



# All Classes Announce Officers For New Year



**SENIOR OFFICERS**—(1st row) Wesley Thompson, Gadsden, treasurer; Crawford Nelson, Heflin, SGA representative; Hal Hayes, Albertville, president; Charles Baker, Alabama City, social chairman; Tommy Dennis, East Tallassee, reporter; (standing) Susan Hagan, Alexander City, secretary; Jackie Cooley, Talladega, SGA representative; Sonja O'Kelley, Anniston, vice-president.

## Homecoming Festivities Announced

An organizations meeting for homecoming events was held Wednesday in the auditorium of Ayers Hall. Floyd P. Tredaway, chairman of the faculty advisory committee, presided, and student-faculty committees were announced for assuming responsibility for the different phases of the annual observance.

Wayne Hilliard, president of the Student Government Association, announced that contests for the selection of "Miss Homecoming" and the day's slogan would be held in a few days.

Announcements were also made that the classes of 1916-17, which held successful reunions last year, would sponsor a dinner on Friday night, Oct. 13, for all former students of the old State Normal School.

Reunions of classes of 1920, 1930, 1940, 1950 and 1960 will be held Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock in rooms of Graves Hall.

The Student Government Association will award a prize of \$5 to the winning slogan; \$10 to the best-decorated automobile; \$50 to the dormitory with the most attractive decorations; and three prizes for floats: 1st prize, \$50; 2nd, \$30; and 3rd, \$20.

A bonfire and pep rally will be held Friday night before homecoming under the direction of class presidents, cheerleaders, classes and SGA representatives, with Dr. J. M. Anders as faculty adviser.

The day's schedule is as follows:

Registration in Graves Hall, sale of football tickets, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; home economics reunion, home management house, 9 to 11 a.m.; alumni executive a.m.; executive board luncheon new dining hall, 12 noon; parade forms at Eighty Oaks av., 12:45; parade gets under way, 2 p.m.; reception at President's Home honoring alumni and guests, 3 to 4 p.m.; J Club smoker, the Grab, 4 p.m.; homecoming banquet, new dining hall, 5 p.m.; football game, 7:30 p.m.; alumni dance, new Leone Cole Auditorium.

"Miss Homecoming" will be crowned and "The Southerners" will present a band show at half-time. Awards for floats and dormitories will be presented also.



**SOPHOMORE OFFICERS**—Left to right: Joy Culver, Birmingham, social chairman; James Justice, Gurley, president; Zem Lanier, Talladega, secretary; Johnny Brooks, Gadsden, and Jane Hubbard, Anniston, SGA representatives.



**FRESHMEN OFFICERS**—Left to right, (seated) they are: Jimmy Tinker, Brighton, president; Helen Steakley, Boaz, secretary; Peggy Love, Piedmont, Ken Monk, Birmingham, SGA representatives; (standing) Bobby Clotfelter, Gadsden, treasurer; J. D. Warren, Childersburg, vice-president; Ed Jordan, Alexander City, social chairman.



**JUNIOR OFFICERS**—(Left to right, seated) Judge Jones, Macon, Ga., secretary; Jo Ann Crow, Fort Payne, SGA representative; Sara Futral, Alexandria, vice-president; (standing) Joan Smithey, Gadsden, social chairman; Margie Mask, Jackson's Gap, SGA representative; and Barry Holdridge, Fort Payne, president.

## ROTC Coming Into Its Own; Has Record Enlistees

The school year of 1961-62 is shaping up to be the biggest and most successful in Jacksonville State's ROTC history. The cadets number 822 strong, the largest battle group ever.

The band, led by M/Sgt. Seward W. Bates, Jr., will be composed of about 45 able musicians, making it the largest band in history. The Military Department is grateful to the Music Department for use of its instruments and wishes to express its appreciation.

At present there are 60 candidates for the drill team of which only 40 to 45 will be selected. The drill team, instructed by M/Sgt. Billy B. Wein, has been invited to participate in the annual Veterans Day parade in Birmingham on Nov. 11. The band will accompany the team.

Leadership is in abundance

both on the military staff and battle-group staff.

Commanding the cadet battle group this year will be the following:

Cadet Col. Tommy V. Whatley; Lincoln; Cadet Lt. Col. Jimmy Avery, executive officer; Cadet Major Lonnie L. McCarty, adjutant; Cadet 1st Lt. Wayne Hilliard, assistant adjutant; Cadet Major Edward O. Pierce, operations officer; Cadet Major Samuel G. Davis, supply officer; Cadet Sgt. Major Bradley D. Mitchell. The sponsor is Honorary Lt. Col. Pat Keahey.

