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5 Convicted In Kidnapping Case



The seven defendants connected with the July 23 kidnapping of Charles Kirk Allen Jr. are shown after arraignment on charges of kidnapping and aggravated assault. Shown from left are Deputy Richard Malone, William Alfred Grosskuth, Strudwick Nash Blun, Deputy Rick Sellers, Dean Gerald McNamar and Alton Thomas Riner. Hidden behind Deputy Sellers are Richard Hershel Stewart and Bernard Stanley Smith.

By DON WOOD
G-A News Editor

On August 31, 1973, a Bulloch County Superior Court found five men guilty and two not guilty in the kidnapping of Charles Kirk Allen, Jr.

Alton Thomas Riner, 17, and William Alfred Grosskuth, 22, were acquitted on charges of kidnapping and beating Allen on July 23. Both had pleaded not guilty.

Sentences of two to three years in prison were given to the remaining five by Superior Court, Judge Colbert W. Hawkins. Donald Edward Burke, 24, and Bernard Stanley Smith, 22, received sentences of three years in prison. Richard Herschel Stewart, 24, Strudwick Nash Blun, 23, and Dean Gerald McNamar, 20, were each given two-year sentences.

Both defendants and the victim were in general agreement about the events leading up to the kidnapping and the kidnapping itself.

Allen, 18, testified that, with the help of a friend, Steve Hughes, he had taken a ten-foot marijuana plant that had been tended by some of the defendants. He dried the leaves of the plant and sold them.

On July 23, Riner went to Allen's home and told him that McNamar wanted to talk to him outside. When Allen stepped into the yard, Burke leveled a rifle on him and Smith displayed a pistol. Allen was forced into a Volkswagen bus where he was beaten with the rifle butt.

The seven then stopped by the home of Steve Hughes and told him to place \$500 in his mailbox if he wanted to "see Kirk alive again."

Steve Hughes told his father, Dennis Hughes, about the affair. The elder Hughes then called Charles Kirk Allen, Sr. The Bulloch County Sheriff's Department was also notified.

When the group returned for the money, they were confronted by two deputies and the elder Allen. The group refused to release the victim at that point, but allowed the elder Allen to accompany them to a point near the intersection of Routes 46 and 67, where the two were released.

The Sheriff's Department, the Division of Investigation, the Georgia State Patrol, and the FBI rounded up five of the defendants, within an hour, and the two others the following morning.

Intervisitation Coming Soon

This New System Scheduled To Become Effective In October

By MARGO LEMACKS
G-A Staff Writer

The intervisitation proposal was passed by the administration at the end of spring quarter and will go into effect this fall quarter. Under the new program, students will be able to visit on a regularly scheduled basis in the dormitories occupied by the opposite sex.

According to Ms. Ann Powell, Assistant Director of Housing, the open guest policy will be initiated in the dormitories by the middle of October. The delay is because the program will not be automatically accepted in every dorm. Each dorm must first elect its House Council. The House Council will then draw up a program including hours and procedures for registering guests. Guests can only visit between 2 p.m. and 11:45 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. This program must be approved by the Dean of Students and then by a two-thirds majority of the occupants of the dorm. The only exception to this procedure will be two dorms which will be designated as "closed dorms."

These two dorms will be given no option to institute an open guest policy. This is to accommodate those students who do not wish to live in open dorms. Winburn (women) and Cone (men) are the two halls relatively scheduled to be closed, according to Larry Davis, Director of Housing, but this may be changed depending on the number of people who apply for these dorms.

Windsor Village management will have to implement its own program if it so desires with the same rules as set up by the administration, according to Davis.

According to the student authors and the administration, the basic philosophy of the program is to give the students a choice. The program they have endorsed is, with only a few changes, much like the original student proposal. One change was a decrease in the hours that the dorms will be allowed to open. Another change was the procedure for registering guests. The administration, according to Davis, felt that the student proposal was not clear enough in

this area. Therefore, they included their own regulations on this. "I'm afraid," said Davis, "that students might interpret this to mean we are putting some kind of restrictions on their going and coming, but what we are really doing is protecting them from unwanted visitors of all kinds. I don't think anyone wants just any person off the streets to be wandering around the halls."

