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-Thomas Jefferson

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Sullivan's letter to Melvin is leaked

Editor's Note: This story is part of an ongoing investigation by *The East Carolinian*. A three-man investigative team has been at work for the past two weeks, and numerous university trustees and administrators have been interviewed for the story. Before releasing the stories today's story as well as the story of Sept. 25), the team consulted journalism professors here at ECU, one city newspaper editor and the attorney for the North Carolina Press Association.

From STAFF REPORTS

During late July or early August, SGA President Brett Melvin received a letter from former SGA President Tim Sullivan instructing Melvin to spend 10% of the



Incumbent SGA President Brett Melvin

Trustees critical of 'performance'

approximate \$125,000 SGA budget on "propaganda" and to insert the words "students first" on the SGA emblem. Sullivan also referred to his testimony on Melvin's behalf at the trustee trial last May as a "performance."

Xeroxed copies mailed

Four weeks ago a packet was mailed anonymously to various high-ranking administrators, members of the ECU Board of Trustees and *The East Carolinian*.

The packet contained a xeroxed copy of the original handwritten letter from Sullivan to Melvin and a transcribed typewritten copy of the letter. Also enclosed was a letter from the anonymous sender outlining why the Melvin letter was being mass mailed, criticizing Melvin for "collaborating" with Sullivan, for engaging in "deceptive lobbying" of various administrators, and putting on a "performance to deceive the board of trustees."

When questioned by *The East Carolinian*, Melvin had "no comment."

Leak infuriated Melvin

Confidential and reliable sources stated that Melvin was aware of the mass mailing of his letter from Sullivan shortly after it was mailed, and that Col. Dick Blake, assistant to the chancellor, telephoned Melvin upon receiving a copy and turned it over to him.

Melvin, upon learning that his letter from Sullivan had been made public, ordered acting SGA Attorney General Randy Ingram to investigate the copying and distribution of the letter. Ingram was appointed by Melvin shortly after Melvin took office.

One source close to Melvin stated that Melvin was "furious" when he learned that the letter from Sullivan had been leaked.

In his letter to Melvin, Sullivan said, "This letter will precede by about 1 week a packet of stuff I've jotted

down... all of it falls under Ellen's [Ellen Fishburne, SGA secretary of communications] domain — outline of a registration day pamphlet on SGA; a special newsletter on SGA."

The SGA newsletter appeared on Sept. 26, with "Students first" on the Emblem.

In another reference to the "packet" about the SGA newsletter, Sullivan said, "I will just send it to SGA, without a return address so Charlie [Charlie Sherrard, SGA vice-president] won't see it, and you give it to Ellen..."

"No students first..."

The letter also contained instructions for Melvin to put the words "students first" on all SGA stationery and literature. "Students first" was Sullivan's campaign slogan when he ran for SGA president in 1976.

I saw the stationery. No students first, which you should have put on if you were going to change it at all. You need to follow thru on the logo (thru Ellen) by getting a stamp made and put it on all newsletters, posters, etc. It is worth spending up to 10% of SGA's budget on propaganda — or else there will be no SGA to spend the other 90%," said Sullivan.

Trustee Ashley B. Futrell, editor and publisher of *The Washington Daily News*, commented that he did not feel that the expenditure of public money, such as student fees, on propaganda purposes was a legitimate expense.

"...something unwholesome."

I'm opposed to using public money for propaganda," said Futrell. "It is not a standard practice and it is my opinion that it is illegal."

Futrell said that he viewed Sullivan's letter to Melvin as a blueprint for something unwholesome.

Both Futrell and Trustee William Stanley, a Rocky Mount attorney, were "greatly disturbed" with one

paragraph of the letter in which Sullivan referred to his testimony before the trustees at Melvin's trial last Spring as a "performance."

Stanley said that there was definitely some testimony from Sullivan that disturbed the trustees.

If there were some shenanigans involved, then that troubles me, it troubles me greatly," said Stanley.

The inference was that there was a charade. If there was a calculated attempt to make a farce of the hearing, then I resent that."

With reference to Sullivan's testimony and admitted "performance", Futrell said, "It was difficult to separate the truth from the untruths."

I had a tendency to look on Sullivan's testimony with caution," said Futrell.



Former SGA President Tim Sullivan

Two women seek office

By DONNA PADGETT
Staff Writer

A 30-year-old grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Savage, thinks she'll "make the best man" for the office of mayor. The first woman ever elected to city council, 55-year-old Mildred McGrath, hopes to win her fourth election — this time as mayor. Greenville is in for an interesting race.

(A man, Don McGlohn, a Pitt County native, who is president of The Hines Agency in Greenville, is also in the mayoral race.)

Mrs. Elizabeth Savage gives the following reasons for her candidacy in the mayoral race, her first try for public office.

"I'm old and experienced. I know Greenville. I've been here longer than any of them [the other mayoral candidates]. I've got the time and energy."

A vigorously talkative woman, Mrs. Savage demonstrated some of the energy which must have been behind her many years as an elementary school teacher.

Graduating from East Carolina Teachers' Training School in 1918, Mrs. Savage became a teacher and principal at the old Evans Street School and was the first principal at Wahl-Coates School when it opened in 1928.

Mrs. Savage said she gave up being principal because of the hours, the responsibilities and reports. Most of the time, she taught third grade, and she spoke of 38 years in the same classroom.

Mrs. Savage received a bachelor's degree in elementary education in 1921 and a master's in psychology in 1933; in both cases, she was in the first classes to receive the respective degrees from what is now East Carolina University.

"I'm right behind the university all the way in every way," Mrs. Savage said, characterizing it as "the biggest industry Greenville has."

She said that the university has "taken over that side of town," and mentioned crime and parking as two problems created by the university.

In regard to the area around the university, she said that she would like to see "people who live there have their own parking places," and said that there is a need to "find more spaces or limit" student parking. She suggested two- and three-level parking decks on campus as a possible solution.

Mrs. Savage told *The East Carolinian* that she lived at the corner of 4th Street and Rotary Avenue for 26 years, from 1923 to 1949, and felt safe walking to campus for classes at night. "Now I wouldn't dare," she commented,



Savage

McGrath

attributing what she perceives as a change in safety "not necessarily to the student population" but to the fact that there are many apartments in the area and few families. "Where the students are, that's where the muggers are most prevalent."

As mayor, Mrs. Savage said she would listen to the people and try to represent everybody.

Among her comments: "Men don't think. They'll pave a beautiful street and six months later dig it up and put in a sewer or a gas line," she explained.

Senior citizens are "forgotten people," but they are still paying taxes and voting. Mrs. Savage specified recreation as a need of the elderly, a need she would like to see provided for by coordination between the city and county. Mrs. Savage is a member of the Pitt County Council on Aging and Pitt County Senior Citizens.

In connection with the needs of children in the area, Mrs. Savage said, "What's best for the children is what we need, not what's economical." Mrs. Savage feels the possibility of a merger between city and county schools needs to be studied. Mrs. Savage said that she would have students, especially those in elementary school, go to schools closest to their homes.

Having worked with mentally retarded children in the city schools, Mrs. Savage felt she "learned from them," and that they are "responsive, appreciative, have a lot to offer...they're wonderful." Although Mrs. Savage believes the retarded can fit into society, she said she did not think they could "ever be really self-supporting or self-sufficient" and felt they should not be "allowed to produce other children."

Mrs. Savage is president of the Greenville Womens Club and a member of the Pitt County Humane Society. She has been president of the Salvation Army Auxiliary, and was on the board of the Greenville Boys Club when it was first organized. She is a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mildred McGrath, an educational administrator who feels she "identifies" with the university more than most persons her age, is running for mayor after eight years on the city council.

See MAYOR'S RACE, page 3

Preliminary tally only

SGA election results

The preliminary results of the SGA elections were released at 8 a.m. Thursday morning. Voter turnout was estimated to have been about the same as in the last election or possibly a little higher.

Freshmen seemed to be the most interested in the elections with an estimated turnout of 375 students. White Dormitory seemed to have the lowest turnout, with only 19 votes being cast for their representative.

These are not the final tallies, but only the preliminaries.

Several people were elected to multiple offices, and it is unknown at this time which positions they will accept.

Class Officers

Freshman President	Junior Class President
10 William Waters	63 Debra Zumbach
271 Eric Henderson	33 Al Patrick
01 Lysha Claire Thomas	79 Cheryl Boehm
33 Scott Dedrick	
Freshman Vice-President	Junior Vice-President
251 John Quinn	133 Carlton Williams
	75 Libby Lefler
Sophomore President	Senior Class President
67 Daniel Brown	119 Graham Settle
100 Kirk Little	16 Doug White
11 Bill Hilliard	
Sophomore Vice-President	Senior Class Vice-President
66 Howard Brown	33 Michael Gibson
163 Peggy Davison	122 Pat Quinn
	Graduate Class President
	16 Nicky Francis

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219 Donna Ross	220 Cheryl Boehm
257 Regina Lynn Patterson	225 Judy Allen
231 Carlton Williams	271 Mike Adkins
229 Bill Hilliard	227 Marianne Edwards
277 B B Ingram	221 John Gibbs
259 Debi Gooder	206 Sarah Simpson
214 Greg Seawell	241 Lynn Bell
202 Brett Henselbecker	251 Jeff Triplett
262 Mark Zumbach	214 Catherine Vollmer
262 Hope MacMillan	198 Larry Zicherman
202 Doug White	217 Leanne Teague
260 Pat Quinn	255 Lisa A. Bateman
208 Peggy Davison	240 Roger Kammerer
298 Kim Doby	

Dorm Legislators

Cotton Dorm	Scott Dorm
29 Lyda Claire Thomas	36 William E. Seabolt
25 Santa Choplin	16 Russell Overman
Say Dorm	Beck Dorm
27 Nancy Collins	26 Howard Brown
7 Sam Mann	37 Al Patrick
	36 Sam Bernstein
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10 John Quinn	22 Bea Albright
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21 Jacky Boys	31 Cheryl Felbinger
39 Linda Bishop	15 Lili Johnson
Fletcher Dorm	White Dorm
13 Susan Marshall	9 Barbara Ellstrom
12 Judy Hunt	9 Lesslie Wynn
37 Jill Bateman	1 Alreda Wright

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VMI vs. ECU this weekend, see sports page 7

Gene Cotton plays to a disappointing crowd, see Features page 10

Want a little 'Spice' in your life? see page 11

Correction

In the headline on the article concerning the UNCW student body president, Francis DeLuca, it stated that DeLuca had been impeached. However, impeachment occurs only after a person has been removed from office, which DeLuca had not been. We

regret the error.

Also, in an article which was released by the News Bureau, it was stated that Wet Willie would be appearing as part of the Homecoming festivities. Wet Willie will not be appearing. A replacement will be named later.

People, places, and ...

angels

Angel Flight, a service organization sponsored by the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Program (AFROTC), is holding rush from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Oct. 1, 2, and 4. Munchies will be served the first two nights and dinner will be served the last night.

Along with the service aspect of the organization is a social side of fun. Everyone is invited to come find out about both sides. Come find out who we are!

crafts

Crafts workshops are now available at the Crafts Center in Mendenhall. Beginning on Monday, Macramé, Pottery, Stained Glass, Quilting, Wood Design, Floor Loom Weaving, Beginning Jewelry, Bookbinding, Christmas Cards, and Christmas Patchwork are the workshops which are available.

For all full-time students, student dependents, and their dependents who are MSC members, are eligible to participate. Everyone must register for workshops at the Crafts Center no later than Sunday, September 29. Hours are 3 p.m. until 10 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 12 Noon until 5 p.m., Saturday.

diet

The Student Dietetic Association will be holding their first meeting of this fall Monday, Oct. 1, at 7:00 in the 121. This meeting is in conjunction with the nutrition department meeting which is mandatory. Refreshments will be served. Please join us.

ert

ERT members interested in joining a First Responders squad please call Lester Nail at 756-0700.

rush

The ladies of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority cordially invite you to Sorority Rush on Monday, Sept. 27 at Mendenhall Room 214, at 7:30 p.m. Dress is prompt.

chess

The ACLA CHESS Tournament, sponsored by Mendenhall will be held Monday, October 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. All incoming students who wish to participate must register at the Bonham Center by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, October 4.

