

SS store nears completion date

By CINDY BROOME
Co-News Editor

The renovation of the Student Supply Store should be completed sometime near the first of August, according to Curtis May, Student Supply Store assistant manager.

"We're shooting for sometime around the first of August, not necessarily August 1," said May.

"The total project is not behind, but some minor details are."

The supply store, temporarily moved, will be expanded to include the old snack bar area, and part of the hallway leading to the store entrance.

The extra space will be used to display items that the store had no room for previously.

"We were just so cramped," said May.

"Now we'll have more space to put books. We'll have more shelf space to put what we have."

May said that during the end-of-the-quarter book rush, it was hard to keep the shelves stocked with books, even though

supply store employees continuously stocked them.

May said sometimes it appeared that they were out of certain books, when there were actually many more in the stockroom.

The supply store will be able to display perhaps 200 books of a kind instead of 50, as has been the case in the past, according to May.

Everything will be in the general area as it was previously, May said.

"The art department will be expanded," said May. "It will extend along the wall where the paperbacks were."

The general offices will be moved to another area in the supply store.

The walls and glass of the offices will be removed, and one room will house the paperbacks, both pleasure and classroom paperbacks.

The cash registers will face the exit, instead of being at angles.

Previously, eight cash registers were used during the book rush, but May said it is hoped



THE STUDENT SUPPLY STORE has been expanded. [Photo by Kirk Kingsbury] temporarily moved while the store area is being

there will be 10 in use during the rushes.

Three cash registers will be in use between the book rushes, May said.

May said it is hoped that the supply store will be carpeted, but the bid for carpet has not yet been approved.

The tile floor had to be scrubbed every day, and waxed once a week, according to May.

"It was expensive," said May.

May said there is a good possibility that carpet will be installed by the time the supply store opens.

The area the temporary sup-

ply store is now occupying will be a snack bar, said May.

The snack bar will be set up like the Croatan.

"The money that has been approved right now is \$400,000," said May.

The \$400,000 has been allocated to the completion of the supply store and part of the snack bar, according to May.

"We do not know what the remainder of the cost of the snack bar will be," said May.

"The health department requires stainless steel for sanitary purposes, and that's like buying gold."

The snack bar cannot be completed until the remainder of

the cost is paid, according to May.

There will be a service desk in the hallway outside the supply store, said May, where students can sell back their books.

They will probably be able to have their checks okayed there also.

There will be two entrances from the lobby, said May.

Students can enter the snack bar like they enter the temporary supply store now.

A hallway will lead straight to the entrance of the supply store.

A short hallway will connect the snack bar to the supply store so students will be able to go from one to the other easily, said May.



A NEW MOVIE THEATER will be opening soon on Arlington Boulevard. [Photo by Kirk Kingsbury]

Nursing plans grad program

The ECU School of Nursing has plans to start a program leading to Masters of Science in nursing in the fall of 1977.

This program will prepare teachers of nursing in medical and surgical nursing, psychiatric mental health nursing, and maternal child health.

Later graduate programs in other areas of nursing, i.e. supervision and administration, are expected to be added.

It is hoped that the family nurse practitioner program, which is presently offered as a certifi-

cate program, will be made part of the graduate program.

The unique feature of the program is its philosophy that faculty of a practice discipline need to possess high level practice skills in the clinical area of their specialization.

The program aims at updating the practice skills, providing indepth study of clinical areas and full understanding of trends and role changes which are quickly overwhelming nursing.

Theory and research are emphasized and integrated through-

out the program.

An R.N. with a degree in a non-nursing discipline will be admitted by supplementing certain requirements for B.S. level nursing knowledge.

Also, candidates with a B.S. in nursing and a masters in another discipline can take a second masters in nursing in a shorter span of time.

Candidates who wish to only attend summer school can do so through prior planning with the faculty and complete the program through three summer offerings.

PTA announces probationary time for TV

By BILL HARRINGTON
Staff Writer

The National PTA has announced a six month probationary period for the national networks starting July 1 to curb what they consider the excessive and harmful amount of violence portrayed on television.

In an April 15 news release the PTA calls for "less TV gore and more diversity and quality in shows."

The PTA claims that violence on TV makes "many children more aggressive in their behavior."

By January 1, 1978 if there is no "substantial response by the networks" the PTA will consider "boycotts of advertisers, programs, and local stations" along with "selected test cases of petition to deny licensing, and civil litigation," according to the April 15 news release.

Social and organizational psychologist Dr. William F. Grossnickle said that charges such as these have not yet been proven in scientific research.

According to Grossnickle, these conclusions may have some basis in fact but are premature at this time.

"A lot of work has been done on this subject, but it's still a very confused picture," he said. "It bothers me when psychologists come out with these strong positions, as some have."

"The lab studies and field studies are mixed in their findings," he said.

The PTA has concluded that TV violence can encourage several forms of aberrant social behavior. They list several examples in their April 15 news release.

"Some young people will be incited to commit violent acts in direct imitation of similar behavior seen on TV," according to the PTA.

"Among youth and adults, there is a growing callousness and indifference to violence and the suffering it causes."

"Perceptions by children and youth of real life problem solving methods are distorted by TV,

which portrays violence as a sure and easy way to solve all problems."

"Youth and adults who regularly view TV violence are becoming more fearful of violence occurring in real life."

"Continual exposure to television's parade of murder, rape, arson, assault, and other violence

to persons and property diminishes the quality of life for both children and adults."

Dr. Grossnickle finds any definitive conclusions at this time premature without further study.

"These are very complex issues and people want very simplistic answers," he said.

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Pirates back down to Toledo

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Interpersonal research

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The project requires about one hour per week for six weeks.

Honor council

Anyone interested in or wishing to serve on a summer honor council should sign-up now.

To find out more information, please call 757-6611, and ask for the Student Government Association. The sign-up period is June 13-24, at Mendenhall, SGA office.

Bahai

Bahai Association will hold its opening meeting of summer session today at 3:40 in room 238 Mendenhall Student Center.

Anyone interested in hearing more about the oneness of mankind is encouraged to attend.

Greenville

The City Council of the City of Greenville has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed budget for the City of Greenville and the Greenville Utilities Commission for fiscal year 1977-78. The hearing will be held Thursday, June 16, at 8 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

The proposed budget is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and at the Sheppard Memorial Library during normal working hours.

Sign lang.

Sign language classes for interested students, faculty, and staff members will be offered this summer by the Program for Hearing Impaired Students. Classes began on the first day of summer school (June 7) and will run concurrent with the first

Sign lang.

summer session on Tuesday and Thursday.

There is no charge for the class and no credit is given. A Basic Course in Manual Communication will be the text and is available at the Student Supply Store for \$5.20.

There will be an intermediate course offered second summer session for those who complete the beginning course.

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NTE

The National Teacher Examinations (NTE) will be given at the Testing Center, ECU, Saturday, July 16, 1977.

Scores from the examination are used by states for certification of teachers, by school systems for selection and identification of leadership qualities, and by colleges as part of their graduation requirements.

Educational Testing Service, which prepared and administers the tests, says they are designed to measure knowledge gained from professional and general education and in 27 subject-matter fields.

Bulletins describing registration procedures and containing registration forms may be obtained from Mr. John S. Childers.

NTE

Director, Testing Center, ECU, Speight Building, Room 105, telephone 757-6811, or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, N.J. 08540.

The deadline for regular registration is June 23, 1977. On-the-spot registration will not be permitted.

IWY

The International Women's Year Conference will be held in Winston-Salem from Friday, June 17 until Sunday, June 19.

A chartered bus will leave the Holiday Inn on Memorial Drive at 5:30 a.m. Saturday to take a group of Eastern North Carolina people to attend the Saturday session of the conference.

IWY

The group expects to return at midnight.

The bus fare will be no more than \$5. The registration fee will be \$3, and meals will make the total about \$20.

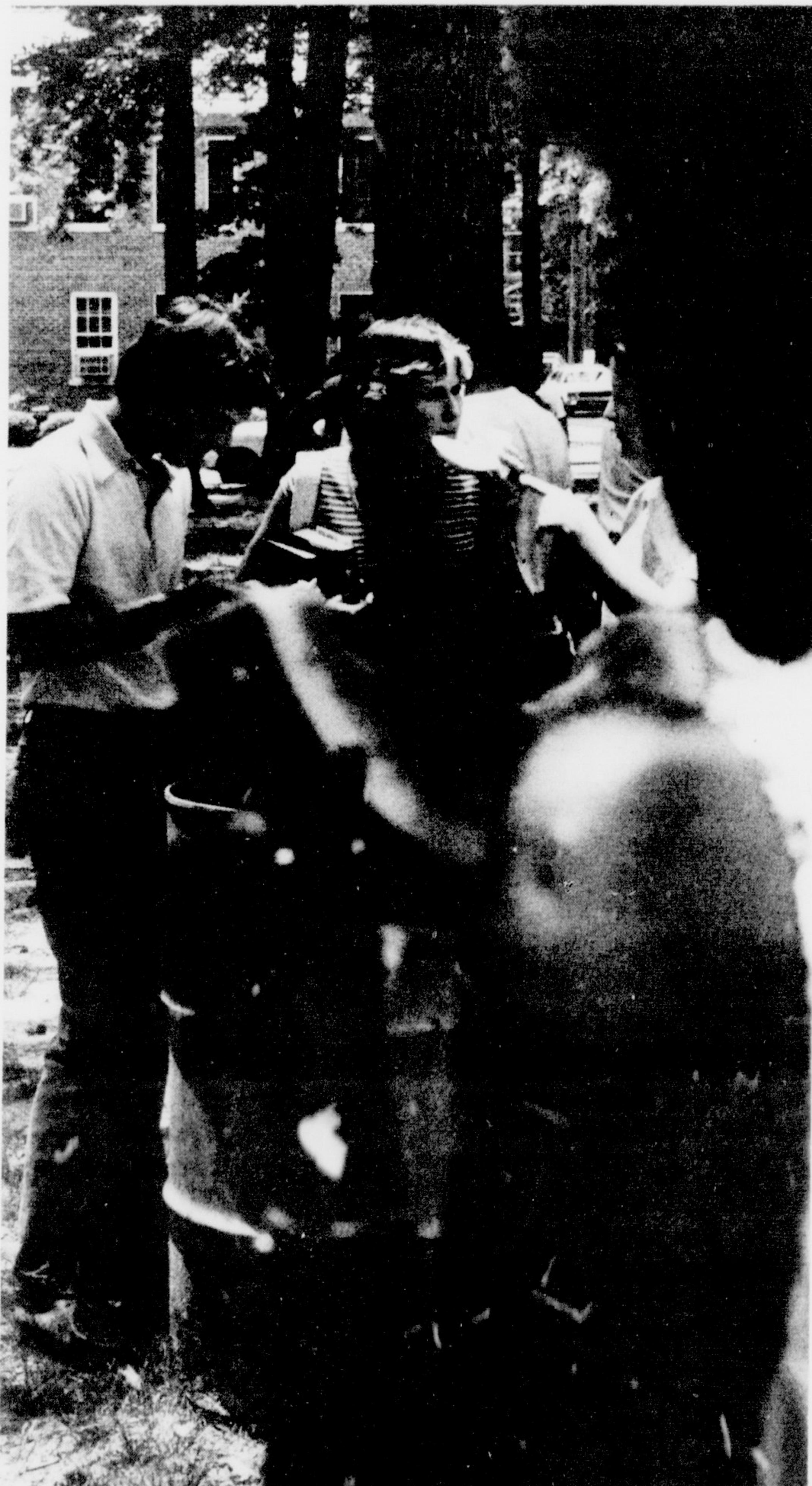
The meeting is open to all residents of North Carolina 16 years old and older.

