Symposium speakers offer advice for future

by GREG SPOON
AND WENDY EDEN

“Leadership is the Successor Generation,” a symposium sponsored by Jacksonville State, the Anniston Star, and the SouthTrust Bank of Calhoun County, was held last week. The purpose of the “meeting of the minds” was to assist high school and college students in Alabama and Georgia in understanding various aspects of leadership for the future. They learned about domestic and international concerns, and how to deal with them.

Jax State coordinated its Student Conference on American Government (SCAOG), which has been an annual event for the past 25 years, with the symposium. Select high school students from northeast Alabama and northwest Georgia participated in this year’s event.

At a luncheon held January 27, at Leone Cole Auditorium, Dr. David Mathews, President of the Kettering Foundation, spoke on “Partners in Leadership.” Mathews said, “Great people do make great leaders, but great leaders don’t make great people.”

This statement stemmed from an earlier suggestion of leadership through partnership. Only a few people are born leaders and have the capabilities of becoming leaders. Mathews added that the statement of, “leadership through partnership sounds like a contradiction but it is not. Only through partnership can leaders successfully achieve the end results.”

Friday afternoon’s topic, “The Role of Media: Referee or Teammate?,” was discussed by journalists Philip Geyelin, editor in residence at the Johns Hopkins Foreign Policy Institute; Richard Salant, president of the National News Council; and Chris Wadde, managing editor of the Anniston Star.

All three agreed that the press should be neither a referee nor teammate to the government. “We are a referee in a sense,” said Geyelin, former editorial page editor for the Washington Post. “We report interactions but someone else must assign the penalties and make the end judgement.”

In his opening speech Salant, former president of CBS, said that the role the press plays is that of the observer. Our function is to provide an understanding. It’s a very tough job we have to be on the side of the public and the side of truth.”

Geyelin commented that the press should not be attack dogs but saying watchdog would be too passive. “We ought to bark, snarl and show a little fang,” added Geyelin.

Wadde, former managing editor of the Kansas City Times and managing editor of the Star, said that the issue is that of the community. “As a journalist I don’t want to quit being a citizen.” Wadde added that the press has become somewhat cynical. “The Grenada incident showed that the public wasn’t there,” said Wadde, “The United States went to war but didn’t ask the press to come.”

Salant brought forth the idea that the press should be civil, even-handed and never cynical. Geyelin, however, agreed with Wadde stating that the press has either been lied to or been misled. He also stated that if the press had been able to go to Grenada they would have been able to get to the truth about the 90 day war.

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Asbestos and constitution spark heated senate debate

by MIKE LIVINGSTON
Associate Editor

The SGA met last Monday for two hours, discussing several major issues affecting students.

Senator Ed Underwood gave an oral report about how Alabama and Auburn are handling the asbestos situation at each university. He said Alabama studied the situation for 5 years before going public. However, since then a plan for refurbishing the dorms has been announced and letters sent informing the affected students. Seminars have also been held at the Tuscaloosa campus to inform the dormitory students.

Auburn has a similar program and has hired an asbestos response team to help remove trouble areas. Underwood added maintenance men at Auburn were being exposed to materials with 79 percent asbestos.

Auburn would not letmaids vacuum because of the contamination. Underwood hopes JSU can develop a similar plan.

Morris Kay expressed his disappointment over the lack of faculty and students at last week’s symposium. Sisk said many students from out of town didn’t show at the dinners and some campus students would have attended if they had been invited. Kay said it was an excellent program and hopes others similar would be scheduled. He also hopes that high school visitors got a good look at the university.

Senators Renee Lupa, Rick Green, Robyn Alvies, Todd Homan, and Michael Johnson proposed an amendment which specifies that 15 senators will serve during the summer term. The five senators felt the question needed to be addressed after questions surfaced about the legality of the vice-president’s approving the Dazz Band contract without a senate approving the contract by voting on the issue.

A heated discussion followed as other senators questioned the amendment. A few pointed out loopholes in the amendment, causing

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**Outlook for aid good**

By WENDY EDEN  
News Editor

"Overall Student Financial Aid at this institution has increased," reported Larry Smith, Director of Financial Aid. "The total outlook for Student Aid is good."

This year alone student aid has seen an increase with Pell Grants up $100,000 and more money in the Government Student Loan program. The only cut has been that of $20,000 in Supplemental grants.

Congress provides an estimated $100 billion to education each year. Financial Aid, however, is only a small portion of the total amount. Smith added that Pell Grants were already scheduled to be increased for next year and Reagan is now working towards a program of aid for students in science, math and education.

"We can now guarantee a student a lender," said Smith. He also said that the pay back of National Direct Student loans at the University is 98 percent. Nation wide the pay back of loans is 12 percent.

Congress is now stressing that students on Financial Aid make better grades. A slack system has brought tougher regulations and additional rules are being sought.

Applications are now available for the 1984-85 school year at the Financial Aid Office, in Bibb Graves Hall. Applications should be in by March 15.

James E. Roberts, Jr., of Jacksonville, right, a 1959 graduate of Jacksonville State University, receives the Golden Scholarship plaque from Pete Brooks, JSU director of alumni affairs, after donating $800 to the university scholarship fund. Roberts is retired lieutenant colonel, is with the Aniston office of Rockwell International. He is a life member of the JSU Alumni Association, which he served as first vice president last year.

**Symposium**

Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk spoke at the banquet held Friday night, January 27, at Leone Cole Auditorium.

Rusk’s speech, "Shouldn't we have a little talk?", was to the point. He issued a challenge to the students in the attendance to support the idea of collective security or find another solution to the problem.

He reminded those present that we will not be able to get over World War II and that everything must be done to prevent it. Rusk pointed out that no nuclear weapon has been fired in anger within the last 38 years.

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Comparing students of the United States to those of Japan, he gave examples to the larger of the two day symposium crowd.

"Only 74 percent graduate from high school in the United States as compared to 95 percent of that in Japan," explained Hunt.

"What is an education worth?" asked Larry Smith, a graduate of Stanford and the University of Alabama system, were the speakers for the morning session on "Education for Economic Development: What is an education worth?"

Hunt, two term governor of North Carolina, said that the United States is no longer competitive economically due to the lack of competitiveness by schools, colleges, universities, and work. "How do we get America back on the right track?," questioned Hunt "the chief answers lies in our educational system," answered the governor.

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Suit filed against WHMA-TV

Cecil L. Andrews has charged WHMA-TV news director Phil Cox, cameramen Ron Simmons and Gary Harris, along with previous owners, the Anniston Broadcasting Company with "reckless indifference to the consequences of their actions." The $4 million suit comes as a result of Andrews' attempted suicide last March in the Jacksonville Square. The suit filed late Friday asks for $2 million in actual damages and $2 million in punitive damages.

Andrews, an unemployed roofer at the time, set himself on fire as cameramen Simmons and Harris filmed the incident. The suit states that Andrews contacted the television station about his plan and demanded that he be filmed as he set himself ablaze to protest employment. The cameras according to the suit allegedly "provoked" Andrews to ignite himself. The lawsuit has also charged that the cameramen failed to properly coordinate their activities with the activities of the Jacksonville Police Department in a reasonable manner. "I haven't been served any papers yet so I feel it would be inappropriate to comment," said Cox, Monday afternoon.

