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Carousel features play, concerts and film festival

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CAROUSEL WEEKEND features a wide variety of entertainment. Beginning Thursday night the road show "Your Own Thing" (pictured top left) comes to Wright Auditorium. Friday night Jose Feliciano (above) performs in Minges. Ending the weekend's activities will be a concert by The Brooklyn Bridge (bottom left) in Minges.

Carousel is coming

By Karen Blandsfield
Staff Writer

This year's Carousel Weekend promises to be one of fun and excitement, with the schedule of events including a play, concerts, a film festival and a dance.

The fun will begin at 8:15 p.m. Thursday evening with the presentation of "Your Own Thing" in Wright Auditorium.

This play is a modern rock musical version of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." It has been a tremendous success since its opening in New York two years ago, and has been performed throughout the country, as well as in several foreign countries.

Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" is the story of a young girl named Viola, who is shipwrecked on the shores of the strange never-never land of Illyria. She finds it advisable to disguise herself as a boy, and thus puts a barrier to winning the love of Count Orsino, with whom she gets employment as a page. She also gets unwanted tenders from Olivia, whom Orsino is trying unsuccessfully to woo.

In "Your Own Thing," the Illyria where Viola arrives after her shipwreck is New York City.

Seeking employment, she calls herself Charley and gets a job as a singer with Orson, manager of a rock band called the Apocalypse, in which the draft has just created an

opening.

Sebastian, her dresses-alike twin brother, whom she thought to be drowned in the shipwreck, turns up and is also hired by Orson, who thinks he has hired only one of them.

Sebastian falls in love with Olivia, who is the owner of the

discotheque where the rock quartette is playing, and Olivia, thinking Viola is a boy, falls in love with her.

The peak of the jest is the shocked realization of Orson that he is hopelessly in love

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A \$300,000 FIRE at Heilig Meyers Furniture Store kept four fire fighting companies busy through Thursday night.

Loessin chooses 'Macbeth' cast

Playhouse director, Edgar Loessin, announced the cast of Macbeth, to be presented Feb. 17-21, Friday.

Claude Woolman, actor in residence, will play Macbeth. Lady Macbeth will be played by Amanda Muir, a professional actress.

John Sneden, professor of drama, will play the porter. Bob Chase, guest professor in drama, will play Duncan. Boy Colquitt, of the English department, will play the murderer.

The other parts are as follows: Malcome, David Weil; Banquo, Lewis Weisiger; Macduff, Ben Ramsour; Rosse, Jim Leedom; Lenox, Ricky Price; Angus, Gerald Hester;

SGA election filing dates set for February 20-27

The SGA elections committee announced the filing dates for the spring SGA elections.

Candidates must file for office Feb. 20-27 in the SGA office.

A compulsory meeting of all candidates will be held at 7 p.m. March 9, in room 214 of Joyner Library.

The campaign managers and any individual working with the campaign should also be

Monteith, Greg Smith; Seyton, John Paschal; and Lady Macduff, Kennerly Kern.

Mark Ramsey will play the roles of a Scottish doctor and a captain. The old man will be portrayed by Johnny Griffin and Vicky Rowe will play the gentlewoman attending Lady Macbeth. Bruce McKeow will portray the witches.

Lords, officers, soldiers, attendants, servants and messengers will be played by Jim Haskins, Randy McLawhorn, Charles Townsend, Kirk Thayer and Kent Atwood.

Tickets will go on sale in McGinnis Auditorium beginning Tuesday, Feb. 10.

present.

Any candidate not attending this meeting is required to send a representative who may represent only one person.

Expense sheets are due March 13 in the SGA office.

Elections will be March 17, and runoff elections (if necessary) will be March 23.

Expense account sheets for run-off elections are due in the SGA office on March 20.

High school students to study math here

The Mathematics Department is currently sponsoring an experimental program to enrich the mathematical background of selected students from seven high schools in this area.

The 12 participants were selected from those recommended by high school counselors and are taking part

VPI chemist to speak here

Dr. George Sanzone, chemistry professor at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, will conduct a seminar on "Shock Tube Applications to the Study of Kinetics" at 3 p.m. Friday in Flanagan 237.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

Refreshments will be served at 2:30 p.m. in Flanagan 207.

German talk is planned

Andrea Davis, a senior German major, will give her impressions of Germany gained during her stay there last year. The informal lecture will be Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. in room 214 of Joyner Library.

All interested students are invited.

SAT's importance not high at ECU

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores are less important than high school averages in determining who is admitted to ECU, according to Dr. John Horne, dean of admissions.

High school scholastic average and class rank carry at least twice as much weight as SAT scores in the consideration of applicants, said Horne.

Late winter is the busiest time of the year for the admissions office, with approximately 3,000 SAT scores arriving each month.

Beginning in November, when the first SAT are given in high schools, and continuing until summer, the office will receive approximately 15,000 scores.

Of these 15,000 students approximately 6,300 will

actually apply. And of these 6,300 applicants, only 2,500 to 2,700 will be admitted to the 1970-71 freshman class, according to Horne.

Much attention is paid to a low verbal score on the SAT, as it could indicate reading weaknesses and an inability to cope with heavy reading assignments in college, said Horne.

ECU freshmen tend to have slightly higher scores on the math section of SAT than on the verbal section, he added.

Horne said that the minimum combined SAT score for an in-state applicant is 800, whereas the out-of-state minimum is 1,000.

He said that the average combined score for ECU freshmen is 980, he added.

Student loans may depend on HEW budget's fate

National Defense Loans may decrease again next year unless federal funds are expanded, according to Robert M. Boudreaux, financial aid officer.

