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# The BG News

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FREDERICK ECKMAN ZIPS around town on his moped just about everyday. He says his moped is cheap to operate and is an ideal form of transportation.

## Vandalism decline cited in University dormitories

By Julie Rollo  
Staff Reporter

Vandalism in residence halls may be declining simply because students are better behaved than in the past, according to Seth H. Patton, assistant director of housing.

Statistics show that an estimated \$32,000 loss was incurred from reported damage in dormitories during the 1974-75 academic year compared to \$28,000 during each of the last two years.

The only data available for this quarter indicate that repairs of damage in all University dorms during the last two weeks cost \$642.98. Information is not complete, Patton explained, because of a conversion from manual to computer systems of data collection.

HOWEVER, he said he expects year-end figures to be similar to last year's. Patton noted it is impossible to differentiate and, subsequently, estimate the extent of accidental damage versus wanton destruction. But, he said, typical acts are smashing windows, slitting vinyl covers or breaking legs of lounge furniture and setting off or stealing fire equipment.

Others include damaging locks,

elevators and public address systems, Patton said, adding that window breakage occurs most often.

Repairs to all damaged items are paid for by students.

PATTON SAID that 12-20 percent of costs are recovered by billing the persons responsible for damages. The remainder is absorbed through increased room and board rates.

Students have paid an extra \$25,000 in room and board during the last two years, he said.

Women's halls generally incur less damage than men's, while coed dorms fall somewhere in between, Patton observed, saying "I attribute it to the sex of the dorm. Men are a little bit harder on the buildings than women are."

Conklin Hall boasts the lowest vandalism incidence of any men's hall, he said, because of a concerned hall director and staff that spends a considerable amount of time in the building.

"SOME HALL directors can remedy the problems in the dorms," Patton said.

To combat theft and destruction, the housing office conducts awareness

programs and encourages an atmosphere of accountability to staff and residents, he explained.

But the most effective deterrent, Patton said, has been a change in hardware. Items that receive continuing abuse often are replaced by more durable ones. For example, Patton said exchanges include glass to plastic light globe fixtures and all-glass to partially-glass doors.

Another apparent success is a change from protruding exit signs to those that mount into the wall, attracting little attention.

"THE MALICIOUS damage does annoy you because it's unnecessary," Patton said, adding, "We're very happy campus-wide with what we have. I have never seen a campus where residence halls are in as good a condition as they are here."

Directors of residence halls, including Rodgers Quad, Offenauer East and Anderson, concur that vandalism is not as prevalent as it once was.

Most reported elevator, light and public address system damage as major problems.

## Moping around?

### Motorized bicycles are emerging as latest fad, transportation

By Andrea Susan Pitkow

Most days, Frederick Eckman, professor of English, rides the mile-and-a-half from his home to the University on his moped.

His moped?

The word isn't in the dictionary, but mopeds, or motorized bicycles, are emerging as the hottest vehicle on the American scene, according to "American Bicyclist" magazine.

THE TWO-WHEEL unit allows for motor-driven or pedal operation (moped) and gets about 120 miles per gallon. It ranks extremely low as an air- and noise-polluter, compared to an automobile and motorcycle.

"A moped is ideal transportation," Eckman said, adding that his tan- and cream-colored Cimatti moped—his second—cost \$470. The expense was worth it, he said.

Two years ago, Eckman developed arthritis, which halted his two modes of travel—walking and bicycling. Because he

no longer drove a car, Eckman bought a moped. "It lets me be much more mobile."

"I use it virtually year-round," Eckman said. "I rode it all last winter, except on the coldest and iciest days."

FIFTEEN to twenty miles an hour is the normal speed for a moped. The speed is hand regulated with a twist-grip throttle and hand brakes are squeezed to stop. The one cylinder capacity and low horsepower (less than a lawnmower) insure maximum speed.

"The wider tire makes it less dangerous than a bike," Eckman added.

He stays off heavily traveled streets taking parallel routes to avoid accidents. "I don't like being close to semis and vans," he explained.

When Eckman purchased his first moped in May, 1976, from D.J.'s Health Food and Cyclery Shop on West Merry Street, he was given a 10 percent discount for being the first moped owner in the city.

