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Debaters challenge record

The St. Andrews College Debate Society will attempt to break the world record for the longest parliamentary debate in the United States by holding a debate that will last from April 4-April 26.

The discussion will run 24 hours a day for the entire three week period.

The theme for the debate will be "There's No Place Like Home" and will focus on the problem of homelessness.

Participants will donate \$10 each, and all of the funds raised from the debate will be given to Habitat for Humanity.

"My goal is to have all the hours filled at any time, but also have a core group of 20 of 30 debaters who can show up and debate on short notice," said Debate Society coach, Lisa Dubs.

U.I. holds bug festival

Students at The University of Illinois who suffer from bug-a-phobia will be invited to attend the Insect Fear Film Festival.

The day-long celebration was started by Professor May Greenbaum who said she wants to change the negative images people have about bugs.

Greenbaum will have plenty of creatures on hand, some dead and some alive, to introduce to the crowd.

An animated film titled, "How the Frog's Eye Sees" will give viewer's a frog's eye view of catching a fly.

The festival will also feature such classic films as "The Fly" and "Flesh Feast."

School fights brain drain

Rocky Mountain College is offering full tuition scholarships to high school valedictorians throughout the state of Montana.

Montana school officials are offering the scholarships because of their concern that there is a "brain-drain" in which the best students from the state often leave the state for larger colleges and universities.

The scholarship students will serve as residence life tutors, academic tutors, lab assistants or teaching assistants in their junior or senior years.

Professor injects tans

A dermatologist at the University of Arizona has developed a synthetic hormone that would make it possible for people to get a suntan without actually being exposed to sunlight.

Dr. Norman Levine injected a group of young men with the hormone 10 times, over a 12 day period, and all of the men developed tans from the injections.

The men's faces and necks showed the most obvious tanning, while their midsections and buttocks didn't tan at all.

Three side effects were found, but no serious complications were involved.

Library close to folding

The library at the University of North Carolina has reached a critical point in its survival, and officials fear what will become of the library if financial support cannot be found.

"We are very close to the point of no return (to the library's former status)," said John Nadad, chairman of the library's administrative board.

Book and serial purchases have been repeatedly cut, and officials said they cannot afford anymore cuts.

Nadad said the library needs to establish a solid financial base in order to rebound from its current crisis.

Students flock to beaches for break

By Elizabeth Shimmel
Staff Writer

Once again, that time of year has come when beach communities across the country brush off their welcome mats for the onslaught of fun-loving college students who fill these beaches during Spring Break.

But some of these towns would rather trade in their welcome mats for a Do Not Enter sign.

Key West, Fla., is not extending a warm welcome to Spring Breakers, but instead is asking students to consider the following before choosing Key West as their Spring Break destination: Key West police arrested over 600 underage drinkers last year, and over 900 false driver's licenses were confiscated, the average cost of a hotel room is \$100-\$150 per night, and their lodging facilities are limited, as there are only two campgrounds.

Key West also wants students to know that the Florida Keys are "environmentally fragile," and their laws and law en-

forcement agents are very strict.

"We're just letting you know before you get here, that there are some things you need to know about Key West," said Patty Green, executive assistant to the city manager.

Many ECU students have plans to travel to Key West, but do not see these warnings as a threat.

"I don't think it's going to be a big problem," senior William Compton said. "They will still have some people going to jail, and people not going to jail, just like there will be people drinking, and also people drinking too much."

Those who drink too much will be the targets of some strict drinking laws in Fort Lauderdale this year.

The laws, including an open container restriction, went into effect after the deaths of several students a few years ago.

Since these incidents, Fort Lauderdale has tried to attract more families to vacation with them, and move away from the Spring Break crowd.

"They just decided to go for

another market, and they've been very successful with it," said Georgia Carter, director of public relations for Destination Daytona, Daytona's convention and visitor's bureau.

Spring Break hot-spots everywhere are taking precautions to prevent the kinds of deaths and accidents that occurred during the break in the 1980s.

Chief Edward Sanders of the South Padre Island, Texas police department suggests that students use common sense and the "buddy system" to insure a safe Spring Break.

"What we recommend is that you buddy up with a friend, someone you can look out for, someone who will look out for you and your belongings," Sanders said. "Spring Break doesn't just bring wholesome college students who want to have a good time, other people are going to come with the idea of stealing and robbing."

While some communities feel they need to warn the Spring Break crowd, many are welcoming the thousands of tourists with open arms.

Daytona Beach, Fla., Mayor Lawrence J. Kelly signed a proclamation issuing a "warm welcome to those who join us from campuses across the United States, Canada, and other countries" during Spring Break 1992.

Chief of Police Paul B. Crow said, "It is with great pleasure that I take this opportunity to welcome collegiate Spring Break enthusiasts to our City."

Daytona has planned numerous indoor and outdoor activities for the usual 200,000 to 400,000 students who will spend their Spring Break there between the peak time of March 9-29.

"Daytona is doing very well," said Raphael Marcucci, a spokesman for the Florida Department of Tourism.

Marcucci said most of Florida's coastal areas welcome students because of the tremendous economic boost they provide to these communities, especially since Florida tourism fell as a whole in 1991 for the first time in 12 years.

"The recession has really hurt tourism overall," Marcucci said.

Even though Americans may be traveling less because of the recession, travel agents say hordes of college students will still descend on the coastal areas of our country.

"We've seen a slight decline in air travel. There's a little less money to go around ... but students are just finding more inexpensive ways to travel," said Stuart Himmelfarb, vice president of Roper College Track, which studies the spending habits of students.

Many students who cannot afford a cruise to the Bahamas or a Colorado ski trip are finding the beaches of North and South Carolina to be an ideal Spring Break destination.

The Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce has prepared for the annual pilgrimage of "thousands of Spring Breakers from dozens of colleges and universities" to their beaches. Myrtle Beach and North Myrtle Beach have planned numerous events and activities for students who have chosen to spend their Spring Break in that area.

Fantasy organization finds games ban unconstitutional

By Julie Roscoe
Assistant News Editor

Entering a world of make-believe and taking an imaginary journey through a mythical land with monsters and heroes is not a bad way to spend a Saturday night.

Unfortunately, ECU students living in residence halls cannot play out the fantasy in the form of the game "Dungeons and Dragons" (D&D) because ECU administrators have banned the game in residence halls.

The policy printed in *Living Spaces*, the official guide for students residing on campus, states, "Psychological games such as Ouija boards, 'Dungeons and Dragons,' and 'Killer' are all prohibited in the residence halls."

Karen Greenwell, president of Fantasy Science Fiction Organization, opposes the ban on psychological games, not only because she is a player of D&D, but because she said she feels it is a violation of the First Amendment.

"All the rules in the policy book are for student protection, for a ban on D&D, the university first has to prove there is a danger," Greenwell said.

"The university is setting a precedent, a violent precedent. I have a problem with this rule and am offended that they are telling me what games I can and cannot play. You start with something as small as this and a domino effect results."

Several lawyers agree with her.

Wayland Sermons and Jim Vosburgh are attorneys in Washington, N.C., who defended North Carolina State students in 1988 on trial for murder. The students had been deeply involved in D&D, but the students were also taking the hallucinogen LSD.

The court found the students guilty. One of the nine

factors Sermons used during sentencing which may have reduced his client's responsibility for the crime was the students' involvement in D&D.

His client received the death penalty during sentencing.

Janet Johnson, assistant director of resident education, said the administration banned D&D and other games because they



are disturbing and disruptive. But D&D is "not a problem at this institution right now," Johnson said.

"Yes, other schools nationally have implemented rules against disruptive psychological games," Johnson said.

She could not name any universities which had banned the games.

Carol Chenault, assistant director for Judicial Affairs at N.C. State, said they do not have any rule banning any psychological games including D&D.

Tom McLaughlin, a representative of the manufacturer of D&D, TSR Hobbies, said he had never heard of any public university banning D&D.

"That is fairly peculiar," McLaughlin said. "What's next, banning Steven King

novels or certain horror movies in the dorms?"

Sermons said he believes that between "drug usage and fantasy role playing, (the N.C. State student) could no longer discern between what was real and what was a game." But Sermons said he disagrees with ECU's ban on the game.

"It needs to be addressed, but a ban is not an answer," Sermons said. "The day we get into banning games you can play in college is a scary day indeed."

Vosburgh agreed with Greenwell's charge of violation of the First Amendment.

"This action by the university is censorship and unconstitutional, it is in violation of freedom of thought, expression, speech and association," Vosburgh said.

Brian Blume, the vice president of TSR Hobbies, told *The New York Times* in 1990 that people play D&D to use their imagination.

"The game is a game of heroic fantasy and, in order for the players to be able to perform heroic deeds, they have to have things to overcome," Blume said. "The things most fun to overcome are things that are evil, foul, rotten and nasty, so we also included some things that were evil, foul, rotten and nasty for that reason."

Two public schools ended the use of D&D in their gifted children programs after their communities loudly opposed it.

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Photo by Jill Cherry — ECU Photo Lab

Three amigos

Greg Schoessler, David Raynor and Nick Gregory took advantage of the Spring-like weather Tuesday afternoon by moving their furniture out on the campus mall and catching some rays.

Beaches plan various activities

The following is a list of just some of the activities planned at several beaches around the country.

Daytona Beach will play host to MTV during the week of Spring Break, and the network plans to tape many of its popular comedy, rock and rap shows, in addition to several Spring Break segments.

Daytona Beach will also be the stage for the Miss Hawaiian Tropic International Beauty Pageant Friday, March 13.

Traditionally Key West barricades their main road where most of the major bars and tourist attractions are located, but officials said they will not do so this year unless the crowds become a traffic hazard.

Myrtle Beach is hosting the National Shag Dance Championship March 12-14.

A St. Patrick's Day celebration will be held March 14 in North Myrtle Beach.

South Padre Island, Texas, will host the "Sprint Sand Classic," where Spring Breakers will be able to help shape 1,000 tons of sand into a three story castle with Sprint's familiar logo carved into the top.

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CRIME SCENE

Dino's Pizza delivery person reports harassment; same unfounded

Feb. 28

1203—Police Department: Checked out a reference to damage to personal property report.

1451—Ragsdale Annex: Vehicle stopped for no inspection decal. Staff given verbal warning.

1504—White Hall: Vehicle stopped for no inspection decal. Student given verbal warning.

1747—Wright Circle: Vehicle stopped for one-way street violation. Student issued campus citation.

2149—Ringgold Towers: Vehicle stopped for stop sign and headlight violation. Student given verbal warning.

2233—Belk Hall: Checked out report of a fight. Back-up called.

0059—Scott Hall: Dino's Pizza delivery person reported harassment. Report unfounded.

0156—Belk Hall: Checked with a Resident Advisor in reference to an earlier fight in the resident hall.

0217—Jones Hall: Responded to a Resident Advisor's report of disturbance between the residents.

0418—Fletcher Hall: Responded to response from 911 call in reference to an attempted suicide.

0434—Garrett Hall: Responded to report of female refusing to leave. Gone on arrival.

Feb. 29

0753—Student Stores: Checked fire alarm. Employee contacted.

0935—Public Safety: Escorted one female to University Exxon.

0947—Public Safety: Escorted one female to Plaza Exxon.

1154—Cotton Hall: Assisted student unlocking vehicle.

1306—College Hill Drive: Vehicle stopped for expired inspection sticker. Student given state citation.

1502—Slay Hall: Checked out hole in door beside the lock. Put on maintenance report.

1538—Scott Hall: Served subpoena to student.

1622—Tyler Hall: Assisted student clearing out her belongings.

1632—Belk Hall: Provided a key, door request to a student locked out of hall.

2326—7th and James streets: Vehicle stopped for one-way street violation. Non-student given state citation.

0013—Clement Hall: Took damage to real property report.

0130—Wahl-Coats Elementary School: Vehicle stopped for erratic driving. Subject given verbal warning.

0137—Umsted Hall: Checked on subject parked in vehicle. Subject taken to Pitt County jail for 24-hour lock-up.

0232—General Classroom Building: Verbal warning given to student for disorderly conduct.

1948—Jones Hall: Report of fire alarm. Alarm reset.

2021—Belk Hall: Dispute between a male and female. No report taken.

Crime Scene is taken from official Public Safety logs.

D&D

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In the Mormon town of Herber City, Utah, the game was banned after 300 people denounced its play. One minister said he thinks that D&D leaves anyone involved in the game open to satanic spirits. A Putnam, Conn., high school dropped D&D from its gifted children program after a 13-year-old boy who played the game committed suicide.

