Friction arises between Dalton, SGA

By JOE BRYAN

Friction has arisen between the SGA and B. W. Dalton last week regarding money taken from the washing machines in the dorms. According to the contract between the two factions, the SGA is to receive $16,000 or 52 percent of the earnings, whichever is the larger amount.

However, to this point the SGA is uncertain about the actual amount the machines have rendered. Says an SGA spokesman, "The only SGA gripe is that the SGA does not have a money collection representative. Woman's dorms gripes about his collecting at night."

The spokesman maintained that "the SGA administrator thinks Dalton is wrong in his assertions and they will work to the fullest to achieve cooperation."

Thus far, the spokesman continued, "Dalton is holding to his contention that he will not allow an SGA representative until Dr. Charles) Rowe or (Dr. Ernest) Stone tell him to. To this the SGA administration asks, "Why is it necessary for a letter from Stone when Rowe and the president of the SGA were the ones who signed the contract."

Another argument is that although "Dalton has been excellent in his services, Dalton has not submitted an official report to the SGA in seven months."

Also, on the problem of uneven distribution of washing machines in the dormitories, as far as the SGA knows, Dalton has control over the installation.

Basically, the SGA feels they need to "monitor collections first hand to realize its full potential." They also believe that "it would be in Dalton's best interest to allow an SGA representative to go around because they are the determining factor in financial contracts."
Dear Mohammed,

Your recent interview in The Chanticleer was certainly thought-provoking and, as you have probably heard from conversation around campus, quite controversial. Although many students got upset about the fact that your interview was even printed, it was the very statements you made which deserve examination. You should consider yourself lucky to have been interviewed, however, because with the approval of your "Holy Man" Iran has committed an act of war against the United States.

One of your opening statements begins the pattern of illogical thought which runs through your statements. Although I realize that the Islamic faith is governed by a somewhat different set of morals than is Judeo-Christianity, your view that "Morally (Khomeini) has all the power he needs" is repulsive to any society that believes terrorism is wrong. Khomeini's moral power is just as evil as the justification of the masked Black Septemberists who sowed the Israeli athletes during the 1972 Olympics.

Your admission, though guarded, that holding someone against his will is an improper action should have stopped there. If Khomeini is carrying out an improper action with all of his "moral power," he has given himself the moral authority to do something which you agree is immoral.

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Dear Editor,

After being here at JSU for three years, I have read many Dear Editor letters in the Chanticleer, complaining, griping or offering suggestions. Others have been of praise for the school, the work some organization has done here on campus, or just general glad feelings of freshmen about being here at Jacksonville State.

Also after being here for three years, I have been through many teachers. Now these two traits of thought may not seem to go together, but I am about to make a point I believe has been overlooked for quite a while.

On a Tuesday, in an upper level history class, I asked a question on a point Dr. Ralph Braamen was making in his lecture. It was a fairly insignificant question, one that the world would not have come to an end, and I would not fail the class had I not received an answer. Which by the way, I did not receive an answer to. In fact, I was fairly satisfied with the reply, "I don't know," which I received. I thought nothing more of it.

However, the next Thursday Dr. Braamen stopped me after class and told me he had spent some time in the library looking for an answer to my (See LETTERS TO THE EDITOR, Page 5)
Opinion

Pupwould
Mongrel maybe Jax State's only permanent resident

I knew there was something special about this character the first time he invited himself into my apartment. I was just moving in that day, and I was trying to get acquainted with the stove by fixing myself a few hamburgers. I had over cooked them slightly, (of course) so I had the door open to let out the smoke.

That's when he walked in. I was kind of stunned by his boldness, but I continued to eat my hamburger. He sat down next to me, and gave me a look like I better give him a piece of that hamburger, or I'd be sorry. So I obliged with a particularly overcooked piece, and ate it and the roast beef that is too old to even use for a sandwich.

He's usually happy with what you give him, but if he isn't he'll let you know by pinning his ears back and giving a deep sigh before trotting off to greener pastures.

He has a knack for being at the right place at the right time. One morning I severely burned my bacon, and was fretting what to do with it. I had it resting on my spacula about to throw it away when who should appear at the door but Pupwould, happy to take my problem off my hands.