After fall quarter, an evaluative follow-up questionnaire will be circulated in the dorms by the student committee to determine the effects of the program on the social, academic, and moral life of the student body.

GSC Grants 450 Degrees In August

First District Congressman Ronald "Bo" Ginn delivered the principal address at the annual Georgia Southern College summer commencement on Tuesday, August 14, at 10:30 a.m., in the W.S. Hanner Fieldhouse.

Ginn spoke to more than 450 Georgia Southern seniors and graduate students who received their degrees at the commencement.

Georgia Southern President Pope A. Duncan presided at the graduation program. Candidates were presented to Duncan by Vice President N.W. Quick and Georgia Southern Deans Jack Averitt, Graduate School; Starr Miller, School of Education; Paul LaGrone, School of Business; and Warren Jones, School of Arts and Sciences.

Special remarks were delivered to the 1973 summer graduates by Mrs. Newelle Anderson, President of the Georgia Southern Alumni Association.

Ginn, who is serving his first term in the United States House of Representatives, is a graduate of Georgia Southern where he was named the "Most Outstanding Business Student" and was selected for membership in "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities."

Ginn is a well-known figure on Capitol Hill having served as Administrative Assistant to Georgia Senator Herman Talmadge. The native of Millen, Ga., is currently serving on the Committee on Public Works and the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

A former President of the Jenkins County Jaycees, Ginn was named the Most Outstanding Jaycee President in the First District and one of the top four Presidents in Georgia. He has served as Chairman of the local March of Dimes and Red Cross drives and is a Deacon of the Millen Baptist Church.

Safety Committee Makes Changes In Campus Traffic

By MARGO LEMACKS
G-A Staff Writer

Several changes in campus traffic control will be made this fall, according to Paul Herrick, student chairman of the Georgia Southern College Safety Committee.

One of the major innovations is that parking fines will be raised from \$2 to \$5. Also, a moving violation, speeding, or driving on areas other than roads will cost \$10, and fines for falsification of registration will be \$30.

According to Herrick, the Committee has been busy this year making many needed changes in traffic control. They have designed a new pamphlet with a campus map. "Also," Herrick said, "no longer are the regulations written for students only. The new brochure doesn't use the technical terms the old one used, and it includes faculty and staff in all restrictions."

Beginning this fall, violations will be numbered and listed in the brochure. When a ticket is given, a student may look in the pamphlet to see what he did by the number on the ticket.

Another new idea the committee hopes to see in action this year is free bike transportation for students, faculty and staff. In the past, abandoned bikes have become state property and are auctioned off; the committee plans to take these old bikes, paint them blue and white, and install a steel plate to identify school ownership and place them around the campus for everyone. The only restriction on their use is that they can not be taken off campus or locked up. Publication of biking regulations will be separate from other vehicle regulations awaiting change in state laws.

Herrick stated that all student, faculty, and staff should read the brochure at registration to make sure they are aware of the rules.

Any suggested changes in the regulations may be submitted to the Committee or taken by the Central Coordinating Committee office to be given to Herrick.

"We'll be changing the rules every year now instead of every seven or eight years as has been the case," Herrick commented, "so there should be no excuse for outdated or unnecessary rules."

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New Sociology Head Appointed

Dr. Robert W. Greenfield will become the new head of the Georgia Southern College Sociology Department beginning September 1.

Greenfield's appointment was recently approved by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents. A native of Duluth, Minnesota, Greenfield has served as Professor and Coordinator for Sociology and Anthropology at Eckerd College, St.

Petersburg, Florida, since 1967.

He has also served as Chairman of the Division of Social Sciences at Boston University and Associate Director for Research at the University of North Carolina. He has held teaching positions at Ohio State University, Rollins College, and the University of North Carolina (Greensboro).

