniel C. Wilbur African American Cultural Center.



photo by Tammy Sparks

Dr. Annie Neal answers questions during her interview session with students.

She pointed to the benefits of a recent \$35 million capital campaign at Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro as an example.

"We have now admitted that public colleges are public assisted institutions," Neal said.

"If we are going to get the money to make a real difference we will have to

find someone that will partner with us."

If APSU fails in its capital campaign, she proposes that the individuals on campus find the answer within.

"Some things you don't need money for," Neal said. "You need commitment and dedication. Everything is not money. Some things are where your heart is."

The ultimate goal of all of

her work, she says, is the academic welfare of students.

"The reason we are here is because of you," Neal said. "We all have a marriage with academic programs to make them better."

Neal says that she will work to promote diversity and access as the president of APSU.

Hoppe

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would show I have any tendencies toward being a racist."

Unlike other candidates, Hoppe's direct experience with APSU led to very specific and sometimes personal questions.

"I personally feel that I have been very sensitive and have listened," Hoppe said. "If you want my perspective on why that opinion exists, it is because that I did not give the answers that someone wanted."

Hoppe says that during the budget crisis following the Fort Campbell enrollment fiasco, she was forced to make difficult decisions regarding funding of various positions on campus.

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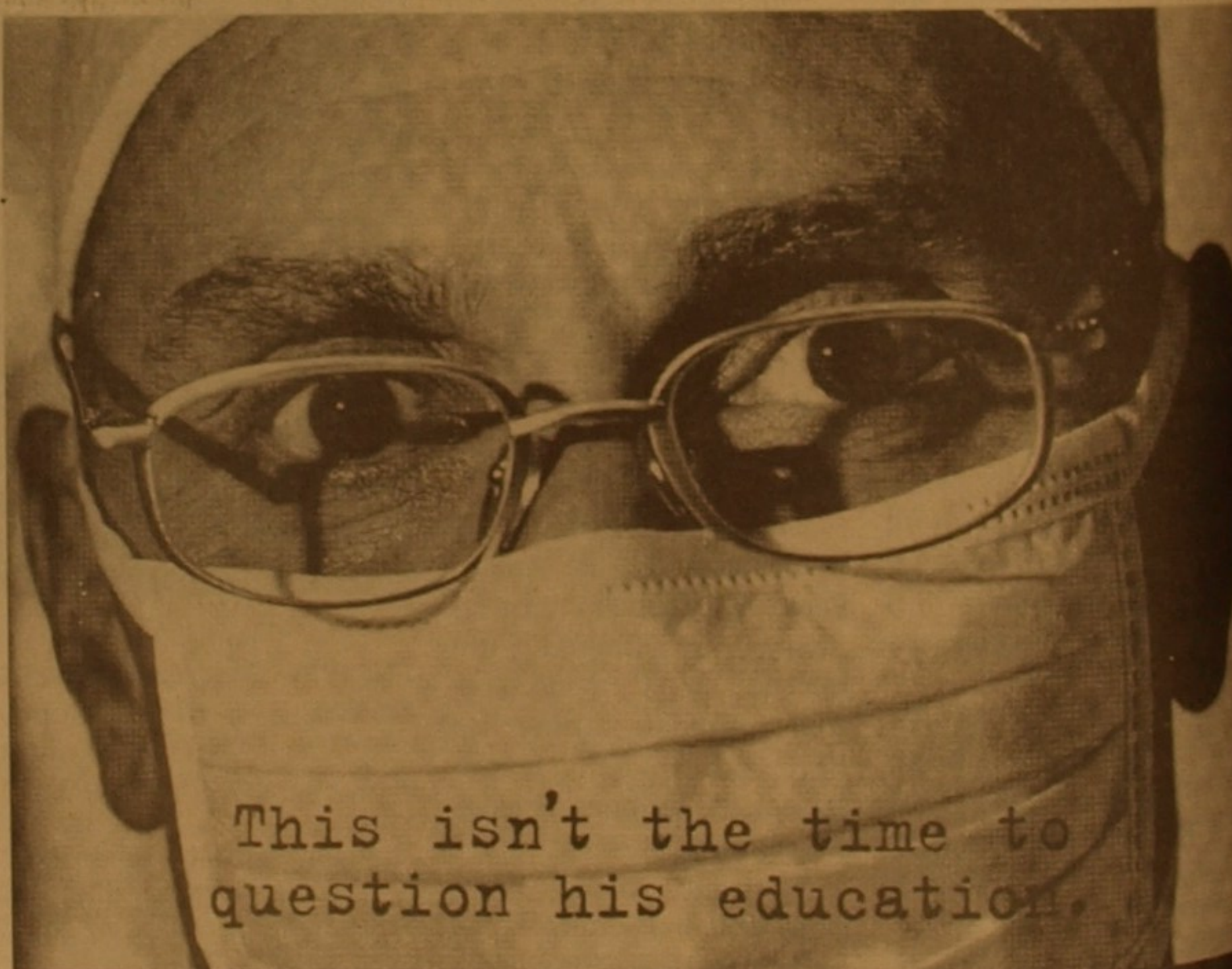
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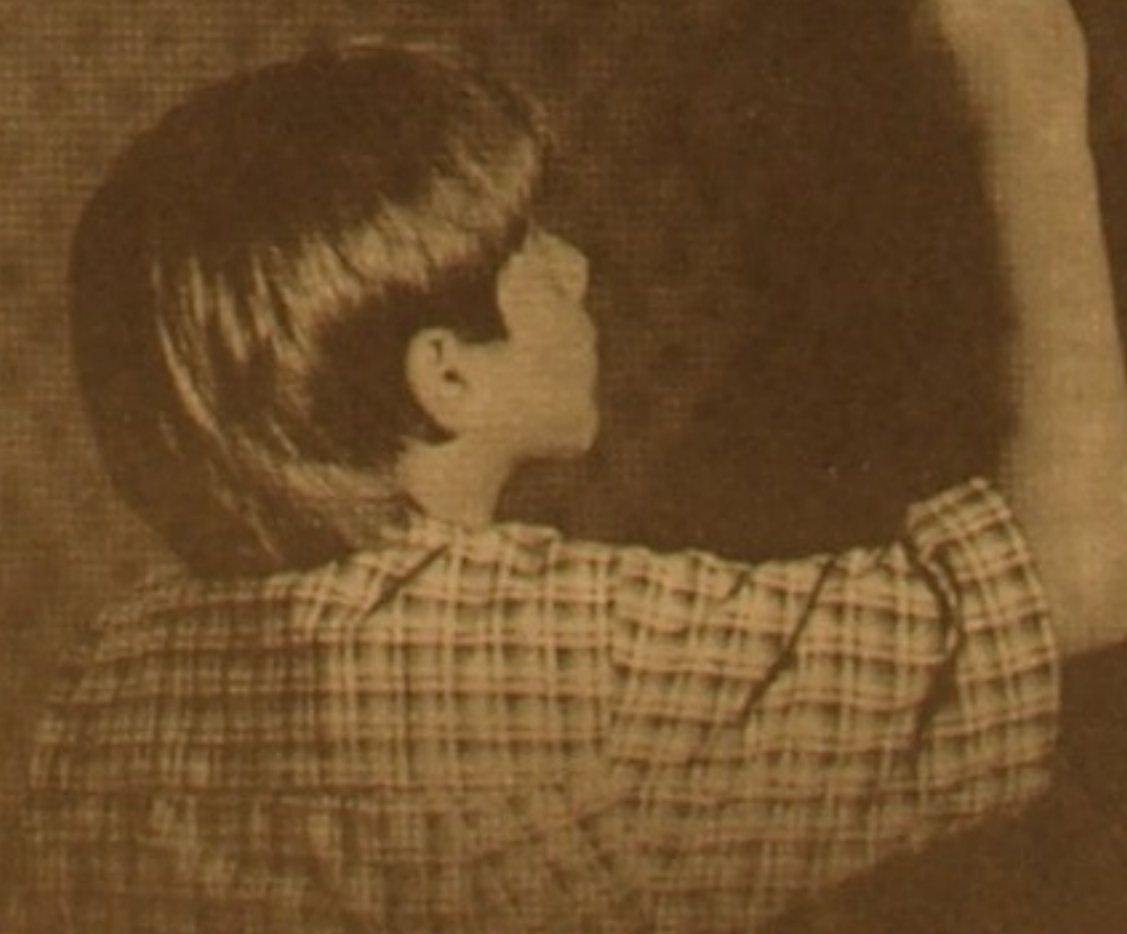
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Taming of the terrible tube