Boudreaux recently returned from a meeting of the regional Health Education and Welfare Department office, where he proposed a ten percent increase in Defense Loans for ECU students.

However, this proposal will fail unless the national administration increases

appropriations for financial aid in higher education, Boudreaux said.

Financial aid experts are closely watching the Congressional bill proposing an increase in health and educational funds.

According to Boudreaux, if the measure fails this year, the outlook for next year is skeptical.

Although student enrollment here increased five percent this year, appropriations fell over eight percent from last year, he noted.

He attributed the decline to more institutions applying for funds and an increase in student enrollment and educational expenses.

Students can help the drive for increased funds, Boudreaux said, by writing directly to President Nixon and urging him to pass the proposed bill.

WRC plans to examine curfew hours

A review of the rules concerning women's curfew hours is presently being conducted by the WRC and SGA to determine if changes should be made.

Curfew for women students should be ended if that is what the women want for themselves, said Miss Carolyn Fulghum, dean of women.

An attempt to establish a trial dorm with no curfew hours failed last year because an insufficient number applied for residence. Finances dictated that one of the 450-bed dorms had to be used instead of a smaller one.

The greatest change in recent years has been in the resident hall program for women, said Dean Fulghum.

The trend toward fewer rules is in keeping with the new role of women in society, she said.

Dow donates equipment

The Biology Department is currently receiving donations of surplus supplies and equipment from Dow Chemical Company to be used in the teaching and research programs of the department.

The Biology Department, upon request of Dr. Carlton Heckrotte, associate professor of biology, will receive five Leitz photometers, five clinical centrifuges and supplies of plastic wrap, styrofoam sheets and plastic-coated containers.

These donations are being received at various times during the current academic year as a part of the Dow Chemical Company's continuing program of gifts to educational institutions.

Miss Greenville pageant

Carousel

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with "Charley."
Mistaken identities fly fast and freely in the show, which is backed up by a rhythmic set of songs and dances, and a light show with slides and projections.

Tickets for the show are \$5.00 for students and student guests, \$2.00 for faculty and staff, and \$3.00 for the public.

On Friday evening at 8:15 p.m., Jose Feliciano will hold a concert in Minges Coliseum.

Feliciano ("the happy one" in Spanish) has been blind since birth. Despite his handicap, he has been involved in music for most of his life. At the age of eight, he gave an accordion concert at his school in New York. A year later, he gave his first formal public appearance at the Puerto Rico Theater in the Bronx.

Growing tired of the accordion, he began to teach himself to play the guitar. His devotion to the instrument became intense, and after a few years, he became known as a fairly accomplished guitarist.

When he was 17, he was playing nightly at the Cafe Id in Greenwich Village. It was there that he met a young nurse's assistant, Hilda Perex, who he later married.

Feliciano has performed in England, Italy, Scandanavia, Canada, Mexico and all of South and Central America and in cities throughout the U.S.

Tickets for the concert are \$2.00 for students and guests, and \$3.00 for faculty, staff and public.

The activities continue on

Dr. Welch to speak here

"The Education of a Communist" will be the topic of a program presented by the Student National Education Association (SNEA) Jan. 22 at 7 p.m. in EP 129.

Dr. Elizabeth Welch, head of the department of Education and Psychology at Salem College, will be the guest speaker. Dr. Welch will accompany her speech with slides of her visit to Russia.

SNEA invites all interested persons.

School of Art requests funds for new art building

The School of Art has begun taking steps to resubmit its request for a new art building to the General Assembly, according to Dr. W. B. Gray, Dean.

The 1969 session of the General Assembly denied the request for two primary reasons, Gray said. One was that some legislators fail to see eastern North Carolina as a cultural center and the other reason was that since the

Saturday with a W.C. Field's Film Festival in Wright Auditorium. Six films will be shown, ranging in length from 10 minutes to 1½ hours. They will begin at 1 p.m. and last until 6 p.m.

The films to be shown are the "The Fatal Glass of Beer, My Little Chickadee, The Barber Shop, Never Give a Sucker An Even Break, The Pharmacist and Million Dollar Legs."

Admission for students and faculty is ID cards, and film passes for staff. The public is permitted.

Saturday night, the University Union will sponsor a dance from 8 to 12 p.m. The dance will feature The Embers. Students and their guests are invited.

Carousel Weekend will wind up on Sunday afternoon with a concert by the Brooklyn Bridge. The concert will be held in Minges Coliseum at 3 p.m.

The group consists of 11 musicians ten males and one female. Formed in 1968, the group hit success with their single "The Worst That Could Happen."

Tickets for this event are \$5.00 for students and guests, \$2.00 for faculty and staff, and \$3.00 for the public.

Angel painting chosen as the winning card

The Union Committee selected Beverly Dail Dickson's oil painting of an angel as the winning card design in the annual Christmas card contest, last week. The Raleigh freshman received \$25.00 for her accomplishment.

The Union sponsors the contest each year to provide an opportunity for students to participate in the program and to encourage fine arts on campus.

When possible, the winning cards are duplicated and sent to sister unions in Region V of the Association of College Unions-International.

Region V includes colleges and universities in Kentucky, North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

ECU coeds compete for title

Eight ECU coeds will be among 10 to compete for the title of Miss Greenville tonight at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium.

Former Miss America, Maria Beale Fletcher, will be mistress of ceremonies. Miss America of 1962, Miss Fletcher is the only Miss North Carolina to gain the national title.