The company commanders and sponsors are as follows:

Cadet Capt. James H. Bentley, Honorary Cadet Capt. Janice Green; Cadet Capt. Headquarters Company; John T. Van

(Continued on Page 3)

## Local Citizens To Observe 'College Day' October 8

Citizens of Jacksonville will observe "College Day" on Sunday, Oct. 8, to show appreciation for the growth and development of the institution which was established here in 1883.

A committee composed of Postmaster H. Y. Dempsey, Jr., Mayor Frank Casey and Mrs. Mitchell Modrall, local clubwoman, is working on plans to see that every citizen of the town is invited.

An introductory program will be held in the new Leone Cole Auditorium at 4 p.m., at which time President Houston Cole will make brief remarks. A tour of the new center will be conducted and refreshments will

be served in the new cafeteria.

Gov. John Patterson will be here for the event and during the afternoon he will inspect the new dormitory, Albert Patterson Hall, which was named for his late father, an alumnus of this college.



## EDITORIALS —

### Will You Be One?

It's an unusual college or university which does not have its share of dropouts at semester's end.

The reasons students leave college before graduating vary with each individual, but in general can be classified under three categories: financial problems, marriage and low grades.

The first two are understandable and are rarely tagged with the notion of disgrace. The third, low grades, is easy to account for, yet often hard to explain. We readily attribute poor grades to lack of study or lack of the right kind of study, but answering the question "Why didn't that individual study properly?" Can and does fill the pages of entire books. With this in mind, rather than deal with the whole subject, let us instead consider briefly one phase: The danger signals and a remedy.

Like many another potential failure, there are indications to warn of its approach. The sooner these are recognized the sooner disappointment may be averted—preventive medicine, pure and simple. The same principle applies to schoolwork.

What warnings do we look for? Obviously, there are many and to name a few; cutting classes without good cause; allowing work to pile up and trying to get it all done in a single Sunday evening; falling behind on assignments; lounging around in the dorm or the "Grab" and/or socializing till 9:30 or 10 p.m., then reluctantly and somewhat sleepily turning to the most pressing homework, with the intention of doing the rest "tomorrow between classes"; failing to participate in an occasional class discussion.

There are more, and the examples just cited are not always good indicators of a student's impending success or failure in school. Heaven knows, most of us are guilty of them once in a while. But to paraphrase one of the scriptural writers, there are many vices but the most dangerous of these is procrastination.

If we're inclined toward laziness and are content just to "Get By", we are not in the right college. I have no suggestions as to an easy alternative to this or any other institution and would not reveal them if I did. But the course of action, and therein the secret of successful learning, appears obvious:

If the student is to realize his hopes of higher learning and, incidentally, good marks and favorable recommendations from instructors, he or she must work long and well to develop his potential abilities.

It's not easy, but who ever said it was?

— Jim Travis

### The Service Corps

The purpose of this editorial is to introduce a new organization on our campus—The Service Corps.

The Service Corps is open to all who are interested in promoting social culture and improvement on our campus. Jacksonville State, now larger than ever before, must grow in culture as well as academically and in size. Cooperation from all students, commuters and residents, will be necessary imperative if we are to realize our goals.

To you commuters we ask that you help maintain Jacksonville's natural beauty by using the receptacles provided for you when you dispose of your lunch papers and coke bottles.

To all students, let this be a reminder to care for our beautiful school and grounds. Use the sidewalks instead of the paths; use the ash trays in the academic buildings instead of the floor for extinguishing cigarettes.

Another aim of The Service Corps is to improve school spirit. Again the individual student must cooperate by supporting school projects, by being friendly, by feeling pride for Jacksonville, and by supporting the intramural sports program.

In the near future a distinguished group of educators will be visiting our campus to mark the conclusion of the two-year self study. These men will be most observant of every aspect of our college life. Let us not mar that impression by a lack of social culture and refinement.

Students should conscientiously dress neatly; boys should wear shirts tucked in, rather than polo shirts, and girls should wear dresses to meals rather than sports clothes. There should be no excessive display of affection in public (now or any time).

With your support and interest, The Service Corps will help to make Jacksonville State College a school that is known and respected nation-wide.