Malcolm Street Sr., president of Anniston Broadcasting Co., Simmons and Harris could not be reached for comment.

Olympics honored

Jacksonville-Olympic spirits will fly high next week as McDonald's salutes the Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad.

The McDonald's Olympic flag will be raised at 10 a.m. at McDonald's, 312 N. Pelham Rd., and McDonald's restaurants across the country on February 7 - the same day that the Olympic flame will be lit in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia, to begin the 1984 Winter Olympics.

"This is our tribute to the spirit of the Olympics," said Jim Naramore, McDonald's is an official sponsor of the Summer Olympics to be held in Los Angeles July 28 through August 12. McDonald's built the $4-million McDonald's Olympic Swim Stadium, which will be used for aquatic events in the 1984 Summer Olympics. It is the first Olympic venue to be provided by the private sector.

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### Reagan redefines the definition of war

**BY FAIN CASEY**

Does anybody know the definition of war? In Webster's dictionary, it means: “open armed conflict between countries or factions. Any active hostility, contention, or struggle.”

According to Webster's dictionary, the United States of America is at war in Lebanon. As of now our Marines based there are allowed to return fire when fired upon only if they can see the source of fire. It seems to be due to war that's often upon U.S. Marines and in doing so have killed many civilians. Since the Marines were placed in Beirut as a peacekeeping force, some 260 of them have been killed and a number wounded.

According to the Reagan administration, we are not at war. Therefore, it is clear their definition of war is quite different from that of Webster's. What would happen if this unsuccessful peacekeeping force were withdrawn from Lebanon? No one can really say, but the odds are the fighting would continue. Then again, it's not as if they had not been fighting over there for several years. Using the Bible as a history book, we all know by its content that there has always been conflict and fighting in that area. Why then should we go in and try to change it now? Is it possible? That's a more sensible question. The U.S. cannot be the peacekeeper of the world. We just don't have the capacity.

The other side of this controversial coin is that this is a highly important and strategic area of the world, and the west cannot afford to be cut off. This is why we are in Lebanon to protect our interest and the interests of countries of the western hemisphere. What is really as hell is that no one knows what exactly to do to bring peace to these people who have been fighting since man can remember.

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### Student trustee can bring new era of communications

The students now have an important representation beginning with the next Board of Trustees meeting. This comes about as a result of a bill passed by the SGA Senate last week allowing the president of the SGA to serve as a non-voting member of the board. This came about because the practice was approved by the State in 1971.

This doesn't sound like an important issue, until one examines the possibilities which can be realized at the meetings by the student representative.

The concerns of the student body are many this year in several areas of campus life.

The president can get an inside look at how issues are decided upon which affect the students. It is not often someone can attend the board meeting and participate. By getting this new perspective, he will be able to better understand the complexities of issues discussed and inform students.

The needs of the students are very diverse. Many would like a better understanding of the field of communications. The student representative could easily point out the need for knowing the exact timetable of the new college and how the development of the college will affect the general curriculum.

Perhaps the problems involving the hiring of instructors for the growing field of computer classes and other business areas could be explained to our representative.

Many students have concerns about the dropping of many of the so-called minor sports from a program that was once the best in the nation. Our SGA president could explain the feelings of students who support athletic endeavors. These are not always easy to explain in being able to communicate with the Board of Trustees, but are the issues students have expressed concern over throughout this academic year.

This could improve vastly the communication between students, administration and the trustees at the university. The direct communication should eliminate many of the students' misunderstandings of how decisions are made which affect the students. Trustees will now be able to get a clearer perspective of the students who attend this university. Everyone will benefit from this action.

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### ‘Intimidation week’ promises unity

**By MIKE LIVINGSTON**

The student government association, along with several area businesses, are sponsoring GAMECOCK INTIMIDATION WEEK from February 4 - 9. This is an attempt by these groups to promote student interest in the gymnastic and basketball programs at the University.

The businesses awarding prizes are truly concerned about the lack of fans at the games and meets. To promote this week over $2,400 in prizes have been donated by the area businesses. One businessman said he hoped the program would keep students, faculty, and administration from SKYING OUT on the teams at their home contests.

Scott Butler reported to the SGA that Intimidation Week will begin at Stephenson Gym on Saturday February 4 at 2:00 p.m. Judging of students will start at the gymnastic meet with Georgia Tech and Auburn University. This meet will be very important as they attempt to defeat another division I University. This year many of the so-called minor sports from Cross-Country to Gymnastics have knocked off DIVISION I schools.

Butler said attendance at the three home basketball games will receive special emphasis during Gamecock Intimidation Week. The first game will follow the gymnastic meet at 7:00, versus the University of North Alabama. The other two games will be at 6th vs UT-Martin and the 6th vs West Georgia College. Somehow these last two managed to beat the Gamecocks on the road with a packed crowd of students, faculty and fans.

The possibility exists that West Georgia may bring more fans to our campus than we will. Fans for the three games are urged to sit in the lower area of Pete Mathews to keep visiting fans in the stands. At the four athletic contests of our nationally ranked programs the cheerleaders will be judging the active groups of students and prizes will be given away at the end of the contests. The SGA has said COCKY, the Gamecock mascot, will also be present.

However it is not the prizes that are important, but getting our college community united and recognize our student athletes for their achievements.
**Letters to the Editor**

**Hastings Jones**

Dear Editor,

I wanted to take this time to congratulate Coach Bill Jones of JSU for his 200th basketball victory.

Coach Jones' contribution to this university is outstanding. It's really a shame that the students of this campus don't support the basketball program. It's the greatest I've ever seen.

Good luck Coach, and hope you have a thousand more victories (at JSU, of course).

Allen Hastings

**Mail center questioned**

**Martin criticizes**

Dear Editor and Attn. Associate Editor:

This is in regard to the constant badgering your staff is ordained to do. You are JSU Student Government Association.

First off, if you are going to call the Student Government Association a "joke" in your writings, then why are you even attending this university? If you hold such a low impression of your fellow students, then what's keeping you from leaving JSU?

You stated in your January 26 issue that monies spent by SGA can not exceed $600.00 without senate approval. Then you merely wrote that the DAD Band cost over $600.00 and was not, Senate approved. It most certainly was approved by the Senate. It was discussed during two of the senate meetings at the beginning of the fall before any commitment was made on the part of the University. It was not formally voted on by the senate because at the time the fall senate elections had not been held, and there was no quorum. Would you have the senate violate the constitution by conducting such business without a quorum?

Also, in that same issue, you wrote of a small group of senators who are taking on a heavy burden, the SGA Constitution. Then, in your next sentence, you called it "a weak, watered down piece of paper." Some heavy burden!

