

OBSERVING LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY—Pretty Sara Brown cleans off the statue of Abe Lincoln as she poses for the week's "Gem of the Hills". Sara is a junior math major and is from Pell City. We hope that you notice Lincoln.

# Buddy Mayes Is Voted As 'Most Valuable' By Team

By Dale Nabors

Floyd "Buddy" Mayes, ace guard and captain of the Gamecocks, completed four years of outstanding basketball play as the season ended Friday night.

Probably the greatest honor that Buddy has received during his basketball career came Friday night when he was awarded the Coach Steve Award. This award is given each year to the most valuable player as selected by the ball players and the team manager. The coach takes no part in the selection.

While gaining four straight basketball letters, Buddy has perhaps set a record by starting in 91 consecutive ball games. This includes the exact number played by Jacksonville since he enrolled as a freshman. Mayes broke into the starting line-up against Alabama as the season opened his freshman year, and has started every game the Gamecocks have played since then.

Mayes, who came to Jacksonville from Murphy High School at Mobile, has been an all-round star for the Gamecocks in each of his four years with the team. This season's official statistics, complete through Feb. 12, show Buddy leading the team in field goal accuracy with a 47.1 per cent average; and in total free throws made with 108 to his credit. Based on a minimum of 75 attempts, Mayes leads the team in free throw accuracy with a 70.5 per cent average as he has made good on 108 of 153 tries from the charity line. He is second in total points scored with 311 points to his credit for an average of 16.4 points per game.

Coach Tom Roberson has the following comments to say concerning Mayes:

"Buddy is an all-round competitor and battler who likes to win. He has been an excellent captain. The fact that the team has continued to fight for victory, game after game, despite overwhelming odds against them is a tribute to the leadership of the captain. He was always in excellent condition—capable of playing all of every game if called upon to do so."

In addition to being captain of the basketball team, Mayes is a member of the Scabbard and Blade, member of the FBLA, and is president of the J Club.

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# Billy May's Orchestra Will Play For Military Dance

#### FRIENDLIEST

# Friendly Students Selected By Class Officers' Votes

By Kay Kirkland Associate Editor

Friendliest students for the month of February stack up to be a fine group. Beginning with the freshman class, we find that three, instead of two, had to be chosen. The reason? Twins! Neal and Noel Sanders from Hewitt-Trussville High School were selected because of their outstanding personalities. Being twins didn't influence their choice of courses, however. Neal is majoring in basic engineering; Noel in math.

A pre-med major — a girl at that—is cute Linda Scholze, friendliest freshman girl. Better known to Jacksonville students as "Doc", Linda comes from Fort Smith, Ark. A cousin recommended Jacksonville to this out-of-state student and to Jax she came, bringing with her an ability to gain the friendship of many, many people.

Sophomores came up this month with Arlene Powell as choice for "friendliest". Hailing from Albertville, "Buck", as she is better known, is as attractive as she is friendly and packed with personality plus. Majoring in business and minoring in English, she came to Jacksonville as a transfer student last semester. Already

she is as well-known as almost any other girl on campus.

Scottsboro, that's the hometown of Bobby Kennamer, a sophomore. He graduated from Scottsboro High School in 1951, went into the navy for two years, and started to Jackson-ville in 1955. A tall fine-looking boy, reportedly intelligent, too, Bobby is studying business administration. He is an excellent choice as February's friendliest sophomore boy.

"Peanut" is the nickname—the name?—Wilson Sherrell. From Gadsden, he is a junior and is majoring in physical education. He's a handsome guy too, girls, and apparently fancy free. He's the junior class's selection for the friendliest boy.

From Altoona, comes Peggy Wood, friendliest junior girl. Peggy's major and minor are unknown, or at least the Collegian couldn't find what they are. Tall and slender, and very pretty, with long dark brown halr, she certainly is a picturesque part of the Jax campus and deserves the disinctive—friendliest.

