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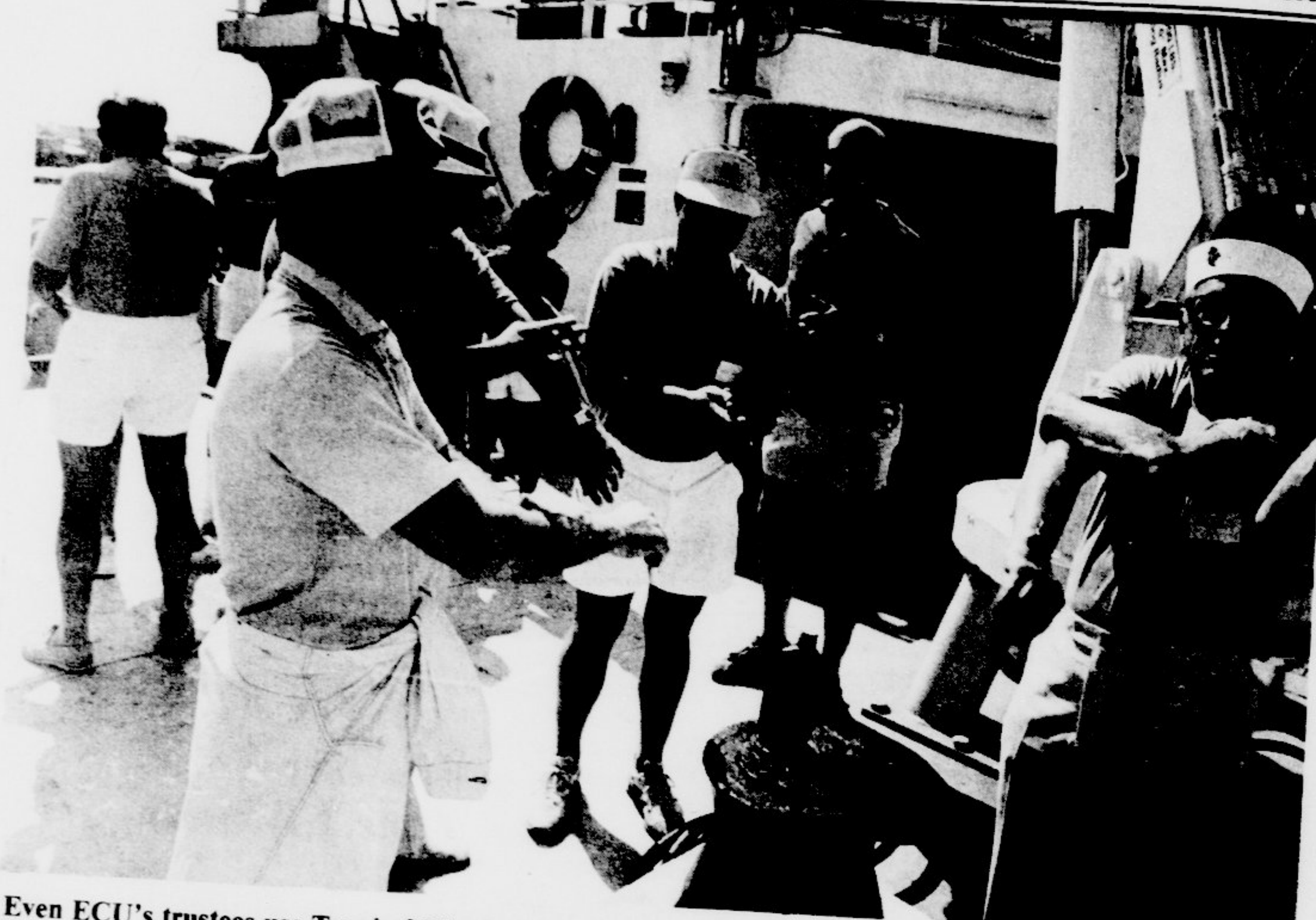
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Even ECU's trustees use Tropical Blend. James Bearden, John Howell and Ralph Kinsey in search of the perfect tan. Who said tanning was just for students?

In Beaufort

C. Ralph Kinsey Re-Elected Chairman of ECU Board

By JENNIFER JENDRASIAK
News Editor

Officers for 1984-85 were elected at a meeting of the ECU Board of Trustees in Beaufort last weekend.

C. Ralph Kinsey of Charlotte was re-elected chairman of the board. James Maynard of Raleigh was re-elected vice chairman and Dr. Roy Flood of Murfreesboro secretary.

The board acted on items pertaining to bylaw amendments and on a resolution from the faculty senate relating to changing the voting privileges of faculty members.

Applications for the 1984-85 academic year are "well-ahead of normal," according to a report from the Academic Affairs Committee. As of this week, the school has received 1,200 more applications than were received at this time last year, an increase of 21 percent. Transfer and readmission applications have also increased. In addition, more students have paid their enrollment fees.

The Medical Affairs Committee reported that \$600,000 was given to the ECU School of Medicine by

the General Assembly to restore the school's 1984-85 operating budget. The school was also allocated \$1.8 million for the purchase of a nuclear magnetic resonance device.

Efforts are still being made to establish a merit scholarship program at ECU said a report presented by the Development Committee.

ECU Chancellor John Howell addressed the meeting, saying that ECU "has done very well" as far as finances are concerned.

"We've probably not received a larger amount (of money) since we built the Brody Building," he said.

The item uppermost in the trustees' minds throughout the voyage on the research vessel managed by the Duke-University of North Carolina Oceanographic Consortium, of which ECU is a

part. Prior to a presentation by Dr. Stanley Riggs of the ECU Department of Geology, pills to combat seasickness were distributed. Most of the trustees and guests attending the meeting took one — some took two.

Riggs explained that, despite the strong winds and large waves, this was to be a "normal working day" at sea. He added that "feeling a bit queasy" is part of being at sea.

Immediately following the meeting, the trustees and a number of guests boarded the *Cape Hatteras* for a four-hour orientation tour.

Once the vessel was underway, the guests were given tours and demonstrations of some of the sophisticated equipment used for research at sea. One piece of equipment provides "pictures" of the ocean floor and the layers of rock beneath it.

Despite a few casualties from the combination of the rough seas and the boxed lunches, the trip was a success. All the participants returned with suntans and a new appreciation for research, at sea.



Howell

At Counseling Center

Two Workshops Offered

By JENNIFER JENDRASIAK
News Editor

Included in the activity fee paid by students each semester is the opportunity for free use of the ECU Counseling Center. This is an opportunity to take advantage of in the next two weeks as the center is offering two programs relevant to all students — a program on selecting a major and one on studying for final exams.

A two session workshop on selection of a major or career area will be offered Wednesday and Thursday, July 11 and 12 from 2-3:30 p.m. in Room 302 of Wright Annex. Participants will be given a career interest inventory and information about different career areas.

"We're trying to make a difference for students between working just for the paycheck and getting satisfaction from the work," said Dr. Steven Deters of the Counseling Center.

Deters said that for many students an immediate payoff of

the workshop is determination of a major consistent with their interests. When this happens, he said "they find their coursework easier. They want to learn, so they enjoy studying."

Among the factors to be considered in making a career decision, Deters said, are individual systems and demands made by parents. When a student selects a major in which he is interested, "his GPA goes up," he said.

The workshop will be offered again in the fall, but Deters said it is being offered this summer to benefit students who want to raise their GPA's and who have been "dissatisfied with the college experience until now."

On Wednesday, July 18 from 2-3:30 p.m., a workshop on test performance improvement will be offered. The workshop will relate test performance to psychological factors, according to Dr. Will Ball, director of the Counseling Center.

"There is stress involved in any

test situation, some of it negative and some of it positive," Ball said. "This stress can be used to motivate students."

For example, he said "many students put themselves under an undue amount of stress because they think they have to get every answer right." One focus of the workshop will be on changing pre-test attitudes.

Students will also discuss test preparation and test-taking strategies. The goal, Ball said, is to get the stress level down and the attitudes positive.

Participants will receive handouts, a diagnostic test of study skills and tips and techniques.

Both workshops are free and further information can be obtained from the Counseling Center located in Wright Annex or by calling 757-6661.

"We hope we get some people to take advantage of the programs," Ball said.

Byrd Resigns After 22 Years

J. William Byrd, a veteran of 22 years on the physics faculty and ECU's senior department chair in point of service, has accepted appointment as dean of Arts and Sciences at Appalachian State University in Boone.

With a Ph.D. in physics from Penn State, Byrd became a full professor at age 27 and was appointed chairman — the department's first — in 1965. Under his leadership, the department has tripled in size in number of faculty and majors and quadrupled in research activity.

By 1978, Byrd had or was directing special projects totaling more than half a million dollars annual-

ly. He has taught 20 or more courses ranging from freshman physics to graduate studies.

His research interests have been centered on plasma, fluid and mathematical physics.