More information, 757-0011, EXT. 239.

nuclear

Concerned about the proliferation of Nuclear power plants and Nuclear weapons? Beginning Thurs., Oct. 4 at 8 p.m., a study group on alternatives to nuclear power and nuclear disarmament will begin. The study will be led by Rev. ... at the Methodist Student Center. Faculty and students who are concerned about these issues are encouraged to come. Call the MSC if you are interested - 756-2030.

greek

A non-credit course in New Testament Greek is being offered by the Wesley Foundation at the Methodist Student Center 501 E. 5th St. Classes will begin on Monday, Oct. 1 and will continue every Monday and Thursday from 7:00 to 9 p.m. for 10 weeks. This is an introductory course and no prior foreign language study is required. The course would be of particular interest to those persons who anticipate attending graduate school in religion, to those who are now involved in teaching Bible classes in churches, and to those who would like to study a classical language to enable further scholarly exploration. A moderate course fee will be charged. If you have a serious interest in learning to read the New Testament in the original language and are prepared to spend some time studying outside of class as well, call 756-2030 and leave your name, or come to class Monday, Oct. 1.

scuba

There will be an important meeting of the Society of Scuba Divers (S.S.D.) Thurs., Sept. 27 at 8 p.m. at the Ledonia S. Wright Afro-American Cultural Center. Pertinent information concerning Homecoming will be discussed.

medieval

The Medieval and Renaissance Studies Seminar (MSM 5000) will be offered Spring Semester 1980, Tues. and Thurs., 9:30-10:15.

The topic is Medieval and Renaissance Life in Three Cities - Florence, Paris and Oxford, an interdisciplinary exploration of the Flow of civilization from about 1200 to about 1600.

For further information see any one of the seminar organizers: Dr. McMillan (Augustine), Dr. Ryan (Philosophy), or Dr. Bassman (Foreign Languages).

the rebel

The Rebel is now accepting high-quality literature submissions. Poetry, essays, plays and interviews, and short stories will be accepted. All work must have name, address, and phone number of writer. Address manuscripts to The Rebel, Mendenhall Student Center, Greenville, N.C. 27834.

parks and recreation

Who? The Greenville Recreation and Parks Department.

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Cost: \$10 per month for one 1st four weeks; \$10 per month for the 2nd four weeks.

cultural center

The Ledonia Wright Afro-American Cultural Center is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Organizations wishing to use the center during evenings and on weekends are to contact the director of services of Mendenhall Student Center.

circle k

The East Carolina Circle K Club meets Tues. nights at 7 p.m. in Mendenhall Student Center (Room 221). Everyone is welcome to come!

lobster

The Second Annual Lobster Fair of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church will be held Sat., Oct. 6th from 10-3 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. There will be fun for all at the fair... pony rides from 10-12, games for children, puppet shows at 11 and 3, hot dogs, frozen foods, country store, bake sale, crafts and live entertainment 10-3.

Lynn Calder, President 756-3914

reminder

We wish to remind all students and faculty that we will not accept any announcements for the People, Places and ... column unless they are typed double-space and turned in before the deadline. No exceptions will be made. The deadlines are 2:00 Friday for the Tuesday edition and 2:00 Tuesday for the Thursday edition. We reserve the right to edit for brevity. We cannot guarantee that everything turned in will appear in the paper, due to space limitations, but we will do our best.

law

The next meeting of the ECU Law Society will be held Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:30 p.m. in Mendenhall Multi-Purpose room. Members will need to be present for a short business meeting at 7:30 with a speaker to follow. The speaker for this meeting will be Charles "Sonny" McLawhorn, Jr., a local attorney in Greenville and the retained student attorney. Mr. McLawhorn will talk about common legal problems that students have and what to do about them. All students are welcome to attend.

Lynn Calder, President 756-3914

yum kippur

If you are interested in dinner and a ride to services to celebrate Yum Kippur on Sunday Evening, Sept. 30 call Mike Freeland 752-9473 or Dr. B. Resnik 756-5640; 757-0232.

sga

Persons wishing to examine platforms of candidates in Wednesday's SGA elections may do so in Mendenhall Room 223.

Screening for the Student Government attorney General, Public Defender and 3 Honor Board Positions will be held on Fri., Sept. 28 at 2:00 p.m. in Mendenhall Room 223. Applications are available in the SGA Office through Thurs. at 5:00 p.m.

history

On Thurs., Sept. 27 at 7:30 p.m., Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society will have its first meeting in the Richard C. Todd Room located in D Wing of Bowster. Featured as guest speaker will be Dr. Anthony Papais who will talk on the significance of Sports in Western Civilization. All members and prospective members are cordially invited to attend.

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City Councilwoman Mildred E. (Millie) McGrath, who has been dealing with growth as a main concern, sees a need to study areas in order to increase the tax base, so that the city will not have to rely on federal funds for projects. As it stands, she said, the city cannot budget five years in advance.

"We have to catch up so that the growth does not outpace the services," Mrs. McGrath said.

Mrs. McGrath feels businesses in the areas to be annexed should be given time — about five years — so they can work out their budgets. Businesses should be involved in the planning of the annexation as well, Mrs. McGrath feels.

As to services in the Greenville area are concerned, Mrs. McGrath called fire, garbage pickup, and police services adequate now. She considers university police as a major security.

"I don't see that crime is worse than it ever was," Mrs. McGrath said.

Mrs. McGrath told *The East Carolinian* that she would welcome the city and university face "mutual challenges" — for example, cooperate in planning transit routes — but to recover the same routes.

Mrs. McGrath worked with the Student Government

association several years ago in connection with a proposed parking deck (for which funds did not become available), and she was instrumental in identifying areas in Greenville for campus parking — the lots at Reade, Gotanche, and 14th Streets. Mrs. McGrath suggested the possibility of a shuttle bus to campus at regular intervals as a solution to the parking problem.

Presently the Chairperson of the Computer Programming Department at Pitt Community College, a department she started, Mrs. McGrath described herself as a "student of management" and "organization-oriented." She sees the mayor's role as that of a leader in policy and someone with whom the public can communicate.

She would like to see a "true" manager-owned form of government in operation in Greenville, with the mayor and council not concerned with hiring and firing, in contrast to previous administrations. "Mayors in the past were self-made men who made decisions in their own businesses."

Mrs. McGrath attributes a change in attitude and the presence of women on boards and commissions to her years on the council. Appointed in 1971, she was "the first female they'd ever had." "Gambal" and "not gun-shy," Mrs. McGrath said that she did her homework well and

therefore could "make a decision and live with it." She cited "openness" and "open-mindedness" as her contributions to the board, and noted that before her election the only women appointed to boards were to those the mayor said had to have them. "A different point of view is brought by women."

Currently, Mrs. McGrath is active in Delta Kappa Gamma, an honorary teaching society, and on the board of trustees of an organization for computer managers. She is a member of the North Carolina Women's Forum, "a good 'ole gal" network, and a charter member of the Holy Trinity United Methodist Church.

Mrs. McGrath received a Bachelor of Science degree from ECU in 1960 and a master's in business from the University of North Carolina in 1963. She is a certified data processor.

Elected to the city council in 1973, Mrs. McGrath was re-elected in 1975 and 1977. She served as mayor pro tem

from 1973 to 1977.

Her city council assignments include: chairperson for the Comprehensive Land Use Planning Committee, member of the Greenville Area Energy Management Commission, Planning and Zoning Codes Review Committee, Mid-East Criminal Justice Policy Board, and council representative to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mrs. McGrath has been council representative to the Greenville City School Board, Pitt Greenville Airport Authority, and the Greenville Port Commission.

Keep Red Cross ready.

Freshman commits suicide

By K. REX WENDE

A 19-year-old freshman at East Carolina University committed suicide Monday, according to police reports. The student, whose name has not been released, was found in a rooming house on Monday morning. He was 40 years old and had been living in the rooming house for several months. The student was reportedly in good health and had no known mental health problems.

The student was a member of the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity.

The student's death is the first suicide at East Carolina University since 1975.



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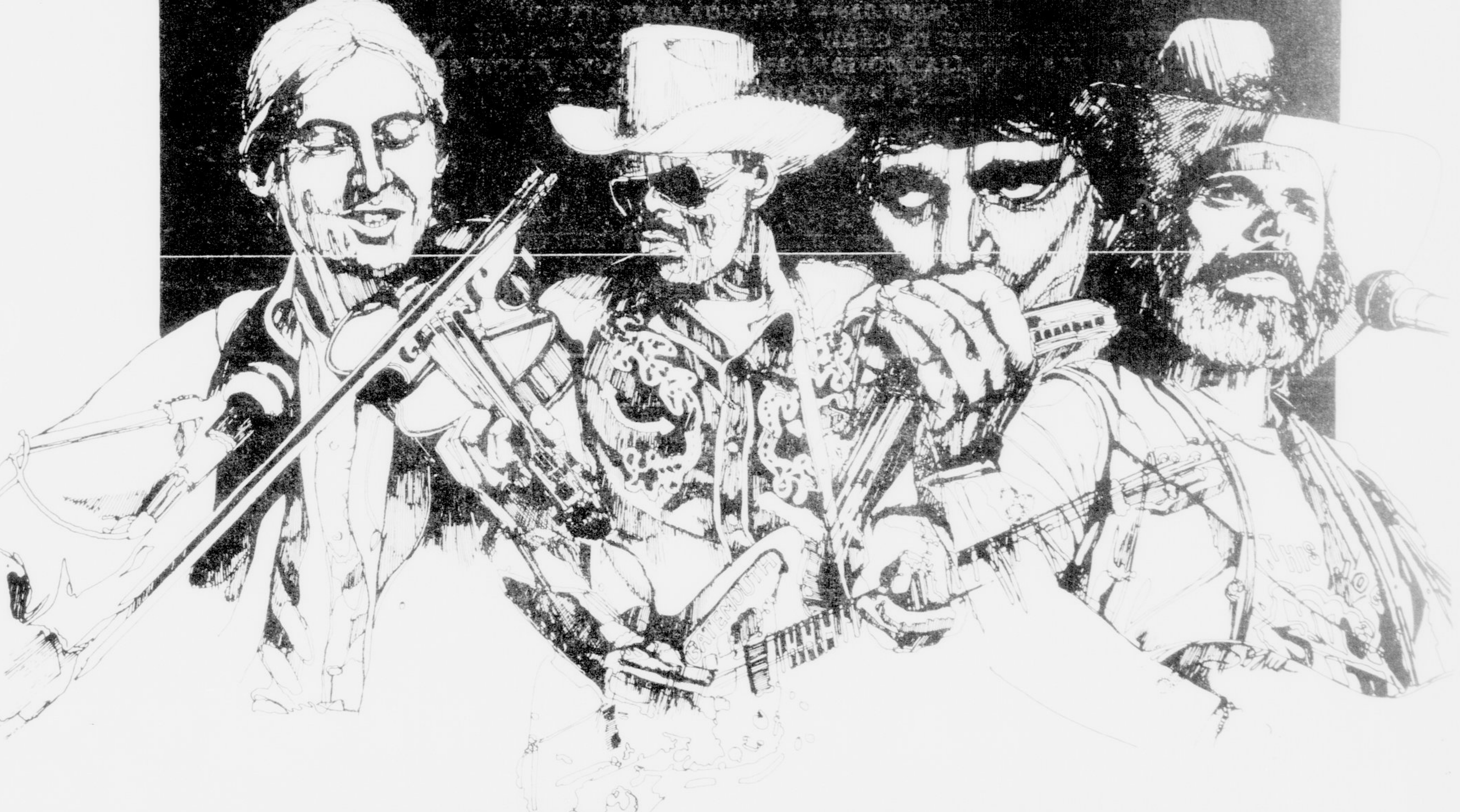
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Editorials & Opinions

Once more, with feeling

Well, here we go again.

Former SGA President Tim Sullivan, and present SGA President Brett Melvin are singing the same tune, only with different words this time.