Another physical education major, this time a girl, is Jane Ramsey, senior, from Collins-

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# Library Seems To Attract Many Student's Interest

By Judy Archer

Have you ever noticed all. that goes on inside the library? You go to the library after supper to study, sit yourself down, and begin to read. Then you look up to see who opened the door and in walks so-andso, who's supposed to be going steady with what's-his-name, with another boy! Everyone gives everyone else a knowing look, as if to say, "Wait 'til what's-his-name finds out!" Then you start back to studying. Again you raise your eyes to see who's coming in, and a delegation from night school enters. They all begin telling jokes or some such thing to pass away their free hour. Then you look up and see what's-his-name with so-and-

so's best girl friend come in the door. That's really too much! You go outside awhile to discuss the situation with the girl next to you.

Then a lone male ventures in, picks up a magazine and thumbs carelessly through it for a few minutes. By this time he's looked over the crowd and has picked out a girl to go to Chat-Em with him. He asks her and out they go.

A few girls sit around and watch the clock waiting for their boy friends to pick them up, and a few couples sit around and gaze at each other more than they do their books.

Every now and then, someone will sneeze or drop a book (scaring you half to death and

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Billy May's well known orchestra, under the direction of Sam Donahue, will play for the annual Military Ball on March

The members of the cadet battalion will select a "Queen of the Ball" by popular vote, and the lucky girl will be crowned during the leadout.

Among the outstanding military guests will be: Colonel Theiring, Commander of the Alabama Military District; Col. Moore, commanding officer at Fort McClellan; Col. Coleman, Third Army; and Col. Palmer, commander of the Chemical Corps Training Command.

The primary purpose of the annual Military Ball is to honor the graduating seniors in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

The dance will be held in the college gym, and will last from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. Advance tickets may be bought from ROTC Cadets for \$4.00. Tickets will also be on sale at the door for \$4.50.

This dance is not limited to ROTC students. The public is cordially invited, and may acquire advance tickets by writing to: ROTC Dance Committee, Jacksonville State College. Only cash and money orders will be accepted.

#### Warning!

Cars which are being left parked in the middle of the street in front of Graves Hall will be moved by the college unless this practice is stopped immediately.

#### Notice!

Students who desire to run for any SGA office or for Mimosa positions must file an application with the secretary of the SGA within the next two weeks. The positions to be filled are for next year.

Then there's the one about the two octopus sweethearts who went down the lane together hand in hand, hand in hand.

As a creaking buggy drawn by a sway-backed horse approached a 20 m.p.h. speed zone, the driver was heard to say, "You handle the reins, ma I'll take the whip and we'll see if we can make it."

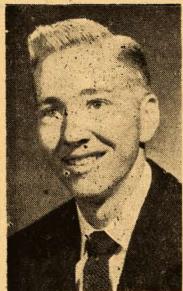
#### SPOTLIGHT

# **Senior And Sophomore Share Light's Beacon**

By Lynn Dyer

The Spotlight searches over the campus and casts its glow on a very distinct personality. The voice of that personality is recognized as pleasant, mildmannered, Horace, C. Acton.

Horace is a graduating senior this semester and has compiled an impressive list of activities and scholastic accomplishments that should be an incentive to



HORACE C. ACTON

any student embarking upon a college career.

A native Alabamian, he was born in Hayden, and graduated from high school there in 1949. Serving as president of his senior class, he also emerged as its honor graduate. He then entered Berea College in Berea, Ky, where he completed a first-year general course of

In 1951, his college career was interrupted by his enlistment for a tour of duty with the U.S. Air Force, the majority of which was spent at Craig Atr Force Base in Selma.

Completing his military obligation, Horace once again returned to campus life in 1954. This time Jacksonville State was the scene of his continued studies in his biology major and English and history minor. So began the long list of activities and honors bestowed upon him.

Realizing the spiritual needs of a student, Horace became active in the Wesley Foundation and served previously as its editor of publications. Pi Tau Chi, the national honorary religious society, elected him as its vice-president this year.

Last semester Horace secured a place in the mythical college "Hall of Fame" by being chosen to the "Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities." The honorary educational society for men, Kappa Phi Kappa, has added his name to its coveted ranks. Another honor to come to Horace was the addition of his name to the group of twelve male students known as the Ushers Club.

