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Five year, \$5 million research plan

Vital research being conducted at ECU

By BEN SELBY
 Staff Writer

ECU scientists are conducting some of the most important environmental research in the world today. Geologists and biologists at ECU are actively involved in a five-year, \$5 million study of the second largest estuarine system in the United States.

The Albemarle-Pamlico Estuarine Study (APES) is a federal and state funded program created to study the presence and degree of nutrients in the sounds and estuaries of coastal North Carolina.

"Our whole project was designed to let the state and EPA know what heavy metals are present in the estuaries, where they're coming from, and in what concentrations and distributions they exist," said Dr. Stan Riggs, ECU geologist and project director.

For the past five years the region's fishermen have reported that 80 percent of their catch was diseased. "The disease comes from stress," Riggs said. "We don't know for a fact that it's heavy metals causing the stress.

We need to establish if the heavy metals are making it into the food chain."

Mercury, lead, cadmium, arsenic, cobalt, and copper have been found in the food chain in other areas. "Part of APES' goal is to find out what's causing the stress and disease in our region," Riggs said.

The EPA regulates the number of parts per million (of a particular element) that are environmentally safe and may be dumped into rivers or streams.

"EPA and state officials believe the old idea that dilution is the solution to pollution," Riggs said. "When industries dump EPA approved amounts of waste elements into parts of a tributary system, it is believed that those elements are carried throughout the entire system."

Mud, or sediment, is organically active and the trace elements present in industrial discharge is chemically reactive. The nutrients don't pass through the estuaries and make their way into the open sea. "The nutrients become chemically trapped and accumulate in the sediment of the estuary," Riggs explained.

Most scientists at ECU believe that the problem of pollution is a multifaceted problem that is going to require more stringent EPA guidelines, greater federal financial participation in research, and a lot of money in education.

"We need to look at the whole problem of dumping waste," Riggs said. "We need cleaner sewage and we need to spend more money on education."

"No matter how we cut the mustard it's going to cost a lot of money," said Riggs.

One of the biggest problems facing the country today is the lack of understanding of the different types of pollution and why they exist. People believe that they have very little impact on the environment and as long as a problem is out of sight it is out of mind.

Problems like Love Canal, chemical spills and industries like Texas Gulf get a lot of media attention. "It's easy to point your finger at a smoking gun," said Dr. Richard Spruill, an ECU geologist (who is not involved in the APES program)

"I think that one of the biggest problems we have here and it's a problem people underestimate is the problem of acid rain," Spruill said.

"Some people consider acid rain to actually be a point-source of pollution because you can actually point at the individual centers that are producing the sulfur-dioxides and nitrates and liberating them into the atmosphere ending up causing this problem of acid rain."

"The second problem that I would mention which may actually be the real non point-source of pollution is excessive use of pesticides and fertilizers by our nation's farmers," said Spruill.

"We've made great strides in agricultural practices but people haven't really looked at agricultural practices from the point of view of what they're doing to the environment," Spruill said. "It's only a few people who really have enough understanding to realize that we've got these big non point-sources of pollution around the country."



'Angie' and Amy Spruill of the Lady Irates frisbee team "ham-up" for a photo taken during a practice session last week. (Photo By Mar Starari ECU Photo Lab)

Graduation set for Saturday at Minges

By SEAN HERRING
 Assistant News Editor

On December 3, approximately 1,700 ECU students will complete one of the most crucial steps of their college lives.

The 1988 Summer and Fall semester candidates will take that final step called graduation at Minges Coliseum.

This is the second year the commencement services have

been held at the fall semester and will be the 80th commencement service at ECU.

Chairman of the Commencement Committee C.C. Rowe said, the commencement service is held before exams to increase attendance.

"We feel that, because of the holidays, it is better to have the ceremony before exams instead of having it in mid-December," Rowe said.

"Everyone who is graduating is considered a candidate, whether he officially passes or fails his exams or meets the requirements for graduation," he said.

He added, "It does not make any difference, since the diplomas are mailed to graduates at the end of the semester in which they complete their graduation requirements."

Rowe said that the ceremony

will begin at 9:15 a.m., with an ECU band concert.

"We ask the candidates to be present during the band concert, in order to begin organizing everyone," Rowe said.

"Because of increased traffic, candidates should allow additional time for reaching Minges Coliseum. The procession will form at 9:45 a.m., and will move promptly at 10 a.m.," he said.

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University searching for vice chancellors

ECU News Bureau

East Carolina University has launched national searches for candidates to succeed two veteran vice chancellors in high university administrative posts.

Clifton G. Moore, vice chancellor for business affairs, and Dr. William E. Laupus, vice chancellor for health sciences, have announced plans to retire at the end of the current academic year. Laupus earlier this year relinquished his post as dean of the School of Medicine.

Dr. Richard R. Eakin, ECU chancellor, has appointed search committees which will advertise nationally, screen candidates and recommend three candidates, unranked, for on-campus interviews next March. Eakin said he hopes the searches can be con-

cluded by mid-April and that the new officials will assume duties by July 1.

Richard A. Edwards, executive assistant to the chancellor, will chair the search committee for vice chancellor-business affairs. Dr. Ronald Thiele, dean of the School of Allied Health Sciences, will chair the committee to recommend candidates for vice chancellor for health sciences.

Serving with Edwards will be Thomas A. Bennett of Winston-Salem, immediate past chairman of the ECU board of trustees; Dr. Caroline A. Ayers, professor of chemistry and a former faculty chair; Dr. Ernest B. Uhr, dean of the School of Business; Sue A. Hodges, director of planning and institutional research, and Robert I. Webb, director of physical plant and architectural planning.

Forensic Society beats the odds, headed for national AFA tournament next semester

By JOE HARRIS
 News Editor

In only their second outing, the ECU Forensic Society, with an undermanned team, managed to get into the finals in four events and bring home a trophy in each.

Because of their performance at Marshall, the Forensic Society qualified to participate in the national tournament given by the American Forensic Association.

The Forensic Society is a debate team that competes in regional and national tournaments. The individual debating competitions are: public speaking, oral interpretation, dramatic speaking, after dinner speaking, prose and formative and dual speaking.

"We're really enthusiastic about qualifying for the tournament," said Mary Harrison, president. "It usually takes a while for a team to become established and

run smoothly. Placing and qualifying on our second outing, with only four people, really says a lot about this team."

The four-person team traveled to Marshall University in Huntington, W.Va., to compete against 18 other schools in a regional tournament.

"The competition was very intense," Ms. Harrison said. "The 18 schools we faced probably try and compete every weekend. This

is our second competition.

"The fact that we made it past the first round is incredible."

"Some schools brought anywhere from 10 to 40 people to compete," said Ms. Harrison. We have 15 members on this year's team (last year's had 5), but all of them couldn't make the trip for various reasons."

Ms. Harrison explained that there are three rounds of preliminary. See FORENSIC, page 2

South Carolinians cross border for confidential AIDS testing

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - Some South Carolina residents are traveling to North Carolina to be tested for AIDS, where they can undergo the test with anonymity.

Since 1986, South Carolina has required names of those taking AIDS tests at county health departments. At North Carolina's health departments, most testing is anonymous, with participants identified by number.

David Jones, coordinator of the Durham-based North Carolina AIDS Service Coalition, says health officials do not have "any firm numbers" of South Carolinians being tested for AIDS across the border. "But they are," he says.

South Carolina is one of at least 16 states with confidential testing - where names are recorded but kept private.

South Carolina AIDS program director Lynda Kettinger

says having names has enabled health officials to trace drug and sex partners of infected people. "There's been no break to date in the health department's system of confidentiality," she says.

Still, callers seeking testing information from the Columbia, S.C.-based Palmetto AIDS Life Support Services are often pointed toward North Carolina or Georgia for anonymous testing. The Charlotte Observer reported Sunday.

And in Charlotte, safe-sex brochures distributed by First Tuesday, a gay and lesbian political action group, also advise South Carolina residents to travel to North Carolina for testing.

Of 45 patients seeking services from PALSS as of last May, 33 were tested for AIDS at locations other than South Carolina health departments, largely because they didn't want to provide their

names, says PALSS Executive Director Bill Edens. Eighteen of those were tested out of state.

The differing philosophies reflect a debate that has taken place from international AIDS conferences to the Mecklenburg County commissioners, who last week suggested ending North Carolina's anonymous AIDS testing.

Commissioners said having names could help them track down those infected with the AIDS virus and their partners. Others say requiring names could drive away those at the highest risk for the disease and expose victims to loss of jobs and homes.

"There's merit on both sides of this issue," said Dr. Steve Keener, Mecklenburg's assistant health director for disease control. "We're not in disagreement at all with the way the state is doing it

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Eric Cashin, enjoying the summer-like weather, catches 50 winks between classes. The warm weather came to an abrupt end yesterday as cold temperatures, rain and tornadoes came to the state. (Photo By Jeff Whitpile ECU Photo Lab)

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Quayle

NEW YORK (AP) - Bush wants military patrolling crackdown on users of illegal drugs, but many choice of Vice President Quayle to run the effort. General-Associated Press found.

Although George Bush a campaign pledge to running mate in charge fight against drugs, 60 percent of the 1,084 adults said Quayle was the right the job.

As many were in the selection, and 70 percent of the 1,084 adults said the drug war was more more support, but fewer than 10 percent backed him as drug czar.

Although the bill on cabinet-level drug czar the official from leading federal post, Bush said he might have the drug port to Quayle.

The national respondents far during the federal should be Bush's president — 10 times as picked drugs. Marijuana tax crackdown and defense spending to deficit.

The survey also support for restrictions.

Bush n Dole w

WASHINGTON: George Bush's schedule-elect includes meetings that call diplomacy, such as the week with Soviet leader Gorbachev and today with Senate Minority Dole.

Bush is meeting rival for the GOP with whom he has more than a cordial with when he sat his private lunch in his Executive Office Building White House.

Just back from Thanksgiving vacation, Bush also was to attend last session with all Republicans on Tuesday.

Although Dole was Bush briefly after overwhelmed by the vice September's GOP pick two have had little the primaries.

Bush spokesman Hart said the meeting ranged by Bush but he had wanted it for sake of mutual interest.

Bush already in House Speaker term has promised a major new Senate Democratic soon as he is chosen.

The president's President Reagan luncheon with New York during leader's visit to United Nations.

In his campaign wariness in U.S. Soviets, saying that current Soviet leadership-minded is not United States to guard.

Bush, his wife, the family dog, Mollie Spring, spent home on Sunday. Two after spending Thanksgiving week nabuckport, Maine, family vacation home.

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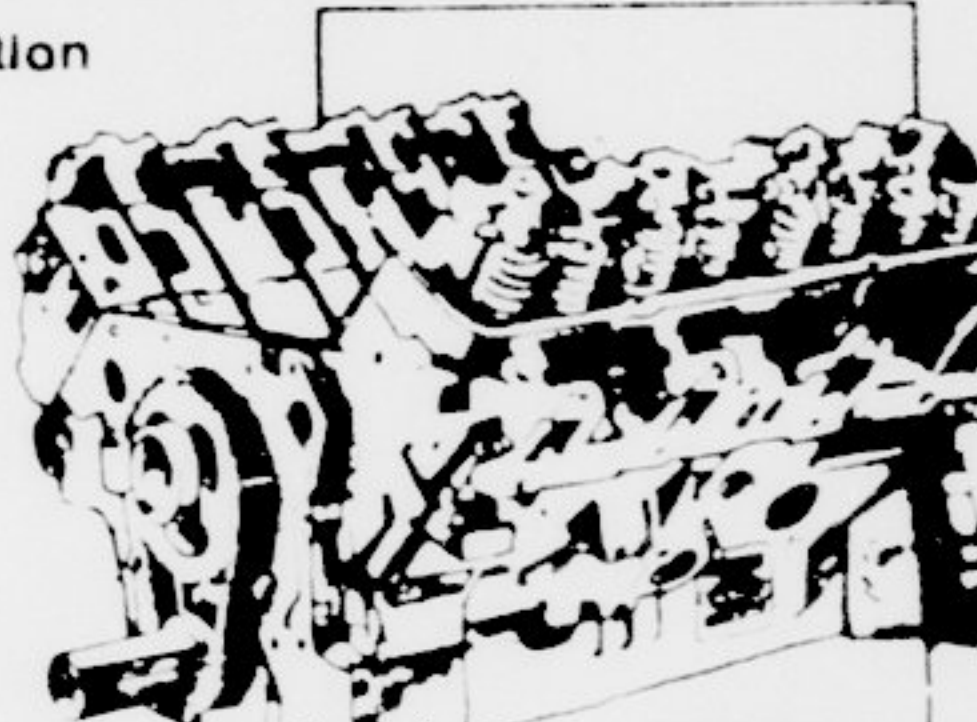
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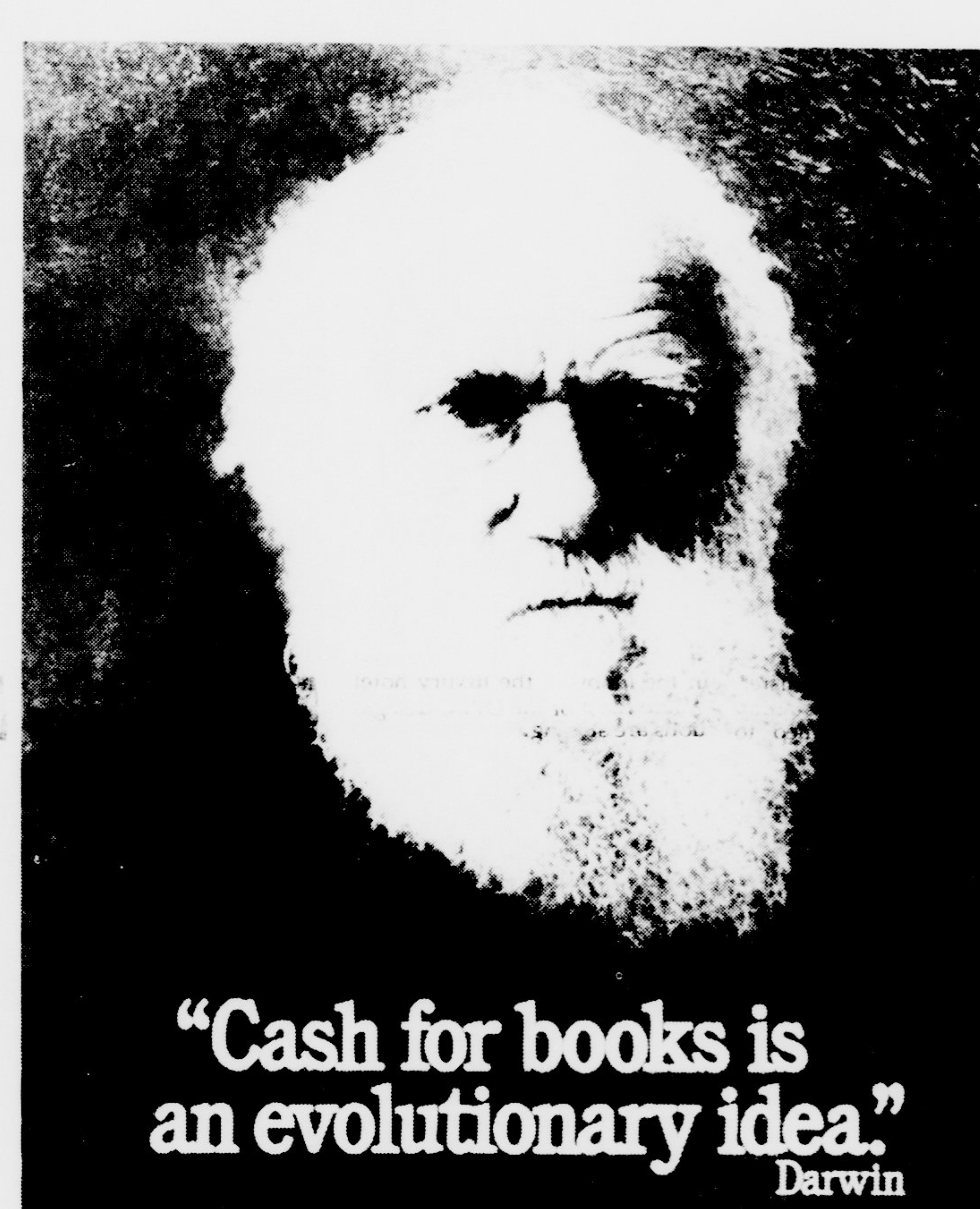