Melvin, who was prevented from taking office until June 6 this year because of allegations that he was involved with the printing and distribution of the Alternative Press, now finds that his name is being associated with Tim Sullivan once again.

Last go 'round, the Alternative Press was printed and distributed freely on campus. It was pure propaganda attempting to discredit some candidates and promote others.

At a Review Board hearing after the SGA election, Melvin was originally prevented from taking office because the Alternative Press was linked to him. Because of the printing of the Alternative Press, the Review Board held that Melvin had exceeded his campaign expenditure limit. It is a matter of public record that Sullivan was the main force behind the development, printing and editing of the Alternative Press.

This time, the same mode of operation is discussed. The SGA Newsletter, which is called "propaganda" by Sullivan, is an illegal publication on its face, because the Media Board constitution states that all publications on this campus fall under its jurisdiction, except for certain Student Union publications.

It is not the Alternative Press that we are concerned with at the present. The Alternative Press was very effective in what it was designed to do — get students

to vote for its candidate. But people do have the right, as private citizens, to do what they want with their money and time. If they want to distribute a propaganda sheet, it's up to them.

The printing of what has been called a propaganda sheet with student fees is unacceptable. It's one thing to sell your entire Marvel Comics collection — as Sullivan is reported to have done to finance the printing of the Alternative Press — but is altogether different to use student fees for propaganda.

Was there a "performance" before the Board of Trustees? The letter seems to indicate that this was the case. This should disturb each and every student who faithfully lives by the motto, "We will not lie, cheat, or steal, and we will not tolerate those among us who do."

THE EAST CAROLINIAN is certain that there will be those who say this is an example of the "hostile press" on this campus. This is not the case. We are a responsible press, and we feel that the public has a right to know.

Due to the printing and distribution of the SGA Newsletter, the Media Board should publicly denounce the printing of propaganda with student fees, and it should take action against further illegal spending.

The Board of Trustees should launch an investigation of its own to determine whether Tim Sullivan's testimony was a performance. We hope the board will not put this matter on a back burner. The board must take action at the next meeting to clear this up.

JACK ANDERSON

WEEKLY SPECIAL

GAO Estimates Waste, Fraud Cost Us \$11 Billion in '79

By JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON -- Uncle Sam, like a rube gawking at the carnival midway, has had his pockets picked this year for a staggering \$11 billion. That's the official estimate of the number of taxpayer dollars that have been frittered away by waste, fraud and corruption under federal government programs thus far in 1979.

The figure comes from a compilation of reports by the General Accounting Office, the congressional watchdog agency set up to ferret out theft or squandering of money by government agencies.

The \$11 billion rip-off occurred in the first nine months of 1979 and undoubtedly will rise higher before the end of the year. In other words, the bureaucrats have bilked an average per capita of \$1,800 paid by 6,111,111 Americans in annual income taxes.

The GAO investigators found that the government's Medicare and Medicaid programs were swindled out of more than \$4 billion. They reported that careless book-keeping and outright corruption cost the U.S. Treasury \$1.7 billion in the purchase of services and supplies by the General Services Administration. Crooked GSA officials and private businessmen have admitted their guilt and have gotten off with a legal slap on the wrist.

The Agriculture Department recently was found to be dumping still usable expensive office machines and equipment at a suburban Washington trash heap. The department was paying a private firm to haul the desks, typewriters and filing cabinets away. Local resi-

dents and used-equipment operators were finding easy pickings at government expense.

Jimmy Carter came riding into Washington three years ago promising to clean up the town with efficient honest government. But the pilfering and plundering of the people's money goes on at a clip of more than \$1 billion a month.

Brazen Betrayal: While posturing as an elder statesman, Richard Nixon continues his brazen betrayal of the American people who twice elected him president.

In his Watergate cover-up, Nixon lied and connived in an unsuccessful attempt to save his political life. His latest trickery is motivated by sheer money grubbing.

Back in 1973, Nixon was pressed by newsmen as to the source of \$1.5 million he paid for his Pacific estate at San Clemente -- the Western White House where he took his leisure in surf and sun. He squirmed out from the heat when a White House spokesman proclaimed that Nixon intended to bequeath the property to the American people for public use.

On grounds of Secret Service security, he appropriated \$702,000 for the upkeep of the estate and such fancy trimmings as redwood fences around the swimming pool. Upon his exile in disgrace from the White House, the once poor boy from Whittier, Calif., took refuge at the baronial retreat with the services of aides and guards paid for by the government.

Earlier this year, the ex-president reneged on his promise to bestow the property on the public. He quietly sold the San Clemente estate for an undisclosed

amount to private buyers at presumably a hefty land-boom profit and is now preparing to move into a purchased luxury apartment in Manhattan.

We've learned that his broken promise might land Nixon in court. Justice Department attorneys are studying whether the 1973 White House announcement is legally binding. If they find grounds, they may haul him into court on a civil suit, demanding that the ex-president keep his word.

So far, Nixon has escaped being called to book under oath in a court of law because of the hasty pardon granted him by his hand-picked successor, Gerald Ford. And a Justice Department source cautions that Nixon may still evade any legal consequences for his latest deception because there seem to be no laws on the books to cover his San Clemente caper.

Florida Laundromats: The federal Drug Enforcement Administration has come up with convincing evidence that international narcotics rings are using Florida banks as laundromats for their ill-gotten gains.

A secret agency report discloses that hard green cash in \$20, \$50 and \$100 bills are flowing into banks in the Miami and Jacksonville area and most of the deposits are coming from Colombia, the Central American source spot for illicit drugs being smuggled into the United States.

For instance, the federal reserve branches in the two Florida cities last year accumulated \$3.2 billion more in cash than they paid out. The Miami branch doubled its cash deposits in three years. Fifteen percent of those

cash-on-the-barrelhead deposits originated from the Central Bank of Colombia.

The Treasury Department won't venture an explanation of this curious development but the DEA internal document does.

"A sophisticated international banking system has evolved in southern Florida to facilitate marijuana and cocaine drug traffic from Colombia to the United States," it charges.

"The banks in Miami are being used effectively by traffickers to facilitate the movement of illicit drug profits, domestically and internationally."

The banks themselves aren't in the business of not accepting money but the federal government might well consider freezing some of the more suspicious bank accounts of known drug peddlers.

Bless Us: Pope John Paul II will chat with President Carter during an informal call at the White House during his Washington visit next month but there'll be no state dinner for the pontiff. The official explanation is that the pope is coming to the United States as a private citizen rather than as head of state. But some White House aides confidentially disclose that Carter is on an economy kick and doesn't want to spend the money.

We've also learned that the pope would have preferred to have paid his U.S. visit in 1980 but feared that he might become involved in American presidential politics between the Baptist Carter and the Roman Catholic Ted Kennedy.

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Where does the ECU newspaper come from

You just walk up to the rack and there is the ECU newspaper. But how many people wonder how this phenomenon occurs, who writes the stories and where the money comes from? Not many.

Over sixty people, most of them students, work all week long to produce two papers each week. While that might seem like a lot of manpower for only 24 to 36 pages, just remember that these people are students. They have homework, tests to study for and personal lives to deal with as well as working on a newspaper.

The highest paid employee on our staff, the editor, gets about \$44 weekly, but considering the time involved, he makes less than one dollar per hour. We are still setting type on a twelve-year-old machine that was obsolete 11 years ago.

Fortunately the Media Board agreed that we needed some improvements, and our office was remodeled and \$30,000 in new typesetting equipment is on the way. These improvements will help to reduce the workload and allow us to concentrate on writing.

Each Tuesday night THE EAST CAROLINIAN staff has board meetings in which previous editions are critiqued by journalism professors for style and make-up. (Content of future articles is not discussed.) These sessions are a first for East Carolina papers. THE EAST CAROLINIAN is the only student member

of the North Carolina Press Association, another first.

One problem on the minds of newspaper publishers around the country is the shortage of newsprint, and it has greatly affected THE EAST CAROLINIAN. Our paper has been printed by three different companies this year: the first two issues by Wilson Daily News; the next three by Parker Brothers Publishing Co.; and the rest by Mount Olive Tribune.

Mount Olive has agreed to print THE EAST CAROLINIAN for the remainder of the 1979-80 school year, but the layout sheets are different. This has caused some problems with typesetting and layout. Also, Mount Olive can only print for us at a certain time, which happens to be later than we would like. Therefore, each edition comes out later in the day on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We can always use talented reporters, but many of them cannot seem to find the time to work for us. We also need students to call us with ideas or tips for photos and stories. Letters to the editor are welcomed on almost any viewpoint concerning the East Carolina community.

We need your help to serve you better, so let us know how you feel. Call, write or stop by. Somebody is always here working for you.

Richard Green, Managing Editor

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Meal plan examined

By BRENDA VINSON
Staff Writer

The meal plan offered at ECU has not been a popular one for students. Of an estimated 12,000 students enrolled at ECU, only 670 subscribe to the plan. Student participation, however, is higher this year than last year.

Servomation, a \$450 million food service corporation, provides the meal plan at ECU. Three complete meals a day are served in Jones Cafeteria; a fast food dining service is offered in the cafeteria at Mendenhall Student Center, and the Galley in Jones Dormitory is primarily a sandwich shop. A meal ticket is transferable in each of these locations. Servomation is also responsible for meals for the athletic dining hall.

Servomation Corporation has three different meal schedules. A 10-meal per week schedule costs \$175 a semester, for the 15-meal plan, \$600 a semester and for the 21-meal plan, \$675 a semester. The cost of each

plan has gone up \$40, \$50, and \$50, respectively, since last year.

Some students complain the food service at ECU is too expensive. Others who prefer a complete meal like those served at Jones say it is too far to walk. A common complaint of students who purchase the plan concerns the allocation amount limit. If a student misses a meal or if the price of a meal does not amount to the price allocated for that meal, he is not reimbursed.

Despite complaints, 75 more students purchased the meal plan this year than last year. Perhaps a reason for this is that the meal plan has undergone some changes this year. Unlike last year, any meal ticket can be used any day of the week. Last year the 10- and 15-meal programs were limited to weekdays. Another change is that, in addition to being a sandwich shop, the Galley is being made into a convenience store. Items will be sold that might be useful to students who cook in their rooms.

Inflation has been cited as

one reason to purchase a meal ticket. Rising food prices may prompt students to participate in the meal plan. Another reason may be that the student is guaranteed a well-balanced meal every day unless he is unable to go to either of the three dining facilities.

Food Service Manager Ira Simon says that Servomation Corporation gets a lot of compliments as well as complaints. Simon believes they always try their best to please the students.

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Eastern N.C. drug use increasing

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Cocaine is often found as the "rich man's drug," typically costing about \$100 a gram.

People are not only spending more money on cocaine these days, they are also spending more money specifically on cocaine, said Wesley Adams, director of the drug counseling service at the University of Chapel Hill.

Adams is reported to have been supplied with cocaine by a local cocaine distributor through his association with the Duke University sports bar.

As with a definite increase in cocaine in Western North Carolina, the amount of Young's cocaine usage at the University of the South has also increased.

In the past 12 months, more than 100 pounds of cocaine have been found at the University of the South. Young said, "I hope the cocaine will continue to grow at this rate."

Young said a North Carolina University drug problem and cocaine consumption is a serious problem, especially in the Triangle area.

Young said a real problem is that the cocaine is being used by students who are not even taking classes.

What is the drug's appeal?

"It makes you feel powerful, it creates a feeling of euphoria," said Worth Bolton, coordinator of the New Hanover Drug Abuse Committee. "There are probably a lot of people who use it more often if they could afford it."

Because of its price, cocaine remains an elitist drug, he said. "We don't see the hardware unemployed using it. It's accepted blue-collar and white-collar workers who use it."

Preregistration procedures changing

By K. REX WENDT
News Editor

The preregistration system will be changed for Fall registration in order to update the system, according to a spokesman for the Registrar's Office.

The new system, using a computer called an Optical Mark Reader, should make it easier for the students to complete their preregistration.

In the past, computer cards were given to the students to represent each of the different courses selected at the university.

