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Super Natt!

Calvin Natt, shown here doing one of his many rituals of after game duties, like signing autographs, poured in 39 points in a losing effort as the Indians were defeated in first round NIT action by Virginia, 79-78. Natt moved into ninth place among all-time career scorers with 2,582 points.

First TAAC Champions; Tribe receives NIT bid

by Steve Tharpe
Sports editor

In what is being called the biggest thing to ever happen to the Northeast basketball program since its beginning in 1951, the Indians accepted a bid to play against the University of Virginia in the first round of the 42nd National Invitational Tournament.

Head basketball coach Lenny Fant says it "will be tremendous for our program." John David Crow says, "Now we definitely have a major college athletic program." And after hearing the news, Jamie Mayo said, "This is the best feeling I have ever had."

Northeast is one of 24 teams from around the country to be

chosen to participate in the tournament. Teams included in the tournament are such powerhouses as defending national champion Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi State, Texas A&M, undefeated Alcorn State, and Purdue.

The NIT once was predominately made up of metropolitan area teams, to add local interest to the tournament. The teams used to be brought to New York City to play the entire tournament, but that proved to be too costly. Now they play the first three rounds at regional areas around the country.

For the Indians, this will be a new experience. Back in 1970, the Indians went to the NAIA Tournament in Kansas City and lost out in the second round.

Northeast, as always, is led by all-American Calvin Natt, a 6-5 senior forward who is averaging 23.9 points and 11.0 rebounds. Natt became the country's No. 10 all-time scorer in Saturday night's victory over Mercer State in the finals of the TAAC tournament. Natt has 2,543 career points.

"Many teams like us never get a chance to show what they can do at the national level," says Lenny Fant.

Northeast is only the second Louisiana college to ever participate in the NIT. Louisiana State participated in the tournament in 1970. The Indians are also the only team in the state, besides LSU, participating in post season action this year. LSU is playing in the NCAA tournament.

Lady Indians win first round

Led by a balanced scoring attack, the Lady Indians defeated the University of Oklahoma, 69-59, in the first round of regional action Wednesday night.

The Lady Indians were led in scoring by Linda Andrews with 18 points, Marlina Mossbarger with 14 points, and Mona Mossbarger with 12 points.

In scoring her 14 points, Mona Mossbarger became the all-time leading scorer among women at Northeast

with 998 points, surpassing the old mark set by Cindy Head (1974-1978) of 993 points.

Sue Sullivan picked up 6 assists in the Oklahoma game and thus gave her a record 150 career assists. That surpassed the old record set by Martha Gilley in 1976-1978 of 149 assists.

Thursday night the Indians played the winner of the Louisiana Tech-Texas A&M game.

Referendum: SUB renovation

by Dana Kildron
Staff writer

Students will participate in a student referendum scheduled for March 26. The issue to be decided is whether or not students will agree to an extra \$3.00 per semester increase in the student activity fee. This money would be used for renovations in the SUB and campus book store.

Another motion on the referendum will be for a 50 cent increase for KNLU.

KNLU is the only 1000 watt University station with remote services and needs the money to help defray the expansion costs and rising salaries.

The actual SUB proposal reads:

"I am in favor of an increase in the student activity fee to renovate the SUB snack bar and the NLU Bookstore. The increase would be in the amount of \$3.00 per semester (one dollar per summer term) beginning the first summer term of 1979 for six year ending the Spring semester of 1985. Any amount left

from this fund will be used to improve other areas in the Student Union Building."

If the referendum is successful, a nine person committee will be set up. The group will consist of five students and four faculty administrators. The committee's job will be to work with the student body on ideas they might have for the SUB area.

They will work with budgets predicted by university administrators. "Here is an idea of what you could do for this amount of money," says McDonald, "and if it approaches this or becomes this depends entirely on our student/faculty committee."

Monday, March 26, students will decide the fate of the Student Union Building. It is a student referendum and it will be a campus project. McDonald says, "It's your money, students. We're here to assist you, not to dictate what it's going to be. You tell us what you want and we'll design it."

See pages 10 and 11 for one of the proposed plans for the Elbow Room.

Proposed campaign to assist students

Have you ever considered applying for financial aid to assist with rising educational costs? If so, the Financial Aid Office is launching a Financial Aid Awareness Campaign on March 15 to offer special assistance to students filing for Federal & State financial aid for the 1979-80 school term.

Due to the passage of the Middle Income Assistance Act that President Carter recently signed into effect, many Northeast Louisiana University students who have not qualified for Federal financial aid in the past will more than likely qualify for the 1979-80 school year. Students from families with incomes ranging up to \$26,000 will probably be eligible for one of several financial aid programs. The Middle Income Assistance Act will also make more jobs available to NLU students.

Dr. Charles R. McDonald, Director of Counseling, Placement, and Financial Aid, said that his office is anticipating a large number of students to apply for financial assistance that have never applied before. For this reason, Dr. McDonald is encouraging all interested students to file early if they have a financial need so that the Office of Financial Aid can begin processing the necessary forms.

By filing early, students can expect to be notified sooner of their financial aid awards as well as enabling the Financial Aid Office to process the applications more efficiently.

The Financial Aid Awareness Campaign will include assisting students in their efforts to complete the ACT Family Financial Statements (FFS) and Basic Educational Opportunity Grant applications. Each stu-

dent currently employed on campus will receive an FFS for completion when their student payroll checks are disbursed on March 16.

Trained student counselors will be available to answer questions and to assist in completing the necessary forms at work tables set up in the SUB lobby beginning March 15. Students may apply for financial aid at these tables daily through March 23 from

10-12 a.m. and 3-5 p.m. Full-time counselors are available in the Financial Aid Office, Building 1-123 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday to give additional assistance to students in completing or checking the necessary forms in filing for financial aid. Interested students can check in next week's Pow Wow for the schedule of additional work sessions beginning March 26 and continuing through April 30.



Good question!

Roslynn Bennett, Monroe sophomore and Mose Goston, Monroe freshman, look at a poster for the Financial Aid Awareness Campaign on March 15.

Funds fall short of student's needs

Although Northeast received approximately \$1.7 million this year in Basic Educational Opportunity Grants and College Work-Study from the federal government, the amount does not meet the needs of NLU students.

Federal student aid programs are helping 2,179 NLU students this year, NLU President Dwight D. Vines stated, but many middle-income as well as lower-income students still have great trouble making ends meet.

Vine's statement was made in connection with the release of a new publication entitled "National Imperatives for Higher Education in 1979." This policy statement on federal programs was adopted at the recent annual meeting of the American

Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) in San Francisco.

In forwarding copies of this statement to Senators J. Bennett Johnston and Russell B. Long, and Rep. Jerry Huckaby, President Vines pointed out that the publication stresses key points:

A combination of relatively low tuition, student work and adequate federal assistance should make it possible for most of the 80 percent of students attending public colleges and universities to pay for a college education without going heavily into debt.

AASCU emphasized that adequate state appropriations are essential to support relatively low tuition.

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Standardization of fees prompts SGA discussion

by Sharon Littlefield Stephan
Managing editor

"In this day and time, there's no way you lower anything," stated Mr. Nick Lassiter, associate dean of students, in reference to the standardization of room and board fees at Tuesday night's meeting of the Student Government Association.

Lassiter made the statement when asked by SGA member Bob Mann, chairman of the finance committee, about the possibility of achieving standardization by lowering the fees instead of increasing them.

Priority

A first-come-first-serve basis would be employed in the assigning of dorm rooms. However, according to Lassiter,

students already living in dorms would have priority in those dorms.

"I think this decision is very unfair to those students who are now living in community bath dorms who have to pay the same as those living in a better dorm with semi-private baths," Mann stated.

Lassiter compared the situation to a rent increase in apartment complexes, though he added that the present fees are sufficient to "pay the bills." He added that the advantages and disadvantages of each dorm should make up for the standardization of costs.

Mann moved a resolution to send notice to the administration of the SGA's disapproval of the fee increase.

Mann stated after the meeting, "I wish the administration had been a little more fair about

this and consulted the students before making their decision and then telling us to take it, whether we like it or not."

Filing

In other business, Drew Fluke, chairman of the rules committee announced that Wednesday is the last day for filing for the SGA elections. A motion to give a merit raise to SGA office secretary, Mary Ellen Stelly, was passed by acclamation. The raise will increase her pay from \$3.62 an hour to \$3.75 an hour and will be included in the March 1-14 paycheck. It was noted that the position is analogous to a Civil Service Typist III, and the person holding the job must be paid the equivalent. Also, after one and one-half year, the employee must be considered for a merit raise. Stelly began work at the SGA in September of 1977.

Survey

A visitation-alcohol regulation survey will be conducted in dorms Monday night. This survey will be given by resident assistants but will be assisted by SGA senate members.

A motion concerning unspent SGA funds was withdrawn by the members of the rules committee until further revisions of the motion can be made.

Pitch In!

UB cites plans

Mike Farrell, a country comic and vocalist, will be featured Friday evening during Spring Fever in a coffeehouse. On Sunday, April 29, "Asleep At the Wheel" will be highlighting the outdoor concert with country music along with Delbert McClinton, and Country Gator. Rated X will be performing soul music.

Also, applications are being accepted for membership on the UB. A student must have a full time status and a 2.0 GPA. Applications are available in SUB 212 and must be turned in to the UB by March 16.

Equipment stolen from Photo Lab

Sometime during the Mardi Gras holidays, the NLU Photo-Lab was unlawfully entered which resulted in approximately \$4,000 worth of equipment being stolen.

Billy Heckford, head of the Photo Lab, discovered some of the equipment missing on Feb. 24 and later discovered that the whole inventory had been virtually wiped out some time later after his first report. Heckford reported the robbery to the University Police who then asked for the assistance of the Monroe Police Department to investigate the incident.

Goods reported stolen were one Nikon camera, two Mamiya cameras and one Nikkromat camera. Along with the cameras several lens designed to fit the makes were also stolen.

According to Wade Dupuis, head of the University Police, the photo lab was entered on at least two occasions, possibly once after the first report. Not only was university property stolen, but one of the photographer's equipment was stolen as well.

Dupuis said that it is believed that access was gained by way of a key because there was no evidence of actual breaking and entering except for the missing equipment. There was no damage to the lab.

"The investigation is on-going at this time," Dupuis said. "We have called in the Monroe Police Department and detectives have been working on it this past week."

According to Dupuis, a suspect has already been taken into custody and charged with the robbery. Most of the equipment has been recovered and the police are holding it for evidence. No further information is being released at this time.

"It is unfortunate that it happened," Dupuis said, "but it is fortunate that everything has been recovered."

According to Bob Carroll, head of information services, some of the old equipment was not taken but the equipment used on a daily basis was stolen. Carroll commented that the operation of the Photo Lab has been slowed down considerably because of the robbery. "Until we can get our equipment back from the police, the photographers will have to use their own personal equipment to carry out assignments," Carroll said. "According to Carroll, everything of real value was stolen from the lab."

The Monroe Police Department refused to release information pending further investigation of the incident.

Center lists interviews

An update of the job interview schedule has been released by the Counseling and Placement Center.

Graduating seniors interested in a job interview must sign up in the Counseling and Placement Center in Harris Hall-North.

All interviews will be held in Harris Hall unless noted. The interview schedule is:

March 12-- Mid Valley, Inc.; Construction majors

March 13-- Commercial Bank; Finance, Accounting, Computer Science majors; Sam P. Wallace Company, Inc.; Construction majors

March 15-- Con Agra-Poultry Products Div.; Business Management, Animal Science, Agriculture majors; Lee's Summit School District; Education majors

March 15-16-- Sun Belt Construction Co.; Construction majors

March 16-- Rapides Parish School Board; Education majors

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editorials

First aid only please?

Infirmiry, as defined in the "American Heritage Dictionary," is a place for the care of the sick or injured. To what degree of sickness and injury is not stated but an intensive care unit it is not.

That leads us to the point of this editorial, "People are expecting too much from our current infirmiry facilities."

The infirmiry is not a panacea for the ailments of student life. It was not meant to be. It cannot be.

The doctor is limited with what he can do by way of prescriptions, etc. and by time. He is a practicing general physician with other responsibilities.

Some students have proposed a full time doctor on campus but the costs would be outrageous.

Perhaps First Aid would be a better name for the infirmiry. That is about all they can supply. Why ask for something more? Complaints about the infirmiry should not be kept and spread among the students until they get blown out of proportion. Dean of Students, Tom Murphy, has indicated that anyone with a complaint about the infirmiry should contact him directly.

Room fee increases

In the Fall of 1979 room charges will be going up...so far only for students living in community bath dorms because the University has standardized the rent for all the dorm rooms.

This means that everyone will pay basically the same price for a room. The cost will rise \$40 a semester for those students in the dorms with community baths.

"Instead of 56 accommodations for assessing students this will give us eight," explained Nick Lassiter, Associate Dean of Students, before the SGA senate Tuesday night.

This new procedure would eliminate red tape and a long wait during registration and would help solve some financial aid difficulties.

Financial aid will rise accordingly for students in these dorms receiving it and it is estimated by the administration that only 150 students will catch the full brunt of the fee increase.

Cutting costs is the key to the entire situation. Lassiter pointed out that the administration had contemplated elimi-

nating University supplied luxuries such as toilet tissue (an expense ranging in \$10,000) and waste paper baskets (an expense of \$6000) to help cut cost.

That may be hitting below the belt so to speak, but there is little to be done about the situation. The SGA has passed a resolution against the measure but the outlook for further progress is bleak.

On brighter side Lassiter said that the administration is 90 percent certain the general room and board will not rise in the Fall and that \$10,000 will be allotted to the dorms for more resident parties in the future.

Do blondes have more fun?

by Sheryl Salter
Copy editor

Since the beginning of creation, women have felt the need to be recognized for their intellectual

attributes rather than their physical make-up and in the last two decades many women have made great strides in establishing themselves as competent, intelligent individuals.

However there is still one certain minority of women that still feels the need to establish themselves and it is this group which I would like to defend----blondes.

Intellectual

It seems that the intellectual abilities of blondes is often taken a little less seriously than those of other women. This is best illustrated by a remark which I have heard repeatedly during my college years--"Blondes have more fun but brunettes are the ones that get ahead in the world."

Now this is absolutely not true. For instance, to only list a few, there is Chris Evert, one of the world's most prominent female tennis stars; Farrah Fawcett Majors, whose profits from posters and T-shirts do not appear so "dumb" to me; and Dr. Joyce Brothers who is greatly in demand for her input into television programs.