Madame Helvi Sipila, Assistant Secretary General of the United Nations, and Dr. Lisa Sergio, International News Analyst, will be present during the meeting Saturday.

The Saturday program includes 24 workshops.


There will be presentations of resolutions, films, and an art festival.

Persons wishing to reserve space on the bus should call Mrs. Lucile Jones of the Greenville School of Commerce, 2310 East Fourth St., 752-3177.



THESE ECU STUDENTS enjoy a recent watermelon feast on the Mall. [Photo by Kirk Kingsbury]

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Reports on Burger Court

Professor addresses meeting

By JOYCE EVANS

Dr. Tinsley E. Yarbrough, ECU political science professor, addressed a Chicago gathering of political scientists late April on the Burger Court.

Dr. Yarbrough's presentation, "The Burger Court and Unspecified Rights," was given at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

The presentation focused on the Burger Court as a whole. But Dr. Yarbrough also discussed the differences in the Burger and the Court of Chief Justice Earl Warren, previous chief justice.

A recent survey conducted by U.S. News and World Report suggests that the bench and bar are happy with the new trends on the Supreme Court, according to Yarbrough's presentation.

The survey of lower court judges, state supreme court justices, and eminent attorneys revealed that 98.6 per cent of the respondents believe that the Burger Court is more conservative than the Warren Court.

A majority of those surveyed approved of the Burger Court's decisions in all areas but obscenity and pornography.

"Even if I did not subscribe to

the notion that the government has no power to suppress books and films, I could not support the Burger Court's approach in the obscenity field, just as I did not support that of the Warren Court," said Yarbrough.

The Warren Court never had a majority opinion on what constitutes obscenity and never clearly defined obscenity, according to Yarbrough.

"The simple fact is that what is obscene varies with the individual perception, and it is impossible to establish clear definitions of obscenity which would not unduly stifle expression," he said.

But the Burger Court has

advanced the remarkable notion that obscenity standards under our nation's one Constitution may vary from community to community in the United States, he said.

Dr. Yarbrough is a specialist in constitutional liberties and the Supreme Court. His studies have focused on Justices Hugo L. Black and William O. Douglas as well as the Burger Court as a whole.

Two sessions planned

Food classes slated here

Two summer school Food Service Institutes are being planned at ECU.

Dates for the institutes are June 21-24 and June 28-July 1.

The institutes are designed for managers of food service programs and for persons expecting to become managers in the near future.

Both institutes will feature identical programs.

Classroom presentations and discussion sessions will be concerned with such topics as merchandising meals, equipment use, breakfast programs, nutrition information, and standardized recipes and substitutions.

Participants will be involved in quantity food preparation during two special three-hour laboratory sessions: Quality in Meats and Vegetables Preparation and the Bread and Cereal Group.

Other sessions will cover aspects of the manager's supervisory role. They include recruiting, selecting and training employees; employee rights and school food service policy; and job descriptions, performance standards and employee evaluations.

Instructional staff at each institute will be Richard Farris, ECU's assistant personnel director; Carolyn Mansfield, graduate student in the ECU School of Home Economics; Lee Miller, food service manager at W.H. Robinson Elementary School; Linda Noble and Sandra Smith, area consultants for the N.C. School Food Service Division;

Donna Ware, director of the Pitt County Schools Food Service; and Dr. Alice Scott, chairperson of the ECU Department of Food, Nutrition and Institution Management.

The institutes are sponsored by the ECU School of Home Economics and the ECU Division

of Continuing Education in cooperation with the N.C. School Food Service Division.

Further information about the institutes is available from the Office of Non-Credit Programs, Division of Continuing Education, ECU, Greenville, N.C. 27834.

PTA

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Psychologists have trouble even agreeing on a definition of aggression.

"Aggressive behavior is so multiply determined that it's making our research difficult and accounting for some contradictory results," Grossnickle said.

Grossnickle said a general definition of aggression is a type of behavior in which the goal is to harm or injure another person.

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Ficklen expands as academics shrink

While funds for the expansion of Ficklen stadium are continuing to pour in and seven-foot centers are being signed on for the ECU basketball team, academic scholarship funds are being used to help repay a \$400,000 loan secured for the expansion of the Students' Supply Store.

Many university officials, as well as generous alumni are obviously under the impression that a school's reputation depends on its athletic program and the success of its sports teams. Fine for the officials and alumni, but the students are paying for this misguidance.

According to Dr. John H. Horne, dean of admissions, academic standards, and consequently the school's reputation for academic excellence, are affected by three things: admissions requirements, retention requirements and scholarship funding. However, the ECU students are being led to believe that their school's reputation depends on a student supply store with a 100,000 square-foot sales area and an enormous football stadium equipped with a \$500,000 press box, a 150-seat chancellor's guest box, and an elevator, not to mention seven-foot centers.

For an institution originally designed for higher education, the officials seem to be doing everything to de-emphasize academics and emphasize athletics. Not a penny has been touched of the athletic scholarship funds to help pay back this supply store expansion loan. And half of the \$2.5 million reserve funds were dished out for the stadium expansion. But the scant funds set aside for academic scholarships have been totally wiped out.

Not only have these funds been depleted, but when the academic scholarship program is reinstated, it will be cut from the usual \$60,000 to \$30-40,000, according to Robert M. Bordreaux, financial aid officer.

So the Scholarships, Fellowships and Financial Aid Committee has decided to place extra emphasis on National Merit scholarships which have not been affected by the cut. But according to Suzie Stearn, vice-president of the League of Scholars and student member of the committee, the success of this task is not a sure thing. ECU does not have a reputation for attracting National Merit scholars. And with this further cut in ECU's reputation for academic importance and excellence, increasing this probability looks extremely doubtful.

A school's reputation for academic excellence or non-excellence affects every student of that school's career possibilities. And the school's reputation for either excellence or non-excellence depends on the quality of the students in that school, not on how big a stadium or how many sports heroes it has. By discontinuing the academic scholarship fund program for an indefinite period of time, ECU is also discontinuing its quest for academic respectability.

While a larger stadium and unlimited athletic scholarship funds are helping pack the football and basketball teams with super-stars, more and more ECU graduates are unemployed because graduates from universities with reputations for academic superiority are beating them out of jobs.

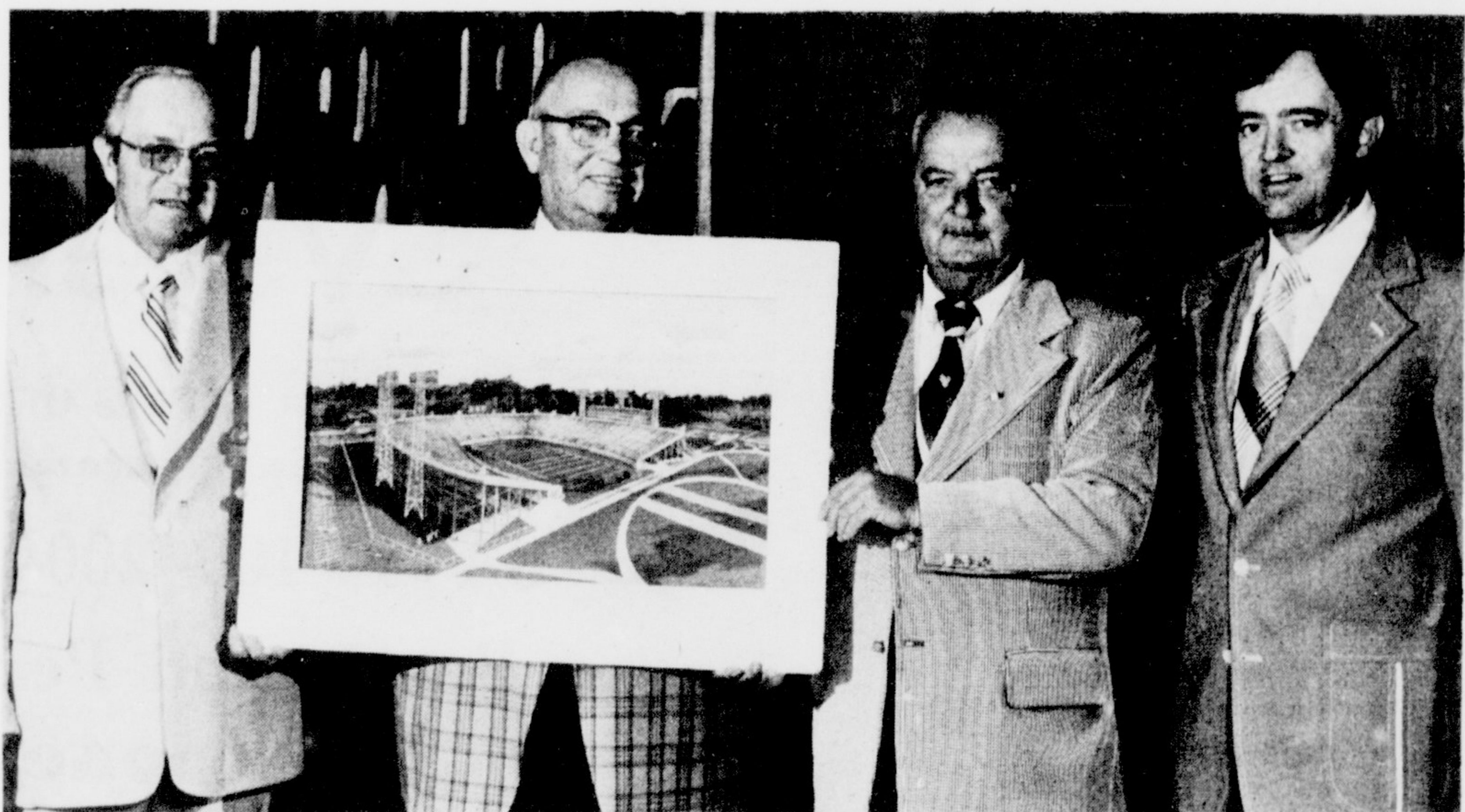
Almost \$1.5 million remains dormant in the Reserve Funds since Ficklen Stadium took its cut. These funds could be used to help pay the supply store's loan and ECU could continue its academic scholarship program.

