

Forum held in Slay Residence Hall



Staff photo

Planning is underway to turn Slay Residence Hall into faculty offices by fall 2005 semester. Students have mixed reactions in the decision.

New research center to study natural disasters

Center used for research, public assistance

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A new center for natural hazards mitigation research is being formed at ECU enabling faculty and other researchers to deal with situations caused by natural disasters.

The center was designed following the destruction caused by Hurricanes Dennis and Floyd. It is a member of the North Carolina Institute of Disaster Studies at UNC and will focus on hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and erosion hazards and their effects on eastern North Carolina.

Jamie Kruse, director of the research center and professor of economics, said the center will bring together different departments and faculty members which would benefit the community.

"It will bring together a lot of the people that do research that deals with natural hazards and its effect on people and how to protect ourselves," said Kruse.

Kruse said organization and communication are crucial when preparing for and dealing with natural disasters.

"I hope that it becomes a successful center, as well as a clearing house of information for researchers as well as the general public," Kruse said.

While the Emergency Management deals with situations after the natural disaster events, the research center hopes to become a place where the general public can find information about protecting themselves and their property before disasters occur.

Craig Landry, assistant

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Plans underway to turn Slay into office space

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A meeting held Monday night in the Slay Residence Hall lobby addressed the issue of turning Slay into an office building for incoming faculty and staff.

Todd Johnson, director of campus living, said the probability of Slay being turned into an office building is becoming more of a reality.

"The proposed plan would be effective fall of 2005, to take Slay Residence Hall and convert it to office space to accommodate the additional faculty that have to be hired as a result of

growth, particularly in distance learning," said Johnson.

Johnson said part of the plan would be to speed up the construction of a new residence hall to accommodate those residents from Slay Hall. The new residence hall would be located on the gravel lot on Reade Street.

Concerning various topics such as amenities and expenses, Johnson said these issues are still being determined and would not be known until a later date. Security is going to be an increased concern in the new residence hall because of its relative location to the downtown area.

"We will have door access security, we will have permanent police officers in the building, the building will also be equipped with cameras, and we will design the building with limited access

points so we will be able to monitor who is coming in the dorm," Johnson said.

Johnson said the new residence hall would have 300 rooms, each encompassing four or five bedrooms. Each bedroom would have its own private bathroom and the roommates would share a living room and kitchen. A breakfast bar and other amenities would be available to its residents. Johnson said projects like this take time.

"There are no guarantees, there are just too many unknowns," Johnson said.

"If the dorm is not ready, residents will have to be absorbed in the other 5,100 free spaces among all the dorms."

Johnson said this issue swings both ways. If the office space is not ready for the new faculty members by July, students would

have to be turned away.

Johnson said Slay's construction cost and location were the main factors in choosing the residence hall for this project.

"We looked at Belk, it wasn't bad, but it wasn't the best location. We looked at Cotten, and we liked the location and size, but the cost was too much," Johnson said. Slay was eventually chosen for its ideal location, size and affordability.

Ian McKenzie, sophomore sociology major, said he does not support the idea.

"I think we [students] should stay here. It provides good accessibility to classes and central campus. It also is an important dorm for handicapped students, being the only fully handicapped accessible dorm on campus," said McKenzie.

McKenzie said the environment in Slay is very helpful when studying for classes throughout the semester due to its quiet surroundings and it is good to live in a dorm that is mostly upperclassmen.

Brandon Miller, sophomore criminal justice major, said he supports the idea and looks forward to a new residence hall.

"I think it'll be a great idea. At first ... I was thinking Slay is more of what I want on campus. But now, hearing [Johnson's] ideas and the possibility of how it could be, I was thinking more of how it sounds more appealing to an upperclassman," said Miller.

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Dedication ceremony honors ECU student

Garden dedicated to deceased student

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A dedication ceremony was held at Wesley Foundation in honor of ECU student Amanda Lynn Seeley, who was killed in a car accident on Aug. 8, 2003.

On Sunday at 3 p.m. the Holy Ground Prayer Garden was dedicated in memory of Seeley.

Seeley attended ECU one year and was known among her peers as a trusted friend and a person who was genuine and truly cared for others. She was a soloist for the Wesley singers, an ECU ambassador and a friend to many people.

Margaret Glenn, junior philosophy major, met Seeley at the Wesley Foundation. Glenn said when she spent time with Seeley she saw a light and passion in her

she wanted. She said she modeled how she lived by the way that Seeley lived.

Seeley was also active with the ECU Ambassador's events. Steve Young, senior marketing major and president of the ECU Ambassadors, said Amanda was a great asset to their organization. He said Seeley had a strong dedication to the ECU Ambassadors and she was the first one to sign up for events.

Brent Usrey, junior communication major and member of the ECU Ambassadors, agreed Seeley worked hard for the organization.

"There was never a time she did not go above and beyond her required duties. She brought a lot to the group and she will definitely be missed," said Usrey.

The Holy Ground Prayer Garden dedication was a special occasion where parents, family members, friends, faculty and staff of ECU and members of the Wesley Foundation Board

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Afghan election underway as boycott falls apart

KABUL, Afghanistan (KRT) — A boycott of Afghanistan's surprisingly peaceful first presidential election began to unravel Sunday when one of the 15 candidates challenging incumbent Hamid Karzai denied he was part of the protest.

"Their position was different than mine," said Haji Mohammad Mahqiq. "My position is to make a complaint within the system. There should be a complete investigation."

Also on Sunday, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, which sent election observers to Afghanistan, joined the joint United Nations-Afghan electoral commission in declaring that the problems with the election weren't widespread enough to halt the vote.

"The candidates' demand to nullify the election is unjustified," said Robert Barry of the OSCE. "Such action would put into question the expressed will of millions of Afghans who came out to vote."

The day's developments are likely to end the boycott less than 24 hours after it started, clearing the way either for a winner to be declared or for a runoff election next month if no candidate gets more than 50 percent of the vote. It remains to be seen, however, whether Afghanistan, long divided by ethnic rivalries, wars and poverty, will unite behind the winner.

Nevertheless, set against the backdrop of Afghanistan's history of violence, despotism and repression, especially of women, the election was a major success for the Bush administration and for U.S.-backed interim president Karzai, the likely winner when the ballots are counted.

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English professor receives ECU Lifetime Achievements Award



Photo by AJ Walton

WILENTZ

First female recipient of ECU award

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Gay Wilentz, multicultural literature professor and director of ECU's Ethnic Studies program, was awarded ECU's 2004 Lifetime Achievement Award for her research and creative activity.

She is the first woman to win the annual award since it was established in 1996.

As award recipients, professors are given a research stipend and the chance to present their work to the ECU community throughout the year.

Wilentz's research explores

the literature of women of different ethnic groups and problems those groups have in society today.

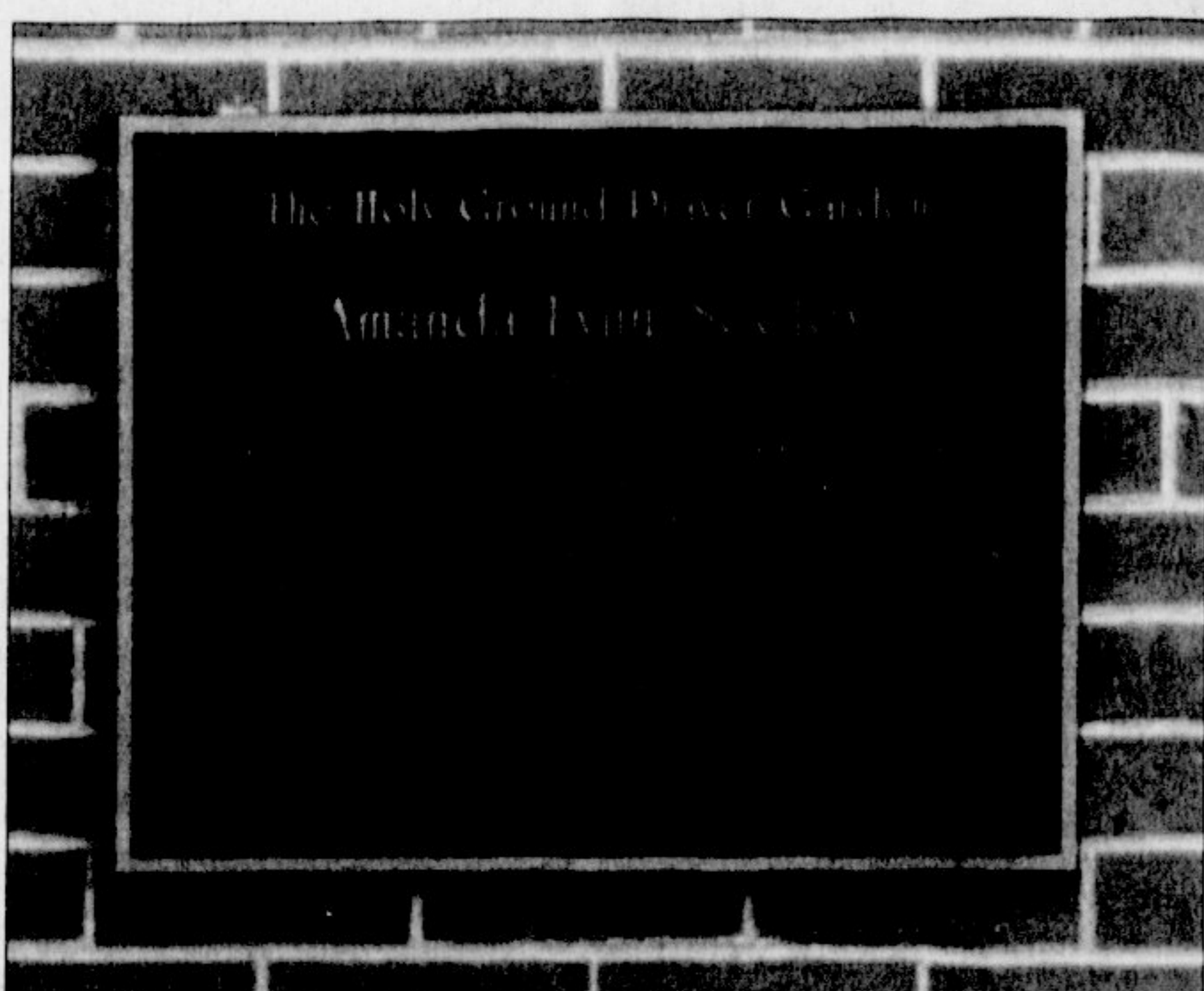
"I'm looking at the way women heal through their writing," said Wilentz.

"My interest is the issue of being culturally ill. If you're part of an oppressed group, you might be ill with self-hate because of the way you're perceived. It makes you sick emotionally and also physically."

For some, writing and other arts can be a form of therapeutic expression. Wilentz observes those works and the cultures and societies from which they came.

Originally from Manhattan, Wilentz graduated from Rutgers

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Staff photo

Plaque placed in Wesley Foundation to honor student.

Achievement

Also honored for lifetime achievements this year was communication sciences and disorders professor Michael Rastatter. The two five-year achievement awards were granted to exercise and sport science professor Robert Hickner and art professor Carl Billingsley.

Wilentz has written the books *Binding Cultures and Healing Narratives* on the two.

Campus News

Confessions

Come to Hendrix Theater tonight at 7 p.m. to hear and experience the true stories of people living with HIV/AIDS. These real life stories have been adapted into monologues and will be performed by ECU students. Ten copies of J.L. King's book, *Men on the Down Low*, will be raffled off to the lucky winners. Sponsored by the wellness education department of Student Health Services and Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc. Free Admission.

Bingo Night

Bingo is taking place at 9:30 p.m. tonight in Mendenhall Dining Hall. \$500 in cash prizes will be awarded. Don't forget to wear pink for Breast Cancer Awareness and enjoy the free refreshments.

Deadline

Friday, Oct. 15 is the application deadline for students interested in pursuing a bachelor or science degree in rehabilitation services. Applications can be obtained online at ecu.edu/reh or from the department of rehabilitation studies in 312 Belk Building.

Free breast cancer screening available

The Leo Jenkins Cancer Center is providing free breast cancer screening from 9 a.m. - noon. Breast cancer is the most frequent cancer in women with 215,900 cases expected this year. Registration is required to receive the screening. Call 847-9450 to make an appointment.

Fall Break

ECU's fall break is coming up from Oct. 16 - 19.

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month

ECU Readers' Theater

The Medical Readers' Theater of the Brody School of Medicine at ECU will present its rendition of the novella, *The Death of Ivan Ilych* on Oct. 19. The performance will begin at 7 p.m. at Arendell Parrott Academy, 1901 Dobbs Farm Road, Kinston. For more information contact 744-2797.

Jazz at Night

Friday, Oct. 22 at 8 p.m. the cabaret-style performances will feature musical and vocal jazz selections performed by the students and faculty in ECU's School of Music. ECU students may pick up two free tickets when a valid ECU OneCard is presented at the Central Ticket Office. Additional tickets are \$5. Advance ticket pick-up/purchase is strongly encouraged as these events are a perennial sell-out.

Award winning authors visit ECU

Seven award winning authors of juvenile and adult literature are coming to ECU on Oct. 23 where they will speak to the ECU community.

The event is free, but requires registration. Contact 328-6514 to register or visit lib.ecu.edu. Contact Maury York for more information at 328-0252

Take 6

On Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium, the seven-time Grammy Award-winning ensemble Take 6 that has redefined a capella music with a sound that blends several styles of popular music with jazz and gospel elements will be performing. Tickets are \$10 - \$30 and are required. Presented by the Office of Cultural Outreach, find information at ecu.edu/cs-studentlife/ecuarts/SRAPAS.cfm or contact 328-4788 or 800-ECU-ARTS.

Volunteer Guardian seeks advocates to help children

The Volunteer Guardian ad Litem Program is looking for advocates for abused and neglected children. Volunteers are trained, then appointed along with an attorney advocate to represent the child's best interests in juvenile court proceedings.