—Judy Jones

## Jacksonville State Collegian

Published semi-monthly except August by the Student Body of the State College, Jacksonville, Alabama, and entered as second-class matter March 30, 1943, at the Post Office at Jacksonville, Alabama under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Editor-in-Chief ..... Troy Dobbins  
 Sports Editor ..... Hal Hayes  
 Photographer ..... Opal Lovett  
 Faculty Adviser ..... Mrs. R. K. Coffee  
 Staff of Writers ..... Sandra Bonilla,  
 Helen Steakley, Clovis Gaskin, Gay Templeton, Jim  
 Travis, Gerald Waldrop, Judy Jones, Tommy Dennis

### Reeves Smith To Edit Mimosa

The following students have been chosen for the 1962 Mimosa staff:

Reeves Smith, editor; Crawford Nelson, business manager; Sarah Futral, assistant business manager; Sam Houston, circulation manager; Jane Hubbard, assistant circulation manager; Dr. Margaret K. Woodhouse, faculty adviser.

Terry Baggett, artist; Tod Holman, assistant artist; Josephine Rossiter and Troy Dobbins, faculty editors; Elmer Tate, military editor; Jo Ann Crow, classes editor; Jeanette Ferrell, Jimmy Taylor and Charlie Miller, events editors; Tommy Dennis and Fred Clontz, organizations editors.

Hal Hayes and Dickie Justice, athletics; Joan Smithey and Betty Fink, music; Carolyn Finley, Eugenia Branscomb and Judy Tomlin, typists; Steve Edwards and Gerald Waldrop, layout; Mary Elizabeth Ray, Charlotte Bryson, Kathy Loftis and Robert Ray, ad salesmen; Sarah Deck, Alicia Tompkins and Ed Pierce, book salesmen; and Richard Webb, publicity.

It is hoped that those who wished to work on the staff and could not will continue to support the staff so that this will be the best MIMOSA yet.

There will be a staff meeting Monday night at 6:30 in the lounge of Graves Hall.

### Notice!

All items which have been lost may be claimed in Room 204, Bibb Graves Hall. If not claimed by Oct. 9, they will be turned over to another source.

The following is a list of the items which are now in the Lost and Found Department: 1 full-length lady's coat, 1 man's raincoat, 2 jackets, 1 man's black hat, 2 ladies' raincoats, 2 ladies' raincoats, 2 pairs ladies' gloves, and 1 pair of socks.

Also, there are 9 scarves, 2 odd gloves, 5 purses, 1 compact, 1 billfold, 1 necklace, 1 bracelet, 1 change purse, 1 wedding band, 1 glass case, 1 social security card, and 1 trumpet mouthpiece.

1 fountain pen holder, 1 check-book, 8 sets of keys, 1 Bible, 1 wool scarf, 2 umbrellas, 1 pair men's glasses, 1 pair lady's glasses, 1 pair sunglasses, 7 spiral notebooks, 1 Jacksonville State notebook, 1 drama book, 1 ROTC book, and 1 memorandum book.

### Law Club Meets

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, the Law Club, will meet at 7 p.m., in room 317, Graves Hall. All pre-law students, history, and political science majors are invited to attend.

Dr. Selman is advisor for the group; Don Moon, president; Fred Greer, vice president; and Sarah Deck, secretary.

### SGA Sponsors Contest

How good are you at writing jingles and catchy phrases? If you have talent along this line why not try your hand in the slogan contest?

A \$5.00 prize will be awarded to the person who submits the best slogan, expressing the theme of homecoming. Entries will be judged by a committee of class officers and may be submitted to Sandra Lester.

## In The Spotlight — Two Popular Students Share Spotlight's Beam



SONJA O'KELLEY

A friendly smile is an ever-present characteristic of our pretty spotlight senior, Sonja O'Kelley of Anniston.

Sonja, a 1958 graduate of Anniston High School, has always been actively interested in extra-curricular activities. She served as chaplain of the Hi-Y, treasurer of the Future Teachers Club, and as a homeroom officer every year. Sonja has brains as well as beauty, for she was also a member of the National Honor Society.

This campus favorite has a wide variety of interests which include dancing, reading, music and water skiing.

At Jacksonville, Sonja is a ballerina, member of the Phi Beta Lambda and vice-president of the senior class. She was voted junior class beauty, and was candidate for Queen of the Military Ball.

A secretarial science major with a minor in English, Sonja plans to graduate in May and then work on her Master's degree. When asked what her other plans for the future might include, Sonja smiled and answered, "Buddy!"



ROBERT HALEY

Known to many as Bobby, Robert Haley is a very deserving senior who is proudly spotlighted by the Collegian. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Haley of Heflin.

Since coming to Jacksonville he has been a cheerleader and is now president of Phi Mu Chi Beta, honorary club. He is majoring in chemistry with a minor in biology.