With this system, the students will enter their course schedule onto one computer print-out sheet, which will be fed into the computer to determine their final schedule.

In the past the cards were done primarily by hand, which is time consuming. With the new system, only petitions for course conflicts and art and nursing majors' schedules will be filed by hand.

Though the machine was introduced on January 1, 1978, it has only been available for use by University employees who can use the "scan" system. Some

instructors had been using it to grade certain tests and exams.

It had not been used for Spring or Fall registration, because there was no registration program available.

The cards will be filled out on standard computer tape. The major difference will be that courses numbers will now be listed with a code number for the department in front of them.

Books will be filled in according to the normal procedure, using a No. two

pencil, and making sure there are no stray marks.

One problem will be that the new forms cannot be added in any way or the computer will not accept them. In the past the cards could be added slightly or torn, and would still be accepted.

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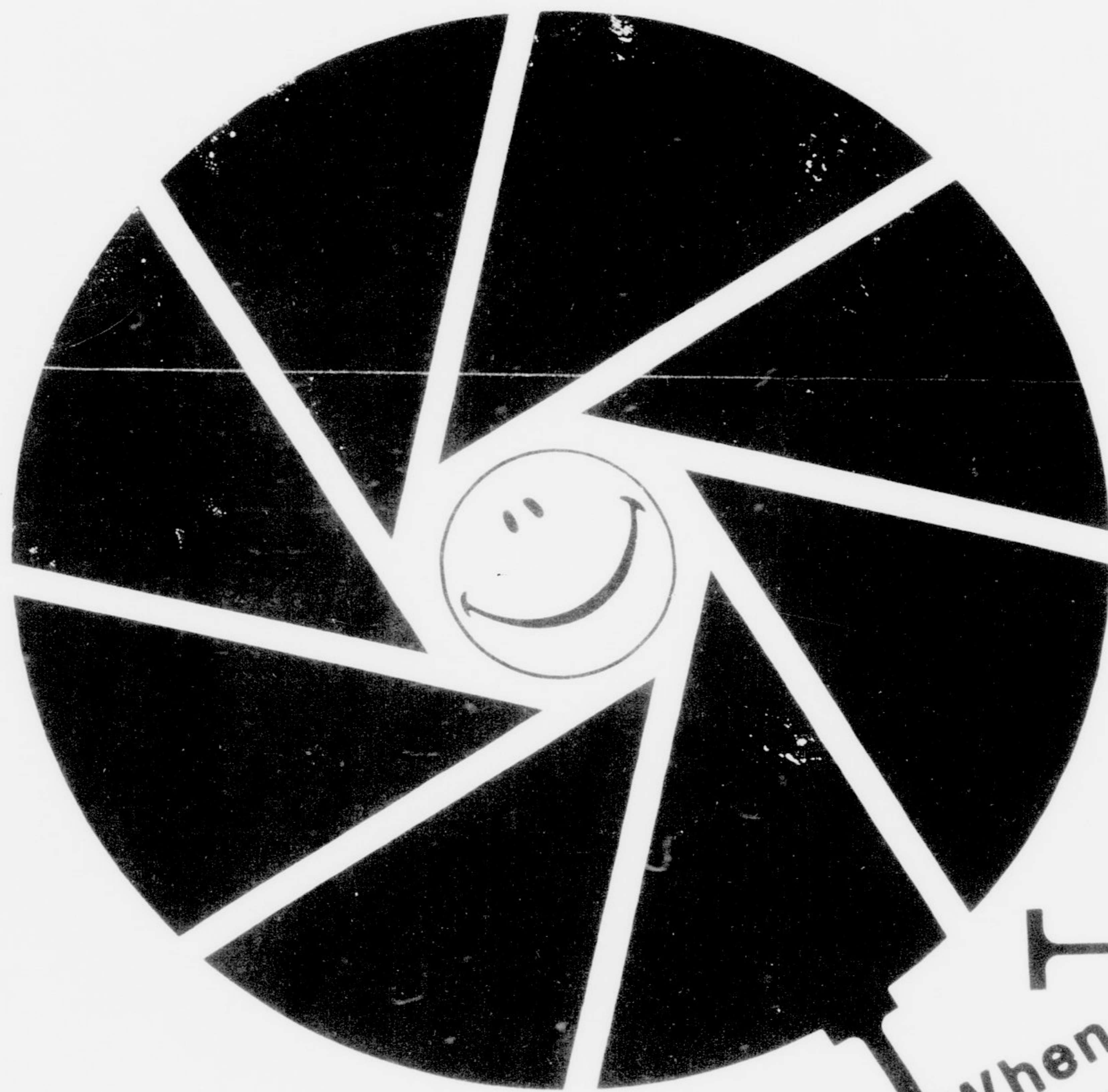
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Face tough VMI next

Pirates looking for rebound

By CHARLES CHANDLER
Sports Editor

A look at the past few seasons could give excellent insight into what Saturday night's football game featuring East Carolina and VMI will be like.

For the past three years the Pirates and Keydets have had tough, defensive struggles that went down to the wire.

In 1976, the Pirates went to Lexington, Va. and came away with a 17-3 victory. "But," said ECU head coach Pat Dye at his weekly Wednesday press luncheon, "we had to struggle, struggle, and struggle before we finally beat them."

The following year the Pirates won in a game played at Ficklen Stadium 14-13. "They outplayed us from start to finish, though," said Dye.

Last season the Pirates went back up to Lexington and won once again, by a score of 19-6. The score was only 12-6 until Pirate halfback Sam Harrell scored with less than a minute remaining in the contest. In reality, the Keydets were in it from start to finish.

"VMI always seems to play us tough," said Pirate assistant coach Henry Trevathan. "They're all aggressive and tough players. That team is always well-coached."

With VMI sporting a strong defense, having given up only one touchdown in three games, the Pirates must be sharp offensively come Saturday.

This is one area that Dye has lots of confidence in. "Our offense is becoming, or may already be, the best offensive football East Carolina has ever had," proclaimed Dye. "We're averaging 377 yards a game now. I don't know if we've ever done that before. We plan on increasing that number even more."

Dye feels that the impressive offensive statistics, which



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Pat Dye

put the Pirates second in total offense among the 13 Southern Independent teams, have come against tough competition. "I feel like we've played three good defensive football teams and not one of them stopped us."

Dye is especially happy with the play of quarterback Leander Green. "Leander has not played a bad game yet," said the sixth-year Pirate mentor. "In fact, he's had a great season. The only times that he has looked bad have been when we were two touchdowns down and the defense

was zeroing in on him. When we dictate whether we run or throw, he's very effective."

Dye said that the entire offense was executing well. He cited each and every member of the unit, mentioning that the team was "together."

Though he is happy with the offense, Dye let it be known that the Pirate defense, a big question mark all season, was still concerning him. "But," he said, "the guys are trying hard and it's just a matter of time before things work out."

The defensive problems are evident in the Pirate stats. Last season the team forced an average of four opponent turnovers. This season the number is down to only one.

The problems go back to the North Carolina State game (a 31-20 Pirate loss), said Dye. "There was just a lot of chaos and confusion between the coaches and players there."

Dye knows with a tough VMI team upcoming Saturday and ACC power North Carolina a month down the road, the Pirates must improve defensively.

"There's a great opportunity for us to improve," said Dye, "because after VMI we have an open date, a homecoming and then another open date. In a month we could be an entirely different football team defensively; and as it is, if we take the right approach."

But at the moment the Keydets of VMI are on Dye's mind. "We have a few minor injuries," he said, "and against a tough VMI team we will need really good effort from all our players. VMI never lets up."

The Keydets, 2-1, have lost to only Virginia by a score of 19-0. The Pirates have lost three in a row to ACC competition and stand at 1-3 on the season. Gametime Saturday at Ficklen Stadium is 7:00 p.m.

Keydets have revenge in mind

By CHARLES CHANDLER
Sports Editor

When Coach Bob Thalman and his VMI Keydets invade Ficklen Stadium to play the East Carolina Pirates Saturday, revenge will be the name of the game.

It has been five long years since the Keydets defeated the Pirates. That was back in 1974, Coach Pat Dye's first season at ECU, when VMI claimed a 13-3 win. Since then the Pirates have won every game, by 26-12, 17-3, 14-13 and 19-6 scores.

"Our kids are definitely frustrated," said

Thalman. "We've talked about our losses to East Carolina a lot and you can believe that will be on our minds come gametime Saturday. We'd like to get into the 'w' column against ECU for a change."

Thalman believes his club will have as tough a time as ever against the Pirates, despite ECU's 1-3 record. "In my opinion East Carolina has the best 1-3 team in the country," said Thalman. "Again we will have to put everything together to win."

and everything wasn't together for the Keydets last week in their 19-0 loss to Virginia. "We hurt ourselves too many times

last week," said Thalman. "We seemed to give the ball up every time we got our offense in gear."

One thing that really irritated Thalman about the Virginia game was a punt return for a touchdown and a 70-yard plus run from scrimmage for a score by the Cavaliers. "Those plays were very disappointing," said Thalman. "Virginia played well, but those plays probably killed our chances of winning. We can't give up big plays like that against a team like East Carolina."

Thalman knows also that his team must score if they are to beat an East Carolina team whose offense is its strong point. The Keydets have averaged only eight points per game in their three contests. The first two were victories over William and Mary 7-3 and Richmond 17-7.

"We can score, I know that," quipped Thalman. "We moved the ball well on the ground against Richmond. I think we controlled the football about 40 minutes in that game."

The Keydet ground attack is a balanced one, as three runners have gained 115 yards or more and none have as many as 200. Sophomore Floyd Allen leads the group with 17 yards on 56 carries, which averages out to 3.0 yards per carry.

Fullback Jeff Washington has 167 yards while fullback Butch Hostetter has tallied 110.

The Keydet passing attack is almost

non-existent. As a team, VMI has passed the ball 10 times and completed 12 for 91 yards, or an average of 7.6 yards in three games, an average of 2.5 yards passing per contest.

The Keydets are quarterbacked by senior Larry Habetz. Freshman Frank Brown has moved up from the jayvee ranks and is expected to see action also.

The VMI defense has been as tough as nails. It currently ranks 15th in the nation in pass defense, allowing only 73.7 yards through the airways in three games.

The Keydet secondary is anchored by strong safety Mark Bellamy. Bellamy along with nose guard Jeff Morgan are both well respected by the Pirate staff. "Those two could play for almost any team you'll see anywhere," said ECU assistant coach Henry Trevathan.

The Keydet defense has actually allowed only one touchdown all season, the long run against Virginia. The others have come against the special teams.

Thalman noted that he felt his team might not be as talented as East Carolina, but that the Keydets have ways of compensating.

"This team has a lot of character," said Thalman. "We're not the biggest or the fastest or the most talented team you'll see, but we feel this character will get us over the rough spots. The important thing is that this team believes in itself."



Charles Chandler

VMI's Jones among best

SHORTS ON SPORTS:

VMI kicker Craig Jones leads the nation in career field goals with 12. At the start of the current season he ranked tenth in the all-time field goal derby. Texas A&M's Tony Franklin was at the top of the NCAA list with 56. Thus far this season Jones is 3 of 5 in FG attempts. One of the misses, though, was from 63 yards out. Jones' career accuracy is 70% overall and an astonishing 81% from 50 yards and in.

As a team, the ECU Pirates are averaging 4.9 yards each time they rush the football. Halfback Anthony Collins is averaging 7.7 yards per carry while fullback Theodore Sutton averages 7.0. The two have gained 411 and 245 yards, respectively, through four games. Collins' figure ranks him third among Southern Independent runners. The good thing for the Pirates about the statistics of this duo is that both will return next season.

The East Carolina defense has received a great deal of criticism from almost everyone: coaches, the press and fans. Some of this criticism is understandable. Last season the Pirates ranked second nationally in total defense. At this point, the Pirates rank 11th among the 13 Southern Independent teams.

The Pirate offense, on the other hand, has been applauded for their play, and rightly so. East Carolina ranks second among the Southern Independents in total offense and second in rushing offense. In passing offense, the Pirates stand 10th. But, of course, what can be expected of a wishbone team?