To you it may seem curious that Senator Ray Hudson, the Constitution Committee Chairman is not working with this group of so-called "concerned" students. Of course not! They admitted that they didn't have any meetings. They were meeting in the library alone one day before you wrote your article. How do you expect Ray to work with someone who doesn't even inform him that they are meeting to try to improve the constitution? These students should have contacted Senator Hudson to work on the so-called "watered down" constitution if they plan on trying to better it.

It seems to me quite troubling that other concerned senators that your attempts to lose out at the Student Government and its doings are facts in nature misconstrue, misinterpret, and cause your readers to misunderstand what you write.

If you think you can help the Senate, fine, we are open for suggestions. If all you can do is criticize the Senate, we'd rather you keep your negative thoughts to yourself. The world is full of enough negative attitudes. Be different once, be positive.

Steve Martin
SGA Vice President

**Senators respond**

Dear Editor,

This is in response to Mike Livingston's article in last week's edition entitled "Senator's Action PRINTED."

As the members of that concerned group of senators, we greatly appreciate the recognition toward our positive goals. It would be equally appreciated if other members of the senate and the executive officers joined in our efforts.

It is our feeling that our actions simply represent our duties and responsibilities as senators. Furthermore, it is our intent to maintain a high degree of participation in obtaining positive SGA goals. We invite all interested students to join us in our SGA activities.

Respectfully,

Richard Green
Renee Lupa
Robin Alvis
Tod Romain
Michael Johnson

Senators, SGA

**Richards adds correction**

Dear Editor:

One correction to Michelle Besham's good article on the new writing minors: the Student minor in Creative Writing may choose between EN 466, Advanced Creative Writing, and EN 467, Advanced Expository Writing.

This choice allows the student the flexibility in tailoring his or her writing program. A student preparing for a career in management, law, or journalism, for example, may want to work on exposition rather than fiction and poetry.

We in the English department are excited about this new program and hope that students will take advantage of this opportunity to improve their writing skills. I believe that those who do will find they have a real competitive edge.

Sincerely,

Dr. George Richards
Professor of English
The FITS head in new direction

By MARTHA RITCH

The names Steve Patterson, Don Cole, Dave Ward and Eddie Hollingshead should be familiar to students at JSU. If they aren't familiar separately, they are well known collectively. They are the FITS and are back with a new look, some new changes and a new direction after taking a 3 month break.

Lead singer, Steve Patterson and bass player, Don Cole, were available to talk about their personal ideas and plans and to discuss the hopeful future of the group.

The most obvious change in the FITS is the missing keyboardist. What hasn't changed is the group's sound and exciting performance. "We got some financial backing over Christmas," explains Steve. With this, the band was able to invest in an equipment truck and consider some new "toys." "Dave and I didn't want to make a career of this but they are heading at them in a mature manner." He adds, as Steve wants to play it "by the book." "Dave will get a new drum set," says Dave. They are also looking for a new keyboard but not "rudely looking for a keyboard player," he adds, as Steve wants to play this himself.

These guys have more going for them than just a dream to become rock stars. They do want to make a career of this but they are practical about their ambitions and are heading at them in a mature manner.

Sometime after this semester the group will relocate in Nashville. In the meantime, they will stay in Jacksonville as they play "a lot of gigs around the area," as Steve puts it. He expresses the importance of waiting to make a big move like that until everything is settled. It would be too much of a risk to jump into something without checking out every angle.

The success of the group can hardly be argued. Steve and Don, and probably the two others, extend much, if not all, credit to their fans. They both agree, "we've never really had a bad crowd, we've never been booted." Steve goes on to say, "The crowds are usually good receptive ones.

They may be kind and attribute the good receptions to the crowd, but their power over the people is what makes it all work.

Ritch Observations

Don't be reserved in making reservations

Many times have you had the urge to toast a really nice restaurant but you can't get a reservation?

If you're anything like me, you can't afford to go out to anything better than a quick hamburger place very often. When you do have the money to spend and the inclination to go, you should be able to get a table.

Now everyone frequents high-class restaurants enough to become personal friends with the maitre d' so there has to be some other way of getting what you want.

Martha Ritch
Entertainment Editor

By MARTHA RITCH

Both Don and Steve have theatrical experience so they know how to put on a good show. Steve admits to using psychology on his audience. His secret is to first get the people's attention, "then throw the music at them." That is his main purpose, "besides singing in tune," Steve says. "If I find the one that are into it," he describes, "and soon it spreads to the others." He jokes that it's kind of like a disease.

Why do the FITS come across so well? That is a question only their fans can answer. However, it's not hard to figure out. They are four attractive guys, they know how to capture the attention of an audience and they have talent! Now that's a good combination. It doesn't stop there though. Besides having ambition, talent, and entertainment ability to keep them going, the four members of the group have good business sense, which is an important factor in any situation.

By the way, to make the picture even clearer, these guys are not bad looking. They've sent a message to everyone at Collegeian apartments: Feel free to go by their apartment if their practicing is disturbing you. They don't want to bother anyone so usually they end around 9:00 p.m.

Are some of the group members sacrificing something in order for success? Not according to Don and Steve. "We are realizing what we have to do," explains Steve. He is even taking voice lessons, not looking at it as a chore, but something beneficial to the band.

They somehow continue to find time between practice and shows to keep up with their favorite pastime, frisbee golf! "We have a course lined up all over campus," Don laughs. "I'd like to play more frisbee and expand on more keyboards. But, as the band grows the individual talents can grow and enhance the performance."

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Innocent Man' back on tour

BY MARTHA RITCH

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Don feels about the same as Steve. "Personally I like to write. Performing is great but I don't think my body will last with the abuse it has already taken for another ten years!"

Although Steve is completely happy with the way that goes, Don is not. "We're ready to get out and get involved with this interest of ours," Don reates.

Steve sums up their whole philosophy by saying, "It's only gonna get better!" That is a pretty impressive promise coming from such an already popular bunch as the FITS.

Innocent Man' back on tour

BY MARTHA RITCH

Billy Joel is back on tour this year and his concert dates are becoming soldouts almost the very minute the tickets go on sale.

It is not difficult to understand why his concerts are the hot sellers for the new year. Joel's last five albums have become big sellers almost overnight, each offering two or three hit singles. His latest release, "An Innocent Man," sold out three singles which climbed to the top of the charts in a mere matter of weeks. This particular album was recently nominated for the best album of the year at the American Music Awards.

After the first leg of his 1984 tour, Joel will take a break at the end of February. The schedule has not yet been set for the second half of the tour. As it stands, Joel will bring his road show to Birmingham and Atlanta sometime in

With high amounts of energy, Billy Joel puts on an exciting performance to highlight his talent. Bouncing around all over the stage and all over his various pianos has become as popular a trademark of the powerful performances the New York City native has
Village Inn projects cozy image, added touch

By GABRIELE PROMITZER

You open the double wooden doors, step into a small hall and then the view opens into a cultivated sitting area. The tables are separated in little lounges. Dark wood makes you feel cozy, and small accessories add a special touch to the atmosphere. Can you guess, where you are? No, you’re not in Clyde’s Houston in Birmingham; you are in the Village Inn at 109 Clinton Street, Jacksonville.