DOROTHY JOYCE, owner of D.J.'s, said she has sold 22

mopeds since Eckman's. Most of her customers who were more than 25 years old, bought the vehicle for utilization reasons.

"I had to get in the market because we're dealing with something good," she said. Cimatti and Garelli mopeds are available for order at D.J.'s shop, although none are on display.

Robert C. Gill, assistant professor of health and physical education and head tennis coach, bought his Cimatti moped in place of a second car.

"I wanted cheap transportation that wouldn't take as much work as pumping a bike."

GILL ESTIMATES that he spends 35 cents a week to run his moped, which he rides eight months a year. He said another reason he bought the moped was that helmets are not required of drivers.

"I like the freedom of the open air. Bowling Green has the perfect terrain for driving a moped—no hills," Gill said.

Melvin C. Jones, director of parking services, uses his

metallic green Garelli moped for cheap transportation when he is camping and for short shopping trips around town.

"Instead of pumping a bike, I just leave the motor running," Jones said.

JONES' MOPED, which gets 100 miles per gallon, cost \$479 with such accessories as a rear basket and saddlebags.

"You can't take a moped where you can't take a bicycle," Jones added.

Mopeds cannot be driven on highways and moped drivers must obey all traffic laws, using hand signals.

A moped gas tank stores about 2½ quarts of regular gasoline, with a reserve tank of one cup. However, there is no gas gauge.

Jones recalled an experience when he ran out of gas on a camping trip. "I even used up the reservoir cup of gas, which got me seven miles further, but I had to pedal to a gas station one-half mile away."

"If handled correctly and not abused, a moped can be very cheap, fun kind of transportation," Jones said.

## Area merchants plan to defend against seasonal shoplifting

By Roger K. Lowe  
Staff Reporter

Shoplifting—the word is enclosed in dollar signs when shoppers and merchants talk about it. Merchants often charge customers high prices to recoup losses incurred by shoplifters.

With the Christmas shopping season approaching, area business are preparing for the increased number of shoppers and shoplifters.

J.C. Penney Co. Inc., 136 S. Main St., is adding clerks and may hire some off-duty police to combat the shoplifting problem during the Christmas season, according to Manager Wendell W. Booth.

J.C. PENNEY Co. Inc. prosecutes shoplifters to the limit allowed by law, Booth explained.

Shoplifting either can be charged as a misdemeanor or felony, according to attorney Drew A. Hanna. Misdemeanors are less serious than felonies, where the punishment may involve a state prison sentence.

First offenders in shoplifting are not likely to be charged with a felony, Hanna said.

"If the person had no prior (criminal) record, he would probably be charged only a misdemeanor," Hanna explained.

THE USUAL penalty for a misdemeanor charge in the city is a three-day jail sentence and a \$50 to \$100 fine, he said, adding that merchants have been consistent in prosecuting shoplifting cases.

Fines and sentences are consistent with little regard to the value of the object taken, he said. Many of the items taken are far less expensive than the imposed fine.

Judy A. Ennis, manager of LaSalle's, 139 S. Main St., said that store has prosecuted five shoplifters in the last month. The last one was fined \$500 and sentenced to 10 days in jail, she said. That person had stole a \$40 dress, she added.

LaSalle's will hire extra sales and security personnel, for the Christmas season Ennis said. Alert sales persons are the best guard against shoplifters, she said.

MORE SECURITY persons from the company's office in Toledo will be added for the Christmas rush, she said. There usually are two security persons in the store with the number increased to four in November and December.

Murphy's Mart, 1080 S. Main St., also will have security personnel from the Murphy system in the store to watch for shoplifters, according to Rich T. Mullen, first assistant manager.

"We don't even know they're in the store," he said. "They watch the employees as well as the customers."

Employees sometimes steal merchandise during the Christmas season, he said. Murphy Mart has special mirrors that allow security personnel to watch customers without being seen, Mullen said.

Jeans and Things, 531 Ridge St., is not planning to hire any extra personnel for the Christmas rush, Manager Gary A. Kessler said. They have enough employees now, he said.



Newsphoto by Kathy Borchers

FREDDIE FALCON, ALONG with all children and their instructors from the campus nursery school, formed a "mini snake" through the Union, past the sorority houses and back to the nursery school Wednesday afternoon. Melissa Looney, senior, arranged Freddie's visit as part of a social science activity for a Home Economics 322 class.