"Accusing the D&D games as the reason for teen-age suicide is a cross between McCarthyism and the Salem witch hunts," said Gary Gygas, inventor of the game to *The New York Times* in 1985. "I have not seen one iota of clinical evidence linking role playing gaming with teen-age suicide."

Some organizations accuse the game of causing players to confuse reality and fantasy.

Patricia Pulling, the founder of "Bothered about Dungeons and Dragons," said even TSR Hobbies includes a warning with the game manual which refers to players identifying with their characters too much.

"The more the two are kept apart," the manual advises, "the better your games will be."

Steven Spielberg used the game as a measure of role playing ability when casting children in the movie, "E.T."

"Games are just games if you have fun," Dr. Joyce Brothers told *Newsweek* in 1985. As long as it does not become an obsession she said she sees no harm playing D&D.

Janet Johnson, assistant director of Resident Education, said the rule will probably be rewritten for next year. "We go through every year and see if there are any rules that need to be clarified or changed," Johnson said.

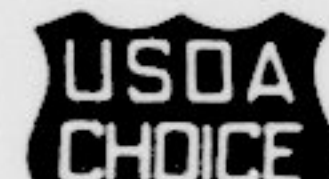
The Science Fiction Fantasy Organization has begun a petition to force the university to drop the ban.

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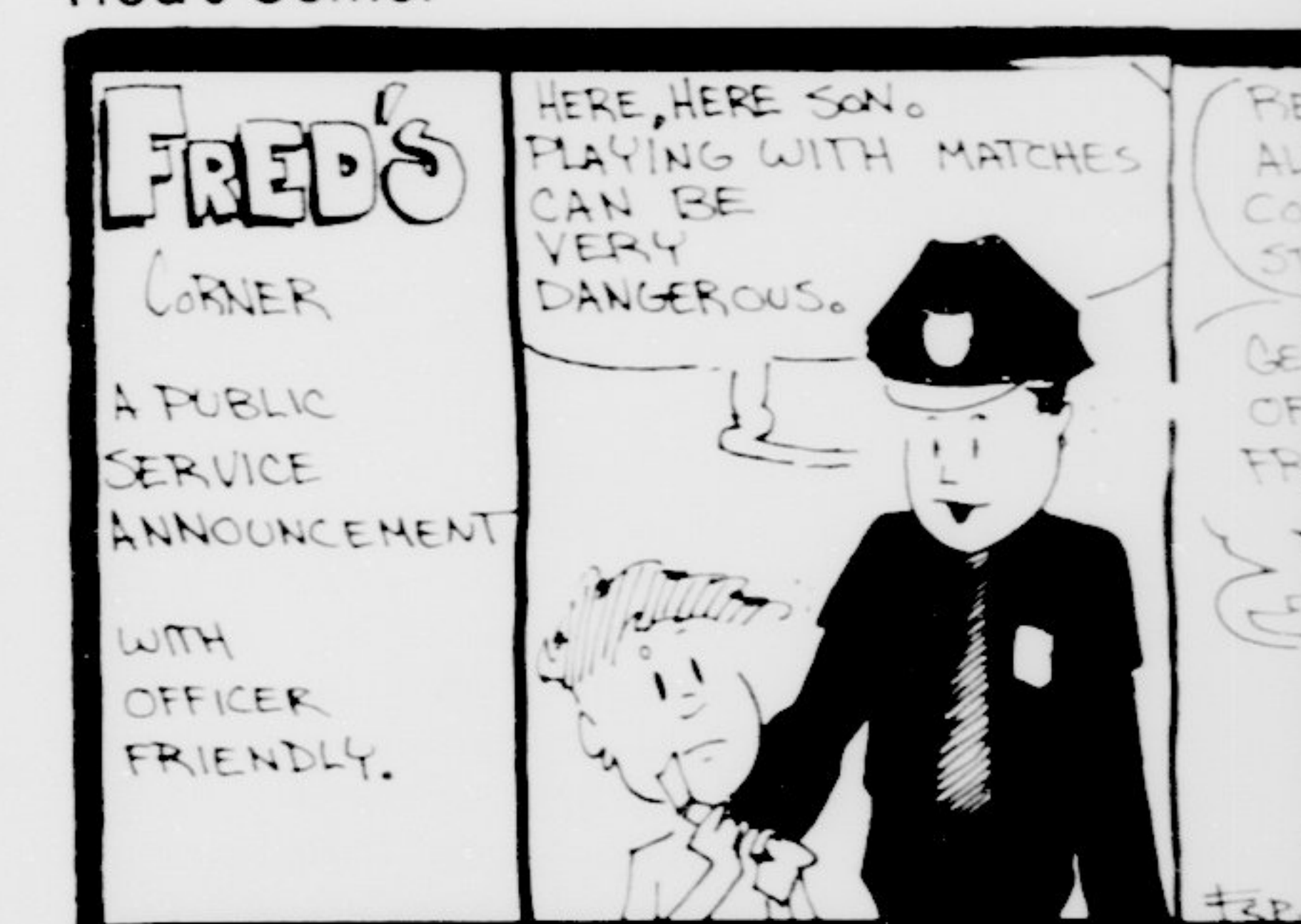
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What NOW?

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!!!!

OH, YOU'RE SO MISERABLY UNHAPPY

Me?

Yes! the Sooner You Realize It and act like it, You'll come to terms with your Identity, Grovel DEPRESSION in a puddle of DEPRESSION and ONLY THEN WILL YOU PARTLY AND UNDERSTAND AND BE WHOLE

Me! AH!

(DIFFERENT GUY)

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SWISH

SWASH

WHAT? THE CAT. BUT HOW? HE DIDN'T GOT NO...

...BLADE!

SURPRISE!

NY!

OAO!

HO!

HAK!

UGH!

YACH!

!HULK!

MARKO RADO

I REALLY WANT TO SEE YOU SUELL. I WANT SO MUCH THAT YOU'D BEG ME TO KILL YOU!

BUT SINCE YOU AIN'T BECOMING ME, I'LL BEG YOU, I'M COMING HAVE TO...

...LET YOU LIVE TO SEE HOW I'LL BEGETTING AND LAUGHING FOR TREATING US THUMB VETS LIKE BEGS. VETS LIKE ME HAH!

AND LIKE YOU.

By Rich Haslerig

Kemple Boy

By Chris Kemple

1 NOW KIDS HERE'S A TALE FROM MY 'STRANGE ADVENTURE FILES.' IT ALL BEGAN OVER THE AMAZON JUNGLE, WHERE I WAS ENGAGED IN A HIGH SPEED MID-AIR CONFLICT WITH MY OLD RIVALRY ENEMY. IT WAS MY CHARACTER ACTOR TURNED VILLAIN, CAPTAIN PEABODY.

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Helpful tips for springbreakers

Spring Break... These words, rolling off the tongue, evoke a flutter in the stomach, a colorful mix of memories, expectations and a mental image fit to be worshiped by collegestudents everywhere.

Even before the final syllable is pronounced, a faint yet unmistakable tinge of coconut oil wafts through the air, a distant squawk of seagulls is heard and somewhere a wave is breaking on a deserted beach.

This week ECU students are blundering through the final week of mid-terms, exams, papers and class, anxiously awaiting Friday's promise of reward.

We at The East Carolinian want to share several tips with you Spring Breakers.

First, we'd like to extend a congrats to those of you who diligently plodded to class despite the spring weather. You serve as good examples, very much unlike the example given by The Wiretapping Administration, or Mr. Women-Who-Get-Raped-Deserve-It.

Second, we would like to wish everyone a fantastic Spring Break, whether it will include beach, ski or travel. But along with this, we hope to share the National Crime Prevention Council's "Eight Ways to Ruin Spring Break."

1. Wear your best jewelry.
2. Take a stroll on the beach at 3 a.m. all by yourself.
3. Tantalize thieves with an overstuffed purse.
4. Be generous. Share your hotel key, your car and your ID with new friends.
5. Decorate the beach with your belongings.
6. Take lots of cash and cram it in your pocket — along with your credit cards.
7. Give the pick-pocket a break — keep your wallet in your back pocket.
8. (This is our favorite.) Get so trashed you don't know where you are or what you are doing.

So, other than these few, simple guidelines, take the ECU tradition wherever you go and raise a little hell.

Letters to the Editor

Chancellor vetoed grading system

To The Editor:

I read with interest the recent editorial supporting consideration of plus-minus grading system for ECU. Several years ago, a committee of the Faculty Senate proposed adoption of such a system, and the Senate approved that proposal. But Chancellor Eakin vetoed the Senate's action. Perhaps ECU's student body will have more influence with the Chancellor than we faculty obviously have.

into something resembling an aluminum foil ball.

Yes, it's true it doesn't take a physics professor to understand this, but there's another side: suppose you smash into another car or a pedestrian or a school bus filled with children or the side of a crowded lunch cafeteria. That's when your speeding becomes my problem or my tragedy. You can just as easily say drunk driving is your business — but not if you kill someone else by doing it.

A teenager was speeding one very foggy morning to school down a very curvy road when she came upon an intersection before she realized it and totally missed the stop sign. Too bad, all she got was a broken finger. My dad got broken ribs, a ruptured diaphragm, internal bleeding, a concussion, minor brain damage, partial paralysis, a shortened leg, just to mention a few problems, plus the emotional impact on our family, never-ending hospital bills and grand-mal seizures which cost him his profession. Maybe she shared your opinion, Bulley, but I'll be damned if I do.

It's time The East Carolinian started publishing a newspaper worthy of its college status and stopped being a sounding board for ignorance like yours.

Heather A. Caraway
Foreign Languages
Sophomore

(Editor's note — Because of space restrictions, the second part of Matthew Bulley's column will not be published.)

Parking tickets deemed unfair

To The Editor:

I am writing to discuss a recent denial of my appeal of a \$15 parking ticket by the ECU citations board.

I parked in the staff section for less than two minutes to go check a final grade. When I came out, a Public Safety officer was already out there with his computerized parking ticket machine placing a parking citation in

my windshield. He said he could not void it there, but he wrote the words, "void-owner arrived" on the citation so that they would void it at the traffic office.

I immediately went down to the traffic office. They called the officer who gave me the citation. The officer conveniently forgot about it. The lady at the traffic office said that the only thing I could do was file an appeal, and she gave me an appeal form.

The appeal form was not fair. It only gave me about seven or eight lines on which to write the details of my case. Why was I not allowed to speak before the appeal board? I think I should have at least been allowed to say all that I wanted to say.

After two months of waiting, I got a letter of denial. There was no explanation as to why my appeal was denied. It just said that my appeal was denied and that my records would be tagged until it was paid. It also said that they could assist me by explaining the regulations or helping me to locate legal parking areas. This insult to my intelligence was totally unnecessary.

It would have been unprofitable to the university for the Appeals Board to grant my appeal. But if I had stuck to the rules, I would have had to walk nearly all the way across campus just to check a grade.

Students and staff members pay the same amount for parking decals, but staff members always have plenty of parking spaces while students have to struggle to find them.

As a result, there are many traffic jams, especially in the morning, and students are frequently late to class.

I think that anyone who pays \$70 for a parking decal, staff member or student, should be able to find a parking space. If the university does not build more student lots, they should give all students who purchased parking decals a partial refund.

Doug Woolard
Sophomore
Communications

HEY-WHAT DID YOU KIDS GET FOR SUPER TUESDAY?



On The Fringe

On smoking, Mandelker, and a lug wrench

By Tim E. Hampton
Editorial Columnist



When the last breath of the tire's air wheezed out, and the passers-by grinned with sick pleasure at our demise, thoughts became so painful that they turned into laughter.

Spare, jack, lug wrench. Wait, no lug wrench. It has to be here somewhere, maybe under that nasty blanket that hasn't left the trunk in five years, or maybe under that mystery raincoat. Strangely enough, like the time I found the remote control in the freezer, we took a peek in the glove compartment.

Car trouble always signifies some deep internal problem. Not with the car, but with me. It was at that moment of self-realization that I remembered placing the lug wrench beside my bed to ward off any headline anti-smoking advocates, or misguided pundits who believe the term RAPE was invented by feminists as a ploy to overthrow men.

A confessed somnambulant, I have seen such creatures on soapboxes in my bedroom, preaching the gospel of idiocy, keeping me from dreams of a refuge from hypersensitivity. But after awaking naked in the street at 3 a.m., I realized that as long as arguments arise, someone will always take the extremist view, just to peeve everyone.

