Field crowded in council race

Fourteen persons are seeking seats on the City Council in Jacksonville. Among them are two faculty members of Jacksonville State and one JSU graduate. The field of candidates for place no. 1 is somewhat crowded with four hopefuls vying for the seat.

Jerry Dobson feels that his past experience in the construction business qualifies him to help make decisions for the city. He states, “I’ve been involved with a construction business; therefore, I’m aware of financing.” He also states that the city needs to plan expenditures and growth.

On the relationship between the university and the community, Dobson states, “The university is like any large business in town. It employs people. We should work together for the good of both.”

He thinks that the city could improve its streets and financing. He says, “The repayment of outstanding notes will be the biggest problem to whoever gets in there.”

About the hospital he feels, “It will be a burden and asset. There is no way around it. It will be a burden at first until we get it on its feet. It should have had it’s feet. It should have had its past experience with the asset. There is no way problem facing with a construction at first until we get it on its streets need improvement, business states that the growth qualifies him to help make decisions for the city. He states, “I am in agreement with the City Council on the need for the hospital. It won’t be a burden.”

Wilson, too, feels that the streets need improvement but sees no controversial issues. He does say, “The city finances have been a problem for the community. The city council needs to sit down and evaluate what’s needed and find good sources of revenue.”

The seat for place no. 2 on the council is being sought by three candidates. Among them is the incumbent mayor, Perry Brown. Brown has served 12 years on the council and gives that as his qualifications. Brown lists more recreation places, adding a delivery room to the hospital and street improvements. He also says, “There are lots of things we need to do in Jacksonville.”

Brown believes that the hospital will be an asset to the community within a few years, “It will be a burden the first year,” he says. About the biggest problems facing Jackson-

Finance and recreation seen as big issues in mayor’s race

By PAT MORRISON Staff Writer

August 18 marks the date of municipal elections for the city of Jacksonville. Four men, Floyd “Buddy” Tredaway, David Lee, Harry P. Jernigan and the incumbent mayor John B. Nisbet Jr. seek the mayorship.

“Our city needs sound financial management,” said Floyd “Buddy” Tredaway, 46, in a recent interview. “My primary concern lies in promoting a sound financial basis without an increase in sales or occupational tax,” he explains. Tredaway feels there is a lack of proper disclosure to the people and says, “I would like to see much more money from the City.”

Tredaway stresses the need for flexibility in thinking. “There should be alternatives, not just one solution and impugn, once a policy is set, it should be applied equally and fairly,” he adds.

“I would like to encourage the private financing of needed recreational facilities such as a bowling alley and a skating rink,” states Tredaway. He encourages new businesses, but would like to see local people develop their businesses more fully.

Tredaway, who was an instructor at JSU for nine years, sees the University as a significant part of the city. “After all,” he comments, “We are a University town; the economy would be destroyed without the students.”

There should be a change in leadership and more open policies,” says David Lee 40, who has been a person one councilman for the last 8 years.

Lee believes the people should be more informed of what is taking place in the city.

As for recreational facilities, Lee comments that Germania Springs has already been developed to a certain point. “What I would really like to see,” he says, “are better sidewalks. People need a place to stroll around our city.”

Lee feels that the addition of small businesses would help our town.

Lee attended the University his first year in college before transferring to Auburn to complete a degree in pharmacy. He comments, “I would like to see a better relationship between the City Council and SGA.

The whole town needs improvement,” exclaimed Harry P. Jernigan, 75, city building inspector, “including the curbs and gutters. Also our Fire and Police Departments are understaffed. We need a Fire Chief,” he adds. Jernigan says he would like to build up the town in comparison with the school. He stresses the need for better transportation of the city workloads. Jernigan sees a need for more recreational facilities, and comments, “Facilities should be near enough that children can enjoy them.”

New industries are encouraged. “Whatever would be most suitable to the town,” he says.

Living in Jacksonville since 1925 has given the opportunity to watch the town grow. “There were only about 800 families in the city when I first came,” he adds.

“I see many areas for improvement,” states the incumbent Mayor John B. Nisbet Jr.

Mimosa offering portrait photos

By LENHARDT FITE

Staff Writer

Student, faculty and staff I.D. pictures will not illustrate the 1977 edition of the “Mimosa.” Because of complaints about the poor quality of class and faculty photographs the yearbook staff has contracted Sudlow Photography of Danville, Ill., for class and faculty photographs. The special services staff are not to blame for poor quality. Polaroid I.D. shots are simply too deficient for good reproduction.

