Construction to get underway for renovation of university

Construction plans to make the JSU campus "spic 'n span and second to none" were revealed to the SGA Senate by University President Dr. Ernest Stone Monday night at the SGA meeting.

That construction includes renovation, new buildings and annexations to old buildings.

Included in those plans, according to Stone, is the completion of the amphitheater, begun the summer of 1973. Cost for completion of the project is estimated at $45,000 and will include not only seating space but also barbecue pits and picnic areas. The bids, said Stone, should be let within the next three weeks.

"We are going to finish your amphitheater without any more cost to the Student Government," Stone said.

Plans are near completion on the projected Performing Arts Center, to be located off the boulevard behind Merrill Hall parking lot, which Stone estimates at costing $2.25 million to complete. He said funds are coming from the Appalachian funds and the State Bond Commission, and construction will probably begin within the next four months.

The Performing Arts Center will house the departments of drama, English, history, speech and possibly geography, Stone said, and will also include a stage, 30 or 40 classrooms and a student-faculty center.

Stone expects the construction of the new health play to be finished by spring. Included in that project are 15 new tennis courts, outdoor basketball and volleyball courts and a softball field. The construction workers are having to resod the grass, according to Stone, due to the effects caused by dry weather last fall.

An ROTC armory and training center is also expected to be built on campus, and "construction on that will begin in the next few months," Stone said. It is to be located on Church Street, parallel to the Lurleen B. Wallace School of Nursing.

According to Stone, a new field house will be built in the ravine between the practice field and the playing field. It will consist of two ground floors—once for athletics and one for the campus police.

Completion of the new stadium seats will probably not be until the second or third game of the fall, according to Stone. "There'll be close to 4,000 seats for our students and our students alone," Stone said. Construction plans also include two restrooms for women and two for men.

The music department, which is housed at Mason Hall, will have an annex to its building for practice cubicles. "We're in dire need of practice cubicles—about 30 or 40 of them," Stone said. "We'll start planning those within the next 10 days or two weeks."

Renovation plans entail removing the siding on the outside walls of Sparkman, which Stone says are "deteriorating." And replacing it with brick; resurfacing all streets; rebuilding sidewalks; renovating all dorms; and having the campus "just spic 'n span and second to none."

Plans are also underway, said Stone, to install air-conditioning and heating controls in the Gamecock Cafeteria, Leone Cole Auditorium and Sibb Graves, with separate controls in each room of Sibb Graves.

Stone also revealed that the cost for resurfacing the (See CONSTRUCTION, Page 3)

Mike Humphries

Around here, he's president

By STEVE JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Mike Humphries probably doesn't have near-as-many teeth as smilin' Jimmy Carter.

And if you want to know the truth . . . our collective chances are pretty slim that he commutes to Jacksonville State University every day in a stately black chauffeur-driven limousine at the head of a police-escorted motorcade, while listening to an 8-track taped rendition of seven silver trumpets blaring "Hail to the Chief."

Fact is, his house may not even be white.

But around here—

He's the president.

And like Jimmy, our 39th man under the dome, he does have his problems. Dragons to slay and peanuts to parch.

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"We have mostly younger people working in the Senate this year—a lot of sophomores and juniors—lacking the experience we have been fortunate enough to have had in the past. And I just wish we could get more people really interested and active."

Speaking about the lack of student involvement recently, Humphries said that there has been so glaring increase in student apathy as such, but pointed to "students not participating in events that they said they wanted to have" as the real hurt.

Financially and otherwise.

"I've felt all along that we could bring in bigger and better entertainment," said Humphries. "And we have.

"But we didn't do very well at all on our last two concerts (Seals and Crofts, Oct. 29; Stephen Stills, Nov. 5) and we have had to cut back on the movie program just recently because of the lack of student participation."

Humphries estimates an $8-9 thousand loss on the Seals and Crofts concert and only a break-even on the Stills concert, where the SGA had hoped for a bounce back.

