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Western Kentucky University

Bowling Green, Ky.

Tuesday, March 2, 1982

Western may move to Sun Belt Conference

Yesterday's visit speeds process

Information for this story was compiled by Lee Grace, Mark Heath and Alan Judd.

Millions of people migrate to the Sun Belt's big warm cities hoping to make plenty of money. And that's apparently why Western wants to join the Sun Belt Conference.

University officials are awaiting an invitation to play in the Sun Belt — an in-

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itation they would apparently accept. It would mean leaving the Ohio Valley Conference after 34 years.

Joe Bill Campbell, chairman of the Board of Regents, said, "It is my feeling if they issue us an invitation, it will be accepted."

The only possibility I see of us not joining is if they don't issue us an invitation."

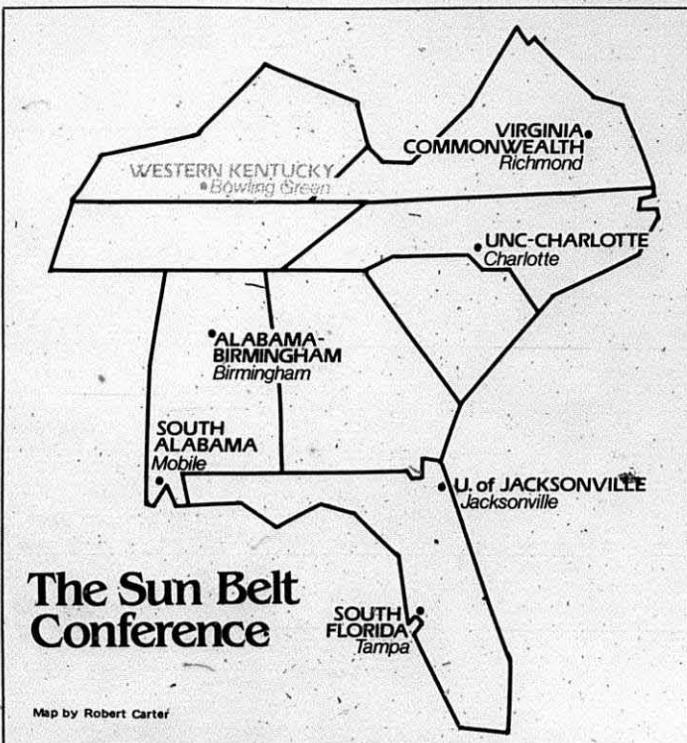
Sun Belt officials visited Western yesterday after receiving an application for admission to the conference Thursday from President Donald Zacharias.

Sun Belt Commissioner Vic Bubas and representatives from five of the six member schools were on campus from 9:30 a.m. until 2:15 p.m. yesterday examining campus facilities and the athletics program.

The North Carolina-Charlotte representative was unable to attend because of a scheduling conflict.

Other Sun Belt members are South Alabama, Jacksonville, South Florida, Alabama-Birmingham and Virginia Commonwealth.

University officials said money from increased television exposure in the Sun



Belt Conference would more than offset increased travel costs. After the representatives discuss Western's application, they will either meet in a central location — maybe Atlanta, Ga. — or have a telephone conference. There is no definite timetable for formal action by either the conference or Western. Bubas said at a press conference here yesterday. "If we did not have a serious interest in Western, we would not be here," he said. See VISIT Page 3, Column 1

Move may erase sports deficit

By ALAN JUDD

If Western moves from the Ohio Valley Conference to the Sun Belt, its nearly half-million dollar deficit in athletics spending could be sharply diminished.

Travel costs would increase greatly if Western became a Sun Belt member — after all, conference games would no longer be down the road at Murray or Richmond or Clarksville, Tenn.; they'd be across several states, in Charlotte, N.C. or Tampa, Fla., or Birmingham, Ala.

But increased television exposure from membership in the Sun Belt Conference would bring in enough money to pay for the more expensive travel — and probably more.

"If it (changing conferences) were not cost-effective, there's no way we would be considering it," President Donald Zacharias said yesterday.

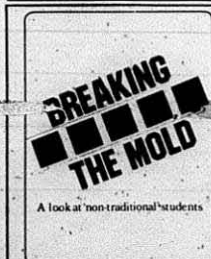
The Sun Belt has its own television network, Commissioner Vic Bubas said, which has the potential of reaching 15 million homes in the Southeast. In addition, some conference games are televised on cable by the Entertainment Sports Programming Network.

And, Bubas said, the CBS and NBC television networks have expressed interest in broadcasting Sun Belt games.

Bubas declined to say just how much money each school gets from television appearances. However, he said that the school involved gets 60 percent of the revenue from each game, and the conference gets the other 40 percent. That 40 percent constitutes the conference budget;

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cial Council hears its first case — about itself.

7 Contrary to some predictions, the world (most likely) won't end on Tuesday.

9 Western's women's basketball team starts Ohio Valley Conference tournament play tomorrow night against Austin Peay.

Weather

Today

Fair and mild temperatures under partly cloudy skies is the National Weather Service forecast. Highs will be in the mid to upper 60s and lows in the mid 40s.

Tomorrow

Very warm with daytime highs in the mid 50s to 60 and overnight lows in the upper 30s.

Tenure called security, stability

By BARRY L. ROSE

At least two-thirds of Western's faculty have little to worry about faculty cuts are discussed. That's because 44 of them are tenured.

The other 251 faculty and administrators not covered can be dismissed if their department head, dean — or the department's budget — demands it after an annual review.

According to regulations outlined in the faculty handbook, a faculty member is eligible for tenure after six years as an assistant professor or higher, or after five years at that rank plus two years as an instructor.

Throughout those years, faculty are evaluated annually to determine if they deserve tenure. If they are judged not to deserve it, they may be dismissed from the university.

Once granted tenure, a faculty

member can be fired only for incompetence, neglect of duties or refusal to perform them, or immoral conduct. A declared major emergency or changing program needs would also make firing possible.

Tenure has become a frequent topic of debate on college campuses, particularly when budget problems increase the possibility of having to dismiss faculty.

Dr. James Davis, vice president for academic affairs, said he supports tenure but sees some disadvantages in it. The major strengths, he said — also outlined in the faculty handbook — are academic freedom, economic security for professors and stability for the university.

But a disadvantage is that some tenured faculty "might not continue to be as active in teaching and research activities — things related to what they were hired for," Davis said.

Other faculty in tenure-track positions (those at or above the assistant professor level) or contingency faculty (faculty members not on one-year contracts always face possible dismissal, if their department believes they are not performing up to standards set for tenured faculty members.

The 16 non-tenured faculty notified of their dismissal last fall were released because of program changes, Davis said.

At the request of President Dero Downing in 1976, Davis helped rewrite Western's original tenure policy written in 1963.

Under the revised guidelines, Western must declare financial exigency or clearly document a change in program needs to fire a tenured faculty member without charging improper conduct, Davis said.

