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Decision on '89 football championship site due in February

GSC News Service

When GSC officials went to Pocatello, Idaho, for the NCAA Division 1-AA National Championship game, they took with them a proposal for the NCAA to hold the 1989-1990 championship games in southeast Georgia.

The proposal, a preliminary bid, outlined offerings from Georgia Southern, Statesboro, and Savan-

nah, which would co-host the games.

"Statesboro doesn't have enough hotel rooms to meet the minimum required by the NCAA," said Jim Radcliffe, Director of Marketing for Georgia Southern Athletics. "Therefore, we have been working very closely with the Savannah Chamber of Commerce and their Convention and Visitors Bureau to put together a package to the NCAA."

The general philosophy behind the

plan is "to build the image of the 1-AA Championship," and Georgia Southern's main goal is "to have the best game atmosphere possible; to showcase southeast Georgia and Georgia Southern, and to develop the concept into a bowl game atmosphere that can become permanently attached to Savannah and Georgia Southern. We have no small dreams; we envision a major effort to develop this Championship into a game of region-

ally major proportions. We believe that we have the city, the facility, and the fan enthusiasm to build this game into an experience that will bring lasting pleasant memories of the 'once in a lifetime' experience."

Since announcing the intention to bid on hosting the 1989-90 Championships, more than 9,000 tickets have been ordered for each year. "It is important to understand, "the proposal points out, "that fans in a ten-

day period. Within this number there were no corporate sponsors and no student responses. These were all responses from south Georgia football fans." "This response reflects one of our goals," stated Radcliffe, "we want to show that this is a regional effort."

Radcliffe pointed out three important advantages of holding the games in Paulson Stadium. First, of the 88 teams playing in Division 1-

AA, only nine are based in the western United States, the other 79 are located in the South or in the East. Second, Paulson Stadium's seating capacity of 16,000 seats can be "expanded" to 22,000 with spectators sitting on the grassy banks. And third, the weather in southeast Georgia is ideal for football. A study of December weather for the past ten years indicates an average daily high

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Winter break crime recap

Cathy McNamara

Editor

- Two former GSC students, Kevin G. Nall of Ocala, Fla. and Sylvania resident Verne J. Pickren III, were found not guilty of murder charges stemming from the death of Willie Gene Lee at their trial December 15.

- On January 4, Julie Wilgen reported two cassette tape recorders valued at \$225 stolen from the Home Management Cottage.

- On January 2, Vernon Cox reported \$2,200 cash, \$100 in clothing and a pool cue stolen from his In the Pines apartment.

- Jeff Balsman notified security on December 6 that his wallet and \$93 cash were taken from his room in Oxford.

- Unknown persons allegedly broke the molding and striker plates on a front door at a Pines apartment on December 6. Resident Jim Butts reported nothing stolen.

- Rayban sunglasses valued at \$60 were reported stolen by Brenda Hector December 2 from her Pines apartment.

- Dale Grubs and friends reported unknown persons fired at them with a pellet gun from a wooded area between the Pines apartments and Fraternity Road at approximately 10 p.m. on December 4.

- Lance Weldon reported the front wheel of his bike, which was locked to a rack in section E of the Pines apartments, was stolen on December 1.

- On December 3, John Potts reported John Tupper was stabbed in the left thigh at Thursday's at about 11 p.m. Tupper refused treatment from E.M.S. and information to police.

- William Howard reported two holes were shot in his window screen in Oxford on December 3.

- On December 2 at about 1 a.m., Toni Henderson reported a group of males driving a black Chevy pickup truck attacked her friends in a wooded area of Cambridge apartments.



Cheerleaders traditionally take a back seat to the teams they give their encouragement to—most often they are set off in the background at football and basketball games as they cheer teams towards hopes of championship. But the GSC cheerleaders got a chance to turn the tables last week as a 12-member team competed in a championship of their own. Lauren Bianchi, Paul Booth, Julie

Kicklighter, Anthony Bruce, Neil Daniel, Chandler Dennard, Lea Fowler, Pam Into, Ervin Kittles, Paige Prather (pictured) and Kem Williams traveled to Dallas last Saturday to represent GSC at the National Cheerleaders Association National Collegiate and Pom Pom Championship. They made the trip as one of the country's top 20 division one squads. (special photo)

27 from GSC named to Who's Who

Staff Reports

The 1988 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American College's and Universities will include the names of 27 GSC students selected as national leaders.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the national directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular

activities and potential for continued success.

More than 1,400 students from four-year institutions in the U.S. and several foreign countries are included in this year's edition.

GSC students named include Amelia D. Adkins, Cheryl Ann Banks, Lauren C. Bianchi, Linka Ruth Bowen, Kathryn Diane Britt, Mendie Lynn Brown, and Michael Byron Cheek.

Also, Katherin Leigh Dennis, Michael Leroy Dukes, Sherry Green,

Belinda Faye Mzingo, Craig Roland Norman, Bunnie Diane Thompson, Tammy Wade, and John Anthony Ard.

And, Natalie Deon Benton, William Frank Bomar, Lori Lynn Boykin, Bruce Allen Brown, Lisa Beth Browning, Jacqueline E. Davis, Ira L. Dove, and Roland A. Federico, Jr.

Also, Cathy Anne McNamara, Ann Nappo, Kimberly L. Novak, and Chris Troutman.

MLK tribute set for Mon.

Staff Reports

A tribute to the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will be presented at 7 p.m. Monday in the Conference Center auditorium.

Keynoting the event will be Patricia Russell-McCloud, former chief of the Complaints Branch of the Mass Media Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission and a graduate of Howard University School of Law.

Music for the event will be provided by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Choir, a special group composed of church choirs and community members. It is led by Alton

West, head of the Twin City High School Music Department. Of Russell-McCloud, the Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy has said "she has an amazing appeal to young people on the college and university levels, and yet has the perception to speak at the level of those who have been left out of the mainstream of life."