Categories

Also, blondes are usually stereo-

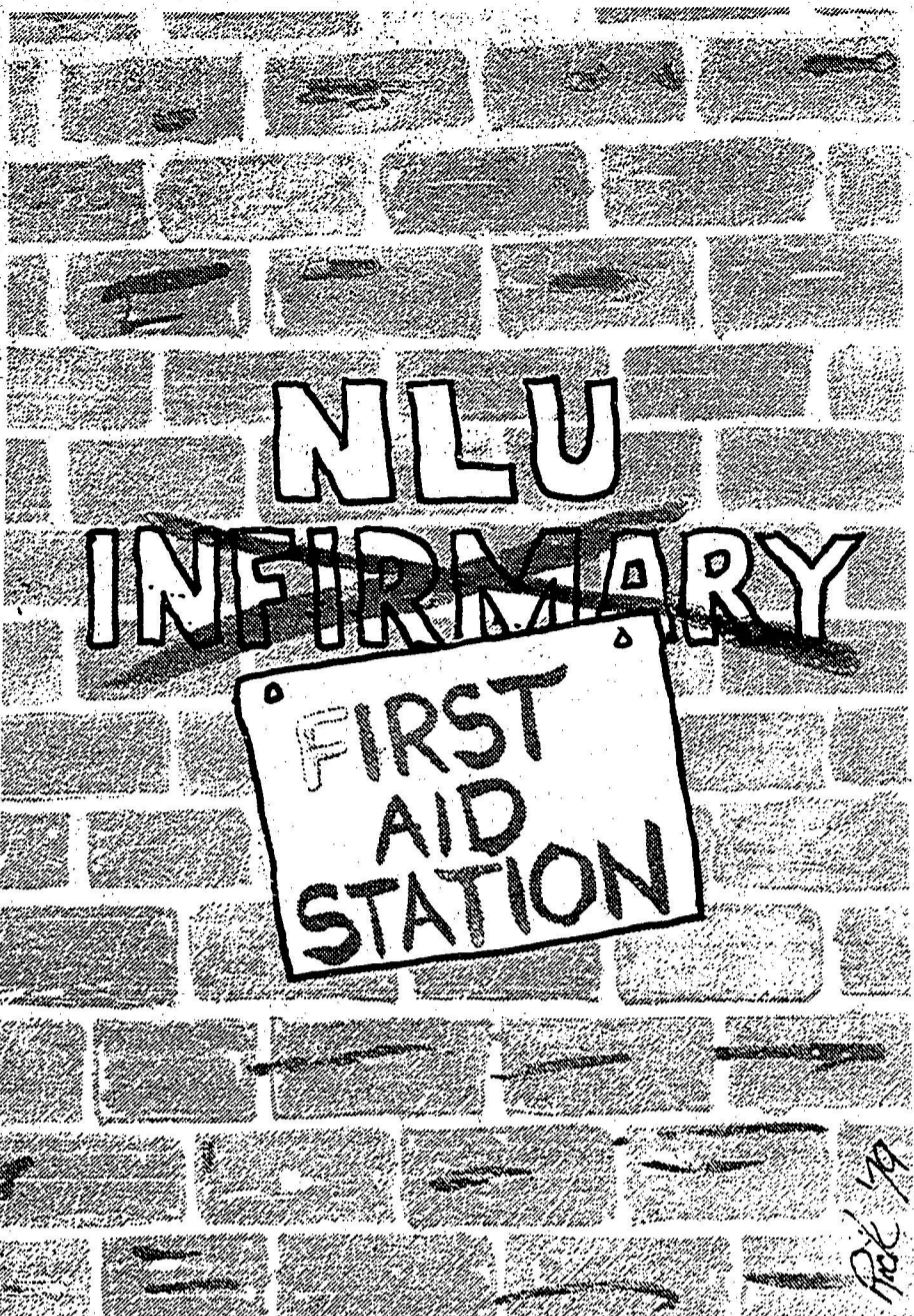
typed into basically three categories. First, there is the pathetic mousey, dingy character, then the adorable, scatter brained type, and last but not least is the "blonde bomb."

This is very unjust. It is ridiculous for blondes to be subject to such bestial humor. This produces a certain flattening of personality and a stunting effect on creativity simply because society has developed mutual illusions and cosmetic images of what blondes are supposed to be rather than what they are.

Frustrating

It is frustrating for a blonde to walk into a room and hear someone say, "Well, the dumb blonde is here." What is she supposed to do? Should she say something completely stupid so as to coincide with popular opinion? Yet if she says something rather intelligent she knows she'll probably get a roar of laughter anyway.

What it all boils down to is that the blondes want to be given a chance to establish themselves as competent, rational individuals rather than stereo-typed Barbie dolls.



Students' opinions contrast on strike

by Roslynn Bennett
Staff writer

Mardi Gras is a pre-Lenten festive holiday celebrated every year in New Orleans. The event, known as Fat Tuesday, has activities such as float parades, costumes, merrymaking and a grand ball as a finale.

This year, most of the Mardi Gras parades and merrymaking was cancelled because of a strike by the New Orleans Police Department. The police went on strike protesting that appropriate funds for the department were refused by New Orleans Mayor Ernest Morial, who voted himself a pay raise for his elected office.

After completing agreements from the first contract proposal, policemen felt the demands were still not met and therefore continued to strike.

The police strike caused New Orleans business districts to lose millions of dollars due to people cancelling their trip to New Orleans for the Mardi Gras festivities.

Recently, the police voted down the latest 43 page proposal by a vote of 447-173 saying the proposal would allow the city to "fire, demote or otherwise discipline strikers for participating in the walkout."

The police on strike, however, returned to work after walking out from the picket line because of low income, thus ending the 16 day old strike.

In this week's opinion poll, NLU students were asked

"Were the New Orleans police justified in striking?"

"I think the police were justified to strike. A lot of these men always work overtime and

Orleans police were justified in striking, but I believe they should have waited to strike after Mardi Gras. The police lost a lot of support from the

Mardi Gras was the best time to strike for their reasons, but if the police did not think about the city, I feel they were not justified for striking," said Lynn Loe, Monroe junior.

Greg Brulte, Talluah junior, said, "Yes, I think the police were justified in striking. The mayor voted himself a raise and he would not appropriate funds for the police department. I feel Mardi Gras was the most appropriate time for police to strike in order to let the people know of their demands."

your opinion



Judy Rochelle

they are not receiving enough pay for the demanding job they do," said Judy Rochelle, Bossier City freshman.

Melinda Nelson, Shreveport senior, said, "I believe the New

people because they cost New Orleans the expected revenue the business districts would have received from Mardi Gras.

"Yes, I believe the police were justified in striking. With the cost of living arising, they need to eat, also. If the police had not gone on strike during the Mardi Gras festival, the strike would later not have been worthwhile. The police had to do something to let the people know the seriousness of the matter. They put their lives on the line more than most professionals do. I believe striking during Mardi Gras put greater emphasis on their importance to the city," said Patricia Bonnett, Monroe freshman.

"Yes, I believe the police were justified in striking," said Pam Angelette, Cut Off sophomore. "But I feel it was the wrong time to strike because the city lost so much money."

"I feel the police thought



Tamee Dark

Tamee Dark, Shreveport sophomore, said, "Yes, I think the police were justified in striking. I think it took a drastic measure such as striking during an important time such as Mardi Gras to show the people the police are needed and to prove they are worth it."

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Tenure: For better or worse?

Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series on teacher tenure.

by Gail Oliver
Staff writer

One of the most controversial issues facing teachers is that of the tenure law which is designed to give good instructors a certain amount of protection in their jobs. According to Bernard Shadoin, dean of education, tenure is not unique to the teaching profession but is particular to those in the public service domain.

Year before the tenure law was passed many teachers had little or no protection. The law was passed to base job security on the performance of the teacher. Many of the teachers were manipulated or moved around which caused a great deal of dissatisfaction.

and signed charges of willful neglect of duty, or incompetency or dishonesty, or of being a member of or contributing to any group, organization, movement or corporation that is by law or injunction prohibited from operating in the State of Louisiana. . . . If that teacher is found guilty, he has the option of appearing before the board of trustees for an appeal after a hearing, public or private, by the school board.

If the teacher is found guilty of the aforesaid charges, he had the right to petition a court to review the action of the school board and has the power to affirm or reverse the verdict. In the case of the latter decision, the teacher will be reinstated into his position and will be entitled to salary compensation for any lost time because of the school board's decision, as according to the statute.

public education, according to Shadoin. "There are a lot of people who feel improving education translates into improving the teacher," Shadoin said.

According to Shadoin, in the

personal lives and social lives as well."

In the case that a teacher is fired from a system he is not prohibited from teaching in another system but is put on a type of probation in which his competency is tested. Basically, the condition of employment is stated beforehand so the teacher is generally aware of what is to be expected of him. In retrospect, the tenure law is designed to protect the competent teacher and to more or less weed out those who have no desire to perform the duties expected of them. Therefore, a teacher "can be dismissed through due process," according to Shadoin, if there is a solid amount of evidence to prove incompetency.



Faculty Handbook

At Northeast, teachers are made aware of the tenure laws by way of the Faculty Handbook which states university tenure. The Board of Trustees is responsible for the hiring of academic personnel and granting or denying tenure. The terms of tenure as stated in the Faculty Handbook are as follows:

1. Administrators shall not earn tenure, except as members of an academic discipline.
2. Faculty members shall be on annual appointment at the instructor level.
3. Faculty members shall not be

eligible for tenure at the instructor level.

4. Assistant professor or equivalents shall be eligible for tenure after serving the established probationary period.

5. Faculty members promoted to the rank of associate professors, professor, or equivalent, shall be awarded indeterminate tenure and shall be informed in writing within ninety days of Board of Trustees' action.

6. Faculty members initially employed at the rank of professor or equivalent shall serve a probationary period of at least one year, but no more than four years.

7. Faculty members initially employed at the rank of professor or equivalent may be granted tenure upon appointment, or, at the discretion of the institution, may be required to serve a probationary period not exceed four years.

8. Faculty members appointed to the rank of professor or associate professor while being paid from a grant or contract for services such as special lecturer, consultant, or visiting professor, may not be granted indeterminate tenure, but may be granted limited tenure, not exceeding the duration of the grant or contract.

Removal

In the public school system, if a teacher performs in a satisfactory manner for three years, he cannot be removed without due cause. According to the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Title 17, if a teacher is threatened with removal from that position, he constitutionally has the right to appeal the action. Section 443 of the 1950 Statute states that, "A permanent teacher shall not be removed from office except upon written

Controversy

According to Shadoin, tenured teachers are fired every year and the cases are usually handled out of court. Many of the cases heard are those that have made it into the courts and are proving to be one of the main reasons for much of the controversy. The basic controversy is the concern about education, need for quality education, mass expenditure toward public education and the people's awareness of the condition of

public school system, it is the responsibility of the principle, administrator or supervisor to monitor the performance of the teacher. There would be no problem if this were done adequately. "Before the tenure law was passed," Shadoin said, "many teachers were denied basic rights, such as participating in politics and community activities. Advantage was being taken of the teachers'

Inflation hits budget Where's the money?

by Joe P. Edwards
Staff writer

As the rate of inflation steadily creeps upward institutions are confronted with the task of operating successfully with shrinking incomes. The annual budgets begin to feel a major strain as cost and revenues grow further apart.

Northeast's budget has been prepared in conformity with the policy of the Board of Trustees for State Colleges and Universities. Efforts have been made to allocate financial resources for the greatest possible benefit to the university.

Budgetary allocations encompass various needs of each department. Necessities are projected in the areas of departmental costs such as personal services--salaries and other compensations--travel, operating services, supplies, professional services and equipment.

In reviewing the university's budget, found in Sandel Library, there are either increases or decreases in departmental allocations from fiscal year to fiscal year (1977-78 to 1978-79). Departments selected for this report were ones with either increases or decreases in allocations of more than \$10,000 during 1978-79 fiscal year which ends June 30, 1979.

Total estimated expenditures for the department of criminal justice, social work, and sociology in 1977-78 were \$369,177 and the budgetary allocations in 1978-79 are \$339,735, with a total decrease of \$29,442 for the current fiscal year.

When asked how the decrease affected the department, Dr. G. Dale Welch, department head, said the budget for 1977-78 and 1978-79 is basically the same though the actual budget suggests a loss in allocations during 1978-79. Dr. Welch said the department benefits from expected grants each year. After the addition of financial resources from grants, what seems a reduction in allocations for 1978-79 will not be.

Grants received by the department include Administration on Aging, Washington, D.C.; Health and Human Resources Administration, Office of Family Services; and one in criminal justice to support the police training academy.

History and Government

Estimated expenditures for the department of history and government in 1977-78 were \$317,844, and expected allocations for 1978-79 are \$268,387, with a noted reduction of \$49,457.

The largest decrease was in the area of total personal services. Dr. Marshall S. Legan, department head, said the decrease in this area was due to the retirement of Dr. Nollie W. Hickman, professor of history, without a replacement.

Legan said the reduction in faculty will not in any way affect the department of history and government. He showed optimism because the current faculty has made the necessary efforts to instruct history classes that Dr. Hickman instructed.

School of Music

The 1978-79 fiscal year saw the school of music take a decrease in allocations of \$43,289, with total estimated expenditures at \$486,754 in 1977-78 and \$443,465 in 1978-79. The main area of departmental cost that was reduced was personal services.

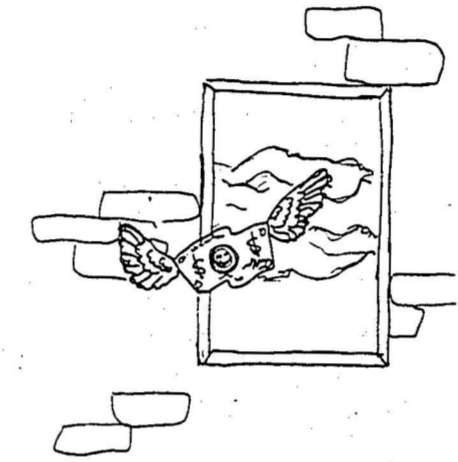
The reduction in this area for the school of music can best be explained by the fact that the school had a reduction of three faculty members without any replacements. Dr. Richard A. Worthington said that the reduction had no adverse effect on departmental operations. He added that the school of music still operates in the same manner as it did before faculty reductions.

Department of biology

Total estimated expenditures for the department of biology in 1977-78 were \$376,327, and expected allocations are

\$353,601 for 1978-79, with a noted decrease of \$22,726 from fiscal year to fiscal year. Decreases in allocations are due primarily to reduction in the area of personal services.

Dr. Melinda L. Kinkade, department head, said the department has one less faculty member, due to the retirement of Dr. Earl B. Prince, professor and former department head. Dr. Kinkade added, though there have been reductions of allocation in certain areas of departmental costs, the biology department has been able to remain stable in its operations.



