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Election '92

Candidates voice education concerns

Fitness builds library

The students, faculty and staff at Lewis & Clark College have raised \$1 million for a new library by competing in a fitness challenge. Dr. Robert Pamplin Jr., the school's board of trustees chairman, awarded cash amounts to those participants who could meet or beat his challenges, and the money was then given to the fund for the new library.

School increases security

The University of Arizona has increased security in its registrar's office after firing an employee for unauthorized grade changing. Registrar David Butler said four people had grades changed by the employee but, with the increased security, it will now take several people working together to change a grade.

Pepsi teams with Penn State

Officials at Penn State recently signed a deal to exclusively market and sell only Pepsi products. The 10-year, \$14 million deal allows for the revenues to be used for the building of an athletic coliseum as well as making improvements at the libraries on all of the 21 campuses.

Court rules on segregation

The U.S. Supreme Court recently ruled that Mississippi colleges have not done enough to remove segregation from their systems. Officials say the state has separate systems of black and white education, with white schools receiving more state money than the black schools. The Court mandated that steps be taken to end the discrimination.

RJR donates money

The RJR Nabisco Foundation contributed \$12,000 to North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University to support education programs in the School of Agriculture. The grant provides funding for undergraduates to work with research personnel while earning money to help pay for education and finances scholarships. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company recommended the contribution. Reynolds Tobacco has given more than \$16 million to research and programs at universities around the nation.

Compiled by Elizabeth Shimmel. Taken from CPS and other campus newspapers.

As the November election closes in, candidates are introducing their policies on higher education. The variety of different plans and ideas seem to always be aimed at making college more affordable and accessible to middle and lower class citizens.

Two key elections concerning North Carolina college students are the North Carolina Governor's race and the race for U.S. presidency. The three candidates for president have developed higher education plans full of diversity, often times including major spending increases. However, each plan does promises to broaden the minority and lower the economic level student base.