Opened in 1967, the Village Inn looked quite different. Mr. Mount, the owner, started off with only one dining room and “a tradition of serving fine food at reasonable prices”. The first menu was like Shoney’s. But knowing that a similar restaurant planned to open, Mr. Mount with his intuition and his knowledge of business (he received a B.S. in Business Administration from Jax State) reacted quickly. He changed his menu and the style of his restaurant to a more “sophisticated image”. But because of the changes, fewer people came. Adding the big dining room on the left side of the entrance, he doubled the space and began serving a special luncheon which attracted people from the whole city. The latest door to success was achieved by adding the famous buffet.

Built up at the left side of the entrance, it catches the eye at once, especially when you are hungry. Shrimp line up with chicken and fish and give place to carrots, beans and corn. If that’s not enough to get your attention, you look to the other side and find mashed potatoes and delicious gravy adding both color to the buffet and a treat to your gustatory nerves. Besides this main attraction, another specialty is offered, which attracts as many people, the salad-bar. Multicolored ingredients for the most delicious salads are ready to be taken. And don’t forget to add one of the tasty dressings! You will think you’re eating mother’s special homemade food right in her kitchen.

Attracted by the buffet and the salad bar, are people from the whole city. “Our customers range from the professional type to the blue-collar worker”, states Mr. Mount. Equally attracted by the above mentioned specials and by the menu, a vast variety of people like this place, where you can have an excellent sit-down-dinner with seafood or fried chicken liver or even a “sizzling” prime rib steak.

Taking an important place in this broad group of customers are the students of J.S.U. “The students are very important to us. The market is doubled, when school is in session. (The number of inhabitants increases from 7,800 to 15,000!) Preferring a sit-down-dinner to a quick “carry-out fast-food dinner”, many people enjoy the good atmosphere, the friendly waiters, and the delicious southern American food.

“Do you know of the ancient “King Arthur’s Round Table”? You surely do know that it met way, way back in ancient, dark times! But what you probably don’t know, is that there’s a “Round Table” meeting in the Village Inn, too! Many teachers of J.S.U. take their lunch-break at a round table there.

Besides this “mini-club meeting”, the Village Inn is open for club meetings of every kind. The dinner room presents a perfect frame, for example, for the Exchange Club of Jacksonville, which meets twice a month. Garden and book clubs also use the services offered to them by the Village Inn.

Not only twice a month, but nearly every day, Hoyt Harris, nicknamed “Shorty” comes to this restaurant and has been doing so for twelve years! Walking up from his little apartment, he is sure that he will meet some people there whom he knows and that he will have a nice chat with his friends and enjoy a cup of hot coffee. Once it was raining at night, and Mr. Mount said, “Come on, Shorty. I’ll take you home”, and he didn’t have to do that.

The owner of the Village Inn is aware of the fact that his customers respond very well to the buffet, so he is planning some further alterations. As guests at the Village Inn, you will soon have the possibility of combining the already existing salad bar and buffet with a new “hot soup line” and a “dessert bar”. Both will be organized by the same principle as the buffet, and the choice will be left to you!

As an old German proverb states: “Die Qual der Wahl” (the pain of making a choice) is left to you alone!
livingston's logic...

the incredible search for an AT&T phone

"It was about time my roommate got enough money to get a phone," D'Lynn mumbled to herself.

D'Lynn, another one of those typical JSU co-eds, has been without a phone since 1974 and has longed to hear the phone ringing in her room. She had sent her famous roommate, Sissy Sloan, to Oxford to talk to the phone company.

Sissy had gone to the AT&T phone company looking for the new service. She walked into a tall building shaped like a phone near the downtown Oxford bank.

"I'm here to get new phone service," said the coed.

"Phone service, do you have a phone?" came the reply from the mean looking woman.

"No, that is why I came here."

"Do you have $140 and your own phone?"

"I have $140, but can't I rent a phone?"

Laughter emerged from the teller and she said Sissy could fork over $37.50 to get a black beauty. (Black phone without push buttons). She gave the teller all the money she had and filled out 37 forms. The lady kept asking her such questions as, "Did you ever have phone service before?"

She was given a check test:

If your phone rings, you should: A) answer it B) hang up C) become scared because it's your Parental Units D) let it ring (chrip if a Wal-Mart phone) E) neither of the above F) all the above.

Sissy passed the test and for passing she was allowed new service for only $185. She returned to her friendly dorm room and plugged in her phone. The girls could hardly wait to receive that first call from the Athletic Department to join the "Hollis girls".

They waited and waited. The day the phone was to be hooked up had come and gone. Sissy and D'Lynn ran over to Carol's house to call the phone company.

"Hello, phone company, this is Sissy. My phone has yet to be turned on, and I'm waiting for important phone calls from all my boyfriends."

"If you're talking to us, you must be mistaken," came the cool reply.

"No, we are calling on Carol's phone," said the girls.

The phone company checked their records and discovered Sissy's new phone line had been hooked up in Jacksonville all right, but it was Jacksonville, Florida. Needless to say, the girls were outraged and demanded the phone line be changed to Jacksonville, Alabama.

A few days later a phone bill appeared in Sissy's mailbox, saying the girls had $110 in long distance charges for a phone that was not ringing in their room.

Once again they went to Carol's house to call her on the phone, but her phone had been turned off because she knew Sissy and D'Lynn. They got in their Corvette and drove to the building shaped like a phone.

"We demand satisfaction," they said.

"This is the phone company, we touch everyone," came the reply.

"Well, you've touched us; we refuse to pay any more money to this fly-by-night organization till we get phone service."

"We are not a fly-by-night company, we are the only company."

But what about the break up of the local companies for competition," asked the girls.

"You must not be listening to our TV ads with Andy Griffin. You see, the break up of the corporation is just to nail the consumer. We will be doubling your phone bill and make it impossible to call Piedmont or Centre."

The girls looked at each other in confusion and asked how much it would cost to get phone service in their room.

"Well, I guess you will want to disconnect your phone in Florida. We will give you a Sonny the King deal and do that at no charge, but you need to fill out these forms and give us $140."

"We already have a phone."

"That is too bad. There will be a charge of $37.50 for using a phone you already own."

The girls really felt down and out as they tried to explain it was one of the company's own phones, but gave up. At least, they may be able to get their Parental Units to absorb some of these costs.

"Gosh, D'Lynn, I guess we better start telling people about our phone number."

"Yes, we will have to start some kind of pay telephone service to pay for all this money we spent on the phone."

Just then two men burst into their room.

"Who are you?"

"We are the FBI; you're under arrest for conspiring to use AT&T's new rates as a scam to charge those less fortunate than yourselves to own a phone."

"No, we have been set up," the girls screamed as they were taken away to the police station.

Next Week: Food you can eat in your dorm room.

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“SILKWOOD”
Meryl Streep
Cher

In 1974, Karen Silkwood was killed when her car ran off an Oklahoma highway. She was on her way to meet with a union representative and a New York Times reporter to whom she was supposed to turn over evidence of x-ray tamperings in the Kerr-McGee plutonium plant at which she was employed. Police later ruled the accident a one-car incident, but questions still surround the accuracy of that judgment.