By Gary Arnold
opinion editor

Plant petunias on my head and call me a blooming idiot, but recently I have come to the conclusion that television has gotten way out of control. Technology is a good thing - I'm no Ted Kucinsky - and I appreciate things that make life easier. God bless the remote. I can remember when kids were the remote. This was before cable. Back then, people had to have at least three kids to watch TV. One to serve as the remote and change channels, one to hold on to the antennae to insure a good picture on bad weather days, and one to fetch your beer and sandwiches.

Back then there was only ABC, NBC, CBS, and PBS to choose from, although if you moved the clip on the back of your TV from VHF to UHF (or vice versa, I forgot) you could get wrestling and the all-Spanish channel. Now, there are so many channels that it can take you an hour to surf through them all, and by the time you get to the end you have

forgotten what channel you started at in the first place. There's stuff from pets to porn, hair care to history, and soaps to sports.

Do we really need a 24-hour food channel? Is anybody cooking these dishes? I can't recall the last time I prepared a goose pate, wild boar and chestnuts in a savory cranberry sauce, and lemon sorbet for a Monday Night Football get together. It used to be that when people wanted to learn how to cook, they went into the kitchen and opened a cookbook.

TV used to be just for entertainment, but now you can use it to play in the PGA Tour, Super Bowl, World Series, and NBA Finals as well. The other day I heard two kids in the neighborhood deciding to play a game of basketball. One pulled NBA 2000 for Playstation out of his book bag, and off they ran into the house. I doubt that Michael Jordan, Kobe Bryant, or Dr. J became great by learning hoops off a Hitachi.

I'm not immune. I've fallen to prey to Lawnmower

Man syndrome myself, courtesy of my good friend Mark. He's the one that turned me on to Madden 01. Many a homework assignment sat on the kitchen table neglected, as I was busy sacking Troy Aikman in the fourth quarter to preserve victory for my beloved Green Bay Packers.

The cool part about these games is that you can create your own player. Now, once more I'm free to terrorize football fields, knocking the snot out of halfbacks and sacking quarterbacks like a bag boy at Kroger. Right now I'm the highest paid defensive end in football. And so far this year, I've won the Super Bowl (three times), hit a home run in the bottom of the ninth inning of the sixth game of the World Series to beat the Arizona Diamondbacks and win it all for the White Sox, won \$650,000 in a skins match against Tiger Woods, and I'm fourth in points in the Winston Cup Championship.

Tonight I'm racing at Darlington. There is one danger to these games,

though. You can end up wasting the time you already wasted. Happened to me last weekend. I had just started a new season of Madden 2001, and I was defending my Super Bowl championship. My fourth straight victory had just been sealed, when I heard my homework calling me from the kitchen table.

"Abran su linbro, muchacho! mucho trabajo" (Spanish homework)

If a train leaves Cincinnati at six o'clock, and a seagull gets swallowed up by the turbine of a 747, will you still pass this class? (Elements of Statistics class). A nun, Siamese twins, and an ex-odeo star get stuck on an island resort that is home to a suicidal vampire. What do you think? (Writing fiction class).

Realizing push had come to shove, I turned the game off and headed to the kitchen to face the inevitable. That's when it hit me. I hadn't saved my game. I had just wasted the three hours I had just wasted. Or as I learned in algebra, I had wasted time squared. No longer was I the

shining star of the Packer defense, a two-time league MVP, and defensive record holder. Now I was just another poor college student struggling to find time to give my classes an honest effort. I'm giving up my career as a virtual reality superstar. Oh, sure, the money was great, the awards, Super Bowls. I was even dating Claudia Schiffer in my mind. But, duty calls. Assignments are due, and the load isn't going to get any lighter. So, I'll just use my TV for what it was made for; watching the Drew Carey Show, old Dick Van Dyke reruns, John Wayne movies, and Battlebots.

All my favorite sporting events count, too. Monday Night Football, Friday Night Fights, Tuesday Evening Tittlywink Championships from Glasgow, and the Saturday Afternoon, Buzzards Breath, Wyoming, Cow-Pie Chucking Finals.

That ought to do it. No more time wasted playing frivolous games. Finally I have control over my TV. Who's the boss now?

U.S. should fear 'Frankenfoods'

By Jim Kelsheimer
gures writer

The technology of genetic engineering is the practice of altering or disrupting the genetic blueprints of living organisms-plants, animals, humans, microorganisms; patenting them, and then selling the resulting gene-foods, seeds, or other products for profit.

Life science corporations proclaim, with great fanfare, that their new products will make agriculture sustainable, eliminate world hunger, cure disease, and vastly improve public health. In reality, though, their business practices and political lobbying, the gene engineers have made it clear that they intend to use GE to dominate and monopolize the global market for seeds, foods, fiber and medical products.

GE is a revolutionary new technology still in its early experimental stages. This technology has the power to break down fundamental genetic barriers-not only between species-but between humans, animals, and plants. By randomly inserting together the genes of non-related species utilizing viruses, antibiotic-resistant genes, and bacteria and permanently altering their genetic codes, gene-altered organisms are created. They then pass these genetic changes onto their offspring.