One would expect a "handout" dog to have protruding ribs and a dull, matted coat. But this dog is no mutt, and no one knows it better than him. When he sits, he sits proud. The strong forelegs and dark eyes convey an air of importance. He wears a silky black coat with four matching white socks. He is trimmed out with a touch of white on the tip of his tail and a brown mask across his eyes that gives him a "racon" look.

His favorite spot is on that grassy slope that separates the two parking lots. He'll go over there and sleep after he's hit us all up for breakfast, contented with the warm sun bearing down on his shiny coat.

He's usually there when you come back from class, and he'll raise his head and wag that white tip on his tail, then fall back to sleep. Sometimes he might follow you into your apartment. If he does, you better not ignore him, or he'll start barking and raise such a ruckus that you won't have any choice but to give him your undivided attention.

Nobody really knows where he came from. But there is heavy speculation that he is the reincarnated past owner of this property. Maybe he's just making sure his land is being put to good use.

Pupwould has become such a part of this place, that it seems everyone is concerned over his welfare. When most of us left for the Christmas Holidays, the lone remaining resident was given twenty pounds of dogfood and explicit feeding instructions. Several keep dog biscuits in their cabinet, and at least one pair of roommates has a place for him to sleep.

We're not supposed to have pets, of course, but Pupwould is the exception to the rule. Besides, who would the manager throw out?

We're all gonna have to vacate these apartments come August. I've become such a part of this place, that it seems everyone is concerned over his welfare. When most of us left for the Christmas Holidays, the lone remaining resident was given twenty pounds of dogfood and explicit feeding instructions.

Maurice Bowles
Special Columnist

Joe Bryan

Muppets are more human than people

I think the reason I like the Muppets is because they are more human than people. The world would probably be a better place to live if more people were muppets. Or if there were just more muppets period.

Imagine life in a muppet world. The first major improvement would be the decrease in crime. Surely, no God-fearing muppet would so much as dream of committing an unfair act. The American public could not see clear to forgiving Jim Henson if Kermit and Fozzie Bear were to hold up a 7-11 store. Nor would we accept Miss Piggy on the streets soliciting certain favors in exchange for money from businessmen in a red light district in any major American city. No a muppet would never perform an act of evil, at least not knowingly.

This influence might even carry over to people. Can anyone conceive of a muppet murder? A muppet rape? I should think not. I refuse to believe there is a person on the face of this earth so cruel to dare envision harming a muppet.

Everything would be different in a muppet world. If muppets reigned, government would demonstrate a much more cooperative spirit. Simply, muppets work together; they also get things done. "Kermit for President!" I can hear the masses chanting already.

At least we'd never have to worry about a nuclear

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Abercrombie Hail

(See JOE BRYAN, Page 9)
Dorms not ideal place to study for serious students

Every student who has attempted to study amidst the roar of the dormitory has experienced the anxiety of finally having to gather up all the necessary books and go to the library.

But, what if there were a dorm available to students who specifically indicated an interest in quieter-dorm life and increased study time?

Such a suggestion has been made by a hall counselor of one of the dorms and is now being forwarded to both the students and the administration by this article. The suggestion made was to designate a dorm for men and one for women, as being under the 24 quiet hour rule, continuously.

The counselor was quick to stress that this rule does not mean total silence, just reasonable levels of sound. It should be noted that the 24 quiet hour rule which the resident students are now accustomed to is much more severe than normal because it is only used for disciplinary purposes.

An example of the 24 hour quiet hour rule which would be used in such a dorm is the quiet hours of exam week. To obtain residence in such a dorm, it has been suggested that a special part be included in the registration process whereby a student could designate such an interest.

After resignation, the students would naturally be assigned a room in the designated dorm.

As with all new programs, this one would have some problems, but the benefits to be gained by the students would far outweigh any inconvenience in the initiation of such a program. Not only would the students of such a dorm be much happier, but their academics would invariably improve.

Many new programs and benefits can easily be envisaged in viewing such a program, but they are beyond the scope of this article. If interest is shown by the students for such a program, further suggestions will be made for the initiation of such possible programs as tutoring sessions among the dorm’s residents, special seminar sessions, and so on.

Notwithstanding the opinion of the students toward the organization, they can be assured that the best possible way for their interest in such a program to be conveyed to the university administration is by telling the Student Government Association and especially the Liaison Committee of that organization.

This committee deals directly with the administration concerning the students’ wishes.