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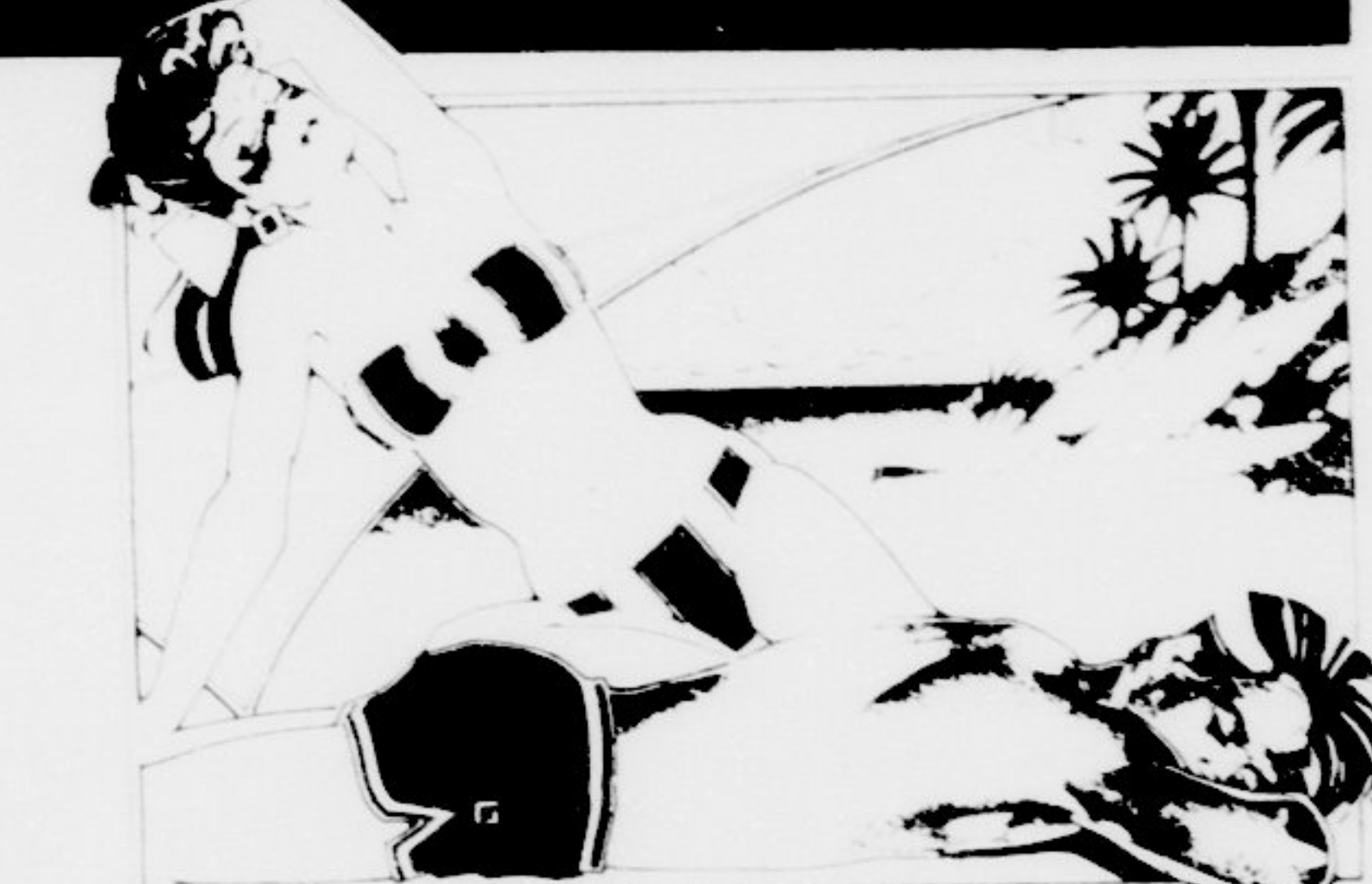
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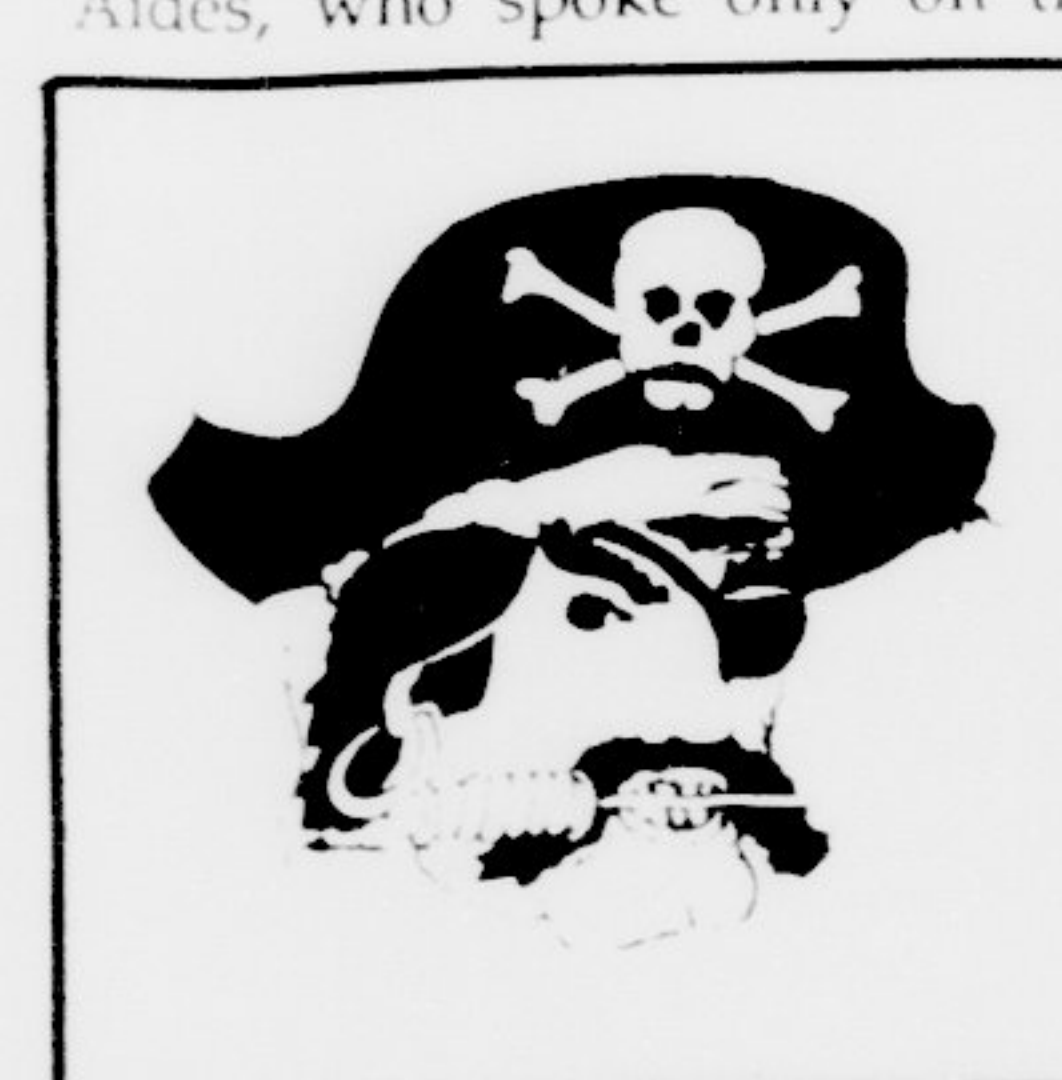
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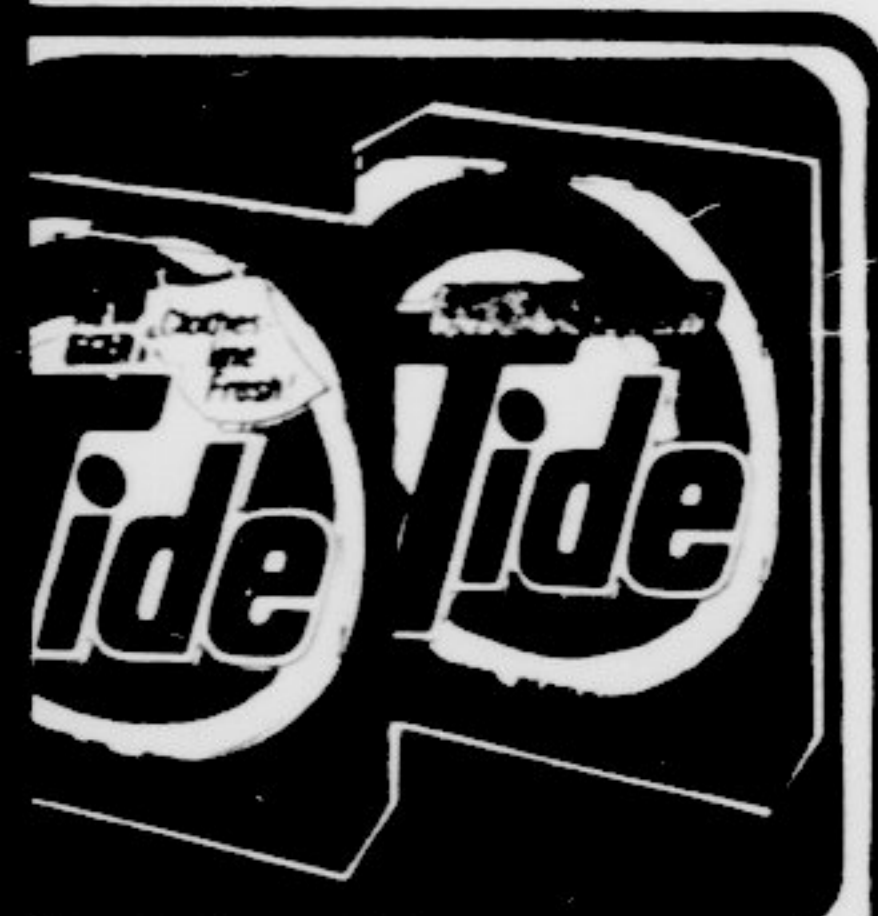
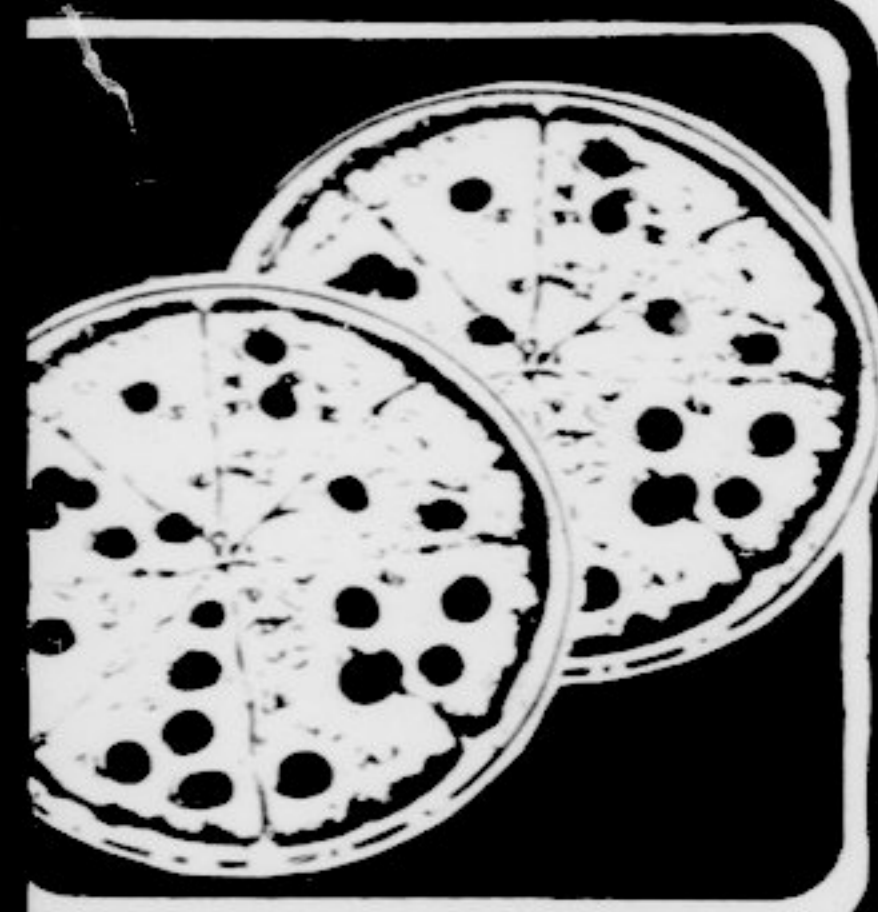
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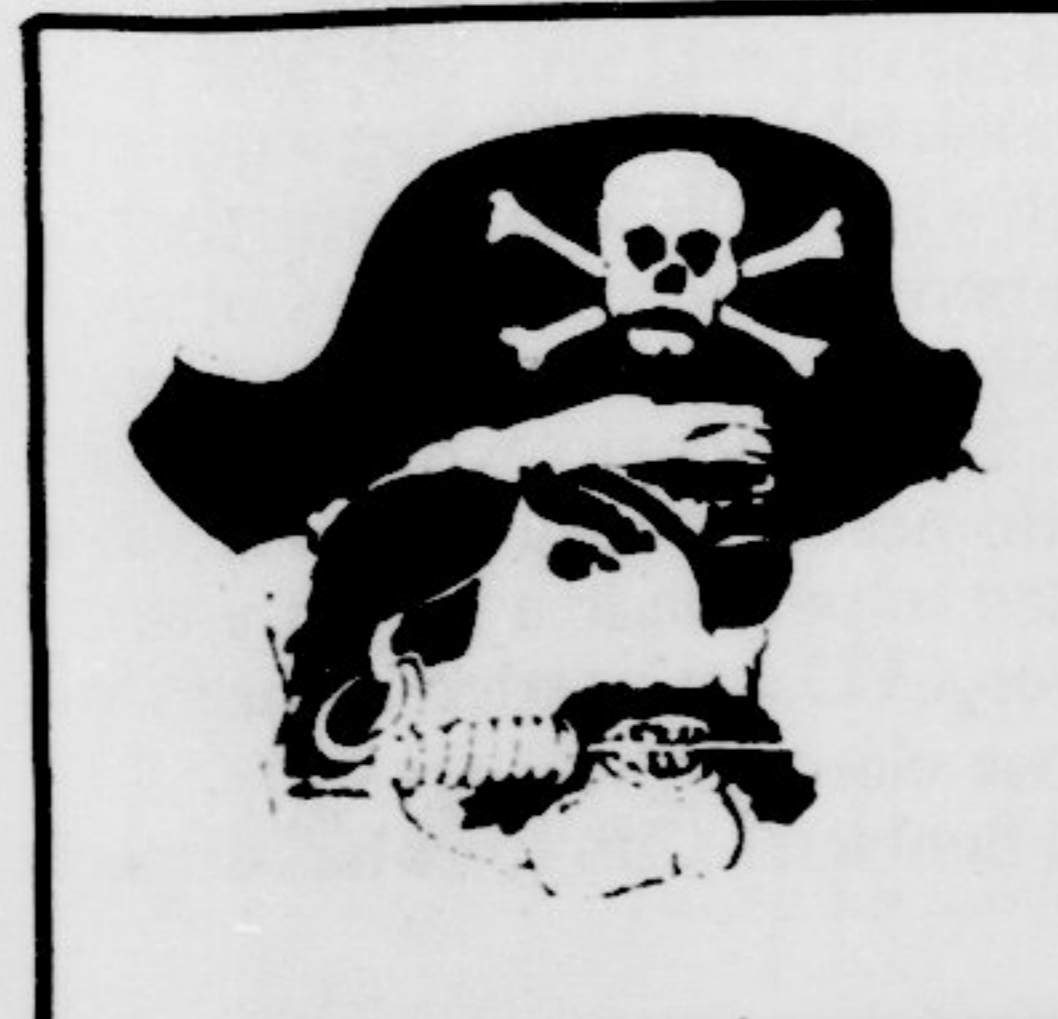
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US rejects peace overtures

With characteristic narrow-mindedness, the Reagan Administration has dealt a savage blow to the delicate emerging peace in the Middle East.

Both Secretary of State George Shultz and Official Lame Duck Ronald Reagan categorically denied Yasir Arafat's application for an entrance visa. Bush got behind this position as much as he ever gets behind anything — he sent word through spokesmen that he was "a loyal member of the administration."

Arafat was applying for a visa in order to attend and speak at a meeting of the U.N. General Assembly. Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization, has renounced terrorism and is attempting to end the fighting in the Middle East. America, taking a shaky stand on its "rights as the host nation," insisted that there was no justification for allowing a terrorist leader entrance into the United States. (Yes, this is the same administration that was responsible for the Iranamok deal. You're supposed to ignore that.)

Presumably, according to the administration, allowing Arafat to enter the country and speak at the United Nations would cripple the United States' ongoing war against terrorism. (Yes, this is the same administration that supports terrorists — er, "freedom fighters" — in Nicaragua and Afghanistan. You're supposed to ignore that, too.)

It surely would have been possible to grant Arafat severely limited access — saying, for example, that he was allowed to remain in the United States for no more than eight hours, and specifying that he was to be allowed to speak only to the General Assembly and would have to leave the country immediately afterward.

Such an approach would have produced the maximum good and the minimum evil — the United States would retain its anti-terrorism stance by specifying that Arafat was here for one reason and one reason only, and Arafat would have been able to take the next crucial steps in forging peace. There must be some justification for allowing Arafat to speak — after all, he has addressed the General Assembly at least once before, in 1974.

The United States chose to reject

Arafat outright, however, and so invited strong criticism from U.S. friends and foes. Even Britain's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, a close personal friend and political ally of the Reagans, urged the administration to reconsider its position. The outcry was to be expected, and is not in itself a reason to reconsider Arafat's request. There is nothing wrong with making an unpopular decision, as long as it is also the right decision. This is not the right decision.

