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Graduating Class Near Record Size

East Carolina University conferred degrees upon a near-record 2,857 graduates at its 71st Commencement on May 9, 1980.

The total included 2,167 undergraduate and 690 graduate degrees, for which work was completed during the summer, fall and spring semesters. It fell slightly short of the record 1978 ECU graduation total of 2,872.

The graduates are from 86 of the state's 100 counties, from 12 states and the District of Columbia, and four foreign countries.

Dr. William J. Bennett, executive director of the National Center for the Humanities, delivered the 1980 Commencement address before the graduates, their families and the university faculty in Ficklen Stadium.



Faculty And Administration Members Lead The Recessional ...following ECU graduation ceremonies at Ficklen Stadium May 9

Resignation Due Partly To Budget

While sources at ECU say that no single factor led to Athletic Director Bill Cain's resignation announced May 12, problems with the athletic budget have been cited as one cause of dissatisfaction with his track record.

But as Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs Cliff Moore has noted, ECU is not the only school with athletic budget problems, and hiring a new director will not automatically erase deficits.

Following a meeting May 9 of the ECU board of trustees executive committee, Cain announced his stepdown. During the meeting, Chancellor Brewer pressed for Cain's resignation, according to sources.

Problems with athletic funding are becoming widespread across the nation. According to the College Press Service (CPS), athletic departments at all but the most successful sports schools — the Penn States, Oklahomas and Southern Cals — are in deep financial trouble.

The major cause, most sources say, is inflation.

"If you're paying for an athlete's tuition," explained the NCAA

public relations director in a recent CPS article, "and those tuitions keep going up, sooner or later you're going to run out of money."

The money crunch arrived at dozens of schools this year. University of Florida will close its 1979-80 sports season with a \$657,000 athletic department deficit. The University of Massachusetts-Amherst sports program suffered an \$82,500 deficit, while the University of Colorado was \$650,000 over budget.

Although a deficit is expected in the ECU athletic budget for 1979-80, the exact figures have not been determined.

"The Pirate Club has a commitment of several hundred thousand dollars to us, but their money won't be coming in until June or July," said Cliff Moore. "What they turn in will determine the size of any deficit." The deficit for ECU has been tentatively guessed at about \$100,000.

Consequently, athletic directors are asking students to help more frequently. At Fort Hays University in

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Confidential Loans Offered

By LARRY ZICHERMAN
Assistant News Editor

ECU's Confidential Loan Fund has been receiving a lot of attention recently.

The fund, one of two such programs in the state, provides loans to students for the continuation or termination of pregnancy. The other program is at Duke University in Durham. UNC-G had a similar program but discontinued it in 1976.

The programs were recently discussed in articles by the Raleigh News and Observer and the Associated Press. The N&O has published several letters to the editor, both pro and con, on the subject as well.

ECU's loan is available to both

men and women. The woman must provide proof of her pregnancy and the man or woman or both must receive counseling from the Counseling Center.

The fund provides six-month, interest-free loans of up to \$150, according to Kirk Little, SGA treasurer. The money in the fund comes entirely from student fees, and no state money is involved. It was established in 1973.

"The SGA in the past decided that if the individual decides to continue pregnancy or stop it and gets the necessary medical examination and counseling, then we offer genuine help to make their decision easier," said Charlie Sherrod, SGA president.

"No one in student government in the past or the present has tried to legislate that we are for or against either continuing or terminating pregnancy. It is up to the individual to decide how to live his or her life," Sherrod continued.

"As long as I have been involved in student government, for three years, no student has ever come up to me and said that they thought the program was wrong and we should stop it. Until the students, whose money it is, object overwhelmingly to the program, we will continue it," he said.

Duke University established their abortion loan program in 1972, and in the beginning of May voted to establish a similar loan fund for use

by students who wish to continue their pregnancies. Their program loans up to \$300 interest-free for up to six months upon proof of pregnancy, according to Valerie Mosley of the Duke SGA.

"The program is not a moral judgement, in our view, but rather a service to those students who need it," she said. The program initially was the object of controversy, mainly from religious groups and the Duke Catholic students' organization, but little attention has been paid to it recently, Mosley added.

UNC-G discontinued their loan program about 1976 in the face of pressure from religious and anti-abortion groups and several state legislators.

After Transit Revamp

Service Is Back To Normal

By TERRY GRAY
News Editor

Student bus services, which were temporarily disrupted when all 12 SGA bus drivers quit in anger on April 29, are back to normal.

Following the walkout, professional bus drivers had to be called in to continue services until the end of exams, but student drivers are again at the wheels.

The drivers quit after SGA President Charlie Sherrod announced he would not reappoint Leonard Fleming as co-manager of the student transit system. In the week preceding the walkout, Sherrod had released transit co-manager Chubby Abshire from his position, naming Danny O'Connor as his replacement. The drivers had reacted by threatening to strike. Through a spokesman they related that they thought O'Connor was unqualified for the job.

When Sherrod announced later

that he would hold a special meeting to discuss the transit situation, the drivers postponed taking any definite action. It was at this April 29 meeting that Sherrod failed to reappoint Fleming, thus prompting the drivers to quit.

Sherrod named graduate student Nicky Francis to succeed Fleming.

Francis hired five new drivers for the transit buses and rehired two of the drivers who quit.

The main objection of the drivers who quit was that the transit managers should not be political appointees but should be drawn from the ranks of experienced transit employees. Neither O'Connor or Francis has had experience in running transit services although O'Connor said he drove a bus while in high school.

"If you don't know the routes, the system, the ins and outs of everything, then you can't compare driving a school bus six or seven

years ago," said Freddie Simons, one of the drivers who quit.

Fleming said he had been training one of the drivers as a candidate to take over Abshire's job, which would have been vacant upon Abshire's graduation after the first summer session.

"In any business, upward mobility is the strongest incentive for peo-

ple to work hard," said Fleming the day before Sherrod decided not to reappoint him.

Sherrod said this Monday that he had not originally intended to let Fleming go, but that the controversy during the week following Abshire's release caused him to doubt whether

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House Cuts Student Aid

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS) — A key House committee has agreed to go along with the cuts in student financial aid programs proposed by President Carter to help balance the federal budget.

The House Appropriations Committee cut \$140 million off the Basic Educational Opportunity Grants (BEOG) program for 1980, a measure that will cut the maximum

grant from the current \$1800 to \$1750.

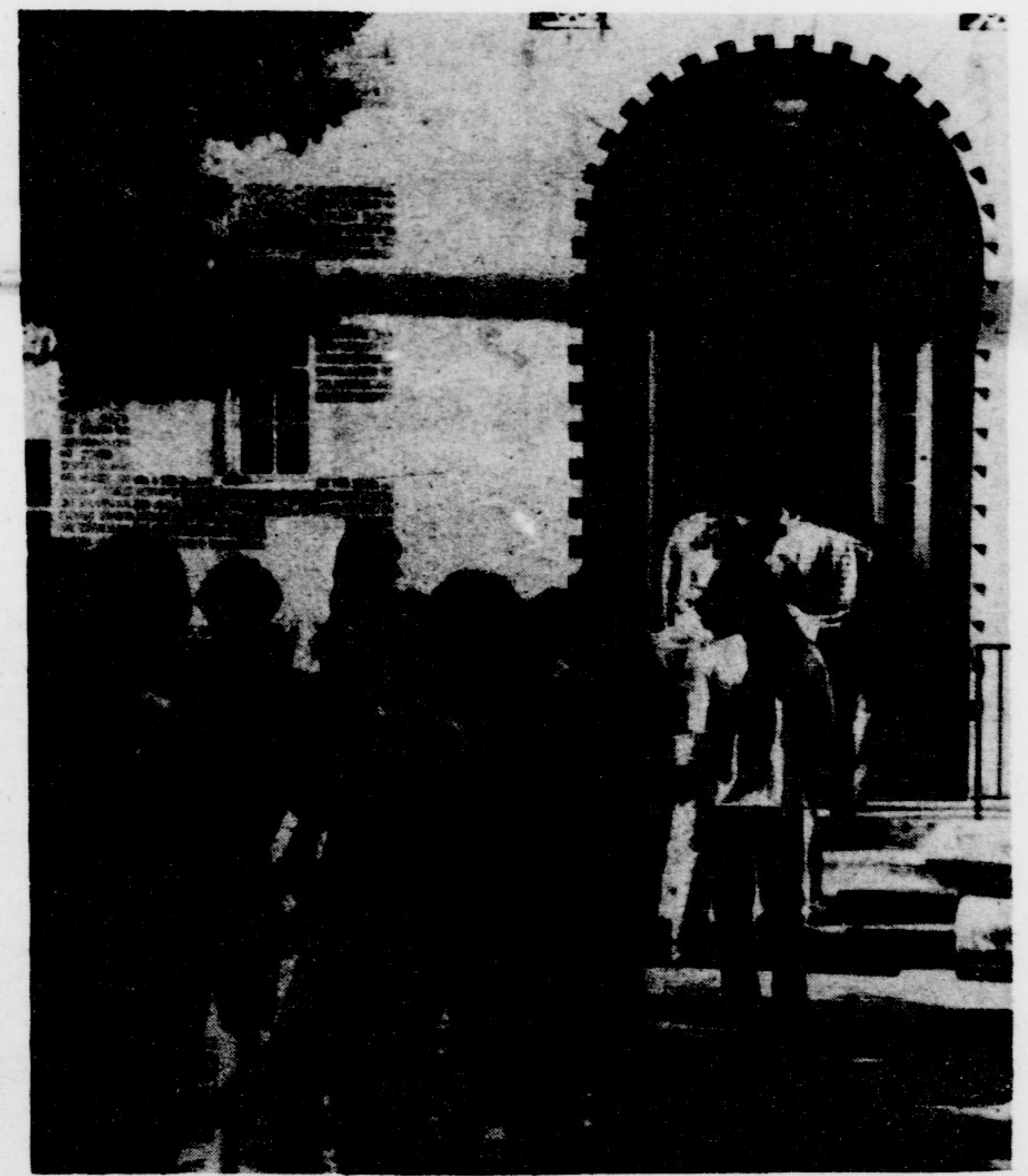
The committee also agreed to make colleges wait until 1981 for federal funds to help them remove architectural barriers to handicapped students.

