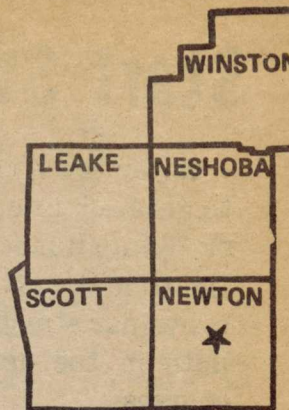




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Steve Quinn and Gloria Cleveland Lead Who's Who

Steve Quinn and Gloria Cleveland were selected in a campus wide election as Mr. and Miss E.C.J.C.

Steve, who is from Louisville, is active in BSU. Gloria is head cheerleader, and is from Union.

Max Anderson, Decatur, who is Vice-President of the Freshman class, was elected Most Handsome. Elected May Queen was Rita Dickinson of Carthage. She is a member of the BSU and the E.C.J.C. Choir.

The Sophomore favorites are Gloria Hollingsworth, Lake; Martha James, Union; Gail Fondren, Union; Randy Dilly, Forest; Rodney Tadlock, Morton; Mike Boler, Union.

Freshmen favorites are Pat Murphy, Newton; Lynne Russell, Decatur; Pam Newell, Decatur; Ricky Breaux, Houma, Louisiana; Terry Breaux, Houma, Louisiana; and Eddie Golden, Harpersville.

Dorms Open For Summer

For the first time in several years, the dormitories will be open for the summer session in 1974.

The busses, which have been running with as few as ten students daily, will be discontinued for the summer session unless there is a minimum of twenty-five students who plan to ride each one.

Because the dormitories will be open and students will be on campus all day, plans are being made for the school to return to the three periods per day schedule. Two classes will be held in the morning, followed by a lunch break, and one class period will be held in the afternoon. The students will continue to take only two courses per five week session.

Registration Completed

Five hundred and fifty students were registered this semester. There were 143 Sophomores, 322 Freshmen, 67 Vocational and 18 Cosmetology students. It seems as if we lost some for last semester we had 644 students registered. We all hope next year there will be an increase in enrollment instead of a decrease.



Clark In New Position

Chester Clark has been appointed the new Assistant Director of the Vocational Technical Department at East Central Junior College. His new position requires that he work closely with Vo-Tech, Director Mr. Newell.

Some of Mr. Clark's new duties will include being in charge in the absence of the Vo-Tech, director, assist with the records, reports and other activities, assist the V. Tech counselor in completing follow-up reports, work with the Vo-Tech, counselor in placement and recruiting of students, and assist the director in writing the local plan for the Vo-Tech. education. Mr. Clark will also teach two classes of drafting design per semester.

The new assistant is a life-time resident of Neshoba County. He is married to the former Louise Eldridge. They have two children, Barry, a third grader, and a five-year old daughter, Lori Ann. He attends Neshoba County Baptist Church where he serves as Chairman of the Deacons.

Mr. Clark received his B.S. and Masters in the field of Industrial Education from Mississippi State. He has taught Industrial Art and Mechanics in the Columbus City Schools and worked with the Indians on the R.C.A. government training program. Coming to East Central in 1969, Mr. Clark has been teaching drafting design.

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"Camelot" Hollingsworth, Broadhead And Gaines Have Leads

The exciting musical, "Camelot", has been presented to audiences all over the world and has now come to East Central Junior College. As East Central's fifth consecutive spring musical it will be presented March 4-8 in the Fine Arts Center.

"Camelot" was a box office success starring Richard Harris, Lynn Redgrave, and Franco Nero. As a musical on Broadway it was also a big success with such stars as Richard Burton, Julia

Andrews, and Robert Goulet.

Tryouts were held for East Central's musical Wednesday, January 16, in the Fine Arts Center. This year's musical requires a large cast consisting of singers, dancers, chorus members, actors, and many people assisting backstage with the production.

If anyone is interested in working with the musical and did not come to the tryouts, contact Mr. Bruce Petterson and let him know what you would like to do. Continued on Page 3 ..

Registrar Releases Fall Honor Roll

Thirty students earned all A's at East Central during the fall semester. This number includes four Freshmen and eleven Sophomores in the academic area, five men in the vocational program, and six cosmetology students. A total of eighty-nine students maintained a B average or better for the first semester.

Freshmen

Freshmen who maintained A averages are Pamela Cox, Janice Johnson, Robert McDonald and Sybil Rich.

President List scholars from the sophomore class include Richard Ballenger, Leonard Barrier, Jane Hollingsworth, Denise Horton, Martha James, Sarah McNair, Janice Measels, Patsy Muse, Jean Pennington, Pamela Tolbert, and Dianne Wooten.

Dean's List

Qualifying for the Dean's List with 3.50 quality point averages are freshmen Janice Branning, Cindy Bryan, Peter Carson, Paul Chaney, Jane Dunn, Wilma Evans, David Gordon, Carol Hollingsworth, Virgie Lindley, Charlotte Madden, Jackie Moore, Shirley Reeves, Debra Kay Savell, Amy Thomas, Nona Vickers and Debra Wilkerson.

Sophomores on the Dean's List are Pat Craig Bough, Mike Boler, Barbara Jean Bridges, Gloria Cleveland, Sharon Eakes, Robert Faulkner, Brenda Gail Fondren, Carl Edward Germany, Gayle Hardin, Vickie Harvey, Michael Henry, Glenn Hicks, Gloria Hollingsworth, Rita Keller, Kathleen Kelly, Trene Lashley, Tommie Joe Munn, Deborah Myers, Charles Reeves, Judy Thornton, Joe Townsend, and Ricky Winstead.

Honorable Mention

Freshmen who qualified for the Honorable Mention by maintaining a B average are James Anderson, Jo Maxwell Anderson, Alice Armstrong, Yolanda Arthur, Kathy Lanette Becton, Sonja Beemon, Charles Boggan, Sidney Bond, Brenda Gail Branning, Darlene Butler, Thomas Carson, Diane Carter, Charles Caskey, Charles Chaney, and Lynda Clark.

Freshman with B averages were Joellyn Crenshaw, Sylvia Janice Daws, Frances Susan Dennis, Glen Dickerson, Winnie Fay Driskell, Hilda Gatewood, Charlene Gray, Paula Green, Sue Haralson, Kathy Harmon, Hilda Harrell, Beth Harris, Donald Herrington, Cathy Hollingsworth, Judith Hurtt, Brenda Kay Johnson, Kathleen Kaskie, Pat Kirby, Debbie Lang, Stephen David Lee, Timmy Ray Lofton, and Carol McAdory.

Also on the Dean's List are Judy McRaney, Randy Carl McKinley, Vickie Marshall, Carol Mills, William Myers, Pam Newell, Vickie Parker, Donna Pearson, Scott Peckham, Elise Pepper, Lynn Russell, Teresa Shaw, Deborah Smith, Jessie Stamper, Margaret Taylor, Jennifer Thompson, Charles Wadell, Clyde Williams, and Rita Wolverton.

Sophomore Honorable Mention

Sophomores earning Honorable Mention are Herman Alford, Jr., Basil Arthur, Carol Ayers, Robert Alan Brunson, James Bush, Patsy Comans, Susan Cosgrove, Louis Crenshaw, Rhonda Culpepper, Randy Dilly, Anette Duncan, Billy Everette, Cathy Everette, Patricia Foster, Anthony Fulton, Sidney Gibbs, Herbert Gilbert and Billy Gilmer.

Additional sophomores with B averages are Richard Graham, Danny Ray Hammill, Bernard Harrell, David Hatcher, Lamar Howle, Donna Huddleston, Pat Jeffcoat, Becky Jolly, John Kirby, Guy McGee, Donald Keith Nelson, Angela O'Bannon, Billy Wayne Patrick, Herbert Rhea, Lauris Grogan Sessums, Michael Sherret, Elizabeth Smith, Janet Smith, Clifford Stamper, Robert Tolbert, Gloria Jean Waggoner, Larry Waggoner, Sherry Wilcher, and Terry Wilkerson.

Vocational Honor Roll

In the vocational department those students qualifying for the President's List are Alton Davis, Ike Gray, Clyde Jerry Lyle, Clarence MacCaughn, and David Robinson.

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Start Studying - NOW

After the holidays many of us find it hard to get back into the routine of schoolwork and studying. But school is back in session! Now is the time to start studying if we intend to improve our standing with our parents, to graduate in the spring, or merely to pass our courses.

One of the most important factors in making good grades is class attendance. The first few days of a semester is no time for taking cuts. Some unforeseen happening could require these cuts at a later date. Also a friend's notes will seldom contain everything the teacher covered in his lecture.

To prevent last - minute cramming and a lifetime of being sorry, attend class regularly and study. It will be worth the effort.

Daylight-Saving What?

Daylight saving time, one of the most recent effects of the energy crisis, has touched us all to some extent.

Getting home early or having extra hours on campus in the afternoons may be appealing to some students, but beginning the day before the day begins appeals to few of us.

Commuting teachers and students get to campus about the time as the first feeble streaks of dawn. Half asleep, we stumble to first period classes and need props to keep our eyelids apart. We nod and nap all day. Then wide awake we leave classes in the afternoons only to stay up late and burn our short fuel supply.

We wonder what good some things are. We wonder . . . but do we wonder loud enough?

Daylight saving time — —
Politicians debate it.
Here's my opinion
In three short words: I hate it.

A Moment to Meditate

We get along with God about the same as we get along with each other.

Most of us would boast less about hearing from God if we had to reveal everything He says to us.

Do unto others as though you were the others.

Speech is like a wheel; the longer the spoke the greater the tire.

After all is said and done, more is said than done.

Is your life a skillfully written work of art, with foresight and purpose, or is it only a hindsight diary?

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— Toward A Bigger And Better ECJC —

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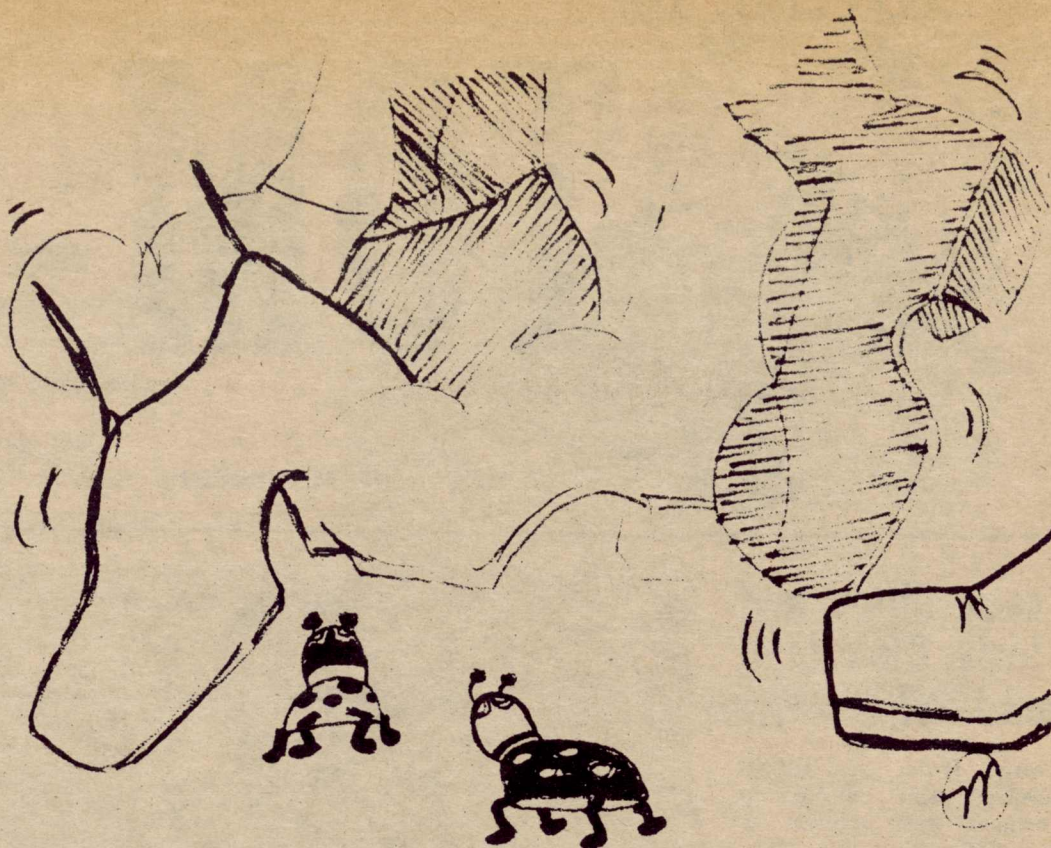
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You sure can tell when it's 3:15 P.m.

DESOLATION ROW

by Phil Broadhead

I don't know if this column bears any sort of explanation, but if it does, here goes. This is a column that will try to keep the reader informed on what's happening in the music world. It will contain such subjects as new talents, new albums, and local concerts.

To jump right in with the business at hand, we'll mention a few of the more recent albums. Santana has a new one out called "Welcome." It's a good album if you like Mahavisnu John McLaughlin influenced guitar. Carlos Santana has been touring off and on with McLaughlin since Santana's conversion to the Sni Chinmoy religion.

Eric Clapton came out of seclusion and cut another live album. Songs were all from his previous works. With Clapton was Carl Radle, Bobby Whitlock, Jim Horn, and others.

A new group named Lynyrd Skynyrd has put out

a fantastic new album called "Pronounced LeH-Nerd Skin-Nerd." It is a blend of musical talent that has to be heard to be believed.

Linda Ronstadt, the beautiful and brilliant country-folk artist, put out another good album. You may have seen her on either "In Concert" or the "New Year's Rockin' Eve" on ABC. She has the pure voice of a Joan Baez, the soul of Aretha Franklin and beauty that's indescribable.

The master of folk, Bob Dylan, has cut a new one named simply, "Dylan." The price of the album (\$6.95 for the record, \$9.95 for the tape and it's a single album!) has kept me from buying it right now. But if it's Dylan, it's bound to be good. (By the bye, Dylan will be in concert in Memphis this week.)

Two years ago, a man by the name of Kris Kristofferson was asked to come to a

small night club in Chicago to hear a rising new talent named John Prine. After Kristofferson heard Prine, he was amazed at the originality and freshness of Prine's songs. John Prine has put out three albums since then, and every one is a masterpiece. The first one, named "John Prine," was virtually unknown until the release of John Denver's version of "Angel from Montgomery" (which Prine wrote).

Last August, at the Neshoba County Fair, I heard Prine's second album, "Diamond's in the Rough." It was like hearing another Dylan. His words are gripping and meaningful. His music is basically folk, but he goes off into new styles also.

Prine has just released his new album, "Sweet Revenge." It is another excellent album. If you are interested in country, folk, rock, or comedy, you should check into Prine. 'Nuff said.

Between The Covers

by Zylphia Boyles

There was a piece of paper with the name Anna Fisher on it; Florence looked closely at it wondering who Anna Fisher was.

This book is entitled "The Search For Anna Fisher" and written by Florence Fisher. It is the story of an adoptee's twenty year quest to unlock the secret of her identity.

When she was a little girl, Florence Ladden happened to see a document bearing the name Anna Fisher and the word "adopted." Even though her mother denied it, Florence secretly believed that she was the adopted Anna Fisher. Deep inside Florence wanted to know who her real parents were.

Finally Florence was able

to search for them but there were many problems blocking her way. Adoption files were sealed; information was permanently classified. But all of these difficulties only strengthened her determination. She followed every possible clue that could bring her closer to those two shadowy figures, her natural mother and father.

This is the true story of a remarkable twenty-year search. It has all the suspense of a good detective novel. Yet at its heart lies a very provocative question: how much is an adopted child entitled to know about his natural origins?

Does the child have the right? Some say yes, some

say no. I would hate to have to look someone in the face and say no to them, especially one who had searched for twenty years. There are always disagreements going on about who has the rights; the child or the parents.

Besides now appearing on the bookshelves in most bookstores and libraries this book appeared in a condensed copy in a Readers Digest Condensed Books. I think that this book is very fascinating and most interesting especially if you like true suspense stories. Read the book to find out if Florence finds her parents and her background. Go with her on her major search through the United States and the difficulties she undergoes.

Tam, Madden, twenty year old sophomore, is a graduate of Forest High School where she was the Bearcat Mascot. Tam is a Piano Major, member of the Choir, and the E.C.J.C. Players. She plans to attend Mississippi State this fall.

Students were once again under the control of Col. Ed Wallington. Even the ones who were not on stage sat spellbound.

Col. Wallington started the show on the road by giving a brief history of the capabilities of hypnosis. While working toward his Masters at Duke University he had to successfully take three pregnant women through their deliveries with the use of hypnotic anesthesia.

Even though they performed feats similar to the last performance, the audience was never bored. To highlight this performance Col. Wallington had them placed in several different situations. This was the first time for many of them that they had piloted an airplane, petted a man-eating tiger, or drunk turpentine.

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Winning Honorable Mention are Cleveland Anderson, James Floyd Bates, Coley Boykin, Michael Coghlan, Harold Cole, Jimmy Derrick, Ricky Harper, Don Howell, Tommie Lee Lewis, Robbie Lovern, Auburn C. Majure, Grady Moore, and Gene Reed.

Others with a B average are Benny Robinson, Gary Sistrunk, Robert Sistrunk, Rickey Spears, Canoy Thomas, Larry Vowell, John Watts, Bobby Williams, Hubert Williams, Willie Ervin Willis and Gaines Wroten.

Cosmotology students receiving all A's are Alice Giffin, Elizabeth Halford, Gail Holyfield, Valerie Thrash, Gloria White and Gail Hardy.

Students who had Beverages are Lynn Ingram, Josephine McCaughn, and Janet McLain.

at this program and the majority of them were girls. Superman, also appeared that night in the form of 12 year old Carol Carter, one of the participants younger sister. Even though most of the situations were the same, the audience were unable to control their laughter. Two of the students enjoyed being under hypnosis so that once was not enough; they again performed their antics for the crowd.

Once was not enough, and twice was still insufficient; for many of the students, and faculty expressed a desire to see it a third time.

Dr. Richard Ethridge

Dr. Richard C. Ethridge, originally from Meridian, has been living in Decatur and teaching social science at East Central for 13 years.

Dr. Ethridge and his wife Virginia have three daughters, Marietta, Janet, and Katherine. Marietta is a senior at Mississippi State, Janet is a senior in high school, and Katherine is in the sixth grade.

Dr. Ethridge attended Clarke College, received his BA from Mississippi College, and his MA from Mississippi State. He did advanced graduate work at the University of Southern and received his Ph. D. from Mississippi State.

Scholastic associations which Dr. Ethridge belong to are: Pi Gamma Mu, National Social Science Association; Phi Alpha Theta, History Association; Eta Sig-

As preliminary competition to the Miss Mississippi pageant, East Central Junior College shall sponsor the annual East Central Junior College Scholarship Pageant. This contest shall be held February 7, in the big auditorium.

The winner will receive a \$500 scholarship and will be able to go on to tougher competition at Hattiesburg.

Girls interested in the pageant are urged to participate. Many times a girl who thinks she has no talent, will turn out to be very interesting.

Participants are sponsored by a club or organization and must meet certain requirements. She must be between the ages of 18-26, single, and have never been married.

The pageant will consist of three areas: talent, evening gown, and swimsuit. Talent and evening gown competition will be performed before the audience, but the swimsuit competition will be viewed only by the judges in the Fine Arts auditorium.

There is a five minute interview with the judges before

the grand finale. There are always five judges and usually more men than women. Judges must live at least 100 miles away and have no connection whatsoever.

The girls are assisted throughout the contest by a girl of her choice, called a big sister. This way the mothers will get to watch the pageant and maybe the girls won't get so nervous.

Practice will be held the entire week before the pageant and help is always available. Each year there are approximately 20 contestants and this year is hoping for even better results.

A \$6000 scholarship will be awarded in the competition to be held at Hattiesburg.

A Miss Congeniality will be selected by the girls own vote. Official Miss America charms will be given to the winner and the runner-ups, and of course, the winner will keep the coveted crown.

The talent chosen must not be over 2 minutes and 50 seconds. If the talent goes over the judges will disqualify it. If help is needed

see Mr. Vickers, Mr. Peterson, or Mrs. Graham. Poise plays an important part in the contest. The girl must have the looks, personality, and attitude of a winner to maintain the position of Miss ECJC. Talent is really of second importance.

Mr. Pennington has agreed to furnish the music for the pageant. Mr. Bruce Peterson is the Master of Ceremonies, and Miss Beverly Bankston is in charge of the set.

The \$150 franchise was purchased by ECJC and the local banks, and clubs will contribute the money for scholarships. Also, ECJC must run an ad in the program used at the pageant in Hattiesburg.

The sponsors of the ECJC pageant are in need of a light and management crew. If anyone is interested please get in contact with Mrs. Graham.

As the girls walk down the ramp flooded with footlights, they will truly be beautiful and will be backed by the entire campus. But, we want only the best to represent our college and only the best can win!

like to do.

This year's musical will be directed by Mr. Bruce Peterson. The music is directed by Mr. Bob Fick and Mrs. Marian Thornton with Gilbert Sommers conducting the orchestra. Choreography will be directed by Mr. Ovid Vickers and production designer is Miss Beverly Bankston. "Camelot" will not just need a large cast but many people directing the cast to make this the best musical yet.

Tickets for the musical will go on sale the end of February. East Central stu-

dents may receive a ticket with their ID cards, but they must pick it up when the tickets first become available in February. Tickets will be sold in the lobby of the Fine Arts Center after school.

Other musicals that have been presented here at East Central were: "Oklahoma," "South Pacific," "Annie Get Your Gun," and "Hello Dolly." Everyone is hoping that "Camelot" will be the best one yet.

Musicals and plays like other activities here at East Central are presented for the benefit of the student body; let's all take advantage of these functions. If you are not planning to be in the musical, be sure to buy

your ticket early so you will
be able to get a seat.

Watch the Tom-Tom for future information on the new musical, "Camelot."

Results of the tryouts held Wednesday are as follows:

CAST FOR CAMELOT

Arthur Jimmy Gaines
Merlyn Phil Broadhead
Guenevere . Jane Hollingsworth
Lancelot . . . Jack Thames
Pellinore . . . Junior Williams
Mordred . . . Tom Carson
Morgan Le Fey . Patsy Muse
Tom of Warwick . . .
. Louis Crenshaw
Sir Dinadan . . . Keith Neal
Sir Lionel . . . Jim Anderson
Sir Sagamore . Vance Bateman
Lady Anne . Martha James





William Carey Chorale Performs on Campus

The Carey College Chorale from William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, performed in the Fine Arts Auditorium, Tuesday afternoon, January 15.

The School of Music at William Carey College has one of the most outstanding programs for excellence and quality of any in the area. The calibre of the music faculty, the spaciousness of the facilities, the emphasis on individual attention to each student, and the keen academic level have produced a school of music of an unusual nature.

Under the direction of Dr. Donald Winters, Dean of the School of Music, the William Carey College Chorale has been acclaimed as one of the outstanding college choirs of the South. Touring extensively for the past seventeen years, the Chorale has appeared all the way from New York City to the Bahama Islands in churches, schools, and concert halls.

First row — left to right, Kim Owens, Jean Pennington, Kay Gardner, Gayle Keller, Tanya Majure, Judy Thornton, Angela Obannon, Barbara Pryor, Second row — Mrs. Thornton, Deborah Moorehead, Trena Lashley, Sharon Eakes, Vicky Dodson, Sara

McNair, Rita Dickerson, Tam Madden, Sherry Wilcher, Third row — Mr. Fick, Billy Gilmer, John Presley, Paul Chaney, Bill Cumberland, Lamar Howle, Bob Peoples, Tom Carson, Gray Richardson

E.C. Boys Win Three And lose Three

In the 10th game of the season East Central Warriors were defeated by Mississippi Delta, with the final score 62-90. High scorers for the Warriors were Wilbanks with 16 and McFarland with 10. Wilbanks, McFarland, and Davis led with rebounds, each with 6.

East Central gained the victory against Jones with the score 85-80. Leading the Warriors were Davis with 26 points and Cole with 22 points. Davis also led with 12 rebounds, followed by Cole with 9, and Wilbanks with 8.

Holmes defeated East Central 68-82. High scorers for E.C. were Davis, Blount, Tadlock and Cole with 13, 11, 10, 10 respectively. Leading in the rebounds were Davis with 8 and Parker with 6.

The Warriors captured the win over Coahoma 106-90. Leading scorers for East Central were Davis with 27, Blount with 23, and Parker with 14. Davis led with 15 rebounds and Cole with 13.

East Central was defeated by Meridian with the final score 75-82. Parker was high scorer with 22 points, followed by Wilbanks and Davis, both with 15 points. Parker led with 12 rebounds and Davis with 10.

East Central gained another victory over Scooba. The final score was 93-88. Parker scored 25 points, Blount - 23 points, and Davis scored 20 points. Leading the rebounds were Parker with 14 and Davis with 7.

North Half Tournament to be at East Central

North-Half tournaments will be held at East Central February 11-13. There will be two games on Monday afternoon and two games Monday night. Semifinals will be held Tuesday night and the finals will be on Wednesday night.

There will be eight teams participating in the tournament: Northeast, Northwest, Itawamba, Mississippi Delta, Holmes, Coahoma, East Mississippi, and East Central. The number one team will play number eight, number two will play number seven, number three will play number six, and number four will play number five.



The major sport on EC's campus is card playing. From left to right is: Rita Wolverton, Debra Gainey, Junior Williams, Tanya Majure, and Sandra Shaw.

Intermural Basketball Begins

An organizational meeting for intermural men's basketball was held. There are eight organized teams: Scott, Newton, Wesley, BSU, Leake, Football players, Neshoba, and Winston.

There will be between 35 and 40 games which will be played after school and at night. Practice for these games began Monday and the first game will be the 21st.

There are also plans for a table tennis tournament being made. If anyone is interested in this tournament, he may contact Dean Brackeen or Glenn Hicks, who is in charge of the intermural program.

A newsmagazine carries a long article about the human brain, that part of the anatomy the average person uses as little as possible.

Warriorettes Win One; Lose One

Saturday night, December 15, the ECJC Warriorettes defeated the Holmes Bulldogettes in a tough game, 49-44.

It was a very tough game from beginning to end. The Warriorettes led at the end of the first quarter 10-8 but at the end of the first half the score was tied 22-22. At the end of the third quarter the score was 34-29. Even though the Bulldogettes tried hard and almost defeated the Warriorettes, they couldn't pull a victory out of the game. The Warriorettes won by five points, 49-44.

Lynn Russell was top scorer for the Warriorettes with 20 points. Second was Gloria Hollingsworth with 11 points. Elise Pepper had eight points. Donna Pearson had six points. Sherry Wil-

cher had two points. Lynda Clark also had two points. Annette Duncan, Pam Turner, and Pam Thomas played for the Warriorettes too.

Leading scorer for the Bulldogettes was Russell with 19 points. Duren was second with nine points. Adams had five points. Both Moore and Henderson each had four points. Welch had two points and Tompkins had one point. Taylor and Blaylock also played for the Bulldogettes.

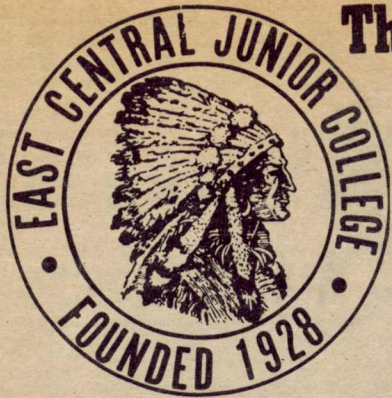
The Warriorettes were at home Saturday night, January 12, to face the invading Meridian Junior College Eaglettes.

The Warriorettes suffered a defeat at the hands of the Eaglettes. It seemed as if the Warriorettes had a bad night, but they really played a tough game. They hustled

all night but could never take the lead away from the Eaglettes. The final score was Warriorettes, 48; Eaglettes, 63.