Put that with an estimated $18,000 loss from the Marshall-Tucker "standup" and "you have a pretty good size dent in your budget," admits Humphries. But the SGA boss denies rumors that his ship is about ready to go under like the insolvent World Football League, however. Yea Vulcans.

Humphries and the SGA are hoping to recover the $8,000 from Marshall-Tucker for its failure to perform as contracted (court case pending and on docket for February). Would that be nice?

But why didn't more JSU students attend Seals and Crofts? Did they say they meant (See HUMPHRIES, Page 5)
**Rocky Horror Review**

To celebrate the return, by popular demand, of the rock-musical-horror film ‘The Rocky Horror Picture Show,’ the Cinematic Arts Council of the SGA is sponsoring ‘The Rocky Horror Revue.’ The Revue will take place Wednesday, Feb. 23, at 9 p.m.; all students interested in competing in the Revue are encouraged to be at the Student Commons Auditorium by 8:45. The costumes and make-up should be inventive, striking, and BIZARRE. The entry fee is the purchase of a ticket to either the 7 or 9:30 showing of ‘The Rocky Horror Picture Show.’ First prize is $10; second prize is $5. Previews of ‘Rocky Horror’ are showing as part of the SGA films each Wednesday and Thursday night until Feb. 23. To all entrants; the Cinematic Arts Council offers one major piece of advice: Come as you AREN’T!

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**National drama fraternity sets up chapter at J’ville State**

By BILL BRADDOCK  
Staff Writer

Recently the honor fraternity, Alpha Psi Omega was chartered here at Jacksonville State University. This new fraternity was first established in 1935 as a national honorary for dramatics to reward and recognize all phases of student participation in university and college play production. Alpha Psi Omega is the largest national university and college organization in any department field with just over 500 campus chapters and with more than 50,000 members.

The requirements for a university or college to have a chapter on campus are that the university or college be accredited and also be a degree-granting institution with possession of proper facilities for producing plays.

Requirements for student admission to Alpha Psi Omega are that the student must have participated in dramatic productions with a minimum of acting, stagecraft and other workshop activity as stated in the national constitution. Alpha Psi Omega is a purely honorary fraternity and is not a secret or social organization and is permissible at any college or university that fulfills the requirements asked of them. The objective of this national fraternity is to give students adequate recognition for participating.

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**Leadership honor society elects slate of officers**

Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society, a local leadership honor society established last summer, has elected officers to lead the organization to national recognition as a chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK).

Elected were Mike Humphries, president; Kerry Sumner, vice president; Dr. Christopher Herfield, faculty advisor; and Charles Rowe, faculty secretary.

Establishing a local leadership honor society is the first step in petitioning for membership in the national organization. The national society is included among the mass of honor societies at colleges and universities.

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**Car theft ring heading South?**

According to a confidential report received by university president, Dr. Ernest Stone, a band of car thieves is heading South.

Stone cautions all students and faculty to lock their cars both on and off campus.

Considering the number of recently reported car theft cases, the report received by Stone is probably valid.

Stone has also received news of a concentrated effort by persons concerned with safe driving to eliminate all traffic hazards, including those caused by speeding.

He cautions students to observe the speed limits with the alternative being the issuance of speeding tickets.

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**Let skydiving spice up your life**

Do you feel like you’re living a routine existence, always looking for something to add a little spice to your life? Are you ready for your first “rush”? Have you considered joining in a weekend or sport of jumping out of an airplane?

Here is a growing interest at JSU in sky diving. More people are finding it to be the perfect way to spice up a routine, or to enrich an already exciting life. It is, after all, a sport that anyone, male or female, can participate in and become good at.

In the first stages sky diving is a very individual experience, but as you become more adept at maneuvering yourself in the air, you may want to participate in group aerobatics, called relative work, in free fall. This is not to say that it is a natural progression. Skill in anything requires practice and dedication, but the goals are there if you would like to make them yours. The sky’s the limit.