Bobby was also a leader in his high school, Cleburne County High, at Heflin. He was a member of the football team, baseball team, Debating Club, DDA and Drama Club. He was president of the Student Council and president of the Athletic Club.

After graduation, Bobby plans to enter medical school, and we wish him all the success in the world in his chosen field.

### Special Events

Special events planned for this fall will include a lecture by Dr. Benjamin Fine, noted education editor of the New York Times, on Oct. 24, who will be the first  
 (Continued on Page 3)



WATCHING THE TRAFFIC — is Alice Deakins, freshman from Fairfield, this issue's "Gem of the Hill".

# ORGANIZATIONAL NOTES

## Wesley Foundation

Wesley Foundation is the part of the ministry of the Methodist Church connected with student work on state supported campuses. It is an integral unit of the Methodist Student Movement. Being associated locally with the First Methodist Church, the activities of the church are shared with Wesley Foundation.

In addition to church school and two worship services each Sunday, Wesley Foundation has its own fellowship supper and program on Sunday evenings.

Wesley Foundation sponsors many different activities for its members. Each year Wesley takes an active part in homecoming, its float tying for first place last year. Plans are already being made for this year's entry.

For those who have journalistic talent, WF is planning a newspaper to be published monthly for its members.

Participation in choir is an attraction for those interested in music. The choir takes part in the Sunday night service of the First Methodist Church.

Possibly you can see from the broad opportunities afforded by Wesley Foundation that your church is interested in you while you are in college. Although your life from now on will be quite different, it is imperative that your religious life not be neglected. You not only need your church while in college, your church needs you.

Officers of the local Wesley Foundation at JSC join in welcoming you to this campus and further-more earnestly urge you to participate in your church's activities while at Jacksonville.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

(Continued from Page 2)

Programs announced by the Fine Arts Division include an appearance by Sara Henderson Hay, nationally-known poet,

## The Newman Club

The Newman Club emphasizes Catholic culture and fellowship that fosters the spiritual, intellectual and social interests of the Catholic students on campus.

This religious organization is headed by Ed Neura, Brunswick, Ohio. The spiritual director is the Rev. Donald J. Granger from Anniston.

The Newman Club meets in the home of Mr. Malcolm Griffin every Sunday night at 5:30. Mass is held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Recreation Center in Jacksonville.

## Baptist Student Union

### NOTICE: COMMUTERS

The Baptist Student Union has started a noon-day devotional period at the student center of the First Baptist Church.

The schedule of the devotional period is as follows: Eat lunch, 15 minute meditation, short devotionals, and fellowship together.

### Campus Residents' Schedule of Events:

Morning Watch — 7:45 — 8:00  
Monday—Friday — Room 101 Graves Hall.

Vespers — 6:30 — 7:00 —  
Monday and Thursday — Room 100 Ayers Hall.

BSU choir practice — Sunday afternoon — 5:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church.

Both First Baptist and West-side Baptist churches welcome all students to their Sunday School at 9:45, morning worship at 10:55, evening worship service at 7:05 and Training Union at 6:00.

who will read in Graves Hall lounge, Oct. 18, at 5 p.m.; a concert by Diane McCullars, soprano, of Memphis, Tenn., on Nov. 16; and the Christmas Choral program in December.

## ROTC

(Continued from Page 1)

Cleave, A Company, Honorary Capt. Anita Henry; Cadet Capt. Robert M. Hanvey, Honorary Capt. Margie Mask, B Company; Cadet Capt. Paul J. Redden, Honorary Capt. Judy Hughes, C Company; Cadet Capt. James C. Williams, Honorary Capt. Julia Little, D Company.

### Rifle Team

"Beat Tech" will be J-ville's cry on Oct. 28 when the Rifle Team matches Georgia Tech of Atlanta here. They will be numerous shoulder-to-shoulder and postal matches. Everyone is urged to attend.

Anyone's wishing to try out for the Rifle Team is welcomed. Tryouts will be held Monday and Wednesday nights at 6:30 and Monday through Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.

### Scabbard and Blade

Scabbard and Blade has had its first informal initiation and meeting. Among the things discussed were organization for the year and plans for the annual dance, which will be held on Nov. 9. A good orchestra will be engaged to provide the music.

With all the new girls on the campus who probably would love to attend this gala affair, cadets and other students should be making dates so they will be assured of having a partner for the event.

### New Staff

The military staff has three new members: Lt. Col. John A. Brock, professor of military science; Capt. James G. Owen, assistant professor of military science; and M/Sgt. John A. Chapman, instructor.

