SGA Helps Baseball Team Raise Needed Funds

I. J. Browder To Speak At January 16 Commencement

Graduation exercises for seniors graduating at the end of the semester will be held the evening of Jan 16. I. J. Browder, City Superintendent of Education in Gadsden, will be the speaker.

The following are candidates for graduation at this time:


B. S. in Secondary Education


B. S. in Home Economics

Dorothy J. McCarver, Dorothy Jean Scott, and Barbara Kinney McClure.

Bachelor of Science


Bachelor of Arts

Carolyn Rebecca Cunningham, and MyLou Davis Byrd, E. Martin, and Joseph Lamont Nethvin.

Faculty Group Presents Recital

Last Thursday evening at 8:15 o'clock, the Division of Fine Arts presented the fourth in a series of SGA sponsored recitals.

Participating in the recital were Albert Singerman, pianist; Dan Sparks, clarinetist; and his brother, MyLou Sparks, violinist. Both Mr. Singerman and Mr. Sparks are members of the Jacksonville State baseball team as it prepares to enter its second season in dire need of some warm-up jackets. Since Jax State is going to have baseball and one of the best teams in the South, its team should be dressed so that the players look good when they go into games. Seems like everybody has a problem now-a-days, huh?

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Speaking of the staff, and final exams has absolutely nothing to do with this statement. The staff that is on hand here seems to have great improved its efficiency this semester. In the face of the strain that's been imposed by increasing enrollment and pressure from the higher-ups to step up the education, I'd say that the improvement is remarkable.

The street between Ayers and Graves has hollers become a drag-strip again. I observed a young man tooling a chevrolet along there at about fifty per, the other day. Won't he be surprised when he's stopped by somebody and gets a rib stuck in his tire? It costs about seven dollars for a tire to be fixed in this town, too. Seriously, traffic around that area should be slowed somewh elect or somebody will get hurt. Sam Cole, then we heard at night, but there is not much traffic then, pedestrian or otherwise. He couldn't stop them with a flashlight and a whistle, anyway.

Jacksonville State is now the proud owner of a half-million dollar scholarship fund, which is available to needy students in the form of a loan.

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Frank Lovrich

Blackwood, Davis Dorm Directors

Each new year brings many new things, and the two new faces shown around Daugette-Azney are new counselors. The faces belong to Sandra Davis and Faye Blackwood. They are now teaching at Oxford High School, and Betty Green, who became Mrs. "Happy Tinsley" over the holidays.

Sandra is a senior from Oak Hill, and is seeking a major in English. She is active in SGA, Kappa Delta Epsilon, Sigma Tau Delta, Phi Mu Chi Beta, and on the COLLEGIAN staff. She will graduate in July.

Faye is from Huntsville and is also majoring in English. She is active in the International House Program, SGA, and as editor of the COLLEGIAN. She will graduate in January of 1960.

NOTICE

Concerning excused absences: Dean Willman has announced that next semester, some new rules will be observed. 1. Excuses will not be considered if they are requested more than one week after the cut-off.

2. An illness of the family excuse must be accompanied by a note from a member of the family. 3. Excuses will be given for death only in the immediate family unless Dean Willman is notified before the student attends the funeral of a friend or a distant relative.

NOTICE

Final payment due week of Registration on Mimosa. No payment after Jan. 23.

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Exams! Exams!

Now that the calendar reads 1959, Jacksonville State students are preparing to take final examinations so that they may complete another semester in their pursuit of a degree. Many students have no fear of the exams because the regular tests have been so hard that they have become accustomed to the pressure. Others feel that they are so far behind that they might as well give up on the exams.

Actually during the past semester, those standards have been raised only one notch. Just wait until two or three more years; in college the exams are a constant process.

It has been said, "The higher you go, the harder the wind blows." Those who have survived the storm thus far are quite pleased at their moderately cautious passing a difficult course; they do not appreciate a class or a professor if they can say, "That was just a breeze, a crip-crap." 

But exams, luck, and study so that you can say, "That was a tough class but I passed it; and I learned something." Later, after your graduation you can also say, "That was a high scholastic record; and I am proud of the institution and of my degree." 

SGA Has Fruitful Meeting: Discuss Plans For Semester

January 6, 1959, was the date of the first meeting of the Student Government Association. Among the many important matters discussed, and no action taken on any item, would be termed as wasted effort.

It was reported that the free dancing which will be sponsored by SGA will begin after registration in February. Then the matter of the TV set for Abercrombie Hall was reported to be on the bright side. It has been decided to move the set, from the Daughe's living room to Abercrombie. This set was purchased in the summer of 1958 by 90 percent of the students and has not been in use for several months.