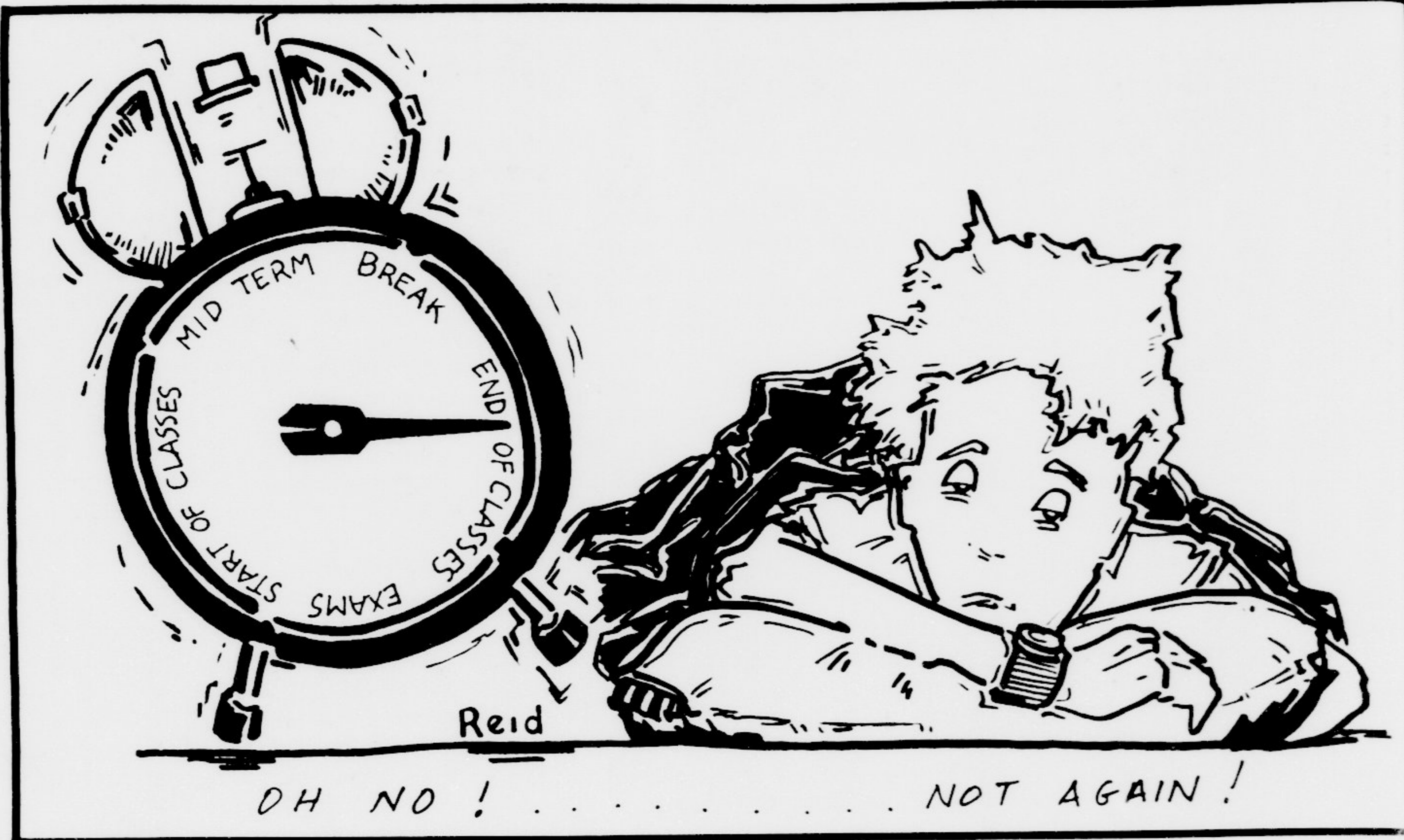
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Yet the United Nations is already making moves to set up a meeting with Arafat, in spite of the United States. Most likely, the United Nations will convene a special session in Geneva to hear Arafat speak. The

administration's efforts to postpone Arafat's speech will be counterproductive: the incoming Bush Administration will have to deal with Arafat one way or another, and for the US government to reject Arafat at this point will put Bush in the position of having to "make up" to Arafat.

The administration could easily have come up with a solution that saved face for all involved, but it chose instead to pursue the path of most resistance. Reagan said that allowing a brief visit by Arafat would make the United States look like "patsies." It is clearly his view that America must stand on principle and reject terrorism.

But an even stronger and more deeply-rooted principle in this country is the idea that freedom of speech is the surest route to the best solution. By attempting to muzzle Arafat, the Reagan Administration has sacrificed free speech, common sense and political status on the altar of anti-terrorism. Given that the administration's anti-terrorism policy has often been little impediment to its pursuit of other goals, one cannot help but wonder what amount of respect the administration gives those qualities it chooses to sacrifice.



Plus/minus system good

To the editor:
The proposal of adding +/-s to the grading system has incensed many students. I have a suggestion that might soothe some of the flames.

The specific problem I'm addressing is that the proposed system would be unfair to students with GPA's above 3.5. This is because the bottom of the A range (the range into which a student has to score to get a 4.0 GP) will be raised to accommodate the A- (3.7 GP). Thus, A students will have to score higher in order to maintain their GPA's. Other students will be helped about as much as they will be hurt, but A students will only be hurt.

One suggestion is to establish an A+ and assign to it a GP around 4.25, but this has many drawbacks. ECU would no longer have a 4.0 grading scale, but a 4.25 one. The 4.0 is supposed to be the absolute, "perfect" GPA, but under this system, it wouldn't be that big of a deal. The purpose of adding precision to the grading system is to increase the value of ECU's diplomas, and thereby raise the university's prestige. The 4.25 scale would defeat that purpose because it is looked upon unfavorably by mainstream academia and many potential employers.

A modification of this that I find somewhat more acceptable is to use A+'s (at 4.25) in determining GPA's but to record overall GPA's above 4.0 as 4.0 (and thus, "hide" the 4.25 system). But this system would make the higher GPA's, especially the 4.0, much easier to attain, and therefore deflate their value.

My proposal is to drop the A-. Granted, this would remove some of the precision from the top portion of the scale, but it is really necessary to distinguish between marginal A's and solid ones?

Leaving out the A-'s will reduce the chance of the overall GPA of the university falling, as happened at NCSU and the University of South Carolina. In addition, it will keep the

number of A students at about the same level it is now, which is about where it should be. For if ECU allows its number of A students to drop, that will mean fewer ECU graduates will get the really competitive jobs or get into the quality graduate programs, which means lower prestige for ECU.

The +/- system, with the A- intact, would be a great solution, if only ECU had a problem with having too many A students. Dropping the A-'s is a good solution — and it definitely has a problem.

Craig Spitz
Freshman
Psychology

But had this been a more sensitive issue or had you the misfortune to misprint Chancellor Eakin's name, a simple letter to the editor would be the least of your worries.

May I remind you that a fundamental objective of journalists is to report accurately. Though being a college newspaper, you may not care about whether you spell words correctly or follow grammatical rules or get names right. Unlike you, I care. I cared enough about the issue to attend the hearing and to speak my opinions.

The least Joe could have done, if he didn't catch my name, was to ask me.

Leona Mason
Journalism/
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Name wrong

To the editor:
I'd like to congratulate *The East Carolinian* for getting yet another name wrong on the front page.

Having worked for *The East Carolinian* for over a semester and currently being the editor for the Honors Program's newsletter, Honorable Mentions, I understand that journalists keep horrible hours, often working until three or four o'clock in the morning. Under such circumstances, mistakes are bound to be made.

Imagine my surprise, however, when I glanced at the front page story in Tuesday's (November 22) paper about the grading policy only to find my name, not just spelled incorrectly, but completely, utterly wrong.

Imagine my disappointment when I looked at the by-line and saw, not a novice journalist, but Joe Harris, the News Editor, had written the story. I worked in Joe's department for two months and thought he had a great deal of potential as a journalist.

Of course, mistaking "Holder" for "Mason" may not be of Earth-shattering importance; after all we are talking of one student at a small university in eastern North Carolina.

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By SIMON LAZARUS
The New Republic

A major reason why Lloyd Bentsen's debate performance stood out so sharply from that of the other three contestants on the campaign trail was that he seemed not only to know the issues, but actually to be doing something about them. On item after item, the message was the same: Bentsen has "passed" a historic international trade bill and the most important welfare reform "in our history"; he had played a "major role" in important environmental legislation; he had directly pressured the prime minister of Japan to cut trade barriers and to shoulder a fair burden of the cost of defending the Far East.

Implicit in this message was a further point: Not only is Lloyd Bentsen one of those who run Congress, but it is Congress — not the White House — that runs the government the way the people want it run. And indeed, although Ronald Reagan is one of the most popular presidents in recent history, he will leave office as one of the least effective. Reagan remains king, but on issues such as international trade, environmental protection, education, health, ethics in government, even civil rights, the parliament has come to rule. And despite the fact that the Democrats in the 100th Congress lacked a single, charismatic leader to serve as a de facto prime minister, our de facto parliament was increasingly able to impose the kind of activist policies that the public seems to demand.

With its last-minute surge of major legislation, the 100th Congress startled the national press. But in fact the achievements of October 1988 simply capped a long-running trend. Immediately after Reagan attained his initial success in changing federal priorities with bigger defense budgets, lower domestic expenditures and lower taxes, he began to cede power to Congress. At the same time, he found himself obliged to accept agency heads who were not in sympathy with his philosophical instincts.

Reagan's power began to deteriorate in March 1983, when Eilliam Ruckelshaus replaced Anne Gorsuch Burford as head of the Environmental Protection Agency. Burford was sacrificed for doing precisely what the president had sent her to EPA to do — initiate a radically new regime in which environmental protection was left largely to market forces and voluntarism. Once alerted, the public responded with a rare "firestorm" of disapproval. The firestorm could be quelled only by the selection of a Ruckelshaus, known not only as a strict environmental enforcer but as the man who had refused a decade earlier to knuckle under to Richard Nixon over Watergate. Ruckelshaus turned EPA back toward the center and the agency stayed essentially out of Reagan's control for the duration of his administration.

Repeatedly, and out-gunned President Reagan has had to decide whether to fight over particular controversies and face certain defeat, retire to the sidelines, or claim victory when in fact his own

preferences were being overridden. An early example of the last scenario was the Tax Equity and Fiscal Reform Act of 1982. Bob Dole, then chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, pushed through a raft of Democrat-originated loophole-closers to cut the deficit by \$50 billion at the expense of the wealthy, and left the president little choice but to embrace the tax reform bill as his own. The same year, Dole forced the White House to accept an extension of the 1965 Voting Rights Act without weakening amendments.

Indeed, it was during this early period, when Reagan still retained his overall dominance, that he began to display his talent for what is known in Washington as eating dirt and calling it ice cream — one of the skills that has enabled him to play so well the role of ceremonial monarch. Some would consider a more dramatic example his signing of an arms control treaty opposed by his erstwhile conservative allies, and his subsequent rush to proclaim an era of unprecedented U.S.-Soviet comity.

On many of the major economic policy decisions made during the Reagan reign, especially in its second term, the White House has not even been a major player. The trade bill was forced on the administration by the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means committees. The AT&T divestiture happened with no White House participation. The multibillion dollar omnibus drug and AIDS bills passed during the last week of this session were pure congressional artifacts. Even tax reform owes more to Bill Bradley and bureaucrats at the Treasury and

on congressional tax committee staffs than to Ronald Reagan, who was startled to learn (after it had reached his desk) that it would raise taxes paid by many large corporations.

The same pattern has been evident in non-economic fields: Reagan challenged the constitutionality of the independent counsel law and complained about the damage it did to the careers of his close advisers, but he impotently signed the bill rather than face a certain veto override. And then, of course, when he did choose to "be Reagan" and recommend Robert Bork for the Supreme Court, Reagan suffered the most humiliating judicial nomination defeat in history.

But despite the Bork defeat, Iran-contra and other lesser setbacks, Reagan's magic "Teflon" has stayed unscratched; repudiation of the president's policies has not led to rejection of the man as president.

And that, of course, could well have been the nub of Michael Dukakis's problem. The public may have grown too comfortable with having a graceful and likable monarch who has little to do with the real business of government, while an activist Congress keeps the ship of state in the mainstream and meets our national needs. That may help explain why, for all the support his domestic policy views seemed to enjoy, Dukakis failed to persuade a majority that a Democratic hands-on CEO was needed in the White House to make those views prevail.

Perhaps Lloyd Bentsen's Congress has done its work too well.

Black

RALEIGH (AP) — Arriving in a controversial series of speeches on black-oriented relations last summer, Gov. James Martin let Democrats know he wouldn't be able to rely on support from the state's black community without a fight.

"What it did was put the black community, and the Democratic Party, that the Jim campaign was going to be for the black voter," said Martin campaign manager Brown told the Greensboro Record. "We were not off the black vote."

Early indications of Martin's efforts might have some success. Post-election television network exit polls showed the incumbent received up to 18 percent black vote — very good for a public candidate, who win no more than about 10 percent. But other estimates in the 10 percent range.

But State Rep. A. Michaux, D-Durham, said the state's leading black politician has long doubted he's heard of black support for Martin.

"I just don't see it," he said.

"He made a lot of relations happy, but he didn't get the black voter perspective."

East's w setback

BALTIMORE (AP) — that blocks the widow of East from divulging the contents of four medical documents were given to her mistress, only a minor setback in a million wrongful death suits, her lawyer says.

"It really doesn't affect the case," attorney James H. told The News and Observer. He said he expected to bring his case against the government to trial next month. East, a Republican member of the Senate in 1980, committed suicide at his Greenville home in June 1986.

Mrs. East originally filed \$3.5 million from the federal government in an administrative claim that was rejected.

She filed the suit against Naval Hospital repeated to diagnose the senator's thyroidism, a severe thyroid function that can cause a stroke, despite several strokes that should have alerted doctors' negligence led to

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Black vote was won on the radio

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"What it did was prove to the black community, and the Democratic Party, that the Jim Martin campaign was going to compete for the black voter this time," Martin campaign manager Kevin Brown told the Greensboro News & Record. "We were not writing off the black vote."

Early indications shows that Martin's efforts might have had some success. Post-election television network exit polls suggested the incumbent Republican received up to 18 percent of the black vote — very good for Republican candidates, who usually win no more than about 10 percent. But other estimates have been in the 10 percent range.

But State Rep. H.M. 'Mickey' Michaux, D-Durham, one of the state's leading black politicians, said he has long doubted claims he's heard of black support for Martin.

"I just don't see it. I don't know how Martin can get over 10 percent," he said.

"He made a lot of radio stations happy, but he didn't court the black voter personally."

Michaux said. "And they laid no claim to the fact that they had a black on the ticket." Michaux was referring to Ed Garner, the Republican candidate for state auditor.

A look at largely black precincts in the state's largest counties and the four counties where the majority of registered voters are black shows Martin won about 10 percent of the black vote. But Brown said he thinks Martin did better.

"I think that we did get a stronger black vote than Republicans generally get," he said.

Brown said looking at voting returns in largely black precincts doesn't account for the votes from a cross-section of the black community — covering all economic and social levels.

He said Martin reached out to black voters. He has chaired the United Negro College Fund campaign in the state and exceeded previous administrations in hiring blacks. Also, seven of the nine divisions of state government Martin oversees exceeded a goal set to make 4 percent of total purchases from firms controlled by minorities, women or disabled persons.

In Guilford County, Martin captured 9 percent of the vote in a dozen largely black precincts.

In Durham County, Martin drew 15 percent of the support. Martin's share of support in

largely black precincts in Forsyth, Mecklenburg and Wake counties didn't exceed 10 percent.

In Bertie County, where blacks make up 57 percent of the voters, Democrat Bob Jordan got 66 percent of the vote. In Hertford County, where blacks account for 56 percent of the voters, Jordan received 65 percent of the vote.

In Northampton County, where blacks make up 58 percent of the registered voters, Jordan received 69 percent of the vote and in Warren County, where blacks are 58 percent of the registered voters, Jordan received 68 percent of the vote.

Jordan campaigned extensively in the black community, advertising on black-oriented radio stations, in black-owned newspapers and appeared with black leaders.

Martin's campaign staff included a five-person division aimed at building support in the black community. It also had a coordinator and four field workers who tried to build support in churches, fraternal organizations and civic groups.

The effort also included hiring a Baton Rouge, La., firm that specializes in helping Republican candidates appeal to black voters.

Martin's campaign finance report says The Nathan Group was paid \$18,000 for help in developing and producing a radio

campaign aimed at black voters. The report did not break out how much money was spent on buying commercials on black-oriented radio stations.

Bethel Nathan, co-founder and vice president of The Nathan Group, said his firm's work for Martin succeeded — if not through more votes, through forcing Jordan to spend more time and crucial campaign dollars to answer Martin's efforts and charges.

Nathan points particularly to a controversial radio ad he produced for Martin that aired last August.

It cited Jordan's refusal to serve on the governor's Martin Luther King commission and questioned Jordan's support for the dead civil rights leader.

The commercial was ironic since it was Martin who opposed making King's birthday a state holiday and Jordan who was strong in his support for it. The ad was roundly criticized by black leaders around the state.

"It neutralized and threw his (Jordan's) campaign in an uproar," Nathan said.

"It's not so much that Martin got the black vote as he disrupted the Jordan campaign," Nathan said. "Jordan had to go back and shore up his base — a base that he would have normally taken for granted."

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East's widow suffers another setback in inheritance lawsuit

BALTIMORE (AP) - A ruling that blocks the widow of Sen. John East from divulging the contents of four medical documents that were given to her mistakenly is only a minor setback in her \$10 million wrongful death lawsuit, her lawyer says.

"It really doesn't affect our case," attorney James Hourihan told The News and Observer of Raleigh. He said he expects to bring his case against the federal government to trial next year.

East, a Republican elected to the Senate in 1980, committed suicide at his Greenville, N.C., home in June 1986.

Mrs. East originally sought \$3.5 million from the federal government in an administrative claim that was rejected.

She filed the suit a year ago, claiming that doctors at Bethesda Naval Hospital repeatedly failed to diagnose the senator's hypothyroidism, a severe thyroid malfunction that can cause depression, despite several symptoms that should have alerted them.

Mrs. East's lawsuit says the doctors' negligence led to emo-

tional and physical injuries that "directly caused" East's death.

Lawyers in the U.S. Attorney's office in Baltimore, where the suit was filed, are defending the government.

The suit already has raised questions about the quality of care at Bethesda Naval Hospital, where members of Congress and other top government officials often are treated. In a 1987 letter,

Hourihan urged Navy officials to settle out of court, warning: "The

Navy can ill afford the significant bad publicity regarding its medical facilities, which this case is certain to generate."

In preparing the suit, Mrs. East's lawyers in 1987 filed a request under the Freedom of Information Act with Navy officials, seeking documents regarding the senator's treatment at Bethesda.

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Five dead, hundreds injured as tornadoes rip Raleigh

RALEIGH (AP) - Five people died and at least 100 others were injured when tornadoes destroyed houses and mobile homes and flattened apartment buildings in eastern North Carolina early Monday, authorities said.

Three people, including an 11-year-old boy, died in Wake County which contains Raleigh. Two deaths were reported in Nash County, said Al Warlick of the N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. He did not know further details.

Raleigh City Manager Dempsey Benton Jr. said at least 62 people were taken to local hospitals, and three of those people required surgery. Forty-four houses were damaged, and nine more were destroyed, he said.

"These numbers are being updated and we expect significantly higher numbers when the assessment is completed," Benton said.

He said the tornado hit the capital city at about 1:15 a.m. City buses transported more than 300 people to two shelters.

"To our knowledge, all people have been accounted for," said Benton, adding that police and rescue personnel were out scouting for problems. There was an unconfirmed report of looting, said Police Chief Fred Heineman, but he wouldn't say where.

Four three-story apartment buildings in the Cooper's Pond apartment complex in Raleigh were flattened and numerous others suffered structural damages, said Deirdre Bolling, manager of the complex.

