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'Walls come a-tumblin' down'
GSC's Old Alumni Gym, once the scene of sports triumphs and campus socials, was demolished July 22 in a cloud of dust. The 13,000 sq. ft. facility was built 55 years ago during the depression and condemned nearly 20 years ago during the Maddox administration. Rescued before the demolition were some artifacts which date back to its 1932 opening, including the scoreboard, a 16x16-foot piece of the court, a goal, lights and a load of brick saved to erect a monument to the building. The gym had been used for storage in recent years. The series of photos, starting clockwise at upper left, shows the gym's final moments.

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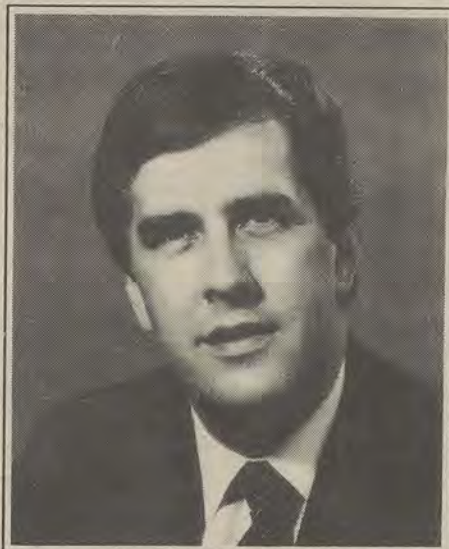
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UGA PRESIDENT
Dr. Charles B. Knapp

UGA chief to address grads at summer commencement

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Dr. Charles B. Knapp, the new president of the University of Georgia, will be the commencement speaker at graduation exercises August 22 in the Hanner Fieldhouse.

The 41-year-old administrator became the 19th president of UGA when he succeeded interim president Henry King Stanford on July 1. Knapp previously was executive vice president of Tulane University.

Knapp is an economist who had served in the Carter administration as a

special assistant to the Secretary of Labor and later as deputy assistant secretary of labor for employment and training. He is married and the father of a teenage daughter.

Approximately 425 persons will earn degrees this summer at the bachelor and graduate levels. Of these, about 350-375 are expected to participate in summer commencement, said Registrar Scott McLachlan.

Graduation exercises are scheduled for 11 a.m. Practice is scheduled for 9 a.m. on that Saturday.

Volunteers sought for Special Olympics

GSC NEWS SERVICE

As last summer's Special Olympics state games were wrapping up in Statesboro, the comment most repeated by local volunteers helping with the events was, "Ask me again next year."

They should consider themselves asked, says Cindy Knight, local volunteer coordinator for the 1987 summer games, to be played again at Georgia Southern College Aug. 14-16.

More than 600 disabled athletes and their coaches from 250 Georgia communities are expected for the weekend, along with families, state officials and celebrity supporters. It will be the sec-

ond and final year Bulloch County will hold the state summer games, hosted locally by the Statesboro Kiwanis Club.

Knight and Tonya Hunter are heading the effort to round up more than 300 volunteers cover scores of tasks, from dispensing free sodas to timing swim meets to chaperoning socials to checking athletes into the college dorms. Knight estimates they have "about half as many as we need" a month before the games.

"The success of the games depends entirely on the volunteers," she said. "The local people organizing this are not professionals, and we need all the help we can get."

"I can promise there will be something to do for everyone who volunteers, whether they can give an hour or a day of their time."

Knight can be contacted in Brooklet at 823-3218.

The call for volunteers has gone out to local civic clubs and "every other organization we can think of," Knight said. "We hope to get good response from volunteer firemen, off-duty law enforcement officers and other service organizations we've contacted."

Local emergency medical technicians, ham radio operators, nurses, lifeguards and referees are among the "pros" who will cover crucial jobs.

NewsBriefs

Asbestos removed

GEORGE-ANNE NEWS SERVICE

Work crews expect to complete the removal of asbestos from several campus buildings by August.

Workers currently are removing the suspected cancer-causing material from the entrance areas of Hanner Fieldhouse.

Additionally, asbestos removal in the Foy Fine Arts Building and the Zach Henderson Library should be completed by the end of August, said Hugh Hagin, chief engineer for physical plant.