Gene engineers all over the world are now snipping, inserting, recombining, rearranging, editing, and programming genetic material. Animal genes and even human genes are randomly inserted into the chromosomes of plants, fish, and animals, creating unimaginable transgenic life forms. For the first time in history, transnational biotechnology corporations are becoming the architects and "owners" of life.

With little or no regulatory restraints, labeling requirements, or scientific protocol, Bio-engineers have begun creating hundreds of new "Frankenfoods" and crops, oblivious to human and environmental hazards, or negative socioeconomic impacts on the world's seven billion farmers and rural villagers. Despite an increasing number of scientists warning that current gene-splicing techniques are crude, gene-splicing is unpredictable and inexact, and unpredictable and therefore inherently dangerous. Pro-biotech governments and regulatory agencies, led by the U.S., maintain that GE foods and crops are "substantially equivalent" to conventional foods, and therefore require nei-

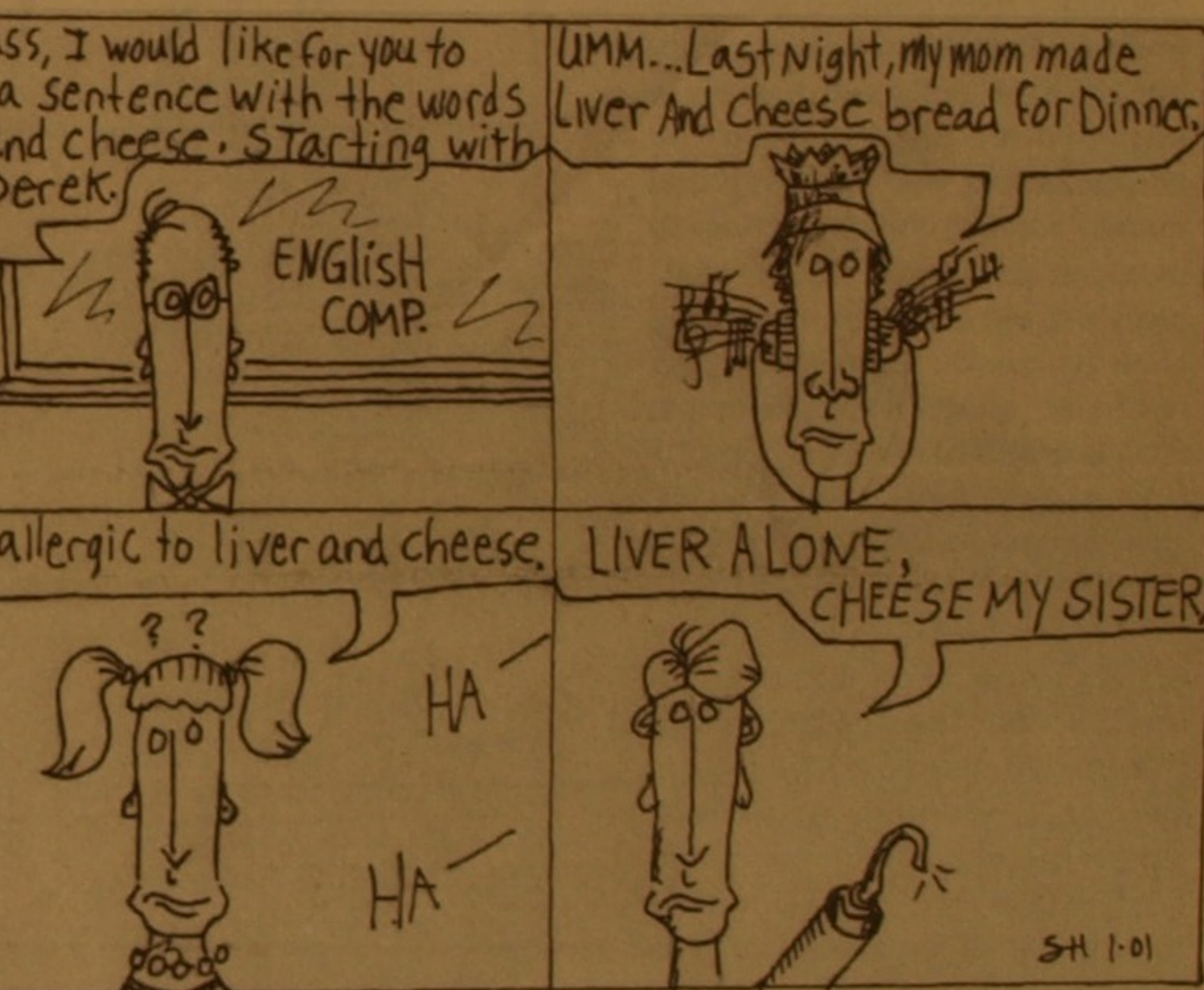
ther mandatory labeling nor pre-market safety-testing. This Brave New World of Frankenfoods is frightening.

There are currently more than four dozen genetically engineered foods and crops being grown or sold in the U.S. These foods and crops are widely dispersed into the food chain and the environment. More than 60 million acres of GE crops are presently under cultivation in the U.S., while up to 500,000 dairy cows are being injected regularly with Monsanto's recombinant Bovine Growth Hormone (rBGH). Most supermarket processed food items now "test positive" for the presence of GE ingredients. In addition, several dozen more GE crops are in the final stages of development and will soon be released into the environment and sold in the marketplace. According to the biotechnology industry, almost 100 percent of U.S. food and fiber will be genetically engineered within five to 10 years. The "hidden menu" of these unlabeled genetically engineered foods and food ingredients in the U.S. now includes soybeans, soy oil, corn, potatoes, squash, canola oil, cotton seed oil, papaya, tomatoes, and dairy products.

Genetic engineering of food and fiber products is inherently unpredictable and dangerous - for humans, animals, the environment, and for the future of sustainable and organic agriculture. As Dr. Michael Antoniou, a British molecular scientist points out, gene-splicing has already resulted in the "unexpected production of toxic substances... in genetically engineered bacteria, yeast, plants, and animals with the problem remaining undetected until a major health hazard has arisen."

The hazards of GE foods and crops fall basically into three categories: human health hazards, environmental hazards, and socioeconomic hazards. A brief look at the already-proven and likely hazards of GE products provides a convincing argument for why we need a global moratorium on all GE foods and crops.

Genetically engineered products clearly have the potential to be toxic and a threat to human health. In 1989, a genetically engineered brand of L-tryptophan, a common dietary supplement, killed 37 Americans



and permanently disabled or afflicted more than 5,000 others with a potentially fatal and painful blood disorder, eosinophilia myalgia syndrome (EMS), before it was recalled by the Food and Drug Administration. The manufacturer, Showa Denko, Japan's third largest chemical company, had for the first time in 1988-1989 used GE bacteria to produce the over-the-counter supplement. It is believed the bacteria somehow became contaminated during the recombinant DNA process. Showa Denko has already paid out more than \$2 billion in damages to EMS victims.