Based on the story of the events leading to her death, “SILKWOOD” is one of the best movies produced in several years, largely due to the superb acting of its star, Meryl Streep. Streep stars as a twenty-eight-year-old divorced plutonium factory worker. When the story begins, Silkwood is carefree and fun-loving, but the exposure of a co-worker to radiation brings to realization the dangers of working in the plant. She gradually becomes fanaticized in the union’s fight for the installation of safety measures. Silkwood’s loss of nervous energy is evident in Streep’s appearance as her eyes hollow and her complexion pale. Her portrayal of Silkwood adds another movie to the mounting list of successes for Streep. (She has already proved her versatility in such movies as “Kramer versus Kramer,” “Sophie’s Choice,” and “The French Lieutenant’s Woman.”)

Kurt Russell and Cher are the supporting actors, portraying her boyfriend Drew and their lesbian roommate Dolly. They truly support Streep, adding to the overall “common folk” effect. Drew is a “good old boy” from Mississippi with a guitar, a hounddog, a Dixie flag, and a flair for fixing up cars. Dolly is generally quiet, discussing Karen’s situation and her throughout the movie.

Due to the nature of the story, it would have been easy for producers to create a melodramatic film portraying big business as a clear-cut villain. “SILKWOOD” avoids this temptation, however, and takes a more realistic approach. As Silkwood becomes active in the union and begins raising questions, the higher priority her fellow workers place on their jobs than on their health becomes evident. To them she is a “troublemaker.”

The medical aspect of radiation exposure is also depicted in the course of “SILKWOOD.” There are permissible levels of exposure, according to the government sources purported in the movie, but other sources stress that any exposure is too much.

There is an overall effect of sarcasm in the movie, designed to make the viewer acutely aware of the dangers of radiation. There is no need to see this movie, but one must see it, or part of it at least, in advance. A movie definitely worth seeing, “SILKWOOD” is rated R and is playing at the Plaza Cinemas.

“UNCOMMON VALOR”
Gene Hackman

Two years ago in a country far, far away named Laos, ex-army colonel Bo Gritz tried his best to rescue American POW’s who claimed were still being held prisoner there. Colonel Gritz failed to show any proof and were just want to show our support in some way

When the story begins, the group consists of two Vietnam veterans who are now brothers in law. The group sets off on an adventure to rescue American POW’s who were still being held prisoner in Laos. The group consists of two army veterans who are now brothers in law. The group sets off on an adventure to rescue American POW’s who were still being held prisoner in Laos.

The plot changes drastically when the CIA finds out about Hackman’s scheme and the group’s ammunition and transportation. But no one can stop the group from the installation of safety measures. So Hackman decides to go sound and get help from an oil company executive, who also has a son missing in Laos. With the project financed by the executive, Hackman finds the best men from his son’s old outfit and convinces them to go rescue the missing men left behind. The six man group resembles the “A Team” and each has a specialty from an ace helicopter pilot to an expert in combat.

The movie has a special quality to it that makes it stand out. It has a special quality that makes it stand out. It has a special quality that makes it stand out. It has a special quality that makes it stand out. It has a special quality that makes it stand out.
Geyelin, Waddle, Salant, Ayers

Philip Geyelin, editor in residence at the Johns Hopkins Foreign Policy Institute; Chris Waddle, managing editor at The Anmiston Star and Richard Salant, president of the National News Council, discuss symposium program with H. Brandt Ayers, editor and publisher of The Anmiston Star.

Dean Rusk

Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk presented the evening address at the banquet held on Friday evening. Rusk issued a challenge to students to become involved in world affairs and find solutions to today's problems.

Students enjoy lunch

Area high school students enjoy the Mathew Founds luncheon Friday, January 31, at 12 midnight in Leon Cole Auditorium. Dr. David Partin
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Mrs. Montgomery welcomes guests

Philip Geyelin welcomes symposium speakers, "Friday evening, January 27 at the President’s home. Several university officials and guests attended.

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by Opal R. Lovett

Mrs. Ada Montgomery welcomes guests

Mathews speaks on leadership

Dr. Theron E. Montgomery (l) listens as Dr. David Mathews, president of the Ketterling Foundation, addresses students attending the opening symposium luncheon at Leone Cole Auditorium.
Avans chairs caucus, bids for slot in Democratic delegation

By TIM QUICK

Donna Avans is the very image of an involved, hard-working college student. Ms. Avans was born in Gadsden, but has lived in Jacksonville. She is a 1982 graduate of Jacksonville High School. While in high school, Donna participated in the Jacksonville High School Marching Band and the concert band. She also was a member of the Jacksonville St. Honors Band. Scholastically, Donna was a member of the junior and senior National Honor Societies. In addition, Donna also has time to play college on the accelerated student program. Now at the age of 19, Donna is a university senior. Donna is currently involved in finishing her double major in political science and economics, along with a double minor in English and history. Avans was named to the Jacksonville State University’s “Who’s-Who” with a GPA of 2.8, and was named one of the three high GPA graduates in Humanities and Social Sciences by Dean Smith.

Besides being a News writer for the Chanticleer, Donna also belongs to the Law Club, where she holds the position of secretary. Avans is also a faculty scholar, and won the WalMart scholarship.

Miss Avans is very much involved in local, state, and national politics. She is the chairperson for the Calhoun County Women’s Political Caucus. This women’s group advocates action on three major issues. These are freedom of reproduction by choice, government funded day-care centers for children, and federal and-or state equal rights amendments.

Donna is also involved in the nuclear freeze movement. Anniston based, BAND (Ban Against Nuclear Destruction) is active in stopping the build-up of nuclear weapons in the United States and abroad.

Avans is currently bidding for a position of this area’s Democratic delegation to the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco. She is also the 3rd District Coordinator for Senator Cranston’s Presidential bid. Donna supports Senator Cranston for his domestic, environmental, and educational programs. During the 1982 Alabama Governor’s race, Donna worked for the George McMillan campaign.

Even with all these activities, Donna still manages to save enough free time for herself and her hobbies. She takes great pleasure in her piano lessons and also enjoys tap dancing. Avans also works for Nanny’s Baby Sitting Register.

This spring Donna plans to finish her double major and move on to law school. She has already been accepted to the University of Georgia Law School. She plans to finish law school and become a criminal defense lawyer.

At age 19, Donna Avans is a young woman moving ahead into what promises to be a bright and successful future.

CDCS Forum: employees need to know about employers

By SANDY FORTEBERRY

Nothing turns a potential employer off faster than a person who knows nothing about the company. In a 30-minute interview, time is at a premium and should be spent on demonstrating qualifications, not on routine information which could be learned in advance.

As important as landing the job is knowing whether you even want it. Preliminary research can help determine that. Investigating the company before you interview can also help you get the job. Recruiters say they look for applicants who’ve done some background work.

Libraries carry Dun & Bradstreet’s Directories, Moody’s Manuals, or Standard & Poor’s, which are reference books on corporations. Information can also be found in annual reports, newspaper and magazine articles.