Asbestos, a once-common construction material, was discovered in a number of buildings and residence hall three years ago. The material was removed from affected residence halls two years ago.

Erk's waiting

If the House and senate retirement committees fail to act by Friday, GSC Football Coach Erk Russell may have to wait another year in his attempt to buy state retirement

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Student banking battles, Badlands-style

RAPID CITY, S.D. - Well, here I am in South Dakota seeing the sights and exploring a new way of life.

I had meant to write back about the scenic lifestyle of the old west. Perhaps, I'd write about the constant reminders of America's nuclear arsenal that the good people of South Dakota have to live with every day. Or, I might describe the dispossessed native Americans, the Indians, who live here.

Those might have been nice, slice of life columns. But right now this old curmudgeon is put off.

It just so happened this afternoon that I made my way over to the Norwest Bank of South Dakota to cash a paycheck from GSC.

Curmudgeon's Corner

Mike Klug

I approached the clerk in the normal manner, handed over my check, and asked for cash in return. The teller stared at the check for a while and then stated that the check could not be cashed without first calling the issuer to make sure that they had funds to cover the amount of the check.

Since it was 3 p.m. here, it was 5 p.m. in Statesboro. Of course, the school was

closed for the day. The phones were not answered. The check was left uncashed.

I tried to explain to this hapless teller that the check was from the State of Georgia and, as far as I knew, the State of Georgia was still good for at least the \$140 my check was written for.

The stock market had not crashed, the peanut crop was coming in, so why would they not cash my paycheck drawn on another state's account. Even if the check was bad, I assured her that South Dakota had an extradition treaty with Georgia and that I could be made to return and cover my outstanding debits.

The teller would have no part in this

wicked plan to transact business across state lines and again refused to cash the check.

South Dakota really is a nice place to visit. The Black Hills are beautiful, and the Badlands will really take your breath away. Whatever you do, though, do not attempt to cash a paycheck here lest you be labeled a supporter of interstate trade, or, worse still - someone from Georgia!

Advisor's Note: Mike Klug, the editor of the George-Anne, is studying geology and working in field this summer in South Dakota. There his mentor, Dr. Gale Bishop of the GSC faculty, "has been working my butt off..." Klug wrote in the letter which accompanied his column. "I had no idea (this summer job) would be so much work."

Editorial

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Welcome home

Dr. Nicholas Henry, the 10th president of GSC, has gotten off to a fast start on his new job even though he doesn't "officially" take office until Sept. 1.

Dr. Henry visited campus during July for a whirlwind series of meetings, receptions, and a press conference. Those who encountered this administrator were impressed with the breadth of his knowledge about higher education, his vitality, his excellent communication skills, and the pace he sets for himself.

The George-Anne has a feeling that Dr. Henry will provide the sort of progressive leadership that GSC deserves. To Dr. Henry, his wife, Muriel, and their college-age twins, we say "welcome home."

For the record...

After a years-long hiatus, the George-Anne has returned to a summer publication schedule with two editions. This is our final summer issue. We hope we have helped provide a service to summer school students by keeping them posted on the activities and events of summer quarter.

By the way, long-time readers of the George-Anne might notice that we've taken a step backwards... on our volume numbering, that is. Last year, we erroneously listed the newspaper "Volume 67." In fact, prior years were misnumbered, too.

Not so, according to staff research. The first George-Anne appeared during the 1927-28 school year. Thus, the 1987-88 academic year marks the 60th year of publication for GSC's student newspaper under the G-A flag. Previous school newspapers under other names apparently account for the seven "missing" volumes. (Perhaps there were phantom volumes during the Watergate era). Thus, we arrive at Volume 60 of the George-Anne, making the George-Anne the oldest continually published newspaper in Statesboro and Bulloch County.

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Visitors in the night

UFO hunter at your service.

During the summer, I have been working for the Statesboro Herald. As a reporter, I have extensive opportunity to meet people and write about several different events, occurrences, etc.

But there has been very few things as exciting as my hunt for the UFOs in Sylvania, about 30 miles north of Statesboro on highway 301.

(Note as you leave Statesboro, the sign says 23 miles to Sylvania. Well, that's true, but do you think a UFO would land in the middle of town? It's about five miles outside Sylvania.)