She is the former National Parliamentarian for Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and recipient of more than 25 keys to cities across the country.

GSC President Nicholas Henry will deliver a welcome to open the event and a candle lighting tribute is planned.

Conflicts spawn cry for band boosters

Clint Rushing

Staff Writer

The GSC Music Department has been experiencing several conflicts involving faculty/administration support, and financial stability, the most recent of which involving the band's fight to attend the NCAA 1AA football championship game last month.

According to department members, this particular situation has made band members and supporters aware more than ever of the need for a booster program. "We have a definite need for a band boosters program," said Department Head Dr. Raymond Marchionni.

"We can no longer depend on the funding we receive from sources such as the athletic department and the student activities budget committee," he said.

Several students and faculty members have expressed interest in starting a program similar to Southern Boosters.

In fact, Marchionni intends to have such an organization in place next year. "There are several steps I have

to take in order to begin the organization," he said.

Marchionni, along with Band Director Dr. Jerrod Michaleson, will take the request before the dean of Arts and Sciences. If it is approved, Marchionni said, the request will be sent to several offices and eventually to President Nicholas Henry for final approval.

GSC freshman killed in mishap

Jim Christian

News Editor

Jacob Alvin Clements, III, A GSC Freshman, was killed in a truck accident December 23.

Clements, from Rebecca, Georgia, was a resident in Dorm Hall last quarter.

Band first denied, then allowed chance to make Pocatello trip

By Clint Rushing

Staff Writer

When something is desired and is then denied, it is often wanted even more. This is the nature of disappointment. And the 15 members of

GSC's Pep Band, a division of the GSC marching band, know the feeling well.

When Erk's Eagles defeated Eastern Kentucky, thereby earning the right to play in the division 1-AA championship game in Pocatello,

Idaho, the members of the GSC marching band knew better than to expect to be invited to attend the game.

The funding was simply not available to transport the 140+ member band 2,000 miles across the United States. But several individuals still wanted to go to the game and support the football team; thus began the struggle for community funding and support.

Initially the band was not going to receive any help, financially or otherwise, from the college. GSC would not even sanction the pep band so that they could raise funds on their own.

According to Bucky Wagner, director of GSC athletics, there was never any question as to whether or not the band was to go to Pocatello. He said the position of GSC was to take the entire band, or no band at all. Wagner also added that it would be unfair

to send only certain members of the band and not everyone.

Apparently he did not understand that most GSC band students had already gone home for the holidays and that those few members posing the question of going to Pocatello were in Statesboro for the holidays. And those students wanted to represent GSC and their music department in Pocatello at the championship football game.

President Nicholas Henry was unable to be reached Thursday, December 15, to give permission to the pep band to begin raising funds for the trip, so Dr. Harry Carter was the next man in line who could sanction the fund raiser.

Dr. Carter had already gone to Pocatello with the team so he had to be tracked down by Dr. Marchionni, head of the music department. After receiving Dr. Carter's permission at approximately 5 p.m. Thursday, the

pep band sprang into action.

The students set up a fund raising headquarters in the Foy Fine Arts building office to begin what would turn out to be an exhausting and emotional 16 hour event. Working on four separate telephone lines, the students began calling members of the Statesboro/Bulloch County area asking them for their tax deductible donations.

Savannah television stations WTOG, WSAV, and WJCL were called and agreed to give air time to the students' cause. Radio stations WIXV, WZAT, WWNS WPTB, and WMCD were all called and asked for air time. Several radio/telephone interviews were conducted by the disc jockeys on live programs and an advertising tape was made and aired on most of the radio stations.

One band member even contacted ESPN sports announcer Beno Cook for a public interest advertisement announcement on his show.

Members of the community were angered by the situation. "I cannot believe that the pep band was not going to be sent to the championship game. It made me angry," said Statesboro resident Jon Wilson.

In response, the community decided to send the band to Pocatello through their own contributions. Four members of the band traveled to Savannah to collect money from citizens and businesses who had phoned in Thursday night with their pledges.

To add to the support the band received, Delta airlines offered the band a special rate for the flight to Pocatello. The response from citizens and businesses from the community was overwhelming. By 9 a.m. Friday, after only 15 hours, the pep band had collected over \$5,000, enough to make the trip.

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"Scrooged" Murray rekindles Christmas classic

by Mike Mills
Managing Editor

After his triumphant appearance as Dr. Vinkman in *Ghost Busters* and an absence from the silver screen for more than two years, Bill Murray brings his sly wit and astoundingly expressive face to a remake of the Christmas classic *A Christmas Carol* in *Scrooged*. This farce on the materialistic exploitation and warped values of the holiday season of the late 80's did gang-busters at the box office and promises to be a Christmas classic for the next hundred or so years.

Murray plays a "bah-humbugging" television executive planning a live Christmas eve spectacular complete with scantily clad dancing girls, live remote hookups to exotic locations and little or no references to the spirit of the season. He is a bitter, repulsive, manipulating miser who swills bourbon and brow-beats his

honest hard-working employees. In other words, he is a modern day Scrooge.

Well, you can guess where the movie goes from there. The ghosts of Christmas past, present and future come to visit him with the desired effect on his crabby and uninspired

nature. While Dickens may not agreed with the comic nature of this comical farce of his timeless tale, one would imagine that he would have applauded the message *Scrooged* brings across.

