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## President-elect Baxley: 'I can't believe it'

By Steve Matthews  
News Editor

"I can't believe it," Student Body Vice President Mike Baxley said Tuesday night after having been elected by an overwhelming margin to the student body presidency.

Baxley won with 2,046 votes, or 70.5 per cent of the vote; his opponent, Bill McCuen, received 836 votes, or 28.8 per cent.

Ed Johnson will become the new vice president, having defeated Waring Howe with a tally of 1,590-1,408. Johnson won 53 per cent of the vote.

Five low court and three high court candidates were also elected to those posts in the polling last Tuesday.

Baxley, Student Senate President Andy Berly, his campaign manager and his campaign workers, many of whom are now in student government, were confident as the first results came in.

The first ballots counted — those which had been bent and write-in votes — showed Baxley ahead with a count of 140-58.

This 70-30 per cent distribution was confirmed when the other computer card ballots had been run through Clemson's computer in the Plant and Animal Science building. The 70-30 percentile division was the same as predicted in a Baxley campaign poll two weeks before the election.

Elections Board Chairman Jane Warren certified the results before 9 p.m., Tuesday, and appeared pleased by the outcome.

Warren was also pleased by the voter turnout: "It was higher than I expected, but not as high as last year." Last year, students were drawn to the polls by a binding visitation referendum.

And, added Warren, "I'm glad it's over."

Baxley, who said he had doubts of his victory earlier in the election day, seemed undaunted by the overwhelming margin of his victory.

"I attribute that to the best campaign organization that we ever had," he said. "Andy Berly as campaign manager was entirely responsible for the campaign. It's amazing to me that people who were so wrapped up in other things dropped everything to work on the campaign."

Baxley praised the current student body president, Harold Price, who later returned the favor. "Harold and I probably have worked better than any other team in the past five or six years."

Baxley stated he would take a break "over the next couple of days." He will not be inducted as president until March 31.

"Over the next two weeks we'll be taking applications for cabinet posts and other appointed positions," Baxley said. "During spring break, I'm going to do a lot of work on policies."

Concerning vice-president elect Johnson, Baxley said: "Ed and I were roommates a year ago. We've worked together on the department of services. We have the same philosophy on a lot of the issues. I'm sure next year will be one of cooperation."

In analyzing the election, political science major Baxley commented, "I think it wasn't strictly a vote on me but on a lot of the projects student government has done this year."

Baxley named six of these: 1) creation of a student discount card, 2) acquisition of a lawyer for free legal advice to students, 3) acquisition of ice machines, 4) creation of a student review board to handle traffic tickets, 5) installation of two copying machines, and 6) expansion of the shuttle service.

"We've been criticized for being small-minded this year," said Baxley, "but next year we're going to do more."

Baxley also praised loser McCuen, a virtual unknown who came to be regarded as radical by most Clemson students.

"I think Bill had a real good approach," he said. "If he's going to put forth the energy that he talked about in the campaign, we in student government can use him." McCuen could not be reached for comment.

Price was available for comment and was pleased by the winners. "I've worked with both of them this year. We've worked well together and I know they well next year."

"It's important that you get two people together who can share ideas and not be overbearing on each other," he said. "I really think it's going to be a good team."

Price was surprised by the large turnout. "I was predicting about 2,400 but we ended up with about 2,800."

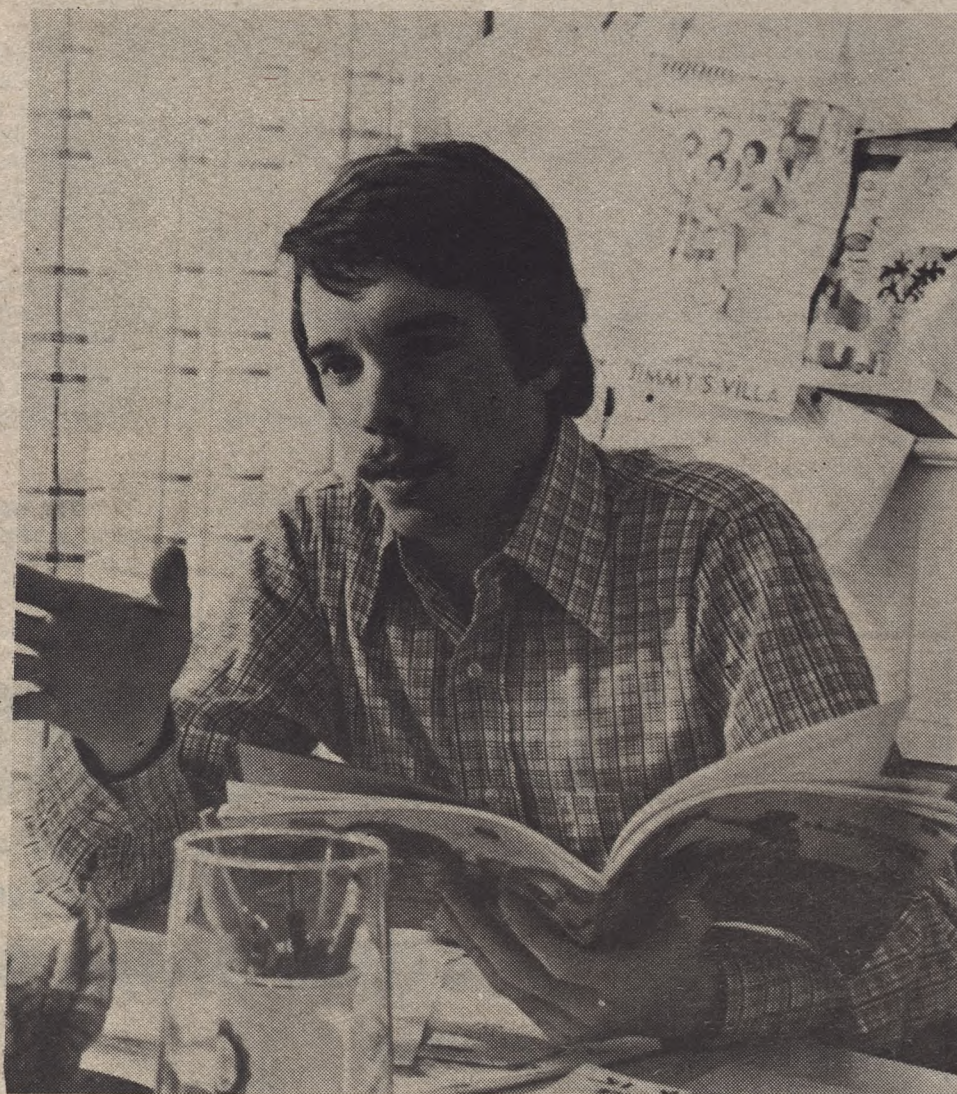
Price now has less than one month left in his term as student body president. "We've got a lot of things we want to finish in the next month. The month is a time for me to share some of my ideas with Mike."

The student body president also praised McCuen's effort. "I hope Mike can take advantage of Bill's energy."

The vice presidential race was much closer than the presidential landslide. The outcome surprised many, but did not surprise the winner, Ed Johnson.

"I thought I would win with about 54 per cent," he said. "It turned out about 53 per cent."

"We were pretty successful in getting people to vote. More voted for vice president than president." Indeed, about 100 more students voted in the veep contest than in the Baxley-McCuen contest.



MIKE BAXLEY

Stieglitz

"I want to try to ensure that next year we'll have a larger turnout," Johnson said.

Johnson was optimistic about the coming year. "I think we'll get a lot done. Since Mike and I already have a friendship, I think we can work well together. I think we can get a lot more done next year."

Howe, who had campaigned door to door through the dorms for the past eight weeks, was disappointed by the loss. "It's somewhat of a surprise. I felt I had more support than was indicated by the votes."

"I felt I was deserving of the opportunity," Howe said. "I know I made a superior effort as far as my campaign time and effort. I felt good all along. I had substantial support."

Howe also discussed his future in student government. "I'm still a senator," he said. "I may continue as a legal advisor. I'll have to wait to decide how I'll be involved later."

"I have a feeling that student government will continue to progress," Howe added.

## Candidate drops campaign charge

A formal accusation calling for student court action against vice-presidential candidate Waring Howe, by vice-president elect Ed Johnson was withdrawn by Johnson on Wednesday, one day after his election victory.

The accusation stated that Howe and five other people had violated section four, part B of the Acts of the Student Senate by "the unauthorized removal or destruction of bulletins, notices, or campaign literature."

Howe emphatically denied the charge.

The accusation went on to say that Johnson, and his campaign manager Jake Clark, saw Howe and other people remove campaign literature belonging to Johnson. The accusation further stated that he and Clark encountered the group and that there were words between him and Howe. The accusation said the time and place of

these events were 2:00 A.M., Tuesday, March 1, at the Rhodes kiosk.

Howe, and his campaign manager, Cindy Hall, said that the accusation was completely false. He stated that Johnson was "totally mistaken."

"I had about six to eight people distributing flyers last night, but they were spread out all over campus," Howe said. "It's not anything that I would advocate."

Johnson and Clark filed their formal accusation with attorney general, David Kerford, Tuesday around noon but stated later that night he decided to drop the charge.

"We have decided to pursue it in a different way. We will push legislation through the student senate," declared Johnson.



## News In Brief

### Chamber Music offered

The Chamber Music Series of the Clemson music department ends its current season Tuesday, March 8, with a concert by pianist Marcia Morrow Brannon.

The program will begin at 8 p.m. in Daniel Hall Auditorium and will be followed by a brief "meet the artist" reception. There will be no admission charge.

Brannon's program will open with two transcriptions from the works of Johann Sebastian Bach, the "Siciliano" from the Second Flute Sonata, and "Sheep May Safely Graze" from the Birthday Cantata.

The "Apassionata" sonata by Beethoven will end the first half. After intermission the Sonata in B Minor by Liszt will complete the recital.

### Students represent Japan

A Clemson delegation, representing Japan will participate in the Harvard Model United Nations March 4-7.

About 55 colleges and universities will participate in the 23-year-old event at Harvard University in Boston, Mass.

The Clemson delegation of 10 students has been studying the culture and politics of Japan since October and will try to simulate the positions of the real Japanese U.N. delegation.

Some of the resolutions expected to be debated are the Middle East situation, international sea law and charter review.

Edwin Coulter of the Clemson political science department is adviser to Clemson's delegation.

## Cox discusses radicalism

In a recent interview, Dean Cox (College Of Liberal Arts) was asked about what became of the protests, demonstrations, and the radicalism that dominated student life in the late 1960's.

Cox replied that it seems to have disappeared and "has been replaced with concern about jobs and a resolve to 'work within the system'."

When asked why this shift has taken place, Dean Cox said, "I would say that tough economic times has had as much to do with it as anything else...And then too, it seems to me, that student attitudes go in cycles, anyhow. And it may be that the militant radicalism of the late 1960's just wore itself out."