News Briefs

LOCAL

NC pastors careful on political topics

RALEIGH, NC (AP) - Three Sundays are left before the Nov. 2 elections and clergy in some churches are struggling with what to say about presidential politics. But some have no problem making an endorsement from the pulpit, like the Rev. Ron Watts of Living Waters Christian Community in Durham. "I've never said I'm a Republican or a Democrat," Watts said. "But it's pretty evident I'm a Republican. A majority of members appreciate a strong voice coming from the pulpit on issues concerning America."

Other ministers see political endorsements - overt or subtle - as a problem. There is an IRS code that prohibits tax-exempt organizations, such as churches or mosques, from endorsing political candidates or holding political rallies or fund-raisers.

Last week, a dispute erupted over a Democratic National Committee Web site that urged John Kerry supporters to download and distribute to church groups a "Kerry/Bush Values Comparison Chart." Lawyers with the George Bush campaign contended that pastors who encouraged distribution of the chart would be engaging in activity not permitted by the IRS code. Democrats said they would change the language on the site as a result.

No easy answer to erosion endangering Coast Guard facility

BUXTON, NC (AP) - Coast Guard officials are hurrying to relocate a sewage treatment facility as beach erosion threatens the Group Cape Hatteras base. A series of heavy storms over the last few years has left the dune in front of the treatment facility completely eroded, said Coast Guard Group Cape Hatteras Lt. Cmdr. Charlene Downey.

Engineers from the Coast Guard's

Civil Engineering Unit in Cleveland are hurrying to move the treatment plant to a new location on the west side of an access road that serves the plant and a housing project that it serves.

Cmdr. Andy Kimos at the Coast Guard Civil Engineering Unit in Cleveland said two 10,000-gallon holding tanks were installed at the new location in August, and pumps are being installed. The project, costing about \$100,000, is expected to be completed by year's end.

Kimos said once the sewage plant is moved, there will be nothing left to the east of the access road that is critical to the facility's operation.

NATIONAL

Congress wraps up work with much rancor, much left to do

WASHINGTON (AP) - The 108th Congress soon will be history, a tumultuous two years that, depending on party affiliation, was the best of times or the worst of times.

Of course Republicans, who control both the House and the Senate, expressed pride in a Congress that passed a major Medicare prescription drug bill, gave President Bush the money he needed for Iraq and substantially increased spending for defense and homeland security.

"It's been a Congress of big ideas, and it's been a Congress of big reform," said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn. Democrats saw the session in a different light, blaming Republicans for failing to pass important highway spending and welfare overhaul bills; dealing inadequately with the nation's health insurance problems and security needs; and passing tax cuts that contributed to record-high budget deficits.

Both sides deplored the partisanship that has impeded compromise and grown progressively spiteful this year in the run-up to the Nov. 2 elections. "From day one, Republicans have wasted and squandered the 108th

Congress," said House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi of California. She accused the GOP of being "fiscally irresponsible and ethically unfit." The latter phrase was aimed at Tom DeLay, R-Texas, the fiercely partisan House majority leader who has been admonished twice in recent weeks by the House ethics committee for his political activities.

Across the Capitol, Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., criticized Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota, a favorite GOP target. Opposition by Democratic senators that blocked several of the Bush administration's judicial nominations has particularly rankled Republicans.

"Tom Daschle used procedural measures that had never been used in the history of the Senate to stop bipartisan reforms from happening," Santorum said.

Daschle said it's "ludicrous that the Republican majority is blaming others for their failure. They control the White House, the Senate and the House." Some of the biggest accomplishments occurred in 2003, when Congress passed the Medicare bill and a \$15 billion bill for global AIDS relief, funded war and reconstruction in Iraq and approved a ban, now held up in the courts, on an abortion procedure that critics call partial-birth abortion.

Bush, Kerry trade charges in run-up to final debate

DENVER (AP) - In a last-minute flurry of accusations before their final debate, John Kerry tried to tie President Bush to record oil prices while the president charged that his Democratic opponent has totally misunderstood the war on terror.

On the way to the debate that will range over domestic issues from the economy to health care, Bush is reaching out to military supporters in Colorado Springs, where the war in Iraq is the chief concern.

Bush's campaigning Tuesday in the conservative heart of Colorado is an effort to counter Kerry's surprising bid to win a state that has voted

Republican in nine of the past 11 presidential elections. One poll shows Bush ahead in Colorado; another shows the two men in a close race.

"Kerry is here to try to make up electoral votes he can't get in the South," said Colorado College political science professor Bob Loevy. John Kerry and the Democrats are setting a tall order for themselves by making a play for Colorado.

On Monday, Kerry lashed out at a president who has taken to calling the Democrat a tax-and-spend liberal with a 20-year Senate record of voting in favor of tax increases.

The record price of oil "means a lot more profit for this president's friends in the oil industry. But for most middle class Americans, the Bush tax increase is a tax increase that they can't afford," Kerry said in New Mexico.

WORLD

Nigerian cities shut down by second day of strike over fuel prices

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) - Nigerians angry at rising fuel prices expanded a nationwide strike Tuesday that has helped push world oil prices to record highs.

There was no immediate impact on the flow of oil from this volatile West African nation, the continent's largest oil producer and the fifth-biggest source of U.S. oil imports. Streets in the normally bustling commercial capital of Lagos were deserted for a second day as police with assault rifles guarded major intersections.

"The strike is going on. It is entering its second day," said Owei Lekeima, spokesman for the Nigeria Labor Congress, the country's biggest labor federation.

The work stoppage is to last four days. "Production is not affected," said a Udom Inoyo, a spokesman for Mobil Producing Nigeria Unlimited,

a subsidiary of ExxonMobil, the second biggest producer in Nigeria. He declined to elaborate on staffing levels at the firm.

An official for Royal Dutch/Shell, which accounts for roughly half of Nigeria's oil exports, said its executive offices in Lagos were roughly "40 percent" staffed, and that the company has put in "measures to downplay the effect."

Other major cities were shut down by the strike, although taxis and many private businesses were still open in the capital, Abuja.

U.S. and Iraqi forces raid Ramadi mosques they say were used by insurgents

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Iraqi forces backed by U.S. soldiers and Marines raided mosques Tuesday in the insurgent stronghold of Ramadi and detained a prominent cleric following fierce clashes that hospital officials said killed at least four people.

U.S. aircraft also rocketed a mosque northwest of Ramadi on Monday after insurgents opened fire from there on U.S. Marines, the command said.

The seven mosques targeted in Ramadi are suspected of supporting insurgents through a range of activities, including harboring terrorists, storing illegal weapons caches, promoting violence and encouraging insurgent recruitment, the U.S. command said. Sheikh Abdul-Aleim Saadi, the provincial leader of the influential Association of Muslim Scholars, was detained at Mohammed Aref Mosque, his relatives and followers said.

Angry residents accused Americans of disrespecting the sanctity of city mosques.

"This cowboy behavior cannot be accepted," said cleric Abdullah Abu Omar of the Ramadi Mosque. "The Americans seem to have lost their senses and have gone out of control."

The 1st Marine Division said the raids followed a pattern of insurgent activity in and around Ramadi mosques in recent weeks.

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professor for the department of economics, said there are a lot of capabilities at ECU regarding researching these hazards and bringing in a lot of resources in order to establish that focus.

"It's really to put a focus on the hazards this area faces and to organize the resources that we already have and bring in more resources to come to bear on these hazards that we face," said Landry.

Landry said the center will require researchers from many fields and will help to blend various departments together.

"Any kind of research that would help people deal with hazards and mitigate hazards is basically what it's interested in," Landry said.

Ron Mitchelson, professor and chair of the department of geography, said North Carolina has a unique geographical terrain putting the region at an increased risk.

"Our region is distinctive, I think, in terms of its natural vulnerability to hurricanes, sea level rise, but also the people are vulnerable," said Mitchelson.

We have a lot of small businesses ... small businesses have a hard time coping with disasters."

Mitchelson said ECU has sufficient employees who would take advantage of the new addition.

"Efficiency is important. We have a lot of people who are interested in this kind of research. We have people in biology, geology and the natural sciences; so a lot of people are interested," Mitchelson said.

The Natural Hazards Mitigation Research Center's location is expected to be on the second floor of the Brewster building sometime next semester.

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of directors and ECU Ambassadors were present. Reverend Scott Wilkerson, the United Methodist Campus Minister and director of the Wesley Foundation started the dedication service.

Mike Flake, student officer president of the Wesley Foundation did the prayer thanking God for the prayer garden and its supporters.

A plaque was placed in the prayer garden reading "The Holy Ground Prayer Garden is a living memorial and tribute to Amanda and a sacred place where students can come to be with God. Seeley's solo song with the Wesley singers is the inspiration for the Garden's name."

Margaret Glenn and John Southworth made contributions to the prayer garden.

Southworth said he lost the most important person in his life and was affected by Seeley's death.

"After that time I was lost and

I had no idea what to do with my life but having the opportunity to work on this garden has given me a purpose," said Southworth.

The Wesley singers then sang several songs before Wilkerson gave final closing comments and prayers. The dedication was concluded with a recording of Seeley singing "Holy Ground."

Usrey said the dedication of the prayer garden was beautiful and thanked everyone involved for their time and effort.

"This garden is not just for a select few who knew Amanda and who may still come here to grieve her loss but even more this is a garden of good news of hope and resurrection. Where any student, even students years from now can come lay their burdens down at the foot of the old rugged cross," Wilkerson said.

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University and acquired a doctorate at the University of Texas. She went on to get her master's at North Carolina State University.

Wilentz's background is in African-American and Caribbean cultures. She has written several books and is currently producing a third on indigenous and Jewish peoples.

Wilentz's research is well known and admired across the nation and world.

"I've written quite a lot, and been offered lots of jobs, but I'm committed to my students here," Wilentz said.

Associate English professor and ten-year colleague of Wilentz's, Seodial Deena, nominated her for the award.

"I was convinced that the quantity and quality of her research was at a level that surpassed what was expected," said Deena.

Beyond her research, Wilentz has greatly expanded the English department at ECU by adding more diverse multicultural courses, including Ethnic American, African and Caribbean literature. She has also developed a masters of arts concentration in multicultural literature.

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Millions of Afghans show their interest in voting for their first presidential election.

Millions of people turned out to vote, and after weeks of threats, the Taliban didn't mount any attacks to disrupt the election. Observers with the Free and Fair Elections Foundation of Afghanistan said there were no serious incidents of threats, intimidation or violence.

"I am so happy, said Sadya Khoja-Zada, 21. "It is amazing. Three years ago, this would have been an improbable dream for women. Yesterday, we planted the seeds of the dream. Yesterday, the veil truly came off."

"This was an extraordinary

day for the Afghan people, and this election is going to be judged legitimate," said national security adviser Condoleezza Rice on "Fox News Sunday."

Late Sunday, representatives of the remaining 14 opposition candidates were meeting to discuss an end to the boycott. Zalmay Khalilzad, the U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, and other U.S. officials have also spoken to the candidates.

The candidates called the boycott when the outcome of Saturday's election looked as if it might be affected by problems

with ink used to prevent people from voting more than once.

Officials relied on the ink because of concerns that some people might have registered multiple times. But the indelible ink could easily be washed or rubbed away, permitting some to vote again. Officials said the mistake occurred when some polling stations mistakenly used the regular ink meant for the ballots.

Thousands of election workers have begun the arduous process of tallying the election results at eight counting centers around the country.

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Detective on BTK case teaches college course on serial killers

WICHITA, Kan. (KRT) — He answers his cell phone, "Homicide."

A lecture hall filled with 100 students looks on.

Wichita, Kan., police Lt. Ken Landwehr pauses just a few seconds to talk quietly, then puts the phone away.

He resumes restlessly pacing the front of dimly lit Room 211 in Hubbard Hall at Wichita State University.

He delivers his lecture dressed in a crisp white shirt, tie and slacks. A gun and badge hang at his waist.

By day, Landwehr directs perhaps the nation's best-known serial killer investigation — the hunt for BTK, the codename for the notorious Kansas serial killer sought in connection to eight homicides between 1974 and 1986. Each Tuesday night, he teaches a three-hour class titled Serial Killers.

Landwehr tells his students he will not comment on BTK. He refers to it simply as "that case I can't talk about."