Appointments for portrait sessions will be made during registration in Leonle Caudill Auditorium and at 110 Bibb Graves for Sept. 20 through Oct. 1, of this year. The photographers will be set up in the Student Commons Building as well as at Merrill Hall on scheduled days. Those students who do not have their pictures taken will not appear in the annual. Students are encouraged “to dress up a little” for their portraits. “Mimosa” editor, Ron Mitchell, explained this simply means “Wear what you look best in and feel comfortable wearing.”

No charges will be made on the sittings. Seniors will have two color and two black-and-white poses for which proofs will be sent. Underclassmen and faculty will get a black-and-white and a “safety” if needed; they may pay a $2.00 proof fee if they wish. There is no pressure for any orders.
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brown says, "We're going to have to watch our money real close."

One of Brown's opponents is elmer Dodson. He gives his qualifications as having been a city administrative worker for the past 20 or 30 years. He also says that he is retired from the army and is qualified in finances.

Dodson feels that the city should place a tax on alcoholic beverages. In addition, Dodson feels that the city should put its crew to work on the streets rather than cutting grass or some other project.

He says, "It's been a long time. The city probably couldn't go without it."

Dodson agrees that the hospital is an asset and explains, "It's here and we have to make it work."

Dodson thinks that the problems which face the city are minor.

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Tredaway sees ‘serious financial situation’ in J’ville

One of the four men seeking the office of mayor of Jacksonville, Buddy Tredaway, told the members of the SGA Monday night that the city of Jacksonville is facing a ‘serious financial situation.’

Tredaway, responding to questions, said that the citizens are unaware of this situation for the most part and that if the situation was not altered soon, an even higher sales tax and an occupational tax might be levied on the citizens to pay for the city’s debt. An occupational tax, he said, would hit the university the hardest since it’s the largest employer in the city.

The sales tax (an extra two cents) will hit the poor, the elderly and students the worst, said Tredaway. “The long-range effect will be very adverse.”

According to Tredaway, cities have a legal debt limit of 20 per cent. Jacksonville’s legal debt limit is $1.6 million, and the city’s at $4 million now.

Tredaway attributes $390,000 of the city debt incurred since September to the opening of the new Jacksonville Hospital. He doesn’t know where the rest of the money was spent. “We don’t have a record of how it’s been spent.”

Tredaway, who taught at Jacksonville State for eight years, said of university-community relations, “I would hope that I could change Jacksonville enough so you’ll like Jacksonville as much as your hometown.”

According to Tredaway, there are five groups that make up the city of Jacksonville: students, the working man, the military, retired military, and civil service. “A small town of less than 8,000 shouldn’t be divided,” he said. “I’d like to try to bring these groups closer together.”

Another issue that has become of interest to the students is the changing of the date for municipal elections to a time when the students will be in school. (The city elections are on Aug. 10 when the summer term has already ended).

Tredaway favors changing the date for the elections to a time when both the students and vacationing faculty members will be here.

Tredaway responded to a question concerning an assertion by Mayor John B. Nisbet that he was going to eliminate the names of students who registered in the spring to vote in Jacksonville who the university records say are not returning in the fall.

“I don’t think that’ll hold up. There’s no way to legally prove that anyone’s going to be here in the fall. I can’t even legally prove that I’ll be here.”

Tredaway noted the importance of the students to the financial stability of the city. According to him, more citizens of Jacksonville should be voting in the city elections than have voted in the past. He said that in the last election in 1972, the mayor was elected by 835 votes.

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Nisbet, 44, who is seeking the mayors’hip for a third term. “We need additional medical doctors, a street improvement program, and a higher salary for city employees,” adds Nisbet.

The Mayor feels a busing program should be established to transport school people.

Concerning recreational facilities, the Mayor comments, “The city has made provisions for a 40 acre tract on the Henry Farm. Plans are underway for a pool and ballpark, but first, Federal Funds are needed.

“New businesses are welcome,” Mayor Nisbet says. “As of yet, we don’t have a new car dealer, theatre, bowling alley, skating rink, or large chain department store,” he adds.

“I’ve seen the University grow,” Mayor Nisbet comments. “I want to see a closer relationship with all departments and sections of the city,” he says.

