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Besides the editorials on page 4, staff writer Lenhardt Fite accepted the challenge of putting together the pieces of the Panama Canal puzzle. Speaking of puzzles, the crossword fans might enjoy something new on page 5. While working the crossword and munching on some potato chips, you might want to find out some of the ingredients in the food we eat in an article by Carol Davis on page 6. Or if you don't care what's in the food, you could be worried about that F last semester. Nancy Wade set out to clear the air on the forgivable F policy of the University, and found that there is a lot in the air to clear. She put her findings together in an article on page 7. Or if you had rather read about the various sports on campus, Sports Editor Jerry Rutledge and his staff of writers have put it all together in the sports section on pages 10 and 11.

# THE CHANTICLEER

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*For John Sparks*

## Extradition proceedings to start this week

Twenty-one year-old John Sparks of Oxford was arraigned last week in Utah circuit court on a governor's warrant, to determine if and when he will be extradited back to Alabama to face a murder charge.

Sparks is charged with the murder of 18-year-old JSU

coed, Donna Tucker, and assault with intent to murder for the shooting of 18-year-old Howard Mark Martin of Riverside. Martin and Ms. Tucker were visiting Germania Springs Park north of Jacksonville when the shooting occurred, the night of July 16.

Sparks had been arraigned earlier on a fugitive from justice charge by the state of Utah. However, that charge was dropped, making it possible to hold the extradition hearing. An official with the Utah court, said that such a move is routine.

At last week's hearing,

Sparks' attorney, Robert VanSciver, has until Oct. 7 to file a writ of habeas corpus to challenge extradition proceedings against his client. That hearing is expected to begin sometime this week. VanSciver said that the writ will ask the court to review the validity

of the extradition warrants filed against Sparks that would bring Sparks back to Alabama. Calhoun-Cleburne County Assistant District Attorney Bob Cahill is optimistic that Sparks will be returned to Alabama and has said that he expects his return in about a month.

Sparks is currently being held in the Salt Lake County jail, after having completed a month of psychiatric testing at a state mental hospital in Provo to determine his competency to stand trial on an aggravated kidnapping charge in Utah.

That charge was filed against the suspect after he reportedly called Alabama authorities confessing to the shootings. Alabama authorities notified the Salt Lake City police, but when Sparks saw the police coming, he ran into a nearby pizza restaurant, and allegedly held an employee at knifepoint.

The arrest of Sparks last month ended a month long investigation in which over 200 people were interviewed by state and county authorities.

## Alabama tapestry coming to campus

The Alabama Tapestry, an Alabama historical needlework, will be displayed Wednesday, Oct. 5, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on the 11th floor of Houston Cole Library.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Crenshaw, conductors of the Alabama Tapestry tour, will be lecturing on the tapestry at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The couple are touring 20 Alabama is with the historical needlework.

The Alabama tapestry was unveiled at the Birmingham Museum of Art on May 1. The work has traveled from New York City to Great Britain. It was the only American

work displayed at the Queen's Silver jubilee exhibit in London during the celebration of her coronation.

Two squares from the tapestry consist of the International House and the Dr. J. C. Francis Museum. Five members of the Jacksonville Needlepoint Guild stitched these two squares: Mrs. L. C. Williams, Miss Bea Jones, Mrs. R. K. Coffee, Mrs. Sally Smith and Mrs. Myrtie Bohannon.

There is free admission to the Alabama Tapestry display and refreshments will be served.



*Sid McDonald*

## Director of Law plans visit Oct. 5

The Director of Admissions of the University of Alabama Law School will be on the Jacksonville campus Wednesday, Oct. 5. He will address the class in Constitutional Law on 9:50 (Room 333 Martin) and talk with students thereafter. He will also be available to

counsel pre-law students individually in the conference room, 4th floor, Student Commons Building, from 11-12 and 1:30-2:30. Students interested in the University of Alabama Law School should contact the Director of Admissions while on campus.

## McDonald will campaign here

State Senator Sid McDonald of Arab plans to bring his gubernatorial campaign to the JSU campus this Wednesday, Oct. 5, from 4 to 5 in the afternoon. Rather than make a speech, McDonald plans to meet with students in the Roundhouse and have a "rap session". McDonald feels that a

"rap session" will enable him to more directly answer questions concerning our state government, and the solutions he sees to those questions, than making a formal speech would.

This is not the first time McDonald has visited the campus. In 1976, he was one (See McDONALD, Page 12)

## Campus parking can pose problems

By SUSAN ISBELL  
Assistant Editor

Do you feel there is a parking problem on campus? How many fines have you paid this semester?

One commuter said, "There is definitely a problem. I can't ever find a parking place, and I have an 8:40 class."

Another graduate student commented, "There are plenty of parking spaces. People are just going to have to start walking."

Chief Murray, campus police chief, said, "The problem is people aren't utilizing the parking places provided. Resident students driving to class parking in faculty and commuter zones are causing problems. We have a number of free zones where anyone can park."

One male student commented, "There are usually as many girls' cars parked in front of boys' dormitories as there are boys' cars."

On Wednesday, Aug. 31, campus police began to issue parking tickets. Many tickets were given to commuter and resident students.

Some students interviewed feel that parking spaces are available to students, but these parking spaces are located in all the wrong places.

Is there a solution to this parking issue? Gus Pantazis, SGA senator, motioned at the SGA meeting that freshmen should not be allowed to bring automobiles on campus in the fall of '78. This motion was immediately tabled by the senate.

Chief Murray stated, "This had been proposed years ago, but the administration rejected this proposal." JSU president, Dr. Ernest Stone commented that it was the first he had heard of the motion, and that he would have to study the situation before making a definite comment.

# JSU cheerleaders bring home honors from stiff competitions

By CATHY RATLIFF  
Staff Writer

This past summer has proved a hard yet rewarding one for the Jax State cheerleaders. After a full week of persistent struggling underneath the sweltering summer heat the cheerleaders proceeded to East Tennessee State University where they spent another full week learning new cheers and stunts, and eating, breathing, and sleeping perfection.