Byrd is a former president of the N.C. Academy of Science, president of Sigma Xi, and Phi Kappa Phi, and a member of a number of scientific and research societies. He is former chairman of the graduate faculty committee and the university patent committee, a member of the educational planning a policies committee and of the campus facilities planning a development committee. He is former chair of the Scholarship

Weekend committee.

His many projects have included organizing and chairing the Eastern N.C. Science Teaching Resource Cooperative, organization of the ECU Faculty Forum for Research and Creative Activity, launching summer institutes and workshops for potential teachers of physics and directing a summer institute in modern electronics for physics instructors in junior colleges.

Byrd's appointment at Appalachian was effective July 1. He will head the largest of Appalachian's degree-granting colleges with 14 academic departments.

Foreign Exchange Studies Endowment Fund Established

ECU News Bureau

A foreign exchange studies program to foster world understanding will be established at ECU through an endowment by a Greenville businessman, his family and other benefactors, university officials announced recently.

Dr. John M. Howell, ECU chancellor, said that Thomas W. Rivers, a local professional engineer and his wife, the late Izabel Bethea Rivers, established the fund through gifts to the ECU Foundation, Inc. The Rivers family has been closely associated with the university and its development for nearly 70 years, Howell said.

"It is their firm belief that exposure to and understanding of other cultures is education in its truest sense, and the recognition 'that the world is our campus' will foster friendship and enlightenment among the students, university communities and nations of the world," the endowment agreement said.

The program will be known as the Thomas W. Rivers Foreign Exchange Endowment Fund which will be administered by the ECU Foundation.

Awards will be made from earnings of the endowment to full-time students at ECU, or of any other college or university in the U.S. or abroad, to participate in the foreign exchange program.

Maximum awards will be \$2,500 a year for tuition, books, meals, lodging and transportation to and from the U.S., and for travel in foreign countries.

Rivers, a retired naval officer and veteran of World War II and Korea, travels widely and said his own "wanderlust" from an early age convinced him of the need for more foreign exchange.

"We in this country need very much to learn about life in foreign countries and to know more about their culture and customs," Rivers said. He said he is "appalled at the ignorance" of U.S. citizens abroad.

Their behavior and attitude often produce "the instant 'ugly American,'" Rivers said.

"The goal of this program will be to educate students of this university, and of other universities here and abroad, by giving them first-hand experiences with other cultures," he said.

The endowment agreement provides that, "Above all, Foreign Exchange Program Scholars shall possess those qualities of inquisitive, ambitious and unbiased minds which reflect their positions as students ambassadors."

Rivers said his wife, who died June 10, shared his desire to provide students with greater foreign exchange opportunities.

Mrs. Rivers frequently traveled abroad with her husband, having visited Europe, the Mediterranean and Central America on several occasions.

"She was a very patient, wonderful lady and a great support for me," he said.

Rivers' father, the late Henry L. Rivers, founded the partner-

ship which is now the firm, Rivers and Associates. The elder Rivers was a close friend and advisor to Dr. Robert H. Wright, founding president of East Carolina, and assisted in the early planning of the campus and its development.

His children all attended ECU and sons Thomas W. and Henry Jr., were on the school's first and second football teams. As a professional engineer, Thomas W. Rivers' association with East Carolina has continued almost continuously with projects involving land acquisition, site planning and professional engineering and construction.

"I've always been the restless sort," Rivers said. He left home at age 17 to join the merchant marine as an ordinary seaman. His first voyage took him through the Panama Canal and he arrived in San Francisco during the first general strike at the docks called by Harry Bridges and the longshoremen's union in the 1930s.

"By the grace of God, I didn't remain a merchant marine seaman," he says. He returned home and received a bachelor's degree at N.C. State in 1938.

As a boy, Rivers and a young friend, Howard Sumrell, would paddle log rafts on the Tar River as far as Washington, N.C., 20 miles downstream. "Even then, I was hoping to sail away and see the world," Rivers says.

He joined the navy in World War II and was attached to the Third Marine Division as a construction engineer, fighting through the Pacific to Okinawa.

"I was more Marine than I was Navy," Rivers recalls. As a captain in the Navy Reserve, he was called back to active duty in Korea and for a number of "special assignments." One such assignment involved studies of the

feasibility of the Navy undertaking projects such as roads, bridges and water systems on the Navajo Indian reservation in Arizona and New Mexico. Rivers was officer in charge of 30 naval officers who made up the research team selected by the Navy.

In the 1970s Rivers enrolled in graduate school at East Carolina and became an ECU exchange student at the National University in Heredia, Costa Rica. Since then he has returned many times to

Costa Rica and to Belize. Through offices of the U.S. Peace Corps at ECU, he became a member of the Peace Corps and served in Thailand and Belize. As a member of the Friendship Force, he has visited in Holland, China, New Zealand, Australia and Tahiti and is again a member of a Friendship Force team now in Costa Rica.

Earlier this spring he spent one month in Belize. Last summer, he spent six weeks in New Zealand,

Australia and Tahiti. "It is a good feeling to go into a foreign capital and have someone there who knows you call your name in friendship," Rivers said.

In addition to the initial contributions establishing the Rivers Endowment, Rivers said the benefactors encourage the active solicitation of contributions and grants from other individuals, clubs and organizations, institutions and universities and grants from state and federal agencies.



ECU Chancellor John Howell, Board of Trustees Chairman Ralph Kinsey and Thomas Rivers discuss the Foreign Exchange Endowment Fund provided by Rivers.

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Annual Report Consolidation Is Underway

By JENNIFER JENDRSIAK
News Editor

Although many people are aware that industries and government agencies continually evaluate progress and plan for the future in the form of reports, this sort of activity is often not associated with universities.

Each year ECU uses a program of reports to evaluate its efforts and to plan for the future. This series of reports is called the Annual Report.

According to ECU Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Angelo Volpe, each unit at ECU compiles its own report. This report is then consolidated into a report from the school or department to which the unit belongs. For example, a report from the Department of Physics would be incorporated into a report from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Upon completion, the reports are sent to Chancellor John Howell, who then compiles a University Report which is sent to the University of North Carolina General Administration to be included in the annual President's Report on all 16 schools in the UNC system.

"The reports provide a good cross-section of what is going on in the individual units," Volpe said. "I'm very pleased. Each year we seem to be doing more and better things in each of the areas" included in the reports, he added.

Among the items listed in individual reports are future needs and goals. Common goals, according to Volpe, are to acquire newer, more sophisticated equipment, participate in more research and scholarly activity and to promote "innovative, excellent" teaching.

"Of course, student achievement is what we're ultimately talking about," Volpe said.

Achievements by the students in each department are also listed on the reports.

Highlights of the year are included in the report to the UNC general administration. Volpe said that he would include among the highlights the research done by geologist Dr. Stanley Riggs, the Summer Theatre program and the work done with the Monitor.

The reports will be sent to Howell July 15 and to UNC by August 31.

Campus Crimes Low This Week

By ERNEST ROBERTS
Staff Writer

Campus crime last week was extremely low, with very few incidents reported.

Reported crimes for June 27-30 include:

June 28, 12:49 p.m. — Frank Etzler of the Chemistry Department reported a black and white television set was stolen from 106 Flanagan Building.

June 29, 11:45 a.m. — Tamara D. Williams was issued a citation for displaying an expired license plate. 1:50 p.m. — Eugene Owens

of Whichard Building reported four checks stolen from 106 Flanagan Building.

June 30, 5:10 a.m. — Samuel Hassell of 316 Garrett Residence Hall and Dina Dare of 3400 Sherwood Drive were found in violation of campus curfew policy.

12:15 p.m. — Sgt. Jackson reported that the old Institute for Coastal and Marine Resources house had two unlocked and open windows.

Announcements

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Collard

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Poems of all types are welcome in either the adult category (\$1 entry fee) or the children's category (no entry fee). Judges are Alex Albright and Luke Whisnant.

Expectation

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both writers themselves, who teach English at ECU.

Since the mid-May announcement of the contest, some 120 poems have been received, Albright said. "We've had poems sent from Tennessee, South Carolina and Georgia, lots of entries from Virginia and throughout North Carolina, but none from the town of Ayden so far."

Whisnant, noting that the poets' ages range from 90 to eight years, observed that while most of

the children's poems are decidedly "anti-collards," older poet-contestants generally write of their great liking — or even love — for collards.

"We've had rhyming collard recipes, narratives about waking up at night with a craving for collards, and even collard folklore. We have learned that a good headache cure is a fresh collard leaf applied to the forehead," he said.

For some contestants, eating collards is a matter of regional

pride, a mark of identification as a Southerner. Whisnant and Albright have noticed this tendency particularly among male professionals — doctors and lawyers whose poems were typed on their office letterhead stationery. Nearly all the poems are rather lengthy, and a good number are entitled, "An Ode to Collards."