Retirement cause deductions

The current fiscal year also witnessed the department of administration, supervision and foundation take a decrease in allocations of \$17,055, decreasing from \$172,430 in 1977-78 to \$155,375 in 1978-79.

Dr. Rolland D. Kerr, department head, said a retirement within the department accounts for this year's reduction in allocations. Kerr said the department had to "curtail some of its offering." He added that overall the department has been able to operate without real adversity, thanks to instructors in the department who are now teaching classes that were being taught by the retired instructor.

Departmental costs

Total estimated expenditures for the department of foreign languages in 1977-78 were \$132,003, and expected allocations in 1978-79 are \$115,802, with a noted decrease of \$16,201. Reductions in allocations for current fiscal year are due to decreases in several areas of departmental costs, personal services, professional services and equipment.

Dr. Carlos D. Fandal, department head, said the department received a decrease in personal services for 1978-79 because Dr. Lea T. Olsan, assistant professor of English, once instructed a course in foreign languages and received payment from the foreign languages department. Dr. Fandal said that she no longer instructs for foreign languages and money is no longer being allocated to the department for this reason, bringing about a noted decrease in personal services for 1978-79.

The area of professional services deal with professionals who are hired to come to a department in an effort of helping faculty members with different projects. Fandal said in the last two years the department has not been in need of professional assistance.

In 1977-78 the department was allocated \$2,487 for equipment, but there are no allocations for 1978-79. Fandal said certain departments take turns in buying equipment. He said the preceding fiscal year was the department's

turn to be allocated money to buy equipment, thus, accounting for the negative allotment for equipment during current fiscal year.

Mathematics

In 1977-78 the department of mathematics received \$276,713 for total expenditures, but for expected allocations in 1978-79 the department will receive \$261,602, experiencing \$15,111 in reductions for 1978-79. Dr. Richard D. Finley, department head, said since the fall semester an addition of \$21,500 has been allocated in personal services, making the total allocation for this fiscal year \$283,102.

The department of economics and finance experienced a total decrease of \$15,894 in allocations, going from \$309,092 in 1977-78 to \$293,198 in 1978-79.

Dr. James Caldwell, head of the department of economics and finance, declined to discuss whether the total decrease in allocations for the current fiscal year would affect operations of the department.

Pharmacy

During 1977-78 the school of pharmacy received in estimated expenditures \$540,890, but received \$516,401, with a \$24,489 decrease from the previous fiscal year.

Dr. Kenneth R. Shrader, dean and professor in the school of pharmacy, also declined to discuss if the total decrease in allocations would affect departmental operations.

All departments did not have decreases in allocations for the fiscal year of 1978-79. Some departments actually experienced increases in allocations from the 1977-78 fiscal year to the current fiscal year.

Increased allocations

The department of secondary and counselor education received \$117,799 in estimated expenditures for 1977-78, and will receive \$138,413 in 1978-79, thus, having a total increase of \$20,614 currently. The increase is projected mainly in areas of departmental costs such as personal services and supplies.

Dr. Don W. Locke, department head, said there has not been a personnel increase, but said increases in personal services was designed to give members a slight pay raise.

Locke said the increase in allocations for supplies is to combat rising costs of needed materials. In this respect Locke considers 1978-79 and 1977-78 budgets to be "carbon copies."

Allied health sciences

The school of allied health sciences received estimated expenditures for 1977-78 of \$251,422, and will receive \$270,110 for 1978-79, resulting in a total increase of \$18,688 for 1978-79. The largest portions of the increase came in total personal services, travel, and supplies.

Dr. August M. Hochenedel, department head, said the increases in personal services comes from a minimal salary adjustment of 3 percent or below.

Due to tremendous cost increases in medical and dental supplies, Dr. Hochenedel said the increases in supplies are extremely important.

The department also had an increase in allocations for travel. Dr. Hochenedel said this area of departmental cost is to satisfy accreditation requirements for

meeting participation in new departmental programs."

Management

Total estimated expenditures for the department of management and marketing in 1977-78 were \$309,858, for the expected allocations in 1978-79 are \$325,625, allowing an increase of \$15,767. The main portion of this increase is to deal with area of personal services.

Dr. Ronald D. Johnson, department head, said, "The department received approximately 5 percent increase to reflect efforts to give faculty members increases in salaries."

Psychology

Estimated expenditures for the department of psychology in 1977-78 were \$264,331, and expected allocations in 1978-79 are \$277,215, resulting in an increase of \$12,920 for the current fiscal year. The primary portion in this increase deals with personal services.

Dr. Oscar N. Wally said the actual increase in personal services came about when one faculty member was removed and when the college of education gained a "4 percent" increase in salaries.

Geosciences

The 1978-79 fiscal year saw the department of geosciences take an increase in allocations of \$11,874, with total estimated expenditures at \$208,349 and \$220,223 in 1978-79. The noted increases came in the areas of personal services and operating services.

Dr. Marcus Mapp, department head, accounts for the increase in personal services said, "Faculty members received a three percent salary increase. There was also a shift in a faculty from history and government department to geosciences." Dr. Mapp said, "This instructor still has the determined salary under history and government, but the geosciences department picks up the balance," he added.

Mapp said the allotted money for operating services encompasses operation of the NLU weather station. He said during the 1977-78 fiscal year, the weather station was operated by the Research Institute, and during the current fiscal year, the geosciences department once again retained operation of the weather station.

Equal allocations

Not all departments had sizable decreases or increases. In fact, the department of communication arts has been allocated approximately the same amount for 1977-78 and 1978-79 fiscal years. For the previous fiscal year the department had in estimated expenditures \$201,993 and during the current fiscal year the department will receive

\$202,128, allowing an increase of \$135. When asked how similar budgetary allocations affected departmental operations, Dr. James W. Parkerson said, "I fully understand the financial crunch of the university, and this department has been treated as justly as others."

Parkerson does see areas where the department is in need. He feels the department needs additional money in supplies, because of the department's extensive use of rating forms and chemicals for photo-journalism.

Equipment is an area for Parkerson's concern. "There is a great need for money to purchase about five video display terminals for journalism," Parkerson said if the financial resources are not obtained for the necessary equipment, the university will not be able to compete with other universities in the journalism area.

It is correct to state that areas of departmental costs determine how much each department will be allocated during a fiscal year. But departmental allocations are also based on total number of credit hours in that department for a fiscal year.

Jobs in student publications

Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m., Friday, March 30, 1979, for staff positions on the 1979-80 Chacahoula (NLU's yearbook) and the summer and fall Pow Wow.

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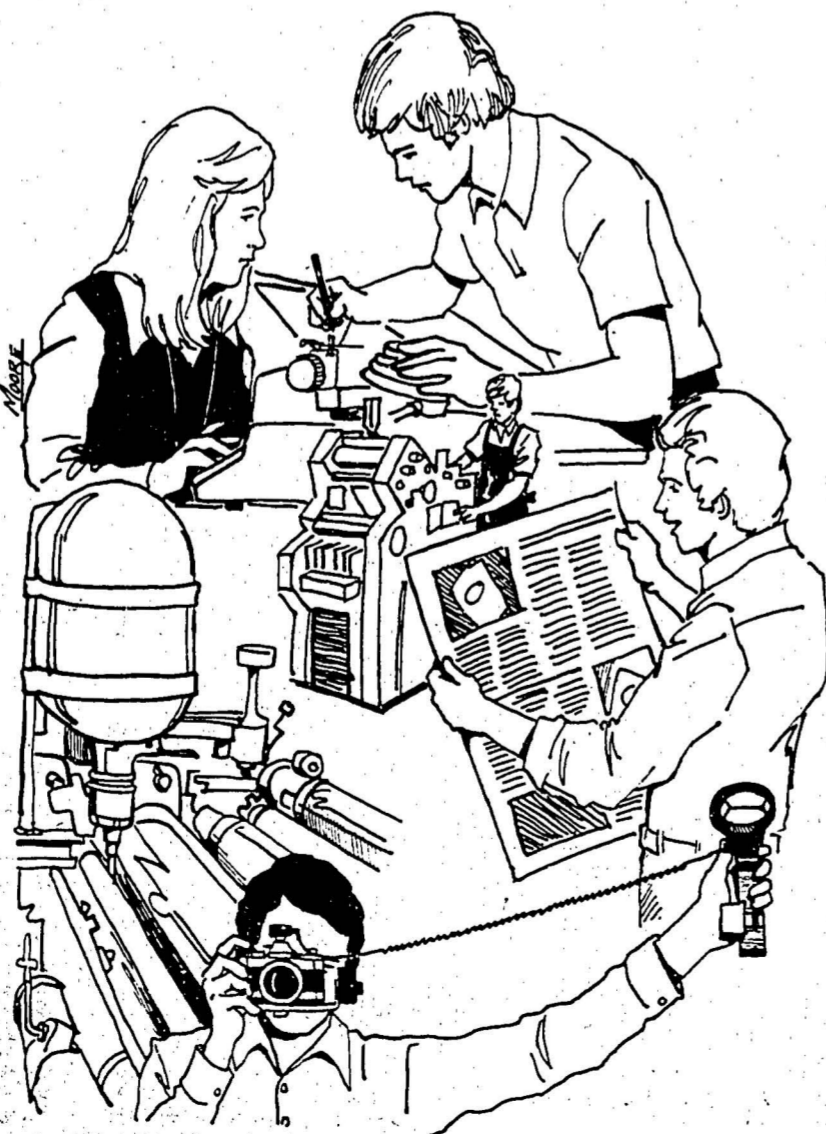
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Photographers lead 'busy lives'

by Tami Wilson
Campus editor

"I think the most exciting thing I ever photographed was 18-20," said Billy Heckford, photographer for six years at the Photo Lab.

While most Indian fans will agree with Heckford that the Tech game was exciting, the other employees at the Photo Lab have also had their share of excitement, and in some cases, danger.

For instance, Billy Albritton has taken pictures while on a bombing mission in Vietnam, Mel Riser has photographed a sniper, and John Jones has photographed such political figures as Jimmy Carter, George Wallace, and Ronald Regan. Heckford, while employed in Washington, had the opportunity to photograph Presidents John F. Kennedy, and Lyndon B. Johnson.

Although the life of a photographer can prove to be interesting, it is not all glamour, as some might imagine. According to the six employees of the Photo Lab, a photographer's life is challenging, hectic, demanding, confusing, and rewarding.

Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the Photo Lab, located in the SUB 101, to take all of the pictures to be used in the Pow Wow and Chacoula.

In addition to taking pictures for these publications, the Photo Lab also takes photographs for students at a nominal fee. Such photographs include portraits, and pictures that may be used for various applications and resumes.

Heckford estimated that last year the Photo Lab took over 60,000 pictures for NLU, and that in Oct. alone, they received 400 assignments.

On the average, Heckford said the photographers at the lab shoot ten pictures a day, but that throughout the year, this number fluctuates. "During Homecoming, Spring Fever, and various sporting events we really get jammed up," said Heckford.

When one requests photographic coverage, at least one day's notice is required. "This enables the employees at the lab ample time to work out a schedule to ensure the availability of a photographer."

Unless the Photo Lab has been notified before noon of the same day, no assignment will be shot after 5 p.m. Also, no weekend assignment will be shot unless the lab has been notified prior to 5 p.m. Thurs-

day. Billy Heckford, and John Jones are the two full time photographers at the lab. Also employed are four student photographers, Billy Albritton, Terry Cochran, David Fletcher and Mel Riser.

experience in photography, whether in high school or college, and showed a desire to get more involved with photography.

Photo assignments are divided among the photographers according to their working schedules, said Heckford. Student photographers average 15 hours of work per week.

At the beginning of the



When asked what qualities a good photographer should possess, Heckford said, "He should have a good personality, and the ability to handle people." He also listed patience as an important characteristic of a good photographer.

Jones, a former photographer for the Alexandria Daily Town Talk, said a good photographer must have perseverance. He said, "You can't be bashful in front of people. You're usually the center of attention, and you must have a 'take charge attitude.'" The ability "to work under deadline pressure" is another characteristic Jones thought a good photographer must have.

Fletcher said a photographer must be "easy going, able to take control of the situation, and really be able to get along with people." Riser said that in order to do the best job as a photographer, a person must enjoy his work.

All of the photographers at the lab have had previous

interests. While Fletcher prefers to photograph girls or sports, Jones likes the candid and human interest type pictures, and Riser prefers taking pictures of nature.

Expressions

The photographers had varying opinions in response to the question, "What do you like most about being a photographer?" "Being able to express

Fletcher said, "I get involved in a lot of campus activities that I would normally not be involved in." He also said he enjoyed being able to meet a lot of girls.

As with any other occupation or hobby, photography can have its disadvantages. A fast pace and irregular hours are often encountered by the Photographer, but dark room work is the task Fletcher said he liked least about photography.

Jones agreed by saying, "I'd rather be out shooting, than spending hours in the dark room."

In response to the question concerning what he liked least about photography, Heckford said, "The paperwork, keeping up with supplies and time schedules."

The Photo Lab is equipped to take care of all of its own work, from taking the picture to developing it. Any camera repairs that are needed are usually taken care of by Albritton. The lab specializes in black and white pictures, although a few color photographs are sometimes taken.

The Photo Lab is not funded by the state. Anyone who uses the services provided by the lab pays a nominal fee, then the deficit is divided between the Pow Wow and the Chacoula.

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your ideas with your pictures. You can say just as much with a picture as you can with words," said Riser.

"Probably being around people, and being in on the things that happen, I like to be where the action is," said Heckford.

Jones said he liked being in contact with the public, and being able to see a side of people that others do not usually see.

semester, each photographer chooses one night a week to cover photo assignments. This system provides for the equal distribution of night assignments among the photographers.

Photography is recognized as art, and it can be very rewarding. Contrary to the belief of some, just pressing the button on a camera does not automatically produce a good picture. Technical training, precision, patience, and creative ability are also involved.

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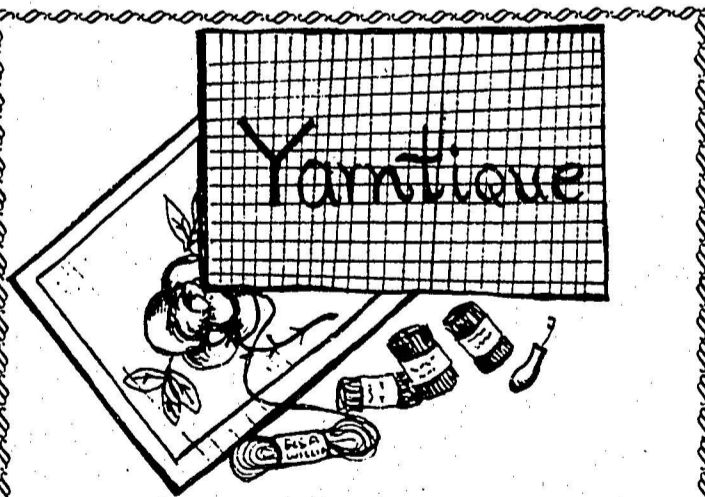
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Assertive program involves knowing oneself

by Lisa Goins
Staff writer

Suppose that your roommate has been throwing his clothes all over the room during the past week. Would you confront him with his sloppiness or put up with the mess? If a friend invites you to a party, but you do not want to go, would you reluctantly accept the invitation anyway or honestly tell him that you would rather not go?