The hard work paid off. When the cheerleaders crossed the Tennessee line, heading back to mom, dad, friends and Jax State they brought with them five blue ribbons and the title of winners, not only in the cheer competition but also as

overall champs. To make the record even more impressive it should be noted that the Gamecock cheerleaders beat out such schools as Georgia Tech, Vanderbilt, and Florida Tech.

Working as closely together as the group does, there's bound to be tension, but as Kathy York put it, "We know everybody's limits." They learn each other fast. Because of their practice in the summer months, they have a head start. By the time football season has arrived, the ten members are held together not only by a common goal but also by a very personal bond. They come to expect each other to put forth his best effort because when one falls short, he pulls the others down with him. As anyone can see, however, the JSU cheerleaders have set and sustained very high standards. Through their group effort, spirit at the Gamecock football games

has increased tremendously, and it is obvious that they are appreciated. Not only do they encourage and praise the football team, thereby winning the support of the players, but they also stimulate the praise and support of the fans.

On Sept. 22, three talented freshmen joined the already outstanding group. Three judges screened the 10 competitors through performed stunts, ability, knowledge of the cheers, and overall appearance. New members include Barbara Downey alternate, who taught cheerleading through the ICF this past summer, Dale Johnson, alternate, a former high school cheerleader, and the new varsity member, Shane Cochran, a former high school football player.

When asked how they felt when entering the football field to cheer for the first

time all three agreed that it was a pretty terrifying experience. They expressed feelings of being misplaced, of wonder, of panic, and of excitement. All agreed too, that while being a cheerleader may be glamorous and exciting, it is also laborious, tiring, and the hours, taken up by continuous practice and the struggle for perfection, are long. All three, however, are honored to join the prominent group and are looking forward to a record-breaking season.

JSU cheerleaders and alternates include Peggy Gingar (Birmingham), Debi Hoskins (Birmingham), Kerry Tackett (Marietta, Ga.) Kathy York (Montevallo), Cheryl Wright (Anniston), Barbara Downey (Attalla), Bobby Ezekiel (Calhoun, Ga.), Cal Faircloth (Anniston), Shane Cochran (Birmingham) and Dale Johnson (Huntsville).



*JSU cheerleaders*

## Convention to feature Blackaby teaching

The 55th annual State Student Convention will be held in Tuscaloosa Oct. 7-9. Sponsored by the Department of Campus Ministries of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, the event will be called to order by the state president, Bill Johnston, JSU senior.

The convention will feature the Bible teaching of Dr. Henry T. Blackaby, of Canada (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan); the musicianship of Bob Burroughs, composer - in -

resident, Samford; and Dr. Julius Scruggs; Theologian-pastor, Huntsville First Baptist Church (National Baptist).

Students from virtually every campus in Alabama will participate in weekend activities, including Bible study, worship, drama, seminars, and fellowship. On Saturday afternoon, the JSU BCM team will compete with other campuses for the state flag football championship. Registration is \$2 with further details available at the BCM Center.

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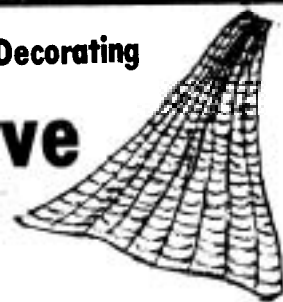
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JSU Stage Band

# Stage Band composed of JSU's most gifted

By JONI BARKER  
Staff Writer

The JSU Jazz Studio program, under the direction of Dr. Ronald Surace, is an interesting and beneficial asset to the university music department.

Composed of 40 of the most gifted music students on campus, the program is designed to develop and enhance the talents of interested musicians. The program is divided into two jazz ensembles. The first ensemble is a tour group; the second rehearses as a lab band. According to Dr. Surace, both ensembles rehearse on a regular basis and contribute much of their time to the jazz studies program.

Last year's agenda included the sponsoring of a jazz festival at JSU. A 30 day concert tour during the month of May and a concert at Piedmont Park in Georgia highlighted the year. The group was granted \$4,000 in the field of arts for subsidizing the jazz festival at JSU.

Highlighting 1978 will be a tour of Europe during the middle three weeks of June according to Dr. Surace, the plans are in their formative stages and the tour will include jazz festivals throughout central Europe.

Plans for the upcoming year also include the annual jazz festival which will be on March 4, and will feature internationally famous musicians. Dr. Surace noted that he hopes either to have Jones or the Stan Kenton Orchestra as special guests at the event. The tour in May will consist of approximately 34 concerts.

Plans are also underway for the formation of a third jazz ensemble. Dr. Surace remarked that he is especially interested in string bass players. If you play bassor know of a talented bassist, please see Dr. Surace or tell your bassist friend to stop by and see him.

Dr. Surace has directed the jazz ensembles at JSU since 1973. His jazz experience includes performing with such great bands at Si Zentor, Ray McKinley (the Glenn Miller band), Bob Crosby and Ralph Martieri. He has studied piano with M. M. Olga Conus, Joseph Hungate, Louis Crowder, Robert Palmeri and jazz pianist, George Shearing.

According to Dr. Surace, jazz is actually the voice of our time and brings together current happenings in America.

# Alcohol laws cleared

By ERIC WILLIAMS  
Staff Writer

There has been some controversy concerning the advertisement of alcoholic beverages on the campus of Jacksonville State University. There is a law prohibiting the sale of alcohol on campus, but what are the laws concerning advertisement?

"I do not know of a law against advertisement of alcoholic beverages on campus," said Jack Hopper, director of public relations at JSU, "but it is against school policy." The reason for this, he explained, was, "If we let one business advertise

alcohol at JSU, then everyone will do it."

Dr. Ernest Stone, president of JSU, states, "It is against the law of the state of Alabama for the state to sell or advertise alcholic beverages. And since this university is property of the state of Alabama, then it should not be advertised on this campus."

"Any advertisement that is to be displayed on this campus," said Dr. Stone, "must first have permission from the administration."

However, there have been, and still are posters throughout JSU advertising

beer specials. A spokesman for the Brother's Bar, one of the many nightspots advertising on campus said, "No one has told us to stop, and we know of no law against it."

President Stone feels that advertisements of this type give JSU a bad image and that this is the reason for the school policy restricting them. "I don't feel as though we are discriminating against businesses that sell alcohol," said President Stone, "we just feel that it is for the common good to restrict such advertisements."