Let us quickly turn to the argument of Dr. Mandelker, whose letter to editor has created quite an alarm, and rightly so. While Mandelker may be the campus president of the National Association of Scholars, I hope other members of the NAS do not align themselves with his briars on RAPE.

When extracted from its superfluous jargon, a paraphrase of his letter might read as such: "Rape ain't happening, it's just one of them there women's things, trying to stir-up a con-tro-versy" (please read with a good ole boy dialect).

Following a paradigm, such rhetoric should not just apply to RAPE, it should be used in the context of other crimes. On war atrocities: "Them Germans didn't kill them Jews, they wanted to die." On murder: "It is just a conspiracy among dead folk again in the living folk." On theft and thievery: "Thief victims really haven't had nothing stolen from 'em, they just looking for sympathy from the rich people."

Onto rebutting those anti-smoking freaks: "All smokers are rude and have made a concerted effort to kill all non-smokers with side-stream smoke." If you notice, most anti-smoking advocates often characterize smokers as saying "Whah," when in essence it is the advocates with the constant "Whah."

Smokers have made enough concessions to the smoke-free alliance. Designated areas and signs reading "Please Do Not Smoke, Or We Will Nagg You Until Your Ears Bleed" have proliferated the universe. In addition, anti-smoking extremists feel compelled to make every smoker feel guilty, even when sitting in the "Smoking Only" section.

"You must really be misanthropic and have a deep-seated need to die," was of the recent chastisements heard in front of the Student Store, outside mind you.

And besides, much of this anti-smoking rhetoric heard lately has emanated from one Jesse Helms, loy-ing, can't run for office until you are 70, neo-conservative. Learn the Jesse Helms credo, buddy, before spouting off health-crazed Puritanical outcries.

This is tobacco land, home of gold, blue-cured leaf. Pitt County has the largest market for tobacco in the world. So Mr. Conservative, take some advice from an incessant Kool-smoking Liberal, do not disenfranchise the blue-collared tobacco workers and smokers named Tim E.

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Rape and date rape are, however, not feminist plots. Rape laws are not a weapon women are wielding to try to gain "preferential treatment." They are laws designed to protect women from the violent invasion of their bodies by those few men who choose to use their physical strength to victimize others. Rape is a crime that concerns and affects every member of this society — both male and female. Every woman who is raped surely is either a friend, sister, mother, or daughter, or maintains some other relationship with

men. None of us live in a vacuum. Mandelker clearly doesn't understand the emotional ramifications of rape — not just for women, but for our whole society. When someone forces another person to have intercourse without their consent, the results are individual and collective. The personal consequences of being a victim of rape are catastrophic. Rape victims are increasingly likely to become substance abusers or find themselves unable to meet the everyday demands of life. Often live in absolute terror of being victimized again — or not being able to protect or control one of the intimate aspects of their bodies.

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BY JEFF REKRAIP

United States legal history was made today when the executive, judicial, and legislative branches of the federal government unanimously agreed to cease prosecution of offenses heretofore considered "crimes."

Lawmakers credit the enlightened philosophies of East Carolina University professor Stephan Manlicker with initiating the

change in the system. to Manlicker's theory, rape, thievery and date written law, even points to the natural actions. "It is in fact, a tem that is unnatural. Manlicker. "We've laws on mere perception. inhibit our basic freedom that murder is wrong. likes saying that, oh, to sake, sexual harassment

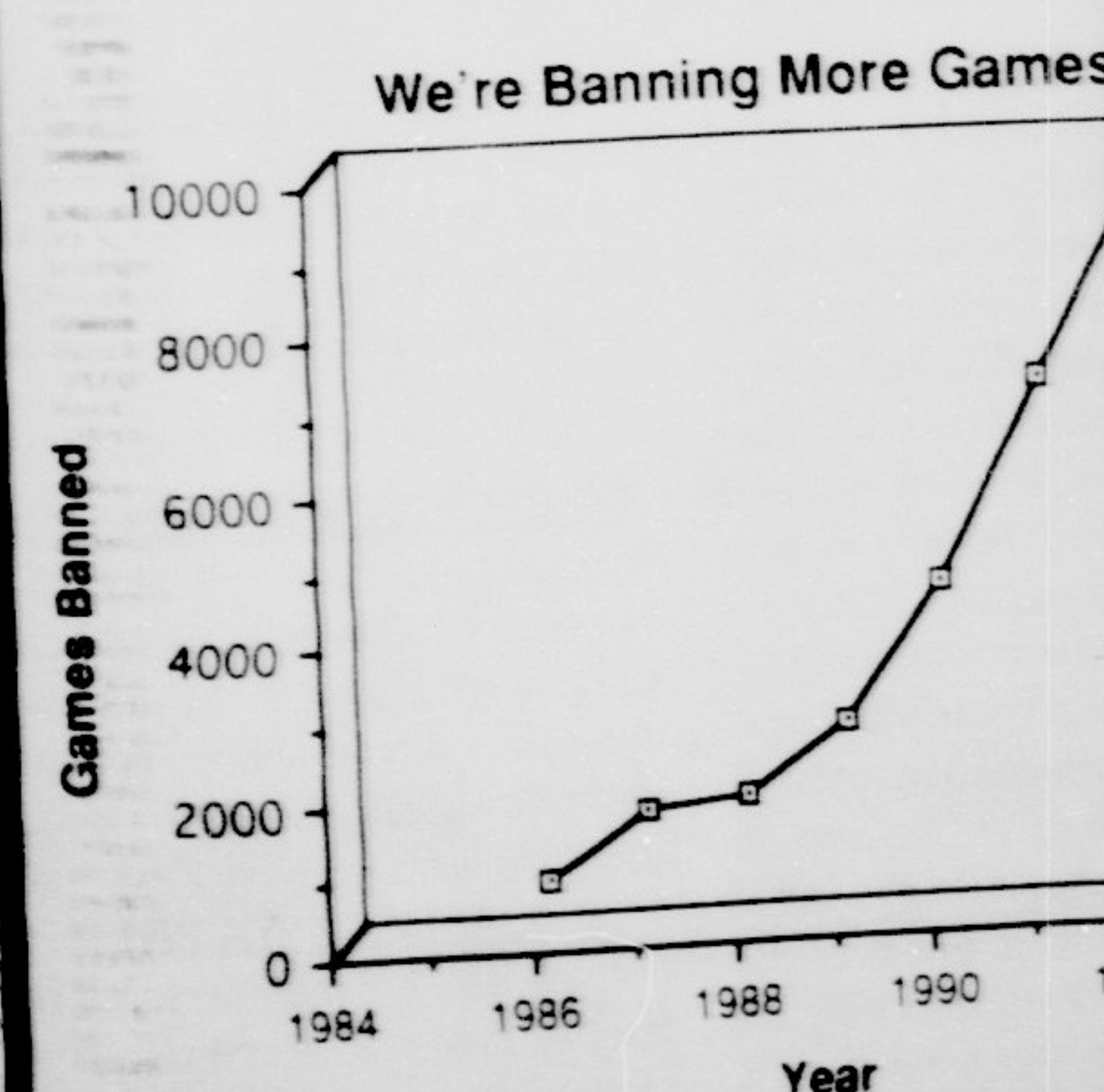
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President Bush's approval rating is slipping again.

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Communications professor examines rape issue

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that there have been reported cases of men being raped. The law is designed to protect them as well although there are some states which require prosecution under different statutes, with slightly differing language. In this instance I find it difficult to understand how the laws against rape are a radical feminist plot to divide men and women.

Furthermore, it is impossible to speak of sexual harassment as the same type of crime as rape. It simply is not. In fact, sexual harassment is rarely considered a crime in most states unless it rises to the level of "indecent liberties" or perhaps threats of violence. It is usually a civil issue. Mandelker is, I suppose, not interested in that distinction. For those men who are reading this response I hope that you will make note of the fact that Mandelker seeks to use your confusion about the issue of what constitutes sexual harassment, to confuse the issue of what constitutes criminal rape.

If you are a college student here at ECU and you are unsure from a man's perspective, what might constitute date rape and how to avoid those kinds of allegations, I would recommend that the university fund a program designed to answer your questions.

I should add that, although I disagree drastically with many of Mr. Mandelker's philosophical and political theories, I support absolutely his right to relate them to the public.

I caution him, however, when he's sharing his views on issues that may affect the safety and well-being of college students that he think through what he has to say and that he furthermore, only relate his understanding of the law on those issues when he is sure that he himself understands that law.

I, as an officer of the court and as a woman, resent Mandelker using fear and confusion on one issue to create distrust and fear about another. I suppose for this he would consider me a radical feminist dedicated to the destruction of men. It is he who I consider to be the person inciting "antagonism between the sexes."

More Letters

Students voice more concerns toward Mandelker

To The Editor:
In response to the letter written by Dr. Steven Mandelker in the Feb. 25 issue, my initial reaction was one of disbelief. One would think that a man of Dr. Mandelker's educational attainment would be able to formulate a more clearly intelligible letter or to at least make a valid point. Dr. Mandelker does neither.

What is your point Dr. Mandelker? Since you opted to be grossly vague in your letter, I will respond to a few points that you seemed to be trying to make.

First off in your letter you speak constantly of definitions. Why don't you give any of your own? If you have such a clear-cut idea of where to draw the line between rape and harassment then please do so. It would save us less perceptive people an incredible amount of trouble. You say at one point in your letter, and I quote, "Under the guise of preventing rape as to unfairly stigmatize normal heterosexual interaction." I don't know what you consider "normal" but if your idea of heterosexual interaction could be construed as rape then you have a definite problem with your ideals. And what do you mean when you say date rape is an "alleged phenomenon?" It seems to me that your primary tools for making your point are what George Orwell called "meaningless words" in his essay "Politics and the English Language."

"Meaningless words" are words constantly used in a dishonest way, meaning that they do not point to any discoverable object, but the person who uses them has his/her own private definition, but allows their hearers to think that they mean something quite different.

Secondly, radical feminists may go overboard at times, but just because a few do so is not a justifiable reason to condemn the whole of them. It seems to me that one who so violently opposes a group does so because they feel threatened by that group. Throughout the entire letter, the tone is mean-spirited and even bordering on downright viciousness. I can understand making a point (or trying to) but this attitude on such a sensitive subject is inappropriate, even cruel.

Thirdly, many women don't know that they have been raped be-

cause they have been wrongfully informed that if a friend does it it isn't rape and should be forgotten. If this is your view, then you are the one with the problem, not the feminists. Rape is for real, date rape is for real, there is no illusion or rhetoric about it. It is reality. Wake up and smell the coffee, or at least wake up.

Lastly, argument and logic are the bread and butter of a man of philosophy, and you haven't shown me that you are a master of either. You cannot use a few extreme and scattered facts to formulate a valid argument and to make a point. If you are trying to receive support in your claim at, least make them clear or don't make them at all.

Oh, I almost forgot. You accuse people of looking through dirty spectacles? From the sound of it you have no room to talk. If you support the views that you state in your letter you haven't even opened your eyes.

Todd D. Brown
Senior
English

To The Editor:

My first response to Mr. Mandelker's ignorance is anger. No one is trying to persuade you that a new crime exist. This crime (date or acquaintance rape) has existed for years. As for the "radical feminist propaganda" in Brewster building that states "most campus rapes are committed by someone the victim knows, so she may think it doesn't count..." so if this happens to you, please report it, this is to encourage women who know they feel like they have been violated in this horrible manner, but feel that they won't be believed or that they are responsible because they were in the wrong place at the wrong time, or because they trusted someone they knew. This doesn't encourage women who don't think that they have been raped, this encourages women that have been raped to come forward and help stop this horrible crime.

Regardless of what the law is, women who have been forced to have sex, whether it is a stranger or someone that they know, still experience the feelings of anger, fear, blame, disgust, humiliation and of being abused. Yes the definition of rape is being broadened because it is no longer acceptable to force sex on someone you know, whether it be a friend, lover or wife. If this is your idea of normal heterosexual interaction, you

are probably guilty of rape yourself. It is a shame that a woman has to be held at knife point or beaten half to death for you to consider this as violence against women. Feminist don't want to divide the sexes. It is acts of violence and harassment that divide the sexes. My spectacles are clean, Mr. Mandelker, and when I look at you, I still see dirt.

Julie Johnson
Graduate
Counselor Education

To The Editor:

I couldn't believe what I read. How can anyone in this day and age be so ignorant to what goes on in this society? Do people really believe that date rape is something made up in the female mind?