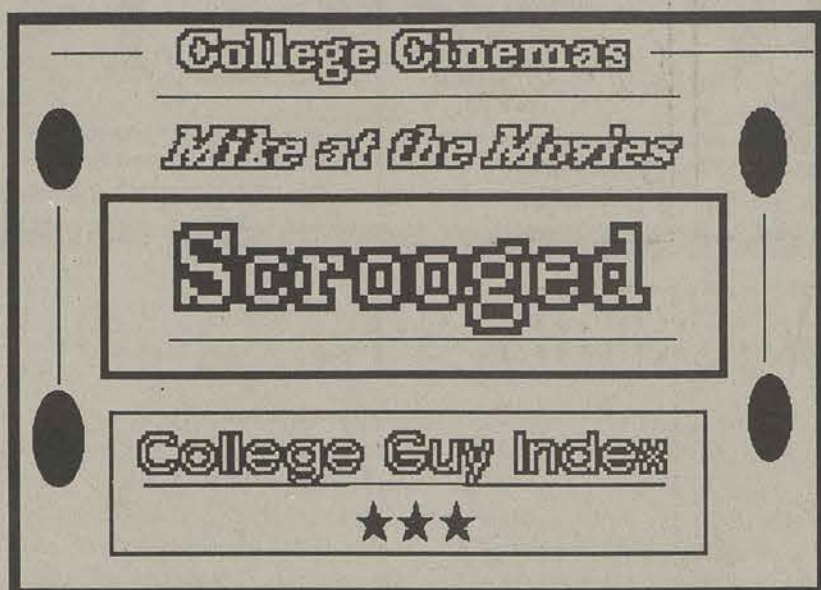
The supporting cast is adequate with Karen Allen as Murray's long

lost love who looks sweet and demure in an angelic way. Mr. Murray's entire family has cameo's as the oppressed relatives who patiently suffer through this television executive's tirades and miserly nature.

The ghosts are the most impressive of the lot as a grimy and somewhat worse-for-the-wear New York cab driver takes Murray on a crazed ride into the past. Carol Kane plays the Ghost of Christmas Present in a physically demanding and disjointed series of hilarious prat-falls and sudden blows culminating with Murray being belted with a toaster. The ominous Ghost of Christmas To Come stands ten or so feet high and drives his message home with alacrity.

One side story involves Bobcat Goldwait as a meek junior executive fired by Murray on Christmas Eve who exacts a rough justice with really funny results and allows Bobcat

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"Witty" gallery exhibit opens January display in Foy

GSC News Service

Foy's Gallery 303 will introduce the unique art of four artists whose work ranges from the calculated conceptual imagery of Harvey Bott to the whimsical three dimensional "creatures" of John Jensen.

"John Jensen is extremely witty—people would find it very easy to relate to him," said Richard Tichich, gallery director. "Monty Python has nothing on John Jensen."

Followed by a special reception Jan. 13 from 7 to 9 p.m., the exhibi-

tion will also feature the paintings of Paul Clendenin and the photographs of Linda Jensen.

Linda Jensen employs the medium of photography as a basis for her work. Her photographs are hand coloured and usually feature some

type of manipulation of the surface of the print. Many of her images contain beads or sequins that are actually sewn onto the picture.

John Jensen mixes painting and

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With the help of several alumni, the Sigma Chi fraternity recently broke ground on their new house on Fraternity Row. From left to right are Frank Hook, president of the housing group, Brian Rountree, contractor and alumnus, Edie Thurman, sweetheart, Ken Whaley, president, Nelson Lightsey, contractor and alumnus, and Max Manack, president of the alumni association. (Photo: Nancy Umbarger)