The council has voted to reserve a parking place for Mr. Walker of the business department since he has a physical handicap. There will be a sign to this effect in the Bibo Graves parking lot, and everybody is urged to cooperate with this project.

The constitutions for two new campus organizations were discussed at the meeting. This was an important recognition. The Constitution Committee has been working closely with the residence students. They have presented a military organization designed to meet the needs of Californian, and another on morals for the cadets at Jacksonville, and is open to freshmen and sophomores as well as upperclassmen.

The reminder was once again given that all persons will be required to register and admit to the basketball games. The plan for first offense is one dollar. The second offense is one dollar.

There is a possibility that the Florida Gators will be invited to the campus for a concert in early February. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia will present several events to determine whether or not the fraternity will continue such activity. In the event they decide against it, the SGA will undertake the presentation.

Clark Gable gave the report that the cheerleaders would raise $50 toward the purchase of the jacket if SGA would pay approximately $83. It was decided to purchase the jackets for the cheerleaders.

Coach Lowry has asked SGA to help the baseball team raise money to purchase warm-up jackets for twenty-five players. After some discussion Joe Garner said that the junior class would very much like a rock and roll show next semester and SGA (Student Government Association) decided to give them $100 and a movie camera to help control the expense of the jacket. A committee was appointed to work with a committee from the baseball team to work out other details in the event that more funds should be needed. The committee was: Don Smith, chairman; Strother, Louie Pickens; and Carolyn Williams.

The special awards committee was appointed to decide on the recipients of the Certificates of Achievement to be awarded each semester. It was decided that a senior will serve as chairman with Janice Williams, "Happy" Timly, and Hal Butler as assistants.

As you may well see, this was a busy yet productive night in SGA.

Valine Voss

ing class and maintain well over 2.0 for four years. Before Valine enrolled here in the Fall of 1955, she graduated from Jasper High School in Heflin. While in high school she played the drums in the marching band and took such activities as Beta Beta, Theosophian, glee club, FHA, and SHP. She was an active member of the student paper staff and the annual staff, and as a member of the campus literary magazine, The Circle, she has written poems, stories, and articles giving her a lot more about them in the future—the C O L L E G I A N makes that prediction.

New Twist In Teaching Foreign Language Group

The study of foreign languages may be a chore for some, but for a selected group of Jacksonville High School students, learning a foreign language is an experiment in Jacksonville State College, it is fun. Don now claims home to be Guatemala and the U.S., uses Spanish names and expressions when he can, but for a selected group, they have proved that one can be active and still maintain high grades. Don doesn't believe to hear a lot more about them in the future—the C O L L E G I A N makes that prediction.

Valine's home is Fruithusst, but while in college she chooses to reside in the dorm with Miss Maud Leit- tell on North Pelham Road. Her major is Elementary Education, and after graduation plans to teach in the fifth grade.

Don graduated from Coosa County High School at Rockford. While there he was quite active as can be noted by the fact that he served as president of his senior class for four years in high school, was president of the Beta Club, was a member of the tennis team and played the first violin section of the Hunt-ington (W. Va.) Symphony, and is now active in the or- chestra. Beulah is studying history. He plans to become a teacher of English and is now a member of the May graduating class. Valine was chosen for membership in Kappa Delta, Epsilon. She has served as a member of the May graduating class. Valine was chosen for membership in Kappa Delta Pi, an honorary educational Fraternity for the average student, and was selected for membership in Alpha Mu Gamma. She served the organization as vice-president for one term. Because of her abilities and trustworthiness, Valine was chosen for membership in Kappa Delta Eta. She has served as a member of the May graduating class. When the May graduating class will publish the remainder of approximately $100 and a movie camera to be sponsored such an activity.

The program consisted of a Benefit Concert of the Spring Ensemble, Prof. Pino in Major, Op. 23, Brahms Sonata for Clarinet in E-flat, Op. 120, No. 2, and the Three Poems for the Sea for solo piano by Block.

Spanish. Using cards with Spanish names and expressions on them, the students actually play the game alone.

The main objective in teaching a foreign language, Dr. Hatch points out, is to develop the ability to communicate. The rules of grammar are not as important as the ability to understand the language, although in the three years required for a complete foundation, students should acquire both a theoretical knowledge and the ability to communicate.

Dr. Hatch holds an AB degree from the University of Chicago, and Ph.D. from Yale University. He is the subject by trying to build up the language through the audio-visual aid to develop the interest.