If the resident students on campus are interested in such a program, the time to act is now. Time is running short and the administration will need every second to prepare such a program for the Fall Semester, if it is possible to initiate by then.

Go to the SGA office on the fourth floor, Student Commons Building, as soon as you have the time and leave a message for either Gus Pantazis, president of the SGA, or the chairman of the Liaison Committee.

The Copper Penny

Specials for the Week

TUESDAY  Kappa Sig 8 -9 *2.00 Pitchers *2.50 rest of night *1 Heineken

WEDNESDAY  Drink or Drown

THURSDAY  Alpha Xi Open Party *1.00 Cover  50¢ Cans

FRI. & SAT.  Student ID Night  ½ Price cover w/ Student ID 8-10 Heineken *1

SUNDAY  All the Spaghetti You Can Eat *2.50 Includes Salad Bar
          Lasagna Dinner *2.50 Includes: Salad Bar & Garlic Bread

MONDAY  Student ID Night  No Cover w/ Student ID  *2.50 Pitchers

LUNCHEON BUFFET DAILY 11-2 All You Can Eat *2.79 Includes Free Tea
Letters
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question. And I received that answer.
This impressed me very much. I think you can see my point now. This small although fairly insignificant, I believe is a typical example of the quality of instructors we have here at Jacksonville.

There have been countless times when students have "dropped in" to just talk with their teachers; when students have gotten an answer to questions that couldn't be answered at the moment; when students have gone to teachers for personal problems; for professional help and numerous other times when teachers have "just plain been there when you need them." Few other universities have this atmosphere, and I am afraid that it has been taken for granted for too long.

The instructors here at this university generally do care for the student. And though many students here do not realize it, this is a bigger asset to them than they realize.

In a time when the faculty and the administration are at odds with each other, I think it's about time to "realize that the faculty here are only looking out for our interests. Maybe we would all get along better if we took time out once in a while to tell a teacher "Thanks."

Phil Osborn
PFC Brown

Women and the draft. A subject of concern among Americans these days.

LISHA BROWN: "I've been thinking about me, LISHA BROWN, being drafted, and it occurred to me that you're concerned about me, LISHA BROWN, being drafted, too. I'm sure you've thought, 'I wonder what LISHA BROWN thinks about being drafted?' I'll tell you. I, LISHA BROWN, would rather not be drafted, but would go, no fuss, if the dreaded event occurred."

THEM: "But we can't imagine LISHA BROWN in the army. She's puny and kind of weird in a way. She has mobiles hanging over her bed and saw Superman 10 times. She wears little Hallmark Valentine pins four days before Valentine's Day. Mickey Mouse is on her windbreaker. We're sorry but we can't imagine LISHA BROWN in the army."

LISHA BROWN: "O.K., do you can't imagine me, LISHA BROWN, in the army. Neither can I, but I can't imagine Ray Doe, a real sensitive guy who can't change a tire; reads books, and cries at old movies, in the army either."

THEM: "But, Ray Doe is a guy, he could endure it physically. LISHA BROWN couldn't survive basic training!"

LISHA BROWN: "I'm aware of that. I'd cry every day and I'd be plagued with the ol' 'Why me's' all the time. What's more, I wouldn't be worth a crap as a soldier because I can't stand to be told what to do."

THEM: "You can't even live without your mobiles, LISHA BROWN. How could you survive a war without Mickey Mouse in your windbreaker and little Hallmark Valentine pins?"

LISHA BROWN: "I don't know. Maybe I couldn't. All I know is that I sure don't want to be drafted. It'd be hell, but I don't want any of my male friends to be drafted either. I mean, what would Rick do without his 'Loreal Preference No. 26' or Miss Weaver? I don't want RICK BRAGG to get drafted and fight in a war."

THEM: "You must be for women's lib, ERA, and all that stuff, huh?"

LISHA BROWN: "No. Definitely not. I am a woman who likes being treated like a lady. I like for guys to open doors for me. I like getting away with missed deadlines because I wear little lacy collars and socks with my skirts. I like it! What's more, I would love to continue these indulgences but because of these women libbers I might get drafted and have to wear combat boots. I'll do it. I'll go because I wouldn't flake out on my country any more than Rick or Ray Doe would. But I hope that Jane Fonda, Bella Abzug and Helen Gurley Brown are the first to go! Too bad they're all over 21."