## Gamecock Cafeteria menu

MONDAY, OCT. 3

LUNCH: Sloppy Joe Sandwich, beef and noodle casserole. DINNER: Roast beef, fried fish, Italian sausage.

TUESDAY, OCT. 4

LUNCH: Hat turkey sandwich, Spanish macaroni. DINNER: Roast pork and dressing, baked meatloaf, french waffers.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 5

LUNCH: BBQ beef sandwich, beef turnovers. DINNER: Veal parmesean, beef stroganoff with noodles, liver and onions.

THURSDAY, OCT. 6

LUNCH: Ham and cheese sandwich on a bun, baked

beans and ground beef casserole. DINNER: Grilled chopped steak, spaghetti and meat sauce.

FRIDAY, OCT. 7

LUNCH: Pizza, Mexican franks with rice. DINNER: Baked ham, chicken pot pie, poached fish.

SATURDAY, OCT. 8

LUNCH: Hoagie sandwich, ravioli casserole. DINNER: 8 oz. sirloin steak, 10 oz. chopped steak with bacon wrapped.

SUNDAY, OCT. 9

LUNCH: Roast Beef, beef ragourt. DINNER: Closed.

MONDAY, OCT. 10

LUNCH: Grilled ham and

cheese, ground beef and green bean casserole. DINNER: Lasagna, veal with mushrooms sauce.

TUESDAY, OCT. 11

LUNCH: Ground beef hoagie, beef chop suey with rice. DINNER: Baked chicken liver and onions.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 12

LUNCH: Hamburger, Chinese chicken casserole. DINNER: Swiss steak, fried fish.

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## Don't blow the chance

By DAVID FORD  
Editor

Each election year thousands of voters in Alabama go to the polls without knowing much of anything about the candidates. Whichever name a person might have heard the most or the most recently could very well be the candidate which receives the vote. Yet that candidate might not have any qualifications to hold public office. Is it any wonder that we have some of the corruption and incompetency in government circles?

This week, everyone on this campus will have a chance to meet with a man who could very well be the next governor of the state, the man who could be playing a vital part in the decision making concerning appropriations of millions of dollars in our tax money. Sid McDonald, democratic candidate for governor, will be visiting the campus from 4 to 5 in the afternoon at the Roundhouse. He will not be making a "stuffy" speech. Instead, he will be mixing and talking freely with students and faculty, giving everyone a chance to find out how he feels about the problems confronting our state, and how he feels he can solve those problems.

The next election will mark the first time in 16 years that the governor's race will not be dominated by one man. That election may also mark a time when the voters decide to turn from a stagnation that has engulfed the state and begin to march to the best of progression. However, that new direction will not come naturally. It will only come if a man capable of leading the state wins the election.

Your idea of the "right" man may differ from mine, but the only way to make up your mind about that is to meet with as many candidates as possible, then decide who the "right" one is.

McDonald is considered to be one of the leading candidates for governor. Don't miss the opportunity to learn how he feels about the issues.

I urge you to take a few minutes to drop by the Roundhouse and talk with him. If we don't educate ourselves before the next election, we may remain stagnated.

## Panama Canal Issue still unclear

By LENHARDT FITE  
Staff Writer

For over a year the political attention of a number of conservative and liberal politicians has been centered on whether the Panama Canal Zone will remain occupied by the United States or revert to the Republic of Panama. Whether or not American sovereignty really exists in the zone as it is run by the Panama Canal Company or is the result of international skulduggery by Theodore Roosevelt and a group of Panamanian landowners cannot be discussed outside a history book or an editorial.

It was Jimmy Carter's misfortune to be elected President 13 years after the negotiations began. Negotiations began almost immediately after riots along the border of the zone caused the death of 20 students in 1964. Demagoguery on both sides has clouded many facts about Panama and its relation to the Canal Zone. General Torrijos Herrera was branded as "pro-Soviet" and a "tinhorn dictator" by the spokesmen of the far right in Congress. This was probably due to his statements that he would like to see the Canal Zone made into an international territory. In an interview for U. S. News and World Report, Herrera said that Panama would remain under the shadow of the Pentagon long after 1999 and that the Panamanians would not exchange one kind of "colonialism" for another.

Although the school children are taught to appreciate their country's friendship with the United States there is the consensus that the poverty and instability of Panama is due to the existence of a foreign enclave controlling a valuable economic resource. "Panama is not just an isthmus; it's a nation," said Torrijos. The 1903 Treaty that established the Canal Zone was imposed on a state created against its will out of Northern Colombia. The "perpetuity" clause and the reduction of the native people in the zone to aliens in their own land caused great resentment among Panamanians. It is the fear voiced by many American zone residents that they would be made to suffer for treating the Panamanians as second-class human beings and flaunting a supraffluent life-style (by Latin American standards) that has sparked a majority of the debate.

As much as he admired Cuba's reforms in health care and education, General Torrijos rejected the suppression of human rights and republican government and holds his democratically elected Great Assembly as a model

legislature. It is very doubtful that there are very many political prisoners in Panama save for a few ragtag neofascists or Communists. It is Torrijos' memory of his family's indignities in crossing the Canal to visit relatives on the other side that has made him forceful for reforms since he came to power in 1970.

Generally speaking the new treaty is both generous and constricting. The United States will relinquish control at 12 noon Dec. 31, 1999 to the government of Panama. However, the United States has the permanent right to aid in the defense of the canal after Jan. 1, 2000. After 1999 the 10-mile-long enclave of the Panama Canal Zone, which divides the Republic of Panama into two parts, will cease to exist while the necessary installations for operations

(See CANAL, Page 7)

## Watch out for bikers

To the majority of campus drivers who are considerate and polite to their fellow roadmates, bicyclists, you can go on and read another article. It's the completely uncaring fools who constantly harrass bikers with everything from Big Macs to Coke bottles that I want to talk to. What in the world can possibly make you want to try to drive bikes into parked cars, curbs on other articles that will probably cause damage to the bike, and will do damage to the riders?