No one in those buildings was seriously hurt, Mrs. Bolling said. The first rescue workers on the scene there pulled people from third-floor windows. Several residents wandered around dazed, with visible cuts. One man was clad only in a bath towel.

"A couple of people were rushed off to the hospital, but I don't think they were hurt very

badly," Ms. Bolling said. "We didn't lose anybody. We feel really lucky about that."

Residents were given temporary lodging at nearby hotels, Mrs. Bolling said. Some residents were planning to find shelters that were being opened at area schools.

Lisa Lanier, who works and lives at the complex, said her building was untouched and that she did not realize the tornado had struck until a neighbor telephoned.

"The thunder woke me up, and I heard an extremely loud roar," Miss Lanier said. "It was like a train, like you hear people say. It was like a jet coming down too low."

The roar lasted 30 to 45 seconds and then the wind died down. "I went back to bed because I didn't know what had happened," she said. "If I ever hear that noise again, I'll dive for the bathtub."

Sonia Jones, assistant manager of the complex, said her building also was spared major damage but had some minor damage, including blown-out windows.

"It passed right by me," she said, "I was real lucky."

Officer B.R. Baucon with the Wake County sheriff's department said about 300 officers were checking the area for damage.

A spokesman for the Nash County sheriff's department said at least 20 residents of that county were brought to two hospitals in Rocky Mount.

The two tornado victims in Nash County were in separate mobile homes that were destroyed, authorities said. At least two houses in the county also were destroyed.

Freddy Leonard, mayor and fire chief of the Nash County town of Castalia, said he had received a report of a pickup truck lodged in a tree.

"It's terrible, and there's an extensive amount of damage,"

Leonard said. "I'm fearful that we may still find further (damage) once it gets daylight."

In neighboring Franklin County, about 25 people were injured, said Sheriff Arthur E. Johnson.

"We've had churches that have been demolished, some trailers and some homes," said Johnson, who added that Red Cross personnel were on their way to the county.

The tornadoes and storms appeared to hit hardest in parts of Wake, Nash and Franklin counties, and power outages were rampant. In north Raleigh, a K-Mart department store was flattened, and one person was trapped inside, according to Sgt. J.D. Everett of the Raleigh Police Department.

The man inside the store later was freed, but he suffered a broken leg, said Robert Whittington, an assistant Raleigh fire chief.

At least two other people were injured near the store, Everett said, adding that he did not know the extent of the injuries.

Bricks, cinder blocks and twisted steel girders lay in a heap with racks of clothing and other merchandise. The shopping center parking lot was filled with police, sheriff's vehicles, and rescue vehicles.

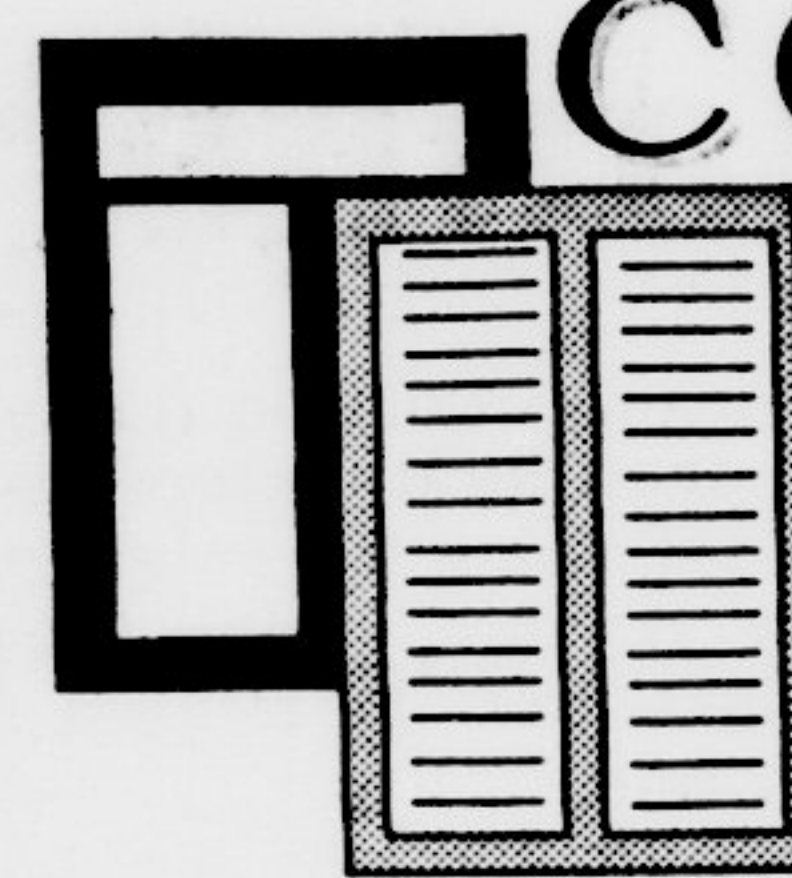
Everett and other officers hastily dispatched many of them to surrounding neighborhoods and other shopping centers to look for people in need of help and to prevent looting.

"I bet we've got extensive damage all over the area," Everett said. "We do have some extensive injuries, but I can't tell you how many or who they are."

At least two shelters had been opened for people whose homes were damaged, one at an elementary school and a park in North Raleigh, Everett said.

"There appeared to be several tornadoes that occurred," said Joe Pehha meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

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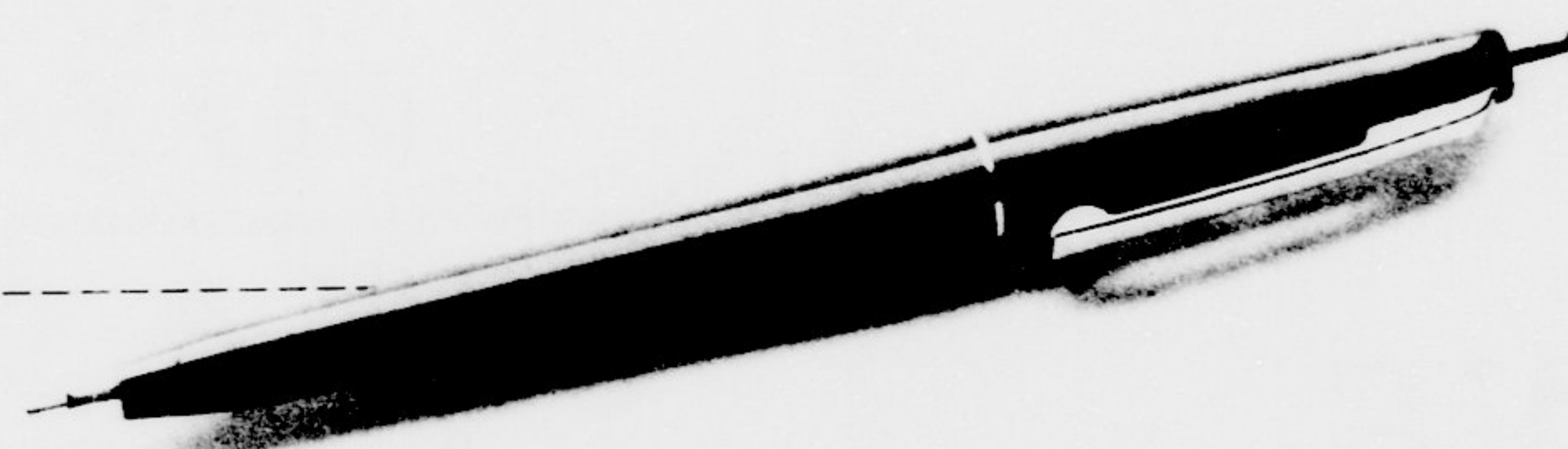
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Soviet reforms in danger

MOSCOW (AP) — Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said ethnic strife is threatening his program of economic and social reforms, and he said restructuring is the cure for the violence, not the cause.

Gorbachev was reacting to a wave of nationalist unrest that has swept across the country from the Baltic republics in the northwest to the Caucasus in the southwest.

He said in a speech broadcast on state television Sunday that "attempts are being made to kindle dislike in the interethnic sphere."

"This would be disastrous, it would put perestroika in jeopardy," he said, referring to his reform campaign. "It would even make some people think that it is, perhaps, perestroika that is to blame for all that."

He said his policy of opening up information and opinion is the solution to ethnic tension, which exists in many of the 15 Soviet republics.

Gorbachev's remarks come during violent tensions between the neighboring southern republics of Armenia and Azerbaijan and during demands for increased autonomy in the Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

He made his speech Saturday before the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, the nation's top executive body.

Saturday's session of the Presidium struck down an Estonian declaration of limited sovereignty made earlier this month, official media reported. Estonia declared then that it had the right to veto Soviet laws.

Official media said Gorbachev acknowledged before the Presidium that national constitutional amendments he has proposed may have angered Estonians and others by curtailing local rule.

But his remarks Saturday also carried a veiled warning. "I must say we receive a great number of letters from working people in

unrest every republic with remarks that we are at times too tolerant with regard to extremists," Gorbachev said.

In Azerbaijan on Sunday, two Communist Party officials were reported fired.

Soviet newspapers charged that local authorities were not helping soldiers halt the ethnic violence in the republic.

Rallies of up to 500,000 people were reported Sunday in Baku, the troops trying to keep the clashing Azerbaijanis and Armenians apart in the Azerbaijani city of Kirovabad.

At least seven people were killed and 160 injured in Kirovabad in last week's violence between the mainly Christian Armenians and Moslem Azerbaijanis, reports have said.

A duty officer at the Azerbaijani Communist Party head-

quarters in the city of Baku denied charges that local authorities were not helping the military quell the violence, saying "The party is in control." He refused to give his name.

Ethnic fighting between Azerbaijanis and Armenians first began in February and culminated in last week's massive demonstrations.

The Armenians, who dominate the Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan, are demanding that it be annexed to neighboring Armenia.

Tass reported Sunday that building materials were being removed from a construction site for an Armenian workshop and recreation center in Azerbaijan's Topkhan Natural Preserve. The official news agency said the construction of the center at an Armenian-controlled aluminum factory contributed to last week's

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Religion a neglected subject, may be added to school curriculums

RALEIGH (AP) - Religion is neglected as a subject in North Carolina classrooms, and that void is depriving students of other knowledge, including the history, literature and art of other countries, a report says.

Religion rarely surfaces in the state's social studies curriculum or textbooks, and it probably hasn't for at least a generation, a 10-member committee of the state Board of Education says.

Students cannot fully understand Western history, the abortion debate or turmoil in the Middle East without knowing about Judaism, Christianity, Islam and Catholicism, the committee's report says.

"We believe strongly that the current situation only prolongs existing ignorance, confusion and prejudice," the committee says in a nine-page report that it will present to the state Board of Education on Wednesday. "We need better textbooks, better educated teachers, and a more informed citizenry."

The committee appointed by the board and chaired by Burton E. Beers, an N.C. State University history professor — recommends that the state train teachers how to teach the role of major religions in history, geography and economics courses.

It also recommends that the state examine whether religion is neglected in other subjects such as literature and biology and that publishers be urged to include more about religion in textbooks.

"There were no substantive

disagreements among members of the committee," Beers, author of the nation's best-selling high school world history book, told the News and Observer of Raleigh.

Teaching about religion in school will likely be controversial, committee members said. But most people would not object, according to a Gallup Poll two years ago. The poll showed 79 percent of those surveyed would not oppose teaching about major religions in school.

The influence of religion should be taught throughout the social studies curriculum, particularly in middle and high school grades, the committee's report says. Details would be left to state curriculum specialists, but the report provides some examples of how religion could be infused into history courses.

In American history, for example, the report suggests students could be taught the role of holy men among Indians, the influence of religious beliefs on the Salem witch trials, religious arguments for and against slavery, religion's role in the civil rights movement and the religious reasons a Quaker would have for refusing to go to war.

The report appears to be "a real good attempt to try to expose North Carolina children to diversity," said Cathy J. Rosenthal, executive director of People for the American Way in North Carolina. The Raleigh-based group has 5,000 members and is affiliated with a national organization

created in part to fight the influence of the religious right.

If the board decides to adopt the committee's recommendations, its biggest challenge will be making sure teachers carry it out without violating the Constitution, Ms. Rosenthal, who is a lawyer, said in a telephone interview.

Courts have ruled schools may teach about religion, but they cannot promote religion without violating the First Amendment. But, like Ms. Rosenthal, the committee expressed fears that not all teachers would understand that distinction.

"We are particularly con-

cerned about the impressionability of all students and the potential for proselytizing - whether intended or not," says the report.

Because of that potential, the committee recommends that teachers be informed about the legal constraints on religious instruction and that such lessons focus on older, more mature and less impressionable students. Many teachers also need to learn more about religion, said John D. Ellington, member of the committee and director of the state Department of Public Instruction's social studies division.

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Campaign money has more than one use

RALEIGH (AP) - Through what has become known as "soft" money, political parties raised millions of dollars this year that they funneled into local committees set up to help get-out-the-vote efforts and other campaign activities.

"The money was a very significant part of the campaign in the state," state Sen. Larry Cobb, R-Mecklenburg, told The Greensboro News & Record.

In contributing money to political parties, North Carolinians joined something of a national trend this year, marking a resurgence in the large campaign contributions that had faded from the U.S. political scene after the 1972 Watergate scandals.

While federal and state laws limit the amount of money donors can give to candidates or political action committees, there are no limits on the amount of money that can be given to national political parties.

Rabby had been taking — and passing — State Department written and oral examinations since December 1985. He said his score on his written tests had improved each time. He was informed of the rule change earlier this month shortly before he was to take another "oral assessment the officials said the policy of rejecting blind applicants after allowing them to take admission tests was not as cynical as it might seem.

They said blind applicants were routinely advised that permission for them to take admission tests did not mean that medical standards requiring "visual acuity" for all diplomats would be relaxed.

The State Departments view is that all foreign service officers must be "worldwide available" and that a blind person cannot be expected to deal with the myriad demands diplomats face.

One official said the United States for helping the blind overcome their handicap but that most foreign countries lack such accommodations.

Another said that much of it involves reading the "body language" of foreign envoys during diplomatic discussions. Such gestures as winks and nods form part of the overall message a diplomat must assimilate, the official said.

Rabby said the blind are no less able than sighted people to read other people's language, be it "silent or verbal."

Accepting a blind person for diplomatic service "would be a terribly unfair thing to do to that individual," said another official, who cited high risk posts, such as

Lebanon, as particularly inappropriate for a sightless person.

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Organizations unite to fight rape

(CPS) — Students of the left-wing United Progressives at the University of Illinois don't have much in common with the campus's greeks, and the two groups often find themselves on opposite sides of issues.

"They're our rivals," noted Jane Brouwer, president of UI's Panhellenic Council.

But now the Panhellenic Council, Brouwer said, has been mobilized and galvanized, marching and working with radicals and moderates, by a tragic series of 15 unsolved rapes near the Urbana-Champaign campus.

And it's happening elsewhere: in early November in Providence, R.I., Brown University women rallied in the wake of two near-campus rapes, sharing horror stories of their own sexual abuse and demanding more protection.

Angry students have rallied against rape — and for better campus security — at Northwest Missouri State, Millersville State in Pennsylvania, Yale and the University of Pennsylvania, among others, this fall.

Perhaps even more significantly, the participants are making barely veiled promises to be more militant in fighting campus crime.

At Brown, for instance, student Beth Bird vowed to form a "counter-terrorist" group to retaliate against men who try to assault women.

An Illinois women's group spray-painted anti-rape graffiti on two fraternity houses on a street where a rape was reported last fall. When Mankato State officials tried to solve budget problems by cutting a Sexual Assault Service job, hundreds of angry students protested, noting there had been a record number of student sexual assault reports in

September.

"Women statewide and nationwide are fighting back stronger and more united than ever before," University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee activist Mary Martin said at a recent Marquette rally.

"A consciousness is developing," added Elena DiLapi of the University of Pennsylvania's Women's Center. "Women realize they don't have to be silent."

Dan Keller, public safety director at the University of Louisville and a former officer of several national campus police groups, agreed. People "are becoming more assertive of their rights, and demanding greater protection from colleges and universities."

Students have been holding anti-rape vigils and marches for years, of course, but this fall's efforts have been bigger, angrier, more emotional, laced with those allusions to "counter terrorism" and joined, at last, by groups that have been notably apolitical in the past.

"We stayed away from issues like this because we're a social group, and we tend to keep away from political issues," explained Brouwer of UI's Panhellenic Council, which has 3,500 members.

"But sexism is a social issue, and we're the biggest women's group on campus."

At Marquette's early November Take Back the Night vigil, organizer Beth Nowell was "impressed with the number of undergrads and men. The scope is much broader now. You can't typically Democrat or Republican, which is good because these issues are not party issues. Everyone (who attended) is not a radical or left-wing person."

"This tells us that women

don't want to put up with this abuse anymore," said Junior Bridge, a spokeswoman for the National Organization for Women. "And the culture has changed. It's now saying this is not acceptable behavior that will no longer be tolerated. Loud protests may have made people uncomfortable, but the message has sunk in."

"I resent the fact of feeling powerless," said Kathy Hathaway, a senior who helped organize Brown's rally.

While most of the fall's marches were provoked by recent on- or near-campus rapes, Jan Sherrill, director of the Center for the Study and Prevention of Campus Violence at Towson State University in Maryland, says there is good reason for ongoing concern.

There were 64 percent more rapes reported during the 1986-87 academic year than in 1985-86, the center's annual survey of campus crime revealed, although sexual assault was down by 40 percent.

Since rape — especially when it's committed by a date or an acquaintance — is perhaps the most underreported crime in the United States, the survey doesn't necessarily mean that rapes are up, but that students are reporting it more frequently.

"It's hard to report a friend, or someone who lives in the dorm room next to you," Sherrill said.

But the women's movement has taught women to speak up when they've been violated, which may be why sexual assaults are down. "Some things that were once reported as sexual assault are now considered rape," Sherrill noted.

As many as 25 percent of college women have been raped by a date or an acquaintance, said Bernice Sandler of the Association of

American Colleges. "Rape is not a rare occurrence. Every woman has a fear of rape. You can't walk across a campus at night without the fear of being raped."