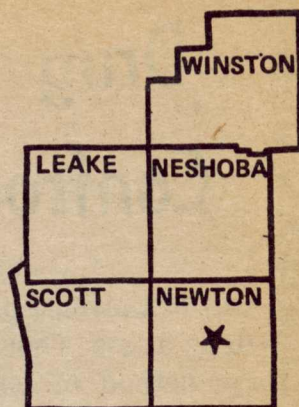
Elise Pepper was the leading scorer for the Warriorettes with 10 points. Gloria Hollingsworth and Donna Pearson each had six points. Lynn Russell had five points. Annette Duncan and Lynda Clark each had four points. Bonnie McMullan had two points. Donna Ellis had one point. Pam Turner, Sherry Wilcher and Pam Thomas played also.

The leading scorer for the Eaglettes was Barbara Lee with 17 points. Suzane Miles and Terri Pace each had 14 points. Robbie McKee had seven points. Debbie Rawson had six points. Ester Hickman had five points. Janet Trest and Sara Ellis also played for the Eaglettes.



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Twenty-three Initiated into PTK Frat.

On Monday February 18, 1974 the Phi Theta Kappa held their Initiation for prospective members. Gloria Cleveland, president of Phi Theta Kappa opened the ceremonies. Ricky Winstead followed with the description of the Phi Theta Kappa emblem. Next Gloria lead the 23 initiates in taking the Phi Theta Kappa membership oath. Martha James lead the initiates in a special prayer written by a former sponsor, Mrs. Alyne Simmons. After the initiation ceremony refreshments were served.

We would like to thank those who attended the initiation. There were 45 attending. We would like to extend a special thanks to the many faculty who were present. Thank you for your interest in the Phi Theta Kappa. We would also like to thank Mr. Lee and his staff for helping prepare the refreshments.

The Phi Theta Kappa members have been working very hard raising money to attend the National Convention. The National Convention will be held April 4-6 at Muelebach Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri. We would like to commend those who have helped in the various projects we have had. We would also like to encourage the new members to participate in the projects.

The following people were initiated February 18, 1974: Janice Branning, Brenda Branning, Carol Mills, Debra Wilkerson, Junior Williams, Debbie Smith, Glen Dickerson, Gayle Hardin, Susan Cosgrove, Cindy Bryan, Pam Newell, Robert McDonald, Charlotte Madden, Mike Boler, Sybil Rich, Nona Vickers, Charlene Gray, Janice Daws, Elisa Dunn, Pam Cox, Carol Hollingsworth, Peter Carson and Debbie Savell Page.

Foul language law may be abolished

Striking a blow for women's liberation, California Assemblyman Jim Keysor has introduced a bill to repeal a state law forbidding "vulgar language" in the presence of women.

Keysor says that his wife swears more than he does, and says it is "terribly demeaning" to women to single them out for protection from uncouth language.



Barnes Wins Crown

Debra Barnes was selected to represent East Central in the Miss Mississippi Pageant at the second annual Miss East Central Junior College Scholarship Pageant. It took place in Huff Memorial Auditorium February 7, 1974 and was sponsored by the Wo-He-Lo Yearbook and staff.

Fifteen girls competed for the title of Miss East Central Junior College. Each of the contestants were sponsored by a club or organization to which they belonged. Pam Newell, sponsored by the Tom-Tom; Sharon Hill, sponsored by the VICA; and Gloria Hollingsworth, sponsored by the SEA were selected as beauties. Miss Hollingsworth was also selected as Miss Congeniality. Tanya Majure, sponsored by the French Club was selected as First Runner-Up. Each of the beauties, runner-up, and Miss

Congeniality received a silver charm.

Debra Barnes, sponsored by Phi Beta Lambda, was crowned as Miss East Central Junior College 1974. Miss Barnes received a \$500 scholarship and will represent the college in the Miss Mississippi Pageant.

Judges for the pageant were: Dr. Peyton Crowder - Mississippi State University; Mrs. Peyton Crowder - Mississippi State University; Dr. W. Thomas West-Mississippi State University; Dr. William Skaggs - Meridian Junior College; and Miss Linda Nicholson-Meridian Junior College.

The afternoon before the pageant each contestant had a five minute interview with the judges and also tea together. Afterwards they competed before only the judges in swim-

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E.C. Places Eight on All State JC Band

Mississippi's All-State Junior College Band tryouts were held recently on the campus of East Central. Eight students, who are all members of the East Central band, were selected by audition. They are Mary Lynn Crawford, Nona Vickers, Tim Barber, Gray Richardson, Tom Carson, Lamar Howell, Sharron Eakes, and Gary Moody.

The All-State Junior College Band has a total of sixty-nine members. This is the most that the band has ever had. The members of the All-State Band are representing ten junior colleges from all over the state of Mississippi. This is the

third year the state has had the All-State band available for those junior college students who want to participate.

This year the band will be directed by Delta Junior College band director, John Handberry.

On Monday night, February 18, the band will perform for the MEA at the Jackson Municipal Auditorium. They will begin practicing Thursday and continue through Sunday just for this event.

Everyone is invited to the concert in Jackson on February 18 to see the members of the All-State Band who are representing East Central Junior College.

With the death of Mrs. Irene Wagner, Associate Dean of Women in the freshman dorm, East Central lost a devoted friend. She was admired and loved by all who knew her. But to the girls in her dorm, she was most understanding.

Mama Wagner, as she was called by the freshmen girls, died Wednesday, February 20, in the Newton hospital. The unexpected death brought all her friends together for they knew that they had lost an angel.

Angel Unaware — she was not — she lived each day of her life to the fullest. Even though she may not have felt up to it, Mrs. Wagner gave the girls in her dorm the best. Parties were her greatest enjoyment and never could the dorm express how much they meant to them.

Perhaps what made it hard to give Mrs. Wagner up, was the fact that she went to her eternal home on her birthday. On birthdays something nice is supposed to happen, and maybe Mrs. Wagner got her reward. After taking up money for her a special gift, the girls were sure that Mrs. Wagner would soon be well enough to return to shelter the blows they faced while away from home. But the expression of love came too late.

If only the end had been evident, things could have been done differently. Who knew? Only God makes and takes life. Now that Mrs. Wagner is gone, her ideals and influences remain for the girls to follow. You can never forget a sincere friend — only live your life in a way in which you hope they would be proud.



Standing: Gray Richardson, Sharon Eakes, Mary Crawford, and Lamar Howell. Seated: Gary Moody, Mr. Sommers, Tim Barber, Nona Vickers and Tom Carson.

Drug Problem Confronts Youth

One of the most pressing problems of our day is drug abuse. Though no completely satisfactory method of controlling drug abuse has been developed, many states are passing stronger legislation. In many states today a person with a record of illegal possession of drugs cannot hope to become a licensed doctor, dentist, or school teacher or to enter into any vocation which requires a license. He cannot work for local, state, or national government. A person who illegally possesses drugs faces prison sentences of up to 20 years by federal law, and a person who illegally sells drugs faces prison sentences of up to 40 years.

Drugs come in a variety of forms. With repeated use, addicting drugs, the drugs taken by drug addicts, cause changes in the body that result in physical dependence. Habit-forming drugs, on the other hand, do not cause physical dependence but may cause psychological dependence. Suprisingly enough, millions of coffee lovers are "hooked" on caffeine, a habit-forming drug found in coffee.

The addicting drugs are obviously our number one problem. Alcohol, sedative drugs, sleeping pills, heroin, morphine, and opium are all addicting drugs. The biggest drug-abuse problem in the United States today is alcohol addiction.

Most drug addicts are still found in the slums of big cities; but, as addicting drugs become more easily obtained, drug addiction is facing rural areas with great rapidity. Because most drug addicts are under 30 years old and because most drug addicts begin experimenting with drugs in their teens, high schools and colleges are the drug pusher's favorite haunts.

Often persons who choose to "blow their minds on drugs" are those with the greatest potential of learning ability. They are those who have been told the effects of drug addiction but who believe that they will never become addicted. Drug addiction often causes a person to turn to crime. It also causes poor personal hygiene and may lead to many dreaded diseases.

Should you be confronted by addicting of habit-forming drugs, remember that without them you have your own life to live but with them you have to lead their life.



I'm not cheating, this is a new thing called Group thinking.

A Book Review Column Between The Covers

by Zylphia Boyles

"As for myself, I would like to be remembered as the type of player I was." That in itself would be enough. Roberto Clemente said this after the 1971 World Series.

Roberto Clemente was a great man. He loved all people and both of his homes: the one in Puerto Rico where he was born and the one in the U.S. where he played baseball.

Roberto Clemente played outfielder for the Pittsburgh Pirates, a baseball team. Some may not care anything about baseball, but he was also a great humanist. He proved that by what he was trying to do for the earthquake victims.

Roberto Clemente led Puerto Rico's efforts to aid earthquake victims in Managua, Nicaragua, a city where he had coached and played with Puerto Rican teams during the off season. Not satisfied with merely lending his name to the mercy mission, Clemente insisted on going along to Managua to see that some 26 tons of food and \$150,000 in relief money were properly distributed.

Minutes after takeoff, the cargo plane in which Clemente was riding developed engine

trouble and crashed into heavy seas one mile off the coast. Rescue boats and helicopters combed the crash area, but by dawn only bits of debris had been recovered. Clemente, three crew members, and another passenger had perished. Governor-elect Rafael Hernandez Colon said, "Roberto died serving his fellow man. Our youth loses an idol. Our people lose one of their glories."

Roberto was one of the few genuine superstars. In 18 seasons, Clemente was named the National League's Most Valuable Player once (1966), led the league in hitting four times, won a dozen Golden Glove awards for fielding and was elected to the league's All-Star team 12 times.

His lifetime batting average of .317 was the highest among all active players. His finest hour came in the 1971 World Series when, with a blistering .414 average at bat and assorted marvels afield, he all but singlehandedly defeated the favored Baltimore Orioles.

Clemente was regarded as an unreconstructed hypochondriac. He had a great many illnesses and pains, some not real, but most were. But it always seemed that the sicker he was or the worse

he felt, the better he could play ball. A great many of his hits came at times when he was physically hurt or ill.

Hit number one came his first time at bat for the Pirates in 1955. It should have come a season earlier, but the old Brooklyn Dodgers had refused to play him. Their plans to keep him and his talent under wraps were spoiled when the Pirates took him.

Fate, which frustrated him for so long and was so cruel at the end, was kind in one telling way. Clemente's last hit in his last regular season game in 1972 was a ringing double to deep left center. It was the 3,000 of his career, a feat equaled by only ten other players in the history of the major leagues.

The father of three boys, Clemente was working on his favorite project of a "sports city" for Puerto Rican children. "What we want to do," he said "is exchange kids with every city in the U.S. and show all the kids how to live and play with other kids." Plans are still under way for this memorial to Roberto Clemente.

Some may not understand baseball, but Roberto Clemente is just a wonderful person to

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— Toward A Bigger And Better ECJC —

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A Moment to Meditate

by Leonard Barrier

And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. Exodus 14:21-22.

After Sunday School one day a little boy was asked by his mother, "Johnny, what

did you learn in your class this morning?"

"Oh, Mom," he replied, "I learned about Moses and the children of Israel crossing the Red Sea. When the Israelites reached the sea, there was no way to get across. So Moses called in a bridge construction crew and had a bridge built across the sea. When the Israelites had all crossed over, Moses called in a demolition crew and had the bridge torn down before the Egyptians could also cross."

"I don't believe your teacher taught you that, Johnny," gasped his mother.

"Well, if I told you what she really taught us, you sure wouldn't believe it," Johnny replied.

So often today we all, like Johnny, want to change the scriptures to fit what our own minds can most easily comprehend. But we would all receive much greater blessings if we would step out in simple faith, believing the Bible for what it really is--the unerring Word of God.

East Central Offers Technical Training

What if a student wants to attend college but doesn't want to go for the full four years? Is there another alternative? Of course there is, ECJC offers technical education which only requires two years or less.

Courses in the technical division are college level credit courses. They do not necessarily parallel any senior college courses, but instead are designed to meet needs of the terminal technical students. Technicians are utilized in virtually every activity where know-how is required.

The admission requirements at East Central to enter the technical department are as follows:

1. Receipt of a transcript showing a minimum of 15 acceptable units from an accredited high school.

2. Receipt of a high school equivalency certificate showing satisfactory scores made on the General Education Development Test. Other requirements include: A complete application on the official form furnished by the college; a health certificate; The American College Test score showing a composite of ten or more.

The Data Processing curriculum is designed to prepare students for employment in

business and industry as a computer operator and/or computer programmer. Successful completion of the two-year program leads to an Associate in Arts degree. Instruction and laboratory experience will be on the IBM System 3 Computer with console and peripheral equipment. This curriculum is headed by Mrs. Sara Griffen.

Mr. M.P. Guthrie and Chester Clark are in charge of the drafting program. Students who are interested in a two year college program of drafting and design should register in this curriculum.

The Intensive Business Course is a certificate course completed in nine months. Mr. Charles Pennington and Mrs. Jessie Mae Everett are in charge of this course. This course includes Secretarial, Clerical, and Secretarial Science.

Associate degrees will be awarded those students who satisfactorily complete the two year programs recommended by the Advisory Committee for a given curriculum. Certificates will be awarded those students who satisfactorily complete the intensive business program.

Anyone interested in learning more about these courses should contact East Central Junior College.



Charlene Gray, a freshman from Decatur, is a member of the ECJC Band.

She is a graduate of Neshoba Central High School.



Fashion Dos & Don'ts

When you bundle up for the cold outside, do you still stay inside the fashion picture or is your coat look a "don't"?

1. Everything should be kept in proportion. The accessories serve to work with the coat to add up to sleek, pulled-together looks - no one piece is the center of attention.

2. Pants should never be too short. Purses should never be too delicate for a bulky coat.

3. Never wear a mid-calf coat with a long skirt - a short jacket or an ankle-length coat would be in better proportion. If you wear a heavy scarf, tuck it into the coat.

4. Open-backed cup-out sandals are out of place with a heavy fur-trimmed coat. DO wear sturdy closed shoes or boots for winter walking with this kind of coat.

5. A coat that's several sizes too big for your body looks and feels far out. With a coat as long and substantial as these, high boots or shoes and stockings in the same tone would give a leggier look.

6. DO keep your head covering in proportion to the bulk of the coat.

7. DO pick a boot that's appropriate for your pants or skirt.

8. DON'T get into serious hat and scarf trouble. Never wear bulky scarves with short jackets.

9. DON'T wear boots meant for pants with a skirt and short coat. They make legs look gawky, and besides, they don't keep you warm, so what's the use.

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suits.

The night of the pageant each contestant performed their talent presentation and competed before the judges in evening gowns.

Mr. Bruce Peterson served as Master of Ceremonies and Miss Jeanne Pennington served as organist. Special entertainment was provided by Miss Becky Jolly and Miss Gloria Cleveland both 1973 Beauties.

Other contestants in addition to the top five were Becky Burkes, sponsored by the En-

gineering Club; Sherry Wilcher, sponsored by Womens Intermurals; Karen Johnson, representing the Home Economics Club; Margaret Taylor sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and Pat Murphy, representing the cheerleaders.

Also participating in the pageant were Patsy Muse, sponsored by the ECJC Players; Denise Horton, representing Wesley; Sharon Eakes, sponsored by the ECJC Band; and Rita Dickinson, representing Newsome Hall.



Mr., Miss ECJC and May Queen Elected



EC's May Queen is Rita Dickinson, standing. Maid of Honor is Jane Hollingsworth, seated.

John Adcock Joins EC Vocational Staff

East Central has just recently received a new faculty member. Mr. John Adcock has taken on the position of Vocational Counselor.

Mr. Adcock, originally from Nana Waiya, has been working for the past year at Mississippi State Penitentiary as the counselor for adult education. When telling about the job he said, "It was a challenge working with the inmates."

Here at East Central as the Vocational Counselor he said, "I'm trying to get to know all the students." He is looking over their records and is writing letters to all the high schools telling them about East Central.

Being from a family with ten children; five girls and five boys; Mr. Adcock feels like this helped him look toward counseling as a career. "I enjoy working with young people," he said.

Mr. Adcock has had much hard work and schooling during his background years. He attended E.C.J.C. and then got his B.S. degree from The University of Southern Mississippi. He received his Masters of Education at Delta State in 1972 and maintained an average of 3.67 on a 4. system.

The Army has also been a part of his life. He was stationed at Okinawa as Traffic Supervisor. During the time of his basic training he received the Outstanding Trainee Award. While at Okinawa he received the Soldier of the Month Award.

During Mr. Adcock's high school years he was president of his junior and senior classes, and was captain of the football team.

Mr. Adcock is presently a member of the Mississippi Personal and Guidance Association

and the America Personal and Guidance Association.

Mr. Adcock is married to the former Rosemary Seay of Yazoo City. They are still newlyweds being married only five months. Rosemary attended Mississippi State University and Delta State where she received her B.S. degree in Foods and Nutrition.

The Adcock's live in house number three here on the East Central campus.

The students of East Central Junior College would like to welcome the Adcock's to our campus and we wish them the best in every way.



Mr. Chester Clark welcomes Mr. John Adcock to faculty.

East Central is well-represented in its choices for Mr. and Miss E.C.J.C. As a result of a student body vote, the winners were Gloria Cleveland and Steve Quinn.

Gloria Cleveland, a sophomore majoring in liberal arts, is the 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Cleveland of Union. While in high school, Gloria was very active. She was elected as class favorite, Miss U.H.S., Beauty, Girl's State Representative, and was an active chorus participant. She received honors including Best School Spirit, Hall of Fame, I Dare You Award, and was also a member of the Beta and F.B.L.A. Clubs.

While at East Central, Gloria has been a cheerleader (then elected head cheerleader), Beauty, member of the E.C.J.C. Players, President of Phi Theta Kappa, member of the Women's Council, Maid of Honor, and a member of the Wo-He-Lo staff.

Following graduation from E.C.J.C., Gloria plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and will probably major in speech therapy.

Steve Quinn, also a sophomore majoring in liberal arts, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kam Quinn of Louisville. He attended school at Nantahala Waiya and was elected Mr. N.W.H.S. and Student Body President. He was also very active in football and basketball.

Steve is also very active in E.C.'s activities and a devoted member of B.S.U. He is a B.S.U. officer and plays basketball for B.S.U. team. Steve has a great disposition, likes to be with people, and never lets problems get him down. His hobbies are singing and hunting.

Upon graduating from E.C.,



Gloria Cleveland, seated, is Miss ECJC. Mr. ECJC is Steve Quinn, standing.

Steve plans to attend Mississippi State University and will probably major in physical education.

When interviewed, the candidates were asked to express their feelings following the election. Both answered, "I was shocked but now I really don't feel any different."

Steve and Gloria agree that E.C.'s greatest asset is the faculty. "They are willing to help students in any way and give them that extra push which will benefit careers in the future," Miss Cleveland remarked.

However, both are saddened with the apathy of the student body. They are concerned about the spirit and involvement that could make E.C. come alive.

Gloria and Steve are uncommon. They are truly devoted in life and only want the best not only for themselves, but for others as well.

As Gloria Cleveland stated: "My ambition for life is to choose a common job and perform it in an uncommon way." This statement seems to further emphasize their ideas on life. With their great attributes how can they fail?

6 from EC Attend MEA Convention

Along with Mrs. Marian Thornton, sponsor, six members of EC's chapter of the MEA attended the Mid-winter State Convention of the Mississippi Educators Association at Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi, on Saturday, February 9. They were Bob Peebles, Sarah McNair, Johnnie Presley, Leonard Barrier, Bill Cumberland, and Barbara Pryor. Mr. Gilbert Sommers also attended the convention.

Following registration in the lobby of Aven Hall at 9:00 a.m., the Mississippi College Concert Choir, under the direction of Dr. Jack Lyall, presented a thirty-minute program in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

After a 10:00 a.m. coffee break, Dr. Russell Crider of the State Department of Certification spoke on "Com-

petence Based Certification." He was followed by Dr. Jack Lyall, Chairman of the division of fine arts at Mississippi College, who lectured on "Accountability of the Applied Music Teacher." The assembly was then dismissed for lunch.

Immediately following lunch, a business session was held, and student officers were elected. Afterwards, Mr. Ralph Carroll of the music department of Mississippi College demonstrated "Using the Tape Recorder to Create Sounds." He was followed by guitarist Gary Smith, a graduate assistant at Mississippi College. Mr. Smith demonstrated classical guitar playing and, also answered questions from the audience.

The convention ended with a General Session for the College Division of MEA at 3:00 p.m.

Class Favorites

Popularity is not a new thing for many of the students of the E.C.J.C. campus. This proves to be true by the previous activities of the following people elected as Freshmen and Sophomore class favorites.

Freshmen include Pat Murphy, Pam Newell, Lynn Russell, Ricky Breaux, Terry Breaux, and Eddie Goldman.

Pat Murphy

Pat Murphy is a graduate of Newton High where she was elected Most Beautiful, Cutest, and Outstanding Band Member. She served as cheerleader and drum major. Pat was elected cheerleader and freshman maid at E.C. She lists as her hobbies cooking, needlepoint, and caring for small children. After completing E.C., Pat plans to attend Mississippi State in the field of Social Work.

Pam Newell

A graduate of Decatur High, Pam Newell was head cheerleader, beauty, Who's Who and the annual staff. She has served as Newton County's Farm Bureau Queen, Newton County's Dairy Queen, Decatur's Junior Miss, and Decatur's Miss Hospitality. During the State Pageant, she was chosen as one of the Area Tourist Council Hostesses for District 3. At E.C., Pam is a member of the paper staff Phi Theta Kappa and was recently selected as a beauty in the E.C.J.C. Scholarship Pageant. Pam also plans to attend Mississippi State in Special Education.

Lynn Russell

Lynn Russell, another Decatur graduate, was a member of the Beta Club, Science Club, Class Favorite, Class Officer, and assistant editor of the school paper. A member of the basketball team and the band, Lynn also received the American Legion Award in high school. Lynn is an active member of the B.S.U., as well as the basketball team, French Club, and Sigma Sigma Mu Tau, on the E.C. campus. She was also elected Freshman Homecoming Maid. Being an active person, Lynn lists basketball, tennis, and reading as her hobbies. With Medical Technology as her major, Lynn plans to attend Mississippi State.

Ricky Breaux

From Houma, Louisiana, Ricky Breaux is a graduate of Vanderbilt Catholic High. He was a member of the football and track teams, Letterman Club, and elected as a class officer and Homecoming King. A member of the football team, Ricky also enjoys dancing in the spring musical, as he is a member of the E.C. players. Skiing, crab trawling, fishing and surfing are Ricky's favorite hobbies. He plans to attend Delgado College in Pharmacy or Cocorrie Tech for navigation and net repair in New Orleans.

Terry Breaux

Terry Breaux, also from Houma, Louisiana, lettered in football, base ball and basketball at Vanderbilt Catholic High School. He was a member of the Student Council, Letterman Club and elected as a class officer. At E.C., Terry is a member of the football team, E.C.J.C. Players, and plans to play on the baseball team this spring. Terry enjoys water skiing, fishing, softball, and crawfishing as his hobbies. L.S.U. is Terry's college choice where he plans to major in Business Law.

Eddie Goldman

Graduating from Scott Central Christian Academy, Eddie Goldman was a member of the Beta Club, chorus, Christian Fellowship Club, and Hunting Club. In sports, Eddie played football, basketball, and ran track and was elected class officer, beaux, and for the Who's Who. On the E.C. campus, Eddie is an active member of the B.S.U. Hunting is his favorite hobby and Eddie plans to go into Dentistry after completing E.C.

Gail Fondren

Gail Fondren, Martha James, Gloria Hollingsworth, Mike Boler, Randy Dille, and Rodney Tadlock make up the list of Sophomore Class Favorites.

Gail Fondren is from Union High where she was head cheerleader, a member of the band, Hall of Fame, Who's Who, Student Council, and a class officer. A cheerleader at E.C., Gail is also President of the Women's Council, Sophomore Homecoming Maid, a member of the E.C.J.C. Players, and the SBA. Reading poems, listening to music, and playing the piano is how Gail spends her spare time. She plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi next year and major in social work and Education.

From Lake, Mississippi, Gloria Hollingsworth attended Scott Central Christian Academy. She was a cheerleader, Miss S.C.C.A., and in the Who's Who. Gloria was selected to play in the State All-Star Basketball team and was elected to the "Outstanding Young Athletics of America." At E.C., Gloria is President of SEA, a beauty, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. Last year, Gloria was a freshman favorite, and homecoming maid. Her hobbies include needlepoint, piano, and reading. Gloria plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and major in elementary education and speech education.

Martha James

Another Union High School graduate is Martha James. In high school, Martha was in the Beta Club, Annual Staff, and elected in the Who's Who. She received the Citizenship Award and was a member of the Hall of Fame. Martha serves as treasurer of Phi Theta Kappa, sophomore class



Winners in ECJC's Scholarship Pageant were, left to right: Sharon Hill; Tanya Majure; Miss ECJC, Debra Barnes; Pam Newell; Gloria Hollingsworth.

treasurer, the women council and as co-editor of the E.C. yearbook. Being a member of the E.C.J.C. Players, Martha can be seen in the spring musical in March. Cooking, playing the piano, and handicrafts are Martha's hobbies and she plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi with a major in Elementary Education.

Randy Dilly

From Forest High School, Randy Dille served as President of the Student Body, Mr. Forest High School, Class favorite, and FCA President. He was a member of the football and baseball teams, and received the Danforth Award. Elected last year as freshman favorite and freshman class vice-president, Randy also is a member of the E.C. football team. His hobbies include fishing, golf, and hunting. Randy hopes to attend the University Medical Center in Jackson with a major in Physical Therapy.

Mike Boler

Sophomore Favorite Mike Boler is from Union High School. He served as President of the Student Body, Beta Club, Most Handsome, Mr. UHS, and was a member of the basketball team. Serving now as President of the Sophomore Class, Mike is also a member of the E.C. basketball team. He enjoys hunting, and fishing during his extra time. Mike plans to attend Ole Miss in the field of Pre Med.

Rodney Tadlock

A graduate from Morton High, Rodney Tadlock was Mr. Morton High, Class Officer, a member of the Student Council, French Club, and FCA. Rodney was also a letterman in basketball and baseball. Rodney served as a homecoming escort as well as a member of the basketball team on the E.C. campus. Skiing, hunting, and sports are a few of Rodney's hobbies and he plans to attend Mississippi State next fall with a major in Education.

'Camelot' Opens for Five Night Prod.

The East Central Junior College players are proud to present their annual musical. Every year the musical has become more and more involved. In past years the players presented comedies, gradually working up to HELLO DOLLY last year. The players have taken on quite a responsibility this year: they are presenting CAMELOT. CAMELOT is one of the more popular musicals of today. It has a few comic reliefs, but the story is basically very serious.

Mr. Bruce Peterson is directing the musical. Try-outs were held for each part, and the following people were chosen as characters:

Arthur - Jimmy Gaines
Guenevere - Jane Hollingsworth
Lancelot - Jack Thames
Pellinore - Junior Williams
Tom of Warwick - Louis Crenshaw
Merlyn - Phil Broadhead
Dinadin - Keith Neal
Lionel - Jim Anderson
Sagamore - Vance Bateman
Squire Dap - Danny Clark
Mordred - Tom Carson
Morgan LeFey - Patsy Muse
Horrid - Snoopy

These people have been practicing every school day for six weeks, and this week they practiced at least four hours a day. The weekend before the musical all people concerned with the play have to stay on campus. They will practice Friday night, twice on Saturday, and will have two dress rehearsals on Sunday. With all the practice and work going into this musical, it should prove to be one of the best ever.