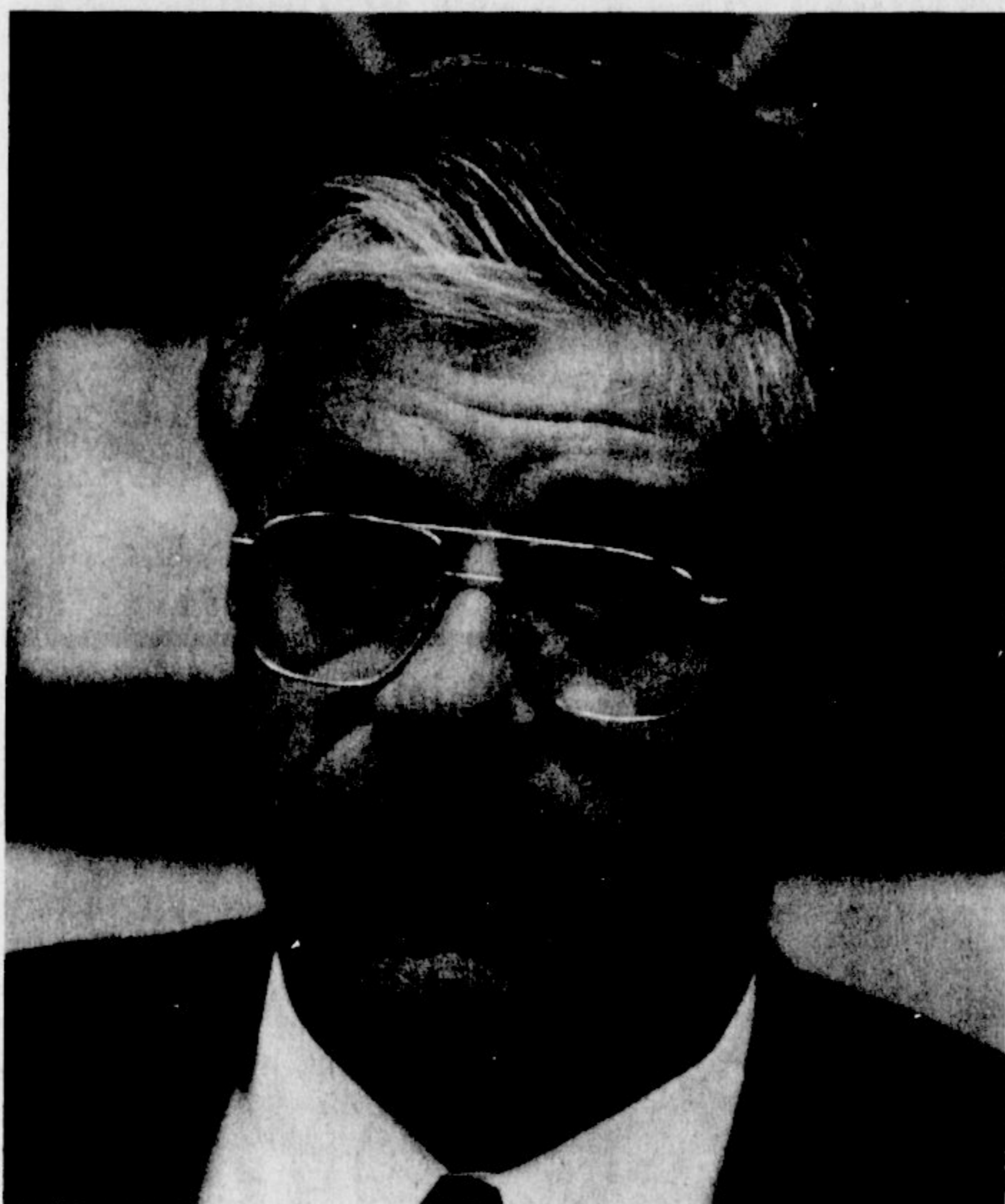
He delivers his lecture in an even voice. He cracks several grim jokes, shaped by a career of investigating homicides.

"Wichita is a much easier hunting ground," he tells his students. "It's much easier to be anonymous. Whereas in Newton you go to a bar and everyone knows you. You don't want to be Norm. If you go into Cheers and you're gonna kill somebody, you don't want everybody screaming your name."

The class releases a few nervous laughs.

He thinks it is the sexual deviance of many killers that catches the attention of the media.

"Serial killers like Al Capone are just gangsters," he said. "They



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don't pique as much interest in the long run."

He outlines, with the aid of PowerPoint, some of the challenges facing investigations, such as managing large amounts of information, media pressure and lack of experience.

Investigators in the Midwest were not always prepared to handle such cases, he says.

"In the early 1970s and even the 1980s it was difficult," he tells his students. "We were not very aware of serial killers, especially in the Midwest. We didn't have a lot of that. A lot of places had a lack of experience with how to deal with it."

Police may use strategies such as forming task forces, releasing information to the media and profiling, which he says was more prevalent in the 1980s and 1990s. But he dislikes when the media use profilers.

"The experts talk about what the press knows," he says. "And they know very little of the information."

He dismisses the class for a break.

The class is filled with the curious and those aspiring to criminal justice careers. At the break, a long-haired woman rushes up to him, speaking about her passion to work

in homicide.

He has taught this course for five years, he says during the break. The re-emergence of BTK this year didn't discourage him from doing so again.

He also teaches classes on profiling and sex crimes at the university.

Most nights, he teaches the course in Room 218, where the late professor P.J. Wyatt taught her American Folklore course in the spring of 1977. Landwehr announced a possible link between BTK and "Oh, Death," a poem used in Wyatt's course, in a news conference Aug. 20.

Landwehr was a WSU student when the first of the BTK-linked murders took place in 1974. He was assigned to work full time on the case in 1984 and has investigated it ever since.

He used to focus a lecture on the BTK case, but stopped doing so two years ago.

"I stopped because it's unsolved," he says. "I decided to take it out. I did one lecture on it and showed a little of the crime scene."

After the break, he returns to his lecture.

There are five manners of death, he tells the students: natural, accidental, suicide, homicide and undetermined.

Seeing so much death can make you paranoid. He shares how he was worried at first after he and his wife adopted their son, James, because of sudden infant death syndrome, although it is rare.

"I was terrified that would happen to him," he said.

Then he returns to his lecture, and the content is grim. He spares his students nothing, including several graphic photos of decomposing bodies.

Supreme Court to hear Ten Commandments case



Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott speaks near a slab bearing the Ten Commandments on the Texas Capitol grounds.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court said Tuesday it will consider whether the Ten Commandments may be displayed on government property, ending a 25-year silence on a church-state issue that has prompted bitter legal fights around the country.

Ten Commandments displays are common in town squares and courthouses and on other government-owned land, including the Supreme Court. A wall carving of Moses holding the tablets is in the courtroom where justices will hear arguments in the case.

Courts around the country have splintered over whether the exhibits violate the constitutional principle of separation of church and state.

The disputes have led to emotional battles, such as one in Alabama by Chief Justice Roy Moore, who lost his job after defying a federal order to remove a 5,300-pound monument from the state courthouse. The Supreme Court refused last week to help him get his job back.

But the justices agreed to address the constitutionality of displays in Kentucky and Texas. The case probably will be argued

in February with a decision before July.

Supporters of the monuments celebrated the news.

"The Lord answers prayers," said former Judge-Executive Jimmie Greene of McCreary County, Ky., which was ordered to remove a display in the hallway of the county courthouse. Greene refused to do the task himself.

"I am a law-abiding citizen, but there is a higher power," Greene said. "I just could not remove that sacred document. Could you think of a better reason to go to jail than standing up in defense of the Ten Commandments?"

The Rev. Barry W. Lynn of Americans United for Separation of Church and State said the court should block all government displays of religious documents.

"It's clear that the Ten Commandments is a religious document. Its display is appropriate in houses of worship but not at the seat of government," Lynn said.

The last time the court dealt with the issue was 1980, when justices banned the posting of Ten Commandments in public schools. That case also was from Kentucky.

Days of reheated burgers give way to gourmet fare

SEATTLE (KRT) — Inside the University of Washington's latest restaurant (cafeteria is a bad word here), the lime-green and cherry-red color scheme and the dozen or so plasma TVs are all just garnishes, as is the carrot sculpted to resemble a dahlia that decorates a teriyaki salmon platter, one of three choices for the bento box lunch.

This is the new order for UW dining, a real treat for the estimated 40,000 students that are enrolled for the 2004-05 academic year. The days of congealed pasta primavera and other suspect suppers are over.

This fall's opening of Eleven 01 cafe at Terry Hall, a campus dormitory, marks the completion of an overall \$30 million makeover of campus dining that began eight years ago when administrators got sick of students' cracks about the putrid state of UW food service. Several roast suckling pigs later, along with many less exotic entrees, campus dining has been transformed from stomach-churning to mouth-watering, and students can nosh without risk of nausea.

"For me, it all began as a dare," said Jean-Michel Boulot, the campus' executive chef credited with taking the institution out of institutional dining.

Yes, he's from France. Boulot had worked all over the world in five-star restaurants and luxury hotels serving diners with gourmet expectations. But he took his wife up on her challenge to respond to a newspaper ad for a first-rate foodie to revolutionize UW dining. The French chef's first impressions upon visiting campus were none too appetizing. Burgers were precooked and then reheated before serving. Chicken breasts were reconstituted with fake grill marks and came straight out of a freezer. The substandard slop went against Boulot's epicurean



Students take advantage of the new dining facility addition.

principles of serving only fresh foods and nothing he couldn't prepare in his home kitchen. Goaded by his wife and motivated by his own desire to pull off what few thought possible, Boulot began the insurrection in August 2000.

"When I was presented the plan for renovation and I looked at the opportunities to break the mold, that was most attractive," said Boulot, 43.

UW administrators already had laid out a plan that called for starting from scratch.

"We had a dream to be leading edge, to reinvent dining on this campus both in the look of the facilities and in our food," said Paul Brown, director of UW housing and food services. "While the look is important, it's the food that really has turned it around for us."

Kristen Lorrain, a 20-year-old junior, raved about Eleven 01's open-face BLT sandwich featuring heirloom tomatoes that Boulot grew in a garden atop the McMahon Hall dormitory.

The renovation of the old Terry Cafe comes after the launch in January 2002 of the Husky Den food court at the Husky Union Building (HUB), for generations the default campus destination for hungry students. The new-and-improved Husky Den serves about 10,000 customers a day when classes are in session, nearly double the number before the remodel, Boulot said.

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Our View

The Supreme Court decided Tuesday to hear a case involving whether or not a monument of the Ten Commandments on a Texas state capitol lawn is a violation of the constitution.

The lawsuit was brought on by Thomas Van Orden, a homeless man who initially lost his lawsuit in lower courts to have the statue removed.

The court will also hear another case concerning the display of framed copies of the Ten Commandments in courthouses of two separate Kentucky counties.

A lower court initially banned the display of the commandments, which was hung alongside other framed works like the Magna Carta and the Declaration of Independence.

The announcement was unexpected. According to the Associated Press, Supreme Court justices have typically avoided cases involving the Ten Commandments in public buildings ever since a 1980 ruling prohibiting the Commandments from being displayed in public schools.

TEC recognizes that the Ten Commandments play a part in the early formation of law systems in our country, however we don't believe their religious subtext belongs in government buildings.

The Constitution requires a separation of church and state, preventing governments from establishing a favored religion. When a 6-foot tall granite monument of the Ten Commandments is displayed on government property, this suggests that Christianity is the preferred religion for that government and the people in that community and that in itself is unconstitutional.

However, it will be interesting to see if the justices decide to agree with our view.

In 2001, Supreme Court justices declined to hear a case involving the constitutionality of a display of the commandments in front of a public building in Indiana.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and two other conservative justices said the commandments represented both legal and historical significance. Rehnquist also said the justice's chambers include a carving of Moses holding the commandments, according to the Associated Press.

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Pirate Rant

If you're infected with a communicable disease, please stay home. If you absolutely must come to class, carry tissues, wash your hands often, keep to yourself and, for the love of all that is holy, cover your mouth!

Why such profanity and vulgarity at football games? We came to watch the game, not to listen to you scream at the coaches, the refs and the players. If you can do so much better, please, go out for the team and prove yourself. But if your talent is as lacking as your manners, then just shut up.

I hate when I have tests scheduled and projects due right after Fall Break. Obviously we have to study and prepare for them during those days away from school. So much for a "break"...

If you are going to sport the cancer-free LiveStrong bands, please don't smoke while you are doing so. This makes you look like an idiot.

I'd like to give a thumbs up to the ECU Democrats and Republicans for their booths in Wright Plaza getting students to vote. That's so important and I commend the A-plus job. Thanks everyone!

It is so wonderful turning to the sports section and seeing the predictions of ten guys I've never met, have little more sports knowledge than the average Joe and obviously have a bias to a favorite team (ECU).

Reading TEC, I saw one student preferred Bush over Kerry because he is a "good 'ol boy." If this persuades your vote, I will certainly pray in my own agnostic way. This is a poor category in which to choose a president.

Why is it that some females do not wash their hands before exiting the rest room? Like they can't take at least 30 seconds out of their busy schedule to lather soap in their hands and rinse it off. Come on now, it's not that difficult.

Why is it that people stand in front of the doors of Wright Place blocking the entrance?

Why is everything on campus so over-priced? Don't we pay enough for our education?

I saw in the paper that a girl wanted to vote for Kerry "because of the war thing and the economy went down." People like this do not need to vote. Please make yourselves well informed on the issues before you make a decision on the Commander and Chief of your country.

Please, do not just vote for Kerry because John Edwards is a pretty boy.

I'd rather have a "Flip-Flopping" President who can admit when he's wrong, than a president that puts his friend in charge of Afghanistan and his vice president's oil company into a war to profit while my best friend and father are over there fighting for their country.

Attention people who bring their dogs on campus: Please clean up the nuggets your dog leaves. I don't want it on my shoe and then on my carpet.

To all the girls that wear their snow boots on campus: They only look good in the snow and on Kate Hudson.

Why do people bring their cell phones to the gym? Throw them in a locker and work out! I'm starting to think some people go just for social gain. Some of us are there to actually prolong life.

You walk out of Bate and BAM! - smokers! Can we designate a smoking section that's not in a place that so many students have to walk through on a daily basis?

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Opinion Columnist

Life's more fun when you win

A common bond is the best part

RACHEL LANDEN
STAFF WRITER

I knew there was a reason to believe. With only 12 seconds remaining, the ECU Pirates pulled out a victory over Tulane at Saturday's homecoming football game. It was a day for last-second plays and maybe more importantly, second chances.

I was there in the student section wearing my purple and gold, as I promised last week, clapping, cheering and smiling more than I have at a football game since 2002. It was just what we needed after a string of disappointing losses and faltering Pirate pride.

I've heard a friend say on several occasions, "It's always more fun when you win." As much as I like to be a good sport that focuses not on whether we win or lose, I have to admit he's right. It's definitely more fun when you win.

But it's not all about the scoreboard, a season record or even being the best on any given day. I know this is just football, but please follow me here and understand I think it's a little deeper than that.

I'll also preface this by saying I'm not an overzealous fan. I can't quote



game statistics or even tell you who wears what number on their uniform. That may not be obsessive, but it's also just not me.

Stats and sacks don't thrill me the way the atmosphere of Greenville on game day does. There are fans all over town dressed in their ECU garb, shopping for more ECU souvenirs or picking up food and drinks for tailgating with fellow Pirates.

It's a huge party that penetrates every aspect of the city and certainly the campus. There's a buzz of excitement you can't escape. Of course, why would you want to? This is what autumn Saturdays are all about.