Selected entries in the collard poetry competition will appear in a book, "Leaves of Greens: The Collard Poems," scheduled for distribution during the festival,

Sept. 3-9. The contest anthologies will be sold for a dollar per copy, or \$1.50 if ordered by mail from the judges, in care of the ECU English department.

Along with contest poems, the book will feature a poem by Greensboro poet Fred Chappell, the contest's guest celebrity poet, who's contributing a piece about a collard-shaped lapel pin worn by jazz musician Thelonius Monk, a collard-lover and former resident of Rocky Mount.

"Cash prizes will be awarded

all winners in both categories," said Albright, who admits that he personally loathes the taste of collards.

"In the adult category, first prize is \$25 and a plateful of collards. Second prize is \$15 and two platefuls of collards.

"Third prize is \$10 and all the collards you can eat."

Contest entries may be mailed to "Collard Poetry Contest," Department of English, ECU, Greenville, N.C. 27834

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than five nights a month.

"To some extent, they may be setting themselves up for a fall," says Dr. David Hopkins, a University of Denver business professor and a co-author of the study.

He notes many students want it all — job satisfaction, frequent feedback from their bosses, "a rich personal life" — although combining such qualities in real life is extremely difficult.

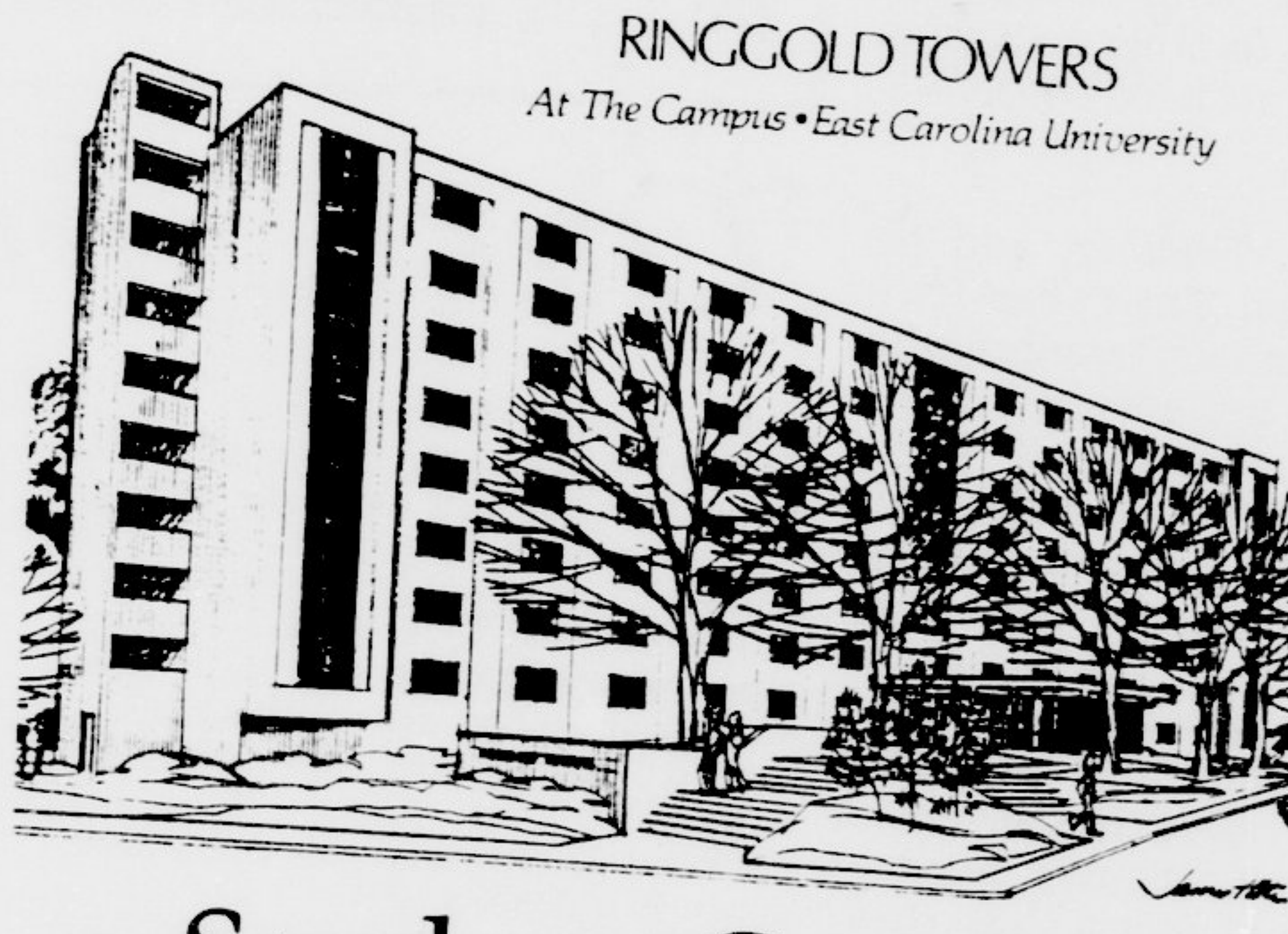
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"The student and employer will have to modify their perceptions of what they expect from each other," advises Linda Pengilly of the CPC. "It's going to be a two-way stretch."

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Knox Actions Harmful For Party

H. Edward Knox is behaving like a baby. First, he refused to ask his supporters to back the Democratic candidate for governor, Rufus Edmisten, and now he has stood aside while his wife and brother endorse the re-election bid of Sen. Jesse Helms, the Republican candidate. Knox's actions demonstrate that his commitment to the Democratic Party in the state is low. His refusal to do what was right may cost him in the long run.

The former Charlotte mayor's refusal to act for the common good smacks of sour grapes. Politics is rough-and-tumble, and if you don't have the armor when you go into the arena, you shouldn't play the game in the first place. Knox obviously is still fuming from his loss in the hotly-contested Democratic primary runoff in which hard political blows were landed by Edmisten. But, we all know that's the game. Knox forgot this rule.

His intransigence could eventually hurt the Democrats in the state. A true party man would not vote Republican, but apparently Knox is showing his true stripes belong on an elephant. Unity is a quality parties must possess, lest they find the strain of an election year too difficult and end up losing more than the race. We'll know the extent of his actions in November, but unfortunately it will be too late.

The Charlotte mayor was a good candidate and would have made a great governor with the grasp he had on the issues. But he lost. No one likes to lose, but doing it

gracefully is something politicians must do — especially in a party primary. Yet he hasn't, and it seems his anger over losing has spilled over into another campaign that the Democrats need desperately to win.

Via his wife, Frances, and his brother, Charles, Knox has let it be known that his differences with Gov. Hunt are too extensive to be repaired in the sake of party unity. Helms has scored an incredible amount of political points. Democrats around the state may think twice when they see a relatively moderate former mayor's kin come out in support of arch-conservative Jesse Helms. Democrats are of course playing the endorsement down, but they know it will hurt.

Why is Knox cutting his own throat for a little revenge? We wish it didn't happen, but now that these turn of events have taken place, we must urge voters to remember what Helms and Hunt stand for. You must also keep in mind the differences between Rufus Edmisten and James Martin. Both the Republicans are conservative and both the Democrats moderates. Don't let our grapes spoil who you should vote for, even if you supported Knox in the primary. Show you're a better Democrat than the mayor from Charlotte.

There is no excuse for what Knox, his wife and brother have done. At the least everyone should have kept quiet, but it's too late now. H. Edward you've sure made a blunder.



'Our Computer Is Down'

The most frightening words in the English language are, "Our computer is down." You hear it more and more as you go about trying to conduct your business.

The other day I was at the airport attempting to buy a ticket to Washington and the attendant said, "I'm sorry, I can't sell you a ticket. Our computer is down."

"What do you mean your computer is down. Is it depressed?"

"No it can't be depressed. That's why it's down."

"So if your computer is down just write me out a ticket."

"I can't write you out a ticket. The computer is the only one allowed to issue tickets on the plane." I looked down the counter and every passenger agent was just standing there drinking coffee and staring into a blank screen.

"What do all you people do?"

"We give the computer the information about your trip, and then it tells us whether you can fly with us or not."

"So when it goes down, you go down with it."

"That's very good, sir. I haven't heard it put that way before."

"How long will the computer be down?" I wanted to know.

"I have no idea. Sometimes it's down

for 10 minutes, sometimes for two hours. There is no way we can find out without asking the computer, and since it's down, it won't answer us."

"Don't you have a backup computer, when the main computer goes down?"

"I doubt it. Do you know what one of these things costs?"

Art Buchwald

"Let's forget the computer. What about your planes? They're still flying, aren't they?"

"I couldn't tell without asking the computer, and as I told you..."

"I know, it's down. Maybe I could just go to the gate and ask the pilot if he's flying to Washington," I suggested.

"I wouldn't know what gate to send you to."

"I'll try them all," I said.

