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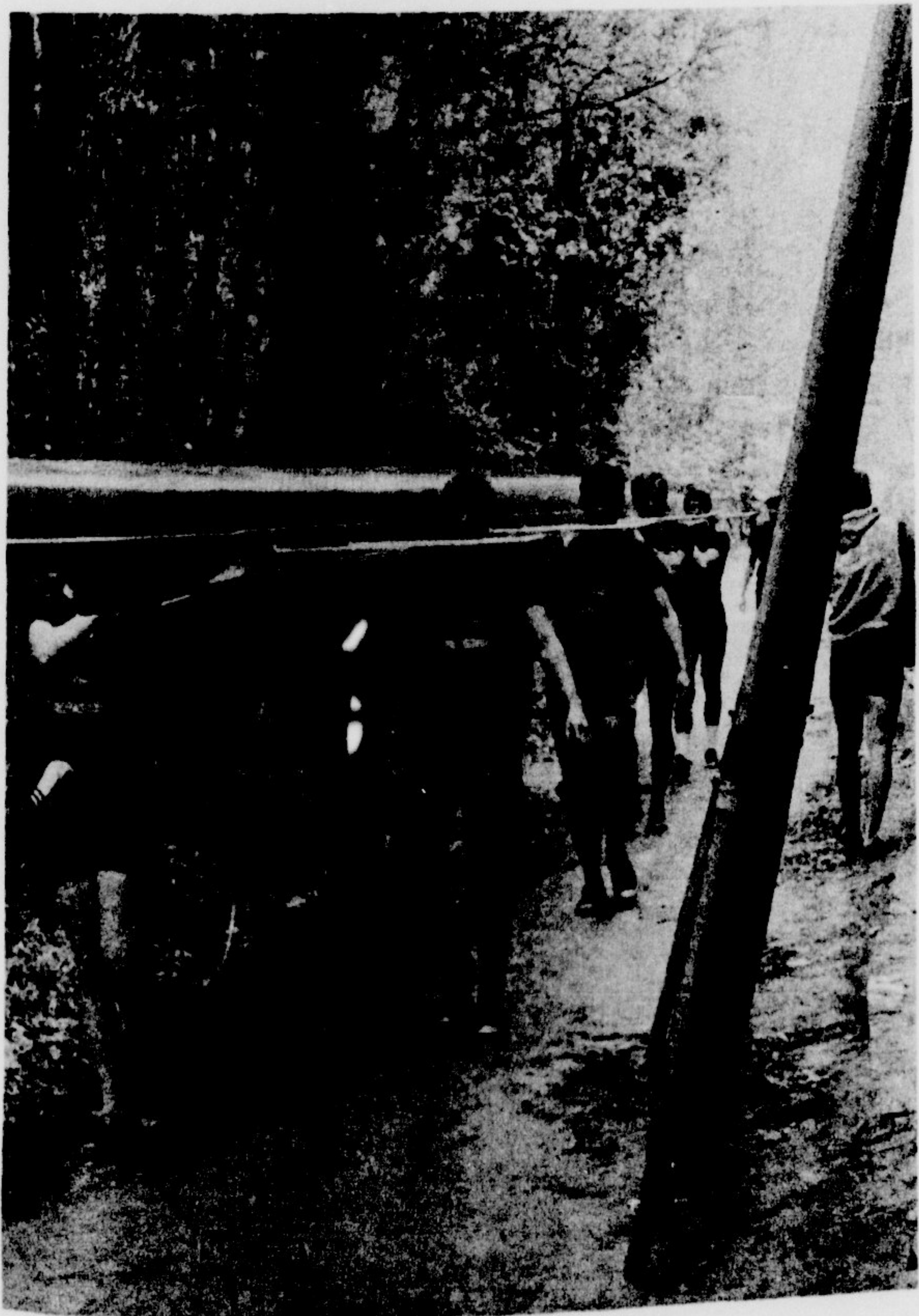
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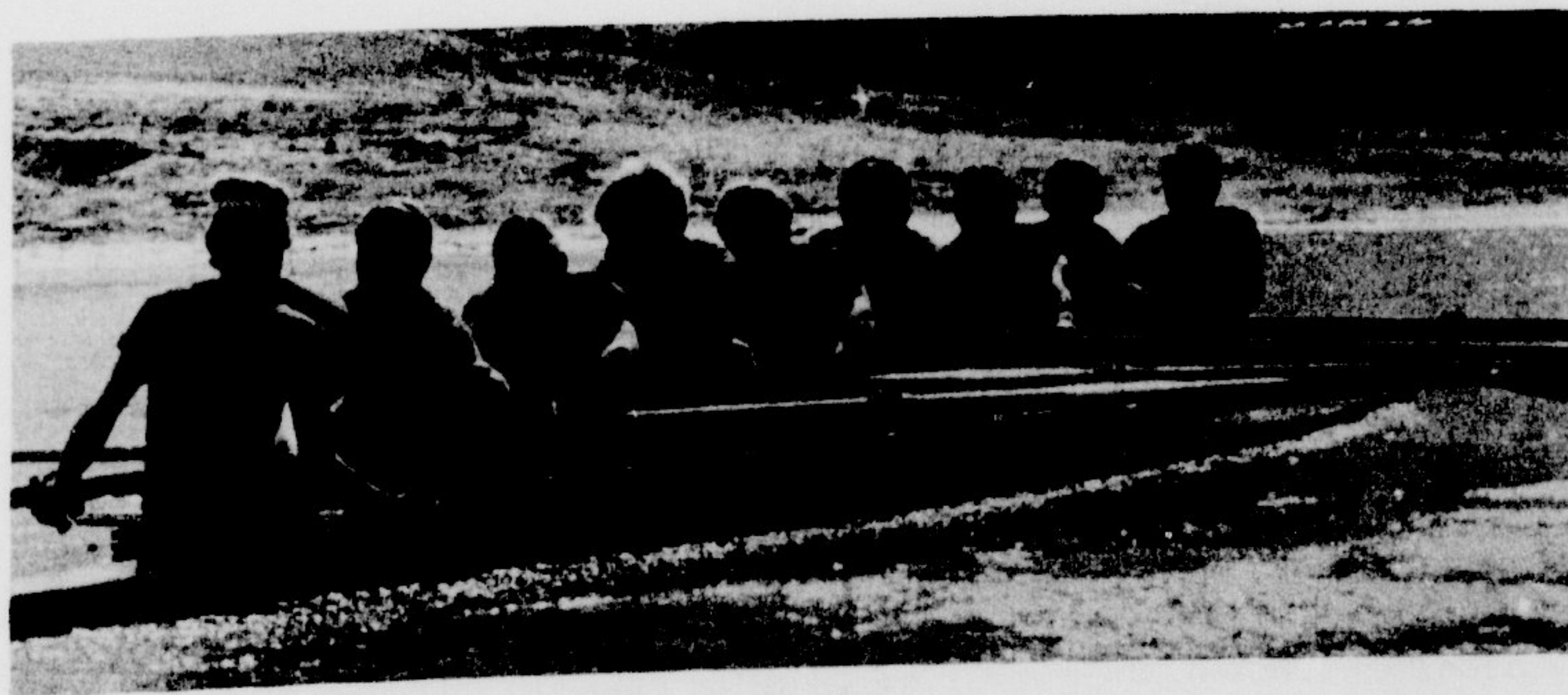
## Students demonstrate; distribute Bill of Rights \*\*\*\*\*see page 2