It's what homecoming is to many alumni and students - the chance to

celebrate with former and current ECU students, faculty and family members. In fact, it's like a big family in its own way.

We each have had our own unique and individual experiences at ECU during our four, five or maybe even eight years at ECU, but we all have the university in common. It bonds us together and gives us a rallying point that joins us with people we might never connect with otherwise.

To me, that's what the football team and the games are. It's not about winning, although I much prefer that. It's coming together with a varied group of individuals who share at least this one thing in common, an association with and pride for ECU.

That's why I love the parking lots where people tailgate before and after the game. That's why at kickoff, I don't want to be anywhere besides the student section. That's why I go to the football games now, no matter how much homework I have or how much we may be considered the underdog.

That's also why I'll come back after I graduate and cheer the Pirates on to victory again. It's that enthusiasm, that mania, that camaraderie I'll carry with me and revisit on occasion. And it wouldn't hurt if we won another game when I do.

Online Reader Responses

Reader responses to Oct. 5 story titled, "Another misleading CBS story and more"

I agree with everything you said, especially the whole e-mail thing. I do believe you have a right to own a gun and a liberal with a cause is one of the most damaging things in this world. My heroes are George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan, not these people in Hollywood or in the music world who do nothing but bad mouth our president and our country. I agree with you all the way.
— Eric Pullen

I can't agree with you more. If the stuff in that e-mail makes you a bad American, then I'm one too. I'm tired of being politically correct and caring about what everyone else thinks.
— Bobby Pitts

I have to say that you lived up to my expectations of an ignorant American. It is opinions like yours that get us in trouble in the first place. The fact that Americans are the number one wasters of the world's resources is one of the main reasons the rest of the world hates us. I do agree with some things you said though such as Dr. Seuss and "Field of Dreams," and me being from New Jersey, the passing lane thing kills me.
— Sherman Clump

Reader responses to Oct. 6 article titled, "Believing in second chances"

I agree about the scholarship idea. However, I wonder how they would judge that? I mean just because the football team doesn't win doesn't mean they are not good. The other teams are just better. But that seems very interest-

ing to me, the scholarships I mean...
— Mina

I believe you are completely correct about this situation. Everyone seemed to blame it on Logan, but now what do we see? No change. And the fact that ECU dwindles away everyone's tuition money on the football team makes this even more important to be brought to everyone's attention. We can barely get enough copies of worksheets to distribute in the classroom, but we have enough money to build new stadiums and buy new uniforms and equipment for the football team. I think because I am paying for an education, I should come first over the football team.
— Shannon

Reader response to Oct. 7 titled, "Reader response is the whole idea"

Peter, first I would like you to know I think you're doing a great job with your opinions. Personally, I think the picture of the aborted fetus was very uncalled for and I sure do hope that preacher never comes back on campus. I do think a lot of what is going on in the United States is because of the way the Arab and Muslim world is being treated. There is so much hate for Arabs and Muslims not just in the United States, but all over the world. A lot of the Arab and Muslim world is also upset with the way the Palestinian-Israeli conflict is being handled. Bush is not doing anything about this situation. I really feel that a lot of what is going in this world all leads back to this conflict. Many people do not know that majority of Israel's weapons are U.S. made... What do the Palestinians have? I think that especially here in the south there is a lot of ignorance. People should not always believe what they see on

the news.
— Sheila Badwan

Reader responses to Oct. 12 article titled, "Events from last week on the 'right' side"

Good expose, Tony. Funny how so much activity in Congress is never publicized by the mainstream press... especially when truth or explanation conflict with their agenda. Stay on the cases of the liberal "have it both ways" crowd. The pandering to the bully senior vote and believe anything liberal youth by the Democrats is deplorable but typical. Shine the light on them, that's what they hate.
— William

You forgot to mention another bill passing through Congress, ready to be approved by Bushco. (also overlooked by the "liberal" media) - the wonderful tax cut for big corporations. Yes, corporations like Home Depot, lawyers, Hollywood elite willing to work in the South and Nascar (what, Nascar?) are all getting millions in tax breaks. Most of the groups getting the breaks were added by Republicans (funny that a large portion of these groups are ones they claim to try and stop). Once again the fat cats and their special interest groups are laughing all the way to the bank, while fools like you are playing the game of Democrat vs. Republican.
— Beth

I want to throw this out. It seems like when Bush is addressing a group, it's as if he is a used car salesman selling us some lemon. Guys like Tony are usually the ones who buy them. Hey Tony, I have some Ocean front property in Arizona. I'll give you a good deal on it!
— Jason - ECU Alumni

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2. *Trace*
3. *The Da Vinci Code*
4. *Jonathan Strange & Mr. Norrell*
5. *Nights of Rain and Stars*

Horoscopes:

Aries - As negotiations go on, continue to stay in the background. Your past deeds speak more eloquently than any argument you could provide. Make sure the competition knows what those are, then keep your mouth shut.

Taurus - The objective is not to work harder even though that may seem like the only way to get the job done. Use your brains and save your back.

Gemini - They say the most erogenous area in the human body is actually the brain. Use yours to make tonight especially remarkable.

Cancer - A family meeting leads to a conversation that's long overdue. Tempers may flare, but don't worry. Cookies and milk solve the problem.

Leo - You're smart and getting smarter, with all the reading you're doing. If you're not, get started. Conditions are perfect. You haven't a moment to lose!

Virgo - You could do well financially with a project started now. Do you have a business of your own? Do you have a passion? Put them together in writing and catch the good luck of this moment.

Libra - You have a way of telling stories that captures the imagination. You mesmerize, but that's not the point. Your objective should be to teach them how to think on their own. That's more fun and more important.

Scorpio - Clean out your in-basket, your garage and even your closets. Make room for all the new activities you'll be thinking up soon.

Sagittarius - The party goes on and you're apt to discover some valuable information. Keep them all talking and you'll learn more than you ever wanted to know.

Capricorn - Sometimes you may be considered a little bit bossy, but that is actually one of your natural talents. Help a confused person make a decision.

Aquarius - You have a dream, that's your motivation. This may seem a little strange since you're generally the analytical type, but don't worry about it. Keep the faith.

Pisces - Pisces is the sign of giving. You can think of a person who'd like just about every item you see in the store. Stay within your budget! It's the thought that counts!

New book invites students to 'Study Away'

Gives students inside track on attending college abroad

GARY MCCABE
STAFF WRITER

ECU and the surrounding Greenville area provide a great place for students to get the full college experience. However, the sights and sounds of the area could never compete with studying within walking distance to the Great Pyramid in Cairo, the Coliseum in Rome or the Eiffel Tower in Paris. To many ECU students, studying abroad may seem like an impossibility, but a new book entitled *Study Away: The Unauthorized Guide to College Abroad* may prove them wrong.

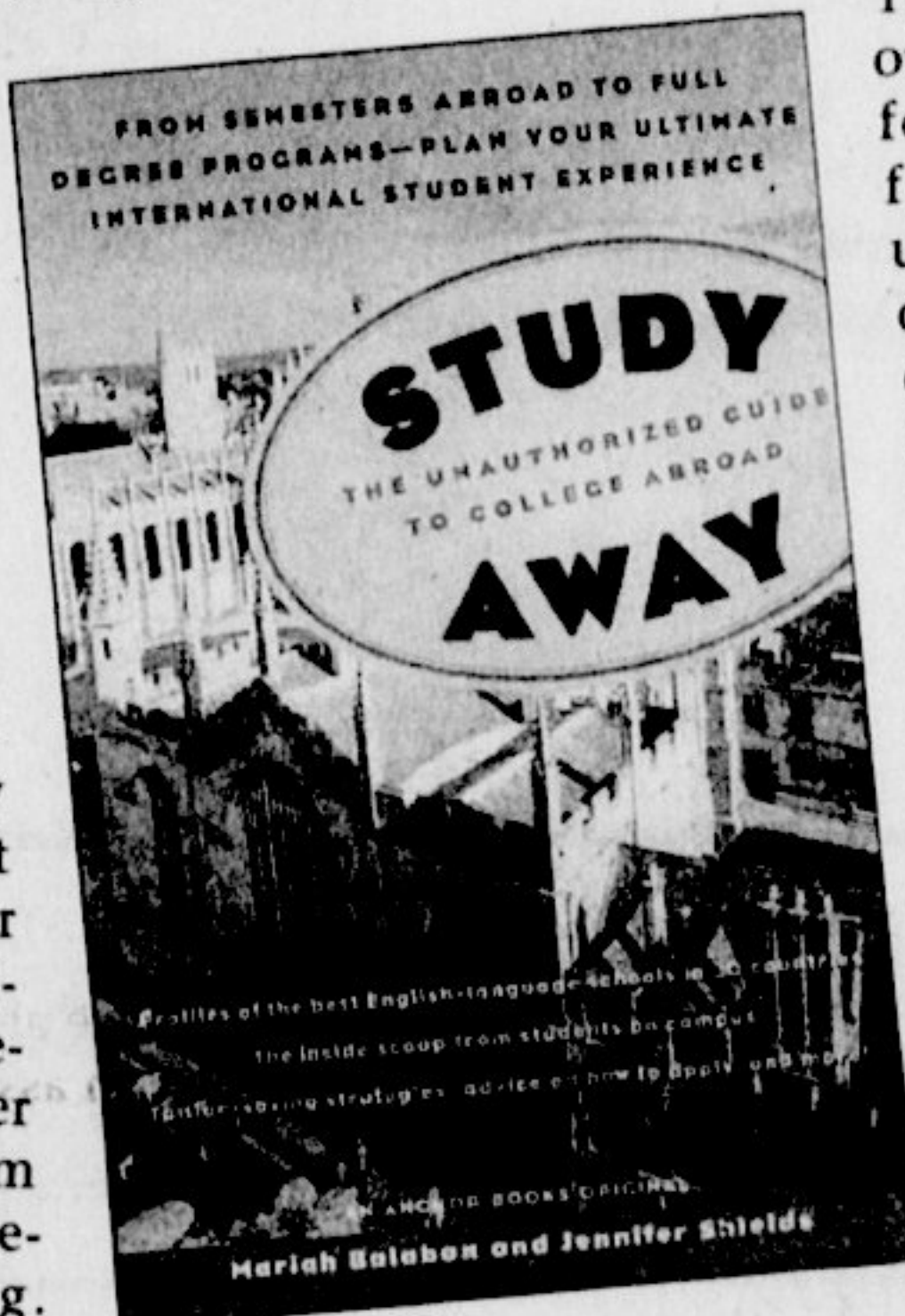
The book, which is the first comprehensive guide for American students interested in attending college in foreign countries, was written by Mariah Balaban and Jennifer Shields. Both can be considered experts on the subject since they've both experienced the difficulties and pleasures of studying abroad first-hand, which made them realize the need for such a book.

Mariah Balaban, 24-years-old, is a freelance writer and avid traveler. During high school,

she spent a semester in Zermatt, Switzerland in a foreign exchange program. While attending school at The University of St. Andrews in Scotland, she earned her Joint Honors Master's Degree in Russian and economics. While enrolled at St. Andrews, she spent two summers in Russia at Moscow State

University in an exhaustive Russian language program. Today, she's taking part in a one year International Master's Degree program in Russian Studies at the European University in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Both loved their experiences studying outside of the United States and have benefited greatly from the opportunities brought to them from doing so.



They encourage other students to follow in their footsteps, but understand it's difficult to coordinate alone. Because of this, they've written *Study Away*, which strives to be an all-encompassing guide to studying abroad, covering every aspect on the subject.

As the authors explain in the introduction, the book was independently written. The goal was to write an objective and honest view of studying in foreign countries. To further clarify their point, they wrote, "We are not affiliated with any larger interest - we have not been paid by anyone to say nice things about universities. We

haven't sold ad space, we've written this book solely for students and we've tried to be as objective as possible."

The rest of the book is divided into two sections. The first five chapters are used to introduce the reader to what exactly studying abroad entails and why doing so is a legitimate alternative to attending a university in the United States. Studying abroad has many advantages, as they explain in these chapters. Attending a foreign college is usually cheaper than attending college in the United States and students tend to get more for their money since students generally get a better education. Balaban and Shields also devote a chapter to give advice to students on surviving in new surroundings.

The rest of the book is an index of potential schools which

students can look into attending. Broken down into countries, the two authors provide information on every aspect of the schools. For each college, they give statistics such as the number of

students enrolled, the number of American students enrolled, SAT scores required and the cost of tuition. They also write about

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Studying Abroad: The Unauthorized Guide to College Abroad
By Mariah Balaban and Jennifer Shields
Published by Anchor Books
\$13.95

For more information on foreign studies programs at ECU, please go to ecu.edu/intlaffairs/exchange.html.

Review: 'Girls' Poker Night'

Novel of high stakes

JOANNA WALDHOUR
STAFF WRITER

"Imagine settling for a life you can have because you don't have the courage to go after the life you really want. That's what made me do it, make one of those decisions, the kind that bends your future in a whole new direction," states Ruby Capote, the neurotic narrator of this fun and "girly" novel.

Unhappy and unmotivated with her newspaper lifestyle column and with her boyfriend Doug in Boston, Ruby decides to get a job on the New York News in New York City by sending the editor of the newspaper her best columns and a six-pack of beer. Once she finds out she has landed the job, she moves to NYC and calls up her old college friends to start a poker night every Wednesday.

On poker nights, her friends surround Ruby, and they all eat, drink, tell stories and raise the stakes. Ruby writes about her friends in the column, and her friends are all such characters in their own right.

Jenn works for a highly demanding boss and is willing to cross state lines to find true love. Danielle is making up for all her missed opportunities, after recently getting a divorce. Lilly is clueless when it comes to romance and doesn't understand what the big deal

is about it and finally, Skorka, the beautiful model who speaks her mind and does not speak English very well, manages to put in a little profanity in every sentence. Ruby enjoys her friends, her new job, while at the same time, falling for her new boss, the editor.