THEM: "You're contradicting yourself."

LISHA BROWN: "I'm aware of that. This column isn't meant to show any definite opinions on women and the draft. It is meant to convey the mixed feelings of me, LISHA BROWN, where being drafted is concerned. Is there a 'right' decision where this subject is concerned? I admit it, LISHA BROWN doesn't know the answer..."

THEM: "Neither do we."

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By JASON WILLIAMS

I do have definite ideas on the university's expansion for the next 10 years. It is my opinion that the university budget should be increased and hopefully will be, in a position to expand in a manner that will adequately and successfully maintain its high enviable quality response to whatever student body it can serve. "Taking into consideration the economy of our country and, more particularly, our region, it is my opinion that the University budget, in order to maintain even level support, will of necessity have to increase. The significance of this increase, I believe, is directly proportional to inflationary factors, as well as the size and courses of study of the student body the University is able to serve."

These are the personal views of the University's official financial advisor and manager, Mr. Charles Rowe, the vice-president for University Business Affairs. Mr. Rowe has had a long and distinguished career in the field of finances, beginning with his graduation from Auburn University in 1957 from which he earned the MS degree. From 1960 until January 1971, he served as Assistant State Budget Officer of the State Finance Department in Montgomery. In this capacity he was fiscal advisor to the Alabama State Legislature, which may explain why he is the person responsible for Jacksonville State University's receiving more money in appropriations than any other state university for the year 1978-79.

When asked if this part of his many duties was the most, fatiguing, he replied, "It is everybody's responsibility to obtain more money in appropriations than any other state university for the year 1978-79."

One of the main functions of the vice president for Business Affairs is to help plan the future expansion of the University. When asked if there were plans that were free to be discussed at the present time, Mr. Rowe stated, "There are several facility expansion needs the University has at the present time. The ability for accomplishing these expansion needs will depend directly upon the availability of resources. Within available resources, the University is considering concentrating its efforts towards maintaining the facilities presently available. In face of significant reductions in available energy sources, the University has paved considerable attention toward upgrading its facilities for the purpose of energy conservation. It appears that this University is pioneering in this area, due to the foresightedness of its leadership by President Stone."

Some of the more prestigious honors bestowed upon Mr. Rowe have been election to the Outstanding Educators of America, the National Association of State Budget Officers, the National Association of College and University Business Officers, the Data Processing Management Association, membership in the Chamber of Commerce, the Boy Scouts of America, the Masons, and membership to the Board of Directors of the First Baptist Church of Jacksonville. He is also a brother of Sigma Nu. Not only a man of excellent business capabilities, but also a man with profound experience in dealing with the legislature on financial matters, Mr. Rowe is a wonderful asset to the University.

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Lisha Brown
Living Editor

JSU's Vice-president of Business Affairs has definite ideas on expansion
VA will pay record $6.7 million

The Veterans Administration will pay a record $6.7 million in dividends during 1980 to 47,386 Alabama veterans holding GI life insurance policies, Montgomery VA Regional Office Director William D. Davis said today.

The figure is $1 million increase over the amount paid in 1979. VA will make the payments throughout the year on anniversary dates of individual policies kept in force from World War I, World War II and the Korean Conflict.

All VA insurance dividends are made automatically and there is no need for policyholders to apply for them or to contact VA about them, Davis said.

Be reported that 39,375 Alabama veterans still holding World War II GI insurance policies will receive dividends of nearly $6 million, an average payment of $149. The 1979 average dividend on these policies was $128.

Payment to 5,000 Korean Conflict veterans in Alabama who kept their GI insurance in force will total over $311,000, an average of $62, up from $48 in 1979.

Alabama’s 695 World War I policyholders will receive $274,000, an average of $386 each. The 1979 figure was $256.

Certain World War II and Korean Conflict veterans with service-connected or serious non-service-connected disabilities will receive dividends for the first time on their insurance policies in 1980. A total of $136,000 will go to 1,796 holders of these special policies, an average dividend of $76.

Davis said the amount of dividends paid during the year will vary with each veteran according to the type of policy, amount of insurance, age at issue or renewal and the time the policy has been in force.

Dividends on VA insurance policies represent a return of funds not needed to pay the cost of the insurance. Dividends on most VA insurance programs have increased in recent years because the funds have been earning higher interest.