He received his A.B. Degree from Kent State University and his Ph. D from Ohio State.



ATTENTION INTRAMURAL TEAM MANAGERS:

There will be an organizational meeting of all team managers from teams wishing to participate in Intramural Football. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 24, at 7:30 p.m. It will be held in Hanner classroom 152. The discussion will include Fall activities for men and rules for Flag Football. All managers please attend. The deadline for rosters is Sept. 26 at 5:00 p.m.

Two Grad Programs Approved

The Georgia Southern College School of Education has received approval on two new graduate programs and also has received the highest endorsement on all of its programs by the Georgia State Department of Education.

The two new programs approved for the preparation of teachers at the graduate level are the Education Specialist (Sixth year) program for teachers of business and the Master of Education for teachers of children with behavior disorders. The program for teachers of business will be offered through the School of Education and School of Business. The program in behavior disorders will be offered through the School of Education.

The top approval of all GSC School of Education programs will be in effect through 1977, according to School Dean Starr Miller. The endorsement was based on the approval by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, a nation-wide approval organization.

The GSC School of Education is now one of only four teacher education programs in the state to have these two agency approvals for both graduate and undergraduate programs. The School is now approved to prepare personnel for the public schools in a total of 63 programs at the bachelors, masters, and education specialist levels.



Puppet Theater Gets New Faces

Not even Walt Disney was able to bring so many characters together for a single occasion. There's Pinocchio, Peter Pan, Humpty Dumpty, Gummy Bear, Winnie the Pooh, and many others who have all been drawn together through the penmanship of Robert West, assistant professor of speech at Georgia Southern College.

The setting for this childhood fantasy is a 70-foot long mural currently being sketched on the walls of the Georgia Southern puppet theater which includes more than 20 of these fabled characters from children's literature.

The mural itself is 10 feet high and is being designed to cover three connecting walls in the puppet theater. Its theme centers around the famed character Pinocchio who is portrayed welcoming his fairy tale friends into the castle for a festive occasion.

"All the characters are from famous children's literary or motion picture figures," explained West. "The real challenge in putting this mural together is to create a central theme that brings all of them together. Pinocchio is the focal

point because he is probably the most widely recognized and loved by American children."

The mural will eventually be painted in full color and provide a unique setting for the youthful audiences which frequent the puppet theater during the year.

According to West, many puppet theaters and libraries are decorated with pictures of such children's characters, but the mural project at Georgia Southern is the only such effort which brings all the characters together into one setting.

West himself is cast in somewhat of a new role as the artistic creator of the mural. His talents usually lie in the area of theater direction with Georgia Southern's drama group, the Masquers.

"I got the bug to draw this mural because it is not a temporary thing like a stage production," he explained. "This will give adults and children pleasure in the distant future rather than just a few days as is the case with a play."

"It's time children had the opportunity to see artwork or painting involving characters

they can associate with," said West. "Art galleries are oriented toward college students and the educated and this mural will be something available for children that they can appreciate through their own aesthetic reactions."



"Thank-you Mr. Storey" was the title of the first print pulled off a new matte-making press recently donated to the Georgia Southern College Department of Art by Geral Storey and the Standard Engraving Company of Savannah. Bernard Solomon, instructor of art at GSC and student Rosanna Stutts pull the first print from the press which will be used for printing, etchings, and woodcuts. The press, which doubled the existing facilities in the area of print making, was part of a gift which included almost an entire photo-engraving shop.

people at southern

Dr. Jack Broucek, Head of the Department of Music at Georgia Southern College and Dr. Douglas Leavitt, Head of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, recently appeared before the Governor's Blue Ribbon Committee on the Minimum Foundation Program for Education at Armstrong State College in Savannah.

Broucek and Leavitt were presenting their cases for upgrading the quality of music education and physical education instruction as well as indicating the need for extended phases of their programs which need to be implemented in order that these areas in public education receive the necessary emphasis to improve instruction.