The musical has an orchestra, which consists of the following people:

Flutes - Wilma Evans, Venita Ezelle; Clarinets - Mary Crawford, Cathy Everett, Pat Murphy, Susan Myers; Oboe - Nona Vickers; Bassoon - Sharon Eakes; Saxophones - Sherry Goss, Gary Moody; Trumpets - Tim Barber, Larry LeFlore, Robert McDonald; Trombone -

Lamar Howle; Percussion - Trena Lashley, Gray Richardson; Piano - Marian Thornton; Organ - Jean Pennington. (Rehearsal pianist, Sharon Eakes.)

The people in charge of the musical direction of the play are Mr. R. G. Fick, Mr. Gilbert Sommers and Mrs. Marian Thornton. Mr. Sommers has been practicing for weeks with the orchestra, and Mr. Fick has been giving voice lessons to the people that have singing parts in the play. Mrs. Thornton and Mr. Fick have been practicing with the chorus for the play. The chorus members are Brenda Branning, Paul Chaney, Bill Cumberland, Ramona Donald, Robert Watkins, Tina McCurdy, Sarah McNair, Tamera Madden, Debbie Moorehead, Bob Peebles, Johnny Presley, Denise Horton, and Gloria Cleveland.

Mr. Vickers is in charge of the choreography for the performance. The people that are working with him as dancers are Pam Newell, Margaret Taylor, Sonja Beaman, Alice Armstrong, Sharon Hill, Gail Fondren, Ricky Breaux, Terry Breaux, Mark Robinson, Marvin Lindsey, Tom Heard and Don Myers.

The backstage is a very important job. The theater arts students are in charge of the different aspects of the backstage work.

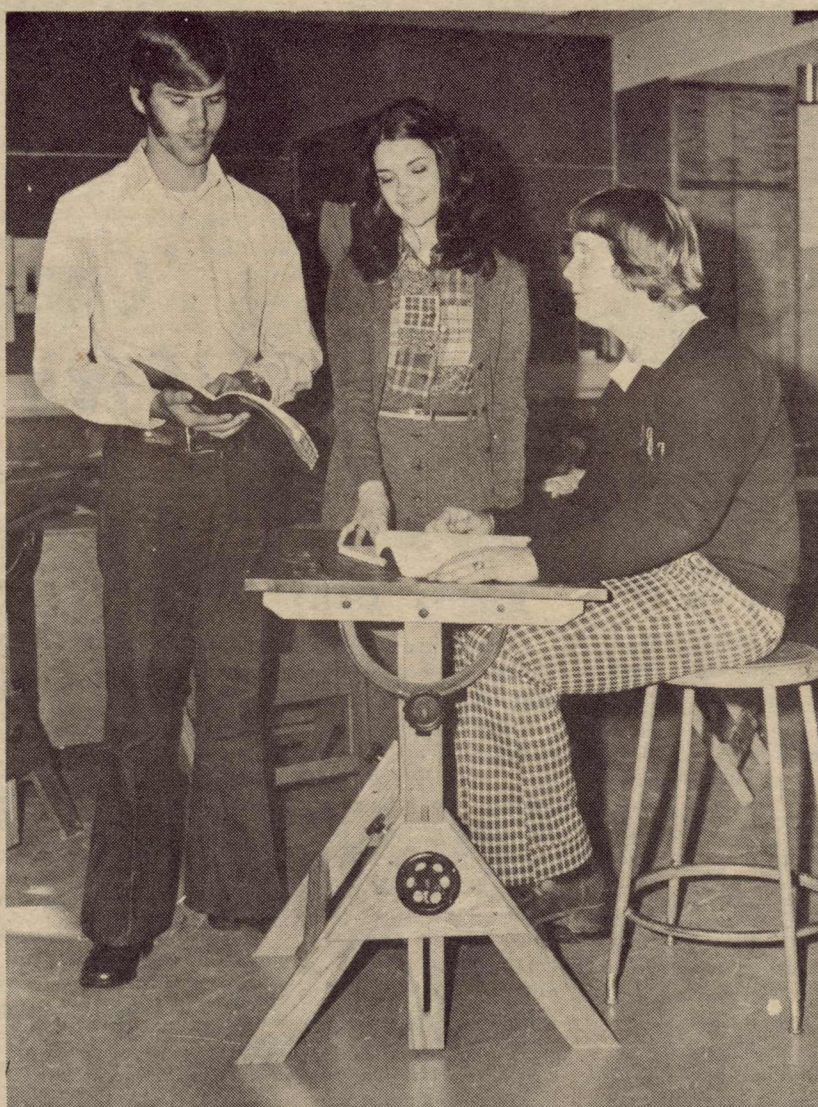
Jane Hollingsworth is in charge of the makeup. Assistants are Zylphia Boyles, Linda Johnson, Vivian Brazzille, Dawn Thomas, Linda Pope, Gail Hardin and Jennifer Thompson. In charge of publicity is Junior Williams. Leslie Kirkendall and Randy McKinley are assisting him. Trice Green is in charge of the props; Dianne Carter is working with her. Dean Webb is in charge of the lights, and David Metts is helping him. Lexie Carter is in charge of all the costumes for the performance. Working with her

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CAMELOT

The ECJC Players under the direction of
Mr. Bruce Peterson Present their spring
production 'Camelot'

East Central
students may
purchase tickets
free of charge
with their ID's.
These tickets
must be
obtained in
advance.



Tickets can be
purchased in
the Fine Arts
Building.
They are:
\$2.00
for Adults
\$1.50
for Students

Leading members in the production of 'Camelot' are
Jimmy Gaines as King Arthur, Jane Hollingsworth as
Guinevere, and Jack Thames as Launcelot.

The production begins tonight, March 4, and
will continue through Friday. Performances
at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium

TONIGHT

R.O.T.C. Awards Presented to Students



Kim Owens, an EC freshman, received the Bronze Recruiter from Col. Forbes.



Billy Everett, an EC freshman, received the PMS Award from Col. Forbes.

Several East Central students were presented ROTC awards on February 13, 1974.

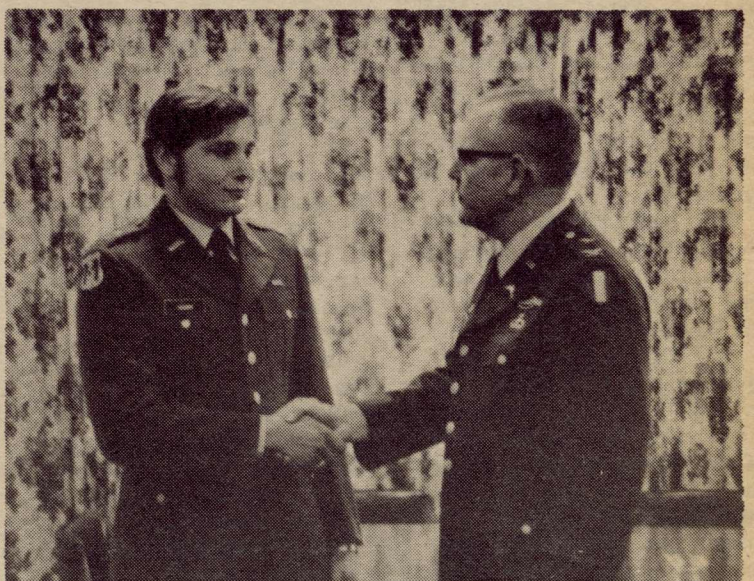
Peter Carson received the President's Award. The President's award is for outstanding academic achievement for the Fall Semester 1973. This award is given for achieving a quality average of 3.5 to 4.0 for the semester.

Billy Everett was awarded the PMS Award for outstanding academic achievement for the Fall Semester 1973. This award is given for achieving a quality point average of 3.0 to 3.49 for the semester.

Peter Carson also received the Gold Recruiter Award, Robert Hamm received the Silver Recruiter Award for recruiting three people. Kim Jennings received the Bronze Recruiter Award for recruiting one person.



Peter Carson, an EC freshman, received the President's Award from Dean Bracken.



Robert Hamm, an EC freshman, received the Silver Recruiter Award from Col. Forbes.

EC Holds Religious Emphasis Week

"Energy for Christ" was the theme of Religious Emphasis Week observed on campus Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, February 18-20.

Religious Emphasis Week began with Rev. John Case speaking to students and faculty in third period assembly on Monday. Rev. Case, who is pastor of the Forrest United Methodist Church, spoke on "Developing a Healthy Self-Respect."

First he stressed the consequences of an unhealthy self-respect. He then gave the requirements for a healthy self-respect. Rev. Case said, "When you reject yourself or something about yourself that you dislike, you are really rejecting God, because God allowed you to be made as you are."

On Tuesday Rev. Paul Brown of Clarke College led discussions in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Mrs. Sybil Rich, an ECJC student, led the discussions on Wednesday. Mrs. Rich and her husband pastor the Linwood Baptist Church.

Religious activities also took place each evening.

Bicycle Race to be Held in Sebastopol

It's called "Le Tour De Thunder Road" and it will be an Olympic class bicycle race beginning and ending in Sebastopol.

A series of four bicycle road races will be held March 23 and 24, rain or shine. The first event, scheduled for Saturday, March 23, will be a 48 mile, 4 up team trial.

The final three races will be Sunday. The big race will begin at 12:30 p.m.; it will be a 96 mile (twice around the course) for entrants 15 years and older.

At 1 p.m. entrants 12-14 years will start for a 48 mile race, and at 1:30 the eleven and under age group will start on a 17 kilometer race.

The official road course designates a start in front of the Sebastopol School House, after 1/3 mile turn right in Sebastopol onto Miss. #492, after 4 miles turn right at Prospect Church, after 8 miles pass through Conehatta at Conehatta Roadway 489, after 8 miles turn right on roadway in front of Lake School, after 4 miles pass Aultman's IGA Store, after 7 miles turn right onto Miss. 21 at Forest, after 18 miles finish at Sebastopol School.

William J. Mayer-Oakes of the U.S. Olympic Committee

for Cycling said that the entire event has been designated as a District Olympic Development, but the senior, junior and senior team trial are the races which will be considered by the Olympic Committee for "rider Development points."

The events are open to all U.S. citizens. Persons may obtain an entry form by writing Keith Johnson, 400 Alexander, Indianola, Miss. 38751.

Camelot

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are Donna Webb, Glenda Boler, Sue Mitchell and Jean Stribling. The Assistant Director is Louis Crenshaw, and the Stage Managers are Louis Crenshaw and Phil Broadhead. The ushers for the performance are members of the ECJC Fashion Squad.

Special thanks goes to Ms. Beverly Bankston and the Art Department for their service. They are making all the scenery, and without them the performance would not be as good. Also, special thanks goes to the ECJC Cosmetology Department for the makeup and hair style assistance.

Book Review

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read about. The library has the book "Clemente" soon to be put out on the shelves. Get it and read it whether you are interested in baseball or just interested in a wonderful person. Clemente led a very interesting life, and he had an interesting family.

During Roberto Clemente's rookie year, an announcer in New York who wanted to compliment Roberto said, "Roberto, you had a fine day and a fine series here. As a young fellow starting out you remind me of another rookie outfielder who could run, throw and get those clutch hits; a young fellow of ours named Willie Mays. There was a noticeable silence. Then the Pittsburgh rookie answered, "Nonetheless, I play like Roberto Clemente."

Such pride, such insistence that he be respected for what he was himself, was the hallmark of Roberto Clemente. And now, so soon after, he is gone.

All students interested in reading should report to the library at once. Several new books of all categories have been added to the library's collection.

There are new books dealing with history, comedy, religion, biographies, outer space, astrology, drugs, and many more.

A few examples of these are: "America" - Alistair

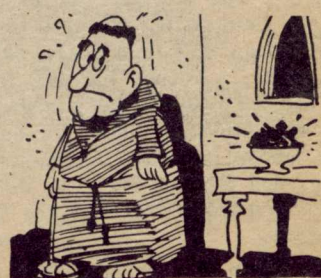
Cook; "Maijoe, Teenage Preacher" - S.S. Gaines; "Gods from Outer Space - Erich von Darike; "Chariots of the Gods" - Erich von Darike; "Amazing Grace" - Jason Berry; "The LSD Controversy" - M.S. Tarsis; and "Jeffery Introduces 13 More Southern Ghosts" - K.T. Windham.

As the old saying goes, "you are never too old to learn," and everyone learns from reading.

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There are more than 9,000 taste buds located on your tongue -- more than enough to help you enjoy any flavor!



Chocolate an aphrodisiac? The ancient Aztecs believed so; they forbade their women to eat it. Likewise, 17th century monks were told to leave hands off, too!

Warriorettes End Regular Season

On January 15, 1974 the ECJC Warriorettes traveled to East Miss. Junior College where they defeated EMJC 59-39.

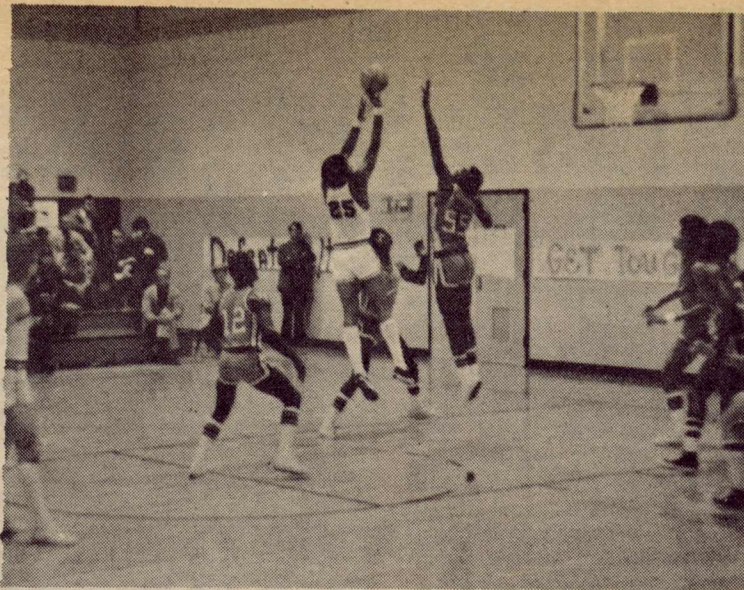
The Warriorettes had a relatively easy night. East Mississippi gave them a little trouble in the first half, but the second half was all Warriorettes.

Gloria Hollingsworth was top scorer for the Warriorettes with 25 points. Lynn Russell had 12 points. Pam Turner had nine points. Donna Pearson had six points. Donna Ellis had five points and Lynda Clark had two points. Annette Duncan, Sherry Wilcher, Bonnie McMullan, and Pam Thomas also played.

Top scorer for East Miss. was Dora Strickland who had 14 points. Debra Deasom had eight points. Dianne McNeil had seven points. Sammie Johnson had five points. Pat Nixon had three points and Lynn Ethridge had two points. Peggy Fulton, Dianne McNair, and Betsy Anderson played also.

The Warriorettes invaded Pearl River Junior College, January 22, 1974, where they met tough opposition from the Wildkittens.

At the end of the first quarter the Wildkittens were in front 14-10. The half-time score was 24-23 in favor of the EC Warriorettes. From then on it was the Warriorettes ballgame, but the Wildkittens wouldn't give up until the final buzzer. Final score was Warriorettes 47, Wildkit-



East Central's Clyde Cole goes up for a shot against Delta's No. 55.

tens 40.

Elise Pepper was the high scorer for the Warriorettes with 21 points. Lynn Russell had 10 points. Donna Pearson had six points. Pam Turner had five points. Annette Duncan had three points and Lynda Clark had two points. Sherry Wilcher, Bonnie McMullan, and Pam Thomas also played.

The Wildkittens top scorer was Monica Smith who had 18 points. Gayle English had 13 points. Mashelle Gore had six points. Hazel Alfred had three points. Millicent Graham and Brenda Lewis played.

February 5, 1974 the EC Warriorettes were at home to play East Miss. again. This time the Warriorettes defeated East Miss., 75-40. The ballgame belonged entirely to the Warriorettes.

Gloria Hollingsworth was the top scorer for the Warriorettes with 21 points. Lynn

Russell had 17 points. Elise Pepper had 12 points. Lynda Clark had six points and Annette Duncan had five points. Pam Turner had four points and Sherry Wilcher had three points. Donna Pearson, Bonnie McMullan, and Donna Ellis each had two points. Pam Thomas had one point.

Dora Strickland was the high scorer for East Miss. with 18 points. Debra Deasom had 10 points. Betsy Anderson had six points. Jeanette Davis had three points. Lynn Ethridge had two points and Sammie Johnson had one point. Dianne McNeil played too.

The EC Warriorettes invaded Holmes Junior College to play the HJC Bulldogettes.

It was a thrilling game from tip-off to the final buzzer. Neither was the game over until the final buzzer had gone off. The Warriorettes led at the end of the first quarter 4-3, and they led at the half by three, 16-13. The teams came back on the court fired up and ready to go. At the end of the third quarter the Warriorettes were still ahead by three, 26-23. The Bulldogettes got the upper hand in the last quarter as they jumped into the lead but EC fought to regain the lead. The Bulldogettes were ahead by one, 35-34 with 10 seconds to go. The Warriorettes brought the ball up the court hoping for a final shot and with seven seconds to go Elise Pepper shot. It went in and the EC Warriorettes won by one, 36-35.

Elise Pepper was the top scorer for the Warriorettes hitting for 19 points. Lynn Russell had eight points. Donna Pearson had four points. Lynda Clark and Donna Ellis each had two points. Annette Duncan had one point. Pam Turner and Pam Thomas also played.

Margie Moore and Sandra Blaylock tied for top scorer for HJC with each having 10 points. Beth Welch had seven points. Vicki Tompkins and Janet Henderson each had four points. Louise Adams also played.

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VANISHING GOLDFISH

Sixty goldfish recently vanished in West Norfolk, England, after raids by heron. Many ponds have been covered with nets as a precaution.

EC Warriors End Basketball Season

In their sixteenth game of the season East Central was downed by Itawamba 73-58. The Warriors hit 42% of their field goals and 33% of their free throws. They had a total of 22 rebounds. Leading scorers were David Blount with 20 points and Keith Parker with 18. Parker was leading rebounder with 9.

East Central fell to the hands of Northeast 93-72. They hit 41% of their field goals and 67% of their free throws. The Warriors had three players to score in double figures. They were Blount with 18, Davis with 16 and Boler with 13. Davis was leading rebounder with 6.

Coahoma defeated the Warriors by a score of 99-91. Leading scorers for East Central were Parker with 27 points, Blount with 25 and Davis with 24. Parker was leading rebounder with 19.

The East Central Warriors defeated Southeast Baptist 102-69. The Warriors hit 45% from the floor with 85% from the line. They had 55 rebounds. Scoring in double figures were Davis with 21 points, Boler with 17, McFarland and Cole with 12 each, and Tadlock, Blount, and Wilbanks with 10 each. Davis led the rebounding with 16.

East Central defeated Pearl River 82-79. The Warriors hit 60% of their field goals and 71% of their free throws. Leading scorer was Parker with 32 points. He was followed by Davis with 18 and Blount and Boler with 16 points each.

The Warriors fell to Northwest by the score of 96-73. Leading scorers were Blount, Breaux, and Davis with 12 points each. Parker was leading rebounder. The Warriors hit only 28% from the floor, but hit 80% from the line.

Delta defeated the Warriors 69-58. The Warriors hit 43% of their field goals and 67% of their free throws. Leading scorers were Davis with 14, Parker with 12, and Wilbanks with 10.

East Central was defeated by East Mississippi 74-67. The Warriors hit 28% from the floor and 56% from the line. They had 29 rebounds. Three men scored in double figures. They were Blount with 15 points, Davis with 12 and Wilbanks with 10. Parker was leading rebounder with 11.

The Warriors ended their regular season game with a defeat at the hands of Holmes 75-52. East Central hit 33% from the floor, 85% from the line and had 22 rebounds. Leading scorers were Boler with 11, and Tadlock with 10.

In their final game of the season the Warriors were defeated in their first game in the North-Half Tournament which was held at EC. They were defeated by Delta, who won the tournament. The final score was 79-62. The scoring was led by Blount with 23 points and Wilbanks with 10.



Mike Boler lays up a shot in E.C.'s final game.

Warriors End Season With a 10-15 Record

The East Central Warriors ended the season with a 10-15 record. The statistics of each player is as follows: Tadlock hit 37% field goals, 38% free throws and had a total of 94 points; Boler made 45% field goals, 69% free throws, and had a total of 112 points; Blount hit 44% from the floor, 76% from the line and had 351 points; Davis made 46% field goals, 75% free throws, and led with 422 points; Breaux hit 28% of his field goals, 100% free throws, and had 38 points; Tichnell made 19% of his field goals, and 80% of his free throws. He had a total of 12 points; McFarland made 47% from the floor, 67% from the line and made 86 points; Parker made 54% of his field goals, 68% of the free throws, and gained 295 total points; Griffin made 28% field goals, 67% free throws, and made 32 points; Cole made 48% field goals, 60% free throws, and 199 points; Wilbanks hit 40% of his field goals, 60% of his free throws and had a total of 265 points.



Warriors kicking high as the season ends.



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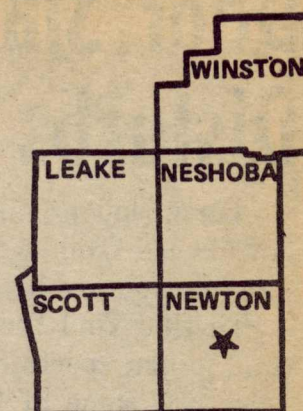
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Committee to Select Hall of Fame Members

Each year East Central seeks to honor sophomores who are outstanding in scholarship, leadership, personality, and character, by naming the Hall of Fame. Being elected to membership in the Hall of Fame is the highest honor an East Central student can attain.

Nominations for membership in the 1974 Hall of Fame must be made in writing before April 10. Students or faculty members may nominate any students they feel meet the stated qualifications.

A student nominated for membership in this select group must meet the following standards: (1) He must have attained a "B" average or better scholastically; (2) He must have shown initiative and interest in academic work; (3) He must have rendered outstanding or persistent service to the school in extra-curricular activities; (4) He must have fulfilled to the best of his ability any request of him while he was serving in a position of responsibility; (5) He must exhibit approved ideals of character; and (6) He must have completed three semesters of college work.

Each nomination must be accompanied by a list of the nominee's qualifications and positions of leadership. This must be placed in a sealed envelop and given to Mrs. Alford, "Tom-Tom" sponsor. Every nomination must be signed. A person can nominate as many individuals as he wishes.

Members of the Hall of Fame will be featured in both the Tom-Tom and the 1974 Wo-He-Lo. Individual pictures of the Hall of Famers will be placed in the entrance hall of the auditorium.

Fashion Squad Presents Shows in Area High Schools

The Fashion Squad is putting East Central's best foot forward by showing the area high schools what the well-dressed ECJC coed wears.

The East Central Fashion Squad has made trips to Decatur, Newton, Union and Morton High Schools. The girls modeled pant suits, dresses for school, and gowns for future proms and banquets.

Of all the schools the girls enjoyed Union the most. According to the squad, the Union crowd was more appreciative of the work they had put forth. After the fashion show the girls were served refreshments. A member of the squad from Union, Patsy Muse, said, "I am proud of my school for the hospitality shown to the fashion squad."

The purpose of the fashion squad's visits is to recruit new students.

Mrs. Pouncy stated, "The girls are getting help in stage appearance and walking, and they are making a fine impression of East Central to the schools they have modeled for." She also said that the girls have spent a lot of time after school and at night preparing for the fashion shows.

Susan Cosgrove says, "Although it is hard work, I enjoy the shows and they are helping me a lot."

The squad has plans for a Bridal Show for April 25th. This show will be open to the public and everyone is encouraged to attend.

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These eight students have been selected for Who's Who among students in American Junior Colleges. From left to right: Robert Hamm, Jane Hollingsworth, Sharon Eakes, Gloria Cleveland, Martha James, and Ricky Winstead. Not pictured is Leonard Barrier.

Eight Named to Who's-Who

Eight students attending East Central Junior College have been selected for Who's Who among students in American Junior Colleges. They are Leonard Barrier, Sharon Eakes, and Ricky Winstead from Philadelphia; Gloria Cleveland, Jane Hollingsworth, and Martha James from Union; Gloria Hollingsworth from Lake and Robert Hamm from Forest.

LEONARD RAY BARRIER

Leonard graduated from Neshoba Central and is an English major. He is a sophomore class officer serving as reporter and is editor of the "Tom-Tom". After graduation he plans to attend Mississippi College and complete his major.

GLORIA JOAN CLEVELAND

Gloria graduated from Union High School. She is head cheerleader, Beauty, member of the ECJC Players, president of Phi Theta Kappa, a member of Women's Council, Maid of Honor in the Homecoming, Miss ECJC, and a member of the Wo-He-Lo staff. She is a Liberal Arts major and plans to attend Mississippi Southern and major in speech therapy.

SHARON EAKES

Sharon graduated from Neshoba Central. She is an SBA representative, majorette, and a member of the ECJC stage band. Sharon is majoring in mathematics and upon graduation from ECJC, she plans to attend Mississippi State University.

ROBERT EARL HAMM

Robert Hamm graduated from Scott Central. He is majoring in civil engineering and is the commander of the ROTC unit at East Central. After graduation from ECJC, he plans to attend Mississippi State University.

GLORIA LEE HOLLINGSWORTH

Gloria graduated from Scott County Christian Academy. She is president of the Student Body Association, President of SBA, a Beauty, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and major in elementary education and speech education.

NANCY JANE HOLLINGSWORTH

Jane graduated from Union High School and is a music major. She was voted Most Beautiful, member of the ECJC Players, member of Phi Theta Kappa, and a member of the band. She is also a sophomore class officer, Maid of Honor for the May Queen, and has had the lead in both the productions, THE MALE ANIMAL and CAMELOT.

MARTHA ELIZABETH JAMES

Martha graduated from Union High School. She serves as treasurer of Phi Theta Kappa, sophomore class treasurer, a member of Women's Council, and is co-editor of the ECJC yearbook, the Wo-He-Lo. She is also in the ECJC Players.

Martha plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi with a major in Elementary Education.

RICKY NORMAN WINSTEAD

Ricky graduated from Neshoba Central. He is an active member of BSU and is also a member of Phi Theta Kappa. After graduation from EC, he plans to attend University of Southern Mississippi and major in medical technology.

Poetry Contest Announced

If you like to write poetry and to win money, sharpen your pencils and get ready to enter the first annual East Central Junior College Poetry Competition. The winner will be awarded a five-dollar prize, and the best poems will be featured in a special literary section of the next issue of the "Tom-Tom."

Entrance requirements are: (1) The writer must be a student at East Central; (2) The poetry must be original; (3) The entry should be at least ten lines in length or two short poems totaling at least ten lines; (4) The entry should be type-written, with one poem to a page; (5) The entry should be turned in to the "Tom-Tom" sponsor, Mrs. Carrie Ann Alford before April 13.

A student may enter as many poems as he would like.

Winners will be selected by a secret faculty committee.

Door Slamming Disturbs Sleepers

Have you any idea what it is like to be awakened from a dead sleep or to be aroused just as you are dropping off to sleep?

To find the answer to these question and others pertaining to this same subject just ask some of the girls in the freshman dorm. If you really want to get close to the problem, then talk to those on the second or third floors; first floor rarely faces it.

The problem is slamming of doors. Many find it stimulating to slam doors in the middle of the night when others are asleep, but those asleep do not find it very interesting. Noise does not bother most of the girls unless they are trying to go to sleep early, but a slammed door that awakens one from a sound sleep is quite disturbing.

Besides being disturbing to those trying to sleep it also disturbs the house mother who has to un up the stairs and try to catch the culprits in the act. Since most probably the culprits would not like to be disturbed while sleeping, they should try to understand how the other girls feel.

There is absolutely nothing wrong with a little noise or fun as long as it doesn't happen after lights out or in the middle of the night. Those guilty should think of others, for as a door slams those others are probably thinking of them.