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Tenure called security, stability

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He said to his knowledge, Western has never dismissed a tenured faculty member.

"If there's a better system (than tenure), I don't know it," Davis said. He said some small schools have adopted a system of renewable five-year contracts, but most major universities use a tenure system.

"Many faculty members believe a university is much more advanced if it does have such things as faculty rank. . . . And faculty tenure has just been important as a concept for many, many decades. This is something that the accreditation association said that as a college we ought to have.

"And so we got it."

According to Davis, the government department has the highest percentage of tenured faculty — all 10 are tenured.

Dr. George Masannat, department head, said that gives the department "a sense of stability, security and freedom that is very good."

The effect of tenure now is more a matter of job security than a protection of academic freedom, Masannat said.

He said faculty stagnation could be a danger when an entire department is tenured — but it would more likely depend on the individual, not on whether he is tenured.

The history department has the second most, with 18 of its 19

faculty tenured.

The finance and quantitative business analysis department has the smallest percentage — two of 13.

"It's good that the department is good and vigorous and growing. (But) I don't think the tenure system has anything to do with it," said Dr. Jim Rice, department head.

He said he thinks most people don't understand tenure. It's just the end of a probationary period, Rice said, when the university must show cause before firing someone.

Dr. Joan Krenzin, Faculty Senate chairwoman, said she supports the tenure system, but has some reservations.

"I have questioned whether it ought to be," she said. "However, as long as they have it, I want it."

She said one disadvantage of tenure is that an excellent professor could be dismissed just because he or she doesn't have tenure.

"You have to make a decision between someone that's outlived their usefulness and someone that's up and coming — really going places," she said.

"It's very hard to say that tenure is functional, but I guess I look back at what brought tenure into play and I would want to be very sure that we're past the Scopes trial era before we get rid of it."

Tenured faculty

| | Faculty | Tenured | % of total Tenured |
|---|---------|---------|--------------------|
| ACADEMIC SERVICES | 56 | 15 | 27 |
| Library Services | 40 | 12 | 30 |
| Media Services | 16 | 3 | 19 |
| POTTER COLLEGE | 186 | 133 | 72 |
| Art | 13 | 8 | 62 |
| Communication and Theatre | 20 | 10 | 50 |
| English | 43 | 36 | 84 |
| Government | 10 | 10 | 100 |
| History | 19 | 18 | 95 |
| Journalism | 11 | 4 | 36 |
| Modern Languages & Intercultural Studies | 15 | 11 | 73 |
| Music | 19 | 11 | 58 |
| Philosophy and Religion | 13 | 11 | 85 |
| Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work | 23 | 16 | 70 |
| COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION | 65 | 27 | 42 |
| Accounting | 12 | 7 | 58 |
| Business-Distributive Education & Office Adm. | 10 | 8 | 80 |
| Economics | 14 | 7 | 50 |
| Finance and Quantitative Business Analysis | 13 | 2 | 15 |
| Management and Marketing | 16 | 3 | 19 |
| OGDEN COLLEGE | 192 | 123 | 64 |
| Agriculture | 15 | 7 | 47 |
| Allied Health | 7 | 2 | 29 |
| Biology | 22 | 18 | 82 |
| Chemistry | 16 | 14 | 88 |
| Geography and Geology | 16 | 12 | 75 |
| Health and Safety | 17 | 9 | 53 |
| Industrial and Engineering Technology | 27 | 20 | 74 |
| Mathematics and Computer Science | 34 | 20 | 59 |
| Nursing | 20 | 6 | 30 |
| Physics and Astronomy | 18 | 14 | 78 |
| COLLEGE OF EDUCATION | 152 | 108 | 78 |
| Education Leadership | 20 | 17 | 89 |
| Educational Services | 5 | 3 | 89 |
| Home Economics and Family Living | 15 | 10 | 63 |
| Physical Education and Recreation | 34 | 16 | 49 |
| Psychology | 27 | 21 | 78 |
| Teacher Education | 51 | 40 | 78 |
| Subtotals* | 651 | 406 | 62 |
| Other University Personnel with Faculty Rank | 41 | 35 | 85 |
| University Totals | 692 | 441 | 64 |

*Faculty assigned to departments, including department heads.

Source: Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Chart by Robert Carter

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Western Kentucky University
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Visit may speed Western toward Sun Belt

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If an invitation is offered, the regents' Athletics Committee will make a recommendation to the full board, which would have to make the final decision.

"I have been told by the board in the past to be alert to the possibility of other conferences that might be of interest to the university," Zacharias said Thursday.

If Western joins the Sun Belt, the Hilltoppers probably could compete in next year's conference races, Bubas said. The Sun Belt does not have football competition.

In basketball, Western would have to schedule at least one game with each of the other member schools. The conference would pick six other games on Western's schedule to count in league standings, which determine seedings in the conference's post-season tournament.

OVC Commissioner Jim Delany refused to comment yesterday on the possibility of Western leaving the conference, calling the situation "hypothetical."

Delany said he would comment further if Western decides to leave the conference it helped set up in 1948.

The 4-year-old Sun Belt is primarily a basketball conference. Four of its teams competed last year in post-season competition — two in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament and two in the National Invitational Tournament.

Alabama-Birmingham whipped Western 93-68 in the opening round of the NCAA last year in Tuscaloosa, Ala. Two days later, UAB beat perennial Southeastern Conference power Kentucky.

Virginia Commonwealth lost by two points in overtime to Tennessee in the NCAA tourney. South Alabama and South Florida played in the NIT.

The Sun Belt wants to expand to seven teams or to eight, its original size, Bubas said. Charter members New Orleans and Georgia State withdrew last year.

Zacharias said that Western being considered when all the Sun Belt teams are in cities larger than Bowling Green is a tribute to area

residents' support of the university and its athletics.

Bubas yesterday discounted reports that the Sun Belt also wants to add Evansville to its list of members.

"Yes, we have various institutions in the United States interested" in joining the Sun Belt, Bubas said. "There are varying degrees of interest on the part of them and our people."

However, he said, Western is the only school that the Sun Belt is actively considering.

"We are not, at this point, doing this with any other institution," Bubas said.

John David Cole, former Board of Regent's chairman and a member of the regents' Athletics Committee, said he sees only advantages in a move to the Sun Belt.

"The Sun Belt Conference plays a very competitive type of basketball," Cole said. "They have more television (coverage), more publicity, more exposure — that kind of thing. I think the Sun Belt and Western are two people who are at the right place at the right

time."

The regents are on record as wanting to maintain a quality athletic program, Cole said. "If, in the judgment of the administration, we can enhance the quality of our program by going to the Sun Belt, then I think those explorations are consistent with that."

Since the Sun Belt does not sponsor a football championship, Western would become an independent in football.

And Western will probably move to reclassify football to Division II, anyway, said football coach Jimmy Feix. Western and the OVC are now in Division I-AA in football.