## Adams announces fulfilment of campaign pledges \*\*\*\*\*see page 2

## Crew asks financial help; program faces rebuilding



'Coins for Crew' enlists  
support from students



East Carolina's nationally ranked crew takes to the water for a rigorous practice session. A recent fire destroyed all their equipment, forcing ECU's oarsmen to call for the support of the student body.

Thank you,  
Nancy Cannady  
Craig Souza



DAN SUMMERS prepares ECU report.

## Summers slated for press secretary post

Realizing the gap between students, the community, and the Student Government Association, John Schofield, President of Regular Session SGA, established a new post of Press Secretary last May.

Schofield noted that his purpose for establishing the position was "to communicate with the students through expanded means which will serve the area, such as radio, television, and the East Carolinian."

Gerald Roberson was the first Press Secretary and served in the month of May until the present Secretary, Dan Summers was appointed.

### COMMUNICATION GAP

Roberson stated the purpose of the post was to "fulfill the lack of communication between the SGA and the students and also to inform the people of Eastern Carolina of the activities and outstanding abilities of East Carolina."

During Roberson's tenure in office he aimed toward a weekly television show and laid the foundation for future expansion

of the post through all forms of news media.

Though the post was created under Schofield's platform, Robert K. Adams, President of Summer School SGA, approved the position to continue this summer instead of resuming in the Fall.

### FUTURE PLANS

Summers, a rising junior in the Geography Department, stated that he had just started to get organized. His plans for the future are to expand the reputation of East Carolina through not only radio but also television.

As Press Secretary Summers has established set times for broadcasts on various radio stations throughout Greenville. He appears on WECU every Tues. and Thurs. night at 7:30 p.m., and on WOOW every Mon. and Wed. night at 10:15 p.m.

His "ECU Report" is also carried on WNCT each Wed. night at 8:30 p.m.

During Second Session of Summer School he plans to begin a 5-minute program on WECU Campus TV to report on

## Camp Manteo to aid retarded

By EMILY DUNNING

East Carolina has announced a new summer camp program for mentally retarded children. Camp Manteo is a special education camp located in Manteo, North Carolina.

Between eighty and ninety mentally retarded children are expected to take part in the week of outdoor experiences.

### CAMP OBJECTIVES

According to Dr. Martin, the objectives of the camp are to provide experiences in outdoor living, social adjustment, learning of limited skills, appreciation for camp life, and "just good fun and adventure." "Camp Manteo will afford an opportunity for mentally retarded campers to participate

in an out-of-doors group experience," Dr. Martin noted.

Staff members for the camp will include a director, camp physician, registered nurse, assistant nurses, counselors and a recreation director.

### TEACHERS AIDE

Serving the counselors will be some thirty teachers who are taking part in a workshop course in Recreation for Retarded Children which will be taught by Miss Nell Stallings of the ECU Physical Education Department through the Division of Continuing Education.

Dr. William B. Martin, associate professor of education at ECU and NCARC president, will direct the program. The

# Bill of Rights pushed at July 4 demonstration

A small group of students celebrated Independence Day by distributing copies of the Bill of Rights on the Greenville Post Office steps.

Raeford Bland, a student at ECU and a spokesman for the "concerned citizens" involved, said that the purpose of the demonstration was to "affirm our faith and belief in the Constitution, and particularly in the Bill of Rights."

The group had about 500 copies of the Bill of Rights and one sign which read, "Get Your Free Copy of the Bill of Rights Here."



DEMONSTRATORS HAND out Bill of Rights.

### DOCUMENT OFFERED

Participants offered the document to passersby from 12 noon until 6:00.

When the group first assembled early Friday afternoon, acting Police Chief Thomas Gladson informed them that they would not be allowed to demonstrate because they had not obtained a permit.

The leaders of the group explained that they were not planning to demonstrate anywhere except on the post office steps. No permit is needed to demonstrate on Federal property.

Several demonstrators noted that the police seemed unsure of the size of the demonstration. They were told the police had alerted 70 State Patrol officers.

what's happening around the campus as well as events of the past and future.

Along with his other duties, Dan also writes a column once a week for the East Carolinian entitled, "From the Executive Desk," which relates the activities of the SGA for the week.

Commenting on the work that Summers has done since he began as Press Secretary last Spring, Roberson said, "Since Dan has taken over he has done an outstanding job."

Roberson further noted, "He has fulfilled not only his own goals, but also any which I had while in office."

### GROUP WARNED

The group was warned that if they displayed their sign other than on Federal property, the alerted officers would arrest them.

When some of the demonstrators asked why the pictures were taken, Gladson is said to have replied, "So that we will know who to look for if you get out of hand."

During the day patrol cars maintained regular surveillance of the demonstrators and the Mobile Crime Lab photographer took several pictures.

When asked about the demonstration, one student explained, "Since there was no local celebration in town today, we decided to hand out copies of the Bill of Rights."

### DOCUMENT REFUSED

"However," he added, "more people have refused than have accepted the document."

Another participant added, "They must think it's communist literature." Some of those who refused said that they already had copies. A few people stated that they supported the participants.

## Adams tells platform success

First, I would like to thank the Elections Committee and Computer Center for the excellent job they did in coordinating the first computerized election ever at East Carolina. Although there were a few minor complications, it is my hope that this process can be utilized in all future elections.