The cost of jumping could surprise you. It is not prohibitive. In fact, this is one of the better areas in the country in which to learn due to the low cost involved.

A movement is under way at JSU to make skydiving a widespread activity. Saturday and Sunday are open for lessons. After at least three hours of training by a conscientious professional instructor, a person can make his first jump all on the first day! For the first few jumps, the parachute will be deployed automatically, reducing any apprehension the student may feel, so he can more easily enjoy the experience.

For further information call Mark Co., well after 4 p.m. at 820-9113. If he’s not in, someone will take down the name, address, and telephone number of the caller.

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**New spirit alive through AEA**

There is a new spirit alive on the campus! That is the spirit of cooperation and mutual respect between the administration and the faculty.

For the past several years, the faculty has become more and more involved in such agencies as the Faculty Senate, and has by this involvement been able to have input in the decision making processes of the university. Dr. Stone has involved other faculty in his Executive Advisory Committee, which has functioned to give faculty input and advice on matters which require executive decisions by the President. Through the Alabama Education Association, faculty members are becoming able to collectively influence decision making outside the university which affects Jacksonville State.

The faculty should be proud of an administration which is open to and respectful of faculty input; many institutions do not enjoy this cooperative spirit. Dr. Paul Hubbert, executive secretary of the Alabama Education Association, has commented on numerous occasions that Jacksonville State is one of the few two-year colleges in the state which has consistently held the best interests of its faculty and staff as an honest ‘highest priority’.

It is good that we work in an environment in which respect and cooperation between the administration and faculty is the rule.

Dr. John VanCleave  
AEA-JSU President
Many consider university parking inadequate

By MARK CARDWELL
Staff Writer

The question of parking at JSU raises many varied responses from students and authorities. Understandably so, since it is a question that affects not just a select group of people but as many as 6,053 persons. This represents the number of cars registered with the campus police.

Is there a parking problem at JSU? The answer to this question seems to depend on one's idea of convenience. If a student plans on parking at the door of a building, he may be disappointed at the scarcity of an empty space unless he, unlike most, is able to arrive very early.

MANY OF THE students interviewed felt there should be more parking spaces available. Many, on the other hand, felt that the areas provided would be sufficient if properly used.

Fred Robinson, one student here at JSU, finds parking to be an occasional source of irritation in that some parking areas on the campus are very disorganized. In particular, he cited the open lot in front of the Student Commons as sometimes hard enough to get into and out of, never mind finding an empty space. All it takes is one car parked in the wrong place to block in or seal out many other cars.

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The yellow curbs and blue faculty areas in particular present a problem for the campus police, and many students have to be ticketed for using these areas. Anyway one looks at it there will be those who view parking as a problem, while others are not bothered by it. There is yet a third group, those who see it as a hassle and, therefore, avoid it.

MYRA RUNGE, an art major, will tell you that the best way to beat the problem is to walk. A pedestrian obviously does not have to worry about a parking space, or even about the very common long lines of traffic at traffic lights.

Education faculty moving home soon

By JULIE LOWDEN
Staff Writer

Within the next two weeks contractors will be out and the teacher education faculty will be moving into their "new home" in the old Ramona Wood Library. The blue prints for the renovation of the building were basically drawn from suggestions and ideas of the teacher education faculty themselves.

The building now consists of 16 classrooms, four seminar rooms, a council lab, a reading lab, an audio-visual room, a small auditorium, a small conference room, a duplicating room, storage rooms, a small lounge, five office complexes which will house 31 professors offices, and three suites of administrative offices.

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Student Accountant Club taking new members

The Student Accounting Association (SAA), is currently open for membership for spring semester. All accounting majors and minors are invited to apply. Last semester activities included mum sales, lectures and the annual accounting banquet at which three students were honored. Donna Brooks won the state society of Certified Public Accountants' Achievement Award, and Sarah Howell and Billy Owens won two recognition awards of the state society.