Fever Strikes Campus

Spring fever has struck our campus again! This malady strikes about the first of March every year, and its effects often linger until school is out for the summer.

Less studying, mischievousness, and a desire to go fishing instead of to attend class are only a few of the early signs of spring fever. The victim may not even realize that he has the disease until it is in an advanced stage. Then he is helpless to do anything about it.

Spring fever is an emotional disturbance; and, unfortunately, Decatur offers no competent psychiatrist to deal with the problem. The best prescription a spring fever victim can obtain is plenty of rest and a well-balanced diet.

So if you are a victim of spring fever, eat your spinach and liver and go to bed early each night. Spring will pass and so will your fever.

Advice on Streaking

Streaking has hit the American college campus as the new entertainment, pastime, or whatever you want to call it. One police officer said that few arrests have been made because streaking is not nearly as bad as throwing bombs or fighting with policemen.

Maybe streaking doesn't bother people other than the streaker, or does it? A certain Mississippi college had a streaker on campus; a passerby ran his motor-

cycle into a brick wall.

Perhaps our campus had the first streaker in the state. A well-lit young man was offered five dollars to run nude around the dorm, and the first corner he rounded, he met one of the coaches. As a result, he is now a commuter.

If you have an uncontrollable desire to streak, streak from one side of the bathroom to the other. That will be far enough.



"Harris Hill here we come!"

Psychedelirium Tremens

Remember when HIPPIE-- meant big in the hips,

And a TRIP involved travel-- in cars, planes, and ships?

And POT was a vessel-- for cooking things in,

And HOOKED was what Grandmother's rug might have been?

When FIX was a verb-- that meant mend of repair, And BE-IN meant simply-- existing somewhere?

When NEAT meant well organized--tidy and clean,

And GRASS was a ground cover--normally green?

When lights and not people-- were SWITCHED ON and OFF?

And the PILL might have been what you took for a cough?

When CAMP meant to quarter--outdoors in a tent,

And POP was what--the weasel went?

When GROOVY meant furrowed--with channels and hollows,

And BIRDS were winged creatures -- like robins and swallows?

When FUZZ was a substance--that's fluffy like lint,

And BREAD came from bakeries--not from the mint?

When SQUARE meant a 90-degree--angled form,

And COOL was a temperature--not quite warm?

When ROLL meant a bun-- and ROCK was a stone,

And HANG-UP was something--you did to a phone?

When CHICKEN meant poultry--and BAG meant a sack?

When JUNK, trashy cast-offs--and old bric-a-brac?

When JAM was preserves-- that you spread on your bread,

And CRAZY meant balmy-- not right in the head?

When CAT was a feline-- a kitten grown up,

And TEA was a liquid-- you drank from a cup?

When SWINGER was someone--who swung in a swing,

And PAD was a soft--sort

of cushiony thing?

When WAY OUT meant distant--and far, far away, And a man couldn't sue you--for calling him GAY?

When DIG meant to shovel-- and spade in the dirt,

And PUT-ON was what-- you would do with a shirt?

When TOUGH described meat--too unyielding to chew,

And MAKING A SCENE-- was a rude thing to do?

Words once so sensible-- sober and serious

Are making the FREAK SCENE--like PSYCHEDELIRIOUS.

It's GROOVEY, MAN, GROOVEY--But English, it's not, Methinks that the language-- has gone straight to POT.

UNKNOWN

Mrs. Wagner is Remembered

Mrs. Irene Wagner, the Assistant Dean of Women in the freshman dormitory, died unexpectedly in the Newton County Hospital.

Before coming to ECJC, Mrs. Wagner had managed a small independent grocery store. She also had done extensive traveling with her husband, while he was in the service. Mr. Wagner had died with a heart attack 10 years previous to his wife's accepting a position with the college.

Mrs. Wagner is the mother of two daughters, Janice and Kitty. Janice is now Mrs. Johnny Duke and has a 5 year old daughter, Page. Kitty is now married to Steve Clark of Forest.

Relaxation came to Mrs. Wagner in the forms of reading and sewing. She had also started examples of needle point and knitting just before her death.

Funeral services were held in the Newton United Methodist Church and burial was in the Masonic Cemetery. She was a member of the



Newton United Methodist Church and was very active in many social activities.

Her memory lingers in the minds of those who knew and learned to love her. How can you forget someone who had meant so much to you? You can't. You can only learn to appreciate the ideals they stood for even more.

A Moment to Meditate

Abortion is a highly controversial issue. If you are not settled on the subject, consider the following excerpt from the "Review of the News," October 11, 1972:

The story is told of one doctor asking another: "I want your opinion on the termination of a pregnancy. The father was syphilitic. The mother was tuberculous. Of the four children born, the first was blind, the second died, the third was a deaf mute, and the fourth was tuberculous. What would you have done?"

"I would have ended that fourth pregnancy," said the second doctor.

"Then you would have murdered Beethoven," replied the first doctor.

Art Exhibit Displayed at Camelot

Visitors to "Camelot" got an added bonus when they viewed the art exhibit in the lobby of the fine arts building.

Miss Bankston stated that she was asked to have an exhibit during "Camelot" for the public to view. She took some of everyone's best work and exhibited it.

All of Miss Bankston's students were represented. Some of the students were in Drawing and some were in Design I. and Design II. All the exhibits were assigned projects to the students either during first semester or second semester.

Good Experience

Miss Bankston also said that it was good experience for the student to prepare work for shows. She picked everyone's best work and also the ones she thought would be appealing to the public.

The public really enjoyed this exhibit shown for the purpose of pleasing them. Some of the public expressed their interest in wanting to buy certain exhibits. Miss Bankston explained that none of the exhibits were for sale. She stated that the student has the rest of his life to sell his work. She asks the students to keep all their work in their portfolio so they will have examples of their work to show if they ever needed examples of their capability to get a job or for some other purpose.

Portraits

The paintings and sculptures that were shown are briefly described below.

There are portraits of different people such as one titled "The Native" painted by Cathy Everett done in pastels. One called "Seaweed" by Wilma Carpenter is done in pastels also. "Red, White, and Blue", is a portrait done by Gayle Hardin in pastels. There is also a portrait of the female lead in "Camelot", Guinvere painted by Debbie Ozborn done with tempera paint. "Portrait of a Frog" by Vickie Harvey was done in pencil. A self-portrait of Gayle Hardin done in pencil is also shown. A portrait called "Lea Ann," painted by Susan Savell in ink wash, is also shown. The last of the portraits is a portrait called "George Sand" painted by Susan Cosgrove done in Tempera paint.

There are only two pictures done in pastels and they are one called "After Life" by Cathy Everett and one called "Death In Blue" by Vickie Harvey.

There are many pictures done with tempera paint. "To a Wild Rose" by Ava Scoggin, "Crosspiece" by Janie Jones, "Neon Owl" by Peter Carson, "Big Foot" also by Janie Jones, "Pollution" by Ramona McKee, and the last of the tempera pictures "Sea Bug" by Wilma Carpenter.

Four pictures were done in pencil. They are: "Blotch Out" done by Wilma Carpenter, "Time" by Stanley

Luckey, "Ways of Money" by Pam Nance, and "The Wild Goose Chase" by Susan Savell.

Two pictures are drawn in ink: "Spoon Full of Sugar" by Janie Jones and "Still Patterns" by Neil Jordan.

One picture was done with charcoal, "Grandma's Pitcher" by Lea Ann McMurphy.

Sculptures

Seven sculptures are also displayed. These sculptures are made from paper mache' and wire. The first one is "Pieces" by Vicky Harvey. There is "Chicken Foot" done by Janie Jones, "Night Crawler" by Gloria Watts, "Tar Dancer" by Peter Carson, "A Mexican" by Susan Savell, "A Horse" sculpture by Cathy Everett, and a "If I Loved You - Now and Again In a Different Way" by Wilma Carpenter.

If you have not seen these displays, stop by and have a look. They all show great talent and should not be overlooked.

Stage Band Goes on Tour

East Central's stage band, The Chieftans, consisting of twenty-four members held their first grand tour Tuesday, February 26. They visited Carthage and Beulah Hubbard High Schools. Both the stage band and rock band performed for the students of the high schools. The stage band played such songs as "Leaving On a Jet Plane," "Rainy Days and Mondays," and "Jesus Christ Superstar."

"Boog's Alley" is the name of the rock band with members Grey Richardson from Pensacola, Fla., Tom Carson from Conehatta, and Paul Chaney from Hickory. They played such songs as "Photograph," "Frankinstin," and "Heart of Gold," an instrumental.

Members of the stage band are: Timmy Barber, Don Herrington, Larry Leflore, Gail Keller, Robert McDonald, Jean Pennington, Gray Richardson, Tom Carson, Paul Chaney, Jimmy Gaines, Nona Vickers, Devon Stribling, Sherry Goss, Lamar Howell, Keith Johnson, Ronny Davis, Charlene Gray, Keith Guillery, Sharon Eates, and Mr. Gilbert Sommers as band director.

Fashion Squad —

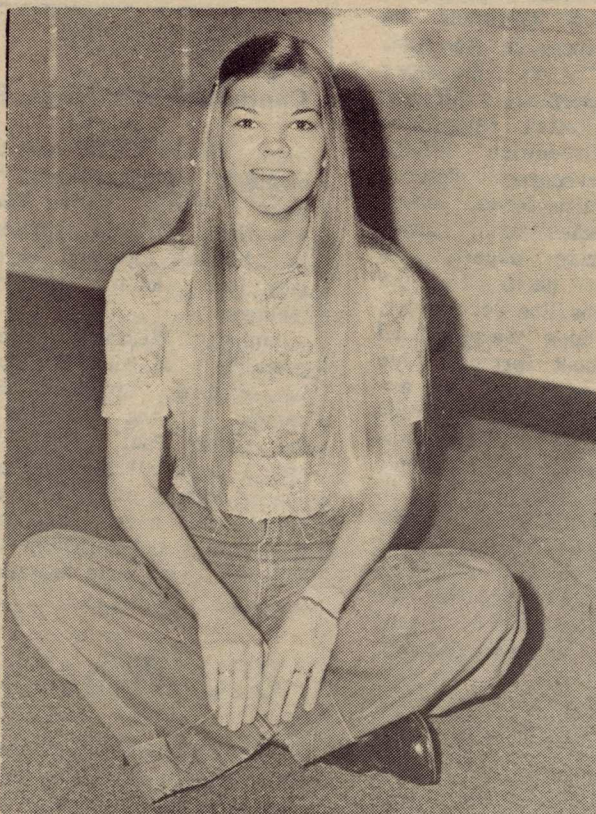
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The squad consists of Becky Jolly, Karen Johnson, Jane Hollingsworth, Lorraine Harpole, Lee Ann McMurphy, Patsy Muse, Elizabeth Smith, Pam Newell, Susan Cosgrove, and Marion Peebles. Alternates are Jean Waggoner, Marlyn Smith, Rita Dickenson, Debra Barnes, and Gloria Hollingsworth.

Serving as co-captains, Miss Jolly and Miss Johnson spend extra time getting the girls together and writing the script for the shows.



**Rhonda Barnes,
a graduate of
Neshoba
Central,
is the student
in profile this
edition. She is a
sophomore
Liberal
Arts major**



A Book Review Column Between The Covers

by Zylphia Boyles

"To you, right is right,
Wrong is wrong.
And there is no other way."

This was a poem written for and dedicated to Frank Serpico by his sister on the time he was shot in the face.

"Serpico" the incredible, but true, story of the cop who couldn't be bought! This book will interest you or turn you off. Either way there is a great deal of dirty language that you have to get used to reading unless of course you see the movie instead of reading the book, then you have to get used to hearing a great deal of dirty language. Still the book is good.

Serpico, a cop who defied the system faced many dangers. He was scorned by his fellow officers, feared by the police brass and City Hall officials, he delivered the greatest single blow to corruption in the history of the department and nearly lost his life! "The only oath I ever took was to enforce the law and it didn't say against everybody except other cops."

His Life

Frank Serpico was thirty-five years old and the son of a Neapolitan shoemaker. He had two brothers and a sister. His mother had actually been born in Ohio, but her family had returned to Italy and purchased a house and some farmland. It always delighted Frank to hear about his parents courtship, how his father fell in love with his mother while measuring her for a pair of shoes and the next

day he sent a boy with a message asking if he could see her. They were married August 27, 1925. Two years later they decided to go to America.

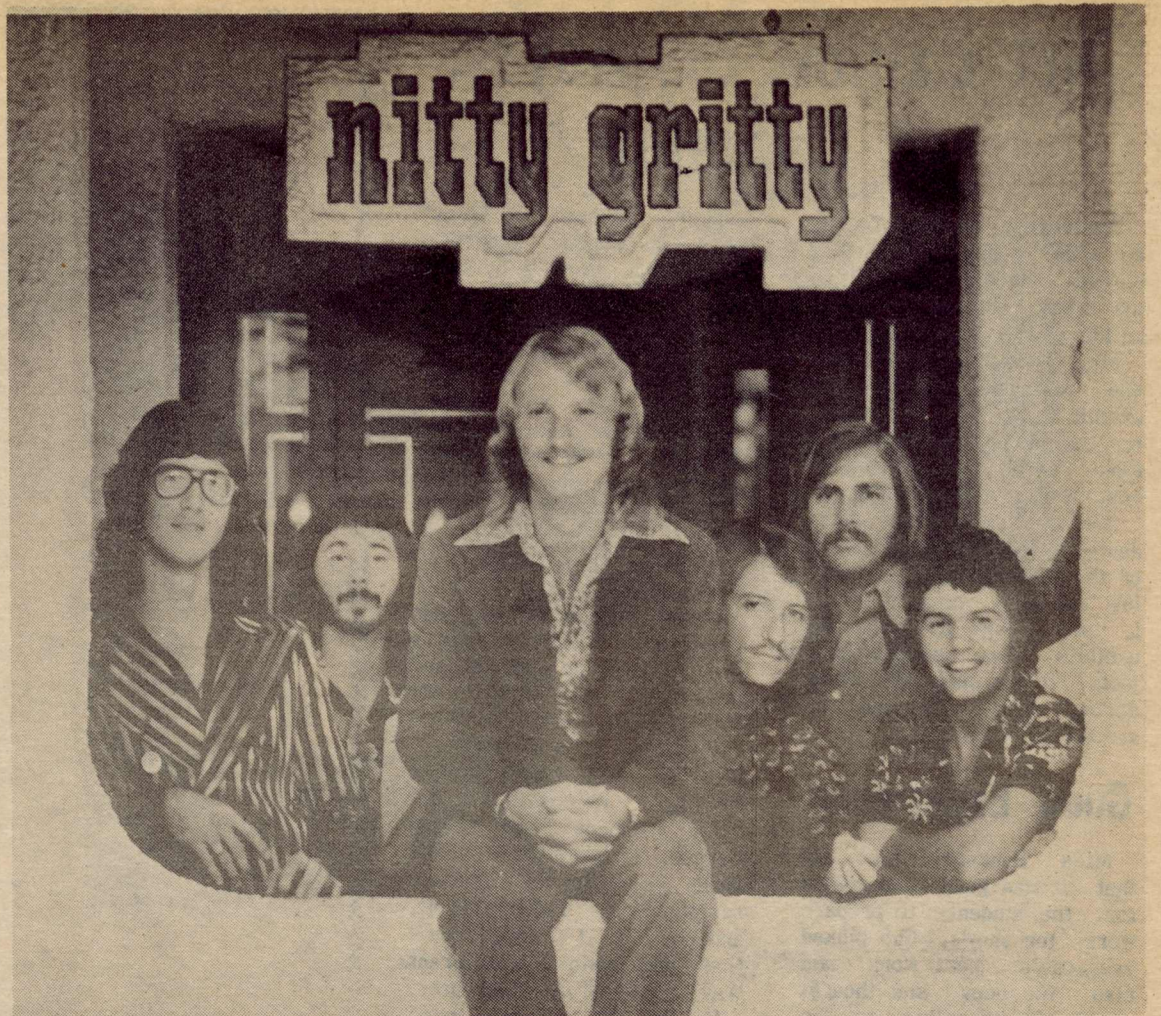
Frank's mother had to come to America alone. The trip was a series of horrors. She gave birth prematurely and the baby died. A year passed before she saw her husband again. He found employment in a shoe-repair store. He remained there for six years. His wife finally urged him in to going into his own business. He made a success of it and at the age of seventy he retired with one of his sons taking over the business.

Becomes Cop

They were very proud when Frank decided to become a policeman. His mother worried many a night about Frank, but she soon learned to trust him and to realize that he would be all right; then he was shot.

"Serpico" is the story of Frank Serpico, a different man; one often called the bearded Greenwich Village loner, eleven-year Veteran of the police force, opera lover, ladies' man, crack shot, karate expert, and undercover nark. He put it all on the line every day. Read the book "Serpico" and find out about Serpico. Live each day with him, and experience the trials and struggles he goes through. Discover when Serpico leaves the police force?

If you don't enjoy reading then go see the movie. It stars Al Pacino as Serpico and has been awarded ten awards. Sounds like a good one; go see for yourself.



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what should have been the highlight of the evening. "If Ever I Would Leave You" was flat. Thames wouldn't let himself go and let his lady love know his true feelings.

Junior Williams' interpretation of King Pellinore is original, impudent, and campy in the tradition of the great Paul Lynde. He has a style all his own and nearly walked off with the show! He never threw his lines away and delighted the audience every time he walked

on stage.

Conniving, daring, cowardly... enter Mordred. Tom Carson is evil in every sense of the word. He hits the audience with all the viciousness and venom of a cobra and after his first scene made the best of every one thereafter. At first he was more or less "hamming it up" and rushed his "Seven Deadly Virtues" without giving us a chance to become acquainted with his character. However, after his first exit it is no holds barred and Carson is superb!

A young look-alike to Jane Russell, Patsy Muse is sedate and most capable as Morgan Le Fey. The cos-

tumes are beautiful, the scenery simple yet very effective and the show is a total blast. Even with the orchestra being a bit off balance at times, I had a great time and would like to say "thank you" to ECJC for a truly entertaining evening!

The musical plays through-out this week and if there are any tickets left I suggest you get them and scoot on over. You'll enjoy it! Lest I forget the two "C's"... the chorus and curtain. The former is in almost total control with a few of the members keeping their heads lowered. And curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Don't miss it!

Vickers Pres. of MAET

Mr. Ovid Vickers, head of the ECJC English department, is now president of MAET, the Mississippi Association of English Teachers. Mr. Vickers, who was elected vice-president last year, automatically moved up to president this year.

MAET meets once each year during MEA. The organization's membership is made up of English teachers from primary and secondary schools and from colleges. MAET's purpose is to coordinate the

work being done in English on all levels in Mississippi's schools.

MAET is the parent organization of two other sections that meet during MEA. They are the college English section and the secondary English section.

Carson Holloman from Northwest Junior College is now secretary of MAET. Mrs. Reba Blalock from Lee High School in Columbus is vice-president.

Tennis Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
March 26	Jones	Jones	2 pm
April 2	Meridian	Meridian	2 pm
April 10	Holmes	E. Cen.	2 pm
April 11	Delta	E. Cen.	2 pm
April 18	Meridian	E. Cen.	2 pm
April 19	Gulf Coast	Gulf Coast	2 pm
April 23	Southwest	E. Cen.	2 pm
April 26	Holmes	Holmes	2 pm
April 27	Delta	Delta	9 am
May 3	State Meet	Southern	8 am

BSU Wins Intramural Basketball Championship

Some of the intramural sports have come to a close at East Central. The basketball intramurals which began in January had nine teams participating. They were BSU, Football, Leake I, Leake II, Morton, Newton I, Newton II, VICA, and Wesley.

A double elimination tournament began on February 26. The championship game was on March 14 between BSU and Newton I. The BSU

team won 48-47. It was close all the way with Newton leading a good portion of the game. The game was won in the last three seconds when Steve Quinn made a lay-up for the BSU. Members of the winning team were Steve Quinn, Ronald Goldman, Billy Adcock, David Herrington, Bob Peebles, Andy Brantley, Johnny Presley, Eddie Golden, and Bill Cumberland. Newton I was the second place team

and Leake II was the third place team.

In the ping-pong tournaments there were 18 entries. A single elimination tournament was played. The winner was David Blount and the runner-up was Glenn Crotwell.

There has been good interest and participation shown in the games. The student support has been good and good sportsmanship has been shown.

There has also been a lot of interest shown by students not participating in any sports but using the gym facilities. There has been good general play and participation by students who enjoy sports. The facilities in the old gym have been available and are being enjoyed.

They are now in the process of organizing a girls and boys softball team. This will depend on the interest and cooperation of the students.

Intramural sports is a program that can provide entertainment, enjoyment and participation for a lot of students. The students have to be interested and cooperate for it to be a success. The program has been a success so far, hopefully it will continue to be.

Music Majors to Hold Recital April 21 and 22

The sophomore music majors will present their recitals Sunday afternoon, April 21, and Monday evening, April 22.

April 21 at 2:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary of the Decatur Methodist Church, Miss Jean Pennington will present an organ recital. Miss Pennington will be assisted by Miss Gail Keller and Mr. Bob Peebles singing a group of sacred works. Miss Keller will be accompanied by Mrs. Barbara Pryor; Mr. Peebles will be accompanied by Miss Sarah McNair.

There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the recital.

April 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium, there will be a joint piano and voice recital.

Playing the piano will be Miss Gail Keller, Miss Sarah McNair and Mrs. Barbara Pryor.

Vocalists in the joint recital will be Miss Jane Hollingsworth, Mr. Lamar Howle and Mr. Bill Cumberland.

Following the recital there will be a reception in the lobby of the Fine Arts Building.

The public is cordially invited to attend these events.



Class favorites to be featured in the annual are: front row, left to right; freshman Lynn Russell, freshman Pam Newell, sophomore Gloria Hollingsworth; back row left to right freshman Paa Murphy, sophomore Gail Fondren, and sophomore Martha James.

Camelot Gets Rave Reviews by David Robinson

It goes to prove that good news is the best medicine. A continuous obligato of good news is happening this week at East Central Jr. College with their lovely production of the musical "Camelot."

It is a powerhouse of fast-paced charm and enchantment with some of the best performances this writer has seen on a college stage. We all know that the music and lyrics paraphrase the songs and this cast performs the dazzling trick of turning an extra long musical into a very happy and exciting occasion.

Certainly it is witty, kind, generous and warm. And director Bruce Peterson has assembled a fine cast with enough interest in the show to give the sold out package a place in ECJC's theatre repertoire. If you like to have a good time and have your cerebrum tickled, . . . you'll really love this show!

Now I'm not saying the show is perfect. It's not. But the slight imbalance of some of the music and acting is overcome by the excellent performances of Jimmy Gaines, Jane Hollingsworth, Junior Williams and Tom Carson. Their philosophy seems to be to get out on that stage and give the audience a happy and delightful evening. And that is precisely what they do.

Gaines, making a handsome and strong Arthur, has a very good understanding of the character and his stage presence is fine. He is the possessor of a beautiful singing voice but could use a bit more volume, especially

when he sings "Camelot." Other than singing too softly his "I Wonder What the King is Doing Tonight" was excellent. When he sang "How To Handle A Woman" he left no doubt as to his intentions, and to be honest, his knowledge on the subject. By the end of Act One he was supercharged with enough energy to put an end to our current so-called crisis.

The beautiful Jane Hollingsworth, as Queen Guenevere, won me over by the vitality of her performance. She sings with top-notch perfection and is especially good when she sings "Before I Gaze At You Again." This song brought a tear or two to the eyes of many and she won the high accolade of not receiving an ovation at its conclusion. . . . We were much too sad to interrupt the effect by applauding.

In the role of Merlyn, Phil Broadhead is very weak. On opening night he seemed to be more aware of the audience than he should. Almost convincing just before his final exit, a bit more care would have overcome his problem of characterization. He needs to relax and enjoy the role.

Jack Thames as Lancelot almost has the same problem but is able to make a good impression in the role. He is a very good actor-singer but for some reason he insists on hiding his face with hand motions. At times he gave more of a recitation than a portrayal. His song about himself, "C'est Moi" was a bit clumsy and

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Camelot Still Remembered And Talked About

"Camelot" is a play that will be long remembered and will be talked about for years to come. Many hours of hard work was put into the play, and Mr. Peterson said that he was proud of the students for working hard and contributing so much to the college. He also said, "All the cast should be commended for all their hard work and untiring efforts."

For the main characters, practice for Camelot was begun in January. Many hard hours of work were put forth. Other cast members began their practice about a month before the presentation. The dancers and chorus got their share of practice also. Mr. Peterson also added, "The chorus did a marvelous job. It was one of the best choruses in any musical I've ever seen."

Orchestra Costume & Make-up Committee

Orchestra members began their work about a month prior to the play. The week before the presentation the entire cast practiced together every night. They had four full rehearsals and a dress rehearsal the week-end before opening night. The cast was commended for being on time and putting forth extra efforts.

There were approximately 1200 people who saw the play, and it was undoubtedly enjoyed by all.

The costumes that were used were rented from the Atlanta Costume Company. Two boxes were lost and the re-order had to be flown in. Some alterations had to be made: rehemming, buttons, seams taken in and let out. These were taken care of by a group of girls who deserve mentioning. They were Donna Webb, Glenda Boler, Jeanne Stribling, Debra Wilkerson, and Lexie Carter. These girls also helped with the changing between the scenes.

The make up was done by Jane Hollingsworth, Dawn Thomas, Zylphia Boyles, Vivian Breazeale, Lynda Johnson, Connie Gordon, Gayle Hardin, and Linda Pope. The hairstyles are credited to the Cosmetology Department. They all did a great job.

'Thanks'

Thanks also goes to Mr. Bruce Peterson-Director; Mr. R.G. Fick, Mr. Gilbert Sommers, Mrs. Marion Thornton, and Jean Pennington - musical direction; and Mr. Ovid Vickers-choreography. Other people who helped with the play were Louis Crenshaw, Phil Broadhead, Miss Beverly Bankston, ECJC Art

Students, Junior Williams, Leslie Kirkendall, Randy McKinley, Patrice Green, Dianne Carter, Pam Nance, Dean Webb, David Metts, Rusty Robins, and the Fashion Squad.

Some of the cast were interviewed about their opinions of the play. Jane Hollingsworth says, "I feel the entire cast proved to the student body and the people in our surrounding area that great things can be done at East Central with cooperation between the students and teachers. "Camelot" was simply an experience and opportunity I will never forget."

Jimmy Gaines said, "It was the best play I've ever been in; I enjoyed the part better than any I've ever had. I will never forget it."

Junior Williams had to say, "I enjoyed it more than anything I've done in a long time. It was easy to put myself into the part and I'm changing my major to theatre."

Two of the chorus members were asked their opinions. When Tina McCurdy was asked what she thought, she replied, "Fantastic! I love the part I had--except for the hat, hairdo, and make

up. Other than that it was the most fantastic thing I ever saw."

Brenda Branning helped pack away the costumes to be sent back. Brenda is reported to have said, "Good bye dress. I'll never forget you!" She also said, "I enjoyed the play and it was good for me. I enjoyed working with all the people."

A dancer, Margaret Taylor, said, "I had a great time in the play and I will never forget it."

An orchestra member, Pat Murphy, when asked what her opinion was, replied, "It was great--it was beautiful! I really enjoyed being a part of it."

Dawn Thomas, who helped with the make up said, "I thought it was lots of fun--especially putting make up on the guys. I loved it all and I'm ready to do it again."

For those who had even the least little part in the production of "Camelot", it will be a lasting event in the minds of all.

Arrows were shot into the air by South American Indians during an eclipse to frighten the sun into shining again. (It always seemed to work, too!)



Boys class favorites include; front row left to right freshman Ricky Breaux, sophomore Rodney Tadlock; second row left to right freshman Terry Breaux, sophomore Mike Boler. Not pictured are freshman Eddie Golden and sophomore Randy Dilly.