The cuts, according to the committee report, may make some students from middle class families ineligible for BEOG monies. Many of those students had become eligible for aid for the first time during the 1979-80 school year, thanks to the Middle Income Student Assistance Act passed last year.

The committee, however, refused to agree to the Carter administration's plan to cut \$108 million from the National Direct Student Loan program.

The full House and Senate still must approve the higher education budget that includes the financial aid cuts.

Other congressional actions indicate financial aid programs will be attacked in the next session of Congress, too. The House last week passed a resolution that set low "spending targets" for the aid programs in the 1981 federal budget. A Senate version, still under consideration, also asks for aid program cuts.



If You Think The Lines Are Long Now ...just wait until next fall

ECU Places Freeze On Freshman Applicants

ECU announced May 5 that increased enrollment demand for next fall has forced the university to place all new freshman applications on a waiting list.

"Freshman application processing must be suspended immediately," said Walter M. Bortz, director of admissions.

Freshman applications received prior to May 5, which total about 6,000, will be processed normally, Bortz said.

University officials said the present volume of applications and enrollment projections indicate that ECU is full for next fall insofar as undergraduate students are concerned.

As a result of the increased number of freshman applicants, the ECU Housing Office has determined that demand for campus and off-campus housing will exceed the available supply next fall. In addition, the ECU Financial Aid Office has reported a substantial increase in student aid applications.

In announcing the freshman admissions hold-up, at least temporarily, Bortz said ECU will not stop accepting applications.

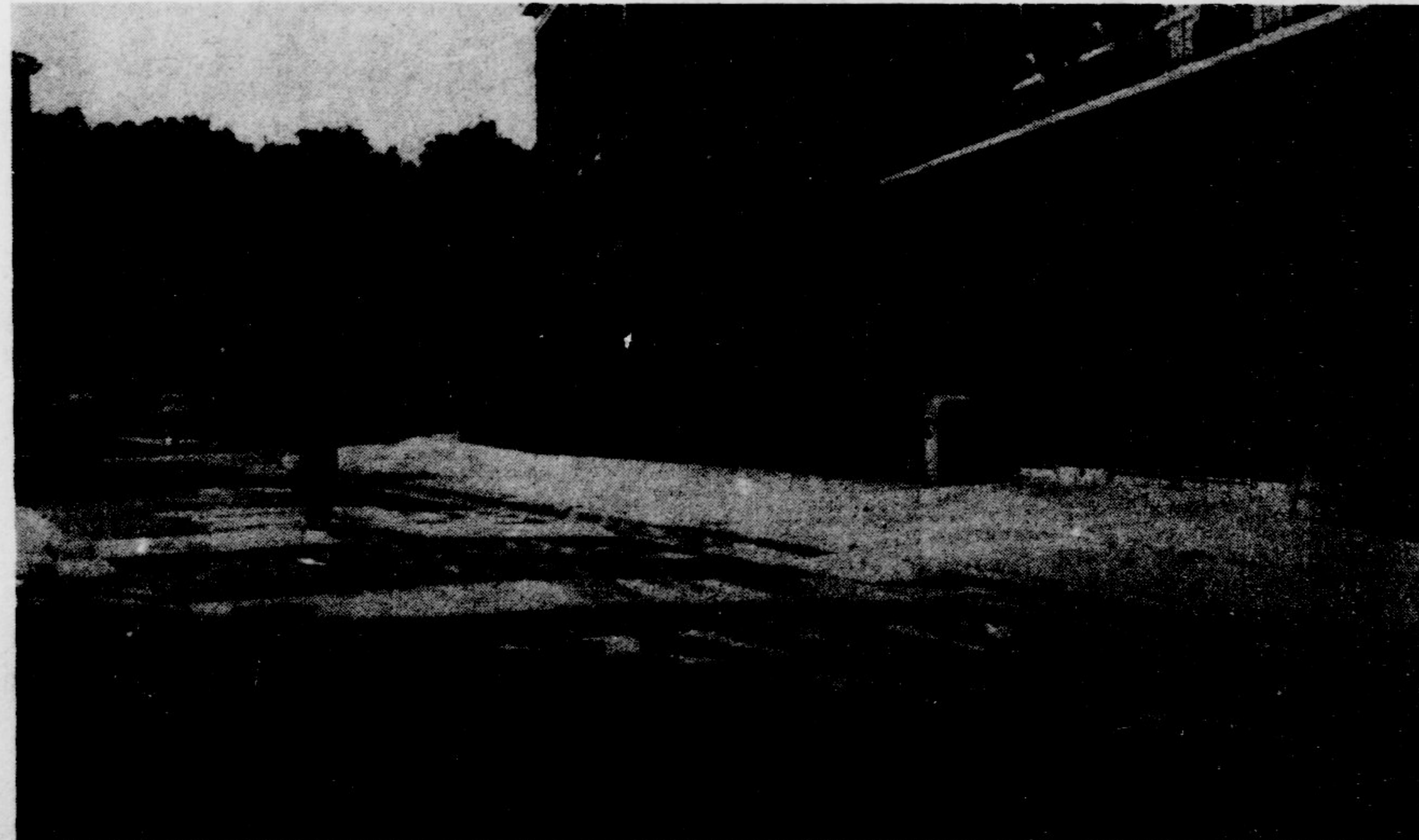
"We are going to continue to accept applications for this fall, and we remain hopeful," he said.

Also officials emphasized that the "hold" does not apply to graduate students or those already pre-registered for the fall semester. Last fall, ECU had an on-campus enrollment of 12,600. Pre-registered this spring for next fall are 8,600 students compared to about 8,000 pre-registered a year ago.

Bortz said transfer and other students who will pursue programs other than in the School of Business will be admitted as space permits. All admission of new students to the ECU School of Business has been suspended and probably will remain suspended through Spring, 1981.

"We are suggesting that they (would-be applicants) may want to consider other alternatives because they may not get off the waiting list," Bortz said.

Other alternatives, he said, include applying to less-crowded schools, community colleges and technical institutes, other programs of training, or possible openings for stop accepting applications.



Alone On Campus

A young Greenville boy takes advantage of the quiet and emptiness on campus during the semester break, using Greek street as a personal drag strip last Friday afternoon. By Monday, the 12-day respite from school had ended and students began again to populate the walkways.

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Job Market Slightly Brighter

Engineering Grads Top List

College graduates this year will be looking for starting salaries some 5 to 9 percent higher than those of their 1979 counterparts, according to a recent Northwestern University Placement Center survey.

Most in demand by employers will be engineers, who can expect an average starting salary of \$20,136 a year. Next in order with bachelor's degrees are computer science majors, \$17,712; math and statistics grads, \$17,604; chemistry, \$17,124; sales and marketing, \$15,936; accounting, \$15,720; finance and economics, \$14,472; business administration, \$14,100; liberal arts, \$13,296.

The job outlook continues to improve for college graduates, with 16 percent more positions available this year for holders of bachelor's degrees and 4 percent more jobs for those with master's degrees. An M.S. in engineering will command an average starting salary of \$23,136; an M.B.A. in a technical field, \$22,632.

Incidentally, when the interview stage approaches, many job counselors are telling students to leave their resumes at home. Most interviewers, according to these con-



sultants, are not comfortable in the interviewing process. Thus, by leaving the resume at home, the job applicant denies the interviewer this "crutch" or support, and the grad has a better chance of directing the interview to his or her advantage.

The unsuccessful job applicant may find the following reasons for rejection helpful. Responses from employment and personnel directors from one hundred major business firms cited the following factors, in order of frequency, as leading to rejections of job seekers:

- 1) Poor grades or accomplishment level;
- 2) Personality problems;
- 3) Lack of goals and motivation;
- 4) Lack of general enthusiasm;
- 5) Lack of interest in firm's business.

Liberal Arts Majors Find Door Opening For Current Employment

(CPS) — "Don't talk it up too much," begs Karen Blakey of the U.S. Personnel Corp. in Washington, D.C. "Too much talk could make it go away."