Col. Brock returned recently from a three-year tour of duty in Alaska where he was executive officer of the 23rd Infantry. Capt. Owen was an armor officer of the 1st Medium Tank Battalion, 68th Armor Div., in Kitzingun, Germany; and Sgt. Chapman was attached to the 82nd Airborne Div., Fort Bragg, N. C.

— Waldrop



LEADING THE MARCHING SOUTHERNERS this year as their featured twirlers will be Jerry Hill, talented Jacksonville freshman, and pretty sophomore Dottie Wright of Anniston. This gifted duo may be seen in action anytime the football Gamecocks are at home and on the road when the schedule reads for games with Troy State (Oct. 7), Florence (Nov. 4), Livingston (Nov. 18).

## New Teachers Added To Faculty

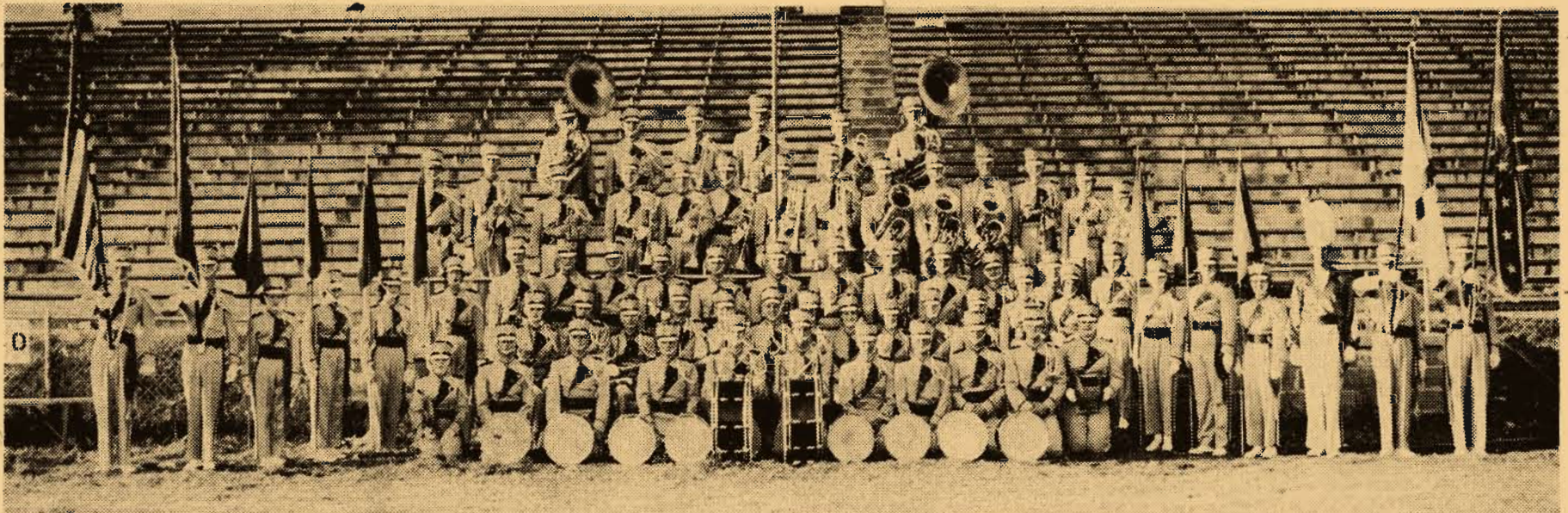
New teachers are still being added to the faculty because of the large enrollment, and classes are being held from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. A number of classes are being taught in the afternoon and evenings by teachers from the surrounding area.

New full-time professors include Thomas Perry Dixon, who is teaching social science, and John Paul Schumann, who is teaching political science. Mr. Dixon did his graduate work at Vanderbilt University, and Mr. Schumann has his master's degree from the University of

Mississippi with an additional year's work at Tulane University.

Four retired members of the faculty have been called back for part-time work. They are: Miss Maude Luttrell, English; Dr. C. R. Wood, education; J. W. Stephenson, physical education; and L. F. Ingram, biology.

Other part-time teachers include Bobby Bryant, engineering; Dr. Mort Glosser, sociology and geography; Mrs. Floyd P. Tredaway, Harris Mynatt, science; DeLeath Rives, brass; Capt. James Sper, chemistry, and Col. Rhett Gibbs Harris, graduate biology, both from the Chemical Corps School, Fort McClellan.