I am pleased to announce in less than one week in office certain of the planks of my platform have been implemented. Probably the most important of these is the opening of the Soda Shop an hour earlier.

### SODA SHOP OPENS

On Tuesday, July 1st, they opened at 7:30 a.m. for the first time. I urge each of you to take advantage of this service. In addition, the SGA Legislature has formed a committee to look into the possibility of opening the Student Supply Store at 7:30.

With cooperation from the new Dean of Women, Carolyn Fulghum, student hostesses will be on duty during the hour of 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the House Counselor's office in each of the girls' dorms beginning second session summer school.

After nearly two months of silence, the public address system in Greene dormitory has been repaired.

Also, for your convenience, two hundred copies of the

minutes from the SGA Legislature meeting will be placed at "The East Carolinian" newspaper stand in the University Union Lobby.

### ORIGINALS PERFORM

For the first time the Summer School Dance will be held off campus Saturday, July 12th. "The Originals" combo will perform at the American Legion Hut on St. Andrews Street, off the 264 by-pass, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The Summer School Queen will be crowned at the dance. Don't forget to vote for the girl of your choice on Thursday, July 10, in the University Union from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

As President of the SGA, I would like to ask each student to please contribute to the "Coins for Crew" fund raising drive this week. It is indeed tragic that the success of the crew team had to come to such an abrupt halt. There will be a booth set up in the University Union Lobby, and there will be authorized solicitors in each of the dorms all this week. Any donation that you can afford to give, whether it be as much as a dollar or just pocket change, will be greatly appreciated.

If you have any ideas that you think will improve the SGA to benefit the students, please do not hesitate to come by my office. I will be in from 1:30-4:30 Monday through Friday.

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--George Manos



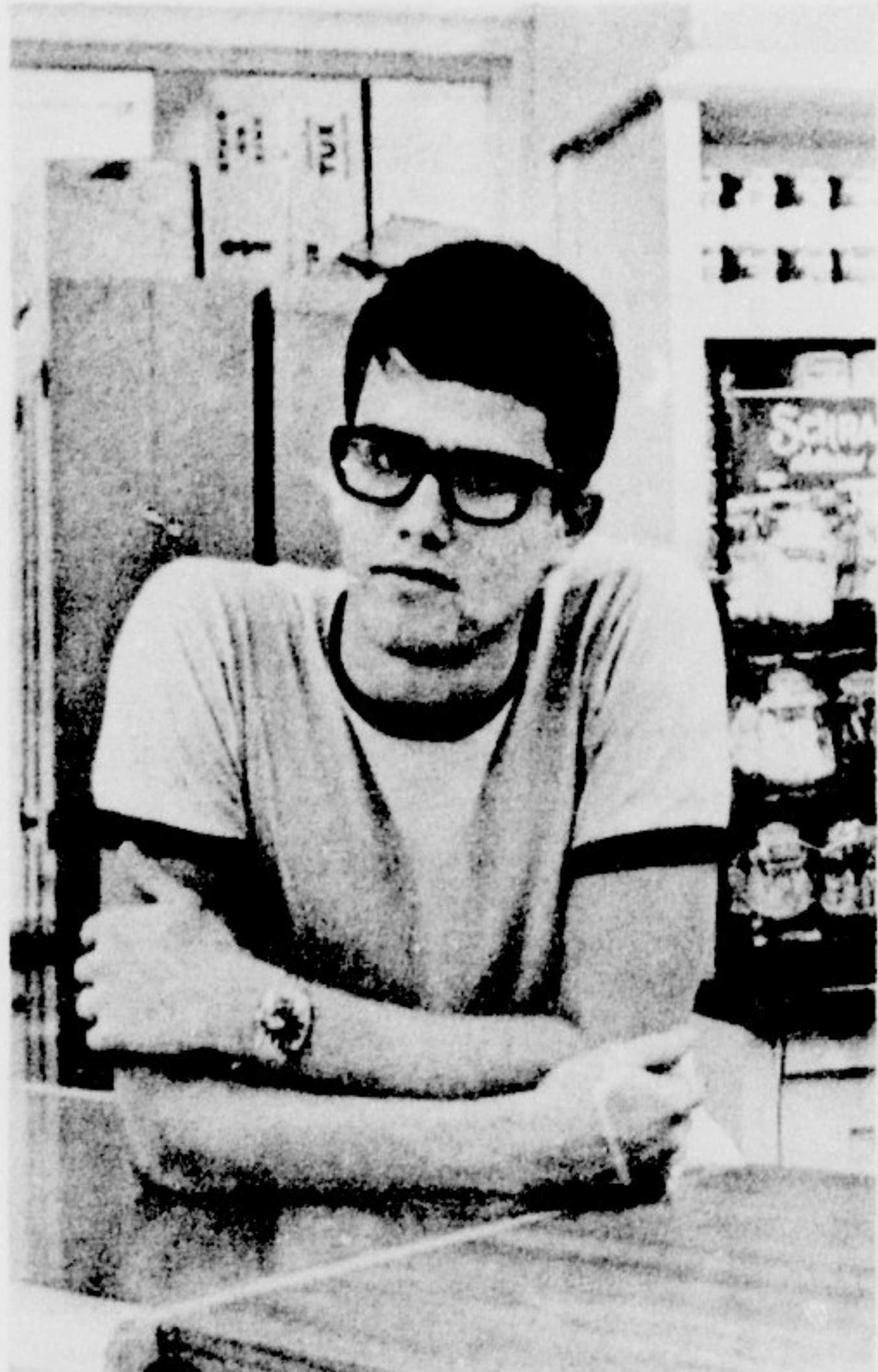
"CAPITAL PUNISHMENT IS a real gas."  
--Daniel Galick