The Mayor feels that college students are citizens of the community and should be treated as such, no more and no less.
JSU suffers from the age of foul-up blues

By KRISTY SMITH
Staff Writer

Living in this modern world today sometimes presents problems. Some of the following foul-ups could be taken from Mad Magazine; still they are right here at our university.

The Coke machines at JSU are such a nice addition to our lovely campus—but why is it that when you’re thirsty they have a napkin stuck in the coin slot or a sweet little sign politely saying “Out of Order”? Or you’ve just borrowed your buddy’s last dime to run to the machine outside of Chat ‘Em Inn and there you are greeted with “Quarters Only.” Our friendly Coke man has forgotten we have Tabs in our dispensers.

How many people have seen the southern hemisphere from the observatory located on top of Chatahoochee? I have. I feel as if I have been given a glimpse of a new world. If you think of it as the other side of the world, you’ll find it’s not so bad after all.

One trip to the library really sticks in my mind. I was patiently waiting for the elevator with my arms loaded with books. The doors finally opened and I scurried in before anyone else. The elevator was not working, but it was closed on me. I found myself falling about one floor down trying very hard to maintain my balance. Fortunately, nothing was broken but the elevator. Actually, the library elevators are a dream compared to those at Sparkman Hall. The creeping, squeaking grind as they go up is enough to age anybody ten years. Of course, that is on good days when the elevators are in working order.

Construction of the amphitheater continues to struggle on without the help of those natty blueprints. When the final product is put into action, we sincerely hope Mother Nature fails to call on the majority of the audience because the nearest bathrooms are located in the domes. However, we might not have to worry about that since this is going on the third year of construction.

We’re lucky to have those faithful guards watching over the cue sticks and ping pong balls or they might be ripped off just like the unguarded academic buildings. Our security never lets a well-deserved ticket for unlawful parkers in the red or green section go by, but somehow they keep missing those crooks.

Why is it they can bring back pictures from Mars, but our university cannot get the thermosets to work? Being all bundled for the freezing chill on the outside and coming in to an 85 degree classroom stimulates the mind.

Have you ever taken off with flying feet from Brewer Hall to reach your next class in Graves Hall and still arrived five minutes late?

Some discontented with university

There are quite a number of things wrong with the “Friendliest Campus in the South,” say a number of students. Some problems are simply petty peeves or prejudices while others are genuine signs of discontent.

For various reasons, several students did not wish to have their names revealed.

One student thought that parking is a problem and suggests that a parking deck be built, “So they wouldn’t have to cut down trees and tear up the ground.”

Another thinks that the polarization between the fraternities and the independents is a problem. He also added, “More student organized activities not controlled by the fraternities are needed.”

The high cost of education is reflected in Julie Houston’s statement, “More financial aid.”

Charlotte Smith says, “Not enough activities.” Laura Summerlin also feels the shortage. “Underpopulation of males on campus.”

P. J. Moss wants more music. “We don’t have enough concerts.”

Some students need more time to devote to activities. “We need unlimited cuts,” says Phil Campbell. “They shouldn’t affect your grade.”

To Susan Nichols the big problem is “there is too much apathy among students. There is not enough unity.”

Mr. or Ms. Anonymous rebuffed our ace reporter by saying, “No one likes to answer questions like these.”

City finances will affect university

The city elections on Aug. 10 will afford the students of Jacksonville State the opportunity to determine the leadership which will be governing the city and the city government will take.

The city is now faced with a serious financial problem. Its debt at present is $1,450,000. The debt limit is $1,600,000. This means that steps must be taken to begin payment on this debt before that limit is reached.

The means by which this will be accomplished will affect the students here. Any further sales tax will affect the students. If an occupational tax is levied, the university will be the hardest hit.

Those students who are registered to vote in the city elections should obtain an absentee ballot and vote on Aug. 10. We need true representation of our university. We’re not apart from the city. We’re a part of it.
Maloney loses Joe Cool image

By JERRY RUTLEDGE
Staff Writer

"An aware individual who doesn't mind getting involved" is a phrase descriptive of Joe Maloney. A graduate student working on his MBA, Maloney has held various positions in and outside the SGA. Among the campus activities he participated in were the Law Club, SGA senator, disc jockey at WLJS and business manager of the SGA, a position he now holds.

Maloney hasn't always been interested in student government. What really got Maloney started in campus activities was a campaign he participated in 1975. "I played cards 8 hours a day downstairs (Chat 'Em Inn). That was my silver image. I cut more classes than I went to, I seemed like me.

