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Drive begins to take funds from paper

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200+ observe protest

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ABOUT 200 PEACE MARCHERS turn off campus onto 5th St. as representatives from college campuses across the state demonstrated their opposition to the Vietnam war. For a news-features analysis see page 2. (Photo by Charles Griffin)

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Fountainhead biased says student petition

By MARGE SIMPKINS
Staff Reporter

Sophomore Tom Bennet is spearheading a petition to be presented to SGA president John Schofield outlining two major changes for the campus newspaper, Fountainhead.

The petition's first request is "that all funds assigned to the Fountainhead received from student fees paid to the Student Government Association, be withheld immediately."

Secondly, it recommends the appointment of a committee to investigate the operation of the Fountainhead.

The petition, is the result of what Bennet says is the paper's being "completely opinionated." The petition must have at least 1,000 signatures to be present effectively.

In an interview, Bennet, also headed the campus Rally for America demonstration stated, "When I gave the Rally for America on the mall there was no coverage." He indicated that he was going to the Publications Board about the matter as soon as possible.

Bennet added that it was "great" that the Fountainhead petition is getting coverage.

Bennet said he had not written to the editor about his complaints, but knows of those who have.

Bennet stated that the paper has improved in a way, but that he thought it should think of a better way to get its money than through charging campus organizations for advertisements.

As a further list of improvements, Bennet added that the Forum has been biased. He said that facts are not given in the paper.

A suggestion to print only 3,000 papers to fill the reading demand instead of enough for the whole student population was offered by Bennet. He pointed out that there are a number of papers wasted each week.

Bennet in a prepared statement said, "The success of this petition will also mean the establishment of a committee, appointed by the SGA and president Jenkins, to investigate the bias presented by the paper and make suggestions to correct the problems the Fountainhead presents."

"It involves students, controversy and apathy," Bennet said.

Faculty Senate to hear 'pass-fail' proposal

A proposal for a pass-fail system for ECU will be presented to the Faculty Senate when school reopens after Christmas holidays.

Tom Clune, SGA secretary of internal affairs, said in a prepared statement that his office had been "diligently working the past few months," with the proposal.

"Basically, this system of grading gives the student the chance to explore courses outside his major field without experiencing undue grading pressure by competing with those in that particular major," Clune said.

Clune cited "months of reference and exploration" into the pass-fail systems used at other schools such as, Harvard, Brown, Columbia, UNC, Princeton and Colgate.

Clune said that his office had applied the ideas of several different systems to its proposal in order to have it "work to the greatest advantage on our campus."

Clune said that he hoped that any student who was interested in the system should "make their feelings known by contacting the office of internal affairs or the Fountainhead."

Financial aid programs to be examined Wed.

There will be a meeting at 4 p.m. Wednesday, in Wright Auditorium to disseminate information about financial aid programs for next year and to distribute Parents' Confidential Statements.

A confidential statement must be submitted to Princeton, N.J. by every student wishing to apply or reapply for one or more of the following aid programs: National Defense Student Loan, Nursing Student Loan,

Educational Opportunity Grant, North Carolina Tuition Scholarship, Nursing Student Scholarship, and College Work-Study.

Another reduction in federal funds is anticipated for next year. In order for one to have his request for aid on file in time to receive consideration, attendance is necessary, according to Robert Boudreaux, financial aid officer.

Fountainhead news analysis

Moratorium committee sponsors peace parade

By ALAN SABROSKY

The march against the war in Vietnam this past Friday, Dec. 12, was an example of the correct means by which citizens may petition their government. The ECU Moratorium Committee, which sponsored the event, had secured a parade permit for 1 p.m. from the Greenville administration for a designated route. The conditions of the permit were carefully adhered to by the participants.

Approximately 150 persons, including 12 faculty members or other older members of the community, assembled on the eastern portion of the Mall shortly before 1 p.m.

Wayne Eads opened the affair and introduced Dr. Sidney Finkel, a faculty member from the School of Business, who presented a brief rationale for the march.

Following Finkel's speech, the group formed into a long column of two abreast, and began moving out of the Mall and down 5th Street escorted by the Greenville Police Department.

Members of the ECU Moratorium Committee and GAP acted as "parade marshals" to keep the marchers moving and prevent any fragmentation of the parade.

Numerous signs indicated the desire of the marchers for an end to the war and the coming of peace.

One sign, however, seemed notably out of consonance with the others. Instead of proclaiming "Bring the troops

home" or "End the War," it asserted "Victory for the Viet-Cong." The marchers positions generally coincided with that expressed by Marty Hudson, who said both sides were at fault in the war, but the important thing was to end the fighting as soon as possible.

Several participants in the march expressed opinions of the day's events. The necessity for having a legal, peaceful march was mentioned by many.

Mrs. Patricia Marshall, the wife of a member of the ECU Department of Philosophy, stated emphatically that, while she "favored legal participation," she would not have marched if a permit had not been granted.

The use of violence as a means of protesting the war — a tactic favored by factions such as the SDS was castigated by Mrs. Marshall, who asserted that it "seems absurd to use violence to protest violence."

Reactions to the march by members of the Greenville community were a blend of indifference and dislike.

As the parade passed down 8th Street on its way back to the campus, a man who was painting his house did not bother to turn around to look at the marchers. There was no discernable heckling, although many comments were heard from onlookers, both white and black, male and female, which were critical of both the protest and the protestors.