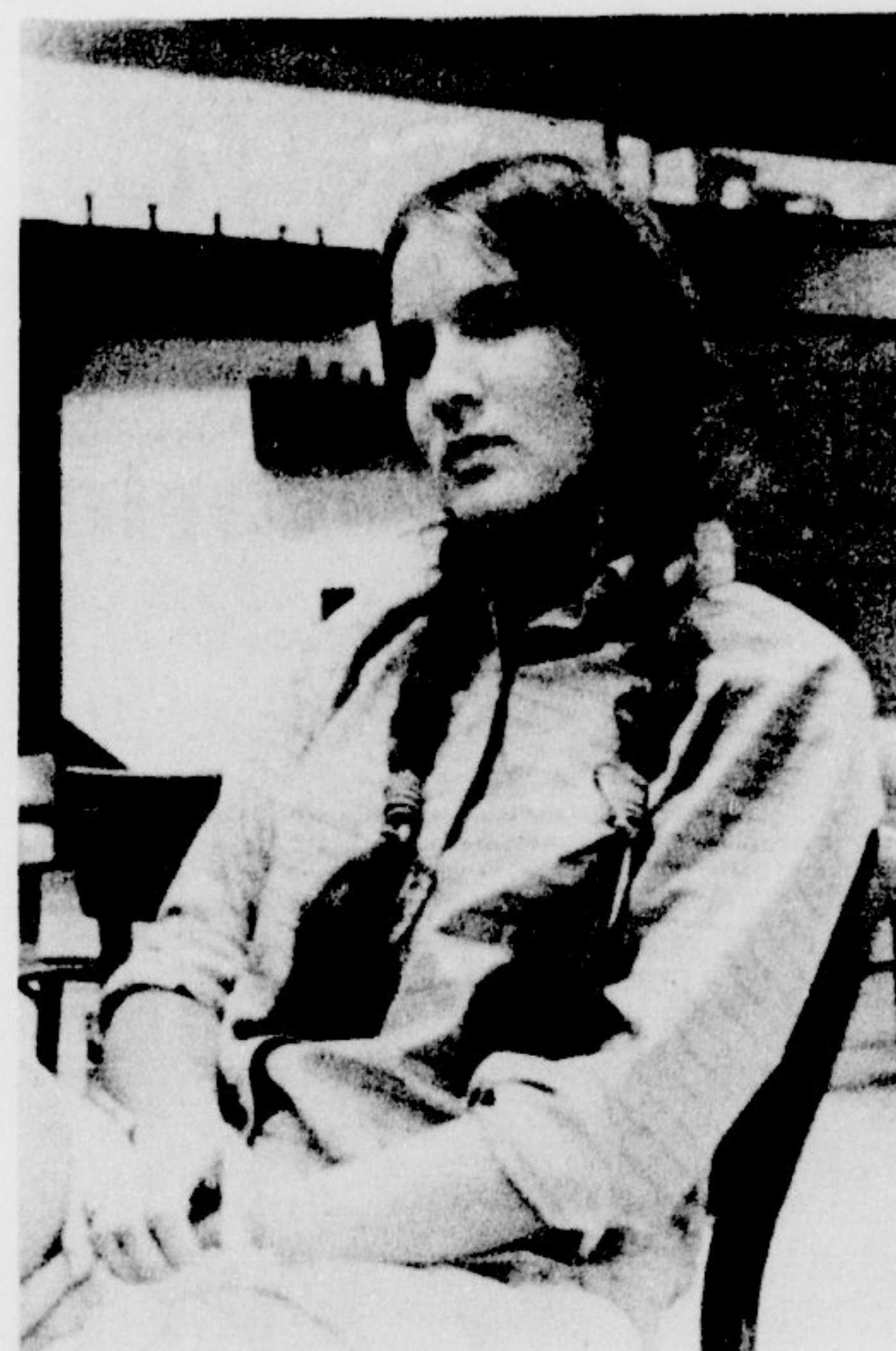
"I DON'T LIKE it. I don't think it's fair. A lot of innocent people are punished."  
--Gloria Little



"MAN AS A MEMBER of society has obligations to the people he lives with; however, capital punishment seems too drastic a penalty for violations against society."  
--Sister Elizabeth Ann



"CAPITAL PUNISHMENT demotes the state to the same level as the criminal who is being punished."  
--Steve Smiley



"I DON'T UNDERSTAND how any individual or government can take it upon itself to decide whether or not someone should die."  
--Alison Pratt



"IN A SENSE it's not fair. Normal people don't kill. There's got to be something wrong with their head if they do, and they should undergo treatment—but if it's done purposely and coldblooded, then capital punishment is well deserved."  
--Myrna Sawyers



"I BELIEVE CAPITAL punishment is good. We need more of it. If this country would practice the methods of Hitler and make banjo heads and bongo drums out of people, we wouldn't have as much violence as we are having now."  
--Leroy Savage



"ASIDE FROM THE FACT that psychologists are able to cure the criminally insane, and the fact that life imprisonment is psychologically more undesirable than death; man has no moral right to take another man's life regardless of circumstances."  
--Steve Bailey

(photos by Hadden)

# Vogues headline entertainment

As the second session of Auditorium the internationally summer school draws near, there famous U.S. Army Field Band are still many types of and Soldiers Chorus. Their entertainment on campus. On performance will be given free of July 22 the Vogues will be charge at 8:15 p.m. presented in concert on Later in Sept. East Carolina students will be entertained by theUniversity mall.