The higher interest rates have been of greatest benefit to those veterans who have converted their insurance plans to permanent type policies rather than continuing to hold the original term policies, Davis said.

Mayor signs proclamation

Jacksonville Mayor David Lee recently signed a proclamation designating February as “Black History Month” in Jacksonville. Looking on is Anthony Johnson, president of the Afro-American Association at Jacksonville State University. Johnson said the association is sponsoring several activities during February in conjunction with the citywide and nationwide celebration of “Black History Month.”

President, staff express sympathy

A tragic fire last week resulted in the death of Mr. Hoyt Hopper, the father of the Head of Public Relations at Jacksonville State, Jack Hopper.

In addition to being in charge of public relations and assistant to the president, Mr. Jack Hopper is also chairman of the Communications Board and works closely with the Chanticleer. The Chanticleer staff would therefore wish to extend our deepest sympathies to Mr. Hopper and his family.

On behalf of the administration, Dr. Stone offered these words, “As president of Jacksonville State University, I express for the administrative staff our heart felt and prayerful sympathies to Mr. Jack Hopper and his brother, Mr. Wayne Hopper, and their wives over the tragic and untimely death of their father.”

Organizations sponsor functions

JSU Young Republicans, Young Democrats and the SGA are sponsoring a speaker’s forum on Tuesday, Feb. 26, featuring representatives of various Presidential candidates from both parties. There will be a question and answer session following the five-hour speeches on behalf of each candidate.

The next day there will be a straw vote primary in which students will be able to vote for one candidate in either party. The winner in this election will then compete in a run-off election on Thursday to determine what candidate JSU wants in the White House.

English Department contributes

Members of the English Department recently made a contribution in memory of the mother of Mrs. Gaynor Williams to the Pauline O’Brien Scholarship Fund. This fund, a memorial to a former professor of English, provides an annual scholarship of $100 for a senior English major.

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Advisement for coming semesters starts Feb. 20

Academic Advisement for Mini, Summer Semesters I and II will begin Feb. 20. Students will pick up the following at the Admissions Office.

You must bring your ID to receive:
1. Your Academic Advisement Data Sheet;
2. Class Schedule Book;
3. Trial Schedule.

- Keep your Data Sheet as it will be used for Fall '80 advisement beginning this semester.

Advisement will be Feb. 20-27. Be sure to make an appointment with your adviser as soon as possible.

Regular registration will be in your Dean's office at the following dates and locations:

- Summer Semester II, 1980: Wednesday, March 5, Thursday, March 6.

College:
- Commerce and Business Administration, Lobby, Merrill Hall.
- Criminal Justice, first floor, Brewer Hall.
- Education, first floor east, Ramirez Wood.
- Humanities and Social Sciences, 222 Performing Arts Building.
- Science and Mathematics, lobby, Pannell Hall.
- Nursing and Military Science (majors only), first floor, Wallace Hall.
- Library Science, Communications and Instructional Media, eighth floor, Cole Library.
- College of Music and Fine Arts, second floor, Mason Hall.

All undecided majors, register in the college of their adviser.

Clubs start variety of activities

The following is a list of upcoming club and organizational events that have been registered with the Interclub Council. This is a weekly article and any club that wishes to have their event here, call the SGA office at 435-9820, extension 246, or Donna Broome at 435-2505.

Feb. 19: The Afro-American Association will be sponsoring speaker Jimmy Littleton, executive assistant to Gov. Feb. James at 7:30 p.m. in Leon Hall.

Feb. 20-21: Red Cross blood drive sponsored by Interclub Council.

Feb. 23: The Orienteering Club will be participating in an orienteering meet at the University of Alabama.

Feb. 24: Scabbard and Blade will be participating in a 25 mile "run for your life" for the American Heart Association. Everyone is invited to join them on the run.

Feb. 29: The AAA will be sponsoring a movie, "To Kill A Mockingbird," at 7:30 in SCB.

March 17-20: Boxing tournament sponsored by the SGA.

March 20: Phi Mega Alpha will be sponsoring Miss NE Alabama.

Phi Mega Alpha meets every Thursday at 7:30 at their house.

"Family Night" every Thursday at 6:30 at the Baptist Student Union.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets every Tuesday at 7:30 at the Baptist Student Union.

Pi Kappa Phi will be selling coupon books for $5 each.