One group of men sarcastically remarked: "What

do those kids know of war? They've never had any hard times." Correct or not, it indicated the general response to the march.

Various chants were used at intervals. "We don't want your lousy war" and "Tricky Dicky end the War" were the most frequent.

The Greenville administration also became a target of the moratorium, as "Here's to you, Hagerty: We don't want your fascist state" was frequently heard. The most common chant, however, was "Peace...Now!"

A businessman, looking at the demonstrators from his doorway, exclaimed to another man after he heard several repetitions of "Peace...Now!": "Damn! They sound like the Hitler Youth!"

Opinion as to what would follow an American withdrawal from South Viet-Nam were mixed. Most of those I spoke to felt that it would result in a victory for the Viet-Cong, although as Finkel said, most of them opposed both the tactics of the Viet-Cong and Communist dictatorship, as well as the Saigon regime. However, the consensus seemed to be in agreement with the view of one young coed who stated that "even if a bloodbath followed a Communist victory, it was better than losing more American lives."

Participants were also uncertain as to the possibility of using the UN to secure a

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SCLC marchers arrested on 'no permit' charge

Twenty-nine blacks were arrested here Friday afternoon and charged with parading without a permit.

The marchers said they were protesting the death sentence for 18-year-old Miss Marie Hill which was upheld last week by the state Supreme Court. They carried a coffin.

Golden Frinks of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference said he felt there would be arrests but "only enough are going to march to fill up the police bus." He said it takes 40 people to fill the bus.

Frinks called the march a "symbolic funeral," the first of a statewide protest in support of Miss Hill. He also said that a statewide march on Raleigh has been planned for Thursday to protest Miss Hill's sentence.

Miss Hill, of Rocky Mount, was sentenced to die for the slaying of Rocky Mount storekeeper W.E. Strum, 65.

Strum was found dead in his store on Oct. 7, 1968 from gunshot wounds.

Miss Hill is slated to die in the gas chamber at the state prison at Raleigh on Dec. 26. However, an appeal is planned to delay the execution.

Those jailed Friday included 12 youths and 17 adults, including a number of Southern Christian Leadership Conference leaders.

All were placed in the Pitt County jail under \$200 bonds. Trial for the marchers has been set for Dec. 19 in Pitt County District court.

Twenty-seven other illegal parading cases are set for trial on that date also. These cases involve 27 ECU students who were arrested for parading without a permit slightly more than 24 hours after the new city ordinance was enacted.

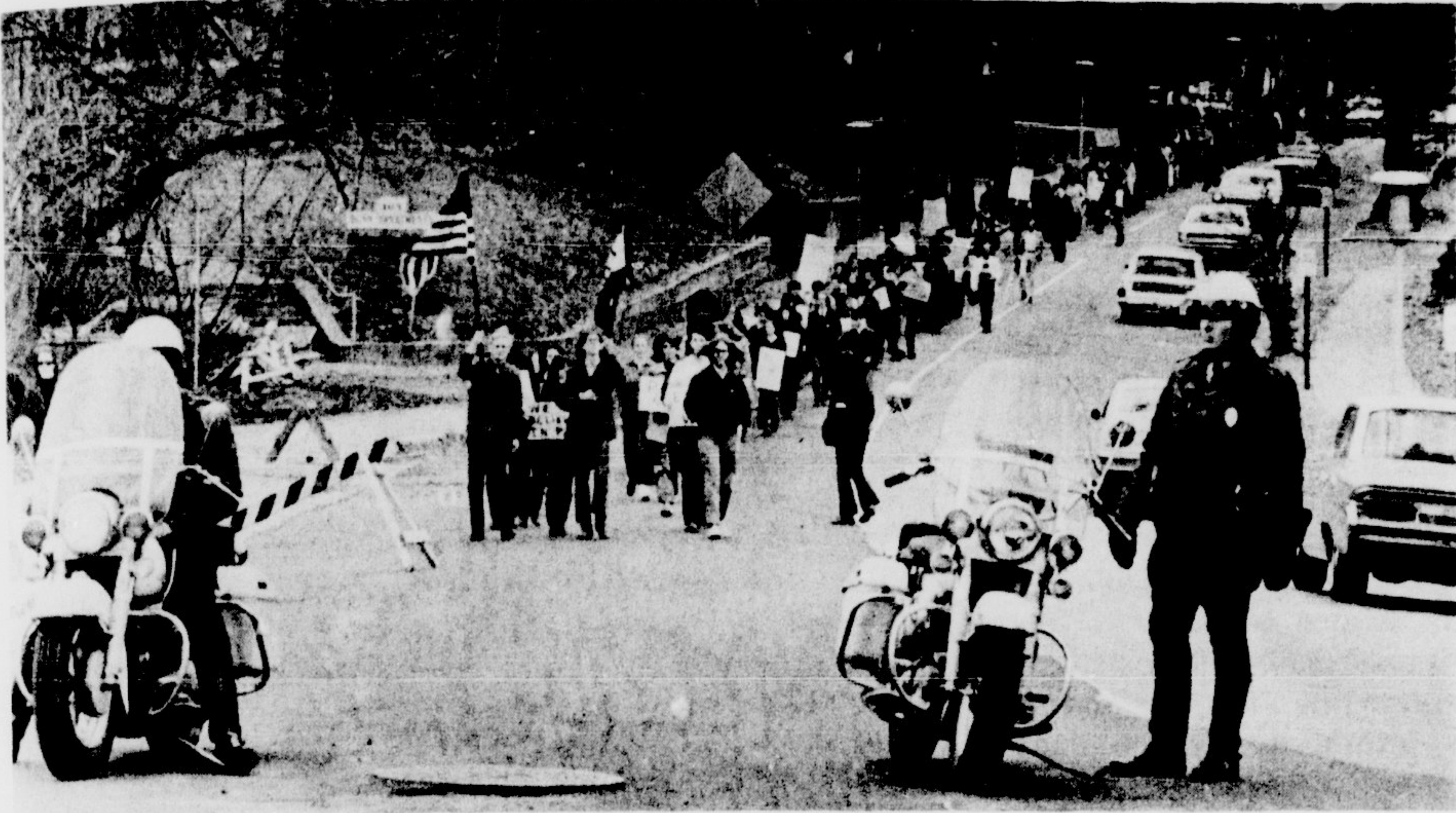
Assistant Police Chief E.G. Cannon informed Frinks and other leaders that they faced