The move has been discussed recently because of budget cuts and reclassification that will result in more than 90 teams in Division I-AA next fall, Jimmy Feix said.

Division II has a scholarship limit of 45, and Western would save more than \$100,000 in scholarships and related expenses, Feix said. Western now awards 65 football scholarships.

"I think football is probably

going to have to be reclassified regardless of what we do," Feix said, "and I think if we can get in the Sun Belt, it would be really a great move because we may have to leave the OVC anyway."

Athletic Director John Oldham said Western will probably add a soccer team since the Sun Belt has competition in the sport. Conference members are obligated to compete in the six sports — cross country, soccer, basketball, golf, tennis and baseball — offered by the Sun Belt.

The Sun Belt does not have competition in three other sports, that Western sponsors — swimming, riflery and volleyball. Oldham didn't say whether Western would continue those sports.

Negotiations with the Sun Belt have been underway for more than a month, Oldham said.

Oldham said an alumnus-informed Western that the Sun Belt Conference was considering expansion.

Bubas said his conference was glad that Western applied. "We're delighted that you're interested."

Move to Sun Belt could erase sports losses

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any money left at the end of the year is distributed among the schools.

Last year, Bubas said, the conference received \$300,000 from television, which means that the six schools in it got a total of \$450,000.

Assuming that the amount is similar next year and assuming that each school got a similar portion of that amount, Western would receive more than \$60,000 in television money.

However, Bubas said, "I don't know" how much money Western might get from television games. "I don't want to go into too much depth on finances."

The Sun Belt keeps its finances a secret, said Pete Derzis, sports

information director at the University of Alabama-Birmingham.

"All that stuff in terms of TV revenue, that's pretty confidential," Derzis said yesterday in a telephone interview. "That all goes through the conference office. That's an in-house sort of thing."

And, Derzis said, even if he knew how much money his school made from television appearances, "I wouldn't be at liberty to say."

If Western joins the Sun Belt, it would have to pay an initiation fee, the amount of which conference officials refused to say yesterday.

"I don't really believe that's relevant," said Jerry Jones, vice president of the University of Alabama-Birmingham and conference vice president. "It'll be made known at the proper time."

However, the fee would probably be between \$50,000 and \$75,000, said Dr. John Minton, Western's student affairs vice president and athletics committee chairman.

University officials have been looking for ways in recent years to reduce the money spent to make up deficits in the athletics department. The deficits will have totaled more than \$3.5 million by year's end, according to university budget documents.

The 1981-82 budget was about \$100,000 smaller than the 1980-81 budget, but it still has a deficit of \$488,737. Officials plan another cut of about \$75,000 this spring, probably in scholarships for athletes in spring sports such as track or golf.

A major budget cut this year was in travel, which will certainly be

more expensive if Western joins the Sun Belt.

But Zacharias believes that won't be a major problem.

"One game on national TV would take care of travel for maybe three years," said Zacharias, who has said in the past that the only way to pay for athletics is to get television revenue.

"The potential (in the Sun Belt) is so obvious," he said. "It makes them highly marketable."

The poor state of Western's athletics budget could be further helped by moving to the Sun Belt because that conference doesn't sponsor football. Because of that, it is likely that the football program will not compete in any conference and that it might be reclassified from Division I-AA to Division II.

That would allow Western to

spend about \$100,000 a year less on the football program, about \$70,000 of that in scholarships. The limit in Division I-AA is 65 grants-in-aid; the limit in Division II is 45.

The football program will spend \$420,955 of Western's \$1,215,309 athletics budget this year. The 65 football scholarships cost the university \$228,768 — about \$80,000 more than the income from football ticket sales.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association allows Division I schools to compete in one sport in Division II, Zacharias said.

"Regardless of what happened with the Sun Belt, we were already going to examine our football program," Zacharias said.

But, he added, "It's impossible to say at this point what the outcome of that would be."

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Opinion

'See Rock City'

Trip South good time to explore

OK, all you funsters, get ready to head for the sandy beaches, all-night parties and late-morning hangovers.

Yes, it's spring break time in Florida — a

Robert Carter

time when any sensible Floridian would leave the state.

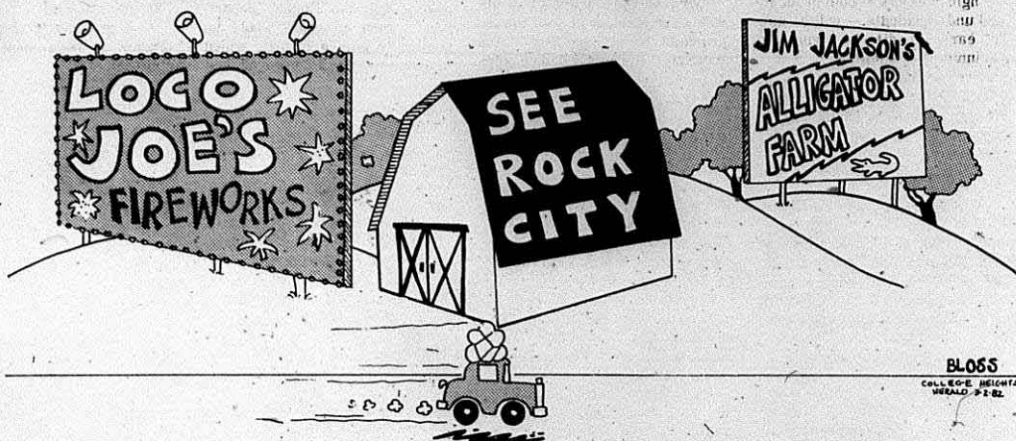
The attractions of the Sunshine State are numerous — Disney World, Marineland, Silver Springs, historic St. Augustine. Sights which 95 percent of the vacationing college students will never see next week.

For them — rather, us — there are other shrines. Daytona Beach. Fort Lauderdale. The jai alai frontons and horse tracks. Big Daddy's, the legendary five-story nightclub. But to and behold, numerous places strung out all along the way south merit a visit, too. They are fun places to show and tell about when you get back to Bowling Green.

You'll probably find these places in the Mobil Travel Guide under "Tourist Traps." But they're really worth your time. After all, where else can you find out so much about marine biology, American history, explosives technology, and making a fast buck from unsuspecting travelers?

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to keep the Tennessee Valley Authority in business for years.

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The whole chain is now having its annual Fourth of July sale, which started last July 5. Whatever you do, don't light up a Marlboro while you're in the store — not unless you want to get blown clear to Murfreesboro, Tenn.

By the way, Loco Joe's is the official supplier of fireworks to the 1982 World's Fair in Knoxville, Tenn.

Rock City, near Chattanooga, Tenn. Barn roofs and birdhouses emblazoned with "SEE ROCK CITY" have dotted the Southern countryside for ages. Alas, such a place really exists.

There are rocks, rocks, and more rocks — probably more than you'll ever care to see. Big rocks, little rocks, common rocks, rare

rocks, even moon rocks. Buy your own moon rock, encased in solid plastic, for just \$5.95. \$7.95 for one from Mars.