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American anarchism experiencing rebirth

By LEN FITTE
Staff Writer

In the 1970s there seems to be a revival of the libertarian sentiment not only in the United States but almost worldwide. For the first time since the turn of the century the anti-authoritarians are making their presence known in mass. It would seem that anarchist or “libertarian-socialist” groups and publishers would be few and far between. Yet there seems to be an increasing number of groups and bookshops all over the country. Even Tallahasseee now has a “red and black” bookstore. The oldest and most respected organization is the Socialist Labor Party, once headquartered in New York but presently located at Palo Alto, Calif. Its ideology is derived from the work of the Marxist scholar Daniel De Leon who proposed between 1902 to his death in 1914 the replacement of the capitalist political state by a workers’ industrial government. This industrial democracy would be operated by rank and file democracy and industrial union congresses. Some outfits are tongue-in-cheek like UPSHOT of San Francisco. They have an interesting booklet, “Breakdown,” describing the impending collapse of mass society.

Democratic socialism, or industrial democracy in a very decentralized form and a “humanistic democratic revolution achieved constitutionally by the masses of the people” to maximize human freedom and dignity, end militarism, and end the cycle of poverty and misery. The excesses of statism are as hateful to the SPUSA as are those of capitalist rule, and favor returning the means of production and power to the masses instead of relying on “leaders” and elites.

Another electoral upset in the election year occurred when Roger MacBride, producer of the television series “Little House on the Prairie”, accepted the nomination as the presidential candidate of the Libertarian Party. It received a fairly respectable vote for a third party and seems destined for a long life, according to most observers. A consistent policy of the defense of almost unrestrained individual rights has characterized the Libertarians since their organization in 1917. Although it favors laissez faire economics its elastic program has attracted members from both the Left and the Right.

Although the new anarchical movements seem to provide a meaningful alternative to those frustrated at the despotism of mass society the new libertarianism may face increasing difficulties.

Because of the juxtaposition of many radical and social-revolutionary groups to “youth ghettos” around large colleges and cities where there is an active labor-leftist movement there is a good chance that the libertarians will increasingly come into conflict with traditional economic and educational institutions and policies. Capitalism will come under greater criticism as rank-and-file students or workers begin to challenge the power of the ruling class. This may result in confrontations between the State and progressive students and workers who attack the bosses, the trustees, and the union bureaucrats.

The great diversity of the tendencies in the democratic left—the large number of organizations and activities involved—makes the landscape rather obscured and jumbled. Yet these ill-assorted activists are beginning to push middle-America to the left at a time when the mass media says that things have cooled off. There seems to be a definite trend towards the growth of an anti-authoritarian consensus, but the inability of many groups and sects may make future coalitions quite unstable. Many anarchists are divided over whether to be mass organizations or small cells devoted to poster-making and spreading out leaflets.

Pardon has put Vietnam behind us

By DAVID FORD
Assistant Editor

As a veteran of the Vietnam era, I find it difficult to accept President Carter’s pardon of draft evaders, but not impossible. I can understand the reasoning behind the action. Just as Watergate ripped the seams of the country, so did Vietnam. With the Nixon pardon, former President Ford removed Watergate from our present and placed it in our history. President Carter is now attempting to do the same with Vietnam.

Some people argue that the pardon of draft evaders will erode our defense structure, and that the gallant men and women who died or were wounded in the war did so in vain. If either of these arguments is valid, the responsibility lies with our Congress and not with President Carter.

Hopefully, Vietnam taught Congress a lesson. If the need ever arises for this country to mobilize our forces maybe some of the politicians in Washington will put country before self and become statesmen. Instead of using the war as a pawn for political purposes, perhaps Congress will see fit to mobilize our forces enough to give us a victory and protect our interests.