Before the interview, you should know the answers to questions like these:

+ What are the company’s locations and products or services?
+ Has the company shown substantial and consistent growth?
+ Who are its competitors?
+ What indoctrination, training, and work can you expect during the first few years?

Your “homework” should also help you determine the salary ranges for the position you seek. Salaries will differ in geographic areas, but you should know what you’re worth in the marketplace. Don’t overlook benefit packages or tuition-refund plans.

Researching firms may not be the most exciting homework assignment, but the way you prepare before you interview can make or break your performance.
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Cadets meet airborne challenge

By BRUCE MANNING

The U.S. Army paratroopers have a long and illustrious history of valor, courage, and leadership on the battlefield. The Army developed its first parachute platoon, or airborne unit as it is referred to in the Army, in 1940 at Fort Benning, Georgia. In Sicily, July of 1943, the first American airborne unit went into battle and proved to be a smashing success.

Since then many men and women have joined the ranks of airborne personnel in the Army. Some Army ROTC cadets here at JSU have also become a part of the airborne tradition by successfully completing the five-week Airborne Course at Ft. Benning, Georgia.

The Airborne School consists of three weeks of intensive, fast-paced training designed to transform a "leg" (a cadet or soldier not jump qualified) into an airborne soldier. In the first week, known as Ground Week, students are taught how to wear a parachute harness, how to exit an airplane door, and landing techniques. Exiting and landing are taught from a thirty-four-foot high Mock Door Tower.

During the second week, known as Tower Week, students are taught mass exit techniques and are introduced to the combat gear used for jumping, taught how to steer two types of parachutes and then dropped from a two hundred and fifty-foot tower with a predeployed parachute.

The third and final phase of training, Jump Week, requires the student to put all of the training together while making five actual jumps from different types of aircraft. One jump is at night and another requires combat gear. After successfully completing the fifth jump, each student is awarded Airborne Wings.

The training is demanding and tough, and physical conditioning is an absolute must before attendance. Many push-ups are performed and many miles are run in pursuit of airborne wings. Cadets at JSU must meet three basic qualifications before being considered for attendance at Airborne School. These qualifications include performing well on the Army P.T. test, maintaining a good GPA and demonstration of the attitude of never giving up. Airborne soldiers never do.

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Bill Craun said of his experience at Airborne School, "It was great although some days were so tough I didn't know if I could make it. I just hung on and finished the course. I expected tough training and I expected the best training, and that's what I got. Airborne soldiers have always been the toughest and most effective fighting men, and I'm glad that I have earned the right to be Airborne."

Cadet Major Bruce Pollard explained his three weeks at Ft. Benning. "I was hungry all the way, but I have to admit that right before that first jump, when I was still in the right business. However, I came down in one piece after all my jumps, so everything turned out all right. It was exciting, it was a challenge, and I would not hesitate to do it again."

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Russell Tyson said, "I broke my foot on the first jump. I went back after it healed and finished my other jumps. Being Airborne means a lot to me not just because of the pain I went through to get my wings. I feel like I accomplished something special. The whole experience taught me how far I personally was willing to push myself, and it was worth it all. In the Army, when people see these wings on your chest, they know you're something special."

Meeting the challenge of Airborne School is one for everyone, but those Advanced Course Army ROTC cadets at JSU who have proven they have got what it takes are Bill Craun, Mike Johnson, Tom King, Dennis Mills, Bruce Pollard, Deana Smart, Martin Trammell, and Russell Tyson.

Rush proves successful

By RANDY FAIR

The spring semester has been a busy one for fraternity members. After a week of rush parties, bids were extended to prospective pledges. Alpha Tau Omega announced eleven new pledges. They are: Scott Brewer, Beau Bryant, Kendall Creel, Scott Farr, Jeff Ferguson, Bobby Delinger, Mike Meloney, Kevin Nix, Billy Richards, Tim Stewart, and Frankie Wallace. The Tau also selected the outstanding pledge of the fall semester, David Label. They would like to invite everyone interested to little sister rush tonight.

Kappa Phi had a very successful rush week pledging Doug Styke, Steve Mattiola, Marvin Knight, Brig Conquest, Morton Rogers, Greg Howard, William Jack, Michael Masters, Jerry Kerr, and Micky Sewell.

The Sigma Nu's are very proud of their new pledges: Mike Dean, Mike Oliver, Tim Sullivan, Shaun Waldrup, Shane Grizzard, Richard Bonham, Cliff Crawford, Dave Sylvia, Greg Allen, and Harry Callihon. Sigma Nu also initiated their fall pledge class little sisters into the Order of the White Rose. They are Mara Hefflerly, Pat Daniels, Nancey Aber, Pam Brown, Betty Coplin, Coline Clark, Jana Reeves, Liz Pillay, Valerie Thomas, Kay Bridges, Amy Major, Pam White, Joy Germany, Jo Anderson, and Tina Reeves.

Delta Chi has five new pledges: Tim Wurtick, Austin Hucks, Kleston Mennenga, Steve Jackson, and Jack Rike. Little sister rush for Delta Chi will be held tonight.

All those still interested in joining a fraternity can contact any member for information. Wildcat Rush.

Delta Sigma Theta

known as achievers

By REGINA JENKINS

The Kappa Beta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. will continue to fulfill its ever-present purpose of service to others during the 1984 year. In the forthcoming months, we plan to hold a Voter's Registration Drive, a Sexual Awareness Seminar, a Rock-a-Thon, and Delta Week, just to name a few. We would greatly appreciate the support of the student body as well as other Greek letter organizations.

Delta women all over the world are known as achievers. We would like to congratulate some of our members who have made significant achievements. Congratulations to Sorors Martina Adams for making the Dean's List, Vernita Walker for being selected as an Outstanding Young Woman (See ACHIEVERS, Page 16)
Nurses Association strives for professionalism

By ROSSANNE WEBB

"We believe nursing is more than a job, an occupation. Becoming a professional begins long before graduation, and our purpose is to instill professionalism." That is the motto of the Student Nursing Association, the largest student organization in the United States. SNA offers its members a variety of career oriented services, including an official journal, written by the students, financial aid as well as malpractice insurance. But most importantly, it allows them to speak as a collective voice to legislators and to congress.

"This was a very important factor during the Carter administration," one of the SNA advisors told us, "When a proposed budget cut included cutting funds for student nursing, the SNA, along with other professional nursing organizations, raised a strong voice, against the proposed budget cut, and it was stopped."

On the local level, the Student Nursing Association meets monthly either at the Lurleen B. Wallace School of Nursing or at Regional Hospital. A guest speaker gives the students a better idea of what awaits them in their future career. Some of the services this organization offers the School of Nursing include helping in their graduation tea, coordinating career day and serving as ambassadors to the representatives of the hospitals interviewing graduating students. The SNA also is the organization the student representatives through which the faculty committees are elected.

SNA is a self-supporting organization. The School of Nursing offers no financial help. All funds are raised through the sale of stethoscopes, pin lights, and bandage scissors, instruments all nursing students need.