arrest if they violated the city parade ordinance. He gave Frinks a copy of the new ordinance just before the parade and march was organized.

Frinks said he had not been asked to lead the march. He said that they planned to take a coffin used in the march to Fayetteville for a GI protest march there Saturday. The coffin was confiscated by police.

Some of the protestors appeared reluctant to take part in the march but were encouraged by adults, according to a story in the Saturday issue of the News and Observer.

Milton Fitch, state coordinator of the SCLC, while not marching or among those arrested, helped to line up the march at the start.



GREENVILLE POLICE led the marchers on their two and one half mile trek around the downtown business district. (Photo by Charles Griffin)

Moratorium marchers

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 mutual withdrawal of American and North Vietnamese troops and supervise an election to determine the question of the political control of South Viet-Nam. Some felt that it could be done, and that the Communist negotiators in Paris had been wrong to reject President Nixon's proposal to do just this last spring; others, such as Joe Atkins and Dan Searson, considered any such action to be unfeasible, as the "U.N. was powerless."

The marchers returned to the Mall shortly after 2, having walked some two and a half miles without any incidents. The conduct of the Greenville police evoked compliments from the ECU Moratorium Committee, which expressed its thanks to the Police Department and particularly to Chief Gladston for their assistance.

Back on the Mall, a number of speakers presented their views on behalf of the Moratorium and the entire anti-war movement. Prominent in these proceedings were Clyde Frazier and George Vlasits of the United States Citizens for Peace, an organization at Chapel which has been formed to coordinate anti-war movements on a statewide basis.

Both men expressed their belief that mass demonstrations were not achieving their purpose; it was necessary to go to the "grass roots" of American society on a person-to-person basis in order to reach the majority of the American people. These and other speeches lasted for approximately one hour, after which the demonstration terminated.

At least 170 persons, including approximately 20 people from Chapel Hill, took part in the march at any given time.

As people were entering and leaving the procession at intervals, a total of perhaps 250 people, most of them students, could well have taken part in the event. Many students-nearly nine thousand, in fact-did not participate. Some may well have been apathetic; others were required to be in class during the time,

and could not have taken part, even had they wished to do so. Of those who could have participated and did not, their opinion was that the protestors

should "give the Administration a chance; the war wasn't created in a day, and it won't end in a day."

Cadet Rex Meade commands AFROTC

Cadet Lt. Colonel Rex Meade assumed command of the 600th AFROTC Cadet Group recently.


Grades and extracurricular activities are considered in the selection of the cadet commander.

Each year three cadet commanders are chosen. One serves as commander in fall, one in winter, and one in spring.

The two major events he plans for this quarter is the Marchathon and a military formal dinner.

The Marchathon is the annual cadet march to collect money for the March of Dimes.

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Pirates check gunsights after Richmond defeat

Coach Tom Quinn had his Pirates checking their gunsights Monday before hitting the road for the second time in a row to take on Duke's Blue Devils.

The reason for the calibration exercise was Saturday night's disappointing performance against Richmond's Spiders as the Pirates dropped their second straight and their first encounter with a Southern Conference foe to the tune of 90-72.

For the record, East Carolina, which had been

connecting at a 45.4 clip from the floor, managed but 32.4 against Richmond while the Spiders were connecting at a 44.6 rate.

Perhaps the fact that veteran guard Tom Miller had to sit the game out with a sprained ankle, sustained in the game with South Carolina, had considerable effect on the overall shooting picture. Miller, the team's third leading scorer going into the game, has been keeping the defenses loose with his outside shooting, but without him in there, there was

a noticeable difference.

The Pirates lost control of the game just before halftime and when Richmond scored the first seven points of the second half to take an 18-point lead, the situation was critical and didn't improve.

Once again Jim Modlin was the leading performer for the Pirates, scoring 19 points and claiming 12 rebounds. Sophomore Jim Fairley continued to impress as he scored 16 points and got eight rebounds. Jim Gregory scored 13 and claimed nine rebounds. The Pirates lost three players, Gregory, Modlin and Jim Kiernan, on fouls and both Fairley and Greg Crouse were carrying four apiece when the game ended.



FLAG PRESENTED TO NATATORIUM — Swimming coach Ray Scharf (right) along with Dr. Leo Jenkins accepted an American flag presented by Randy Briley in a ceremony before the N.C. State swimming meet.