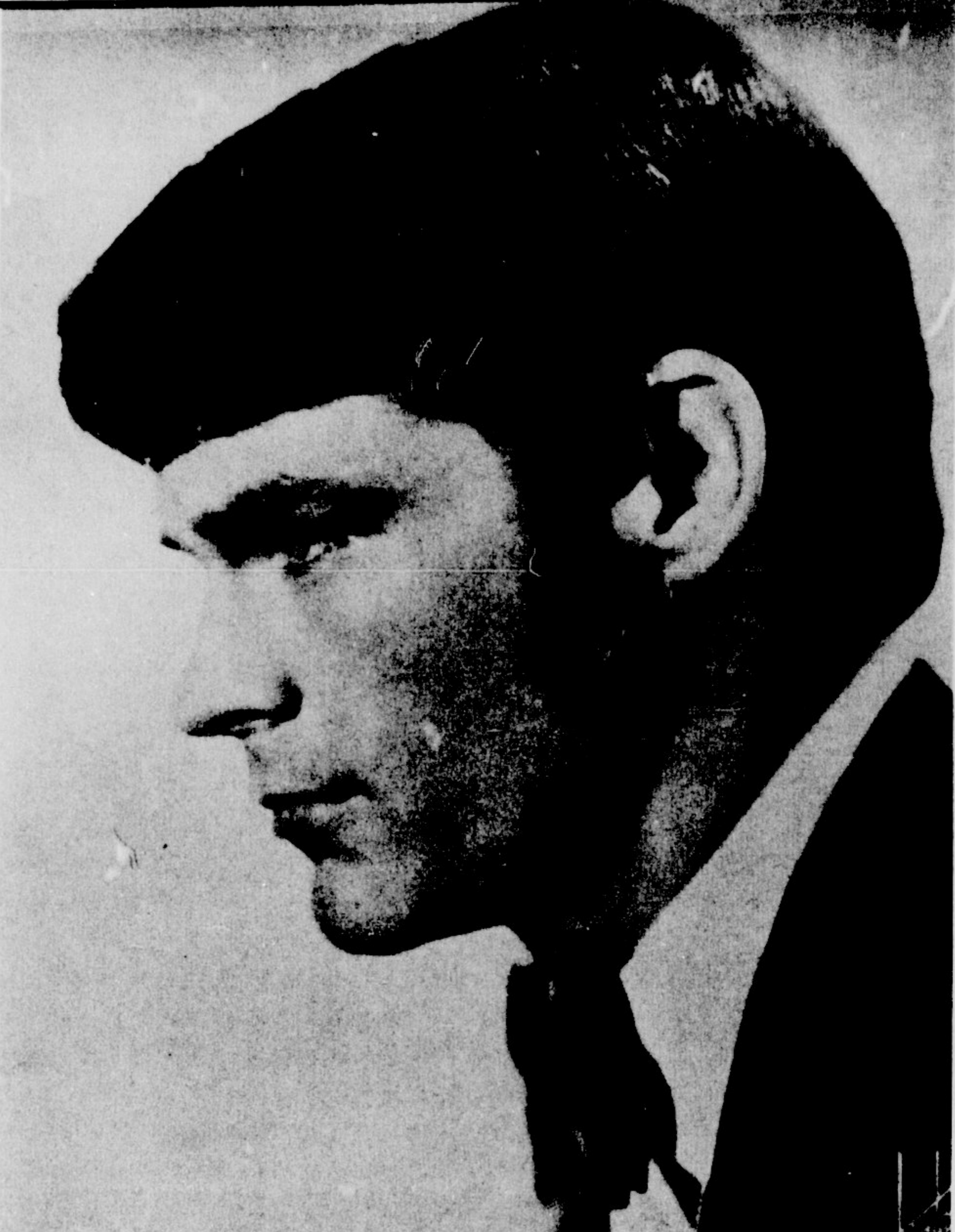
A large variety of movies will "Your Father's Mustache." This also be shown including "Point Parents Day Special promises to Blank" starring Lee Marvin and be a colorful exhibit of banjo "The Thomas Crown Affair" picking with a touch of silent with Steve McQueen. screen delight.

James Coburn's "In Like Flint" will be presented on As the end of the quarter Wed., July 9. draws near, so does

The fall quarter offers an homecoming. Homecoming even larger variety of week-end brings to the East entertainment. Carolina campus Miss Dionne

The year will be launched by Warwick. This concert on Fri., Mr. B.J. Thomas in "Welcome Nov. 7, will be followed by Back Concert" to be given in another performance on Sun., Minges Coliseum on Tues. Sept. Nov. 9 by the 5th Dimension.

9, at 8:00 p.m. Movies for Fall quarter will be announced at a later date.



B.J. THOMAS will present a Welcome Back Concert in Minges Coliseum September 9

## Soda shop opens early

Because of the problems involved, the Student Supply Store cannot be opened at an earlier time. However, a few items will be sold in the Soda Shop from 7:30 a.m. until the opening of the Supply Store for the student's convenience.

An SGA committee was formed for the purpose of studying the feasibility of opening the store at 7:30 a.m. along with the opening of the Soda Shop.

This committee worked with Mr. Joseph O. Clark, manager of the Student Supply Store and Soda Shop. Mr. Clark explained the difficulties involved in opening the stores earlier.

The only problem of opening the Soda Shop at 7:30 a.m. was getting pastries there earlier and hiring workers. Both problems were effectively solved.

Mr. Clark pointed out that it was not feasible to open the Supply Store earlier because of personnel problems.

Since State employees are limited to a forty-hour week, permission would have to be obtained from the state before workers could come in an hour earlier.

Mr. Clark further pointed out that a staggered shift would be impractical and therefore, more workers would have to be hired.

An alternative plan was then proposed by the committee. They suggested putting blue books, pens, and pencils in the Soda Shop in the morning at 7:30 a.m. for those who need them.

Mr. Clark readily agreed to sell these items in the Soda Shop from 7:30 a.m. until 8:15 a.m. when the Supply Store opens. This service will begin immediately.

Twenty-four teachers, including one from Minnesota and one from Florida, are attending an institute in elementary industrial arts at East Carolina.

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# Students blow the brain...

By BOB McDOWELL  
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In this computerized age, there is a definite danger that the value of individuality will be lost among cards which are now accumulating, waiting to be fed into the great computer of life. Students are becoming more and more afraid of being lost in the shuffle.

Computers are not infallible. They have weaknesses, and students can use these weaknesses to strike back. For instance, computers are dependent upon the students for their initial source of information. Therefore, the student can attack his persecutors even before they have sharpened their teeth on his cardboard facsimile. Consider some of the possibilities...

### SEX?

Sex is a good place to start. The usual answer to the question sex takes two forms: male or female. However, the cybernetic saboteur will endeavor to rupture the computer's banks by replying with an answer to which the computer cannot relate: (1) yes, no, or occasionally; (2) undecided (hence confusing it with category 2, major); or (3) delighted.

### MAJOR?

Major is a difficult category to confuse because it has a large range of possible answers. Therefore, we recommend the standard answer: DECIDED.

### RACE?

Race also presents a problem. Here it is impossible to answer in terms of black and white. Possible answers include: (1) 440,880,100 yard dash; (2) next Sunday night behind New Austin; and (3) in a Volkswagen???

### DEGREE?

This question is obscure in nature; therefore, it is open to irrelevant answers, such as: (1) 98.6; (2) yes—why else do you think I'm here?; and (3) MRS.