## Campus phone books to be ready next week

Campus telephone directories now are being printed and distribution should be completed by the end of next week, according to the University Publications Office.

Inventory Control will handle the distribution of the directories, which should take about two days, a spokesman for the publications office said.

The directories will be placed in residence hall mailboxes. Students will receive one book per room. The books had been scheduled for distribution last month, the office said, but because of several errors in listings, there was a two-week delay.

Additional copies for non-residents will be available in the Commuter Center.

## Inside the News

EDITORIALS...The News begins its endorsements today. The first of them deals with the state constitutional issues. Page 4.

NEWS...Punch ballots will debut in Tuesday's election, so Louie Levy takes a look at them on page 5.

FEATURES...The novel that inspired the movie "Star Wars" is reviewed on page 6.

SPORTS...Tom Stubbs and the women's swimming team get their feet wet tomorrow in the Bowling Green Invitational Relays. Cheryl Geschke previews the weekend on page 9.

## Weather

Cloudy  
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## Local Briefs

### Gov't applications

Applications are available for students interested in working for the federal government. To be considered for a government position, students must take the Professional and Administrative Career Examination.

To be eligible for the January, 1978 exam, applications must be received no later than Nov. 30. Applications are available in the Career Planning and Placement Services Office, 360 Student Services Bldg.

### Law College rep

Alfonso Squillante, admissions representative from the University of Cincinnati College of Law, will be on campus 1-5 p.m. Monday in the Faculty Lounge, Union.

The program, free and open to the public, is sponsored by the Law Society.

### Law Society

The Law Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in 105 Hanna Hall. Dr. Richard Edwards, professor of law at the University of Toledo, will speak on international law.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

### Minority case study

Bob Suzuki, associate professor and director of multicultural education programs at the University of Massachusetts, will present a case study of Asian Americans as a "model minority" in the U.S. at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the River Room, Union.

Suzuki was incarcerated in a detention camp in Idaho with other Japanese Americans during World War II. He will discuss the "revisionist interpretation" of American educational history and the outstanding educational and socioeconomic achievements of Asian Americans.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

### State Issue 4

The Human Rights Alliance and the city's ad hoc committee against more prisons will discuss a section of State Issue 4 dealing with an \$80 million allocation for prisons at 8 p.m. Monday in 121 Hayes Hall.

The discussion is open to the public.

### Key places third

The Key, University yearbook, has won third place in an advertising contest sponsored by the American Yearbook Co.

The entry was compiled by Kathy Borchers, co-editor of the 1978 Key, who submitted a comprehensive merchandising plan used by the Key staff.

The entries were judged by a six-member panel from the American Marketing Association and the winners were announced during the Associated Collegiate Press convention Oct. 27-29 in New Orleans.

The University of Colorado won first place and the University of Texas finished second.

### Piano recital

Senior Rick Meek will present a piano recital at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Recital Hall, College of Music. The performance is free and open to the public.

### Poetry reading

William Matthews will read his poetry at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Commuter Center. The reading is free and open to the public.

## DELTA GAMMA Welcomes Our New Initiates

Deb Coughlin	Kathy Kroncke
Holly Ensign	Babs Perry
Laura Gulespie	Sue Sheard
Carb Goodrich	Susan Vinci
Terri Grassman	Terry Walsh
	Christy Young

Also, Congratulations to Outstanding Pledge, Deb Coughlin

## Punch ballot cards debut in Wood County ...

By Louie Levy

The Wood County Board of Elections will not supply pencils for voters Tuesday. However, voters should not be concerned. They won't need them.

Punch ballots will be used countywide for the first time Nov. 8.

According to Joneal Bender, director of the Wood County Board of Elections, her office has been demonstrating the new

devices to Wood County residents.

**VOTERS WHO** are still unsure about using the punch ballots will be given demonstrations at their polling places.

Bender explained that the new voting procedure is relatively simple. Each voter is given one ballot and a secrecy envelope. All candidates and issues will be represented on the ballot. Spaces for write-in votes

are provided on the inside flap of the secrecy envelope.

There is only one way to place the ballot into the voting device so it fits over two red pins. According to Bender, once this is done the voter can use the stylus to punch holes in the ballot. These holes later will be read by a computer.