Few veterans or active military people will argue that the Pentagon was never given authority to actively pursue victory in Southeast Asia. There lies the futility of the entire war. Those people who died or suffered injury in the war did so in vain, but their actions were useless long before 1977 because they were being used in a political war rather than a military war. Any erosion in our defense stems from the fact that our allies can place no faith in our promises, and our ad- (See PARDON, Page 5)

What’s the answer

Housing office officials are genuinely interested in your feelings about the dorm key problem. All suggestions, comments and complaints are welcomed. Please go by the housing office in the Student Commons Building and submit your opinions.
Reclaiming of front-door key policy hassle

By SUSAN ISSELL
Staff Writer

Front door keys to the women’s dormitories were not reissued this spring semester. This security prevention step has become a big problem for campus police and housing office officials. It is also an unfair, inconvenient hassle to women who are residents in the dorms—unfair because men dorm residents can leave their front doors unlocked.

After interviewing several women affected by the removal of keys, it became evident that the complaints expressed were basically the same. A high percentage of women felt that the withholding of keys posed an inconvenience to women stranded outside and to women asleep inside of dormitories.

A NEW DORM resident whose room is situated near a locked door didn’t like being awakened by curfew by someone’s banging on the door wanting in. Although campus police will open these doors, most girls would rather wake someone up in the dormitory than ask the campus security to let them in.

Deb Hopkins of Doughtery Hall said, “I think we should get them (the dorm keys) back. You go out and when you come back you have to get someone up to let you in. A lot of the time you like to come in late.”

SEVERAL WOMEN residents felt it was dangerous to walk from parking lots in the rear of dormitories in order to wait on security to open front doors for them.

Schmitz says key system is ‘insecure, infeasible process’

By DEBBIE SKIPPER
Editor

“The decision was not an arbitrary one,” said Dr. Don Schmitz, director of Student Life, speaking about the decision to not return front door keys for the women’s dormitories to the residents. The key system has been in effect for 2½ years during which time 30 keys have been lost.

Citing the system of issuing front door keys an ‘insecure, infeasible process,’ Schmitz told the Dorm Committee at a meeting Monday night that the cost of continually duplicating keys and changing locks because of lost keys would eventually have to be incurred by the residents of the dorms if the system were reinstated.

According to Schmitz, the cost of duplicating and changing the locks amounts to approximately $1,500.

IN AUGUST, 1978, Schmitz had 515 keys duplicated and seven locks changed because of lost keys. Since then eight keys have been lost in every dorm.

The keys were brought in for the sake of security, and Schmitz sees this system as performing very inadequately in this function. “Say you lost your key to the front door of the building. You’re going to wait 15 weeks to tell us you lost your key,” said Schmitz. “That means the building’s been insecure for 15 weeks.”

“If we’re going to make the dorms safe again, we’re going to have to change 1,156 keys and seven locks.”

THE KEYS HAD to be duplicated and the locks changed twice since last semester. “The expense has not been incurred by the students, but it would have been this semester,” said Schmitz.

In dollars this means for example $245 or $250 to be paid by Sparkman Hall residents, 475 plus 49 for Carus Hall residents.

“It places an undue responsibility on students,” said Schmitz. “Many students don’t have $115 for a key loss.”

Another problem Schmitz foresees if the key system is restored is that “every semester we’ll have to turn it (the locks) over. We only have one locksmith. All he’s been doing is changing locks on the front doors of women’s dorms,” a process that takes about a month.

THE ALTERNATIVES to the key system and the present system of getting the campus police to let residents in are leaving the front doors of the dorms unlocked or extending the time the doors are locked to a later time. The dorm residents are expected to vote on what they want and a Dorm Committee meeting will be held tonight at 7 p.m. to hear the report.

“I’m afraid the general consensus is going to be to get the keys back,” said Gienda Brackett, co-chairperson of the Dorm Committee.