She is talking about a slight improvement in the long-depressed job market for liberal arts majors this spring. "With a bit of hustling and concentrated job seeking," counsels Gordon Gray, Career Services director at George Washington University, "a liberal arts graduate should be successful."

"The average liberal arts major has it much better than his predecessors of the last six or seven years, especially in the private sector of hiring," he adds.

Experts point to several factors that have improved, at least tenuously, liberal arts majors' job prospects. One is that students have stayed away from liberal arts so long that they've created a shortage.

The phenomenon is most noticeable in education. "We find (school) districts are required to go out of state for new teachers," says Ralph Graves of Maine's State Education Commission. "Until about 1977, we had people pounding down the doors" for jobs. Then "it leveled off for a while, and now it's a problem of actively recruiting to keep quality (of education) up."

Other areas of the country are also repor-

ting current or imminent teacher shortages, especially in the Sun Belt states. The Southern Regional Education Board expects its "current oversupply of new teachers" to dwindle into a teacher shortage by the end of the decade.

Yet job hunting for liberal arts majors largely remains a catch-as-catch-can proposition. The federal government, traditionally the biggest recruiter of liberal arts majors, has a hiring freeze. Most state governments have drastically reduced hiring. So in general a liberal arts major must "look for blips in the market" to find gainful employment, says University of Illinois Career Development Director Dave Bechtel.

One may, for example, notice that a company is expanding its international sales division. "That," Bechtel says, "might be a good opportunity for a language major."

Gray of George Washington University also uses language majors to illustrate the "little bit of hustling" he recommends. "Language degrees are very seldom sought after, except for teaching and translating positions. More often a prospective employer may be searching for a language as a secondary qualification, for example, looking for a librarian with a language degree."

New Athletic Director Sought

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Kansas, for example, the sports department asked for 39 percent of the student fees budget in 1979, totaling \$86,000. At Kent State, 38 percent of student fees revenues goes into sports.

At ECU, the sports slice of student fees was only 13 percent in 1979-80, but will rise to 20 percent next year, to \$27.50 per student per semester.

Meanwhile, attempts to enliven the ECU sports program have

centered, in part, on personnel changes.

The search committee formed to hire an athletic director to replace Bill Cain has already received numerous applications for the position, according to Dick Blake, assistant to the chancellor.

Headed by Chancellor Brewer, the committee has set June 9 as the deadline for applications. Dr. Ernest Schwarz, director of graduate studies in physical education, will act as interim athletic director until a new director is found.

Announcements

Applicants

Students who intend to apply for admission to major in Social Work, Law Enforcement, or Corrections in the Fall Semester should submit an application as soon as possible and make an appointment for an interview during the summer. Students who are in the second semester of the sophomore year or first semester of the junior year who meet the minimum requirements are eligible to apply. Applications may be obtained in 312 Allied Health Building. For more information call 292-1111.

Co-Op

The Co-op Office, 313 Rawl Building, 757-6979, is looking for students who may be interested in fall 1980 or spring 1981 Co-op positions. These positions are salaried and are for undergraduate (U) and/or graduate (G) students.

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.: nutrition, community health, accounting, finance, political science, public ad-

ministration, statistics, computer science, or management information system majors. (U)

U.S. Forest Service, Personnel, Asheville, N.C.: interest in personnel management/writing skills desired. (U)

NASA, Washington, D.C., International Affairs Division: interest in international affairs (G or U). Personnel Division: personnel mgmt. interesting typing required. (U)

HEW, Washington, D.C., Office of the Secretary, Executive Search Division: personnel management interesting typing required. (U)

Burroughs Wellcome, Research Triangle Park, N.C.: science majors — must have completed organic chemistry. (U)

Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.: writing, music, art, audio visual, biology and history majors (G).

Planners

The City of Greenville will host a meeting of the North Carolina Urban Transit Forum on May 22 and 23. The meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday. The Transit Forum is sponsored by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Public Transportation Division. Transit Managers, Planners and Policy Makers from all municipal bus systems in North Carolina will attend.

Tax Aid

The Internal Revenue Service Office at 211 Evans Street in Greenville offers free assistance to taxpayers year round. Anyone receiving a Federal tax notice or an adjustment to their tax account they do not understand should visit the IRS office for an explanation. Also, if at least ten weeks have gone since a Federal tax return was filed for a refund and the re-

fund hasn't arrived, the taxpayer should inquire at the Evans Street office. Assistance is available every weekday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Taxpayers may receive faster service in the early morning or late afternoon, when fewer people use the service. No appointment is necessary.

Fun and Play

The Intramural summer sports program promises to be a time of fun, recreation and socializing, and we'd like to invite you to join us. Come by the Intramural Office, located in Memorial Gym, to sign up for basketball, softball, bowling, tennis, canoeing, golf, putt putt, or racquetball. Come by soon, because the play will begin in late May and early June.

We are also offering a Wednesday Whoop De Doo each week, from 8 to 8 p.m. at Memorial Gym, featuring badminton, basketball, volleyball, horseshoes, swimming and lots of fun!