The most recent issue of the Keats-Shelley Journal, the annual scholarly publication of the Keats-Shelley Association of America, Inc., contains a study by Luther L. Scales, Jr., Assistant Professor of English at Georgia Southern College.

Edited at the Houghton Library, Harvard University, the Keats-Shelley Journal is the leading periodical in the United States in publications concerning the nineteenth-century English writers John Keats, Percy Bysshe Shelley, Lord Byron, Leigh Hunt, and their associates.

The article by Dr. Scales presents new evidence about the influence of the epics of John Milton in Shelley's poem Alastor.

Scales received his A.B. Degree from Davidson College, M.A. Degree from Tulane University and Ph.D. from Drew University.

Dr. William H. Bolen, associate professor of marketing and head of the Department of Marketing and Office Administration at Georgia Southern College, has published an article in the current issue of the ATLANTA ECONOMIC REVIEW. The article, "Consumer Awareness vs. Habits of Mortgage Credit," deals with the impact of the Truth in Lending Law on the consumer mortgage decision.

Bolen received his B.S. degree from Georgia Southern and his M.B.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Arkansas. He joined the Georgia Southern faculty in 1966.

Education Masters Accredited

The Georgia Southern College Teacher Education Program has received full accreditation at the masters level from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

The accreditation approval was received recently by GSC President Pope Duncan.

"This is a significant achievement for the college and represents a ten-year effort by the School of Education and Graduate School faculties," said Dr. Starr Miller, Dean of the School of Education at GSC. "As a result of these efforts, Georgia Southern's Teacher Education

Program is now the fourth institution in Georgia to be accredited at the graduate level."

The final action of the national body was based on a visit by a team of educators from throughout the nation who, in their final report, was high in its praise of the Georgia Southern operation.

The teacher education program at GSC had previously been accredited by the national group at the undergraduate level. Georgia Southern is also accredited in all of its programs by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

George-Anne Needs Writers

The GEORGE-ANNE, the student newspaper of Georgia Southern College, needs writers, photographers, cartoonists, and production staff members. Anyone wishing to join the staff is urged to call or come by Room 112 of Williams Center during office hours. Office hours will

be posted on the door and will also be pinto in the next issue of the GEORGE-ANNE. Office telephone extensions are 246 and 418.

Positions open include circulation manager, cartoonist, and photographer—all of which are salaried. Staff writers are paid by the printed inch of copy.

Welcome Freshmen-But Beware!

When trying to decide what would go in the first issue of the George-Anne, the staff debated whether to include the customary introduction which freshmen are probably so tired of hearing. Upon leaving home, the freshman finds himself frightened, frightened than he thought he would be. Everything seems to go wrong. The dorm will seem cold and sterile compared to his little nest at home, the food will seem dull and unappetizing compared to Mother's "something different every meal" delicacies, the people will seem foreign and strange compared to the good old buddies from high school. Taking this into consideration the George-Anne will give a few pointers to make your visit at GSC turn into a rewarding experience.

Concerning dorm life. It's awful, no matter what the authorities say about how you learn to adjust. Groggy-eyed and

hung-over, you will find it hard to appreciate the mile long walk to the bathroom only to find that you have forgotten your towel. You will learn to keep up with your key after being locked out of your room for three hours while the housemother and every dorm assistant in the place are missing. And you will learn patience, hours and hours of patience in placing a call to your boyfriend who asked you to call him without fail at 3:00 and it's now 7:30. And you will learn to share, your clothes, your shampoo, your money, and your boyfriend.

Concerning the cafeteria. The freshman will soon memorize the menus and discriminate whether he will eat breakfast and supper, lunch and supper or breakfast and lunch. He will learn how to place himself in the line to assure himself of a breast instead of a thigh only to find that someone put up 7 people in front

of him and he gets the thigh anyway. The freshman will learn correct lunchroom behavior, he will know to walk through those wide golden doors smiling at both the fraternity tables, wearing his best I-don't-care-if-you-smile back-or-not look. The newcomer will soon learn to refill his tea glass when the boy or girl that he wants to date is filling his.