"A movement like that which is at fever pitch just can't last indefinitely. And as soon as the leaders in it get old enough to be fairly conservative, or as soon as they get good jobs and become one of the bureaucracy, or one of the vested interests, then a movement just naturally peters out for lack of leadership."

Cox believes that the result, from the lack of radicalism, is that studies and grades are being taken more seriously.

Cox also stated that there has been a shift to vocationalism in curricular matters. Cox believes that this is because of the 'hard economic times'.

"The trend is toward the area of studies which can produce jobs...As soon as times improve, that trend will probably reverse itself."

Dean Cox also brought out that "students themselves are becoming more demanding academically. They are demanding better teaching and more adequate administration and are not going to be satisfied with second-rate faculty performance."

"It used to be assumed that if a student didn't get what he was supposed to get (out of a course) it was his own fault." Cox agrees that the professor has an obligation too.

"A favorable aspect of this is that it keeps the professors on their toes." Cox pointed out though, "that it takes a cooperative effort on both parts."

Concerning student apathy, or lack of involvement that seems to dominate today's student life, Cox replied, "I do not see much sign of apathy toward important public issues. I just think that the radicalism is toned down."

"I think students are still very interested in national affairs and social problems and that basically students are still pretty idealistic."

When asked about student apathy at Clemson, in particular, Cox replied that, "I think it's too bad that such a small proportion of students vote in student elections." Other than that, he did not find apathy a problem here.

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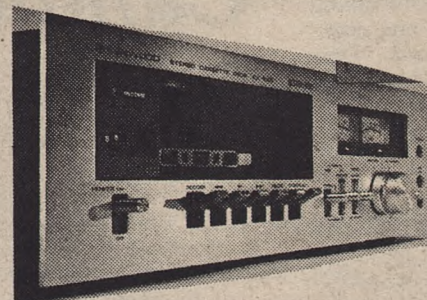
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# Nessen: Press oversimplifies complex issues

by Thom Taylor

"I understand today is election day here at Clemson, I know the feeling," quipped former White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen. And so he should. Nessen, speaking before a relatively small audience Tuesday night in Tillman, witnessed first hand the Presidential race between his former boss Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter.

"I don't know who is going to lose, but I already have sympathy for them," he continued. "This is also a special day for me — it's the beginning of my second month of unemployment."

But turning to a more serious note, Nessen proceeded to relate several of his experiences in what he considers to be the "second toughest job" in the government. He recalled the terrible damage that had been done to the trust relationship between the Presidency and the people.

"But I am proud of the fact that I was able to play a role in helping President Ford restore a good and healthy relationship between the White House and the press." He noted that all Americans will watch President Carter carefully to make sure he continues to improve that relationship.

The main topic of Nessen's speech was the problem of the press in our society. He contends that the main problem is that of excessive concentration on trivia. Therein he noted that in one recent edition of ABC's evening news, over five minutes of the 22 allotted minutes of air time were filled with stories on Amy Carter's new class in Washington.

"Something is definitely wrong when

serious news space is taken up by junk news," he commented.

Another example he cited of trivia concentration was the constant harassment of President Ford by the news media in the field of word blunders. "Instead of programs and proposals designed to help the country, the evening TV viewer was hosted by a news commentator telling us what small slip of the tongue President Ford made today."

Nessen labeled the charge that news commentators have no effect on the average viewer as being "bologna". In support of that he claimed that after the famous "East European" mistake of President Ford's, a poll was immediately taken and showed that the majority believed that Ford had still won the debate. "However", later after the news commentators had reported his mistake over and over again, another poll was taken. That one showed that people gave up their own opinion, and 'adopted the opinions of the news analysers'. It reflected Ford as losing the debate by 40 percent.

Nessen also labeled as "ridiculous" the "continuous and totally inadequate stories of President Ford being a 'bummer'". He labeled Ford as a graceman man who was in excellent athletic shape. He recalled a Johnny Carson joke that implied Ford would have a job waiting for him when he left the White House. "Just strap a wristwatch around his forehead and let him get off a plane," he joked. "Timex would love it."

Returning to a serious point, Nessen argued that all the grandure and imperialism has been taken out of the Presidency. "Reporters extensively dig-

ing into the private lives of our public officials is inexcusable." Billy Carter's drinking habits or the Ford's sleeping arrangements are "simply none of anyone else's business," he stated.

He further noted that the Constitution of the United States did not require the press to show taste or restraint. "It only requires that they be free." But he added that he was pleased with the Carters' recent shun

of television reporters who were asking very personal questions. "Reporters should ask more serious questions about more serious subjects."

Nessen related the events which occurred on the night of the election, and said that he received definite word of their defeat about 3:00 in the gathering. "I took it upstairs to where the Fords were having a small gathering, but just as I arrived the President was going to bed, and I just didn't have the heart to tell him."

In conclusion, Nessen said that he left the White House "a better place than I found it, and I was proud to serve in the capacity of Press Secretary for Gerald Ford."

## Review board hears cases

Clemson students were allowed to have their traffic tickets reviewed by a student review board for the first time in the school's history last Tuesday night. Even though only four cases were heard, the session marked the beginning of a six week trial period that will end on April 15.

"I thought that it went very well," commented Mike Baxley, who has been designated as the assistant to the student traffic review board. "The students were most pleased by a true judgement by peers. Even the student who was denied said that the system was good for students." Baxley was referring to a case where one student's request for a ticket to be voided was refused by the board.

A greater number of students are expected at future traffic review board meetings. With more students appealing tickets, a crowded session could become a

problem. "As the sessions progress, the board members will become more familiar with the traffic code," stated Baxley. Baxley said he expected the review board to act more smoothly with experience.

Bryan Golson, a member of the traffic review board, also thought the first session went well. "It is going to work," stated Golson. Golson said that the cases were treated as fairly as possible. "Students are satisfied, and I think that the procedure ran smoothly."

The procedure for a student wishing to have a case heard by the traffic review board begins with filling out an information form at the student government office within five days of getting the ticket. The ticket to be reviewed will be attached to this form and the student will be given an

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## Letters

### SLBI thanks workers

On behalf of the Student League for Black Identity (SLBI), I would like to thank all persons who participated in or supported the Black Awareness Week activities, February 13-19, especially: Deborah James, Anne Cooney, William Clinkscales, Ruby Lee Addison, Cathy Turner, Mary Morgan, Elizabeth Williams, and our advisor, Russel Willingham.

As a means of celebrating this occasion the SLBI sponsored a Gospel Program to present one aspect of Black culture on Sunday evening where the majority of the audience were members of the neighboring communities and visiting choirs.

On Monday night Black Literature students participated in oral interpretations on prominent Black writers and poets and a historical presentation was presented as a portion of the history of the Black man in America. The audience was about thirty people.

On Tuesday evening "The Company of Us" from Greenwood, S.C., presented a one act drama "Another Morning Rising." This one of our largest audiences for the week, approximately fifty people.

On Thursday, Ojeda Penn, jazz musician and English professor at Atlanta Junior College spoke to our audience of about thirty people on American culture today and the awareness we should have of it.

Friday evening under the direction of Selma Hopkins a talent show was presented featuring Black students along with a fashion show by "Ecstasy of Fashion," of Florence, S.C. The audience, the week's largest, was approximately eighty people.

I was quite disappointed to find out that Clemson has only 120 Black undergraduates enrolled here, but I was even more disturbed that these 120 students did not fully support our Black Week activities.

Black Awareness Week is celebrated nationally for one week of the year; however, many of my fellow Black students did not attend one of these activities. If anyone should have attended these activities during that week it should have been the entire 120 Black students if no one else.

It would also boost our moral to have seen some of our fellow white students, members of the faculty and staff, especially from the history department.

Awareness on Clemson University's campus we must have some unity about ourselves. Black Awareness Week is not only for the Black students, but the whole

student body. One week in February is set aside for Black Week and we would like for the University and other student organizations to help us by not scheduling events during that week so that their members could attend. Our events are free and we have a program every night unless there is a basketball game scheduled. Thank you in advance for your future cooperation.

Cathy White (SLBI) President

### Posters should be removed

I would like to make the suggestion that everyone who runs for student government office prove to all of us that they are truly as interested in Clemson's welfare as they would like us to believe by removing their campaign posters after the election. The campus is really beautiful in the spring, and I personally think the after-campaign trash is an eyesore.

It dirties up trees, sidewalks, walls, bannisters, steps, trashbins, mailboxes, signposts, light posts, windows, doors, and practically anything else within eyesight. I am not saying the posters don't serve a purpose, only that they should be properly disposed of after the election is over. Thanks.

Al Lowe

### Pick up your own trash

I've attended Clemson for two months and I'm impressed by its natural beauty. Walking to class is a pleasant experience. Often unfortunately, there is an absurd amount of trash lying around to spoil the view, I don't expect the campus to be spotless, but much deliberate littering could be avoided, if some people were more considerate. Here are two examples of deliberate littering:

Last Saturday, the 26th, was a warm day, and a small group was sunning, and drinking beer between Fort Hill and the Shoeboxes. It's a shame that when they left, they abandoned their beer cans and bottles. Someone else finally threw them away. Wednesday, the first, Bob McDonald dropped his knife on

the middle of the floor en route to the tray conveyor at Harcombe. He noticed it, but did little else. Since ARA pays students to clean up, Bob knew someone would pick up behind him. Dropping silverware must be fun, because moments later, one of Bob's cohorts was happily dropping his spoon in the same place for my benefit.

Harcombe and the green lawn of Fort Hill aren't the same of course, but the lax mentality behind each episode is.



.... WELL, I WAS GOING TO CLEAN UP, BUT I COULD ALWAYS USE THE PUBLICITY FOR NEXT YEAR!

I know what one has in mind when he wantonly makes a mess or creates an eyesore. Maybe he thinks it's funny or it will clean itself up. Well, it isn't and it won't work. Pick up your own trash. The slight effort will produce beautiful results.

Christian LeBlanc

### Student upset by theft

Last Wednesday I had about thirty dollars stolen from me at Fike Field House. Although I left the locker unattended for only about three minutes, it was enough time for the thief to do his work. For four years I attended UNC-Chapel Hill and I never had anything stolen. I'm sure it will make the thief happy to know that I was going to spend the money on medicine for my young baby. Judging from the cheating I have seen on quizzes at Clemson, I'm afraid that I would have to say the personal honesty of the students here is deplorable. It had to be a student that stole the money because only students use Fike. I hope that any honest students (if there are any at Clemson) will help me beat the hell out of this thief if I ever find him.