Deadlines announced

The application deadlines for three men's intramural sports events were announced Monday by Kent Legget, publicity director for men's intramural sports.

Rosters and applications for the Intramural Swimming and Wrestling meets are due Jan. 8.

Legget said that anyone who wishes to participate in any of these activities should contact the Intramural Office in Room 160, Minges before the deadline dates.

The deadline for applications for the Intramural Foul Shooting contest is Jan. 22.



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Wrestlers win at Duke; Ellenberger, Bastian lead

By DON TRAUSSNECK
Tom Ellenberger, who last week won the Joe Murnick Trophy as the outstanding wrestler in the state, and Stan Bastian, another of the Pirate's state champions, continued along their winning ways as the Pirate wrestlers won their second straight dual meet, 22-12, at Duke Thursday.

Ellenberger won the 118-pound match by pinning Duke's Dick Donovan in 7:21. Bastian also remained undefeated by outpointing his

opponent, Pete Shihadeh, 8-3, at 158 pounds. Another pin was scored by East Carolina's Steve Morgan over Curt Mitchell in 2:50, at 134.

Ron Williams, replacing the injured Tim Ellenberger in the 126-pound class, John Carroll (150), and Mike Spohn (167), another state champion, also scored decisions for the Pirates as they moved out to a 22-3 lead in team point score with three weight classes remaining.

Suffering their first losses in

dual meet competition were Robert Corbo (142), Tom Marsh (190), and Bob Jaronczyk (unlimited). The absence of Cliff Bernard due to an injury may have hurt the Pirates' chances of making a better showing but the victory extended the team's record to 2-0 in addition to having won the state Collegiate Wrestling Championship.

The Pirates' next foe will be Ohio Northern University, in Minges Coliseum Thursday night.

Bucs lose

East Carolina University's freshman team after claiming its first win, a 123-87 romp over Chowan College, suffered its fourth loss of the year against Richmond, 50-47.

The Baby Bucs led most of the way until the late minutes of the game when Richmond's Spiders rallied to take the lead for the first time with 5:21 left in the game.

After that the Baby Bucs never led again. Their largest lead of the night was 12, when they led 15-3 with 11:20 remaining in the first half.

Al Faber was the top scorer for the Baby Bucs with 15 while Dave Franklin added 10.

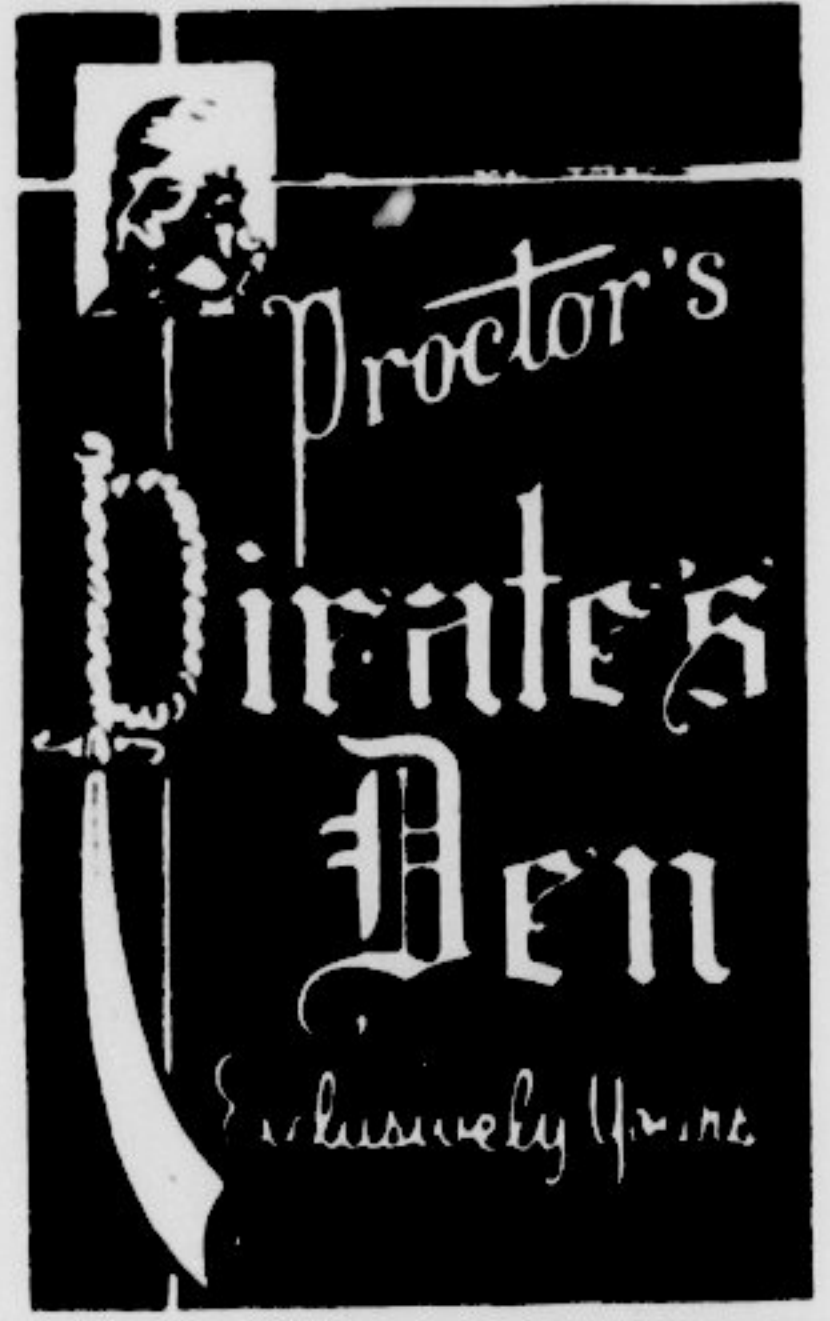
Tops for Richmond were Mike Anastasio with 13 and Joe Dausen with 12. Jim Barfoot by 10.