In the Assertive Training Program offered through the Counseling and Placement Center, similar situations are presented with advice on how to handle these situations by communicating in a more open, honest way. Mrs. Kathryn Mouser, counselor at the Counseling and Placement Center, has been working with a group of students on Assertive Training during the past month as part of the Leisure Learning Classes being offered this semester. Mrs. Mouser will continue the training session through the month of March.

More men than women

Assertive training was first offered in the 1977 Fall semester and was originally intended for women. However, more men than women have participated

in the program since its beginning. "Many times we let people use us which causes us to be resentful," said Mrs. Mouser. "Resentment breaks down a relationship. Deeper relationships result in being more honest." If you are one of the many people who have difficulties expressing your true feelings and thoughts or have problems with making or refusing requests, the Assertive Training Program can probably help change your behavior.

Three types of behavior

Patricia Jakubowski, author of assertive training manuals, states that there are three types of behavior: 1) assertive, 2) aggressive, and 3) non-assertive.

Assertive behavior involves standing up for one's personal rights and expressing one's thoughts, feelings, and preferences in a way that is direct, honest, open, appropriate, and does not violate the rights of others. Assertiveness involves respect for oneself and considering yourself as important without being selfish.

The goal of assertion is to express one's thoughts, feelings, wants, and preferences to others so that they may have

the opportunity to respond. Aggressive behavior is often confused with assertive behavior. Assertion is not aggression. Aggression involves standing up for one's personal rights and expressing one's thoughts or feelings in a way that is usually inappropriate, often indirect and dishonest, and violates the rights of others. "There is no need for aggression if assertion is practiced," said Mrs. Mouser.

Non-assertive behavior can occur when one's own rights are neglected by failing to express thoughts and feelings. Also, expressing thoughts, feelings, or preferences in a way that is overly apologetic or self-effacing is an example of non-assertion. Many non-assertive people may often let others take advantage of them. Ann Landers writes in her advice column, "Meek men may inherit the earth, but they sure get dumped on a lot."

Much conflict

Mrs. Mouser said that many people experience much conflict and are always asking themselves, "Should I or shouldn't I?" She encourages people to first find out who they are and then begin practicing assertive behavior by acting in

their own best interest without undue anxiety. "We should always exercise our assertive rights without feeling guilty," said Mrs. Mouser. During the training sessions, students are given an inventory of situations to work on and establish for themselves what relationships are hardest to be assertive in. Students are also taught the importance of "self," techniques of body language, and how to make and refuse requests.

Role playing

If necessary, the students practice assertive behavior through modeling and role playing. Mrs. Mouser encourages group interaction where each student receives feedback and reinforcement from others. "There are no strict guidelines that we follow in the sessions. The training sessions are informal, personal, and allow each of the students to get to know himself better and practice more honest, direct communication," said Mrs. Mouser.

Any students interested in forming another group for the Assertive Training Program are urged to contact Mrs. Kathryn Mouser at the Counseling and Placement Center or phone 342-4071.

Collegiate program provides headstart

by Bob Mann
Staff writer

If your younger brother or sister is a high school junior who plans to attend Northeast after graduation, you may be able to help them get a headstart in their college career.

According to the Office of School Services, the Collegiate Program for superior high school students is provided to enable outstanding students to earn university credit for work completed during the summer session prior to their last year in high school.

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This session will offer high school students an experience in attending the university, living in dormitories, and participating in the intellectual, cultural and recreational activities.

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gram, students must be completing their junior year in high school, be recommended by their high school principals and have a minimum over-all average of 3.0 or a composite score on the ACT examination of 24 or higher.

ACT

School services encourages prospective students to take the ACT test by February of their junior year and to submit their scores to the university. These scores aid in counseling at registration, partially satisfy admission requirements after high school graduation, and provide the basis for consideration of scholarships. The scores will also enable students to take certain courses that have ACT score prerequisites.

Interested persons can obtain application forms from their high school counselors and principals, from the office of

School Services, or from the registrar's office. These applications must be completed and returned to the Admissions Office along with high school transcripts for five semesters and a letter of recommendation from their principal by May 28.

Course load

All courses will be limited to the freshman level. The course load limit is 14 hours for the summer session, a maximum of seven hours each term. Students may attend one or both terms.

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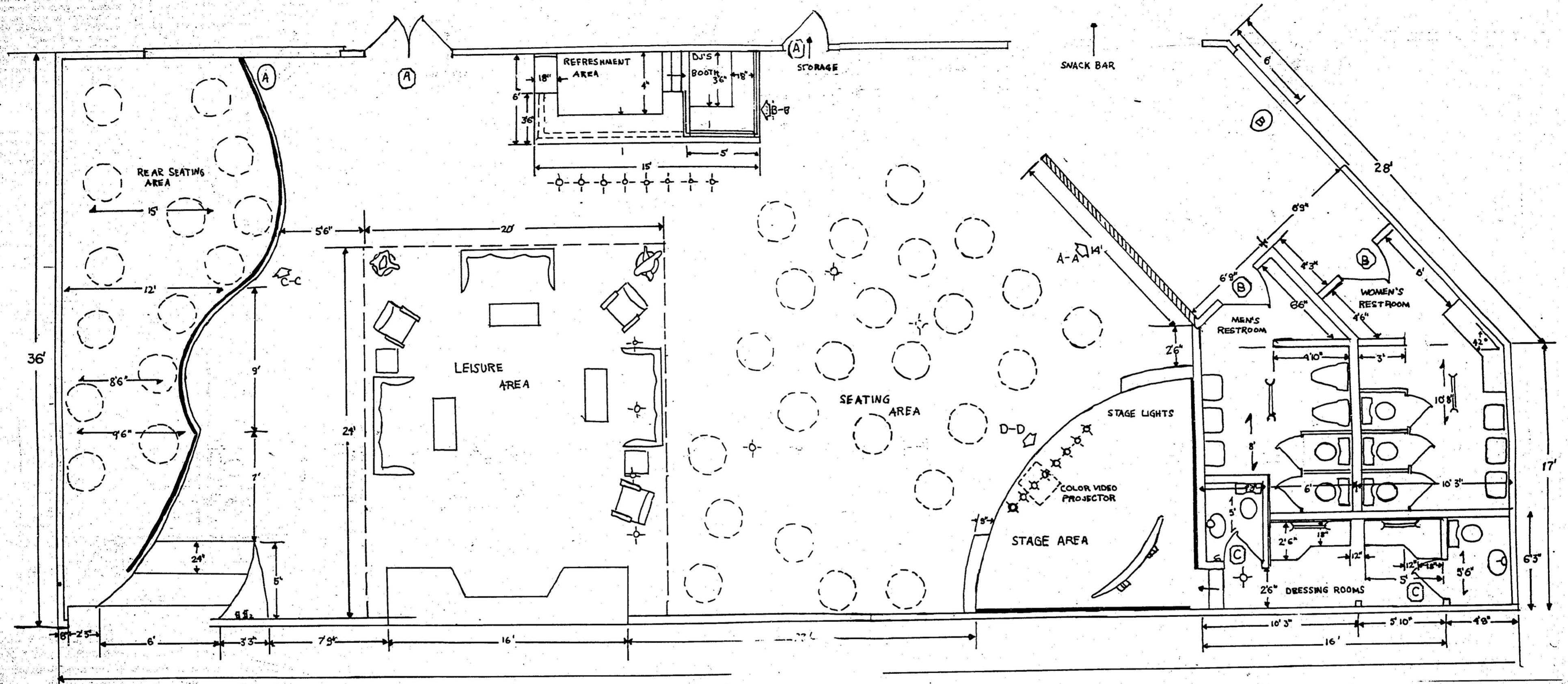
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One of the tentative plans for SUB renovation



The cost for improvements to the SUB and bookstore has been estimated at \$347,000 total funding required. This rough estimate came from the office of J.M. Nicholson, Executive Vice President of the Division of Student Affairs.

The actual expense the students will have to absorb is cut almost one-third by escrow funds left over from the funding of the Natatorium. The money allotted for construction of the Natatorium was \$2,000,000. The actual cost came to \$1,900,000, leaving \$100,000 that could be used toward the total cost of renovating

Tentative improvements for the SUB include the following:

- a. Install a fast food operation similar to a Burger King or McDonald's;
- b. Provide new seating-increasing present seating capacity from approximately 175 to 300;
- c. Add new floor and ceiling;
- d. Repaint entire

area; e. Separate Snack Bar and Elbow Room with a glass wall with double doors; 5. Increase air conditioning; g. Redesign food service area. Bookstore (\$50,000)

- a. Expand Bookstore for more attractive merchandise display areas;
- b. Beautify front of Bookstore.

- a. Soften room noise by installation of acoustical wall covering and ceiling tile;
- b. Completely redesign lighting system;
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Training starts for volunteers

by John Cox
 Staff writer

"To give assistance to anyone with a problem...to be there for anyone feeling lonely...just to

let them know someone cares." Those are a few of the reasons cited for becoming a Mainline volunteer by Candy Dews, head of the local organization. Mainline is beginning a new

training session on March 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the main library on Eighteenth Street. Interested persons can call 387-5683 (387-LOVE). "College students are espe-

cially needed, because they often have the free time in the evenings, when our phones are mostly in use," said Dews. She mentioned that the lines are open from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m., and an answering service is used during the daytime. "Unfortunately, we cannot go to a 24-hour basis right now because we simply do not have the volunteers."

calls in several times, the volunteers can establish a conversation with them.

Surprisingly, many of the callers are willing to give their phone numbers. "Many of these people want help, and will give their name, their number, their grandmother's name anything that we want to know." Some callers will talk all night long, and often are talked out of suicide. The suicide calls have increased quite a bit lately, stated Dews, perhaps because the holidays have recently ended, and everything has gotten back to normal. Often, however, the holidays serve only to make problems worse, and the busiest time is usually around Christmas.

Most calls

Most callers seem to have their worst troubles at night because "everything is worse at night—the cold is colder, the loneliness is lonelier." She mentioned also that the calls seem to pick up in bad weather, as more people are sort of cooped in by themselves. Many people have become dependent on Mainline as a place to call and let their problems be known. These people call in almost every night just to talk.

Police are not called except as a last resort, and there has never been an arrest resulting from a call placed to Mainline. This is especially surprising, considering the number of drug problems called in.

As Candy Dews puts it, "It can do something to you when you talk several times to someone in a crisis, get involved with them, and they never call back to tell you what happened...like leaving a movie in the middle, I guess."

As for the pranks, they are treated seriously. "In many ways, we are providing the community a service by taking the annoyance calls. These people must need something to do, and I guess we give them a place to do it." Often, when a prankster

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Inmates receive letters

by Rory Hines
 Staff writer

After seeing the movie "Midnight Express," foreign languages instructor Mike Leone decided to try to help ease the pain of those in prison.

The very same day that Leone saw the movie, he read in a magazine a letter to the editor which explained how to become a "prison pen-pal." As a result, Leone was inspired to write to the inmates.

Prison Pen-Pals

Prison Pen-Pals, an organization based in Ohio, coordinates pen-pal correspondence for convicts around the country.

Once a member, one receives a list of names from which he chooses his pen-pal.

Leone said, "People outside of prison initiate the original correspondence. Then the people in prison are notified."

Leone's pen-pal is in Angola, and was very excited about getting his letter. For some, this is the only means of com-

municating to the outside world.

"The people who advertise the organization say it is a good stimulant for convicts," said Leone. "It gives them incentive."

Mrs. Sam F. Steven, assistant professor of psychology, thinks the program is definitely a good investment of time.

Steven said, "I definitely think the program would have a positive effect, not only on the convict, but on the person outside as well."

"It would give the convicts an outlet to release tension, and the same way a person talks to a psychiatrist or writes a letter to Ann Landers," said Steven. "Also, it might cause those on the outside to better understand what goes in prison life."

Response

Leone said it might be depressing to the convict if one quits writing to him. So he plans to continue writing as long as he gets a response.

Leone said, "I wrote once and

my pen-pal wrote back. I wrote again and I'm now waiting for a response.

Leone pointed out that tight controls are kept over what is sent to the prisoners.

"I sent a news-clipping once and it was censored," he said. "I received the entire letter back."

Leone did say, however, that the prison officials are less cautious with letters that leave the prison.

He said there were still a lot of names on the list, and that there was mainly a need for more women to write to the convicts.

Leone said he would be happy to let people look at the list if they would come by his office, which is located in Brown 306.

Very optimistic about his involvement in the program, Leone said, "It looks like it's going to be a rewarding experience being able to help out somebody else."

Students win at local clinic

by Mary K. Bell
 Staff writer

Several dental hygiene students participated in a table clinic held at the Ramada Inn on March 1 at 6 p.m.

Patricia Gain, Lake Charles senior, and Leslie McCown, Welsh senior, were awarded first place for their project, "A Look at New Horizons."

In their project McCown and Gain stressed the need for dental hygienists in veterinary offices. They also showed how to clean a dog's teeth with various instruments.

McCown and Gain emphasized that dogs suffer from periodontal disease as easily as humans. The results of their project should strongly appeal to pet owners especially those who own show animals.

Jeanie Canales, Monroe senior, was awarded second place with her entry, "When You Care It Shows." She showed different visual aids which can

be used in teaching dental hygiene.

Pauline LeBeau, Baton Rouge senior, and Joan Williams, Shreveport senior, were awarded third place with their entry "Time in a Bottle."

LeBeau and Williams' project covered nursing bottle caries. They showed that if a bottle of milk is left in a baby's mouth overnight its teeth will become more easily decayed because the teeth are soaked in milk for long periods of time.

The projects were judged upon originality, appearance and the

amount of work put into the projects. The judges included

three dentists and two dental hygienists of the Fifth District Dentist's Association.

The purpose for the clinic was for the students to show others on their same level new ideas and methods to make their work easier.

The winners were awarded by the Fifth District Dentist's Association to attend the state meeting which will be held in Shreveport on May 2-5. At the meeting the winning projects will be displayed.



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Survey prompts development of co-op for geology majors

Students in geology have the opportunity to gain their degrees while earning practical experience and money.