The university officials and alumni are either going to have to get their priorities straightened out, or this school is going to be left with a dozen scholars, a huge book store, and an athletic complex the size of northern New Jersey.

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FOR 30 YEARS AFTER LOSING THE 1977 S.G.A. ELECTION, TIM SULLIVAN HELD OFF THE LEGALLY ELECTED S.G.A. PRESIDENTS. AFTER THREE DECADES, HE FINALLY GAVE UP, ADMITTING THE ELECTION WAS OVER...



FICKLEN STADIUM is growing while academic scholarships die a slow death. Displaying plans for the new shrine are L-R, Tom Willis, of ECU Regional Development Institute, Dr. Ray Minges, chairman of Greenville Stadium Drive, Dr. Leo Jenkins and Robert L. Jones, chairman of the expansion committee.

Forum will continue through summer

Forum letters should be typed or printed, signed and include the writer's address or telephone number. Letters are subject to editing for taste and brevity and may be sent to FOUNTAINHEAD or left at the Information Desk in Mendenhall Student Center.

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Students find summer work

By HELENA WOODARD
Staff Writer

Among 36 ECU applicants, five students have been accepted through a competitive process for summer work positions in state government.

The students are junior Debbie Grafton, Math and Computer Science major, junior Glenn Elson, senior Thomas Owens and Ray Hodges, all Communications Art majors, and Sherry Drew, Environmental Health major.

The job announcements and subsequent screenings were a joint venture among The North Carolina Internship Office (NCIO), ECU's Cooperative Education office and various academic departments. The Cooperative Education Office, which handled most of the applications, sent job descriptions to faculty members who then recommended qualified students to the Co-op office.

Grafton and Elson received positions with the Department of Agriculture. "I'll be working with other programmers in gathering statistics and data on crops among other things," Grafton said. "It's going to mean so much when I graduate to have this experience," she added.

Glenn Elson said that he will be designing brochures and pamphlets for various departmental programs. His job description called for good verbal and communicative skills.

Owens and Hodges, who received work positions in the Museum of Natural History, will work with the director of exhibits and the director of publications at all levels of graphic production.

"We're going to get them started on display work. A part of our work will include silk screening. We will also be designing a booklet on the history of the museum," said Owens. Their job descriptions called for students knowledgeable in photography, typography, design and layout and other graphic arts techniques.

Drew will work with the Department of Natural and Economic Resources. "I will work with the division of Environmental Management, an air pollution project," she said. According to her job description, Drew's work will help in determining causes of such environmental emergencies as fish kills, chemical spills and air stagnation. "I'm really looking forward to this job," she said.

The NCIO, established in 1969, was the first state internship office in the country. Its goals were to make North Carolina collegiate curricula more meaningful through the development of off-campus service-learning job opportunities and to involve students in public service.

The results of data from the 1976 Summer Internship Program showed that most supervisors felt that the interns were an asset to their state government department.



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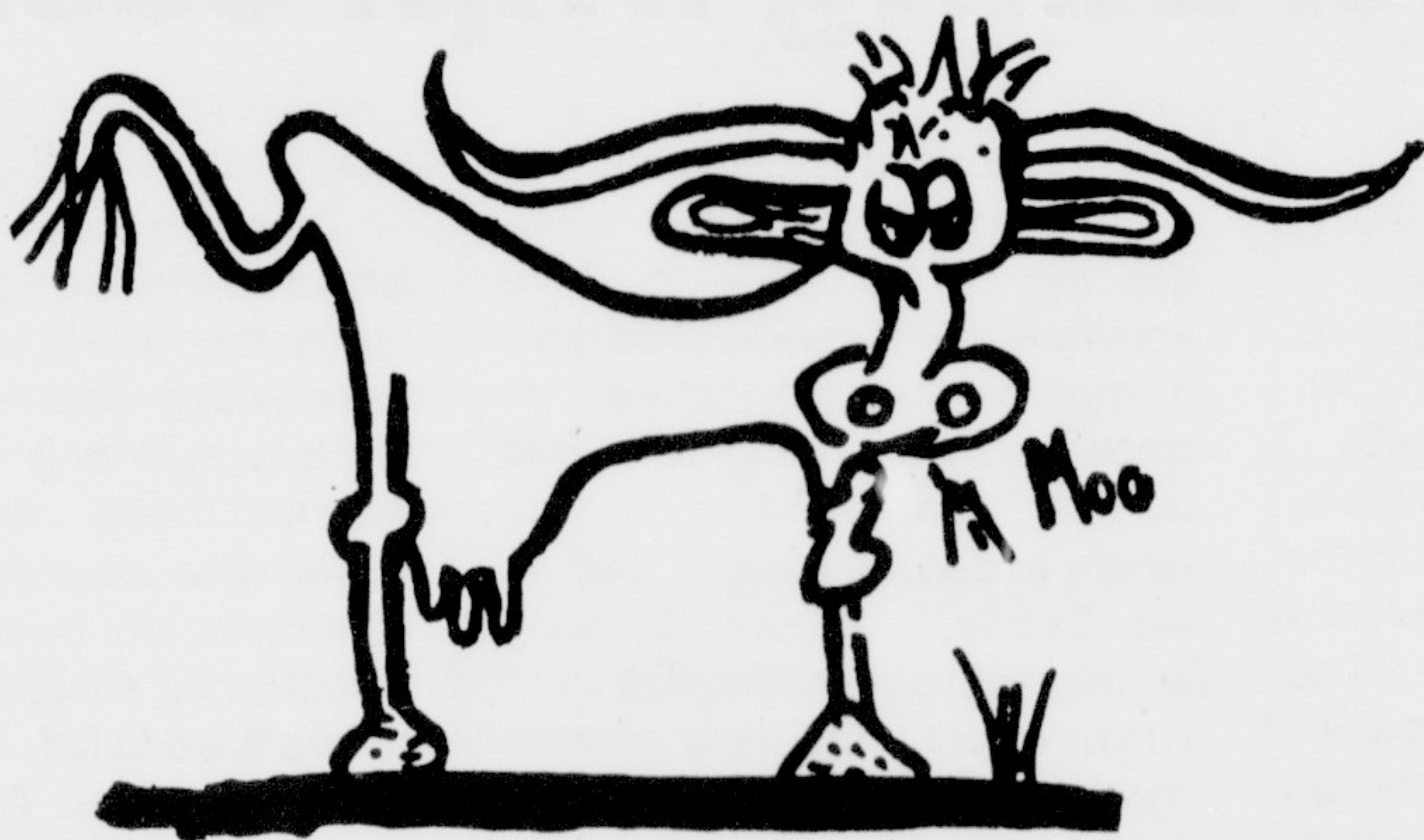
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Ex Libris

by DAVID R. BOSNICK

Of Editors and Art

The only real decision in life is whether or not to commit suicide. Everything else is just running the bases.

—Anonymous

One of the privileges of being an editor is the inherent right to change policy. In the last year this section of the paper has changed editors three times, with an accompanying shift in aspect. Two years ago these pages were headed, Entertainment, but that title was thought to be too narrow, that it encompassed too little of campus activities. Trends was chosen as a logo that would report as well as review; a sort of Reader's Digest of current events.

For the length of this editorship the emphasis shall be placed upon the arts. The space occupied by this editorial will become Ex Libris, a weekly column which will review a best seller or new release. This column will be accompanied by the New York Times' Best Seller list.

In the music genre there shall be a change in the type of music reviewed. This feature will concern itself with the aspects of jazz and classical music, relegating the review of popular music to others. The greatest movements in music are being made in the jazz field and examination and review will be an indication of direction. As little is actually being composed in the classical field, these articles will concern themselves with review of artistic interpretation, rather than creation.

The final weekly feature will be an essay or examination on the general human condition. The essay is a lost literary form, not in a small way due to the fact that there are few places to print them. This revival, its premier by David W. Trevino will display it as the effective, humorous medium, it can be at its best.

The name Trends shall remain, but the priorities are changed. These pages will now be standard bearers for the arts, which take such a beating in the frenzied journalistic media.

Cinema

PITT THEATRE

Smokey and the Bandit - This is a slick production made for those individuals who judge virility by automobile speed and C.B. output. Burt Reynolds is the macho, but poetic "Bandit", and Sally Fields is a former exotic dancer escaping from a poorly conceived marriage. They combine their questionable talents in an attempt to run a truckload of Coors beer from Texarkana to Alabama in 28 hours. The threadbare plot is supported by the inability of the police of 4 states to apprehend one speeder. It is a harmless film of no substance and no stars.