## "Southerners" Rated One Of Top Bands In State

Termed as the best state college band, the "Southerners" are ready for another season on the field. This year under the direction of Mr. David Walters, the band hopes to challenge even the top universities' bands as the best in the South.

The band officers are: Melvin Morgan, president; Gareth Bryant, vice president; Vera MaAbee, secretary; and Hoyt

LeCroy, treasurer.

Members of the band are the following:  
Homer McCollum, Melvin Morgan, Wain Bates, Thomas Wilson, Bob Sanders, Ned Westmoreland, Robert Traylor, Gerald Cofer, Gareth Bryant, Gene Love, Sherrye Pickrell, Johnny Shook, Ken Mitchell, Anne Burns, Wayne Golden, Tom Powell, Randy Proctor, George

Thomas, and William Greenhaw, trumpets.

Bobby Henderson, Jimmy Couch, Lavon Lang, Glen Walden, Billy Barker, David Gable, Edward Rush, and Doyle Grizzell, trombones; Ronnie Perkins, Lamar Countryman and Bettina Mills, baritones.

Tim Wheeler and Bobby Ward, bass; Vera McAbee, Ward Burt, Gwen Nabors, Joy Ann McCullers, Ronnie Hyche, and Rex Pryon, saxophones; Jimmy Lee, Sandra Carnes, Gail Maze, Gary James, Toni West, and Terry Segers, clarinets.

Barbara Winters and Ann

Ziglar are playing flute, and Hoyt LeCroy, Troy Crumpton, Tom Camp, Tim Camp, John Armstrong, Charles Tucker, James Pittman, Kenneth Morgan, Dorothy Powell, Sally McDaniel, Al Berry and Jim Steward are drummers.

The color guard consists of Charles Robinson, Bill Arnold, George Collins, and Bryant Allen. The guideons are Nancy Mackey, Joyce Eleam, Karen Adams, Patsy Bryant, J. Holt, Nancy Norberg, Lynne Jones, and Dorothy Sanders.

William Pollard is drum major; Jim Stewart, assistant drum

major; Wesley Thompson, announcer and publicity manager; Jerry Hill and Dottie Wright, twirlers.

The "Marching Ballerinas" coached by Zenobia King of Anniston, are Donna Vaughn, Susan Hagan, Karen Terhune, Kate Roberts, Betty Stillwell, Nancy Simmons, Mary Ann Huff, Sonja O'Kelley, Judy Bruce, Broughton Harwell, Betty Norrison, Carol Mason, Jerrie Belcher, Mary Ellen Johnson, Judy Scroggins, Sherry Brady, Janice Collins, Elaine Howard, Dinah Culver, and Florence Dew.  
— Templeton

# Troy, The Foe - ACC Opens For Jaxmen Sat.

By HAL HAYES  
COLLEGIAN SPORTS EDITOR

The Alabama Collegiate Conference, one year old and eagerly awaiting duplication of last year's successful campaign, pits Jacksonville State College against Troy State, there, this Saturday night in the league opener for both clubs. Kickoff time is set for 7:30.

And then, the following week end is the big one in the Land of the Gamecocks. Austin Peay's Governors will be coming to town to face the Gamecocks in Homecoming 1961, Jacksonville style.

To date, the Jaxmen of Coach Don Salls tutelage have faced three opponents (Chattanooga, Southeast Missouri and Delta State) and have 6 to go in '61. The season ends for the Gamecocks November 18 against Livingston, there.

"Troy State is always a tough foe for us," Coach Salls reminded the other day, "and you can always count on them to be a lot tougher on their own field. Coach Clipson (Bill, head coach of the Red Wave) manages to have his club up for our game and I'm sure this season will be no exception."

The front two games of Jax State's seasonal worksheet were real bearbreakers. Chattanooga eked past the Gamecocks 13-7 in the final 80 seconds of the night and Southeast nipped the lads from JSC 13-12.

Jax's probable starting lineup for the Troy game: Ends Gerald Halpin and Ronnie Harris; Paul

Jerry Warren, alias "Sandblaster S. Sandblaster" (The S. for Sandblaster), wants more than anything else, to someday be a successful college athletic trainer. His storehouse of desire is almost as large as "The Basket".

"It all started when I was a freshman in high school," said the always smiling son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Porter of Marietta, Ga. "one day I got the wild notion to ask the coach, at our school (R. L. Osborne High) to let me be a manager and trainer. He said o. k., I said o. k., so things were o. k.!"