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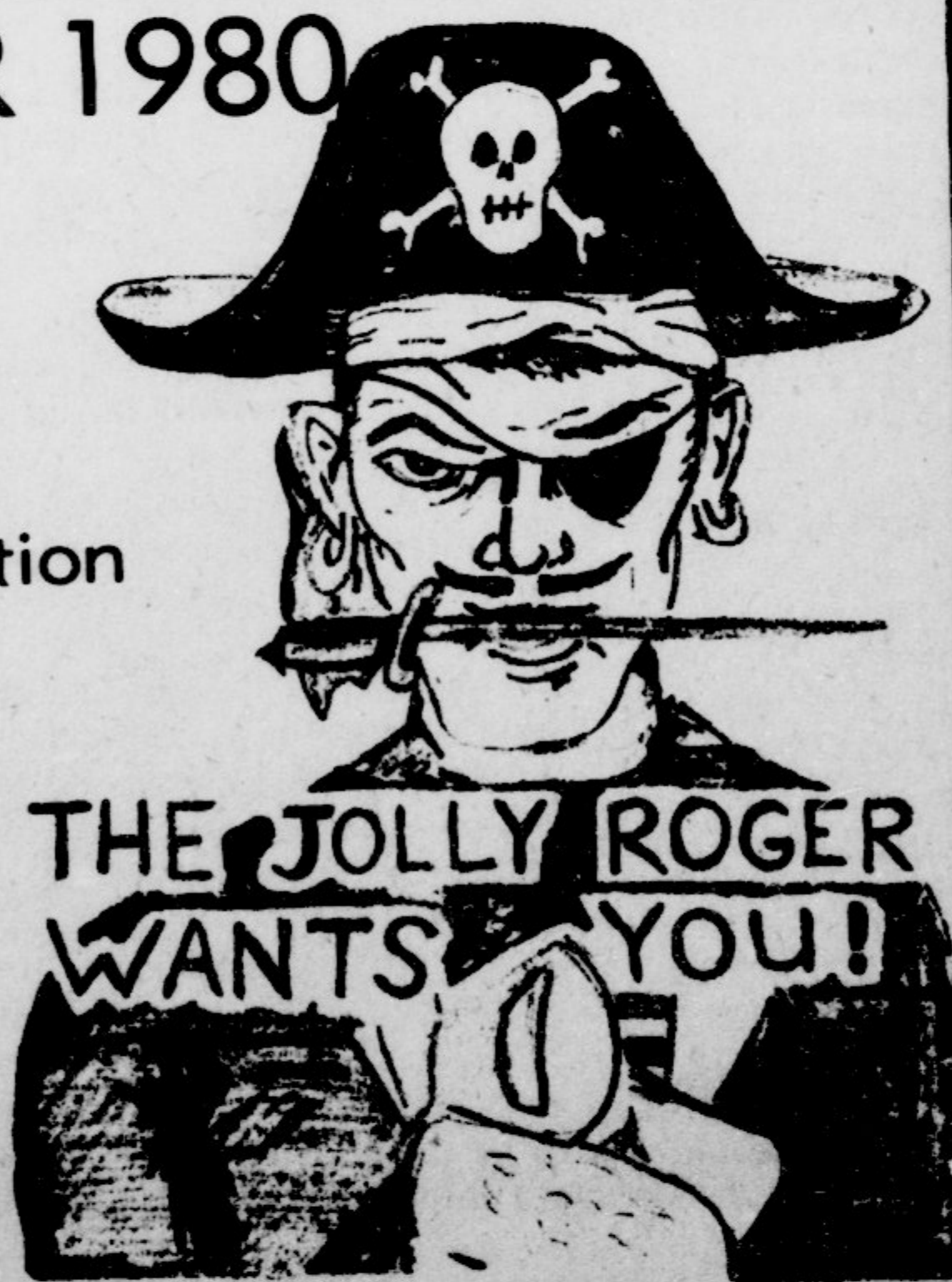
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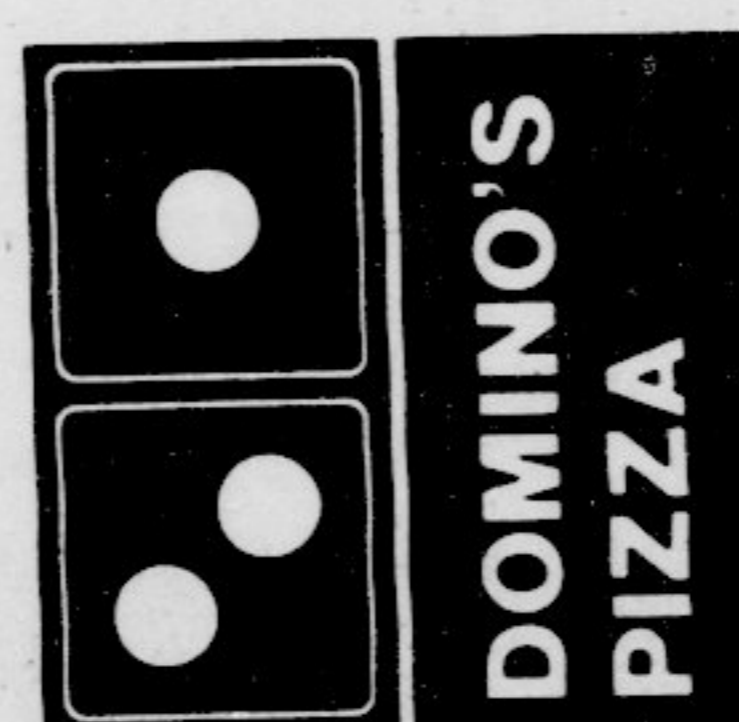
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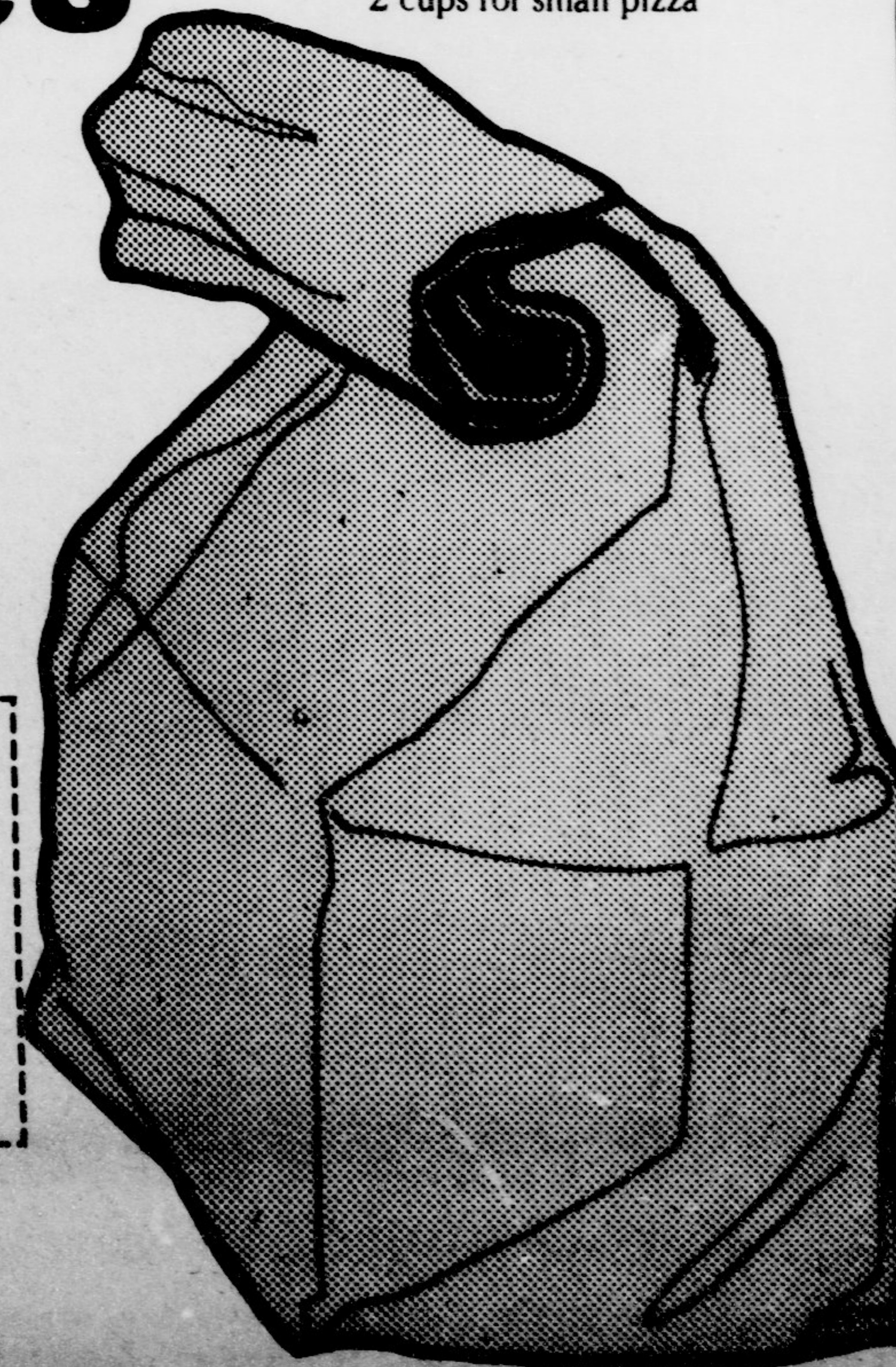
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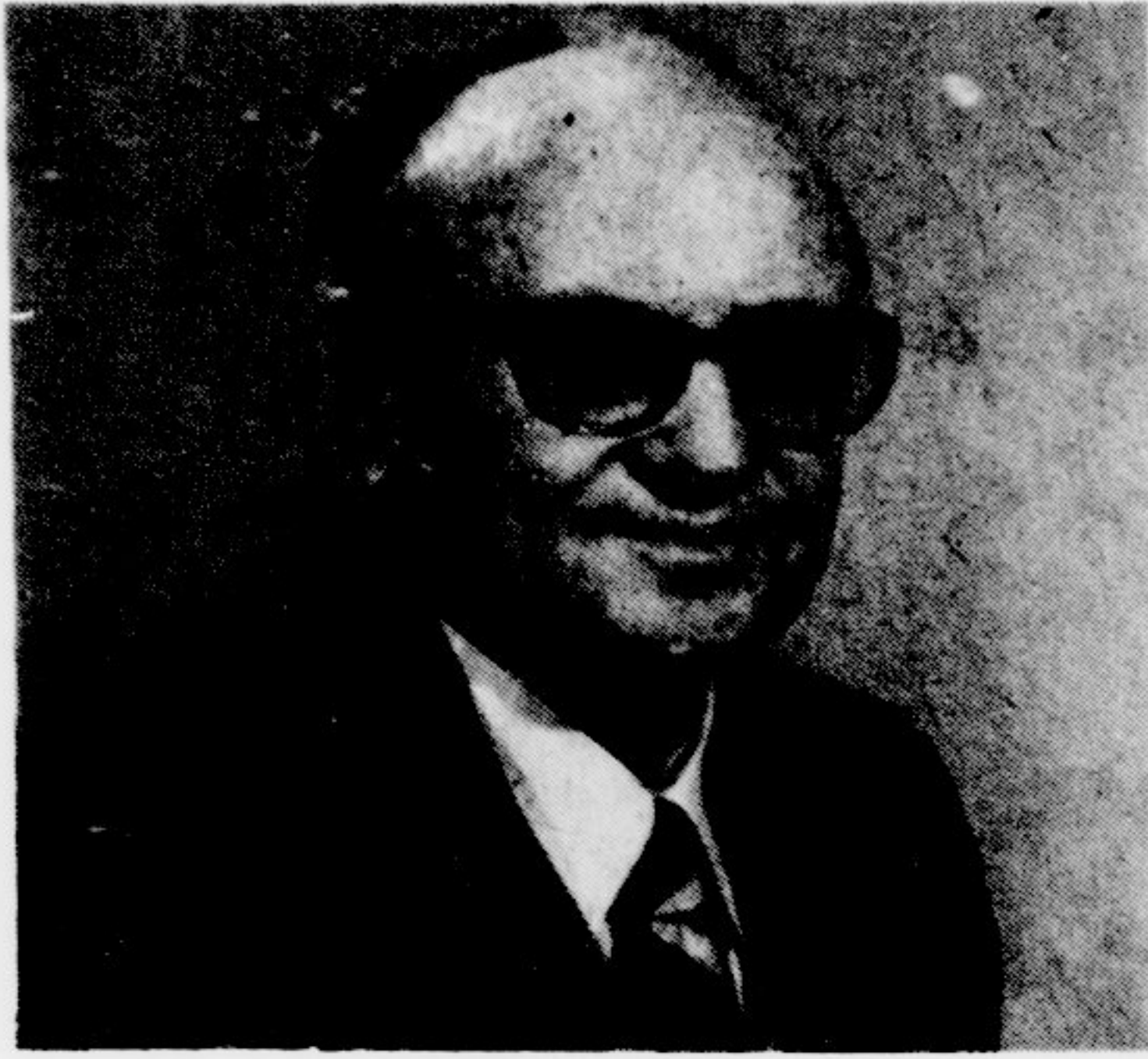


Chancellor's Assistant Prewett Dies May 8

Dr. Clinton R. Prewett, professor of psychology and assistant to the chancellor, died May 8 from complications of heart disease.