However subtle the analogy between the poker game and Ruby's life is, this novel is written in short chapters that have titles with headings that give

humor and laid-back sarcasm. Readers are taken on a crazy, fast-moving, honesty packed emotional discovery ride column by column.

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the feel of a short newspaper column. Each chapter has a very easy conversational style. The tone of *Girls' Poker Night* is witty with sharp

Review: 'Eyre Affair'

Classic novel revisited

JOANNA WALDHOUR
STAFF WRITER

The *Wall Street Journal* states this novel is "filled with clever wordplay, literary allusion and Bibliowit. *The Eyre Affair* combines ele-

ments of *Monty Python*, *Harry Potter*, *Stephen Hawking* and *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*. But its quirky charm is all its own."

Set in Great Britain around 1985, the novel follows detective Thursday Next, who is part of a government Special Operation group called the Literary Detectives. Thursday Next is part of a strange world unlike Great Britain was in 1985. Time travel exists, cloning is used for people to have pets that were once extinct, such as the dodo and great classic pieces of literature have become an essential part of the society.

Eventually, someone starts to kidnap characters from works of literature, especially the main character of Bronte's novel *Jane Eyre*. Thursday Next enters *Jane Eyre* in order to pursue the time-traveling villain.

This smart novel is filled with quotes and stories from the classic works of literature, full of names that may make readers groan and may be a little annoying. However, this first time author has managed to write in a silly manner, while making readers care for a tough and intelligent character, no matter how she behaves. A crime fiction of erudite literature, such an infectious read.

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Honored ECU alumnus William "Carl" Ealy just wants to be free.

He found both freedom and success at ECU

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Reidsville born artist William "Carl" Ealy credits his ECU experiences for most of the success he has found in his life and career.

"I liked the freedom of ECU," said Ealy during a conversation just before Homecoming.

"I was ahead of my time, and so was ECU," Ealy said.

Ealy credits God for his success as well.

"I feel I have a God-given talent to paint," Ealy said.

Ealy is one of four Outstanding Alumni award recipients for 2004. The awards are given to alumni for contributions that enhance the reputation of ECU.

"I had raised the visibility of the school," Ealy said when he was asked the reason for his honor.

Ealy is the cofounder of Pathway Art Cards, a Charlotte based company that creates poetic post cards with Ealy's original paintings on the front. Ealy started the company with his lifelong friend Phillip Martz after he graduated from ECU with a business degree in 1976.

"I've been painting cards probably 25 years," Ealy said.

However, his love for art goes further back.

Ealy's artistic career started when he was three-years-old, traveling between his homes on Topsail Beach in eastern North Carolina and Charlotte, NC. Ealy's father, Thomas Ealy, was an artist in his own right. (William) Ealy said his father was a "guiding light," but was not necessarily an artistic influence.

"He's a realist, I'm an impressionist. I'm messy when I paint," Ealy said.

Ealy's artistry focuses on nature. However, he does not attempt to copy nature, in fact, he feels it's impossible. Ealy paints his subjects slightly distorted. For example, in one of his paintings he gave a frog a slight smile.



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ned Fine Arts Center on a 5-inch by 7-inch card. While painting the Kennedy Center portrait, first daughter Chelsea Clinton, along with her mother Hillary, noticed Ealy's painting and commissioned him to make them a card.

"We kinda rolled along like a snowball," Ealy said.

Ealy sold 20,000 cards in his first year of business and travels all over the country promoting his business.

"I've lived a very busy life since college. I love to travel," Ealy said.

While Ealy continues to have "Pirate Pride" along with business success, his greatest asset as an alumnus is an example for up and coming pirates, artists especially.

"Rejection is not bad, it just isn't your day," Ealy said.

"Every artist has to go through rejection, no matter how talented you are."

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"It's my way of tricking Mother Nature," Ealy said.

Ealy paints extensively in miniature. Ealy's big break came in Washington, D.C. when he was commissioned to paint the Ken-

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the campus and location, student housing and services and information on the types of programs offered by the institution.

Finally, they provide up-to-date contact information for each school, which might be difficult to attain elsewhere.

The listing is quite extensive, giving details on 67 universities in 28 different countries including less obvious choices like Malta or Grenada.

For any ECU student interested in 'studying away,' the book provides an interesting first step with its wealth of information and valuable insight.

The two authors have created the definitive guide for anyone interesting in pursuing an education outside of their home country.

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The most important piece of information laid out in the book is how easy it is to travel the world while studying. The book makes it clear any student is capable of doing so.

It makes it clear it's possible to travel to exotic places and it's not

out of reach to college students. If you are interested in studying abroad, purchasing this book should be automatic.

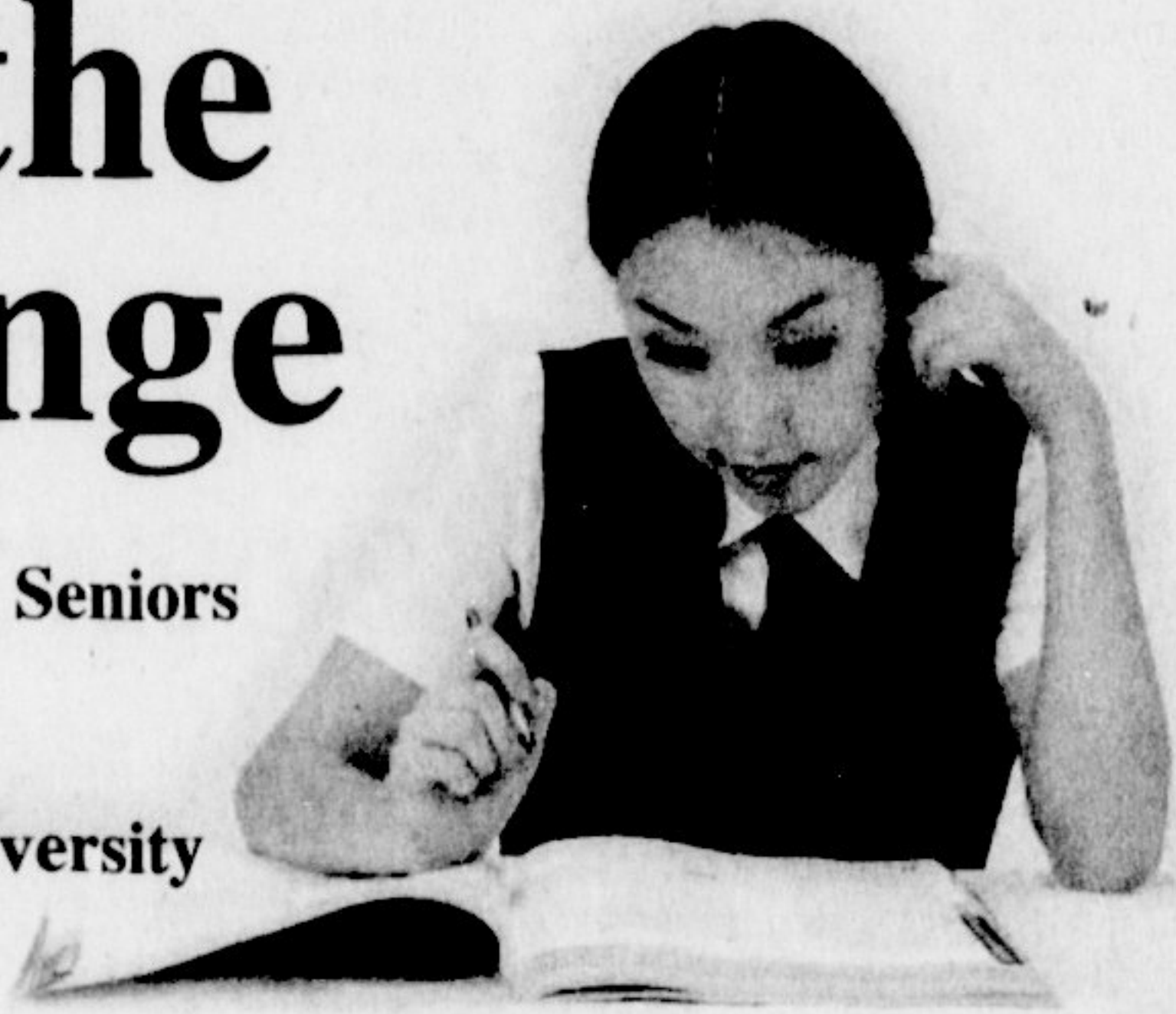
Contacting ECU would be the next obvious step since the college offers many exciting plans for students.

As the book makes abundantly clear, studying abroad can be a rewarding and enriching experience all students could benefit from and if the opportunity presents itself, students would be smart to jump on it.

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Jackson diary due out

Former Lakers coach Phil Jackson called his relationship with Kobe Bryant at times a "psychological war" and sought to trade Bryant in January, according to Jackson's diary, an excerpt of which will be published in next week's issue of *Los Angeles* magazine. The diary of the 2003-2004 season, entitled *The Last Season: A Team in Search of Its Soul*, will be published by Penguin Press and is due out later this month. Jackson said the strain between him and Bryant led him to hire a therapist to consult with during the season, according to the *Los Angeles Times*, which printed excerpts from the magazine article in its Tuesday edition. "I do know there were many occasions this year when I felt like there was a psychological war going on between us," wrote Jackson. "Amazingly, we came to a truce, even to a higher level of trust. Ultimately, though, I don't believe we developed enough trust between us to win a championship." Jackson wrote he became so frustrated with Bryant he told general manager Mitch Kupchak in January, "I won't coach this team next year if he is still here. He won't listen to anyone. I've had it with this kid." It was not the first time Jackson requested the team trade Bryant. He sought to trade him to the Phoenix Suns for Jason Kidd and Shawn Marion in the 1999-2000 season. But then-general manager Jerry West told Jackson that owner Jerry Buss would never trade the Laker star, he wrote in his diary. Jackson said he was told the same thing last season.

Autopsy performed on Caminiti

An autopsy was performed on Ken Caminiti on Monday, though the cause of the 1996 National League MVP's death may not be known for 10 days. The city medical examiner's office performed the autopsy but could not rule on a cause of death until toxicology tests were complete, spokeswoman Ellen Borakove said. That process could take as long as 10 days. The 41-year-old Caminiti, who admitted using steroids during his major league career, died Sunday. Caminiti's agent-lawyer Rick Licht said Caminiti died of a heart attack. Caminiti's 15-year career ended in 2001. He was a three-time All Star third baseman, a unanimous pick for MVP in 1996 and he led the San Diego Padres to the 1998 World Series. However, he also battled drug and alcohol problems during his career. In May 2002, he told *Sports Illustrated* he used steroids during his career. Just last Tuesday, he admitted in a Houston court he violated his probation by using cocaine last month and was sentenced to 180 days in jail.

Yankees closer ready for opener

Physically and emotionally drained after the deaths of two of his wife's relatives, Mariano Rivera plans to be ready to pitch in the American League Championship Series opener. Rivera flew home Sunday to be with grieving family after his wife's relatives were electrocuted in his pool. Following the funeral Tuesday, he planned to fly back to New York on a private plane provided by the Yankees, who play Boston that night. If Rivera doesn't return, it would be the first time since he became the Yankees' closer in 1997, that Torre wouldn't be able to call on the pitcher widely regarded as the best at his position in postseason history. Rivera saved a postseason record 23 straight games, beginning with the first of three straight championships in 1998 and ending in Game 7 of the 2001 Series. He has failed to close out a game only three times in 33 postseason opportunities, including Game 2 of the AL Division Series against Minnesota last Wednesday night. While it would be a huge blow to the bullpen if Rivera is unavailable, Torre does have Tom Gordon, who led the league with 46 saves in 1998 for Boston.

Redskins in familiar territory

Joe Gibbs' second tour of duty off to rocky start

MATTHEW SAUNDERS
STAFF WRITER

The Redskins are off to their typical disappointing start, which is something that has become all too familiar since a certain legendary coach walked away

from the team 11 years ago.

The funny thing about this time around is the legendary coach is back. Joe Gibbs, who decided to take an unprecedented turn in February to come back to the place where he once created a dynasty, is mired in the same situation as his predecessors. Those predecessors being Richie Petitbon, Norv Turner, Marty Schottenheimer and Steve Spurrier.