John Kelly

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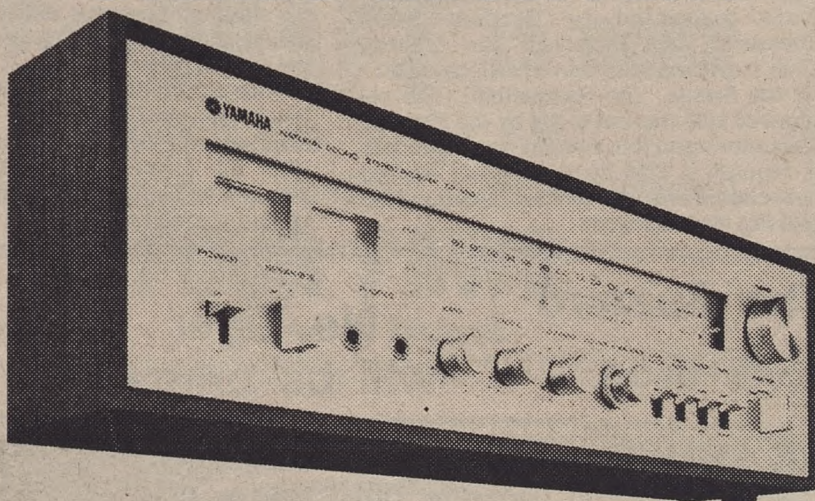


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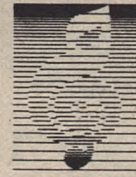
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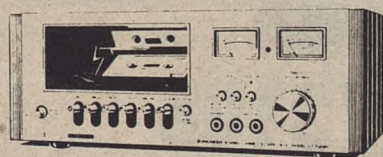
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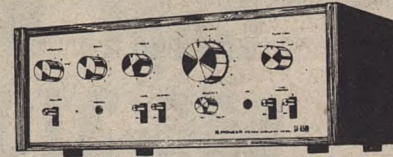
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## Review board

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appointment to appear before the board. At the board meeting, the student is given a few minutes to appeal his ticket and answer questions that the board might have. A decision is then made as to whether the ticket is voided or not.

"One thing that the board feels is that their duty is to enforce the traffic code and not to break or bend it," explained Baxley. Baxley stressed that the board will not be voiding tickets at a wholesale level, but will void those tickets that they feel were wrongfully given.

The student traffic review board is not the final appeal for students' traffic tickets. "If a student is not satisfied with the decision of the board, he can appeal further to the recorder, Judge Burns," stated Baxley.

The student traffic review board meetings are now held on Tuesday and Thursday nights. They will become a permanent part of the traffic system only if

students and administration are satisfied with the six week trial period. "If the students are not satisfied with it," said Baxley, "we will move to disband the board."

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## Senate revises rules, other legislation

by Jake Clark

In the major action of Monday night's session, the Student Senate sustained President Harold Price's veto of the recently passed court reform bill, thus effectively killing the proposal to set up two equal courts to replace the High and Low courts. Price stated that he "could not in good conscience" sign the act and noted several objections.

Among these were that there was no provision for implementing the change and no allowance for selection of the increased numbers of court members which were called for in the proposal. Also, Price noted that the candidates for the court system in this election had run on the premise that there would be two distinct courts, High and Low.

Emergency Funding requests from three campus organizations, along with finance committee recommendations, were presented by Student Body Treasurer Rick Rountree. The Archery Club requested \$1492 and was allocated \$811 by the Senate. The Racquetball Club request of \$130 was cut to \$74 by the Finance Committee and this amount was approved. A request of \$318 by the Student Nurses Association was cut to \$260 in committee and this was allocated.

One new organization was recognized: Phi Gamma Nu, a Business and Professional Sorority. In other committee action, Food Services proposed a resolution which would require the checking of student meal tickets at the doors to Harcombe Dining Hall and the construction of an inner wall around the perimeter of the building to allow for traffic flow by those students not eating in the dining hall. Joe Byrnes proposed an amendment to delete the portion of the bill calling for the wall, but this was defeated. Subsequently, the proposal was defeated. A resolution to establish a sandwich line (along the lines of the one in Harcombe) in Schilleter Hall and to lengthen the hours to correspond with those in Harcombe was passed.

The Rules Committee proposed legislation to set a standard nominating procedure for Senate elections. This proposal was amended to remove any limitation on the number of persons allowed to speak on behalf of candidates. The Senators passed the legislation in this form.

Once again, the bill to alter and clarify the regulations regarding Homecoming displays was brought out of committee. With the former restrictions on height stricken and several other changes made, the bill passed easily.

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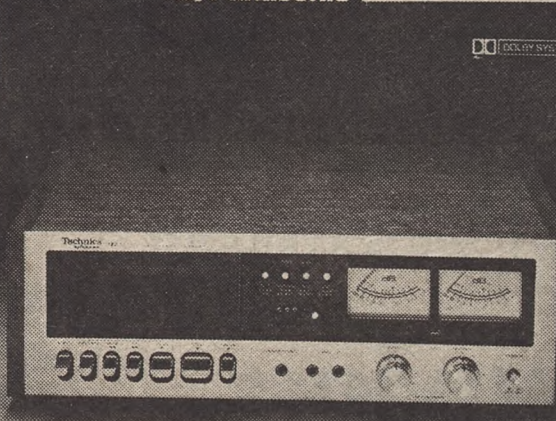
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# Nessen describes term as Press Secretary

By Thom Taylor

**Tiger:** When you were still a journalist, how did you feel about Richard Nixon's and Spiro Agnew's constant criticism of the press?

**Nessen:** I used to go around the country when I was a reporter and make speeches and talk about how Spiro Agnew didn't really know what he was talking about, and I still feel the same way. The harshest criticism of the press that is made now and then too, for that matter, comes from the press. That's where the really tough criticism comes from because the motives of that criticism are to improve the methods of journalism. I've been a journalist for over 20 years and if I have any complaints, it is because I want my profession to be better — Spiro Agnew's motives I think were something more than that.

**Tiger:** What weaknesses did you see in the press after you took over as White House Press Secretary?

**Nessen:** I would say the primary weakness I saw as Press Secretary was a tendency to over-simplify complex issues. To me on the outside the business of the Presidency appeared to be less complicated than it really was. I would write a story and present the issues in too much of a black and white, good guys and bad guys, and didn't really realize the true complexities of the issues that are dealt with at the White House. That's a lesson I will take back to journalism with me, and be a better journalist for it — I'll bring to my stories the true complexities of the issues. When I used to report the reason that the President did something, I was satisfied, but now I realize that there are probably 20 reasons why he does everything. And probably 19 others that people presented him for not doing it.

**Tiger:** How did former Press Secretary Horst's resignation over Nixon's pardon affect you and your decision to take his old job?

**Nessen:** I'm not really sure why Jerry resigned, he never said specifically. But if his reason was that he disagreed with the pardon, that kind of reasoning never affected my judgement as to whether to take the job. I used to be asked a lot if I agreed with the pardon. That's an irrelevant question, nobody really cares whether the Press Secretary agrees or disagrees, his job is to announce what the President has decided, and explain why the president has decided to do it. I don't care what his reasons were. When I was asked any question, I tried to answer it as I thought the President would if he were there. My own personal views don't figure into it, I was his spokesman.

**Tiger:** What was your first question for President Ford as White House Press Secretary?

**Nessen:** Well, I thought I knew the right questions to ask him. One was "What kind of Press Secretary will I be? Will I get information first hand by attending the meetings and listening to the decisions or do I have to go to somebody else to get my information?" I got the answer I wanted on that; next I told him I was not an active Republican, I was really apolitical. I told him the last time I had voted was in 1960, and had voted for Kennedy. He said that made no difference to him. I warned him that I would not be a salesman for his programs, I think the Press Secretary's job is to announce and explain. And he said "Well if I can't sell them, you can't sell them." Finally I told him I didn't want to be just a mouthpiece, and that turned out to be true. The President would often seek out my advice on certain issues. Nine other advisors and myself advised the President on a wide range of matters, each within our own specialty.

**Tiger:** During your two and one-half years as Press Secretary, did you ever feel like you were not being told the whole truth by the President or his aides.

**Nessen:** In no case can I think of, except for the most famous case which you probably know of. When Nixon went to China in 1975, he came back and sent a report in to the White House which was read and sent back to Nixon before I found out about it. Whether it was a mix up or done for some other reason, I don't know, but that was a case where I obviously wasn't kept fully informed and I raised Cain about it, and it never happened again.

**Tiger:** Were you ever specifically told by either the President or one of his direct aides to stall or lie?

**Nessen:** No, I was never told to deliberately mislead the public, not that I would have if I had been asked to, though. But there were occasions when I delayed announcing something for a day or two or three, there being good reasons at the time. The Mayaguez is a case in point. The President was told about the Mayaguez about 7 in the morning, but we didn't announce it until about 1:30 that afternoon because we weren't really sure who had the Mayaguez, it could have been some free-lance type pirate or gunboat, and if let alone for a couple of hours would think better of it, or whether it was the government in Phnom Penh, and we didn't want to make a major international mistake. So we delayed six or seven hours until we were sure it was the government. Those are the kind of things you have to deal with.

**Tiger:** Is there a misconception by the public of the Press Secretary being a public relations man?

**Nessen:** Well, I don't know how prominent it is, but I do think there is a general feeling around that that's what the Press Secretary does, but let me tell you the other side of that. First of all, I think the Press Secretary has taken on too much prominence. I don't know where it started, but back somewhere the Press Secretary became second only to the President almost in public recognition and public "importance". I think the Press Secretary ought to be downgraded. Even the good ones get ground up and thrown out. Many members of the press do think the Press Secretary is there to sell the good things the President does and cover up or hide the bad things. But then again, on the inside of the White House there are those who think the Press Secretary is too close to the press, hangs around with the press too much. They wonder why he can't stop all those bad stories about the President. So the Press Secretary is in the middle, really — caught between the squeeze of those two pressures. That's why they do get ground up rather fast. I think it's astounding that Ziegler lasted six years.

**Tiger:** Do you think it was Ziegler who destroyed the Press Secretary's status with the public?

**Nessen:** I don't think it was Ziegler who created the tensions and hostilities and distrust that prevailed the White House. It was really something that went back ten or fifteen years, it was Kennedy and the Bay of Pigs, and it was the Vietnam war with Lyndon Johnson, and it was Watergate and it was the pardon of Nixon and the assassinations of Bobby Kennedy and Martin Luther King — fifteen years worth of cumulated grievances between the press and the White House. I inherited all that in September, 1974. Now look at the situation and the situation then — distrust, genuine hostilities, cynicism that existed, and look how it is today. Civility has been restored to the relationship — trust, friendship has been restored — I think that's an enormous improvement. President Ford understood what reporters had to do, he really liked them, and they respected him. Sometimes he even went out to reporters' houses as their guest while he was President. I think what happened over the two years to this relationship has been very good and is one of the real accomplishments of the Ford Administration.



FORMER FORD press secretary Ron Nessen talks about his days in the White House both as NBC correspondent and as press secretary.

**Tiger:** What do you think make Gerald Ford change his mind and run for the Presidency?

**Nessen:** Well I think when he was being confirmed by the Senate for the Vice-Presidency, he said he wouldn't run for the office. That was a time when he was really on the spot, he had to be very careful that he didn't appear to be pushing Nixon out of office. He then became President, he found out it was a job he liked and could do, he began a number of things he wanted to be around to finish, which would take more than two years, and don't forget, when did the President announce he was going to run for a full term? It was about three days before he left for an overseas trip. If foreign leaders felt he was only going to be there for two years, he would have had no power whatsoever, he would have been a lame duck from then on. Nobody would take him seriously, nobody would feel they had to reckon with him. From a combination of really wanting the job, because he had some things he wanted to accomplish, and from wanting to be dealt with in a serious manner, he decided to run.