On the professional side of the sports world, there are some interesting things taking place. First, last Monday night's televised football game was a real shocker. The Cleveland Browns, now a surprising 4-0, upset the defending National Football Conference Champion Dallas Cowboys 20-7. The Browns completely dominated the game from start to finish. The Cleveland defense frustrated Cowboy quarterback Roger Staubach so much that on a number of occasions "Roger Dodger" displayed a childish-like anger, something very uncommon for the usually calm Staubach. This game further exemplified the fact that the American Football Conference is far superior to the NFC.

In baseball, some storybook seasons are turning into nightmares. Houston's Astros and the Montreal Expos, two usual cellar-dwellers, have led their respective divisions in the National League for most of the year. Both have now been overtaken by two clubs who are annually among the best in the majors, the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Cincinnati Reds. Both the Reds and the Pirates are hot now and appear headed to destroying the dreams of the Cinderella Expos and Astros.

Spurring the Pirates' drive to the top has been old-timer Willie Stargell. Now 38 years old, Stargell is playing as good as ever. Just a few nights ago, he slammed two homers in a crucial game with the Expos to push his season total to 31, among the best in the majors. It has been Stargell, not last season's NL MVP Dave Parker, who has taken Pittsburgh to the top of the NL East Division.



VMI kicker Craig Jones demonstrates his specialty

Getting the ball to flashy Washington key for ECU

By CHARLES CHANDLER
Sports Editor

"He's a tremendous threat at his position. We must take advantage of him more."

East Carolina head football coach Pat Dye is definitely unhappy with the amount of times he has been able to get the ball to star tight end Billy Ray Washington this season, as the above statement exemplifies.

Washington, blessed with super speed and quickness, not to mention great hands, is considered by many to be a good pro prospect. One thing is for sure, he is an excellent college player.

"The only thing wrong with Billy Ray is our not getting the ball to him," said Dye. "But you can be sure that we are doing all we can to work out ways to get it to him. And we will tire to him much more as the season wears on."

Nothing could make Washington more happy. "I love to catch the football," said Washington. "I know I'm helping the team when I do plus it's just a big thrill."

This season has been one of transition for Washington, having been moved from split end last season to tight end this year. The senior from Jacksonville says the move has been a successful one.

"It's been pretty easy," quipped Washington. "I like tight end a lot better too. I feel like I am helping the team in more ways now. Being in tight, I have to block a whole lot more, plus I can sneak out and catch passes."

The great aspect of Washington being at tight end is that there he is not as apt to be double-covered. "When I

played split end, there was usually two men on me. At tight end, the defense can't do that nearly as easy."

This opens up things for Pirate Quarterback Leander Green, who played with Washington in high school. "I can do more things at tight end," said Washington, "and that gives Leander more of a variety of things that he can do."

The Green-to-Washington combination must surely be a nightmarish thing for opposing teams. The two have played together so long that they just seem to look for each other when the time comes for the Pirates to pass.

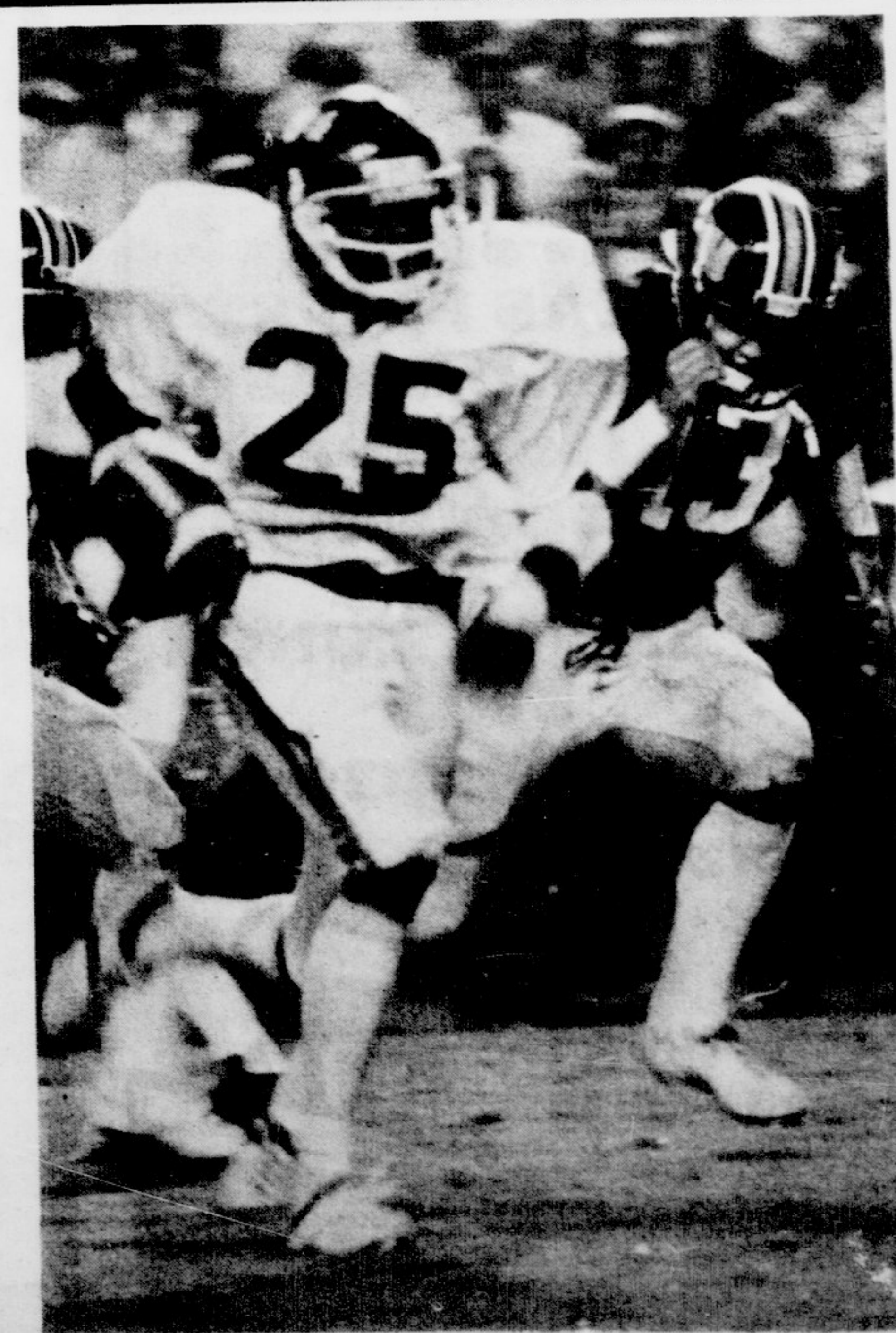
"You can sure tell that they've played together a long time," said Dye with a smile. "It seems like every time that Leander throws the ball, Billy Ray is not too far away."

Washington says he feels that he, Green and the Pirate offense are doing a good job thus far this season despite ECU's 1-3 record. "But," he said, "we can improve a lot. We have made some little mistakes that can kill you. I think they have been mental. When we get our heads completely straight, we'll be right."

Part of getting "completely straight" would mean getting the ball to Washington more, as Dye said he would like to do. All Washington did last season was average 30.3 yards on each of his 17 receptions. This year he has caught seven for an average of 19.9 yards per catch.

If those numbers get much better, Dye will have a lot to smile about.

So will Leander Green.



Washington runs one of his fancy patterns

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Face USC Friday

Surprising Pirate booters are 3-2-1

By CHARLES CHANDLER
Sports Editor



Karpovich

With its 2-1 victory over Davidson Monday afternoon, the East Carolina team improved its record to 3-2-1, the first since 1971 that the Pirate booters have been over the 200 mark.

"I'm very happy with the play of our team right now," said head coach Brad Smith. "I really feel we are an excellent shot at being above 200 this year. To do so we must win some games that everybody else thinks we cannot win."

One of those games Smith was speaking of could be this Friday's 4 p.m. home match with South Carolina, a team loaded with talent and ranked eighth in the South at this point.

"South Carolina is an excellent team," said

Smith. "They have several players who could make it big."

In the win over Davidson, the Pirates' second consecutive victory, the play of Jett Karpovich was most pleasing to Smith. Karpovich scored both goals for the Pirates in that contest.

That's the best game that Karpy has ever played here," said Smith.

His play this season has been a big boost for us, he's the most improved player on the team this year.

"He's playing team ball this year, which is different than in the past. Now he's not afraid to pass off. He's making things happen for us."

Another player that Smith has been extremely pleased with is forward Phil Martin. Martin suffered from a disappointing season last year after being spectacular as a sophomore.

"I've got a lot of

painfully last year, because of the Olympic tryouts," said Smith. "It put a lot of pressure on him. This season he does not have that pressure and is playing much better."

Karpovich and Smith, along with sophomore Brad Wunch, lead the Pirate booters in scoring with four, three and three goals, respectively.

Those three guys have

been the backbone of our team," said Smith.

Concern to Smith is the team's defense. "We're playing pretty well defensively," said Smith, "but we're just very young. We've also had some injuries there that have hurt us."

Most prevalent among those injuries is that of Dennis Elwell, who may be lost for the season.

The Pirates' 3-2-1 record puts them far ahead of last year's pace, when they finished the season at only 3-10-2.

"Right now," said Smith, "we are the only varsity team at this school with a winning record. Now that's a change."

It is a change that Smith hopes will stay stationary.

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Blue Devils down Lady Pirates in opener

By JIMMY DuPREE
Asst. Sports Editor

Lady Pirate field hockey opened the 1979 season with a disappointing 4-2 loss to the Lady Blue Devils of Duke University.

"Duke has a pretty young team, just like we do," said ECU coach Laurie Arrants.

The Lady Bucs trailed

1-0 at the end of the first half of play, with Duke left inner Gloria Butler netting the ball just before the halftime.

Butler's scoring spree continued into the final half, scoring twice before the ECU offensive attack could begin.

"There was a gaping hole in the right side of our defense and Butler just read

it perfectly," explained Arrants. "We changed from a 4-3-3 defensive alignment to a 5-3-2 and that seemed to take the hole out of the defense and gave us more scoring mobility."

"For a young squad, we did real well," Arrants said. "I was worried that we might not score at all in the game. That's been our trouble over the past few

years. We haven't scored at all in the first game of the season."

"I think this year's team is way ahead of last year's after only one game. Butler scored three times within a period of seven minutes, so I know we had some lapses."

The game was not all Duke offense, however. After the Devils pulled

out to a 3-0 margin, East Carolina untracked an offense barrage led by junior left inner Sue Jones.

Jones flicked the ball into the net after the Duke goalie had blocked a weak shot for the Pirates first score of the afternoon.

Minutes later, Jones again pelleted the visitors goal, and the Lady Devils lead was cut to one.

Never surrendering, ECU penetrated Blue Devil territory late in the contest, but a rule infraction for obstruction turned the ball over to Duke.

"Obstruction occurs when a player moves between her opponent and the ball or puts her stick between an opponent's and the ball," explained Arrants. "There is also third-party obstruction where a teammate of the player controlling the ball comes between the ball and a defensive player."

The Pirates were again on the offensive and driving to the Duke goal when time expired in the contest.

"It's definitely a game of momentum," said Arrants.

We tried to cover for each other too much and missed some key assignments. Duke had better teamwork.

We'll be working on receiving the ball better on passes that will help us a great deal on offense."

Arrants singled out Jones for her two goals as the offensive standout for ECU. Defensively, freshman right halfback Dana Salmon and center halfback Devvie Harrison were lauded for shutting down the Division I Blue Devils after the defensive alignment change.

Our new goalie played very well in her first

game," Arrants said of freshman Jane Radford. "She had never even seen a hockey game before she came. Many of the high schools in North Carolina don't have a hockey program."

"It's a very fast, very changing game."

East Carolina must now prepare to host UNC-Chapel Hill next Tuesday. The Tar Heels, ranked 18th nationally, possess a balanced squad with speed and great penetration.

"We'll try to make adjustments and get ready for Carolina. We're a young team, but we did real well."