Well, to update those of you that have missed the recent UFO landing which has captured national attention, here's the basic story:

On July 13, the Alcorn family returned home after a cookout with relatives and friends. As they turned into their driveway, Frank, who was driving, could see something through the trees behind their home.

"What the hell is that?" he asked his wife, Wanda.

Lee, 15, and Tracie, 10, saw it as well.

The craft moved from behind the house to the left side, hovering about 10 feet off the ground without a sound and only 100 yards from where the family was standing.

It landed briefly leaving three impressions in the waist high grass: the first, nine by nine feet; the second, nine by 12 feet; and the last, nine by nine feet.

The marks are in a straight line, 69 feet from end-to-end.

The UFO then made a "zzzzzip" sound as it zoomed away at an amazing speed.

It returned the next night, with the same flight path.

Wanda Alcorn told me about 30 people witnessed it that night.

The UFO came back briefly the next

The

Kinky Beat... Michael Cheek

night (Wednesday). But this evening, "dancing off-shoots" appeared. They returned Thursday and Friday.

Saturday night, July 17, I went out there myself with two "UFO chaser" friends (both GSC students). The Alcorns allowed us to come, and we discovered a most-friendly, middle-class family.

I must say we enjoyed the time with the Alcorns, but we never saw a UFO. Yet all three of us were convinced the Alcorns saw "something."

We returned Sunday night, by invitation.

Again, nothing made an appearance.

Since the last sighting, the Alcorns have not seen anything. There have been a few encounters in Screven County, but nothing like the Alcorns experienced.

When I first met the family, they were happy and felt "blessed" to see the object.

Now they are cynical, angry, and exhausted.

"The crazies are crawling out of the woodworks," Mrs. Alcorn said.

A psychic from Atlanta wants to visit with the family.

Two mysterious men who refused to identify themselves (their "sensitive government work" was the reason they gave Mrs. Alcorn) scared "the family with several "strange" statements.

One being something about aliens moving in next door and trying to make friends with the family (the "ali-

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Four on faculty honored for excellence

GSC NEWS SERVICE

Four Georgia Southern College faculty members, whose efforts "to provide quality education for their students" have helped the college "live up to its reputation for 'Academic Excellence,'" have been recognized for those efforts through the college's "Awards for Excellence" program.

Dr. George Shriver, professor of history, Dr. J.B. Claiborne, assistant professor of biology, Dr. Parker Bishop, professor of physics, and Dr. John DeNitto, associate professor of education, were cited for their contributions to research and teaching on campus.

Not intended for the "best" or "most popular," the awards were designed to recognize faculty who demonstrate excellence in the classroom—and beyond—by making contributions to their institution and to their field.

Nominated by their peers or students, the faculty members are evaluated by the Faculty Research committee which chooses two recipients for "Excellence in Contributions to Instruction" and two recipients for "Excellence in Research/Creative Scholarly Activity." Nominees for the Research/Creative Scholarly Activity award submit evidence of their work, including books, articles, and reports, for evaluation by the committee; nominees for the Contribution to Instruction awards submit a statement of their philosophy of teaching, an outline

of their teaching strategies, and student evaluations of their classroom work. Claiborne and Shriver received the research awards, and Bishop and DeNitto were recognized for teaching excellence.

Since joining the Georgia Southern College faculty as an assistant professor in 1983, Claiborne has pursued his research projects in membrane transport in his campus laboratory and

manuscript consultant for Abingdon Press, UNC Press, and Mercer University Press, among others.

Shriver has travelled widely in western Europe, including 14 months residence in Geneva, Switzerland. He comprehends several languages—Greek, Latin, Hebrew, Spanish, French, and German—used in conjunction with his research, publishing and teaching. He has conducted research in libraries of

Women of Science and Who's Who in the South and Southeast, and holds membership in professional organizations including Sigma Pi Sigma national physics honor society and the Georgia Academy of Science. He has also served as a science fair judge and a consultant.

Bishop has spent many of his summers conducting workshops for middle and secondary school teachers, funded by grants from the National Science Foundation. Other projects funded by campus organizations have allowed him to augment his classroom activities with new equipment and teaching techniques.