PBL begins summer seminar

The Jacksonville State University Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) will sponsor the first in a series of monthly business seminars on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1977, at 2:30 p.m. in Room 101, Merrill Hall.

The monthly seminars will feature guest speakers from different areas of business. Each seminar will cover a topic which will be of interest to all students and faculty.

The first seminar will feature Dr. Richard H. Shuford Jr., dean of Jacksonville’s School of Business. Shuford received his BA in business administration from Lenoir Rhyne College in Hickory, N.C., and his MBA and DBA from the George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He also served as a regular Army officer in the Quarter Master Corps and retired from the service as a lieutenant colonel.

Shuford was a professional management consultant with Teledyne Brown Engineering in Huntsville for four years. He directed the MBA program for Alabama A&M University and was coordinator of administrative studies with the University of Alabama in Huntsville. He is qualified to teach in the fields of management accounting, and real estate. He is also a licensed real estate broker.

Shuford will speak on the business school curriculum. Everyone is invited to attend the seminar.

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Campus calendar

Phi Beta Lambda

Phi Beta Lambda, a business fraternity, will have a meeting Feb. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 102 Merrill Hall. Phi Beta Lambda’s paper drive will get into full swing this week. All members, students and faculty are urged to participate by bringing their papers to the designated sites which will be in Bibb Graves, Merrill Hall and the Student Commons Building.

Dorm Committee

The Dorm Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth floor of the Student Commons Building to discuss the wishes of women dorm residents about the key system.

Bulletin Correction

The spring vacation as indicated in the Class Schedule, second semester, 1976-77, begins after the last scheduled class on March 9. Classes resume on March 21 at 7:30 a.m. This is a correction to dates indicated in the University Bulletin 1976-77.

Trend gaining acceptance?

Whitton’s love for films

Dr. Steve Whitton, chair of the Cinematic Arts Committee Council, has his own opinion of the cinema. He feels that the films of today must match the weather conditions as well as the rest of the outfit, and the way in which they carry themselves, bent a little forward with a polite smile ready for all challengers, marks him as the unsuspecting eye as being from one of the larger cities in the northeast: Philadelphia, Boston and maybe even New York.

This man is Dr. Steve Whitton, associate professor of English here at Jacksonville State University and a native of Columbus, S. C.

What made Whitton decide to study English during the 70’s and early 70’s, a time when the social sciences and humanities were placed second to science and scientific invention?

“arrest my younger teachers in high school were English teachers,” Whitton said. “I think that they bent my will and gradually pulled me towards English. Since I was a senior in high school, I have wanted to study and someday teach English.”

WHITTON SPENT all of his high school years in Columbus. He attended the University of South Carolina and received his Ph.D. in 1973. He was then well on his way to realizing his ambition of teaching English.

Every student that has been in any of his classes will surely remember him as a very active teacher and an excellent and excited professor who loves for his students to get excited with him. Whitton is one of those rare individuals who does work exactly what he has always wanted to do.

English can be divided into four major divisions—literature, the writing of prose and poetry, drama and the art of the film. In discussing these areas, a more complete picture emerges of Whitton.

HE IS NOT a frustrated writer teaching only to earn a living while he finishes his masterpiece. Whitton says, “I simply have no talent for writing. I have accepted the fact and don’t worry about it.” Whitton continually expresses his love for drama. He appreciates the genius and hard work that goes into creating a well-constructed play. He admires the beauty of a good play. It is an art form that for him rivals a well written novel.

If he is not a frustrated writer, he may very well be a frustrated actor, wishing he was on the stage.

WHITTON LOVES films. He believes that “films are no longer viewed as just simply entertaining. They are now recognized as an art form.”

Ever since he was a young boy attending the Saturday afternoon picture show at the downtown theater in Columbus, he has been moved by films. He feels that films can move a person in the same way a fine novel can, but he concede that on the levels of art forms, films are a step below novels.