"I had a friend, Patty Hobbs, who ran for president of the SGA. She asked me to be her campaign manager and I accepted. The amount given, $370, must be matched with university funds. According to Dr. Poore the awards are based on merit and are extremely competitive.

Dr. Poore explained that the element of need is also a major concern to the foundation. Before receiving the grant he had to prepare a list of the instruments already available to the chemistry department. Then the foundation decides whether or not the new instrument is needed.

In this case the instrument is an Ultraviolet—Visible spectrophotometer. Dr. Poore says that there are many uses of this instrument, but the primary use is in enzyme assays.

Enzyme assays are especially important to the biochemist and the physiological chemist in determining if an enzyme is present and if so how active it is. Dr. Poore says that the instrument will be very beneficial to nursing students. He goes on to say that medicine, in turning more and more to enzyme levels in the body to help determine diagnoses. An increased level of certain enzymes, for example, can signal heart trouble or hepatitis.

When asked why he wanted this instrument, Dr. Poore said, "Due to a lack of instrumentation. When you need a tool and don't have it, you try to get it."

Carter-Mondale ticket

Opinions vary, but most favorable

By LENHARDT FITZ
Staff Writer

The week of June 13 saw the national convention of a Democratic party more unified than in the past 35 years. Only the handful of Wallace delegates were the focus of any dissent. The Dixiecrats were the cause of an unpleasant incident, because of their traditional isolation from the mainstream. Many feel that they are the survivors of the civil rights movement.

The New Politics advocates with Wallace's label on life. They watch most of the out of the picture, too—McGovern and McCarthy in practical limbo. At the convention of JSU students were varied, but generally favorable.

There were a number of students who wished to remain anonymous. One unnamed student said that Carter just isn't my choice, and that he didn't see the convention because I really wasn't interested. I usually vote Republican.

Another student said that he has had a good relationship with Carter's choice of Sen. Mondale and with the outcome of the convention.

Jimmy Collins thought that the next President of the U. S. won the nomination. He considers himself a democrat, but added he has a down-home, common man personality that makes him liked by many people.

When asked about Mondale, he said, "That's a good question. He seems as determined a candidate as Carter.

Bill Barter says, "I think that Carter is too much of a politician. I think that instead of getting down to the issues he is concentrating on getting elected. I don't know much about Mondale. The first I heard of him was last week. I think that the Democratic Party is real unified now, I think they'll win."

Rachael Johnston has never voted in a Presidential election before and expressed her opinion by saying, "I haven't kept up (See OPINIONS, Page 7)
Alaskan resident used to strange occurrences

By DEE McCARGO
Staff Writer

"I was washing dishes on the first morning in our new home when I noticed that the window suddenly went dark. I looked up to see a large moose starring in at me and nearly had a heart attack."

This might seem a very strange occurrence to us, but, according to Cathy Wells, it is not at all uncommon into windows in Alaska, even in the city of Anchorage. She once saw a giant mother enormous creatures grazing on lawns and peering in the cool clean air of the Alaskan northrnmt timberwolf skan resident used tostrange occurrences that McCARGO the window suddenly went dark.

I looked up to see a large moose starring in at me and home when I noticed where she and her husband lived. Cathy Wells, then Cathy Saxon, graduated from Jacksonville High School in 1969 and entered JSU in the following fall. During her first three years here, (before she dropped out, got married, and went to Alaska), she was quite active in campus organizations and social life. "I was mainly out for a good time," she remembers, but a list of her activities shows more than just that. She was editor of "The Chanticleer" for one semester and a member of the yearbook staff. As an English major, she was honored to be chosen a member of Sigma Tau Delta. She also sang with the a cappella choir and the university chorale, and she was a member of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

Cathy is now back in school, as of this summer, working towards completing a BA in English with a sociology minor. She feels that she is more mature and more humanitarian in her thinking now than in her first stay in school.

Teaching high school English is one of Cathy's goals. She is especially interested in working with disadvantaged children in inner city schools.

Charleston, S. C., is now Cathy's home where her husband is a member of the police force. They have a beautiful, blond, curly haired daughter named Catherine, who is almost two. While in school Cathy and Catherine are living with her parents here in Jacksonville. Ecology and conservation are important interests, sparked by her stay in Alaska, and she is a member of the Sierra Club.