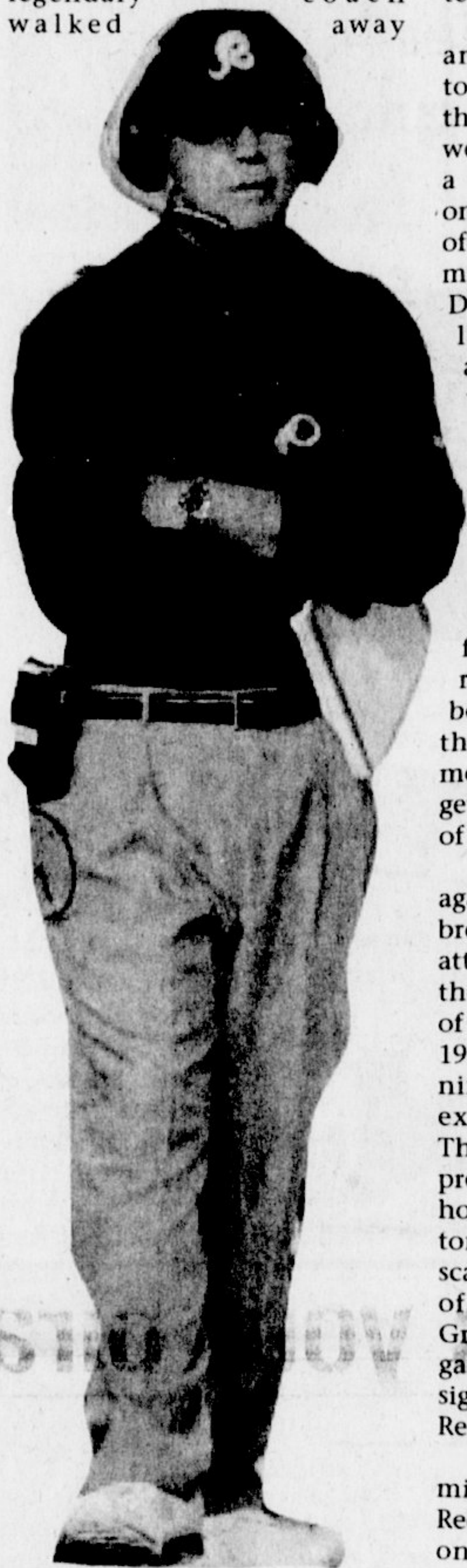
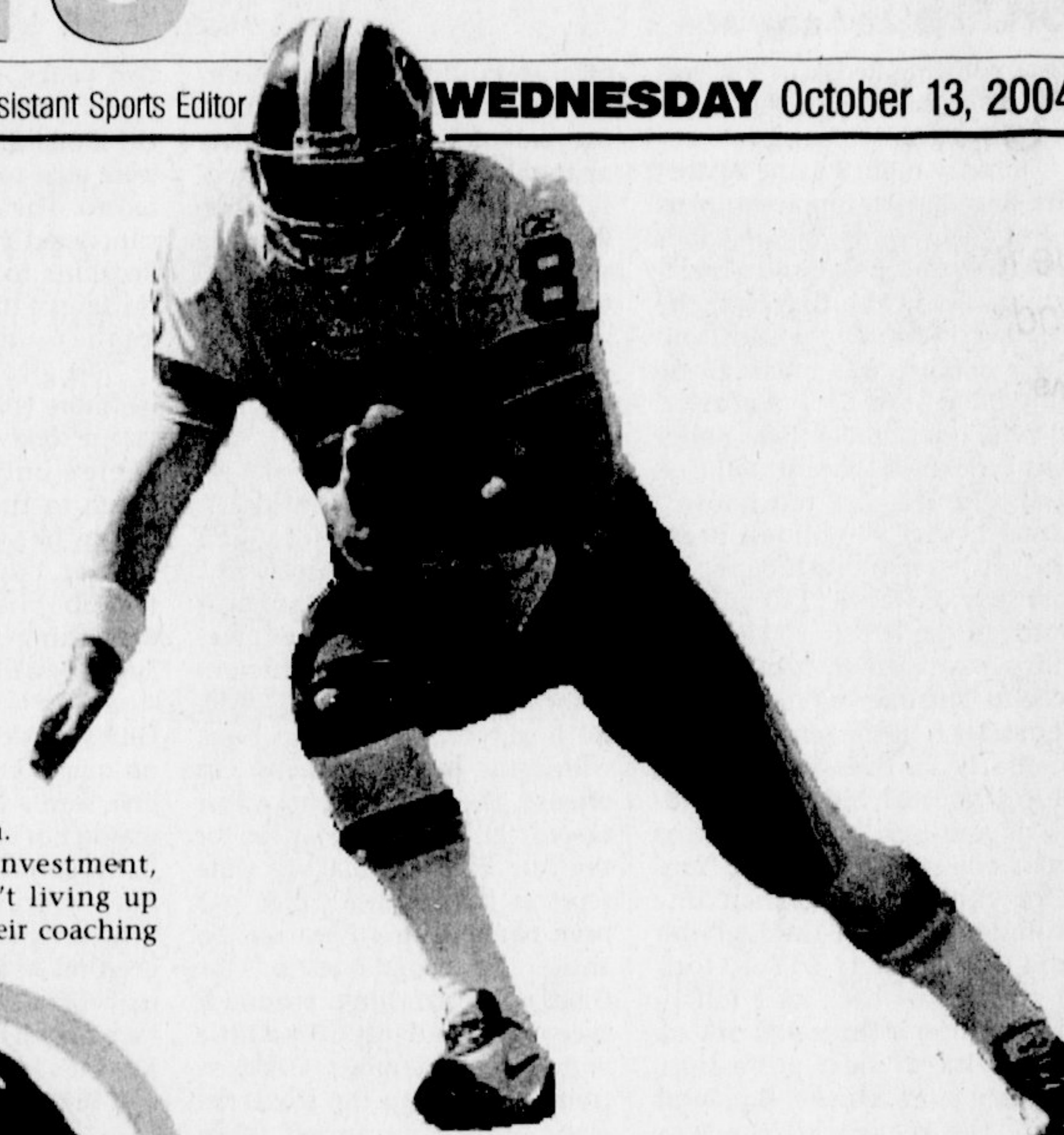
The days of disappointment and agony had seemed to haunt the Redskins these last 10 years and were supposed to be a thing of the past, once free-spending, often bad decision-making owner Daniel Snyder lured Gibbs away from the NASCAR circuit in the off-season.

Instead the Redskins are in the same old, familiar territory they've been since Gibbs left the team in 1993 to spend more time with his family and get involved with the excitement of NASCAR.

It appeared in week one, against the Bucs, Joe Gibbs had brought back a new but familiar attitude to the team, something they hadn't had since the Hall of Fame in the 1980s and early 1990s. The attitude being a winning attitude, an attitude that exudes confidence and pride. The game against Tampa wasn't a pretty game, but it did offer some hopeful excitement, from Clinton Portis' 64-yard touchdown scamper to the solid performance of new defensive coordinator Gregg Williams. Joe Gibbs' first game back produced a welcome sight for the much beleaguered Redskins fans, a solid 16-10 win.

Since the excitement and optimism of that week one win, the Redskins have once again fallen on hard times. Their offense

can't move the ball down field. They're turning it over every time you look. The refs are working against them on every possession. Their high price investment, Clinton Portis, isn't living up to expectations. Their coaching



staff from the glory days may not be able to adjust to today's NFL. All you hear is pessimism and more pessimism.

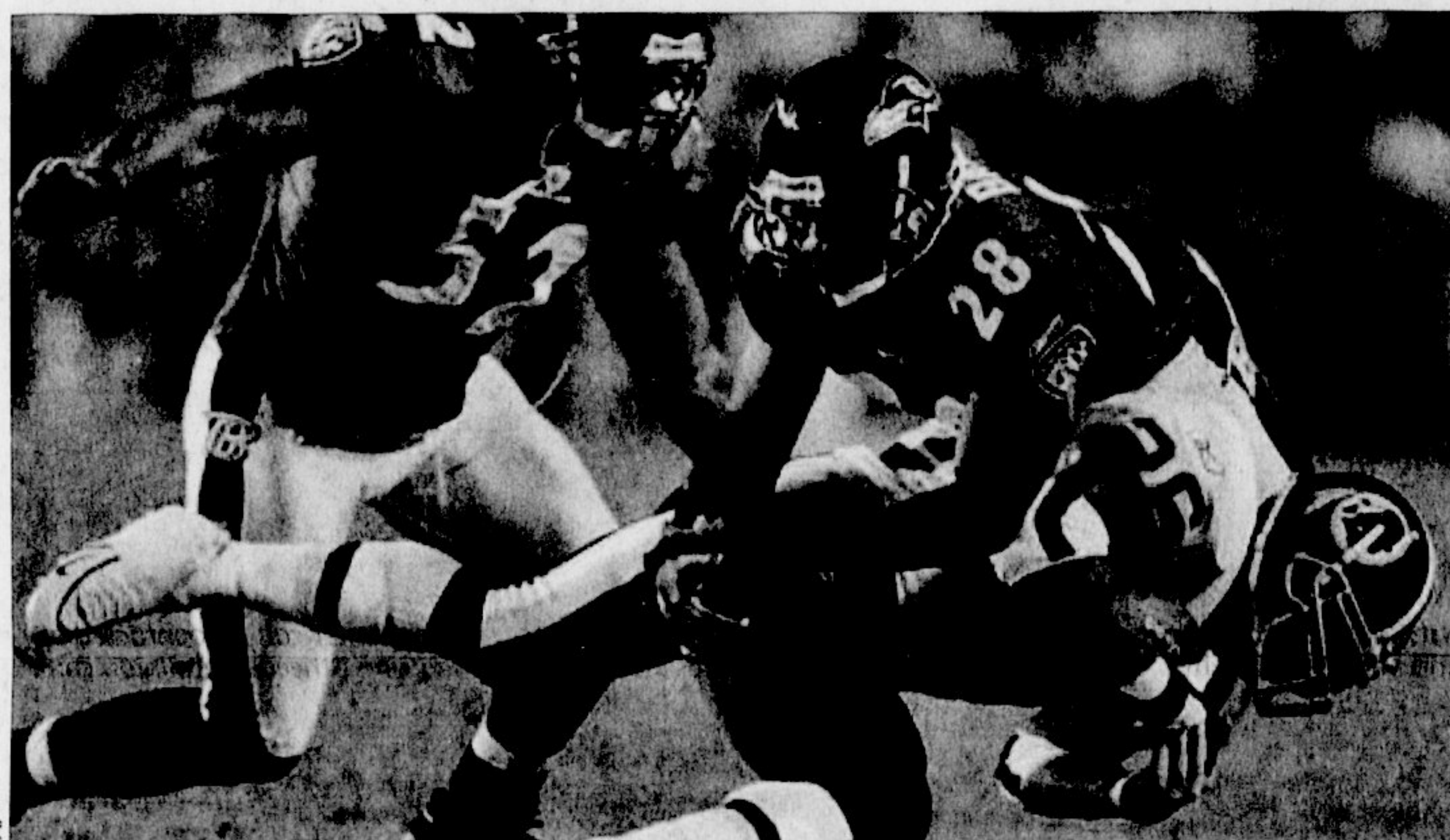
In week two against the Giants, the Redskins had every chance to win, but they kept

turning it over. They didn't just turn it over once or twice, but seven times. Even the Patriots couldn't win if they did that. In week three against the Cowboys, the Redskins were in the process of putting up a solid effort, but the officials made a bogus pass-interference call that led to an easy Cowboys touchdown, which, in-turn, halted any momentum the Redskins had going in the game. Poor clock management in the fourth quarter and a very bad decision to challenge a Cowboys touchdown in the second half

led to a lost opportunity for the Redskins to come back.

Last week against the Browns, the Redskins once again put up a solid defensive effort, and even had the lead with five minutes left to play in the fourth quarter. Then things started to unravel. Running back Lee Suggs of the Browns made a 14-yard run and the Browns converted on a must-have third down. This led to a 26-yard touchdown winning strike from Terrell Owens' buddy Jeff Garcia to Browns' wide receiver Quincy Morgan and another

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Clinton Portis hasn't played as well as he did in Denver and in week one this season.

ECU Men's Golf finishes ninth



HOWELL

Pirates place last in Chapel Hill tournament

MATTHEW SAUNDERS
STAFF WRITER

In a tournament filled with top-notch teams the ECU men's golf team showed they belonged. Even though they finished ninth out of nine it was still a good showing considering the strength of the teams they were playing against. Senior Adam Howell continued his strong play this season by finishing in a tie for seventh, shooting a 54-hole total of 212. Freshman Chris Ault also finished in the top 30, finishing in 27th place.

The tournament, won by the host team UNC Chapel Hill, featured a lot of talented golfers. The top scorer in the tournament was David Palm of Georgia Southern, who shot a 54-hole total of 207. Two UNC Chapel Hill players, Martin Ureta and Jonathan Jackson, both finished in the top five.

The first day of the tournament featured some ups and downs for the men. Adam Howell started out strong out of the gate, finishing with an opening round total of six-under par, shooting a score of 66. The other members of the team were less impressive,

with Head Coach Kevin Williams being quoted as saying to the ECU Sports Information Department.

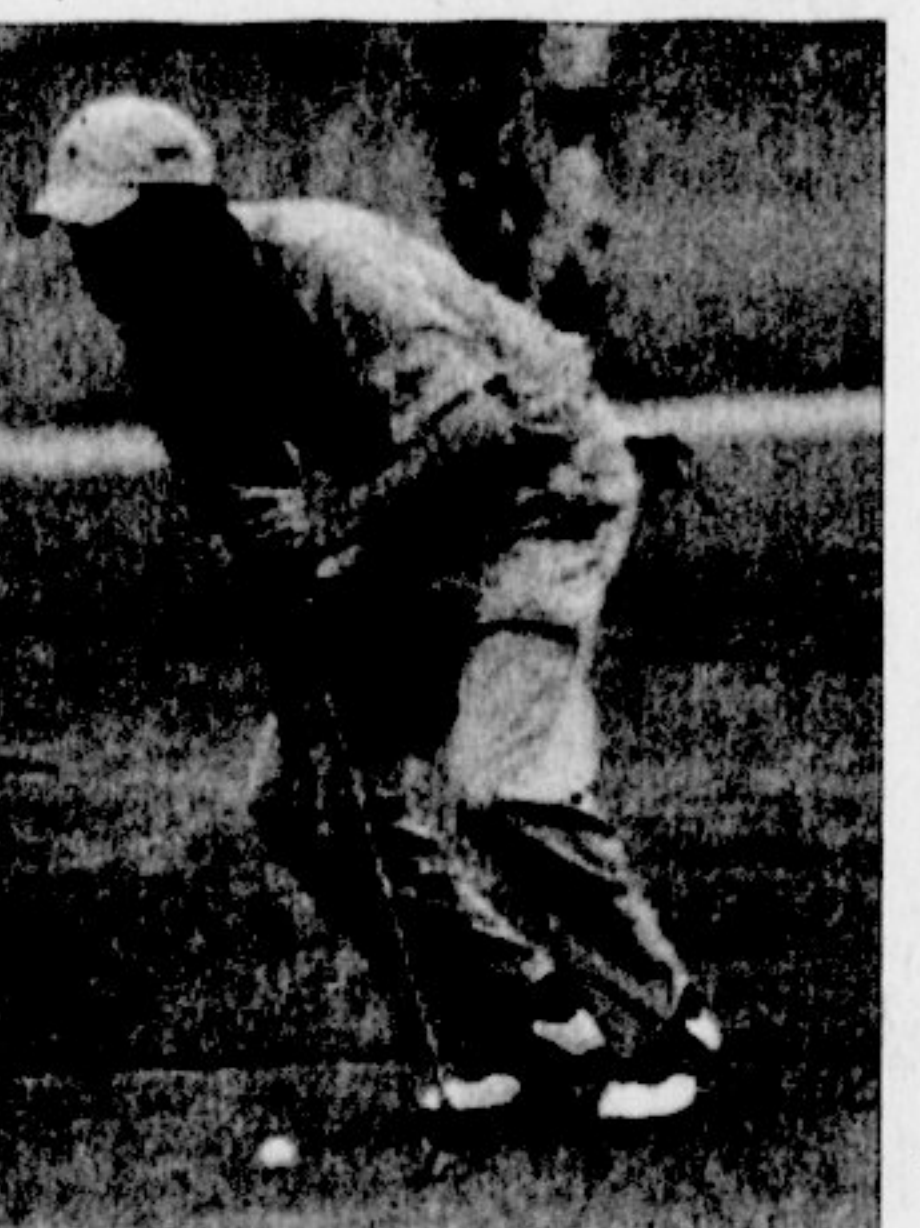
"We are just playing some inconsistent golf right now," said Williams.