Dorothy Scalp, a senior nursing student, presently serves as president of the organization. According to Portia Foster, faculty advisor for SNA, "SNA has done a super job for the organization. They have progressed so much under her leadership." Officers and its members run the organization. They elect new advisors every two years. These advisor positions are detached from the organization itself, they are only there for help. The students handle everything themselves.

The Student Nursing Association, striving for professionalism among its members, will help nursing students enter the job market with more confidence because SNA has helped them develop background.

Rifle team begins victorious

The Jacksonville State varsity rifle team began its spring season with a victory over five other college teams in a tournament held here on Saturday, Jan. 28.

The ROTC unit from the University of New Orleans took second place. Third went to New Orleans, fourth to North Alabama, followed by Alabama-Birmingham and Livingston.

Robert Tanaka scored 533 out of a possible 600 points for the JSU team and took second place individual honors. Ted Mauley shot a 507, and Jeff Kendrick a 503.

Other Jax State rifle team members are Evelyn East, Ray Stanberry, Robin Putnam, Karen Heath, Sharon McClean, Kenny Scler and Mike Walker.

The JSU rifle team took third place in the Gulf South Conferences last year, and took third in 1983. And they are aiming high for another conference title in 1984.

Computer tourney to be held

The 41st Annual Programming Tournament sponsored by the Computer Science Club, Sunday, February 5, 1984, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Bibb Graves Hall, RM 307. Entry Fee: $6.00 per team. Limit 2 persons per team.

Program in your choice of languages. Winners names engraved on a plaque commemorating the event.

Phi Mu Alpha conducts successful smoker

By RANDY FAIR.

A very successful smoker has the Phi Mu Alphas looking forward to the spring semester.

The smoker was open to everyone interested in joining the professional fraternity for men in music. Bids were later extended and the Phi Mu Alphas welcomed six new pledges: Rick Spradling, Ty Snyder, Billy Walker, Alan Armstrong, David Armstrong, and Mike Brown.

'Pledge' was extended for little sisters and four little sister pledges were accepted. They are Twyla Strickland, Tracy Teem, Bonnie Gray, and Jani Muller.

Phi Mu Alphas conducted new members and is looking forward to their becoming a part of the fraternity.
Jax State grabs Tigers by the tail

By CHRIS ROBERTS

Melvin Allen wiped the floor at Livingston Saturday night in more ways than one.

The 6-foot-1 junior guard from Toney scored 27 points during Jacksonville State's 85-74 win over the Livingston Tigers.

The win moved Jacksonville, ranked fifth in Division II, to 14-2 overall and 6-1 in the Gulf South Conference.

Allen was the leading scorer for Jax State. He was the leader on the floor. He played inspired defense. He shot 13 of 16 from the foul line.

And when a teammate fell late in the game, he took a towel and mopped up the moisture.

The rest of the Gamecocks did some mopping, too. They took care of the Tigers on the road, something that hasn't happened since 1976.

And they made up for last year's mistake. In 1983, Jacksonville was ahead by six points with 40 seconds left was 8-74.

Jacksonville was ahead by 38-29, but then Livingston began to make up for the otherwise dull performance by the Gamecocks.

He and (taller guard) Earl Warren really played exceptionally well," Jones said. "The only regret I've got is that I didn't rest them enough. I'll start to substitute for them more as the season goes on. We've got eight or nine people who are capable of coming in for us."

"I thought that during some portions of the game it was evident that the person who controlled the offense for us was Melvin. He wanted the ball. And the press that he was involved in was the difference in the big lead we got at the beginning of the game."

Livingston, 7-10 overall and 1-6 in the conference, opened the game with a tail lineup to compensate for Jacksonville's talents under the backboards. As a result, the Tigers had more rebounds than JSU.

But Jacksonville's strong press on defense made up for that rebounding disadvantage. Jacksonville stole the ball countless times with a tremendous fall court press.

"That press just never let them get ahead," said Jones.

Melvin didn't, either. He scored the first six points for Jacksonville, and had 15 at the half.

"I think it was the best game I've played in a while," Allen said. "We've all been playing hard. We're all going out trying to beat people. I felt pretty good out there. We've been playing good as a team on the road."

"We remembered what happened last year when we played here, and we weren't going to let that happen again."

It didn't. Jacksonville never trailed in the contest.

The Gamecocks ran off a 14-2 stretch during one four minute stretch in the first half that gave them a comfortable 10-point cushion during the remainder of the game. Jacksonville's largest lead of the night was 15 points (47-32) with 2:10 left in the first half.

At intermission, Jacksonville was up 38-29.

The Gamecocks' lead hit a game-high 15 points again with 11 minutes left (54-39), but then Livingston began to whittle away at the margin.

Foul shots kept Jacksonville on top. The Gamecocks shot 31 of 46 from the foul line, and a blistering 16 of 21 during the final four minutes.

Warren scored 19 for the Gamecocks, followed by Keith McKeller's 17 and Robert Guyton's 16.

BALL GIRLS: First row, from left, Merle Moore, Diana Sanderson, Leah Cobb; second row - Lisa Jones, Lori Wright, Robin Coar, Sonya Toliver, Tina Reeves.

Just what are ball girls?

By JENNELL BURKES

The Jacksonville State basketball ball girls are a joyous and dedicated group of young ladies that are a vital part in an successful sportsmanship at this university's basketball activities.

For eight years, this group has been an "attractive feature for the home games and also for the calendars and brochures for recruiting that are scattered throughout the United States", says Coach Bill Jones.

The Ball Girls are sponsored by the basketball program and are selected by a committee which consists of Assistant Coach Hobbs, graduate assistants, and occasionally by team members. No experience is necessary. The only qualification is an interest in basketball and to be a responsible individual. The eight girls that hold the positions now show a great deal of hospitality in all events of the Jax State basketball program in which they take part in.
By ROBIN COAR

For the second consecutive year Jacksonville State University has been picked as the pre-season favorite to win the Gulf South Basketball Championship. With four starters and its top reserves returning from last season, it’s very easy to see why Jax State was predicted to win the 1983-84 crown.

One of the top returning players for the Gamecocks is Robert Spurgeon. Robert was the dynamic freshman who was voted the Most Valuable Player in last year’s Gulf South Conference. The 6’8” 240-pound native of Cedartown, Georgia, poured in 41 points and pulled down 19 rebounds in wins over Mississippi College, North Alabama, and Valdosta State.

Although he is only a sophomore, Robert’s performance will enhance the Gamecocks this season. “Robert is a very strong and aggressive basketball player,” coach Jones said. “He is one of the most competitive young men who has ever worn a Gamecock uniform. He comes up with the clutch rebound and steals for us in crucial situations. He’s a real player.”

Averaging 12 points and 6 rebounds per game, Robert is sure to help lead the Gamecocks to the title.

Jax State’s Robert Spurgeon

Spurgeon also has outstanding quickness. This is evident in the fact that he led the Gamecocks with 51 steals last season. Spurgeon’s career high was 18 points and 14 rebounds against Valdosta State last season.