She is fond of music, particularly bluegrass, and is a musician herself, having studied piano for many years.

Bright, well informed, talkative, cheerful, and concerned, all of these attributes apply to Cathy Wells.

Off-campus living can be pretty expensive

By RICK GAMEL
Staff Writer

Fed up with living in dorm or commuting from home? Before you pack your bags, consider some of the following points.

The major factor in moving off campus is the amount of rent one will have to pay. Rent in Jacksonville ranges from $50 to $250. You have the choice of living in an apartment complex or living in a small house or a duplex. These apartments range from one to five rooms.

If you decide to try living in a complex, you should decide if you want to study or if you want to party. Students living in these complexes say that it is very difficult to study during the regular semesters.

There is also a lack of privacy noted by some of the residents. Residents were not totally dissatisfied by these living conditions though. They said that there is always someone to talk to and always somewhere to go.

If you prefer privacy, you can rent either a small apartment or one with a lot of space. These are usually your best bet for economy and if you plan to study.

Students who live in these apartments usually aren't bothered by their landlords and usually have problems getting maintenance work done on them. Usually there are very few complications and rent is very reasonable.

Trailers in Jacksonville rent from $100 to $200. Space rent is $50 if you own your own trailer. Trailer parks are crowded. There is very little privacy and there are few places to work.

According to several local apartment managers, there will be very few apartments available this fall. Most students prefer to live off-campus in the fall because there is more to do. Students who plan to live off-campus should obtain their apartments now.

Deposits for utilities will be one of the most difficult obstacles to overcome after you obtain your apartment. Deposit for electricity has been raised to $50 and telephone deposit to between $200 to $500. All of these factors should be carefully considered before making any moves. One should be preparing himself for a great deal of work before deciding to live off campus.

Convenience

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They insisted the price should be jumped to $3.90.

A 21-ounce package of Chips Ahoy Chocolate Chip Cookies were found at Super Valu for only $.35 while Winn Dixie took first place at $.77. Super Valu crawled into last place with the least expensive prices in town.

JSU is not the only college plagued with the problem of Quick Rigs. Alabama, Auburn, Talladega College, Troy and Livingston all have these sky-scraping prices to deal with at local "convenience" stores.
Health field may be completed for fall

By DAVID ELWELL
Sports Writer

If everything goes all right, said Athletic Director Jerry Cole, the first stage of the Health Field should be ready to open up before summer school is over.
The “if” Jerry Cole is referring to is the state workers, who are working on the facility for the University.

“State labor is much cheaper, but if they have other work that must be done we have to take a backseat,” stated Cole.

Original cost of the complex was estimated to be around $300,000, but cost overruns and inflation have raised the price to $400,000. The tennis courts and track alone will cost $175,000.

Opinions

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very much with the candidates or anything. I know a little bit about Jimmy Carter. I like the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, any party, the Independent Party.

A few anonymous students gave conflicting views. “I think that Carter was right in Mondale instead of Muskie. I haven’t heard that much about Mondale but I think he is a better choice than Muskie.” The opposite opinion was, “It sticks. If they get elected there will be more people working for the federal government and inflation will go sky high. Whether they win will depend on what happens with Ford-Reagan.”

A recent opinion poll of students at Jacksonville State was taken concerning the controversial fallout of several nations from the 1976 Olympics. Taiwan withdrew because of Canada’s refusal to recognize them as Nationalist China. Most of the black African countries pulled out because of New Zealand’s relations with white racist South Africa.

Students had no opinion on the matter and several seemed not to really care. Mike Caldwell stated that he felt Taiwan should be admitted as Nationalist China because they had been allowed to participate under that name in the past. Bill Baker expressed an opposite opinion. He felt that Taiwan should not be allowed to represent the Chinese people because Taiwan is only a small part of China.

Students who had any knowledge of the matter, but the few who had an opinion believed that the African countries were wrong in pulling out. Bill Banks felt it was a shame that the athletes who had trained so hard for so long had nothing to show for it.

Students asked if Canada knew it was going to have the Olympics for six years, why didn’t it wait so long before telling Taiwan they could not compete.

Close-up of the fence enclosing the Health Field.

Student-parents balance studies with personal life

By DANA CREEL
Staff Writer

What kind of problems do students that are also parents have to face while attending college? Larry McGehee, a freshman from Opelika, says, “I am doing graduate work this summer and I have to make a round trip from Opelika every day. I drive 190 miles which costs me $1.10 a day for gasoline and is a three-hour ride.”