The Student Government Association hears his voice on its election committee, and as the senior class representative.

The Science Club recognizes him as its president, and unless I miss my guess, when Jacksonville State plays host to the Alabama Academy of Science

The spotlight climbed the stairs of Daugette and stopped at a room numbered 220. A voice answered the knock with. "Enter at your own risk," and thusly our spotlight came to shine on diminutive Betsy Robinson.

A nineteen-year-old sophomore from Anniston, Betsy attended Anniston High School and graduated with the Class of 1955. While attaining a scholastic record worthy of mention, Betsy still found time for many extra-curricular activities. The Hi-Y discovered her to be one of its most faithful members. The Home Economic Club, Glee Club and the Thespians could count on her to be present when their roll was called. She also attained membership in the National Honor Society.



BETSY ROBINSON

Coming to Jacksonville State to begin her college career, Betsy immediately put her hobbies of music, dramatics, and art to good use. During her freshman year, she was elected the secretary of the Masque and Wig Guild, and could be seen above the footlights in their presentations of "Night Must Fall" and "For Her Child's Sake." She also worked behind the scenes with sound effects in the highly successful "Picnic". Her voice could be heard with the choral group who added their version of "H.M.S. Pinafore" to the list of campus presentations.

Betsy is also secretary of the talented group known as the Writer's Club, and will prob-

convention, Horace will be lending his talents and leadership to the organization of the

In his "spare time", he still finds time to enjoy his favorite hobbies of reading and music. He is also the familiar face behind the counter at the Grab where he has worked since

first coming to the campus. With an eye to the future, Horace plans to enter graduate school at Vanderbilt University to study bacteriology, upon

completion of his studies here. As a successful college career at Jacksonville State nears its finale, we are honored to have added our spotlight to the list of accomplishments that grace the name of Horace C. Acton.

## **Letters To The Editor:**

Dear Editor:

Just what is the policy of your paper?

When one wishes to force a doctrine upon the masses, as you have tried to do at regular intervals, he does not use the tactics you are so unsuccessfully employing.

Your editorial page has been consistent on only one point: to throw some moral issue upon the student body and the faculty members by using your own brand of spurious gospel.

A good editor, naturally, wishes to reach a large number of readers. A good editor holds himself within a rigid code of ethics. In your effort to reach every student and faculty member as readers, you have spread your code to include anything you

Why do you strike at the students on so many issues when the source of fault lies elsewhere?

After all, Mr. Crosby, we are only a group of uneducated mortals following a lead.

Conduct your diagnosis by beginning with the voters of this state: then the state board of education; next, the administration of this school; the faculty is next; and lastly, the student body.

A beast is more easily killed by a single blow on the head than by a hundred on the feet.

You like morals-there's one for you.

Curtis A. Williams

Ed: Mr. Williams you have some good points; however, since I write most of the editorials I would like to say that I use no certain policies. When I feel that something deserves criticism, then I criticize, and I in turn always welcome criticism of any of the Collegian's articles. I feel that most of the editorials that are written are for the benefit of the student body as a whole, and that they will interest the students in what is going on on the campus. Your letter was very well received.

Hats off to the COLLEGIAN for its wonderful choice and "write-up" on our beloved Dr. Strickland! (Feb. 11 edition) What a fine, capable, and wonderfully talented teacher he is indeed! Dr. Strickland is one of those rare personalities who is not so easily overcome by every day's boring routine situations -but rather brings to each day a new will and desire for one to cram into his mind all he can possibly learn. He is, so often, a sort of a reminder of what we are here for-to learn!

What a pleasure it has been for me to have studied and learned during the one short semester I had under Dr. Strickland. I plan in the future to take more science, not because the college demands it for graduation but because I now have a new inspiration for learning the hidden secrets of nature—things about us, and life is general.

Jacksonville is indeed fortunate to have on its staff a man of such caliber as Dr. Strickland.

A Jacksonville Student

# SGA Adviser, Teacher And Friend, Anders' Category

This week, Dr. J. M. Anders, head of the Division of Social Science has been named "Students' Choice". Probably, many students have used the adjective "choice" in describing this professor.