The U.S. Geological Survey provides a co-operative program through which geology majors can alternate semesters of work and school. Following the projected curriculum, students gain their degree in five years. At that time they will have grosses approximately \$15,000.

To qualify for the program students must be geology majors.

ROTC

In their first spring Orienteering meet NLU took 4th and 5th place at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa. The top three runners for NLU were Buster Thrasher of the ROTC Department followed by Gary Johnson, Rayville junior, and Kevin Cheek, West Monroe junior. The winner of the Alabama meet was Middle Tennessee University.

The team will also be participating in the Texas A&M spring meet on March 10 for the LA-Ark. Championships which will be held on March 17 and 18 at the University of Southern Arkansas. NLU is currently holding the title as Louisiana Arkansas Champs and will be defending this title in the Regional Championship meet to be held at East Central University on April 6 and 7.

BSU

The BSU will hold its annual talent show April 15, 1979, at the Baptist Student Union building. Show time is not yet known.

Tryouts will begin Monday, March 5. If you have and act, you are invited and encouraged to try out.

Chess Club

Any student interested in joining the NLU Chess Club should call 324-3770 after 6:00 p.m., said Daniel Quartermont,

club president.

Quartermont said that membership is open to beginners and competitive players.

Construction

The school of construction is seeking input from the community in planning its course offering for the 1979-80 academic year.

Thurman Potts, director of the school, said that an increasing number of persons enrolling in construction courses are part-time students. Many of them have indicated an interest in pursuing the bachelor of science degree in construction.

Persons interested in taking construction courses during the next year, or in pursuing a degree in construction, should contact the School of Construction, telephone 342-3150, to indicate their preferences in courses and times.

Sororities

Twenty Northeast students have been initiated into Lambda Tau chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority.

The new members include Kathleen Aderhold, Lisa Beebe, and Brenda Wright, all of Alexandria; Norma Bardwell, Pineville; Karen Hale, St. Joseph; Missy Hight, Homer; Monica Martinez, New Iberia; Lisa Wareham, Franklinton;

Kathy Ringold, Mary Slagle, and Greta Waller, Shreveport; Andrea Benton, Lillian Inzina, Gracie Land, Elsie Rawson, Monisa Thompson, and Kimberly Ussery, Monroe; Sheryl Scott, Ringgold; Evelyn Redding, Jackson, Miss.; and Linda Marshall, Orlando, Florida.

New chapter officers for the 1979-80 academic year include

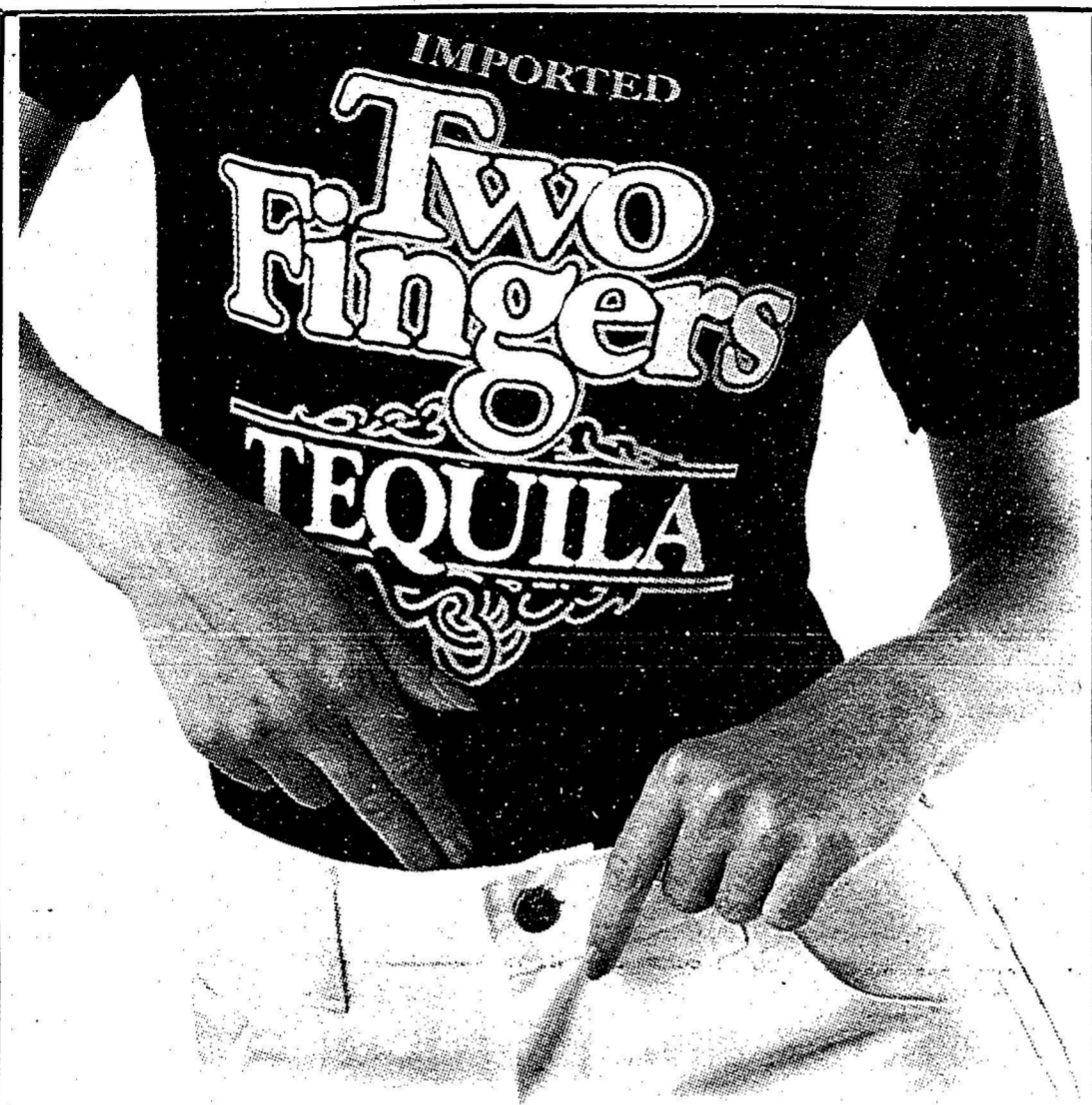
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News notes from around the country

evidence of the amputation-heart disease link, although it was suspected for several years.

Moscow--Delegates from the Soviet Union, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and East Germany withdrew their films and walked out of West Berlin's 29th Film Festival to protest the showing of "The Deer Hunter." Soviet news agency, Tass, reported Saturday. The film depicts American servicemen captured by communists during the Vietnamese. Tass described the film as "an insult to the heroic Vietnamese people." The film has been nominated for nine Academy awards, including best picture. The Soviet agency said the film was "not only a racist film in the full sense of the term," but also "shows tendentiously the struggle of the Vietnamese people who have earned the respect and support of the whole world."

Iran-Oil shortages and higher prices caused by the crises here continue to plague the United States, with some airlines canceling flights and Venezuela reportedly ready to raise the prices of oil. The latest problems surfaced Monday when Iranian officials said oil exports would resume soon, although probably at levels well below those of the days before political strife shut down the oil fields last December. Iran had supplied about 10 percent of the world's oil before the shutdown, producing some 6 millions barrels a day. The government of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini says production will now only be about half that level in an attempt to conserve the nation's oil reserves.

Washington--A new study says limb amputation can significantly increase the risk of death from heart disease; a finding that may mean increased benefits for some military veterans and further expand the definition of service-related injury. The unpublished study, done by the National Academy of Sciences for the Veterans Administration, is the first hard

Texas Tech--Jimmy Buffett is in the midst of his first concert tour of major American arenas. In the past, Buffett performed solely in nightclubs and small theaters; but, his recent rise in popularity has led to his debut as a major concert hall performer. Buffett appeared with the Amazing Rhythmic Aces in Lubbock's Municipal Coliseum. His latest album is a two-record live set called "You Had to Be There." Buffett has six other records on ABC Records.

One year ago--The cast for NLU's annual musical had been chosen and the recipient of the honor of being selected as Miss NLU was in its final stages. The Union Board was presenting its first spring concert, the Bar-Kays and Con Funk Shun, while the SGA was preparing to present its "Variety '78" to the students within the next week. The Indians had defeated Georgia Southern 100-74 to complete their basketball season 20-7 while the Lady Indians were finishing up their season with a record of 6-18.

Professional schools accept more graduates

More Northeast Louisiana University graduates entered in the state's medical and dental schools this academic year than ever before.

Two thirds of the NLU applicants to the professional schools in New Orleans and Shreveport were accepted this academic year, university officials reported. The 33 first-year medical and dental students are studying at Louisiana State University Medical Center, which has medical and dental school in New Orleans and a medical school in Shreveport, and the Tulane Medical School in New Orleans.

Only between 40-50 percent of the applicants to LSU's medical and dental schools are accepted for the available seats each year. With approximately 66 percent of its applicants

gaining seats this year, NLU's percentage of acceptance ranks among the top in the state's regional institutions.

Of the 33 successful NLU applicants, 19 were members of Alpha Epsilon Delta, professional fraternity for pre-medical and pre-dental students at Northeast. The fraternity serves as an informational link between the university and the medical and dental schools in the state.

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Flying team gains experience

By Janet Smith
Staff writer

is a large bill for members of the Flying Tomahawks to pay. But for the flight team's members, the experience they gain in the organization is well worth the expense.

Two hours of flying practice per week at \$21 to \$23 per hour



Smooth landing

Timothy Skinner, Lafayette freshman, leaves his plane after hours of flying practice. The NLU Flying Tomahawks are currently preparing for the 1979 National Intercollegiate Flying Association Air Meet and Safety Conference to be hosted by NLU April 26-28.

Practice is required in preparation for competition in the 1979 National Intercollegiate Flying Association's Air Meet and Safety Conference to be hosted by NLU April 26-28. The Safecon is one of two air meets the Flying Tomahawks compete in. They annually compete in the Regional Air Meet and if they are successful they go on to compete at the National Safecon.

Since NLU does not own an airplane, the flight team must rent the aircraft they use to practice. Rental expenses place hardships on most members but the team tries to help defray part of the expense.

Funding

Some funding is gained through membership dues but the main funding is through donations such as the fund set up in the Alumni Center in the memory of a late flight team member, Lenny Scheurer.

Scheurer died when the sea plane he was piloting crashed during takeoff. It was decided among the Tomahawk members to set up the fund in honor of Scheurer's ideals of flight excellence and safety. The fund was then set up through his parents and wife. Their donations aid the flight team to finance participation in competitions.

Aid also comes from the Aviation Alumni. During the

Safecon, the Alumni will give away a trip to Hawaii through a lottery. Flight team members are helping to promote interest in the trip. In turn, profits from the project will go into the Alumni Fund which the Tomahawks can use through the Aviation Alumni's permission.

The Flying Tomahawks were organized in 1972 by three officers: John Johnson, Team Captain; Christopher Thompson, Treasurer; and George Conroy, Flight officer. Charter sponsor for the organization was Col. D. S. Hartley, Jr., USMC (ret.), Coordinator of Aviation Studies.

Members

Members are required to be full or part time students in good standing with the university. The flight team is open to those with an interest in aviation, not only to students in the Aviation program. Experience is not necessary because the team competes in ground as well as air events.

What is really required is a sincere interest in promoting flight safety. Members must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the flight team.

Bryan Case, Team Captain said the purpose of the organization is to, "unite students with a common interest in aviation and promoting safety

and also to represent NLU at any competitions."

Being a member of the Flying Tomahawks provides the members with practical experience. "Practicing for events sharpens skills and increases the member's general knowledge," said Bryan Case. "Events at the air meets are designed to help in every aspect of flying."

Preparation

In preparing for the Safecon, the team stresses flight practice, recommending at least two hours per week. Some of the practice hours apply toward getting certificates.

Fleeman Aviation, where the Tomahawks rent aircraft, is an approved aviation school. Through a program worked out with the University, members can gain college credit by following specifications.

Along with the hours of practice the team spends in preparation for the Safecon, they also take classes for which they receive no credit. These classes are to prepare the team for competing in ground events.

The Tomahawks also put on imitation air meets to test the members skills. These meets are called Fly-ins and are held at Columbia Airport. Two airplanes are flown down and the team sets up and competes among themselves.

Parachute team begins recruitment

by Tami Wilson
Campus editor

Have you always had a desire to sky dive, but never really had the courage or the training? If you have, you now have an opportunity to do something about it.

The spring membership drive for the Louisiana Tech Parachute Team will begin March 14, at 7:00 p.m. in room 105 of George T. Madison Hall, said team president Reid Lea.

This meeting will feature movies, plus speeches by the competition team members concerning sky diving. Those attending will also have an opportunity to ask questions about sky diving and the team's training sessions, fees, etc.

Lea said that membership is open to any interested adult over 16 years of age. Total membership in the parachute team, consisting of both men and women, exceeds 300.

Recruiting

Lea said, "We recruit from all over the state, plus Mississippi, and Arkansas. You do not have to be a Tech student to join."

"Our goal is to make you capable of sky diving with other people, and to make you safe enough to dive with other people. We're not out to make money, we want to promote sky diving in general," said Lea. He added that the team wants to get more Northeast students involved with hopes of developing a sister team at NLU.

Fee

In order to join the team, one must attend at least two of the three training sessions, and pay a \$55 membership fee. After a person has paid this fee, he is a member for life. This fee covers the upkeep of the gear, training fees, and the cost of the membership drive.

After a person has become a member, he goes through the U.S. Parachute Association's Training Course. This course includes emergency procedures, landing procedure, canopy control steering, as well as information concerning how to pack a parachute, and other detailed information concerning sky diving.

During the three days training course, the students will be taught by qualified instructors. Members of the competition team will also assist beginners

in groups and on an individual basis.

One day is spent at the plane demonstrating how to prepare to jump. Lea said that the plane, which is usually flying 120 miles per hour at an altitude of 3,000 feet, carries four people at a time. The team member's target is on the Louisiana Tech Farm, located south of Ruston.

"We set aside one weekend for beginning jumpers," said Lea. Experienced jumpers will go along to assist, but only the beginners will jump. He said on the average, between 75 and 100 jumps can be made in one day.

Certified jumpmasters will be taking the students up and putting them out of the plane, said Lea. He explained that for each of the first five jumps, the member pays a fee of \$5, each jump after these is \$4 each.

On the first five jumps, a 12 foot line is attached from the container of the parachute to the plane. Lea explained that when a person reaches the end of this line, the parachute opens automatically; the diver does not have to pull the rip-cord.

After the member has completed the first five jumps, he learns to delay opening the parachute. The diver may begin by delaying five seconds before opening the parachute, and may build up to a maximum of 30 seconds before opening the parachute.