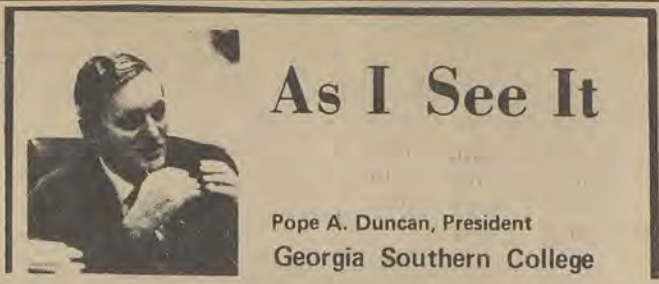
About class. The student will soon learn that he is in a classroom of paradoxes. He is expected to have his lesson prepared and come to class, yet the teacher or rather, the attendant, may have never seen the text and read outloud to the class for the solid hour or perhaps not even show up for several days without an explanation.

The freshman will become used to conforming, he will become so used to it that when he comes across one of the few really good teachers, the kind who want the student to think and express, he will have lost the power to produce.

Social life is as diversified as the students that make up Georgia Southern. The student will have to decide what type people appeal to him, and more than likely, he will make life-long friends in college.

Perhaps this sounds pessimistic to the already frightened newcomer. It is pessimistic. But strangely enough, even with all the horrors of college life, most people agree that these are the best years of life. Most of you will laugh at Southern, Statesboro, dorms, the food, sororities, freaks, and frats but in the end, if you stick it out that long, you will take a little of Southern nostalgia with you, and hopefully you will have left something for what you took.

Good Luck,
M.A. Giddens, Editor



As I See It
Pope A. Duncan, President
Georgia Southern College

COLLEGES BACK TO 'TRUE MISSION'

Only two or three years ago when college presidents got together at various regional and national meetings, the jokes and stories told revolved around the constant insolvable problems which they faced. All too frequently, these involved non-negotiable demands, student strikes, and even violence. One such story, told in many versions, was to the effect that a college president died, went to hell and was there several days before he knew it!

Last year the college scene appeared to have made a rather significant turn-around, and college presidents, by and large, were able to get back to doing things they should have been doing all along. Fortunately, we at Georgia Southern never faced the severe problems that many colleges did, but the very existence of campus difficulties across the country had its effect on our sense of the well being of higher education.

As we get back to the true mission of colleges, we find that there are many voices calling for something which is identified as "accountability."

Now, of course, if this has reference to efficiency, we can respond in terms of overt factual data such as faculty-student ratio, hours taught, class size, students graduated, cost of programs, and staff turnover.

Yet this tells very little about the real issue of the measure of the effectiveness of education. As a matter of fact, we cannot quantify everything about education any more than we can everything about life.

A recent report based on research over several decades made by the Carnegie Com-

mission on Higher Education noted that the economic "pay-off" of going to college generally is not big, but that pay-off is big in regard to personal happiness, health, and aesthetic values. The report refuted the question as to whether going to college is worthwhile as it noted that attending college is "all plus" in personal terms. It showed that persons who have gone to college, compared to those who have not, tend to be more satisfied with their jobs, less subject to unemployment, more informed about community, national, and world affairs, more tolerant in their attitude toward others, more deliberate in their consumer expenditures, more concerned about personal relationships, more active in community affairs, and more apt to have a sense of well being.

It is important that the college prepare a person to make a living, but far more important that the college seek to prepare the individual for a fuller life.

Colleges and universities will continue to strive to make the very best use of available resources. Even though the proof of educational efficiency is as elusive as the definition of "a fuller life," the resources must continue to be made available.

Colleges and universities have always sought to be accountable and have developed accrediting agencies which engage in the process of evaluating the programs and resources of the colleges. It is not likely that an institution of higher education will long exist which does not meet the standards of some reputable accrediting agency.