Of course, authentic Lookout Mountain souvenirs and Civil War memorabilia (made in Akron, Ohio) are available. Have a picture taken of you posing beside a life-size cutout of an elf. It's something to write home to Russellville about, for sure.

By the way, Rock City is the official rock supplier to the 1982 World's Fair.

Plains, Ga., off I-75. Think back a bit. Remember 1976, when some guy with enough teeth to open his own denture lab made headlines in this quaint community?

Well, Grinnin' Jimmy's fallen on hard times. The only white house he's occupying now is in back of Miss Lillian's. Billy sold the gas station and is now selling mobile homes in Alabama.

But you can still have your picture taken as you lean up against the big "smiling peanut" at the old train depot. And you can buy a genuine plastic-encased Carter Farms peanut, for only \$2.95 — a dollar of which goes to the "Let's Send Jimmy Back in '84"

fund.

By the way, Carter Farms is the official peanut supplier to the 1982 World's Fair.

Big Jim Jackson's Alligator Farm, just outside Valdosta, Ga. See big Jim wrestle real live alligators every day at noon, 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. for only \$2.50 (\$1 for children under 6).

Jim's easy to find — just look for the guy with four fingers, tattoos covering what's left of his right arm and a hip flask in his back pocket. Watch Little Jim, the owner's 6-year-old grandson, training for his own wrestling act by pinning down six Izod shirts at once.

The Gator Farm Gift Shop also features fresh-squeezed orange juice for only \$1.35 a cup, and a wide assortment of authentic Florida souvenirs (made in Dayton, Ohio).

By the way, Jim's not supplying anything to the 1982 World's Fair.

You're going to pass up all these exciting attractions just to lay in the sun and get blitzed? You don't know what you're missing.

Letters to the editor

Story defended

Olu Oduwole of Nigeria explained to readers in a Thursday letter that Bill Klopp and I were untruthful and ignorant in the article "Life Different in Africa" by Baker.

First, let me say we did not intend to offend anyone or degrade the countries of Mali or the Ivory Coast. However, I would like to restate several facts.

Flight from Bouake, Ivory Coast, to Timbuktu, Mali, takes five hours — including a short layover in Mopti, Mali, for inspection and customs.

We have made this trip more than 20 times.

It is a long, hot flight but is much more convenient than a two-day drive on dirt and sand roads.

The per capita income, according to "Africa South of the Sahara 1981-82," is \$156 a year. "Countries of the World Yearbook 1981" reports \$96. This is an income of less than \$1 a day.

Statistics on religion show that 1 percent of Mali is Christian, according to "Countries of the World." "Africa South of the Sahara" reports 5 percent Christians.

Persecution does exist for Christians in Mali. They are considered heathen and a

threat to society.

Finally, Radio Mali broadcasts in several languages, including Songhai and Tamachek. Songhai is spoken by descendants of the Songhai Empire; Tamachek is spoken by the Tuareg people.

Oduwole is correct in saying Africa has many countries, and each is different. Perhaps he should have considered this statement when he wrote his letter.

Mark Richards
freshman

Comparison unfair

The article on Thursday's opinion page which compared the University Center Board with the Associated Student Government was a true sign that whoever wrote that opinion never had Logic 115.

Comparing student government to center board is like comparing the College Heights Herald to the Wall Street Journal.

Both are totally different organizations and both serve their purposes on campus just like the Herald's reporting style is different from the Journal's.

In the past year the Herald has continuously attacked student government on several issues, and some of these issues are really getting old.

I suppose the Herald would have preferred that the congress either fail or table the cockroach resolution so the Herald reporter could go back to her desk and write "ASG wants to keep cockroaches in dorms."

Instead, after passing the resolution, the Herald condemned student government for asking public safety to strengthen measures to rid the dorms of these pests.

You write that the rallies for higher education received little government action.

I suppose you didn't read your own paper or the Courier-Journal when Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. proposed a 6 percent increase in Western's budget plus an additional \$100,000.

Believe it or not, our rallies did have some influence on government action.

The Herald commented that ASG resolutions aren't directed toward proper sources, and President David Payne admits it. But you also failed to mention that this problem has been solved.

Student government is not faced with apathy, and members have been more involved and concerned this year than in the past three years I've been involved.

The idea that the congress has had problems listening to quorums is not true.

We've hardly ever had that problem last semester or this semester.

The remark that because student government is not involved in entertainment it doesn't deal realistically with student problems is unrelated. I fail to see where you get the idea that entertainment is the only problem on this campus.

Student government's job is to conduct surveys and propose resolutions just like the Herald's job is to report campus news — although I'm sure most students also don't care about some articles.

Finally, the Herald is not the best college newspaper in the nation. And students know it.

Lonnie Sears
ASG and UCB member

Editor's note: The physical plant, not public safety, is responsible for pest control in dorms.

Letters policy

Letters to the editor must be submitted to the Herald office, room 125 of the university center, by 6 p.m. Sunday and Tuesday for publication in the Tuesday and Thursday editions, respectively.

All letters should be typed, double-spaced and limited to 250 words. Letters must be signed, have the author's signature, classification and telephone number.

English majors may receive co-op credit

By LINDA DONO

English majors — both graduate and undergraduate — will be able to earn credit by working, beginning this summer.

Four new cooperative education courses approved Thursday by the Academic Council will allow students up to six hours credit for their work.

"The assumption is that a major in English won't hinder you in gainful employment," Dr. Ward

Hellstrom, Potter College dean, said.

"What we did in the '60s and '70s was steer English majors toward graduate work," he said. "And those grad students ended up going into teaching."

Emphasis would now be in placing majors in management trainee positions. Publishing and media jobs are also "a natural," he said.

He said a recent survey of Bell Telephone employees had shown

that many middle managers were humanities majors. And, he pointed out, the English department's co-op program would be similar to one in history, which Academic Council approved last fall.

The council also approved, on first reading, a proposal to eliminate an area of concentration in hydrology (the study of water's physical properties).

Instead, the committee has

proposed establishing a geography major with a hydrology option.

In other actions:

— A graduate course in weed science, to begin next fall, was approved.

— Computer science majors with a business application option will not be required to take 12 hours of math, beginning in the fall. The council approved a proposal to require them to take Calculus 126 and either Statistics 203 in the math department or Statistics 206.

in economics.

— A consolidation of the bachelor's degree in engineering physics, major in physics and major in physics and astronomy programs was approved. The programs' new designation will be a bachelor of science degree in physics with options in physics and astronomy, physics, engineering physics and physics education.

— A proposal to increase credit hours for Baseball Coaching 343 from two to three was approved.

Judicial Council's first case involves itself

By KEVIN A. FRANCKE

The new Judicial Council's first case Thursday centered on the council itself.

The case, brought by Paul Deom, asked whether the council was formed unconstitutionally and whether its members were within the rights of Associated Student Government's constitution.