**Tiger:** Did you see a change in Gerald Ford during the strenuous year of campaigning? Was there bitterness?

**Nessen:** No, I tell you. Two things. After the election, he was disappointed, bitterly disappointed because he thought he was going to win, he had plans of things he wanted to do, so yes he was disappointed but he was not very depressed or sullen as some of the reports would have it, and in about a week or ten days he snapped out of it and started making plans for the future.

During the previous time in the White House, the only change I saw was that he became more forceful, and stronger as an executive. He'd been in Congress for 20 years where you don't have to make executive decisions, and then he was Vice-

President for 8 months where you don't make any decisions, and all of the sudden one day he's in the White House making executive decisions. I saw him grow in that capacity. But remember that he was really ready to retire and spend some time with his family when all of a sudden — without any planning or ambition — he became President. He was at the end of a life of accomplishment and really was one of life's winners.

**Tiger:** Did Ford ever regret the selection of Robert Dole as his running mate?

**Nessen:** If you'll look at a map, you'll realize that Dole did his job, he helped us carry all the grain growing states. That was where Dole really had his strength. We had some polls which we never talked about that indicated that the President was in great trouble in the mid-western states, the farm states because of the brief embargo he had put on grain sales to Russia, he had promised them earlier that there would be no government restrictions of any type, and all of the sudden there was the embargo, and the farmers were really angry. And those are states that Republicans have to carry if they are going to win the election, and Bob Dole did help. I can't possibly believe that he hurt the ticket.

**Tiger:** Do you feel there was a definite turning point in the come-back of Gerald Ford's candidacy in the fall?

**Nessen:** Nobody really knows where the exact peak was, we've got kind of a gut instinct that his peak of popularity was the Saturday or Sunday before the election, and had the election been held on October 31, he would have won. But somehow there was just the slightest tapering off Monday and Tuesday. The problem again is the oversimplification of a complex subject, it was our guess that it was a combination of over 200 factors that went into the election, some of them that you and I have never

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# ACC Tournament

The Tigers will be going to Greensboro to capture their first ACC Tournament ever. Led by second-string All-ACC player Tree Rollins, Clemson seems to have its best shot at the title since 1962. Just how well they actually do will depend on both their own and the competition's ability in "Blue Heaven."

The Tiger looks at the upcoming tournament.

## Greensboro: an average town until...

Greensboro is a city pretty much like other cities its size in the South. Very little happens in this metropolitan area that doesn't happen in other areas. Little happens, that is, until early March. At that time, the entire city goes wild along with the rest of the ACC as the Conference Tournament come to town.

Stores unfurl banners that state "Welcome ACC teams", "ACC: No. 1 in the Nation!", or "Welcome to the Hotbed of Basketball." Other stores with particular preferences greet certain teams in particular. "Go get 'em Heels," "Back the

Pack," and "Give em Hell Deacs," are the most prominent banners seen; few extolling Clemson, Virginia or Maryland are seen. This is the heart of the Big Four country, where for years the Teams From Tobacco Road have walked away with the Tournament crown far more often than the "outside teams" have.

At the heart of this three day frenzy in the heart of basketball country is the ACC Dome of the Rock, Greensboro Coliseum. The coliseum holds 15,200 fans plus players and press (when they have the seating right.) The tickets allowing one to gaze upon the sacred shrine's Holy of Holies, the basketball court, are long gone. Ads

have been appearing in the Greensboro papers for the elusive tickets which, except for student allocations, were scooped up immediately after the last tournament.

And on the inside of the coliseum? Well, that's where the fanatics reside for three days in March. That's where average business men lose a years worth of inhibitions, in a few games worth of screaming. That's where people who are friends or even family become temporarily estranged because their schools were thirty miles apart.

It's where intelligent, rational people dress in the same colors for three nights, or come with Tiger paws painted on their noses, or do anything to distinguish themselves from alumni of another school.

It's where a cheap seat up in the oxygen mask section becomes an object of affection worth fighting over.

What exactly drives ACC fans into a higher pitch of excitement over the tournament is a point open to conjecture. A leading theory is that due to the nearness of the schools to one another the rivalries are more intense. They certainly are stronger than in the Big 10, where the schools are sometimes over 1000 miles apart.

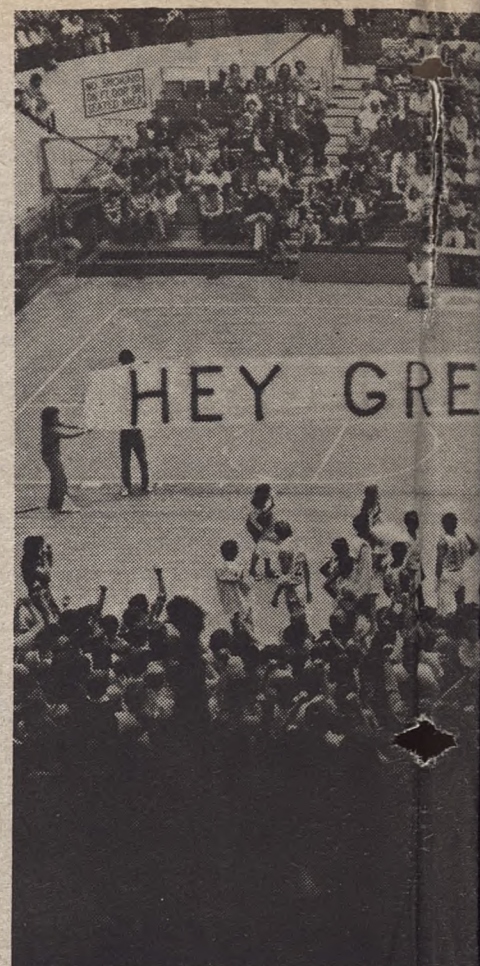
With the exception of Clemson, the ACC schools are all within 250 miles of each other, allowing for interested fans to view away as well as home games (when they can procure tickets.) A closeness lacking in most major college conferences is found in abundance in the ACC.

Whatever causes the excitement, it will soon come to a head in Greensboro. The first season is over now, and the "New Season" will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday.

This new season puts an unbelievable amount of strain on the teams involved, and sometimes with strange results. No one present can deny that N.C. State simply folded in their first round game last year. And, of course, who would have picked Virginia to walk away with the tournament? Tournament pressure has turned an also-ran player into a superstar, and has reduced a stud player to playground league status. A team can be leading by 18 points at the half, and wind up losing by 20. There's no way of determining who is going to perform well.

The pressure, players, and basketball pilgrims will all be converging on Greensboro in vans, planes, and those huge alumnimobiles. Students, alumni, and administration all briefly join forces to exhort their teams to victory. For those in one school, it's a Camelot where everyone works together to win the title. To other schools, it's a yearly Armageddon, with no hope for the future until next year. To the ACC basketball fan, for three days the whole world will revolve around Greensboro.

Greensboro: To the uninitiated, it's a city in North Carolina; to those merely traveling I-85, it's a town between Raleigh and Charlotte; to an ACC fan, it's the focal point of an entire year.

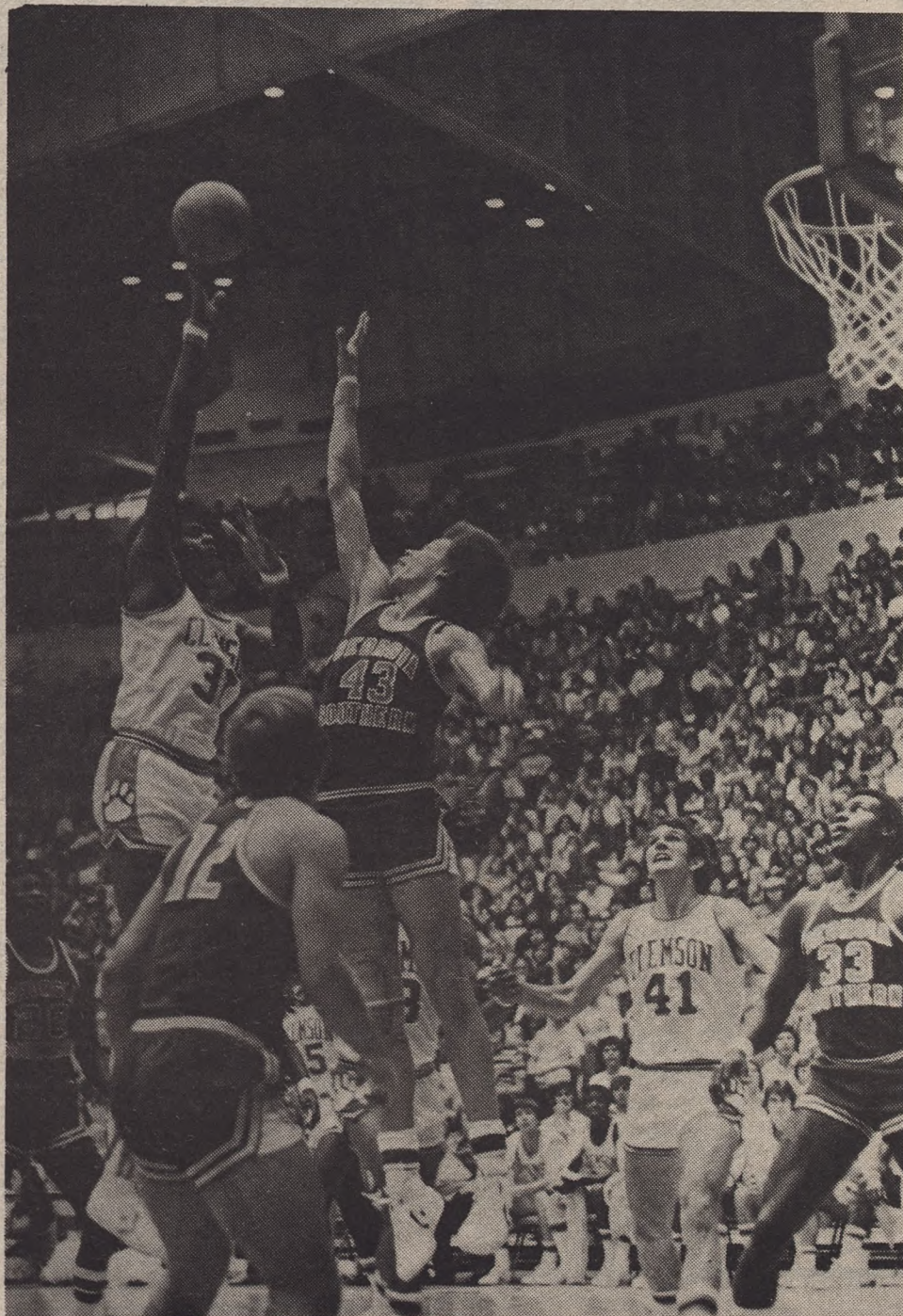


## Tigers to see

Following the final weekend of regular season basketball in the ACC, the pairings for the 1977 Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament were drawn up. The tournament, which will be held in Greensboro, is considered by many to be up for grabs.