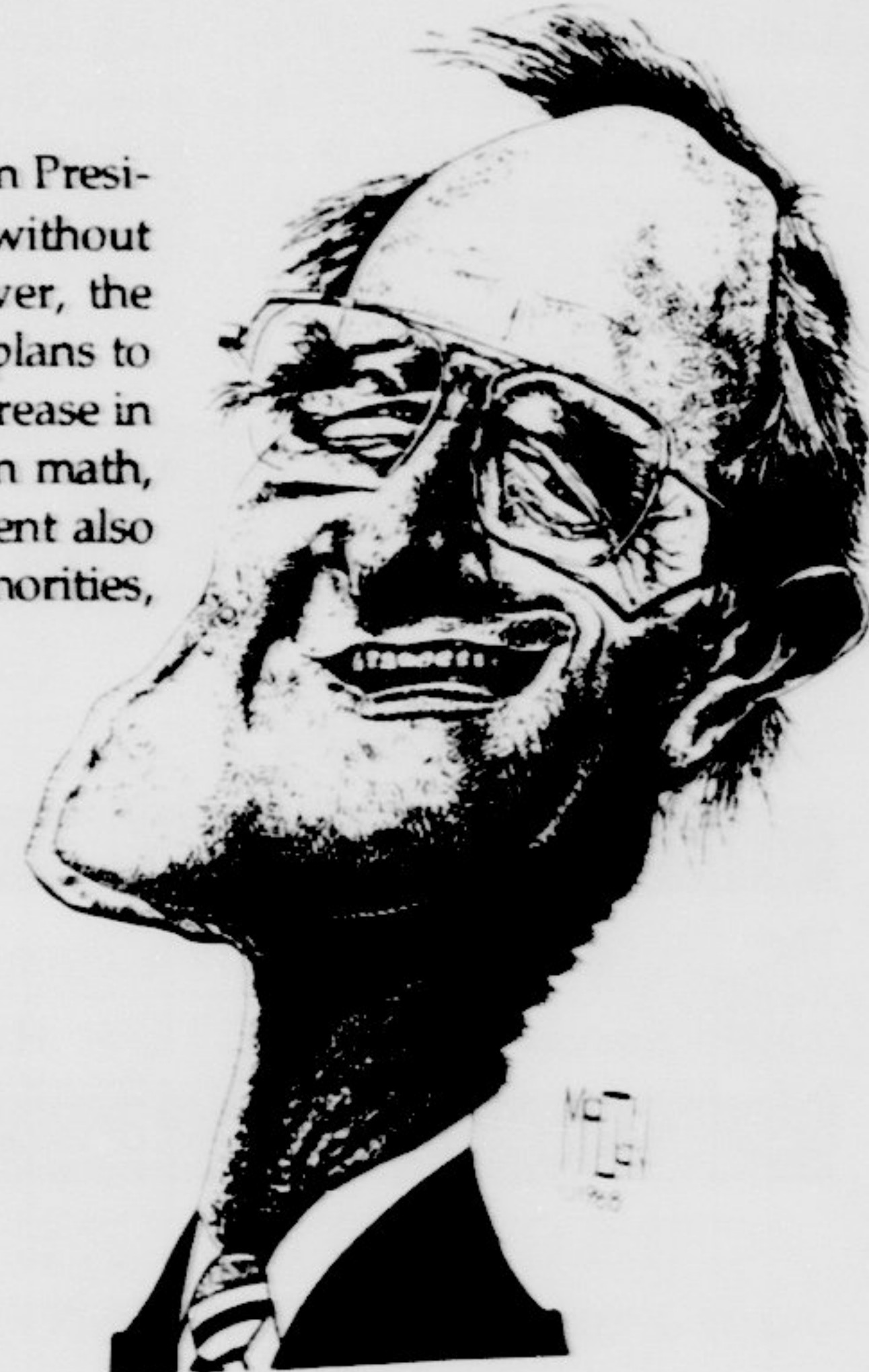


Bill Clinton (D) is promising a national college trust fund that would practically guarantee funding for any student who needs it. According to Governor Clinton's plan, a federal loan fund would be set up using tax payers' money. After graduation, students would be required to pay back the loan by performing community service or by reimbursing the fund after finding a job.

Clinton's plan is expensive. The set-up costs will likely be in the billions of dollars. Clinton's biggest problem could be raising the funds.

George Bush (R), the self-proclaimed "Education President," plans to increase funding in existing programs without changing the programs or creating new ones. However, the president's "America 2000" does not mention how he plans to change higher education. The plan does propose an increase in the number of undergraduate and graduate students in math, natural science and engineering programs. The president also plans to increase the number of students, especially minorities, who receive degrees from two-year schools.

President Bush's plan seems to be vague about how he hopes to accomplish his goals. Bush's plan carries a heavy tax payers' burden of about \$850 million.



Ross Perot's (I) plan is, at best, nonexistent. Much like the rest of Perot's stands on issues, there is nothing to consider as of yet. But in his past record he has been very influential in changing education policies in Texas.

During the mid-1980's, Perot led the fight to persuade Texas football fans to adopt a "no pass, no play" rule for high school athletes. He also backed Governor Mark White's policy of competency testing for high school teachers. Perot also campaigned to pass a bill giving the governor control in appointing the state's school board members.



The race for North Carolina's governor

Jim Hunt's (D) education record as governor from 1976 until 1984 was a strong one. His education plans do call for increased spending. In 1977, Hunt proposed a plan calling for a 6.5 percent increase in salary for university employees. Over 1980-81, the Governor budgeted \$18.4 million for remedial programs at the elementary and high school levels.

Hunt would like North Carolina's education statistics to speak for him. At the end of the Hunt Era, North Carolina ranked first in the nation in spending on higher education in relation to the percentage of total spending. Hunt spent 42.8 percent on state and local government spending toward education. Hunt also left North Carolina 10th in the nation in devotion to public schools.

The race for North Carolina governor will play a more important role in the education of ECU students. Former Governor Jim Hunt is attempting to stand on his education record from his past two terms as governor. Lieutenant Governor Jim Gardner plans for drastic changes on some issues, which should cut state spending in areas.

Jim Gardner (R) plans to cut waste spending in order to increase spending in education programs. Higher teacher pay, teacher tenure and smaller classroom sizes will all be paid for through "cutting the bureaucracy in Raleigh." Gardner's budget reform bill will ensure that the general assembly does not overestimate spending and be forced to make up for it with tax increases.