Prewett, 61, was a classroom teacher for more than 20 years, and his career at ECU spanned almost 30 years. He served as chairman of the psychology department from 1957 to 1974.

He was widely recognized for scholarly contributions in the areas of psychology and education. He has had many articles published in major journals and was also a prolific writer of humorous short stories. He was also a member of state, regional and



Dr. Clinton R. Prewett

national psychology associations and served as president of the N.C. Psychological Association in 1972.

Prewett also served as secretary-treasurer

of the ECU Stadium Expansion Campaign for the expansion of Ficklen Stadium and on several coaches' selection committees and worked as a baseball scout for the university.

Business Professor Dies

Dr. Frank Close, professor of business administration, died Tuesday, May 20, in Pitt Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Close joined East Carolina University in 1972 as associate professor in the department of economics, and later chaired the department of business administration for a four-year term.

As an outgrowth of his teaching in the commercial bank management area, Dr. Close developed, tested and

published a computer simulation of a bank. His interest in banking also led to the formation at ECU of the Alpha Chapter of Beta

Kappa Alpha, the first chapter of a banking fraternity in the nation. Dr. Close was also author or co-author of three textbooks

Bus Service Resumes

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he could establish a good working relationship with Fleming.

Sherrod claims that after Abshire and Fleming were released, someone temporarily took official papers from the transit offices in Mendenhall Student Center.

Allegedly included in those papers were applications from people who wanted jobs driving buses — names that would have been useful to Sherrod if the bus drivers had carried through, with their strike threat.

Fleming said Monday that the reason the papers were taken was to separate personal items from official transit business and that the papers were quickly returned.

Immediately after the April 29 meeting, Sherrod said he discovered that official transit papers and documents had also been ripped up and left in the transit offices.

According to Sherrod, a Mendenhall janitor later found and discarded the shredded documents while cleaning the transit office. As a result, charges that mismanagement might have been involved have yet to be substantiated by evidence.

ECU Internal Auditor Jim Dale said Wednesday that he had been authorized to audit transit books, but that he was waiting to confer with Sherrod about the matter.

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Voted 'Woman Of The Year'

Policewoman Awarded



Singleton

The ECU Women's Residence Council (WRC) recently voted Sgt. Lynne Singleton "Woman of the Year" for the second consecutive year. Miss Singleton receives this honor because of her work as a campus crime prevention officer.

Miss Singleton developed and presents an assault and theft prevention program to various student groups

on campus in addition to her regular police duties.

She attributes the success of the program to the personal relationship she builds with the students. "They need to know that I'm a person as well as a police officer. A big part of my job is taking the time to meet the students, to let them know I'm around in

case they need me," Singleton added.

The award was presented at a WRC banquet recognizing service by women on campus. The WRC also presented Carolyn Fulghum, associate dean of residence life programs, a silver plate in appreciation of her work with the Women's Residence Council.

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Transit Strike

Drivers Missed The Point

The recent Student Government Transit (SGT) drivers' strike on April 29 was totally unwarranted and misdirected. Fortunately, ECU students didn't feel the effects because SGA President Charlie Sherrod came up with enough drivers to keep all routes operating during exams.

The drivers walked out to protest Sherrod's dismissal of transit managers Chubby Abshire and Leonard Fleming. The drivers claimed that Sherrod had no right to choose his own cabinet members and that Abshire and Fleming should have had job protection through seniority in their positions. The drivers missed the point.

The spoils system — the practice of presidents choosing their own cabinet members upon election — is common practice in national and student governments. On the national level, it is not uncommon for cabinet members to submit resignations to the newly-elected president to make the task of reshuffling personnel easier and less painful. But the SGT drivers seem to have forgotten their seventh-grade civics courses when Sherrod decided to replace the two managers who were chosen by a former SGA president.

The drivers are right about one thing: Abshire and Fleming had experience. Both students worked hard to improve the transit system, and their replacement is no reflection on their performance of duties. But it is the right of any president to choose people that he feels will serve both him and the student body satisfactorily.

If the drivers thought that seniority should be respected in the transit system, they should have protested the system, not the president. For example, if the transit system was NOT under the SGA, transit employees, including managers, would be promoted or demoted according to experience and qualifications. And that might not be a bad idea.

If the transit system were conducted as a business instead of a political interest, many problems could be solved. An alternative to the present system might be the formation of a "transit board," similar to the Media Board, that would receive an equitable share of student funds for the operation of the transit system. The transit managers' positions would be protected from political pandering, and the annual bickering in the student legislature over the transit budget would be eliminated.

Student transportation should have nothing to do with student government. On the national level, the Department of Transportation doesn't decide who manages individual transportation services; it simply builds roads and regulates competition. Since there is only one "transportation business" on campus and we already have roads, there is no need for a "secretary of transportation."

So the SGA drivers didn't effect any changes by walking out. The problems of the transit system will remain unless the drivers or legislators decide to do something constructive to change it.

ECU Lost A Good Man

The East Carolinian joins the university community in mourning the passing of one of ECU's most renowned educators, Dr. Clinton Roosevelt Prewett, who died on May 8.

Dr. Prewett, a tenured full professor of psychology, was known as a pioneer in the field of mental health and education. In 1957 Dr. Prewett took over the psychology department, which at that time consisted of himself and two professors. The psychology department that stands on the ECU campus today is a living and working monument to the man who built it.

Prewett is also remembered for his contributions in the area of student affairs. He designed and implemented the division of student affairs in the early 1950's.

During his 30 year tenure at ECU he taught and/or knew over half of ECU's present alumni, and he kept close his ties to those students who were nurtured through four years of college by him.

During the past two years, Prewett served as a special assistant to the chancellor. In that capacity he worked on special athletic assignments and was a key figure in the search for and selection of

coaches. He also was instrumental on the chancellor search committee that selected Dr. Jenkins' replacement.

Prewett, above all else, was a champion of the students. He taught his students to think and challenge, outside the classroom as well as within. Prewett himself was a thinker and a problem solver, described sometimes as the administration's best troubleshooter.

Prewett's philosophy of life was altruistic. He believed that young people were, in their own right, capable and intelligent. He felt that the role of a professor was not to sit in judgement, but rather to share his knowledge with his students. Dr. Prewett will best be remembered as one who was quick to share his thoughts and wisdom and even quicker to listen to a different view.

He was a kind and gentle man with very down home mystique about him that made him all the more fascinating. He spoke softly but forcefully and always with purpose.

Clinton Prewett will long be remembered for his contributions to this university and the entire educational community. ECU will miss him sorely.

Canal Residents Get Assistance, Contamination Remains

By PATRICK MINGES

It's all too easy. With the availability of bumper stickers, glow in the dark t-shirts, and even major-selling pop albums (Call before midnight tonight. Operators are standing by.), the anti-nuclear movement is almost the liberal vogue. It is good that the idea is gaining acceptance in the mainstream of the American psyche, but only a few are actually taking active steps against the menace. Even fewer realize the tremendous struggle that we have as a people to alter the course of history and overcome the pride of a nation.

From the time of the Pilgrims, we have taken what we wanted, used

what we needed, and done as we pleased with our world, regardless of the consequences. We have achieved the highest standard of living in the world with disregard for the very thing that gives us life — our planet. Live for today — tomorrow may never come! Well, tomorrow has come and it's time for us to accept the responsibility we have to each other and to our world.

The news of the tragedy in Love Canal at beautiful Niagara Falls, the honeymooners' paradise, is a looming example. While we ponder nuclear proliferation and its waste disposal, the ghosts of industry's negligent past leap out at us from the headlines of this week's

newspapers. More than a thousand families forced to leave their homes, little children slowly dying, and the possible damage to future generations of 30 percent of the population tested, are statistics that cannot be swept under the rug. Even though things are serious on the foreign front, the crisis within our country will not go away, no matter how long we ignore it.

William T. Love, a turn-of-the-century entrepreneur, built the canal, and from 1940 to 1978, the Hooker Chemical and Plastics Company, a division of Occidental Petroleum, used the site as a waste dump. The company dumped nearly 20,000 tons of solvents, pesticides

and other toxic chemicals, including hundreds of pounds of dioxin, one of the most toxic substances known to man. In 1978 Hooker Chemical filled in the canal and sold the property to the community, which constructed an elementary school and homes. Such are corporate ethics.

The New York State Health Department declared the area a "health emergency" and the EPA solicited the Biogenics Corporation of Houston to test for chromosomal damage. In 11 of 36 subjects tested, the corporation found a type of chromosomal damage associated with spontaneous abortions, birth defects and cancer. Barbara Blum, deputy administrator of EPA,

stated that Love Canal "is one of the worst chemical problems we have discovered in modern society."