"Even if the pilot was going to Washington, he couldn't take you if you didn't have a ticket."

"Why don't I give you the money and you could give me a receipt and I could show that to the pilot as proof that I paid?"

"We wouldn't know what to charge

you. The computer is the only one who keeps track of air fares because they change every hour."

"How about my credit card?"

"That's even worse. When our computer is down it can't notify the credit card computer to charge the fare to your account."

"Is there any other airline flying to Washington within the next few hours?"

"I wouldn't know," he said, pointing at the dark screen, "only 'IT' knows."

"And at the moment 'IT' don't know nothing."

"IT" knows it," he said defensively.

"IT" just can't tell me."

By this time there were quite a few people standing in lines. The word soon spread to other travelers that "the computer was down." Nobody knew exactly what this meant, but some people went white, some people started to cry, and still others kicked their luggage.

A man in a red blazer came out.

"Please don't get excited. Wichita has been notified."

"What's Wichita got to do with it?" I asked.

"That's where our main computer went down. But as soon as it gets over its glitch, it's going to buy everyone who missed his plane a free drink."

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On The High Seas Beach, Trustees Loads Of Fun

By GREG RIDEOUT

Working for a newspaper is all right sometimes. Every once and a while, as appreciation of all the long hours and little pay, a little gold will come your way. So it was this weekend.

ViewPoint

I can still remember the waves and sun. Three days at the beach — heck, you just can't beat it — not even with a stick. But, this weekend was a little different. Sure it was fun tanning on the sand. But, since I was there as a guest of the university and the Board of Trustees, there were more pressing things to do. And, although I enjoyed the rays and the surf, becoming acquainted with the big wheels that make our school turn was the best part of the trip.

The first thing that strikes you about the trustees is they are like you and me, even though they serve on an important

board. They wear T-shirts and shorts, drink beer and like to have fun. They laugh at stupid jokes — and tell them, too. But, what I liked most is that they talked to you. Most seemed genuinely interested in what I had to say about ECU; I suppose because they liked getting a student's view. Admittedly, the conversations were not in-depth, but the talk was free-flowing, not stilted by formalities.

Several trustees asked me of my plans for the future, telling me how they started what they are now doing and offering a little advice. I related to them more now than when I had talked to them at official meetings, maybe because they were wearing purple T-shirts and felt more at ease.

As they walked around the ship trying to get a pair of sea legs, I noticed how they talked to each other; listening in, I found the school to be the most prevalent topic after the boat ride itself.

They discussed the upcoming football season, summer theatre, and the new classroom building, telling each other how each made ECU that much better.

I overheard one conversation on the administration, with both people saying what a good job Dr. Howell had done. The students should know about this, I told myself. These people are trying to make our stay at ECU one we can remember and take pride in. And, although their faces were sunburned, I could still see the concern they put into their job.

Now, I know this may all seem a little idyllic, and my inherent cynicism forces me to say that I know it's not all like this. And that ulterior motives and power plays may lurk behind any corner, but I know what I saw, and I liked it. As a representative of the students, it's nice to be able to tell everyone about the good things.

The boat ride ended after about three hours — the people left, saying goodbye and shaking hands. My sidekick and I left the ship, too. Somehow, we felt like the university was closer to us; now the people who make the decisions were

have to praise or damn them, we can do so with a little more feeling.

You know, it's to bad all students can't do this. But, I guess that's why I had to write this.

Campus Forum

Wave Change Bemoaned

I am sitting here bleary-eyed after having sat up until 2 a.m. on a Wednesday night to listen to WZMB's great new wave show, Permanent Wave. Recently, it was changed from a Tuesday and Thursday time slot of 10-12 p.m. to Wednesday from 11-2 a.m.

New wave music is at the forefront of the most interesting and intelligent music being played today. It kicks new life into standard rock'n'roll themes and introduces great new sounds and artists. ECU students should not be deprived of this exposure to new music. Why was Permanent Wave moved to such a late time slot and cut from four to three hours per week?

WZMB, please move Permanent Wave to an earlier time period when it can attract a wider (and awake) audience.

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By TINA MAROSCHAK

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A Heartwarming

'Annie'

By TINA MAROSCHAK

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Features

Fourth Of July Instills Patriotism And Pride

By TINA MAROSCHAK
Features Editor

"When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with one another..."

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness."

Independence Day, undoubtedly the most patriotic day of the American year, celebrates the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the birthday of our nation. This "unanimous Declaration of the thirteen United States of America," drafted under the leadership of

Thomas Jefferson, "provided a theory justifying political revolution and listed the reasons why the colonists were driven to revolt against their mother country, Great Britain."

Although Independence Day has been celebrated on July 4th for 208 years, the Declaration of Independence was actually not ready to be signed until August. July 4 marks the day that Congress ordered the Declaration to be printed; it did not declare the date a legal public holiday until 1941.

John Adams, the second president of the United States, said that the day should be celebrated forever. "It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illustrations, from one end of this continent to the other, from

this day forward," Adams said.

And celebrated it was. On America's one hundredth anniversary the Philadelphia Quakers held a world's fair. French artist Frederic Bartholdi sculpted the Statue of Liberty as a gift from France. Although incomplete by the Fourth of July, he had finished the statue's right hand, which symbolizes freedom.

Ohio resident Archibald M. Willard was working on a painting called "Yankee Doodle" (now known as "The Spirit of '76"), which shows a grandfather, a father and a young boy marching to battle in the Revolutionary War.

Independence Hall in Philadelphia houses the Liberty Bell (symbolizing freedom).

America's flag stands for "the millions of its citizens who have striven to make their country

great." The flag's stripes (seven red and six white) represent the thirteen original colonies, and the fifty white stars on the blue field represent the union of the fifty states. In 1782 the Department of State said: Red stands for hardness and courage. White is the symbol of purity and innocence. Blue is the color of vigilance, perseverance, and justice.

Francis Scott Key is remembered for the writing of the national anthem.

Generally, Independence Day is a time for remembering — remembering those who fought for independence and justice. The occasion also marks a time of festivity — family outings, speeches, fireworks and parades.

Area Activities

By GREG RIDEOUT
Managing Editor

Yesterday started out boring. First of all, I didn't even get out of bed until 11 a.m. I should have got up sooner, especially on our nation's 208th birthday, but I just didn't have it in me. As I walked to McDonalds for lunch, I thought to myself — "boy, only in America — what a place to be. Heck, today we'll barbecue and eat until we pop; then we'll go watch the fireworks."

And boy did I eat. I must have had five hamburgers at the boss' place. I even helped cook them. We also had to drink a little brew — of course, it was all in honor of those daring signers of the ol' constitution. Heck, I know those boys would have had a little ale for me if they were in my shoes.

Well, it got to be about 8:45, and the boss and all the others at the party weren't exactly ready to go. He was mingling and what-not — you know what I mean. So I grabbed the two fellows I'd brought along and got the hell out of Dodge. And, shoot, we just about made it in time.

First of all we drove back to my place and parked behind Fifth Street; shit, if we wouldn't have we would have been caught in that hellacious traffic jam. We walked the rest of the way to the park. How about all those people?

When we got there I was cussin' a little, but then I noticed all the kids — heck, I thought it was past their bed time — but I stopped just the same. We found a place to sit in the grass right off of Fourth Street, and we proceeded to lay back in the weeds and get bit. The fireworks were in full force by then, and so were the people.

Boy, the guy beside us was simply amazing. He loved every firework they put up but one. I think it was to impress his girlfriend, seeing as how he