PARK

Hard Georgia Road - This offensive film revolves around rape, moonshine and the waifish sexuality of Carol Lynley. The film attempts to draw parallels between Leo Hastings (Gary Conway) as a Nashville Stanley Kowalski and Diana's (Carol Lynley) desire to be raped. It is trashy and humorless. Conway is a fine actor and this reviewer is embarrassed for him. No stars.

PLAZA 1

Joy Ride - Not available for review at this time.

PLAZA 2

Raggedy Ann and Andy - A delightful animated version of Johnny Gruell's children's classic. The animation is fair but the color and aura of fantasy that surround the subject are authentic. I give this film 2 and one half stars, but add a half if you're an animation fan.

Chipkickers coming

The BUFFALO CHIPKICKERS plays Bluegrass. What else can you call hard-driving banjo, fiddle, guitar, and bass music if it's not Bluegrass? The only problem is that the BUFFALO CHIPKICKERS doesn't look like a bluegrass band. They are not a five-piece middle-aged never-smiling group of guys who play the same old bluegrass songs over and over. They love every show and every song as much as

the audience that won't seem to ever let them off the stage without an encore.

The BUFFALO CHIPKICKERS is being presented by the Popular Entertainment Committee of the Student Union. The concert is scheduled for June 20, 1977, at 8:00 p.m. on the Mall. In case of rain, the concert will be moved to Wright Auditorium. Admission is free.

Best Sellers

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Falconer, by John Cheever
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Slapstick

K V, Jr.'s senile hiccup

By JEFF ROLLINS
 Staff Writer

"Slapstick" is Kurt Vonnegut's latest book and possibly his worst. The techniques are familiar enough, the time-hopping, the characters who possess an innocence or superior knowledge who viewed as ridiculous by the rest of the world and oft-repeated utterances closing the short chapters (in Slaughterhouse-Five it was "So it goes" and in Slapstick it's "Hi ho") but the plot is loose and rambling with none of that brilliant dramatic impetus that, say, sent Billy Pilgrim to his chosen life on Tralfamadore.

The protagonist is a "neanderthaloid," a two meter tall modern man resembling in every way a Neanderthal. He and his equally ugly twin sister spend a happy sequestered childhood roving around an old mansion and adjoining orchard owned by their wealthy family. The parents, who constantly have to fight revulsion to love their distinctive progeny, take care to visit once a year and give them a whole squadron of servants. Ostensibly the two are drooling, farting, food-throwing animals, but in reality (ah, Kurt) together their two minds comprise a "single genius." When they are together the brother and

sister have remarkable cognitive powers. Unbeknownst to the servants, the two have learned eight languages and have studied every book in the old mansion's copious library. It's only after overhearing their mother wish for "one spark of humanity" from them that they make their true natures known. This revelation effectively ends their blissful childhood.

The brother and sister are separated, and without constant proximity to one another, their intellects are reduced to something hovering at just about average. Eliza is sent to an institution for the mentally retarded while Wilbur becomes a rather doltish medical student at Harvard. His height makes him a popular basketball player while his size attracts the more daring co-eds.

Eliza, properly bitter, succeeds in having herself released from the mental institution so she can claim her due share of the family fortune.

Before she leaves to make a new home in Macchu Picchu (in this book the St. Tropez of real life) she and her brother combine in a final five-day orgiastic paroxysm of genius. Out of this supreme irrational

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As a torch singer

Armatrading impressive

By DOUG WHITE
 Assistant Trends Editor

The genre of "torch" singing has always enjoyed a critical, rather than popular success. Sadly, such is the case with Joan Armatrading, easily one of the most original singer/songwriters to surface in recent years. The fact that an artist of her stature can release three albums and go largely unnoticed by the general record buying public, while tripe the likes of "Disco Duck" can sell a million copies is a distressing comment on America's musical tastes.

Armatrading was born in the West Indies, later emigrating to Britain, from where her musical roots stem. On this album, her music encompasses a variety of styles ranging from blues to light jazz, making each distinctively her own. Armatrading's band is competent, but the emphasis is on composition rather than the technical expertise of the players. Armatrading's lyrics, often more akin to poetry, espouse the quintessential topic of torch songs, i.e., the scorned and battered lover, to which she adds a refreshing spirit of independence, a promise to return to the

ring, beaten but undefeated.

Armatrading's husky voice has the perfect edge to drive home a line with deadly precision: a musical femme fatale, as smokey as she is vulnerable. This is best demonstrated in the album's closing track, "Tall in the Saddle," a powerful song which builds, musically and lyrically, until the final intense conclusion. Jerry Donahue's lead guitar sears the listener, slicing through the subdued backdrop with unnerving accuracy, melding with the lyrics:

"Say what you will/you can't take the stars at night/take your love/but that doesn't stop my life/you've been fooling around/I looked to you for love/thought you walked on holy ground/but oh/you're mean/Tall in the saddle/one of these days/you're gonna have to dismount/you don't leave me down-hearted/but I'm sorry that you have to go/cos we had fun .../while it lasted .../You were God's gift to girls/you persuaded/then you/beat up on their hearts/you made it, you made it.../oh, you're mean."

She masterfully juxtaposes the repetitive, paradoxical lines, describing her lover as mean, all the time declaring how much fun they

had.

Do not mistake this to be an album of broken heart songs. In "Join the Boys," she tells her lover exactly what he can do with his love, advising him to "join Jack and the boys/be in a band," while she and her new acquaintance will be dancing in the floodlight, succeeding where others have failed.

In "Love and Affection" she explores the difference between those two emotions, comparing friendship and love to smiles and laughter, later asking for a mixing of the two, seeking only "to make love/with affection."

The characters and situations are cliché; it is her singular genius which adds new dimensions to old structures. One gets the impression not only that the author feels for her characters, but that she played their roles too often. In "Help Yourself", a song telling her lover not to depend on her for everything, that it's too late to save their love, she likens herself to a crying child, needing immediate consolation: "don't pick me up/when the tears are dry/on my face."

The album's best lines appear

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roller-derby comes a book destined to be "after the Bible and the Joy of Cooking, the most popular book of all time," "The Cry of the Nocturnal Goat-sucker," as well as a plan to issue new middle names to everyone, those with common middle names forming new, immense families.

The sky turns yellow due to the widespread use of aerosol deodorants and two plagues, the Albanion Flue and the Green Death, depopulate much of the continental United States. Wilbur is elected President under the slogan "Lonesome No More" referring to the plan he and Eliza constructed for creating a hundred thousand new relatives for everyone according to the newly issued middle names. After the diseases ravage North America Wilbur grows to a ripe old age on Manhattan Island

which is now covered with jungle-growth and inhabited by various agrarian families.

The lives of Eliza and Wilbur while they are separated richly parodies the neuroses of modern rich and unhappy real people. Eliza during her undeserved sentence in the mental institution turns into an alcoholic and a dope addict as well as being a chain smoker. (Vonnegut in this instance stops at no extreme.) Wilbur while he is President is more often than not blissfully in the euphoria of a drug patented for curbing unsocial behavior.

Vonnegut's athletic sci-fi imagination is delightfully active in Slapstick and were it not for the humor produced by such an imagination the book would be a rather joyless experience.

It is discovered that the Green Death is caused not by microbes

of the normal type, but by the inscrutably wise Chinese who have been experimenting with making themselves exceedingly small in order to live on minute amounts of food. The antidote for the ingested Orientals is a piece of fish that has died from the pollution left from the "olden days." Vonnegut's imagination can at times simply, purely soar.

The book, though, as a whole, founders. Despite the characteristically mixed time sequence, Eliza, who nearly dominates the first half of the book, is rarely referred to in the last half, which leaves one to wonder about her necessity in the plot. Eliza dies midway through the book and becomes one of the story's most blatant untied ends. It is a disappointment because one senses that Vonnegut missed a chance for some fine irony. The book also lacks the poignant social statement present in Slaughterhouse-Five and Cat's Cradle. When the author does

satirize it is done with such heavy-handedness that the reader feels boredom rather than startled recognition produced. The plan for giving everyone a family of a hundred thousand based on government-issued middle names is perhaps the book's most ingenious aspect, yet compared to the beautifully constructed anti-religion of Cat's Cradle and the supra-rationality of the Tralfamadorians, the device is weak and simple.

The book begins with "the nearest thing to an autobiography I shall ever write" and it is in the brief prologue that Vonnegut achieves the high level of poignant and subtle black humor that so distinguishes him as an author. He describes his brother and several other members of his family, including an uncle, Alex Vonnegut, who, although reputedly not an alcoholic, founded Alcoholic's Anonymous.

It would be desirable to say that Slapstick is simply an off

novel that reflects only a temporary lapse in the creator of the inimitable Kilgor Trout, but viewed in relation to the last few books Vonnegut has written, it seems more precise to say that Slapstick is but another step down in a decline that has been obvious in his last works. Perhaps Vonnegut himself sums up the problem most succinctly in the words of the book's protagonist. "It is a thing I often say these days: 'Hi ho.' It is a kind of senile hiccup. I have lived too long."

Hi ho.

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in "Save Me", where she describes her romance as "a moth/with no flame/to persuade me/like blood in the rain/running thin".

This reviewer's personal dislike of Miss Armatrading's apparent infatuation with the word persuade and its various forms, the album has no major flaws. The weakest cuts ("People" and "Somebody Who Loves You"); redeem themselves in some way, the former by the sheer spirit of the performance, the latter by an excellent verse thrown in between a mediocre chorus and sub-par lyrics. One failure out of ten is a good record by anyone's standards, especially when that failure is superior to popular contemporary music.

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Billy Lee stays

Gillman signs three recruits; loses two vets

By STEVE WHEELER
Sports Editor

New head basketball coach at East Carolina, Larry Gillman, announced the fifth and final recruit for the 1977-78 season on Monday. In the last two weeks, he has also announced the signing of two more recruits and the retention of Billy Lee as an assistant coach. Lee served last season under Dave Patton. Also it has been learned that two of last year's players have transferred to Gardner-Webb and a third is expected to be leaving.