A college education, says the contemporary sage, never hurt anyone who was willing to learn something afterwards.
Burning Midnight Oil Builds Sleep Debt—Pay It Back

Thousand of you exam-pressed students will be burning the midnight oil during the next few weeks. Afterwards, states an article in the January Reader's Digest, you should take a day off to sleep off your fatigue.

Millions of Americans don't get enough sleep, the article says. By becoming overdrawn at the sleep bank they can get into serious trouble.

Then the result of prolonged sleeplessness one volunteer recently kept himself awake for 72 hours and became irritable, detached; voices seemed to come from far away; objects appeared to move in, then back away; he burst into frequent laughter for no reason.

The effects are similar—though milder—says author Theodore Irwin, when we lose even part of needed sleep. Every sleep cheat suffers some damage to his health. Timing and coordination usually suffer first; then hearing and vision. The amount of damage depends on the length of the sleep debt.

Most sleep cheats stay up for seemingly strong reason—the late television show, an exciting movie, a poker party. Some are "moonlighters" who hold down second jobs to pad their incomes.

But for others, less obvious reasons are involved. The frenzied mom-about-town, for example, may be trying to escape from a painful reality. The stay-at-home housewife may be rejecting sleep because of tensions and anxiety. For such persons lack of sleep is a symbol of deeper trouble.

The amount of sleep needed varies with the individual, says Irwin. To find out your own need try going to bed early enough so that you'll wake up without an alarm clock. But remember to adjust your sleeping time to your activities. The more tired you are, the more sleep you'll need.

(The article, "Are You Building Up a Sleep Debt?" is condensed from Today's Health, published by the American Medical Association.)

Some Teachers Di In Poverty

A retired English professor selling greeting cards to stretch her $50-a-month pension... A classics professor turned night watchman to supplement his $92...

A professor of history retired on $183 after 50 years...

These examples are typical of the heartbreaking poverty that once faced many of this country's 13,500 retired college teachers. Today, thanks largely to the efforts of peppy former UCLA sociology professor Dr. Constantine Panunzio, better days may lie ahead for them.

After his own retirement in 1951—on $259.16 a month—he marshaled facts and figures on the plight of his pensioned colleagues, presented his report to California's Board of Regents. With Dr. Panunzio as consultant, a special committee was appointed to study the pension problem. Six months later, the Board adopted the committee's recommendation to increase annual pensions by $97. Complete overhaul of the university's retirement machinery was also approved.

Dr. Panunzio returned to the balance sheets, learned that $33 million dollars had accumulat- ed in UCLA's retirement fund. He suggested investing this money in income-producing stocks, bonds and real estate instead of low-return annuities. By approving his system, the Board of Regents was able to raise faculty pensions, which had averaged $100, to $550 per month.

Dr. Panunzio's efforts, says author Andrew Hamilton, have given California's colleges retirement systems that are among the best in the country. Other colleges with outstanding plans are Harvard, where 12-1/4 percent of faculty salaries go into a retirement fund, and Dartmouth, which pays 16 percent of faculty salaries for the entire cost of the fund, the faculty members himself paying nothing.

Summer Mission Work Available

By Jerry Duke

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will employ a limited number of students for 10 weeks this summer. The qualifications are 18 years of age and 60 semester hours of college, the pay is $45 a week for married couples and $25 a week for single persons who serve on the same field; but each are expected to spend one third of their income on room and board in every case. The work will be between 12 and 5 p.m. except Wednesday and Saturday.

A successful businessman alighted at the station in his old home town, after about ten years of absence. In spite of his expectations, there was no one he knew on the platform.

Discouraged, he sought out the station ticket agent, a friend since boyhood. He was about to extend a hearty greet- ing when the ticket agent called out: "Hello, Joe! Going away?"

CLASS BEAUTY CANDIDATES—The above pictures will appear in the 1959 Mimosa. Lee Castle, conductor of the Dorsey Orchestra has chosen one of these beauties in each class to be the "most beautiful." His decision will remain a secret until Mimosa editor Hal Butler announces the winners.


Each of these girls is not only gifted with beauty but all are also active in the many organizations on the campus. The candidates were selected by popular vote in the four classes.

The class beauties will be presented a 1959 annual at the dedication assembly in the spring.
With the year of 1958 a part of the past, Jacksonville State looks to the future—1959—with a goal set to reach its highest zenith ever. Scholastically, the standards have been raised considerably, and along with the growing pains, the athletic program looks ahead with an optimistic view of the greatest year Jax State has had in athletic competition.