In 1999, front-page headline stories in the British press revealed Rowett Institute scientist Dr. Arpad Pusztai's explosive research findings that GE potatoes, spliced with DNA from the snowdrop plant and a commonly used viral promoter, the Cauliflower Mosaic Virus (CaMV), are poisonous to mammals. GE-snowdrop potatoes, found to be significantly different in chemical composition from regular potatoes, damaged the vital organs and immune systems of lab rats. Most alarming of all, damage to the rats' stomach linings - apparently a severe viral infection - most likely was caused by the CaMV viral promoter, a promoter spliced into nearly all GE foods and crops.

Dr. Pusztai's path-breaking research unfortunately remains incomplete (government funding was cut off and he was fired after he spoke to the media). But more and more scientists around the world are warning that genetic manipulation can increase the levels of natural plant toxins or allergens in foods (or create entirely new toxins) in unexpected ways by switching on genes that produce poisons. And since regulatory agencies do not currently require the kind of thorough chemical and feeding tests that Dr. Pusztai was conducting, consumers have

now become involuntary guinea pigs in a vast genetic experiment.

As Dr. Pusztai warns, "Think of William Tell shooting an arrow at a target. Now put a blindfold on the man doing the shooting and that's the reality of the genetic engineer doing a gene insertion."

In 1994, the FDA approved the sale of Monsanto's controversial GE recombinant Bovine Growth Hormone (rBGH) - injected into dairy cows to force them to produce more milk - even though scientists warned that significantly higher levels (400-500 percent or more) of a potent chemical hormone in the milk and dairy products of injected cows could pose serious hazards for human breast, prostate, and colon cancer. A number of studies have shown that humans with elevated levels of IGF-1 in their bodies are much more likely to get cancer. In addition, the U.S. Congressional watchdog agency, the GAO, told the FDA not to approve rBGH, arguing that increased antibiotic residues in the milk of rBGH-injected cows (resulting from higher rates of udder infections requiring antibiotic treatment) posed an unacceptable risk for public health. In 1998, Monsanto/FDA documents were released by government scientists in Canada, showing damage to laboratory rats fed dosages of rBGH.

Significant infiltration of rBGH into the prostate of the rats as well as thyroid cysts indicated potential cancer hazards from the drug. Subsequently the government of Canada banned rBGH in early 1999. The European Union has had a ban in place since 1994. Although rBGH continues to be injected into four to five percent of all U.S. dairy cows, no other industrialized country has legalized its use. Even the GATT Codex Alimentarius, a United Nations food standards body, has refused to certify that rBGH is safe.

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Angry protesters 'oom' at D.C. police

By Jim Kelsheimer
staff writer

This years presidential inauguration was filled with protests of all sorts, from "Free the Branch Dividian 7," "Re-Elect Gore in 2004," "Pray for Revival," to "Class War and for a Classless Society." While not much protest coverage got on the local news, there was definitely not a lack of skirmishes between cops and protesters.

At around noon word was quickly spreading that the cops had blocked in the Revolutionary Anti-Authoritarian Bloc (RAAB), Justice Action Movement (JAM), and part of the Voters March on 14th/K.

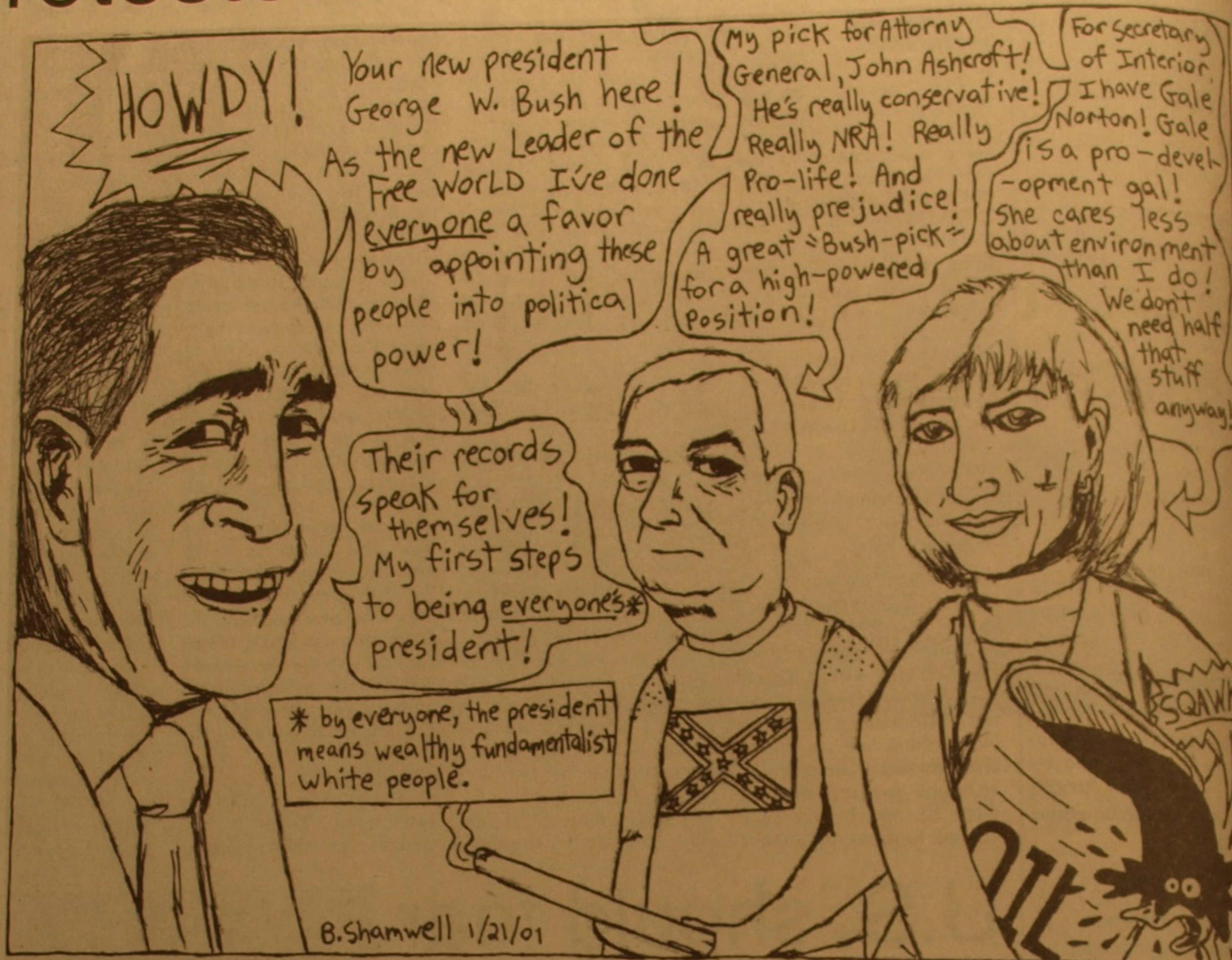
The New England Black Bloc (NEBB) and the Southern Anarchist Bloc (SAB) quickly moved in for reinforcements. This force of 500 marched into the square to see comrades forming a wedge and breaking through the police lines freeing around 50 demonstrators.