CAMELOT . . . NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN



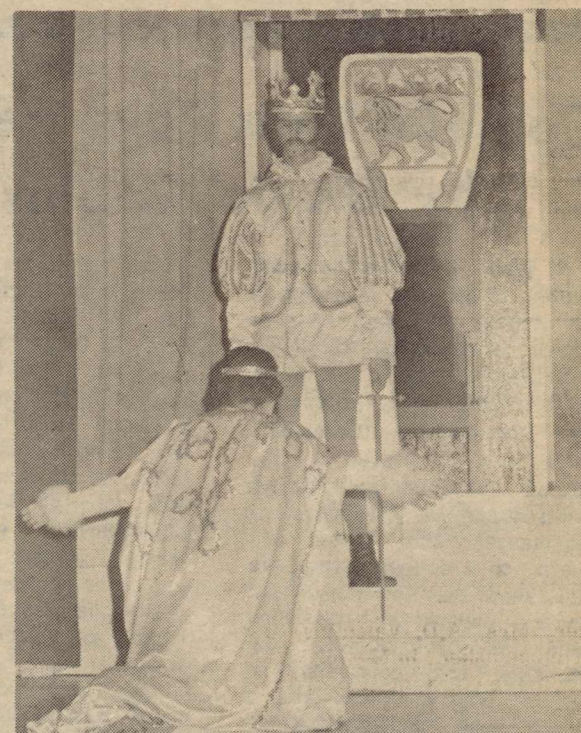
King Arthur, played by Jimmy Gaines, in all his glory telling of the two people he loves.



A discussion going on between Pellinore, played by Junior Williams, King Arthur, played by Jimmy Gaines, and Guenevere, played by Jane Hollingsworth.



Sir Lancelot, played by Jack Thames, praying for Sir Lionel, played by Jim Anderson, as King Arthur, played by Jimmy Gaines, looks on.



Guenevere, played by Jane Hollingsworth, kneels before Arthur, played by Jimmy Gaines.



Guenevere, played by Jane Hollingsworth, sings The Lusty Month of May to her court.



Tis the month of May when the court is involved in many frivolous activities.

Term Paper Time Again

Spring is here if not in the weather then in the mind and it's that time again. Time for picking subjects and doing research. It's term paper time again.

Never check out more than three books at one time and always return each one as you finish it; do not let friends check out books for you, if you have all the books on your subject checked out then how can someone else write on the same subject; don't check out books for your high school friends, one of your fellow classmates may have the same subject; don't tear magazine articles out, it only cost a dime to make a copy and don't take the whole magazine, taking the whole magazine may be to your advantage but it will also be a definite disadvantage to someone else; books may be checked out to use in the library or to take with you; remember reserve books may not be checked out.

Don't say you can't find your subject if you haven't looked in the Reader's Guide, the Card Catalog, in the index

of related material, or asked the librarians or one of the workers for help. Don't forget to look in both the reserved section and the open shelves. If you can't find your subject in a recent issue of the Reader's Guide then look into older issues for the library has some magazines that date back to 1933.

Yes, students are now going over material from A to Z trying to pick a subject that will please themselves and their teacher.

Most students have already chosen their subjects and are hard at work on them. The best advice is don't wait until the last moment; start early, and do your best, that's all any teacher can ask for.

If you haven't chosen a subject, then start picking for time is running out. A subject that you like and that you want to do may be hard to do; pick out a main subject then pick a subject that is relatively close to the main subject you picked out.

Always remember to be quiet in the library and not

disturb anyone for even if you aren't working someone else may be. Be considerate and think of others.

Phi Theta Kappa Leaves For Convention

There will be 20 Phi Theta Kappa leaving Thursday, April 4 to attend the 56th Phi Theta Kappa National Convention to be held in Kansas City, Missouri.

The convention will begin April 5 with registration at the Muehleback Hotel. The theme of the convention this year is "Voices of Human Experience." Guest speakers will be Dr. Joe B. Grantz, who will speak on the topic "Chasing Names and People," Jack Crocker, who will speak on the topic "The Creativity Encounter," and Mr. Richard Wordsworth, who will speak on the topic "Let Me Play The Lion Too."

There will be reports given by various representatives reporting on the activities of their region. Committees will be set up for different states and areas. There will be an election for the new officers to be installed Sunday night at the Awards Banquet, twelve awards and trophies will be presented to deserving chapters.

Opening entertainment for the National Convention, Friday, April, 5, will be the Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra. Other music will be presented by the Cloud County Community College and the Penn Valley Community College Band and Chorus. Mr. Henry von Hasseln will present an organ recital Saturday afternoon at the Independence Blvd. Christian Church. There will be several tours and also a folk dance for everyone. After the closing of the convention there will be a dance, held in the Imperial Room with music by the Broadway Clique.

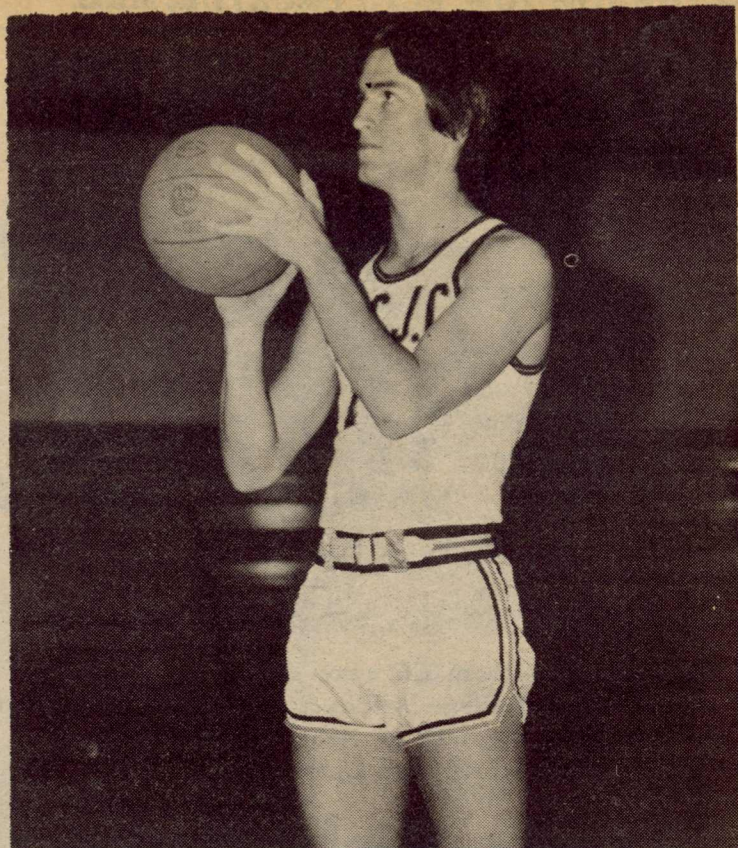
The students will return Monday, April 8, to share with those who could not attend what they learned at the PTK National Convention.

May Day is Near

It's almost that time again! May Day, a big event for East Central, has been scheduled for May 2. Plans are being made for the event.

The following persons are serving on the committees: Who's Who - Mrs. Jessie Mae Everett and Mr. Bruce Peterson; May Queen and her court - Mrs. Alice Pouncey and Mrs. Ann Burks; Reception - Mrs. Lois McMullan, Mrs. Katherine Wright, and Mrs. Alyne Simmons; Program - Mr. Ovid Vickers, Mr. Gilbert Sommers, and Mrs. Marian Thornton; Decorations - Mrs. Sarah Heard, Mr. Rudolph Mayes, Phi Theta Kappa; Programs - Mrs. Sarah Griffin; Master of Ceremonies - Mr. Ovid Vickers; Chairman - Miss Lucille Wood.

Many people look forward to May Day and everyone connected with it is going to help make it the best ever!



Blount Chosen to All State

David Blount of Decatur has been selected for the Miss. Jr. College all state basketball team.

This outstanding ECJC sophomore averaged 11.9 points per game for two seasons and had a 14.1 average during this past sophomore season.

David's free throw accuracy is way above average as he sank 73 of 96 free throws this season for 76 per cent of his shots. During his two years he made 108 out of 154 free throws for 70 per cent.

When asked about making the all state team David replied, "I was a little surprised and it is an honor I will cherish always."

David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Blount of Decatur. His father was a football standout at Ole Miss and David plans to follow the family tradition set by his father and two brothers as he plans to enter Ole Miss this fall to continue his education.

New Spring Fashions Show Many Varieties

This spring's new looks are the berries-really. The Blueberry, raspberry, strawberry, or mulberry - all the rich, beautiful tones of ripe berries are showing up in soft, classic shapes that anyone can wear and wear well. Legs are showing more under soft bias-cut skirts, finished off with sheer stockings and sexy sandals. There's a bright new interest in pins and clips of all kinds with silver and naturals such as clay and earthy stone colors.

A shirt jacket and matching pants or skirt touched with some of the great new spring pink would make a beautiful outfit. You'll be seeing a lot of pins, especially bar-type pins this spring; maybe some that anchor a scarf. Delicate link bracelets or necklaces look super now. Some are wearing the delicate necklaces around the wrist.

The shirty-shape is an old fashioned friend to almost everyone and it's never looked better than in some of this spring's work-ups. The shirt-dress with this spring's up-datings--short sleeves and a deep front-pleated skirt. Some of the prettiest spring berry colorings are most effective in classic put-togethers like the shirt jacket and cardigan sweater. You can add the special touches of a softly tied long scarf or a beaded necklace. The absolutely fantastic way to look is the glow of deep raspberry lit with bright pink.

Whether you're wearing a

new spring look or a favorite from last year, any of the new accessories you see will give it a fresh, sleek polish. A little bit of navy (in a shoe maybe) adds snap to just about any color - a berry tone, a beige, or a bright. Pumps with low, stacked heel are in now. The right bright touch for something beige could be with some snaky red platform sandals.

Mrs. Gipson is New Soph. Dorm Mother

Mrs. Sarah Gipson is the new dormitory mother in the sophomore dorm. She is from Decatur and was recently employed in the shipping office at the Decatur Shirt Factory. Mrs. Gipson is a graduate from East Central Junior College where she majored in Liberal Arts. It was also here that she met her husband, and they were married. Then they lived in the apartments before his transfer to Mississippi State University.

"I love to work with young people, for now is the important time in their lives," she said. "I have worked with youth in the Methodist Church in the MYF program."

Mrs. Gipson lost both her husband and her son within a short time, but she has a daughter, Mrs. Sue Mouton and a grandson, Michael. They live in Louisiana.

Teacher Profile - Mrs. Simmons

The faculty member in the profile this month is Mrs. Aylene Simmons.

Mrs. Simmons graduated from Clarke College in Newton and Mississippi College. She received both her B.A. and Masters Degrees in English from Mississippi College. Mrs. Simmons has taught for fifteen years at East Central where she teaches English and literature. She lives in Decatur with her husband of 34 years. Mrs. Simmons has two married daughters, Nancy and Judy, and one grandchild, Kim, who Mrs. Simmons says is "spoiled rotten."

Her oldest daughter, Mrs. James Saye, teaches at the University School of Nursing. Mrs. Simmons' other daughter, Mrs. A.D. Valentine, is a homemaker in Meridian and is the mother of Kim. Kim, who is three and a half years old calls Mrs. Sim-

mons "Mama Lene", and Mr. Simmons "Oppy-Gee" for Papa Joe.

Mrs. Simmons is a former sponsor of Phi Theta Kappa here at East Central. She carried the students for the first time to a National Phi Theta Kappa Convention. Mrs. Simmons also worked to raise the standard grade point average for joining Phi Theta Kappa from 3.0 to 3.5.

One of Mrs. Simmons' many hobbies is creative writing. A few of her articles have been published in the "English Journal" and in the school paper. Mrs. Simmons won first prize in the Literary Arts Festival with her article "Is God Dead?"

Mrs. Simmons is quoted as saying, "I would rather students think than just learn a lesson." She loves her major and young people.

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Three students from EC were chosen for the Women's Junior College All-State Basketball team. They were, from left to right, Annette Duncan, Gloria Hollingsworth, and Lynn Russell.

Three Girls Make All-State Team

East Central Junior College had three girls to make the All-State Basketball team picked at Holmes February 21 and 22.

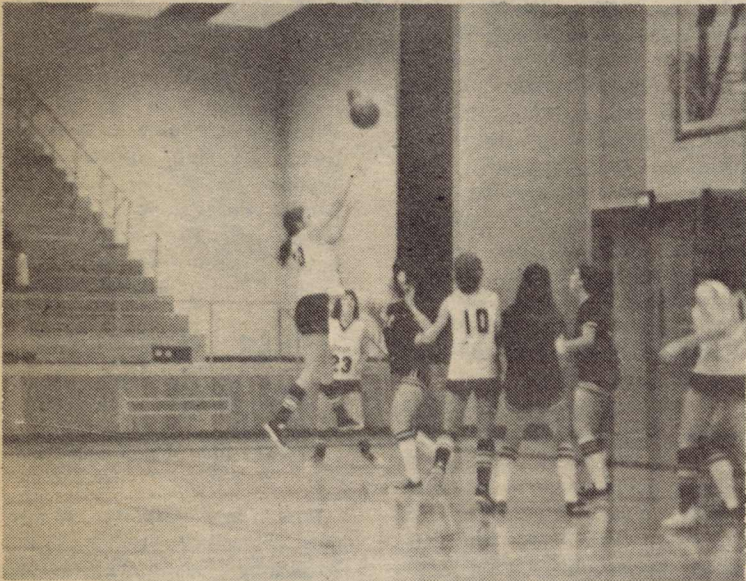
Gloria Hollingsworth is a sophomore at EC. She didn't play for the EC Warriorettes last year, but she gave them her best this year. She was the top scorer for the Warriorettes almost every game. She added offense to the games by averaging about 20 per game. EC will certainly miss Gloria next year.

Annette Duncan is also a sophomore at EC. Annette didn't score many points, but

she added her defensive skills to the games. It was not unusual to see Annette outrun an opposing player on fast breaks.

Lynn Russell is a freshman at EC. Lynn was an all-around player. She could play both offense and defense. It was Lynn, along with Annette, who ran the offense. Lynn will be playing for EC next year. It will be something to look forward to.

EC certainly should be proud to have these three chosen as three of the best girls in Women's basketball in the state.



Lynda Clark from EC goes up for a shot against Hinds JC at Holmes Junior College.

Tennis Team Try-Outs To Be Held

Now that basketball season is over it's time to move on to another sport and that sport is tennis. EC is looking forward to having a good tennis team this year.

Seven girls are trying out for the girls team. They are Gail Keller, a sophomore who played last year; Zylphia Boyles, a freshman; Annette Duncan, a sophomore who was on the team last year; Debbie Smith, a freshman; Lynn Russell, a freshman; Donna Ellis, a freshman; and

Trice Green, a sophomore. Eleven boys are trying out for the boys team. They are Jay Graham, Tom Heard, Steve Quinn, Mike Boler, Robert McCoy, Mitch Boggan, Paul Chamblee, Tymothy Faulkner, Frank Sturup, Larry Waggoner, and Louis Crenshaw.

The tennis teams will play nine, possibly ten, matches this year. The first match will be March 26 against Jones Junior College at Jones.

Warriorettes Win One, Lose Two in State Championships

The ECJC Warriorettes won one game and lost two at the Mississippi State Women's Junior College Basketball Championships.

Thursday night, February 21, the Warriorettes played the Holmes Bulldogettes. It was another thriller as most of the EC-HJC games have been. Holmes took the lead at the first, but EC came back and the score at half-time was EC, 34-Holmes-26.

The second half looked as if it belonged to the Warriorettes, but in the final minutes the Bulldogettes closed the gap as they tied the score. The Warriorettes were lucky enough to score a final two points to win the game, 59-57.

Top Scorer for the Warriorettes was Gloria Hollingsworth, who had 28 points. Elise Pepper had 14 points. Lynn Russell had 12 points. Lynda Clark had five points. Annette Duncan, Donna Pearson, Pam Turner, Pam Thomas, and Lynda Clark also played.

Sandra Blaylock was the top scorer for the Bulldogettes with 23 points. Beth Welch had 14 points. Margie Moore had 10 points. Louise Adams had eight points. Vickie Thompkins had one point. Janet Henderson and Geneva Killebrew also played.

On Friday morning, February 22, the Warriorettes played Hinds Junior College. It was Hinds' ballgame all the way, but EC tried their best. Hinds won the game, 71-58.

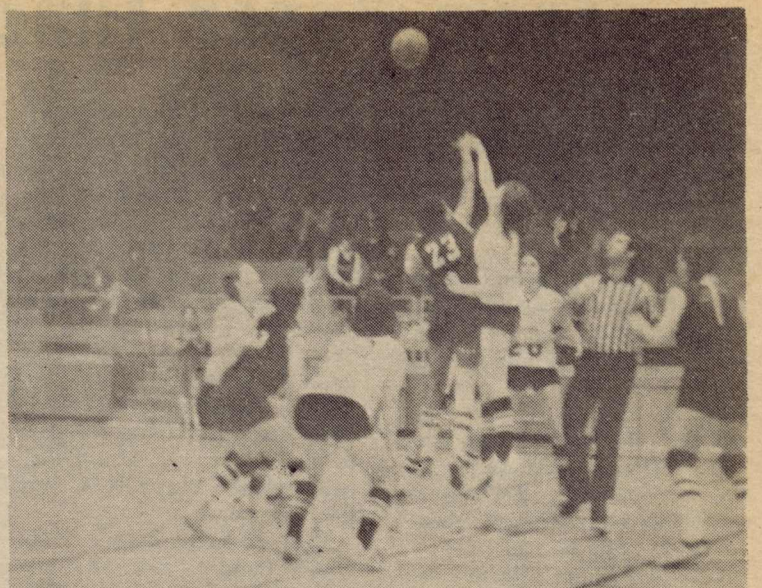
Gloria Hollingsworth was the high scorer for the Warriorettes with 24 points. Elise Pepper had 18 points. Lynn Russell had 13 points. Lynda Clark had three points. Annette Duncan, Donna Pearson, Pam Turner, Pam Thomas, and Sherry Wilcher also played.

Jean Fitzhugh and Kathy Smart tied as the top scorers for Hinds, each having 19 points. Debbie Wiginton had 17 points. Darlene Vickers had six points. Jane Hobbs and Nancy Cleveland each had five points. Vicki Chastain also played for Hinds.

Friday night, February 22, the Warriorettes played the Meridian Eaglettes. From the beginning until halftime this game looked as if it was going to be a thriller. At the end of the first quarter the score was tied 16-16. At halftime the score was EC, 31-Meridian, 37. But the second half was all Eaglettes with them winning 74-58 over the Warriorettes.

Gloria Hollingsworth was the top scorer for the Warriorettes with 18 points. Elise Pepper had 14 points. Pam Turner had 10 points. Sherry Wilcher had 5 points. Pam Thomas and Lynda Clark each had 3 points. Annette Duncan had 2 points. Donna Ellis, Lynn Russell, and Bonnie McMullan each had 1 point.

Top scorer for the Eaglettes was Barbara Lee who had 21 points.



It's a jump ball. Gloria Hollingsworth is jumping and getting the tip for the EC Warriorettes against Hinds.

Baseball Season Begins With Win Over Itawamba

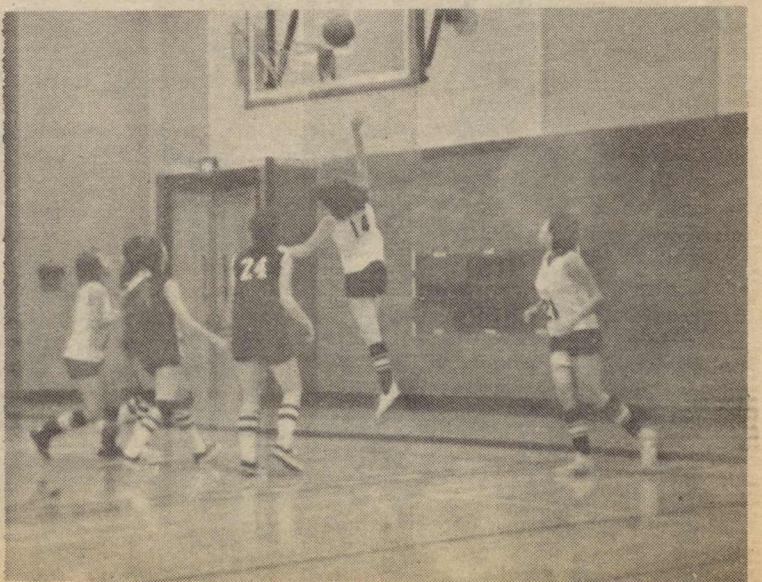
The East Central Warriors began their baseball season with a win over Itawamba 11-9. The leading hitters of the game were Ronald Goldman, who hit 2 for 4. Ricky Smith, who hit 2 for 4. Hamp Beatty, who hit 2 for 4, one of which was a double. Daniel Breau was the winning pitcher.

The Warriors lost their second game to Northeast 12-2. The first hit of the game for East Central was a home run by Mike Sherrett. In the last two endings, Daniel Breau came in as a relief pitcher and struck out four of six batters. The defeat was brought about by a lot of errors on the part of East Central.

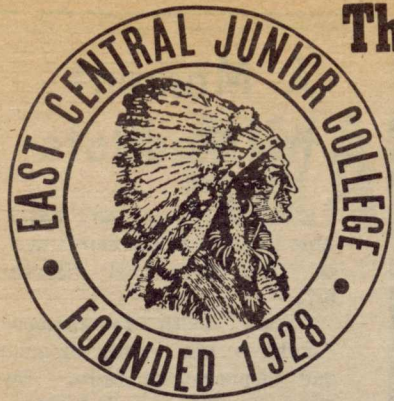
The players for the Warriors are as follows: Mike Sherrett, in field, catcher; Ronald Goldman, second base; Andy Brantley, pitcher, first base, outfield; Ricky Smith, out field, pitcher; Hamp Beatty, third base, out field; Daniel Breau, pitcher; Mike Brown, out field; Ike Gray, pitcher, out field; Pat Kirby, out field; Jimmy Manuel, catcher, in field; Terry Breau, short stop; Barry NaQuin, first base, pitcher; and Don Myers, out field.

The schedule is as follows:

March 29	Itawamba	E. Cen.	3:30 pm
March 30	Northeast	E. Cen.	10:00 am
April 2	Scooba	E. Cen.	3:00 pm
April 5	Northwest	E. Cen.	3:30 pm
April 6	Coahoma	E. Cen.	10:00 am
April 10	Holmes	E. Cen.	3:30 pm
April 11	Delta	E. Cen.	3:30 pm
April 16	Scooba	Scooba	3:30 pm
April 19	Coahoma	Coahoma	3:30 pm
April 20	Northwest	Northwest	10:00 am
April 23	Perk	E. Cen.	3:30 pm
April 26	Holmes	Holmes	3:30 pm
April 27	Delta	Delta	10:00 am
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Gloria Hollingsworth lays up two points against Hinds for EC.



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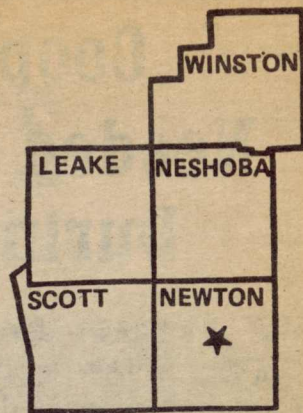
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Next Year SBA Officers Are Elected

The newly elected SBA officers are Lynn Russell, president; Eddie Golden, vice-president; Debra Barnes, secretary; and Janice Branning, treasurer.

Lynn Russell graduated from Decatur High School and is majoring in Medical Technology. Lynn was Freshman homecoming maid and Freshman class favorite. She is also a member of the French Club and is on the basketball and tennis teams. Lynn was selected to the Mississippi Junior College All-State Team and she plans to continue her education at Mississippi State after graduation.

Eddie Golden graduated from Scott Central Christian Academy and is majoring in Dentistry. Eddie was Freshman class favorite and is an active member of the B.S.U.

He also participated in the intramural basketball and his favorite hobby is hunting.

Debra Barnes graduated from Neshoba Central High School and is majoring in Business. Debra was Freshman homecoming maid and was crowned most beautiful. She is also secretary of the Phi Beta Lambda. Debra will be representing East Central in the Miss Mississippi pageant this summer. She is also an active member of the B.S.U.

Janice Branning graduated from Neshoba Central High School and is majoring in Elementary Education. Janice is secretary of the Freshman class and a member of the S.E.A. She is also a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the B.S.U., and is on the Tom - Tom staff.



Gloria Hollingsworth receives the Citizenship Award from Dean Brackeen.

Five Students Are Selected To ECJC's '73-'74 Hall Of Fame

Five students on campus have been selected to E.C.J.C.'s 1973-1974 Hall of Fame. They are Leonard Barrier, Gloria Hollingsworth, Jane Hollingsworth, Martha James, and Annette Duncan.

Leonard Barrier graduated from Neshoba Central and is an English major. He is a sophomore class officer serving as reporter and is editor of the "Tom Tom." After graduation he plans to attend Mississippi College and complete his major.

"Leonard is always ready to do more than his share of that to be done," one of his teachers commented.

Gloria Hollingsworth graduated from Scott County Christian Academy. She is president of the Student Body Association, President of SBA, a Beauty, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and major in elementary education and speech education.

One of her teachers remarked, "She has an outstanding attitude; she always has a smile for everyone."

Jane Hollingsworth graduated from Union High School and is a music major. She was voted Most Beautiful, member of the ECJC Players, member of Phi Theta Kappa, and a member of the band. She is also a sophomore class

officer, Maid of Honor for the May Queen, and has had the lead in both the productions, THE MALE ANIMAL and CAMELOT.

"She will contribute much to East Central in the future with her warm personality and her kind words toward East Central in respect to her stay here," a member of the faculty stated.

Martha James graduated from Union High School. She serves as treasurer of Phi Theta Kappa, sophomore class treasurer, a member of Women's Council, and is co-editor of the ECJC yearbook, the Wo-He-Lo. She is also in the ECJC Players. Martha plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi with a major in Elementary Education.

"Martha has maintained a 3.88 grade point average," an instructor commented.

Annette Duncan is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, French Club, and is a representative to the SBA. She has been a member of the tennis team for 2 years. Her teacher remarked, "No one could ask more of a student that Annette has contributed to this school."

These students will well represent the school not only now, but also in the years to come.

Graduation Plans Are Revealed

Another year has almost ended and for those graduating it is now time to say goodbye to friends and foes at ECJC. Their final goodbye will come when they receive their diplomas.

On Friday, May 10, 1974, at 8:00 P.M. the graduates will march out onto the football field for the graduation ceremony. This has been a year of many accomplishments both bad and good. Many will hang onto their memories of EC, but some will be glad to leave here and forget EC. Most are now looking forward to next year. We on the Tom-Tom staff want to wish the graduates the best of luck.

The program for this year is: Processional; Pomp and Circumstance; The Invocation given by Reverend Fred Fowler, Pastor, Clarke-Venable Baptist Church, Decatur, Mississippi; Special Music, Where E'er You Walk, presented by Miss Jane Hollingsworth accompanied by Mrs. Thornton; The presentation of speaker by Dr. Charles Wright, President of ECJC; Address by Reverend Frank E. Dement, Jr., Superintendent of Meridian District of The Mississippi Conference of The United

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Summer School Will Begin May 27, 1974

The first semester of summer school will begin May 27, 1974. Dormitories will open Sunday, May 26, and they will be air conditioned.

All classes will be held in air conditioned rooms and there will be three periods a day. The first period will begin at 8:00 and end at 10:00. The second period will be from 10:15 to 12:15. The third period will begin at 1:00 and end at 3:00.

Vocational classes will begin at 8:00 and end at 2:45 with a daily lunch break from 12:00 till 12:45.

There are openings in Cosmetology, Vocational, and nearly all regular classes offered.