Informal, informative lectures characterize Dr. Anders' history classes. A more thorough knowledge of American and Alabama history than his would certainly be difficult to find. The adept way in which he discusses history and links it together, event by event,

ably be lending her charming personality to boost the campaign for the sale of the club's literary annual, "Soundings", which is now in progress.

Her untiring efforts to raise funds for the proposed campus chapel have not gone unnoticed either, as she undertook the job of a representative of the Chapel Committee.

For many hours, the Art Department holds her presence as she explores the mystics of ceramics or the miracles of

A teaching career in the Alabama School System looms as her immediate goal since she is majoring in elementary education; and with such a wide variety of activities and interests, success appears to be a sure thing for our Spotlight makes it easy for a student to learn in his classroom.

Dr. Anders was born in Tuscaloosa County, but lived for many years in Pickens County. Both sets of his grandparents came from South Carolina as pioneers and lived in the rugged South to the ripe old age of 80 years.

An ambitious child, he learned his ABC's before entering school and much of his youth was spent reading books that he bought and borrowed, Reading is his favorite hobby, and it was the love of books, no doubt, which inspired him to

The brilliant gentleman attended high school for only seven months and three weeks. He entered Jacksonville College in 1918, and finished in 1921, at a time when the college had only two buildings. His bachelor and master's degrees were received at the University of Alabama and his Ph.d at Peabody.

Dr. Anders spent 13 successful years as a high school principal. For twenty-one years he has been a college professortwenty of those at Jacksonville. Besides being a very well-



DR. J. M. ANDERS

liked history teacher, Dr. Anders acts as adviser for the Student Government Association of the college. The calm, forceful suggestions he offers add a great deal to the SGA.

A love of teaching enables Dr. Anders to enjoy every phase of his vocation. Four blind students have come under his instruction and he says that the experience of teaching blind children has added spice to his career. The amazing characteristic of these students is that they made good grades and accept no extra help. This desire for learning, he feels,

This is an excellent example of the keen understanding of people and human nature and the warm personality which make Dr. J. M. Anders a most pleasing person with whom to be associated.

#### LIBRARY

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waking up the librarian). You imagine a few people

are reading about the desserts the way they keep strolling to the water fountain and back. Others are evidently studying the minutest details of the pencil sharpener mechanism.

Finally 9:30 rolls around. You get up and leave with a clean conscience. After all, you went to the library to study.

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#### Second Guessing

By Dale Nabors

#### Spring Training To Open March 4th

Although graduation took some seasoned stars from the Jacksonville football team, Coach Don Salls has a number of good prospects ready to battle for the vacated positions. When spring drills begin on March 4, Coach Salls will have twelve new players to join the squad and

begin battling for starting positions.

These players include: Frank Hixon, 6' 2" 195 lb. end from Perote; Dean Akin, end from Dadeville. Akin was slated to start last year but a practice injury forced

him to miss the entire season. Added strength at tackle will come from Ermon H. 1" 215 lb. from Union Grove; and Edward King, 6' 1" 215 pounder from Sylacauga. Entering the guard picture will be E. G. Taylor, 5' 11" 195 lb. junior from

Joining the competition for the vacated center position will be George F. Christian, 6' 1" 210 lb., from East Tallassee; and James H. Hawk, 180 pounder from Atlanta, Ga.

New backs who will vie for starting positions are: Joe Dacus, 180 lb., quarterback from Alabama City; Jim Kilpatrick, 165 lb., halfback from Dadeville; Oliver Huff, 175 lb., halfback from Alabama City; and Jerry McBee, 5' 10" 185 lb., fullback from Birmingham.

The 33 days training session should produce some outstanding competition among individual players as the starting assignments will likely be decided this spring.

#### Pannell Hall Still Leads

As intramural basketball enters the final week of the season, Old Pannell is still in first place. They are being pushed by the Moonglows who hold second place a step ahead of the third place Rebels. Fourth place is jointly claimed by the Scholars and Walls.
Final standings, including all ten teams, will be

published in the next issue.

#### Intra-mural Softball League Now Forming

The intramural softball league in now forming and the season will open the first part of March. Anyone interested in either forming a team or playing is urged to see Joe Anglin for complete information.