We already have enough problems avoiding sewers, pot holes and glass without having to put up with your hostile tactics. Bikers have

their right to all roads on campus and in Jacksonville and seldom will they abuse them. You might think that since bikers have rights to the roads that we have to put up with your verbal abuse and physical tactics, but we don't! The next time you throw your cup of Coke at the bike rider don't be surprised that while you're stopped at a stop sign that he comes up and racks your car with a smashing blow from his pump or sticks his water bottle in your window and gives you the wet look or something just as effective takes your license plate number down and reports it to the campus police.

—Jeff Glasgow

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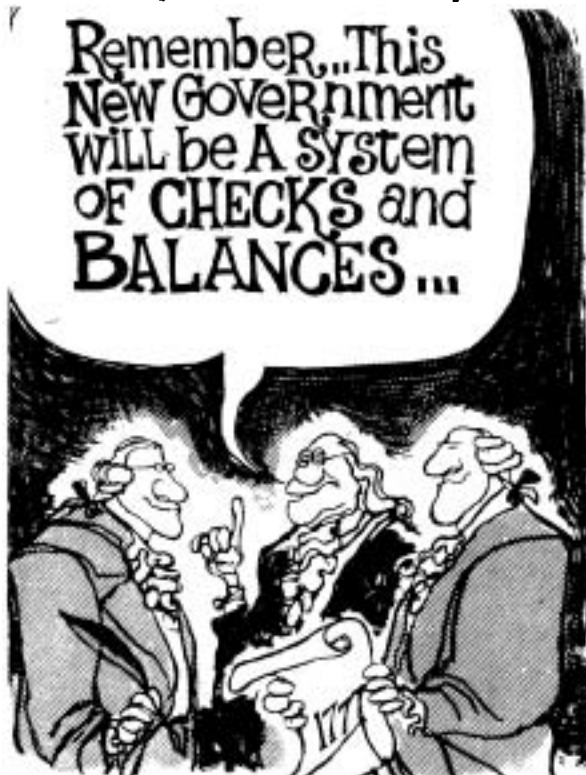
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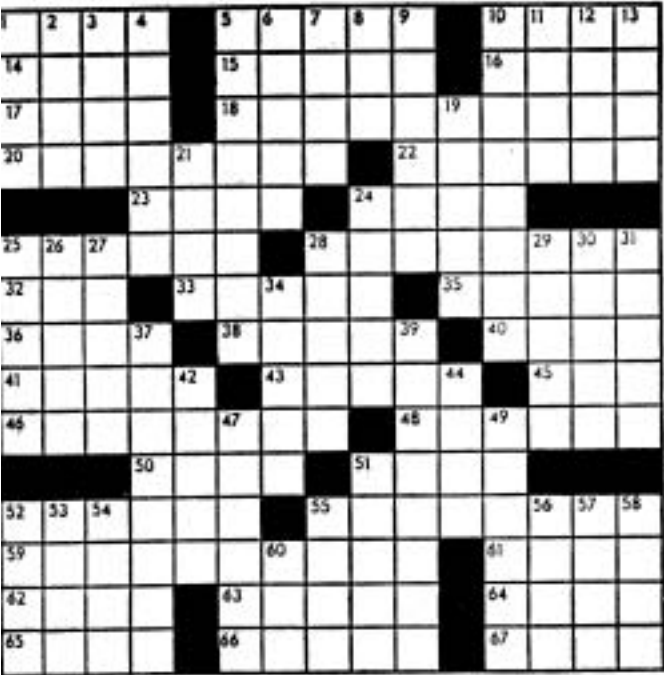
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## Not just cereal!

# Additives found in nearly all foods

By CAROL DAVIS  
Staff Writer

How was your malt flavoring, pyridoxine hydrochloride, BHA and BHT this morning? "My what?" "Man, I had rice krispies for breakfast." Well, surprise, like millions of Americans who consume cereals for breakfast you also swallowed additives by the score. But why pick on cereals? Additives infest almost every box or can found on the market today. Even fresh foods (those not processed) have been treated to retain freshness and flavor longer. Have you noticed the drastic change in tomatoes? What was once a juicy red vegetable found in the produce department is now a shadow of its former self. The pink bland tasting substitute is a laughable but sad example of what the food industry is subjecting the American public to. As Shakespeare would have it, "something is rotten in the state of Denmark." The same can be said for the

foods we eat. The truth of the matter, and one which manufacturers choose to discretely print in small type somewhere near the bottom of the package containing their contribution to American tables, is that most foods go through a certain amount of "necessary" processing. Necessary in order that quantities large enough to meet public demand can be bought and stored without fear of spoilage. As a result the natural flavor and often the nutritive value of a food is sacrificed.

Fast foods (those taking a minimum amount of preparation) contain the most additives. Take instant potatoes as compared to those dug from the ground. Anyone with walking around sense will know that not all of that brown, earthy potato went into the making of a fine textured, perfectly white powder that cooks in three minutes and can be stored on grocery shelves for years. We may realize this

but while dashing off to our next engagement what we are consuming may lose value significantly as compared to not consuming anything at all.

In fact, Americans lead hectic lives in which time is an important element for consideration. Why take 25 or 30 minutes to perform a function that can be completed in three. There the

rub time is important. Nutrition is important. By sacrificing either you'll lose the remaining one. Granted not every meal can be as nutritional as mom's home cooking, even instant potatoes and TV dinners

have their place. But by making a conscientious effort to achieve good nutrition, a longer, healthier

and happier life can be attained. Sounds far-fetched? Not really, when people eat more nutritive foods thus getting all the vitamins and minerals their system needs they feel better, and when people feel good they function at a higher level generally enjoying life more. If that's not a high standard of living, what is? All this for a few moderate changes in

eating habits which is "learned" behavior and can be redirected to include more nutritive foods as a matter of course.

Sold on the subject of good nutrition? All it takes is a little concern and action. And if TG&Y offered that for \$9.98 we'd all stand in line for the "good life." Think about it.

## Campus calendar

There will be a meeting of the Geography Club on Wednesday, Oct. 5, in 329 Bibb Graves Hall at 4 p.m. Topics of discussion will include the forthcoming trip to Little River Canyon and the aluminum recycling program. Also there will be a slide show of slides taken on previous trips.

The Geography Club is organizing an overnight trip

to Little River Canyon over the weekend of Oct. 8 and 9. If you are interested in participating please come to the next meeting of the Geography Club on Wednesday, Oct. 5, at 4 p.m. at 329 Bibb Graves Hall.