Army surplus parachutes are used by the Tech team. Lea said the reason this type was used is that they are "extremely durable, and are well suited to our type operation." He said that there have been only two malfunctions in fifteen years.

Malfunctions

In the event of a malfunctioning parachute, each diver carries a reserve parachute that is packed by a federally licensed rigger, and is guaranteed to open.



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tales of kidnap, murder and intrigue, fueled by the police chief's dark prediction that Mrs. Christie would be found "somewhere in these woods" while his men dragged a small lake nearby.

The London Daily News offered a staggering reward for the "first" information leading to the discovery of the whereabouts of Mrs. Christie, "if alive." A competing newspaper printed front-page photos of how she might appear in disguises inspired by the characters in her books.

Reappeared

Eleven days passed. Then, as suddenly and mysteriously as she had vanished, Agatha Christie reappeared at a fashionable health spa, the Hydro Hotel, in the Yorkshire city of Harrogate. She had registered there as Mrs. Neale, the name of her husband's mistress.

Colonel Christie issued a flat



Dustin Hoffman

the eleven days that Mrs. Christie was missing?

Kathleen Tynan

It was a question which fascinated Kathleen Tynan, a widely-read novelist and newspaperwoman, and wife of one of England's most acerbic critics. The known facts didn't gibe with the official explanation of her disappearance. They raised more questions than they answered.

How did Mrs. Christie get from her abandoned car, off a lonely country road, to Yorkshire, hundreds of miles away? Why did she assume the identity of her husband's lover? What was the significance of the

classified ad she placed in the London Times, reading "Will friends and relatives of Mrs. Theresa Neale, late of South Africa, please communicate?"

Why, of all places, did she come to a health spa, famous throughout Europe for its healing baths and electrical massage? Until she was found, why was Chief Constable Kenward—the usually cautious policeman who investigated the case—so certain he was dealing with a homicide? And if Colonel Christie had lied about the couple's marital problems, why shouldn't the "amnesia" story be equally untrue?

Some cynics suggested at the time that Mrs. Christie's disappearance might be a publicity stunt to spur book sales. Given her terrible shyness and passion for privacy—coupled with the best-selling success of "The Murder of Roger Ackroyd"—that seemed the least likely explanation of all.

The investigation

Mrs. Tynan investigated the case with the vigor of Poirot. She spent long days in the press library of the British Museum, poring over fifty-year-old newspaper accounts. She interviewed Mrs. Christie's friends and acquaintances and the few people still alive who claimed to have met her, however briefly, during her incognito stay at the Hydro Hotel.

She put herself in the mind of a woman who had just finished writing a mystery novel which would irrevocably change its genre, who had spoken several times of suicide, who was obsessively attached to a man who was leaving her and whose greatest joy was creating intricate puzzles. She then came up with a solution.

Ducats on sale for play



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envelope to Jerry Holmes, Arts Festival Coordinator, Department of English, Northeast Louisiana University, Monroe 71209.

Dr. Holmes said seats are also available in Section A—all seats \$5 and Section B—adults \$4 and students \$2. Tickets may be obtained by sending your request and check, made payable to "Arts Festival," and a self-addressed stamped envelope to "Pajama Game" Box Office, NLU. For those wishing to choose their seats, the box office will open March 21.

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7. FIRE....Pointer Sisters/Planet
8. WHAT A FOOL BELIEVES....Doobie Brothers/Warner Brothers
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10. EVERY TIME I THINK OF YOU....Babys/Chrysalis
11. HEAVEN KNOWS....Donna Summer & Brooklyn Dreams/Casablanca
12. DON'T CRY OUT LOUD....Melissa Manchester/Arista
13. LADY....Little River Band/Harvest
14. FOREVER IN BLUE JEANS....Neil Diamond/Columbia

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New found fame

But Mrs. Christie could not enjoy her new-found fame. A sensitive, painfully shy woman—who had begun writing whodunits six years before on the challenge of an older sister—she was preoccupied with personal matters. Her mother had recently died and her "idyllic" marriage to World War I flying ace Colonel Archibald Christie was on the verge of collapse. The stage was set for the greatest manhunt in English history.

At 9:45 p.m., on the evening of Friday, December 4, 1926, Mrs. Christie left her home in Sunningdale, outside London, drove off in her car—and disappeared. The vehicle was found abandoned in a wooded glen early the next morning. Inside were a fur coat, a pile of crumpled clothes and a briefcase containing personal papers. Nearby were a badly scuffed shoe and a scarf.

The search

Suddenly, it seemed, the whole world was searching for Agatha Christie. Fifteen thousand police and volunteers, including boy scouts, dog handlers, mono-

plane pilots and mystic diviners, combed the Berkshire countryside near her home. Newspapers raced to print lurid



Vanessa Redgrave

statement to the press. His wife was suffering from amnesia, brought on by overwork and a suspected concussion. No, he assured reporters, there was no truth to rumors of marital discord.

Within three years, the Christies were divorced. Later, she would marry the renowned British archeologist, Sir Max Mallowan. She would write books which would literally launch an industry—the paperback—and sell hundreds of millions of copies. She would author twelve plays, one of which would run continuously for 26 years. (Titled "The Mousetrap," it is still playing in London, to packed houses, setting a new record with every performance.)

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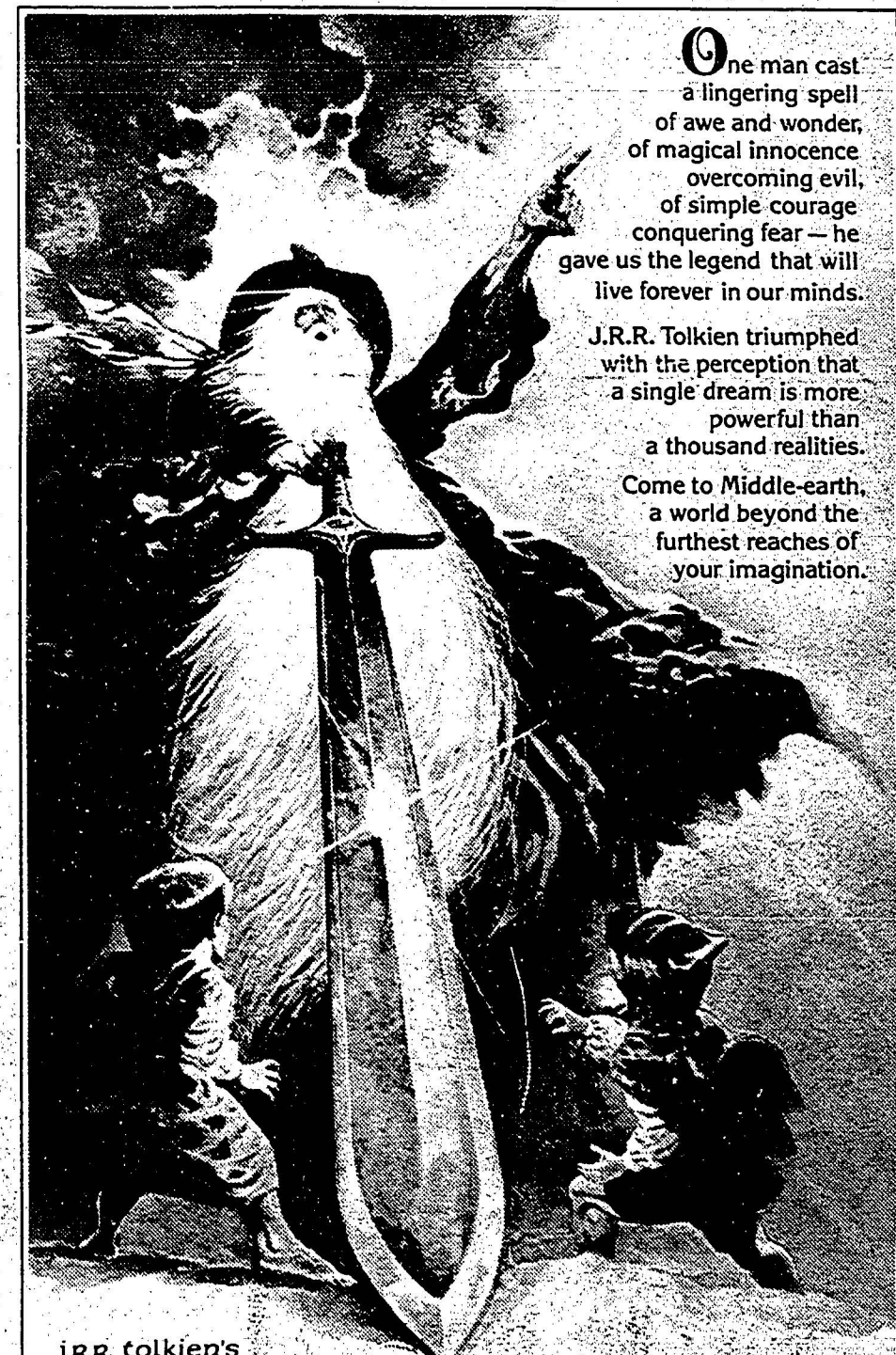
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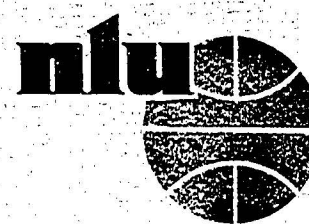
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Indians win first TAAC tournament



by Jamie Mayo
Staff sports writer

Calvin Montgomery with 16 and Harold Jones with 10 points.

The Northeast Indians walked away with the championship trophy and more important, a NIT bid with a 90-69 pounding of the Mercer Bears in the first Trans America Athletic Conference tournament. This marked the first time since Northeast turned division I that a post season bid was received.

Earlier in the week, the Indians won their last regular season game by beating a fired-up Centenary crew 76-77.

Indians explode

Host Northeast Indians got into action in fine style by whipping Houston Baptist 89-62. The Indians shot a blistering 64 percent of its field goal shots in aiding the cause. Calvin Natt, who was named to the Basketball Writers Association all-America first team, led the way with 21 points. He was followed by David Hall with 20 points, and John Pickett and Eugene Robinson had 14 and 11 points respectively. Natt moved into eleventh place on the all-time scoring list. Houston Baptist was led by Tim Jones with 13 points, Greg Wise with 11 points, and Daryl Jarmon with 10 points.

First round

In the first round of the TAAC tournament, Greg Wise sank two free throws with twelve seconds enabling Houston Baptist to defeat Samford 68-66. Wise led the way for the Huskies with 17 points. He was followed by Ralton Way with 16 points, Tim Jones with 12, and Randy Martell rounded out double figure scoring with 10 points. Samford was led by Steve Barker with 25 points followed by Andre Jackson, Marvin Stewart, and Ronald Bradford who all had 10 points each.

In the second game, Oklahoma City held off a ferocious comeback by Hardin-Simmons to preserve a 90-86 victory. Mike Dabney led the comeback—but the Cowboys could not overcome the 15 point deficit. Ernie Hill, the nation's fifth leading scorer, canned 28 points for the winners. He was followed by Marion Bellamy with 15 points, Calvin Montgomery and Harold Jones both with 12 points, and Bobby Chadick rounded out double figure scoring with 10 points. Dabney led Hardin-Simmons with 29 points followed by Anthony Brown and Jimmy Claunch with 19 and 16 points respectively.

In the second round of the tournament, Second-seeded Mercer led by as much as 29 points to outclass a talented Oklahoma City crew. Mercer was led by David Lewis with 18 points, followed by Stewart Reese with 17 points, and both Dartex Talbot and Robert Miles had 15 points each. Oklahoma City was led by Ernie Hill with 22 points followed by

In the consolation game, Greg Blackburn scored a game high 29 points to pace Oklahoma City to a 83-77 win over Houston Baptist and a third place finish in the TAAC. He was followed by Calvin Montgomery with 22 points with Ernie Hill and David Will rounding out double figure scoring with 16 and 12 points respectively. Houston Baptist was led by Tim Jones with 20 points. Ralton Way had 17, and Randy Martell and Greg Wise both had 12 each.

The win gave the Indians a very impressive 23-5 worksheet on the year copping the most wins in NLU history. The TAAC championship also clinched a playoff spot for the Indians against the University of Virginia in the first round of the National Invitational Tournament.

Dr. Dunk

Eugene "Lolly" Robinson prepares to stuff one against Mercer in the finals of the first Trans America Athletic Conference game in which the Indians won, 90-69.

Indians suffer defeat

The Northeast Indians, despite a second half comeback, were defeated by a very tough Virginia ball club. Northeast was led in scoring by all-American Calvin Natt with 39 points.

The Indians trailed much of the game, and was behind by ten points at halftime. Northeast staged a gallant second half comeback try. The attack was led by both Calvin and Kenny Natt.

With 2:02 left in the game, and the Indians trailing by three, Calvin stole the ball and drove all the way down for a slam dunk. The game remained close until 14 seconds to go. Natt was fouled getting a rebound. He hit both ends of a one-and-one to give Northeast their first lead since early in the first half. Virginia's leading scorer Jeff Lamp, then took the ball down the court and hit a 20-foot jump shot to give the Cavaliers the win.

For Northeast, only four players scored in the game. Along with Calvin's 39 points, David Hall picked up 18 points, Kenny Natt hit 12, and John Pickett tossed in 10 points.

With the 39 points, Calvin became the eighth all-time career scorer in the nation with 2582 points. It also tied his career high for a single game.

For Coach Fant, it was the last game of his illustrious career. Coach Fant ended his tenure as head basketball coach after 22 years at Northeast. His win-loss record while at Northeast, was 326-220.

Coach Fant commented on the game, saying, "When you have two starters go 0-10 in a game, it is just naturally going to hurt you. The Indians finished the season at 23-6."

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Lady Techsters take state title

by Mike Hoyem
Staff sports writer

"I have the Coach's dream." That is how Louisiana Tech's Head Coach Sonja Hogg summed things up after watching her Lady Techsters "dream-team" defeat Louisiana State University 98-80, Saturday night, Feb. 24 in Ewing Coliseum, to win the LAIAW State Championship for the second time in three years. Though the game was somewhat of an anti-climatic end to the tournament, when compared to Northeast's last second victory for 3rd place over Southern earlier in the day. It was in no way one-sided, until the final six minutes when LSU obviously lost its "cool."

LSU's downfall began when Tech came out with a full court press that apparently caught the team off guard, because after that, the Tigerettes appeared to be shaken; throwing the ball away several times, missing easy shots, and in general playing basketball far differently than they had in the first period.