But while student concern about burglaries, muggings and assaults is usually articulated by demands for more police and better campus security, the new anti-rape coalitions at many schools are targeting the sexism they say pervades their campuses and allows rape to exist.

"Everyone has worked so hard to get into this school," said Brouwer. "It's a slap in the face when we can't walk across campus, especially when we proved ourselves to be independent and competent."

"Women don't feel welcome on campuses all the time," added DiLapi. "They have to fight for their space. When you look at how hard it is for a woman to get tenure on a campus, it sends students a message of who is valued and who isn't."

DiLapi asserted that "institutions, run primarily by white men, don't see these issues. They challenge women's values. Why don't they believe us when we say this is our experience?"

Although most colleges have developed rape awareness and sexual harassment programs, many schools still don't handle rape crises very well, DiLapi said. "I've heard lots of stories of cover-ups," she said.


"In the long run, colleges will confront this," Sherrill predicted. "College officials don't want to see their students endangered."

Yet Sherrill maintained "we need to confront issues of overall violence. As long as the climate of violence is accepted, women will be raped."

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Poll shows majority of young voters went with Democrats

(CPS) — Initial exit poll results suggested a slight majority of the voters under age 25 voted for Gov. Michael Dukakis in the Nov. 8 election, though George Bush won the endorsement of 56 percent of the nation's college grads.

The results, tabulated from exit polls conducted by the NBC, ABC and CBS television networks, did not distinguish between college students and other voters younger than age 25.

ABC News found Dukakis won a majority of the votes cast by both the youngest (under the age of 25) and oldest (over the age of 60) citizens, while winning 51 percent of those cast by people with only a high school diploma and 62 percent of the nation's high school dropouts.

New voters — typically those who have turned 18 since the 1984 presidential election — preferred Bush instead of Dukakis by a 50-47 percent margin.

Young voters, said CBS political editor Dotty Lynch, were conspicuous by their absence at the polls. Voters younger than age 30 made up only 20 percent of the electorate Nov. 8, down from 24 percent in 1984.

In both 1980 and 1984, pollsters concluded a majority of the college students who voted endorsed Ronald Reagan. The results were widely interpreted as a nationwide swing to the right on campuses.

More unscientific mock elections conducted on hundreds of campuses this fall, moreover, suggested students favored the Republican this time around, too.

At Stephens College in Missouri, for example, Bush received 221 votes while Dukakis picked up 176.

Morris the Cat and Mickey Mouse each received one vote.

"I don't feel like Dukakis and Bentsen know what they are doing," said Erin Malone, a Democrat who said she voted for Bush.

At Virginia's George Mason University, the Republican ticket was chosen by almost twice as many students as the Democrats.

Bush received 51 percent of the vote during George Mason's mock election, while Dukakis got 33 percent. A large number of George Mason students — 16 percent — were undecided.

Bush also won mock elections

at Bellarmine College in Kentucky and Arizona State University by wide margins.

But at the University of Pennsylvania, for example, Dukakis took 42 percent of the vote while

Bush received 36 percent in a scientific poll conducted by the Daily Pennsylvanian, the school newspaper, and the Penn Political Union. Twenty percent of the students polled were undecided.

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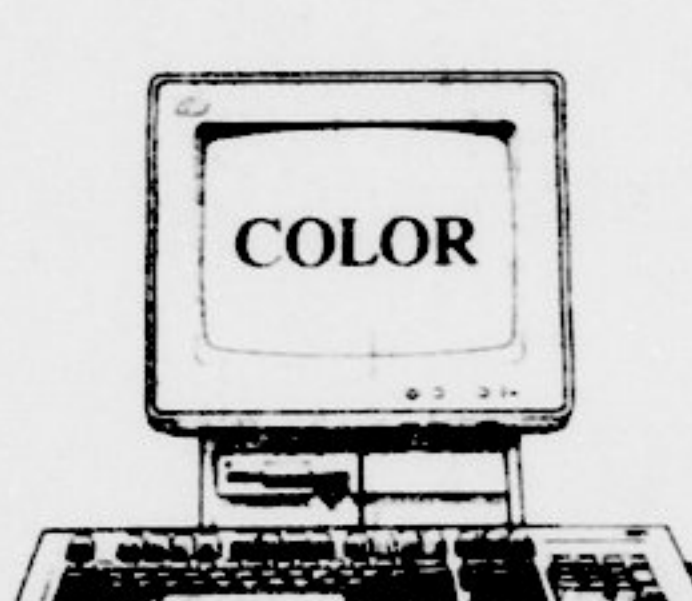



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 Ghost of Christmas Deadlines

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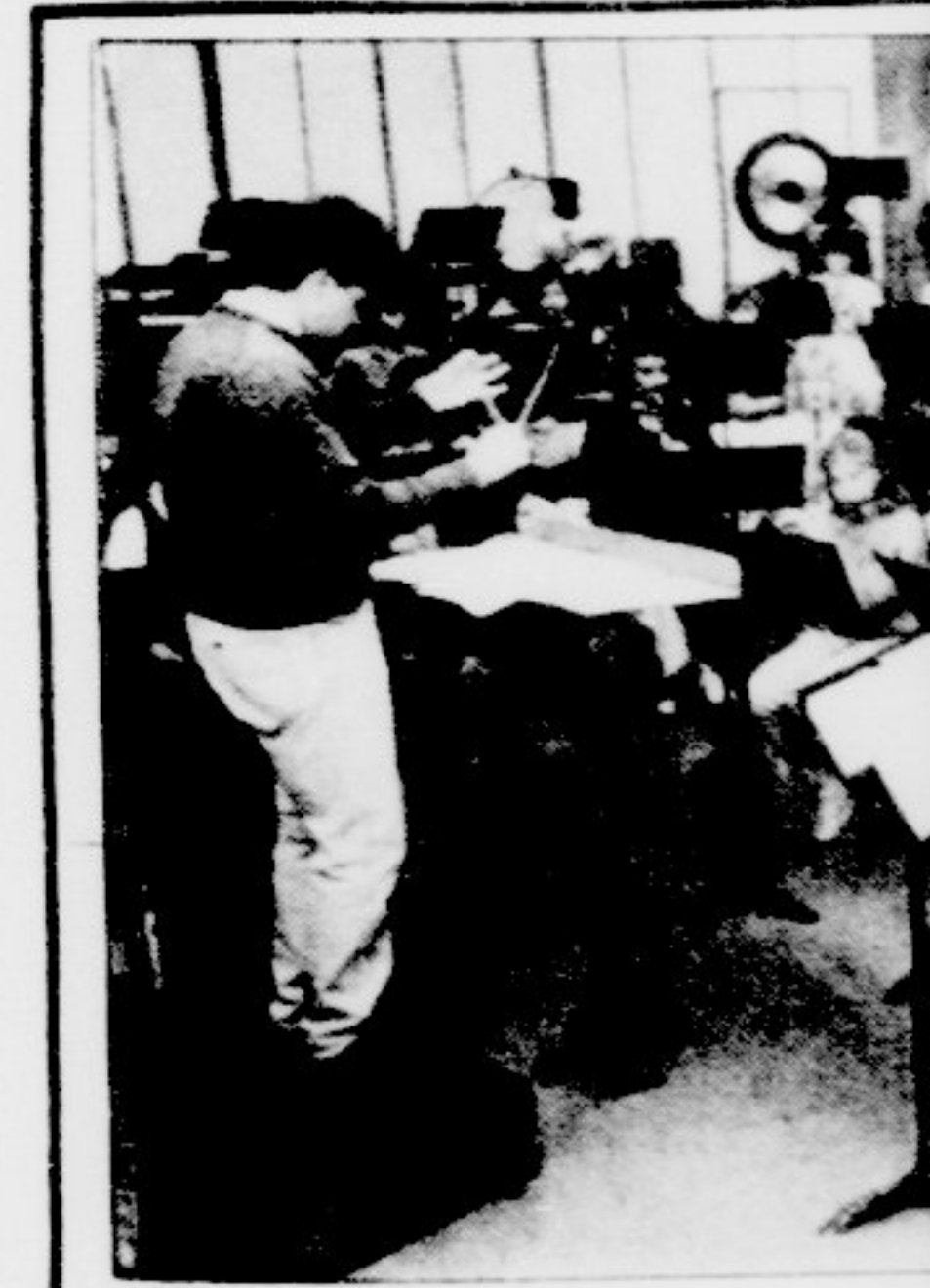
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"My Bag's" lines, "I don't need love/ I need a fire escape window," illustrate the fact of "Mainstream." Cole comes across as a romantic, but one who understands that "Love's



Dennis Quaid plays ball

By ALICIA FORD
 Staff Writer

"There is more to life than making touchdowns," the Ghost says convincingly to nephew, Cake, in the new movie "Everybody's All American" based on the novel by Frank

Dennis Quaid stars as Grey, better known as the Ghost. Deford's character of Grey Ghost is supposed to modeled after Charlie "Cho Justice, a football great played for the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Quaid has been in the movie business for over twelve years and has had roles in nineteen movies. His role as the Cajun Remy McSwain in "The Big Easy" first brought him to the public attention as a sexy leading man.

"All American" doesn't really allow Quaid's sexy qualities to shine through, but it does allow his acting abilities to stand out. The movie travels over a two-year time span.

Jessica Lange is "Babsy" in town's Magnolia Queen and Ghost's main squeeze. They make the picture-perfect couple, the beautiful coed and star of the football team. When 19-year old Babs is asked what major is, she replies, "Gavin

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is "something you nail people to." While producing his network's live adaptation of "Scrooge," he mirrors the fictional character's "bah, humbug!" attitude. He fires Goldthwait, sends towels with his network's logo to people on his Christmas list and steals cabs flagged down by old ladies.

The high point of his cruelty comes when the animal trainer for the "Scrooge" show relates his problems with gluing antlers on the tiny mice playing dormice. Cross suggests, "Have you tried stapling them?"

A true unfeeling bastard, his subtle transformation to caring human being is believable and exciting.

Of course, he has some help.

The three ghosts of Christmas drive, beat and burn him into the realization that everyone carries the spirit of Christmas within them.

Christmas Past, a cab driver from hell played to perfection by Buster Poindexter's alter ego David Johanson, takes him back through time to visit Cross's unhappy childhood ("I know slugs that had a more active life than you"), his bumpy meeting with his true love ("You hit me here, and the sidewalk hit me in the back of the head") and the choice that drove her away for 15 years.

Christmas Present, a wacked-out, bumbling, fairy played by Kane, knees him in the groin, belts him with a toaster and locks him in the sewer with a frozen bum to

make him see the effects Christmas is having on other people.

The sewer scene shows Murray's adeptness at straddling the line between drama and comedy as he berates the ice-blue bum. "You should have stayed inside! You'd be taken care of! You'd sure be a better color!"

Kane is wonderful as the malicious Christmas Present. "Oh look! a toaster!" she squeaks, as she goes upside his chin with the appliance.

The foreboding special effect that plays Christmas Future also brings out Murray's talent for drama. As he sees the aftermath of his careless words to his secretary, ex-girlfriend and brother, he finally realizes what an effect he has on people ... and that it's not

too late to change.

Cross sees his girlfriend give up her job as social worker after he suggested she save herself first. His secretary's youngest child, a psychological mute who functions as a modern Tiny Tim, is placed in an institution after he refuses her raise.

All this adds up to the inevitable. But the fun is in seeing it happen. He springs back to life after the vision of his cremation, rehires the now-homicidal Goldthwait and takes over the live broadcast.

While the only low point of this movie is the length of time Murray takes to preach about his change of heart, it doesn't matter. The cast of the show and the

world-wide audience feel the magic. The cinematic audience feels it, especially when Murray begins coaxing them to sing along.

What would have made that scene a classic is if, after Murray's long speech, he looked in the camera and said, "Hey, I'm good at this. I should be a televangelist."

Before I start getting disgustingly sentimental, I'll finish up quickly. "Scrooged" is magic. Richard Donner and his cast have put together one of the most moving and hilarious movies ever. If you don't leave the theater singing, dancing and generally ready to get down to this life business ... you're either dead or next on the ghosts' list.

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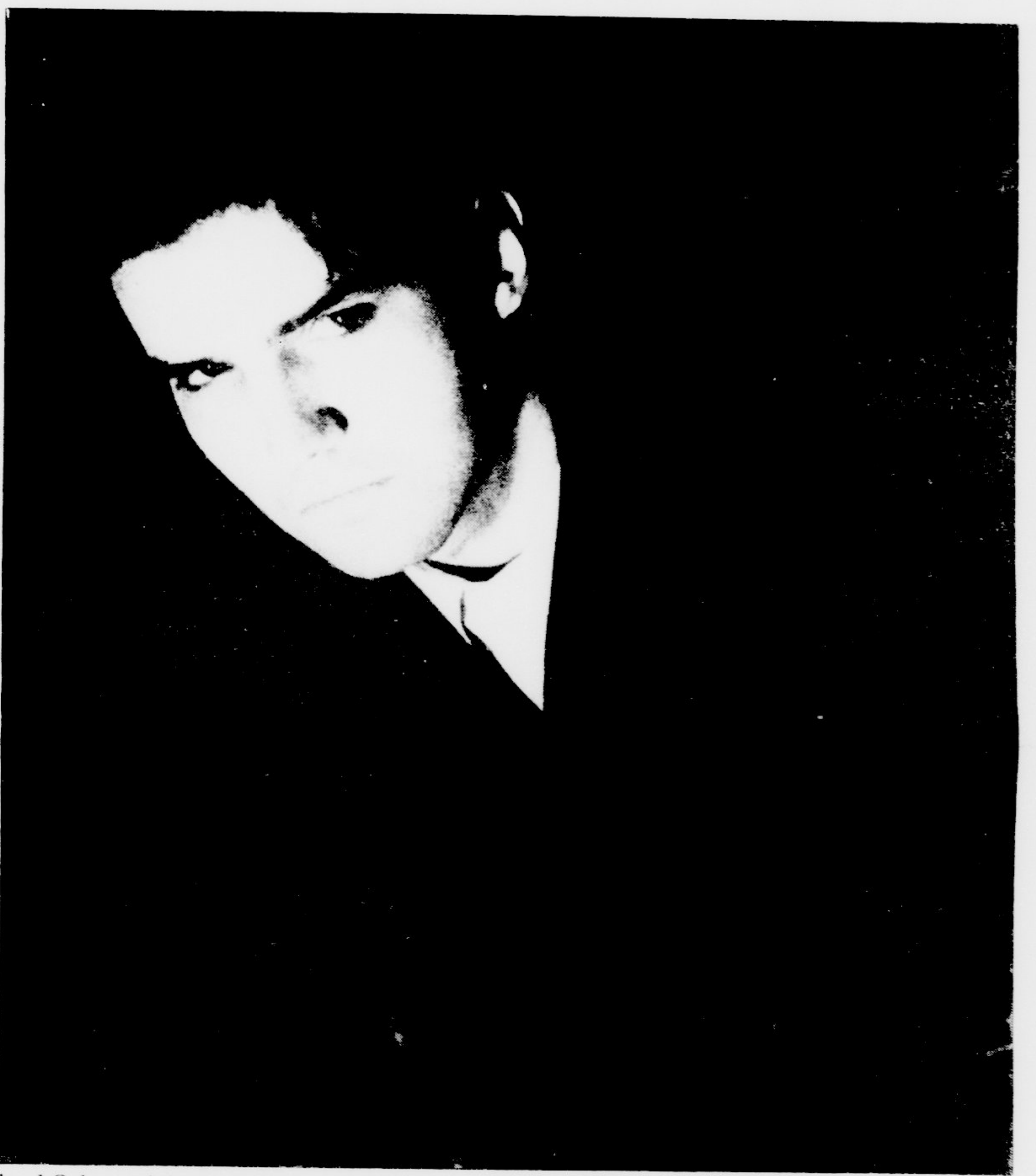
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New 'Scrooge' may be best holiday flick

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 Ghost of Christmas Deadlines

Bill Murray, Carol Kane, John Houseman, Mary Lou Retton, Lee Majors, Buster Poindexter, John Forsythe, Anne Ramsey, Bobcat Goldthwait, Karen Allen ... what is this, "Battle of The Network Stars"?

Well, no. It's "Scrooged." And admittedly, most of those people just show up in cameos. But for a movie that could have turned into a name dropping disaster, "Scrooged" is easily the best Christmas film since "It's a Wonderful Life."

Murray is knee-slappingly funny as Frank Cross, youngest network president ever. Cross, as the banner in his office proclaims,

is "something you nail people to."

While producing his network's live adaptation of "Scrooge," he mirrors the fictional character's "bah, humbug!" attitude. He fires Goldthwait, sends towels with his network's logo to people on his Christmas list, and steals cabs flagged down by old ladies.

The high point of his cruelty comes when the animal trainer for the "Scrooge" show relates his problems with gluing antlers on the tiny mice playing dormice. Cross suggests, "Have you tried stapling them?"

A true unfeeling bastard, his subtle transformation to caring human being is believable and exciting.

Of course, he has some help.

The three ghosts of Christmas drive, beat and burn him into the realization that everyone carries the spirit of Christmas within them.

Christmas Past, a cab driver from hell played to perfection by Buster Poindexter's alter ego David Johanson, takes him back through time to visit Cross's unhappy childhood ("I know slugs that had a more active life than you"), his bumpy meeting with his true love ("You hit me here, and the sidewalk hit me in the back of the head") and the choice that drove her away for 15 years.

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The sewer scene shows Murray's adeptness at straddling the line between drama and comedy as he berates the ice-blue bum. "You should have stayed inside! You'd be taken care of! You'd sure be a better color!"

Kane is wonderful as the malicious Christmas Present. "Oh look! a toaster!" she squeaks, as she goes upside his chin with the appliance.

The foreboding special effect that plays Christmas Future also brings out Murray's talent for drama. As he sees the aftermath of his careless words to his secretary, ex-girlfriend and brother, he finally realizes what an effect he has on people ... and that it's not

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Cross sees his girlfriend give up her job as social worker after he suggested she save herself first. His secretary's youngest child, a psychological mute who functions as a modern Tiny Tim, is placed in an institution after he refuses her raise.