Earl and Sharon Bruce, dorm directors of Weatherly Hall and the parents of a cute little girl named Nicole said, “We have worked out our schedules so that one of us will be with Nicole all the time.” They also added, “The girls in the dorm help, too.”

Linda Wilson is divorced and she has a two-year-old girl named Tammy. To get the money for school, she works on the work-study program in the English department. “I get child support and Veteran’s Administration Benefits, also,” she said.

Peggy Collum said, “Usually if I have a test and my little girl is sick, my husband Wendell takes off from work to take her to the doctor.” She also added, “I take Traci to the Hiawatha Nursery at 7:30 in the morning and she stays til 5:30.” Peggy works as a student worker on campus and her husband also works in the cutting department at Sweet Orr.

With the exception of Earl and Sharon Bruce, all the parents interviewed depended on babysitters to help take care of their children. All parents, including the Bruces had to seek some kind of employment to meet their financial needs.

Sharon and Earl Bruce summed the whole idea up when they said, “We are not materialistic-minded. We love each other and are Christians and that makes us a close family.”

Erhard seminars training: The agony and the ecstasy?

By KIM GARFIELD
Pop Scene Service

The license plate on Werner Erhard’s Mercedes Bear needs “So What?” It is a curious selection for the former door-to-door book salesman who created Est (Erhard Seminars Training) a human potential movement which has attracted close to 75,000 predominantly young people in the five years since its inception (including such notables as John Denver, Yoko Ono, Valerie Harper, Clive Loundman, Jerry Rubin and Joanne Woodward).

Erhard’s brainchild is a multimillion dollar corporation that—has doubled in size each year, with 12 centers (at Berkeley, Aspen, Denver, Honolulu, San Diego, Boston, New York, San Francisco, San Jose, Washington and Chicago);—graduates some 3400 people each month:

—has 230 paid employees and 6,000 volunteers who operate with the efficiency of the Strategic Air Command;
—boasts a president who taught at Harvard Business School;
—as chairman of its Advisory Board a former dean of the University of California Medical School,
—and has been endorsed by and even joined by prominent lawyers, doctors and psychologists.

Est (always spelled in lower case) makes no claims about its graduates, allowing them to speak for themselves about fulfillment, aliveness and satisfaction—the ultimate goals of the standard training which goes for $250 a head and last for 15 to 20 hours for two consecutive weekends.

One, in fact, claims it doesn’t teach anything but rather, gives people the space to learn from themselves. Often, according to many who have been through it, the learning involves enough pain to leave them weeping or retching. “We have a strict policy about guarding the confidentiality of our graduates,” said Est’s public information officer, Suzanne Wexler of San Francisco. “We have many celebrities and have agreed to protect them. Although John Denver and Yoko Ono have talked about it publicly.”

Before anyone is accepted into the training, which is open to anyone over the age of six, he or she must go through a screening procedure. Those who are in therapy must get their therapist’s written approval. Those who felt they were “losers” in therapy are not accepted.

Those who are not turned away begin with a pre-training seminar which lays the ground rules and “agreements” by which all trainees must abide. They are told that during the training, no one is permitted (See ERHARD, Page 8)

Ramona Wood changes style

By SANDRA BOZEMAN
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“Good-bye old and hello new.” Is what we can say about the Ramona Wood Building. Ramona Wood was the school’s library some years ago. The building houses the School of Education. The renovated building will not be complete in the fall. Therefore, the Instructional Support Laboratory will remain in the Roundhouse.

Dr. Green Taylor, dean of education, gave a general outline of what the remodeled building will consist of.

The Instructional Area will have four very large, large, small, and one audio-visual classroom. Each classroom is to be equipped with two chalkboards including tack strips, two bulletin boards, two intercircuit TV antenna terminals and two TV receiving sets, one counseling laboratory equipped with a one-way viewing screen, an audio and TV taping capability and two storage facilities will also be provided.

The Reading Laboratory will consist of six duplex self-contained reading carrels, one self-contained reading table, and storage facilities. This section will also consist of one small auditorium.