# Gamecocks Defeat Georgia Team By 13-Point Margin

By Huelon Davis

The Gamecocks of Jacksonville State, playing perhaps their best game of the season, overcame a 39-38 halftime deficit to win going away from Oglethorpe, 80-67.

Midway the first half, trailing 34-27, Jacksonville State surged back to tie the score 34-all with four minutes remaining only to fall behind 39-38 on the strength of a free throw just before the half.

With the score tied 42-all, a hook shot by Laney sent the Gamecocks out front to stay. In the last six minutes of play, led by the ball handling of Joe Ingram, Jacksonville State went into a semi-freeze that electrified the crowd.

Hitting shots of all kinds, Billy Jack Laney shredded the nets for 36 points. Joe Ingram,

hitting eight straight free throws in the last six minutes, finished with 22.

#### Jacksonville State (80)

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	Durham, c	2	3-5	7
-	Mayes, g	* 1	8-9	10
	Ingram, g	7	8-8	22
	Jackson, c	1	0-0	2
	Grizzell, g	0	0-0	0
	Totals	2.3	34-40	20

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Shamp, f	0	2-3	2
Starives, c	4	5-8	11
Caster, g	4	6-7	14
Hauck, g	5	1-2	11
Buck, f	1	1-2	3
Sewell, g	0	0-0	0
MacGee, f	0	0-0	
Totals	21	27-16	67

# Bill Laney Ends College Career As Season Closes

By Dale Nabors

Billy Jack Laney, one of Jacksonville State's top basketball stars during the past two years, completed his scholastic eligibility when the season ended Friday night. Laney came to Jacksonville two years ago from Southern Union College at Wadley.

Used mostly as a reserve during the early part of his first season with the Gamecocks, Laney soon broke into the starting line-up. Before the season ended, he had developed into one of the best forwards on the Jax team.

This year Billy Jack was outstanding from the opening game throughout the entire season. Statistics complete through Feb. 12 show Laney leading the Gamecocks in scoring with a total of 319 points, an average of 16.8 points per game. He is second in both free-throw percentage and free throws made (based on a minimum of 75 attempts) as he made good on 77 of 113 tries from the foul line for a 68.1

Coach Roberson made the following comment concerning his graduation ace forward:

"Laney's success in basketball is a result of his own determination and hard work. Game after game, win or lose Laney always gave basketball his best. With his good sense of humor, he was the wit of the team. His remarks kept the team in a pleasant frame of mind throughout the season."

Laney's basketball experience before playing for Jacksonville included: three years with Pisgah High School; one year with the Pensacola Naval Air Station, a strong navy team that won the district championship; and two years with Southern Union College at Wadley.

After graduating, Laney plans to coach for some high school in either Alabama or Florida. With his experience, education, and determination Billy Jack should turn out some excellent teams for the fortunate school that gets him.

## City Sponsoring **Activities Contest**

College students can win a cash prize by writing a short essay on "What Programs or Activities Best Meet the Recreational Needs of My Age Group."

1. List four recreational activities, one for each season of the year.

2. Select one of these activities and suggest ways and means by which this community could best provide it.

3. Limit your essay to 50 words or less.

4. Indicate in which age group your entry should be placed.

5. Entries will be judged by an independent board of judges. Judges' decisions will be final. Duplicate prizes awarded in case of ties. A total of \$25.00 will be awarded. Five dollars will be awarded to the winning essay in each age group.

6. Mail your entry to Recreation Contest, Box 113, Jacksonville, Alabama. All entries must be postmarked by midnight of February 28, 1957.

#### MOST VALUABLE (Continued from page 1)

To further prove basketball isn't his only specialty. Buddy earned a letter with the last baseball team fielded by Jacksonville. Those who saw him play will tell you he is an excellent catcher and a good allround baseball player.

After graduating Buddy will receive his army commission and serve two years on active duty.

#### Jaxmen Fall To Ga. State 68-64

By Huelon Davis

Atlanta, Feb. 8-Jacksonville State's Gamecocks lost a slim 33-31 halftime lead and fell to Georgia State, 68-64.