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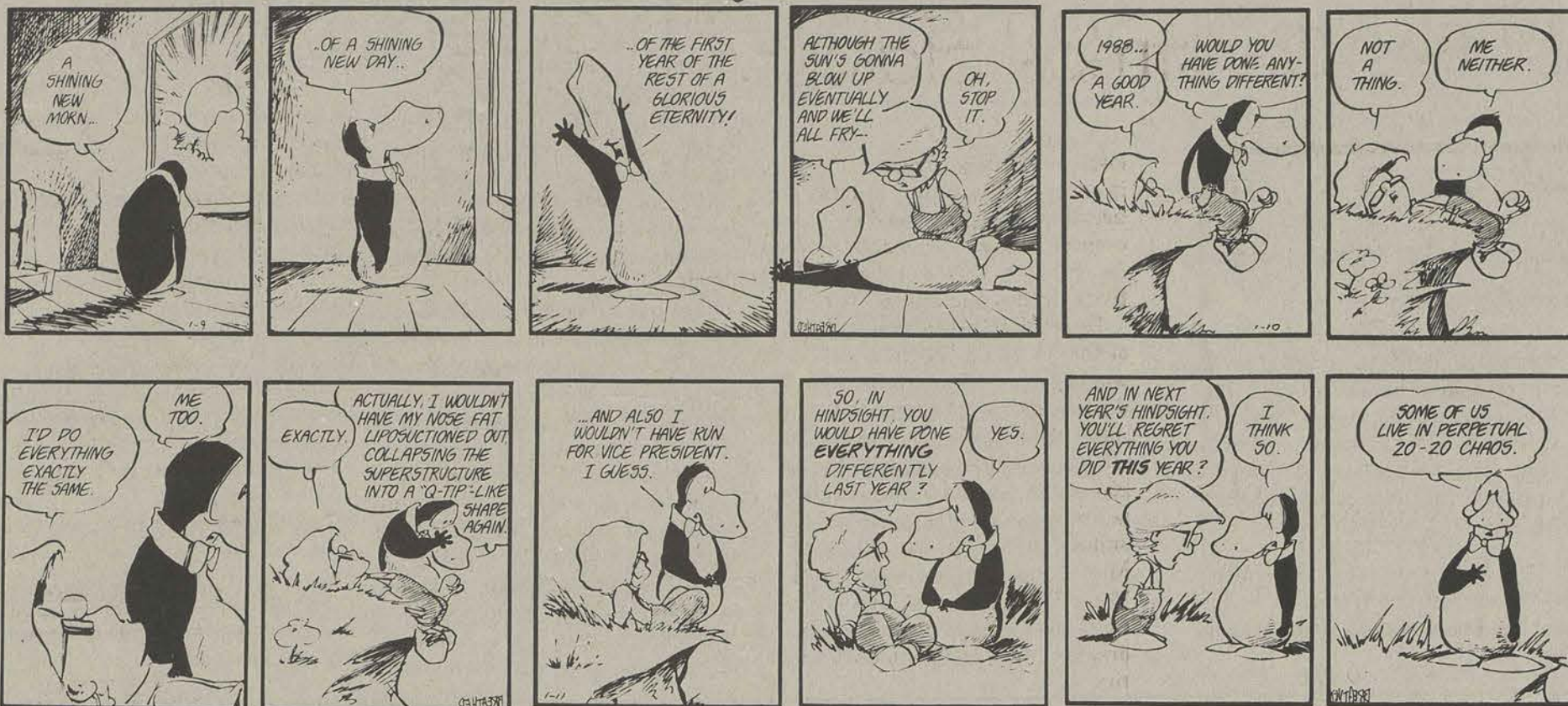
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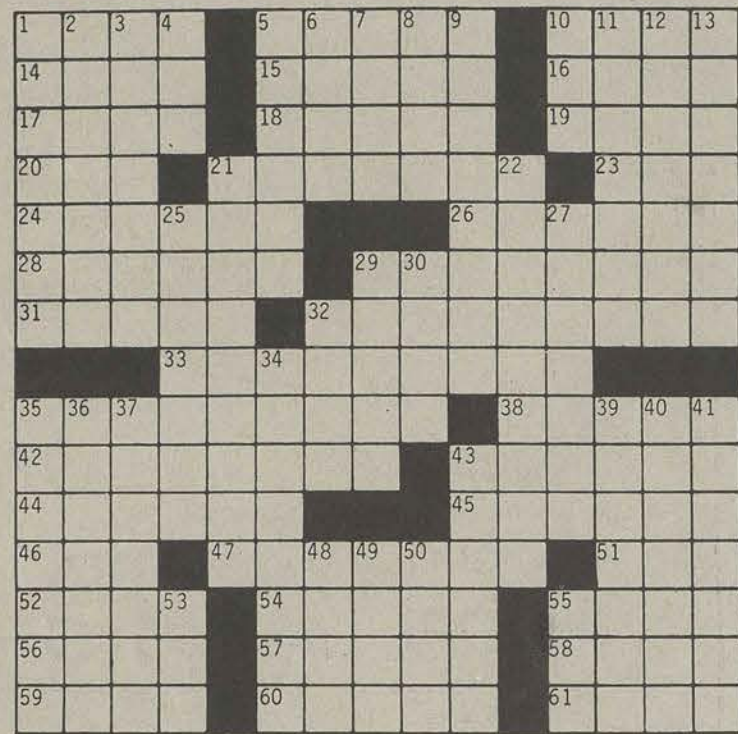
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by Berke Breathed



collegiate crossword



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- 14 Construction member (2 wds.)
- 15 Ham it up
- 16 Concerning (2 wds.)
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- 18 State flower of New Hampshire
- 19 Chinese border river
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- 28 Entangle
- 29 Geological epoch (2 wds.)
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- 32 Villain

- 33 Terminus of 19-Across (2 wds.)
- 35 Truthful
- 38 Loud noise
- 42 Like spoiled food
- 43 Imitated a banshee
- 44 Let
- 45 ——— Christie
- 46 Sturm ——— Drang
- 47 Santo ———
- 51 Sot's sound
- 52 Office note
- 54 Norse god (var.)
- 55 Neither you
- 56 The Emerald Isle
- 57 Actor Nick
- 58 Harte or Maverick
- 59 High-speed planes
- 60 Bum ———
- 61 Rooney or Hardy

DOWN

- 1 Fortress
- 2 Seafood dish
- 3 Italian dish
- 4 Part of TNT
- 5 Hoodwink
- 6 "—— the Mood for Love"
- 7 Army officers (abbr.)
- 8 Common Latin abbreviation
- 9 Very proper
- 10 ——— station
- 11 Hungry
- 12 On the loose (2 wds.)
- 13 Advice
- 21 Made double-sure
- 22 RV
- 25 Hungarians
- 27 Missouri city
- 29 Tonto's horse
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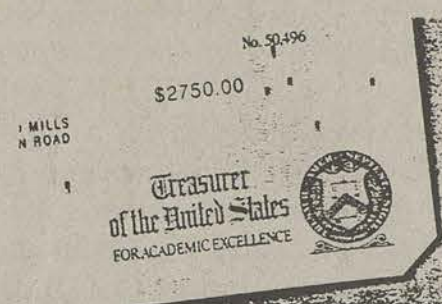


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The George-Anne Editorial Board collected a variety of news and feature stories, columns and letters to editors from state newspapers over the Christmas break relating to Erk Russell and his role in the University of Georgia's search for a head football coach. From these we decided, instead of writing an institutional opinion of our own, to print one man's views which greatly reflect ours. The following demonstrates the confusion surrounding the events has "Erked" more than just GSC fans and supporters.

UGA's Knapp should publicly admit it: Erk turned him down

Reprinted from The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

As a University of Georgia alumnus, I am disgusted with the way "Dr." Charles Knapp and his so-called selection committee handled the entire Erk Russell affair. A child of three can see that Russell was the committee's first choice. Why all the behind-the-scenes, wishy-washy, "we really didn't ask him" garbage all of a sudden?

Why can't Knapp and his "Knappers" admit they were turned down and get on with the search like grown men? In addition, after Erk himself admits he was made to look foolish upon turning down the offer, our man Knapp comes forth to correct the bungled attempt, releasing a "prepared statement, through a spokesman" saying he is sorry about the misunderstanding, as if he and his buddies were only kidding when they practically begged Erk to take the job, but "not officially."