As the reinforcements started getting rowdy, the police called for reinforcements of their own, leaving the rear of the trapped demonstrators unguarded, which made for a quick and easy escape route. The police then changed the focus towards "Batman" who was climbing up light polls and waving a huge black flag. When an American flag was tossed up and quickly torched the cops chose to move in and arrest the masked anarchist, but being young and creative, he quickly stage dove to the safety of outstretched anarchist arms (a tool that would later keep three people from going to jail). After a few good hits from billy clubs it was decided to get moving.

The NEBB, SAB, and RAAB quickly joined forces and marched towards the checkpoint for the protest area at Sixth/C. As you can imagine a crowd of almost 1,000 people in all black with masks and flags is hard to miss, and was quickly joined by groups such as National Organization for Women, the New Black Panthers, Radical Cheerleaders, and people that just don't like Bush.

When the bloc was about fifty feet away from the checkpoint the three cops that were to protect this point quickly realized that the situation was out of their hands and ran for cover. The block literally marched through the checkpoint and destroyed it.

The fenced alongside were



knocked over, anarchist artwork was added to Metro buses, and an orange traffic pylon was thrown at a small group of the Secret Service (SS). At this time the Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP) joined the now growing black bloc with their force of 150.

Once it was clear that the spot was theirs, a consensus meeting was held to discuss a battle plan. It was decided that when the caravan came within a block that they would jump the fence into the parade route, this however was quickly nixed when two more rows of riot cops showed up.

After another meeting, where the communications squad told the crowd about the delay in the parade because the cops were worried about the group at Sixth/C, it was decided that they would try and talk their newfound allies in helping then all move over a block with out it looking as such.

Under the cover of NOW, black bloc-ers began moving to the Navy Memorial across from the National

Archives by affinity group. After about 45 minutes, all that could be seen was black. The flag poles were quickly liberated and in the place that once hung maritime flags a red/black flag was hung and later an upside down American flag, which, both, blew proudly in the wind as the Bush caravan passed by the square. Ten cops were sent in to arrest the four that were hanging the flags of revolution. They pushed the black bloc back a few feet before the crowd surged towards the cops. The three remaining flag bearers quickly stage dove and were crowd surfed towards freedom.

At this point the cops began to retreat from the barrage of missiles that seemed to come out of nowhere.

Water bottles, newspapers, rocks, tennis balls, and batteries quickly forced the cops to run to the safety of the SS. Five minutes later around twenty cops entered the square and tried to take it back. The black bloc quickly linked arms

and started "ooming" and forced the cops back again. ("Ooming" is when the whole crowd starts going "oooooooo" and creates a peaceful, yet frightening atmosphere.

The sound of a small group alone was enough to chase away cops in Philadelphia during the Republican National Convention.)

This is when undercover started to spray chemical agents at block-ers, bystanders, and media alike. The crowd again surged and the two undercover quickly disappeared briefly only to appear, in what felt like a lifetime later, with bloody noses and black eyes. The square that once paid homage to the Imperialist United States Navy became an autonomous zone that the cops could not defend.

Before the caravan passed, the FBI made one final weak attempt to take back the square. One lonely FBI agent stood in the middle of the bloc talking on a cell phone to his commander. The agent was barraged with puppets, signs and whatever else could be found to

throw at him. "Let's take one out. Was the last transmission that he made before punching people indiscriminately.

When the crowd jumped on him six more undercover quickly came to his aid making this a seven versus approximately 800 fight. The odds were not in the cops favor.

With the cops limping out, the caravan approached to the roar of "boos" from the stands. Tennis balls were being thrown across at such an angle that once they hit the cops they would proceed to fly across the street and hit Republicans sitting in the stands across the street.

"Black Bloc, move out! De-bloc as soon as you find cover!" was shouted and for those left in the square it must have felt like a ghost town. The amount of arrests were few, but the beatings were many. At the point that the order to "de-bloc" the score was cops: zero, anarchists: six, and for those of you that were watching on ABC, UCLA was up at the half.

Letter to the editor

Writer warns: Humans beware, you share the world

Human beings inhabit the earth with other species. We must, therefore, be aware that we have to share resources and be careful not to pollute the environment so as to make it inhabitable or even uncomfortable for animals. Pet owners understand this and take care of their dog, cat, iguana, rabbit, or whatever pet they may own with love and affection. Those of us without pets are called upon to exhibit some compassion for animals and not just hit a dog with our sports utility vehicle because it is in the way or throw rocks at birds for amusement. However, some animal lovers take it a bit too far. Last semester, during a class discussion, a fellow student told this writer that

if he had a gun and had to choose between killing me (or, as understood, any human being) and an animal, he would shoot me. His reasoning behind this was that mankind has been and continues to be cruel to animals since the dawning of time. This ill-conceived logic does have some truth to it. Nonetheless, are animals really more important than human beings? Are they as important? To pretend to know the answer to those questions would be dishonest and stupid. Whether one is a believer in the supernatural or an evolutionist, a fair assumption would be that both doctrines emphasize the superiority of a man of beast, the notion that it is unwise and wanton, to say the least, to

slaughter an animal for any purpose other than food is no original revelation. Why then do people do it? A deer hunter, questioned as to why he engaged in the activity, regarded, "because it's fun."

The subsequent inquiry was what he did with the deer after it was shot. His somewhat disappointing response was that he hung the head on his wall, used the skin as a throw rug for his hunting cabin and then threw the meat away.

What a waste. Deer is great tasting meat. But that is another subject. Defenders of animal rights think a man should go to jail for animal cruelty. What is animal cruelty? Back in pre-historic age, an animal would not have thought twice of attack-

ing a family and having a baby for breakfast. That is called the survival of the fittest. Although it is of this writer's opinion that Darwin, an illustrationist, must be conceded that he did have a point there.

However, we have evolved as human beings and are way beyond the savagery of ancient times. But do not assume that animals have. If I were camping out in the woods with my family, and a wolf, bear or whatever other species there are out there, attacked a loved one of mine, we would be having a barbecue for dinner that night.

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Arts commission announces grant application deadline

The Tennessee Arts Commission has announced grant application deadlines for February.

Grant applications must be received in the Commission's offices in Nashville by 5 p.m. on the specific deadline.

ARTS: Advancement and

Expansion - Monday, Feb. 5.

Funds awarded under this program are made possible through a special grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

This grant category offers direct support for art projects and/or technical assistance to arts organizations of

color, and art project support to organizations whose programs and services primarily benefit persons of color.