Sigma Nu sponsors 'Greeks'

The spring pledge class of Sigma Nu Fraternity is sponsoring the first annual "Greeks - Don't - Want - No Freaks - No - Exceptions - Well - Maybe - A - Couple - the - Hell - Come - At - You - Are - Post - Mid - Term - Pre-


The party will be open and begin at 8 p.m. at the Sigma Nu house on the corner of College Street and North Petham Road.

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Holocaust, we wouldn't even have to live in fear of the draft—there'd be no wars in a muppet world. Ah! Peace and prosperity, will it never cease? And Miss Piggy as First Lady. Could there ever be as popular a first lady (assuming Jerry Brown is never elected)? The increase in sales from girl scout cookies alone would be astounding.

Then, too, I like the idea of Fozzie as the Russian bear. Even Siberia would be a warm and tolerable place under his regime—wucka, wucka, wucka. I also don't believe Fozzie would let greed for oil interfere with the Olympic games; he's much too good a sport.

Yes, politics would—wide would run ever so smoothly were the muppets sovereign leaders of the states. If nothing else, muppets would never fold 30 other muppets against their will miles from their homeland.

Alas, even the sacred institution of rock and roll would be altered in a muppet run society. No longer could arrogance and haughtiness be worn triumphantly as it has in recent rock years. A sincere devotion to the public from the Electric Mayhem would set a dangerous precedent.

Interview schedule

Tuesday, Feb. 26
Computer Science Corp., Huntsville, Computer Science majors and minors, April-May 1980 graduates.
Coweta County School System, Newnan, Ga., Education majors only Dec. 79-Aug. 90 graduates.
P. Rucker, AL Cooperative Education only, Psychology majors only.

Wednesday, Feb. 27
LaGrange City School System, LaGrange, Ga., Education majors only. Dec. 79-Aug. 90 graduates.
(Date changed from 11th.) Parker Hannifin Corp., Huntsville, Management, Computer Science, Accounting, April 1980-May 1980 graduates.
Standard Cosa Thatcher Company, Piedmont, management trainees.

Thursday, Feb. 28
Milliken and Company, LaGrange, Ga., Chemistry and Business majors.

Morrison's Food Service, Mobile management and food service majors, April 30-August 90 graduates.

Monday, March 3
K Mart, Atlanta, Clothing and Business, Dec. 79-Aug. 90 graduates.
Dalton City School System, Dalton, Ga., Education majors only, April-August 1990 graduates.

Tuesday, March 4

Fayette County School System, Fayetteville, Ga., Education majors only, April-August '90 graduates.

Wednesday, March 5
Birmingham City School, Education majors only, April-August '90 graduates.

Thursday, March 6
Xerox Corp., Birmingham, Sales, any majors, April-May 1986 grads.
GSC race tightens

JSU tromps Troy

Jeff Sloan is ‘new kid’ in gymnastics

Jacksonville State came one step closer to sewing up a share of the Gulf South Conference title here Thursday night with a 78-64 win over Troy.

"Ain't nobody going to beat us in our own house," said JSU center Arnold Veasley.

The win pulled Jax State (7-3) to within a half-game of league leader North Alabama (7-2) and keeps the Gamecocks in control of their own fate.

A sweep of UT-Martin Feb. 22 and UNA Feb. 23 next week at Pete Mathews Coliseum would guarantee the Gamecocks at least a share of the title, while another UNA loss, coupled with a sweep, would give the title to the Gamecocks outright.

"This team continues to surprise me and I'm more proud of them all the time," said JSU's Bill Jones after the win over Troy.

"We stayed ahead in spite of me (Jones drew two technical fouls in the first half) and played like we really wanted this one. We showed a lot of character and the crowd's enthusiasm was just super. That was a big factor, I think, and our players responded."

Troy played Jax State on even terms in the first half, down only 39-32 at the intermission, but the Gamecocks pulled away in the second half on the outside shooting of guards Tommy Bonds, Todd Smyly and Randy Albright.

Bonds tire in 24 points to lead JSU scorers, Smyly had 18 and Albright came off the bench for 14.

Forward Theodis Moore had eight points and nine rebounds and forward Al Lankford rounded out the Gamecock scoring with six.

Center Daron Fayson led Troy with 26 points and 10 rebounds, while Walt Myers came off the bench for 10 points and 13 rebounds.