Roger Carr, a 6-6, 230-pound all-state forward from Garland, N.C., Bernard Hill, a 6-7½, 190-pound all-state forward from Ramape, N.Y., and Dan Roberts, a 6-1½, 165-pound all-state backcourt operative from Nashville, Ind., have signed grants-in-aid with East Carolina in the past two weeks.

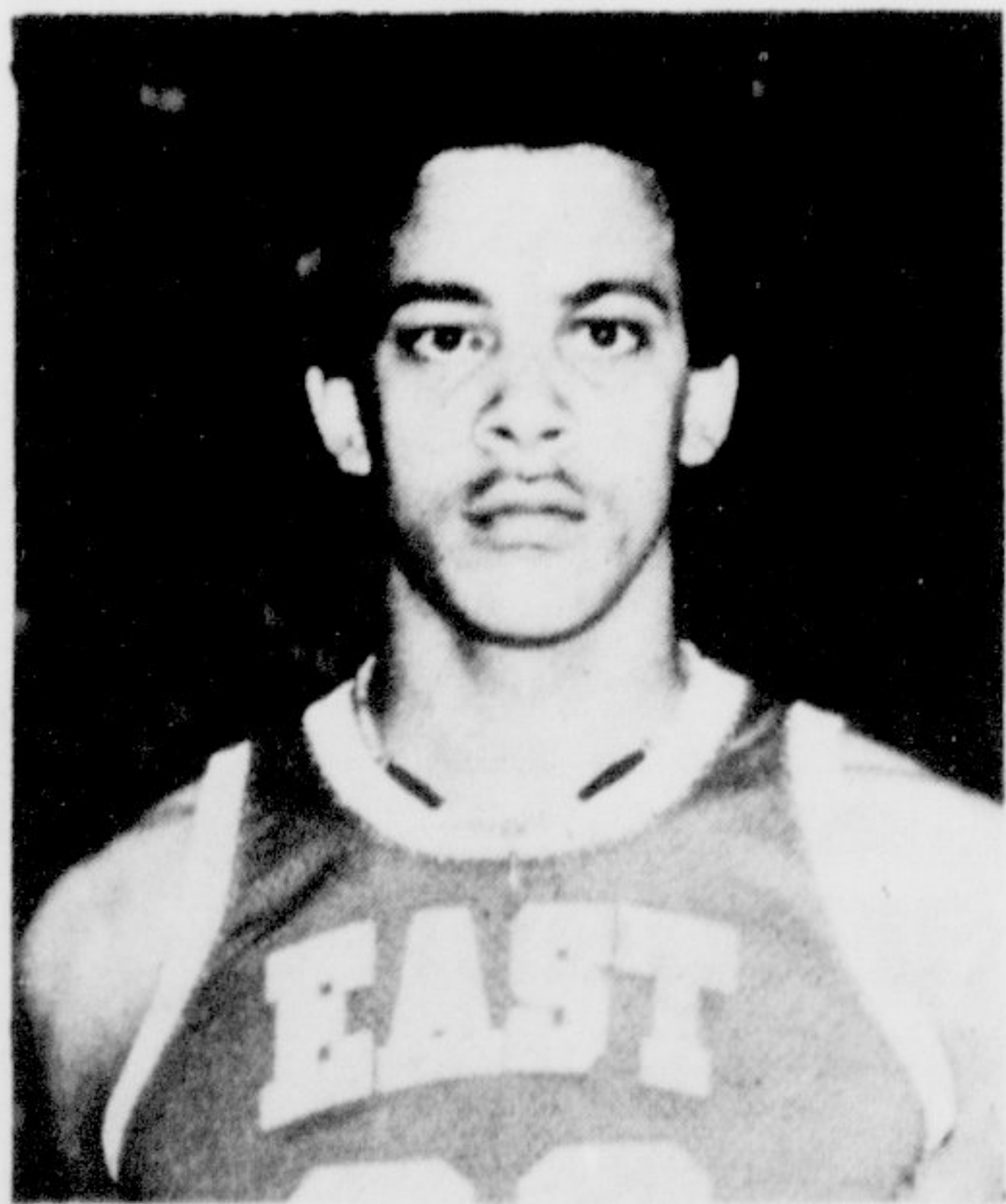
Carr, a power forward likened to Wake Forest's Rod Griffin, scored over 700 points during his senior year for a 29 point average. He also pulled an average of 19 rebounds per game. For four years of interscholastic action, Carr averaged 25 points and 16 rebounds per game.

Carr was all-conference for three years in the Carolina's 1-A loop, Player of the Year in the conference for two years, all-East for two years and best all-round athlete at Garland High for two years. He was also an all-league performer playing first base for the baseball team.

The lithe Hill led Rockland County in scoring as a senior with a 24.2 average. He also cleaned the boards at 13 per game. He was the Rockland County Player of the Year and Most Valuable Player at Ramape High.

Perhaps his greatest honor was being voted MVP in the prestigious Montifiore-Mosholu Easter Tournament in New York City. Schools from New York, New Jersey and Connecticut competed in the tourney.

Roberts led the state in Indiana in scoring this season with 33.6 average. He scored 638



TYRON EDWARDS



LOUIS CROSBY

points to set a new school record for points and average. On four occasions, Roberts scored over 40 points and was never under 20 in any one game.

"Even though we got a late start," Gillman noted after the recruiting season was over, "I think we got some very fine players. We are most pleased with all five of our signees."

Oliver Mack, a 6-3, 198-pound guard from San Jacinto (Tex.) Junior College and Walter Moseley, a 6-1½, 175-pound guard from St. John's (Wis.) Military Academy were earlier signees of the young coach. Mack and Moseley are natives of Queens, N.Y., giving Gillman three New Yorkers, one from Indiana and one in-state Tar Heel for his signees.

LEE TO STAY AT ECU

It was also announced last week that Billy Lee, a graduate assistant under Dave Patton last year, would remain as a part of the new staff. Herb Dillon, an assistant at North Texas State, was earlier announced as an assistant to Gillman.

Lee came to East Carolina last year from New Bern High School, where he had been a highly successful coach for three years. He is a native of Mt. Olive, N.C.

"We're happy that Billy has decided to stay on with us," said Gillman. "Billy's enthusiasm and knowledge of the state of North Carolina will be a great asset to our program here at East Carolina."

During the 1976-77 season, Lee was primarily in charge of ECU's defense, something Lee was noted for in high school circles. The 1976-77 Pirate team had the lowest defensive average in the last three years, six points better than the two previous years.

Pirates back down to Toledo; will play Duke

By STEVE WHEELER
Sports Editor

After a series of unusual events, East Carolina has Duke University on its 1977 football schedule. Toledo, who was originally dropped from the schedule to make room for the Blue Devils, is also back on the schedule. Texas-Arlington was dropped from the Pirates' schedule to make room for both Toledo and Duke.

ECU Director of Athletics, Bill Cain, has been trying for the past month to get Duke on the Pirates' 1977 schedule. After finally signing a contract with Carl James, Duke's Athletic Director, Cain dropped Toledo from the schedule and moved the game with Texas-Arlington back a week to accommodate the Blue Devils and still keep five home games for the season.

Toledo's athletic director, Vern Smith, went to Toledo University Board of Control (much the same as the ECU Board of Trustees) because Toledo could not find a suitable opponent for Sept. 17. On June 2, a report coming out of Toledo said the school would go to court to see that East Carolina was in Toledo on Sept. 17.

A source in Toledo said attorneys for the Ohio school were in federal court on Friday, June 3, but could not get through any of process on that day.

At the same time, Cain and Smith were talking on the phone about the situation, and Smith said a lawsuit was "imminent." He also said the only satisfactory solution was for East Carolina to be in Toledo on Sept. 17.

After talking to all parties involved, Cain said nothing could be worked out to satisfy everyone, except for East Carolina and Toledo to meet. "We have decided to do just that."

"The University of Texas-Arlington has cooperated with us in a most diligent fashion," Cain added, "and has ultimately been a major solution to our problem."

Bowing to the pressure of Toledo leaves ECU with just four home games for the upcoming season, with six road dates and the Oyster Bowl to be played on a neutral field.

The Pirates will have to open for the first three games on the road now -- at State, at Duke and at Toledo -- before returning home for VMI.

FIRST MEETING

The Duke contract, signed May 19, means the Pirates will have played all the Big Four teams after they meet. It will be the first of a reported four game

series. Other games are rumored to be in 1979, 1980 and 1981.