ECU field hockey action

(Photo by John H. Grogan)

Gamecock player dies

By RONNIE LOVLER
Associated Press Writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — A 20-year-old defensive end on the University of South Carolina football team died Sunday afternoon just before the squad began practice.

Jason Sinclair of Home-wood, Pa., was rushed to a hospital shortly after collapsing in the dressing room about 2:50 p.m., according to Richland County coroner Frank E. Barron III.

He started breathing again and just keeled over and never regained consciousness, Barron said.

The coroner said an autopsy was made to revive the 220-pound defensive lineman, the younger brother of senior middle guard Fred Sinclair Jr.

I understand his brother is on his way to Florida to bury his parents," Barron said.

arrants said now, Carlen said when practice was over. "It's a sad time for me and on everyone concerned."

"It's a sad time for me and everyone involved."

USC coach Jim Carlen

The coroner said an autopsy will be performed at a hospital Wednesday, although he said as far as he could tell Sinclair died "a natural death."

Coach Jim Carlen said members of the team were notified of Sinclair's death before the start of Tuesday's workout. Practice was held Sunday p.m.

I'm not in a very good

mind now, Carlen said when practice was over. "It's a sad time for me and on everyone concerned."

just lost a youngster I loved very much. Carlen was in one closeting himself in his office at the Rex Georgia Athletic Center.

Barron said Sinclair complained of a sore throat while in Knoxville, Tenn., last week.

The coroner said Sinclair had been lifting weights, but he did not know if he had been working out before he died on Tuesday's session.

He came in to get taped, sat down on the table and started breathing heavily," he said.

Sinclair was red-shirted with an arm injury in 1978. The year brochure put out by the university regarded him as a highly regarded prospect who had a "bright future" with the Gamecocks.

Sinclair earned six letters in football, soccer and track at Skaneateles South Dade High School.

His father, Fred Sinclair, plays football and ran track at the University of Mary-

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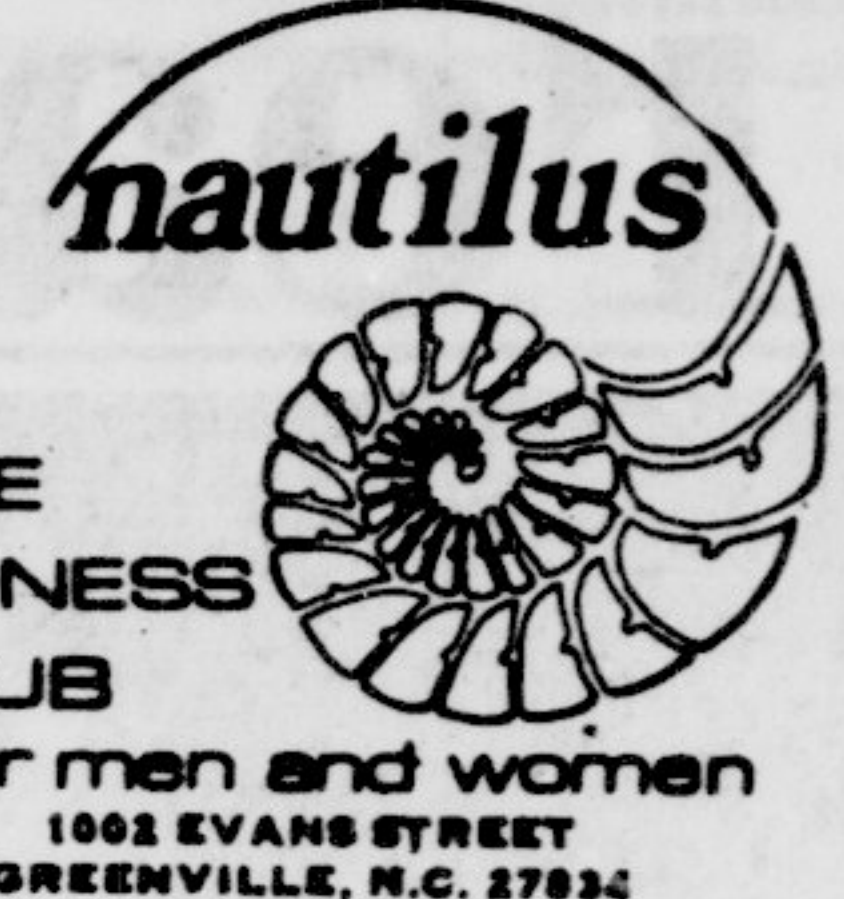


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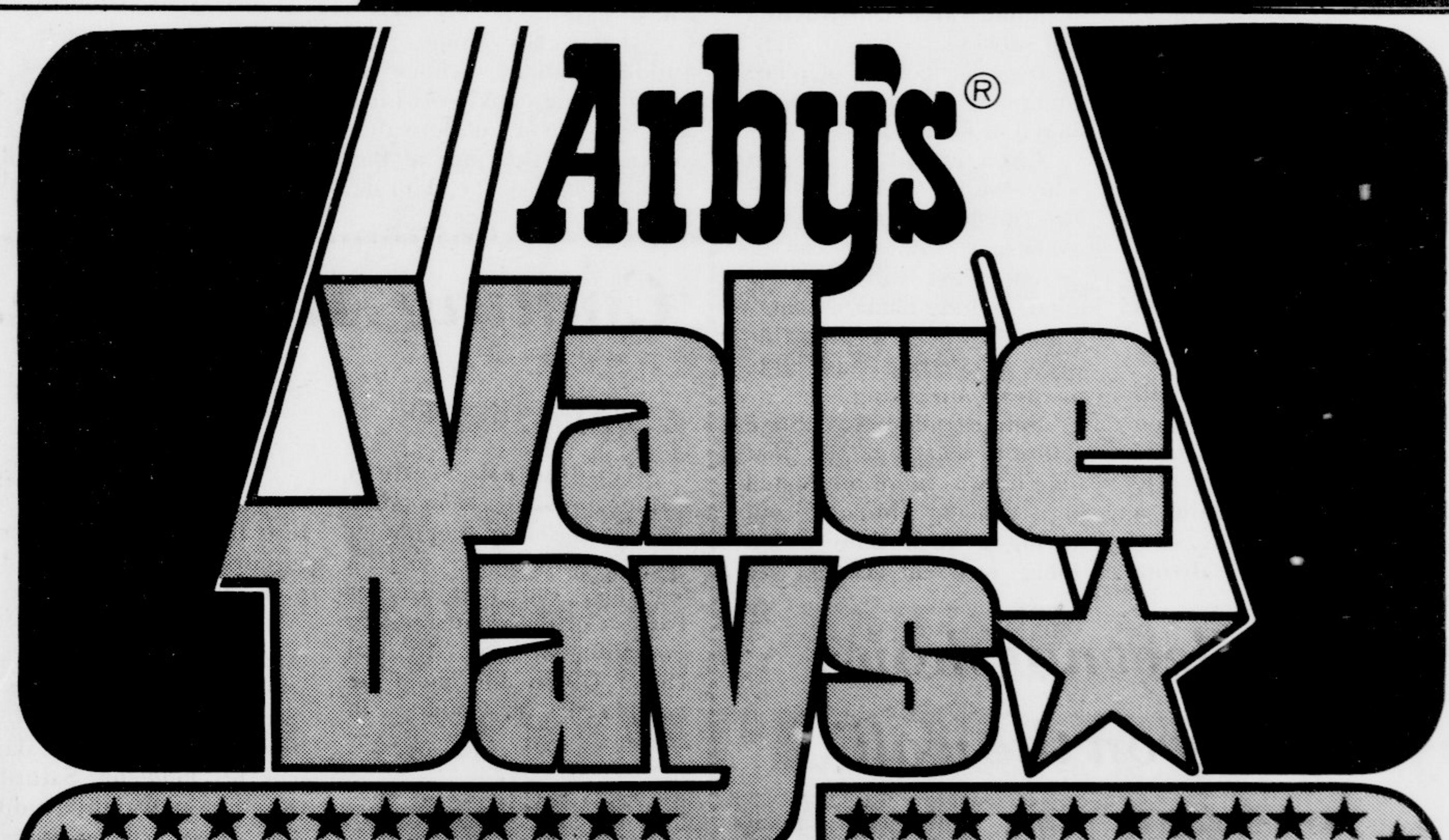
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Cotton plays to sparse crowd

By WILLIAM JONES
Features Editor

It's always a shame to see good music go unlistened to. Unfortunately, such was the case last night at the Gene Cotton concert in Wright Auditorium.

The auditorium was barely one-quarter filled. Besides making the hall a veritable echo chamber, the small audience in the large room lent itself to the "low energy syndrome."

Intimidated perhaps by Wright's cathedral-like vastness, the audience was nonetheless eventually "won over" by Cotton and The American Aces' professional, well arranged performance.

Cotton's music has evolved over the past few years from acoustical easy listening (with a country flavor) to a more electrified rock 'n' roll (still with a country flair) format. Cotton is one of the few performers to successfully combine amplified acoustic guitar with electric piano and organ,

synthesizer and blazing Led Zepplinish lead electric guitar.

From the beginning, the Cotton concert took on an informal air. He joked with members of the audience who, like Cotton's forefathers, were from Abbeville, N.C., and asked that they stay around after the concert to talk about the area.

All of Cotton's newer songs were well-accepted by the crowd, but his older releases were by far the most popular.

Cotton justifiably holds a grudge against the record companies he has been associated with. ABC records, which he worked with a few years ago, refused to release as a single a song which he was sure would do well on the charts. They called it "trash."

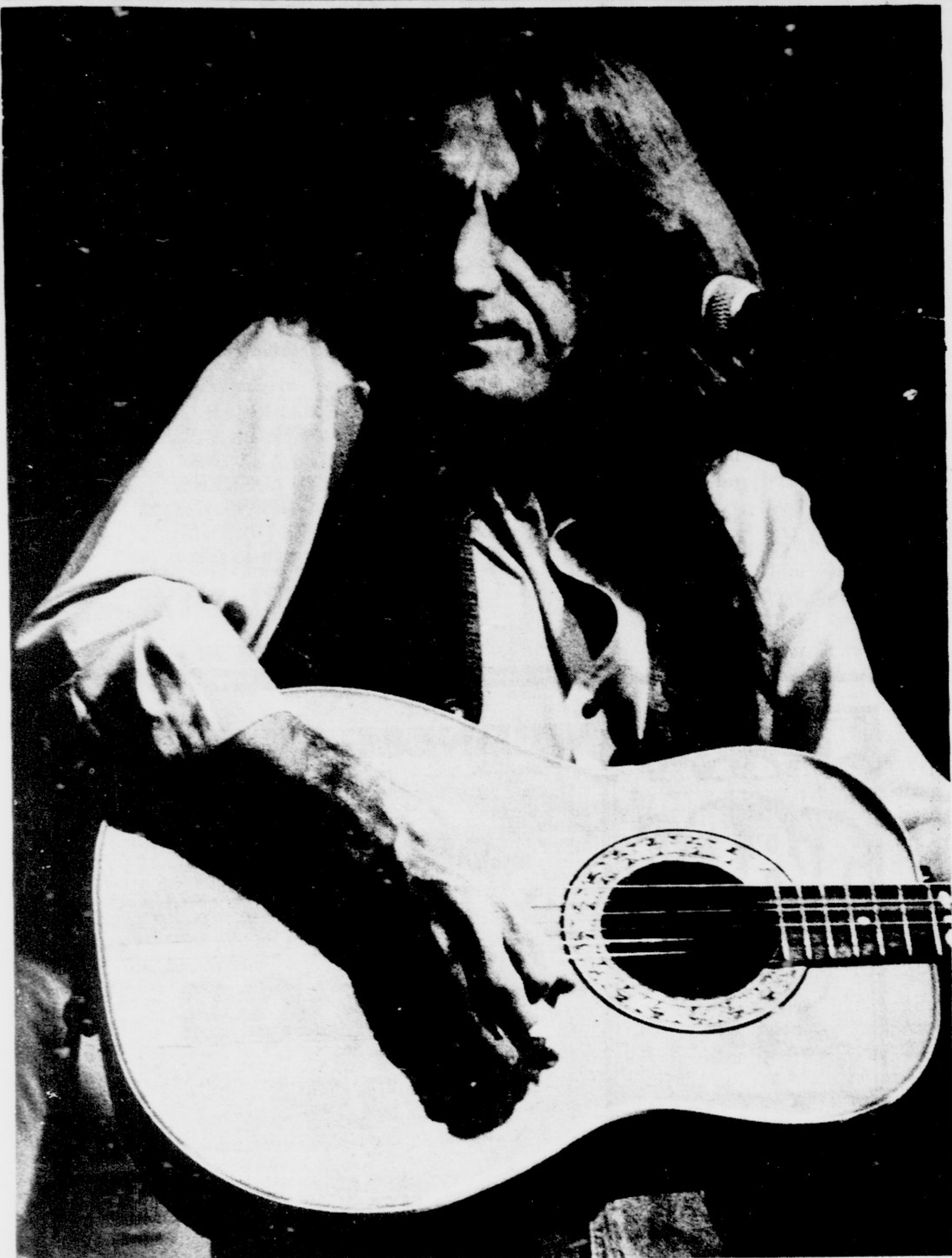
Within weeks after the song was released on a Cotton album, it was recorded by the Bellamy Brothers and went number one. The song was, "Let Your Love Flow."

viola, the company Cotton is presently under contract with, was supposed to have released Cotton's latest album, "No Strings Attached" last July. The release date has been successively pushed back since then and still has yet to be realized.