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Ernst & Ernst will interview Accounting Majors Wednesday, Oct. 12. For

more information contact the Placement Office, Abercrombie Hall.

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Central Bank of Birmingham will interview Marketing, Accounting, Banking & Finance, and General Business majors Thursday, Oct. 13. For more information contact the

Placement Office, Abercrombie Hall.

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There will be a Black Student Union meeting Monday night, Oct. 3, in Roundhouse at 8:30 p.m. This is a very important meeting and all interested students should attend. All contestants who are in talent and Brick House contest please attend also.



**LEO DAVIS**

**DJ OF THE WEEK**

Leo has been with WLJS for over 1½ years. He has worked as Assistant News Director, Disc Jockey, Assistant Production Manager, and is now Production Manager.

## YOUR MUSIC FORCE WLJS



**ALAN GRADY**

**NEWS PERSON OF THE WEEK**

Alan a Political Science major has recently joined the WLJS News Department. He served in the Army in West Germany until he came to JSU this year.

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## Grade stays on records

# No military pardon for 'F' here

By NANCY WADE  
Staff Writer

There is no military pardon for an F at Jacksonville State. Despite the popular understanding that an F does not count, it will eternally remain on your transcript. It makes no difference whether you're an undergraduate, a graduate, alumni or have passed the F course with honors the second time through. An F will stay on your record like an old battle scar beside all passing victories (A, B, C, and D).

According to a survey taken at the Gamecock Cafeteria, known to the boys as the mess hall, 48 per cent agreed with the actual JSU policy. This policy states that all F's, will remain permanently on your transcript. The other 52 per cent felt the F, if taken over, would be taken off your record.

Another misunderstanding: "You can't retake any course except one in which you made an F." This is not true. Any course with any grade may be taken as many times as you like to try. The higher grade will be used to determine your quality points. Your previous tries go down as hours you attempted. The best hours of credit is put in an earned or passed column. A student will receive passing credit for the same course only once.

How does the grading system work? On the IBM print-out you receive at the end of the semester, there are three numbers. For example 140-130-138. The 140 stands for all hours at-

tempted (A, B, C, D, F, and I). By dividing 138 by 140 you get .98 quality points used for your GPA, class standings, honors and statistical studies. In conclusion, an F is put in the hours attempted used for GPA.

The 130 is used for hours earned or passing and does not count in this column. You divide 138 by 130 for the 1.06 quality points needed for the minimum requirement for graduation. All of this figuring is done manually by an advisor.

Up until June 1, 1973, the quality points needed toward graduation were figured by hours attempted. If you were the student above under the old system and needed a 1 point to graduate, you would have to wait till your GPA was improved from a .98 to a 1 point.

The new system is called the "non-penalty F". Under this system an F would stay on your record, but not count against you toward graduation. The "non-penalty F" is an advantage to a border-line student because it can provide the extra quality points needed to graduate.

Student opinion shows that the disadvantage of the "non-penalty F" is that not enough distinction is made between a D and F. The D and F left standing is equal on your GPA. You receive the hours attempted and no quality points for either of them.

The suggestions for improvement were a 4 point system and the "forgivable F". A 4 point system gives you 4 points for an A, 3 for a B, 2 for a C, 1 for a D and 0 for

an F. The "forgivable F" would erase any F on your transcript when you took it over and made a higher grade.

Several students were asked, "Would you quit going to a class in which you're making a D in and take an F?"

Carol Sheffield wanted to take the F and repeat the course to make a better grade. She further commented, "To retake an F shows the perseverance to learn the material well rather than taking a D to get through it."

"I would take a D and work at it than quit trying and take an F," Rex Wilson revealed.

"I would take a D because I would not like the idea of an F on my transcript," stated Melinda Moreland.

Three students who wished to remain anonymous had this reply.

1. "I would choose an F in hopes of a better grade. If not a better grade I would take the D."

2. "I would take an F and take it over. An employer would look better at your trying to repeat the F for a better grade."

3. "I would take a D to get the hours of credit. I would retake the D only if it were in my major."

Jeff Massey explained, "I would take the D because no matter how high or low the D, there is a slim chance of a C. An F shows you where just taking up space but a D shows you tried and did learn something. If a teacher sees you come to class and you do try, they will give you the

extra point for a C."

Some faculty members were asked if they thought a student should earn the D or take an F.

Rodney Shirey, assistant professor of mathematics, explained, "It depends on the student. If they have the ability and were just lazy, then take a D and go on to the higher math course. But if they really try and still barely pass they should retake the course before going on to a higher math course."

There is another option you may audit a course if you have the will power. Auditing means you can sit in on a course but you never receive a grade or credit for it.

Biology department head, Dr. Kenneth Landers said that it has been his experience that students with a string of D's had the quality points to graduate earlier than another student who took the F and repeated the course.

"Don't automatically take an F based on rumors; see an advisor first before the week of final exams," Dr. Landers stressed. According to Jerry Smith, university registrar, "It is always 99.9 per cent of the

time better for a student to take a D grade if entitled to it because he has done passing grade work and those credits hours earned do apply toward graduation." Jerry Smith further explained, "With a D, you have earned credit for a course, and the course is on your record. You can make up the lost quality points in some other course. If you fail, what have you got to show for it? You spent your time, tuition dollars, and bought a book. I would say take a D grade but, better still, work a little harder and earn a C grade," Smith concluded.

Dr. Doug Peters, associate professor of psychology feels, "Many students drop out of class because they believe it is better to take an

F instead of a D." Peters went on to state, "The function of education is not to encourage students to drop out of class." He fur-

ther stated, "If I were a student, I'd take an F." Peters mentioned that often an employer will interview some for a job and will not consider the transcript as much as he used to.

A few of the faculty talked with expressed the desire for a better point system.

Dr. Montgomery feels confident that JSU doesn't need to change the grading system. The need is to make sure the learning and teaching system provides the capacity for the student to perform. As far as I'm concerned, "No matter what the grading system is, if the student is not performing C or better he is not performing satisfactorily."

The main question is how 52 per cent of the students believe the rumor that F's are erased from the transcript.