"Hopefully we will be able to put a good round together on Saturday and get right back in the tournament."

On Saturday the team didn't play much better, in fact a little worse. After posting a team total score of 298 on Friday the Saturday score was 308. The final round on Sunday proved to be the day that featured the consistency coach Williams was looking for. In that final round the team shot a total of 285. Chris Ault really stepped up his game posting a 5-under par, 67. Howell also shot an even-par, 72, in the final round.

The men's next tournament will feature some home cooking with the Pirates hosting their first home match of the season, The Pirate Fall Intercollegiate. The Pirate Fall Intercollegiate will be held at Bradford Creek Golf Club next Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 18-19.

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ECU Volleyball preparing for Conference USA weekend



Lady Pirates are looking to claim conference wins this weekend against Memphis and Saint Louis.

Lady Pirates trying to get back on track

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The ECU Volleyball team will try to get back on track this weekend when they hit the road to face Memphis and Saint Louis. The Lady Pirates will attempt to improve their Conference USA record, which currently stands at 2-2. ECU has their hands full as both teams are coming off wins.

Head Coach Colleen Munson is well aware of her opponent's records. "We know that Memphis and Saint Louis are very good teams," said Munson.

"We have a week of practice to prepare. We know what they are capable of."

Memphis, who stands at 18-4 and 3-0 in C-USA, is currently on an 11-game winning streak. The team's last loss dates back to Sept.

14. Senior Tiara Gilkey leads the Lady Tigers with 317 kills averaging 4.06 a game. Junior Nancy Nellans isn't far behind with 227 kills. A total of six Memphis players have kills in the triple digits. The high number of kills on the team has been contributed due to senior Heather Watts and her 1,053 assists. Overall, the team hits a combined .242 compared to their opponent's .184.

Saint Louis is currently coming off a win against Southern Miss after a previous three-game losing streak.

The Lady Billikens are currently 9-10 and 1-2 in C-USA. Junior Aida Antanaviciute leads the team with 454 kills, averaging 6.58 a game. Freshman Chrissy King is the head of defense with 192 digs. Not far behind King in digs are Antanaviciute and senior Jessica Knittia who both post 189. The team's hitting percentage is .234.

The Lady Pirates are currently coming off of last weekend's

losses against Houston and TCU. Junior Erica Wilson leads the way for ECU with 205 kills. Sophomore Jaime Bevan and junior Paige Howell also help the team offensively with 195 and 193 kills respectively. Junior Johanna Bertini continues to lead the team in digs with 284, averaging four a game. As a team, the Lady Pirates hit .206.

ECU needs to continue following the same philosophy they use when they play any opponent in order to get the win.

"We have to play as a team from 0-30," Munson said.

"We need to play hard, be aggressive and have composure when we are in someone else's gym."

ECU travels to Memphis, Tenn. to face the Lady Tigers this Friday. They head to St. Louis, Mo. the following day to face the Lady Billikens. Play will begin at 7 p.m. both days.

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disappointing Redskins loss was on the board. This brings us to Sunday night.

Sunday night's game against the Ravens was supposed to be a gut-check game for Joe Gibbs and the Redskins, almost a must-win game. In the first half, the Redskins were very focused, and their defense was making one defensive stop after another. Ravens quarterback Kyle Boller was picked off twice in the first half, one led to a touchdown. Jamal Lewis, who almost broke the single season rushing record last season, was held to only 19 yards in the first half. The Redskins managed to take a 10-0 lead to halftime, but managed to squander it in the second half.

Early in the second half, things got real ugly for the Redskins and in a hurry. Redskins quarterback Mark Brunell fumbled with a little more than nine minutes left in the third quarter and Ravens' safety Ed Reed took it all the way back for a touchdown. After a three-and-out on the Redskins' next possession, Ravens' punt returner B.J. Sams took the return all the way back for a 78-yard touchdown.

After that, the Redskins' sorry

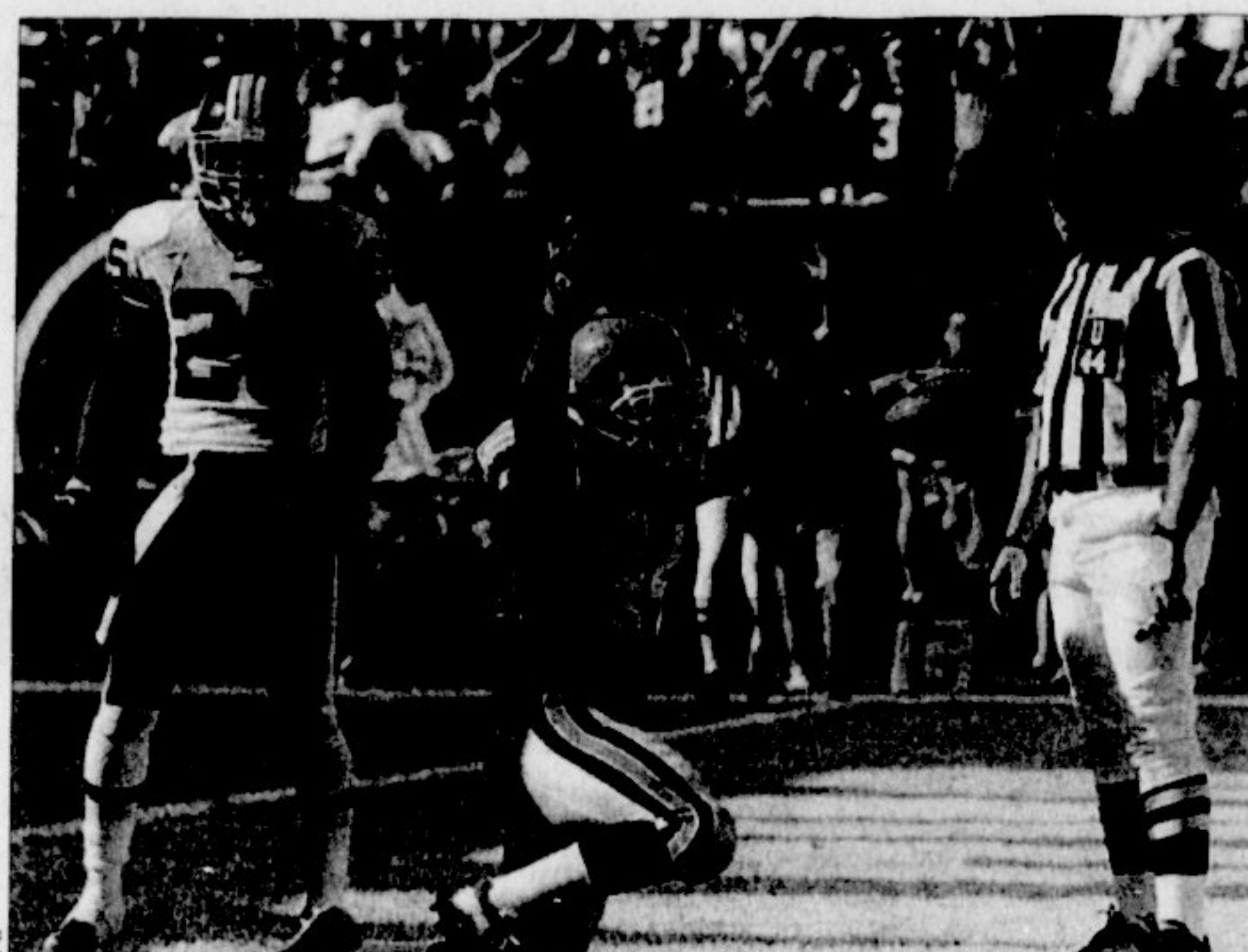
offense couldn't muster anything, and Jamal Lewis' 90 rushing yards in the fourth quarter ate up the clock, preventing the Redskins from doing anything. The Redskins' poor showing in the second half led to the Redskins' fourth straight loss. Now everyone is left scratching their heads, with everyone asking, "What in the world is going on?" and saying, "If Gibbs can't turn it around the Redskins are hopeless."

To answer that first question, the Redskins have had some major injury problems, and the loss of linebackers Lavar Arrington and Mike Barrow gives the Redskins less than sufficient play-making ability on defense. Both players should be back within the next few weeks. On offense, the Redskins have lost all-pro right tackle Jon Jansen for the year and play-making wide receiver Laveranues Coles has been banged up all season. To answer the second question, Joe Gibbs will turn things around if everyone would just have a little patience. Remember, Gibbs is trying to pick up the shattered pieces Steve Spurrier left when he almost single-handedly ran the Redskins into the ground in just

two years. Also, remember in Gibbs' first season as the coach, the Redskins started 0-5 and were able to finish with an 8-8 record. The next season, a strike shortened one, Gibbs lead the Redskins to an 8-1 record, and the first of three Super Bowl wins for the team.

Just give Joe Gibbs a chance, he, more than any coach in the league today, knows how to win. There's only one current head coach in the league today who can say he's won three Super Bowl rings and that man is Joe Gibbs. Joe Gibbs has been successful in everything he's done. With three Super Bowl titles, and two Winston Cup titles to his credit, Joe Gibbs knows how to win. There's no question. If everyone would give him a little time there's no reason not to expect the Redskins in the playoffs and even the Super Bowl within the next few years. Who knows? The Redskins might even make a trip to Jacksonville in February. If any coach can take a team from 1-4 to the Super Bowl it's Joe Gibbs. Just give him a little time.