Is this the kind of leader we want to run our state university? That might be how those learned scholars at Stanford handle matters, with a lot of double-speak and cleverly veiled offers, but us simple folk here in Georgia would just as well talk straight and plain.

Admit it, Mr. Knapp, you and your boys wanted Erk and you got turned down.

But first, publicly apologize to Erk Russell and his family and leave your prepared statement and your spokesman at home.

David Jordan
Mableton, Ga.

The George-Anne would like students to express their views on the above situation or any other pending problem(s). We've left the following space open for you to tell us what you think this week. If you have an opinion, please fill out the bottom form and send it to us at Landrum Box 8001 or upstairs in Williams Center Room 110. Signed responses will be printed.

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Prejudice, sometimes hidden, still lives

From the editor's desk

Cathy McNamara

Last quarter, while attending a leadership retreat, I realized something.

It's something I've noticed since the day my feet broke ground on the campus of GSC in Statesboro, but never actually faced.

Prejudice.

I was just sitting there in a small Methodist campsite building on St. Simons Island listening to Dr. Jane Thompson when, without warning, an incredible thought snapped in my head. The realization was sudden and shocking: It's here, and it's thriving.

Dr. Thompson asked us to think of a few words to describe blacks. "Just say the first thing that pops into your head."

As I listened, I became painfully embarrassed for the white race and uncomfortably conscious of the black race. I was embarrassed for most of the people in the room who couldn't see past tomorrow or before that day, therefore refusing to understand the history of the struggle of the black race.

I was also embarrassed because there were black people in the room

suffering as their forefathers did through the oppression, stereotyping and downright hatred of people with a different pigmentation. And I flashed back to numerous conversations and occurrences with friends at GSC....

They questioned organizations like the NAACP without giving a moment's thought to why they exist. They forget the black race has had to work much, much harder and longer to get where they are. And where are they? Sometimes, I imagine it must feel like the the early 1900s or the days of "separate but equal." Sneering down the hallways and justifying hate with the popular excuse: "There are blacks and there are niggers."

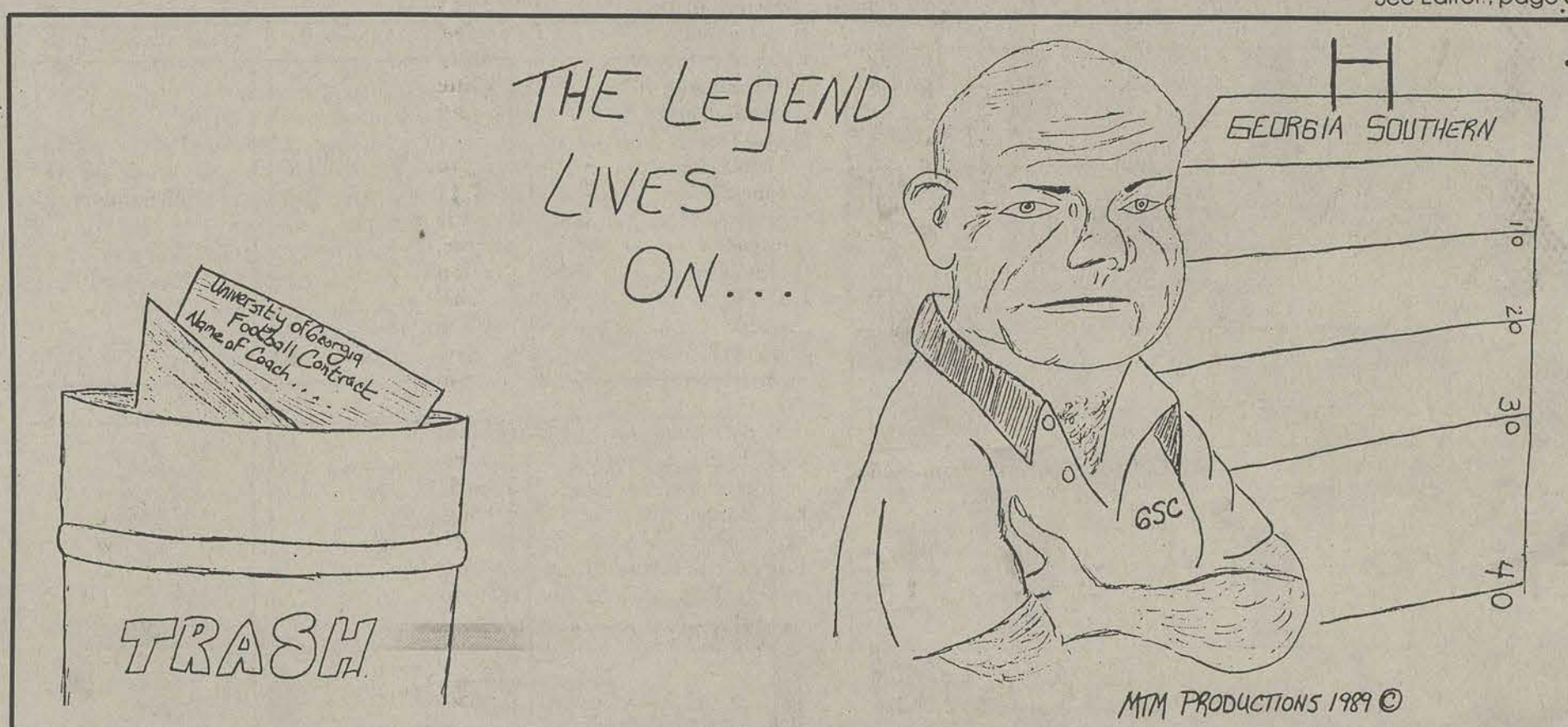
The oppression of the black race, a well known part of American history,

is bad enough without its ignorant supporters, many of whom insist that organizations advocating blacks and their advancement are intentionally prejudiced against whites in themselves.