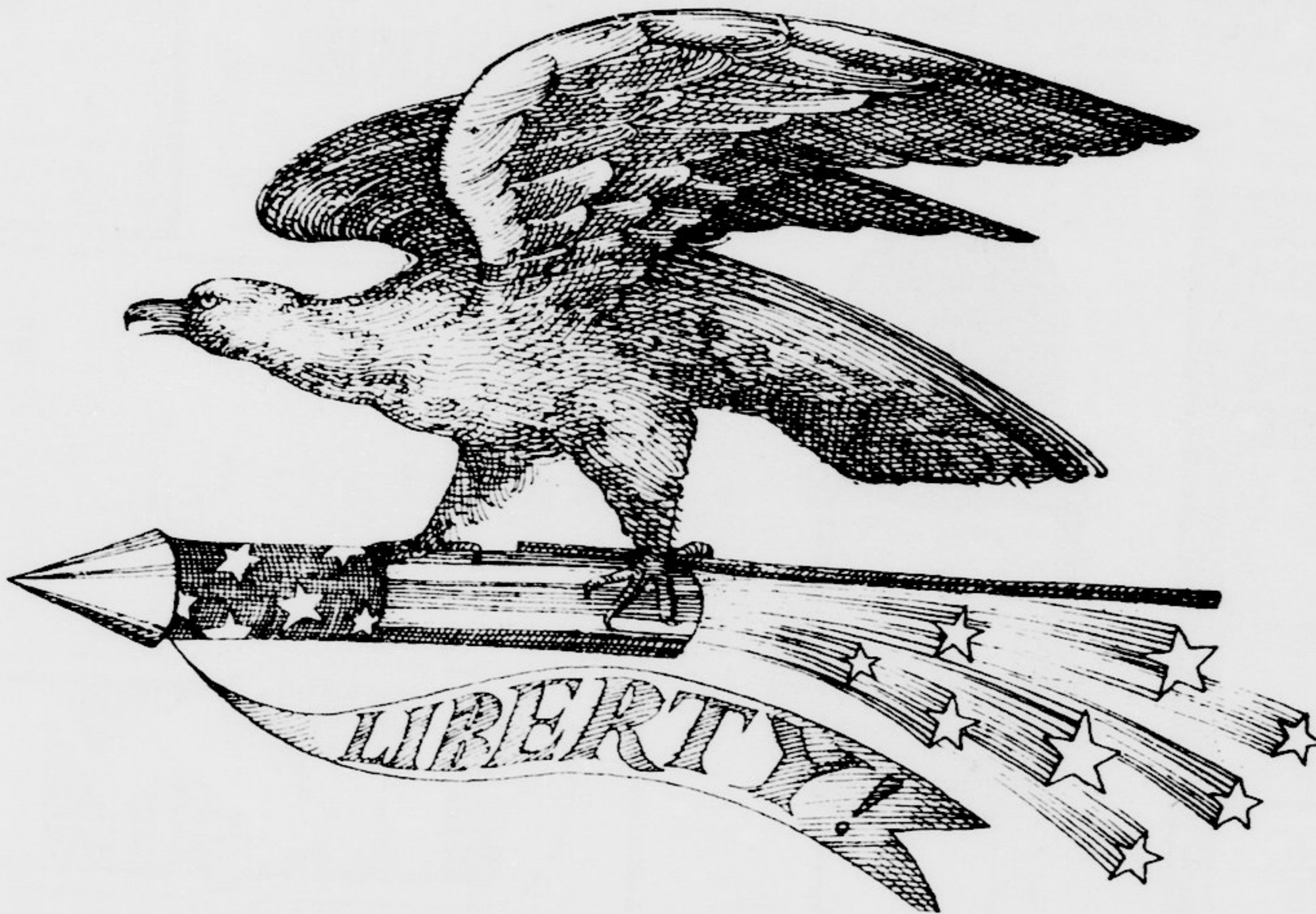
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was pawing all over her any ways. They oohed and ahhed a lot, but I kinda' don't think it was because of the festivities going on overhead. The kids had a great time at the park. I don't think they saw the fireworks, though; heck, with all that running around and all, I imagine their parents are still looking for them.

My review of the fireworks themselves will be sort of short. First of all, Greenville, they were

too short. Gee, the bug repellent was just beginning to work when the whole darn thing was over. Most of the pyrotechnics were nice, but only a few were spectacular. I hope they're better next year. Oh, yeah, next time let's have them indoors. So it goes.

Just remember one thing, yesterday's happenings were in honor of our country — a country in the top 10 of all countries.



Fireworks

By MARY CASHIO
Staff Writer

Among other things, the Fourth of July is an occasion for fireworks. Fireworks are basically of two kinds: pyrotechnics, which explode into brilliant colors, sparks and flames, and fireworks, which do nothing more than make loud noise. Fireworks are dangerous because they contain gunpowder packed in hollow paper tubes. The gunpowder contains different chemicals to produce yellow, red, blue, and green colors. According to Susan Deyton, Public Information Chairman of the National Society to Prevent Blindness, "Last year an overwhelming 72 percent of fireworks injury victims were between the ages of 5 and 24 years old."

Fireworks come in various forms and kinds. The two basic types are: one, those like the rocket which are propelled into the air, and two, those like the golden rain which stay on the ground. The two chief mixtures are 1) force and spark mixtures such as those driving rockets and wheel devices, and 2) flame mixtures which give rise to stars.

Roman candles, pinwheels and lances are all commonly used, lancers being the most intriguing because they consist of long, thin paper tubes filled with color-producing fireworks. They are arranged so that when lit, they outline a scene, portrait or flag.

A pinwheel is a stick attached to a disk that throws off sparks and flames as it wheels around the stick.

Roman candles alternate groups of second colored sparks and flames with a series of booming noises.

Although pretty to look at, fireworks should be used with caution.

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During the girls' recap of "It's the Hard-Knock Life," Mollie leaves the audience in stitches with her mockery of Miss Hannigan. She is applauded several other times in the play for her lovable disposition and unique acting ability.

Back to Annie — while wandering through town Annie teams up with Sandy (Tough Fine) — the cute little pouch with the big, bright eyes. The two take an immediate liking to each other and remain buddies to the end.

A song and dance episode by the Hooverville-ites complements both the actors and the designers (Robert C. Alpers, Scene Designer; Keith Lewis, Costume Designer; Gary Weathersbee, Lighting Designer). F. Leonard Darby (Technical Director) should also be applauded for a job well done.

Annie's life changes when she meets Oliver Warbucks (Jack McCutcheon), the billionaire who longs to adopt her but nobly agrees to help her find her real parents. Warbucks, Warbucks' secretary, Grace (Tracy Donohue), President Roosevelt (John Kuhn), and half the U.S. Government journey up Fifth Avenue and down Broadway to the White House until the play climaxes on Christmas morning. All's well that ends well, however, with one delightful surprise at the end.

Annie ran four years on Broadway and earned numerous awards. It spurred a major motion picture starring Carol Burnett and Albert Finney, and a multitude of dolls and books.

All involved with the Summer Theatre's production of *Annie* should be commended. If this play is any indication of what's coming up, we're in for an entertaining, fun-filled summer.

Tickets for the Wednesday through Saturday (July 4-7) productions may be purchased at McGinnis Theatre 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. or may be reserved by calling 757-6390.



'Chicago' Is On The Way

"Move over New York, here comes *'Chicago'*!" That's what CBS said of the Broadway spectacular *'Chicago'* when it opened to rave reviews in 1975.

Now, the East Carolina Summer Theatre will breath new life into this "musical vaudeville" for a six-night run, July 9-14 (Monday through Saturday), at 8:15 p.m. in McGinnis Theatre.

Big, bad Chicago of the late 1920's, the days of shimmying flappers, gangsters, bootleg booze and flaming youth, is the focal point of this razzle-dazzle musical. It was the gin age, the jazz age, the age of passion murders and Roxie Hart saw it all.

A boozing club singer, Roxie kills her faithless lover, is thrown in jail and at the trial is defended by a slick lawyer who tries to capitalize on the publicity for the sake of acquittal, a stage career, fame and fortune — almost. This story was made into a film blockbuster called *Roxie Hart* in

the 1940's, with Ginger Rogers in the title role.

Bob Fosse, the entertainment industry's first Triple Crown winner (a Tony Award for the Broadway *Pippin* and an Oscar for the *Cabaret* film and an Emmy for the TV spectacular *Liza with a Z* — all in the same year!), is the genius behind the musical version of *'Chicago'*.

Staring as Roxie Hart, the singer who's a "real killer" in every sense of the word, will be Maureen Kerrigan, who returns to the Summer Theatre after her triumph as Sally in *'Cabaret'* two seasons ago. Her sidekick, a vaudeville gal with high hopes and a hot temper will be Barbara Gulan (Velma). David Heckert (Billy Flynn), will co-star as the fast-talking lawyer who helps pretty girls get away with murder.

Tickets are still available for all performances, Monday through Saturday (July 9-14), and may be purchased at McGinnis Theatre

Fighting Fire With Fire

By J. T. PIETRZAK
Staff Writer

George and Tommy were the first to the tree-fort that morning. George would have been alone if only he could lift the box thirteen rungs without the help of his second in command. They had to keep the new toy hidden in one of the big boxes — the ones that George's mom would always bring home from grocery shopping at the Grand Union, so that the enemy wouldn't see. They even took the long path — behind the home-team dug-out and around the outfield fence — rather than walk in front of the stands and let the older boys in the ball park see that they had a box. The fort was in a tree on the public side of the stream that was the property line of a summer bungalow colony.

"Let me see it!" Tommy demanded.

"Wait. Let's get it up first. It'll be better that way," George told him. "I'll go first and guide it. You follow and just make sure it doesn't fall." George went first up the ladder. He held the box handle firmly with the hand that wasn't on the ladder. Tommy followed, one hand on the ladder and the other underneath the box like he had a waiter's tray. When the box was safely on the floor of the one-room fort, Tommy couldn't wait to untie the string that George had knotted around the box, but cut it with his cub scout knife instead. George moved the crate, containing the club's collection of Playboy and other similar magazines, from the floor in front of the opening used for a window.

"Just look at it," George said as he brought forth a Unitron telescope from the box.