The buses from Carthage and Morton probably will not run this summer for there aren't enough people signed up to continue this program for the summer session.

If you are interested in summer school and intend to be a student this summer, then it is time to sign up now.



SBA officers elected are (left to right) Debra Barnes, secretary; Janice Branning, treasurer; Lynn Russell, president; and Eddie Golden, vice-president.

Cooperation Needed In Library During Exams

A lack of consideration best describes student conduct in the library. Student conduct is bad enough during the daytime; but at night, when the library is crowded, the problem is greatly amplified.

Oddly enough, most of those who cause a disturbance are actually studying. Half a class gathers in the library the night before a test, and everybody tries to study together. This creates quite a problem since only four chairs are allowed at a table and since talking above a whisper is "out."

Students come into the library and drag chairs from one table to another that is already filled. The librarian goes and reminds the students that only four people are allowed at a table. The students willingly move, but by the time the librarian gets to her desk they are back where they moved from. This is absolutely ridiculous. College students should be mature enough not to have to be watched like elementary kids.

If you want to study in a group, why not go to a classroom? There you will not disturb other students who are trying to study, and you can probably study better yourselves.

The student handbook states, "The library is maintained for research and study. The atmosphere should always be one of prevailing quietness and consideration for one's fellow student. At no time will loud talking or unnecessary noise be tolerated. Students who do not conduct themselves properly will be asked to leave the library."

As examinations approach, more and more people will be using the library for studying. The rules in the handbook WILL be enforced. If you are asked to leave, the best thing you can do is leave quietly.

East Central - A Lifetime Memory

Not many weeks ago students were saying, "Oh, what a drag! It seems as though school will never end." But now that school is almost over one can hear many students commenting about how quickly the school year has flown by.

Many freshmen are looking forward to summer holidays with plans for returning to East Central in the fall, but for the graduating sophomores things are different. We look back on our years here with happy memories; we look to the future with anticipation, much as we did when we were graduating from high school.

Now we must bid farewell to East Central, to our teachers, and to our friends who are going their separate ways. But we do not depart empty-minded, empty-hearted, or empty-handed. What we have gotten here will last us for a lifetime.

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— Toward A Bigger And Better ECJC —

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To Cram or Not To Cram?



Fire Hazards On Campus Are Revealed

It seems that there is one exceptionally bad fire hazard on this campus and that hazard is the freshman dorm: Jackson Hall.

It is a well known fact that electrical wires in trees are a fire hazard yet all you have to do is walk around to the back of Jackson Hall and you can clearly see the wires, quite a few of them, wrapped in the trees. In some of the rooms some of the lights have shortages in them and this certainly seems to be a fire hazard. If you don't have this problem at your house or the place where you stay, then you can't imagine the frustration at walking into a room and turning on a light and having it flicker on. It has a choice of coming on or going off or both.

Then there is the subject of the fence. Those poor freshman girls are now penned in so that they are protected from the boys. But this protection has put them in danger of fire. Suppose there is a fire and the girls get out the fire escape then where do they go for now they run into a fence. Well the freshman girls hope that the reasons are good ones. But at least the freshman girls are safe from the opposite sex. Thank you administration.

A Moment to Meditate

Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. II Timothy 3:7.

"Thus saith the textbook --believe me with absolute and unquestioned faith. My word is final. It is impossible for me to be wrong. Thus saith the textbook."

I never cease to wonder at the marvelous "faith" of many students concerning their textbooks, especially the ones dealing with modern scientific theory. Just because the textbook says so, some young people swallow the whole story--hook, line, and stinker. (That's right, I said "stinker", for much that is taken for granted to be fact is nothing more or less than the idea of a man who has no other purpose in mind than to try to poison our minds against the Word of God. And that stinks!)

Textbooks must continually be revised--the Bible, never! Next time your instructor tries to mimic the textbook on some theory contrary to the Bible, ask for ABSOLUTE PROOF!

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New Fashion Trend Dye- Patterning

Whether your a craftsy type or not, your bound to be tempted by the new super tops now on the markets. They're made from a method called "dye-patterning" - a relatively easy process that lets you plan your own designs, pick your own colors, do your own kind of projects. Like the ancient art of batik, dye-patterning uses wax and liquid dye to create original designs on many types of fabric. Cover up the parts you don't want dyed with wax. The wax resists the dye, so only the unwaxed parts take color. Best thing of all: the designs are only as limited as your imagination. And tops are only the beginning - you can use dye-patterning to jazz up almost anything, from tablecloths to scarves.

Processional: Pomp and Circumstance.Elgar

Invocation.Reverend Fred Fowler
Pastor, Clarke - Venable Baptist Church, Decatur, Mississippi

Where E'er You Walk.Handel
Miss Jane Hollingsworth; Mrs. Thornton, Acc.

Presentation of Speaker.Dr. Charles Wright
President

Address.Reverend Frank E. Dement, Jr.
Superintendent of Meridian District of
The Mississippi Conference of The United Methodist Church

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees
and Certificates.Dr. B.J. Tucker
Academic Dean

Awarding of Degrees and Certificates.Dr. Charles Wright
and Mr. Frank Rives, Registrar

Benediction.Reverend H.G. Winstead
Pastor, Decatur United Methodist Church, Decatur, Mississippi

Recessional: War March of the Priests.Mendelssohn

COMMENCEMENT

May 10, 1974

at 8:00 P.M.

AWARDS DAY HONOR STUDENTS

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

Margaret C. Ayers; Willie James Bailiff; Gilbert Barham; Patricia Baugh; Rhonda Dell Barnes; Leonard Barrier; David Blount; Michael Ted Boler; William Carl Brasher; Phil Broadhead; James Norman Brown; Mike Brown; Robert Alan Brunson; James Harold Bush; V. Dwayne Carmichael; Frank Joseph Carucci; Bobby Joe Chamblee; Paul Allen Chance; Gregory L. Cheatham; Gloria J. Cleveland; Patsy Comans; Susan Cosgrove; Olyn Dell Coward; Louis Pickett Crenshaw; Glen Crotwell; Rhonda Joy Culpepper; Bill Cumberland; Rita Faye Dickinson; Randell James Dilley; Richard H. Dilley; Annette Duncan; Sharon Eakes; Benny Frank Earls; Johnita Ann Evans; Billy W. Everett; B. Gail Fondren; Patricia Ruth Foster; Marcia Frances Freeny; Anthony Wilson Fulton; Beverly Carol Gaddis; Carolyn Jean Ganann; Carl Edward Germany; Sidney Randall Gibbs; Phyllis Patrice Green; Danny Ray Hamil; Robert E. Hamm; Gayle Hardin; Mattie Lorraine Harpole; Bernard Gayle Harrell; Vickie Lynn Harvey; Michael V. Henry; Harold Glenn Hicks, Sr.; Gloria Lee Hollingsworth; Jane Hollingsworth; T. Freeman Hollingsworth; John Waymon Holyfield; Denise Horton; Thomas Lamar Howle, Jr.; Martha James; Pat Elizabeth Jeffcoat; Karen Mae Johnson; Tony Johnson; Martha Rebecca Jolly; Jackie Douglas Jones; Michael H. Jones; Ted Lester Jones; Rita Gail Keller; Kathleen Kelly; Pamela Diane Kemp; John N. Kirby, II; Leslie Elizabeth Kuyendall; James Les Land; Trena Miriam Lashley; Marvin Lindsey; Stanley Lucky; Sandy Joe McBeath; Larry C. McFarland; Guy C. McGee; Ramona McKee; Sarah Louise McNair; Tamara Shea Madden; William Ricky May; Janice Kay Measels; Curtis Moore; Howard Steve Moorehead; Margie Morgan; Danny R. Moulds; Tommy Joe Munn; Patsy Muse;

Deborah Susan Myers; Danny Myrick; Anna Beth Neal; Phyllis Dean Nowell; Angela J. O'Bannon; Deborah Kay Ozborn; Billy W. Patrick; Robert Ray Peebles; Jean Pennington; Barbara Bridges Pryor; Steven D. Quinn; Rocky Kent Reeves; Vicki T. Reeves; H. Franklin Rhea, Jr.; Russell E. Robbins, Jr.; Kathy Lee Savell; Shirley Kaye Savell; Michael Quinn Sherret; Donna Faye Smith; Luther B. Smith; Clifford Earl Stamper; Richard W. Stamper; Gary Michael Staton; John R. Stephens; Rodney Leon Tadlock; Jack Thames; Judy Ann Thornton; Robert A. Tolbert; Gloria Jean Waggoner; Gregory Brian Waggoner; Larry A. Waggoner; Gary Stanley Whittington; Billy Mack Wilbanks; Sherry Marie Wilcher; Terry Alton Wilkerson; John L. Winans; Becky Windham; and Ricky Norman Winstead.

Those graduating in the Intensive Business course are: Debra Elizabeth Barnes; Kathy Becton; Virginia Coleen Caldwell; Betty Nell Coward; Pamela A. Cox; Deon Day; Winnie Fay Driskell; Debra Lynn Gainey; Hilda Jean Gatewood; Lila Lee Holman; Karen Howell; Verlean Jackson; Janice Lynn Johnson; Debbie Kay Lang; Virgie Ann Lindley; Cathy McDonald; Elizabeth Kate McLeMore; Jackie Lynn Moore; Kathy Lynn Pearson; Linda Rhea; Payllis Richardson; Dianne Rodgers; Terrill Lee Rothhammer; Sandra J. Russell; Jennifer Gayle Thompson; Janet Ann Westerfield; Clara White; and Mary Walker Withers.

Those graduating with a Vocational Certificate are: James Floyd Bates; Joel Lee Cockrell; Harold Norman Cole; Glen R. Green; Carlston L. Isaac; Tommy Ray McDaniel; David Lemuel Metts; Freddie Gene Reed; Benny Clyde Robinson; Stephen Ray Thomas; Bobby M. Williams; and Gaines Wroten.

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DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS AT ECJC-- Students at East Central Junior College, Decatur, receiving departmental awards for the best academic averages were, from left to right: (first row) Annette Duncan of Philadelphia--French Award; Gail Keller of Collinsville--Singers Award; Wilma Evans of Decatur--French Award; Nell Wilmer of Carthage--Art Award; Charlotte Madden of Walnut Grove--Freshman Math Award; (middle row) Trina Lashley of Philadelphia--Secondary Education Award; Zylphia Boyles

of Lake--Newspaper Reporter Award; Travis O'Cain of Morton--VICA Award; Gene Reed of Louisville--VICA Award; and Don Howle of Carthage--VICA Award; (back row) Robert McDonald of Philadelphia--Freshman Chemistry Award; Keith Guillory of Hickory--Art Award; Leonard Barrier of Philadelphia--Newspaper Editor's Award; Jimmy Gaines of Decatur--Players Award; Edward Germany of Union--VICA Award; and Keith Sanborn of Noxapater--VICA Member of the Year Award.



RECEIVE ALUMNI MEMORIAL AWARDS AT ECJC--Recipients of Alumni Memorial Awards presented last week at East Central Junior College were, from left to right: (front row) Karen Johnson of Lena--John Lambert Neil Award for Wesley Foundation; Martha James of Union--Jack B. Mayo Award for Phi Theta Kappa; Annette Duncan of Philadelphia--Earline Wood Award for Best Female Athlete; Janice Johnson of Forest--Sara Carr Deaton Award for Secretarial Science; Wilma Evans of Decatur--Alatha Chaney Award for

English; Susan Cosgrove of Philadelphia--Ruth Hull Award for Home Economics; Gloria Hollingsworth of Lake--Opal McMullan Dickerson Award for Elementary Education; (back row) Mike Boler of Union--Dr. Edwin Miller Award for Medical Services; Robert Hamm of Forest--W.A. Corsey, Jr. Award for Engineering; Tommy Joe Munn of Decatur--Wallace Bedwell Award for Business; Gene Reed of Louisville--Andrew F. Memorial Award for Football; and Ronnie Goldman of Philadelphia--William S. Griffin Award for Men's Intramurals.



Phyllis Nowell, a sophomore, is an outgoing officer in the BSU and will serve as a summer missionary to Kentucky.



EC Students Attend PTK Convention

At 6:00 A.M. Thursday morning April 4, those students going to the Phi Theta Kappa Convention and the sponsors left East Central headed for Kansas City Missouri.

The students traveled to Kansas City by way of St. Louis. While in St. Louis they saw the famous arch and ran into a massive traffic jam. They arrived in Kansas City at 11:00 Thursday night.

Ricky Winstead was the delegate from East Central. He was required to attend all of the meetings. At the first meeting there was the roll call of the delegates; 135 were present. They also heard the reports of the regional representatives.

Ricky commented "I certainly enjoyed listening to the campaigning speeches and just meeting people from all over the United States." On Friday afternoon the students were entertained by the Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra.

Jack Crocker, a teacher at Mississippi University for Women, entertained the students Friday night. He teaches creative writing at MUW. He read some of his poetry and sang some of his songs. He also accompanied himself. Most of the students enjoyed Jack Crocker the best. He seemed to be able to relate to both the sponsors and the students.

On Saturday there were tours to the Truman Library and the Nelson Art Gallery.

Some said the tours were not long enough. They also went to a shopping center and some went to the movies.

On Sunday morning Richard Woodworth who is the great-great-grandson of William Woodworth spoke. He did a reading of Shakespeare.

Mrs. Heard said she was impressed at the way the students participated in the programs. She enjoyed hearing what the other PTK chapters were doing and their programs. She said she seemed a little amazed at the cooperation of the students and some of the campaigns.

They stayed at the Meuhlebach Hotel which is a famous convention hotel in downtown Kansas City. The highlight of the convention came Sunday night at 11:30 as the baseball team the Oakland A's arrived at the hotel. Many of the students got autographs and got to meet some of the baseball players.

They left Kansas City at 1:00 Monday morning and headed home to East Central. They came back by way of Springfield Missouri and down through the Ozarks. At dawn Monday they were in the Ozarks. Mr. Mayes said he watched the dogwood for it is just blooming now in the Ozarks.

They arrived home at 5:00 Monday afternoon tired out but possibly glad that they went.

"Big Look" Appears On Fashion Scene

The "Big Look" - large, oversized clothes worn in layers-will undoubtedly be the fashion fad for the young girls next winter. Buyers at the Paris ready-to-wear salons were gloomy about it at first but at the end of five days of hectic show shopping they seem to have their eye on it.

You have got to be young and very skinny to stand all that fabric thrown around the body and the droopy look of ling, oversized dresses. The big look can so easily look bedraggled or untidy. Nevertheless it is one of the main fashion offerings in the Paris shows for fall and winter, and it is going to take on in Europe.

All those four-sizes-too-big, unlined, trench coats, coachman's coats, capes and tent coats are worn over a dress, over a sweater, over two blouses and are topped by long mufflers (two rather

than one) and a silk scarf knotted round the neck plus a few rows of beads. Skirts are big and swinging, often topped by a loose tunic or a pouched sweater. Many dresses cut on the bias swing from the shoulders almost to the ankle. If you have the figure, the pocket book, and the life style for these sort of clothes, Lagerfeld and Kenzo are the labels to look for.

Most of the American buyers are taking some of these clothes as a try-out because it is new and so different and they aren't sure how the people will receive them.

There is one unexpected spin-off from the new fashion. The legion of forgotten women, the big girls, are going to be able to get fashionable clothes from the rack that will actually fit them.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADS





Dr. Wright pins the enlistment badge on Miss Sherry Wilcher for her recruiting of additional members to the ROTC program on campus. Col. Wallington awaits with (from left to right) Mary Mitchell and Nell Wimer for their recognition.

ROTC Enlistment Is Rising

The ROTC program at ECJC has once again begun to rise in the enlistment number. Students have become aware of the importance participation in such an organization can be.

In a recent drill, ECJC has an outstanding rating and also at the ROTC Ball, the students represented ECJC very well.

The program at first was a little with-drawn from the students, but as interest continued to stir, the students soon realized that this was where they belonged.

When these students step out in their outfits, ECJC has much to be proud of. They stand for the best--the only side of life that is worthwhile.

The administration is extremely proud of the program. It was an unexpected treat to see that girls also showed an interest.

"The ROTC program allows each individual to express himself in the best way they can. You can be yourself and have no hang-ups," one student added.

There is still room in the program for more students. If you think that you might be

interested, just talk to the members. They can truly convince you that the ROTC is the best thing on the campus.

Art Teacher Gets MRS Degree

Miss Beverly Bankston, art director at ECJC, will be leaving the school after this semester. She will be married this summer, and fulfill a new role as wife.

The art students have truly enjoyed her classes, and all the other students really appreciate her charm and wit. There is always a pleasant smile on her face and kind thought in her mind.

Miss Bankston has served the college in other ways than just teaching art. She aided the freshman dorm during the loss of Mrs. Irene Wagner. There have been several field trips due to her consideration of the entire student body.

Recently the faculty surprised her with a gadget shower. All the guests even brought their favorite recipes.

Dorm Parties

The girls' dorm had their spring parties to accent the second semester. Both dorm mothers worked extra hard to make the party an enjoyable one. Refreshments consisted of strawberry cake, fudge, potato chips, dip, sandwiches and punch. From the student participation, they must have really enjoyed it.

The dorm mothers enjoyed it also. It is sad to think that next year things will be entirely different. But we all played our individual parts in making this year as great as it was.

Teacher Doubles As Major

Mr. Thomas Mayes is not only active in his teaching profession of English, but also he is active in the Air National Guard. He has been a member of the guard since December 1958 and has found the Guard to be rewarding and enjoyable.

"At the time I joined the Guard, it was meeting on EC's campus in the old gym. I was living in the brick apartments and one day just decided to join," Mr. Mayes stated.

When asked a particular reason for joining, he added, "I was wanting an outboard for my boat and this was a way that I could gain the extra money." As he continued in the Guard, his pay increased and now Mr. Mayes only has 1 1/2 years before his retirement.

On October 31, 1973 he gained a promotion from the rank of Captain to that of Major. "Of course, I had to wait for

Federal recognition from Washington before the promotion was final. This recognition came about the middle of January," Mr. Mayes remarked. His new position as Major gives him the responsibility of being the Chief Administration Officer with seven men working under him.

"When I joined the Guard, it was the Army Branch. In this branch I was classed E6 and had no hope of ever going any further. I applied for a conditional release, and it was granted to everyone's surprise. Then I transferred to the Air National Guard which is stationed in Meridian," Mr. Mayes added.

Mr. Mayes would like to reach the position of Lieutenant Colonel and stay in for another seven years.

"The Guard is good," he said. "It has good money, but it took me six years to ever get my outboard motor."

Building Plans Started

Phase I of the one-half-million-dollar building which will replace the administration building has already begun. A new boiler has been installed to take the place of the old one, which will be taken away when the Administration Building is torn down to make way for the new one.

New duct work has been placed in the old part of Jackson Hall. This duct work along with an air-handling unit, which has been placed on the second floor, will allow Jackson Hall's present boiler and air conditioning unit to heat and cool all of the dorm. Heating for the dorm had formerly come from the boiler room in the Administration Building.

Plans for the new building have been submitted to the Building Commission, and actual work on the building should start soon after school is out for the summer.

The new building will contain six regular classrooms. In addition, it will have a

teaching auditorium which will seat 123. The plush seats in the auditorium will have folding arms that can either be used for desk work or be folded away. The auditorium will have a stage 18 inches high.

A home economics living room, a sewing lab and a cooking lab will also be in the new building. There will be a faculty lounge, both faculty and student rest rooms, a public relations office, a faculty post office, a night watchman's office, a janitorial area, and storage rooms. The building will be set back from the street, leaving room for parking.

Next fall, classes that have been meeting in the Administration Building will meet elsewhere on campus. Teachers whose offices are now located in the building will have to move out. But any inconvenience caused now will be more than made up for by the new building, which will be modern in every respect.

ECJC Players Awards Presented

The social function of the year for the ECJC Players was held Wednesday night, May 2, at 7:00 p.m.; the ECJC Players Awards Banquet.

Special entertainment was provided by Jane Hollingsworth, Jack Thames, Tom Carson and Jimmy Gaines. Sharon Eakes provided the music. The President of the Student Body, Gloria Hollingsworth also spoke.

The awards given were Most Congenial, Jimmy Gaines; Best Actor, Jimmy Gaines; Best Actress, Jane Hollingsworth; Best Supporting Actor, Tom Carson; Best

Supporting Actress, Patsy Muse; Players Award, Jimmy Gaines; Best Line, Mary Lynn Crawford for "The Male Animal" and Jane Hollingsworth for "Camelot"; Best Character Role, Junior Williams; Best Committee, Donna Webb and the costume committee; Best Chorus, Sarah McNair and Johnny Presley; Best Dancer, Gail Fondren and Marvin Lindsey; Best Stagehand, Rusty Robbins; Best Crew Member, Louis Crenshaw; Best Walk-on, Martha James; Snoopy, Mr. Sommars dog received an award also for her performance in "Camelot"; Tena McCurdy

received an award for the Best Hairstyle.

Appreciation awards were given to Mr. Fick, Mr. Sommars, and Mrs. Thornton for their help in "Camelot"; Mr. Lee for his help in "The Male Animal" which was a dinner theater and for feeding the Players; Mrs. Pouncey and the Fashion Squad for their help as hostesses; The Cosmotology for doing the hair styles in both productions; Mrs. Tannehill for her work in publicity.

Mr. Peterson received an award from the Players as Best Director. The event was formal and refreshments were served after the program.



These shirts are but a few of the unusual patterns in which Mrs. Graham has expressed her talent with the recent hobby fad of needle-craft.

Mrs. Graham Starts Fad

Mrs. Graham was one of the first on E.C.J.C.'s campus to develop the unusual hobby of needle-craft. Now many students, as well as teachers, have also become interested.

Mrs. Graham's first endeavor was to fill her son's wish for a dragon on one of his work shirts. When asked if she could do such a thing, Mrs. Graham was too imaginative to refuse to try. After searching through nursery books, she finally found a suitable pattern. The dragon was not only colorful, but it also stirred requests for various designs.

"I enjoy this hobby; it gives me relaxation and is also a very personal skill."

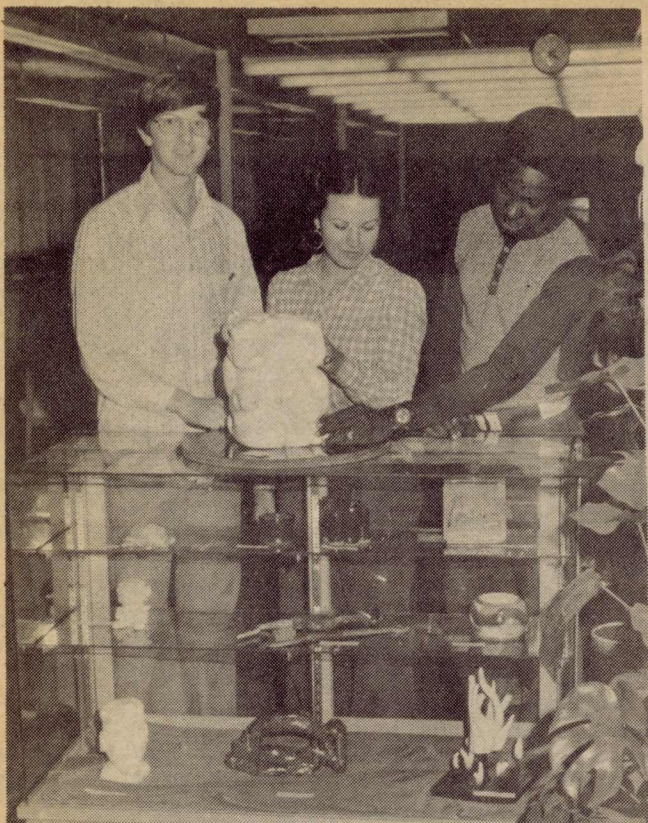
Her sons were not the

only ones to ask her help for decorative patterns. "I don't mind drawing a picture for anyone, but I just don't have the time to finish articles for everyone."

Mrs. Graham has also done stitchery on clothing for gifts. Youngsters as well as adults are eager and excited to wear their distinctive outfits. "My younger children are especially proud of small creatures on their shirts and pants."

"Anyone can do this. it's not hard, it only takes a little time and thoughtful consideration."

Try your hand at this outstanding hobby; and if you need any help, just see Mrs. Graham. She's a pro.



These students are observing the exhibit in the library. From left to right: Keith Guillory, Donna Ellis and Earnest Hart.

Ceramics Exhibited

Many beautiful ceramics and sculptures made by the ceramics students were displayed in the library. This was a combination show of thrown pieces and also coil and slab made with clay. The sculptures were made of Plaster of Paris and were designed by the Design II students of the spring semester.

Among the pieces on exhibit were: Slab Ceramic Piece and Ceramic Sculpture

by Gloria Cleveland, Coil Ceramic Piece, Thrown Ceramic Piece, and Slab Ceramic by Debbie Ozbourn, Pop Ceramic by Lorraine Harpole, Thrown Ceramic by Sara Garvin, Plaster Sculpture by Vickie Harvey, Plaster Sculpture by Janie Jones, Plaster Sculpture and Ceramic Mobile by Wilma Carpenter, and "The Very Last Tango", a Plaster Sculpture done by Peter Carson.

"Apple For The Teacher" Tea Enjoyed By Faculty April 11

"Apple for the Teacher" tea was held April 11 in the Home Ec. Department. The annual event was sponsored by the sophomore food's class. All the faculty and staff members were invited to attend.

The tea table was accented with a lace cloth. The five branch candelabra was surrounded by a mass of spring flowers. The green and yellow color scheme added a touch of Easter, as well as the Easter decorations on the party

table.

A green festive punch was served with a variety of delicious food. A Greek pastery, Baklava was served. The main ingredient Filo, had to be purchased in Pensacola, Florida. The Butter Mints were made by the girls, and the Petiti Fours were hand decorated. Some other "goodies" that were served were Ham "n" Swiss Pinwheel Hors d'Oeuvres, Sausage and Biscuit Balls, Peanut Butter Sticks, Date Nut Pinwheel

Cookies, Toasted nuts, Pickled Corn, Shrimp Party Sandwiches, and Assorted Open-face Sandwiches.

The teachers have many people to thank for the beautiful tea. The food and clothing girls in the Home Ec. Department and Mrs. Pouncy worked hard getting things together. The Fashion Squad and clothing department served as tea girls and Mr. Harris helped with the flower decorations.

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May Day Highlights The School Year

One of the highlights of the school year was the annual May Day which was held May 2. This year Rita Dickinson reigned as May Day Queen with Jane Hollingsworth as her Maid of Honor. Other members of the court were Karen Johnson, Johnita Evans, Angela O'Brannon, Carolyn Ganann and Judy Thornton. Others that were recognized

were Mr. & Miss ECJC: Steve Quinn & Gloria Cleveland; Sophomore favorites: Mike Boller, Randy Dilley, Rodney Tadlock, Gail Fondren, Gloria Hollingsworth and Martha James; Freshmen favorites: Terry Breaux, Ricky Breaux, Eddie Goldman, Pat Murphy, Pam Newell and Lynn Russell; Miss East Central Jr. College and Most Beautiful: Debra Barnes; Most Handsome: Max

Anderson; and the Beauties: Pam Newell, Sharon Hill, Gloria Hollingsworth and Tanya Majures.

Mr. Vickers was in charge of the choreography and used many of the East Central students in various parts of the May Day program.

This May Day was one the EC student body will long remember and we hope everyone enjoyed it.

Freshman Class Worked Hard For A Successful Prom

On April 18th, excitement filled the atmosphere as time for the annual Freshman-Sophomore Prom approached.

The prom was held in the cafeteria. Mariah, the well-known band from Jackson, entertained with a variety of music. They were real good and everyone seemed to enjoy the music.

The theme of the prom was "Beyond the Rainbow" and decorations were centered around this thought. A large multi-colored rainbow made of cardboard covered with crate paper extended over the band stand. Hanging from the center of the room was a large rotating globe. From the globe, many colored streamers swept across the room to all sides. Hanging among the streamers were Chinese lanterns and balls.