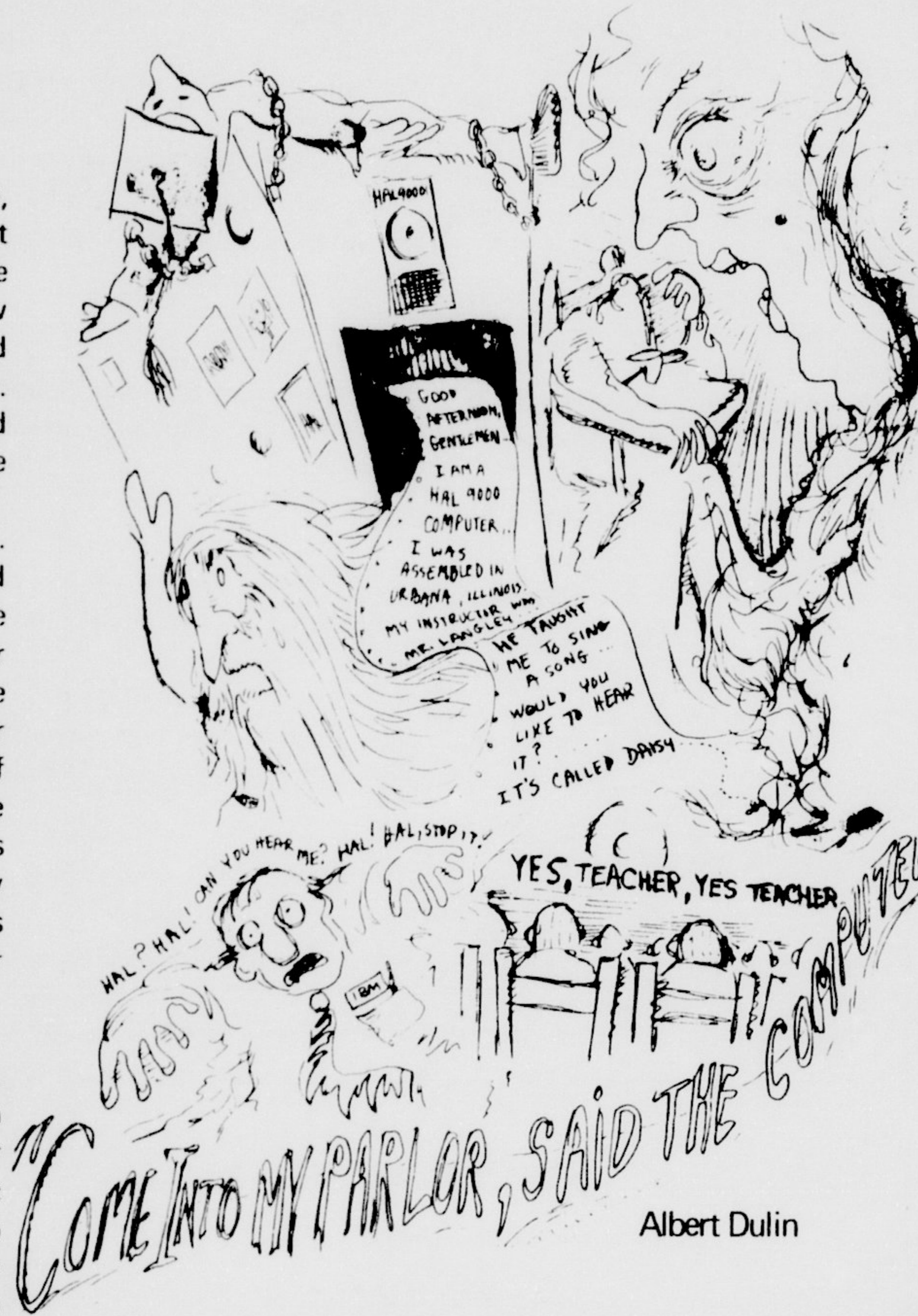
### HAIR AND EYES?

The nature of this question is opposite that of "major" due to its obvious literal translation. The answer in both categories could be "Yes," but other answers include: Under hair—(1) long or short; (2) Sears and Roebuck—\$25; or (3) only on the palms of my hands. Under eyes—(1) 20-20; (2) two; and (3) bloodshot.

### HEIGHT AND WEIGHT?

This question parallels number six and likewise defies solution in logical manner. This question measures the ability of the computer refuter. height can be approached in several ways: (1) fourteen hands; (2) about up to here; (3) Mt. Everest. Weight: (1) ten stone six; (2) what you get when you climb on the scales; and (3) it doesn't really matter, it's personality that counts.

We hope that this article will provide the impetus needed for the student in his war against computers.



Albert Dulin

# Left in the Wright window

By WHITNEY HADDEN

It seems the Greenville police were on the ball again this weekend.

Not that they have anything against the Bill of Rights; they were probably only taking the necessary precautions to insure that those ten students who were passing out copies of the Constitution didn't start rioting. Seventy cops were alerted. Never let it be said that our men in blue are anything less than zealous...

Never having allowed the fear of consequences to restrain our search for truth in the past, I recently felt the need to investigate the rest room situation on campus.

Certain of the rooms in the academic buildings are marked Faculty Men or Faculty Women.

My natural curiosity being what it is, the other day I decided to find out how the other side lives.

Waiting at the water fountain

until I was sure the room designated for Faculty Men was empty, I glanced furtively down the halls and then slipped in.

I could scarcely believe my eyes.

There was no lounge, no bar, no steam room—nothing that I had expected.

In fact, it was smaller than the student rest rooms, and the graffiti wasn't even half as prolific or as interesting as that found on student walls.

The first conclusion one could draw is that the separate but equal facilities are purely a prestige device, but we will go into this matter more deeply in a later column.

Several weeks ago that "other paper" in Greenville published a full page picture of the American flag emblazoned with the quote, "Our Country, Right or Wrong!"

I've been meaning to comment on that ever since, but, well, it's their ad space...

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# Campus Hi-lites ..... condensed news briefs

● The Summer School Dance will be held from 8-12 Saturday, July 14, at the American Legion, located off 264 by-pass on St. Andrews St.

Dress will be coat and tie for men and Sunday dress for women.

Entertainment for the evening will be by the Originals, and the Summer School Queen will be announced.

The dance is for couples only and admission will be by ID cards.

● Students desiring coffee, doughnuts, etc. before their 8:00 classes are in luck from now on, as the University Union Soda Shop opens each week day morning at 7:30 a.m.

To allow students with early classes to obtain supplies before

their 8 o'clock classes, the Soda Shop will also sell blue books, pens and pencils until 8:15, when the Supply Store opens.