A **BOOKLET** accompanying each voting device shows the voter

where to punch depending on which candidate or issue he wishes to support.

Bender said that any voter who feels an error was made in punching his ballot can request a new ballot.

"Once people are used to it, I think it will be quicker," Bender said, adding that she believes punch ballots are more efficient and accurate than the former method.

Computer tabulation of the ballots certainly will be faster than the previous method of counting paper ballots. An Alpha Ballot Tab computer will be used to read 1,000 ballots a minute.

**BENDER** predicted that all the votes in Wood County will be counted by 10:30 p.m. election night—three hours after the polls close. Without the computer the ballots might not be counted until 6:30 a.m. Wednesday, she speculated.

Last fall the final precinct did not report until 10:30 a.m. the following morning.

If the punch ballots and Alpha Ballot Tab work as well as Computer Elections Systems, Inc. (CES) claim they will, Bender said the paper ballot in Wood County may go the way of the horse and buggy.

This fall the board of

elections is leasing the equipment from CES for \$10,000. It would cost the county roughly \$160,000 to purchase the equipment, Bender said.

She noted that the county would save at least \$70,000 a year by using the punch ballots instead of paper ones.

"The big savings will come in personnel," she said.

Instead of manning each precinct with 10 poll workers, only four persons are needed with punch ballots.

CES punch ballots are used by 40 Ohio counties.

"None have reported any problems," Bender said.



KATHERYN A. STONECYPHER, clerk for the Wood County board of elections demonstrates punch balloting which will be introduced to the area in Tuesday's election.

## ...instant registration, too

City residents who have not registered to vote, but wish to participate in the upcoming election can do so because of Election day registration.

Joneal Bender, director of the Wood County Board of Elections, explained that only persons who have been an Ohio resident for 30 days and a resident of Wood County and their precinct on election day can take advantage of instant registration.

"Any voter who has changed their name or address since registering must re-register," Bender said.

Persons who want to register on election day must provide identification. Bender said the polling place registrars will accept only three types of identification: a valid Ohio

driver's license, an Ohio identification card or a sworn statement by a qualified voters of that precinct attesting that the person wishing to register lives in the precinct.

There will be separate lines for registration and voting at each precinct.

"It shouldn't take but a few moments to register if the registrants have the required identification," Bender said.

The Wood County Board of Elections has administered a special election with instant registration. An Otsego Local School District levy attracted 199 same-day registrants or slightly more than 10 percent of the total turnout.

"It seemed that it ran rather smoothly," Bender said. "The only wait was for registration."



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# Entertainment

## Star Wars novel leaves reader 'lost in space'

Review By  
Barbara J. Cindner  
and Cathy G. Patterson

Unless you have been living on a deserted space station for the last several months, you must be familiar with "Star Wars," hailed by Time magazine as "the year's best movie." What you may not know is that the adventures of Luke Skywalker, R2D2, C-3PO, Han Solo and Obi-Wan Kenobi are now available as the year's worst novel. Written by George Lucas, the film's writer and director, "Star Wars" has been hovering near the top of most best-seller lists.

**THE BOOK** exactly parallels the film. Both begin in mid-story, with an interstellar government which has been corrupted from within. Luke Skywalker, a farm boy on the arid planet Tatooine, becomes embroiled in the resulting intergalactic battle between good and evil.

The mystic religion and noble ideals of the Old Republic are kept alive only by the last of the Jedi Knights, Obi-Wan Kenobi. Banished to an isolated area of Tatooine, he lives quietly under the less romantic alias of Ben Kenobi.

The humdrum existence of Luke and Kenobi is disrupted by the lovable robots C-3PO, an android complete with British accent and a passion for protocol, and his side-kick, R2-D2, a meter-high robot who carries a recorded plea for help from the captured rebel princess Leia Organa.

Aided by Han Solo and his co-pilot Chewbacca, they join the

Galactic Civil War, battling against the dark forces of Darth Vader.

**THE FILM** justifiably has been acclaimed a tremendous success. Lucas, commenting on his creation, says, "Since the demise of the Western, there hasn't been much in the mythological fantasy genre...I'm trying to recreate a genre that's been lost and bring it to a new dimension so that the elements of space, fantasy, adventure, suspense and fun all work and feed off each other."