Deom, a senior from Boonville, Ind., was appointed in fall 1980 to serve on the Judicial Council by then-President Steve Fuller. He said he thought the term would be for two years.

Deom charged that the recently appointed Judicial Council had incorrectly overlooked him as a member and that President David Payne, in appointing seven new

members and three alternates, had failed to include him.

The 90-minute hearing, scheduled to begin at 4 p.m., was finally brought to order at 4:35 by chairman Gale Williams. The delay occurred when an alternate, needed to keep records, was late.

Deom said he could not present his case unless council member Bob Dillard gave up his seat. He said he believed that Dillard, also Payne's roommate, wouldn't be able to make an objective ruling.

In calling for Dillard's removal, Deom said, "It's only common decency and common sense."

However, Deom finally did allow the hearing to continue, with Dillard on the council.

In the hearing, interrupted by several near-walkouts by Deom

and Williams's announcements that Deom was out of order, Deom attempted to prove that he was still a Judicial Council member.

After a half-hour of testimony, he presented what he considered to be his strongest evidence: a copy of the ASG constitution Fuller gave Deom when he was appointed in September 1980.

According to Deom's copy, some council members were appointed for two-year terms while others were appointed for one year.

This directly contradicted every other constitution, Margaret Ragan said, and added that she had looked through the files for past constitutions and "had never seen a constitution like Mr. Deom's."

"I believe the constitution that

Mr. Deom is basing his case on was a 'proposed constitution'... and it should never have been given out."

Williams then examined the constitution and said it was "wrong in several areas." She then pointed out discrepancies between Deom's constitution and her own.

"If Deom's constitution is correct, Dave (Payne) was wrong (in failing to reappoint Deom to the council)."

Williams said she would be contacting Charles Keown, student affairs dean, and ASG faculty adviser Ron Beck in hopes of resolving the issue.

The meeting was adjourned, she said, until the council could check the "authenticity" of Deom's constitution.

For the record

Kimberly McPherson, McCormack Hall, reported Sunday that items valued at \$60 were stolen from her room.

Ronald Puckett, Vine Grove, reported Sunday that stereo equipment and tapes valued at \$160 were stolen from his car in Diddle lot.

Howard Tolliver, Keen Hall, reported Sunday about \$40 damage was done to his car in Poland lot. Damage was to a windshield wiper and rear-view mirror.

Cameron Miller, East Hall, reported Thursday that stereo equipment was stolen from his room. It was later recovered.

Lisa Robertson, Gilbert Hall, reported Thursday a necklace valued at \$413 was stolen from her room.

Abernathy to lecture here

Dr. Ralph Abernathy, a leading spokesman for blacks and the Freedom Movement, will speak tonight as a part of Black Awareness Week in a lecture sponsored by the United Black Students and the University Center Board.

After Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination, Abernathy succeeded his long-time friend and

colleague as director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

He was also involved in the Montgomery bus boycotts and led a poor people's march on Washington, D.C., in 1968.

Abernathy will speak on America's changing attitudes on the continued fight for justice and equality at 7:30 p.m. in Van Meter Auditorium.



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Open house extension proposal still pending

By CHERYL CONNOR

A move by Interhall Council to extend open house hours may be hampered by a proposal in the student affairs office to discontinue hiring night clerks for the dorms.

Because of budget cuts, the university may be forced to have one person patrol dorms on a rotating basis. But that would be done only as a last resort, Interhall Council President Jack Smith said.

Charles Keown, student affairs dean, is still discussing the proposal to extend open house hours with hall directors and housing officials, Smith said. Vice President Rex Hurt said the decision probably won't be made until after spring break.

If Keown approves the bill, dorm residents would vote on it. A majority vote would be needed to pass it, Smith said.

If approved, open house hours

would be extended to 2 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays "on a trial basis," according to the bill, but "we would settle for 'permanently,'" Smith said.

"If there's a chance of it being passed, I think he (Keown) will do it," Smith said. "I'm optimistic because Dean (Keown) has been fair to us."

In other action:

—The revisions made by the constitution review committee should be finished in two weeks, Hurt said, and must be approved by the council after completion.

— Ben Snyder's department store will sponsor a fashion show in the Keen Hall lobby tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. Students will model men's and women's spring fashions.

— The council presented an award to East Hall for being the outstanding dorm during January and February.

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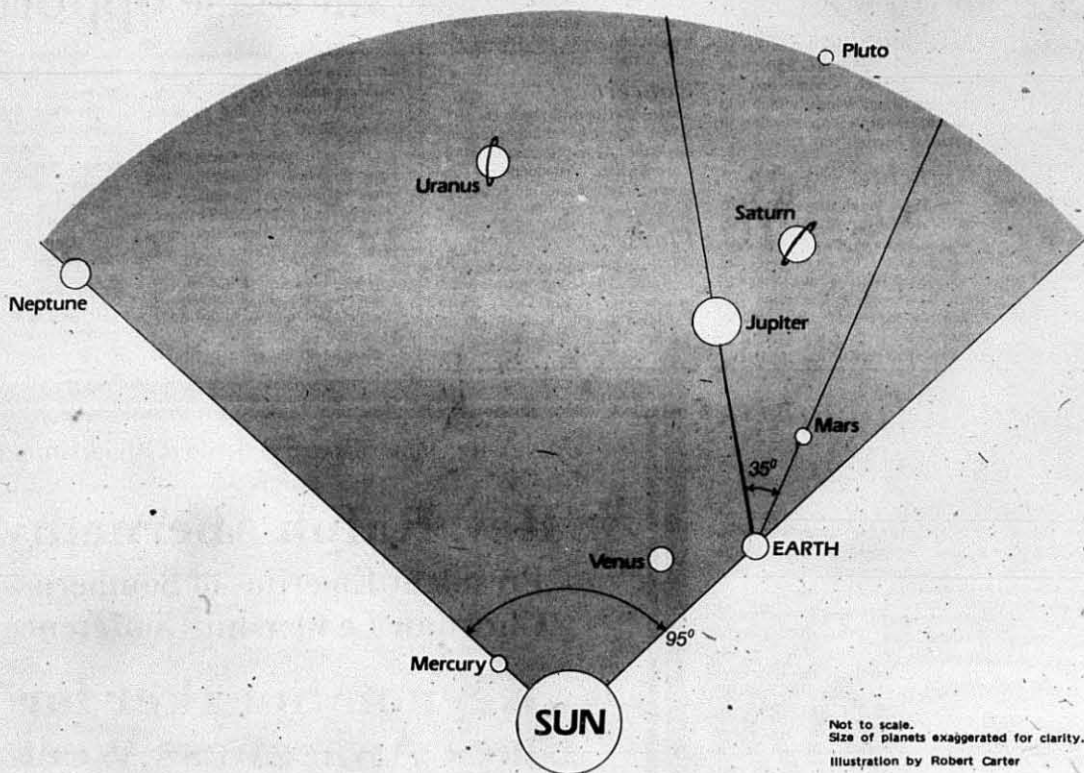
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Planetary alignment won't be earth's end

By JIM BATTLES

Contrary to some theories, the world will not end Tuesday.