QUESTION LINE

Editor's comment: The question line will be a regular feature in the George-Anne. This is a question line; not an action line. All questions submitted will be answered. Although the George-Anne has no authority to act on the issues raised, nor does it want the authority to act, the aim of the column is to make people aware of questions being brought up by GSC students and faculty. Submit typed questions to the George-Anne, Landrum Box 8001. Some of the questions used in this first column were asked during the summer but are important enough to repeat for those who were not here.

Question: Why is the activity fee \$2 higher than it was when nothing good happens?

Answer: The student activity fee did not go up. The health fee did go up \$2. Any time a fee is changed, it must be changed in July because the new fiscal year begins July 1.

Question: When does the GSC basketball season begin?

Answer: The basketball schedule is printed on page 4. The first game is December 1 in Statesboro against Hofstra University.

Question: I've heard that the Doobie Brothers will be at Southern this fall. Is that true?

Answer: the Doobie Brothers are scheduled to appear at GSC October 10.

Question: How often is the George-Anne printed? When do I need to submit something I want to go in the G-A?

Answer: The George-Anne comes out weekly, early on Thursday evenings. To submit an article, either mail your article to the George-Anne, Box 8001, or bring the article by the George-Anne office in Williams Center no later than the Friday before the Thursday that the paper is printed.

Question: I heard that students at GSC got food poisoning this summer? Did it come from the school cafeteria?

Answer: About 100 students did have mild nausea after eating in the cafeteria this summer. No cause was found for the sickness, but it was definitely not food poisoning. The staffs of both lunchrooms recently went through a special training period. See the George-Anne next week for further details.

in this sign



Newcomers to astrology frequently make the mistake of judging their compatibility with the opposite sex by their Sun sign alone. If you are Aries you have probably always read that you are most compatible with the other two fire signs—Sagittarius and Leo. And that you could not possibly get along with a native of Capricorn or Cancer.

But there are eight other "planets" to be considered, (the Sun and Moon are referred to as planets in modern astrology) in each individual chart. These nine planets move at their various rate of speed through the 12 signs of the zodiac, so that a person who has a Libra Sun sign may also have a Taurus Moon sign (the Moon changes signs every 2½ days) with Venus in Virgo and Mars in Aries. Venus moves at the rate of 1 degree, 12 minutes a day, and Mars at a rate of three-fourths of a degree a day. All the planets are continuously moving through their 30 degrees that make up one sign and on into the next sign.

What all this math boils down to is that you are not just a Libra or a Capricorn, but you have the influence of at least 2 or 3 other signs in your chart, if not more. Your sun sign will determine your basic character and personality but your moon sign will determine your emotional nature, and Venus governs your affections and attractions. Generally you are most compatible with those people whose sun sign is the same as your moon sign, or your Venus. For example, if Jane was a native of Virgo and Tarzan was a Sagittarian, then the two of them could really hit it off if Jane had a Sagittarian Moon sign or if Tarzan had his Moon in Virgo. So maybe there's hope for you and your boyfriend or girlfriend yet! Soon we'll take a closer look at each of the planets and their effect on your personality and lifestyle. Direct any questions you may have to Rozley Doozy, THE GEORGE-ANNE, Box 8001, Landrum Center.

Defense Rests

This summer the George-Anne received some "grape-vine" criticism for printing all bad news and none of the good. Of course, any student newspaper is almost sure to receive its share and often more than its share of criticism and the George-Anne is prepared to listen to complaints. This particular complaint was about the coverage in the August 12 issue of the kidnapping case involving some former GSC students. The critic felt that the George-Anne should have omitted the incident entirely and keep to safe subjects such as watermelon cuttings and a visit to GSC by a Women's charity club. In the same issue of the George-Anne that the kidnapping story appeared, were also articles on Dr. Hardin collecting goblets, sorority rush deadlines, Dr. Hyde studying cockroaches, changes in traffic control, the basketball schedule, a tennis coach's appointment being announced, Polk as coach of the year, and so forth. Rather safe subjects, to say the least.