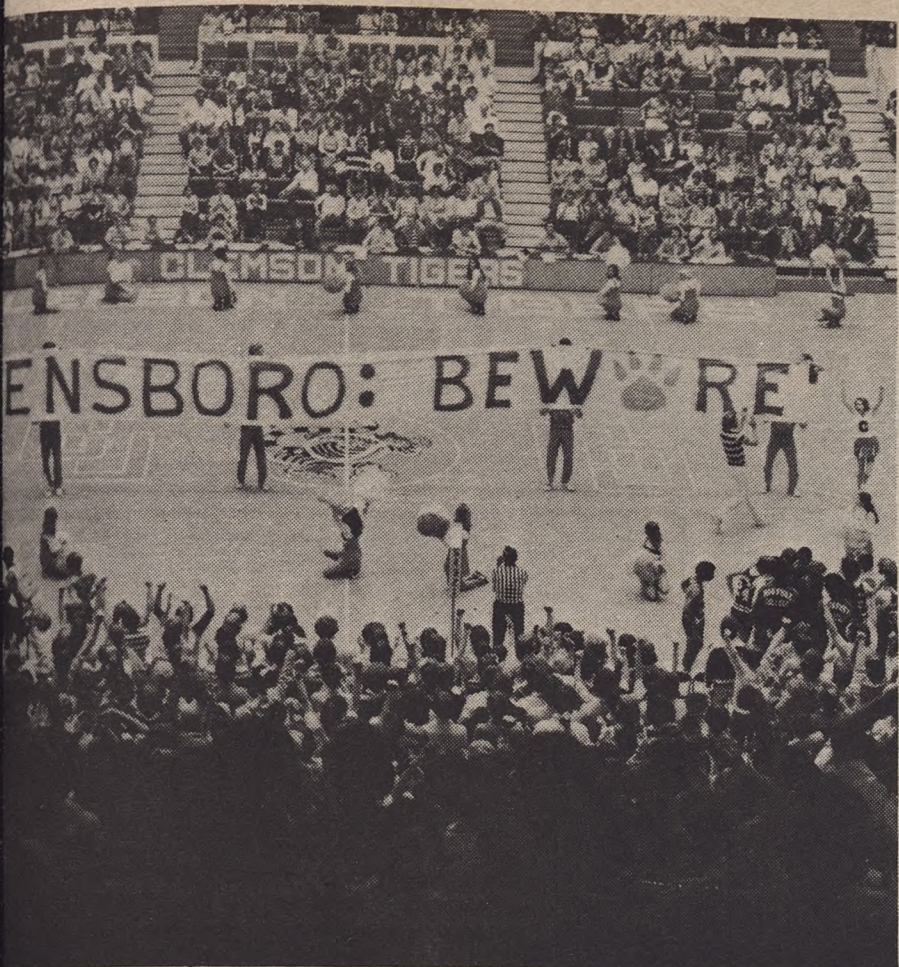
Two weeks before the final weekend in the season, the entire conference standings were in a jumble. Clemson and Wake Forest were tied for the lead in the race, with Maryland and North Carolina close behind. However, both Wake and Clemson lost some crucial games, and for awhile it seemed that there might be a four-way tie for the conference crown.

It was not until the final weekend when a UNC victory over Duke, coupled with a Wake loss to N.C. State, gave the Tar Heels their second straight ACC regular season championship. Wake dropped to a second place tie with Clemson, who were demolishing non-conference foe Roanoke Saturday night. In addition, there was also a tie in the league for sixth place between Duke and Virginia. The Cavaliers upset Maryland to tie with the Blue Devils. Since Duke had defeated Virginia twice this season, the Blue Devils were given the higher berth.



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## A tournament history

The Atlantic Coast Conference determines its basketball champion by tournament play, a fanfare continuation of the style of play begun with the formation of the Southern Intercollegiate Conference in 1921. This year's tournament will be held March 3-5 in the Greensboro, N.C., Coliseum.

The ACC remains as a foremost proponent of championship-by-tournament play, largely because of the tremendous popularity of the event with the fans of the country's finest basketball area.

The first ACC Tournament in 1954 drew 38,000 fans in Raleigh, N.C., but each three-day, four-session event since has become increasingly popular with the fans. Last year all records were broken with 61,448 fans in attendance, 15,362 at each of the four sessions.

The first tournament after the formation of the Southern Intercollegiate Conference was held in Atlanta, Ga., with Kentucky capturing the championship. It was a five-day, 15-team affair. North Carolina won the crown in 1923 when the field was increased to 25 teams. North Carolina also won the following three years with N.C. State winning in 1929 and Maryland in 1931.

When the Southern Intercollegiate was split into the Southern and Southeastern Conferences, the Southern Conference Tournament was moved in 1933 to Memorial Coliseum, which could accommodate around 3,500 fans, in downtown Raleigh, N.C. in 1947 it was moved — by an unprecedented demand for tickets, three times the auditorium capacity on the first day of advance ticket orders — to Duke Indoor Stadium with an 8,800 capacity. In 1950 the tournament was moved to the new Reynolds Coliseum on the N.C. State campus where sell-out crowds of 12,400 became the rule.

ACC teams dominated the old Southern events, winning six of 12 titles in Atlanta, then claiming 18 of 21 championships prior to the forming of the new conference in 1953.

In 1967 the tournament was moved to Greensboro, N.C., which then had a 9,300-seat building, and in 1968 to Charlotte, N.C., where it enjoyed a successful three-year run. The 1971 event came back to Greensboro's enlarged 15,362-seat building.

## Wake elusive ACC tournament win at Greensboro

The situation with Clemson and Wake was not so simple. During the year each team had claimed a game in the series. Wake took a close decision at Littlejohn on All-ACC forward Rod Griffin's last second jump shot, and Clemson returned the favor with some late free-throw shooting in Winston-Salem.

In order to resolve the tie, ACC Commissioner Robert James took a hat and placed the names of the two schools in it. He then closed his eyes, and withdrew one slip of paper. The slip read "Wake Forest" and the Deacs were thus chosen to be the second seeded team in the conference.

What all of this tie-breaking and seeding means is who will play who when the teams, fans and media converge on Greensboro on Thursday. The Tar Heels, by virtue of their championship, and 9-3 conference record, have the first day off.

The Deacons, with an 8-4 overall conference record, will open the tournament with a 1:30 meeting against the Cavaliers of Virginia. The Cavaliers, 1976 ACC Tournament champions, are the only team going into this year's tournament with a losing record. They are 10-16 overall.

Following the first game, Clemson will take on the Duke Blue Devils. The 3:30 clash between two clubs coached by Bill Foster will be the third between the teams. The Tigers are 8-4 in league play and 21-5 overall. The Blue Devils are 2-10 and 14-12 respectively.

After the second game and a break for dinner, the first round of action concludes with Maryland and N.C. State. The Terrapins are 7-5 in the conference and 19-7 overall. The Pack is 6-6 and 16-10.

The second round action will begin on Friday evening at 7 p.m. when the Tar

Heels take on the winner of the State-Maryland clash. This game will be followed by the Winner of the Clemson-Duke game taking on the victor in the Wake-Virginia scrap at 9 p.m.

The final game in the tournament will be Saturday night at 9 p.m. Should the Tar Heels win the championship, the second NCAA berth will go to the team that played against them in the finals, unless that team is Clemson.

Clemson is still under probation and is ineligible for any post-season playoffs. This includes the two positions awarded to

the ACC after the tournament.

Should the teams in the finals be Clemson and UNC, odds are that the second berth will be awarded to Wake Forest,

unless the Deacs are bumped off in the first round. Should that happen, it would be anyone's guess who would win the second spot.

Just like it's anyone's guess who's going to walk off with the 1977 ACC championship right now.

## Tree Rollins overlooked again

Whether or not Clemson's Tree Rollins will be a first-round draft pick in the NBA is up to speculation. Whether or not he will be on the All-ACC team for 1977 is not. Tree, the top rebounder and shot blocker in the conference was overlooked for the first string team for All-ACC by conference sportswriters.

Instead, Rollins has joined Stan Rome as Clemson's only representatives on the All-ACC teams. This was the third straight season that Rollins has made second team.

Tree was the highest recipient of votes among ACC centers. However, the All-ACC team was not chosen by positions. Instead, the sportswriters of the ACC chose who they considered to be the five top performers in the league. As a result the final top five consisted of three forwards and two guards.

The top vote-getter was Rod Griffin, a senior from Wake Forest. One vote behind him was Phil Ford from UNC. Rounding

out the top five were Skip Brown of Wake Forest, a senior; Kenny Carr of N.C. State, a junior; and Walter Davis from UNC, a senior.

There was not a player from outside the

state of North Carolina on the top five. Griffin and Ford were only three and four points respectively of being unanimous choices for All-ACC.

Making up the second string team were Tree Rollins, a senior from Clemson; Jim Spanarkel, a sophomore from Duke; Brad Davis, a junior from Maryland; Tommy LaGarde, a senior from UNC; and Stan

Rome, a junior from Clemson.

Rollins was the leading vote getter on the second string with 200 points. His closest competition was Spanarkel with 186. Rome had 55 votes. Rollins was three votes away from Davis and the first string. All in all, the second string had one guard, two forwards, and two centers.

In accordance with the ending of the regular ACC basketball season, not including the Tournament, the Tiger has decided to make public its own choices for the All-ACC team. Each Senior Staffer and a handful of Junior Staffers were allowed to vote for the players they felt typified the All-ACC player. Each voter was allowed to select two guards, two forwards, and one center.

A second string All-ACC team was also chosen. In addition, a player, coach, and rookie of the year in the ACC were selected.

Those honored by the Tiger were selected on the basis of overall offensive and defensive ability, leadership, and general charisma. Some hot shots were overlooked. In addition, players who were injured for long periods of time were not considered (although Tate Armstrong of Duke did receive one protest vote.)

None of the choices were unanimous. In the event of a tie, each tying player has an asterisk (\*) placed by his name. Here, then, are the Tiger's selections for the 1977 All-ACC basketball team:

Guard: Skip Brown, senior from Wake Forest; Phil Ford, junior from UNC.

Center: Tree Rollins, senior from Clemson.

Forward: Kenny Carr, junior from N.C. State; Rod Griffin, senior from Wake Forest.

Second string All-ACC:

Guard: Brad Davis, senior from Maryland; Derrick Johnson, sophomore from Clemson.

Center: oTommy Lagarde, senior from UNC; oMike Gminski, freshman from Duke.

Forward: Walter Davis, senior from UNC; Stan Rome, junior from Clemson.