After a three-year tour of duty with the U.S. Army, DeNitto began his teaching career in 1957 as a music teacher in the Bibb County school system. He then taught public school in Savannah and Lake Arthur, N.M., before joining the GSC faculty in 1969 as associate professor of professional laboratory experiences. He has worked with the Upward Bound program at Savannah State College and the Summer Tutorial Program at the Episcopal Home for Girls in Savannah.

An accomplished pianist, DeNitto has performed with the Savannah and Roswell, N.M. symphony orchestras and, in recent years, has presented an annual recital to benefit the Georgia

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around the world, including continuing studies at the Mt. Desert Laboratory in Maine and summers at the Max Planck Institute in West Germany. He has collected more than \$110,000 in research grants during his time at the college, including a three-year \$103,444 grant from the National Science Foundation.

Among his long list of scholarly activities, Shriver has accumulated six fellowships and presented papers at universities such as Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest University, UNC-Chapel Hill. He has acted as

some of the country's leading universities.

His most recent research project resulted in a full-length book entitled Philip Schaff: Christian Scholar and Ecumenical Prophet. Published by Mercer University Press, the biography of the founding father of the American Society of Church History has received praise from prominent historians. He has been a member of the GSC faculty for 14 years.

Among his awards and honors, Dr. Bishop has held a number of fellowships, been listed in American Men &

Campus Calendar

Date	Activity	Place	Time				
July 31	Orientation	Williams Dining	Daily	Sept. 13	Orientation	Hanner Fieldhouse	Noon
August 1	Orientation	Conference Ctr.	Daily	Sept. 14	Late Registration	Williams Dining	.....
August 1	Miller Analogies Test	MPP 209	9 a.m.	Sept. 14-16	Testing, Marine Corps	Museum Lecture	10 a.m.
August 1	Registration for Orientation	Williams Dining	11 a.m.	Sept. 15	First Day of Class/Drop-Add	Williams Dining	.....
August 1-4	"The Robe"	McCroan Aud.	7 p.m.	Sept. 15	Panhellenic Rush	Campuswide	.....
August 2-7	Camden Co. Band Camp	Conference Ctr.	Daily	Sept. 15	Freshman Dance	Williams Parking	9 p.m.
August 3-6	Dynamic Cheerleaders	Hanner Fieldhouse	8 a.m.	Sept. 16	Panhellenic Rush Program	Conference Ctr.	4 p.m.
August 6-8	GSC 120 Faculty Workshop	Carroll 226	Daily	Sept. 19	GSC Football vs Middle Tennessee	Paulson Stadium	1:30 p.m.
August 7-8	Softball Tournament	Complex	Daily	Sept. 20	"Futurescape"	Conference Ctr.	7 a.m.
August 7-8	Orientation	Hanner Fieldhouse	Daily	Sept. 25	Instructional Communications	Conference Ctr.	.....
August 7	Orientation, Fun & Games	Hanner Gymnastics	8 p.m.	Sept. 25	Elderhostel	Museum Lecture	8 a.m.
August 8	BSE Test	Biology Lecture Hall	8 a.m.	Sept. 28	Instructional Communications	Conference Ctr.	.....
August 9-14	Vidalia Band Camp	M. Pittman School	Daily	Oct. 3	Military Appreciation Day	Conference Ctr.	.....
August 11-12	Orientation	Conference Ctr.	Daily	Oct. 3	Alumni Board Meeting	Williams Dining	9:30 a.m.
August 11	Orientation, Fun & Games	Hanner Gymnastics	8 p.m.	Oct. 3	GSC Football vs. Central Florida	Paulson Stadium	1:30 p.m.
August 14-16	Special Olympics Summer Games	Hanner, Williams	Daily	Oct. 6	Symphony Guild Fashion Show	Williams Dining	7 p.m.
August 15	Brunch, Enrichment Program	Conference Ctr.	10:30 am	Oct. 7	Chinese Cultural Program	McCroan Aud.	8 p.m.
August 17-20	Eastern Cheerleaders Camp	Hanner Fieldhouse	Daily	Oct. 10	GSC Football vs. Bethune Cookman	Jacksonville, Fla.	.....
August 18	Last Day of Class	.....	.....	Oct. 10	SAT Exam	Williams Dining	8 a.m.
August 19-21	Exams	.....	.....	Oct. 10	GRE Exam	Hollis 107B	8 a.m.
August 21	GED Exam	Williams Dining	8 a.m.	Oct. 10	MAT Test	Math/Physics 209	9 a.m.
August 22	Graduation	Hanner Fieldhouse	11 a.m.	Oct. 15	Oleander State Garden Club	Williams Dining	8 a.m.
August 22	Graduation Reception	Williams Dining	.....	Oct. 17	GSC Football vs. Northeast Louisiana	There	.....
Sept. 1	ISAT Test	Williams Dining	8 p.m.	Oct. 21	Oktoberfest. Ga. Recreation & Parks	Williams Dining	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 5	GSC Football vs. Catawba	Paulson Stadium	1:30 p.m.	Oct. 22	Stephen Wright in Performance	Hanner Fieldhouse	8 p.m.
Sept. 9	CLEP Exams	Williams Dining	8 a.m.	Oct. 24	GSC Football vs. Western Carolina	There	.....
Sept. 9	Department Heads/Deans meet	.....	3:30 p.m.	Oct. 24	ACT Test	Williams Dining	8 a.m.
Sept. 10	Day for Southern	Williams Dining	7:30 a.m.	Oct. 26-27	Regents' Exam	Williams Dining	8 a.m.
Sept. 10	New Faculty Orientation	.....	9 a.m.	Oct. 29	Farm Bureau Dinner	Williams Dining	7 p.m.
Sept. 11	General Faculty Meeting	.....	.....	Oct. 31	Technology Exam	Williams Dining	7 a.m.
Sept. 11	Arts & Sciences Meeting	Foy Recital Hall	9 a.m.	Oct. 31	GSC Football vs. Western Kentucky	Paulson Stadium	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 11	Business Meeting	Hollis, Room 7	9 a.m.	Nov. 3	ISAT Exam	Williams Dining	8 a.m.
Sept. 12	GSC Football vs. FAMU	Jacksonville, Fla.	.....	Nov. 4	Bloodmobile	Williams Dining	11 a.m.
Sept. 13-14	Residence Hall Check-in	10 a.m.	Nov. 6-7	HOME COMING	Campuswide	Daily
				Nov. 7	GSC Football vs. James Madison	Paulson Stadium	1 p.m.