In a novel the writer must choose words that create pictures in the readers mind, he says. In the art of the film the pictures are already there.

WHITTON’S LOVE FOR films was certainly a decisive factor in his accepting the position as advisor to the Cinematic Arts Committee Council.

Robert Downing, 1975-76 SGA vice president, called Whitton in the fall of 1975 and asked him to take the post. He accepted it and helped the other members of the Cinematic Arts Committee set up a film schedule.

Needless to say, it was considered by many to be a brilliant year for films here at Jacksonville State.

The students on the committee worked hard; the school and the SGA were generous. Whitton also worked hard. The spring and mini semesters were such a success that an expanded film program was planned. Everything looked great. But the fall of ’76 was not like spring, 1976. Attendance fell sharply. Movie nights were cut.

WHAT WENT WRONG? Who knows? When asked if he was discouraged, Whitton replied, “No, I am not discouraged, just a little disappointed.”

In the end, Dr. Steve Whitton comes across as a man doing what he has always wanted to do, a man who says, “I am extremely happy at Jacksonville. In fact, I have never been happier.”

In a study of Columbia University students, Dr. Hendin describes the young of today, “as a generation of no expectations... a generation characterized by a belief that intimacy is dangerous, that the way to live safely is to reduce your vulnerability to the low level survival requires. Expect nothing... you cannot get less.”

Although many psychologists believe students do commit themselves to each other, “three-fourths of them expect to continue the relationship into eventual marriage... usually meaning if they decide to have children.”

Young people might be afraid of lifetime commitment until they have thoroughly searched the relationship for flaws and have learned to trust the other involved absolutely.

In this relationship, human needs of sex and companionship are not met without the complete exposure of vulnerability which marriage demands.

Dr. Paul Gpear, director for the Institute for Sex Research in Indiana, looks on the new lifestyle as “healthy... Kids are not promiscuous,” he claims, “they are more knowledgeable.” According to him—and to many social scientists—the trend is part of the emergence of the woman as an individual.”

Some young women might enter the live-in situation because they refuse to accept the stereotyped idea that women are subservient to men. They must prove to men. They must prove that they can be happy without a man, that they can live more or less the same way as a single woman.

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It may be that couples who have lived together marry on a more secure foundation, having disposed of much trivia before that point. The children of this union quite possibly will be better adjusted and be more wanted. Although most authorities feel that living together does not suffice as a trial marriage.

A t h o u g h i n d i v i d u a l s such as parents may not want to accept the growing amount of cohabitators, society as a whole seems to acquiesce to it more and more as a way of life.

Since common law merely reflects the wishes of the people, such laws making cohabitation a crime, may be abolished.
All-American memories linger

By STEVE JOHNSON
Staff Writer

What's a senior football player supposed to do with himself when the white-striped eliptoids are all stashed away for seasons yet to come?
And everybody else is talking about a game you play with round balls.
Well, he can:
(1) Go to class.
(2) Go other places.
Or,
(3) Just sit around in an upper room of Salls Hall listening to 8-track tapes (mingled with the sounds of next year's team working out below), while reading super-hero comic books— and remembering.
The way it was.

Some men of the gridiron have a little more to remember than others, however, and Gary Wagner is one of 'em.

"Wags" has All-American-type memories and those stick to you a pretty good while.
The 6-2, 280-pound nose-guard, who is known all around the Gulf South for his kick-punt-and-extra-punt-blocking hoopla, closed out the 1976 season for Jacksonville State University with NAIA Little All-American honors.

"No, I don't know how many kicks I've blocked all told," said Wagner, pretty modest about the whole thing.
"I never kept count—but I think Coach (Clarksie) Mayfield did."
"Nineteen," said Mayfield. "And in three years he has been with us I can't even remember him missing a down. He never got hurt and he was probably one of the quickest linemen we have ever had."
"And he certainly deserves all the honor he has received. He joined some pretty good company, too."