Gardner would like to see the N.C. superintendent appointed by the state board of education. He also plans to allow parents more influence in their children's education. Under Gardner's plans, parents would choose where their children will attend school as well as what their busing situation would be.

Profiles by Tony Rogers. The East Carolinian

Alcohol cited as students' drug of choice

By Marjorie Pitts
Staff Writer

Drinking is the number one health problem on college and university campuses.

According to the Office of Substance Abuse Prevention (OSAP), between 240,000 and 360,000 students will eventually lose their lives to drinking.

President Bush included alcohol in the 1992 National Drug Control Strategy, citing it as "the most abused substance by students."

College students spend about \$5.5 billion annually to purchase alcoholic beverages, and alcohol consumption can lead to dropouts, campus violence, risky sexual encounters and death. Over half of violent crimes are committed by persons who have been drinking preceding the crime.

According to a 1987 study, 285,000 serious crimes were committed on America's campuses. In addition, there were tens of thousands of incidents of fighting, rapes, vandalism and other acts of violence that were never reported or treated as crimes. A large proportion of these were alcohol-related.

"Alcohol is our school's drug of choice, and the number one addiction substance," said Dean of Students Dr. Ronald Speier. "We are not any different from other colleges."

Last year at ECU, four date rapes involving alcohol were reported.

"Alcohol usually is involved in date rape," said Lt. Keith Knox of ECU Public Safety. "Date rape is usually set up through alcohol."

Last year at ECU, there were 35 liquor law violations, 43 disorderly conduct violations and 48 DWI's given on campus.

"The majority of vandalism and disorderly conduct violations involve alcohol," Knox said. "Alcohol is the number one contributor to all problems."

Last year Greenville Police issued 104 DWI citations for people ages 18-24. As of June 1992, Greenville Police have arrested 22 people ages 18-24 for DWI citations.

A majority of the tickets written for students are underage drinking violations. A first-time offender of underage drinking will receive a warning. A second-time offender must visit a resident hall counselor to see if he or she has an alcohol problem. The third time a student receives a warning, they are given a \$25 ticket and must go to an alcohol abuse class given on campus.

Some specific incidents of campus alcohol abuse were cited in the OSAP report.

The father of an intoxicated 20-year-old killed in a fall from a window of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at Clemson University is suing the university, the

fraternity and two downtown bars.

A student of the University of Montana in Missoula has been convicted in the shooting deaths of two friends. After travelling to a gravel pit to drink beer, the youth shot his friends point blank and then torched the car they had ridden in.

Charges of rape against a University of Richmond student were dismissed last year when the victim testified that she was too drunk to know she was being sexually assaulted and the defendant testified that he was so drunk that he did not realize at first that she was not consenting.

A 1991 survey of high school seniors and college students by Michigan's Institute for Survey Research indicated an increase in the number of "binge drinkers" (five or more drinks in a row) and daily drinkers in the college-age population.

One college study found that 15 percent of its undergraduates suffer from alcohol-related injuries per year and 29 percent had engaged in "unplanned" sexual activity after drinking.

Alcohol awareness programs are frequently presented at ECU campus. Some presentations actually have students over 21 participating by drinking and then performing skills tests. This activity shows the students how quickly alcohol affects a person.

Summer's celebration



Photo by Dell Reed - The East Carolinian

The Fourth of July found many students enjoying the festivities at the town commons. The fireworks finished just before the rain started.