March 10 is the magic day when the planets have been predicted to align, with their combined gravitational forces causing great destruction on Earth.

This theory was proposed in a book by John R. Gibbin and Stephen H. Plageman in their book, "The Jupiter Effect," published in 1974.

But Dr. Terrence Rettig, a professor of astronomy here, said that theory is invalid.

"There will be absolutely no noticeable effect, if you look at it from a scientific viewpoint," Rettig, who teaches planetary alignment in his Astronomy of the Solar System class.

From March 10 through the summer, Rettig said Mars, Jupiter and Saturn will be the only planets coming close to any "alignment."

All the planets will be on the same side of the sun as the earth, but Mars, Jupiter and Saturn will not be in a straight line. They will be orbiting on slightly different planes within a 30-degree area, however.

The rest of the planets will lie within a 95-degree area.

So there is really no basis for a "grand alignment" theory, Rettig said.

These types of alignments happen about every 179 years, Rettig said, but "It really isn't going to be that spectacular."

As a result of the "alignment," according to the Jupiter theory, the planets would

exert a maximum of tidal forces on the sun.

But Rettig computed the combined tidal forces of Jupiter, Saturn and Mars, and compared them to the moon's tidal effect on the earth.

"It turns out," he said, "that the combined forces of the three planets was less than the tidal effect of the moon — by a far shot." The combined force of the three planets equals 0.00004 of the moon's force on the earth, he said.

The theory claims the alignment would produce an overabundance of sunspots, which would trigger a greater chance of eruptions on the sun's surface and send more solar particles into the earth's upper atmosphere, he says.

Those particles would start unusual movements of large air masses and alter the earth's rotation, triggering earthquakes.

(Many people interpret this to mean the great California earthquake, which, traveling the length of the San Andreas Fault, would destroy the entire state.)

Rettig said many people who have heard about the book's theories were concerned about the disasters it predicted.

One woman, he said, asked him whether it was safe to travel to the Caribbean this summer.

But Rettig and several other astronomers believe the theory has too many "holes," leaves too much to chance, and doesn't consider all information.

"It's a shame it's happening this year, in a way," Rettig said. "I hate to see it over with (next year)."



Photo by Bobby Roe

Dr. Terrence Rettig, an astronomy professor, uses a projector in Hardin Planetarium to demonstrate the upcoming planetary alignment.

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RIVERSIDE: Coming of Age, R, and Firecracker, R. Opens at 6:30.
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Fashion show

Tonight at 7:30 at the Capitol Arts Center, the Arts Alliance and the Bowling Green Women's Club will present Embry's: An Evening of Fashion. Admission is \$3.50.

Night life

The Ernie Small Blues Band will be featured at Michael's Pub tonight, and Yo' Mama will play tomorrow.

The band McKaller and Company will be playing in the Kona Kai Lounge of the Holiday Inn Holidome this week.

Hypertension will be at the Brass

A this week.

Jeff Allen and the Reflections will continue playing at Runway Five this week.

Jimmy Hicks will be at Fontana's tonight and Lloyd and Dillard will play tomorrow night.

Concert

Molly Hatchett will be in concert at the Municipal Auditorium in Nashville, Tenn., tomorrow at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at Headquarters Music and Boutique for \$9.75.

Plays

The theater department will present two one-act studio productions, Ferryboat and Canadian Gothic, at 8 tonight in Gordon Wilson Hall theater 100. Admission is free.

Physician addresses banquet

Sacrifices, work increase opportunity

Sacrifices and hard work in the past have made it easier for black students today, Dr. P.C. Brooks told the United Black Students Sunday night.

"It's up to you to continue the fight for equal opportunity and equal advantages," he said.

Brooks spoke at the UBS banquet in observance of Black Awareness Week.

"Dreaming and planning, we should do them all of our lives. A dream is just hard work gratified," he said.

Brooks told the group to respect

its heritage. "The past is the foundation for our present and our future."

"Be sure that you have confidence in yourself because every man or woman has God-given talent that he or she must develop," he said.

Brooks is a Hopkinsville native and was the first black member of the Hopkinsville Board of Education. He was named a general practitioner by the National Medical Association.

In 1964 and 1976 he was a Man of the Year and he has been named Physician of the Year.

Accreditation official visits business college

The business college is in its final stage of accreditation — again.

The visitation committee chairman of the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business met with business college dean Dr. Robert Nelson yesterday. They reviewed a self-study report the college filed in the 1979-80 school year.

Accreditation is normally a two-year process. In the first year, the college files a self-study report that is reviewed by a committee that visits the school the second year.

The team first visited the business college in December 1980. But because the college wasn't "doctorally qualified," it was granted a one-year deferral.

For the college to be qualified, 40 percent of the faculty in each of its departments must also be qualified. Though the college was 50 percent qualified overall, the marketing department lost two faculty members the previous August. Therefore, it didn't meet the standard.

Nelson said the problem was corrected, and "everything should be OK unless he (the visitation committee chairman) found something else."

The chairman will report his findings to the accrediting council for review.

Nelson will appear before the council in St. Louis March 19 for a final review. He will know the accreditation decision at a national meeting in Honolulu April 25-May 1.

Business college accreditation is a "rigid process," Nelson said. Only 200 of the 13,000 business colleges nationwide are approved, he said; and only two in Kentucky — the University of Kentucky and Murray — are accredited.

Accreditation attracts students because they will get better jobs when they graduate, Nelson said.

"If you meet the standards (to be accredited), it assures the programs we offer are qualified," Nelson said.

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Phi Epsilon Omicron will have a spring social for prospective members at 7:30 p.m. in the Academic Complex dining room.

The Recreation Majors Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Diddle Arena, room 220. Folk dancing will follow the meeting.

Tomorrow

The Astronomy Club will have an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. in Thompson Complex Central Wing, room 204.

The Pre-Law Club will meet at 2 p.m. in Grise Hall, room 335. County attorney Morris Lowe will speak.

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Sports

Moving up

Sun Belt would be step in the right direction

Western's basketball program may soon be taking a step up in the right direction.

After 34 years in a league it helped establish, Western probably will leave the Ohio Valley Conference for the promise of a brighter future in the 4-year-old Sun Belt Conference.

The only holdup is a formal invitation and formal acceptance.

Ronnie Clark, chairman of the Board of Regents athletics committee, said he believes the change is in Western's best interest.

"I feel very positive about it," Clark said. "I think it has good possibilities. Of course, the main thing is that the Sun Belt Conference will bring national attention, help us in recruiting and help us in finances."

The Sun Belt's instant success is because its showcase is basketball.

And it's no secret that Western's No. 1 sport has been basketball since the legendary E.A. Diddle began taking Hilltopper teams to

Mark Heath

the National Invitation Tournament in the early 1940s.