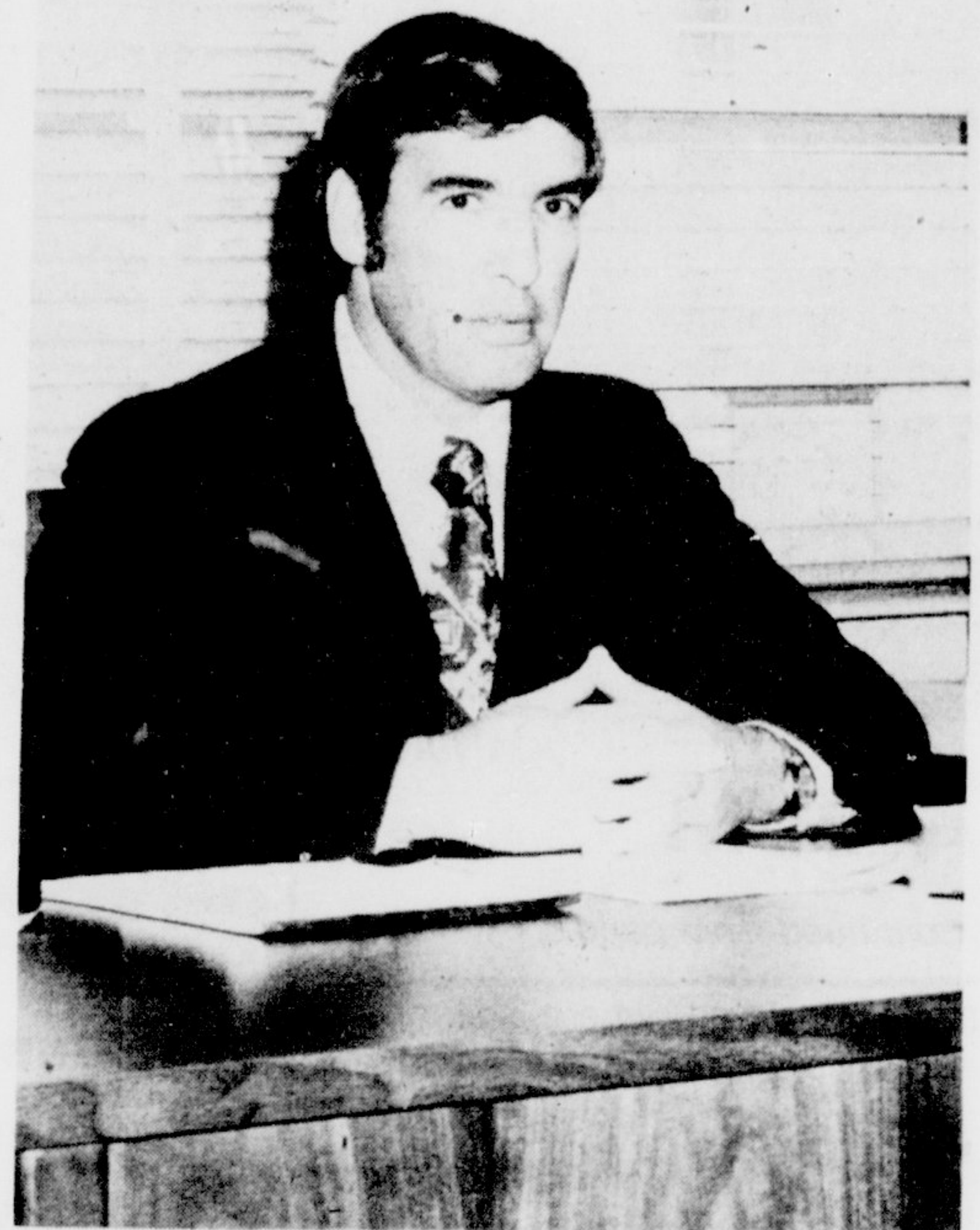
"For some time East Carolina officials have expressed a tremendous interest in playing Duke University in football," Carl James, Duke's athletic director said. "We are pleased to have this opportunity to play East Carolina, and I hope the football game will command the great spectator interest that East Carolina coaches and officials have talked about."

Cain was elated about getting the game, saying, "I'm certain that we will have a tremendous following when we go up there."

"We have been after the game for a long time. It's a game we wanted because it is the culmination of our efforts to play all the Big Four teams."

The Pirates have played State for the past seven years, Carolina four times since 1972, and played Wake Forest in 1963. Carolina and Wake are expected back on the schedule in 1978.

The 1977 schedule -- Sept. 3, at N.C. State; Sept. 10, at Duke; Sept. 17, at Toledo; Sept. 24, VMI; Oct. 1, at South Carolina; Oct. 8, Southern Illinois; Oct. 15, Richmond; Oct. 22, at The Citadel; Oct. 29, Southwestern Louisiana; Nov. 5, at Appalachian; Nov. 12, William and Mary in Oyster Bowl (Norfolk).



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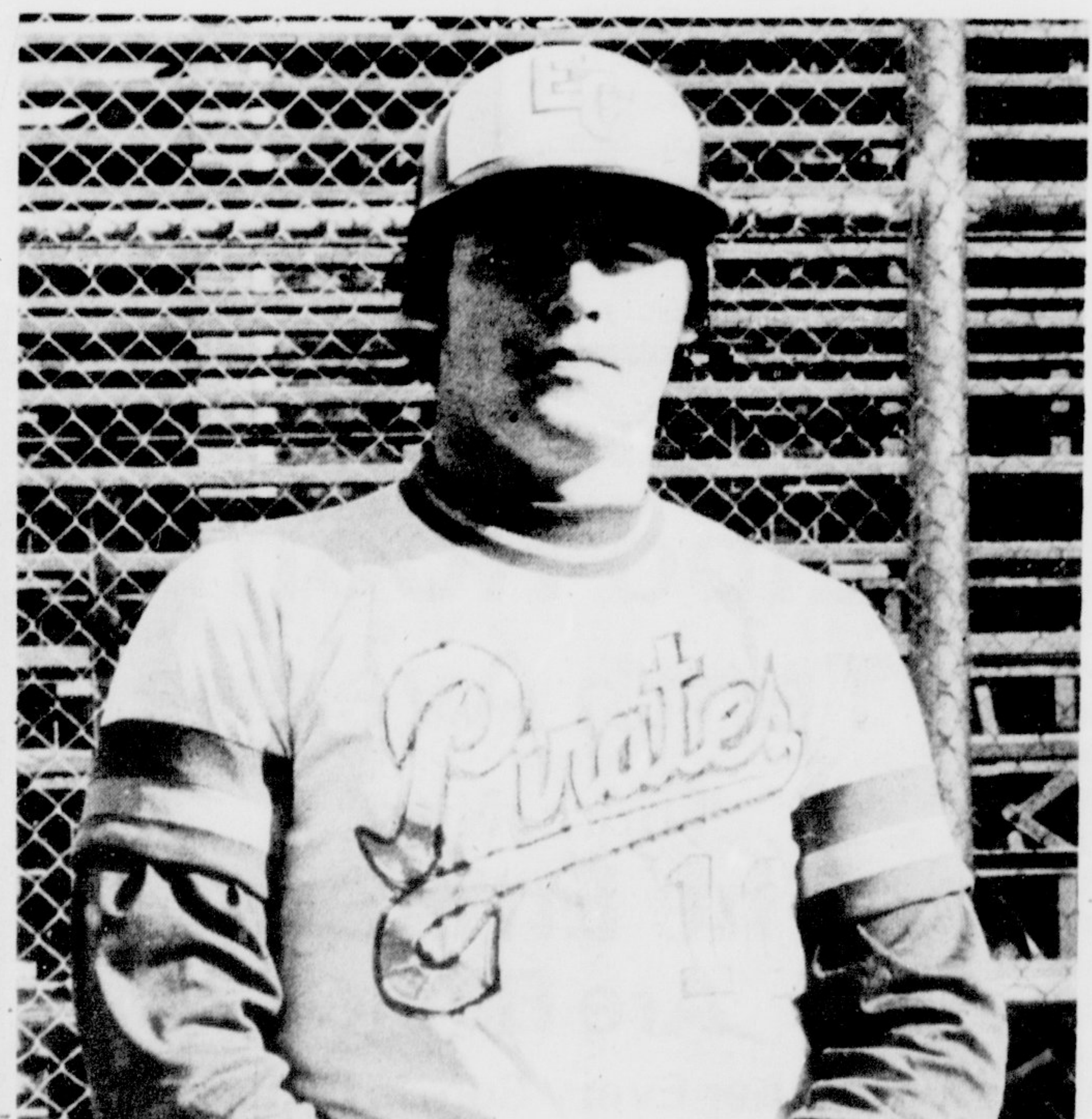
Pirates begin summer loop with two wins and one loss

By CHRIS HOLLOWAN
Staff Writer

East Carolina started its first week of summer league baseball action off on a winning note by going two and one for the week. The 2-1 record included an opening win over UNC 4-2 and in a Saturday night slugfest the Pirates defeated Campbell College 16 to 9. In the only loss of the week Atlantic Christian squeaked by ECU 7 to 6.

In the Carolina game played on June 7, UNC scored its only two runs of the game in the sixth inning. Phil Griffith singled and Mike Fox singled him to third base. Then Fox took second base on a throw in. It was here that Brad Lloyd singled in both Griffith and Fox for the Tar Heels. For ECU, there was 1 run in the sixth as Eddie Gates tripled and Bobby Supel singled him in.

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Wooten signs with Kansas City Royals

Sonny Wooten, star first baseman on the ECU Southern Conference championship baseball team, has signed a contract to play professional baseball with the Kansas City Royals, it was announced today.

Wooten, a native of Rocky

Mount, N.C., signed as a free agent. He will report on Monday, June 20, to the Royals Rookie League club at Sarasota, Florida. The team is managed by Billy Scripture.

Wooten was the leading hitter on this year's Pirate baseball

team, batting at a .366 clip. He led the team in RBI's, with 39, which set a new East Carolina record. He also led the team and the Southern Conference in doubles with 14, another school record. He was named to the all-Southern Conference team,

and was named to the Greensboro Daily News all-state team. He compiled a two year total of 120 total bases, with 56 RBI's and a .313 average. He originally came to East Carolina as a transfer from Louisburg Junior College.

"I'm really excited about this and that has turned out to be the case. However, I was really pleased with Bill Sword's showing at Campbell. He did a good job in relief. Our offense and defense has been good, too. I can't complain about that. If we can get some good performances from some of our other pitchers, we'll be right in the thick of things."

opportunity to play for this organization," Wooten commented. "Ever since I was a little kid, I've dreamed of becoming a professional baseball player. It's something I've always wanted to do. I'm going to go down there and do the best I can, and it's going to be a real challenge."

The 6-2, 205 first baseman gave credit to his coaches, Monte Little, Hal Baird and Tony Guzzo for the chance to play pro ball.

"They were the ones who did it for me," noted Wooten. "Those coaches were behind me all the way. They have been super all year, and they really helped me out a lot."

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BASEBALL

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The Pirates' next scoring came in the ninth as Eddie Gates singled and Bobby Supel walked with two outs. Then in a game winning move, Raymie Styons blasted a home run over the left

field fence to win the victory for East Carolina.

The winning pitcher was Mickey Britt, who took up where he had left off during the spring. Britt gave up only two hits until the sixth inning.

Last Thursday East Carolina took its first summer league loss

of the season by falling to Atlantic Christian 7-6. The reason for this loss could be told by the fact that the scoring in the first inning by scoring 3 runs. Later the Bulldogs added runs in the fifth and sixth to get the winning total.