Women are already afraid to bring charges against their attackers, and people with views like Mandelker make it even harder for women to come forward.

Tell me what woman wants to go through the abuse of pressing charges and having her name raked through the mud. Her friends whispering about her strangers coming up with their own conclusions of what she did. Her sex life is tracked down since puberty and displayed for a courtroom full of people and men she never slept with coming forward to help someone in the "old boys club." And if that isn't enough she has to recount what happened over and over again, virtually putting herself through it again.

When men are raped by other men people say that it was a violent and sick act. No one says, "Oh, he deserved it being out till 1 a.m., wearing those skin tight jeans and flirting with everybody." His actions and dress have nothing to do with what was done, and it shouldn't have anything to do with women either.

Nobody male or female should be forced into sex.

I know there always be people, some men that feel as you, Mr. Mandelker, who will probably never understand that date rape can and does happen. You will never understand what women go through because of the system and non-believers like you. For people like you I have four words that are universal in any language, "STOP OR I'LL SHOOT."

Sheleatha Weight
Senior
English

The Clearly Labeled Satire Page

U.S. government decriminalizes everything

BY JEFF REKRAP

United States legal history was made today when the executive, judicial, and legislative branches of the federal government unanimously agreed to cease prosecution of offenses heretofore considered "crimes."

Lawmakers credit the enlightened philosophies of East Carolina University professor Stephan Manlicker with initiating the

change in the system. According to Manlicker's theories, murder, rape, theft, and abuse all pre-date written law, evidence which points to the naturalness of such actions. "It is in fact our legal system that is unnatural," drooled Manlicker. "We've based these laws on mere perceptions that inhibit our basic freedoms. To say that murder is wrong would be like saying that, oh, for argument's sake, sexual harassment is wrong."

Golly Pete!

"I'm likin' the way that man thinks!" boomed Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, explaining the unorthodox beginning of the bill in the Supreme Court. Thomas, the first convert to Manlicker's theory, soon persuaded his fellow judges of the value of the new bill, which then met with full support in Congress.

"I feel my whole life has been building up to this moment," explained Senator Ted Kennedy when asked about his quick endorsement. The only temporary delay in Congress' ratification of the measure was due to N.C. Senator Jesse Helms, who had mistakenly thought the bill was for college grants.

The last surprise of the bill's journey came from the executive office, where President Bush inadvertently smashed Dan Quayle's thumb in his haste to stamp his seal on the bill. "I've got a few good ideas on countering those Democratic candidates and fighting the war on drugs in light of this new law," Bush said, winking at CIA Director Robert Gates.

Also jubilant were recently released ex-felons Charles Manson and Jeffrey Dahmer. "I'd like to plant a big wet kiss on that brother's forehead," said Manson. Dahmer repeatedly jumped for joy as retiring prison officials returned his power tools. "No more 946 years of Dullsville for me! Hoo-hah! Whoopee!" he

chortled in his joy.

Perhaps most amazed at the new law's success was Professor Manlicker himself, who confessed to a history of self-deprecation and insecurity about his groundbreaking ideas. "To be honest, the scientific community always sort of poooh-pooohed my thoughts on such matters, and my parents before them. It wasn't until I achieved notoriety as a letter-writer on the opinion pages that

people started paying attention. Now, other taboos and mores are being laughed out of existence as well... I'm pretty pleased, if I do say so myself."

When asked about his future plans, Professor Manlicker seemed taken aback. "Are you kidding? Why, I'm going to shake off the shackles of oedipal longing and supplant my father as the rightful object of my mother's desires — what else?"

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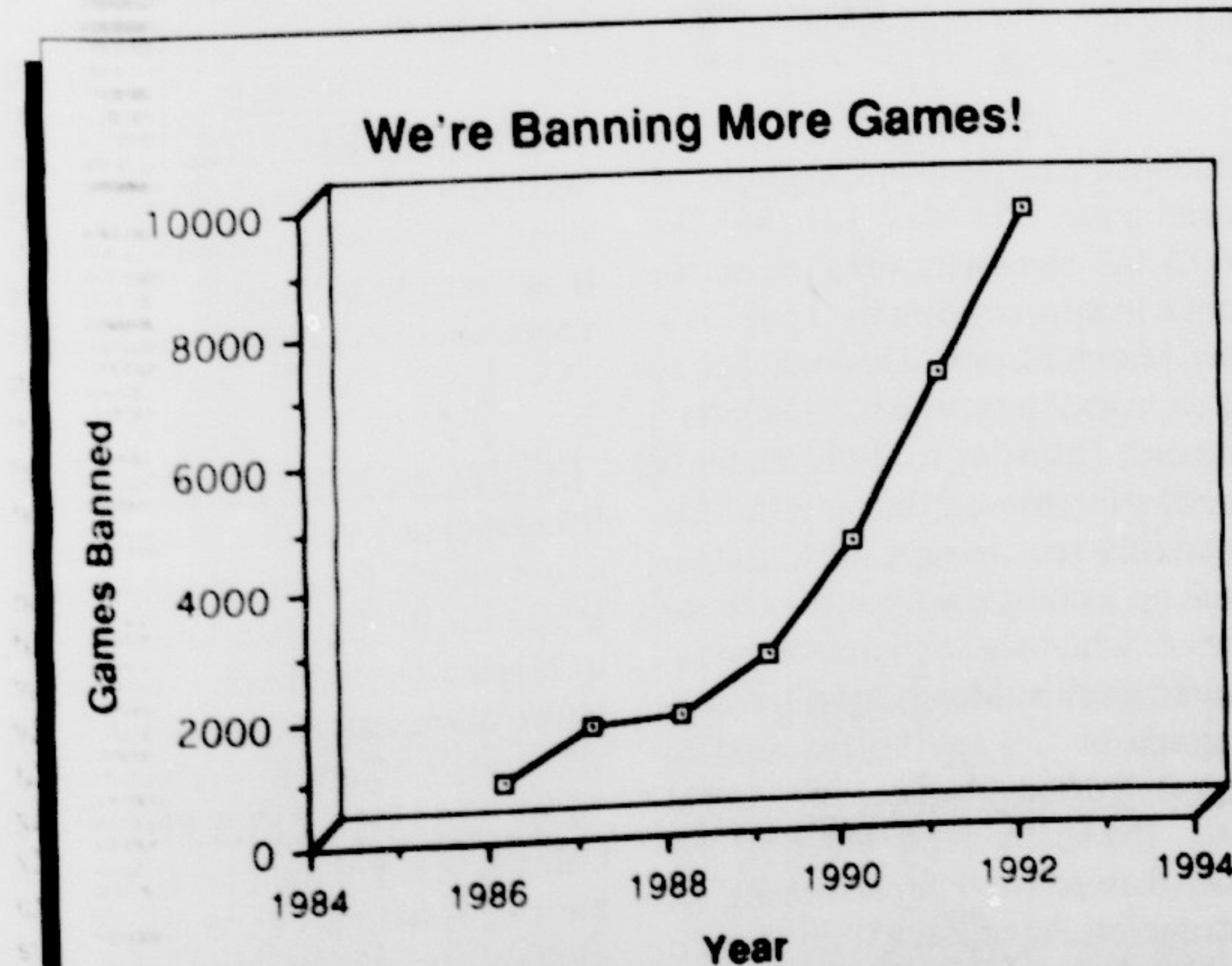
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ECU SNAPSHOTS

3-D statistics for a 3-D world



BY JIMMY OLSON

A university administrator recently attempted to shield ECU Public Safety Director Pepe DePew's involvement in the slaying of President John Kennedy.

During the Media Bored meeting on Thursday, Supreme Ruler of Mendenhall Rude E. Underhander said journalists are "beating" the DePew case into the ground. Underhander fingered a set of brass knuckles while he spoke. He said there's nothing he could do about the student newspaper's reports.

"I realize that I can't do anything about this," Underhander said. "Other than tightening the Media Bored's grip on the

paper's finances, asking my buddy in the Physical Plant to cut off their heat and replacing the paper's general manager with one of my flunkies, my options are limited.

"But I just thought that the paper should know how I feel about the articles that keep coming up."

Underhander's statement follows a report by The Amalgamated Press linking ECU Public Safety Director Pepe DePew to the assassination of President John Kennedy.

The report explained an expert's theory that DePew, disguised as a grassy knoll, killed Kennedy.

Questions arose as to why Underhander would attempt to

shield DePew in such an obvious manner. Academy-award-winning director of '60s burn-out films Allover Stoned says he knows the answer.

"It came to me in a flashback—uh, flash," Stoned said. "In addition to DePew, other ECU staff members, including Underhander, are connected to the JFK slaying. In fact, a character in my film JFK is based on Underhander."

To protect himself from lawsuits, Stoned did not say which of JFK's characters represented Underhander, but said it was either the seedy gunman or the effeminate Mafia conspirator.

Some facts lend credence to Stoned's allegations. In his tax records from 1963, Underhander

stated his occupation as an importer of Cuban Astro turf™.

Following the shooting death of his eldest son, Santino, Underhander gave the business to his youngest son Michael and went to work for ECU.

"Alfredo (Underhander's second son) was too wimpy," Underhander has said publicly.

In addition, Dallas emergency room records show that DePew was treated for "serious rug burns and a nasty case of turf-toe" on Nov. 3, 1963, one day after Kennedy's death.

When asked about unconfirmed reports that he plans to sever his ties to organized crime, Underhander replied, "Yes — uh, no — I mean, no comment."



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smokers have made enough concessions to the smoke-free alliance. Designated areas and signs reading: "Please Do Not Smoke. Or We Will Nerve You Until Your Ears Bleed" have proliferated the universe. In addition, anti-smoking extremists feel compelled to make every smoker feel guilty, even when sitting in the "Smoking Only" section.

You must really be misanthropic and have a deep-seated need to die," was of the recent chastisements I heard in front of the Student Store, outside mind you.

And besides, much of this anti-smoking rhetoric heard lately has emanated from one Jesse Helms lov-ing, can't run for office until you are 70, neo-conservative. Learn the Jesse Helms credo, buddy, before spouting off with these Puritanical outcries.

This is tobacco land, home of gold, blue-eyed leas. Pitt County has the largest market for tobacco in the world. So Mr. Conservative takes some advice from an incessant Kool-smoking liberal, do not disenfranchise the blue-collared tobacco workers and smokers named Tim E.

On the putting surface, Dapper Dan was nice enough to loan us a lug wrench and we were on a merry way to eat at Hardee's in Tarboro, where they had never heard of that word KATE. Not anything called a Non-smoking section.

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to decide what he will or will not put into his own body.

Finally, Body Principle believers must accept that attempting suicide should be legal. There's little enough reason for suicide attempts to be illegal anyway; the law never deters anyone from trying, and who wants to prosecute someone who was already too depressed or in too much pain to continue living?

More important to this discussion, a law against suicide clearly violates the Body Principle — such a law is in fact the ultimate violation of it. Body Principle supporters must accept that everyone has a right to kill himself (or to attempt to kill himself) in a way that poses no threat to others.

Most pro-choice people will, I hope, agree with the preceding corollaries of the Body Principle. Those who don't, are being disingenuous when they claim to believe a woman has the right to control her own body — they really mean only that she has the right to have an abortion, and that is what they should say.

Of course, even if the abortion issue were somehow definitively laid to rest tomorrow, I don't think many self-proclaimed believers in the Body Principle (pro- or anti-choice) would team up to legalize prostitution, drug use, suicide and trafficking in body parts. But that would be the way to separate those who genuinely believe in the Body Principle from those who merely pay it lip service.

ers in the Body support the possession and sale of drugs. It is legal to arrest and bring under the law. It doesn't follow that self-harm is no one's business within his rights.

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ATTENTION: to any interested persons in bringing back the Buccaneer yearbook, please contact either Courtney Jones at 830-9497 or Michael Carnes at 758-7035.

DELTA ZETA: We had fun last night. Have an enjoyable spring break and we'll see ya soon. —the fellas of Delta Chi.

DELTA CHI: Dios knows whats up on your legs. Break hard. Later!

GINA, AMY, LEE, DWAYNE, JIM: Thanks for the decorations, gifts, flowers and most of all your support when I went to Nationals! Love, "Miss Melon."

B.W.: Formal was GREAT this weekend. Thanks for sharing with me the BEST 3 years of my life! Love you, J.W.

TO ALL FRATERNITIES, SORORITIES AND INDIVIDUALS WHO PARTICIPATED IN COOL-AID: Thank you for your support. We hope that everyone had a blast. —the Phi Psi's.