All this adds up to the inevitable. You know what's going to happen. But the fun is in seeing it happen. He springs back to life after the vision of his cremation, rehires the now-homicidal Goldthwait and takes over the live broadcast.

While the only low point of this movie is the length of time Murray takes to preach about his change of heart, it doesn't matter. The cast of the show and the

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What would have made that scene a classic is if, after Murray's long speech, he looked in the cameras and said, "Hey, I'm good at this. I should be a televangelist."

Before I start getting disgustingly sentimental, I'll finish up quickly. "Scrooged" is magic. Richard Donner and his cast have put together one of the most moving and hilarious movies ever. If you don't leave the theater singing, dancing and generally ready to get down to this life business ... you're either dead or next on the ghosts' list.

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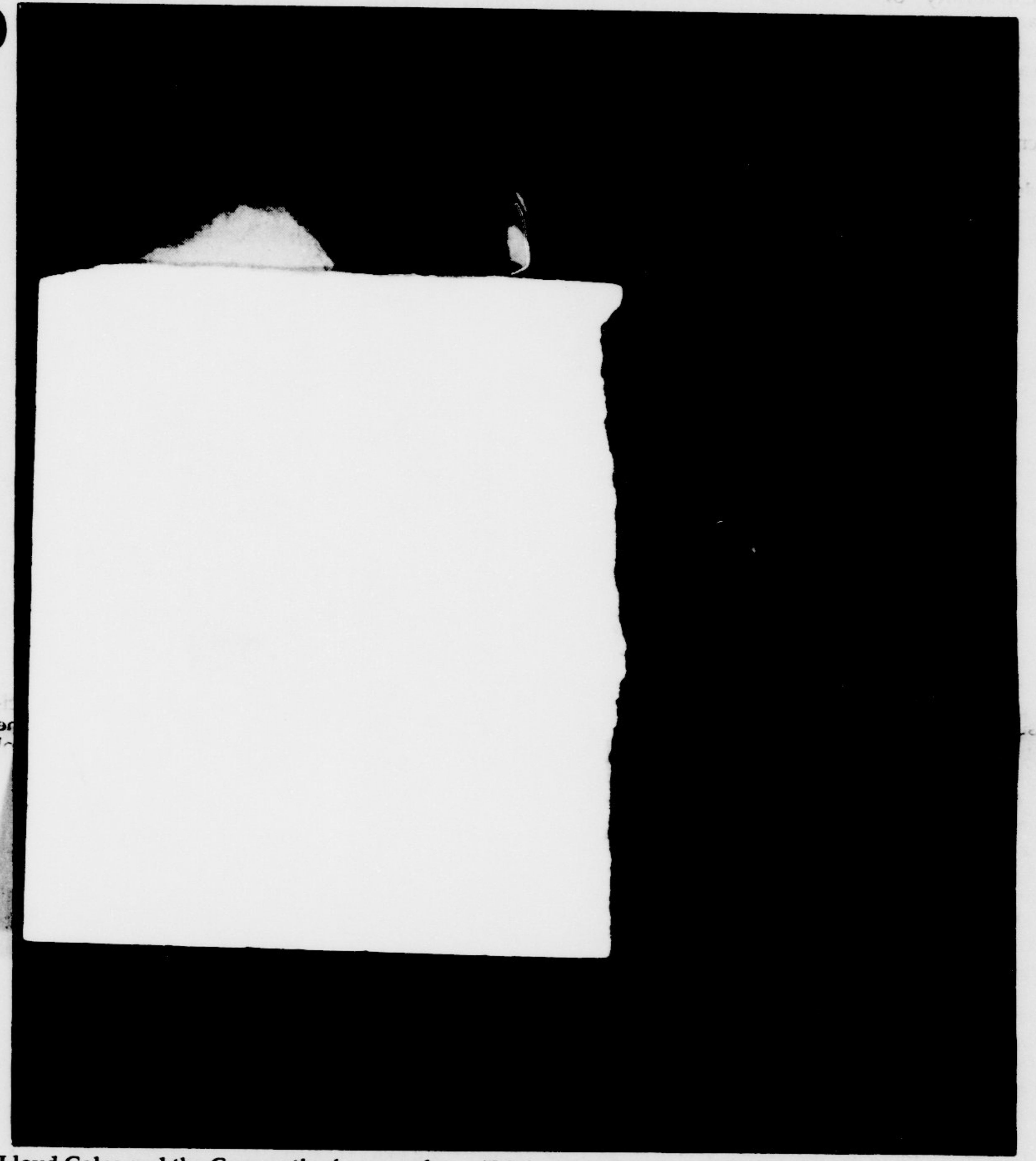
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"Thank you, fire," Eustace Conway says, and he means it.

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Conway is a 26-year-old North Carolina native who lives with respect for Mother Earth. He's adopted the ways of American Indians who survived in harmony with nature 12,000 years ago.

They were the primitives, which means simply they were first, Conway says. The rest of us are "modern people," newcomers who abuse and deliberately detach ourselves from the natural environment through middlemen and conveniences.

"We as modern Americans pretty much separated ourselves from our perspective of the world," Conway says. "You can only rape your mother for so long before she'll kick you out, and so

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Conway's smile fades when he speaks of this abuse, but his face lights up again when he describes what he's learned from tribal elders and trial and error during eight years of living in a tepee.

Conway doesn't just preach. He lives in comfort and happiness out in the woods.

His clothes are buckskin, softened by the brains of a deer, tanned over a smoking fire and adorned with skull from the same dead animal. A strong, blue tendon that runs down the deer's back becomes thread.

Its toes become jingles for a knife case made from its hide. Its fur provides warmth and protection. The meat is food that is dried in the sun.

His tools and utensils are bone from the deer and stone from the stream. He kneels and twists fiber of softened tulip poplar bark into a strong, valuable rope using his hands and thigh.

"Anything that's long, stringy and strong you can make a rope out of," Conway says. "No magic. No hard thing. And it doesn't take three hours either."

Conway calls himself a native American culturalist. He has a bachelor's in English and anthropology from Appalachian State University in his native Boone, N.C. He has lived among Indians in Mexico, Alaska, Arizona and North Carolina. He has kayaked over 1,000 miles of shoreline along Alaska's inland waterway. He has hiked the entire 2,000-mile Appalachian Trail.

He's had some scrapes, but he's always survived.

"One day I went on a camping trip and here I am eight years later and I still haven't come back," Conway said during a recent lecture.

Conway is a man with a mission that he executes with wit and the knowledge he's acquired. He lives near Boone on land he's dubbed "Turtle Island Preserve." There, he passes on his skills to old people, young people, families — anyone who wants to stay awhile and learn.

"Experience is one of the best teachers, and nature is the teacher," he says. "The more you immerse yourself in nature the more you're going to have."

Conway is a man of both worlds. He travels to school lec-

tures in a van. He wears hiking boots. He'll go to the hospital if sickness threatens his life. He shaves with the same straight-edge razor he started out with in puberty. Sometimes, he hunts with a powder-loaded rifle.

But Conway never forgets the earth, which the only he ventures out of the woods.

"I've seen the simplicity of life. The native people live a life of balance," he said. "They are the people that are waiting for you to get rid of yourselves so that they can carry on with life."

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The calling still retained a lot of Harrison Ford's movie character in 1922 when Howard Carter, an eccentric Briton, dug into the most famous tomb of all, the gold-packed burial place of Pharaoh Tutankhamon.

But as Egyptology prepares to enter the 21st century, the country that gave the science its name is asking lovers of its ancient past to give up the shovel and trowel. Don't dig and destroy, Egyptian antiquities officials are saying, but restore and rebuild.

"Our grandfathers, the ancient Egyptians, were reaching for eternity," the acting chairman of the Egyptian Antiquities Organization, M.A. Nur-el-din, told the fifth annual International Congress of Egyptology. "It's our task to let them remain eternal."

Egypt's monuments have seemed immortal, a rich and glorious past paraded in stone monoliths and on tomb walls. Evidence is growing, however, that time is running out.

"We must leave the artifacts safely buried in the ground (and) restore and preserve what has been unearthed," said Egyptology professor Faiza Haikal.

"The once slow process of deterioration is accelerating. We

have the usual problems of environment and a rising water table, but now the monuments face the spread of settlements, with sewage and other risks."

Most scholars support the

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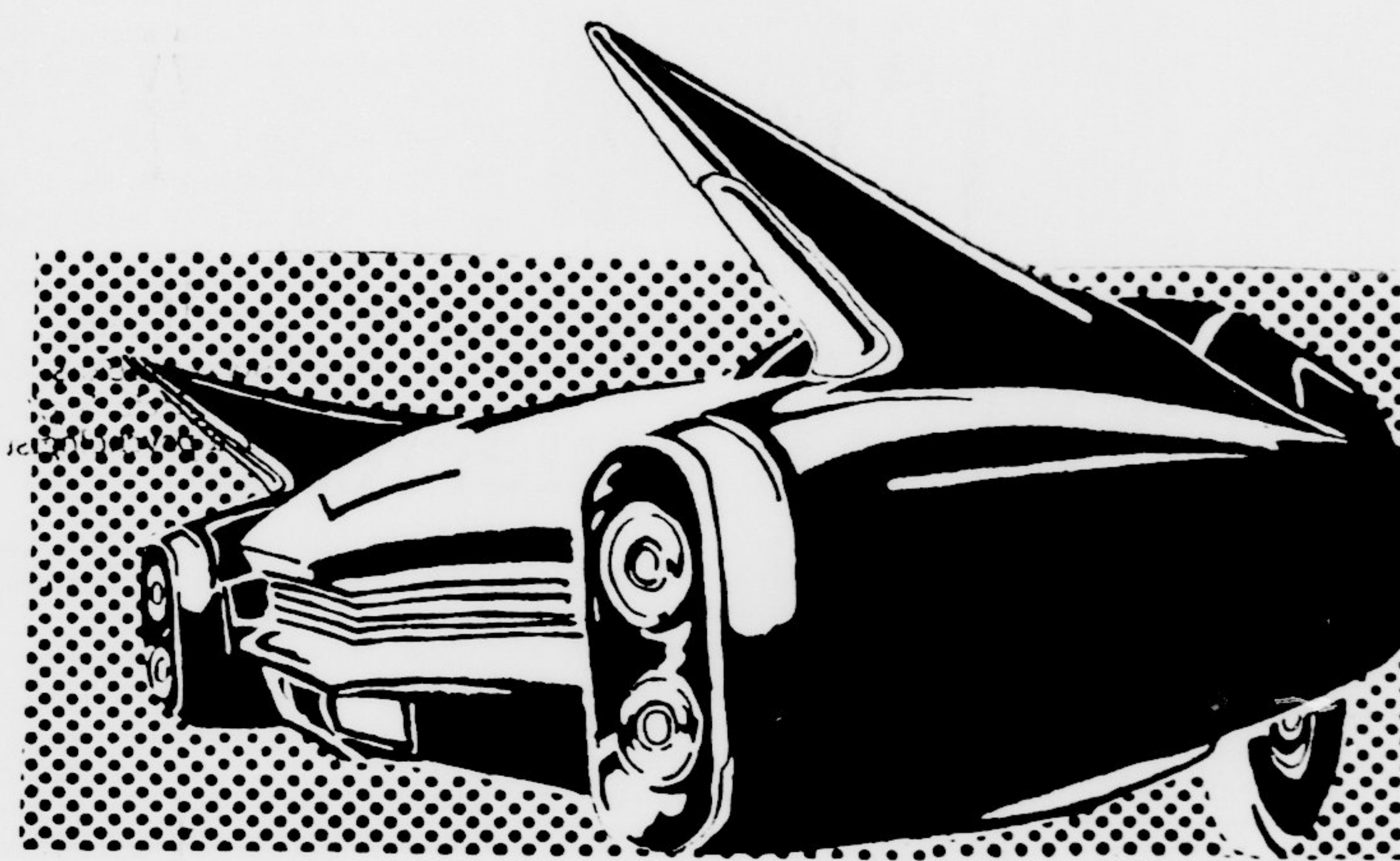
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After 40 years, pair win Nobel

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (AP) — George Hitchings knew right away that Gertrude Elion was special.

"We had maybe four or five interviews for this job as an assistant in the biochemistry department," Hitchings recalled. "But after I talked to Trudy, I told the research director, 'This is the one we're looking for.'"

Elion, 70, also clearly remembers that meeting.

"George didn't ask me any questions. I had three other job offers, and they had all asked what the last book was that I had read and that sort of thing. George never did. He just started talking about what they were doing. He was so excited about it that I thought, 'This is the place I want to work.'"

That 1944 job interview launched a lifelong collaboration developing medicines for leukemia, malaria, gout, herpes and kidney transplant rejection — a collaboration that led to a share of this year's Nobel Prize for medi-

never any question about that."

Elion later was awarded honorary doctorates, making her — in her words — an "honest woman."

Elion wanted a career in research, but ended up teaching high school among other jobs after earning a chemistry degree from Hunter College. World War II helped her get into the field she wanted. "The war had taken all the men, so that gave me my opportunity."

Hitchings, too, had wandered through other jobs — at Harvard and Western Reserve universities — before getting the work he wanted in research.

Elion said she and Hitchings had been successful partners for 44 years because they "just kept working. There was no time for anything else."

And neither of them was concerned about who got the credit.

"As the scope of our work grew and I took on assistants of my own, we would spend a lot of

time talking through a problem," she said.

"By the end of our discussions, we'd usually come up with an approach, but neither one of us would remember who had originally come up with the approach. There never was any of this, 'Oh, that was my idea,' between us."

Elion, never married, and Hitchings, a widower since 1985, are officially retired from Burroughs Wellcome. But they both report every day when they're not on the road lecturing. "People around here just laugh when I say I'm retired," Elion said. "I do like to stay busy."

"What's the use of retiring? If you don't have anything to contribute any more, people will tell you. But as long as you can make a contribution, you should. Science is a continuum. If the older ones don't pass along their knowledge to the younger ones, it comes to a dead stop."

Mel Gibson named sexiest man

LOS ANGELES (AP) — How does a young actor deal with suddenly being named an international star and "the sexiest man alive"?

"You deal with it by a trick of the mind," said Mel Gibson. "You figure: Is it worrying me that much? Does anybody else give a damn as much as I do? So you decide not to. It's easy."

The Gibson method appears to be working. He seems unchanged from the time he first arrived here seven years ago after appearing as Mad Max in the Australian movie, "The Road Warrior." He still displays a hint of shyness, contrasting with the self-assured roles he has played on the screen.

The actor was here publicizing his latest Warner Bros. film,

"Tequila Sunrise," co-starring Kurt Russell, Michelle Pfeiffer and Raul Julia. Gibson's last role cast him as a Los Angeles cop in "Lethal Weapon." The new movie puts him on the other side of the law.

"Things don't quite match up, and that's what appealed to me about the script," said Gibson. "Here's a man who has a very illicit lifestyle and has had an unsavory career. Yet he always tells the truth and deals honorably with people. That makes an interesting combination."

"The script doesn't deal with good and bad but shades of gray in-between. He's retired (from drug-dealing). But nobody wants him to retire."

In "Tequila Sunrise," Gibson is at odds with his high school buddy, Russell, a narcotics cop. Pfeiffer is the beauty caught between. The writer is Robert Towne, who wrote "Chinatown"; he also directed "Tequila."

"The script just lobbied into my mailbox one day," said Gibson. "It was one of those scripts that you just kept turning the pages; you didn't know why. It demanded a second read. I liked it."

Gibson sounds totally American in the movie. In conversation, the Australian creeps in. That's only natural for a fellow who spent his first 12 years in Peekskill and Mount Vernon, N.Y. His mother was Australian, his father

an American who decided to emigrate to Sydney with his 10 children so the older sons would not be drafted during the Vietnam War.

Gibson was going to be a chef or a journalist until his sister submitted him for a drama institute at the University of New South Wales. He appeared in plays and a cheapie flick, "Summer City," that attracted director George Miller. The result was the star-making "Road Warrior."

Gibson filmed two sequels and also co-starred in the acclaimed World War I film, "Gallipoli," and Peter Weir's "The Year of Living Dangerously." His American-made movies have been less successful: "The Bounty," "The River," "Mrs. Sof-

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Keaton turns dramatic

(AP) — Diane Keaton turns dramatic in "The Good Mother," playing a divorcee caught in a custody battle with her former husband.

Based on the best-selling novel by Sue Miller and written by Michael Bortman, the film shows the life of a single mother who has a humdrum job and gets grudging child support payments from her ex, played by James Naughton. Flashbacks show repressed sexuality due to a domineering, unfeeling father (Ralph Bellamy).

Keaton meets Liam Neeson, a free-living artist who releases her inhibitions with unbridled sex. The idyll is destroyed when Naughton claims his 6-year-old daughter. In the custody suit, he accuses the couple of having intercourse in the same bed where the girl was sleeping.

Keaton is represented in court by Jason Robards and the trial is heart-wrenching.

Leonard Nimoy directed in an astounding change of pace from his last, "Three Men and a Baby." There is no humor in this serious film.

The filmmakers deserve credit for attempting a drama of complex social issues: the role of the single mother; the question of how far sexual frankness should go. But the issues become clouded, and the outcome lacks the emotional impact of "Kramer vs. Kramer."

Keaton is adept at the mother's anguish, employing few of her nervous mannerisms.