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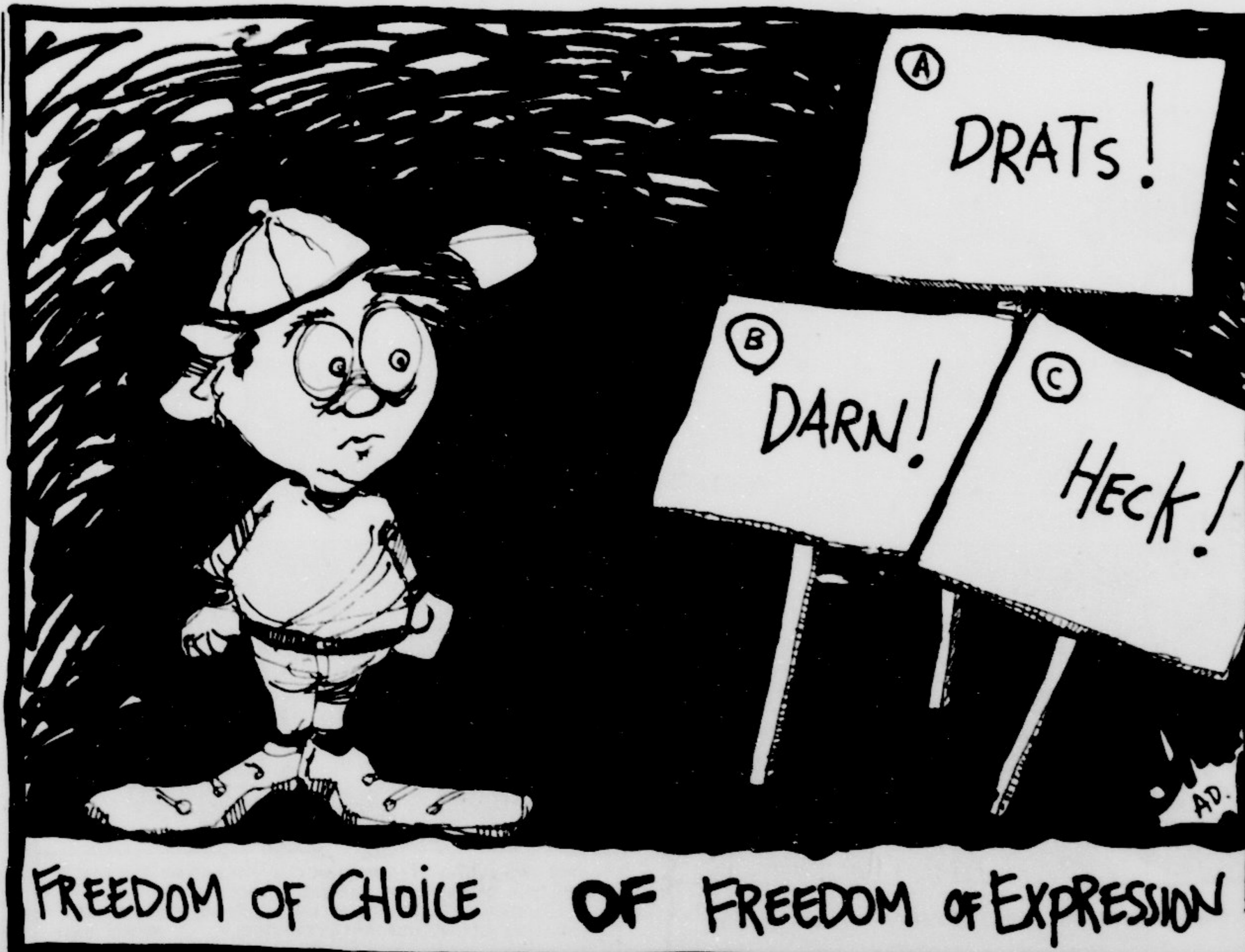
are not here for us to abuse. Watching this vulgar display of localized ignorance, (and seriously re-considering the value of the first amendment to the Constitution), I realized that the only animal this group didn't care about was *Homo Sapien*.

The extreme insensitivity of the protest was appalling. To stage the demonstration just outside John's hospital must have taken a remarkable amount of callousness, not to mention an equally remarkable lack of intellect.

I can sympathize, at least on a limited level, with John. Last night, I was invaded with a nasty little virus. As I sit writing this column, I have a fever of over 101 degrees. I am experiencing stomach cramps that must be close to duplicating labor pains, and I have to make a conscious effort not to show everybody what I ate for breakfast this morning. And this is most assuredly only a small fraction of the pain and the complications a person dying of liver failure goes through. I say bring in the baboon.

Animals have no rights save those we humans grant them. We decide what is ethical or not in our scientific and medical dealings with other creatures. In so doing we have to be careful that we don't confuse a dog or a cat or a baboon with a *human being*.