Jacksonville participates in four intercollegiate sports: baseball, basketball, tennis, and football. The nine sport combination was won by Jack- sonville in 1958 with 38 wins against 30 losses.

The basketball team had a 11-9 record, the baseball team a 5-4 record; the tennis team a 6-3 record and the football team had a 5-4 record.

Another wise, Jacksonville seems to be in its best shape in many years. Coach Tom Robertson’s basketball team has only one senior on the squad, Captain Don Wilson.

Both baseball and football last several valuable players from their baseball team, such as Tom Lazenby, Jaybird Weddle, and Ralph Stephens, but several well experienced players are returning including five of the captains from last year’s squad, Third baseman Joe Ford.

The 1959 Jax State Tennis team expects to be much stronger than in the past year, with 19 of its 19 matches. However a tougher schedule is in line for the netters. A four tour through Mississippi and Louisiana pits the Gamecocks against milliions of Americans he went to his doctor for a second opinion. He was referred to a local hospital to undergo surgery. Several months later, he was cured of cancer.

Mike Livingston is the top returning prospect. Mike was also a winner on the team last year. Other prospects are Slav Show, Hans Peters, Roberta Sims, Buddy Patty and Sonny Roberts. However, anyone interested in playing on the tennis team is urged to try out for the team and help support the Jax netters.

Coach Don Salls will greet all but two lettermen from the ‘58 team which had a 5-4 record. Among the returning letterman is Jacksonville’s Little All-American halfback Bill Nichols. Several of these players, however, who were injured during the ‘58 season, will probably be counted on considerably in ‘60. Several of these are center Max Bass, and Charlie Clark. There is a possibility that fullback Wayne Keha, a top performer of the ‘57 Gamecocks squad who was ruled ineligible just before the 1958 season began, will be back in the Jacksonville lineup.

SPORT SHORTS

When the story of a person or a business rising from the bottom to the top flashes across the headlines of our newspapers, the people of America rejoice at the success. Here at Jacksonville State, we have a success story that every member of the student body and every alumnus should be proud of. We of Jacksonville State should stand on top of Solomon’s Hill and shout to the world about how proud we are of Frank Lovrich and the Gamecock baseball team that rose from a humble beginning last spring to become one of the top small college baseball teams in the South.

Coach Frank Lovrich came to Jacksonville as a sociology teacher. He is one of the best-trained instructors in this field that Jax State has ever had. Coach Lovrich was surprised that a school that boasts the third largest enrollment in the state did not participate in the sport that he truly loves—baseball. Having been a member of the faculty only a very few months, Coach Lovrich began to organize a baseball team. Many boys that were interested in this sport joined in his campaign to organize a baseball team.

Our college did not have a baseball field so Mr. Lovrich had to obtain permission from a local cotton mill to use their field for practice and to play home games. The field was in bad condition and Coach Lovrich and his players spend many hours in hard labor getting the field in shape.

The Gamecocks opened their season at Troy State College and dropped a double-header to the Red Wave. This, however, did not discourage the Gamecock nine that came back to win a fine season record of 18 wins against six losses.

All of the boys that play baseball for Jacksonville play for the love of the game. There are no scholarships given for baseball. These boys used their own precious time from studying and school activities to play baseball for our school. Unlike our football and basketball teams which receive scholarships the baseball boys practice hard from February to May without receiving any financial help.

Looking forward to another fine season, Coach Lovrich has his 1959 schedule almost completed. The Gamecocks open their season on a week-long trip into Louisiana. The State nine will play a three game series with Northwestern and Northeastern Louisiana State Colleges. Both schools are members of the Gulf State Conference. Northwestern won last year’s conference baseball season.

After this southern trip, the Gamecocks will return home to finish a tough schedule of more than 24 games. Included in this schedule will be some of the best college baseball teams in Alabama and Georgia.

About 45 eager and ambitious baseball enthusiasts will gather on the baseball diamond the first week in February to vie for a position on Coach Lovrich’s 1959 baseball squad.

In this group will be several boys returning from last year’s team. These include Jim Harris, Joe Ford, Bud McCarty, Paul Dunn, Don Taylor, Sam Kemaner, Marvin Wilson, David Joy, Whiteside, and a host of others.

Coach Lovrich feels that these returnees along with a whole host of newcomers, including Waymond O’Neil, Les Brawning, Tommy Maddox and Ford, will form a baseball team that will be even better than last year’s fine team.