This blend works in the film largely because of the mar-

**Parodies Karen Ann Quinlan**

## Punk rock group's inspired by right-to-die case

Los Angeles (AP)- Not to be out done by England's Sex Pistols, the lewd lords of Britain's punk rock movement, an American rock group called Starz has taken shock rock to new heights of offensiveness with its song, "Pull the Plug."

It's a bleak attempt at humor inspired by the Karen Ann Quinlan right-to-death case in New Jersey.

The song tells of a fictional youth who pulled the plug on his girlfriend's life-sustaining machine rather than see her live in a drug- and liquor-induced coma.

Quinlan, 23, entered a hospital April 15, 1975, in a coma after swallowing alcohol and barbiturates at a party. Her life-support systems were removed in May 1976 after a lengthy court battle with her parents advocating her right to "die with dignity."

velously melodramatic performances of the actors and actress. Hamilton Ford (Han Solo), in a delightfully humorous portrayal of a futuristic John Wayne, swaggers around the set lacking only holster and a horse.

A SUGGESTION of the gangster tradition occurs in the performance of the princess (Carrie Fisher) who wields a laser gun for all the world like a futuristic recreation of Bonnie Parker in "Bonnie and Clyde."

It is the exaggeration of character types and the incongruous combination of genres that make the film a

refreshingly different, positively heart-warming experience.

The book attempts to recreate the film exactly, but succeeds only in that it retells the plot. Without the visual experience, so effective in the film, and the verbal delivery of the actors, the character types remain mere types, the combination of genres seems pointless, and the dialogue seems stilted and inane.

All in all, the book is a fragmented experience, while the film is a unified one.

She didn't die, and was transferred to a nursing home where she has remained comatose but in stable condition for more than a year.

"We live in New York and in New York that story was a page 1 headline every day," songwriter Michael Lee Smith said in a telephone interview from a Manhattan recording studio. "We couldn't help but see it everywhere we went. So one day as a joke I started singing 'I pulled the plug,' added some iron lungs and stuff like that and we liked it."

Some radio stations disagreed, refusing to play it, Smith said, but it remains Starz' most popular number and in Cleveland, he said, "they love it."

Charlie Kandell, who as program director at Cleveland's WMMS and Los Angeles' KWST has played the song, said the song's lyrics had little to do with his decision to go with it. "A lot of people like Starz," Kandell says. "As a band, their music had some merit. As for the lyrics of that song it's questionable."

But Mel Karmazin, general manager of New York City's WNEW-FM, said he saw the song as a political statement and decided not to air it.

"If we played that song," Karmazin said, "our respon-

sibility to the public would be to play another song with the opposite point of view. There was no such song. What they were urging was to kill her, and under the Fairness Doctrine, we couldn't play it."

"Almost everybody takes it very seriously, compared to the way we wanted it to be," says Smith. "We thought of it as a sort of black-humor version of C.W. McCall's 'Convoy,' a novelty tune. But other people didn't see it that way."

"People in New Jersey might get a little upset. But when we do the song live, I do a little intro about how this girl got this way—pills and whisky—and all the people are going, 'Yeah, yeah,' really identifying with it," Smith said.

Smith said if a listener seeks it, a positive element can be found in his song. "This guy in the song is really suffering over whether he should do it—pull the plug on his girlfriend," he said.

## What's in a name?

Lowry Hall, with 235 residents, is one of four halls in the Founders Quadrangle, located at the corner of Wooster and Thurston Streets, south of the Administration building. Opened in the winter of 1957, Lowry Hall always has been a women's residence.

It was named after Hamilton J. Lowry, who sponsored state legislation that enabled the building of Founders.

Ashley Hall, the southwest hall of Kriecher Quadrangle, was named after James M. Ashley, an Ohio Congressman, 1882-1896, who also served for a time as territorial governor of Montana. Ashley began the movement to impeach former U.S. President Andrew Johnson, and is an ancestor of present Ohio Congressman, Thomas Ashley.

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FINDING THE HOLE - Mark Miller finds an opening against Iowa State in earlier action this season

## Gridders host tough Mocs tomorrow

# Winning season the goal

By Terry Goodman  
Sports Editor

controlling the pigskin might be an easy task for the Mocs this week.