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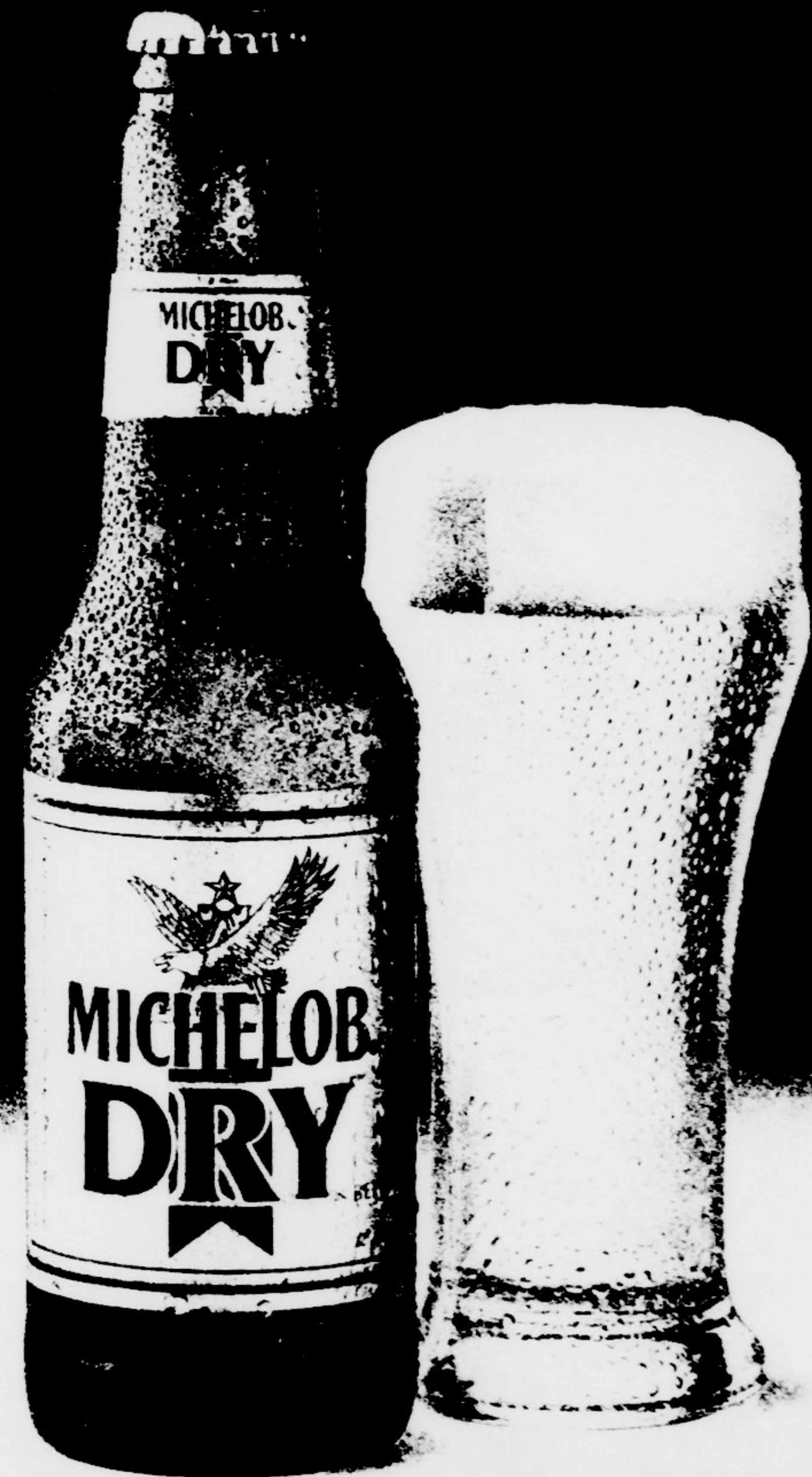
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Bangles stay away from M

NEW YORK (AP) — Bangle Susanna Hoffs' mom invoked the dreaded "M-word" when her daughter recently played her group's latest album, "Everything," for her.

"She thought it was more sophisticated and MATURE," than the band's first two records, Hoffs said.

Maturity may be a dirty word for many rockers — and Hoffs quickly disavowed her mother's language — but it's an apt description for both the record's sound and the approach the Bangles took in recording their first album in almost three years.

After two LPs and seemingly endless rounds of touring, the Bangles say they finally feel comfortable with their craft.

"We're learning to trust our-

selves more, to be more emotional in our performance," said bass player Michael Steele. "I really don't know if you can call it maturity. It's more of an artistic growth."

The four women of the Bangles, who pay homage to classic bands of the 1960s with their sunny melodies and intricate harmonies, became stars with such hits as "Walk Like an Egyptian," and the Prince tune, "Manic Monday," from the 1986 LP, "Different Light."

The Bangles are thankful for their success, but said they needed to take greater control over their music.

Producer David Kahne, whose relationship with the band was stormy at best, was replaced by Davitt Sigerson. Hoffs, Steele

and sisters Vicki and Debbi Peterson, who once readily accepted contributions from outside songwriters, each wrote or co-wrote all of the new album's 13 songs.

When all four members of a band write songs, they notice when their biggest hits are written by someone else. "Walk Like an Egyptian" was written by Liam Sternberg, "If She Knew What She Wants" is a Jules Shear song and the Bangles hit the Top 10 with a cover of Paul Simon's "Hazy Shade of Winter."

"It was a reaction to the success of 'Different Light' that made us determined to write as many songs as we could come up with — strong stuff that we could feel was emotionally attached to us," Steele said. "We had a strange, slight feeling of distance from

"Different Light."

The flip side to trusting your own instincts, of course, is getting burned if the public rejects you. Some critics have grumbled that "Everything" sounds overproduced and the songs don't sparkle. But the public's responding to the first single, a Hoffs rocker called "In Your Room," which is moving swiftly up the charts.

The Bangles will spend much of 1989 touring to support a record they say even moms and dads can love — they know, because they've asked theirs.

"I played it for my dad," Steele said. "He said, 'this is a much more professional-sounding record.'"

Uris bases 'Mitla Pass' on past

NEW YORK (AP) — Leon Uris has based much of his work on historical events. In "Mitla Pass," the history is his own.

"I was looking for a legacy to leave my new family and my grandchildren," said Uris, the 64-year-old author of such best sellers as "Exodus" and "QB VII."

"Mitla Pass" (Doubleday, \$19.95), which closely follows the lives of Uris and his family, begins in Israel in 1956 during the Suez Canal crisis and centers on the author's alter ego, Gideon Zadok, a writer covering the incident. The novel then traces Zadok's ancestry back to the 1880s.

Uris lives in Aspen, Colo., with his third wife Jill and hopes the book will bring him closer to their two children.

"I wanted to leave them with a story of what their old man did and let them know he was not infallible. ... You spend the second half of your life getting over your first half," he said.

In "Mitla Pass," the writer had difficulties with both parents.

Like Zadok, Uris was born in Baltimore and spent several years growing up in Norfolk, Va. His father, Wolf William, was a paper hanger and storekeeper. Uris remembered him as an unhappy man.

"I think his personality was formed by the harsh realities of being a Jew in Czarist Russia," he said. "He was basically a failure. He went from failure to failure. I think failure formed his character, made him bitter.

"I think I can say without hesitation that from earliest memory I was determined not to be a failure."

Uris credits his mother, Anna, with teaching him an appreciation of the arts, but says they did not get along.

"Her life was such that there was a heavy distrust of men, in large part because of a very cruel father. We were essentially disinterested in each other. She was inside of her own head there somewhere."

Uris struggled to establish his own independence and World War II provided the opportunity.

"All societies that I know of are shaped by macho, the need of a man to be macho," said Uris,

who served as a marine. "There's no better proving ground than a war."

His first novel, "Battle Cry," a story about the Marine Corps, was released in 1953 and made into a film. "Exodus," the novel which depicted the history of European Jewry from the turn of the century to the establishment of Israel, was released in 1958 and sold millions of copies.

Uris said researching "Mitla Pass" made him see himself in an entirely different way. "I used to think of myself as a very sad little Jewish boy, isolated in a Southern town, undersized, asthmatic.

"When I read all my correspondence again, I realized I was a hustler," he said. "I was tough. I used everything to my advantage.

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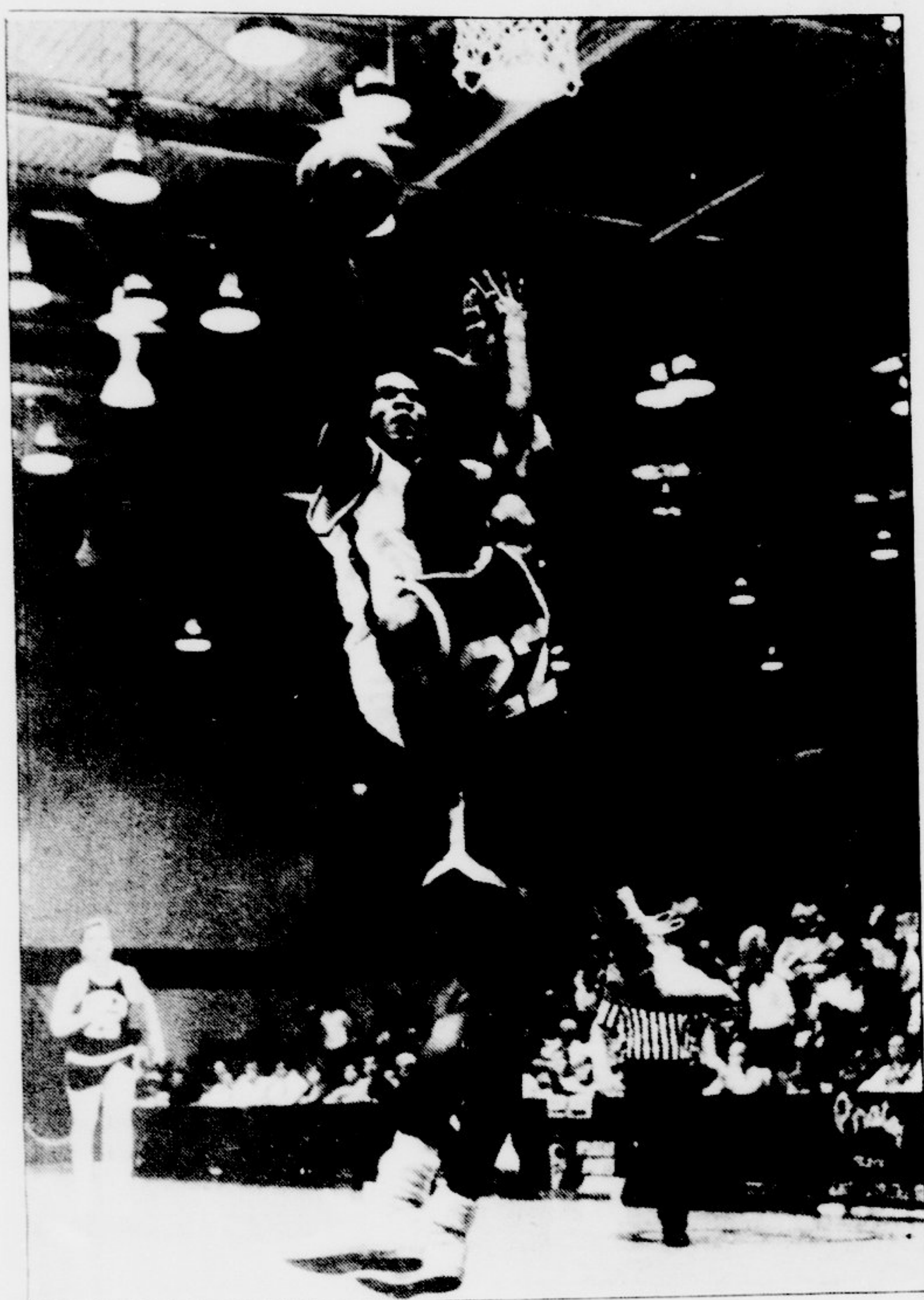
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Hoopsters begin season 2-0

Pirates begin season on right track

By KRISTEN HALBERG
Sports Editor



UNC-Greensboro's Ron Sheppard blocks a shot by Pirate forward Blue Edwards during last night's 68-49 win. (Photo by ECU Photolab).

The East Carolina Pirates opened their 1988-89 season at home over the weekend with both impressive and not so impressive victories over opponents N.C. Wesleyan and UNC-Greensboro.

The cagers played their first opponent, N.C. Wesleyan, on Saturday at Minges Coliseum where the Pirates outscored Wesleyan 91-65. Blue Edwards gave an awesome showing as he had 34 points for the night.

Staples also had a good game with 18 points and Stanley Love put in a good showing with 10 points.

ECU's shot percentage was also impressive as they shot 49 percent against Wesleyan. The Pirates began their assault right from the beginning in the first period taking the lead right off the bat and increasing its margin from there on.

The final outcome of last night's UNC-Greensboro game was equally as awesome with ECU winning 68-49, but head

coach Mike Steele was not happy with the way his hoopsters played.

"I thought our defense was really good, it was solid," Steele said. "But offensively, I thought we were horrible. Everybody was looking to score after one pass."

The Pirates held an impressive 36-22 lead in the first half in front of a crowd of 3,954 but let their 14-point margin slide to as close as a four-point spread in the second half.

Steele explained that none of the members of the team "were enjoying it and having fun passing the basketball."

But despite Steele's bitterness over the way his team played as a whole, a couple of Pirates had worthy performances.

Gus Hill, the junior forward, led the cagers in scoring with 20 points. Steele was especially pleased with Hill's performance in the second half. "Gus did a nice job in the second half. He came in and won the defensive boards and got a couple of big plays for us and had a pretty good game."

"I was really pleased with

Gus. He struggled in the first game [against N.C. Wesleyan]."

Jeff Kelly didn't score any points but had an impressive game giving the Pirates the "lift" that it needed to secure the victory. "Jeff Kelly came in the game and gave us a nice lift and helped us and got us rolling. That was really important for us."

Steele explained that the UNC-G game was especially good for Edwards because played in a more realistic environment as far as the rest of the season is concerned, namely, against Duke on Wednesday.

UNC-G's Verdel Ellis stayed with Edwards for most of the game and did a great job in covering ECU's best offensive player.

"Blue kind of did anything he wanted in the first game but this is more like how it is going to be for him."

The highlight of the game that shifted the Pirates back in gear after letting UNC-G catch up to within five, was the technical foul called on Reed Lose with 10:24 remaining in the game, after he slammed the basketball on a

UNC-G player's leg before it went out of bounds. The technical was because the whistle signaling dead ball had already been blown. The once quiet Minges crowd got up on its feet and the Pirates returned to their emotional play to increase their spread in the final score, to 19.

"I think he just missed the call," Steele explained regarding the official that called the technical. "He had blown the whistle and he thought Reed heard the whistle. 'I hadn't heard the whistle either.'"

Steele and the ECU bench were the next ones to receive two additional technical fouls with 2:22 left to play after they protested an official's call.

"I think you've got to give UNC-G some real credit. I thought that their kids really played hard. Their kids came to play and they really did a nice job."

The 2-0 Pirates travel to Durham on Wednesday to challenge the No. 1 Blue Devils of Duke University in their first away game.

Lady Pirates suffer 79-74 loss to Stetson; come back to beat South Carolina State

By CAROLYN JUSTICE
Staff Writer

The East Carolina women's basketball team opened its season on Thanksgiving evening at the Appalachian State Classic in Boone, N.C. with a loss to Stetson University. But they came back in second round action to earn their first win of the season against South Carolina State.

In first round action against the Lady Hatters of Stetson, ECU took a 79-74 loss. The Lady Pirates had three players finish in double figures with sophomore Sarah Gray leading the way with 17

points.

Gray, a forward from Washington, N.C. who was selected to the all-tournament team, was also the Lady Pirates' second leading rebounder.

Senior Pam Williams and freshman Tonya Hargrove scored 11 points each in the ECU effort. Hargrove led ECU on the boards with 10 rebounds.

In second round action, the Lady Pirates jumped out to an early lead and led by as many as 12 in the first six minutes. Despite shooting just 35 percent from the floor for the game, ECU came away with its first win.

Sarah Gray once again led ECU, this time in both scoring and rebounding. Gray had 24 points for the game and pulled down 13 rebounds.

Senior Gretta Savage scored in double figures with 13 and also had nine rebounds. Pam Williams, with her second double figure game of the season, scored 11 points.

With her first win of the season, ECU head coach Pat Pierson said that her team still needs a lot of work to be ready for conference play.

"We did not play very well tonight. At times we played great defensively, creating a lot of turnovers and steals," Pierson said about the Lady Pirates who finished third in the ASU Classic.

"We just didn't do a good job of converting them into points. We'll need to work hard this week in practice."

East Carolina, now 1-1, will be on the road Wednesday at

Duke and the open their home season on Friday as the host of the seventh annual Lady Pirates Classic at Minges Coliseum.

Turkey Trot victors awarded

(IRS) — The annual intramural run for the birds was held pre-Thanksgiving at Bunting Track. Dr. Al Matthews and Frank Solomon (Dining Services) were on hand for the awards presentations as well as Dr. Matthews' serving as official race starter.

The 1988 Turkey Trot saw the return and total domination of last year's first place finishers, Return of the Yukmen. Barry Scott, Charley Justice, Brent Brewer and Billy Best ran for a total 30:48 to take top honors.

Falling behind nine seconds was the three men team from Pi Kappa Alpha 'A', comprised of Scott Oliveri, Kevin Plumb and Tim McNamara.

Sigma Phi Epsilon took the third spot behind the Pi Kaps with a total 39:40 time.

From out of the women's starting blocks came Delta Zeta. The DZ squad placed first in the women's team category with a 60:50 time spread. Team members include Laurie Sadono, Marney McKee, Mardy Parrish and Rhonda Mount.

Individual honors were presented to the three mile finishers as well. It seemed only minutes before top male finisher Barry Scott started the race and completed its course. Scott, the first to cross the finish line, ran a 9:59 race.

Close behind Scott was Yukmen teammate Charlie Justice who breezed through the finish line with a 10:00.

Female top individual honors go to Suzanne Uzzell, a lone runner with a time of 15:32. Uzzell's time ousted all female as well as several male scores in the event. Taking the second place position was DZ Laurie Sadono with an 18:38 time.

Sponsored by dining services and the Canteen Corporation, the annual Turkey Trot winner received turkeys and pumpkin pies to brighten their holiday weekend.

Swimmers' success due to Bridgers

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Mecklenburg High School in Charlotte, she is currently undefeated in the 100 and 200-yard breaststroke.

Just this past week, she qualified for the prestigious NCAA Championships to be held at Indiana University March 16-18. By qualifying so early in the season, Bridgers became the quickest qualifier for the NCAA's in East Carolina swimming history.

Up at 5:30 a.m. and in the pool by 6 a.m., Bridgers will swim close to 8,000 yards (1620 yards is equivalent to one mile in the pool) before the day is over. Morning practice is scheduled from 6 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. followed by classes, then weight training at 2:20 p.m. with another practice at 3:30 p.m. and lasting until 6:30 p.m.