They are overlooking a very important fact: Everything is white; black is a minority. The United Negro College Fund and the NAACP, for example, are just two of very few organizations which advocate black advancement and enable blacks to show pride in their heritage, once viewed as inferior. Think about it. Whites never had to prove themselves as blacks did, thus the importance of such organizations.

I tuned back in, but my embarrassment for ignorant whites refused to falter; I kept listening.

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Injustice to Erk, Sheridan puts UGA in bad light

Mills' Musings

Mike Mills

decisions that they were not totally ready to make.

While I am sure that Coach Russell made his decision after careful consideration and contemplation, there were rumors floating around that the pressure to announce his decision by the ruling monarchy of UGA was intense and immediate. Such was the case with Coach Sheridan.

The N.C. State mentor was literally harassed out of the job. Just before the Peach Bowl game in Atlanta, Dick Sheridan told me that he had asked the UGA people to give him some time to gather his staff, his family and concerned others together for a little pow-wow on the merits of the Georgia job. Sheridan was impressed with the UGA facilities, the school, the alumni support and the tradition. This would have been a big step up for him from N.C. State and would entail much of what

he had dreamed of in his life. He literally was sold on the idea of the UGA job. All he wanted was more time. Georgia would give him none.

So Coach Sheridan quietly and serenely told the Georgia administration to get stuffed and returned to the Wolfpack fold of grateful North Carolinians. Georgia had shot themselves in the foot by assuming that the job of head coach for the Bulldogs was an offer that no man could refuse. UGA learned the hard way that there are more things to life than just football and money. They forgot the basic fact that you must treat people with respect and consideration. Dick Sheridan was treated like a lagging schoolboy and Erk Russell was slapped in the face by the college that he had served for so many, many years.

The villains in the Russell affair were UGA president Charles Knapp and search committee chairman Robert N. Bishop whose actions and words only proved the desperate plight that the entire UGA athletic program and ruling bodies were in. The mere fact that these administrators denied the fact that they had ever offered the job to Coach Russell, shows a lack on consideration and a

pressing need to remedy a situation that they figured they would never have to face. Someone had actually said "no" to the job! In the rush to cover their dangling behinds, Knapp and Bishop must have put their little heads together and decided deniability was best.

So they denied everything. Erk Russell had never been offered the job said Knapp... We had considered Erk, but no firm decision had been made said Bishop. You see, the problem with someone turning down your job offer is that the next guy you offer it to feels a little cheated since he was the second choice and so it goes down the line. So, the UGA administrators decided to deny everything and make Dick Sheridan feel like he was the first. In the process they stepped on the respected and legendary toes of Erk Russell. I don't know about you, but it makes me mad as hell that any person in this state would stop just short of calling Erk a liar. There is no other way to describe this situation.

Bottom line time... Ray Goff is now the UGA coach... Dick Sheridan won the Peach Bowl, got a new contract (supposedly) and is still running with the Wolfpack... The UGA administrators are still sulking... and

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SGA says "No" on open-container law

SGA Reports

By Ann Nappo
Publicity Coordinator

To all students returning from the holiday break and newcomers to GSC, "Welcome" from your Student Government Association. Aside from relaxing and over eating during vacation, we've been working on some ideas and activities for 1989. Some of these are carryovers from last quarter but some are newly conceived:

Foster kids making the grade

Thanks to everyone who gave their time and energy to the first, successful SGA-sponsored party for area foster children. The youths received honor certificates as well as some GSC memorabilia as rewards for exceptional scholastic achievements. The turnout has encouraged

us to make this party a regular event. By rewarding these people for doing well in school, we are instilling and affirming a value of good education. Watch the paper for upcoming party dates; your presence could make a world of difference in a child's life.

SGA stands up for student rights

As Bulloch County seeks ways to curb the problem of noisy and destructive block parties, several solutions have been proposed, including the never-popular "open-container

law." If there truly is the possibility that legislation of such a law would be attempted, certain factors must be considered. As in every case, the SGA must examine the possible effects on the students and concern ourselves first and foremost with their rights. SGA does not in any way promote or condone rowdy, violent behavior or underage drinking at any student gathering. But, we feel that currently existing laws already prohibit such behavior. The enactment of an open-container law would simply add the potential for student harassment to an already serious problem. The SGA wants students to know that we are strongly opposed to any law which has the capacity to violate the individual rights of students.