ACC Player of the Year: Rod Griffin, senior from Wake Forest.

ACC Rookie of the Year: oMike Gminski, freshman from Duke; oMike O'Koren, freshman from UNC.

ACC Coach of the year: Bill Foster of Clemson.

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# Calhoun Mansion: Roots of Clemson history

by Barbara Pinder  
Features Editor

With all Clemson's cement sidewalks and modern buildings, the Calhoun Mansion and its surrounding grounds are still considered an impressive and historical site.

The house was originally begun in 1803 by Dr. James McDhenny, a Presbyterian minister of nearby Old Stone Church. Erecting a two-story house with only four rooms, McDhenny chose to call his house Clergy Hill.

Later, when John C. Calhoun acquired the house in 1825, he changed the name to Fort Hill in honor of Fort Rutledge that was built on the land in 1776 as protection against the Indians who lived in the hill section of the Carolinas at that time.

Calhoun chose to remodel the original house quite extensively. Through his wife's encouragement, the mansion grew to 14 rooms, eight of these are bedrooms, spacious halls, three huge white-columned piazzas, a separate kitchen near the west wing and an office on the south lawn.

Much of the unusual architecture of the mansion is also from Mrs. Calhoun. After her guidance, the mansion now has halls that are broken by unexpected turns and stops. The design of the interior of the house is altogether informal and definitely has a different touch.

Because Mrs. Calhoun almost went overboard with the additions to the original house, Calhoun wrote a letter to his wife's brother and said, "Will you please have my wife, your sister, desist from any further improvements at Fort Hill as I find them very inconvenient and most expensive?"

Living at Fort Hill for 25 years, Calhoun graduated from Yale and studied law at Litchfield, Connecticut and in South Carolina, where he practiced his profession. When living in Abbeville, he began his political career as a member of the South Carolina Legislature. He quickly rose to national prominence serving his state and the country for about 40 years as U.S. Congressman, U.S. Senator, Secretary of War, Secretary of State and Vice-President twice.

After marrying Floride Bonneau Calhoun, his second cousin, his political career began. Fourteen years after their marriage, the Calhouns returned to the South to live and made their home on the 1130 acre plantation, a part of his mother-in-laws' estate.

The Calhouns had ten children, three of whom died in infancy. Anna, the oldest daughter to grow up in this large household, married Thomas Green Clemson, a handsome and wealthy Philadelphian, whom she had met in Washington, D.C.

While Calhoun was vice-president he succeeded in having Mr. Clemson appointed to the diplomatic service in Belgium. Later after their return from Belgium, the Clemsons made their permanent home at Fort Hill in 1872.

About this time, Clemson was active in Pendleton Farmers' Society affairs where his dream of an agricultural college was crystallized.



ONE OF CLEMSON'S most notable landmarks is the John C. Calhoun mansion, building which contains many historical relics. Calhoun was perhaps South Carolina's greatest statesman

A few years after Mr. Calhoun's death in 1850, Mrs. Calhoun sold the Fort Hill property to her son, Andrew, and she moved to a smaller place nearby. Andrew died in 1865 before payment for the estate had been realized. Claims against the property were redeemed by Mr. Clemson and the property returned to Mrs. Calhoun.

As Anna Calhoun Clemson was the last surviving child, she inherited the property at her mother's death in 1866.

After the tragic death of John Calhoun Clemson, last of the three Clemson children, the Clemsons decided to leave the home place to the State of South Carolina to be used for the establishment of a scientific school of agriculture.

Their son John was killed in a train wreck on the Blue Ridge Railroad while 17 days earlier, their daughter Florida Lee had died of pneumonia in New York. The Clemsons came to Fort Hill to make it their permanent home in 1872 and both of them died there.

In 1875, Mrs. Clemson died suddenly from a heart attack. After this tragic event, the estate passed to her husband, who, at his death in 1888, bequeathed the property according to their plans to the State of South Carolina, to be utilized for educational purposes.

Mr. Clemson's request included that three rooms of the old home be preserved as a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun, Mrs. Clemson, and the three Clemson

Thomas Clemson's will read in part:

"It is my desire that the dwelling-house of Fort Hill shall never be torn down or altered; but shall be kept in repair with all the articles of furniture and vesture which

herewith give for that purpose, and shall be always open for the inspection of visitors: but a part of the house may be used by such of the professors as the trustees may direct..."

Each room of the mansion is in itself an individual place. Some of the pieces of furniture have been at Fort Hill since Mr. Calhoun's time while other pieces have been donated by friends and relatives.

The parlor was the scene of many social affairs, including the wedding of Anna and Clemson, a gala affair of national interest on November 13, 1838.

Other interesting aspects of the house include: a Duncan Phyfe sofa that once belonged to George Washington. Tradition says that the carved eagles on the back were used as models for those on the first American Silver Dollar.

Also in the parlor are two small mahogany drumhead tables or candle stands that were brought to this country by Mr. Calhoun's grandparents; these are the oldest pieces of furniture in the home.

Another interesting piece with a history in the house is the unusual sideboard in the dining room which was a gift from Calhoun's friend Henry Clay.

This piece was given to Calhoun after one of Calhoun's speeches in which he defended the Constitution of the U.S. against those who sought to destroy it. The side board is made from mahogany paneling salvaged from the officers' quarters of the frigate, "Old Ironsides" after it was declared unseaworthy in the 1820's.

The home also contains many interesting beds — the Napoleonic bed which Mr. Clemson brought from Europe and Clemson's seven-foot walnut bed, large enough to accommodate his six-foot-six height.

One of the interesting things about the mansion is the flower garden located at the mansion's south portico.

This garden was set up by Calhoun for his crippled daughter, Cornelia. Cornelia, when she was very young, permanently injured her spine in a fall from a swing. Mr. Calhoun, knowing his daughter's love for flowers and yearning to do something to brighten her life, arranged the terrace garden.

Now, every spring the garden blooms with 400 tulips and several gardenia bushes.

Among the trees in the yard, a Canadian Hemlock was given by Daniel Webster, and Arborvitae by Henry Clay, and a Varnish tree by Commodore Stephen Decatur brought back from the Island of Madagascar.

Two buildings that are separate from the main house are the kitchen and Calhoun's private study. Styled like the litchen at Mr. Vernon, the mansion' kitchen is reached by a covered passage way. It was separated from the house to contain the immense heat and stop the risk of fire to the mansion.

In Calhoun's study, many of his brilliant speeches were written.

According to Mrs. Revelie W. Brannon, hostess of the mansion, each year there is at least one student who studies on the porch of the study.

When asked about the rumor about not graduating if one enters the mansion while pursuing a degree at Clemson, Mrs. Brannon replied, "Oh, I just tell the students when they visit here that maybe some of Calhoun's great wisdom and knowledge will wear off on them."

Although Clemson was a man who was interested in politics and business, culturally, he was quite a refined man. Around the house one finds various paintings by him. He also composed several violin pieces. In one case are several faded pieces of music, one of them inscribed "Carolina Forever, composed by Thos. G. Clemson, 1862, Pendleton, S.C." Mrs. Clemson also enjoyed playing her English spinet which is in the parlor. On the music rack, there is her open music book.

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**CORRECTION** of January 28 Tiger: The promoter of the CDA-sponsored Atlanta Rhythm Section concert did not go bankrupt two nights before the concert.

**ALCHE SPEAKER** Meeting-12:00 noon. Football Coach Charlie Pell will be the speaker. Earle Hall Auditorium.

**ASSERTIVE TRAINING-** The Counseling Center is forming another assertive training group. This group will meet from 4:30-6:30 p.m. for four consecutive Tuesday evenings beginning March 22. This group will help you learn an honest, direct and appropriate expression of your feelings, beliefs, and opinions. You will learn how to stand up for your basic human rights while respecting those of others. We do not lecture, rather, we practice the skills of assertive behavior. It's free and available to students, staff, and faculty so call 2451 to reserve your place.

**BACKPACKING-** The Counseling Center will host a backpacking weekend on March 26-27. We will leave Saturday morning and return Sunday evening. This is your opportunity to learn some backpacking skills, see the mountains, learn a little about your self and make some new friends. An organizational meeting will be held from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9. If you wish to attend please call 2451 immediately.

**CLEMSON FORENSIC UNION** debate teams will meet Monday at 3:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in the Activities Room (417 Daniel). Individual events members will meet Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Activities Room. Preparations and practice for Lenoir-Rhyne and Florida State tournaments. Spring Break research assignments. Preliminary plans for DSR-TKA National Student Congress.

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# Florida offers sights for spring vacationers

by Barbara Pinder  
Features Editor

Planning a Florida vacation for Spring Break? According to Steve Levy of the Student Union Travel Center, accommodations are tight for the new Spring season.

Although Levy was not very optimistic about accommodations in the most popular hotels and areas of Florida, he added that most students will be able to find accommodations a few miles away from the major areas such as Tampa, Daytona and Orlando.

But, he added that the prices in these places will be as high as \$55 a night and "some hotels are being discriminatory against students and requiring all guests to be over 21 years of age."

Levy said that those who plan to have four people staying in a double occupancy room will risk the chance of getting in trouble with the authorities because this action is illegal and subject to prosecution. "The various motels will be on the lookout for students who are trying to rip them off."

If you are still interested in the sunshine state as a vacation spot for Spring Break, here are some suggestions of what to do in the major areas of Florida.

In Orlando, located in the center of the panhandle, there are many things to do for entertainment. One of the main attractions is Walt Disney World. It features the Magic Kingdom theme park, three resort hotels, campground resort, three championship golf courses and a unique shopping village. Disney World is open daily 9-7 p.m. According to one official, persons planning to visit Disney World should plan on spending \$10 minimum and should also

plan on arriving at the park early in the morning and staying all day.

America's most elaborate marine-life park is Sea World also located in Orlando. Here, one can see Shamu the whale, dolphins, sea lions, penguins, feeding and petting pools, World of the Sea Aquarium, Fountain Fantasy, Japanese-Hawaiian Village, Sky Tower and deer park. Sea World is open daily.

Another interesting facet of Sea World is the Great White Shark Exhibit. This exhibit is set up for public display and education. Found in California waters, the 16 foot shark was offered to Sea World for scientific research.

During the last week of Spring Break, there will be the largest sidewalk art festival in the Southeast. This is located near Rollins College in Winter Park.

Orlando also offers for those interested in the stars, a planetarium with revolving shows. This site is entitled the John Young Planetarium.

For those of you who are also interested in shopping, there are at least seven or eight malls in Orlando. Some of these are Altomate, Winter Park, Colonial Plaza and Fashion Square.

Beaches are also quite close to Orlando. Coco Beach is located approximately 35 miles from the city. Other nearby beaches include New Smyrna Beach and Daytona Beach.

Among the night spots in Orlando are Rosie O'Grady's and Nickel Alley. Rosie O'Grady's is a nightclub styled after the gay-90's. There is a variety of singing waiters and entertainment. Nickel Alley is a place where one can dance to the popular disco music.