Bridgers is quick to point out that swimming has its definite sacrifices just like any other collegiate sport, but she finds it difficult to miss something she has never had. When she does find time to relax, she enjoys reading the classics. She remembers in high school when the teacher would assign a novel to be read, but she would always put it off. Now she finds that she is attracted to reading the novels that she avoided in high school.

When not reading she can usually be found hanging out with the other members of the swim team. One thing about East Carolina that really impressed her was the casual atmosphere that tends to run rampant around campus. "It is easy to be yourself

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Duke Analysis

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It seems Duke University has a "long" standing policy of not providing the visiting school with the opportunity of having its fans present to support them. All tickets are available only to Duke University students and season ticket holders. When an effort was made to acquire tickets for this exciting game by calling the Duke Ticket Office this fact was pounded home time and time again. Want tickets? Either buy a season ticket package or enroll at Duke (for those out there who are not up on their college tuition prices for prestigious private Universities, Duke is a modest \$13,000 a year).

And so the question currently stands: Why can't such exuberant fan support exist at ECU as well?

Upon realizing that East Carolina was going to Durham without fan support, this scenario at East Carolina's Minges Coliseum, the Steele Mill of the South,

began to take root. With a student enrollment of over 15,000 and a surrounding community boasting over 35,000 citizens, it really boggles the mind as to why East Carolina has managed to sell out its 6,500 seat arena only four times in the past three years.

If David Robinson had not decided to attend the Naval Academy and had Wilmington not brought some 500 or so fans to their games, Minges might not have been filled to capacity. Just in case you might be wondering, Duke's student enrollment is in the neighborhood of 11,500 (give or take 1,000).

With excitement returning to East Carolina basketball for the first time in over nine years, visions of winning seasons and even someday an NCAA tournament bid are suddenly within reason of becoming a reality. As the University makes a commitment to enhance the program

Mike Steele is trying to build by upgrading Minges Coliseum, it now falls upon the student body and surrounding community to provide the finishing touch.

The thought of sellout games at Minges, visiting fans standing out in the cold because they could not get tickets, a twenty win season, and even an NCAA bid makes one excited with expectation. All this can happen.

With an excellent class of recruits joining a solid group of experienced juniors and seniors, the ground floor has been laid. In order to ensure success, ECU must be able to attract top athletes to our program and there must be a strong showing of school and community support.

Regardless of whether East Carolina is playing a Top 20 team or a team with a 10 game losing streak, there must be enthusiasm and excitement behind the basketball program. The first steps

have been taken by the community by doubling the amount of season ticket packages purchased over last years total. Now the student body needs to show that they too appreciate what is happening to the East Carolina basketball program.

Mike Steele has shown that he can win. During his six seasons as head coach of the DePauw Tigers, Mike Steele led his team to a 124-40 record during his reign. The last four seasons at DePauw, he posted consecutive 20 win seasons receiving four NCAA Division III tournament bids, and established a Division III record for consecutive homecourt wins with 61.

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Terrapin mascot injured

BALTIMORE (AP) — The mascot for the University of Maryland football team said Monday he may never regain full use of his left arm, which was broken as he tussled with the University of Virginia mascot.

Scott Rudolph said doctors had to remove about three-quarters of an inch of bone that was shattered on Saturday when his arm was broken in three places and dislocated before the Maryland-Virginia game.

The 21-year-old Rudolph, speaking from his bed at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore, said doctors have told him he may regain only 90 percent mobility and feeling in his arm. Rudolph said he'll wear a cast on the arm for two

months.

Rudolph says the Virginia mascot threw him to the ground and fell on top of him. Before his arm was broken, Rudolph was jumped by several members of the Virginia band, but he wasn't injured, he said.

He said there was "no excuse" for the scuffle, and he hopes it will prevent something similar from happening to someone else. "People forget there is a person inside the mascot's costume," Rudolph said.

Maryland sports information director Herb Hartnett said Saturday that Rudolph's injury occurred during a skit. Hartnett said the incident was not malicious.

But Rudolph said if there were a skit, he didn't know about it.

"It was an unfortunate accident, and we're sorry that it happened," Virginia sports information director Rich Murray said, reading from a statement the school released Monday. "We wish Scott a speedy recovery."

The Maryland mascot appears as a terrapin, with a turtle-like head and a dark and light brown shell. The Virginia Cavalier wears a long orange and blue tunic, topped with a plumed hat.

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Student hoops are gift idea

by KRISTEN HALBERG Sports Editor

Looking for a neat Christmas gift idea for your favorite sports enthusiast? Or how about something to hang on a bare wall in your dorm room to help pass the study time away? The Department of Manufacturing in the ECU School of Industry and Technology may have just the thing for you.

The students in manufacturing 4092 have started their own mock corporation as a class project and have created a miniature Pirate basketball hoop. The hoop comes complete with a backboard which includes an East Carolina Pirate logo. And ever since Harry Nesbit and a group of students appeared on the Carolina Today show aired Nov. 15 on WNCT Ch.

9, "these basketball hoops have been selling like hotcakes."

Nesbit, who is a senior majoring in electronics, said the basketball hoops are designed for use with Nerf balls or some sort of soft and small basketball. The hoops are currently available for \$10 apiece.

Nesbit said the class is designed as a corporation to test and market a product.

Chuck Peoples originally came up with the idea to market Pirate basketball hoops. He then was elected president of the mock corporation while Nesbit was elected vice president in charge of marketing.

Nesbit had to come up with an intended target market and decided that the students would be the central focus. "We wanted to make the product available to

them," Nesbit explained.

"Basketball season began Nov. 17 [with the Marathon Oil Tournament] so it was perfect timing. Christmastime also made it perfect timing."

The class manufactures the basketball hoops during their lab hours. "We run kind of an assembly line," Nesbit explained. "All the workers get paid as if it were a real job."

The target goal of the class is to manufacture and sell 100 hoops before the end of the semester. "That should be no problem," Nesbit said.

Anyone interested in purchasing a Pirate basketball hoop should call the Department of Manufacturing in the School of Industry and Technology at 757-6705.

NFL players using drugs

CHICAGO (AP) — Beginning next season, NFL players testing positively for steroids a second time will be subject to the same suspensions now handed down to players who use cocaine and other illegal substances.

Commissioner Pete Rozelle told NFL owners at their fall meeting Tuesday that the policy will apply to players who tested positively for steroids during training camp this year — a figure he estimated at six percent of those tested.

So far this year, 20 players have been suspended for second violations of the NFL's substance abuse program — 19 for 30 days, or four games, and one, Tony Collins of the Indianapolis Colts, for the season as a third-time violator.

"Our legal staff feels we know more about it," Rozelle said in explaining his decision on steroids.

Asked if that meant he thought it could withstand a court challenge, he replied: "That's part of it. Steroids are bad for the players. We know they can affect life after football."

Rozelle also said he thinks the suspensions are having an effect, noting that the majority came in pre-season and in the first six weeks of the regular season, with only one, Mike Bell of Kansas City, who was disciplined last week, suspended since the early rash.

"I think the suspensions are having an important impact on players who might be tempted to do something with drugs," he said. "Because there has been a slack period, I would hopefully assume there will be fewer cases the rest of the season."

Still, Rozelle urged the teams to make sure they have contacts both with drug treatment facilities in their areas and with doctors who specialize in addiction rather than just relying on team doctors.

"So many teams," he said, "have orthopedists or internists as their team doctors," he said. "We're going to hit them about getting close to a local treatment facility and a drug doctor."

While Rozelle was lamenting that the lack of a contract with the NFL Players Association and the union's objection to random testing prevented him from implementing a stronger policy, the union seemed headed for steps of its own.

According to an NFLPA source, the union is preparing a class action suit complaining that the NFL's drug testing program is

a violation of the 1982 collective bargaining agreement. While that agreement expired last Sept. 1 — strike — many of its provisions are still being honored.

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Bronco

The Denver Broncos, who appeared to be headed from the Super Bowl to the Super Bore with even straight scoreless quarters, are back on top in the AFC West.

The Broncos, coming off a 42-0 loss to New Orleans last week, trailed 7-0 in the second quarter Sunday before John Elway threw three touchdown passes, two of them in a 15-second span in the third quarter, and ran one yard for another score as Denver beat the Los Angeles Rams 35-24 Sunday.

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Angeles Rams 24; and the New York Giants 13, New Orleans 12.

Bengals 35, Bills 21
Cincinnati took a 21-0 lead in the second quarter and rolled up 287 yards in the first half, 17 more than Buffalo's per-game defensive average - then held on to beat the Bills and retain sole possession of first place in the AFC Central.

Boomer Esiason completed 18 of 25 passes for 238 yards, Ickey Woods ran for 129 yards on 26 carries and scored three times and James Brooks ran for 93 yards and scored twice against Buffalo, 11-2, which already has clinched the AFC East title and still has the best record in the conference.

The Bengals, 10-3, netted 455 yards against a defense that had been Neal Anderson scored his second touchdown of the game on an 80-yard run and Chicago held Green Bay to 22 yards rushing and 167 passing.

But the victory, which tied the Bears with Buffalo for the best record in the NFL, was a costly one, as Chicago lost quarterback Mike Tomczak and defensive end Richard Dent to injuries.

The Bears clinched at least a

wild-card playoff spot with a 11-2 record, while the Packers fell to 2-11 with their sixth straight defeat.

Giants 13, Saints 12
New York, playing with two backup quarterbacks because of an injury to Phil Simms, overcame five turnovers and four field goals by Morten Andersen.

Paul McFadden kicked a 35-yard field goal with 21 seconds left after quarterbacks Jeff Hostetler and Jeff Rutledge combined to lead three scoring drives.

Hostetler, who started the game, passed for one first-half touchdown, an 85-yard scoring play to Stephen Baker. Rutledge relieved Hostetler in the second half and led a short march to a 46-yard field goal by McFadden and a 33-yard drive to the game-winning field goal.

Eagles 31, Cardinals 21
Philadelphia won its fourth straight game and stayed in a tie for the NFC East lead as Ron Johnson, who didn't have a job three weeks ago, caught two touchdown passes and set up a third.

The Eagles boosted their record to 8-5 and dropped the Cardinals, 7-6, out of a tie for the divi-

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As long as Bridgers continues to believe in herself and her abilities, she has the potential to excel

to heights never before achieved by an East Carolina swimmer. With the possibility of being tagged an All American, Bridgers has the opportunity to bring to this university the pride and recognition that it strives to achieve and to herself, the respect and acceptance that she so deserves.

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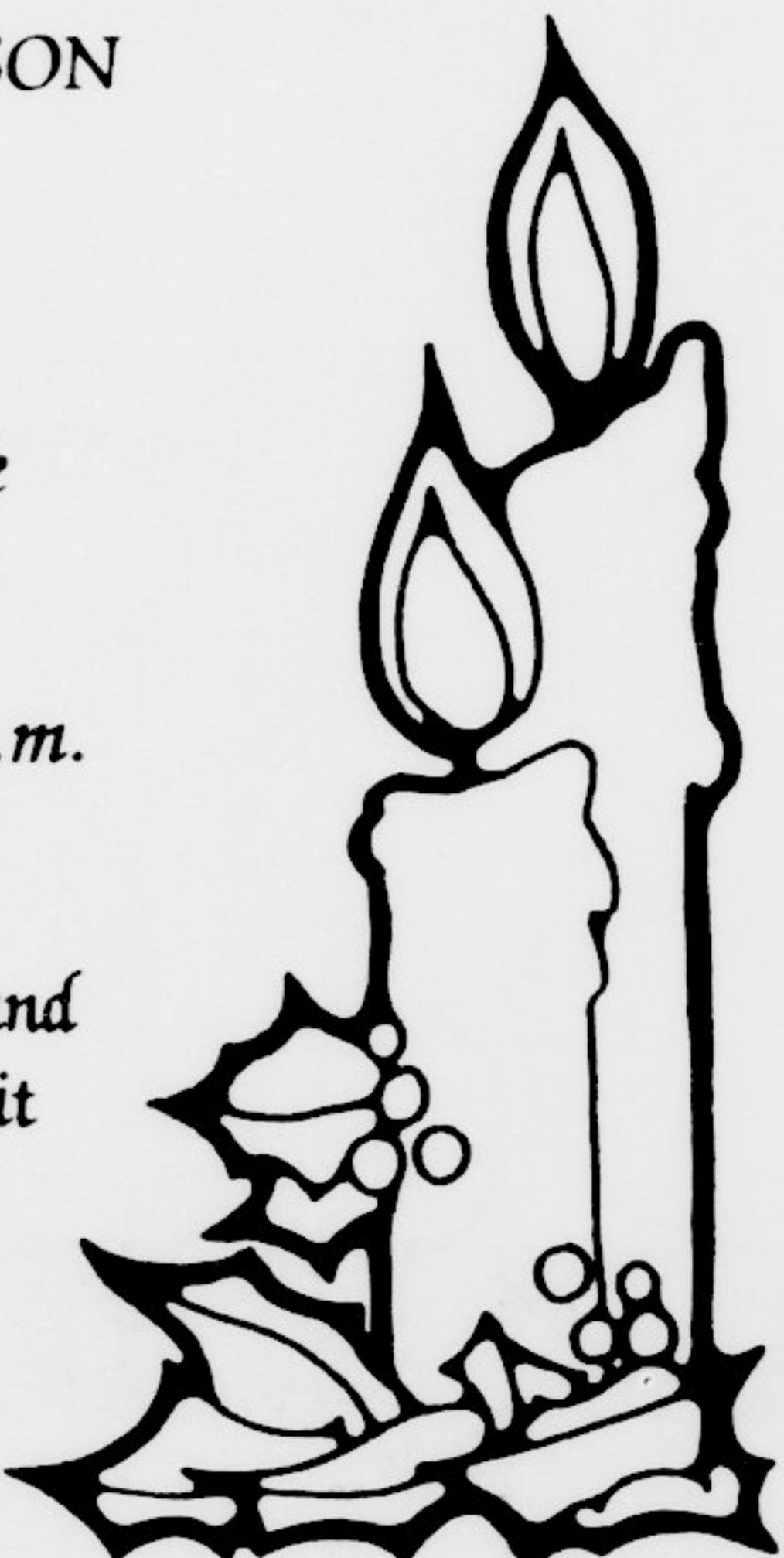
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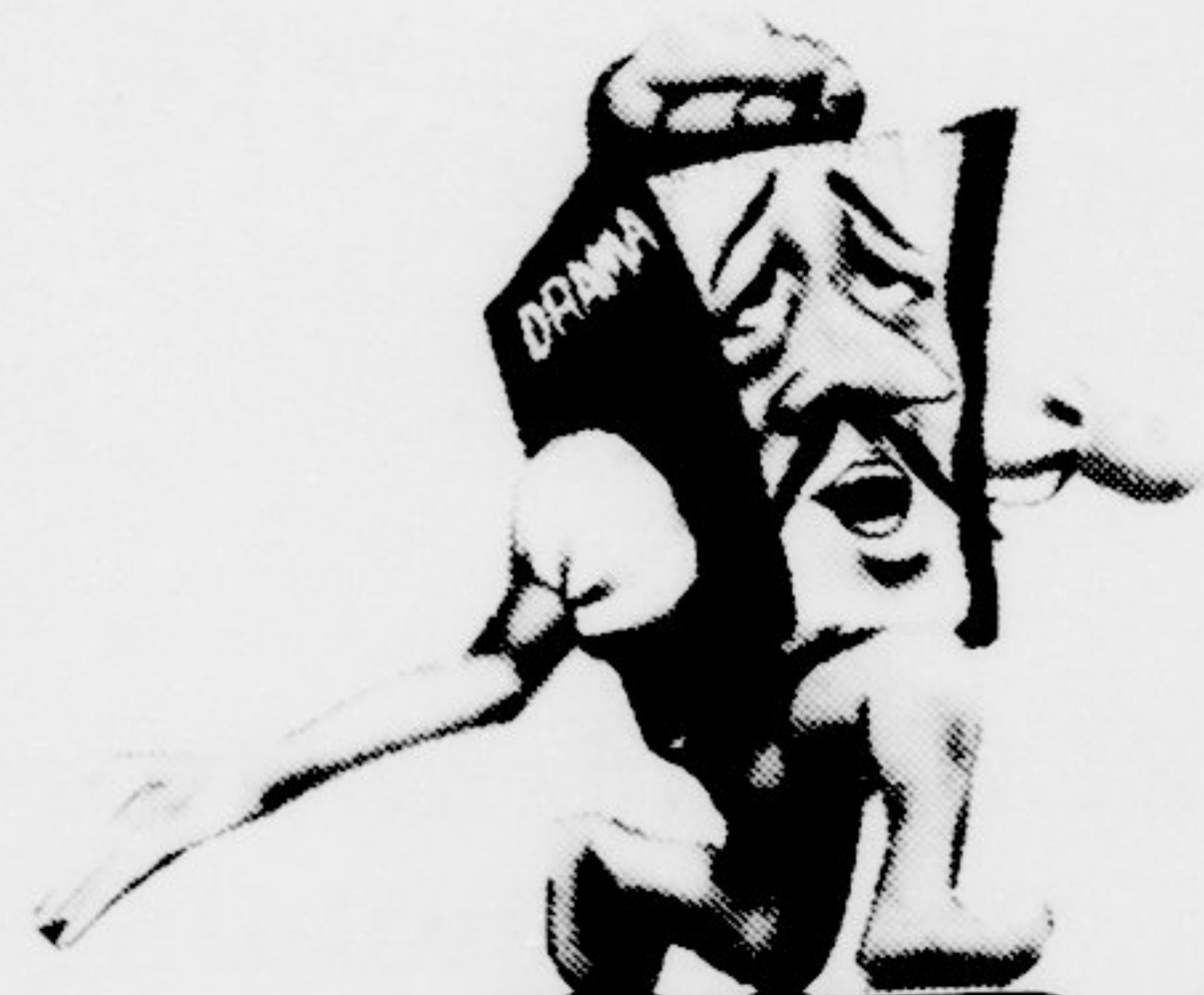
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