CARTWAT AND NYMPHO: Looking forward to tonight. We'll provide the sex wax. Just don't get carried away this time. —Kane and Screen.

HOPE EVERYONE has a great spring break! Love, the sisters of Alpha Delta Pi.

THETA CHI: Thanks for a great social last Thursday! Love, Alpha Delta Pi.

TO THE KA AND SIG EP BALLOON BANDITS: the ADPi beach was quiet & still until the Sig Ep's rode by for a thrill. They launched water balloons from across the street, but scurried away when they hit Mama Lee's feet. The fun was just starting when we swung by KA—Thanks Dog and Tread for that water hose spray! While the KA's stocked up with their ammunition, the Sig Ep's were ambushed on an ADPi mission. You sat on the porch so suave & cool, we crept through your house—Boy you were fooled! Our get-away car was ready & waiting, soon the KA's would really be hating. At the Kappa Sig house our red mobile was parked, and through the Beta house we embarked. In the front door & out the back way—Row it's your turn to pay KA. Back to the car we did retreat, nothing but trouble did we meet. With a bounty on our heads & Sig Ep's on our tail, we wheeled through Krispy Kreme like bats out of #0! That light wasn't red, I swear it was green—It was better driving than Richard Petty's seen. We headed to our fort to

reload our guns and the KA's were waiting for a little more fun. As the KA's retreated & the Sig Ep's arrived, they surrounded our house on every side. We finally escaped although a little wet, and down 5th Street again we crept. And to our surprise when we looked to the rear, the KA's were there with fighting gear. With KA's behind us and the Sig Ep posse ahead, the KA's swerved off, but boy were we dead! We had fun all day 'til the windshield got shattered, but at least little Sebert didn't get splattered! So in our next battle, be on our side—Just remember—you can run, but you can't hide!—Katrina, Andrea, Rebecca, Crystal, Bo and Ashlyn.

CONGRATULATIONS: to the new pledges of Zeta Tau Alpha. We are so happy to have you all. Love, ZTA.

THE SISTERS AND PLEDGES OF ZETA TAU ALPHA would like to wish everyone a safe and happy spring break.

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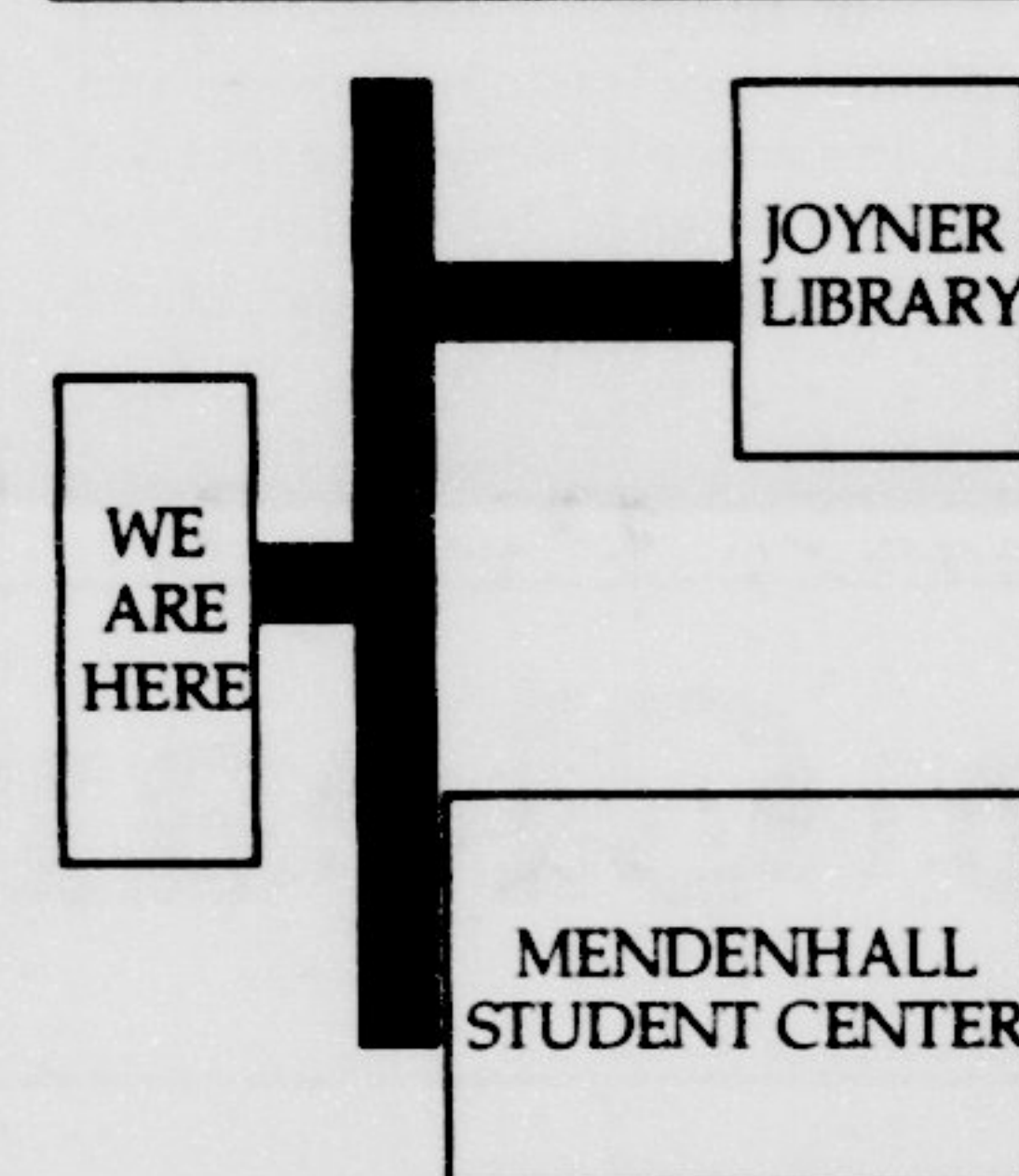
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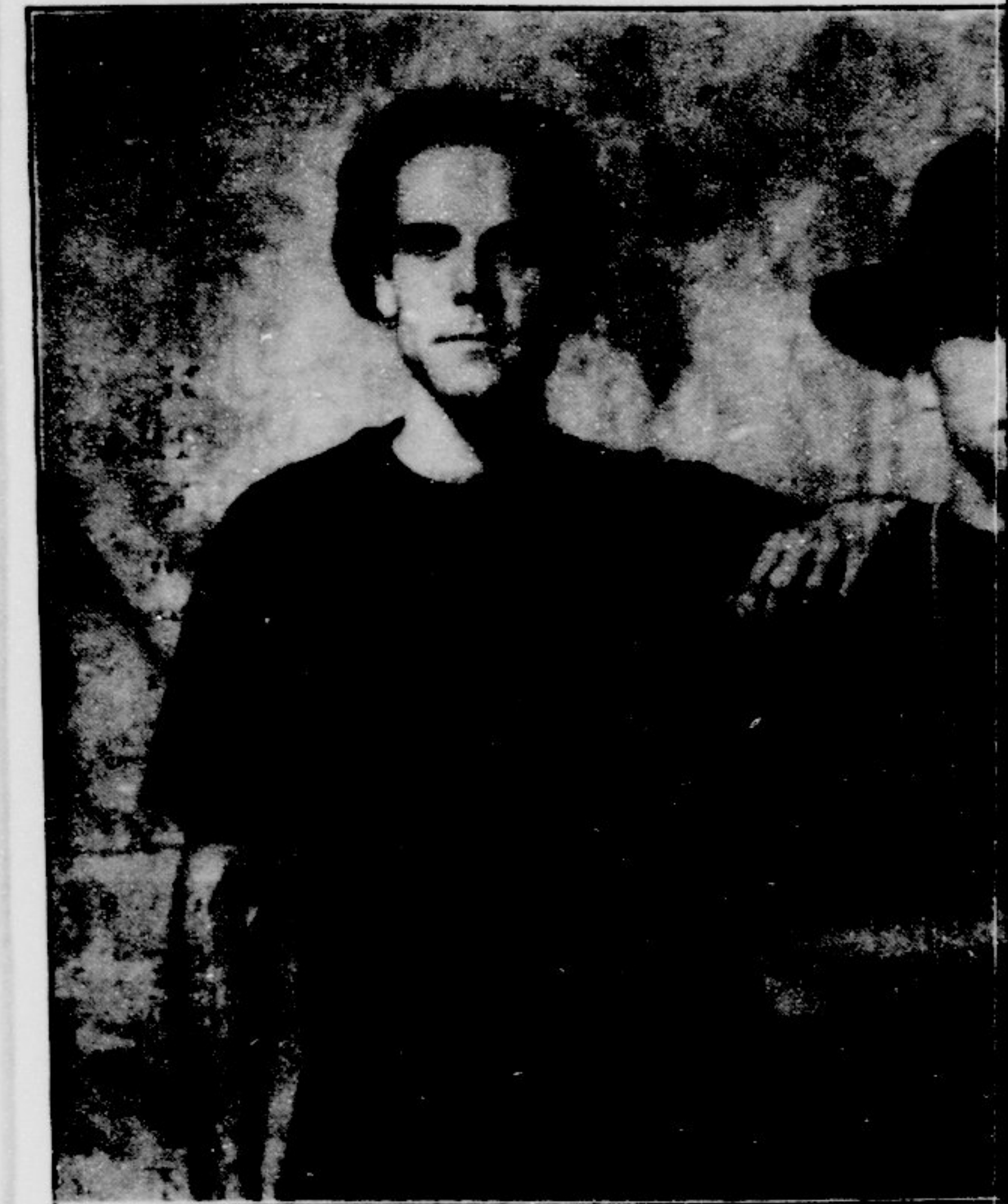
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Tonight will be Gibb's second performance at the Attic, after a heat-induced-rythm-and-blues-blizzard show on Feb. 13. During that first Greenville venue, Gibb and his bandmates Mike Williams

(drums, keyboard) (bass) floored the cranked attack of Stevie (God Bless His Soul) other Blues Gods of a deep-blue nature. Both Williams as true Blues Brothers has jazz influence plucks a meaty band's focal point Gibb's bleeding St. black and one red.

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Disney World of special Spring B rates for student

By Jennifer Karasow
Staff Writer

ECU students can explore space on "Star Tours," careen about inside "Space Mountain" and cruise through the human bloodstream in "Body Wars" at specially reduced rates at Walt Disney World during Spring Break.

Disney World has offered college students Spring Break specials for many years. "The special savings at Walt Disney World offers many college students a nice break from the everyday routine of going to the beach," said Jennie Hess, spokeswoman. "It presents to them a day or two of thrills."

With valid student identification, college students can take advantage of the big savings and the excitement suggested by Disney-MGM Studios Theme Park, the Magic Kingdom or Epcot Center for \$22-plus tax, which is \$11 less than regular admission. Students also receive a free souvenir button with each student ticket.

Students can snatch up even bigger savings by purchasing a two-day ticket for \$40 plus tax. The ticket provides admission to two parks of the student's choice on any two days and saves the \$26

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Comic attempts

By Cliff Coffey
Staff Writer

When Luke Cage first appeared in the Marvel Comics Universe in his own book called, *Luke Cage: Hero For Hire*, he became Marvel's newest black hero. Now, twenty years later, he debuts with a new comic, *Cage*.

Luke Cage has had his share of problems in his short life. He's been framed for a crime that he didn't commit. He did time for a crime he was innocent of and, as a way to gain early parole, Cage volunteered for an experiment.

This experiment turned his skin steel hard and gave him

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GROUP ADVISING FOR PRE-OT STUDENTS

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RETURNING ADULT STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (RASA) There will be a RASA meeting on Thursday, March 5 in General Classroom building RM 3013 at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will focus on planning

activities for those students who are staying in Greenville over Spring Break. If you are curious to know more about RASA we invite you to come to this meeting. Non-traditional students are especially encouraged to attend!

STUDENTS WANTED

The Outdoor Recreation Program is recruiting Rock Climbing and Rappelling Instructors. Applicants must possess current First Aid and CPR Certifications, leadership abilities, strong interpersonal skills and knowledge of group dynamics. Basic knowledge of climbing and rappelling systems is desired. Applicants training dates will be announced after Spring Break. Interested persons may apply in 204 Christenbury Gymnasium Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For details call Brian Miller or Kathy Hill at 757-6387.