The eight ECU participants in the contest are: Miss Gail

Robbins, Miss Sheila Spruill, Miss Helen Parker, Miss Jan Johnson, Miss Debbie Buff, Miss Carol Mabe, Miss Lynne Carelock and Miss Sharon Davis.


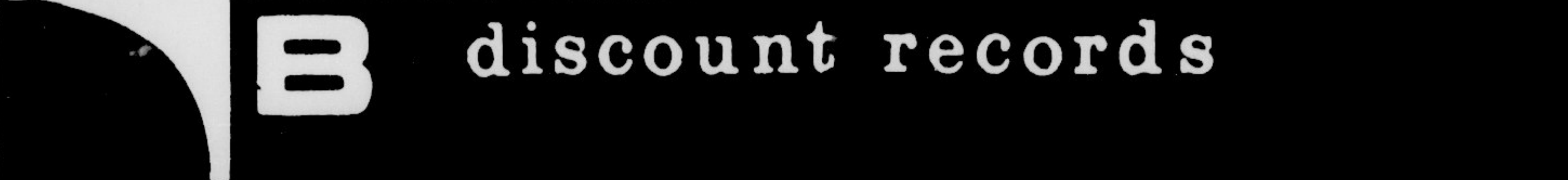
The two contestants from local high schools are: Miss Annie Nicholson and Miss Edna Roundtree.

In addition to entertainment by the contestants, Miss Margaret Nelson of

Robersonville, currently Miss Martin County, will perform a Carol Burnette type skit. Miss Nelson is also an ECU student.