Tight game

Northeast's Coach Linda Harper had little comment after the Northeast-Southern game. And for good reason, because it could reasonably be assumed that the action was that sort that might tend to send her to the "old coach's home" a bit prematurely. As a matter of fact, the game probably put a little age on any loyal Indians fan, because the women struggled, fought and scrapped right down to the last half minute of play when Linda Newcomb took the ball in to put Northeast out front by one point. After that, the Lady Indians managed to

steal the ball and freeze it until Sue Sullivan was fouled with one second on the clock, sealing the victory. Sullivan sank one out of two, making the final score 82-80.

Northeast held up well at first, stretching a lead that was as big as 11 points at one time almost all the way through the first half. But Southern, inspired by the field goal expertise of 5-foot-10 freshman Jackie Jackson, came back to within 2 points by the time the teams went to the dressing rooms.

The second half looked dismal at several points for the Indians. Southern's press strategy proved tiring and frustrating for the Lady Indians. By ten minutes into the second half, Northeast was behind by ten minutes when Mona Mossbarger hit from a short distance, and Newcomb went in for four straight, interrupted only by two foul shots made good by Ginny Ott, the Indians had climbed back up to even it out with Southern, setting up the climatic last minute.

In the first finals match, held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, the McNeese State Cowgirls beat Northwestern out of 5th place position in a game that could be described as sloppy and unimpressive.

Final score was 51-46, the smallest amount of points scored in any game of the tournament. Aline Guidry led McNeese with 18. Dianna Cary led Northwestern with 15. Over-enthusiasm, however, cost the Cowgirls shot 84 percent from the free-throw line. Pam Kelley and Angela Turner led the way with 31 and 27 points respectively, as the Lady Techsters streaked by Southern University 105-83. Linda Downs with 13 points

and Debra Butler, with 10, were Southern's other top scorers, but the team couldn't quite manage against the shooting prowess of Turner and Kelley, along with the rebounding and shooting of Elinor Griffin. Griffin, who is a veteran of the Pan Am games and an Olympic team hopeful at 6-foot-5-inches towered over the rest of the court, racking up 25 points herself besides grabbing 17 rebounds.

"I think they've got good speed and they play defense pretty good," said Griffin of Southern after the game, adding that Southern showed the Lady Techsters "a lot more than we had expected."

In other games on Friday, Northwestern beat Tulane 66-61 and McNeese beat New Orleans 99-64 to set up the 5th place run-off.

First round

On Thursday, LSU beat Northwestern 74-49, Southern beat McNeese State 79-69, and Northeast beat Tulane 68-57. In Northeast's pre-final match, it was Marlena Mossbarger who led the Indians with 22 points, followed by Linda Andrews with 15 and Linda Kinard with 14.

Northeast got off to a bad start against Tulane. The Green Wave led the Indians to almost halfway through the first half, but never regained the lead after that, though the game was tied with 43 seconds left. A shot by Linda Kinard from side-court put NLU to a two point advantage going to the locker room. After the break, NLU came back with a new stride, racking up a lead that was 18 points at one time.



Coach Harper directs team to third place in LAIAW meet

In semi-finals action earlier in the week, La. Tech had beaten Southern to get in the finals

bracket and LSU defeated Northeast. In a game that NLU

starter Linda Newcomb termed "embarrassing," LSU prevailed over the Lady Indians 87-61 to spoil Northeast's chance of getting into the championship.

Northeast turned the ball over to LSU a total of 29 times, besides shooting only 32 percent from the field. High scorer for Northeast was Linda Kinard with 20 points.



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The Time: Sunday afternoon

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Between forty and fifty people have gathered since about 1:30 to wait for a call from either the NCAA or NIT tournament officials that would give the Northeast Indians their first post season bid as a Division I school.

The Story: It is about 4 p.m. and I was a little anxious to find out how the Indians fared in getting the NCAA or NIT bid. So I decided to ride around campus and see if I could find those that were waiting on the phone call.

While passing the coliseum, I saw a large group of cars gathered in the parking lot with some people gathered around the coliseum doors. Then I remembered that the LISA football all-stars were meeting there and decided that must be them.

I drove for a little while longer and then decided to check the football stadium and see if anyone was waiting there. After going inside, I found all the people waiting for the call.

When I first walked in the door, I could tell that something was not right. There seemed to be a feeling of uncertainty in the air. I asked someone if they had heard anything yet but they replied, "No news is not good news."

Last hope

Time seemed to drag on and on as any faint hopes for an NCAA bid went up in smoke as the NCAA selections were announced on television.

One problem that arose was that every time the phone would ring, it would seem to be a false alarm. Time and time again the phone rang, it was hopeful fans wanting to find out if the Indians had received a bid.

There was still hope that the NIT had not forgotten us.

At 5 p.m. the NIT was supposed to announce its selections. About this time, people were beginning to wonder if maybe we had once again been left out of post season play. People even began shouting such obscenities as "Campbell! Campbell! Why us?" A little after 5 p.m., a phone call was made to the NIT headquarters to see if maybe they had yet to announce the bids. We found out that there was still hope-- the committee was still trying to make up their minds. Spirits began to rise a little bit, knowing that there was still hope.

Magic call

Then, about 5:45 p.m., after over four hours of waiting, the magic phone call arrived. Athletic Director John David Crow answered the phone and signaled it was the NIT. Almost simultaneously, cheering and applause erupted in his office. Coach Crow accepted the invitation for the Indians and we knew the big time had finally arrived for Northeast.

Within five minutes, nearly the entire basketball team was on their way to the stadium to join in on the celebration. Any tension or worry that was in the air had long since been replaced by smiles, jokes and tales of the good things that were in store for the NIT bound Indians.

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Netters drop matches

NLU's Tennis team lost a close one against Mississippi State University five to four, and could not capitalize on key points in a dual match against the University of Alabama, who won nine to zero, last Thursday and Friday.

At Mississippi St., Kirk NLU in singles, after he defeated MSU's Mark Thomas 7-6, 7-6, 5-4, and 5-4. No. one Krishna Bhupathi was defeated by MSU's Elbutera Martins 6-3, 6-3. Barry Lawson beat NLU's Randall Griffin 6-3, 6-3. Steve Cox, of NLU was beaten by MSU's Alex Zelasky 6-4, 6-2. Jim Harris of MSU, defeated David Hall 6-1, 6-3 and NLU's Steve Stagg was beaten by Shelby Ware 6-3, 6-4.

In doubles action, NLU swept the courts with No. one doubles team Lynott and Bhupathi defeating MSU's Lawson and Thompson 6-4, 7-6. Steve Cox and Jeff Boren defeated Zaleski and Martins 7-6, 6-3, and Northeast's Randall Griffin and Steve Stagg beat MSU's Harris and Ware 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

The Indian netters had a tougher time against the netters at Alabama. Bhupathi was defeated by Alabama's Joe Harvey 3-6, 6-3, 7-5. NLU's Griffin lost to Cuan Neeppling 6-1, 6-2. Pat Perrin of Alabama defeated NLU's Kurt Lynott, who is from Huntington Beach, California, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2. Bama's John Evert defeated Cox 6-4,

6-1. NLU's David Hall was defeated by Malcolm Elley 4-6, 6-0, and 6-4, and Alabama's Jim Hicks beat Northeast's Steve Stagg 6-1, 6-3.

Doubles action was no better with Alabama's Harvey and Elley defeating Northeast's Bhupati and Lynott 6-4, 7-5. NLU's Cox and Boren were beaten by Bama's Neeppling and Tony Morandina 6-4, 7-5 and Stagg and Griffin of NLU lost to Every and Perrin 4-5, 6-3, 7-6.

Tourney continues

Eleven teams from six states will be participating in the NLU-Coca-Cola Invitational Team Tennis Championship tournament that began at Northeast's Heard Stadium Thursday morning.

Northeast women's Coach Martha Hawthorne has announced a strong field for the tournament, including defending champion Louisiana State University. The Ben-Gals are 14-4 this season and are the top seeded team in the tournament, followed by host Northeast Louisiana.

Tournament action began at 8:30 a.m. Thursday and will conclude with the finals and consolations at 9:00 Saturday morning. LSU will play its first match at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday against the Miss. Univ. for

Jeff Boren said that the University of Alabama was tough and that Florida St. and the University of Arkansas Little Rock would also be tough competition.

Boren said, "Our doubles teams are very strong this season and if we can win two singles matches, I feel that our doubles will sweep for a 5-4 victory."

Northeast's team record now stands at two and four.

Women and Northeast, which just returned from a week long trip to Florida, met Southern Arkansas at 12:30 p.m. Thursday.

In the tournament's first matches, Stephen F. Austin met Vanderbilt and the other first round match had Mississippi playing Purdue, with the winner to play Houston.

Hawthorne is optimistic about her team's chances in the meet, but also knows LSU will be tough to beat. "We came back from our Florida trip as a better team than when we left," noted Hawthorne, "I was disappointed in our loss to Florida State, but we played well in most other matches."

Indians sign first recruit

Gerald Branson, the burly rebounder who led West Monroe to one of its finest seasons this year, is the first recruit signed by NIT-bound Northeast Louisiana University.

The 6-5, 205-pound Rebel star, who was voted the "Most Valuable Player" in the district, was signed by Northeast Assistant Coach Benny Hollis.

"Gerald is the type of strong, good rebounding forward that every team needs," Hollis said. "He can be a fine college player and, in keeping with our policy of trying to sign the best local and area players, we are happy to make him our first signee of 1979."

Branson made the all-district team as a junior and then repeated as an all-district pick and was all-Twin Cities and Twin Cities MVP as a senior after leading West Monroe to a pair of victories in the state quad-A playoffs.

The NLU recruit, who played at West Monroe under former Indian player Jimmy Mitchell, averaged 14 points and 17 rebounds as a junior and 14 points and 18 rebounds as a senior.

Gerald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Branson. In addition to playing basketball, he lettered three years in track.

Tribe begins workouts

The biggest and most experienced of Coach John David Crow's four spring practice football squads will begin off-season workouts at Northeast Monday afternoon.

Crow expects around 110 players to report when he blows the whistle at 3:30 Monday afternoon and that's the largest number to show up for spring drills since he came to Northeast in late 1975. The 110 will include 37 lettermen from the fine 1978 NLU team that was 6-4-1 and earned Crow Louisiana college "Coach of the Year" honors.

Sixteen starters are back for the Indians but as usual in the spring, most of the attention will be on the positions where there are no returning starters. The biggest holes are probably quarterback, split end and weak safety, where Kirby Arceneaux, John Floyd and Roy Binion played last year.

Senior Bud Cespiva is the top candidate to replace Arceneaux, NLU's total offense and passing

leader, at quarterback with redshirt freshman John Holman and John Santoriello among other leading candidates.

To fill the split end position held by Floyd, an all-South Independent choice and NLU's all-time reception leader, Crow has switched junior Jimmy Husser from flanker, swapping places with Larry Hamilton. Other top candidates at flanker are junior Tony Iscaro and speedster Clyde Hunt, a 1978 signee who sat out the fall semester and enrolled at mid-term.

To replace all-South Independent Binion in the secondary, Crow has sophomore letterman Jody Norman, junior Bruce Cheek and newcomer Dale Burns, among others.

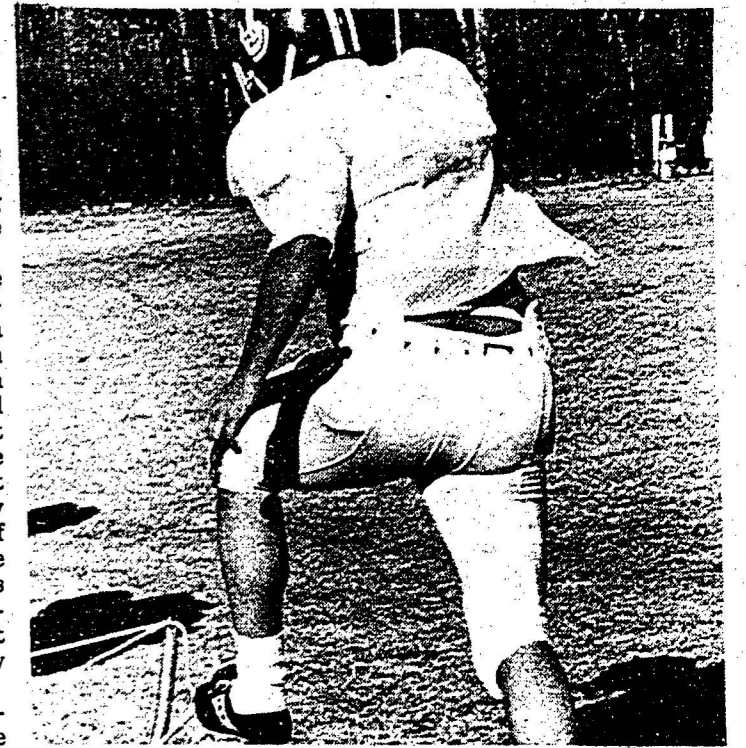
Other seniors on the 1978 NLU team were running backs Robert Johnson and Greg Schaff, wide receiver Robert Lowe, defensive backs Paul McElroy and Jerry Montgomery and defensive tackles Warren Simmons and Mark Valentine.

In addition to replacing the graduated players, Crow sees the top tasks of the spring centering around the offensive and defensive lines.

"Because we're going to be more experienced in the offensive line, we think we can be a little more sophisticated on offense," Crow says. "You can talk about the quarterbacks and receivers and running backs but is all boils down to what the offensive line can do. We've got to be able to line up jaw to jaw and boost people off the line of scrimmage. Defensively, we've got a better pass rush. Plus maybe we can stop our opponents this year before they get inside the five-yard line," Crow laughed.

Northeast stopped its opponents inside the five-yard line nine times while recording a school record four shutouts.

Northeast spring drills will continue through April 3, when the Indians hold their annual spring game.



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Newcomb supports team

by Mike Hoyem
Staff sports writer

Northeast's Lady Indian Basketball team is having one of its most successful and exciting seasons in NLU history. In more ways than one, Linda Newcomb has played no small part in the success.

So far this year Linda has led NLU's free throws with an average of about 83 percent, besides being one of the team's overall top scorers. In high school and Jr. College, Linda was named to several all-star teams; certainly no poor shot then either.

But a little investigation reveals things about Linda that fans in the stands probably can't see; contributions she makes to team effort that some would say are nearly as important to winning as her knack for ringing the basket.

Gets the team up

"She's the one who gets the team excited and 'up' for the games," according to Venecia Paul, a Lady Indian teammate. "Linda is very energetic-almost hyperactive-and her high spirit seems to get everyone going." Besides that, Linda gets Venecia's vote as the team's "Miss Congeniality," too, and no one is going to argue that a team that gets along well is more likely to play well. Not only does it make playing more fun, but it is important to team-work.