Our use of animals is dictated by human need, always has been, always will be. The same people who protest the use of animal organs to save human lives no doubt share the same mentality of those who vandalize fur coats, and who eschew eating



Entertainment



Material Issue's latest album, *Destination Universe*, is due to cut an album. Their 13-track endeavor falls asleep

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Contrary to the beliefs of some, love songs are not a festering boil on the ass of rock music. Interesting things can be done with them, despite the fact that every band on Earth has done one. The reason that most love songs smell is that they're easy to write. Any song writer worthy of the title can crank one out in his sleep. No effort equals no quality, and the world is left with a junk heap of crappy music.

That's where Material Issue comes in. Their newest release, *Destination Universe*, is chock-full of bad songs about love. The music is so stale it could have been done by any bad alt band in the last 10 years, and the lyrics are only slightly above the level of Wilson Phillips. Weighing in at 13 songs and 43 minutes, the album is a lightweight effort all the way around. Hopefully, *Destination Universe* will skip lightly along to an early, painful death.

Until then, the public should be made aware of how unbelievably lame this album is. In the interest of fairness, however, the three moderately decent tracks should be trotted out for examination.

The first of these is the first single, "What Girls Want." Aside from being a little sexist, this is a fun tune. With powerful, shouting vocals hung over a truly infectious guitar hook, this song rises above

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By Joe Horst
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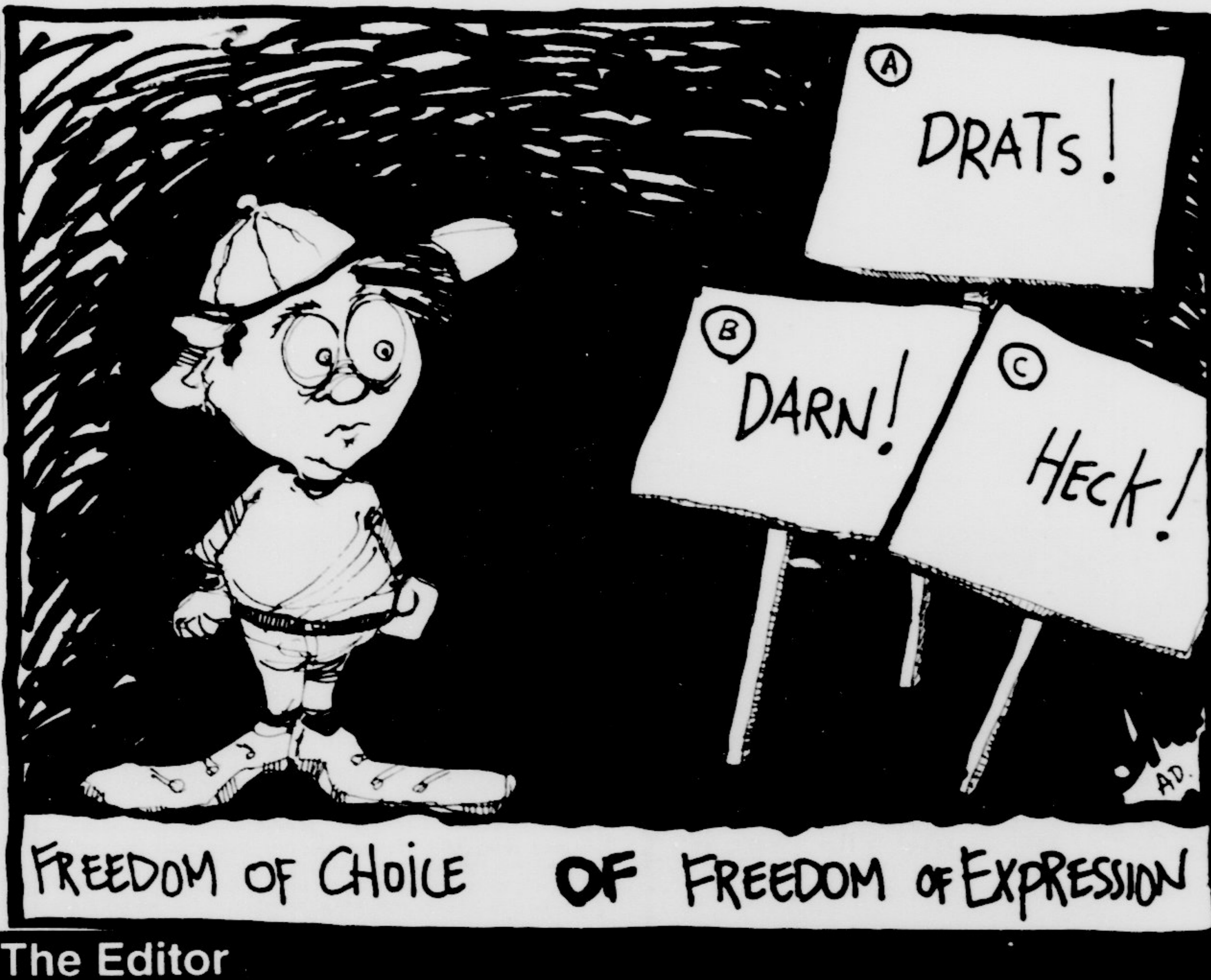
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The lone hero to combat all these