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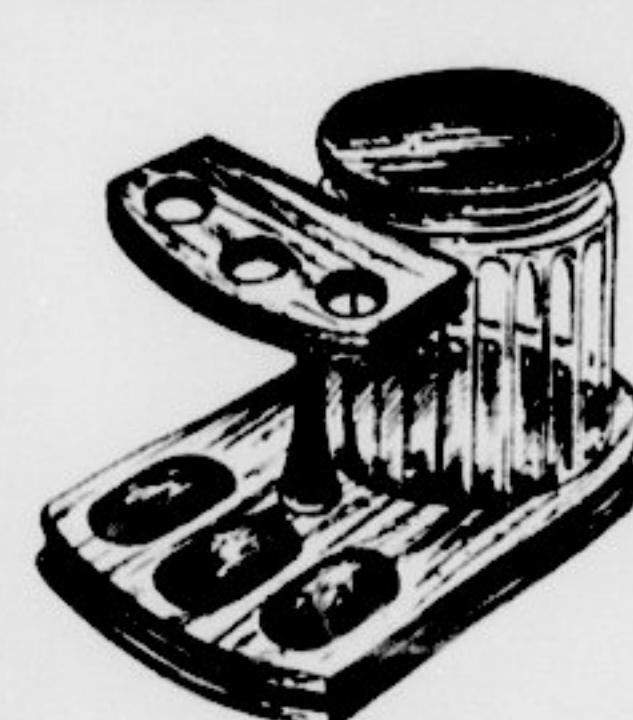


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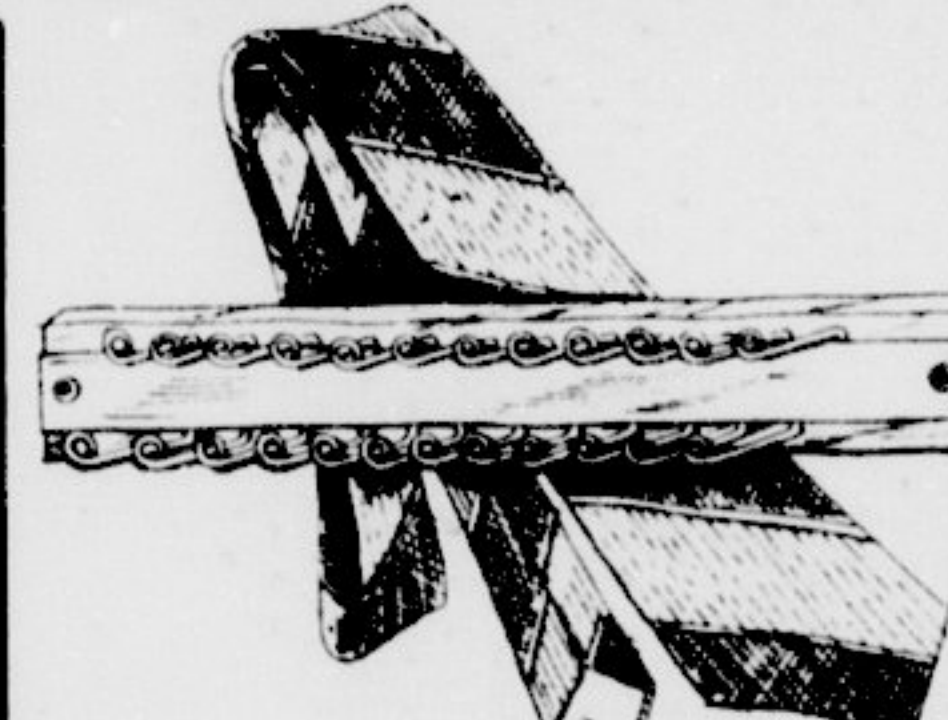
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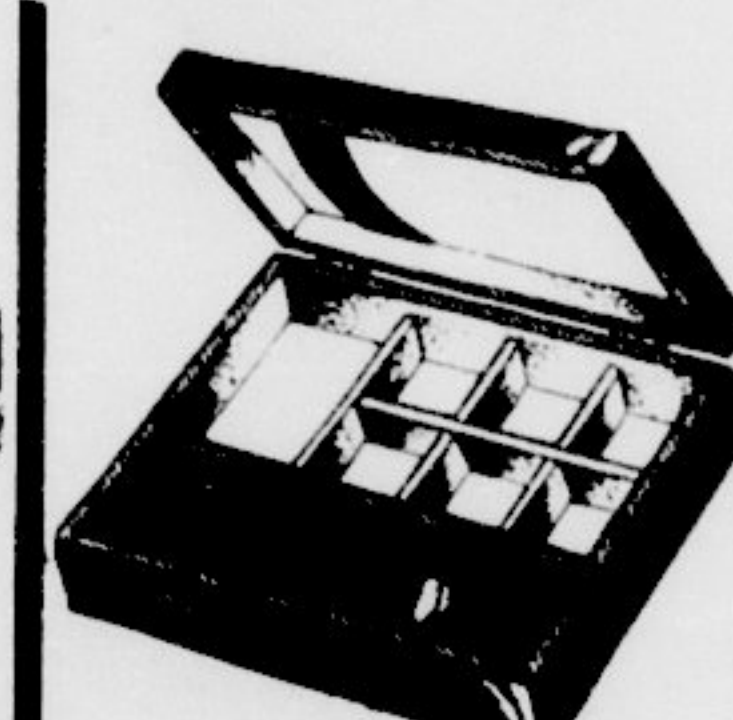
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Through my eye Radicals test Ordinance