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days in room 14, Mendenhall Student Center. It will be a life changing, challenging experience.

MAJORS/MINORS FAIR

Undecided about a major? Visit the majors/minors fair Wednesday, March 18, 12:30-3:30 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room. The fair, sponsored by the Career Education Committee, gives ECU students opportunities to meet with faculty and senior students to discuss potential majors and minors. Over 40 academic departments will be represented. This is an excellent resource for students who are undecided, uncertain of their majors, or just curious about the academic options that may be available. All students interested in selecting or changing their major or minor are urged to attend the fair. For information call 757-6979.

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Tonight will be Gibb's second performance at the Attic, after a heat-induced rhythm-and-blues-blizzard show on Feb. 13. During that first Greenville venue, Gibb and his bandmates Mike Williams

(drums, keyboard) and Tom Hall (bass) flooded the crowd with a balanced attack of Stevie Ray Vaughn (God Bless His Soul), a myriad of other Blues Gods and original cuts of a deep-blue nature.

Both Williams and Hall qualify as true Blues Brothers; the drummer has jazz influence and the bassist plucks a meaty string. But the band's focal point is the play of Gibb's bleeding Stratocasters: one black and one red.

Linking Stevie Ray Vaughn riffs with blues Godfather Albert King licks, Gibb carries on the lineage of Texas/Chicago Blues with his unique finger print. For the Virginia Beach native, the soulful tradition is what his music is all about.

"Albert King, Jimmy Reed, Freddy King — it is all about soul, and the Blues is like history, you can trace it back to these innovators,"

Gibb said.

Although, when listening to Gibb, it is most apparent that SRV (Vaughan) has had an ever-lasting influence on him.

"I was 13 when I realized he (SRV) was the deal, and I started to imitate him," he said. Preparing for tonight's gig, the band will pour SRV's "Scuttle Buttin'," "Texas Flood," and "Lenny." Originals will include: "Carrie," a twisting, chain saw instrumental and "I am so lonely," blues with a '90s twist. Also, the repertoire will include: "Tin Pan Alley," a Jimmy Reed song, and "Melting Pot" of Carlos Santana origin.

Starting at age 10, with a beat up Sears model, Gibb acquired his guitar prowess without learning to read notes. Similar to Albert King, Gibb is a natural lefty, yet plays See Gibb, page 8

Disney World offers special Spring Break rates for students

By Jennifer Karasow
Staff Writer

ECU students can explore space on "Star Tours," careen about inside "Space Mountain" and cruise through the human bloodstream in "Body Wars" at specially reduced rates at Walt Disney World during Spring Break.

Disney World has offered college students Spring Break specials for many years. "The special savings at Walt Disney World offers many college students a nice break from the everyday routine of going to the beach," said Jennie Hess, spokeswoman. "It presents to them a day or two of thrills."

With valid student identification, college students can take advantage of the big savings and the excitement suggested by Disney-MGM Studios Theme Park, the Magic Kingdom or Epcot Center for \$22-plus tax, which is \$11 less than regular admission. Students also receive a free souvenir button with each student ticket.

Students can snatch up even bigger savings by purchasing a two-day ticket for \$40 plus tax. The ticket provides admission to two parks of the student's choice on any two days and saves the \$26

compared to the price of two one-day, one park admissions.

The thrill rides, such as "Catastrophe Canyon" and "Indiana Jones Epic Stunt Spectacular," which are located at Disney-MGM Studios Theme Park, offer students the most excitement.

In "Catastrophe Canyon," guests are "threatened" by such natural disasters as fire, flood, and earthquake. For those who have a theater background, the "Indiana Jones Epic Stunt Spectacular" features death-defying acts.

"A favorite among those who are interested in new technology, fiberoptics, and hyrographics is 'Spectromagic,'" said Hess. The show is a stunning nighttime extravaganza "combining the energy of seven lightning bolts and the electric power of 2,000 highway trucks."

Students can also enjoy the "Surprise Celebration Parade." "It is a daily street party of gigantic proportions," Hess said. "Spectromagic" and "Surprise Celebration Parade" are both at the Magic Kingdom.

Located at the Epcot Center is "Sunrise in the Skies," an exhilarating boat-paraglance hang glider exhibition.

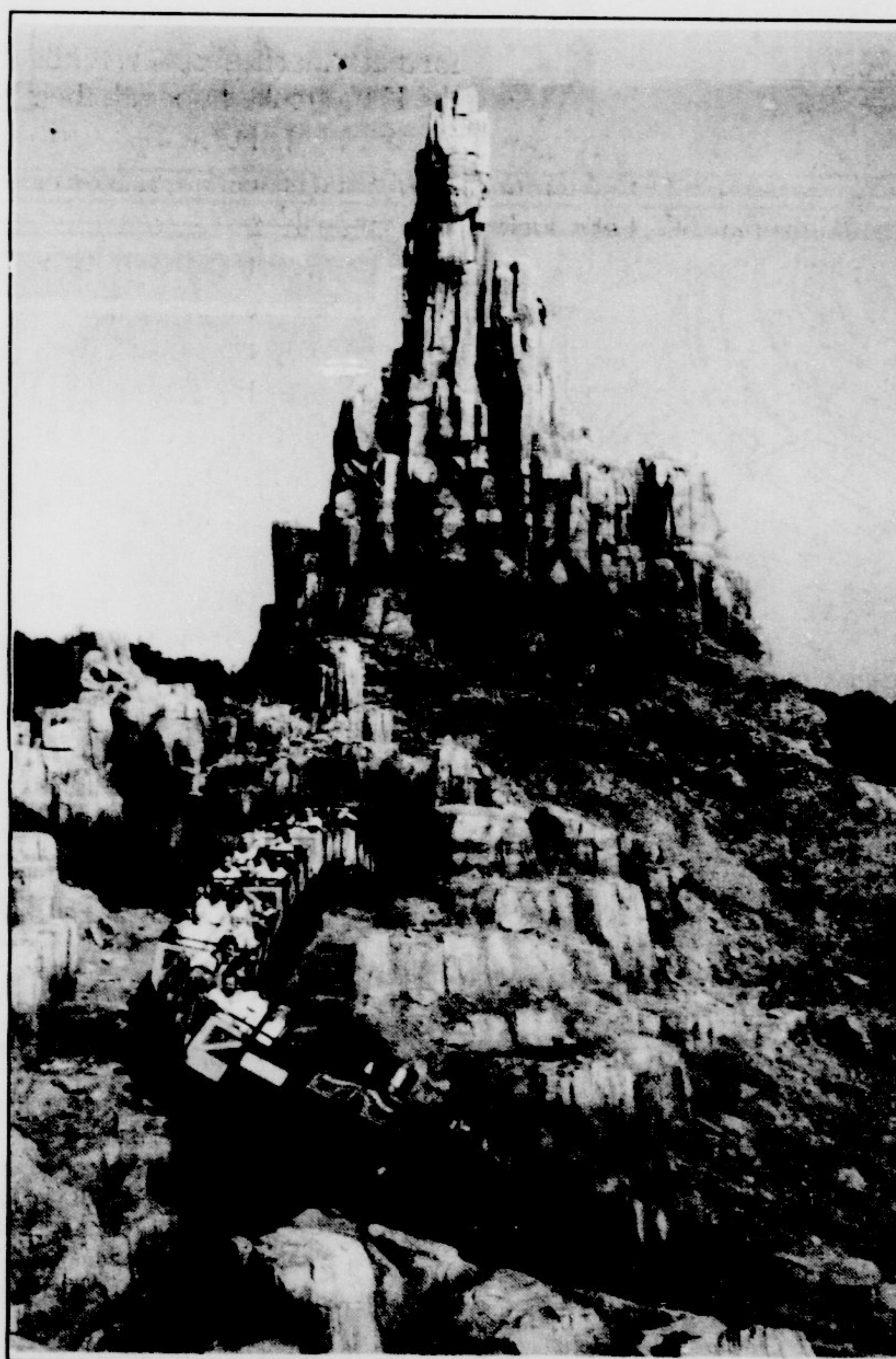


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College students can hop a runaway train and encounter a mountain of thrills at Big Thunder Mountain Railroad during Disney Break '92.

Comic attempts to re-establish Luke Cage in Marvel Universe

By Cliff Coffey
Staff Writer

When Luke Cage first appeared in the Marvel Comics Universe in his own book called, *Luke Cage: Hero For Hire*, he became Marvel's newest black hero. Now, twenty years later, he debuts with a new comic, *Cage*.

Luke Cage has had his share of problems in his short life. He's been framed for a crime that he didn't commit. He did time for a crime he was innocent of and, as a way to gain early parole, Cage volunteered for an experiment.

The experiment turned his skin steel hard and gave him

super strength.

Cage saw his newfound ability a way to make money, and he started a business called *Hero For Hire*. *Hero For Hire* worked well for him and he earned money and got connections to clear his name from the crime he was unjustly convicted for.

Cage then found his way into a few super groups, including the Defenders and the Fantastic Four. His guest appearances helped him jump around the Marvel Universe. Other heroes also appeared in his comic, which eventually

lead up to an Iron Fist cross over. Iron Fist is a master of the martial arts and can mystically cause his hand to be as hard as iron.

Iron Fist and Cage quickly became friends and started a business together called *Heroes For Hire*. Cage and Iron Fist worked well together, for 75 issues (the equivalent of six years) until Iron Fist presumably died. Cage was then framed for the murder of Iron Fist and was pursued by law enforcement agencies including the FBI. Cage was once again on the run from the law. For six

years Cage was unseen in the Marvel Universe.

Cage was cleared of the murder of Iron Fist when Iron Fist resurfaced in another comic, *Namor, the Sub-Mariner*. Cage made a three issue appearance in the *Punisher*, a crazed vigilante and one of comics most popular characters. After the three issues, Cage appeared in his own book again, *Cage*.

Cage is an attempt to re-establish Luke Cage in the Marvel Universe. Cage is now in Chicago where a newspaper tycoon,

Mr. Drewston, is determined to make Cage the headlines of every paper he puts out, because super heroes sell papers. Mr. Drewston also hired the best available reporters to follow Cage's career.

The first issue centered around the other people that Drewston hired and their play in trying to make Cage agree to become part of the paper. It was also a way to make the readers familiar with the supporting cast that will be in the comic. The first issue of *Cage* is what is referred to as a "set up" issue. Even so, it

was a disappointment. The villain of the story was a weak character and he still bested Cage, but the potential of the supporting cast is enormous.

Marc McLaurin, the writer of the series, will hopefully listen to what the readers want instead of changing everything about the character. Too many times when a new series starts the writer of the series changes the character's personality. The first issue kept Cage's personality true to history. Another thing that readers are already requesting is the appearance of Iron Fist. Only time will tell how well McLaurin continues on the series.

'Radio Flyer' recalls childhood

By Cliff Coffey
Staff Writer

Richard Donner moves away from his action/adventure movies in his latest venture, *Radio Flyer*.

Donner is best known for films like *Lethal Weapon*, *Lethal Weapon 2* and *The Lost Boys*. Making a step in the other direction he takes on *Radio Flyer*, a movie that deals with memories of childhood, told by a child's perspective.

Elijah Wood plays Michael, the eldest boy. He's also been seen in *Back to the Future II*, *Paradise* (with Don Johnson and Melanie Griffith) and *Internal Affairs*. His first acting job was in the Paula Abdul video "Forever Your Girl."

Wood is forced to carry the weight of the movie since it is seen from his point of view. It is rare for a movie to revolve around a child's perspective, but that was one of the reasons that Richard Donner chose to direct *Radio Flyer*. As Michael, Wood possesses a sense of assuredness without being too serious. The result is an honest representation of the character he is playing.

The other boy, Bobby, is played by Joseph Mazzello. Mazzello has previously appeared in *Presumed Innocent* and the television movie about child abuse, *Unspeakeable Acts*. Mazzello, at only 8 years of age, is considered a talent. Donner said, "He has a depth that is incredible for someone his age — and one of the

most expressive faces I've seen on anyone of any age." Mazzello is forced to carry the second heaviest load in *Radio Flyer*.

The film follows these boys through a time of adjustment, a difficult time especially for the youngest boy. The boys' mother (Lorraine Bracco, *Goodfellas*) was left by her husband and after she drives across the United States to live with relatives in California, she meets a man and begins a relationship with him. Soon they're married. The man is called only,

brother has been getting beat regularly Bobby made Michael promise not to tell their mom, who seemed like she finally found happiness.