On the east wall hung a large sign "Beyond the Rainbow" which was painted in blue with glittered letters. Also the bulletin board was decorated with blue and pink crate paper surrounded by hand-made butterflies. These were made of net and sequenes.

Roman punch and several kinds of cookies were served in the Student Center during intermission from 9:30 to 10:00.

At 12:00 the end came. Mariah was called back for one final song. Until next year---FAREWELL!!!!

Happy Days

TO YOU...CLASS OF '74



Mrs. Gipson, the sophomore dorm mother, chats with Pat Foster and Johnita Evans.

EXAM SCHEDULE

— MONDAY, MAY 6th —

3rd Period — 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
4th Period — 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

— TUESDAY, MAY 7th —

7th Period — 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.
6th Period — 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
1st Period — 1:15 P.M. - 3:15 P.M.

— WEDNESDAY, MAY 8th —

2nd Period — 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.
5th Period — 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
8th Period — 1:15 P.M. - 3:15 P.M.

A Book Review Column Between The Covers

by Zylphia Boyles

Love; this word means different things to different people but to Jeremy Jones it means horses, New York, the cello, and Susan the new girl at school.

What about Susan? Well, Susan Rollins loves Jeremy Jones. "Jeremy" is an irresistible story of love by John Minahan. It won the Gannes Film Festival Award. It veers away from the politics and drugs that are so often seen in teenage pictures. "Jeremy" is a simple love story between two youngsters who are just barely old enough to know and understand love.

It all happened one crazy autumn when the leaves fell early. School had begun and Jeremy was a sophomore in high school. He was or rather seemed to be the typical teenager. He enjoyed music and at his father's insistence had gotten a job after school walking dogs to pay for his music lessons. His only visible fault was that he was a day-dreamer. Everyone seemed to hassle him about his day-dreaming even his music teacher, Max Eisenstein.

On one certain day in October fate appeared in Jeremy's life. He was in his music class at school and was asked to go to another classroom and find some chalk. He walked down the long corridor and heard ballet music. He walked past an open door and saw her practicing alone in front of a large mirror, absorbed in the music. He stood there watching her until she realized it. They spoke and he clammed up. Girls had always made him feel so shy and inferior. He forgot the chalk and had to go to another room to find it. Jeremy was late returning

to class and he was so embarrassed that he couldn't think of an excuse.

Jeremy worshiped her for days then his best friend decided to take a stand and get them introduced. All he did was get Jeremy so embarrassed that he wouldn't even think of asking her out now. But inside Jeremy knew he still wanted to ask her out but he found out she was a junior; another problem.

Finally Jeremy reached the conclusion now or never and he called her. She said yes and that yes started one of the best romances New York had ever seen. They did everything together. He walked her to school every morning and he spent as much time as he could with her during the day.

Then it happened; it took Jeremy almost half a day to realize that something was wrong. Finally they had long enough to talk. They went to the auditorium and there Susan poured out her problem to Jeremy. Jeremy gave Susan a present and she promised to give him one.

Before walking toward the plane Susan placed Jeremy's present in his pocket. When she was gone he jammed his free hand into his pocket. When he felt the cold metal, it surprised him for an instant, and then he remembered. He didn't even have to take it out. Jeremy could tell by its bulk and the feel of the signet and he already knew what the inscription meant.

Like to find out what happened to Jeremy and Susan then get a copy of the book and read it. Or go to the movies; yes "Jeremy" is now an award-winning motion picture from United Artists. I think you'll enjoy either one depending on which you'd prefer to do; read the book or see the movie. It's your choice.



Teacher Profile Of The Week - - Mr. R. G. Fick

Mr. R.G. Fick, our faculty member in profile, is one of the most remarkable men you can ever hope to meet anywhere.

Mr. Fick, who hales from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, joined ECJC's faculty in 1951. Ever since, he has been head of the music department.

At present, Mr. Fick teaches Music Theory I and II, gives private voice lessons, and is joint director of the choir. He has also taught Music Survey, Music History, band, and instrument.

Mr. Fick received his Bachelor of Education Degree from Eastern Illinois State Teachers' College in Charleston, Illinois. He received both his M.M. and M. Ed. Degrees from George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee. He has done further work at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Mr. Fick, who has been teaching since 1940, once taught elementary music in a one-room school in Deadman's Curve, Illinois. He has also taught high school band and chorus.

Mr. Fick met Geraldine, his wife, in school in Illinois. Mrs. Fick teaches elementary music at Witherspoon Elementary School, Meridian, Mississippi. The Ficks have one son, Leonard, who is a junior in high school. Leonard plays trombone in the band.

Mr. Fick is the oldest of six brothers. In the depression years before he entered college, Mr. Fick worked in a greenhouse and nursery in Pittsburgh. "We made fifteen cents an hour at real hard labor," he said. "And we worked Sundays for nothing." Mr. Fick also said that the temperature would reach 130 degrees in the greenhouse

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Methodist Church; Presentation of Candidates for Degrees and Certificates by Dr. B.J. Tucker, Academic Dean; Awarding of Degrees and Certificates by Dr. Charles Wright and Mr. Frank Rives, Registrar; Benediction by Reverend H.G. Winstead, Pastor, Decatur United Methodist Church, Decatur, Mississippi.

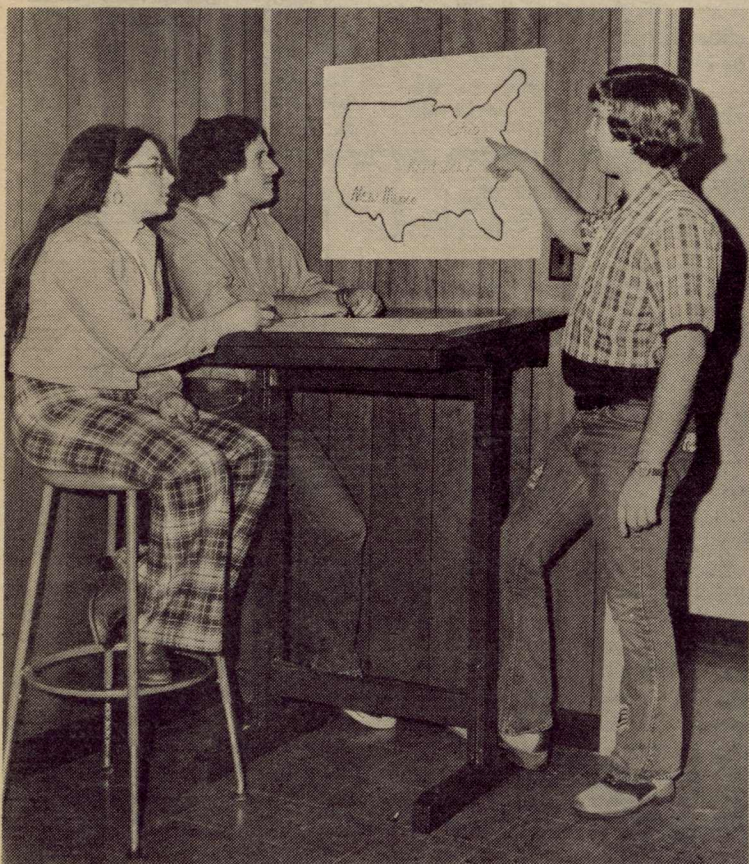
Music Students Present Program During Fine Arts Week

Fine arts week here on the East Central campus will begin on April 21. On Sunday, April 21, there will be an organ and voice recital which will be presented in the Methodist Church here in Decatur. The time for this recital will be 2:30 that afternoon. Three Sophomore students from here at East Central will be participating in the recital. They are: Jean Pennington from Decatur, Gayle Keller from Beulah Hubbard and Bob Peoples from Philadelphia.

The next day which is Monday, April 22, there will be a piano and voice recital held in the Fine Art building at 7:30. Again the students participating in the recital are all sophomores and students here at E.C. They are: Sarah McNair from Philadelphia, Barbara Peir from Forest, and Gayle Keller from B. Hubbard, all three playing the piano. Bill Cumberland from Philadelphia, Lemar Howle from Forest and Jane Hollingsworth from Union all participating in the voice recital.

Skipping a few days in between there will be a chorus, concert band, and stage band recital on Tuesday, April 30. It will also be in the Fine Arts building at 7:00. The chorus will be singing many variety of songs such as in sacred and secular music. The stage band and concert band will be playing music of all types.

All students, faculty, and public are invited to attend the concerts and recitals which will be presented beginning April 21, here on the campus of East Central. They will be presented by the students of the Fine Arts department. This will be a pleasant moment in the lives of these students. Please attend and let them know that you, the students of E.C. are behind them and appreciate their talent and work.

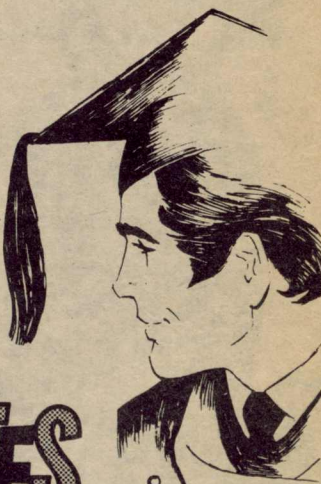


SUMMER MISSIONARIES — Phyllis Nowell, Bill Cumberland, and Eddie Goden will be missionaries this summer. Phyllis Nowell, Louisville, will go to Kentucky; Bill Cumberland, Philadelphia, will go to Arizona; and Eddie Golden, Harpersville, will go to Ohio.

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TO OUR

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Your diligence and perseverance
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TENNIS PLAYERS WRAP UP SEASON

East Central's first tennis match was with Meridian Junior College. EC played their best but was unable to defeat Meridian.

The EC girls team does not have enough girls so they have to forfeit a match with every team they play. Both the girls and boys teams lack experience.

The second tennis match was with Holmes Junior College. EC did not do much better against Holmes. They play much better and were more controlled in their playing but they were not able to beat Holmes.

The third match was with Meridian at EC. They still could not beat Meridian. The next tennis match was with Perk at Perk. The girls were able to win two matches but this was not enough to beat Perk.

Southwest came to EC for a tennis match. This was EC's most successful match as they tied with Southwest. Each school won four matches. For their next match EC went to Holmes Junior College. The girls won two matches but the boys were not able to win a match. But most of the boys matches were close ones though. Holmes won the match.

EC's next match was with Jones County Junior College at Jones. EC was not very successful at Jones. Then on May 4 EC will be going to the University of Southern at Hattiesburg for the State Tennis Matches.



Members of the tennis team are (kneeling left to right) Zylphia Boyles, Mike Boler, Lynn Russell, Tom Heard, Gail Keler. Standing: Annette Duncan,

Larry Wagner, Steve Quinn, Paul Chamblee, Jay Graham, Robert McCoy, Trice Green.



Receiving sports awards were (kneeling left to right) Annette Duncan, basketball award; Lynn Russell, sportsmanship; (standing) Donna Pearson, volleyball; Gene Reed, most outstanding football and lineman. Not pictured, David Blount, basketball.

Intramural Softball Teams Organized

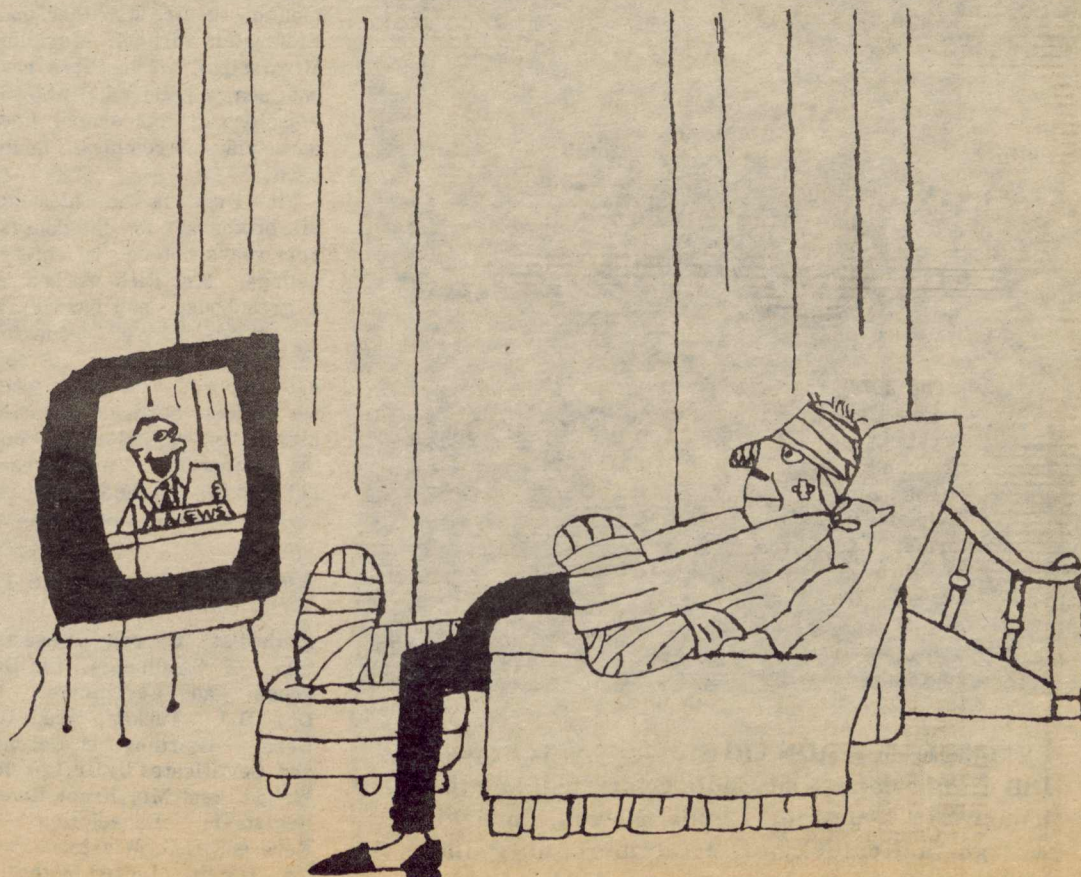
The intramural softball games are getting under way at East Central. There are five teams participating with about twelve players per team. The games are played at 3:30 every day Monday through Thursday. They will play one round of games and then a double elimination tournament. The games and tournament will run through the

first of May. There have been good turn outs for the games so far. The teams are made up of boys now, but girls are welcomed to play if they desire. Any student who has not signed up and would like to play may do so by checking with Dean Bracken or Mr. Hicks.

These games are for the students and they would like

for as many as would to participate. If any student has any new ideas for the intramural program, feel free to talk with someone about them.

For the students use, the old gym is opened under supervision every night from five until eight Monday through Thursday for those who would like to use the facilities there.



"Well, what kind of day has it been?"

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Auto Mechanics
Body & Fender
Electricity
Refrigeration & Air-Con.
Radio & Television
Machine Shop
Welding
Cosmetology

Fall schedule

- Aug. 26 Dormitories open
Freshman orientation
- Aug. 27 Freshman scheduling
Sophomore registration
Vocational registration
- Aug. 28 Vocational students begin classes
- Aug. 29 All other students begin classes
- Nov. 27 Thanksgiving holidays begin
- Dec. 2 Classes resume
- Dec. 16 Final examinations
- Dec. 18 Christmas holidays begin
- Jan. 6 Second semester begins

Summer School begins May 27th

The 1974 summer session at East Central Junior College, Decatur, opens with registration on Monday, May 27.

The summer program will be divided into two five-week terms, the first from May 27 through June 28, and the second from July 1 through August 2. Dorms will be open.

A student may carry two courses and earn six semester hours credit each five weeks. All courses, except laboratory courses, will meet two hours per day, five days per week.

Course offerings for the first term include: Inter-

mediate and Advanced Typewriting, Descriptive Geometry, Fundamentals of Drafting, English Composition, Fundamental Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology, Physical Science, National Government, Intermediate and Advanced Shorthand, General Psychology, English Literature, World History, Piano, Voice, Physics, General Psychology, College Algebra, and Survey of Music.

Total expenses for the summer session will be \$122.90. Included in that amount is the room and board fee of \$72.90 and the school

fee of \$50.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION courses in Auto Body and Fender Repair, Auto Mechanics, Electricity, and Welding will meet daily Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 2:45 P.M., beginning Monday May 27 and continuing through Friday, August 2. Lunch period will be from 12:00 to 12:45 P.M. daily. Vocational course fees are \$50 for the summer session.

COSMETOLOGY summer session will begin on May 20 and end on August 2. Cosmetology will meet daily Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M.

to 3:20 P.M. Lunch period will be from 12:00 to 12:30 P.M. Fees for cosmetology will be \$100 for the summer session.

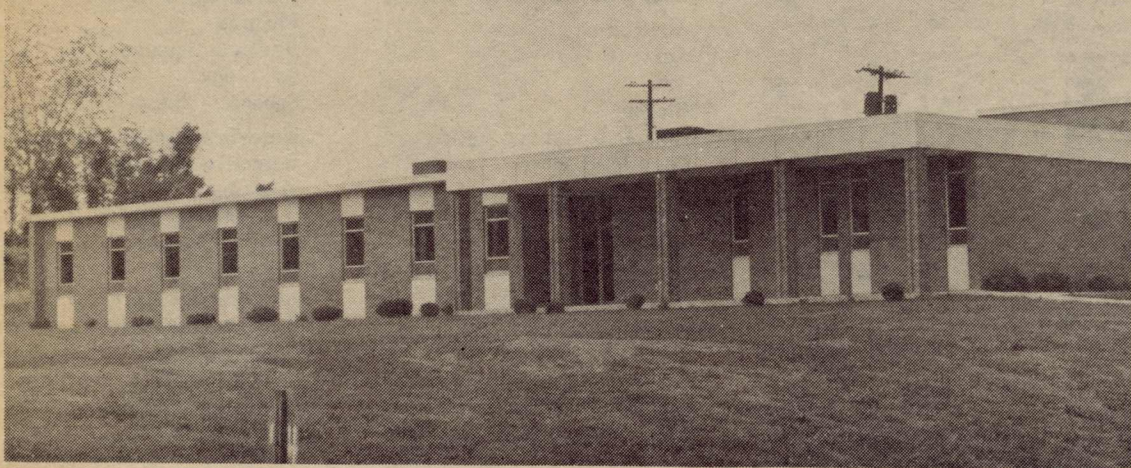
The same basic courses will be offered the second five weeks of summer school, with the addition of Machine and Structural Drafting, Sociology, Speech, and Trigonometry.

Other courses listed in the general college bulletin will be offered if ten or more people enroll for them. A bulletin giving detailed information is available in the office of the registrar.

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Fine Arts Building houses small auditorium, Music, Speech, Art, and Band Departments



Agricultural Technology Building houses Agriculture, Cosmetology and ROTC Departments

Construction of new classroom building to begin this summer

Workers will begin early this summer to tear down the present classroom building, located behind the Administration Building, in order to make way for construction of a new one-half million dollar building.

The ground floor of the new building will house six regular classrooms, an elevated teaching auditorium with plush seating and stage, and a modern Home Economics Department. Also located on the ground floor will be the Public Relations office and photography darkroom, the test preparation and duplicating room, faculty post office, the faculty office complex and the faculty lounge.

Two of the new classrooms will be used primarily for mathematics, and will feature chalk boards extending from the ceiling to the floor.

The teaching auditorium will feature a small stage, audio visual equipment, and plush seating with folding arms that can be used for desk work.

The faculty office complex will feature thirteen spacious and carpeted offices, and a lounge with kitchenette facilities. Combination lock boxes will be used in the

new faculty post office.

The Home Economics Department will house a modern foods laboratory, clothing lab, fitting room, lecture class room, and a combined formal dining and living room area for use in teaching and in faculty and school functions.

The most modern and up-to-date equipment available in the department will include five color-coordinated kitchens, using gas and electricity, electronic ovens, variety of ranges, and sewing centers which combine all the necessary equipment and pressing needs.

Also housed in the new classroom building will be a large storage area, janitorial room, night watchman room, and student and faculty restrooms on both floors.

For the commuting student, the building will house a small study bay area for individual or group study and 250 built-in individual wall lockers for books and storage.

Completion of the new building is expected for the opening of the 75-76 school year.

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Cosmetology, ROTC are added to '74 curriculum

A new school of Cosmetology opened its doors to the public and for student instruction this fall. A limited number of twenty students are accepted for the required 1500 hour course, as established by the State Board of Cosmetology, during the 10 1/4 month program.

Certificates will be issued upon completion of the program, enabling graduates to take the state board examination and receive their beautician license.

Requirements for entry into the school are: (1) 10th grade education or equivalent, (2) Must be 18 years of age, (3) must have a health certificate filled out by doctor.

The new school features classes in permanent waving, hair shaping, coloring, and styling, etc.

The finest in new equipment is offered students as they learn the latest techniques. Among those offered are the automatic shampooer, two jet dryers, hair coloring machines, wig dryers, and two electric manicure machines.

Interested persons are invited to visit the new school, located in the Agricultural Technology Building, or to call the Vocational Coordinator at 635-3237.

Also for the first time this year, ROTC has been offered for credit on the ECJC campus.

At the present time, the department has an enrollment of 42 students, composed of 28 male students and 14 female.

Instruction is under the supervision of Mississippi State University, with classes meeting one time each week. A student may take ROTC instead of the required Physical Education, or he may take it with plans to continue in the advanced ROTC program at one of the five Mississippi senior institutions offering Army ROTC.

As an advanced -course ROTC student, he or she will receive \$100 a month. This payment will continue during the student's junior and senior years.

The group's most recent activity was participation in an FTX on the Mississippi State University campus during the month of April. Students were airlifted by helicopter on the ECJC campus and flown to the Starkville campus. Another exciting activity for the group was their military ball, held at the Meridian Naval Air Base for the three junior colleges in this area.

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Evening Classes

Adult academic evening classes and vocational evening classes will be held again this year on the Decatur campus. Dates for registration of these classes will be announced at a later date.

Courses to be offered in the Academic classes will be decided as to the need at the beginning of the school year. Persons desiring more information on the academic night classes should contact the Academic Dean of the college.

The Evening Division of the Vocational Department is

established primarily for the purpose of supplementary training of people already employed. Those who are interested in improving their present skills, learning new skills or learning a new trade should enter the evening program. A certificate is issued to a person upon successful completion of each of the courses. Courses will be established as the need arises either on campus or as in-plant training both supplementary and preparatory. The courses will vary in length.

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FREE COMMUTER BUS TRANSPORTATION--
A student bus service is provided for all commuter students attending East Central Junior College, at no charge.

A bus leaves Carthage each day, Monday through Friday, at 6:30 a.m. and makes pickup stops

in Sebastopol, Union and Decatur.

The Morton bus leaves at approximately 7 a.m. each day and travels to Forest, Lake, Newton and Decatur.

Both buses leave campus for their return designation at 3:20 each afternoon.



Aerial view of Decatur campus

Tuition free for adults 65 yrs. or older

Continuing again this fall session on August 26, persons who are 65 years of age or older and have retired from an occupation will be admitted to the East Mississippi junior college at Decatur tuition free.

All courses in the academic and vocational field will be open to these persons.

The college feels that this service will be highly desirable for persons in this category who seek further fulfillment in life, and hope that many in the five-county area of Scott, Newton, Neshoba, Leake and Winston counties will take advantage of this opportunity.

Persons interested in enrolling for the August 26 fall session are asked to call Frank Rives, Registrar, or to go by the Admissions Office.

Such persons will be admitted to any class taught by the college on a space available basis.

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Costs per semester

Matriculation Fee	— — — — —	\$100
Dormitory Fee (air-conditioned)	— —	60
Board Fee (cafeteria)	— — — — —	225
Total cost per semester	— — — — —	\$385

(NOTE: Non-airconditioned rooms will
\$50 per semester)

**COMMUTING STUDENTS PAY ONLY
THE MATRICULATION FEE OF \$100
PER SEMESTER**

Scholarships available for students in Band, Rifle and Flag Corps

High school band students interested in furthering their band study will find a wide choice of interests from which to choose at East Central. The department has branched into five separate bands, with all of the band students receiving \$100 per semester scholarships.

This year the East Central Junior College band was honored to have eight of its students selected to the 69-chair Mississippi Junior College All-State Band, which performed at the Jackson Municipal Auditorium in March.

The MARCHING BAND participates in all home football games, several out-of-town games, area parades, etc. during the football and Christmas seasons. This year the marching band proudly sported two new sets of uniforms.

The CONCERT BAND is a more formal band, with musicians wearing tuxedo-type uniforms, and presenting one formal concert each spring.

The STAGE BAND consists of students who play instruments that are used in a jazz band. This band performs at area high schools and presents several performances

on campus each year.

The PIT ORCHESTRA is made up of students from the band to play for the spring musicals each year.

The ROCK BAND is composed of a small group of students who rehearse on their own time outside of band. They also perform at area high schools and for various school functions.

Beginning next fall, two new female groups, the Flag Corps and the Rifle Team, will be added to the ECJC marching band. Both groups will be colorful, integral parts of the band.

Girls wishing to be members of the flag corps do not have to play an instrument. The corps will consist of sixteen girls, with no previous experience required. A scholarship in the amount of \$50 per semester will be given to the sixteen girls chosen.

The newly organized rifle team will be made up of four girls who play musical instruments. These students will receive \$100 per semester scholarships.

Musicals rate rave revues

The finest of musical productions in this area are presented each spring on the ECJC campus. These musicals are a combined effort of the Fine Arts Department, which includes the Speech, Music, and Art Departments.

With very large production casts, the musicals receive rave revues from newspaper critics throughout the area.

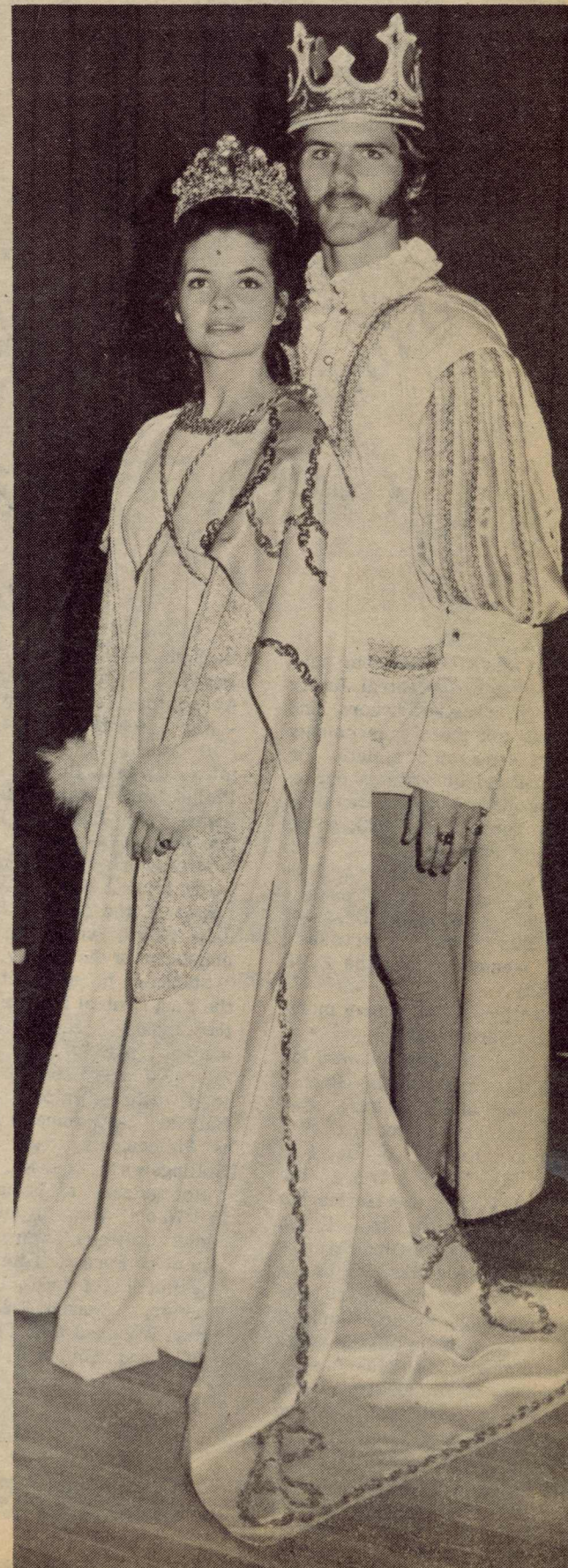
This spring a cast of one hundred persons presented CAMELOT to capacity crowds of 200 for five consecutive nights. The cast of one hundred included players, dancers, chorus, orchestra, stage crew, and directors.