By CHARLES GRIFFIN
As revolutionaries go, the ECU chapter is grade Z. But so is the political acumen of the Greenville City Council. Never before have radical students tried so long to provoke arrest, never before has a governing body brought about such arrests with so beautiful a ground for a civil rights case.

The Greenville Ordinance No. 330 is clearly an infringement on the rights of every person in the area. If you proceed with your friend, girl, wife, child, parent or mother-in-law in an orderly manner down the sidewalks you are subject to arrest in Greenville for parading. Once you could be arrested for disturbing the peace, now you can be arrested for shopping.

As Ordinance No. 330,

Section 1, Definition of terms (part b) states, "parade" is any assemblage of two or more persons participating in or operating any vehical in any march, ceremony, show, exhibition, or procession of any kind (writer's emphasis) in or upon the public streets, sidewalks, alleys, parks, or other public grounds or places."

Let us give a cheer that our semi-professional freedom fighters have finally succeeded in reaching their cherished goal, gaol (British spelling). Being a law abiding citizen, I urge that each and everyone of you buckle down and subscribe to the wisdom of the Greenville City Council. It only takes a little prior planning to figure out where you have to go three days from now. Set up

your schedule and call the Chief of Police today. Ask him for your parade permit.

Were every law abiding person from ECU or Greenville to do this, I think the Ordinance would be of short duration. It is all very well that change or progress is caused by the actions of a flamboyant few, but the change we now see was caused by the anticipation of their actions, and they now are preparing for court to overthrow what they so vehemently sought.

It appears the Revolution is creating a vicious cycle. Perhaps the answer is not revolution, or protest marches. The answer to the ridiculous is ridicule. Greenville's corporate attitude is ridiculous, let us ridicule it. Within the law, of course.

Sanford brings state into exciting new era

By SONNY McLAWHORN

Terry Sanford has a way of making things better. He brought North Carolina out of the doldrums into an exciting, innovative era of government.

He foresaw a "New Day" for North Carolina. And he thought education was a good place to begin. During Sanford's four years in the Governor's Mansion, funds marked for state-supported colleges and universities increased by 70 percent, while support for public schools increased 50 percent.

Sanford thought the state should undertake projects to supplement the regular high school curriculum. He established the Governor's School for Gifted Children and the Advancement School for eighth-grade "underachievers." Both of these pilot programs have been dramatically

successful. And both are considered to be significant advances in the role of the state government in education.

The former governor has maintained membership on a number of educational organizations, including the National Council for Education of Disadvantaged Children, the National Association for Retarded Children and the Committee for the Support of Public Schools.

Governor Sanford instituted a statewide system of community colleges. The effects of this far-reaching project can already be seen, especially in the rural areas.

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Play was 'roaring success'

By CHIP CALLAWAY

A FLEA IN HER EAR was a roaring success. Sophisticated farce, even when done by professionals, is one of the most difficult of all types of drama to "bring off," but the East Carolina Playhouse did "bring it off." The settings were whimsically but excitingly done; the costuming, bright and fanciful; the characters delightful; and, the entire effort well directed.

Sophisticated French farce depends heavily on perfect timing and comic exaggeration; both were present in the

production of this play.

The hilariously quick moving second act was the high point of the show, as different wives and husbands, and lovers, and hotel keepers, and mistaken identities kept the audience reeling with laughter and confusion as to who was going to be caught doing what. The romping finale left the audience still giggling as they walked out of the theater.

While most of the characters were handled competently, one far outdid the others. Camille, played by Jim Leedom, was the obvious hit of the play. His

ridiculous inability to speak his consonants and his quizzical addresses to the audience brought tidal waves of laughter. Camille, if played badly, could have destroyed any hope of making the play truly funny, but the finesse and comic ability Leedom seems to possess made the play. I would like to make one other note about one of the characters. Mark Ramsey, who it would seem does possess talent as an actor, should be used for something other than an "old man" every time he steps on the stage. In spite of his competence as an "old man", Ramsey's talents should be more fully exploited than they have been in the last two years in which the actor and the audience have been constantly subjected to Ramsey as the "old man."

Adding to the success of the play were the overly ornate settings that formed the perfect backdrop for such madcap chaos that is the soul of true farce. Not to qualify this praise, but one grows to expect such well-done sets from a talent such as John Sneden, who never seems to disappoint the audience even if occasionally a play does.

All in all, one could say that the evening at the theater was as genuinely entertaining as I have experienced in a long time.

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Art show

Drawings by Robert Kaupelis, are currently displayed by the Art Department on the third floor of Rawl through Dec. 19.