Applications will be accepted only from Tennessee-based not-for-profit arts organizations of color, or from Tennessee-based not-for-profit organizations

whose programs and services primarily benefit persons of color.

At least 51 percent of an applicant organization's board must reflect the culture of the population being targeted.

Arts Project Support provides funds for a wide variety of quality arts projects.

Applications must contain a clear, single-project focus.

An APS application may be made only by an organization chartered in Tennessee and located in a Metropolitan Statistical Area county.

Rural Arts Project

Support - Monday, Feb. 5. Rural Arts Project Support category provides funds for a wide variety of quality arts projects and programs.

A RAPS application may be only by an organization chartered in Tennessee and located in a non-Metropolitan Statistical Area county.

Center emerges from rubble

Church of Christ Student Center

By Johnny Sparks
Editor in chief

A new and improved Church of Christ Student Center completed its emergence from the rubble with a dedication service Sunday.

More than 100 people packed the devotional auditorium of the new Church of Christ Student Center for its official opening one day before the two-year anniversary of the Jan. 22, 1999 tornado that leveled the previous structure.

"God has exceeded our expectations," campus minister Tim Gunnells said. "We've had tremendous support for the work. There is a tremendous amount of excitement surrounding the opening."

Currently, nearly 40 Austin Peay State University students participate in the ministry. Madison Street Church of Christ served as a temporary home for the past two years. Students say they are thankful for the opportunity to meet in the sponsoring church located three blocks away, but they are happy to be home.

"We were blessed enough to continue to meet at the church building," Liles said. "It just wasn't very convenient for the students that do live on campus. We didn't have the big numbers because people couldn't just

walk across the street."

Liles credits the tragedy for a reawakening within the membership. The tornado and the loss of the previous center forced the ministry to reevaluate its mission.

"Our goal now is to just preach the gospel and tell people about Jesus," Liles said. "We just want to center it around Jesus, and not ourselves or just bringing people to the student center. We want to create that oneness."

The \$650,000 facility promises to draw more students than ever before. A recreational room, kitchen, dining room and devotional room are housed on the top floor. Students gather for mid-week bible studies in the devotional room on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

"That's an awesome location for campus, just right across the street," Reed Liles, a junior physics major at APSU. "Hopefully we can really use it as a tool to reach people."

The previous Church of Christ student center opened in 1975 and included an apartment for students. Two studio apartments are planned, but incomplete in the new center.

Liles was among the last tenants of the old center. He lived there with two other students, who were residing in the top-level apartment

on the morning of the tornado.

Liles received a phone call just after 4 a.m. on that morning.

A voice cried, "Reed!" over the answering machine, but by the time Liles and his

roommates reached the phone the connection was lost.

Liles and his roommates went back to bed, but before they were deep in sleep the tornado struck.

"At about 4:15 a.m. we

heard that typical train noise coming through," Liles said. "It felt like the building was bowing in and out with the wind and kind of shaking off the foundation at the same time."

Miraculously, Liles and

his roommates walked away without a scratch.

The new center stands on the original site at the corner of College Street and University Avenue, across from the McCord Building.



photo by Tammy Sparks

(Top) The new Church of Christ Student Center glows in the afternoon sun on its dedication day. (Above) A standing-room only crowd of over 100 packed the devotional auditorium at the new center Sunday. (Left) The old Church of Christ student center was reduced to rubble following the Jan. 22, 1999 tornado. Three APSU students were living in the center at the time of the tornado, but miraculously no one was injured.

Local restaurant serves up Chicago style food

By Joshua Meade
Staff writer

Chi-town Hotdogs, an eatery in Clarksville, has been dishing up quite a bit of business lately.

Known for their specialty wieners and wonderful daily soups, this little

hotspot should fit the Austin Peay appetite especially when considering the price.

Eating at Chi-town Hotdogs won't break the bank; in fact you might be surprised at the inexpensiveness of such a wonderful treat.

The palatable sausages, served with fresh hot chili, could make anyone's mouth quiver with anticipation.

The hotdogs are wonderful, especially considering all the condiments and toppings they have available. The restaurant serves them

with everything from onions and chili to cucumbers and jalapeno peppers. You truly get a taste of what a Chicago-style hotdog really is by trying any number of their different offerings. They serve up regular hotdogs, bratwurst, kielbasa,

polish sausages, and many other tasty side dishes.

The place is rather small, and looks more like a tool shed than a restaurant. However, they do have a drive through where you can wheel in, order, and be on your way in no time.

They are located on S. Riverside Drive, behind the Dairy Queen.

If you are in a real rush, why not pre-order over the phone. If you are tired of eating the same old "grub" drop by Chi-town and try something different.

SPORTS

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Governors fall prey to Golden Eagles