villains is Batman. Yet Batman gets no more screen time than any one villain. This film would have been more appropriately titled: *Lunatic Villains Return*.

Devito, Pfeiffer and Walken are all magnificent. They really sink their teeth into their roles. The trouble is that not much is there for them to sink their teeth into. Each actor gets a few moments of glory but nothing more. Having only one villain in the story would have allowed a much fuller treatment.

Too many villains truly can spoil a movie. So much effort is spent to explain each villain's motivation that no energy is left to propel the plot. Indeed the scenes are stitched together as badly as Catwoman's outfit.

Perhaps because Jack Nicholson's presence could not be recreated the filmmakers thought three villains could compensate. Perhaps the commercialism subverted the filmmakers' belief in their artistry. The end result is a showy film with no substance.

On a scale of one to ten, *Batman Returns* rates a six.

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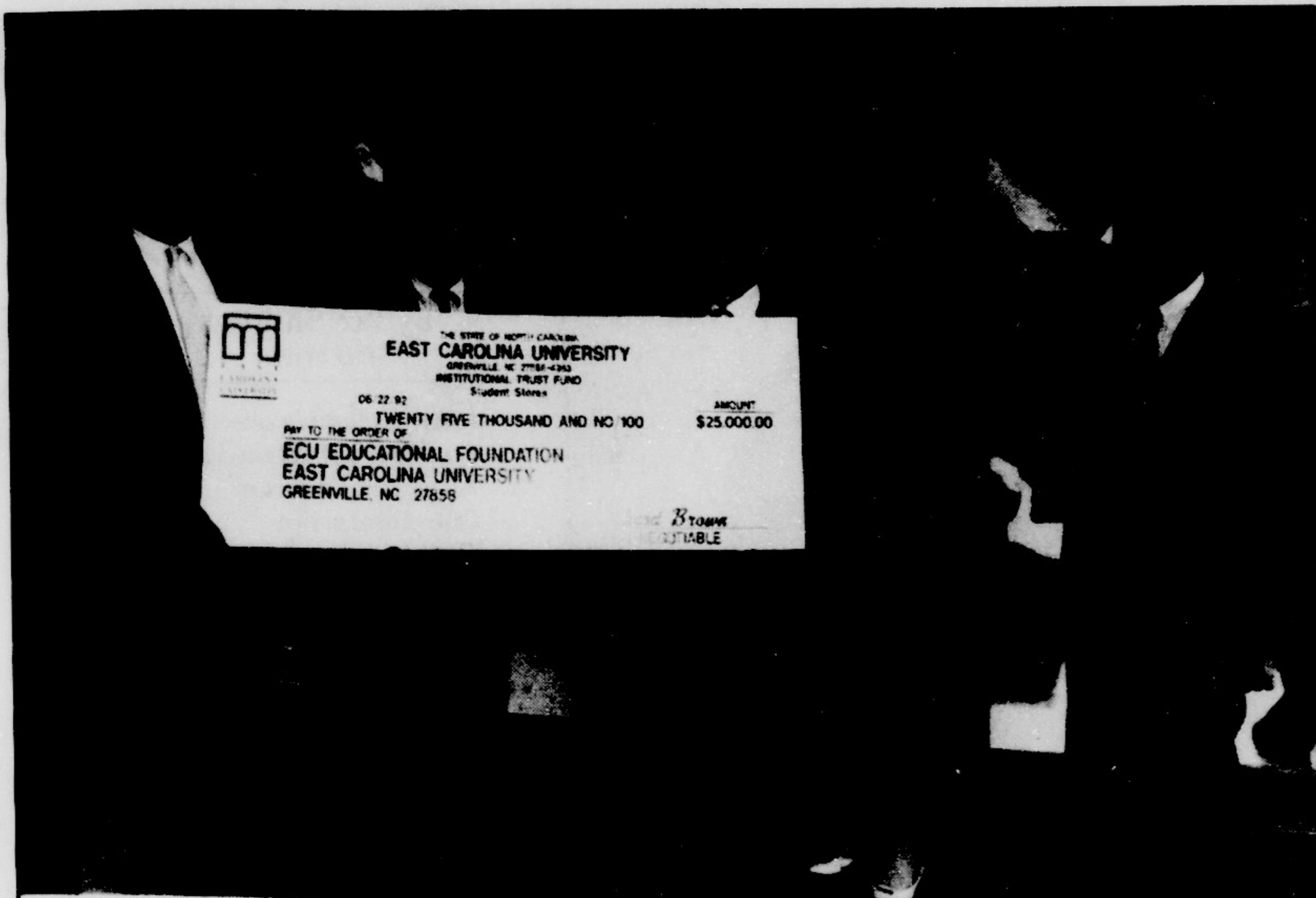
By Charles Mitchell
Senior Sports Writer