## Canal

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and defense will remain in U. S. hands. The new treaty, unlike the Hay-Varilla Treaty of 1903, after the six-months ratification and waiting period allows for the reoccupation of the canal zone by the government of Panama and the end of the U. S. governing of the area in "perpetuity" as "if it were the sovereign of the territory." The next interest may be the construction of a sea-level canal through the isthmus. Under a separate agreement Panama will be provided with 345 million dollars in aid and a sizable increase in Panama's share of the revenues from canal tolls up to \$60,000,000 depending on the tonnage passing through the canal.

The U. S. government will set up the Panama Canal commission to replace the almost 80-year-old Panama Canal Company. An agency of the federal government, the Commission will have five Americans and four Panamanians on its administrative board, while the U. S. Government would regulate the collecting of the tolls until the treaty expires and Panama takes full control.

This week

in Black

history

Paul Cuffee, noted ship-builder and ship owner died at Westport, Mass., where he owned a farm and a wharf where he had built his own ships. Cuffee was one of the first persons in America to advocate the colonization of Blacks in Africa. In 1815, he spent 4,000 to send 38 blacks to Sierra Leone, but his plan for additional expeditions were cut short by his death.



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# Advantages numerous in Accounting Association

Accounting is a dynamic profession and to keep up with current topics and issues an accountant must interact with other accountants in professional associations. So as students, why not get into the habit of joining the Student Accounting Association. There are many advantages. For transfer students and freshmen, you can meet other accounting majors and minors and get the inside track on teachers, answer

books (!), and other helpful information. Seniors, this affiliation looks pretty good on a resume. And for everybody, there are guest speakers (and refreshments), trips to accounting firms, selling mums at Homecoming, and the annual Accounting Club Banquet where top accounting students are honored.

The Student Accounting Association meets every other Wednesday in 101 Merrill Hall, unless otherwise posted, under the direction of President Teresa Prater, Vice-President Steve Hassenplug, Secretary Sandra Cofer, Treasurer-Reporter Maleah Dearman, and Faculty Advisor Mr. Robert Atchley. Come and see what it's all about next Wednesday, October 12 at 2:30 at Merrill Hall.

## Sigma Nu gives awards to players

Sigma Nu awards every week a MVP award to the player who has contributed the most to the game he is chosen in.

The brothers of Sigma Nu vote each week on the player. The MVP is then taken by the brothers of

Sigma Nu to a steak dinner. His name is then put on a plaque which will be placed in Salls Hall.

First game, James Coleman; second game, Merril Dillard; third game, Bobby Ray Green.



## Selections are varied in Community Concerts

Symphonies, songs, piano and chamber music will be featured in this year's Jacksonville Community Concert series, which begins Nov. 1. Season subscriptions will be sold through Oct. 8. Cost is \$10 for adult tickets, \$5 for student. Those purchasing memberships are entitled to attend featured presentations at the Rome, Ga., community concert series, including Earl Rose, pops pianist, and "West Side Story" as performed by the Young Americans.

The 80-member Birmingham Symphony, conducted by Amerigo Marino,

will open the Jacksonville season. The orchestra presents more than 70 concerts annually and has performed with such artists as the late Igor Stravinsky, Richard Tucker and Arthur Rubinstein.

Next on the program agenda is Hal Shana, a singer, composer and guitarist, who will appear Jan. 28. Shane will present a variety of selections from early English madrigals to modern folk music. Pianist Virginia Eskin will perform on March 8. Ms. Eskin, an acknowledged authority on 19th century American

composers, has played with major orchestras in Europe and America and recently toured with the famed Boston Pops orchestra.

The John Biggs Consort and ensemble of four chamber artists, will conclude the season April 6, with a wide range of musical selections. Highly popular, the consort has accompanied the late Basil Rathbone, in his "One Man Shakespeare" performances.

All performances will begin at 8 p.m. Anyone interested in joining Community Concerts may obtain a ticket by writing Box 311, Jacksonville, Alabama.

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## Search for 1978 Miss Alabama Universe

Applications are now being accepted from all over the state of Alabama for the annual Miss Alabama Universe Pageant to be staged at the Hilton Hotel, Huntsville, Feb. 4, 1978. The Miss Alabama Universe Pageant is an official preliminary to the Miss USA-Miss Universe Contest. There is no talent requirement, all judging is on the basis of poise, personality and beauty of face and figure.

Applicants must be between 18 and 28 years of age, never married and at least six month residents of Alabama, thus college students are eligible. All girls interested in competing for the title must apply to Billie McLarty, state director, 500 Paragon Mills Road, Canterbury Hall F-6, Nashville, Tenn. 37211, Telephone (615) 833-5556. The girl chosen as Miss Alabama

Universe will represent the state in the Miss USA Pageant, nationally televised on CBS-TV May 1978.

The new winner will be awarded a host of prizes including a round trip flight and 12 exciting days at the Miss USA Pageant. Some of the prizes include a

scholarship from Jacksonville State University, a color portrait, \$100 in cash, formal from Dunnnavants, crown, banner, trophy, jewelry and other gifts.

The current Miss Alabama Universe is Cheryl Burgess of Ohatchee and is a student at JSU.

### Answers (Continued from page 5)

Puzzle Solved:





# A-Cappella Choir selected to perform

The Jacksonville State University A-Cappella Choir was selected by a panel of judges to perform at the National MENC Biennial In-Service Convention in Chicago, April 12-16, 1978. The Music Educators National

Conference chooses groups to perform at the convention from throughout the United States. This is the first time a group from Jacksonville State has been chosen to perform at a national conference.

In 1975, the choir was selected to sing at the Southern Regional Convention in New Orleans.

The choir will be raising funds during the next few months to finance their flight to Chicago.



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# SPORTS

## Fuller praises team in victory over Tenn-Martin

If you ask Coach Jimmy Fuller to name some individuals responsible for his Gamecocks' big victory over Tennessee-Martin be ready for a long conversation. The list of players who contributed is long; the Gamecocks put together one heck of a team victory.

Quarterback Bobby Ray Green completed 13 of 15 passes for a completion percentage of .867 (a GSC record) and 238 yards. For this performance, Green was named GSC Player of the Week.