"We didn't really play a pretty game," said Jones. "We didn't go out there and dominate them, but we did what we had to do to win and that's the mark of a good team."

Troy outrebounded Jax State, 46-34, but the Gamecocks shot Troy from the field, 58.8-40.6 percent.

"It was a big win for us," said Smyly, "but we need to improve more. Everything is going our way, we're playing our best ball at the year right now and how far we go is just going to be up to us."

"If everybody stays healthy, I believe we've got a good shot at taking the conference and going a long way in the playoffs (NCAA Division II)," said Bonds.

"If we keep playing like we are right now, we are going to be hard to stop," said Albright.

JSU's Moore leaps for a rebound

JSU's Moore leaps for a rebound

The new kid in town.

Jeff Sloan, who claims to be "from most about everywhere" due to his father's military job, is the newest addition to Jacksonville State University's men's gymnastics team.

An 18-year-old freshman, Jeff is relatively new to the sport, having begun at 16, without a coach, while living in Ft. Hood, Tex.

"I saw Bart Conner and Kurt Thomas on TV," he recalled, "and I liked what they were doing, so a friend and I got some books on gymnastics and studied them. Then we started working out in the gym."

Jeff's family moved to Northport, Ala., in the summer of 1979 where he found a job as an assistant coach and made plans to enter the University of Alabama. But all that soon changed.

"I was helping a lady coach at a little girls' team," he explained, "and when she came up here to JSSU for the Mid-South Gymnastics Clinic, she told Coach Bonham about me. He got in touch with me, and I liked it here, so I decided to come."

Since his arrival, Jeff has made what Bonham terms "outstanding progress," and Robert Dillard, coach of the women's team agrees. "You wouldn't believe that kid, how far he's come," he said. "And most of it was self-taught."

Working with a coach and competing for the first time, Jeff shows the ability to be a top all-around gymnast, and he attributes his accomplishments to long hours in the gym and an unwavering help from Coach Bonham.

"It's not exactly like natural talent. I have to work hard for what I get," he said. "I like Coach Bonham because he doesn't go by how good you are; it's how much he can develop you. He's super. He'll give everyone a chance."

Jeff's first taste of competitive gymnastics came Jan. 26 at the JSU vs. Georgia meet, and he says "it was scary."

He scored a 30.35 All-Around finishing more in love with the sport than before and determined to work harder.

In the second meet, with Memphis State, his All-Around total rose to 36.60, and Coach Bonham termed him "the most outstanding improvement."

"When I'm competing," he said, "all I think about is hittin' my routines. You have to go for all it's worth. I'm pretty scared of the crowd sometimes, so I never look up at them. So far it hasn't bothered me."

Jeff calls himself "a pre-med hopeful with a side interest in chemistry" and wants to become a general practice doctor in this region.

"I'm going to stay here as long as I can," he concluded. "I'm kind of tired of moving around."
**JSU lady gymnasts top Memphis State**

By KATHY SHEEHY

One more time. The JSU Lady gymnasts outscored Memphis State University Feb. 9 by 83 points once again reaching their goal of a 130.00 team score.

"The girls are getting more aggressive and more confident," Coach Robert Dillard stated. "They realize they are good.

"We're trying to keep in the 130.00 point range going into Regional," he continued, "and we're very capable of doing that.

Jacksonville won the top three All-Around titles as Denise Balk (35.65), Susan Puckett (32.00), and Leslie Hill (34.40) placed first, second and third respectively. These totals represent life-time highs for both Denise and Leslie.

In the individual events, JSU women held the top three spots in Uneven Bars, Vault, and Balance Team and took first and third on Floor Exercise.

"We had a super meet on Bars," Dillard said. "It was our best ever." Julie Garrett, who is recovering from an ankle injury and competed Bars only, won the event ahead of Puckett and Hill.

Balance Beam and Vault "did not go as well as they should have" as minor breaks accounted for several deductions in scoring.

Denise Balk won Vault over Puckett and Lynn Bruce and went on to take first in Floor Exercise. Auxier of MSU was second and Puckett third.

Jacksonville presently owns a record of 18-2, and

Julie Garrett, Denise Balk, and Susan Puckett all hold high national rankings. The team is eyeing a chance at the Al-Alaw National Championships to be held April 3-5 in Baton Rouge and expect to place in the top six.