Although, the George-Anne appreciated the plaintiffs interest we reserve the right to determine what is newsworthy and what is not. If the same former GSC students had been elected President, it surely would have been covered, as the kidnapping was. Thanks for space, The Editor

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Still Another Honor For Polk



Georgia Southern head baseball coach Ron Polk, who led the Eagles to the 1973 championship of the NCAA District

Three tournament, has been named national collegiate baseball "Coach of the Year" by SPORTING NEWS Magazine, and 1973 Coach of the year for all spring sports in the southeast by Coach and Athlete Magazine.

Polk, who promised to make Georgia Southern the "Baseball Showcase of the South" when he came to GSC in the Fall of 1971, took over after a 20-21 season for the Eagles and immediately turned the Statesboro College into a national baseball power. After only two year of NCAA University Division competition, Polk took his team to the 1973 District Three title at Starkville, Mississippi, with a season record of 43-12 and an appearance at the College World Series in Omaha, Nebraska—the first team ever to represent the state of Georgia in the national baseball finals.

For his 1973 success, Polk was named NCAA District Three

"Coach of the Year." His team was ranked in the top six the entire 1973 season and finished as the nation's sixth best team at the College World Series.

Polk's 1973 team, which broke or tied 18 school records, finished as the third leading team in the county in team batting with 10 regulars hitting over the .300 mark. The leading hitter was catcher John Tamargo who hit .382 on the season, was named to the All-District first team, and became Georgia Southern's first University Division All-American when he was named to the second team of the dream squad. First baseman Rolando DeArmas was also named to the All-District first team, while senior pitcher Ernie Venet, who finished the season 12-1 (fifth in the nation in victories), was named to the third team. All three have now signed professional baseball contracts.

Clements Announces Basketball Schedule

The 1973-74 Georgia Southern College basketball schedule, recently announced by Athletic Director J.I. Clements, includes in its list of formidable opponents national powers Florida State, Jacksonville University, and the University of South Carolina.

Commenting on the new season Clements expressed optimism. "I feel that on the basis of recruiting, we'll have a much stronger team this year with added depth. Just how well we will fare depends on how our newcomers can merge with our veterans," said Clements.

The Eagles, who because of injuries to key players and a tough '73-74 schedule which saw five of their opponents finish the year in post season tournaments, finished the season at 8-18. This year Southern will be on the road for 14 of its 26 games, which includes two appearances in the Savannah Civic Center.

The GSC cagers will host the Claxton Fruit Cake Classic Tournament in Savannah on December 27-28, which along with Georgia Southern will feature Boston University, St. Francis (Pa.), and North Texas State.

The Eagles other appearance at the Savannah Civic Center will be January 14, when Georgia Southern hosts Florida State University.

Southern will open the '73-74 season on December 1 in Statesboro, against a greatly improved Hofstra University team, and then goes on the road to play South Carolina on December 5, and Jacksonville on December 8.

Dec. 1—Hofstra; Dec. 5—at South Carolina; Dec. 8—at Jacksonville; Dec. 15—Morris Harvey; Dec. 20—Rider; Dec. 27-28—Claxton Classic (GSC, Boston U., North Texas State, St. Francis); Jan. 2—Wisconsin; Jan. 5—at Valdosta; Jan. 7—East Tennessee State; Jan. 9—Old Dominion; Jan. 12—at Samford; Jan. 14—FSU at Savannah; Jan. 19 at Appalachian State; Jan. Valdosta State; Jan. 26—Mercer; Jan. 31—at Fairleigh Dickinson U.; Feb. 2—at Old Dominion; Feb. 4—Samford; Feb. 6—at Mercer; Feb. 9—at Pan American; Feb. 11—at North Texas State; Feb. 16—Oglethorpe; Feb. 20—Georgia State; Feb. 23—at Ball State; March 18 at Georgia State.

Baseball Team -6th In Nation



The 1973 Georgia Southern College baseball season is over. Georgia Southern Eagles baseball team recently returned from their trip to the NCAA College World Series at Omaha, Nebraska, and they brought back many memories from their finish as the sixth best team in America.