"Bobby was throwing the ball well, the receivers were catching the ball, and the pass protection was good," Coach Fuller commented when asked about reasons for the 'Cocks passing success. "I wish we could have established our running game more but if you can win by the pass, win by the pass."

James Coleman played well, having what Coach Fuller felt was his best game of the season. "James played another outstanding game catching the ball and running and he's a very important part of our offense," Fuller said.

The Gamecocks' offensive line did a yeoman's job in protecting QB Green, Fuller said. "I was real pleased with our offensive line, especially under the circumstances we had to play under that night." Coach Fuller was referring to a freak accident the Thursday before the game which knocked starting center Johnny Hammett out of the lineup. Mark Cooley did an exceptional job replacing Hammett. Coach Fuller said, "Mark moved in and did a heck of a job. I would like to congratulate Coach Greg Mantooth for getting the entire offensive line ready to play."

The Gamecock running game, though netting only 129 yards, shows flashes of future excellence. Freshmen runners Terry Stephens, Cedric Brownles, and Pat Clements made excellent runs throughout the game. Coach Fuller pointed out that each of them have made weekly improvement.

On defense, Coach Fuller singled out Jesse Baker as having an outstanding game, but emphasized the fact that the entire defense made big play after big play. There were interceptions by Jerome Coleman and Sherwin Sledge and several important fumble recoveries.

Coach Fuller also singled out the Gamecock fans for their support. "I just can't say enough for the response that we are getting from our students and alumni. Everybody is enthused by the support that we are getting especially from the students on campus." Coach Fuller said, "They have just been great. I am grateful for the support that they are showing."

By Jerry Rutledge

Sports Editor

The Gamecocks face a very stiff challenge this week as they travel to Tennessee to do battle with Tennessee Tech in Cookeville. Tennessee Tech is ranked seventh nationally as of this writing (JSU is fourth) and carry a 3-0 record into the game. The game is doubly important to the Gamecocks since the game is a designated conference game.

Gametime is set for 1:30 at Overall Field in Cookeville, Tenn.



The UTM defense stopped the Gamecocks short on this one, but it was one of the few times in the evening that the Gamecocks didn't get what they were going after.

Bobby Ray Green outstanding

## Gamecocks come through in Tennessee win Saturday

By RICKY BRAGG  
Sports Writer

Sooner or later, people are going to get tired of hearing about JSU football. You can count on it being a lot later.

Reasons? I could probably give you a truckload (and all of 'em would be wearing red jerseys) but how about a junior quarterback named Bobby Ray Green for openers.

The combination runner-passer from Ranburne hit on 13 of 15 passes for 238 yards against Tennessee-Martin Saturday, to give the Gamecocks their second conference win with 36-13, and yeah it was one heck of a football game!

Early in the first quarter Green surprised everyone (especially the Pacer secondary) by having a 74-yard touchdown bomb to wideout James Coleman for the game's first score, and then made another on a 10-yard pass only minutes later. Rocky Riddle made both extra points good, and the Cocks had an unexpected 14-0 lead.

The Pacers then scored their first touchdown late in the first quarter, only to see Green put the Gamecocks ahead 20-7 on his six-yard second quarter touchdown.

In the third quarter, Keith Martin stuck Pacer quarterback Alvin Smalls for a safety, and then backup quarterback Mike Watts scored his first touchdown of the season with 1:45

remaining in the third period.

UTM scored again midway through the fourth quarter, but then Jacksonville Terry Stephens put the game even further out of reach with only minutes remaining in the fourth quarter.

Although the Pacers sacked up 440 yards total offense, the Gamecock defense was still able to come up with the big play when the need arose. Key interceptions by Jerome Coleman and Sherwin Sledge, a fumble recovery by Jesse Baker, and Martin tackle of Smalls for the safety helped give the Gamecocks the defense they needed to win.

As far as the offensive line goes, to say that the Gamecocks played a fantastic game would still be falling short of their performance. Linemen Mark Hushey, Dale Adams, Marty Hansen, Randy Ragsdale, and Mark Cooley gave Green more than enough time to find and connect with his receivers, as well as supplying excellent blocking for the running plays. Cooley who was moved from tackle to center when Johnny Hammett was injured earlier this week, had to play on an asprained ankle and with little practice at his adopted position.

Stephens was the Gamecocks leading rusher

with 36 yards on nine carries while Coleman caught four passes for 113 yards and two touchdowns.

On defense, Mitchell Knox and Tommy Macon had 10 hits apiece to lead in their department



Jacksonville put together the winning combination of passing and running against UTM to give JSU its second conference win of the season, and an overall 4-0 record.

# SPORTS



*Women's volleyball team*

## Gamecocks defeated by Tuskegee Institute

The lady Gamecocks fell to defeat Saturday after a hard battle with Tuskegee Institute. The Gamecocks won the first game of the match by a large margin then lost the next three by close play. The lady Gamecocks now stand 1-2 and have 5 matches this week. Coach Wilson feels sure of a winning season. She says, "Every

coach hopes for a group of players that I have now."

Returning players from last season are Yvonne Gunn, Jan Roberts, Janice Whitaker, Dot Griffith, and Beverly Cabiness. New players include Karen Hester, Pam Muurdoch, Anita McBurnett, Cindy Pettitt, Lucy Bonds, Patricia Agee, Debra Dobbs, Lenora

Peters, Polly Sewell and Ava Pecurt. The next home game for the Gamecocks will be Thursday, Oct. 6, when they host the University of Montevallo and Alabama A&M at 5 o'clock at Pete Mathews Coliseum. Everyone is urged to attend and help cheer Jax State to victory.

### GSC results

Jax State	36
Troy State	23
N. Alabama	29
Livingston	21

UT Martin	13
Nicholls State	6
SE La.	7
Miss. College	16

### This week in the GSC

JSU vs. Tenn. Tech at Cookeville, Tn.  
Nicholls St. vs. NW La. at Thibodaux, La.  
Tenn-Martin vs. Murray St. at Martin, Tn.  
SE La. vs. Troy State at Troy  
Delta St. vs. Miss. Col. at Cleveland, Ms.  
N. Ala. vs. Ala. A&M at Huntsville  
Livingston vs. Tuskegee at Livingston

## New leaders emerge as GSC finishes third week

Four new leaders emerged in individual categories as the Gulf South Conference completed its third full week of action.