The Fine Arts Building houses a small and modern auditorium with a seating capacity of 200. Critics have found the auditorium large enough to suit the needs of the college, yet small enough for the players to feel a rapport with their audience.

Campus-wide tryouts are open to all students. Plays are produced by the ECJC Players, an organization sponsored by the Speech Department.

In the fall of this year, the Players presented their first dinner theater in the round, which ran for two nights with approximately five hundred persons in attendance. The play, THE MALE ANIMAL, was staged in the college cafeteria.

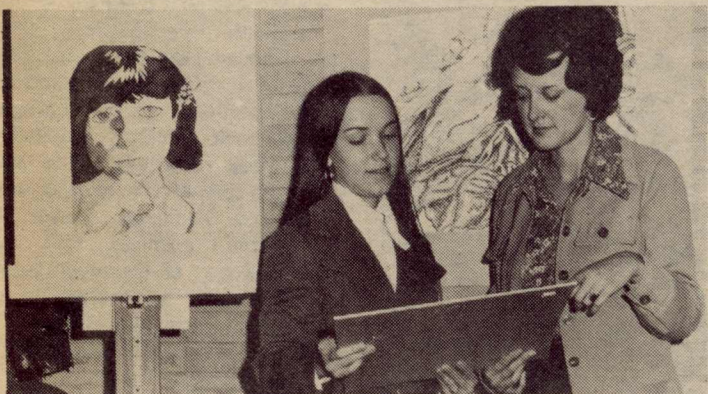
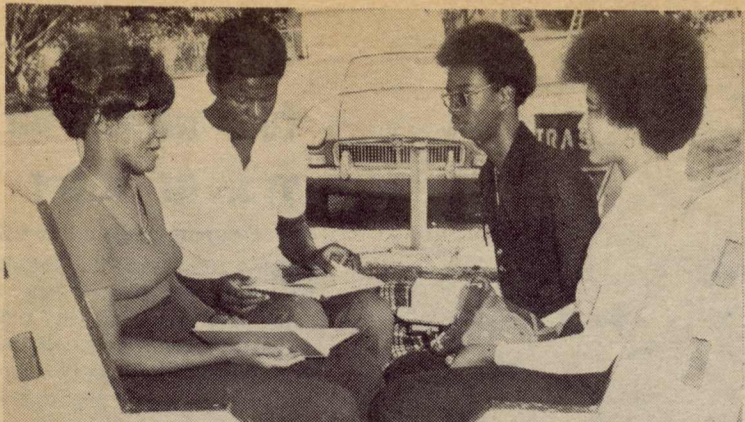
The Music Department at East Central offers a wide range of musical opportunities that meets the needs of all students interested in music either as a vocation or as an avocation. The music faculty is anxious to help all students interested in furthering their understanding of music, regardless of their stage of development--be they beginners or advanced students.



Scene from 'CAMELOT'

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Something for everyone at East Central Junior College

Sixty-seven outstanding students at East Central Junior College received honors and awards for their achievements in the academic, athletic or extra-curricular fields during the annual Awards Day program Tuesday, April 23, on the Decatur campus.

The presentations of awards were made by President Charles Wright, Dean of Students Denver Brackeen, and members of the ECJC faculty.

Recipients of alumni memorial awards were:

William S. Griffin Award for Men's Intramurals--Ronnie Goldman of Philadelphia; Alatha Chaney Award for English--Wilma Evans of Decatur; Jack B. Mayo Award for Phi Theta Kappa--Martha James of Union; Dr. Edwin Miller Award for Medical Services--Mike Boler of Union; W.A. Corsey, Jr. Award for Engineering--Robert Hamm of Forest; Earline Wood Award for Female Athlete--Annette Duncan of Philadelphia; Opan McMullan Dickerson Award for Elementary Education --Gloria Hollingsworth of Lake; Sara Carr Deaton Award for Secretarial Science--Janice Johnson of Forest; Andrew F. Webb Award for Football--Gene Reed of Louisville; Howard Sessums Award for

Basketball--David Blount of Decatur; John Lambert Neil Award for Wesley Foundation --Karen Johnson of Lena; Ruth Hull Award for Home Economics--Susan Cosgrove of Philadelphia; Wallace Beilwell Award for Business--Tommy Joe Munn of Decatur.

Miss Gloria Hollingsworth of Lake, current SBA President, received the coveted Citizenship Award, voted on by all members of the faculty.

Students being inducted into the East Central Hall of Fame, the highest recognition a student may receive, were Martha James and Jane Hollingsworth of Union, Leonard Barrier and Annette Duncan of Philadelphia, and Gloria Hollingsworth of Lake.

Recognized as being listed in "Who's Who in American Junior Colleges" were Robert Hamm of Forest, Gloria Hollingsworth of Lake, Leonard Barrier, Sharon Eakes and Ricky Winstead of Philadelphia, and Gloria Cleveland,

Jane Hollingsworth and Martha James of Union.

Five ECJC students were presented scholarships to two senior institutions in Mississippi. Receiving scholarships to Delta State University were Wilma Evans (\$800) and Rita Gail Keller (\$600). Both are graduates of Beulah Hubbard High School. Receiving scholarships of \$100 per semester to the University of Mississippi were Gayle Hardin of Sebastopol, Annette Duncan of Philadelphia, and Mike Boler of Union.

The following awards were given by departmental heads to students with the best academic averages: Secondary Education Award to Trina Lashley of Philadelphia; Art Awards to Keith Guillory of Hickory and Nell Wilmer of Carthage; French Awards to Wilma Evans of Decatur and Annette Duncan of Philadelphia; Players Award to Jimmy Gaines of Decatur; Freshman Chemistry Award

to Robert McDonald of Philadelphia; Singers Award to Gail Keller of Collinsville; Newspaper Awards to Leonard Barrier of Philadelphia and Zylphia Boyles of Lake; Freshman Math Award to Charlotte Madden of Walnut Grove.

In the Vocational Education Department, VICA Awards were presented to Don Howle of Carthage, Travis O'Cain of Morton, Gene Reed of Louisville, Keith Sanborn of Noxapater, and Edward Germany of Union. The VICA Member of the Year Award went to Keith Sanborn of Noxapater.

A Sophomore football player from Louisville walked off with the top athletic honors. Receiving the Most Outstanding Football Player of the Year Award and the Best Offensive Lineman Award was Gene Reed of Louisville. Other standouts were Joe Clark of Chunky, Best Defensive Line-man; Edward Goodlow of

Morton, Best Offensive Back; and Charles Reeves of Carthage, Best Defensive Back.

In girls sports, three East Central players were recognized for having been selected to the Mississippi Junior College All-State Team. Chosen were Gloria Hollingsworth of Lake, Annette Duncan of Philadelphia, and Lynn Russell of Decatur. Miss Russell was also the recipient of the school's Sportsmanship Award. Donna Pearson of Conehatta received the Volleyball trophy, and Annette Duncan received the Basketball trophy.

For their selection to the Mississippi Junior College All-State Band, the following eight students were presented certificates: Tom Carson of Conehatta, Tim Barber and Mary Lynn Crawford of Newton, Sharon Eakes of Philadelphia, Lamar Howle of Neshoba, Gary Moody of Walnut Grove, Nona Vickers of Decatur, and Gray Richardson of Pensacola, Fla.

Students receiving honors earlier in the year were: Mr. and Miss ECJC--Steve Quinn of Louisville and Gloria Cleveland of Union; Most Beautiful and Most Handsome--Debra Barnes of Philadelphia and Max Anderson of Decatur; May Day Queen --Rita Dickenson of Carthage.

Sixty-seven Students Receive Honors on Awards Day

Many Skills Taught at VOCATIONAL - TECHNICAL CENTER

Courses in the Technical Division are college level credit courses. Offered in the Technical Division are Data Processing, Drafting, Intensive Business, and Secretarial Science.

THE DATA PROCESSING curriculum is designed to prepare students for employment in business and industry as a computer operator and/or computer programmer. Successful completion of the two-year program leads to an Associate in Arts degree. Instruction and laboratory experience will be on the IBM System 3 Computer with console and peripheral equipment.

Seven skills are taught in the Vocational Division. Courses being taught for twelve consecutive months are Auto Mechanics, Auto, Body & Fender, Electricity, and Welding. Machine Shop, Radio & Television, Refrigeration & Air-Conditioning are two-year programs and are taught for two nine-month terms.

AUTO MECHANICS is designed so that the student may acquire the basic manipulative skills, theory, and proper job practices necessary for successful employment. Every facet of the automobile is studied in the classroom and actual practice in working with automobiles is carried on in the shop.

AUTO BODY & FENDER includes experiences both in the classroom and shop which are designed to prepare the student for jobs dealing with the repair of automobile bodies. Theory and practice in



straightening fenders and bodies, lining up bodies, replacing glass, and learning the use of each tool or piece of equipment are things covered in the training.

ELECTRICITY begins with the study of electricity by connecting bell and light circuits, switches, splicing and soldering wires, cutting, bending, reaming and installing conduits. As experience is gained, a study is made of the more difficult work of house wiring, battery servicing and electrical appar-

atus design, construction, and repair.

MACHINE SHOP is designed to prepare students for the beginning level of employment as machinists. The instruction emphasizes the use of lathes, shapers, milling machines, drills, grin-

ders; other automatic and conventional type machines, mi-

crometers, gauges and deals with blueprint reading and the layout of machine parts.

RADIO & TELEVISION instruction is given in electrical theories and their relationship to radio and television sets, receivers, and test equipment. Students become skilled in testing and repairing units and minute parts of the electrical and electronic equipment.

Principles, procedures, techniques and theory of AIR - CONDITIONING, REFRIGERATION and heating are stressed in this course. The student is given instruction concerning installation, maintenance and repair for homes and plants.

Basic skills, technical knowledge, and an introduction to related information are things stressed in the WELDING course. Many hours of instruction as well as practice with acetylene, inert gas, and arc welding are given. Welding positions --vertical, horizontal, overhead -- as well as something about different metals and pipes are taught.

Two training programs offered at Louisville

As an extension to the training program that East Central offers at Taylor Machine Works at Louisville, two new programs have also been started in the Louisville area this year, in the fields of welding and machine operation.

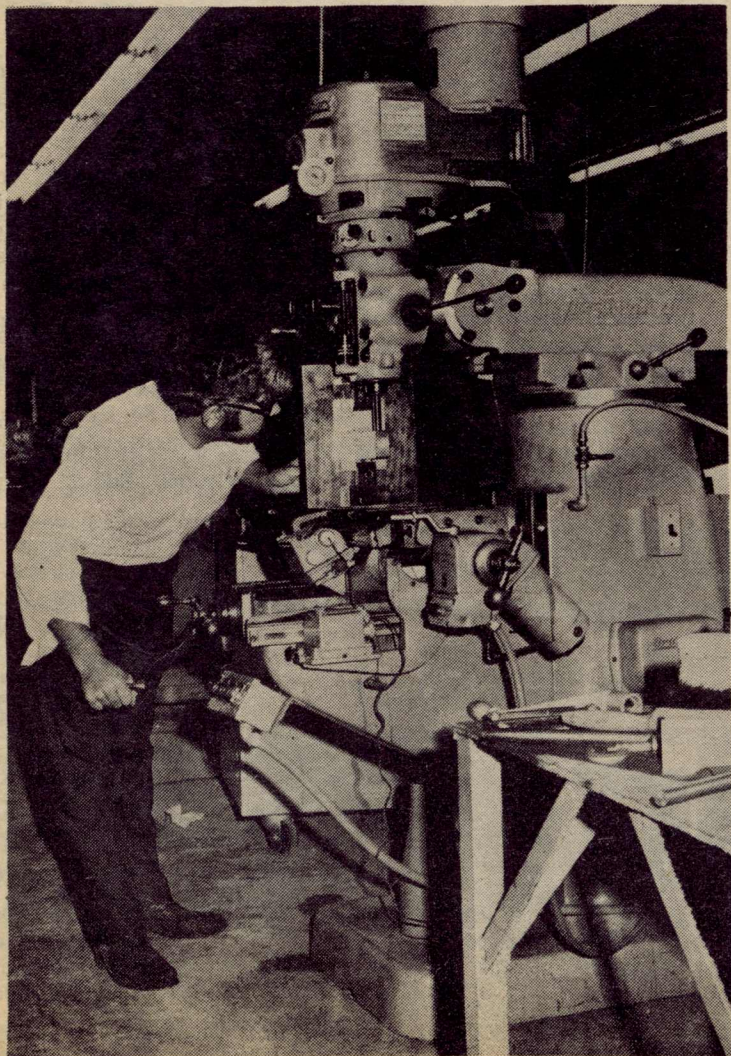
The two new programs are called Production Machine Operations and Combined Welding. Each program trains twenty persons during a nine month period. Programs began this year on January 14 and will continue through October 14, with a possible extension of approval.

Under the leadership of the Vocational Department of East Central Junior College, funds for the two programs are provided by HEW and the Department of Labor. Contributing state agencies are the Mississippi State Employment Security Commission and the Division of Vocational Education of the State Department of Education.

Trainees for the programs are people who are unemployed or under-employed. They are contacted and tested by the local employment office at Louisville before being sent into the ECJC programs.

Trainees accepted into the programs are paid a training allowance plus travel expenses or living expenses, plus dependents allowances.

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Machine Shop



Cosmetology



Data Processing

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students are offered a wide variety of extra-curricular activities to fill their after-class hours at East Central.

Co-ordinating all student activities are the Student Body Officers, elected by the students themselves.

The Student Center is the hub of student activity. It provides a snack bar, card tables, music box, ping-pong area, pool tables, and basketball court.

Students are responsible for two publications during the school year. The TOM-TOM is the student newspaper printed once each month, and the WO-He-LO is the student annual which gives a review of the year in pictures.

Special interest clubs are Phi Theta Kappa national honorary scholastic society, Sigma Sigma Mu Tau pre-medical honor society, Alpha Alpha Epsilon engineering society, Student Education Association, Vica Club for vocational

students, Wesley Methodist Foundation, Baptist Student Union, The French Club, Home Economics Club, and many others.

The choir and band, as well as providing a focus for students with musical talent, also enable the members to take several interesting trips during the year, to appear on television, and to give concerts and musical programs through the area for high schools and civic clubs.

In addition to the organized activities--dances, ball games, pep rallies, club meetings, plays, beauty pageants, concerts, etc.--students seem to have fun just being together. Rap sessions in the mall or on the front campus lawn, informal jam sessions in the grill, and after-date dormitory get-togethers are very much a part of the scene at East Central Junior College.

Dormitory Life



Jackson Hall for women, centrally heated and air conditioned.



Fashion Squad

President explains growth

To the People of East Central Mississippi--

Many years ago when East Central Junior College stayed strictly to a full-time day-time campus program, we were serving approximately 600 students per year. Now with this movement of reaching out to the areas, we would serve approximately 1200 per year. This we hope will continue to expand and our ability to serve our area will continue to grow.

Where once we were serving only college students taking only the regular college algebra and college English, we now are taking our programs out to the people and to the communities.

In the past several months a banking course has been offered at Forest for bank employees. A start-up training program has been undertaken for the ESCO plant in Newton and a continuous training program has been carried on at Taylor Machine Works assisting them in training potential employees. We are presently operating a manpower program in Louisville which is an effort to train people for jobs at Taylor.

Our campus needs continue and our needs to expand have been evidenced by the

Modeling squad makes debut

The newest group formed on campus this year was the Fashion Squad, which is an extension of the Home Economics Department.

During its first year of existence, the Fashion Squad has put in thirteen appearances, including a bridal show, Christmas show, and appearances to area high schools. They also served as hostesses for the ECJC dinner theatre.

Selection to the group is based on appearance, poise, and personality. A limited number of ten girls are selected by tryouts for the squad. Five alternates are also chosen to fill in when necessary.

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School sponsors 2nd scholarship beauty pageant

For the second consecutive year, the college has sponsored a scholarship pageant in which a "Miss East Central Junior College" was selected. The winner of this pageant represents the college in the official "Miss Mississippi" pageant at Vicksburg in July.

At the local contest, judging is conducted under the official Miss Mississippi rules, with the winner receiving a \$500 scholarship to the college of her choice.

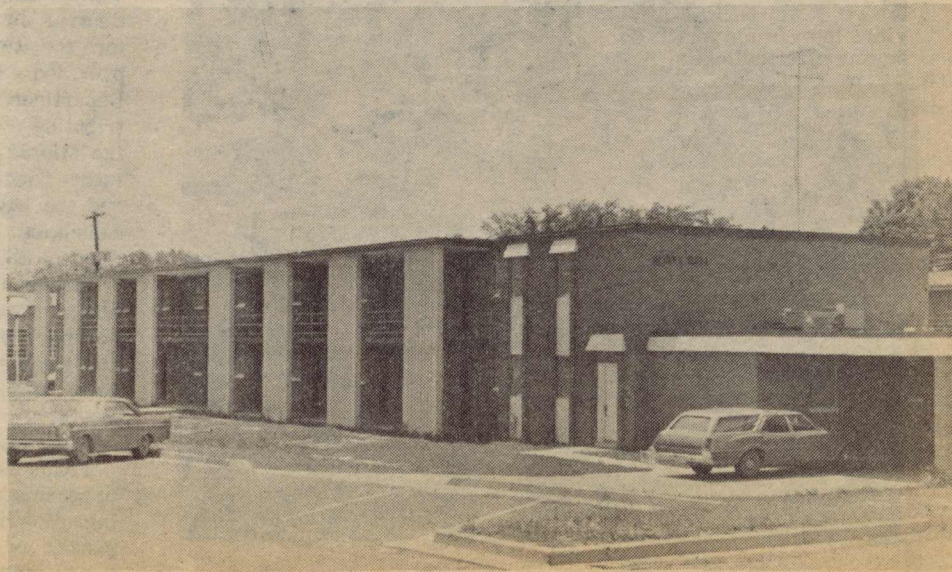
She is then eligible to go on to the state level where the winner is presented a \$6000 scholarship.

fact that the Legislature has permitted us to receive some money from the State of Mississippi for building purposes.

The Mississippi Public Junior Colleges are supported by both state, local and of recent years, federal monies; and it is our expression of gratitude to the Boards of Supervisors of the five counties of Winston, Neshoba, Newton, Scott, and Leake for their continued support in making us what we are today. I know that I speak for the entire Board of Trustees, administration, faculty and staff in saying that we are proud of the fact that we can serve this section of Mississippi with an institution such as this.

Sincerely,

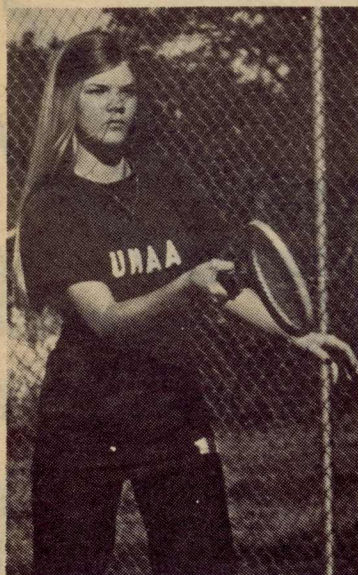
Charles V. Wright, President
East Central Junior College



Scott Hall, one of two new twin-structures for men.

ATHLETICS

play important role in campus activities



The Department of Inter-Collegiate Athletics at East Central offers students participation in the following team sports: football, girls and boys basketball, baseball, and tennis.

The school also has an active Intramural Athletic program which offers flag football, badminton, volleyball, softball, basketball, billiards, table tennis, horse shoes, and tennis.

Thirty-seven full football scholarships are offered each year to persons in the five-county area of Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott and Winston counties. A limited number of scholarships are also given each year to out-of-state

players. These scholarships cover room, board, tuition, and fees. Grants for books and spending money are also available to student athletes who qualify.

Scholarships in football are awarded in the spring after high school tryouts or in the fall during pre-season practice.

Football practice this year will begin on August 18, with the season's first of ten games being played at home on September 7.

Players make use of a large practice field and a newly remodeled football stadium with a 3,500 seating capacity that features modern, high-intensity lighting.

Thirteen full basketball scholarships are given to male athletes each year, paying room, board, tuition and fees. Scholarships to out-of-state players are decided on a pro-rated basis. The Mississippi Junior College Association determines the number of out-of-state players allotted each school according to the school's past year's record. Next year the boys team will play approximately 24 games.

Basketball for the women at ECJC will be expanded next year with more games and more emphasis on the program. This has been brought about by more junior college

participation in women's basketball and by an ease of scheduling.

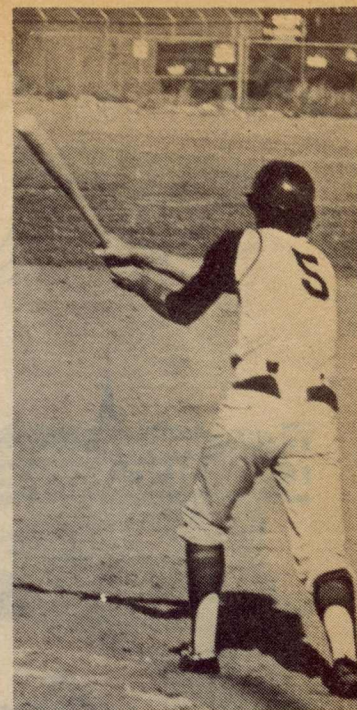
Last year the East Central girls finished first in the state and along with MSCW represented Mississippi in the Regional tournament at West Georgia. This past season East Central lost one regular scheduled game and was rated second in the state. In the state tournament, they finished fourth in a field of eleven teams and had three girls named to the All-State team.

Next year they have scheduled fifteen regular games and will host the North Mississippi Junior College Tournament.

Baseball is open to all students at the college, with the team playing a minimum of twelve games each year. This summer the old baseball field will be resurfaced and elevated for proper drainage for next year's play.

East Central takes part in the tennis program sponsored by the Mississippi Junior College Association. A tennis team on the junior college level consists of six boys and six girls.

Last season East Central's boys were undefeated in regular season play. Because of general additional interest



in tennis on all levels, it is becoming one of the more popular sports on the East Central Campus.

For the first time next year, East Central will acquire the services of a full-time Activities Director. His duties will be to supervise all student activities, including the Intramural program.

The college is fortunate to have a new and modern Physical Education Building and Athletic Dormitory. Modern dressing facilities for all sports, classrooms, and gymnasium are housed in the Physical Education Building. The new dormitory, one of two new twin structures, is completely up-to-date in every way and offers air-conditioning, color television, telephones and a refreshment area.



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT—The college offers part-time employment to a limited number of students. Preference is given to persons who need financial assistance to enable them to attend college and who give promise of developing into outstanding students.

WORK-STUDY—The institution participates in one type of federal supported Work-Study Program: (1) Academic Work-Study. Student jobs are awarded based on financial need and academic ability.

NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION ACT—The federal government provides loan funds for students with superior ability. Interest at the rate of 3% begins after college attendance ceases. Students who have borrowed money

from this federal loan fund receive a cancellation of 10% of the loan for each of the 5 years taught in the public schools.

ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The student that attends East Central Junior College from each High School in the District with the highest grade point average will receive a full fees scholarship in the amount of \$180.00. The scholarship will be available to this student in the amount of \$90.00 each Semester his Freshman year. The recipient of this award will be identified by each High School prior to the enrollment date of the fall Semester. The student must enroll the fall Semester following graduation to be eligible for this award.



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Decatur, Mississippi 39327





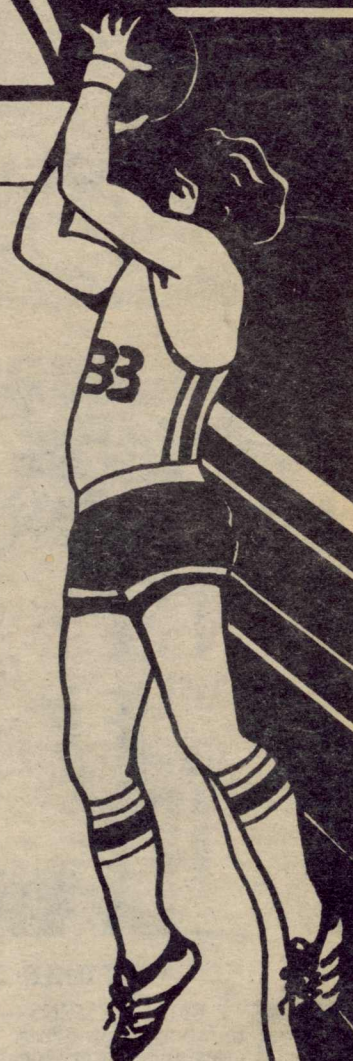
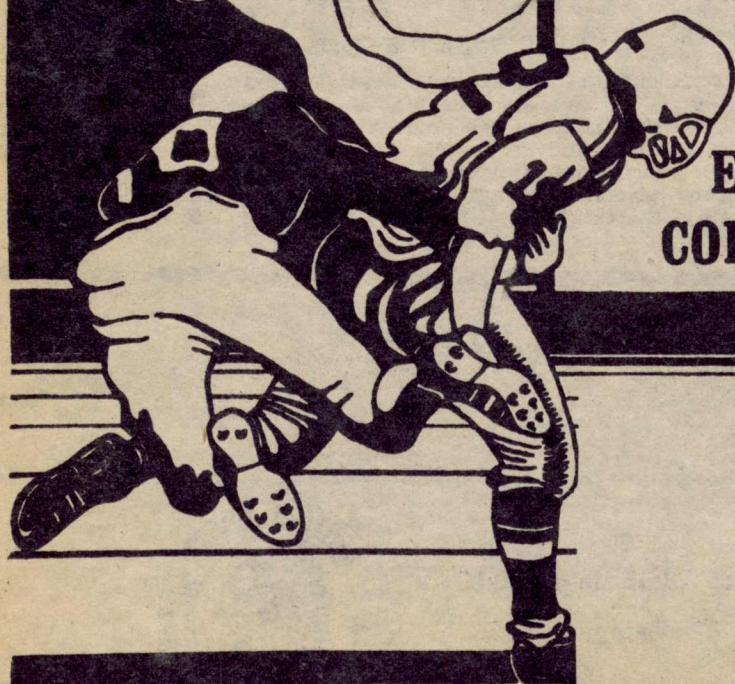
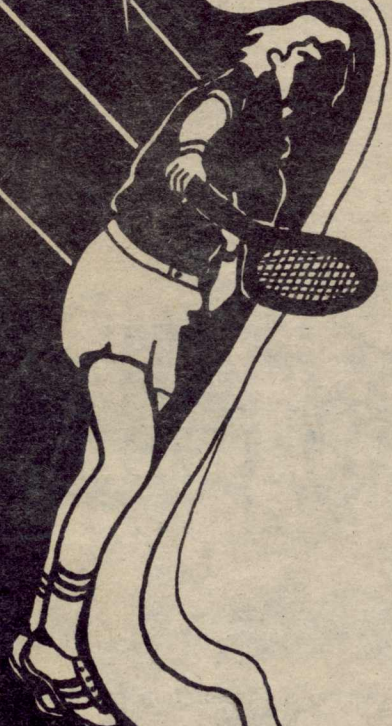
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