The results were returned to the community recently. "They just said my chromosomes were abnormal and handed me a letter," said Patricia Sandonato, one resident found to have damage. "I asked if it affected my kids, and they said they did not know. I fear that my kids might be dying." Mrs. Sandonato's son, five-year-old Jason, was born with "minimal brain dysfunction" and will undergo an operation soon for a deformity in one of his knees.

Donald L. Baeder, president of Hooker Chemical, predictably answered that the results "were in-

conclusive." This effort by Baeder was in the finest spirit of corporate tradition. It ranks up there with, "There has never been a serious accident at a nuclear reactor," and "It has yet to be proven that there is a significant link between cigarette smoking and cancer." Until the federal and New York state governments agreed to foot the bill, the company was concerned with possible lawsuits for the relocation of Love Canal residents.

Now that the residents can leave their contaminated community, Hooker Chemical must pay for the lives that have been and might be ruined by their careless treatment of the environment and the people.



Educational Testing Service

'Is It Accountable To Anyone?'

By RALPH NADER

The next time you pick up a well-sharpened No. 2 pencil and begin to hurriedly answer a standardized, multiple-choice test, chances are that your test is one of more than eight million given annually by the Educational Testing Service (ETS). You may know ETS manufactures SATs, LSATs, GREs and GMATs. With these tests alone, ETS influences the educational and career opportunities of millions of people. But the power of ETS does not begin or end with those tests.

ETS markets 299 different tests. ETS tests are used to determine entrance to over 60 occupations including firefighters, actuaries, policemen, real estate brokers, sailors, teachers, gynecologists, engineers, and auto mechanics. ETS test results are the standards of access to some of the most powerful professions: Foreign Service officers, New York stockbrokers, lawyers in over 40 states, and even CIA agents. Two million elementary students take ETS tests, and ETS is developing ways to test infants. ETS helps determine who will be eligible for financial aid and how much they will receive. The financial information ETS obtains on nearly two million families is more detailed than a mortgage application or an IRS return. ETS consultants and trainees help shape education and labor allocation policy in scores of countries, including Singapore, Brazil and Saudi Arabia. And ETS has test centers in 120 countries.

In thirty years, probably 90 million people have had their schooling, jobs, prospects for advancement, and beliefs in their own potential directly shaped by the quiet but pervasive power of ETS.

What is the Educational Testing Service? How has it centralized so much power? Is it accountable to anyone, or anything? Should your opportunities be so influenced by ETS' standards of aptitude or intelligence?

Despite its massive influence, few people question ETS. Students may want to fear

up test forms in moments of frustration, but few of us think of challenging the corporation that makes the tests. We will soon release a lengthy report on ETS, written by Allan Nairn, which we hope will help people understand, and question, the unique and unregulated power of this corporation.

Indeed, ETS is, in non-dollar ways, a large corporation. It has more customers per year than GM and Ford combined. Despite its non-profit status, it declares roughly a million dollars in "non-profits" each year. This money is plowed back into corporate expansion and maintaining the ETS estate, which includes a 400 acre headquarters in Princeton, New Jersey, a \$250,000 home for the president, William Turnbull, and a \$3 million hotel/conference center — all built with student test fees. Its revenue from test fees enabled ETS to double in size every five years from 1948 to 1972, a rate of growth faster than IBM.

ETS' sales and near monopoly power, combined with its privileged legal status as a non-profit corporation, make it unprecedented in corporate history. ETS is exempt from federal and state income taxes, is effective beyond the reach of many anti-trust laws, and has no stockholders. ETS escapes the restraints governing other corporations because it is an "educational" institution.

The power of ETS is massive, as even one ETS executive conceded. "No matter what they try to tell you here about how we really don't have much power," he said, "we know we do. We know we're the nation's gatekeeper." This gatekeeper can determine who enters college, graduate and professional schools, as well as many occupations and professions. Is that power legitimate?

ETS defends its role as the gatekeeper by claiming it has developed the "science of mental measurement," but as our report will argue, the tests measure nothing more

than how you answered a few multiple-choice questions. The correlation between SAT scores and first-year grades in college, for example, is often lower than the correlation between the test scores and the income of the test taker's parents. At best, standardized tests measure the specialized skill of test-taking, but they do not measure key determinants of success such as writing and research skill, ability to make coherent arguments, creativity, motivation, stamina, judgment, experience or ethics.

ETS not only influences how institutions judge individuals, however; it also influences how individuals judge themselves. As Nairn says, "A false self-estimate or image is instilled in the mind of the individual who receives a standardized test score. For although the scores are significantly determined by social class, he is told they are objective, scientific measures of the individual."

Moreover, test takers are subject to numerous injustices, ranging from incorrect scoring of tests, to late reporting of applicant information, to secret evaluation of grades and test scores — and they have no recourse.

We must begin to examine the examiners.

There is a growing movement to reform and restructure the testing industry. In New York, Ohio, Texas and other states, student-run Public Interest Research Groups (PIRGs) have introduced "Truth in Testing" legislation in their state legislatures. This legislation would force ETS and other testing companies to disclose test questions and answers, and all studies and data on the tests; it would also require companies to keep information on applicants confidential. Disclosing test answers would enable students to contest disputed answers, and thus eliminate much of the mystery surrounding the tests. ETS has said it is willing to release 99 percent of its test data. But, Nairn says, the bulk of this 99 percent is the material provided by the test-takers themselves — name, social security number, etc. Nairn says it is crucial to disclose that last one percent, as it includes ETS's extrapolations from the information provided by test-takers — such as predictions of future academic success.

The testing reform movement has other facets. Jesse Jackson is organizing around the issue of the ETS National Teacher Examinations which have systematically eliminated qualified black applicants from teaching jobs. The FTC has apparently found, contrary to ETS claims, that certain kinds of prep or cram courses can raise test scores — but the report has been withheld at this time. And several members of Congress have called for an investigation of the testing industry.

Students now have opportunities to challenge the test makers.

Individuals interested in this issue, or in sponsoring Truth in Testing legislation, can contact Ed Hanley at our office at P.O. Box 19312, Washington, D.C. 20036.



Summer Is Icumen In Lhude Sing Cuckoo

By DAVID NORRIS

It's natural to want to do something memorable on one's first night of a summer in Greenville, but I wish my "something memorable" had been something less than spraining my foot while I was downtown.

I had gotten into town, unpacked (at least I had thrown my stuff down in my room) and needed something to do on that warm Sunday night. The obvious thing to do was to stroll downtown and look for whatever friends of mine might be wandering around or staggering around.

I finally fell in with a bunch of friends and had a pretty good time until I decided it might be fun to dance instead of just standing around. Well, actually, I had a pretty good time with that, except for spraining, twisting, mauling and generally committing mayhem all over what had once been a very handy and serviceable right foot.

Not that this interrupted the night's fun, you understand.

Alcohol has wonderful anaesthetic qualities (as most of you probably already know). There was a really good New Wave band playing, and it would have been a shame to waste that by leaving my friends and going somewhere to prop my foot up on a pillow.

Dance steps out

Besides, in the beginning stages of "sprainus footus inebriatus," that great crippler of young adults, it is possible to function pretty normally. Complicated dance steps were definitely out, but I don't know any to start with, so that was not much of a problem. On what was left of my foot, I was able to get quarters to play games with, walk all over the place to see who was there, talk to a couple of band members and just hang around in general.

Hopping on one foot all the way back to my room was something I could have done without, though. Somewhere in there is a lesson about