The ECU Student Stores donated a handsome check to the tune of \$25,000 to the Department of Athletics. According to Dave Hart, Director of Athletics at ECU, the donation was well received.

"This generous gift from our student stores is a wonderful acknowledgment of our Ladies First program," said Hart.

The Department of Athletics is in the third year of a five-year plan to increase the level of scholarship opportunities in women's and non-revenue sports. "It is our hope that this gesture will serve as a springboard for future gifts of this nature, as we progress through the 1992-93 academic year," Hart said.

The gift from the Student Stores marked the second donation received by ECU Athletics. Two years ago Parker and Becky Overton of Greenville, N.C. gave a \$50,000 endowed scholarship which marked the first endowed gift to ECU earmarked for women's athletics.



Layton Getsinger, Mike Costen, Dave Hart, Wanda Scarborough and Dennis Young (from left to right) pose for the presentation of a check for \$25,000 to the ECU Athletics Department from the ECU Student Stores.

Commentary

Agassi wins Wimbledon; earns respect from critics

By M. Chantal Weedman
Staff Writer



Like him or not, you've got to give Andre Agassi credit. The man who has screamed "Image is everything" for two years has realized that image isn't everything, and maybe winning is.

Since he burst into professional tennis in 1987, Agassi has been the rebellious, sassy, bad-boy, but never the victor in a Grand Slam event. In the last two years, he has played in three Grand Slam finals, but the trophy always bore someone else's name.

Agassi seemed to step on the court as the fans' favorite and walked off the loser. His critics began taunting him three years ago, saying he would never win a major tournament — not for lack of talent, but for lack of maturity and focus.

Ironically, Agassi displayed both focus and maturity during his stunning fortnight at Wimbledon. Even in his three five-set matches, the champion remained focused, never regressing to his old, childish antics. He tossed not a single racket in anger and he kept his shirt on when the championship match was over. Not once did the cocky teen-aged antics of previous years return.

When asked about his success throughout the tournament, Agassi acknowledged those around him: his coach, his family, even his opponents. He thanked John McEnroe numerous times for his expert advice and criticism on the grass court game. When asked before the final what it felt like to play in his fourth Grand Slam final, Agassi responded that it wasn't his fourth Grand Slam final, it was Wimbledon and "that's where it begins and ends." He knowingly put the tournament in an elite class of its own, and eventually, the championship put Agassi in an elite class.

Agassi truly acted the part of the mature tennis pro, and that is what he became when Goran Ivanisevic netted the final ball in the championship match Sunday. Years of trying to prove his worth in the tennis world came to an end. As he lay face-down on the grass at the All-England club, the world could finally acknowledge that the long-haired, earring-wearing rebel was finally a man to be reckoned with.