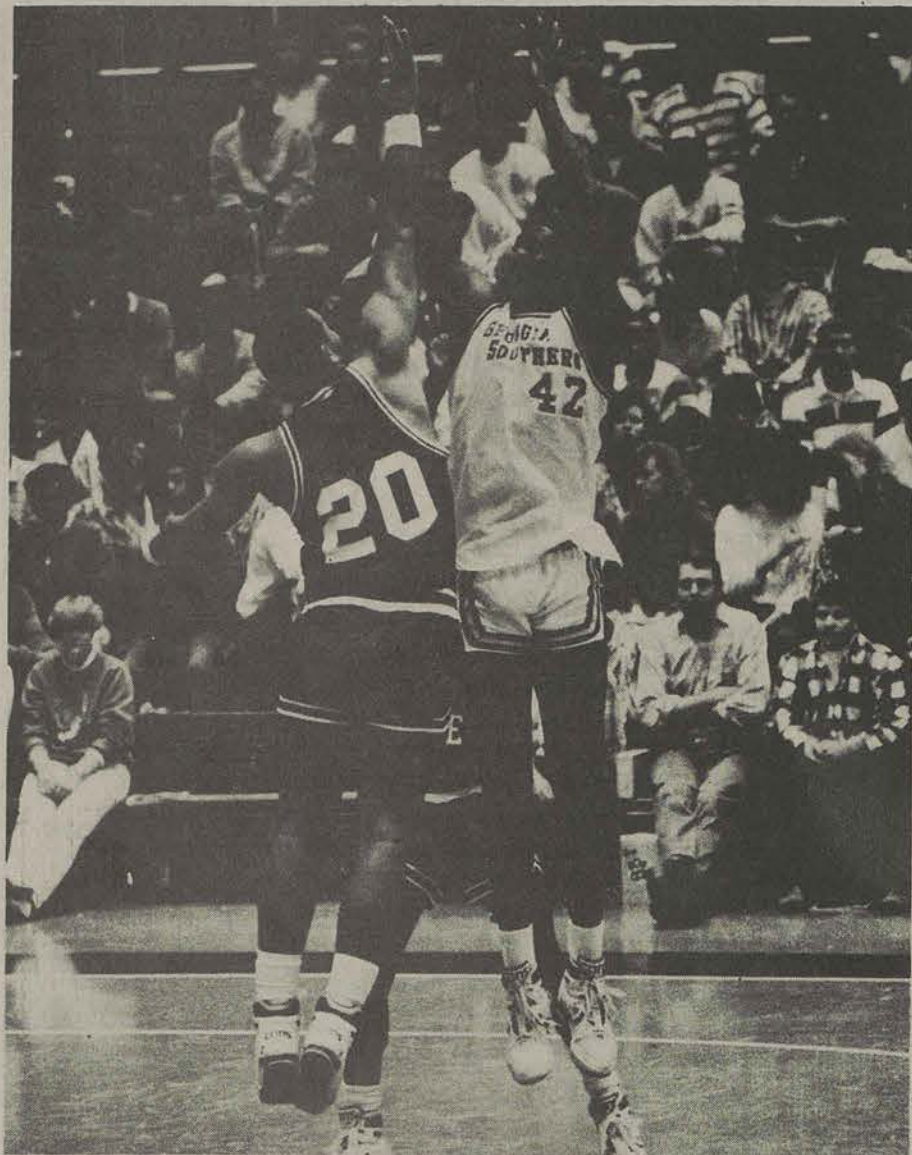
Speak out for 24-hour intervisitation rights

Last quarter, some of you attended SGA's first student forum. The purpose of these discussion circles is to give all students the opportunity to express concerns and opinions about issues relevant to student life at GSC. These forums enable students to use the SGA as a voice to administrative personnel to express ideas and suggestions to improve student life. The next forum will be held Jan. 23 from 5-7 p.m. in the Biology Lecture Hall. The main topic will be the possibility of a 24-hour intervisitation policy in GSC's residence halls. Ideas on any and all other subjects are welcome and encouraged. Please drop by at any time for any amount of time.

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Jeff Sanders scores 38 in Southern win



Center Jeff Sanders scores final 14 points in the Eagles' come-from-behind victory.

Blake has 46 to set GSC record

by Hern Sneed
Sports Guy

The Lady Eagles easily defeated Baptist College last Monday night in Hanner Fieldhouse by sinking the Lady Buccaneers early in the 105-61 rout. GSC improves their record to 7-4, while the Lady Bucs still fail to steal a victory, sailing in a sea of losses with a 0-10 record.

Not only is forward Phyllette Blake leading the nation in scoring with a 29.3 average, but she is also the proud owner of the Lady Eagles single game scoring record with her 46-point performance against Baptist College. The fifteen-year-old record was previously held by Junnie Hughley; she scored 45 points against Shorter College back in 1973-74. Blake contributed 11 rebounds and six steals to her record-setting night against the Lady Bucs.

The Lady Eagles attacked BC early in the game with a full court press which quickly aided to build a big GSC lead. The score was 28-8 with about 14:00 minutes left to play in the first half before Head Coach Drema Greer would call off her turn-over-producing press (total game=22 steals) and give the Lady Bucs an opportunity to breathe.

Without being too harsh, it appeared to be a scrimmage with a high

school squad in preparation for the Lady Eagles' next opponent- Alabama.

The Lady Eagles took a 64-22 lead into intermission with Blake compiling 29 points and six rebounds by halftime to score more points by herself than her opponents total first half production.

The start of the second half resembled earlier action with Blake and Deb Blackshear (17 points, nine rebounds, five steals) handling the Lady Bucs. Coach Greer pulled most of her starters out of the contest to give the rest of the squad an opportunity to gain some experience that would strengthen her bench for future games.

"We needed a game like this," said Coach Greer. "It gave some of our ladies that haven't seen too much action this season a chance to get a lot of playing time."

Coach Greer did leave Blake in the one-sided contest knowing she was within short distance of the scoring record. It took her all of about eight minutes to capture the scoring record by hitting a lay-up that ended her star performance with 46 points. Without hesitation, Coach Greer replaced Blake fearful that she could get injured.

Although the Lady Bucs were eased, See Ladies, page 6

by Al Allnoch
Sports Writer

In front of a Hanner crowd of 2,766 spectators, GSC relied on a late second half comeback to defeat Mercer University, who entered last Saturday night's contest with a five game losing streak, by the score of 81-78. The victory increases the Eagles' record to 3-1 in TAAC (Trans American Athletic Conference) play and to 9-3 overall.

GSC was led by center Jeff Sanders, whose performance against the Bears can be summed up in two words: offensive domination. Sanders poured in a career high 38 points, shooting an impressive 70 percent from the field. He scored the Eagles' final 14 points of the game, half of which came from the free throw line (seven of nine), to erase what had been a twelve-point deficit.

"I told them (teammates) to try to get me the ball," commented Jeff. "I was ready to play tonight." With his big performance against Mercer, Sanders moves into tenth place on the GSC all-time scoring chart with 1,460 points. He has already cracked the Top Ten in the TAAC lists - seventh in scoring and sixth in rebounding.