Behind the first nine minutes of the game, Jacksonville State bounced back to tie the score 15-all and seconds later take the lead for the first time 19-17. Though tied three times, the Gamecocks never trailed during the remainder of the half and Joe Ingram's 30-footer just before the buzzer enabled the Gamecocks to leave the floor at intermission with a 33-31 lead.

Five minutes into the second half Jacksonville State still maintained a narrow 42-41 lead when R. L. Thompson hit a hot scoring splurge that enabled Georgia State to surge into the lead to stay.

Although never trailing by more than seven points, Jacksonville State's full court press failed to enable the Gamecocks to close the gap to less than a three point advantage.

Even without ace forward Bill McCarty, four of the five starters finished in the double figures. Jerry McNabb led with 13, Billy Jack Laney and Joe Ingram had 12 each, and Buddy Mayes 10.

Jacksonville State hit 21 of 63 field goal tries for a 31.8 per cent average while Georgia State made 26 of 61 for 42.6.

## Conventions

By Betty Stephenson

In the coming months ahead Mrs. McWhorter will be busy preparing meals for thousands of convention guests.

The first of these was a group banker's convention held on Thursday, Feb. 7. Feb. 19-23 and Feb. 26-March 2 will be basketball tournament days.

March has its share of conventions also. Librarians will convene on March 2; The Wesleyan Guild on March 9-10; and the district choral groups on March 15.

April 25-27 are convention days for the Alabama Academy of Science. Also slated for this semester is a math convention and Spring Festival.

#### Georgia St. (68)

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Stone, g	0	2-2	2	2
Brown, f	1	0-1	5	2
Costen, f	0	0-1	1	0
Totals	26	16-29	16	. 68

#### Jacksonville St. (64)

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Mayes, g	3	4-5	1	10
Durham, c	2	5-6	4	9
McNabb, f	3	7-8	5	13
Laney, f	4	4-7	1	12
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#### FRIENDLIEST (Continued from page 1)

ville. She's quite often to be found working in the college bookstore where she very ably fills her job. Possessing a dark, distinctive beauty. Jane adds a lot to the friendly atmosphere of the school.

Billy Jack Laney, better known as "Goat", is well-known for his ability as a forward on the college basket-Naturally, he's a physical education major. "Goat's" hometown is Rainsyille, and he was a cage star at Southern Union College, Wadley, before coming to Jacksonville. Possibly one of the friendliest boys ever to hit Jax campus, "Goat" Laney deserves to be called February's friendliest senior boy.

That's the list-a list of people you should know, and probably, since you've elected them to this honor, already are well acquainted with.

Magistrate: Can you describe your assailant?

Victim: Certainly I can. That's what he hit me for.

# Sports Shorts . . .

Huelon Davis

It seems Coach Tom Roberson has a lot of planning to do before he can produce a winning season on the

hardwood at Jacksonville State next Fall.

Coach Roberson has most of his last season's team returning (except for Buddy Mayes and Billy Jack Laney, the team's two leading scorers that certainly will be missed) but must come up with some boys capable of playing a higher caliber of basketball than this season produced.

In an effort to overcome this problem, Coach Tom is looking at some of the top high school players in this district and plans to organize a "B" team next fall. The primary purpose of this "B" team is to develop varsity players. Boys playing on this team will receive no financial aid. Games will be scheduled against intra-mural,

high schools and freshman teams.

Some of the high school players drawing the most attention in this district are: six-foot, five-inch "Lefty" Bollinger, center at Jasksonville High; Ranburne's six-foot, four-inch Gerald Robinson; a couple of boys at Emma Sansom, James Williams six-foot, four-inches and Don Brown, six-foot, six-inches; Jerry Lankin, six-foot, four inch Etowah center; and Harold Smith, six-foot

guard at Gadsden.

If you'll notice most of the prospects have height, which was certainly one thing our past season's line-up lacked. It has been hinted that Bollinger plans to attend

Jacksonville State next Fall.