Miss Patricia Stimmel, last year's Miss Greenville, will crown the winner of the pageant. Miss Stimmel is currently a junior.

Tickets for the pageant are on sale at the college book store.

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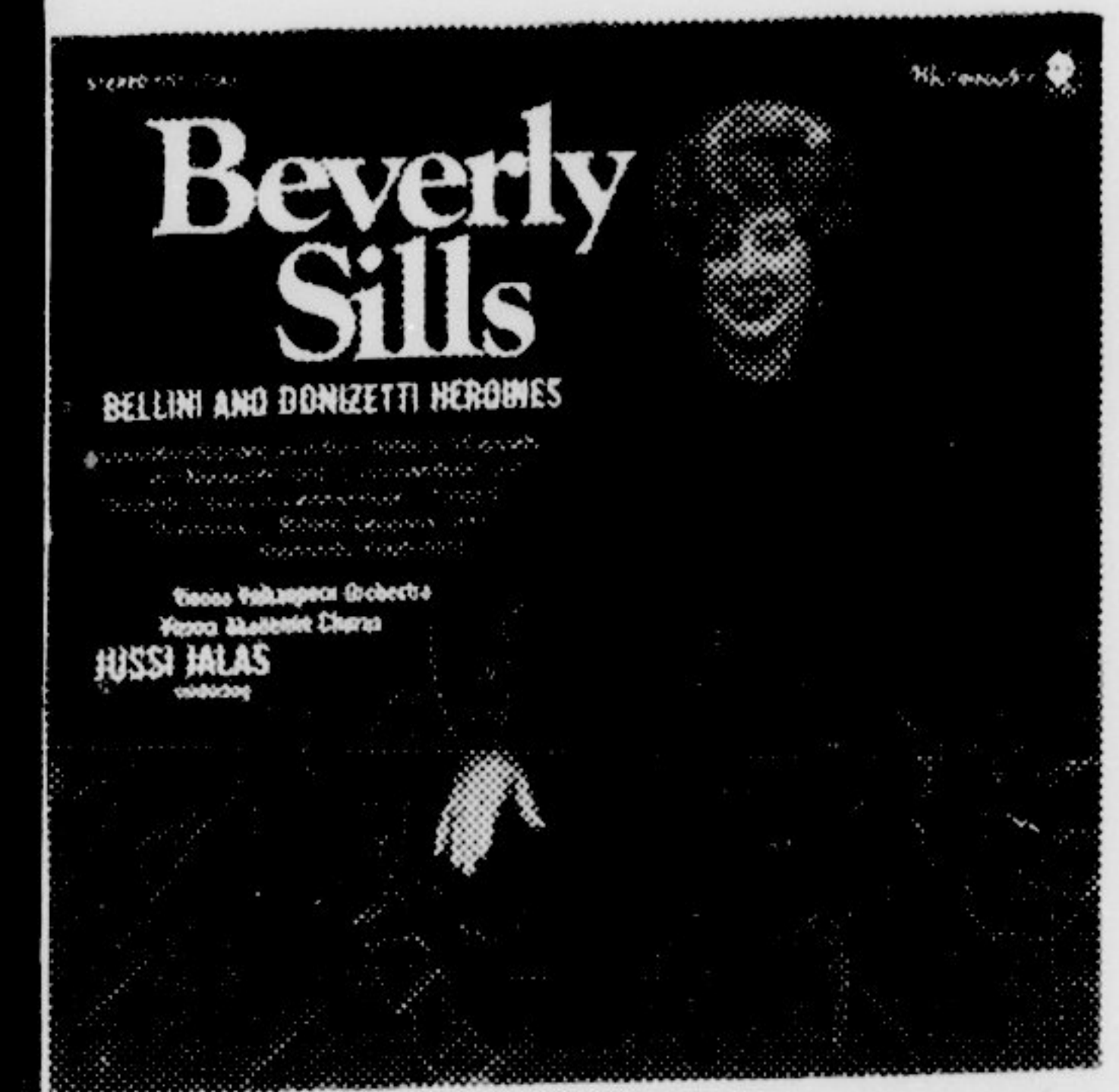
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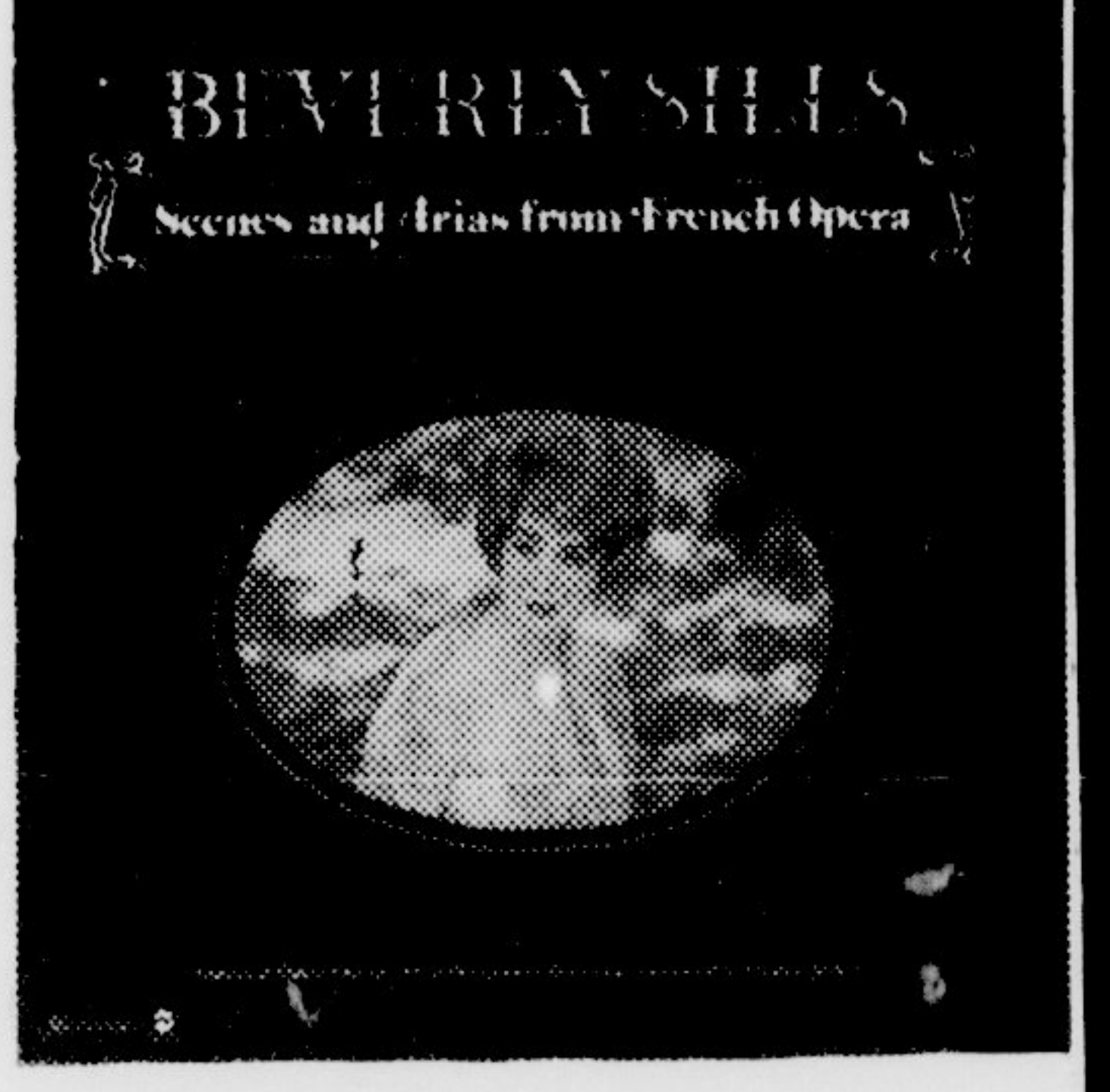
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Wrestlers beat Fort Bragg, 42-0