Linda is an attractive brunette who has a big smile and a good sense of humor. She has a way of seeming calm and reserved, but tense and excitable at the same time. She sometimes seems hard-pressed for words, when asked to talk about herself-probably out of modesty, mostly-but with a little persistence one can get her to reveal some interesting things that help explain why she is well liked by people off the court as much as by her fans when she is on the court.

Linda did not start playing basketball until she was a sophomore in high school, but her interest in athletics began long ago, with a sports-oriented family life. "My father is a college football coach," says the 5'9" junior. "I grew up in Miami, and as a result all my brothers played football year round." Besides that, Linda's

mother was "always active and loves sports of all kinds." Apparently the situation had an effect on Linda, because, though she is embarrassed to admit it, "I played my share of touch football as a kid."

Fortunately, at about the time Linda's Dad started coaching at Virginia Tech, Linda left sandlot football to her brothers and took up basketball. "At Blacksburg," she says, "I started to get interested in athletics a lot more." She says that organized sports are a lot more fun just because they're organized, a fact that probably helped her to learn to enjoy the game as much as she obviously must.

Right now Linda is not only

doing her best to play basketball, but she is also trying to learn as much about the game as she can. She is a P.E. major who hopes to one day coach her own team.

Learned a lot

"I've learned a lot this year, and it's been a pleasure playing for Coach Harper," says Linda of the coach who brought her to NLU. "Ginny and I played for the coach last year and I think that though she is not really coaching us a lot differently, we're having a better time playing for her here because there is so much more talent on the team and in the confer-

ence." Coach Harper is also in her first season with Northeast. When she came to NLU from Southwest Mississippi Jr. College, she brought two of her players, Linda and Ginny Ott with her.

Besides basketball, Linda has list of activities and interests that are far ranging; from music, dancing and philosophy to travel. "I love people, and NLU is a great place," says Linda, "but may Dad coached a lot of different teams and we moved around a lot," a fact that helps explain the ease with which Linda makes friends so quickly. Linda says that after graduation she will "probably" go home to Martin, Tennessee.



Linda Newcomb

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Dream materializes for Fant

Editor's note: This is the second of a four-part series on Coach Lenny Fant.

by Sandra B. Duke
Staff writer

"I've always known I wanted a career in sports," says Northeast's retiring coach Lenny Fant. Fant has been successfully living his dreams and realizing his ambitions and the results of these years of coaching are indeed impressive.

In 29 years, he has had 25 winning seasons, 18 of which were recorded consecutively at NLU during the years 1961 through 1979. He has coached over 600 games and his teams have captured eight conference and district titles and this year they won their first Trans-America Athletic Conference. In total victories, he is number 11 in the nation's ranking of winning major college basketball coaches.

Fant chose a profession that is synonymous with fast action, high tension and often flaring tempers. Unlike many of his contemporaries, Fant has the ability to remain calm and steady while he and his team are under heavy pressures. He has been the mentor of many outstanding players; always available to them for encouraging support. Turning back the hands of time, let us take a look at Lenny Fant's coaching career.

First coaching job

After graduating from Centenary in 1950, Fant was offered a job at Delhi High School. Although he had originally intended to go on to graduate school, he decided to accept the offer. Between 1950 and 1953, he was head basketball coach, head baseball coach, assistant football coach and also taught science, history and physical education. Delhi had a great

football team and was in the finals all three years, winning the state championship in 1952. They made it to the state finals in baseball and was in the parish play-offs all three years in basketball.

"Delhi had very good athletes in football, basketball and baseball," said Fant. "The basketball team would always get off to a slow start though, because the football seasons would last so long. We only got to practice a week or so before we played our first game, and the other teams were already well into the season."

During the summers of 1951, 1952 and 1953, Lenny earned his masters degree at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. On June 13, 1951, Lenny and Jo had their first child, a son they named Nicky Lynn Fant.

Also during those three years, Lenny played on an independent basketball team that had been organized in Monroe by Curtis Nicholls. The team was comprised of several area coaches and other former college basketball players. One

of the players was Charlie McCullum, a preacher who had attended Louisiana College. Through him, Lenny met Louisiana College's president, Dr. Earl Guinn, and was offered the position of athletic director and head basketball coach, which he accepted.

Many duties

Shortly after he accepted the coaching position in Pineville, the head football coach quit and Fant was not only teacher, head basketball coach and athletic director, but also head baseball coach and business manager for the athletic department. He later hired Devone Payne, who was coaching at Tallulah High

School at that time, to fill the position of head football coach.

No money had been appropriated for the athletic department so the job of procuring funds fell to the two young coaches. Working 15 and 18 hours per day, they sold tickets, held booster sales and collected student fees in order to furnish the department with needed scholarships and supplies. At the end of the first year, after a 6-15 season and with a balance of about \$1500 left in the athletic treasury, Fant and Payne left Louisiana College. "Everything was new and I was very young, just starting out in my first college coaching job," Fant said. "It was very difficult...not only the coaching part, but we were having to run the whole show."

Fant had read about a job open at East Texas Baptist College in Marshall, Texas, and interviewed for the head basketball coaching position there. At East Texas Baptist, Lenny coached basketball and track and was athletic director of the physical education department.

He spent three years in Marshall building a first-rate basketball team that racked up 56 wins to 22 losses and won two Big State Conference and two district titles in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletes. Also, on June 6, 1957, Coach and Mrs. Fant's ninth wedding anniversary, their daughter, Wanda, was born.

Monroe bound

In the summer of 1957, an offer for the head basketball coach's position came from Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe. Although Fant had had three straight winning seasons at ETB, he realized that this offer was an opportunity that he did not want to pass.

"Northeast was a bigger school and was really starting to grow. It was a state school and had more with which to operate, although the school had very little facility-wise," says Fant. At that time, basketball was not a major sport in Monroe. The team had to practice at nearby high schools because there was no gym on campus. "We worked out anywhere we could find a gym for years," recollects Fant.

The first four years were difficult ones. The team had no regular time to practice, so all games had to be played off campus. It was also a time in which adjustments had to be made by the coach and the team. "We were playing some pretty tough teams such as Louisiana Tech and McNeese," Coach Fant said. All of these factors combined resulted in a four-year losing streak.

But in the 1961-62 season, the Indians made a great comeback, winning the Gulf States Conference title and the Coach of the Year award for Fant. That season was the first of what has become as 18-season winning streak for the Indians. The 1964-65 team again won the GSC championship with a record of 18-4.

Fant, along with football coach Bob DeMoss, Jack Rowan, George Luffey, Jim Coates and Leon Manley, resurfaced the floor in Brown Gym, making it possible to have practice facilities, and eventually it was completely renovated to provide a place for home games on campus. Later, as local interest and the number of fans grew, games were played in the Monroe Civic Center.

New facilities

Season after season, the Indians have continued to win, chalking up an NAIA district title in 1969-70, and in the 1970-71 season, NLU finished in the nation's top 20 and Fant was named NAIA District Coach of the Year. During the 1971-72 season, the Indians found a home in the newly-constructed Ewing Coliseum. That same year, Coach Fant decided there should be some-kind of half-time entertainment for the spectators. He took his idea to Linda Lastowsky, and NLU Warbonnet, and they came up with The Ten Little Indians, who were originally chosen by Fant.

1974 was a milestone year for Fant. He coached his 300th winning game and NLU became a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Division One.

All home attendance records were broken in 1975-76, when NLU won 14 consecutive games to set a school record, finishing the season 18-7. In 1978, Fant was voted Louisiana Coach of the Year, this time by the Louisiana Basketball Coaches Association.

This year has been equally successful with a 23-5 season record. Fant's Indians took the



Lenny Fant

Trans-America Athletic Conference title Saturday night with a 90-69 score over Mercer University of Georgia and was chosen to play in the National Invitational Tournament. All-American Calvin Natt picked up 24 points during the TAAC battle, and moved to tenth position in the NCAA all-time scoring record.

Outstanding players

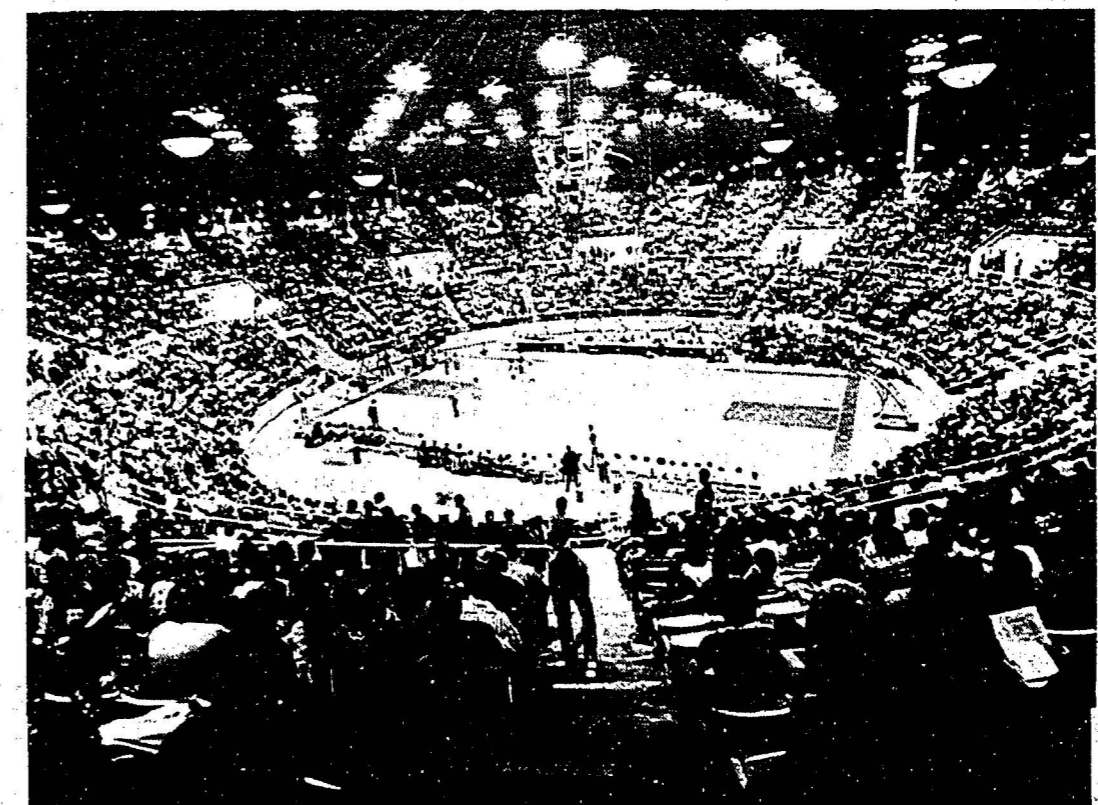
Natt is a prime example of Lenny Fant's coaching ability.

Throughout his career, he has produced many outstanding players. What is the secret to his success? All former players that were interviewed agreed that the reason Lenny Fant is able to get 100 percent from his players is that he cares about each of them not only as players on the court, but also as individuals off the court. "He's easy to talk to and he tries to understand any problem" says Tommy Enloe, a Downsville High School coach and member of NLU's 1000 Point Club.

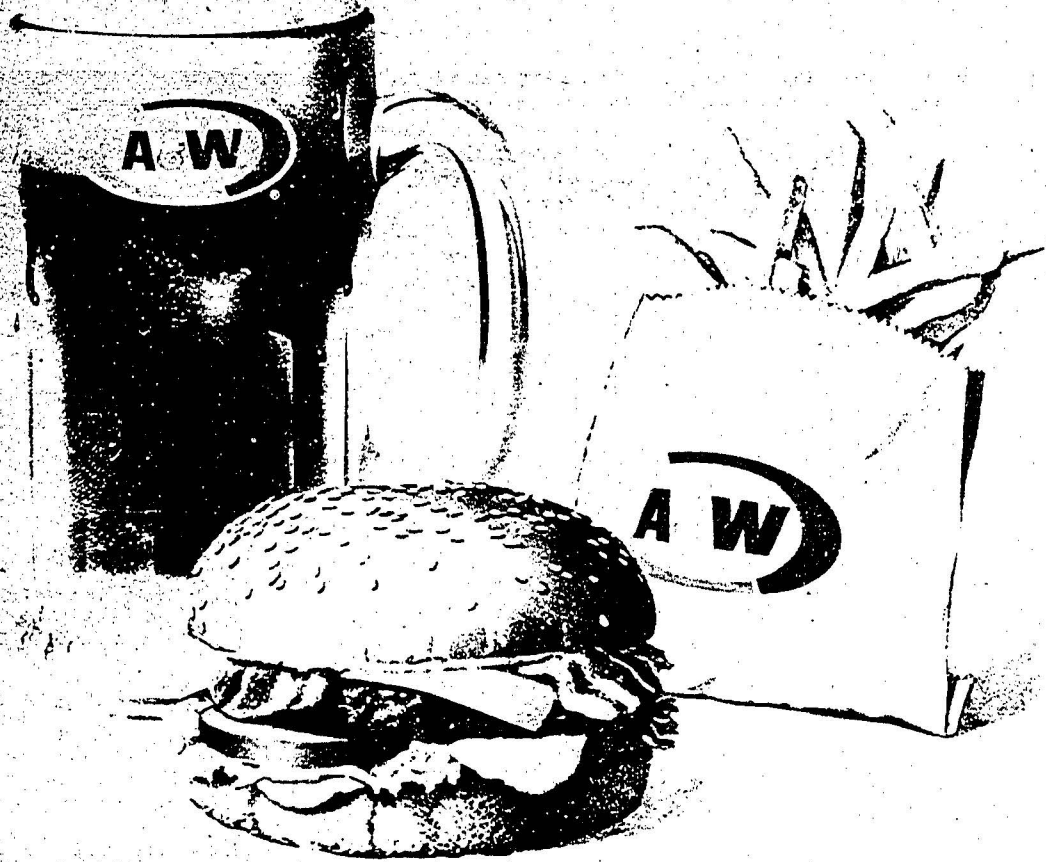
"He may not always have the most talented players to work with, but he's able to get something out of a player that nobody else can. You know that he cares about you as a person," said Glynn Saulters. Saulters scored over 2,000 points for NLU, broke 14 school records and was a member of the 1968 Olympic Basketball team.

Stuart Toms, another of NLU's great players, began coaching after college and is now an elementary school principal in Jonesboro. "Coach never let defeat discourage him...I never felt that he wanted to use me for four years then forget me. He and his wife always treated the team like family," said Toms.

An important member of that family is Jo Fant, Lenny's wife. The old adage "Behind every successful man is a good woman" certainly applies in the Fant home. Jo has played a vital part in Lenny Fant's life for over 30 years. Seamstress, den mother, chief cook and bottle washer—she has always been the support behind every team at every game. But more about that in our next story.



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