While attending Cedartown High, Robert was named to virtually every honor team in the country, including All-American. He averaged 12.2 rebounds and 21.3 points. Spurgeon was also ranked 19th during his junior year out of 25. Still pursuing his basketball career during his senior year, he was ranked 7.

Although Robert’s main sport is basketball, he still had time to participate in other sports. Spurgeon played football one year at Cedartown High as their starting centerback.

Robert left Jacksonville to test his abilities at Southern Union. “I didn’t like it there, so I decided to take one more trip back to Jacksonville,” Spurgeon replied. “I knew Jacksonville was the place for me because Southern Union was my second choice.”

When asked what his key role as a player was, Robert replied, “I feel as though I’m more of a defensive player, but I love to work hard both on offense and defense. I like getting the team fired up because basketball is a very emotional game.”

“The coach looks at me as a leader; he expects leadership from me even though I’m not-tempered,” the sophomore said.

(See SPURGEON, page 11)

By STEVE CAMP

Indoor track season is a unique experience for any track and field participant. Being so early in the year, few of the athletes who compete are in top physical condition and have had little time to prepare for meets. With this in mind, it is apparent that records and sparking performances are very rarely the case in indoor gatherings.

The Gamecock thinclads were definitely no exception to this rule as they traveled to the capital city of Montgomery last weekend to compete in the annual NCAA Southern Indoor Track and Field Championships.

"Indoor track is a rewarding experience for anyone who has never had the chance to participate other than during the usual outdoor season," stated JSU track coach Bill Slaughter. "We came down here for several reasons. One is so that we can see individually how we are going into training for the outdoor season. Another is so that these guys can have the chance to compete alongside many top-rate competitors. Top competition was exactly what the team from Jacksonville found.

Among the teams in attendance were Georgia, Alabama, Auburn, and a host of the south’s top Division I and II schools.

With teams of this caliber, it was no wonder that the Gamecocks, along with a number of other schools, was unable to score any points. "Scoring points was not the goal we had in coming down here," said one of the team’s leaders Stan Norton. "Most of us just wanted to have something to use as a measuring stick for our future training.

Of the performances displayed by the Jax State team, that of Matt Holbrooks was probably the most promising. The sophomore from Slaughter recorded a time of 9.89 in the two mile run.

Jacksonville State coach Slaughter does not plan to carry his team to any further indoor competition this winter due mainly in part to the fact that nagging injuries plague many of the team’s key performers. This decision was welcomed by the team who will begin gearing up for the swiftly approaching outdoor schedule which is set to get underway in the latter part of March.

The famous Budweiser Rocket Car, the only vehicle in the world to break the speed of sound on land, is the newest addition to the Motorsports Hall of Fame & Museum in Talladega, Alabama. Owned by Hal Needham and driven by Stan Barrett, the 40-foot long car broke the sound barrier on December 17, 1979 in a run clocked at 729.666 miles per hour at Edwards Air Force Base. It has a 48,000 horsepower V-4 Hydrogen Peroxide Rocket with Hybrid Unit, plus a 12,000 horsepower Sidewinder missile which was activated when the car reached 600 mph. The car accelerated to 140 mph in one second, and to 400 mph in three seconds, putting five G’s of pressure on Barrett. It will be on display at Talladega for one year. Shown with the car are local Budweiser distributors (from left to right) Bob Brown, Jr., president of Bama Beverage in Anniston; and Bob Brown, president of Coosa Valley Budweiser, Inc. of Sylacauga.
From the stands

The great shoe battle

I was reading my favorite sports magazine last week and came across an article about shoe contracts for professional athletes.

Now I know that this tactic of advertising is one of the best since the players and their agents definitely show up in the public spotlight, but it sounds utterly ridiculous to pay someone to wear your shoes. In my dream room you'd have to pay someone not to wear your foot attire.

For those of you who didn't read the particular piece, let me enlighten you to some of the shoe deals that exist between the players and the top shoe manufacturers. "Dr. J," Julius Erving has a lifetime contract which pays him $250 thousand dollars a year to wear Converse basketball shoes. He achieved this after complaining over his old contract with the company. Poor soul, he was making only $75 thousand on his old one.

Kareem Abdul Jabaar (Adidas) and Moses Malone (Nike) each make $125 thousand dollars a year to wear their shoes. He who ever knew the game you see these guys on posters or television commercials and they say, "I choose my shoes for comfort and performance," you'd know that what they actually should say is, "I wear these shoes because the dudes pay me more than those other guys did."

Of all the outrageous shoe contracts, the one that takes the cake is that of Hershel Walker. Ever wonder why everytime you see Hershel he is decked out from his sunglasses to his socks in Adidas? Not so much that he likes the style, but he wears the stuff because the company pays him a cool million bucks a year. If the company wanted to give me that kind of money, even my athletic supporter would sport three strips.

But these contracts don't stop with the superstar. Every player in the NBA has a shoe deal of some kind. The tenth player for the Cleveland Cavaliers, whose name obviously escapes me, makes $5,000 for wearing Nikes.

The very fact that players such as Sam Donaldson and Mark Landshurger have shoe deals, is a side of the face, in laughter. Those guys need contracts with a company that manufactures orthopedic combat boots, considering the way they play.

Seeing a grasy train like this, the coaches have also jumped on the band wagon. They keep these players off the field so they'll force their players to wear a specific brand of shoe. An exception to this was the case when Dominique Wilkins was at the University of Georgia. He wore Converse while the others on Hugh Durham's squad wore Nike.

After all, whom do you think persuaded Patrick Ewing to wear the Nike insignia on his gray T-shirt last season? It wasn't his mother, or his girl friend (if he has one). It was his coach, John Thompson.

Money isn't the only persuasive element in the hunt nowadays. Several of the companies use free trips to Hawaii and various other tropical paradises to keep their "cash cows" happy. They label these little excursions "teaching clinics" and write them off as business trips. One of the companies uses the use of a Rolls Royce to their players.

But of all the bizarre happenings in the wonderful world of shoes, two strike me as the most odd — the contracts of Darryl Dawkins and Adrian Danley.

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But before the season began, Dawkins decided that he wanted to wear Converse instead. Nike finally was forced to let him out of his contract. Were they upset? How would you feel if you were stuck with $5,000 Chocolate Thunder posters that you couldn't sell anymore?

So it's settled you say, Dawkins wears Converse? Wrong. The day of the season opener rolls around and out strides Darryl Dawkins. He's not wearing Converse, and he's not wearing Nikes either. This time, he's sporting a pair of Ponsys.

The other known abuser of this deal is Adrian Danley. Most of us who play wear one pair of shoes per season, but not Danley. He wears a pair for one game, twice at the most, then discards them for new ones. Fifty to seventy - five pair a year is overdressing if I little I do believe.

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Spurgeon

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Coaches and players feel that Robert plays a vital part in the Gamecock winning tradition. A fellow teammate, Andre King, as well. The next player for the Cleveland Cavaliers, whose name obviously escapes me, makes $5,000 for wearing Nikes.

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