The wrestling team rolled to its fourth straight win of the season here Saturday afternoon, routing Fort Bragg, 42-0.

The Pirate grapplers captured every one of the 10 events, including four pins and two forfeits. Of the four matches won by decision, none of the losers got more than one point and the Army team totalled only three points.

Both Tom and Tim Ellenberger won by forfeit in 118 and 126 pound categories. In the 134 pound weight class, Steve Morgan pinned Dan Hill in a time of 3:30.

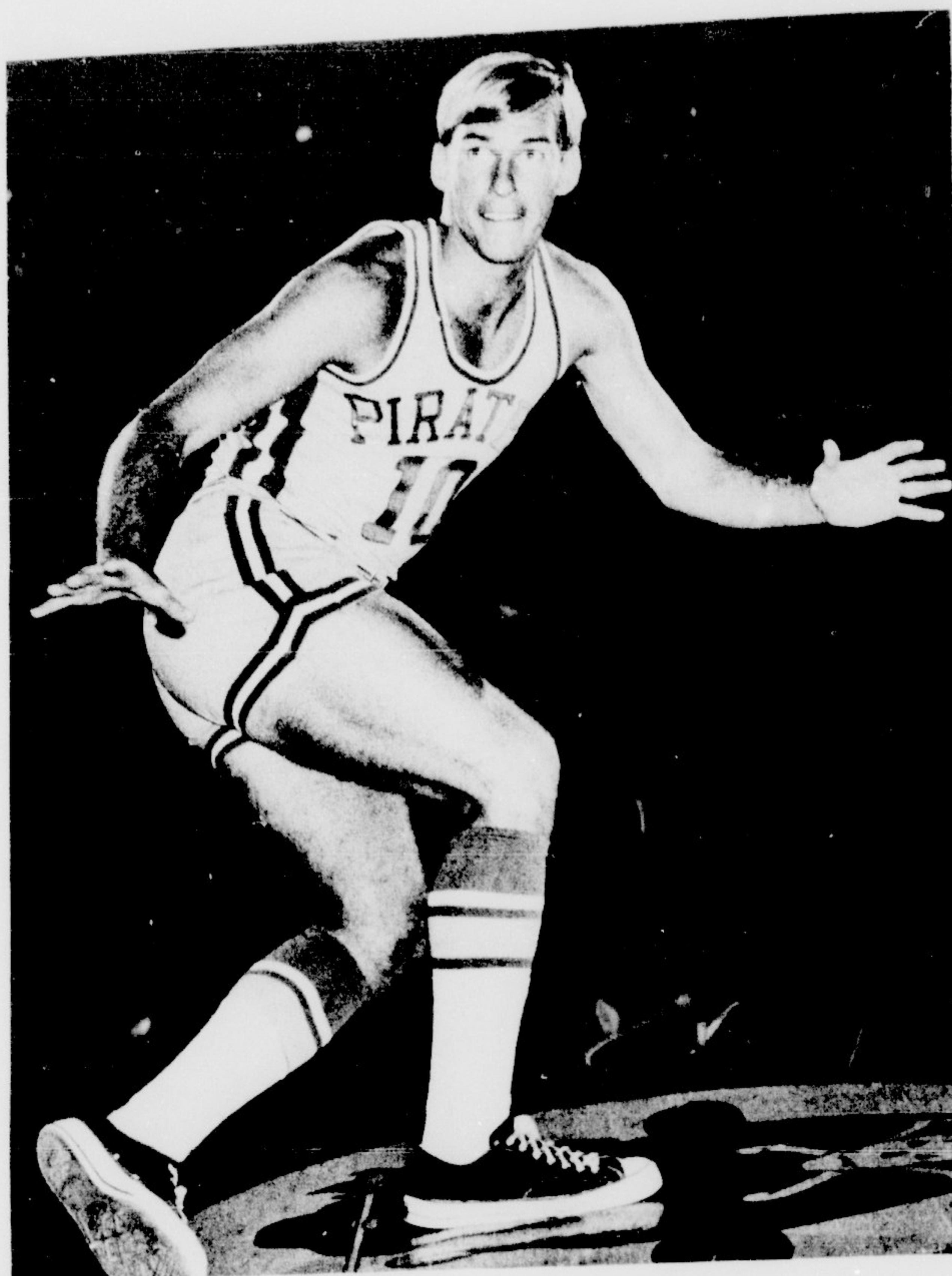
Robert Corbo decided Dennis Pipia in the 142 pound

class, John Carroll won by decision in the 150 pound class and Stan Bastian won by decision in the 158 pound class.

Other Pirate grapplers getting were Mike Spohn in the 167 pound class, Sam McDowell in the 177 pound class and Jerry Trachenberg in the unlimited class.

Joe Daversa of ECU rounded out the scoring by decisioning Darrell DeHaven in the 190 pound class.

The Bucs next match will be a quadrangular meet in Norfolk, Va., Feb. 7. The Bucs will be up against teams from Old Dominion, Appalachian and Virginia Tech.



TOM MILLER—ECU's new leading scorer

Frosh place third

East Carolina's freshman basketball team captured third place in the Mt. Olive Pickle Classic over the weekend, defeating host Mt. Olive Junior College, 81-68 in the consolation game.

The Baby Bucs lost in the first round to Louisburg Junior College, 70-66. Louisburg defeated the Davidson College freshman for the championship.

Coach Kirk Stewart's five were led by Al Faber both nights, scoring 25 points in each game and being named to the All-Tournament team.

After a see-saw first half against Mt. Olive, the Baby Bucs never let the host team come within six points of the lead in the second half.

Ernie Pope scored 17 points against Mr. Olive while Steve McKenzie finished with 14. Dave Franklin, who scored 20 points against Louisburg, was held to seven.



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End of deferments possible

By FRED S. HOFFMAN
AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Only medical students will be eligible for college deferments under the Nixon administration proposals to eliminate draft inequities.

After a specified date, no other student entering college can claim a draft deferment on the basis of education.

However, a sophomore, junior, or senior with an existing draft deferment when the new rules go into effect will be permitted to complete his undergraduate schooling.

This is the thinking of

Pentagon officials who have been shaping the Administration's proposals to do away with draft deferments in the student, occupational, and parental categories.

Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird said last weekend President Nixon "wants to move in the direction so that all young people are treated equally and fairly."

Proposed measures to carry out this objective will be reviewed by the National Security Council and laid before the Senate Armed

Services Committee next month with indications the administration will put them into effect as soon as possible.

Officials said young men having occupational and parental deferments at the time the more stringent rules take hold will be allowed to retain them.

Unlike the student deferment, which officials say will permit exceptions for pre-medical students, there appears to be no prospect of any further deferments for job or family reasons except where hardship might be involved.

Pirates rank in top ten

Two ECU swimmers and the freestyle relay team are ranked in the top ten nationally after the Pirates upset South Carolina and rolled past Virginia Tech last week.

Jim Griffin, a sophomore, leads the way for the Pirate swimmers. He is ranked ninth nationally in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:49 and he is also ranked ninth in the 100-yard freestyle with a 48.86 timing.

Paul Trevisan, a freshman, is ranked fourth in the nation in the 50-yard freestyle with a

time of 22.01 and is ranked 10th in the 100-yard freestyle, just behind Griffin with a time of 48.9.