For the Pirates there were runs scored in the fifth, seventh, eighth, and two in the ninth as the Pirate rally fell short. The winning pitcher was Jimmy Collier and the loser was Billy Davis.

In the game played between Campbell and East Carolina Saturday night, offense was the name of the game from the very start. ECU started things off right by scoring five runs in the inning. They later added one in the second, one in the third, four in the fifth, and five in the eighth for a total of 16.

Campbell scored six runs in the 1st inning and three in the seventh. Leading hitters in the game were Tommy Warrick, 3 for 5, and 3 RBI's; Macon Moye 3 for 6, 2 doubles and 2 RBI's; Robert Brinkley 3 for 6, 1 double; Raymie Styons, 2 for 4, 1 home run, 4 RBI's, Bobby Supel, 2 for 4, 1 home run, a double and 3 RBI's.

Summer league head coach Hal Baird says he is not surprised at the performance of the Pirates to date. "It has been about what I expected. Our pitching was a question mark after Mickey Britt,

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EDWARDS, CROSBY LEAVE

It has also been learned that Tyron Edwards and Louis Crosby, both part-time starters last season, have transferred to Gardner-Webb College, a NAIA power. Reserve guard Billy Dineen is also expected to transfer closer to his home in Westwood, N.J.

Crosby, a 6-3 Shelby native, started two games his freshman season and averaged 7.9 points per game, while starting most of the Pirates' 28 games this past season, finishing with a 7.2 average and 66 assists, second best on the team.

Edwards, a 6-11 center, was a star at Northwood High School in Pittsboro, but averaged only 3.2 points for ECU his freshman season and 2.1 last year. He pulled around three rebounds per game each season.

Dineen averaged 3.5 and 3.8 in two seasons with the Pirates after scoring around 25 per game in high school.

Crosby and Edwards are leaving East Carolina because of personal conflicts with Gillman, while Dineen wants to be closer to his ailing mother in New Jersey.

Edwards said he and Gillman do not see "eye to eye on some things," and "he (Gillman) said I did not fit in with his game plan and that some games I might see a lot of action and some games very little."

Crosby said it was a matter of Gillman's "coaching philosophies. He has his own way to do things and he has a right to get the player he wants." Crosby also said he thought it would be "best for me to transfer and let him work things out with his people."

Gillman said both players were in "severe academic trouble" and it might be better for them to transfer and work on their grades until they are eligible at the Boiling Springs school.

Dineen was told by Gillman that he liked his guards to be at least 6-2. "If I leave, that will be part of the reason. He was quite frank and it doesn't look like I'll play a lot. Besides, I feel I need to be closer to home, but I really like East Carolina."

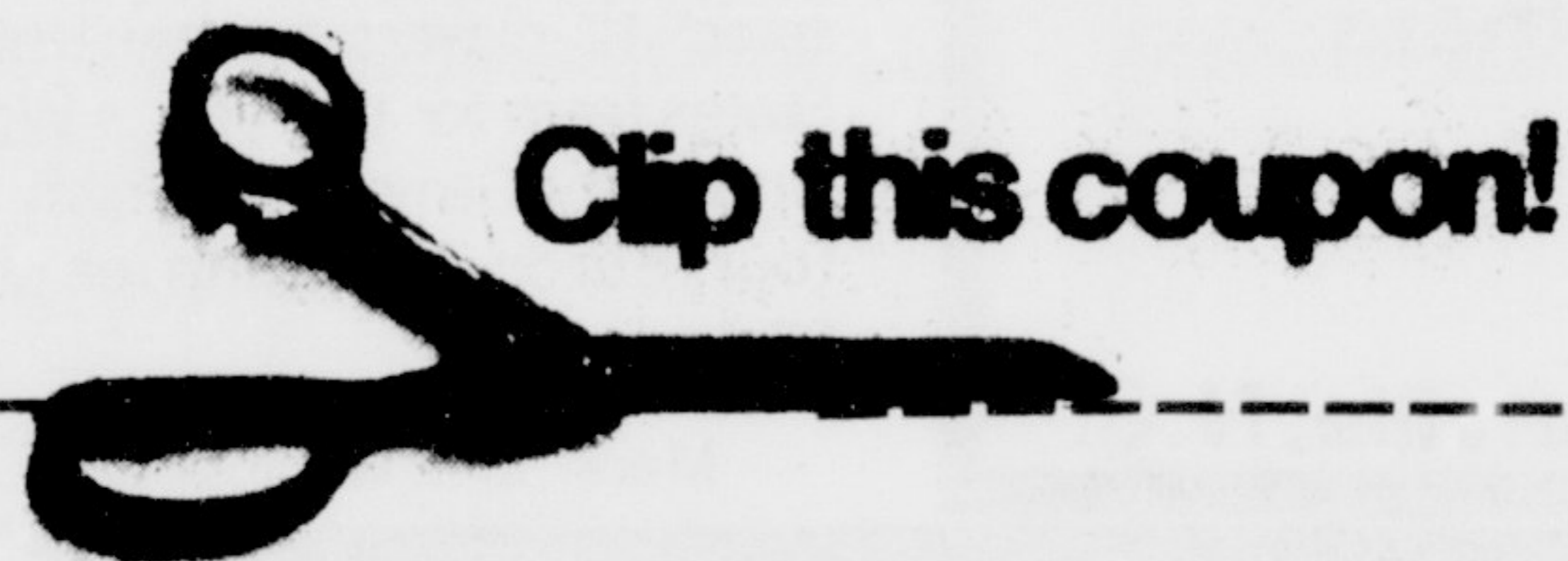
Dineen's mother has been bed-ridden for the past six months and her condition forced Dineen to withdraw from ECU this spring before final examinations.

The gaining of the five recruits and losses of Edwards and Crosby leaves Gillman with six guards, two centers and six

forwards. The guards in addition to Mack, Moseley and Roberts are: sophomore Jim Ramsey, senior Don Whitaker and Dineen. The centers are junior Greg Cornelius and senior Dean Heartley. The forwards other than Carr and Hill are: sophomore Herb Gray, junior Wade Henkel, sophomore Herb Krusen and sophomore Kyle Powers.



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Pirates lose twice in playoffs

By STEVE WHEELER
Sports Editor

Unable to hit with men on base, East Carolina lost the first two games in the Atlantic Regional of the NCAA playoffs. Wake Forest took the Pirates 6-3 in the regional opener while the host Gamecocks eliminated the Pirates 4-1 in the consolation round.

In the game with the Demon

Deacons, the Pirates' Mickey Britt and Wake's Merle Henkel hooked up in a pitcher's duel until the seventh when the Deacon's second baseman Bob Heley cracked a home run just over the outstretched glove of ECU's centerfielder Robert Brinkley.

With both pitchers tiring, the batters started hitting the ball hard. With the bases loaded and one out in the eighth, Wake Forest's Kenny Baker popped up

to rightfielder Eddie Gates. Gates threw to the plate, but the ball was off the mark. First baseman Sonny Wooten cut the ball off and threw a perfect strike to catcher Raymie Styons. Styons had Doug Henley out, but the Demon Deacon runner kicked the ball out of Styons' glove to score.

The Pirates got the run back in the bottom of the inning when Jerry Carraway led the inning off with a walk, took third on Pete

Paradossi's double and came home on a ground out by Gates.

Wake Forest started off the ninth with Heley singling to left and taking second on Charlie Stevens' error. Al Zyskowski then singled him to third, and that was all for the Pirates' Britt. Senior Terry Durham came in on relief, but was tagged with a run-scoring single by Johnny Pacer. With third baseman Steve Hanson at bat, Styons tried to pick Zyskowski off second and the ball ended up in center field, with Zyskowski scoring and Pacer ending up on third.

Hanson struck out, but Henley popped a homer over the short right field fence to give the Deacons a 6-1 lead.

Bobby Supel opened up the Pirate ninth with a towering homer over the left field fence. With two outs and Stevens on first, Carraway singled and Pete Paradossi walked to load the bases. Henley, the Deacons' designated hitter, came on to pitch and walked Best to score Stevens. Gates came on, and hit a one-one pitch to deep right center

field. The crown and both teams thought the ball would clear the short fence, but Wake's Ken Gerrity stuck out his glove at the last minute and the ball right at the wall.

Against South Carolina, the Pirates drew first blood on Sonny Wooten's fourth inning line drive home run to left center. The Gamecocks came right back in the bottom of the frame when Steve King walked and Johnny Henkel homered deep over the left field fence to give South Carolina a one run edge.

Gamecock center fielder Mookie Wilson drove home the other two USC runs with a single in the fifth and a solo homer in the eighth.