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credit for some of the 17 years he worked at the University of Georgia.

State Rep. Bob Lane (D-Statesboro) introduced a measure which would allow Russell to purchase credit in the state-run Teachers Retirement System for the years he spent as an assistant coach at UGA, though on the payroll of the private UGA Athletic Association where he was a member of its pension system.

However, if the committees fail to act by August 1 to place the Russell bill on the calendar for the upcoming session of the General Assembly, the coach will have to wait another year for consideration.

Room for boom

Summer school students may have noticed a hectic pace of activity as the college prepares for an expected record-shattering fall enrollment estimated by officials for 8,200 to 8,500.



TAGGIN' ALONG

GSC commemorative license plates will be available through August 31. Cost for the prestige plate is \$25 plus applicable fees and taxes. For more information about the commemorative tag, contact the Bulloch County Tax Commissioner's office in the courthouse downtown. (Special photo)

To make room the the expected boom, several student-oriented services have changed locations.

GSC's Postal Services and Printing Services have relocated to the University Plaza Shopping Center in renovated storefronts.

Postal Services, which provides on-campus message services and student and departmental mail boxes,

moved from Landrum Center. The move provides additional space for expansion of the dining hall facility.

Printing Services, which provides copying, typesetting and printing services on campus, was moved from the Technology Annex Building to provide for additional classroom and office space in that facility.

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Southern College Foundation. He has spent many summers travelling across the country and around the world including trips to Mexico, Algeria, France, New York, Washington, D.C. and California.

UFOs

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ens" they referred to are ones which are not from this planet. It has nothing to do with green cards).

Anyway, the last time I saw Mrs. Alcorn, she hadn't gotten any sleep and wished everyone would leave her alone.

I am glad to say I am a friend of the Alcorn family now, and I have experienced their love/hate relationship with whatever visited them.

I wish people would leave them alone.

And I wish Mrs. Alcorn could get some sleep, peace and quiet, she deserves it.

But I will continue to chase this UFO. I still want to see it myself.

I just won't tell anyone about it.

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