"I want to look through it!" Tommy said.

"As soon as we have it set up right. It'll be better that way. Let's see the tripod," George told him. George liked that word, tripod. It sounded technical. His father had told him, "It is not a stand. It is a tripod."

"Does it work right?" Tommy asked.

"Yes, boy! I can see clear across the lake to Martha's house. It's too strong to look at Ben's mom's bunelow though," George

said.

"Martha's house! I wanna see! Let me see, George." George moved aside with a wise-guy smile and sat on the couch with ripped upholstery. "Who believes it?" Tommy cried. "I can see Martha's dog like it was right down there in the stream. Wait till all the gang sees."

Henry Clinton stuck his head in and said, "Sees what?" Henry was the older boy the gang hated most (he thinks he's tough 'cause he has a car). He was about to climb in the fort, but George jumped up and stood in the entrance. "Get out of here, Henry. This is our fort. You can't come in."

"Shut up punk or I'll beat you like a drum," Henry said. He pushed George aside and went in. Tommy stood in front of the telescope. "Sees what?" Henry demanded.

"Why don't you go back and see how to play baseball," Tommy said.

Henry said, "Another punk, huh? I'll tell ya, wise ass. 'Cause the men are playing now. Get out of the way." Robert pushed Tommy aside. "Where'd you punks rob this from?" he asked.

"It's my father's. And you better leave it alone," George said. "It's my father's. And you better leave it alone," Henry exaggerated George's younger voice. "I bet those magazines are his too. What're you gonna do with a telescope here? There's all trees in the way 'bove dumb punks."

Robert kicked a leg of the tripod. It tumbled backward landing on the eyepiece. The eyepiece broke off. George and Tommy stood like statues staring at the useless object. "I bet your parents wouldn't be too impressed if they knew how you came up here to smoke cigarettes and look at those magazines. Bet they would even make you stay home tonight and miss the big fireworks. If they knew."

"We don't," Tommy said. "You do now," Henry said. He reached in his pocket and pulled out a pack of firecrackers. "Play with these," he said. He lit the



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A Different Way To Obtain Independence

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he said and climbed out. George and Tommy turned their backs to the noise. When the little explosions were over both boys sat on the floor.

Tommy asked, "Are you going to tell your Dad?"

"I can't. I didn't tell him that I was taking it. It's been sitting in the basement forever. Maybe he forgot about it," George said.

"Well we can't let Henry get away with it. If we don't do nothing, he'll bully us forever. We'll never be able to call this place 'our's' or do anything here without the big butthole bothering us. If we don't tell, he'll think we're scared of him," Tommy said.

Before George was able to suggest a method of retaliation, a lit firecracker came flying in the fort. The noise brought both boys to their feet. "I'll kill him," George said.

"Did I scare you? I hope you jumped clear to the ceiling." It was only Ben speaking. I heard you guys start celebratin' early. Look here what my uncle gave me before he left," Ben said. He showed the boys a paper shopping bag full of all kinds of fireworks. "I got some cherry-bombs and he even left me three M-80s that have a special fuse that lets you blow 'em up in water," Ben told them.

"I'd like to stuff the whole bag down Henry Clinton's throat and light him on fire," Tommy said.

Ben asked, "What did Butthole do today?"

"Broke our telescope," Tommy said. He picked up the broken eyepiece and handed it to Ben.

Ben said, "And I didn't even get to see once."

"I did. And you could see forever through it. Now it's not worth a dud," Tommy said.

"Are you guys about sick up to here of Henry the hole?" George asked. He raised his hand and stood on tip toes.

"To here," Tommy said. He raised his hand and pounced up

and down; he was shorter than George.

"All the way to here," Ben said. He jumped on the couch and raised his hand.

"To here, to here," They all chanted and jumped and laughed until their young lungs made them take time out.

"I got a plan," George said.

The American Legion Hall was where most of the town's big events took place. That's where the parade ended that day and an incredible clambake was held.

That evening people packed the field out back of the Hall overlooking the calm lake. They brought lawn chairs and coolers and sparklers. They were there to witness the magnificent display of fireworks only Independence Day could bring. Henry Clinton was close by.

Henry Clinton was just up the lake at the rope-swing where the older kids traditionally hung out.

George knew he would be there waiting like everyone else for that great "boom!" that signaled to the people that the fireworks were about to begin. It was twilight. George also knew that Henry's suped up Pinto would be parked alone on the side of the road right near the path leading to the rope-swing. George hid on the side of

the car next to the woods and took off the gas cap.

"Go get 'em fellas," George said. Ben and Tommy went through the path to where the older kids were. Henry was there drinking a beer and acting tough in front of his peers. When he saw the youngsters he said, "If it isn't the punks. What do you want,

car. She wants you home with the car now, she said. She said if you weren't home in five minutes that she was gonna come get you. I don't know what you did, Henry Clinton, but she's highly pissed."

"Ha, ha," Tommy said. "Good for ya." Ben and Tommy walked along the waters edge toward the Legion field. Henry threw his beer can at them. It didn't come close.

Then he said, "Be right back, folks. Let me go see what the old lady's problem is. Save me some beer." He trotted off through the woods. George saw him coming out and layed low. Henry jumped in his car and cranked it. When George heard Henry put the transmission in first, he dropped a

lit M-80 in the tank. Henry pulled out with a squeal leaving rubber behind. Before he was able to shift to second gear, there was a

great "boom!" George had jumped into the woods and was on the ground, but he couldn't resist looking at the red glare the exploding car made in the twilight.

The people out back of the American Legion began to cheer — not knowing Ben and Tommy jumped up and down and cheered — knowing George came out of the woods near the water and his comrades greeted him like a hero. The fort was theirs now.

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Sports

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Branch Will Get His Chance In '84

By PETE FERNALD
Assistant Sports Editor



1000 In '84?

Reggie Branch said playing behind Earnest Byner last year has inspired him to rush for a 1000 yards this fall.

After playing under fullback sensation Earnest Byner who was recently drafted by the Cleveland Browns, senior Reggie Branch is looking forward to filling the first string fullback position for the Pirate football team this fall.

"This fall I should have it all together with two years of experience under Earnest," Branch said. "I've got the opportunity and I might as well make the best of it. My running, blocking and thinking on the field are all going to be together."

Watching Byner play gave Branch the incentive to be top-notch in carrying out the fullback's duties. "I learned a lot from Ernest — he had heart. He'd go out there and really get into the game blocking and running," Branch said. "For every play he would be at 100 percent. He went in to the game and wouldn't want to come out — that's what I like in a person."

Although he averages about five yards per carry, Branch's specialty is blocking. "When I go into the game it is mostly for blocking in passing situations. That requires strength and a lot of quick thinking."

In his first playing season after being red shirted, Branch said that his blocking wasn't really that good. But, he said that "it came on a whole lot in the 1983 season with experience and playing time."

Branch was red shirted in 1981 after transferring from West Virginia State Junior College. Unfortunately, he broke an ankle before the season and never played a game for the junior college team.

"I broke my ankle two weeks before the season started," Branch said. "I was in the number two tailback position. The number one guy got hurt so they called me in. The first run I did pretty good, but on the second play I was dragging one guy and two others hit me at an angle breaking my ankle."

Branch had planned to transfer to New Mexico State, but due to his family and uncle A.C. Collins' influence he decided to come to ECU. "I was getting ready to go out to New Mexico, but my family and A.C. said I ought to make the best of it — go to ECU."

Commenting on ECU's location and atmosphere, Branch said "it's not that far from home and I've enjoyed it here a lot. The people are friendly, there are nice surroundings and no big cities."

Originally from Sanford, Florida, where he was born and raised, Branch participated in four sports at Seminole High School: football, track, wrestling and weightlifting.

"I was in four sports at one time. I went to the Florida state meet in wrestling three times and to the regionals in track two times," Branch said.

In his senior year, Branch received the most improved back and achievement awards in football. In addition, he received the most improved track runner as well.

When first coming to ECU Branch was a tailback. "When I got here I played tailback, but the coaches needed a fullback. I said you can put me anywhere you want as long as I perform and do well at it," he said. "I feel that anywhere I go or anything I do, if

I want to play, I'll have to work hard."

As a result of his hard work, Branch received the Rick Bankston Memorial Award for outstanding scout team play in 1981. The award is given to the best all-around player who works hard in any position. "I played tight end, fullback, tailback, receiver — anything they needed me to do."

This fall looks to be tough for the Pirates, but Branch is confident and has set some goals he hopes to accomplish by the end of the season. "I've got a goal to set in rushing. I'd like to rush for a 1000 yards. By playing behind Byner and watching him get seven or eight hundred yards a season, I know I can do it," he said.

"I've got goals like running and blocking well, and just being healthy. I'm concentrating on the fall and not even thinking about professional football — that's behind me right now."

Branch feels the key to his success is leadership. "You got to have leadership to be a leader. You can never be better than what you are, but you always have places to improve yourself."