"I think we can do that," Dillard remarked. "There'll be a lot of tough teams there such as Cal State-Fullerton, Penn State, and Utah, and they should make the top three. Oregon has a good chance for fourth, so the battle for fifth and sixth will be between us and a few others like Florida and Louisville.

On March 22, the team will travel to Birmingham for the Al-Alaw Region III Championships. "Several people around campus have already said they plan to go," Dillard said. "It'll be a good thing to see.

Mens' team is improving

By KATHY SHEEHY

"Well, compared to Georgia ..."

Coach Steve Bonham has made a lot of pride in the progress and accomplishments of his JSU men's gymnastics team, and analyzes their second meet of the season with the first in an attempt to categorize areas of difficulty and potential.

The men took on Memphis State University Feb. 9 in Memphis, and though they lost the competition, Bonham feels "it was a good trip.

"We were snowed in Saturday night and couldn't come back, so we had a chance to sit down and talk," he explained. "We discuss our goals and training program and evaluated our whole approach."

Parallel Bars was the "miracle event" for Jacksonville in this meet as the team improved seven points over the previous meet with the University of Georgia. Event totals also rose on High Bar, Pommel Horse, and Still Rings.

Freshman Jeff Sloan was JSU's "most outstanding improvement" increasing his All-Around total from 30.35 to 36.60. "He only had one break," Bonham said, "and that was on High Bar.

"The team as a whole improved their total by 10 points," Bonham went on, "and I was happy for that, but you can't tell a whole lot from scores. Several men were higher than Georgia, but we had more breaks. However, we did do better in terms of execution."

MSU provided the top three All-Around gymnasts with Gene Alexn (47.55), David Linn (47.50) and Terry Williams (46.40).

Mark Lee was the high scorer for Jax State with a 45.70 total and a fifth place finish. "We were at somewhat of a disadvantage," Bonham commented, "because we only held five guys where as most teams have 12.

"But," he added, "I bet we're the best five man team in the nation."
JSU places in top six

By KATHY SHEEHY

The second oldest wrestling tournament in the nation, that of the Southeastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association, was held Feb. 9-10 in Murphysboro, Ill.

In a field of 11 teams, the Jacksonville matmen placed in the top six and walked away with four individual titles.

"As an example of the level of competition," Coach Mike Craft announced, "Auburn was the first place team, and there were two Division I and - Americans at the level of competition," Coach Craft said.

Crack said he chose not to use a few of his men who were out with injuries "in order to save them for the NCAA regional qualifying tournament. However, he believes that "if we did use them, they could have placed and put the team higher."

Jacksonville did lose "a close match or two," but Crack stated "the wrestlers did real well as far as living up to their potential."

Gary Erwin captured second place in the 150 pound class, and three other JSU men took fourth in their divisions; Henry Findley (118 lbs.), Scott Dennis (134 lbs.) and Clyde Turner (158 lbs.).

Coach Craft, who is in his first year as Jax State's head coach, summarized the season thus far as having "been pretty good, but injuries held us back. It's like putting a piece of the puzzle in one week, and the next it's gone. With a healthier team, we could have won several more matches."

The JSU team is young, and therefore lacks needed depth in specific areas. "We're just a second-year team." Craft explained, "so, we're relying on sophomores to give us team leadership, and some of them have the maturity to play that role."

JSU rifle team shoots down UNA

By MAURICE BOWLES

The Jacksonville State University Varsity Rifle Team soundly defeated the University of North Alabama during an ACRC Conference match on Feb. 9. The 1006 to 946 victory extends the Gamecocks' winning streak and virtually clinches its fourth ACRC Northern District Championship in a row.

Top shooter for the team was freshman Brian Threlkeld of Huntsville with a score of 280 out of a possible 300. Bill Puckett of Aliceville was runner-up with a 288. Threlkeld expressed pride at his first college level win. "I've been trying to prove myself, and this pretty well did it." According to Threlkeld, the team was prepared. "We all had a real good attitude going into it, and we knew we were going to win."

Next weekend the Rifle Team will travel to New Orleans as the defending champion of the prestigious Mardi Gras Invitational Match. "If we win again this time, we'll get to keep the road trophy," Threlkeld added. "And I think Capt. Ohlsten is gonna win the coach's trophy for best junior coach."

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