Kaupelis is a professor in the Department of Art Education at New York University, and is author of the book, "Learning to Draw."



By BILL CONNELLY
Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON
Sen. Sam J. Ervin Jr. of North Carolina is properly known as one of the more conservative members of Congress. But on some major questions involving civil rights, Ervin ranks as a liberal.

For example, Ervin is perhaps the Senate's leading advocate of laws to protect the privacy rights of Americans. His chief targets are computer systems, data banks and government agency snoopers.

He has called for a new federal agency to regulate computers—to assure that citizens' reputations and credit ratings are not permanently damaged by erroneous or outdated computer information.

He has also fought, with some success, for laws to protect federal employees from highly personal questionnaires and from bosses who pressure them to buy savings bonds or support political candidates.

Most recently, Ervin has been after the computers. The 73-year-old Senator believes that, without regulation, computer files can pose a major threat to individual privacy.

"All of us have been, or will be, victimized or harassed by a computer," Ervin said in a recent speech. "Last year I received a check from the Social Security agency for \$754.25 for lump sum death benefits.

"I returned the check with a letter saying I was happy to report that, contrary to the computer's deduction, any indications that I had passed away were slightly exaggerated...

"So if the computer has, through folklore, acquired an image of infallibility, this is not the image it has in my mind.

"Nor is it the image in the minds of those countless millions of Americans whose reputations, jobs, credit and insurance ratings, health records, security clearances, driver's licenses and government benefits...may be destroyed or threatened by a computer.

"These are the people who stand to suffer at some time in their lives from erroneous information in their computer files which they cannot confront or explain."

As Ervin notes, computers have a retentive memory, and are unforgiving. More serious, they do not always correct their own mistakes or bring their findings up to date. Anyone who has tried to write an oil company or a large department store about a billing error knows how difficult it is to argue with a computer.

Furthermore, our society is only beginning to feel the impact of the computer revolution. Within both government and business, there is growing interest in creating data banks, which would contain a dossier on almost every American. Information on a person's background, financial status, etc., would be instantly retrievable.

It would be a great help, of course, to the credit bureaus, the census-takers and various government agencies. But Ervin believes the potential for misuse and error would make the data banks a serious threat to individual liberty.

"Our present legal system affords no protection against the excesses of computers, and no adequate legal remedies for the injustices they may cause," Ervin complains. To correct this, he advocates:

- 1) A new independent regulatory agency to oversee the burgeoning computer industry and to require that it take precautions against unwarranted invasion of privacy.
- 2) Laws assuring each citizen the right to confront and challenge the information and records about him that are retained by computers.
- 3) More self-regulation by the computer industry, including built-in protections in the machines.
- 4) Controls on government questioning of citizens for statistical purposes.
- 5) More laws to protect the privacy rights of federal employees.

Not everyone agrees that the problem is as urgent or as threatening as Ervin describes it. And the senator's critics continue to question why anyone so solicitous of individual liberties could be so strongly opposed to civilrights laws for black people.

But almost everyone agrees that Ervin is directing attention to what may one day be a serious national problem.

"We know enough now of the implications of this technology to begin taking action both in the private and the public sectors to bring the electronic brains under effective control of the human beings they are created to serve," he argues.



ON MY MIND

By DON OSBORNE

Because America has become so polarized in the past few years in her socio-political outlook, I have devised a spectrum into which most Americans seem to fit. I see at one extreme end of our social spectrum a group of lost people, concerned only with themselves, searching for something to believe in, not really knowing how to go about living. These are the people, living in communes, losing themselves in drugs, trying to find themselves and only getting deeper lost.

As the spectrum progresses, there stems the group which, equally lost, have lost themselves in causes — social, political, pseudo-religious and otherwise. These are the advocates of various types of negative revolution. They claim to have all the answers and are adamant in their philosophies, refusing to deter from their courses, regardless of whether or not they can be proven "wrong".

The progression passes rapidly to the next step, not so radical, not quite as sure of the "answers" they purport. They are sure only that "something must be done." They intellectualize, debate and suggest, enjoying their position in the spectrum because it is stylish.

In the middle of the spectrum are those which are lost in the confusion of each issue as it merges into other issues. These are the pragmatists which cannot even decide what they believe in in general because there is no unity in their approach to different situations. They may have a very "conservative" view on one issue and an equally "liberal" view on a similar problem. Therefore, they quite often contradict their own policies, trying not to offend anyone.

Here the spectrum passes into an equal side opposing the one already discussed. There are first those which propose suggestions, only of the opposite view as those on the other side of the spectrum. There are next the radicals which claim to have all the answers — usually reactionary to the ones their opposites/equals claim. For example, if the left side claims that violent revolution is the only answer, their opposite/equals will claim that violent suppression of revolution is the only answer. The extreme end of this side of the spectrum are those who, instead of dropping out of society, are so wrapped up in establishing a social position that they are concerned only with themselves and how they

can best fit socially.

I wonder if anyone which fits into any phase of this spectrum can be persuaded to be any different than they already are; I wonder if anything I or anybody writes or says really makes a difference. It seems that those who already hold opinions are not going to be swayed to deviate from their convictions and those lost in themselves aren't going to have opinions concerning anything bigger than themselves. Therefore, I am waiting for the outcome of the social chaos which is progressing in my country and I feel helpless to do anything about it. A modicum of social-political unity is the thing for which I'll hope.