In academics, Branch is very proud of himself. "I got a 3.5 to 3.7 first session and I should pull between a 3.0 and 4.0 for second session. Academically I'm doing great."

Branch majors in correction and intends to pursue a career in that field. "I want to be a counselor. I can really work well with kids. I'm going to get my degree and then worry about the pros."

"I'm getting some of my college work done plus I can work

out better than I can at home. Here I'm motivated by the other players and I motivate them too," Branch said.

Commenting on Florida State, the Pirates first game of the 1984 season, Branch said "we don't have that much time. I hope the guys at home are working hard because we're working really hard here in Greenville. All we got to do is get out there and be ready for them and perform."

"Three of four guys on Florida State went to my high school and they'll be up for us because of what we did last year," Branch said.

Some of the harder teams the Pirates will be facing this season include Florida State and Pittsburgh. "But", Branch added in reference to clubs like Southern Mississippi, N.C. State, and South Carolina, "the smaller teams you don't worry about are the ones that beat you. We'll be up for every game."

Apparently Florida, Miami and Florida State looked at ECU as a little team. Surprise! "They looked at us like you guys aren't even known, you're no good. We showed them what we were made of, unfortunately we came up short. The whole team shared the losses," Branch said.

The Pirates had a tremendous 1983 season compiling an 8-3 record, but are faced with another tough schedule this fall. Making his last remark and possibly foreshadowing what is to come of the 1984 season, Branch said "It would be nice for me and the other seniors to play in a bowl game."

Former Pirate Running Back Loses Scoring Title To Injury

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play in pre-season — I don't think I got a fair trial."

A large part of the problem was the presence of ex-North Carolina State's superb running back Ted Brown. With him on the same team, there wasn't much need to use other backs.

"I knew I was going to play somewhere and had the capability, it was just a matter of getting a chance to show it. At Minnesota, I wasn't in the picture at all."

"I was really happy that Houston wanted me," Harrell continued. "Since I got here I've had the chance to show what I can do because I've been getting the ball a lot more."

Harrell's potential quickly came out as he led the USFL in points scored with 14 touchdowns through the early part of the season. A leg injury put him out of action for almost the rest of the regular season, but he did add two more touchdowns to his total at the end of the season.

"My knee is feeling good and I'm very close to being at 100 percent," he said. "It feels great to be playing again. When you can't play, you don't know where you stand."

Now that he's firmly situated in Houston, Harrell said there's a big difference between the USFL and NFL. "In our league we run a wide-open offense and use more imagination. At Houston, we use a lot of passing and screen plays and run the two-minute offense all the time. In the NFL they just try to run over you — they're really traditional."

Harrell was also quick to point out that the gap in talent between the two teams is starting to nar-

row. "With the ex-NFL players now in the USFL and the players we're getting out of college, we could give them a good game. A little more time and we'll be equal!"

Although Harrell seems to have a lengthy career ahead of him in the USFL, he realizes football won't always be there for him. "I'm looking for business opportunities for the future. Right now, I have a lot of speaking engagements and public relations work. At Minnesota nobody knew me, but since I've had the chance to prove myself, a lot of people know me now."

Harrell also said a lot of people know who ECU is. "Everybody says how good the team is and how tough they are. I'm still doing things to show how glad I am to be from East Carolina — it's a good school."

"One thing I've learned is the most important thing an athlete can do is to finish school," Harrell added. "You should set that as your main goal, because you can't play football forever, no matter how good you are — you've got to have something to build on."

"The interest the coaches at ECU showed in the players' education really impressed me. They didn't just forget the academics. The program really took care of the players with tutoring and other things."

Sam Harrell is one of a growing number of former East Carolina players now in the pros, and it's athletes such as he that have helped build a football program capable of competing favorably with any team in the country.

Baird Named Region Coach

Former ECU baseball coach Hal Baird, who led the Pirates to an ECAC South Championship and a berth in the NCAA playoffs, has been named East Region Coach of the Year by the NCAA.

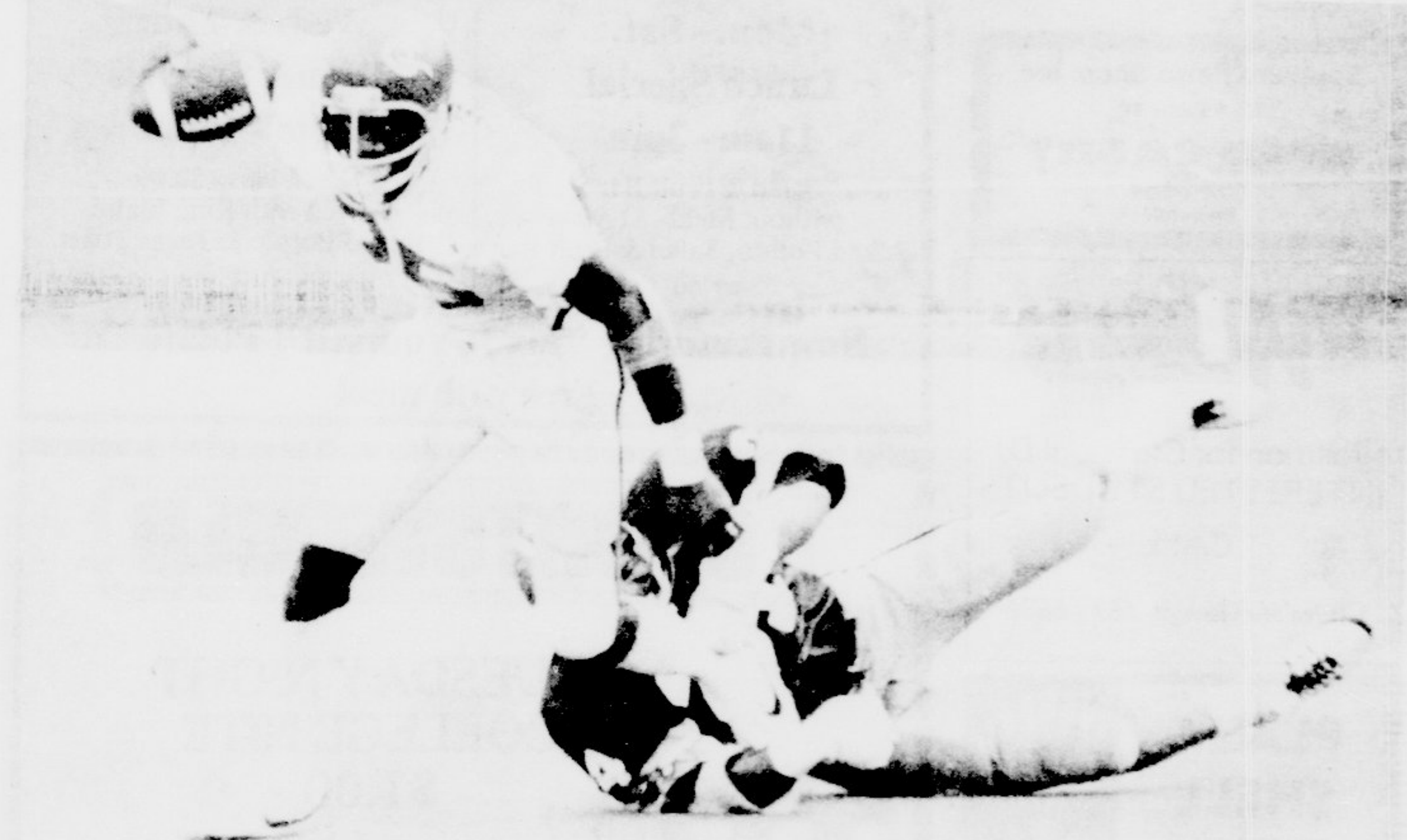
Under Baird this season, the Pirates tied a school record with 34 wins, while also turning in their best ever post-season performance by capturing third place in the NCAA Southern Regionals.

Baird resigned his post at ECU in May to become head coach at Auburn. During his five years at the Pirate helm, Baird was responsible for producing two nationally ranked pitching staffs while compiling a 145-66-1 record.

Baird pitched for ECU in the early seventies, and played seven years with the Kansas City Royals before returning to Greenville to coach.



Former ECU baseball coach Hal Baird



Former Pirate running back Sam Harrell rose from obscurity in the NFL to the USFL's leading scorer before a mid-season injury sidelined him.

NCAA Football

TV Or Not To Be?

Although last week's Supreme Court ruling stripped the NCAA of its exclusive right to televise college football games, according to ECU Assistant Athletic Director Ken Smith it is still uncertain whether the Pirates will be appearing on television this fall.

Afternoon. Although the Pirates would be part of any package approved by the committee, they would still be able to negotiate other games on their own.