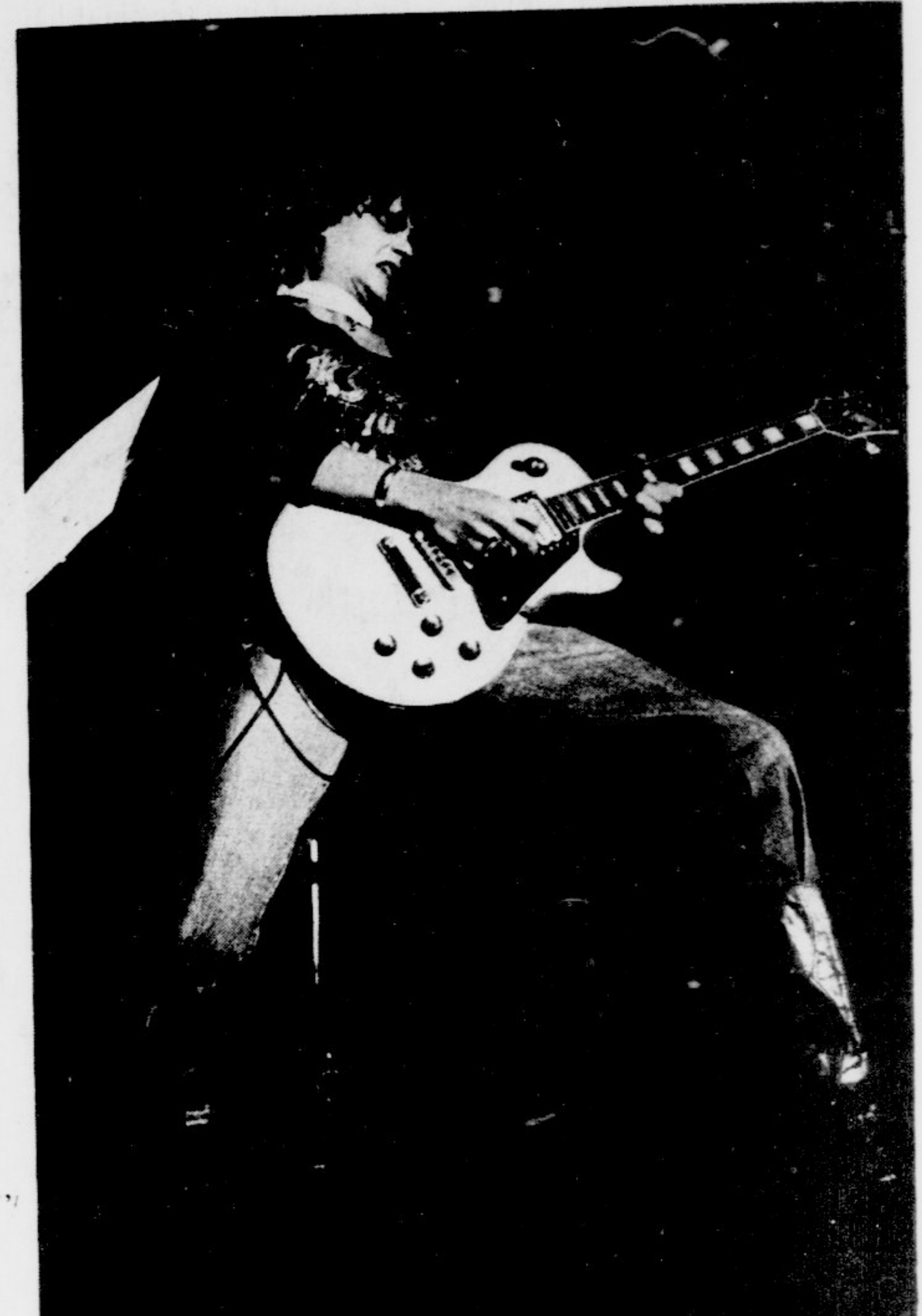
For the concert's closing number, "You Got To Shine Your Light", Cotton asked for audience participation in singing the song's chorus.

"If you want to dance or clap your hands, feel free; not to offend the Southern Baptists which I'm sure are out there (rousing cheer from the audience). But, ya'll feel free to let the Spirit move you, all right?" The audience responded by singing, standing, dancing, clapping, hollering and all manner of appreciative expression indigenous to eastern North Carolina and called for an encore.

They received the encore and more of Cotton's unique rock 'n' roll. It's a shame there weren't more people there for the "Spirit to move."



Gene Cotton played to a nearly empty Wright Auditorium Tuesday night. The small audience that did attend was enthusiastic. (Photos by Chap Gurley)



The lead guitarist for the American Aces lept through Led Zepplinish licks.

Minority Arts informs

By ARHVENABLE
Staff Writer

The Minority Arts Committee intends to present programs dealing with minority cultures as a means of informing and enlightening the majority, according to Ken Hammond, committee advisor.

Marilyn Bryant, committee chairperson, feels the Minority Arts Program is a primary source of activities for blacks. The first Black Arts Festival at ECU came as a result of the Minority Arts Committee's work.

Last year Minority Arts sponsored a Jewish Arts Festival. This year an International Festival will be on the agenda.

The committee, organized in 1974 by the Student Union, is currently doing a study on the usage of the Ledonia Wright Cultural Center. Minority Arts is also sponsoring a monthly film series on minority interests. The films will be shown in the Ledonia Wright Center.

Ordinarily, the Minority Arts Committee operates with six members and one chairperson. At present one of the positions for membership is open.

This year the Black Arts Festival is being held in November, though in the past it took place in February. Hammond said the date was moved up because of a time limitation.

When the festival was held in February, it had to be planned in January after the Christmas break. The planning began this year in the spring, which gave the committee extra time.

Sunday, Nov. 4, 1979, the ECU Gospel Ensemble, the Fountain of Life Choir, and the New Birth Chorale will perform.

On November 5, the film "Who Killed Martin Luther King, Jr." will be shown at the Hendrix Theater. The next night, Tuesday, a soul food dinner, consisting of fried chicken, black eyed peas, chitterlings, etc. will be catered by Bell's restaurant. The dinner will be in the Ledonia Wright Center. There will be speakers at the dinner.

"Black Roots and Two Centuries of Black American Art" will be shown Wednesday night as part of the film series at the cultural center.

"Jubilee" will be at the Hendrix Theater Thursday.

To wind up the week, Friday and Saturday nights "Richard Pryor in Concert" will be shown at the Hendrix Theater, and on Saturday there will be a disco held after the home game.

Bryant said any member of a minority should give suggestions for activities in Mendenhall at the Student Union Office.

Artist to visit

By CHERYL FISHER
Features Writer

Tony Hepburn, a conceptual artist, will be here on campus October 11 and 12. Hepburn is head of the School of Design at Fred University, located in New York.

According to William Horton from the art department, Hepburn's interests

are broad, and he works with mixed media such as wood, glass, rope, and paint. Hepburn also sculpts and draws.

Tony Hepburn will be demonstrating his talent from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the pottery studio of the Leo Jenkin's Art

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After twelve year absence student returns to college

By WILLIAM JONES
Features Editor

School sure is different than it was twelve years ago. It doesn't seem to be as much of a "grind" these days. Maybe peoples' attitudes have changed.

Rob Reedy is an ECU senior. He is majoring in anthropology, with a special interest in underwater archaeology. Unlike most ECU undergraduates, Rob is between 30 and 40 years old (he won't say exactly where in between) and has a family and a couple of professions under his belt.

The scenery has definitely improved. You can study astronomy (heavenly bodies) all the way to class, he says with a chuckle.

Rob has been a diving

instructor for nine years. He has been free-diving and diving with scuba for almost 20 years. He has been in the Navy, worked with the N.C. Division of Human Resources and has worked in underwater construction and salvage.

Does he feel out of place going to school with a bunch of youngsters?

Not at all. I've met some super people here. I've made a lot of good friends.

The most difficult thing about coming back to school after this long a time, he says, is getting back into the academic swing.

Rob attended N.C. State a dozen years ago. At that time he was more interested in "chasing broads and having a good time" than doing well in school. He

quit after his grades began to reflect his overinterest in extracurricular activities.

"Now," he says, "I know exactly what I'm trying to accomplish with school. I know exactly what I have to do."

Mr. Reedy hopes to attend graduate school at either Texas A&M (which has the best underwater archaeology program in the United States) or Florida State.

Coming Attractions

DINNER THEATER

Mendenhall Student Center presents, *The Marriage Go Round* beginning Wed., October 3. Ticket for this, the first Dinner Theater of the semester, are available at the Central Ticket Office and must be purchased 36 hours in advance.

FRANCE

Chris Borden's *Faces of France*, a travel-adventure film, will be shown in Hendrix Theater at 8:00 p.m. on October 3.

DANCE

A homecoming dance will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13, in Wright Auditorium. Music will be provided by *Beau Thop and Generation II*.

MUSIC

Major attractions present *America* in concert on Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 8:00 p.m. in Minges Coliseum.

God is dead — Friedrich Nietzsche, wrote one. The signer of that masterpiece was proclaimed dead by another grantist. A third wrote, "Fools! God is the only thing that's really alive."

Well, after reading quite a few walls and keeping that statement in mind, I would say that ECU has a damn good way to go.

Very few times did I find any good humor on these walls. When I did, it was pretty good. "I went to China and saw a hen lei" said one, appealing to my love of puns. There were pleas: "Please do not throw cigarette butts in the toilet. It makes them wet, soggy and hard to light." Some things that begin as one statement become long strings of dialogue. One such string, shorter than most, went, "One charcoal steak has 300 times the carcinogens of one cigarette." "But who smokes steaks?" "Most restaurants do."

Politics is an all but ignored topic. Nixon has his detractors as well as his defenders. Idi Amin is sparsely hated, if remembered at all. Religion is another small-time subject.

Germ has victory in Greenville

Why is it everytime I come to Greenville, I get sick? I mean, I never get sick in Wilmington, when I have the time for it. But as soon as I hit this campus, the latest infection hits me.

All through high school I never missed a day. I could walk through the swamp, through the rain and the snow, and I never got sick. I sometimes felt left out when everybody else had the newest flu from Bolivia, and there I was, healthy. Here, however, all I have to do is walk through the hallway to the shower, and I get some new imported malady.

It's not fair. Why can't it happen to the rich students whose pay for their education and their off-campus apartment and their new SX-70? They can afford to be sick; it's just another luxury. But me, I'm struggling to put myself through college. I can't afford to be sick. Try telling that to the pathogens.

Last year, I got sick my first week. I went to one of my friends to borrow some Contac. He didn't have any, so I told him I'd just go to the drug store and buy some. "Oh, don't buy medicine!" he told me. "Go to the infirmary and they'll give it to you free."