The opening of the Soda Shop is the result of work by the Summer School Student Government Association officers who urge all students to take advantage of this opportunity.

● "Coins for Crew" was pushed off to a smashing start with \$100 collected on its first day, Monday.

Containers, in which donations may be made are located in all the men's and women's dorms and in all the cafeterias.

Another cannister has been placed under the billboard

displaying our crew in the outer lobby of the CU.

All persons who wish to make larger contributions should see Mrs. Owens in the Student Fund Accounting Office or Gary Gasperini, SGA Treasurer, both located on third floor Wright Annex.

● A "Workshop for counselors working with the disadvantaged" will begin at East Carolina July 21.

The workshop is composed of three weeks of intensive study in vocational counseling and will be free of charge to thirty participants.

Enrollment in the program will be selected from many agency and insittutional personnel promarily engaged in counseling the disadvantaged.

For applications and further information contact the Division of Continuing Education, East Carolina University, Greenville, 27834.

● Dr. Robert Williams, once Dean of Academic Affairs, has been given a new title: Provost.

Although this change in title will not have any effect on Dr. Williams' duties, it will alleviate the problems that arise when the Dean of Academic Affairs is confused with other dean and department heads.

● Positions on Summer School Judiciary are now available to interested men and women students.

Students should contact the Student Government Association this week in Room 303 Wright Annex.

Students applying should have a 2.0 average and currently be enrolled in Summer School.

● Donald Earl Warren has been selected as the first East Carolina student to participate in a summer internship program

sponsored by Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.

Warren is a rising senior whose grade average placed him in the top ten percent of business administration majors.

His work with the Fieldcrest Administrative Personnel includes an independent project in management.

● East Carolina University has been designated as a test center for administration of the National Teacher Examinations, scheduled July 19.

J.R. Steinberg, director of testing at ECU, said seniors preparing to teach and teachers applying for positions where NTE scores are required, are eligible to take the test.

Last year, Steinberg noted, more than 98,000 candidates took the examinations which are prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N.J.

"The designation of ECU as a test center will give prospective teachers in this area an opportunity to compare their performance on the examinations with candidates throughout the country," Steinberg said.

At the one-day session, a candidate may take the common examination and one of fifteen teaching area examinations.

Bulletins of information describing registration procedures and containing registration forms are available to interested teachers.

They may be achieved through Steinberg at ECU, Box 2762, Greenville, or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, N.J., 08540.

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East Carolina University has been designated as a test center for administration of the National Teacher Examinations, scheduled July 19.

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Last year, Steinberg noted, more than 98,000 candidates took the examinations which are prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, N.J.

"The designation of ECU as a test center will give prospective teachers in this area an opportunity to compare their performance on the examinations with candidates throughout the country," Steinberg said.

At the one-day session, a candidate may take the common examination and one of fifteen choice area examinations.

Bulletins of information describing registration procedures and containing registration forms are available to interested teachers.

They may be achieved through Steinberg at ECU, Box 52, Greenville, or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, N.J., 08540.

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# All part of the job?

By BOB McDOWELL

What does a campus police chief do besides write tickets?

For one thing, he removes mules from dormitories.

It was homecoming weekend, 1955, when Campus Police Chief Johnny L. Harrell was confronted with the most unusual case of his career.

While making his regular dormitory rounds, Chief Harrell discovered a 2300 pound mule blocking the first floor hallway of Slay Hall (then a men's dormitory). Harrell recognized the mule as one of a pair of mules that had been brought to campus by a local fraternity to pull a hearse in the homecoming parade.

### MISSING MULE

After the parade, the fraternity brothers tied the mules to a tree behind the Maintenance Building and left them there while they went to the homecoming football game.

Chief Harrell backed the mule down the hallway and out of the front of the building. When he retied the mule behind the Maintenance Building, he found that the other mule was missing.

He returned to the dorm and searched the first floor. No mule. Then he climbed the stairs to the second floor where he found the missing mule.

It took approximately an hour to back the mule down two flights of stairs and out of the dorm.

### PIG IN BATHROOM

In 1961, when Jones Hall was built, Chief Harrell was summoned to that dormitory one Sunday morning to remove a pig from the second floor bathroom.

"There was a boy down on his hands and knees scrubbing a pig in the shower. The boy ran out and left the pig in the bathroom," Chief Harrell recalled.

"I took the pig home and advertised for its owner to come and get it, but no one ever claimed it."

"About a month later, I had a barbeque," he added.

### MORE TRAFFIC, STUDENTS

Chief Johnny L. Harrell has served East Carolina University for 16 years. He began his duties in June, 1953, as "the only officer on campus at that time."

Today, Chief Harrell heads a police force responsible for a campus with over 9,000 students. Today, there are "more cars, more students, and more traffic."

Chief Harrell has spent 16 years in police work, including 5 years as a police officer in Tarboro. He has attended the

law enforcement academy here, as well as seminars on fingerprinting, search and seizure, and motor vehicle violations.

ECU's campus police force is composed of 12 men (11 officers and a chief), 9 of whom have backgrounds in police work.

For the most part, a campus policeman's job is routine. He must protect the lives and property of students, faculty, and administrative officials on campus. Also, campus policemen must enforce the University's many traffic rules.

### LONG ARM

How far does the campus policeman's authority reach?

"Students come under the jurisdiction of the campus police (or any administrative official) when and where their activities reflect on the student body," Chief Harrell explained.

How much authority do they have?

Campus policemen "are sworn in by the city of Greenville and are empowered to make arrests any time the law is violated."

What is their connection to other law enforcement agencies?

"We are connected by radio with all Pitt County law enforcement agencies, and the State Bureau of Investigation is at our disposal any time we need them." Chief Harrell added that the SBI can come on campus at any time, but the Federal Bureau of Investigation must have the permission of the administration to investigate here.

During his 16 years on the ECU campus, Chief Harrell has watched the school grow from 1900 to nearly 10,000 students. He has sent each of his 5 children to ECU. He has faith in the school and it has faith in him.



CAMPUS POLICE CHIEF Johnny Harrell has faith in East Carolina University

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## Half an issue?

Yesterday the Student Government Association Summer Legislature again demonstrated the SGA's characteristic attitude toward campus publications by voting to reduce the summer budget request of "The East Carolinian" by 10 percent.