Other attractions in Orlando include Circus World, Gatorland, Loch Haven Museum and Planetarium, and Stars Hall of Fame.

Located north of Orlando on the coast is Daytona Beach. Here, motorists are allowed to drive their cars up and down the beach.

Among the entertainment offered here is Daytona International Speedway, Marco Polo Park, Museum of Speed, the Museum of Arts and Sciences and of course, the beach and all its enjoyment and beauty.

Daytona is noted for its beautiful shoreline and great entertainment for young and old. Many vacationers enjoy spending time on this famous beach.

Another popular and beautiful area of Florida is the area around Ft. Lauderdale. Among the interesting sites to visit here are the Ft. Lauderdale Museum of the Arts, Land Voyager, Ocean World, Port Everglades, sightseeing cruises, and the Swimming Hall of Fame.

This area of Florida is sometimes called the Tropical Coast because of its golden beaches and glittering resorts with palm trees. Additionally, the pace of entertainment quickens here.

For those who would prefer to visit the west coast of Florida, the city of Tampa and the surrounding area are popular for the high rate of sunshine, which sparkles

on the area's golden-hued Gulf beaches, bustling cities and picturesque Old World communities. Among the interesting things to do include Busch Gardens.

Here, a monorail Safari is over an African Veldt of free-roaming animals. There is also a Moroccan Village, Boma (African small animal display), a fume ride, animal shows, and live entertainment daily. The gardens are located three miles east of I-75 on Busch Boulevard.

Other sites in Tampa are Fairyland Park and Zoo, Florida Center for the Arts, Museum of Science and Natural History, Tampa Bay Art Center, Treasureland, and Ybor City Latin Quarter.

If you decide to visit Florida either over Spring Break or for your summer vacation, you may want to visit other interesting and beautiful places in Florida.

One very popular area is Miami, located on the southern tip of Florida. Here, one can find great hotels such as the Fountainbleu, beautiful private beaches and great night entertainment. Miami is also the home of Jackie Gleason.

Another very beautiful and unique area of Florida is the Everglades. Although this area is very great in area and is one of the furthest points south from Clemson, the trip is well worth your effort.

Among the things to do in the Everglades includes two specific boat  
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## Mortar Board created

A chapter of the national honor society Mortar Board was established Saturday at Clemson University.

The new chapter replaces Clemson's Order of Athena, organized nine years ago with the ultimate objective of affiliation with the national society.

During installation ceremonies, 28 Order of Athena members, 32 new members, and

23 Athena alumni were initiated. Susan G. Delony, associate dean of students at Clemson, was initiated as an honorary member.

Order of Athena was established by Blue Key honor fraternity in 1968 as a senior honor society for women. In January 1976 Order of Athena voted to admit men students.

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# Nessen...

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heard of. Someone told me a while back that two weeks before the election, the devaluation of the Mexican peso caused many of the people who live right on the border to lose money, and hold a sort of grudge against the President because he is supposedly in charge of the economy. It devastated the economy all along the border. Some think that was the reason the President lost Texas. Now you and I have never heard of it, but it was just one of those 200 factors.

**Tiger:** Was there a feeling in Washington that there was something that could have been done earlier to help his comeback?

**Nessen:** As far as I can tell, and I have personally talked with the President about this, nobody can put their finger on any single thing we could have done different that would have turned the election around. One of the problems was that the Republican Convention was quite late, it had been scheduled at the end of August at a time when it appeared that the President would have no competition, would be sort of the candidate by acclamation, so

therefore he wanted to spend as much time in the White House being President and a minimum amount of time campaigning. But it didn't turn out that way, Reagan did mount a serious challenge, and the President didn't lock up the nomination until the end of August.

It was barely two months before the election, and we had not even organized our campaign. By the time strategy was formulated it was the beginning of September, and the polls showed Carter ahead by 30 percent. So we had to adopt a strategy of converting 125,000 people a day from the Carter camp in order to win the election. There is no way you can travel enough to reach that many people, and the new election law would not let us spend that much on television. So we had to get free television — where do you get free television? — challenge Carter to debate. That's what we did, it was free and no TV correspondent was going to cut up your remarks into 30 second clips. I think it worked, and in hindsight, I don't think we'd do it any differently. Then, at the very end, ten days before the election, we mapped out the final states we felt we could capture and took off. We didn't waste time in any of the states we were absolutely certain of one way or the other. It was

the right strategy.

**Tiger:** What did you think when Jody Powell had to reason Carter's appointment of "cousin Hugh" to a top level position, and he said: "When you're the President's cousin, ah..." and never really was able to verify it?

**Nessen:** Well, I wrote an article in Newsweek for Jody Powell, and my first instruction was "Don't say anything funny." He's got the same kind of sarcastic sense of humor I have, and one day it will get him in trouble because the White House press corps don't go in much for jokes. Sometimes wisecracks that sound good at the back of the bus, don't look good in print the next morning.

**Tiger:** Was the South given up by the Ford campaign in the final days of the campaign?

**Nessen:** No, obviously not. Look at those last few days, we had a boat trip on the Mississippi, we went to Texas and North and South Carolina. No, we definitely felt we could win some of them.

**Tiger:** Is the attitude of the Washington press corps reflective of what the American people want them to report?

**Nessen:** I don't think so. One of the best parts of what I'm doing now is traveling around the country finding out what people

really want to know. And it is not being reflected in Washington. All the institutions in American have had their pretensions punctured because people don't like to feel they are powerless in the face of a great institution. These same kind of feelings are now being directed at the press, especially television.

This critical attitude grows out of the same things that produce criticism of other industry — people don't want to feel they are powerless in the face of the press. The concerns of the press corp don't always reflect the concern of the public. When President Ford was outside of Washington, he often got better questions from reporters, and I feel that is because they are more in touch with the people. Far too many reporters haven't been to their home town in 10 years.

**Tiger:** Did you yourself get along with the press corps?

**Nessen:** Yes, I think so. But obviously we had two different aims, and we didn't both always follow the same line. The President just always told me to do my job the way I thought was best, and don't worry about the press. I made not have had the perfect temperament, but the President who had been in Washington 25 years helped me. I learned from him, and things turned out fine.

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# Florida...

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trips, a hotel in the heart of the Everglades, and a beautiful scenic drive from one end of the park to the other. You will see many different varieties of flowers, trees, birds, and other animals.

The Mangrove Wilderness Trip takes you inland up Turner's River, named in honor of an early pioneer homesteader of the 1870's, past Indian shell mounds, through nameless waterways, where once plume hunters operated, into Half-Way Creek and twisting and turning through mangrove tunnels back to the docks via another route.

Birdlife is plentiful, depending upon the water table in the feeding area. Alligators are often visible

On the outskirts of the Everglades National Park are also many settlements of Seminole Indians who are the remnants of a dying civilization. They remain there and live in near poverty. Many of them sell handmade items such as dolls and quilts. There are also several areas where these Indians have captured alligators and have them on display for tourists.

Located near Titusville, the Kennedy Space Center is an interesting and inexpensive spot to visit. Tour buses leave the Visitors' Information Center daily beginning at 8 a.m. Different things to see here include space exhibits, space movies, and space science demonstrations. The tour bus also stops at historical sites for tourists to take pictures.

One area of Florida that is trying to remain unspoiled is Sanibel Island located off the west coast of southern Florida. Although there are many condominiums located on the island, there is still a toll bridge that prevents some of the commer-

cialization found in other parts of Florida. In this beautiful and sunny spot, one can ride bikes, camp on the beach or enjoy the comforts of any of the nice motels and hotels located on the island. There are also some very good restaurants where succulent seafood dinners are the specialty.

Sanibel Island also offers the shopper's paradise of quaint little boutiques and small specialty shops.

The Florida Keys, located as a chain of islands of the southernmost tip of Florida are a unique area worth visiting by any student. One can find a great variety of natural beauty mixed with the pleasures of

beach life. The various keys offer a different type of lifestyle, entertainment and natural beauty. Some are very small and some have bigger towns, such as Key West located on the last island of the chain.

Key West is noted as a tourist area that attracts many people each year to its beautiful and historical sites.

Among the sites here are the Audubon House, Ernest Hemingway's House, and the famous Conch Train Tours of the city. To many, this quaint city is like a Charleston of Florida with half the history and twice the beach area.

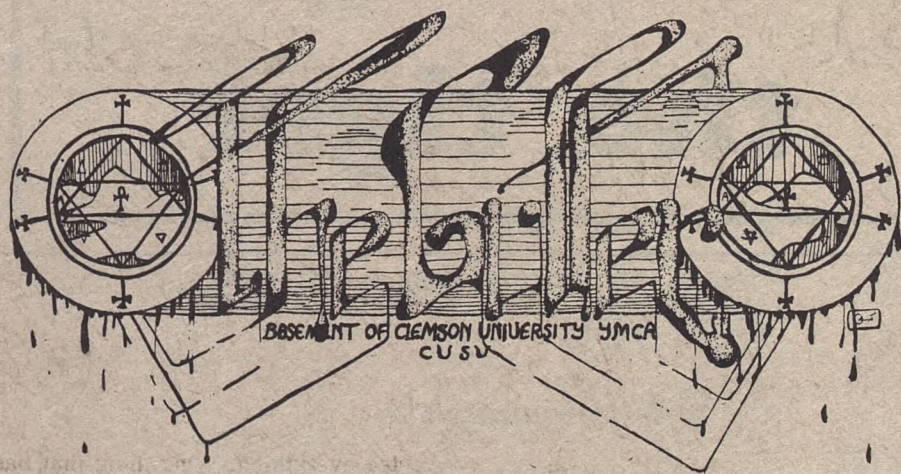
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## Swimmers finish second in ACC championships

Despite what head coach Bob Boettner termed "some temporary indecision" the Clemson University Swimming Team managed to hang on to second place in the ACC Swimming Championships. The Tigers finished far behind defending champion N.C. State, and just ahead of third place North Carolina.

The meet, which was held in Fike Field House last week, saw State take an early lead which was never seriously threatened. "Nobody at the meet really thought that they could challenge State," Boettner stated. "They are that much better than

the rest of the teams in the league. We knew though that we had a good shot at taking second in the meet, though."

There were three other teams with the same hope: Duke, North Carolina, and Virginia. These teams battled with Clemson for the runnerup spot, and competition often swayed back and forth. At the end of the first day, though, the Tigers were in the number two spot with Duke right behind.

"North Carolina had a bad first day," Boettner explained. They were not swimming up to their potential. They caught up with us on the second day, though. That was in diving, and we aren't too strong in that area."

It was not until the final afternoon of competition that the Tigers claimed second for good. North Carolina and Duke trailed Clemson.

Individual swimmers were a highpoint of the Clemson swimming success. "Rich Bader earned the right to go on to the nationals in two of the breaststroke competi-

tions," Bader stated. We also got several other swimmers and three of our relay teams into the nationals as well.

"We didn't get any firsts in the competition. N.C. State got almost all of those, except for three that went to Duke. However, we got more people into the finals, where you score your points than anyone except State."