The freestyle relay team ranks sixth nationally with a time of 3:16.91 behind Air Force, Southern Illinois, UCLA, Indiana and the University of Texas.

The relay team is composed of Trevisan, Griffin, Greg Hanes and Wayne Norris.

The Pirates next swim meet will be Saturday at home with VMI.

Pirates to host Belmont

By SONNY LEA
Sports Editor

ECU's Pirates will be out to stop a two game losing streak Wednesday night when they host Belmont Abbey in Mingos Coliseum.

The Pirates, who suffered losses to nationally ranked Davidson and N.C. State last week, have a season record of eight wins and seven losses.

Coach Tom Quinn's Pirates fell to Davidson, 91-76 and lost to N.C. State, 100-81 in the two games last week.

Tom Miller was outstanding in the two games for the Pirates scoring 61 points, including a varsity career high of 32 against State.

His performance Thursday night against the Wolfpack, in a game which was much closer than the score indicates, prompted N.C. State Coach Norman Sloan to say, "He is one of the best outside shooters we have faced this season. Or should I say, he is the best outside shooter we have faced."

Miller also drew praise from Quinn on his performance Thursday night.

"Miller does everything for us," Quinn said. "He directs the offense, sets-up our defense, calls the shots and scores for us in the backcourt."

"I haven't seen a guard as good as him this year. And that includes guards in the Atlantic Coast Conference and Southern Conference."

With two games, Miller is now the Pirates leading scorer going into the game with Belmont Abbey with a 19.1 average. The 6-0 senior from Oxon Hill, Md., is also the team's leader in assists.

Jim Modlin, who scored 21 points and grabbed 13 rebounds against the Wolfpack, is averaging 18.7 points per

game and 9.4 rebounds.

Sophomore Jim Fairley is averaging 14.9 points per game and is leading the team in rebounding with a 10.9 mark. Fairley was the runner-up for player of the week honors in

the Southern Conference last week.

Jim Gregory rounds out the scoring leaders with a 14.1 mark and through 15 games has grabbed an average of 9.8 rebounds.

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Flying High

By TERRY HUFFMAN
"We march so that others may walk." This is a phrase which students and the residents of the Greenville area will be hearing quite often in the next two weeks. The phrase is the motto of the March-A-Thon for the March of Dimes, sponsored by the Air Force ROTC unit on Saturday Jan. 31.

The money collected from the March-A-Thon will be used in March of Dimes research to stop the crippling results of birth defects. The ROTC drill teams will march all day throughout the city until the goal of the drive is reached.

The cadets and members of

Angel Flight, the girl's auxiliary to the Corps, will man "roadblocks" set up at the main intersections of Greenville and collect contributions from passing motorists. Cadets also will be positioned in the main shopping districts to collect money.

A special drive will be conducted in the fraternities and sororities, a plaque will be awarded to the house with the largest contribution. This year, the March-A-Thon will also include the cities of Farmville and Washington.

The March-A-Thon, now in its 11th year, has raised over \$15,000 for the March of

Dimes. Last year, \$3,600 was collected; \$1,000 over the goal. This success has brought national recognition to the March-A-Thon from the National Foundation to the March of Dimes.

The program is being promoted as a nation-wide service project for Air Force ROTC units all over the country.

The continued success of the March-A-Thon is dependent upon the generosity of the students and the citizens of Eastern North Carolina.

On Saturday, Jan. 31, be assured that not all of the men in blue uniforms standing on the street corner are policemen. Most of them will be AFROTC cadets trying to live up to their motto: "We march so that others may walk."

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Possible lottery revisions

By RICK FITCH
College Press Service

WASHINGTON (CPS) — Whether the lottery will continue after 1970 is up to Congress.

In announcing the random selection process, President Nixon said, "I would say that looking to the future... we shall not be satisfied until we finally can have the system which I advocated during the campaign of a completely volunteer armed forces."

But Nixon has also said institution of a volunteer army is not feasible until the Vietnam War is ended, and, at the current rate of troop withdrawal, that isn't likely to happen very soon. And though the President has made the volunteer army one of his principal issues, negative reports from a special presidential commission on the armed forces or the National Security Council—both of which are studying the concept of a volunteer army—could postpone further any executive action on the plan.

So the burden for any quick change rests with Congress. Sen. John Stennis, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, promised last fall that his group would open extensive hearings on the draft in mid-February.

Stennis gave the promise in exchange for a pledge from Senate draft critics, including Sen. Edward Kennedy, that they would approve a revision in the Selective Service Act to permit the lottery without debating other aspects of the matter. The administration desired quick approval of the lottery so it could be put in effect for 1970.

So the lottery, approved 382-13 in the House, was passed by a voice vote in the Senate largely because it seemed probably more far-reaching reforms could be debated fully this year.

Reforms to be contemplated include abolishment of the student deferments, establishment of alternate service in social work for those who oppose military service in a particular war, forbidding the assignment of a non-volunteer

to Vietnam, and establishment of a volunteer army except when Congress declares war.

A recent poll taken by the Christian Science Monitor indicated a strong majority of legislators in both houses favored an all-volunteer armed services. But a good majority predicted also the volunteer concept wouldn't be instituted until after the Vietnam War. 50 percent of the representatives and 30 percent of the senators responded to the survey.

Representatives Edward Koch, Shirley Chisholm and Leonard Farberstein, all New York Democrats, offered amendments to the lottery proposal during the fall. They are expected to renew their assault on the Selective Service. Koch's proposed legislation would permit "selective conscientious objection" to wars and would give amnesty to those who have fled to Canada or are currently in jail as a result of draft resistance.