Tom Hanks, who narrates the movie in a *Wonder Years* fashion, is Bobby grown up. Hanks is telling the story to his children, on the basis of keeping a promise and how much that means. Hanks continually remarks that while he was growing up, he knew that there was something special about Bobby, something about him and



Photo courtesy Columbia Pictures

Mike and his younger brother, Bobby find strength in each other and in their best friends, Shane, as they settle into life in a new neighborhood in *Radio Flyer*.

The King" (Adam Baldwin; *Predator II*, *Next of Kin*) throughout the movie.

The King likes two things, one is drinking beer and the other is beating the smallest child, Bobby. The first time it happened Bobby and Michael were together, but when Michael found out that his

flight always crossed paths.

The boys had a dog, Shane, that went practically everywhere with them and protected them from bullies in their new neighborhood, among other things. Every time the King beat Bobby, Shane would try to get into the house to attack See *Flyer*, page 8

'Star Wars' continues with comic series

By Cliff Coffey
Staff Writer

Thanks to Dark Horse Comics, the *Star Wars* saga continues.

When George Lucas ended the *Star Wars* Trilogy with *The Return Of The Jedi* many people thought they would never see anything else on Luke Skywalker, Han Solo, R2-D2 or Princess Leia again, however after successes with taking the *Predator*, *Aliens* and *Terminator* movies into comics, Dark Horse bought the rights to release a comics based on the characters from *Star Wars*.

The new saga begins years later; Luke is a full Jedi Master, Princess Leia is a Jedi and the Rebels have failed to unite the universe into a peaceful union. An Imperial force has grown and is getting stronger very quickly.

Luke and Lando Calrissian pilot a stolen Imperial ship to discover the heart of the Imperial uprising. The closer they get to the new Empire, the more Luke realizes that there is something terribly wrong. Luke feels the Dark Side of the force emerging, a very strong Dark Side.

Luke and Lando are shot down over an Imperial City. Lando escapes but Luke decides

that he must face the Dark Side. Luke, with his trusty companion R2-D2, enters the Dark City.

Han Solo and Leia, now married, are attempting to lead the Rebel Forces against a now very powerful Empire.

In secret, the Imperial Forces have been building star fighters and destroyers, and a new ship that is larger and deadlier than the Death Star.

Leia, being a Jedi and Luke's sister, feels that Luke is in grave danger, but due to the predicament of the Rebels, she's unable to go to his aid.

Solo and Chewbacca prepare the Millennium Falcon to lead the Rebel star fighters into battle and to hopefully rescue Lando on the surface of Calamari.

The entire uprising of the Imperial Forces was the result of the return of the Imperial Emperor. Luke comes face to face with the man he thought dead. The Emperor offers Luke a chance to experience the Dark Side, a chance Luke accepts.

Writer Tom Vietch keeps the personalities of the characters true and has concocted an interesting base for the six issue series. Cam Kennedy, the artist, draws the characters so that they are recognizable on the first sight.

Gibb

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with his right hand. The inability to read notes and the left-hand playing do not deter him from unleashing wicked, voodoo wails.

Akin to SRV and Jimi Hendrix, Gibb is a showman capable of playing behind both his head and back, much to the elation of the crowd. Gibb defends his showmanship: "Hendrix said it best 'a true bluesman shows their blues in different ways.' It's not an arrogance, it's a feeling."

During a gig at Virginia Beach's Boat House, the guitarist lost his "real baby," a sea-foam green Stratocaster, in the encore performance, partially because one of these "feelings" took over.

"I threw the guitar down, but I didn't expect it would break. I look at it now and think 'Gibb, what a nerd.'"

But most often, he displays showmanship through less heart-breaking means. Actually, he makes love to the guitar, including kissing the fret board and tongue licking the strings to create unique guitar licks.

In fact, Gibb says that there is a close correlation to making love and playing guitar. While on stage, he often thinks of his girlfriend Carrie, for whom the instrumental is named. At the same time, he feels the religious ambience involved with performing, like a pulp-pounding pastor delivering a sermon.

The never-ending time spent on the ribbons of highway has led Gibb to this religious allusion.

"We are on the road — play — on the road, so that little time when we are on stage, I feel one with God. I am deeply indebted for the gifts God gave me."

And Gibb is the man to spread the good news.

"It is unfortunate, but Stevie's death had a lot to do with the blues revival."

Gibb, who is 22, remembers that fateful day, Aug. 27, 1990, Vaughan died in a helicopter accident. "I was doing Western Civ. homework, but it didn't really hit me until I played a tribute (to Vaughan) on the radio that night."

Radio

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the King. When he finally does, Shane puts the King in the hospital.

After that attack on Bobby, which left him in the hospital for a few days, the boys knew that they could wait no longer, the time came for the "Big Idea." The "Big Idea" requires a belief in each other and in the nearly impossible.

Bobby and Michael heard stories about the legend of a boy named Fisher when they moved into their new neighborhood. Fisher was said to fly, really fly without the aid of a plane. This gave the two boys the "Big Idea."

They took Bobby's little red wagon, the Radio Flyer, and attempted to build an aircraft so that Bobby could escape the terrors of the stepfather.

Bobby and Michael went to a junk yard and collected many

items. They spent days in the shed behind the house trying to build the "Big Idea." Once they completed the project, Bobby and Michael went to the place they called the "Wishing Spot." There was the place that Fisher flew, and it was there that Bobby wanted to make his attempt.

The Radio Flyer the boys made was pushed down the hill of the "Wishing Spot" and was on its test flight. Michael and his mother watched as Bobby's fate was decided.

There is a moral to Radio Flyer, something deeper than a simple childhood tale. As the advertisements suggest, it is powered by imagination.

The movie holds insights to childhood that most adults forget they ever had, this is part of Radio Flyer's appeal.

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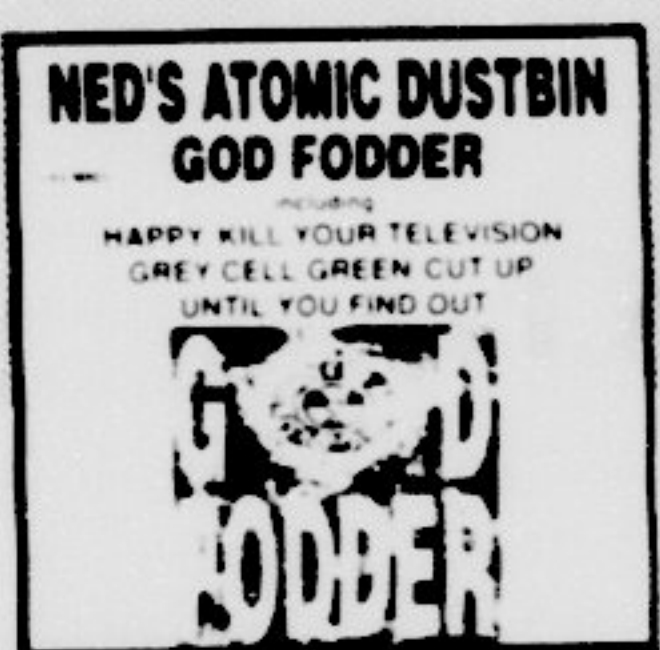
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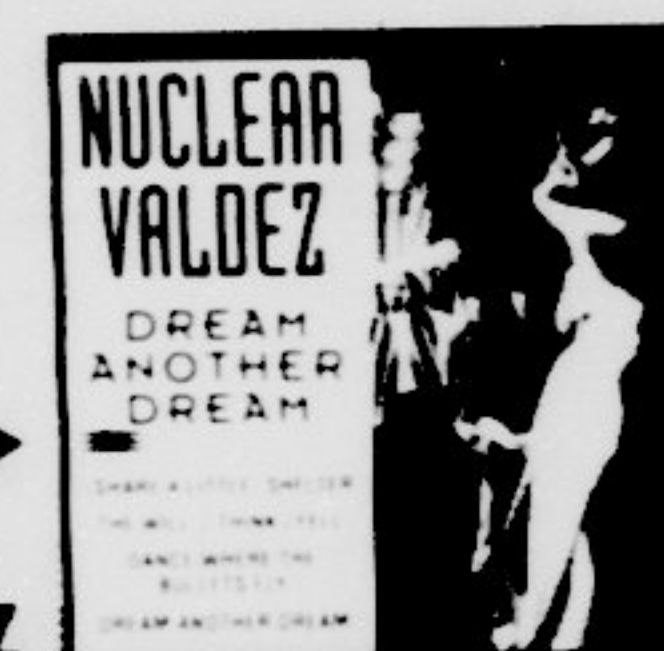
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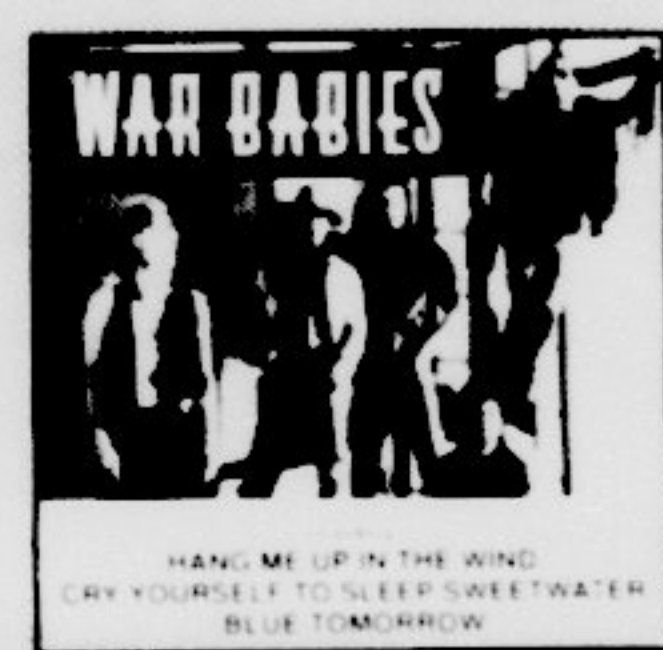
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Sports

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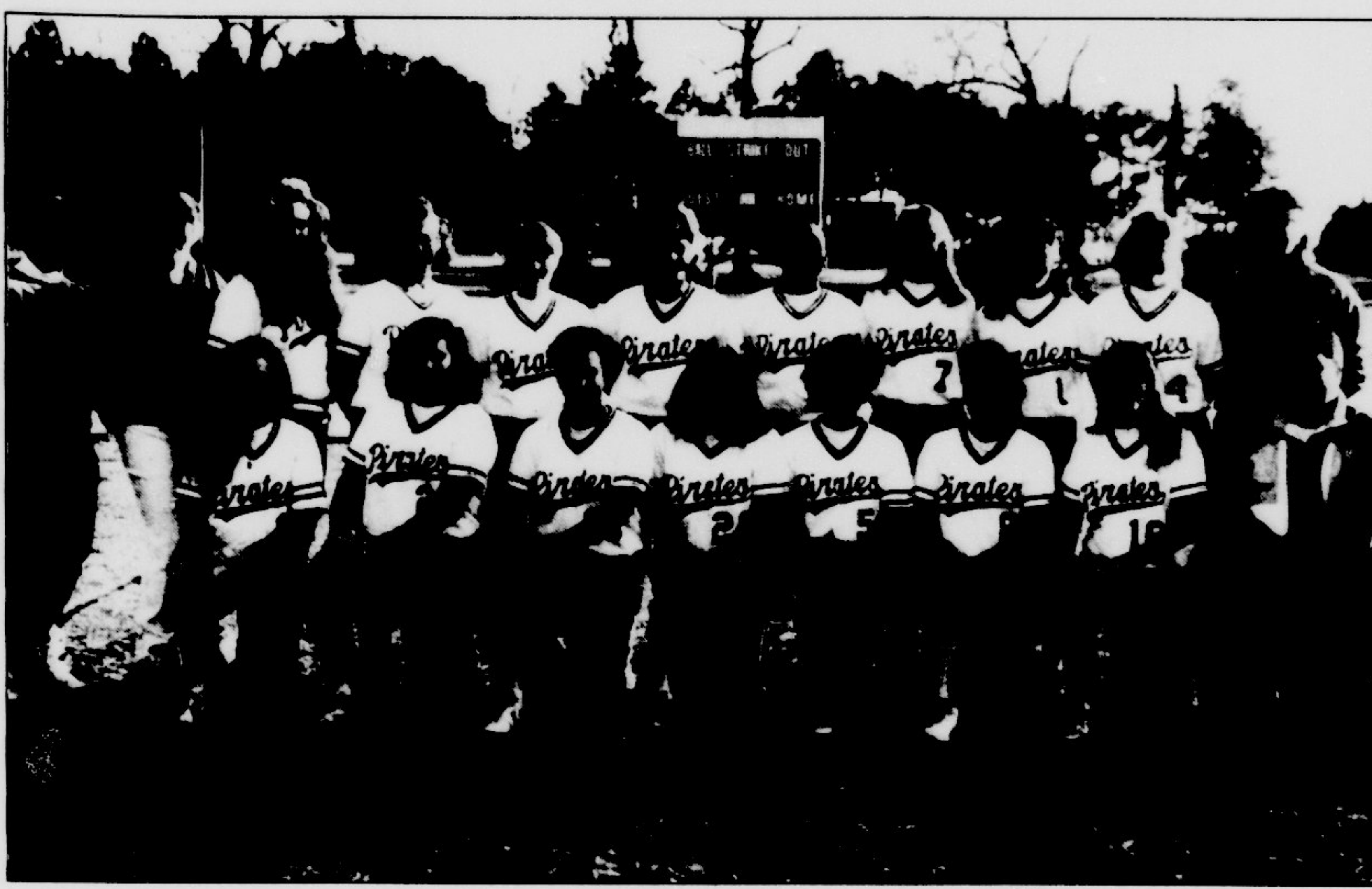


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The ECU Lady Pirate softball team looks to its best season ever with every starter returning from last season. The team hosts Barton College this afternoon on the softball field across from the Allied Health Building.