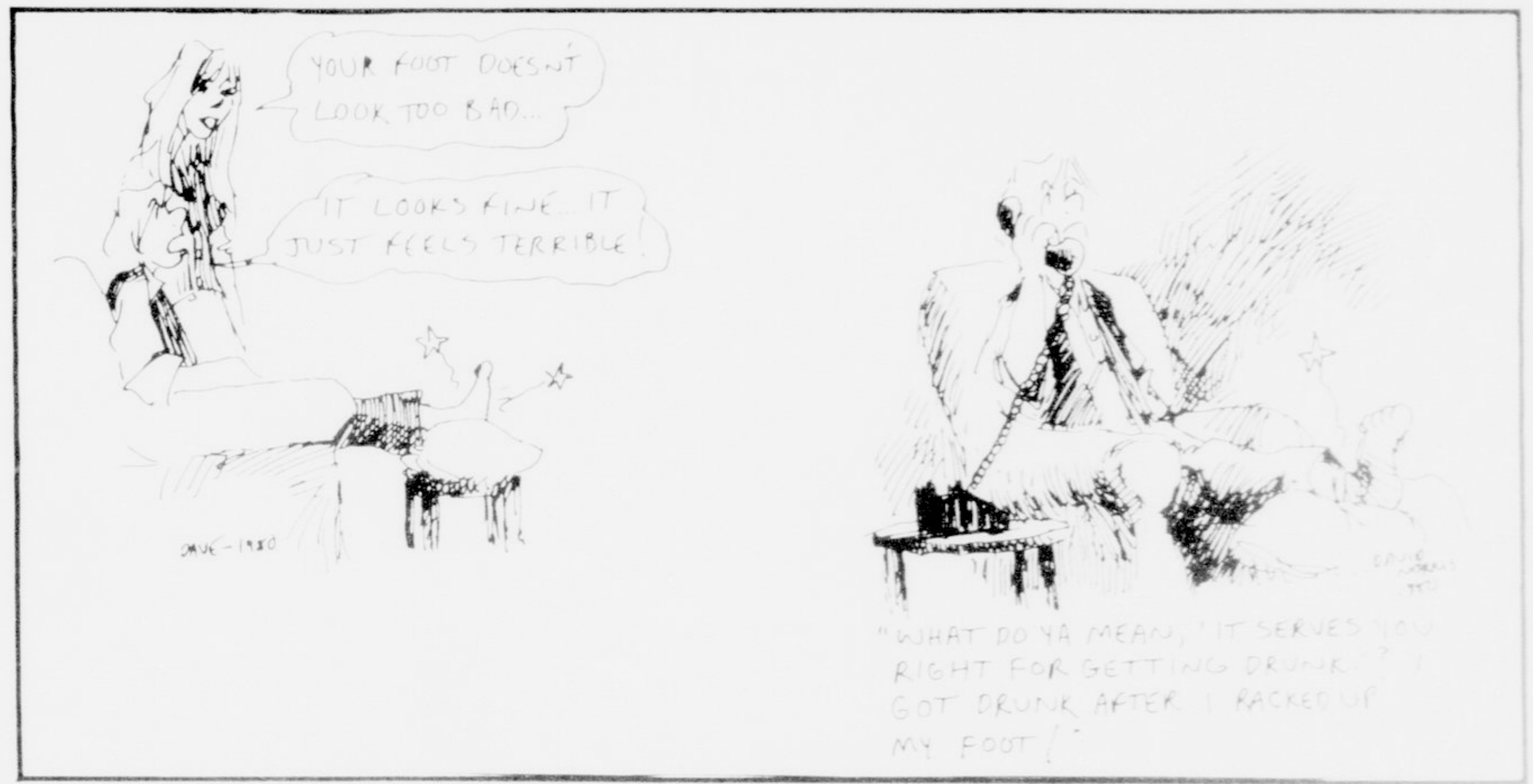
having to pay for your frivolities.

The frivolities of Sunday night contrasted greatly with the sedate Monday which followed. Since I was unable to walk on that foot at all, I couldn't do much except for sedate things. I figured calling up friends might be sedate enough to try, but the only one who was home had a hangover.

One of my troubles was the memory of a friend who had sprained his ankle at the end of last year. Walking home from downtown, he did a running broad jump over a bush and spent the next six weeks either using crutches or hopping on one foot. I wished he was still here in school, so I could borrow his crutches. Hopping around on one foot gets monotonous very quickly, often after as few as three hops.

Hopping on one foot

Hopping on one foot has its good points, I suppose. It is good exercise, at least for one leg. The trouble is, that one leg gets so tired that it's



soon in as bad shape as the leg previously racked up.

Cooking on one foot is not too bad, as long as you just lean on the counter and stir the food. The big problem here is getting the food back to where you're eating — hopping around with a saucepan full of hot tea or spaghetti sauce gets a lot of supper splashed on the floor or on the hopper.

Most of the day was whiled away by watching television or reading a murder mystery I'd had for a while,

with occasional breaks to write letters ("Dear Mom and Dad, I've probably broken my foot...") or splash hot tea all over the place.

There's a story that the artist Bernini stuck his leg in a fire and watched his face in a mirror, to observe a proper expression of agony for a piece he was working on. Since writing this article, I feel a certain kinship with this artistic ancestor, even though I didn't bring a mirror downtown with me. I can almost imagine Bernini in his 17th century

studio, looking for stuff he can work on while sitting down, and hopping on one foot, spilling spaghetti sauce all over the place.

You will all be happy to know (I hope) that my foot is recovering quite well, or it was until I had to walk all the way over here to type this article. By the way, if I were you, I'd find out where you can borrow some crutches or a cane and get a good book or two, just in case. You never know what may befall you here at ECU.

Rotten Ex-Sex Pistol Returns With Public Image Ltd.

By PATRICK MINGES

No one knows exactly where it came from. Some think that it may have been invented by Alfred Hitchcock sometime during the droll '50s. It was defined by Stanley Kubrick in his classic cinema feature "A Clockwork Orange," but it took George Romero to present it in truly American proportions in his work "Dawn of the Dead." In fact, it may be one of the truly fine traditions of American cinema, and it was all the rage about this time last year.

We are discussing schlock. It is almost impossible to adequately sum up schlock in mere words for it is a truly sensory activity that can only gain definition through experience. Schlock may best be described as total cognitive and affective overload brought about through absolute horror and gut-wrenching disgust. The '60s were schlock but so were Kent State, the Vietnamese conflict and Watergate in the '70s. Schlock in the '80s is Love Canal, but surely the president is contemplating world-class schlock.

Schlock is like a vortex. We find it repulsive, yet we are drawn to it to the extent that we will go out of our way to catch even a fleeting glimpse, compelling us never to look away. It burns its way into our memory, ap-

pealing to our baser instincts. Freud referred to it in terms of the "thanatos," the self-destructive drive towards elimination that may somewhat explain our fascination with war, omicide, oppression and perhaps nuclear energy.

When schlock first entered the field of popular music is hard to really say, but certainly it gained its access into classical music long before the modern generation in the works of Richard Wagner. Perhaps it reared its ugly head in the late '60s popular music with the recordings of the Doors, the Velvet Underground and David Bowie. It never really came into its own until the disgust and alienation of a once powerful empire gone sour erupted from the streets and tenements of London and created the personification of schlock — the punks.

Punk was perhaps created when the rude boys of Jamaica such as Bob Marley first set foot into the recording studios of Kingston with their religious revolutionary meanderings. An equally important facet occurred when a group of down-and-out street kids from New York (or maybe New Jersey) became tied up with the corporate rock domination of the recorded media and created The Ramones. The world's most revolting phenomena was fashioned out of the fusion of these entities and took



Public Image LTD's Johnny "Rotten" Lydon

...cute kid gets sucked into schlock vortex.

the punk scene to international proportions with the release of their first single, "Anarchy in the U.K." This phenomena was the Sex Pistols.

The Sex Pistols may have been the greatest group in the history of rock music. We will never know. They were certainly the world's most under-appreciated musical group. No sooner did their legend become known than it drove itself into infamy. Their recording career ended with "Belsen Was A Gas," and if you think that was a joke, you probably missed the point. Many did. The Sex Pistols were the epitome

of fright in the way they took rock "n' roll beyond its limits and barraged one with an almost too intense wall of sound and socio-political concepts that rocked Britain and the world. Many people feared the punk movement and the Sex Pistols, and perhaps they were well advised in lieu of Sid Vicious' tragic demise, but few who have heard the Sex Pistols will refute their totally overwhelming lyrical and musical intensity. (For a good example see *The Great Rock and Roll Swindle* or hear *Never Mind The Bullocks* or

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Summer Concerts, Plays Highlight ECU Entertainment

For the first time in the history of the Student Union, the Major Attractions Committee is planning a summer concert. The committee operates on a break-even basis, and it lost a substantial amount on the Toto concert this spring. In order to make some money to finance concerts for this fall, the committee proposes to program a small concert this summer in Wright Auditorium.

Charles Sune, chairman of the committee, says that the facility is air-conditioned and will hold approximately 2,000 people. This will mean that moderately-priced groups will be considered, and a ticket price of around \$5 is probable. Sune says that this program is a risk, since the majority of the students are out of town, but that it has a high potential of payoff.

The Drama Department Summer Playhouse is presenting two comedies this summer. Both plays are going to be produced in the A.J. Fletcher auditorium in the music building. "Same Time Next Year," directed by Edgar Loessin, will run from July 28 through August 2 with a matinee performance on Wednesday, July 30. "Vamities," also directed by Loessin, will run from August 4-9 with a matinee on August 6. Tickets for each performance are \$7. There is a season ticket, good for one performance of each play, that sells for \$10. Tickets and information are available at the playhouse box-office located in the

drama building. The office of Non-Credit Programs, Division of Continuing Education, is offering a number of courses this summer. The courses are credit free and open to interested persons.

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- Modern Dance Movements

To register for these courses or to obtain more information concerning time, date or tuition, contact the office of non-credit programs, 319 Erwin Hall, 757-6143.



Kristofferson and Streisand Team Up In A Star Is Born

...Free Flick this Monday night at 9 p.m. in Mendenhall's Hendrix Theatre

Films Committee Presents Outstanding Summer Program

The Student Union Films Committee is continuing its schedule of movies with a diverse lineup of free summer fare slated for viewing in Mendenhall Student Center. All films will be shown at 9 p.m. on Monday evenings throughout the summer in Hendrix Theatre.

The first of ten films will be "A Star is Born" with Barbra Streisand and Kris Kristofferson, to be screened this Monday, May 26. In its latest screen incarnation, the thrice-told tale of love-crossed stars uses the exciting Streisand to tell of the ill-fated romance between an up-and-coming female performer and a male star in decline.