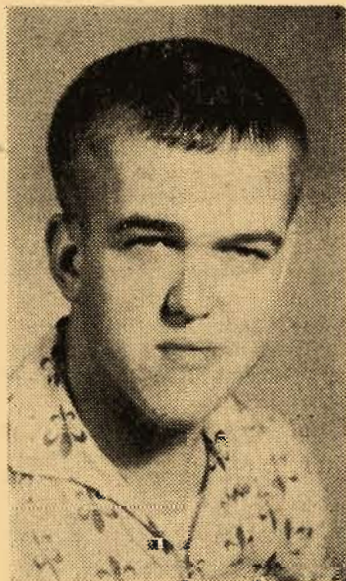
Jerry, quite active in many extra curricular activities at Osborne High, was one of the most popular boys in his 1961 graduating class. And, he's well on his way to becoming one of the best known and liked personalities on our lovely campus.

Yes sir, the likeable manager of our football Gamecocks is headed for sure success. Great wishes to a great guy!

Ray Burgess, stalwart end on Jax State's '55 Refrigerator Bowl championship club, stopped by the office the other day for a little visit and had some nice words of praise for JSC student Gerald Grogan. Grogan, senior from Lineville, is currently playing offensive end for the Gadsden Professional Raiders of the Dixie Football League.

"Grogan is looking impressive," Ray reported, "both on offense and defense. You know he caught an all important touchdown pass the other night against Birmingham to start our scoring machine in to action."

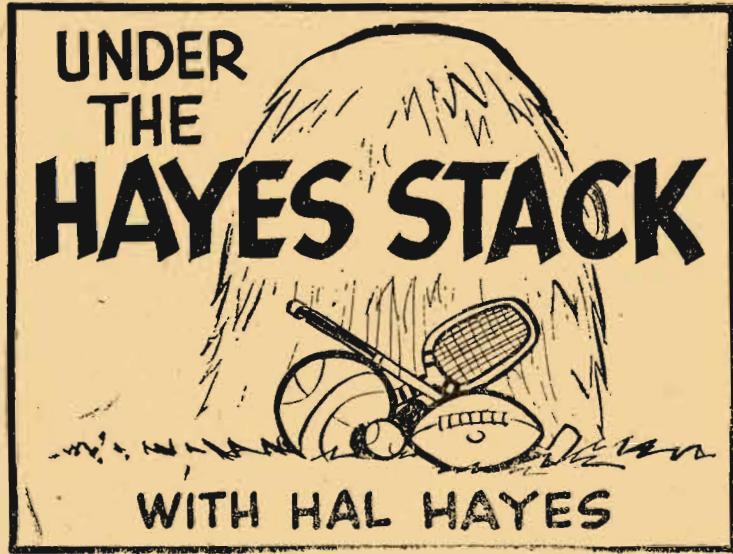
The Raiders are next in action Saturday night (Oct. 14) against Selma at Attalla Bowl. Game time is 8 p.m.



JERRY WARREN



GERALD GROGAN



Big Ken Porter, the nice type who can fall in mud and still come up dusted in talcum powder, is a happy fellow. He's returned to Jacksonville State for the fall semester and he's done so with \$20,000 in his "kitty".

Tom Yawkey's Red Sox of Boston had the account. The towering 6-5, Cordova youngster knew what he wanted. The men from Beantown didn't hesitate, so Mr. Porter went off professional baseball with \$20,000 jingling in his jeans.

This was in the spring time right after the departed Frank Lovrich had just wrapped up a 12-3 record for our Gamecocks. Ken was brilliant throughout the season (won 4 of 6 and fanned 59 men in 32 innings pitched). The bonus extended was just payment.

"I'm signing for a bonus," the nice looking sophomore confessed in Anniston this spring, "because I want a college education. Playing pro-ball in the spring and attending school in the off season will provide me with that college diploma that I want so badly."

And, then, off he went. Alpine, Texas, of the Sophomore League was the next stop for the flame-throwing left hander. At Alpine his manager was to be Mel Parnell, all-time great of the Red Sox pitching corps some years back.

The Alpine pitching rotation had already been set when young Ken made the scene, but he managed to see action in 47 innings and he did his "stuff". In that stint 35 would be hitters swung and connected with nothing but ozone. He won 2 of 3 and posted a respectable 2.37 earned run average.

When not on the front firing line, Ken was in the bullpen trying to develop a curve to go along with his blitz-like fast ball.



Hidden behind the 'specs' is "The Basket", sports editor of the COLLEGIAN. That is, "The Basket" is what they call him . . . and I reckon that's his name!