The Instructional Support Area will have five office complexes, each containing one office for the departmental head, one office for the secretary to the 

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Opportunities reason for faculty turnover

By DEBBIE SKIPPER

Sociology is described as the "field of inquisitiveness," said Dr. Theron Montgomery, vice president of academic affairs here at Jacksonville State. Montgomery, who made up the whole sociology department when he came to this institution, says this is one of the reasons why several instructors in sociology leave JSU after their first or second year.

"Where you have young people looking for recognition, you'll have more turnover," said Montgomery. In addition, he adds, there is an increasing demand for them in government, industry, and other institutions. Some are interested in getting their doctorates, and others, he said, are more geared toward research than teaching.

"When you've got good faculty members leaving, you want to know what's causing them to leave. When you've got bad ones leaving, you want to know why you can't get better. And you want to know what you can do to bring some back after they get their doctorates," he said.

As the program has become more stable and we've been able to pay better, there has been less of a turnover," he added.

According to Montgomery, sociology is "an overall discipline." The facets of this "multi-area" field, he said, include "the whole theoretical aspect of society and the social thought, the study of man and society."

The area one that the JSU sociology department lacks courses in, he said, is the sociology of art, knowledge, literature, and religion. "The more specific investigations of those facets of man's history."

The sociology staff, however, do offer courses in areas of deficiency, such as criminology, juvenile delinquency, penology, mental illness, suicide, alcoholism and drug addiction; institutions, such as marriage and family and the institutions of social control like government and religion; and anthropology, which includes the study of other peoples, primitive peoples and pre-historic peoples.

Mrs. Mulder says that the sociology faculty has been looking at the curriculum the department offers for the last two years in order to expand these areas based on the students' needs. This fall they added new courses to their curriculum for students seeking an emphasis in anthropology, social welfare, criminal and deviant behavior, sociocultural psychology, aging and human development, preparation for graduate work and a broad general perspective in sociology.

The sociology department has indeed expanded since the days when Dr. Montgomery comprised the whole department. Today it has a faculty of nine and a department of approximately 200 students who are seeking a major in this field.

According to Mrs. Mulder, the students in sociology represent a "cross section of JSU."

Dr. Montgomery feels the sociology staff is also very diverse. He said the department is "reasonably represented. We have people of new ideas and different backgrounds. Mrs. Mulder and her department have brought in different opinions without bringing in division."

The field of sociology attracts a certain type of person, according to Montgomery. "I think people that are inquisitive, willing to seek out the facts, careful to analyze facts, who like to read and observe human behavior and enjoy sociology. They are people, said Montgomery, who have got to read, pose questions, and get the facts before making any assumptions."

To Montgomery, sociology is not a science in that you can look at something under a microscope. "You can, by studying and collecting data, come to a conclusion in any social science," he said.

But, according to Montgomery, in sociology you can analyze and understand something that happens but you can't predict it.

"Who would have predicted two years ago that Barbara Jordan (D., Texas) would be a standing ovation at the Democratic Convention? Who would have predicted that Jimmy Carter would be so popular? I can understand it now that it's happened, but I couldn't have predicted it," he said. "People are used of political rhetoric. They want honesty."

Perhaps this understanding is why as Mrs. Mulder says. "Sociology is an exciting place to be. The subject matter is exciting. We have a dynamic department in terms of professors, curriculum and students."

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Unknowingly trapped in all of their lives.

For the main goal of life is to be honest, be a person experience his or her "center," i.e., the "true self."

Another mainstay in the body of knowledge is the idea of "taking responsibility for your life."

Trainees are told that problems are not caused by "outside forces or fate or other people, but caused by oneself. Until this is accepted, no one will be able to solve any problems."

The "process" is another technique, a sort of guided meditation during which the experient rather than the people of themselves (the "new trainees" pretending to be ballerinas and the trainees being like truckdrivers, for instance) in order to break down their defenses and perceptions.

Many people came through a recent session at New York's Sheraton Hotel, including being subjected to harsh treatment and the introduction of trainees screaming, crying, and in some cases reaching—all part of the training—were convinced after their last day that they had undergone a mysterious and deeply cleansing ordeal.

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departmental head, four professors' offices combined (three professors in one cluster) and one audio-visual preview room with facilities for film storage. There will be three storage and four seminar rooms and one conference and one duplicating room. This latter area will be completed with two video tape projectors.

The administrative support area will be equipped with one office suite for the director of the School of Education, one office suite for the academic advisor and one office suite for certification and Recordation. It is divided into this area will be four small-storage rooms and five janitor closets.