Early in the game it appeared that GSC had the Bears under control with a 16-6 lead at the 12:08 mark, but Mercer broke out their long-range shooters and attacked the Eagles with three-point bombs from guards Reggie Titus and Dwayne

Taylor to battle Southern to a 41-37 halftime score.

Head Coach Frank Kerns decided to switch from their first half zone defense and combat the outside guns with an Eagle man-to-man in hopes of putting a halt to Mercer's three-point warfare.

"We are just not a very good defensive team, but we become more aggressive when we switch to man-to-man," replied Kerns. "We just have to start getting both defenses ready."

For most of the second half, the Mercer Bears did not let up maintaining their lead until the final minutes of the game when Sanders went on his scoring assault to save the Eagles.

After hitting two lay-ups and a 15-foot jumper, Sanders nailed six consecutive free throws to give Southern the lead for good 80-76.

"Tonight, I felt it was do or die, and I didn't want to die, so I tried to shoot for perfection," explained Sanders on his 14-point surge.

The screaming GSC fans undoubtedly had an effect on Mercer's play, and helped spur the Eagles to their comeback.

"The crowd brought us back," Coach Kerns said. "This is a game we probably would have a hard time winning on the road without the driving force that the crowd was."

Other Eagles that contributed greatly to the victory are Mike Curry with sixteen points and five re-

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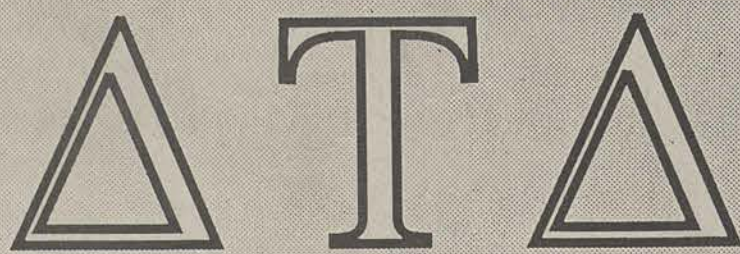
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Throughout the whole discussion, designed to enlighten and bring forth the prejudices in everyone, I wanted to say something to make up for all

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Finally...

As we prepare for 1989, we wish to schedule activities which reflect student interest, wants and needs. If you have any suggestions for activities, please come by the SGA office, located on the second floor in Williams Center.

Erk

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we get to keep Erk. I thing Georgia Southern will prove to be the big winner in the end. You know... now that Vince Dooley is gone... wouldn't it be a great time to play Georgia in football? Hmmm... It would be fun to show the UGA administration what they will be missing by sticking our run and shoot offense up their... deniability.

the times at GSC that I've heard the word "nigger."

I wanted to mend the situation and change things in that room, right here and now. I wanted to call this one white person ignorant (and came very close) for saying he wasn't and never would be attracted to any black person.

Then I realized I was hiding a prejudice of my own.

I wanted to call out for someone to make sense of all this nonsense. I was sick and tired of hearing people say structured, meaningless things that translated simply into the cliché: blacks are inferior to whites. And I wished I wasn't there to hear them, myself. I felt utterly unable to control any aspect of this ugly problem so deeply embedded and unconsciously overlooked in our society.

So, I just watched. The board listed many words, maybe not as many as there have been in the past. But one was too many for me—especially when one of them was mine.

Oh, by the way, have you ever wondered why supposedly "flesh"-colored crayons and Band-aids are white?

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Eagles

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bounds, and Mike Harding with nine points and nine assists. The GSC bench also outscored the opponents' thanks to Tod Miller's seven-point performance.

This year's Eagles are on course to becoming Kerns' best offensive team ever.

Ladies

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ily outmatched, they did maintain a hustling attitude of still having a chance to win which is uncharacteristic of a 0-10 team losing by sixty points. BC's point guard Yolando Brown was the only offensive threat to GSC. Brown poured in 27 points, 19 in the second half and hit seven of eleven three pointers.

Gallery

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sculpture into work he calls "Organic Paintamics." His work parallels his life and is a representation of his artistic development. The subject matter is based on his views of the capricious side of life along with the serious and tragic.

Paula Clendenin is an abstract painter whose large earth-colored paintings project ethereal images.

At the opening, exhibited artists will be present to answer questions. Their works, open to the public, will be displayed throughout January.

Movie

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to demonstrate abilities that will distance him from the humdrum world of the Police Academy series.

In all, this is a quite enjoyable little film destined to put a smile on your face and resurrect the Christmas spirit in your heart. The final scene is reminiscent of It's a Wonderful Life and gives Murray a chance to do the kind of improvisation that we have all grown to love. On the college guy index, I'll give this tale two and one half stars for slap-stick humor, a good cast and a general lack of redeeming features. Murray returns to the silver screen not as a bumbling Saturday Nighter, but as an experienced actor with the maturity to grow into the roles he takes on.

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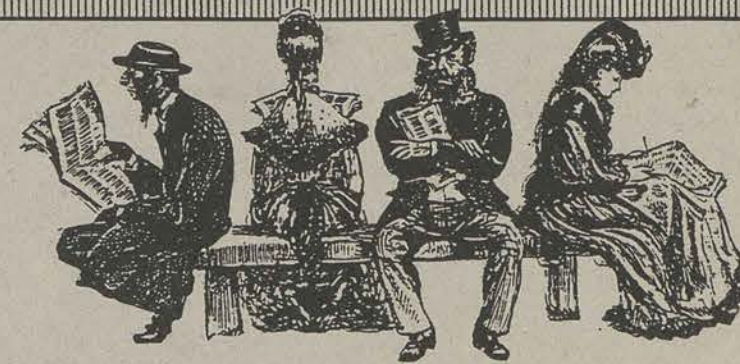
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