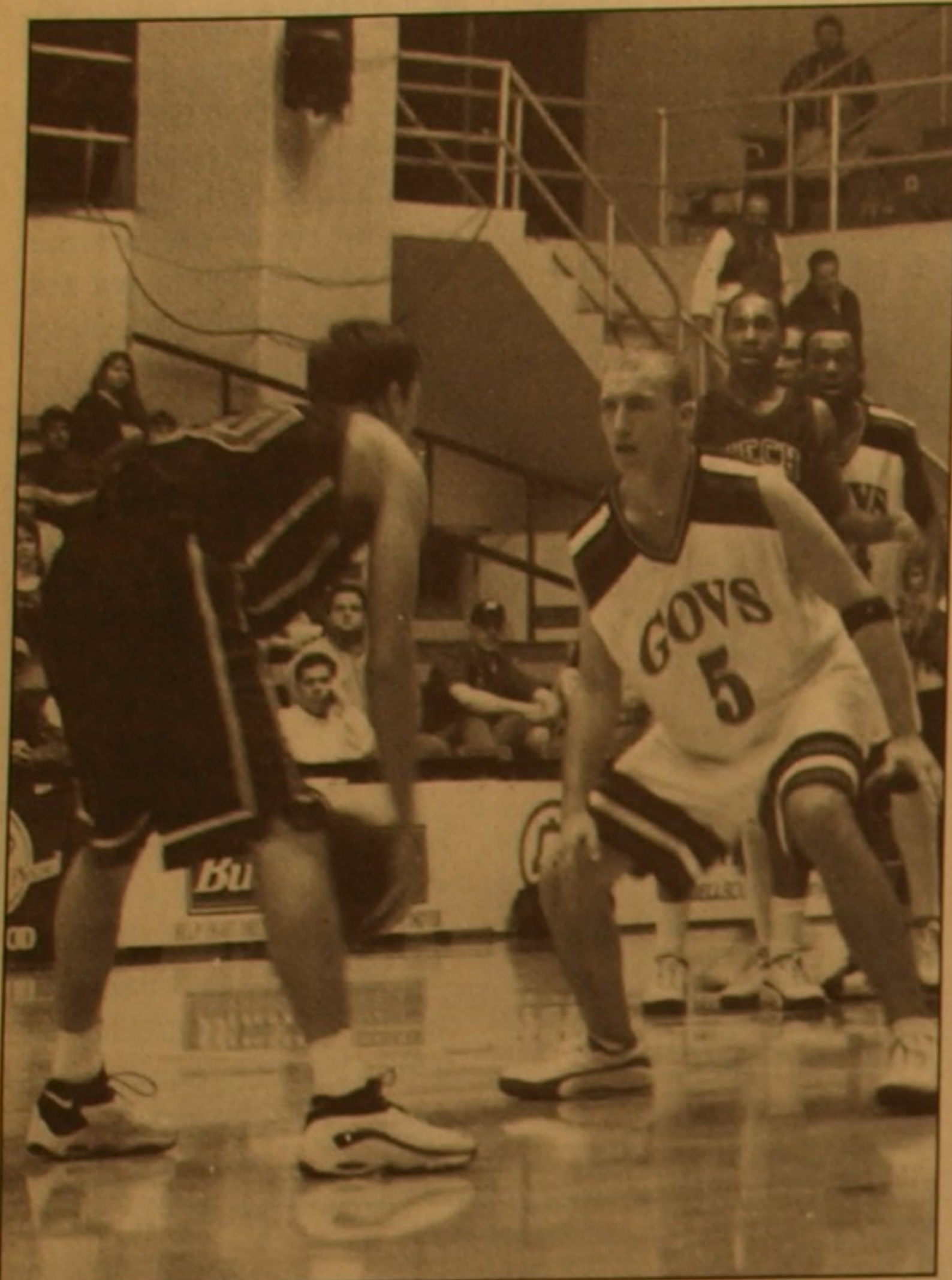


photo by Cedric Wade

Matt Jakeway defends the hoop against one of the Golden Eagles leading scorers in Thursday's game versus Tennessee Tech.

White returns with tennis win

By Alicia Archuleta
sports editor

Mens's tennis suffered a loss at Middle Tennessee, Friday.

The meet marked the return of Steve White, who had reconstructive surgery on his shoulder after last spring season.

White was the only play-

er to win a match. He won in the No. 5 position.

The Govs will play Friday at 10 a.m. against Murray State, Saturday at 9 a.m. against Georgetown College and at 5 p.m. against Southern Indiana.

The Lady Govs will be on the road Sunday at Tennessee-Chattanooga.

Austin Peay senior forward Trenton Hassell scored a game-high 28 points; however, the men's basketball team dropped an 86-74 decision to Tennessee Tech, Thursday night.

The loss drops the Governors record to 13-5 overall and 4-2 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Tennessee Tech grabbed the lead out of the blocks as Austin Peay was held to ten points in the first 11 minutes.

They fell behind, 19-10, Tech's largest lead of the half with 8:54 remaining.

The Governors narrowed the deficit to one, 22-21, with 4:39 remaining.

The two teams traded baskets over the next 3:23

before Austin Peay tied the game, 27-27, on a Joe Williams jumper.

Austin Peay took the lead their next trip down the court on another Williams jumper.

APSU extended the lead to six before Tech ended the half with a layup to narrow the lead to four at intermission.

The Governors maintained their narrow lead for most of the second half expanding it to as many as seven three times during the half, the last time at the 9:16 mark of the half, a 57-50 lead.

Tennessee Tech charged back at that point, using three consecutive three-

point shots to take a two point lead, 59-57, with 7:45 remaining.

Austin Peay made a brief comeback taking their last lead of the contest at the 6:23 mark, a 62-61 lead.

From there Tennessee Tech grabbed the lead and expanded it throughout the remainder of the half.

The Governors allowed Tennessee Tech 53.3 percent shooting (16-of-30) from the field in the second half and 46.7 percent (28-for-60) for the contest.

Sophomore Leigh Gayden led the Golden Eagles with 25 points on 8-of-17 shooting from the field, including 7-of-15 from the three-point line.

Sophomore Brent Jolly added 23 points and senior Larrie Smith chipped in 18.

Hassell added 12 rebounds to his 28 points for his season's fourth double.

Senior Joe Williams added 17 points and senior Nick Stapleton recorded 11 points.

The Governors shot 43.8 percent (28-of-64) from the field, but just 8-of-25 (32.0 percent) from beyond the three-point line and 10-of-27 (58.8 percent) from the free-throw line.

The Governors now prepare for a 7:05 p.m., Tuesday conference contest at Murray State.

TTU takes flight over APSU

Austin Peay's women's basketball team continued to have trouble with conference-leader Tennessee Tech, falling, 87-64, Thursday night.

The loss drops Austin Peay's record to 8-10 overall and 4-3 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The Lady Govs started the game in impressive fashion, opening a 13-4 lead with 14:51 remaining.

However, Tennessee Tech showed why they are the league leaders, making a 13-4 run to tie the game at 17-17 with 10:47 remaining.

The two teams traded baskets over the next nine minutes before Tennessee Tech scored six unanswered points in the last 54 seconds to take a 37-30 lead into intermission.

Out of the lockerroom Tennessee Tech extended their lead to 12 at the 18:51 mark, 42-30.

Sophomore Brooke Armistead scored the Lady Govs first six points of the half; however, Tennessee Tech continued to expand their lead.

Tech stretched the lead to 19, 57-38, with 13:53 remaining.

Austin Peay never threatened the rest of the way, only managing to bring the lead

to 14 with 10:16 remaining.

Tennessee Tech shot 53.2 percent (33-of-62) from the field, including a 45.0 percent (9-of-20) effort from three-point range.

Junior Janet Holt scored a game-high 21 points and freshman Crystal Andrews chipped in 20 points.

Junior guard Misty Garrett recorded a double-double with a 11-assist, 12-rebound effort.

Armistead led the Governors with 17 points, three shy of 1,000 career points.

Fellow sophomore Paige Smith continued her recent hot shooting, making 7-of-13 and scoring 16 points.

Junior Jocelyn Duke scored 14 points for the cause.

Freshman Gerlonda Hardin chipped in 13 points of her own.

Austin Peay shot 43.3 percent (33-of-62) from the field, including just 1-of-8 (12.5 percent) from beyond the three-point line.

The Lady Govs will take a nine-day break from the schedule before playing at 5:30 p.m., Saturday, January 29, in the Dunn Center against Tennessee State.

Support the Lady Govs by making plans to attend the game.