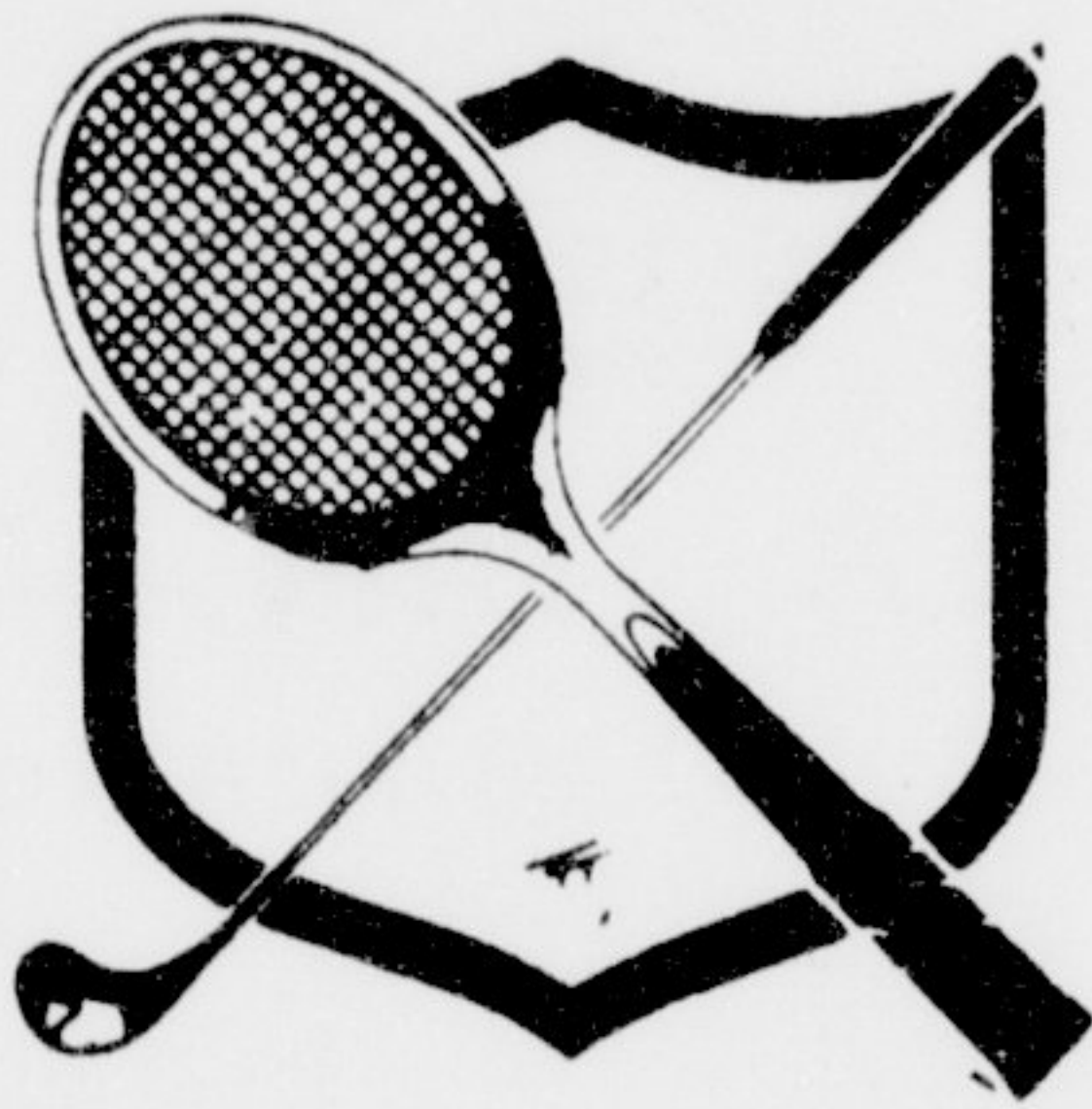
Even though the Pirates lost out in two straight, Coach Monte Little was quick to praise part of the Pirates' game.

"We pitched real well, I thought," Little said. "But, we didn't hit the ball with people on base. Our fielding was good, also. We just couldn't get the men around."

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Mack to go for World Univ. tryouts

Oliver Mack, earlier announced as East Carolina's first basketball signee of the year, has been invited to attend the World University Games Camp in Louisville, Ky., June 12-29.

The purpose of the camp is to select 12 players for the United States team for this year's World University Games. The team will tour European countries July 30-August 25.

Mack is one of only a few

players from throughout the United States to be invited to the camp.

The 6-3, 198-pound guard completed two years at San Jacinto Junior College, being named both years to the Junior College All-Tournament team, something only two other players in the history of the tournament have done.

Mack was also named first team Junior College All-America this season.

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Alston, McIntyre all-Americans

East Carolina had its first two track all-Americans crowned June 4 in Champaign, Ill. when Calvin Alston and Herman McIntyre placed high in their respective events at the NCAA Championships.

Alston finished fifth in the 200 meter dash. He had a time of 20.71 in the finals on the electronic timing system for his best effort ever. Alston said before the nationals that he had two goals, "to place and to beat

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Baird was a pitcher in the Royals organization before joining the ECU coaching staff this year.

"This really made my day," exclaimed ECU mentor Monte Little. "Sonny was probably the heart and soul of our team this year. He was the one we looked to to make us go in the tough situations. I am just as happy as I can be for him. If he goes out and does the job for them like I know he can, Sonny Wooten should have a tremendous future in baseball."

Wooten said that although he was ecstatic about the chance for professional baseball, he was sad to be leaving East Carolina.

"I'm going to miss being around here," he said. "All the people have been good to me, and East Carolina has been a great place to play ball. That is one of the keys to my success, having always played under good people in college."

Harvey Glance, Johnny Jones and Calvin Dill", three Olympians. He did just that. Glance was knocked out in the trials, while Alston beat both Jones and Dill in the finals.

McIntyre finished seventh in his specialty, the triple jump, with a leap of 53-2 1/4. He had jumped 53-9 1/4 in the trials to set a new East Carolina school record. Although only the top six made all-America, McIntyre made it because there were two foreigners ahead of him. He was the fifth best American in the Championships.

Otis Melvin barely missed making all-America in the 200 meters. Melvin had the fifth best time in the competition with his 20.63 clocking in the semi-finals, but missed the finals by .02 of a second when William Snoddy of Oklahoma edged him out for fourth place in the semies. Melvin's time set a new East Carolina school record. Snoddy, incidentally, went on to win the 200 meter championship.

Marvin Rankins finished 17th in the 110-meter high hurdles when he was timed in 14.34.

The Pirates' 400 meter relay team of Alston, Carter Suggs, Larry Austin and Melvin were among the favorites to place, but were disqualified in the trials when Melvin took the baton out of the exchange zone. They were ahead of highly touted Arizona State at the time of the mishap.

In the 1,600 meter relay, the team of Alston, Jay Purdie, Melvin and Suggs ran 3:10.2 to finish 11th in the competition.

"I'm just as happy as I can be for the kids that made all-America," Coach Bill Carson said. "I really wish Otis could have made it to the finals, though. He was running mighty good."

"The relay mistake was kind of disheartening because we would have placed high."

Supel drafted

East Carolina third baseman Bobby Supel was drafted by the Detroit Tigers last week in the 12th round of the annual major league baseball draft.

Supel finished the 1977 season with a .238 batting average and led the team in home runs with six. He set a new school record for walks with 32. Supel went into a slump at mid-season and saw his batting average drop to .219, but gradually came out of the slump to finish at his .238 dip.

After talking with Tiger officials, Supel said he had decided to come back for his senior year at East Carolina and finish his education.



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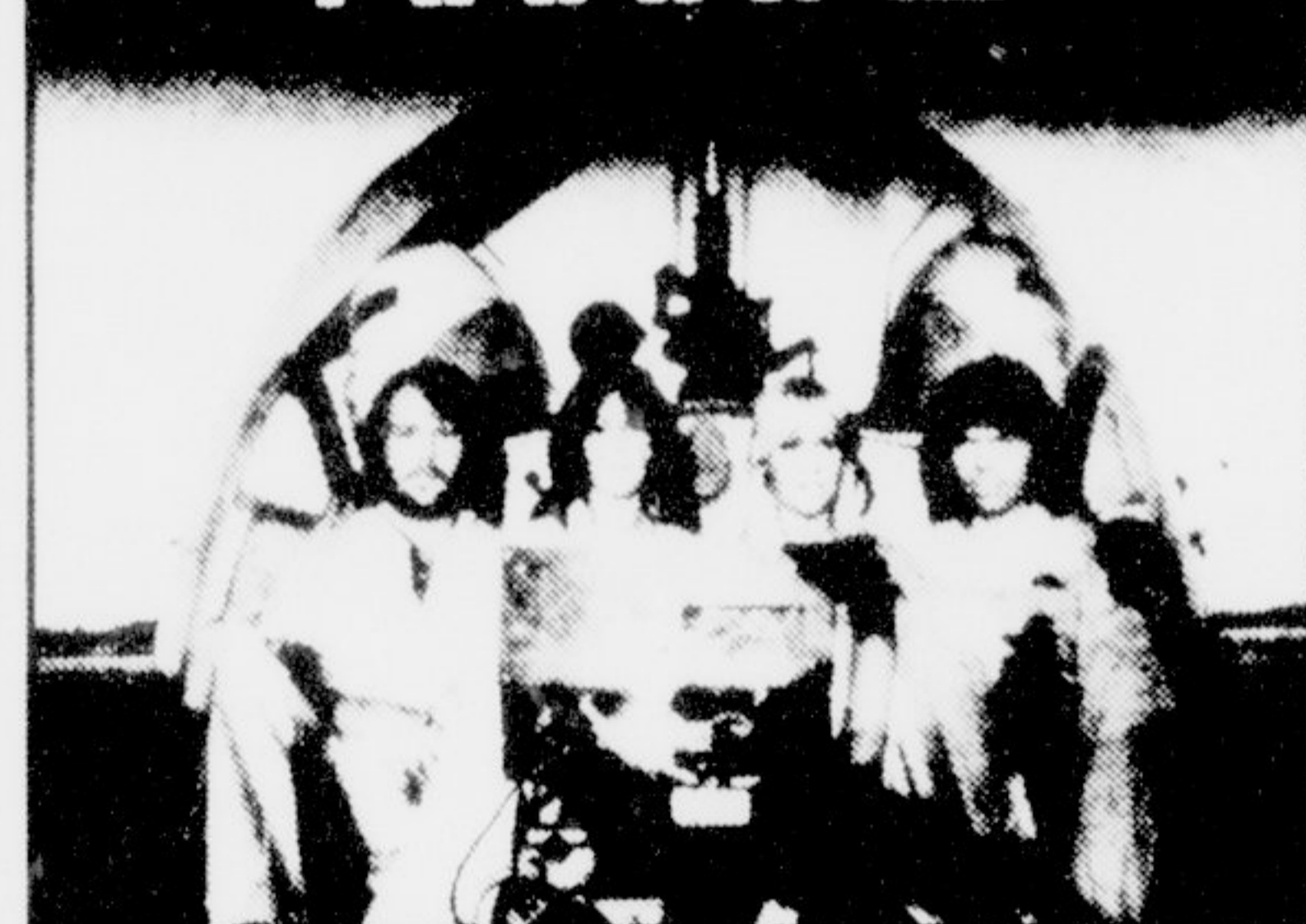
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