Delta State's Floyd Fortenberry and Sam Piazza, Jacksonville State's Bobby Ray Green and James Coleman, are new statistical leaders according to figures released by Commissioner Stan Galloway.

Fortenberry, idle last week, slipped into the front spot in rushing with his 116.0 yards per game on the ground. Piazza, also idle as Delta State had an open date, moved to the top in punting with his 42.6 average.

Green and Coleman, however, were very active. Green completed 13 passes, hiking his season average to 9.2 completions per game. Coleman grabbed four tosses to up his pass receiving average to 3.2 per game.

Tennessee-Martin quarterback Alvin Smalls remained the total offense leader with a 20.7 average while a trio of players, Troy State's Billy Dixon and North Alabama's Maurice Brawley and Curtis Sir-

mones are tied for the scoring lead with 8.0 points per game.

After North Alabama gridded, Blake Alexander, continues to lead in put returns with 20.2 average while Mississippi College's Calvin Howard maintained his spot atop the kickoff returns with a 33.0 mark.

Four players are tied with two interceptions each for the season.

North Alabama continues

to dominate the league's offensive statistics, leading in total offense (483.7), rushing offense (396.3) and scoring offense (36.0). Jacksonville is tops in passing offense (175.0).

Defensively, Mississippi College leads in total defense (175.7), pass defense (56.3) and is tied in scoring defense (9.0) with Jacksonville. Delta State leads the league in rushing defense (99.5).

## IM program has varied schedules

The intramural sports program, administered by the Health and Physical Education Department, has schedules filled to the brim with events destined to satisfy the urges of even the least likely would be athlete.

This term the IM Department has scheduled no less than 25 events, ranging from single's tennis to football to the annual homecoming crocktrot. The two biggest sports sponsored by intramurals sports are flag football and basketball. The flag football teams, as well as the basketball teams, are divided into two leagues, the fraternity league and the Independents. The champions of the two leagues meet in the super Bowl (not to be confused with The SUPER BOWL) to decide the overall intramural football champs.

IM football begins today with other events scheduled to begin in the succeeding weeks. A partial schedule of events follow.

	Rosters due	Play begins
Cocktrot (co-recreational)	Nov. 3	Nov. 4
Volleyball (men)	Nov. 10	Nov. 14
(women)	Nov. 10	Nov. 15
3-man basketball (men)	Nov. 17	Nov. 28
(women)	Nov. 17	Nov. 28

## Soccer team brings home win

The Jacksonville State University soccer team started its season with a fine 5-7 victory over Ft. McClellan. The soccer team, sponsored by the SGA, is undefeated over the last three years and is working

toward acquiring NAIA sanction.

The soccer team was led to victory by Vuda Mansary of Sierra Leone, Africa. Mansary scored three goals in the victory over Ft. Mc-

Clellan. Two of his goals were set up by great passes from Vhese Francis of Nigeria and Alberto Ruiz of Peru. The third goal was scored on a penalty kick. The Jaxmen's other two goals were scored by Javier

Piacdo of Bolovia.

Coach Maged Sandouka cited team captain Solomon Cardenas and Roger Christy for their defensive play. Cardenas is from Africa while Roger Christy is a native of Birmingham.

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# A little misunderstanding about meaning of "WC"

An English lady while visiting in Switzerland was looking for a room and she asked the school-master if he could recommend one. He took her to see several rooms, and when everything was settled, the lady returned home to make final preparations to move. When she arrived home, the thought had occurred to her that she had not seen a "W. C." in the place. (A W. C. is a "water closet" or a bathroom). So she immediately wrote a note to the schoolmaster asking him if there was a W. C. in the place. The schoolmaster was a very poor student on English, so he asked the Parish Priest if he could help him in the matter. Together they tried to find the meaning of the letters W. C. The only solution they could find for the letters was "Wayside Chapel." The schoolmaster then wrote the following letter to the English lady.

My Dear Madam:

I take great pleasure in informing you that the W. C. is situated nine miles from the house in the center of a beautiful grove of pine trees surrounded by lovely grounds. It is capable of holding 229 people, and it is open on Sundays and Thursdays only. As there are a great number of people expected during the summer months, I suggest that you come early, although, usually there is plenty of standing room. This is an unfortunate situation, especially if you are in the habit of going regularly. It may be of some interest to know that my daughter was married in the W. C. and it was there that she met her husband. I can remember the rush of seats. There were 10 people to every seat usually occupied by one. It was wonderful to see the expressions on their faces. You will be glad to hear that a good number of people bring their lunch and make a day of it, while those who can afford to go by car, arrive just on time. I would especially recommend your ladyship to go on Thursdays when there is an organ accompaniment. The acoustics are excellent and even the most delicate sounds can be heard everywhere.

The newest addition is a bell donated by a wealthy resident of the district. It sings everytime a person enters. A bazaar is to be held

to provide for plush seats for all, since the people feel it is long needed. My wife is rather delicate so she cannot attend regularly. It is almost a year since she went last, and naturally it pains her very much not to be able to go more often.

I shall be delighted to reserve the best seat for you, where you shall be seen by all. For the children, there is a special day and time so that they do not disturb the elders. Hoping to be of some service to you.  
The School Master

## Talent show contest set

The Black Student Union is sponsoring the Miss Brick House Contest and a talent show. This event will be held Tuesday night, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m. in Student Commons Auditorium. Admission is 75 cents in advance and \$1 at the door. Tickets can be purchased from any BSU member. Everyone is invited to attend.

## McDonald

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of the keynote speakers at the annual Student Conference on American Government, and was introduced as "possibly the next governor of Alabama." At that time, he received a warm response from the delegates and faculty alike after addressing the conference on the topic of "All is not well with your state government." In that speech, McDonald pointed out several problem areas with the state government, specifically in the area of finance, and offered the audience his solutions to the problems.

At that conference, McDonald was asked about his introduction and revealed that he was considering making a run for governor.

McDonald served in the state House of Representatives from 1966 to 1974, and has been a member of the state Senate since 1974. He is considered to be one of the top three candidates for governor.

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