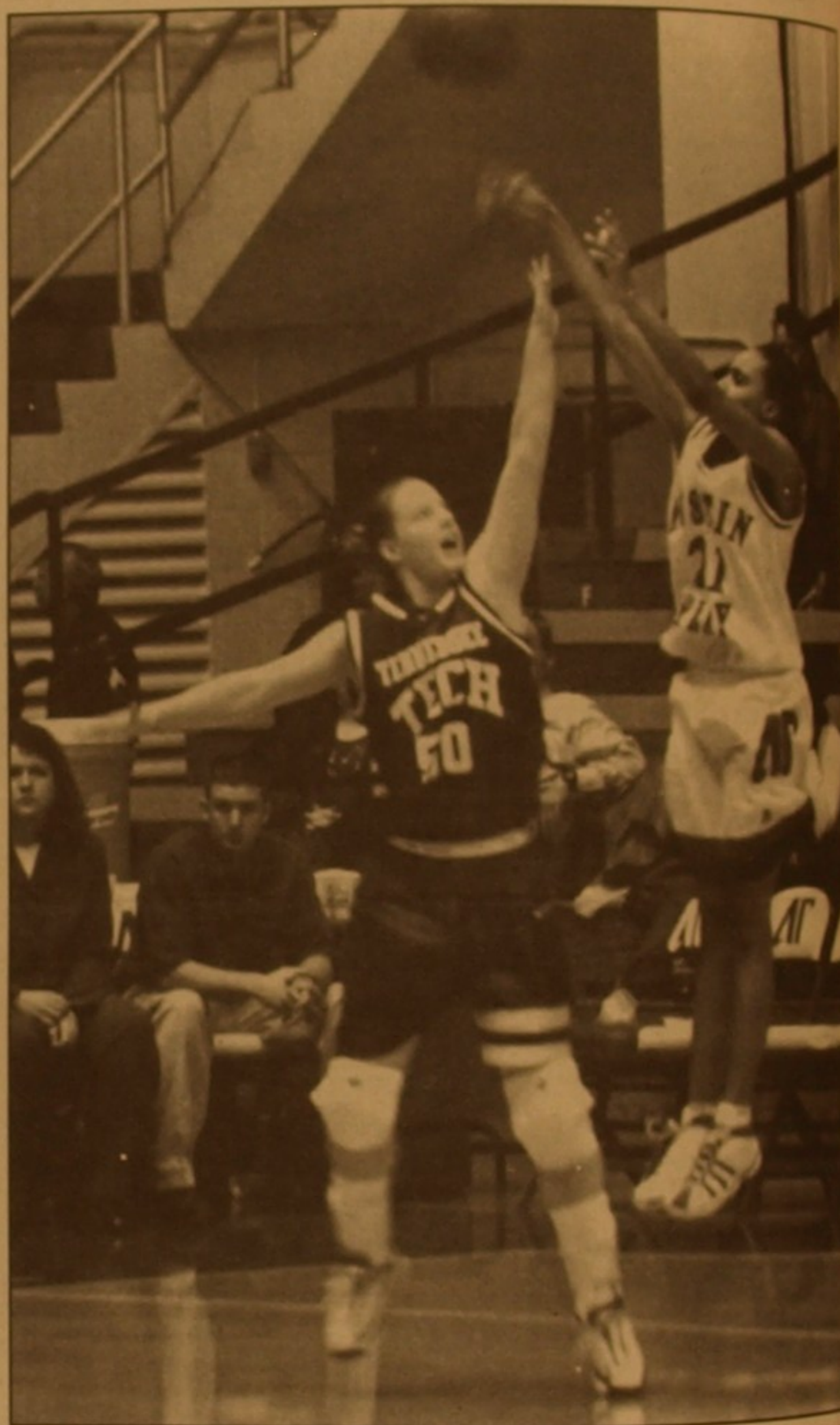


Photo by Cedric Wade

Lady Govs Tiffany Swafford, 21, shoots over her Tennessee Tech opponent in Thursday's game.

Write Sports
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Lady Govs win four track events

Four different Austin Peay indoor women's track and field members recorded event victories, Saturday, at the Illinois State Invitational.

Among the Lady Govs' victories: Roni Hopkins won the 60-meter high hurdles with a time of 8.91, the second-best time in the Ohio Valley Conference this season.

Sheena Gooding continued her dominance of the 800-meter run, running a season-best 2:14.25, defeating the field by over two seconds.

The women's 1600-meter relay won with a time of 3:52.45, shaving ten seconds off their previous best and seven seconds better than

the rest of the field.

Ayesha Maycock won the women's triple jump with a 37'11.25" jump.

Other Notables:

- Maycock finished second in the high jump with a 18'02.50" jump,

- Hopkins finished third in the 60-meter dash with a 7.99 second effort,

- Lockridge finished second in the 400-meter dash with a 58.55 seconds effort,

- Tanika Smotherman finished fourth running the 400 meters in 58.68 seconds.

Austin Peay's next indoor meet is the McDonald's Indoor Invitational, January 27-28, at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.

Head tennis coach resigns

By Alicia Archuleta
sports editor

With spring matches that began last weekend, the news of Tim Pleasant's resignation is quite unexpected.

Pleasant came to APSU in 1998 after being a graduate assistant coach at Eastern Kentucky University.

He took over the helm of the Governors' Tennis Program and Tennis Center after the resignation of long-time coach Lou Weiss.

During two seasons under his direction the men's team was 14-14 in the 1998-99 season and 18-18 in 1999-2000 season.

Pleasant led the women's team to a 11-15 record in the 1998-99 season and a 14-15 record in the 1999-2000 season.

Pleasant, who is originally from Ironton, Ohio, decided to resign his post here to explore his horizons closer to home.

"We wish Tim well in his

future endeavors," APSU athletics director Dave Loos said. "We appreciate what he accomplished here with our programs."

Though the team was saddened by their coach's departure they are optimistic about the things to come this season.

Assistant Coach Angie McLean, a former Lady Gov tennis player herself, will take over Pleasant's post for the time being.

"If there is anyone that can handle this she'll do it best. She is very capable," said Marcus Rutsche, Junior. "She is more disciplined. She trains us harder."

Originally from Toronto, Canada, McLean first came to Austin Peay in 1992.

She played under Coach Weiss until spring of 1997

when she graduated.

McLean returned that fall to be assistant coach under Weiss.

She held this position through Pleasants tenure at APSU.

During her time as assistant coach she spent most over her time coaching the Lady Govs and keeping their program running.

The rest of her time was spent dealing with the operations of the Govs Tennis Center.

McLean will not only take over the head coaching positions but has also been named the interim

Governors Tennis Center director.

Dominic Hall, a senior who's eligibility was up, will assist McLean in coaching duties.

"Although she is only temporarily head coach, I am glad because she is a good coach," said Matt Gregory, Junior. "She knows a lot about the game as well as physical fitness and health and she applies that to the training."

The search for the permanent replacement for Pleasant will not begin until May.

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Information table will be set up daily from 8am-2pm the week of Jan 22- Jan 26 in the Kimbrough

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Wednesday, Jan. 24- Info/ Pizza Night

Thursday, Jan. 25- Skate Night

Friday, Jan. 26- Bowling Night

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