Belk Tyler

LOVE...

1970



Love, brother . . . that's where it's at for 1970. And that's how we feel about our customers who made 1969 go. Thanks!

Poetry forum opens Thursday in Arts Center

Members of the ECU Poetry Forum will read some of their original poetry at the Greenville Art Center at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18.

The program, ranging from modern avant-garde verse to more conventional types, will be "interesting varied," according to Vernon Ward, assistant professor of English and director of the Poetry Forum.

The readers will be: Ward, Richard Capps, Ann Marie Capps, Fred Sorensen, Edna Fisher, Woody Thurman, Maxim Tabory, Anita Brehm and Claire Pittman.

There will be no admission charge and the public is invited.



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They say our news is slanted. They say, and rightfully so, that our editorials are biased and do not reflect "the mood of the student body."

And, so they gripe and circulate petitions. Wouldn't it be nice if they were to come to the Fountainhead office and join the staff so that their "side could be heard." We are yet to refuse a staff member because of his conservative line of thinking.

But instead of making a positive contribution, they only gripe and circulate petitions.

And to think. They call us negative.

So today, the newspaper will make no comment in its editorial column. Are we to think that the students want us to say nothing.

We await your reply.

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The forum

Dear Editor,

Congratulations to Alan Sabrosky (Conservative Commentary, Fountainhead Dec. 9, 1969) for flawlessly rattling off the Conservative (Facist?) view of public assembly.

Unfortunately, Sabrosky's version of the events of December 4 lack one minor detail — truth. Had Mr. Sabrosky been present on the ECU mall before the walk through Greenville, he would have heard demonstration organizers offer advice on how to AVOID violating the maze of local regulations restricting public assembly. So much for the "politics of confrontation" nonsense.

Other sections of the Sabrosky "Commentary" reek of Vice-President Agnew's absurd "effete snobs" theory. Once again Mr. Sabrosky demonstrates his ignorance by mindlessly reciting "conservative" dogma, totally unrelated to the December 4 arrests.

If one considers the U.S. Constitution "ideological rhetoric," I can only urge members of the "silent majority" to overcome their deadweight inertia and become involved in their government, rather than simply adding their mindless mass to the ruling party's bandwagon.

J. R. Frahm

Dear Editor:

I am presently a student here. Recently, I left my books on the shelves outside the bookstore, as anyone must who shops in this place of business. Upon returning, my books were nowhere to be found.

What am I to conclude? That the book store is in league with book thieves?

I certainly hope not, but the fact that the bookstore takes no responsibility for books and other articles left on those shelves seems to be somewhat ridiculous when they must be left there by anyone who shops there.

How about checking into another system which would prevent these people with sticky fingers from getting such

ideal opportunities for practicing their trade perhaps some sort of checking system in the vicinity of the store.

Jeral L. Mooneyham

Dear Editor:

The Poet-Senator from Minnesota recently won an award for this poem. I would like to dedicate it to the Greenville City Council. This is a clean, safe town/ No one can just come round/ With ribbons and bright thread/ Or new books to be read/ This is an established place/ We have accepted patterns in lace/ And ban itinerant vendors of new/ forms and whirrs/ And things that turn the heads of girls...

Tom Finan

Dear Editor:

Last Wednesday, in order to show more support for our team, I made a poster saying, "Go Pirates" on one side and "What's a Roche?" on the other to take to the game. However, as soon as I got in the door a man came running up to me and very rudely grabbed it away saying, "Jenkins says, 'No posters'."

I don't think I would mind not being allowed to take a poster to the game, but to be overtly rude about it was more than unnecessary.

Inside the gym, however, were two banners, a sign on a sheet, and several posters. So why was mine grabbed away?

I later asked for an official explanation, and was told that "Someone might bring one in saying 'Black Power'." I can understand there being a reason to stop Black Power posters — to preserve the school's good name — but what of others?

Mine had nothing to do with Black Power and I'm white, so that excuse won't hold for me. I have short hair, was neatly dressed, and had shaved, so there can be no reason there. It was written on both sides, so I couldn't be accused of wanting to write something else.

And whatever in the world can be an excuse for being unnecessarily rude?

Is it that in order to prevent hearing from one small

segment of the population we must stomp on everyone? I see no earthly reason for it.

Edward Brodie
Spirit Committee

Dear Editor:

After the totally unsportsmanlike conduct of many ECU fans at the South Carolina game, I wonder if ECU will ever be able to entertain in another school of such prestige.

The unwarranted actions of many students attending the game reflected upon the school and its whole student body.

The crude language used and the various objects thrown on the court and at the South Carolina players and the coaches showed that ECU, because of the actions of its student body, may not be ready to assume its role as a major university.

The South Carolina people reacted to this action the only way they could.

Let's hope we have learned our lesson and if we are again fortunate enough to entertain South Carolina or any other major college, we will redeem ourselves by acting as a courteous host.

The type of conduct exhibited Wednesday night should not be condoned.

Joette Abeyounis

Dear Editor:

The last day to select proofs for Buccaneer portraits is Friday, Dec. 19.

The proofs may be seen in the lobby of Wright Auditorium Monday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m.

Chipper Linville
Business Manager

Forum policy

Students and employees of the University are urged to express their opinions in the Student Forum.

— Letters should be concise and to the point.
— Letters must not exceed 300 words.

— The editors reserve the right to edit all letters for style errors and length.

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