Other players that Coach Roberson will possibly have a chance to look forward to are: 6' 5", center, Donald Ginn and guard Don Wilson, both back from Snead; Donald Smith, who transferred from Auburn; 6' 6", Richard Majors; Clanton's 6' 7", Pete McKee; and Wilson "Peanut" Sherrell. Old Pannell's intramural star, Jerry Dupree, may be around.

What if Coach Roberson thinks some of these boys are college material, what has he to offer that might sway them to our college? Nothing much, to be honest, as far as scholarships go. The college gives only eleven one-year scholarships and the term of them aren't too enticing—three months fees for room and board.

Despite all of this favorable optimism the basketball status at Jacksonville State is still indefinite.

#### Talent Show Is Scheduled Feb. 19

By Kay Kirkland

Deadline for entries in this year's Talent Show will be noon today. Presidents of organizations and dormitories are urged to make preparations for this event. Competition will be keen and the prizes are worth trying for.

A first prize of \$15 and a second prize of \$10 will be awarded the group who presents the best skit. There will also be a \$5 prize for the best individual act. Don't let any organization get ahead of yours! Hurry and enter now!

The big event will be coming off Tuesday night, Feb. 19, at 7:00 p.m., in the Leone Cole Auditorium, so polish off your acts and get ready.

Get in touch with Ottis Williamson and Horace Acton to enter your skit in the show. Each act should be about fifteen minutes long, and may consist of anything which your group considers entertaining and appropriate.

Admission this year will be only \$.25, so if you are not on the program, by all means be in the audience. The Talent Show is one of the most funfilled annual activities presented at Jacksonville State. Don't miss it!

#### Social Notes

Arlene Powell & Shirley Ray

Seems to be a fad in wearing engagement rings. Wedding bells will soon be ringing for Jan Stower and Jo Ann Shipman, Betty Cunningham and some lucky fellow . . . Wonder who the lucky girl is that 's going steady with Gus Unger? Seems like the girl from Oklahoma likes to be lassoed. Whose ring is she wearing? Couldn't be Billy for Billye, could it? . . . Bettye Fossett likes to stay down on the weekends. Could it be because of Billy Gibbs? . . . Kay and Pud had a nice time in Gadsden Friday night. How about it. boys? . . . William Paul Locklear certainly likes to go home on the week-ends. Could it be because of Jean Powell?

The Nales, (Billy and Shelby) and the Anglins (Ann and Joe) have some new neighbors—Mr. and Mrs. Jack Standridge (Shirley Vines). These two really pulled a surprise, didn't they? . . . Are Gary Gregg and Shirley Humphrey getting to be a twosome? . . . Billy Griffin doesn't like picture frames to keep his girl's pictures in—just a book . . . Girls, there are still some cute boys running loose, namely, Wayne Deaton, Clifford Black, Buddy Pattie, Corky Morris, Pat Williams,

ODE TO A TOENAIL By "Totsye"

You keep me company when I'm not up to par. Oh, little toenail, how wonderful you are. You are so beautiful when I paint you red, And if you're not dry you mess up my bed. You protect me toe, throughout the night, Although you are an ugly sight. You seem to hurt down to the bone, Because, little toenail, you're in-grown.



SECOND PLACE INTRAMURAL TEAM.—The Walls, intramural basketball team is in the league's second birth. The team was defeated by one point in a close game with Pannell Hall. Pannell has not been defeated in the last three seasons of play.

## Jacksonville Facts—

By Huelon Davis

Six-foot, two-inch senior Billy Jack Laney is Jack-sonville State's leading scorer, tallying 16.8 points per game, according to statistics kept by statistician Ottis Williamson through the Feb. 12 game with Chattanooga.