Third-ranked Minnesota eliminated the fourth-ranked Eagles from the 1973 season NCAA World Series—the

supreme tournament, and test, of collegiate baseball excellence in the United States.

The 1973 season not only brings to a close the most remarkable year in Georgia Southern Baseball history, but also brings to an end one of the most remarkable seasons in NCAA history.

In the span of two short years, the Eagles emerged from a 20-21 season in 1971 to this year's 43-12 record, a District Three

Championship, and a trip to the College World Series at Omaha.

This year, the Georgia Southern story boasted many highlights:—A District Three Championship in only the second year of competition in the NCAA University Division and second season for head coach Ron Polk.—The first team to represent Georgia in the NCAA College World Series at Omaha.—A team which finished third in the nation in batting with

ten regulars hitting over .300 for the season.—A District Three "Coach of the Year" Award for Ron Polk.—Eighteen school records which were broken or tied during the season.—An NCAA record for season ticket sales—703.—The first school to broadcast its entire schedule, home and away, over commercial radio (WWNS AM WMCB FM) Georgia Southern's first University Division All American catcher John Tamargo—chosen to the second team on the dream squad.

had to do—the third leading team have come a long way since their season opener, Stetson on March 2—over three months of baseball which culminated at the College World Series where they were introduced on opening day as the "team most deserving of a berth in the national finals."

"I think that our team did as well as it possibly could this season—we got the maximum performance out of our club," said head coach Ron Polk back in Statesboro following the World Series. "You just don't have a 43-12 season record against the competition we faced without a good club. Our offense did what it had to do—the third leading team in the nation in hitting is not bad.

Our pitching came through for us all year and our defense was very sound. We just had so many individuals who had great years."

During the 1973 season, the Eagles played before over 45,000 college baseball fans. The name of Georgia Southern baseball became known throughout the country by news media of every description. The messages from well-wishers flooded in at the District and College World Series tournaments. Telegrams were received from Georgia Senators Herman Talmadge and Sam Nunn, First District Congressman Ronald "Bo" Ginn, Georgia Lt. Governor Lester Maddox, and perhaps, most impressive of all, Eddie Mathews and the entire Atlanta Braves baseball team.

This season is over, but 1973 will probably best be remembered in Polk's own words that "we have now established ourselves as a major university, and as a contender, in major college baseball."

Gibbons to Assist Rowe

Charlie Gibbons, former basketball standout at Georgia Southern College, has been named assistant coach at this alma mater according to athletic Director J.I. Clements.

Gibbons, who was MVP at Southern in '71 and team captain in '72, will be responsible for coaching the junior varsity and assisting with the varsity team.

Gibbons spent the past year teaching at Southeast Bulloch High School where he was also an assistant football coach.

Gibbons graduated from Southern in '72 with a bachelors degree in history. He is currently working on a masters degree in Health and Physical Education.

Former Netter Named Head Coach

Vishnu Maharaj, a former GSC tennis star and junior college All American, has been named head tennis coach at Georgia Southern according to a recent announcement by GSC Athletic Director J.I. Clements.

Maharaj, who was named head tennis professional at Statesboro's Forest Heights Country Club on June 1 of this year, was a two year stand out at Georgia Southern in 1971 and '72 compiling a total individual

record of 28-11.

"We feel that Vishnu will be a real asset not only to the tennis team but to our entire athletic program," said Clements in making the announcement. "He has proven himself as an outstanding player and has the tennis mind to become a sound

coach as well. We feel this is a great step forward in our effort to make Georgia Southern a national tennis power."

A native of Trinidad, Maharaj came to Georgia Southern after two years at Miami-Dade South Junior College where he compiled a singles record of 45 wins against only three losses and a

doubles mark of 39-4. He reached the quarterfinals of the national junior college tournament in 1969 and 1970 in leading his team to the national title, and was twice named a Junior College All-American.