The film has a larger-than-life quality, and so does its leading lady. The new screenplay shifts the setting from Hollywood to the world of rock music. Kristofferson and Streisand deliver memorable performances, and Streisand performs her hit song "Evergreen." The plot's poignancy hinges on Kristofferson's character's inability to cope with success.

The film on June 2 will be "EM," the story of a few days in the lives of

big city disc-jockeys. It is a wild unrestrained joy ride that stars comedian Martin Mull and an all-hit soundtrack.

The third movie in the series, "Big Wednesday," will be shown June 9. More than just another surfing film, it sports dynamic performances by Gary Busey ("The Buddy Holly Story") and Jan Michael Vincent.

The staggering cinematography of the California coast earned it an Academy Award nomination.

On June 16 the Films Committee will screen "In Praise of Older Women," a movie based on the Stephen Vizinczey bestseller about sex after 40. It traces the growth of its protagonist through a series of sexual grapplings in which we see and hear a variety of convincing female orgasms though none of them matters any more or less than the other.

On June 23, "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" comes to Mendenhall. The movie explodes with a plethora of dismemberments, chases and screaming women. Believe it or not, an entry in the

Cannes Film Festival.

Lily Tomlin and John Travolta team up in the perfect summer romance, "Moment by Moment," coming to Hendrix Theatre on June 30.

The Monty Python crew star in "And Now For Something Completely Different" on July 7. The "Flying Circus" provide a sidesplitting variety of irreverent blackouts, plus some ingenious animated sequences. Plenty of tasteless gags for Python fans.

Jill Clayburgh gives a stunning performance as "An Unmarried Woman" on July 14. The film is an intelligent, compassionate look at how a woman copes when her husband walks out on her. Director Paul Mazursky (who also wrote the script) pulls no punches and makes no compromises — his characters are living, breathing people and his film is a gem.

The film for July 21 will be Ken Shapiro's send up of television, "The Groove Tube," a very funny collection of R-rated satirical

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PIL — Music From Beyond

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Flogging a Dead Horse.) The Sex Pistols were doomed to self-destruction as soon as they became everything that they hated in the hands of Malcolm McLaren, entrepreneur extraordinaire.

It also seemed to be much more than fate that their gradual disintegration culminated as they split up on their highly touted but ill-fated American tour. Johnny Lydon, better known as Johnny Rotten, became convinced that the Sex Pistols had "finished rock 'n' roll" by crashing through every boundary and limitations that good sense dictates. He had decided to transcend the limitations of rock and produce a type of music that the world has never known, which he referred to as anti-rock.

Johnny Lydon returned to England right in the midst of the Sex Pistols American tour and pursued his dream by establishing his own group, Public Image, Ltd., an international pun. He solicited guitarist Keith Levine from the then assembl-

ing Clash (and created Strummer Jones), and the existential rhythmist Wobble, presenting perhaps the premier three piece combo in the world. They recorded the truly unique effort entitled *Metal Box*, so called because it was released as three twelve inch forty-fives encased in a film canister, but the record never sold because of its cost and impracticality.

Perhaps the only efficient way to appreciate PIL's music is to engage in what psychologist Carl Rogers refers to as "active listening" just as one must do with jazz, classical, or for that matter even the Sex Pistols. This is not music that you put on at a soiree as you casually discuss inflation or megalomania, it is something that must be pursued actively in order to fully conceptualize. It draws one into a sort of "dance/trance" that requires commitment in totality, or none at all.

PIL's *Metal Box* has been repackaged as a traditional two album set and rereleased as *Second Edition*, and to quote Lester Bangs it is "the first music of the

eighties." It has been called "anti-rock," "too arty Art rock," "plague music," or "disco-dub," but none can deny that it is some of the most impressive music that has come along since Hendrix. It goes where music has never gone before, into the realm that is only occupied by nightmares and horror show entropy. You can run, but you cannot hide. (For the grateful dead cult ... do acid and listen to this music and you will surely never return.)

At first acquisition and playing, the schlock connection was made for it was torture to submit myself to such madness, and I was disgusted with myself for spending ten dollars on such trash. Immediately however, a startling paradox overcame me. I was drawn to the complexity of the album and yet repelled by its texture. The more I listened, the more I was captivated, but too much exposure would not be facilitative to my mental health.

Not since James White and the Contortions have I heard music with such a progressive, avant-garde

sound. Immediately the looping, dominating bass stuns you into acquiescence for never has there been a concept of bass in white music history quite like this. Then the dangling, jangling guitar enters and rewrites the role of the electric guitar in modern music by placing it in the background supporting the profound rhythm lead. The psychic pressure builds as Lydon's sickly, ethereal vocal track sort of staggers in lamenting of self-pity and challenging the very concept of the lead singer. The music is full of screeches, cries and utterances that seem to come from beyond the river Styx and delve into emotions that are better left undisturbed.

The music may seem to come from beyond death, but the lyrics emanate from the all too real world that greets us with each rising sun, the "no-future" of the Sex Pistols gives way to the no present where we avoid a world all too complex. From "Albatross" (Lydon's life story) through "Bad Baby," "No Birds," and "The Suit" (modern life scenarios) to "Poptones" (ones murder) and "Careering" — an indictment of war mongering that gently states:

*A face is raining
Across the border
The pride of history
The same as murder*

The horror is unrelenting. This album is not for the squeamish, nor is it for everybody, maybe not even anybody ... but it may be for you. If you get a chance, give the album an extended trial, but if you don't you may be better off. It probably will not be the first time history has passed you by.



Public Image LTD's Keith Levine

"...the music is full of screeches, cries and utterances."

Program Offered In Bath

Bath, N.C., is celebrating its 275th year. The town is a state historic site maintained by the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources and has many 18th and 19th century homes. Not only does Bath contain the oldest church in continuous use in the state, it is also the site of the official port of entry for North Carolina. Among its citizens were three proprietary governors and Edward Teach, the infamous Blackbeard. The ECU Division of Continuing Education, together with the

Historic Bath Commission, the Committee for an Outdoor Drama Inc. and St. Thomas Episcopal Church, is presenting a symposium on July 26, 1980 on the town of Bath and its history.

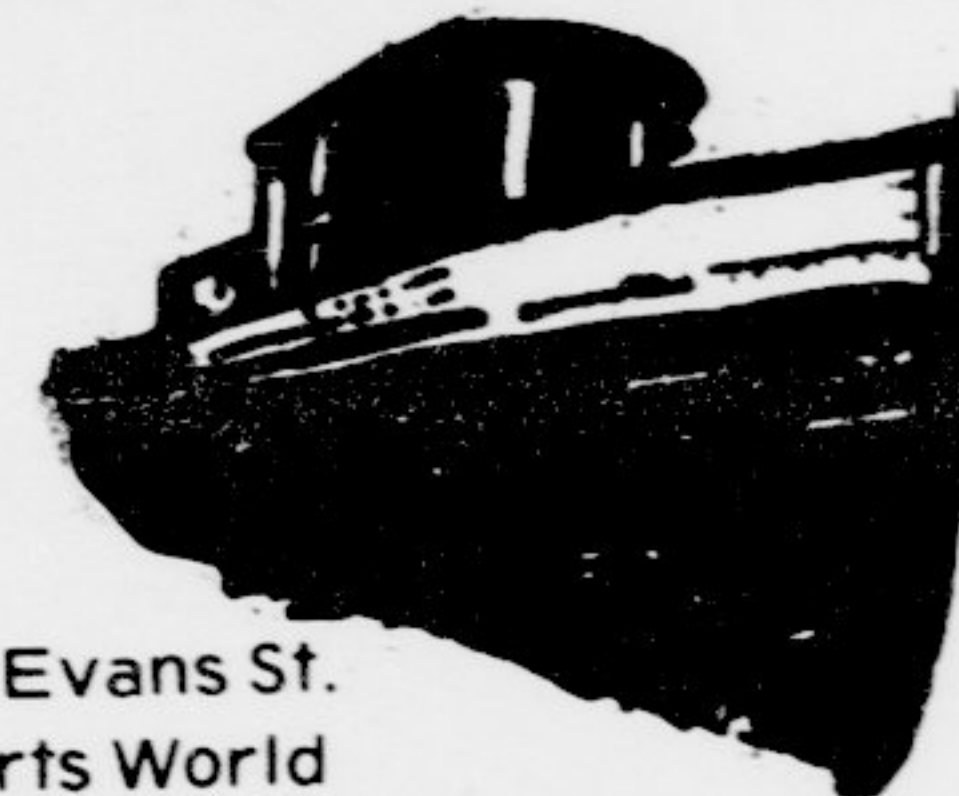
The program is an all-day affair that will feature two speakers and a tour of some old homes and the church. Also included in the symposium is a performance of the play "Blackbeard: Knight of the Black Flag." The tours will be more in-depth than the normal tours, and the church will have more artifacts

on display than usual. Members of the "Blackbeard" cast will provide background information on the play and a behind-the-scenes look at the production.

Dr. Thomas Parramore, a Meredith College faculty member, will present a talk on Bath in its historical perspective. Dr. Parramore is a recognized authority on the history of Eastern North Carolina.

Michael Smith of the State Department of Archives and History in Raleigh, will speak

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