Free drugs? Who could resist such an offer? Unfortunately, my malady was too big a job for Sudafed.

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ECU intellect not shown by 'writing on the wall'

By LARRY GRHAM
Features Writer

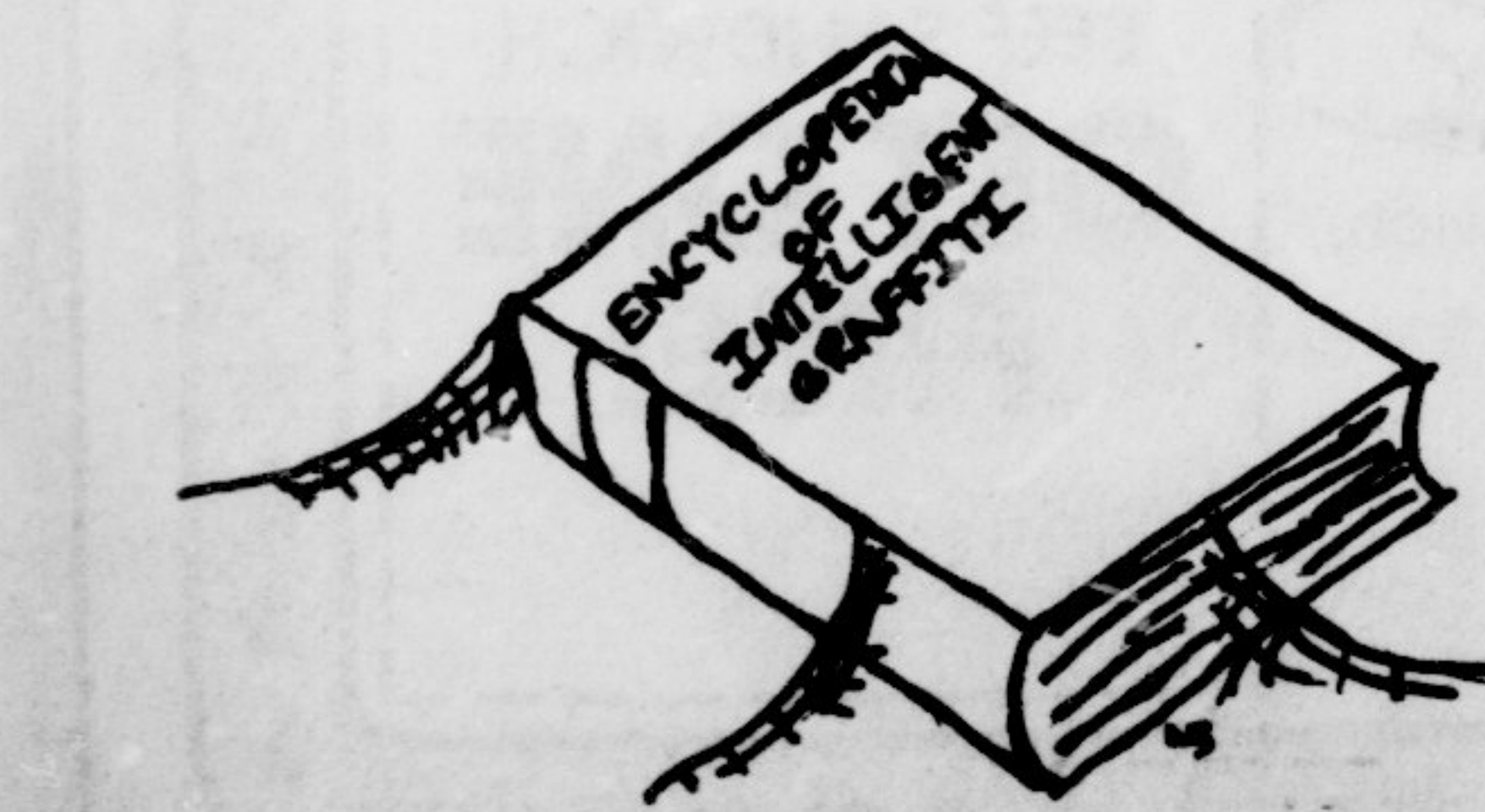
The intellect of an academic institution can usually be seen by reading the "writing on the walls." Review yourselves, ECU! The warning came from the walls of the *Graotan*. Taking heed, I began to search the walls and find out just where ECU stands.

The walls I looked at were partly well scribbled over with all sorts of statements, some ridiculous, some blatant lies, denunciations and warnings of reprisals for other things written. I had to look hard to find anything intelligent or witty.

A great deal of the graffiti on bathroom walls is con-

cerned with sex, mostly advertising for gay sex, followed by strings of volatile remarks and sarcasm from straights. Some straights were chastising others for "damning the gays; after all, they reasoned, there were less competition for straights. Some men praised their girlfriends for whatever they did best. Other people looked on sex with a bit of humor: "Sex after death or I'm not going."

Racial tension is expressed nowhere more strongly than on the bathroom walls. Whites and blacks seem to fight over who can write the most. Some writers try to speak sense, but they are quickly shouted down. Bigotry = Ignorance" sta-



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The 'Spice of Life'

Kremlin steps up swipes at Hollywood

By NIKKI FINKE
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet press is calling Bob Hope the "Pentagon's comedian" as the Kremlin steps up its swipes at that most American of institutions — Hollywood.

The list of film stars and movies attracting Moscow's attention is growing almost weekly, including Elizabeth Taylor, Jane Fonda, John Travolta, "Apocalypse Now," and even James Bond's "Moonraker."

The latest target of Soviet barbs is Hope, whose recent trip to China irked Tass, the official Soviet news agency, said this weekend, and not just because of what it said was his "low standard of comedy" about Chinese laundries.

"Now this clown, an envoy of the American military establishment, has visited China and made a movie whose goal is to advertise the Pentagon-backed policy of military and political rapprochement between Peking and Washington," Tass maintained.

It said Hope will be involved soon in a "New venture of a dubious nature, involving the Middle East."

According to the news agency, Hope has instructions from Washington to star in a show in Cairo commemorating the second anniversary of President Anwar Sadat's precedent-setting journey to Jerusalem.

Just last week, Tass denounced Miss Taylor's just-completed trip to Cairo, noting that not too long ago her films were boycotted in Egypt because of her strong pro-Israeli stand.

Why this avid Soviet interest in Hollywood's people and products?

The reason may well be that as more and more Western influences penetrate Soviet society, the government is feeling the need to combat what it sees as Hollywood's dangerously alluring gutter.

Siberian school-teacher proudly displays a West German magazine cover of teen-idol Travolta, though she has never seen his films.

Artist

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Building. On Thursday night, October 11 at 8:00, Hepburn will present a slide show.

Hepburn's visit is sponsored by the Ceramics Guild. The atmosphere he creates is not a technical one, so everyone can benefit from his skill and knowledge as an artist.

and Soviets line up to see Miss Taylor's U.S.-made "Cleopatra," now showing at local movie theaters, though it is years old.

Soviet citizens go to the cinema an average 17½ times a year, making them one of the world's leading moviegoers, behind Singapore and Hong Kong. In America, people go only about five times a year.

And the price of a movie ticket here is cheap, ranging from 45 to 75 cents.

While many Russians may never get the chance to see a high quality Hollywood production, Soviet artists often look to the West for inspiration and technique in their film-making.

Yet Soviet propaganda persistently tries to portray American movie culture as vapid, self-serving and heavily profit-oriented.

For instance, the newspaper Literaturnaya Gazeta recently said movies about Agent 007 were "unlimited stupidity and contained all the time-worn values of Western mass culture — sex, violence and 'super-individualism,'" in the words of a reviewer.

Though usually averse to liking Hollywood extravaganzas, the Soviet press nevertheless gave a thumbs-up review to "Apocalypse Now," Francis Ford Coppola's controversial Vietnam War epic.

But newspapers alleged that Hollywood bosses and the Pentagon teamed up to try to kill the film because of its heavy anti-American, anti-war message — which is why it won Soviet favor.

Big Brothers founder has lived long

CINCINNATI (AP) — Irvin Westheimer saw a boy sitting through a garbage can for food in 1903 and has since spent 76 years helping boys through the organization he founded, the Big Brothers of America Inc.

"I realized then how important it was for a fatherless child to have an adult friend to go to ball games with, to talk over problems — someone who genuinely cared about him," said Westheimer, who today celebrates his 100th birthday.

To mark his birthday, he planned to give a \$100 savings bond to every baby born today in a Cincinnati hospital.

City officials were to dedicate a plaque commemorating the civic contributions of the former investment broker, art collector and unofficial government liaison.

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adult companions, and the organization now has offices in 350 cities across the nation and in 18 foreign countries.

"I can't understand why I have lived so long. But the fact is I have, so I've decided this later part of my life to service to others," Westheimer said.

"I have lived a life in rectitude as nearly as possible within the limitations of mankind. I think since the good Lord wanted me to live so long he also probably wanted

me to be able to account for good use of my time."

Westheimer, whose wife died in 1972, has eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He said he remains fit by eating three controlled meals a day — no sugar or salt — by exercising every morning and taking three 15-minute walks a day.

"My parents lived to celebrate their golden 50 years wedding anniversary, as did six of their eight sons, including me," Westheimer said.

Watermelon seeds ain't cheap

HOPE, Ark. (AP) — Seems like you can't buy anything cheap anymore. Ivan Bright and his son Lloyd plan to sell their watermelon seeds for

\$8.33 each, or eight for \$50, or a dozen for \$100.

But these aren't just any old seeds. They come from the Bright's 200-pound melon that eclipsed the 197 Guinness Book of World Records. Hope city officials certified the melon's weight after it was picked late last month.

The Brights are preserving the monster melon in a cool room until the Arkansas State Fair at Little Rock later this month.

Ivan says he will cut the melon at the end of the fair. With an estimated 600 to 700 seeds inside his beauty and people reportedly lining for a share, he hopes to make more than \$5,000.

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Trip to New York offered

By WILLIAM JONES
Features Editor

The Student Union Travel Committee is offering a Thanksgiving holiday trip to New York City.

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The night life in New York is second to none in variety and excitement. Whether one prefers the out-time romance of a nanson cab ride through Central Park or the jet-set wildness of Studio 54, New York has something for everyone.

Cost of the trip will be \$90 for a double occupancy room at the Hotel Edison. Deadline to sign up for the trip is October 15.



The Statue of Liberty is one sight available to those who take advantage of the New York trip.

Germ

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I had everything: strep throat, hay fever, a stiff neck, nervosa anorexia, non-specific urthritis, anemia and a nervous rash. Instead of "Hiya, Coop, how are you?" my friends would say, "Hey Steve, whatcha got this week?" Some thought I went through medical journals looking for new diseases to catch. For some of my friends, however, my illnesses were slightly beneficial. "Steve, how do you spell tetracycline?"

It didn't make sense. I always took care of myself. "Would you like a cigarette, Steve?" "No, thank-you. (This was last year, before I became a neo-freak.) I don't smoke. It causes lung cancer."

"Would you like a beer?" "No, thank-you. I don't drink alcoholic beverages. They cause liver cancer."

"How about a coke?" "No, I don't drink carbonated liquids. They cause cellulite."

"French fry?" "Fried foods cause high cholesterol!"

"Ham sandwich?" "Ham sandwich!?!? How gauche! How tacky! How un-Kosher!"

"Well, what would you like?" "Do you have any yogurt?"

Despite this strict, healthy diet, I still got sick! This year I made a vow not to get sick.

The first three days went just fine. Then on the fourth day: "shack! shack!"

"What's wrong?" "Nothing. I think a gnat just flew in my throat."

Fifth day: "SHACK! SHACK! SHACK!"

"Are you all right?" "Are you all right? Maybe you should go to the infirmary."

No, no, no! I'm fine, really. I just choked on a butter bean.

Sixth day: "SHACK!!! Wheeze! AHACK!! Puff! AHACK!!! Grunt!"

Steve, I really don't think it's healthy for you to turn pale blue and clutch your ribs in a death grip while your eyes bulge. Go to the infirmary.

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