While in dollars, he has been worth millions for three years or more, his win Sunday improved his wealth in the tennis world immeasurably. After the presentation of trophies, Agassi told reporters that he would give up everything he owned to keep the title.

This new-found humility and appreciation for the game are the major factors in his new, more likeable image.

Not only has Agassi finally won a Grand Slam tournament, but he has also won the approval of many of his former critics.

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Just because the summer sessions are changing does not mean that drop-in hours will also. Hours for Christenbury weight room, Minges weight room, Christenbury swimming pool, Minges swimming pool and Christenbury Gym will still be the same as they were first session. For a schedule come by Christenbury Gym Room 104.

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Agassi finally wins 'big one'

(AP) — They said he couldn't win the big one — and certainly not by playing from the baseline on grass. Andre Agassi proved them wrong on both counts.

In these days of power tennis, Agassi illustrated that thundering groundstrokes can be just as important as booming serves.

For three years, from 1988-90, Agassi hadn't even bothered to show up at Wimbledon, preferring to stay home in Las Vegas. Back then, he didn't like grass or Wimbledon's predominantly white dress code. It's a decision Agassi now regrets.

"I am really kind of sad," he said. "This tournament has offered me and my life so much. It's a shame that I didn't respect it a little earlier."

After Ivanisevic hit a backhand volley into the net on match point, Agassi collapsed and lay face down on the grass for several seconds. When he got up, he was crying. "So many things were going through my mind — Wimbledon champion, Grand Slam winner, a lot of months and years of people doubting me," he said.

The doubters abounded after Agassi folded in his three previous Grand Slam

finals — losing to Andres Gomez at the 1990 French Open, Pete Sampras at the 1990 U.S. Open and Jim Courier at the 1991 French Open.

Sunday's final lived up to its billing as a duel between the best serve in the game against the best return.

The 6-foot 4-inch Ivanisevic fired 37 aces, a record for a Wimbledon final. His total for the fortnight was 206, a record for any two-week tournament. But Agassi broke Ivanisevic three times in the match, while losing his own serve just twice. Ivanisevic came to the net 91 times — only to be passed by Agassi an astounding 26 times.

In the final game, Ivanisevic made it easier for Agassi by double-faulting on the first two points. "I didn't hear the fat lady humming yet," he said. "But when I got to the match point and his first serve went into the net, my eyes lit up and I was aware of the fact it could be all done with one backhand return."

Agassi did hit a good backhand return, which Ivanisevic couldn't handle.

"I was just overwhelmed," Agassi said. "All I was thinking was: It's over, it's over."

Commentary

Washington can only look back and remember

By Robert S. Todd
Assistant Sports Editor

Marc Washington is a huge man. He can bench press over 500 pounds. Many people thought he would be playing professional football next season. Instead he will probably be sitting in a jail cell thinking about what might have been. What a waste.

He must bare the brunt of his actions — nobody put a gun in his hand and made him rob a bank. He has no one to blame except himself.

However, he is in no way an indict-

ment of all the athletes who work hard to live honest and meaningful lives.

Washington may someday realize what a cruel system football can be. Universities take young men out of high school and promise them fame and fortune. Their course schedules are made for them, their food, books and tuition is paid for — in exchange for long, hard hours on the field.

Football players are not allowed to have jobs on the side. For players without rich parents, this can cause envy of those able to buy clothes, CDs, or even visit family in a time of crisis.

The football program was responsible for keeping him in school and that is all. Washington was responsible for getting by in class and pumping iron.

When his football career turned sour, he apparently was not capable of dealing with the pressure of a bleak future. He seems to have gained nothing from ECU except weight. This school has failed in its promise to Washington. Not a promise of football stardom, but a promise of a college education with the implication of a better life.

Not all college graduates are saints but society expects more from them than

bank robbery (at least insider trading). Washington missed graduation by nine hours.

Perhaps he felt the only thing in control of his future was football. When that was gone, he lost all sense of the control in his life.

It is truly unfortunate Washington did not learn from the mistakes of his brother, who is also in prison for bank robbery. That he thought he could get away with robbing a bank in broad daylight in the heart of a large city is amazing. What was he thinking?

He probably was not thinking at all.



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