SGA treasurer Gary Gasperini was responsible for requesting the 10 percent decrease from the Executive Budget Committee's approved figure. During the course of debate over the reduction, Gasperini indicated that he felt that such a request was reasonable; indeed, by removing \$575 from "The East Carolinian" budget appropriation, the financial solvency of the SGA would be assured throughout the summer.

He argued that since the \$11,000 budget for second session of summer school was merely an estimate that could vary as much as \$3,000 a budget cut was necessary to insure that the SGA would remain solvent.

As usual, publications received the first—and this time, the only—reduction in budget.

During the heated debate, Gasperini indicated that he, for one, hadn't the slightest sympathy for the financial situation of "The East Carolinian." The important thing was to save the SGA from financial embarrassment resulting from over appropriation.

The fact that the deleted sum would serve, in part, to pay the salaries of "The East Carolinian" staff did not seem to matter. It also did not matter that these same staff members work upwards of 20 hours a week, on the average, to provide the campus with the quality of news coverage that it deserves. Nor did it matter that staff members are paid less, per hour, than members of the Peace Corps (who were, at last estimate paid approximately 11 cents per hour).

Regardless of the reduction, "The East Carolinian" will continue to publish. Needed money for salary increases will be appropriated from our advertising revenue.

What it will mean for the student body is: fewer pages, fewer stories, and less news coverage. Perhaps an issue half the size of the present newspaper will allow us to meet our financial responsibilities.

Meanwhile, the SGA continues to remain solvent.

## The decline of the University Party

People have been saying for years that the only reason that ECU has two campus political parties is that there are just not enough offices to go around.

The party system on this campus seems to have followed that rule, with regularity, for the last several years. Three years ago the chairman of the Student Party resigned to help form the University Party and, incidentally, to receive its vice-presidential nomination in the spring election.

Regardless of the verbal incongruity of the "physical" connotations of the title "University Party," the party has served the student body reasonably well since its rise to power two years ago. True, there was no ideological departure from the tenets of its predecessor—now opponent. Party platforms were—and are—still designed for appeasement and popularity. And, for those of you who are interested, there is usually about a 70 percent carryover of platform promises from year to year.

The strong showing of "independent" candidates in this summer's election is indicative of a change in political feeling on this campus. Students are no longer willing to accept a party "product."

The fact that Robert K. Adams' administration is successfully fulfilling its platform will be remembered in the fall election. Hopefully, a trend toward independence in student government will continue. Adams has clearly shown that you don't have to be a party man to win an election—or to serve effectively.

The University Party has suffered a severe—possibly a killing—blow. Only time, and the winds of political fortune, will reveal the extent of the damage.

*As Biafrans starve*

## The war drags on

By WALT WHITEMORE

As the Biafran civil war enters its third year, the future seems to be as dismal as the past has been. Meanwhile, the world looks on while countless people continue to wonder when something will be done to end the tragedy.

Biafra is now better armed to wage its war for independence, but that offers little hope. There is less territory to defend against the federal troops. The government is bankrupt. And, of course, there are still many mouths to feed.

**A THOUSAND A DAY**

Today, as many children die

as are born each month. And, no end is in sight for the blood bath which has raged since the Ibo tribesmen seceded from Nigeria in 1966.

For a short length of time, limited amounts of aid reached the people via a Catholic relief organization. Then Red Cross people began flying in assistance. However, this did little to lower the death toll of 1000 a day.

**UNNECESSARILY TRAGIC**

Everyone seems to agree that the war is unnecessarily tragic. Battlefield casualties not withstanding, the 1.5 million who have starved to death in the past two years testify to the horrible nature of the situation.

But the number of innocent

victims does not seem to have been enough to overshadow the politics of the situation.

Other than "moral support" from the French, the people of Biafra have little reason to believe the world still cares if children continue to starve. The United Nations has never acknowledged any cause for alarm over the Nigeria-Biafra conflict. The United States and Great Britain have allowed their petroleum interests to overshadow the significance of widespread disease and starvation.

What remains now is to see how many more innocent victims pay the price of an unconcerned world.

## ecu forum

To the Editor,

Do You Care?

The University Party would like to extend its whole-hearted support to the East Carolinian and the Student Government Association in their Biafra drive.

We hope that each and every student will donate to this worthy cause. The extra few days of hunger that is displaced by your donation could mean a child's life.

Please give,

Gerald W. Roberson  
UP Vice-chairman

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN STUDENTS:

Recent questions in regard to the dress code have necessitated this clarification. Although it is left up to individual professors to decide on dress in their class rooms, and the Dean of Women informs me that students are requested to wear shoes in all administrative offices including House Counselors' offices, there is no rule regarding dress on campus other than the dress code. Since no cases regarding the dress code have come up in the Mens Residence Council Court or in the Womens House Council Courts, no interpretation of the dress code has been made.

THEREFORE, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS A CASE COMES UP BEFORE A STUDENT COURT FOR AN INTERPRETATION OF THE DRESS CODE, THE DRESS CODE IS THE ONLY GUIDELINE NOW IN EXISTANCE REGARDING DRESS. THERE IS NO SPECIFIC RULE REGARDING BARE FEET ON CAMPUS.

Robert K. Adams  
SGA President

### Forum policy

All students, faculty members, and administrators are urged to express their opinions in writing in the ECU Forum.

When writing letters to the Forum, the following procedure should be followed:

—Letters should be concise and to the point.

—Length should not exceed 300 words. The Editorial Board reserves the right to edit letters to conform to this requirement.

—All letters must be signed with the name of the writer. However, upon the author's request his name may be withheld.

Signed articles on this page reflect the opinions of the author, and not necessarily those of "The East Carolinian."

After the somewhat less than outstanding contribution made by the ECU student body to the starving people of the Republic of Biafra, this is a piece of gross insensitivity difficult to stomach.

Not to knock the Crew: crew racing is an elegant and exciting sport. The blame needn't be misplaced since the affront is smugly intended by its author. To me, from now on, the letters UP will stand for the Unconscious Party.

Ken Finch

P.S. No superiority of the SP is meant to be implied and, indeed, the "S" would be more fun to play with.

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To the Editor,

I noticed that the collection cans for the Crew have "SUPPORT YOUR CREW," with the cute little UP symbol as an added touch, cheerfully pencil-penned on the backs of the "FOOD FOR BIAFRA" posters.

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