In these "final days" for the Bowling Green football team, which concludes its home-style version against once-beaten Tennessee-Chattanooga tomorrow at Perry Field, things aren't getting any simpler.

The Falcons, with a 3-3 Mid-American Conference record, have already seen their league hopes thrown out the window.

But now that that's over with, all that's left is an assured trip out west to visit Hawaii and California, right?

Wrong. Coach Denny Stolz' team, now 4-4 overall, still has visions of a winning season. But playing against the Mocs isn't going to help matters.

**GWAIN DURDEN** and Mike Smith, a pair of fast-footed halfbacks, have run for a total of 1,520 yards already this season. Because of that, BG's opponent ranks fourth nationally in rushing behind LSU, Ohio State and Texas. That's pretty good company.

"We've got to improve our defense this week or Chattanooga could rip us apart," Stolz flatly states. "They have the best foot speed in the backfield that we will see all year.

"They have turned in some very big plays this year while also being able to control the ball.

And the way the Falcon defense performed last week,

"WE SEEM TO be finding a different problem on our team each week that keeps us from being a very good football team," Stolz said. "Then we work extra hard and correct it, and another pops up."

First, it was the poor play of the specialty teams. Then the offense. And now—as evidenced in the last two showings against Miami and Central Michigan—the defense.

While the defense stays pat this week, there's more new faces on offense.

Fullback Dave Windatt is expected to take over for senior Dan Saleet, after Stolz was upset over a key fumble by the veteran at Central Michigan. Center Joe Studer fractured his hand and is out for the season, which means that something will have to be revamped on the line.

**GRID NOTES:** It's Parent's Day tomorrow and about 12,000 are expected for the home finale. Mark Miller, who was selected the offensive player of the game in last week's regionally-televised game at Central, now has 5,084 yards career passing with four games left. That's a school record that'll be tough to surpass. Jeff Groth has now turned in a long touchdown in each of BG's last three games. He ran back a 51-yard punt at Kent State, a 61-yard pass against Miami and a 58-yard pass against Central. Both passes were short, slant patterns that Groth caught, went against the grain and rambled down the opposite sideline for the score.

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## Stickers' finale

In its last season match, the field hockey team hosts Ohio State tomorrow at 11 a.m. at the football activity field.

The Bowling Green stickers will be trying to boost their 4-6-2 record and add to their season goals.

Due to an illness in the family, Coach Sue Gavron hasn't been able to attend practices this week and may not attend tomorrow's game.

## Reds get Bonham, deal aging Fryman

CINCINNATI (AP) — Pitcher Bill Bonham said recently that he would have become a free agent had not the Chicago Cubs traded him to Cincinnati "for one of the other clubs I wanted."

The Reds obtained Bonham, 29, for disqualified left-hander Woodie Fryman, 37, and minor league pitcher Bill Caudill, 31.

"I have no hard feelings," said Fryman in a telephone interview at his Ewing, Ky., farm. "I might have done the same thing if I was in their (Reds) position. I don't know."

**FRYMAN QUIT** the Reds July 12 in a dispute over pitching rotation and other disagreements but refused to sign his retirement papers.

"There were several clubs very interested in me," Fryman said, naming Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Montreal, the team Cincinnati traded first baseman Tony Perez for Fryman.

"I'll be happy in Chicago. The people and the fans are very polite and get really interested in their team," Fryman said.

"I wanted a change of scenery," said Bonham, 10-13 with a 4.30 earned run average last season.

"I PLAYED six and a half years and I wasn't getting anywhere. I'm not blaming the Cubs for anything. If I did not get traded to the Reds or one of the other clubs I wanted to play for, I would have declared myself a free agent. The Cubs knew that," said Bonham who said he signed a four-year contract with Cincinnati.

"I hope to win some games and maybe help win a pennant," Bonham said.

## Standout Lunn is the key

# Brodth optimistic on MAC title hopes

By Steve Sadler  
Staff Reporter

Bob Lunn and the Bowling Green men's cross country team enter tomorrow's Mid-American Conference (MAC) championship at Toledo in a position which no other Falcon squad competing this fall can still claim. They have a shot at a MAC title. A legitimate shot.

Lunn, the team captain, has been running consistently all year and ranks as one of the individual favorites.