In other words, the Sun Belt Conference probably best fulfills Western's current athletic needs.

For many years Western's membership in the OVC was to the school's advantage. It gave the Hilltoppers an easy way to get into the National Collegiate Athletic Association tourney through the OVC's automatic bid.

In years when Western was not particularly strong, the automatic bid still gave the Hilltoppers a chance for post-season play and some national exposure.

And Western has developed strong rivalries with nearby schools such as Murray and

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Photo by Mike Healy

Sun Belt Conference Commissioner, Vic Bubas, Western Athletic Director, John Oldham, and other Sun Belt and Western officials tour Smith Stadium. The representatives of the relatively new conference visited yesterday to become familiar with Western's athletic facilities.

OVC schools say they would miss Tops

By LEE GRACE

With Western apparently on its way out of the Ohio Valley Conference, two athletics directors at schools that helped found the OVC along with Western say they'll be sorry to see the Hilltoppers leave.

"Our rivalry with Western would lose a great bit of interest," Eastern Athletic Director Donald Combs said. "What makes our rivalry so intense is that every time we play, a championship could be on the line."

"We play Dayton, which always has a fine football team, every year, but we just don't have the same intensity against them that we would against a conference team," Combs said. "If Western left, it would be the same way."

Murray Athletic Director Johnny Reagan voiced similar feelings.

"It (playing Western) is something our players, our fans and our alumni look forward to every year," he said. "I really would hate to see Western leave."

Talk of Western's leaving the

OVC is not new. In 1979 the Board of Regents passed a resolution to investigate a move to another conference or to drop all conference affiliation.

That move was caused by two disputes between Western and the rest of the conference.

The more famous was the "three-second incident," which occurred in the final game of the OVC tournament against Eastern. It involved a foul that was called after the game's final buzzer. The referees, however, didn't realize

that the buzzer had gone off and gave Eastern two free throws. Those enabled the Colonels to win the game and gain the automatic bid to the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament.

"This is another illustration of the weakness that continues to be eminent in the OVC," John David Cole, who was chairman of the Board of Regents at the time, said in a Herald story.

The other controversy was over the number of football scholarships each OVC school could award.

In the fall of 1978 the OVC limited football scholarships to 60, instead of 75, which was set by the newly formed NCAA Division I-AA.

That prompted this comment by Ron Sheffer, then chairman of board's athletic committee: "They (the OVC) don't know anything about football. I don't like a conference that calls the shots like this."

In the meantime, the conference

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Western opens with Peay

By NICK SHUTT

The length of Western's basketball season depends on how it fares in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament at Tennessee Tech.

The winner of the tournament at Cookeville, Tenn., receives the league's automatic bid to the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament.

Most of the losers go home. Western plays at 8 p.m. tomorrow against Austin Peay, a team it split with during the regular season.

Austin Peay's 89-77 win in Diddle Arena accounted for half of the Governor's league wins in 12 starts. Western, which finished 7-5 in the conference, retaliated in Clarksville, Tenn., winning 80-57.

The Governors are playing in the

Women's Basketball

Tennessee College Women Sports Federation tournament, which began last night in Chattanooga, Tenn., and ends tonight.

And Western coach Eileen Canty says that may be a problem for Peay.

The Tennessee tournament could leave the Governors tired, "or if they do well," Canty said, "they could be on an emotional high at the same time."

Since Western's roster has dropped to 10 players, fatigue could also be a problem for Western.

"By the second or third night, we're going to have to dig a little deeper and play from the heart,"

Canty said.

Even though the Toppers downed Austin Peay easily in their last meeting, Canty says the team will worry about getting past Austin Peay before thinking of Tech.

"I really don't think we'll overlook Austin Peay," Canty said. "Austin Peay has been giving some of the OVC teams trouble lately, so I'm not sure just how well they're playing."

Forward Lillie Mason leads Western in scoring with a 17.9 average. She is second in rebounding with 7.5 a game. Center Dianne Depp leads the team in rebounding (7.7) and is second in scoring (15.0).

Both are All-OVC selections.

Austin Peay is led in scoring and

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3 named All-OVC

Three Western players have been named to the All-Ohio Valley Conference basketball teams.

Craig McCormick was named to the All-OVC first team for the second straight year.

Joining the senior center were Ricky Hood and Glenn Green of Murray, Joe Jakubick of Akron and Jerry Beck of Middle Tennessee.

Beck was named the OVC Player of the Year for the second straight time.

Western's Bobby Jones, a member of the All-Freshman team last year, was named to the second team.

Lenny Manning of Austin Peay, Guy Minnifield of Morehead, Rick Campbell of Middle and Pete Abuls of

Tennessee Tech joined Jones on the second team.

Lillie Mason and Dianne Depp of Western were named to the women's first team.

That team is headed by Jerilyn Harper of Tennessee Tech, the league's Player of the Year, for the second straight time.

Jennifer McFall of Middle and Donna Stephens and Priscilla Blackford, both of Morehead, joined Mason and Depp.

Wayne Martin led Morehead to a fourth-place finish and Tom Deaton led Tennessee Tech to fifth place, were named men's coaches of the year.

Mickey Wells of Morehead was named women's Coach of the Year.

Move into Sun Belt would benefit Western

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Eastern.

But now Western has outgrown the OVC.

The basketball program is re-committed to national prominence. It began with the hiring of Coach Gene Keady and has continued with Clem Haskins.

Staying in the OVC won't improve Western's program. Except for Murray and Middle, the level of competition hasn't improved much in the last few years.

Though Western officials may not admit it publicly, the OVC has a reputation as a bush league — a league that travels by bus with players who aren't good enough for the "big" conferences like the Southeastern and the Big 10.

That may not be true, but it influences recruits.

The Sun Belt, however, has an entirely different reputation.

In 1981, its third year of competition, the Sun Belt placed four teams in post-season competition — two in the NCAA and two in the NIT.

The league has several of the country's outstanding coaches. Gene Bartow, head coach at Alabama-Birmingham, formerly coached at UCLA and Memphis State and took both to the final four. Lee Rose, who took teams from Purdue and North Carolina-Charlotte to the final four, now coaches at South Florida.

The Sun Belt could also bring Western more respectability. The Hilltoppers will get away from its bush league image.

Western's basketball schedule could become a showcase. Add Sun Belt foes Jacksonville, UAB, South Florida, South Alabama, North Carolina-Charlotte and Virginia Commonwealth to an already attractive non-conference schedule, subtract some OVC also-rans and you'll have quite an attraction.

The Hilltoppers should be able to use a move to the Sun Belt for recruiting. Western has lost good players to the bigger schools, something that may not happen as often now.

For Western fans, the move will mean some adjustments.

It's doubtful that Western can dominate the Sun Belt. Fans may have to adjust to seeing the Toppers finish third or fourth in the new conference.

And then...

shot clock until the game's final four minutes.