Student leaders, including Dan Siegel, student body president of California at Berkeley and Charles Palmer, NSA president, have spoken out against the lottery's alleged unfairness in deferring students, who, by virtue of their affluence, are more likely to avoid conscription than the poor and black.

Currently, approximately two-thirds of the military's manpower needs are met by volunteers, and since 1950 the Navy, Air Force, National Guard, Coast Guard and Marines have been maintained almost exclusively by volunteers.

If the Congress does not

enact significant reforms in 1970, prospects appear bleak for 19 year olds under the lottery system in 1971. This year's pool consists of 19-26 year olds, but 1971's pool will consist only of 19 year-olds plus those losing student or occupational deferments.

If 1971's draft call is in the neighborhood of 200,000—which it has been during the past three years—then virtually every 1-A 19 year old who isn't in school will be drafted. According to Capt. William Pascoe, Selective Service Chief Information Officer, about 1.8 million will turn 19 during 1970, qualifying them for the 1970 pool and a lottery number.

About half that number will be unfit, either physically or mentally. Subtracting those who receive deferments, those who volunteer for other services, and those who take steps to avoid the draft, the total remaining—plus graduating seniors—may very well not be enough to meet the year's draft call.

If the total isn't enough, Pascoe said, the Selective Service would induct those who turn 19 during 1971. These people, who wouldn't have lottery numbers, would ordinarily be included in the 1972 pool. If more men were needed, he said, this order of induction would be followed:

1. Kennedy husbands—those deferred for being married prior to 1965.
2. non-volunteers 26 and older.
3. 18½-19 years olds.

In the meantime, the 1970 draft will receive the close

scrutiny of the National Headquarters, which recently decided to limit to the first 30 the lottery numbers that can be called for the month of January. January's draft call is 12,500. According to Pascoe, this decision is the result of a desire among Selective Service officials to maintain evenness in lottery numbers being called throughout the country.

He said no conclusions should be made that this indicates all 366 lottery numbers will be reached in 1970 in all parts of the country. It has not been decided yet whether a similar limitation will be called for in February, he said. Many state

directors have predicted all or nearly all lottery numbers will be reached this year. *Editor's note: This is the concluding article in a three-part series on the new draft lottery.*

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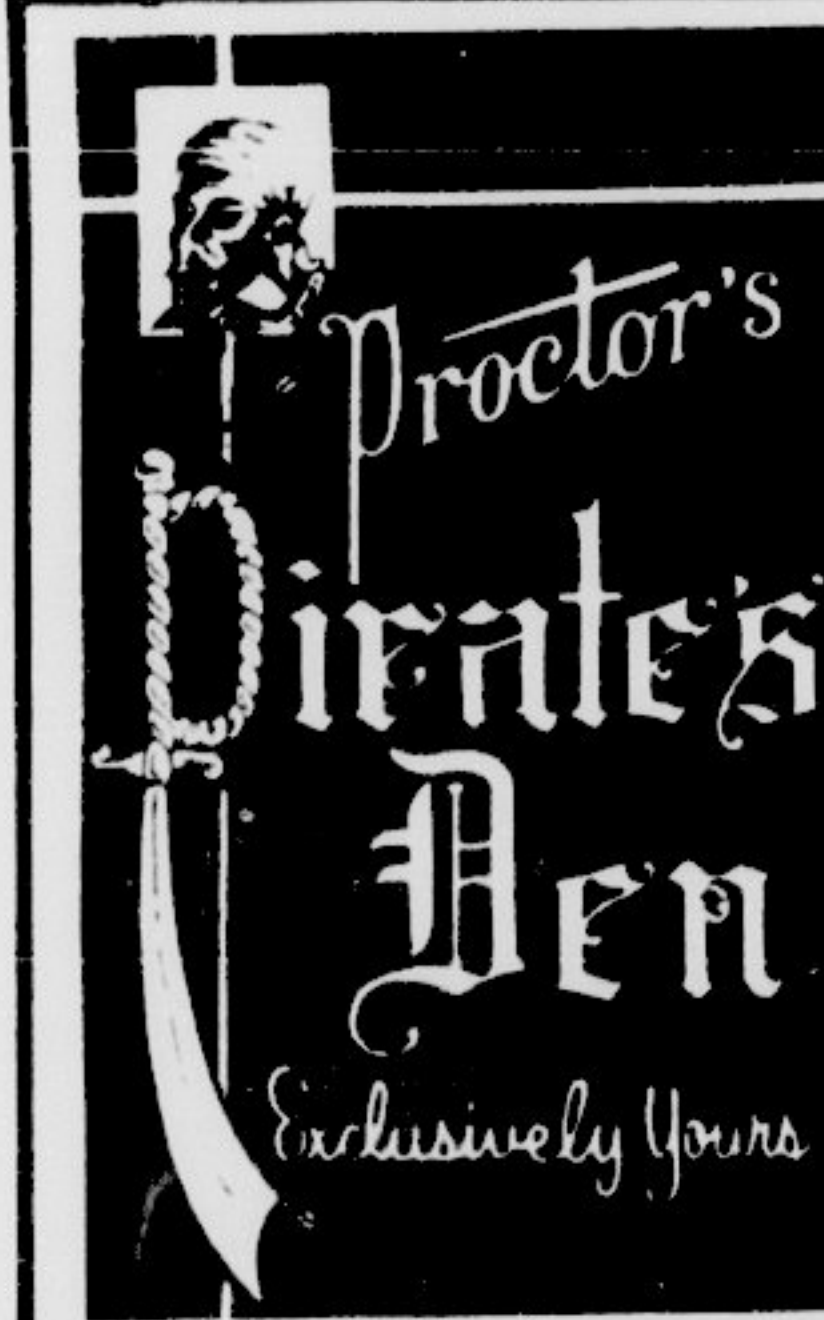
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Committee- big disappointment

John Schofield, president of the SGA, told the SGA Legislature last week that the Calendar Committee of the Faculty Senate has decided that there is nothing they can do now to give the students a reading day before winter and spring quarter exams. This is understandable as they stalled long enough last year to make reading days impossible this year.