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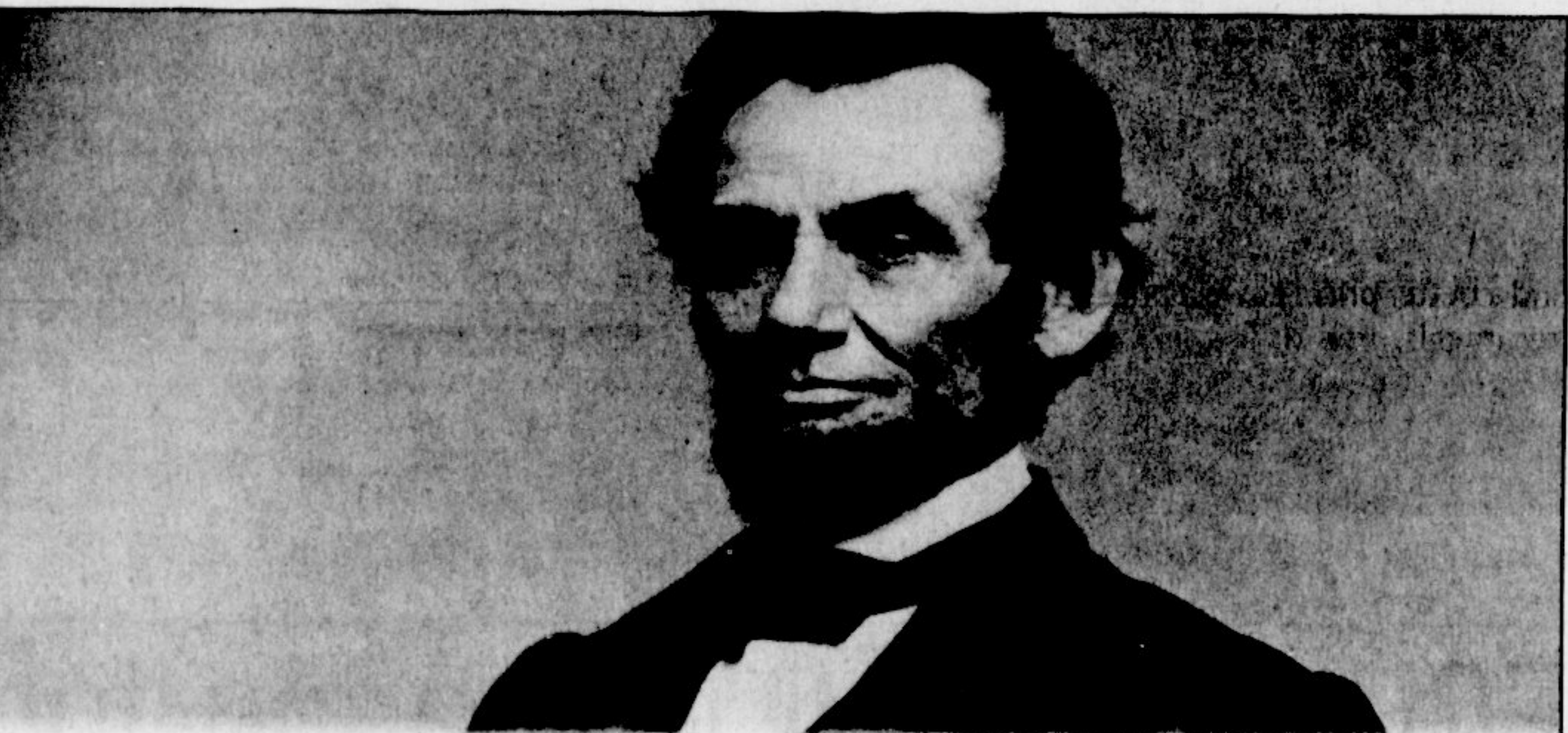
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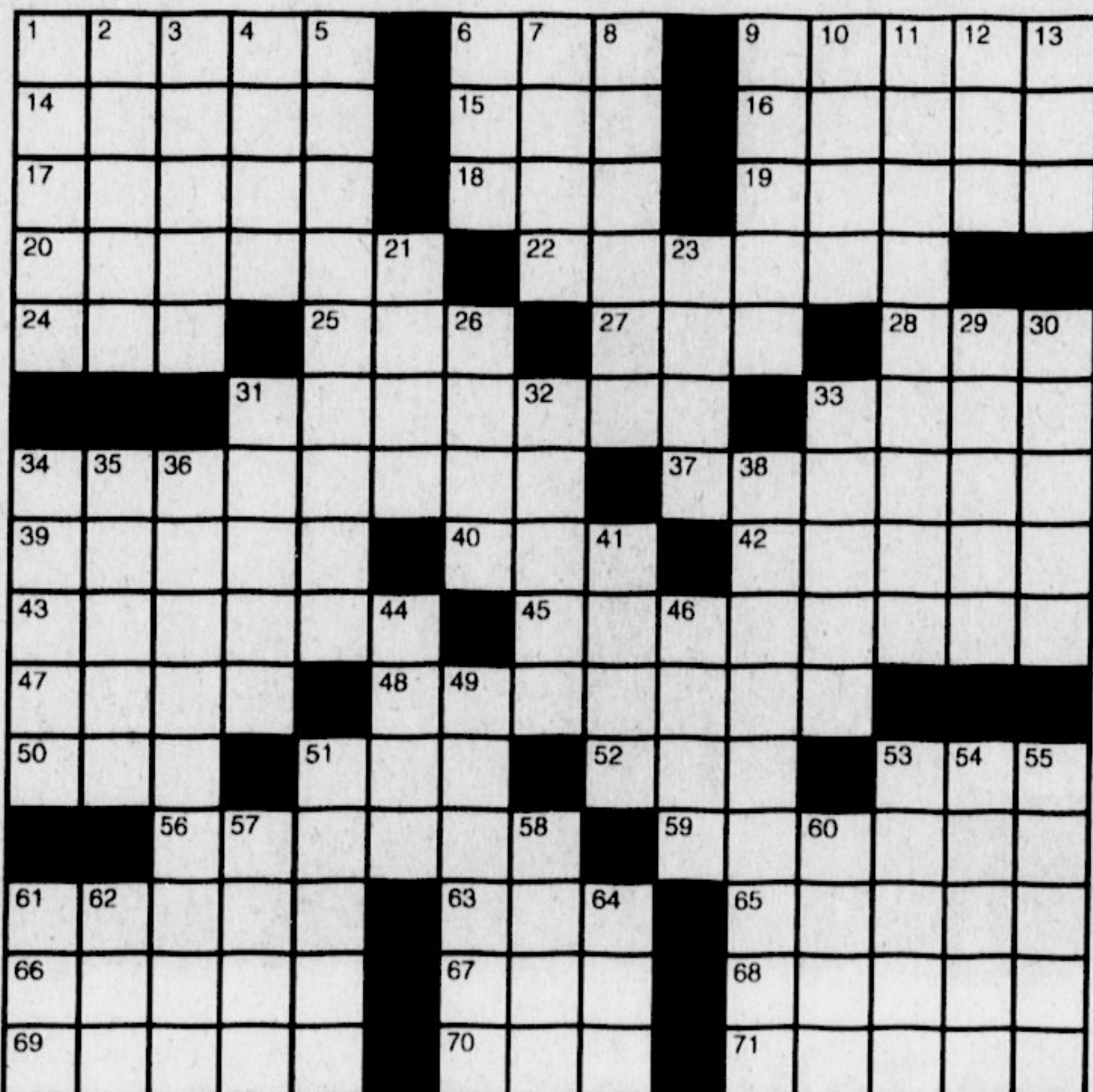
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Williams to sit one game

(KRT) — The news on Roy Williams' ankle wasn't good, but neither was it as bad as it might have been.

Williams, the Detroit Lions' prize rookie wide receiver, has a sprained left ankle, which means he might miss the Green Bay game Sunday and possibly the New York Giants game after that.

But it's not a broken ankle and it's not a high ankle sprain, which would have been even worse news for the injury-plagued Lions, who already have lost wide receiver Charles Rogers for the season. "Not a lot of people come back the next week from an ankle sprain," Williams said Monday, "but I think I can. We'll just go day to day."

Coach Steve Mariucci wasn't quite that optimistic, but he, too, was not ready to say Williams won't play against the Packers at Ford Field.

"I'm going to assume and hope that he's a quick healer," Mariucci said.

Williams was injured in the third quarter of the Lions' 17-10 victory Sunday at Atlanta. He was fighting for additional yardage at the end of a 10-yard pass from Joey Harrington.

"I caught the slant, hit the guy with my shoulder, was bouncing off him and he just grabbed ahold of the 16, which is hard to miss," Williams said, jokingly referring to his shoe size. "He just grabbed onto it, and I got hit from behind while I was trying to get down, and got twisted up. I felt it and I lay there, and they were like, 'Oh, yeah, he's hurting,' so I had to get up and show that I was tough, walk off to the sideline."

The sprain was diagnosed by the Lions' medical team after Williams was carted to the locker room, and he left the Georgia Dome on crutches, a precautionary measure aimed at keeping weight off the injured joint.

Williams was walking Monday without crutches, and he said the swelling and the pain were minimal. He is being treated with ice and is keeping the ankle tightly wrapped when it is not on ice.

The Lions don't have to give the league their injury report until Wednesday afternoon, and Mariucci declined to speculate on how Williams will be listed as doubtful, questionable or probable.

"It wasn't real bad news as far as, 'Hey, he's going to be out for X amount of weeks,'" Mariucci said. "We're just going to list him as day to day and just see how fast this thing comes around. That was encouraging."

Williams leads the Lions' receivers with 20 receptions for 295 yards and four touchdowns. Mariucci is hoping he will be able to practice sometime during the week but indicated he could play if healthy enough even if he was not able to practice.

Even if Williams has to miss a game or two, Mariucci indicated it is unlikely the Lions would trade for an additional wide receiver, such as the Oakland Raiders' Jerry Rice, who has been mentioned as a possible acquisition.

"We would have to determine how long Roy would be missing to do anything like that, and I'm hoping that he's not going to be missing for long," Mariucci said.

He mentioned Az-Zahir Hakim and Tai Streets as temporary replacements for Williams, with David Kircus and Reggie Swinton as players who could move into backup roles.

In the first four games, Hakim has caught nine passes for 132 yards and two touchdowns, including the 39-yarder to tie the Atlanta game in the second quarter.

Streets, viewed as an important addition to the receiving corps when he was signed during the offseason, has the second-highest reception total on the team with 10 but has only 63 yards to show for them.

"He's been there for us, he's been very reliable, he's staying healthy and practicing every day," Mariucci said. "Any one of these receivers can have an eight-, or 10-, or 12-catch game. He's very capable of that."

Without Rogers, the Lions have been less explosive than expected, and if Williams is out for even a game or two, it could leave them with even less big-play capability.

"We've been very efficient in the passing game but not explosive," Mariucci said. "Not the 30-, 40-yard plays that you'd like to get once in awhile for a variety of reasons. But that's got to come as we get better, playing with each other."

"I sense that it's coming. I'd rather give (Harrington) a little bit at a time and get better and better as we go, because he's been pretty efficient, pretty solid and steady."

Green, Packers getting worse every week

(AP) — This was the year Ahman Green was going to be the heart of Green Bay's offense, with Brett Favre playing a supporting role. The Packers had visions of winning a championship as John Elway did twice with Terrell Davis in Denver.

Those plans have changed. Green keeps fumbling, opponents have adjusted to stopping the run and a sieve-like defense has forced the Packers to throw more than they would like.

Since rushing 33 times for 119 yards in Green Bay's opening win at Carolina, Green's carries have fallen to 24, 17, 15 and 10 in his last four games, all losses.

He hasn't reached the end zone since scoring three times in the opener, and his yards have dipped from 128 in Week 2 — when his fumble led to a game-turning 95-yard touchdown return by Chicago — to 67, 58 and 33.

He looks nothing like the running back who gained 1,887 yards and scored 20 touchdowns

a year ago, and consequently, the Packers look nothing like a team that came within an overtime loss at Philadelphia of reaching the NFC title game in January.

The Tennessee Titans brought the league's worst run defense into Lambeau Field on Monday night, giving up more than five yards a carry. But the Packers had just five yards total at halftime, and Green finished with only 33 yards on 10 runs in the Titans' 48-27 victory.

After Chris Brown had given Tennessee a 14-0 lead with two long touchdown runs, Green ended the Packers' second drive with his fourth fumble of the season.

Green's greatest flaw is his insistence on always carrying the ball in his left arm, which provides opponents a true target and doesn't allow him to fend off pursuers with stiff arms.

The Packers have learned to live with this because Green, who fumbled seven times in the first nine games last season, has

never shown a determination to learn how to switch hands without coughing up the ball even more.

Coach Mike Sherman, who chewed out Green on the sideline after his fumble, has said repeatedly this season that switching hands isn't something the Packers are going to experiment with again because Green was so bad at it the last time they tried.

Benching Green isn't an option, either, because "he does too many good things," Sherman said.

So, the only thing they can do is work with him and remind him of how he held onto the ball down the stretch last season, when he went the final nine games and 246 touches without putting the ball on the ground.

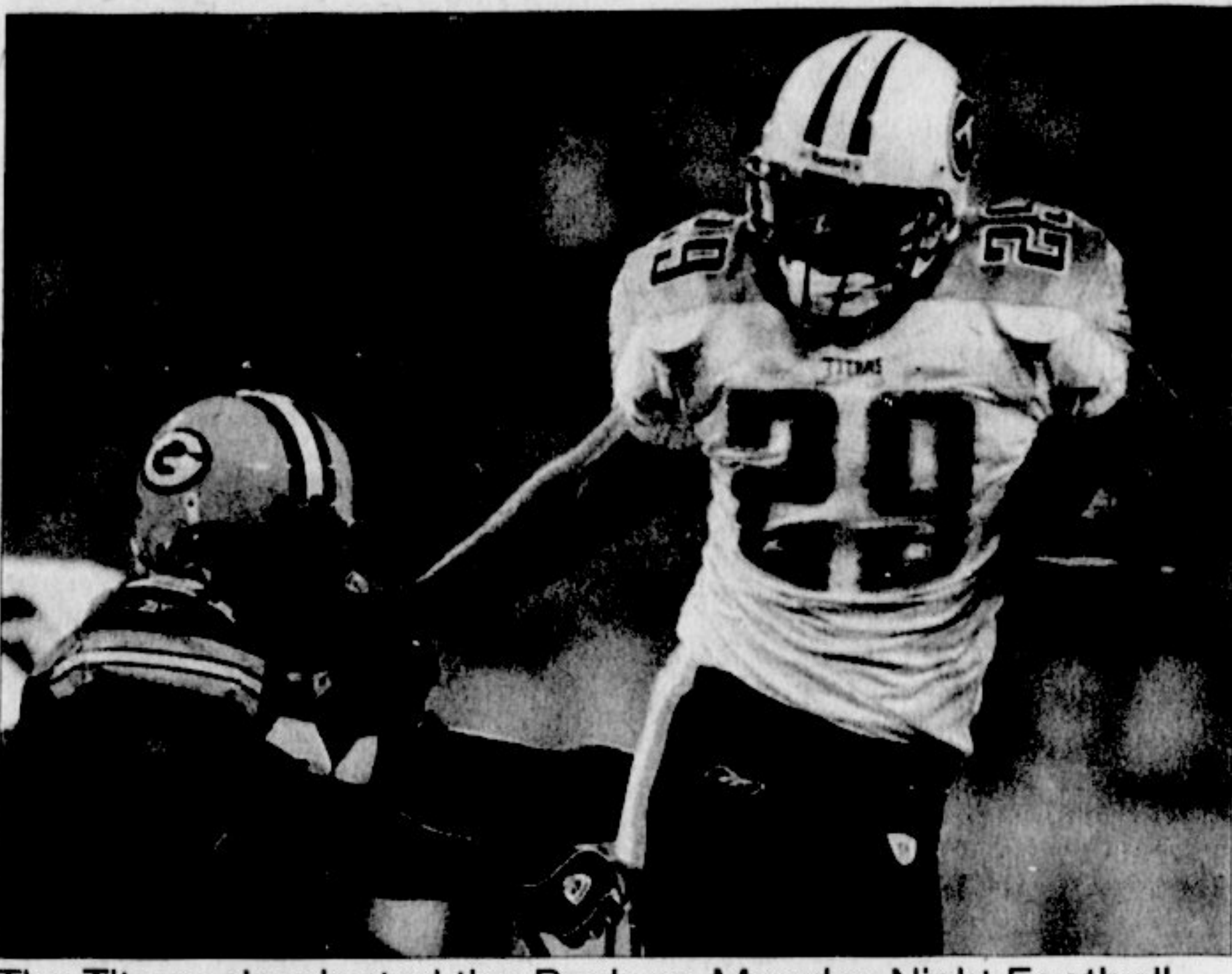
"We will work diligently on that part of the game," Sherman said. "We couldn't have talked more this week about how important in this ballgame not turning the ball over and getting takeaways was. We talked about it

every day, at every meeting." The Packers, though, had six turnovers and no takeaways.

Sherman isn't going to blame the Packers' poor ground game on the loss of center Mike Flanagan, who had season-ending

knee surgery last week and was replaced by Grey Ruegamer.

"When you lose a player like Mike Flanagan — or Grady Jackson on the other side of the ball — it does have some rippling effects," Sherman said.



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