For the record, the Huntsville native is the 15th player in JSU history to have earned All-American honors and the first ever at linebacker.

And "Wags'" name will now be slated along side that of folks like Calvin Word, Boyce Callahan, Alan Passer, Bruce Nicholls, Jimmy Champion and John Williams (1947).

"Blocking kicks is just part of playing football to me," said Wagner. "I never thought it would amount to this much."

"I played nose guard last season and being that close to the ball, I knew when to go before everybody else did,' Wagner explained. "I'd get the jump on 'em."

"Me and Vince DiLorenzo (teammate) used to always plan what to do. He'd take a guy one way and I'd shoot the gap. It worked a lot of times, too."

"Sometimes I'd just get lucky and tip the ball with my hand, but other times I'd get the kicker and the ball."

Looking back, Wagner says his kick-blocking stunts never really won a game for JSU outright.
But you can bet it rocked the momentum factor— always.

Technically, Wagner played both linebacker and nose guard for the Gamecocks in his three years at Jax State, earning all-conference and NAIA all-district honors twice. He was named honorable mention NAIA Little All-American last year and Associated Press honorable mention this year.

Wagner, who played his prep ball at Grissom High School, was a sparkplug in JSU's efforts to retain its GSC scoring defense title in 1976. Jax State, allowing only 10.2 points per game for 10 games led the GSC and was ranked eighth in the nation in scoring defense.

"Somehow I'd like to keep playing football," said Wagner. "But I know my chances will be pretty slim to make it in the pros because of my size. (5'10", 200 as opposed to 6-4, 280)."

"I guess it's just born into a football player to want to continue playing," said Wagner. Finishing the last page of his super-hero comic book. And reaching for another.

IM basketball results

Sand Mountain defeated Kappa Sigma B
Patroits defeated Pistols
Trappers defeated Go Co.
Gold defeated Crawlers
Mt. Calvary defeated Walkers
Celtics defeated BCM
Sanke CR. defeated Gators
Logan Herd defeated Panama Red
MM defeated Jax Trotters
Teachers defeated ATO B
BB defeated Orange
Colombo defeated ROTC
Kappa Alpha Psi defeated Delta Tau Delta
Pi Kappa Phi defeated Omega Psi Phi
Panama Red defeated Magnum Force
EA defeated Sigma Nu
Logan Herd defeated Toldeo W. B.
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Recreational hours

for Stephenson's Gym

Monday and Wednesday
6-8:30 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
7:30-9:30 p.m.
Saturday
9-12 noon
Sunday
1-5 p.m.
By CAROLYN RAGLAND
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Is alcohol becoming a problem on this campus? Have students forgotten that Jacksonville belongs to the community, or are the majority of JSU students becoming "social drinkers"?

Several area bar owners and store managers were interviewed as to the percentage of their customers that are students. When asked if a great deal are intoxicated, one owner had this to say, "There are few that come in intoxicated, but as a whole they are well mannered."

SOME CONVENIENT STORE managers were also interviewed about their customers who "buy it and take it home." The largest number purchase late at night and not often during the week. One fraternity member employed at one of these stores said, "It is easy to have a good time without getting wiped out."

To further examine this situation, some Jacksonville city residents, most of whom are equally concerned with this situation, were questioned about their feelings. One woman said, "It gets real spooky after some of these parties. One night I called my daughter in Piedmont to come and get me. I have been young and I know the importance of having a good time, but not at the expense of others."

Another resident said, "It is shameful the way the vacant lot on Pelham and Mountain Avenue looks on Monday mornings. Students should realize that Jacksonville State University is their school, but this area they fill up with beer cans is our home."

AN EMPLOYEE OF a local bar, also a JSU student, has this to say, "Students come to our place all the time. They really conduct themselves in a mannerable way as a whole. As for alcohol becoming a problem, I really don't think so because I am a social drinker myself."