Western will be getting greater exposure through the Sun Belt's television network that goes into such cities as Atlanta, Ga., Mobile, Ala., and Tampa, Fla.

The move has one other advantage to Western — politics.

Western has always considered itself to be a little different from other regional universities. A little better, if you will.

Belonging to a different conference than the other regional

universities could magnify Western's superiority.

Although not directly related, a move to the Sun Belt would give Western a suitable opportunity to reclassify its football program to Division II.

Football coach Jimmy Feix said he is in favor of such a move. Western is becoming uncompetitive in Division I-AA because of budget cutbacks and the reclassification of schools from Division I.

A move to Division II would

allow Western to again be competitive. And the football program could come a lot closer to breaking even — something Feix believes can happen with increased ticket sales and private donations.

Reclassifying to Division II would save Western about \$100,000 a year, Feix said. One reason is that Division II has 20 fewer scholarships.

Reclassification is not a de-emphasis or lessening of the importance of football. It will return

Western to the level of competition it dominated in the '70s. In 1973 and 1975 Western played for the national championship in Division II.

"It is doing something to keep a good, quality, competitive program," Feix said. "Again, I don't want our fans or alumni, students or my players to get any impression at all that there is a de-emphasis or downgrading of football. It's just a reclassification of football to keep from de-emphasizing it."

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rebounding by forward Gayle Kinzer, with 16.3 points and 8.3 rebounds. Guard Lillian Cain is second in scoring with a 12.8 average.

Canty said she has added some new twists to Western's zone press offense, which has been one of the weakest parts of the Toppers' overall game.

"We've made some minor changes," Canty said. "But nothing drastic which the average person in the stands would notice."

"We've been trying to refine the things we've been stressing all season," she added. "We've been trying to convince the players that we have to be fundamentally sound and mentally prepared as we enter the tournament."

"They've been showing a lot of spirit in practice, and I think that's a positive factor."

Canty said her substitutes have been playing well lately, which will also help the team.

Reserve center Jane Lockin's ankle injury has improved, but her play in the tournament will still be hampered, Canty said.

Despite Western's fourth-place finish in the conference, Canty said the Toppers definitely have a chance to win the tournament.

"We beat Austin Peay, and I honestly believe we can beat

Tech," Canty said. "And the team believes we can beat Tech, so I think our chances are good."

"If it comes down to Middle or Morehead in the final game, we beat each of them once and they both beat us once. So the confidence level will be good there, should we make it that far."

"I think what it's going to boil down to," Canty said, "is which team is the most psychologically and mentally prepared going into each game of the tournament."

Tennessee Tech, which won the OVC with a 10-2 record and finished 18-10 overall, is favored in the tournament.

Tech and Middle Tennessee, which finished second in the conference with a 9-3 record and 20-4 overall, will receive first-round byes.

Morehead and Youngstown will open the tournament at 6 p.m. tomorrow.

The winner of the Morehead-Youngstown game will play Middle in the first game Thursday at 6 p.m.

The winner of the Western-Austin Peay game will play Tech at 8 p.m. Thursday.

The winners of Thursday night's game will play for the championship at 8 p.m. Friday.

All tournament times are in Eastern Standard Time.

Hot-shooting Western beats Northern Iowa

Western ended its regular season with a bang Saturday night, shooting a season-high 71 percent to beat Northern Iowa 75-67 at Cedar Falls, Iowa.

The win moved Western to 18-8 overall. Western and Murray ended the regular season as Ohio Valley Conference co-champions with 13-3 records.

Murray (19-6) moved into a tie with the Toppers by sweeping its two games in the OVC's Arctic Valley.

"I was awfully impressed with our shooting, particularly in this unusual surroundings," Coach Clem Haskins said. "But we could have done better in some aspects of our game."

That was particularly true late in the first half. After Western had

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led 22-14 midway through the half, the Panthers rallied to take a 39-38 halftime lead.

Northern Iowa took the lead on a three-point play by Jay Block with four seconds left in the half.

But the Toppers scored six of the second half's first eight points and never trailed again.

Craig McCormick led Western with 22 points and six rebounds. The senior center hit 10 of 11 shots from the field.

Kenny Ellis hit 10 of 13 shots for 20 and Tony Wilson hit six of seven tries from the field and all six free throws for 18 points.

would lose a great deal of prestige. "Western has been a leader in the organization of the conference and has been a supplier of some of the better teams in the conference and that would be missed if it went," Combs said.

Reagan agrees. "I think everyone would be sorry to see Western leave, since it has helped the prestige of the conference."

But OVC Commissioner Jim Delany doesn't believe Western's leaving would bring about the end of the conference.

"It would hurt the conference if they left, but we would go on."

Men's track

Western won five of 17 individual events in the Ohio Valley Conference indoor track meet last weekend in Murfreesboro, Tenn., but the Toppers finished fourth in the six-team field.

Middle Tennessee won its second consecutive championship with relative ease, scoring 166.5 points to Murray's 116. Eastern finished third with 99.5, the Toppers had 93 points. Austin Peay finished with 35 and Akron had 21.

"Considering the circumstances, we had a superlative meet," Coach Curtiss Long said. "We won more individual events and set two OVC records."

Injuries to Dave Mobley, Ben McCloud and Steve Bridges three weeks ago dimmed Western's chances to win the meet, Long said.

Ashley Johnson, the meet's only double winner, captured the mile in 4:04.5 and the 2-mile in 8:51.9. Luby Chambul won his fourth

consecutive shot put championship with a record 61 foot 10 inch toss. Tony Smith also set an OVC record in the 60-yard high hurdles in 7.3, breaking his school record for the fourth time this season.

Simon Cahill lapped all but one runner in winning the 3-mile in 13:27.2. Second-place finisher Chris Bunyan of Murray, who finished more than 30 seconds behind Cahill, was the only runner in the field not lapped.

OVC tickets

Tickets for the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament will cost about 25 percent more than they did last year, according to Bobby

Houk, Western's ticket manager. Houk said chair seats will cost \$20 per set (a ticket for Friday and Saturday), permanent bleacher seats will be \$15 per set and general admission tickets are \$10 per set. Tickets last year were \$16, \$12 and \$8, respectively.

Houk said ticket prices are set by the OVC commissioner's office, and the host school is sent a list of rules and regulations.

Individual game tickets will be sold to students presenting I.D. cards, Houk said. Individual general admission tickets are \$5.

Tickets will be on sale every day this week at Diddle Arena ticket office from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

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OVC would miss Western

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had raised its scholarship limit to 65. And ironically, last year it was Western that tried to prevent the conference from raising the limit to 70. The OVC eventually left the limit at 65.

If nothing else, Western's membership in the OVC has filled the school's trophy cases.

The Hilltoppers have won 12 of the 19 OVC All-Sports trophies since the award was begun in 1962. The Toppers have won or shared the conference title 19 times in the league's 34 years.

Some members of the conference say that if Western leaves, the OVC

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