Meanwhile, head coach Mel Brodt feels his team will be in the thick of a three-team race.

"I'LL BE dog-eat-dog with three schools," Brodt said. "Eastern Michigan, Western Michigan and ourselves being the strongest. We are going to run this race man to

man," Brodt said. "Lunn and Ryan have to finish ahead of their two men, and Steve Housley, Pete Marttaugh and Jeff Martin have to stay even. Everyone has a man they have to take care of."

Brodth said the Falcons must have two runners in the top five, if his team stands a chance of bringing home the title.

Lunn hopes to shake off a recent mental lapse for the big race.

"I started strong and now I'm coming back a little bit, which I don't like," Lunn said. "I don't feel physically tired. It's more mental, which is what it is all the way around."

"I'VE GOT AS good a chance as anyone in the race," he said. "Tom Dites of Western Michigan is the big gun in the MAC. He came in out of shape at the start of the season and is just now getting into shape, which is the way to do it."

Thanks to an extensive summer program, Lunn started strong this season.

"After school is out we usually take the rest of June off," the junior from Youngstown said. "Then we run about 70 to 80 miles a week in July, and up to 100 miles a week in August. The coach sends us a program in August to follow.

"Besides the running, everyone hits the weights, too," he said.

But the emphasis in cross country is to be running strong at the end of the year, when the conference and nationals come up.

"THE COACH THINKS the MAC is a big meet, and the nationals is icing on the cake," Lunn said. "As far as the schools concerned, the MAC is everything. But qualifying for the nationals and going to Washington is pretty good."

Lunn's last outing was a sixth-place finish in last week's Central Collegiate Championships, a race which he and 12 others broke the old Bowling Green cross country mark. Lunn's time was 24:35.

Brodth feels his team is in the right frame of mind for the championships.

"Psychologically we are in a good position," Brodt said. "We are better off than if we had beaten Western (last weekend). Last year we finished ahead of them in the (Central Collegiate) championships, and then finished one point behind them in the conference.

With the right psychological attitude and another strong performance from Lunn, the Falcon harriers should be in contention for the crown.



Newsphoto by Dave Ryan

BIG FOOT - Bob Lunn is a prime candidate to win the individual title at the Mid-American Conference championship tomorrow.

## Bengals in 'must-win' situation at Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — On the verge of failure, time is running out on the Cincinnati Bengals.

Their lofty ambitions for 1977 may be on the rocks if they don't regroup Sunday against arch rival Cleveland—the club that triggered Cincinnati's shaky start.

The Bengals, hailed as Super Bowl contenders when the season started, have stumbled to a 3-4 record as they enter the second half of the National Football League season with a rematch against the surprising Browns.

Picked for a third-place finish behind Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, the Browns hold a one-game lead with a 5-2

record in the American Conference Central Division.

**WALTER JOHNSON** the oldest member of the Bengals, sees Sunday as a starting point.

"Beating the Browns could turn it around for us, give us the momentum to go all the way," said Johnson, who spent 12 years with the Browns before switching sides in Ohio's fierce pro football rivalry.

Cincinnati faces the task of winning its last seven games to equal last year's 10-4 mark, which wasn't good enough for a playoff berth. Yet a 9-5 record might win the evenly-balanced division this year.

"We can't afford to lose one more game," said wide receiver Billy Brooks, whose clutch reception from Ken Anderson set up a 22-yard Chris Bahr field goal in

Sunday's 13-10 overtime victory against the Houston Oilers.

The Bengals problems started in the season opener when the Browns dealt them a deflating defeat.

"AFTER LOSING the opener (13-3 to Cleveland) it was a downer. Everybody had high hopes. That hurt," said Johnson, a 6-foot-4, 260-pounder who provides backup depth to Cincinnati's youthful defensive front line.

Since then, "the little things have been killing us," he said, citing injuries, penalties and mental miscues that defuse Cincinnati's powderkeg attack. "Championship teams can't make mistakes. You can't beat yourself," said Johnson, who helped the Browns reach the NFL playoffs six times.

"IN THE PAST, Cincinnati hurt you with their passing, rather than their running. When I was at Cleveland, Ken Anderson and Isaac Curtis beat us every game. But Anderson and Curtis are hurting," he said.

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