KEN PORTER

"Whether or not I can develop a good fast ball will be my ticket in pro ball, up or down."

One night, though, Ken wasn't to be found on the mound, on the bench or in the bullpen. He was umpiring at third base!

"The umpiring was lousy in the Sophomore League," Ken confessed, "so we ran the regularly assigned umps out of the park one night in the second game of a double-header and finished our last home series with Pony League umps." Ken had won the first of the twin-bill and was preparing to watch one from the bench when Manager Parnell tabbed him as Alpine's representative.

"Yes," Ken, quite, enthusiastically answered when asked if he were looking forward to March. "March's gonna look real nice to me when it hits the calendar," beamed the portsider, "that's when I report to spring training at Ocala, Fla., with all the minor league teams who are affiliated with the Red Sox."

From there who knows. Ken, whose biggest thrill was picking two men off first base against the El Paso team (San Francisco franchise) in one inning, can jump from Class D to B in no time with the right kind of breaks and if his curve develops. The Red Sox do not have any C clubs and that makes it nice for ambitious young men like Ken Porter.

The 'Basket', for one, would like nothing better than to see Big Ken go all the way to the top. I'd give forty tons of Metrecal to someday hear Curt Gowdy, radio voice of the Red Sox, say: "Out there on the mound for the Red Sox, Ken Porter!"

## Rebs Encounter Red E.'s Kickoff 4:15 - Edwards Field

The Rebels will attempt to advance further up the league standings ladder this afternoon when they encounter the Red Elephants in Flag Football at 4:15 at Edwards Field, located next to the cemetery on the Gadsden Highway. The season officially opened Monday, Sept. 25.

Flag football, the latest and newest wrinkle added to the curriculum of Intramural Sports at Jax State, is very similar to the sport of touch football, long a standard sport here. Ball carriers will wear flags inside their belts and when a flag is pulled out, rather when one is tagged, the play is blown dead at that spot on the field by the

officials.

There are 8 teams entered in the league this season. They are the Bengals, Headhunters, Warriors, Rebels, Indians, Hosses, Spartans, and the Red Elephants.

The schedule until COLLEGIAN sports again comes off the press:

Oct. 2-Rebels vs. Red Elephants; Oct. 3-Indians vs. Headhunters; Oct. 4-Bengals vs. Hosses; Oct. 5-Rebels vs. Spartans; Oct. 9-Indians vs. Warriors; Oct. 10-Red Elephants vs. Headhunters; Oct. 11-Rebels vs. Hosses; and, Oct. 12-Indians vs. Bengals.

The season is expected to close sometime during the first week in November.

## MEET THE GAMECOCKS

By KEN MONK  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The athletic spotlight for this issue of the COLLEGIAN is thrown upon two of the roughest, toughest Jaxmen that the

Gamecocks team has seen in quite a few years. The two agile lads are Ray Gentles and Jim Williams.

Ray Gentles is the starting right halfback for the Gamecocks. He is a senior at Jacksonville and plans to graduate with a physical education major in May. Ray is 5-10 and weighs 190 lbs, and is currently serving as president of the renowned "J" Club.

In his prep days Ray was a tremendous ball player for Scottsboro High School. He was on the All State, All County, All Tri-State, All-Southern and High School All-American teams. Ray first attended Auburn University upon graduating from high school. At the end of his freshman year, Ray came to Jacksonville.

Ray is one of the fastest men to wear the colors of JSC in a long time. He sprints the 50-yard dash in an amazing 5.6 seconds. Being the Gamecocks leading ground gainer last year attributes to the fact that he was chosen "Most Outstanding Back" last season.

There is a high possibility that Ray Gentles will be drafted to play professional football next season, probably in the American Football League. Upon graduation in May, Jacksonville will lose one of the most terrific ballplayers it has seen in the annals of time.

Meet Jim Williams—another outstanding Jaxmen who will be missed not only on the field but also around the campus come graduation time in May. Jim is a quarterback for the Gamecocks. He is 6 feet tall and weighs 175 lbs. He is married to the former Judi Dempsey and is the father of one son, James Dempsey, who is 9 weeks old.

Jim played prep ball at Hueytown High. He was captain of the Gophers his senior year. He is a three year letterman with the Gamecocks. Jim was an outstanding punter his sophomore year. He punted 32 times for a fabulous 44.3 yard per kick average.

In his ROTC activities, Jim is Company Commander of "D" Company. Jim does well at Army life. He was the 3rd highest man in grades at the army summer camp at Fort Benning, Ga.