Japan explodes into baseball scene

By Jim Litke
Associated Press

Until now, the most politically sensitive question baseball's current crop of owners have had to consider is when to cut off beer sales at their respective parks. But that is about to change.

Today in Chicago, a political timebomb of sorts is going to be dumped in their laps, though gingerly, of course. Having failed to defuse the controversy last month, and with Japan-bashing approaching the status of a national pastime, those same owners are scheduled to begin discussing whether a group of investors with a wealthy Japanese businessman at its head should be allowed to purchase the Seattle Mariners.

"It's hard to predict what will happen," deputy commissioner

Stephen Greenberg said Tuesday. "We have not had a single substantive discussion yet."

If history is any indication, though, what will happen over the next two days is not much.

For all their proven business acumen and demonstrated leadership outside the game, once they reach baseball's inner circle, owners tend to flee more like sheep than stand like lions when confronted by the really big issues.

They embraced integration some 40 years ago only after much running and hiding, and economic reality some 20 years ago only after much more of the same. During the "Red Scare" of the McCarthy era, to cite yet one more undistinguished performance, the owners of the Cincinnati franchise actually went to the trouble of changing the team's name from the Reds to the Redlegs.

And if truth be told, little has actually changed since then. In February, they sent commissioner Fay Vincent into the field to rail against the perils of foreign ownership. But when supporters of the Japanese-led group fired back — with editorials in both Seattle's daily newspapers and threats of retaliation by Washington's congressmen — the owners beat a hasty retreat.

Apparently, they are still in retreat. And so what will most likely happen today — or Thursday if they put off the announcement until the second day of meetings — is that they will say they have fundamental problems with the way the deal is structured and leave it at that.

But what the owners will mean — and won't say — is that they are going to wait (and hope and pray) See Japan, page 10

ECU softball team starts weekend stand with Barton College

By Charles Mitchell
Senior Sports Writer

The 1992 Lady Pirates fast pitch softball team's motto speaks for itself. By having a balanced mix of pure talent and raw speed, this year's squad is one of the best to ever grace the campus of ECU.

Off to a quick 4-0 start, the Pirates are scheduled to play a doubleheader today at home against Barton College in preparation for this weekend's Lady Pirate round robin tournament.

The tournament will be played at the Lady Pirate softball field and is slated to start Saturday, March 7 at 9 a.m.

ECU will play the tournament opening game at 9 a.m. against

George Mason University, then they play at 1 p.m. against the University of Virginia. On Sunday, the Lady Pirates will take on UNC-Greensboro at noon and end the afternoon with a 2:00 p.m. showdown with George Mason.

Under the direct and watchful eye of Head coach Sue Manahan and her assistant coach Tracey Kee, the 1992 Lady Pirates are expected to meet and exceed all expectations — another Colonial Athletic Association crown and a bid to the NCAA tournament.

So if the boys of summer are making you blue, just remember there is something you can do. Come on down and watch with delight, for the ladies of summer are pure dynamite.

1992 Lady Pirate Softball Schedule

Mar. 5	Barton College (DH)	Greenville
7-8	ECU Round Robin	Greenville
10	UNC-Charlotte (DH)	Charlotte
11	Georgia Southern (DH)	Statesboro, Ga.
13-15	S. Florida Tournament	Tampa, Fla.
17	Coastal Carolina (DH)	Conway, S.C.
21-22	Lady Pirate Classic	Greenville
25	Louisburgh (DH- Scrimmage)	Greenville
27-28	Campbell	Buies Creek
31	UNC-Chapel Hill (DH)	Chapel Hill
Apr. 3-5	Furman Tournament	Greenville, S.C.
7	UNC-Wilmington (DH)	Wilmington
8	Campbell (DH)	Greenville
10-12	UNC Tournament	Chapel Hill
17-19	USC Round Robin	Columbia, S.C.
21	UNC-Chapel Hill	Greenville
23	UNC-Wilmington	Greenville
May 15-17	NCAA Regionals	TBA
21-25	NCAA Division I Softball Championships	Oklahoma City, Okla.

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Even catcher Mickey Tomey, who doesn't use tobacco, is opposed to the new rule.

"Most of these guys are old enough to marry, but they can't put in a chew anymore," Tomey said.

Last year, the NCAA took the first step in the war on tobacco by prohibiting its use in the national tournament. The SEC has gone a step farther, apparently becoming the first conference to ban it from league games.

Commissioner Roy Kramer initially suggested to the coaches that tobacco products be barred from the league's post-season tournament. But the coaches decided on a season-long ban.

"People realize that this is something that certainly can affect your health," said John Guthrie, an associate commissioner. "The coaches certainly don't want to advocate or condone something that is harmful to young people."

Some players jokingly talked about defying the new rule — "When I'm in the outfield, I don't think they could see me out there," Killmet said — but there could be serious ramifications if they're caught.

See Tobacco, page 10



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Squirt ... oh yea!

The Emerald City's warm weather brought everyone out of their winter shell during the past couple of days. This student, dressed in lacrosse gear, found time to have a water gun war with some friends.

Texas A&M, Stanford slated to play in 1992 Disneyland Pigskin Classic

By Diane Krupnak Turner
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Texas A&M University and Stanford University will meet in the third annual Disneyland Pigskin Classic college football game to be held Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1992 at Anaheim Stadium.

In a ceremony held Feb. 13 at the Disneyland Hotel, representatives of Disneyland and the Orange County Sports Association gathered with university representatives to formally make the announcement.

Introducing the teams were Jack Lindquist, president of Disneyland and president of the Orange County Sports Association and Don Anderson, executive director of the Orange County Sports Association.

Appearing at the ceremony to accept for the Aggies of Texas A&M was Head coach R.C. Slocum. Representing the Cardinal of Stanford was Head coach Bill Walsh.

Walsh will be making his re-

turn to college coaching in the Classic, replacing Dennis Green, who has moved on to the NFL's Minnesota Vikings.

Led by starting quarterback Steven Stenstrom of El Toro, Calif., the Stanford Cardinal rallied for a seven game winning streak, finish-

ing the season with a record of 8-4.

"Dennis Green, installed much of our system and has been very successful," Walsh said. "We hope to sustain it. Steven Stenstrom is a talented, poised quarterback. He's

a winner and we will be dependent upon him." Although the Aggies were 10-2 last season, Coach Slocum said: "We plan to change the style of our offense getting away from the option game we used before the graduation of Bucky Richardson. We're now going to copy some of Bill Walsh's philosophies."

Presentation of the Disneyland Pigskin Classic is a major collaboration between Disneyland and the OCSA, with the OCSA staff performing many of the administrative tasks and Disneyland sponsoring elements of the competition in addition to game-related events.

It will be syndicated for television by Raycom Sports and carried on The Mutual Radio Network.

Proceeds from the Classic will benefit the American Football Coaches Retirement Trust, the participating teams, the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics Foundation and the Division I-A Directors Association.



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But with a few modifications—reducing Nintendo's share of the deal to a more palatable 40 percent; tidying up the team's chain of command and clarifying the company's minority-hiring practices—it is easy to see the proposal going back on the table in time for the owners' next scheduled meeting, June 10-11.

And what then?

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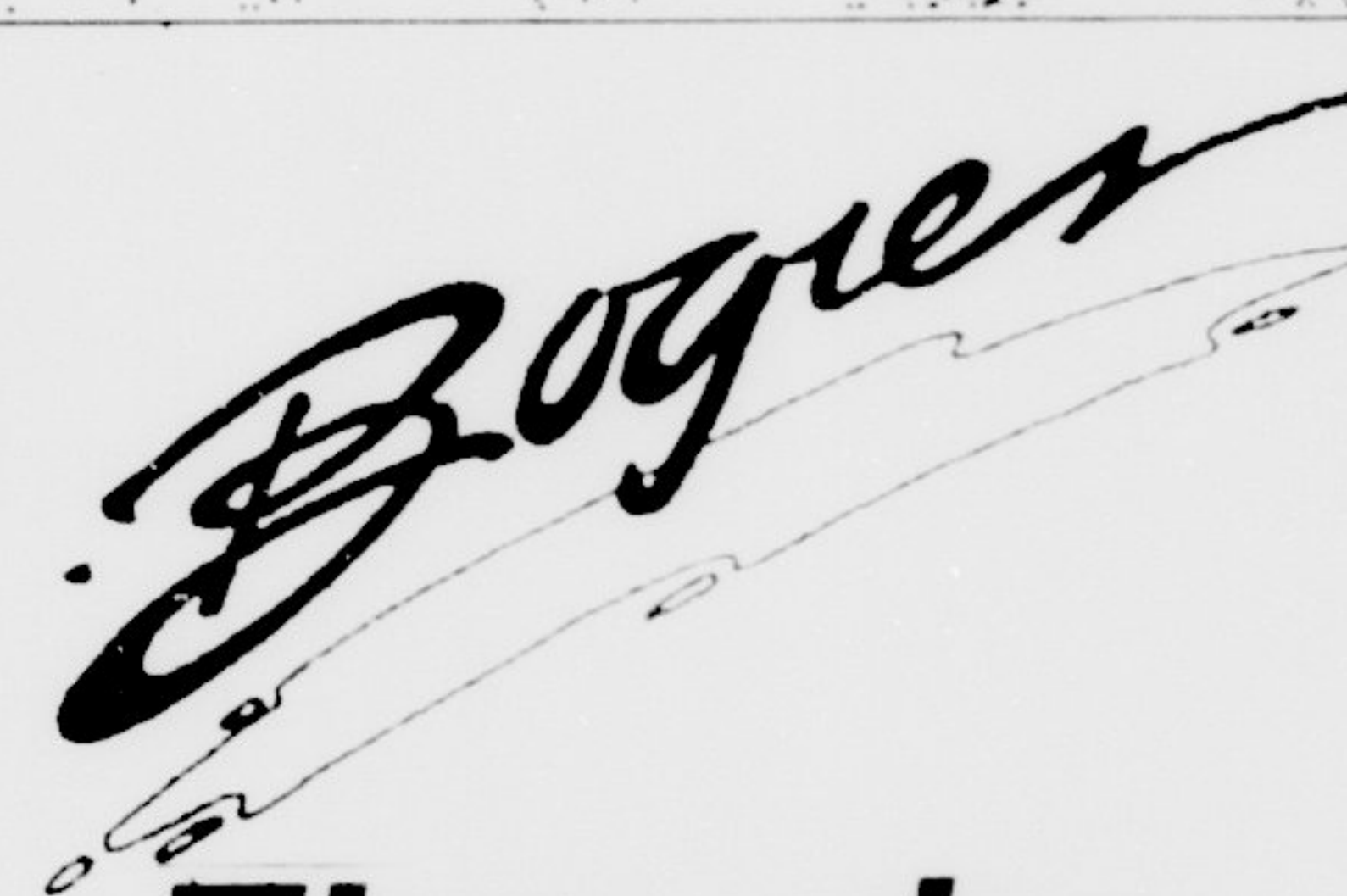
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