Williamson through the Feb. 12 game with Chattanooga.
Guard Buddy Mayes trails Laney by .4 points per game with a 16.4 point average but leads in field goal accuracy hitting 121 of 296 for 47.1 per cent average and in free throw marksmanship dropping in 108 of 153 for 70.5 per cent average based on 75 attempts.

	g.	fga.	fg.	pct.	fta	. ft.	pct.	tp.	avg.
Laney, Billy Jack	19	296	121	40.9	113	77	68.1	319	16.8
Mayes, Buddy	19	208	98	47.1	153	108	70.5	311	16.4
Ingram, Joe	14	164	5:2	31.8	95	59	62.1	163	11.7
McCarty, Bill	15	164	50	31.1	77	45	59.8	145	9.1
Durham, Gary	19	92	43	46.7	105	65	61.9	150	7.9
Shelton, John	6	29	11	38.0	17	10	58.9	32	5.4
McNabb	19	87	27	31.0	41	29	70.7	83	4.4
Grizzell, Doyle	16	53	18	34.0	38	28	73.7	64	4.0
Jackson, Bobby	11	22	8	36.4	3	1	33.3	17	1.6
McGriff, Dan	5	3	2	66.7	5	3	60.0	7	1.4
Cushen, Robert	6	8	4	50.0	2	0	00.0	8	1.3
Brymer, Norman	3	5	1	20.0	0	0	00.0	2	0.7
Mayfield, John	5	7	1	11.1	1	0	0.00	2	0.2
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John Shelton, "Peanut" Sherrell, Clifford Black, Jim and Bob Dyar, and quite a few others. OK, girls, get busy! . . . A certain Don really can hop. Want to learn how, girls? . . . Have you noticed the twosome at Chat-Em lately - Judith Phurrough and Maxie Cumbee, Sonny Roberts and Joan Gramlin . . . Heard Carole Cox has been getting calls from Arkansas. Is that right, Carole? . Bill Campbell has lost his title of "Bachelor" since some cute redhead is wearing his

Tallent Baggett seems to be sick lately. It couldn't be love sickness, could it? . . . Eileen and Wayne Wallace will soon be singing "Rock-a-bye-Baby" . . . Deacon Killion has been making out fine even though he has a crushed foot . . . Robert Barnard has been seen lately with Sue Little. Could this get to be a habit? William Taylor and Jerry Mc-Bee seem to be making a hit with all the girls . . . Ann Rhinehart has been seen with the same boy lately; is this a new romance? . . . Dennis Nelson seems to be getting around. Every night he's with a different girl . . . Jo Ann Mauldin still watches for the mail every day. Could it be letters from Jack she's getting? . . . Jerry McNabb is always happy when the week-end comes so he can see his steady.

Otto has started playing the field again. He just won't stay put . . . Billy Ayers is a hard one to keep up with these days . . The romance of Desma and Crawford is in full bloom. Am I right, Desma? . . . Dean Akin has been seen more than once with the same girl. What does this mean? . . .

# Mocs Allow 112 Points To Jaxmen

By Huelon Davis

Jacksonville State's Game-cocks scrapped and scrambled and beat Chattanooga, 112 to 96 in a long, dull, high-scoring affair. In a game marred by fouls, which saw 75 called, both benches had saw plenty of action.

Jacksonville State jumped out into a 12-4 lead three and one-half minutes into the game and minutes later on the strength of 12 straight points by Buddy Mayes, the Gamecocks coasted to a 48-37 half-time lead.

Six minutes into the second half, Chattanooga put up a mild threat closing the gap to seven points but could not keep a sustained offense going and quickly faltered.

Seniors Billy Jack Laney and Buddy Mayes paced the offensive attack, scoring 29 and 22 points, respectively. Three other Gamecocks hit in the double figures as Gary Durham tallied 14 and John Shelton and Doyle Grizzell shredded the nets for 13 markers each.

Substitute guard Bill Butler took high point honors for Chattanooga scoring 23.

The Gamecocks hit 37 of 71 field goal tries for a 52.1 per cent average while the Mccasins made 28 of 48 for 33.3.

Jacksonville State (112)

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Laney, f	8	13-14	4	29
Jackson, f	, 2	0-0	5	4
McNabb, f	0	2-3	5	2
Brymer, f	0	0-0	2	0
Durham, c	4	6-14	5	14
Mayes, g	10	2-3	5	22
Shelton, g	4	5-7	2	13
Ingram, g	3	3-5	2	9
Grizzell, g	4	5-7	5	13
McGriff, f	1	2-3	4	4
Cushen, g	1	0-2	2	2
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