Before the court's ruling, Smith

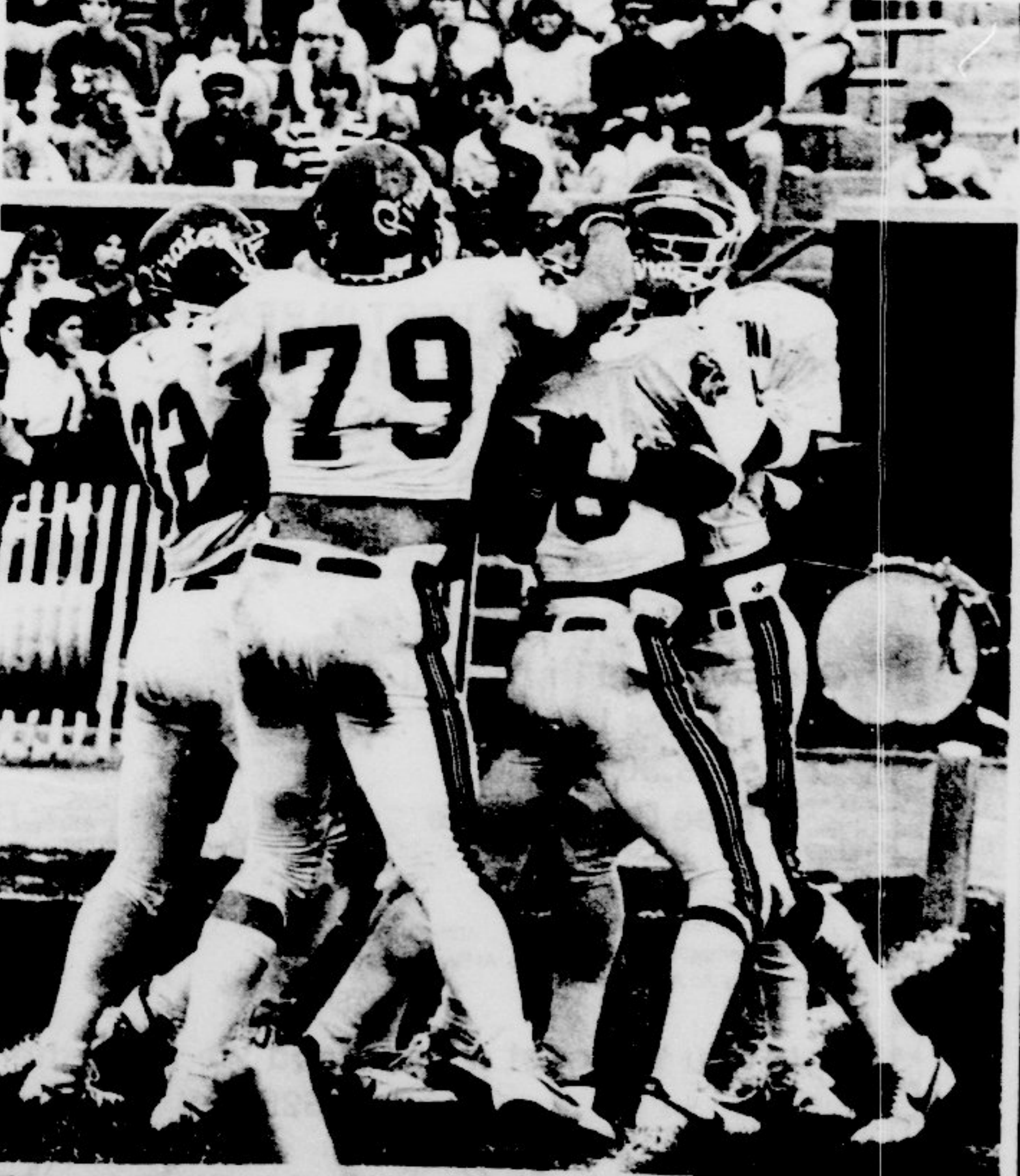
said he had talked with several independent operators and local stations who might be interested in producing a package for ECU. So even if the Pirates don't go national, it does appear that several games will be aired locally.



ECU is a member of the College Football Association, who recently joined forces with the Big 10 and Pacific 10 conferences to form the Football Television Planning Committee. That committee includes every major football school in the country, and Smith said ECU is waiting until their package has been discussed before they take any action of their own.

"The whole situation is extremely chaotic," Smith said. "Since the NCAA isn't involved it's like starting from scratch all over again."

The committee met in Chicago over the weekend, and from what Smith understands a format is under discussion in which viewers would get to see three college football games (approximately at 12, 3:30 and 7 p.m.) on Saturday



Although the NCAA lost its power to control televised college football games, the Pirates still might not be on TV this fall.

Bevacqua Is Raising Padre's Pennant Hopes

(UPI) — Whenever a couple of old friends get together and haven't seen one another for a while, they usually have a whole lot to talk about, right?

Of course they do, and maybe that'll help you understand the exchange between San Diego's Kurt Bevacqua and San Francisco's Steve Nicosia when they ran into each other again for the first time

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in a while not long ago.

Bevacqua was standing by the batting cage waiting his turn to hit and Nicosia passed him on the way to the Giants' dugout. The two have known each other since they were kids.

Without even bothering to say hello, Nicosia casually asked the Padres' pinch hitter and utilityman:

"You playing today?"

"No," Bevacqua retorted.

"We're trying to win."

Kurt Bevacqua is full of oneliners like that. He has been tossing them around from the first day he broke into the majors with Cleveland 13 years ago. Since then, he has traveled around quite a bit, making stops at Kansas City, Milwaukee, Texas, Pittsburg and San Diego in the big leagues and with Portland, Ore., Spokane, Wash., and Tucson, Ariz., in the minors. But he has never permitted the continuous pressure of earning his daily bread change his casual, almost off-hand approach to the game.

Bevacqua's laid-back style and manner have become something of a personal trademark, and in a calling where so many of his fellow competitors are more than

a little tense and uptight, his modus operandi makes him all the more unique because he can't remember the last time he had a regular job. Actually, he never has had one in all his time in the majors.

You haven't heard a whole lot about Bevacqua this season. That's no surprise. He's not in the same category as Tony Gwynn, Steve Garvey, Kevin McReynolds or Alan Wiggins, all of whom are largely responsible for the Padres' 2 1/2 game lead in the National League West.

But in his own way, Bevacqua, the Padres' pinch hitter deluxe, is contributing substantially toward getting the Padres into the World Series for the first time in their 15-year history.

Bevacqua is a baseball handy Andy. He can do anything for you, pinch hit, fill in at third, first or in the outfield and probably even pitch if he had to. Ask Dick Williams, the Padres' manager, what a guy like Bevacqua means to a ballclub. You can't measure Bevacqua's entire worth merely by the fact he has appeared in only 20 games so far. He shows a .316 batting average with six hits in 19 times up and that includes a

home run, a double and five RBI's.

Despite his penchant for those one-liners, Bevacqua doesn't fancy himself a stand-up comic or witty monologist like Joe Garagiola or Bob Uecker. Still he always seems to come up with wry and incisive comments on so many unrelated subjects.

"People swear I sit down and think up many of my remarks to them beforehand," Bevacqua says. "That's not true. How can I do that when I have no idea what they're gonna say to me?"

Bevacqua's proclivity for puns and criticisms should not be taken to mean he lacks any competitive or business sense. He has both.

Last year, he was the NL's No. 1 pinch hitter among those who had at least 20 opportunities, batting .412 with 14 hits in 34 tries, with one homer and 16 RBI. He drove in runs in 12 of his pinch hitting appearances. Bevacqua

has batted .383 as a pinch hitter his last two seasons for the Padres, going 23-for-60.

"If you'd ask me how I describe myself as a ballplayer, I'd say 'experienced.' Also fortunate, in a way, that I believed in myself when other people didn't," Bevacqua says.

"What I'd like to do this year is the same thing I did last year — be the best pinch hitter in the league again. Regular job? I've stopped thinking about it. I had a legitimate shot at a regular job with Texas in 1978, but I blew it. Billy Hunter was the manager and he put me at third in the middle of the season. I was outstanding in the field, but I didn't hit."

Bevacqua has always been good at driving in runs. Although he hit only .244 overall last year, he drove in 24 runs in 74 games and the same number in 64 games the previous season.

"I've got the attitude now that when I go up to pinch hit, I have

the advantage over the pitcher," he says.

Bevacqua is one of those ballplayers who DOES talk to newspapermen.

"I'm one myself," he laughs. He's referring to the partial ownership he has in "Baseball Gold," a baseball newspaper in San Diego.

"I might start my own newspaper some day," he says, no longer laughing. "It's a rugged business, but I like it. I enjoy advertising and marketing."

Bevacqua never puts any restrictions on himself. He doesn't believe in them.

"I'm looking at the Hearst Castle in San Simeon," he volunteers the information.

"I'm thinking about buying it."

That makes him start laughing again.

"Look," he says when he finally stops, "you have to start somewhere, don't you?"

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