Clemson wound up sending an additional seven swimmers to the nationals. "We just missed sending four more," Boettner noted. "Their times weren't quite fast enough. We had one swimmer, John Hogan, who had the fastest time of anyone in the 50 free style. The only problem was

that he got this time in the Prelims, and before a time can be considered it has to be in point competition. He didn't do well enough to be considered that night."



The Clemson baseball team, under Coach Bill Wilhelm opened their home season with a victory over High Point, N. C. The Tigers opened their spring season with a double-header victory over Columbus State, then had an engagement against Valdosta State rained out. Next Tiger game will be a double-header against Howard at Clemson.

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Overall, though Boettner was happy with his team's accomplishments. "Two years ago, the team only got 90 points; last year we got 181 points and finished fifth; this year we got 280 points and second place. It's going to be awhile until we are

good enough to think about beating State, though."

In the meantime, second is as good a place as any.

## Dave Brown reflects on Clemson career

By Lynn Jarrett

Clemson forward David Brown is playing his forward year at the University. The 6' 8" senior from York, Pennsylvania has sparked the Tigers to victory on several occasions.

Last year, Dave dropped in a pair of free throws with only seconds to go to clinch the Tiger victory at Maryland. As a freshman, Dave's high scoring and high rebounding games were also at Maryland. He admits that his best games have been against the Terps. These games have also been his favorites because he gets to see his friends or go home.

As a junior Dave ranked second in rebounds with an average of six per game. In addition, he pumped in 11.6 points per game, enough to claim the third highest scoring position. This year, due to an early season injury and an increase in the number of players per game, Dave's average in rebounds has dropped to 4.8 and his scoring to 7 points a game.

Accuracy is one of Dave's attributes on the court. Last year, he was one of the leading free throw shooters in the ACC, as he hit .798 of his charity shots. Hitting 70 per cent this year, he is continuing his success from the line.

Dave thinks that the changes from former Tiger coach Tate Locke's power game to Coach Bill Foster's running game helped him to get his game together. However, he does not think that he will not

be counting on playing professional basketball. He is considering playing ball in Europe. If he does not play ball, Dave says he "would take it from there."

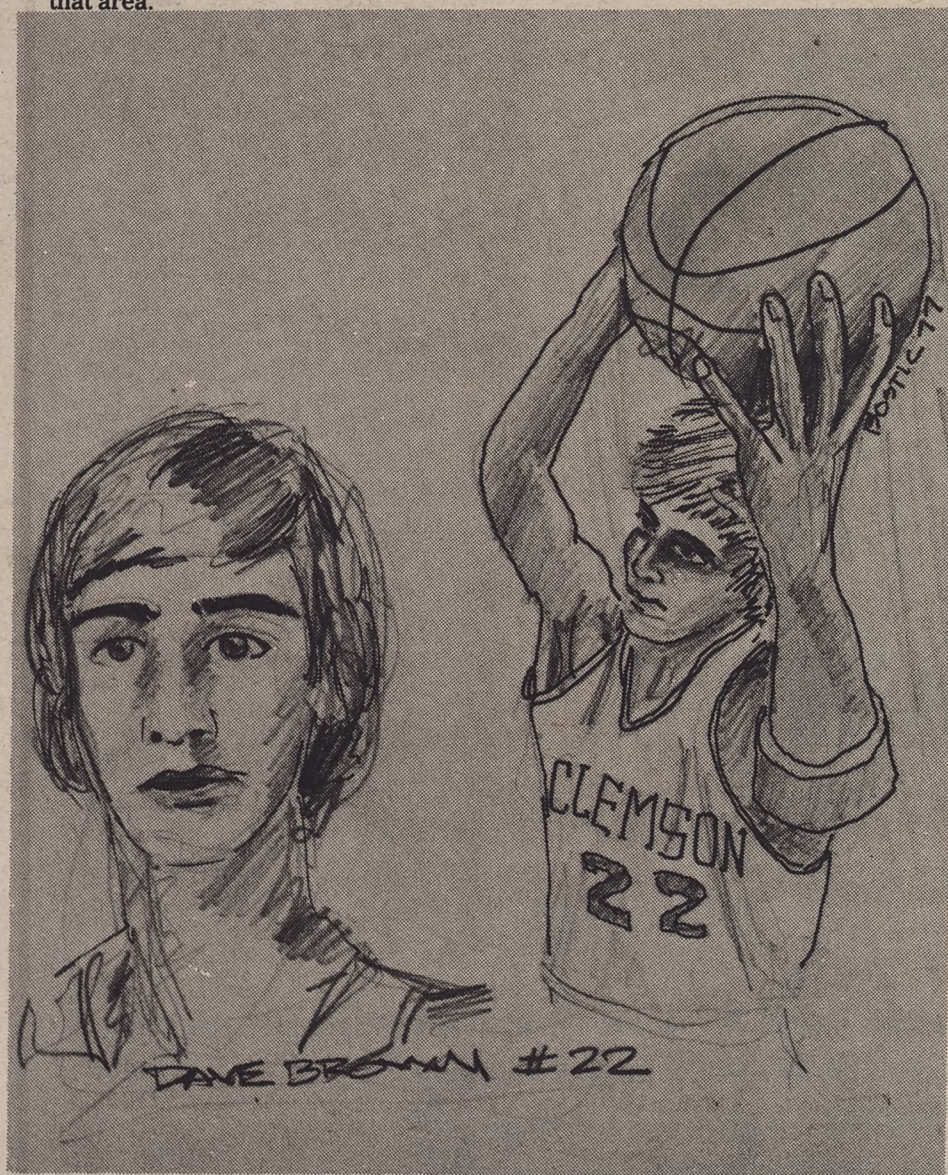
Playing basketball will be the thing that Dave will miss most at Clemson. "Basketball has been my life," he stated. "It has affected everything." One thing that has been effected was his grades as a freshman and a sophomore. "I didn't do anything, just basketball," confided Dave. Since Coach Foster came Dave said that he has had more time for his studies.

On the court, Dave thinks his defense has been the point most improved in his game since he came to Clemson. He high school, Dave played a center position, but at Clemson he has played a forward. "I had to learn defense or not play," Dave explained.

This year's team, described by some as the best team ever at Clemson "Fell into a slump against Maryland and Virginia," Dave explained. Personally, he said that he was not feeling well and that several other players such as seniors Tree Rollins and John Franken were not at their best.

Dave also said that he would, "Always wonder how the team would have been if Clemson wasn't on restriction."

According to Dave, next year should be another successful season for the Tigers. He thinks that Colon Abraham, Stan Rome, and Jimmy Wells will provide the team with leadership. However, he feels the Tigers will need to get a big man. Dave thinks the major contribution that he will take when he leaves will be his defense.





## Sports Briefs

# Tigers blast Roanoke, finish season

The Roanoke-Clemson game turned out to be exactly what everyone expected—a massacre. The final margin of 120 to 56 left little doubt that Roanoke and Clemson are not in the same class as far as basketball is concerned. But expectations of a close game wasn't the reason Tiger fans filled Littlejohn. They came to pay tribute to the

three Tiger seniors, John Franken, David Brown, and Tree Rollins, who were making their final appearances in Littlejohn Coliseum. The moving pre-game ceremonies made the game itself rather anticlimatic.

The tone of the game was set very early. It took the Tigers only twelve seconds to take the lead, and from that point on they never trailed. As one would expect, the Maroons tried their best to cut off the inside game of Clemson by collapsing on Tree. Unfortunately for Roanoke, this strategy left Colon Abraham open on the outside.

When Roanoke called time out trailing 12 to 2 with only three and one-half minutes gone in the first half, the game was already as good as over. The only thing in doubt was whether or not Clemson could break Littlejohn's scoring record for the first half, which they did.

Clemson continued to be unstoppable during the second half. The Tigers were simply too big, too deep, and too quick for Roanoke to handle. Clemson dominated every facet of the game and scored seemingly at will. Both benches were cleared early, and the starters received their ovations. The only excitement during the game was the final exit of the seniors from the home floor.

Though merely an ACC Tournament warm-up, the Roanoke game provided some encouragement for Tiger fans. The team seems over the emotional slump which was apparent in the Virginia and

Maryland games. The Tigers appear to have their running game back in gear, and the ball is finally beginning to fall through the hoop again. Everyone is healthy, and the squad will be at full strength in Greensboro. But despite what happens in the tournament, this season will no doubt be remembered as one of Clemson's finest.

## Tennis

The Clemson men's tennis team improved their record to a fine 5-1 on the year last Monday as they defeated Presbyterian 7-2. The victory took place at Sloan Tennis Center.

Number one player Fernando Maynetto earned a singles win and a doubles win with senior Steve Vaughn. The only Tiger losses were in the singles. Steve Vaughn lost his second seed match, and Steve Gandolfo dropped the fourth seeded game in three sets.

The Tigers swept the doubles competition.

The tennis Tigers' next meet will be on March 4 at Sloan Center. The opponent will be the Duke Blue Devils.

## Lacrosse

The Clemson Lacrosse club opened its 1977 season with a loss to a more experienced South Carolina team. The game was played in mud that reached a depth of four inches at times before a crowd of about 40 people. The team lost 19-7.

Following a slow Clemson start, Carolina went out on top. By halftime the score was 10-1. The lone Tiger score came from midfielder Buddy Blide midway through the first quarter.

In the third quarter, however, Clemson was a different team. As lacrosse coach

Bryan Thomas stated, "They started playing up to their potential. The tiger defense improved, and the offense was much better. Scores were made by Blide, with an assist from attackman Rich Muldeis; attackman Chuck Woodhead; another by Woodhead with an assist from midfielder Herb Demart; a third by Blide; and a second by Demart, with an assist by Muldeis.

The fourth quarter was mostly Carolina again, as Coach Thomas let some younger players in. The brightest spot in the Tiger's game was goalie Stu Kellie, who came up, with 18 saves on the game.

As a whole, Thomas was disappointed in the play of his team. He couldn't explain why the team couldn't "put it together

in the early and late stages of the game. He did state, "We're going to work hard at practice this week to get ready for our next opponent." That game will be in Tennessee against Sewanee College.

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## March 3, 4, 5

The Gutter Coffeehouse, located in the basement of the YMCA is sponsoring a coffeehouse weekend Thursday, Friday, and Saturday featuring return engagements with the talented Dick Pinney and the popular duo of Helios. The shows will start at 8:00, with Helios following Dick Pinney. Saturday night will come live from the Gutter at 10:00 on fm 88. A 50¢ donation is requested at the door. Don't miss this first ever — a coffeehouse weekend, at the Gutter.

## March 6

Sunday Free Flick, "Hello, Dolly!", 8 p.m.

## March 7-10

Movie: "Scorchy," 7 & 9 p.m.

Edgar's, the Union nightclub will be presenting ACC tournament action on the big screen Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Coming: ELI in the Amphitheater, March 25 56-2300 the Union Information Line

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