Schofield also told the Legislature that the Calendar Committee "seems favorable" to having reading days next year. Big deal. Thanks a lot, Calendar Committee, for nothing.

This committee seems to assume the proposal of a reading day is a new thing. The truth of the matter is that the SGA proposed a reading day early enough last year for such days to be planned in the calendar for this year!

So now they are still undecided as to whether the students will have the reading day privilege next year. And they will probably keep on deliberating until it is impossible to incorporate reading days into next year's calendar.

What nonchalance! What total disregard of student wishes!

The student body here has overwhelmingly approved reading days. They approved of them in student polls held about a year ago. This year they voiced overwhelming support in another poll. And yet, the Calendar Committee has not made definitive plans for reading days next year.

The benefits of a reading day have been expounded in this column too many times to be repeated. The benefits are obvious to the students who are interested in bettering the educational process here.

The SGA has voiced support for a reading day. This newspaper has endorsed the idea. The student body has shown strong support for the day. Thus, we can assume one thing; the Calendar Committee could give a tinker's damn what the students think.

If this committee does not act soon and definitively to initiate reading days for the 1970-71 school year, the Faculty Senate should abolish the committee and put in its place a group of professors who are sensitive to responsible student requests.

If the Calendar Committee waits much longer, they will be able to give the students that same old response that it is too late to do anything about reading days.

Something must be done now. If the Calendar Committee does not do it, then the Faculty Senate should... and must.

Congratulations

Two members of the swimming team and the members of the freestyle relay team are to be congratulated for being ranked among the best collegiate swimmers in the nation.

The two swimmers individually noted were Jim Griffin and Paul Trevisan. The members of the freestyle relay team are Griffin, Trevisan, Greg Hanes and Wayne Norris.

Far too often the abilities of our swimmers are overlooked because of an overemphasis on football and basketball. But when the records are examined, you find that no other campus athletic team's record can compare to that of the swim team.

Fountainhead salutes the accomplishments of the swim team and their coach, Ray Scharf. Best of luck to you in this, another outstanding year.

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- Letters should be concise and to the point.
- Letters must not exceed 300 words.
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The forum

Dear Editor:

We are freshmen and we have a few questions for the freshman class officers. Who are you? Where are you? What do you do for us? For what purpose were you elected?

We didn't see any of the

candidates when the elections were held and since the election, the chosen few seemed to have skipped the country. Did they, for some reason, go into political exile? Did they flee to Cuba? Or Canada? Or Russia?

If our officers are still on campus, we wish they would be so kind as to come out and talk to the students who elected them. Maybe, if they can write, they will send a letter to the Fountainhead and tell us what they do, when they do it, how they do it, where they do it and why they do it.

John Thomas
William Barnes

clinic. Due to the bad weather and my total ignorance of the layout of the University, I became lost and very late.

One of your young men students, whom I had asked for directions, immediately got in his car and led me directly to the parking lot of the correct building.

I had only the briefest opportunity to thank him, but I wish to say that by his thoughtfulness and willingness to take his time for us, I left with a very fine impression of your school.

I would like to express my appreciation to this young man.

It is certainly an example of courtesy, of the highest order, and it deserves commendation.

Thank you very much.

Carol H. Oliver

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday, Dec. 10, I brought my son to the speech

close up

By JAMES HORD
Editorial Writer

Luke is a wino.
Not an ordinary wino, mind you.

He has two wooden legs. Has difficulty in getting around. Just recently got out of Central Prison in Raleigh. Served one year for drunkenness.

Luke lives in a one-room flat located in a deteriorating section of a large southern city.

"Lost my legs in a train accident many years ago," he said. "Life has really been difficult.

"Prison life was bad. The guards were okay, but some of the inmates would just as soon kill you as look at you."

Now he is out of prison. Free. Hopes never to return.

"The warden asked me before I left if I was ever going to drink again. Yep, I said. As soon as you give me my discharge papers," Luke said.

He has a job. Works part time in an artificial-limb factory.

"Just make enough money to keep me going," he said, "and buy a little wine. Good for my arthritis, you know."

The 62 year-old, grey headed, barely ambulatory Luke recalls nostalgic memories of the past. When he was young. Strong. Had a big job with the railroad.

Then the accident. A train cut off both of his legs. Life has since been a downhill battle.

"I have a son who lives in a not too distant city, but I hardly ever see him. He comes around once or twice a year. Usually around Christmas-time," he said.

Luke is alone. Has few friends. He drinks wine to speed the day along.

He was robbed the other week of what little money he had.

"Fellow came up behind me, put a knife at my throat and told me to give him my money. I told him to reach in my back pocket and take it. It wasn't much, but it was all I had," he said.

Luke wonders why the college student talking to him is interested in his problems. Why anyone would care. After all, isn't the world cold, cruel and hard?

Perhaps he will never know. Perhaps no one will ever know. But to the grey headed old man with the biblical sounding name, life has not yet lost its meaning.

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