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Senior Class makes plans

In a second attempt to make plans for graduation activities, the Senior Class held a meeting January 25. Harry Hamm, president, announced that previous decisions would be discounted because of charges that they were not representative of the Senior Class.

Graduation will be held June 3 in the gymnasium. Following the late-afternoon ceremony, a reception will be held in the Student Center. Seniors were reminded that applications for June graduation must be received by the Registrar no later than February 15. Fees must be paid by that date also.

At a recent meeting between Dr. James Rogers, Dean of Student Affairs, Steve Colson, Eugene Smith, and Hamm, the decision was reached to have the new meeting. The group had received some criticism because approximately twenty Seniors had planned activities that would affect the whole class. There was also a question whether the night students should have a vote in the proceedings.

The Seniors decided that the graduation activities would include a formal dance for all students and a breakfast for Seniors and their dates. The dance will be held from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m., followed by the breakfast at 2 a.m.

Hamm also announced that a request will be made that Seniors' exams be given at least a week early Spring Quarter. It will also be requested that seniors with a C plus or better average be exempted from exams.

Armstrong selects its "Best dressed coed"

A 19-year old blonde has been selected the "Best-dressed Coed" on the Armstrong State College campus. Melinda Waters, a sophomore at the Savannah institution, will be entered in the nationwide magazine-sponsored contest to determine "America's Ten Best-dressed Coeds."

The Biology major was the choice of a student-faculty panel which evaluated some 25 nominations over a two week period. Melinda is 5'7", has brown eyes and was named



Peace Corps recruiter Mike Cox, right, talks with interested students. —photo by Tjoumas

Peace Corps recruiter ends Armstrong visit

"It's a nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live here" was the comment of Peace Corps recruiter Mike Cox after his January 22-26 stay on the Armstrong campus. The four applications that he received did not rank ASC proportionally among the mainstream of American colleges. The Berkeley campus, for instance, furnished about 900 volunteers last year.

Cox observed that the freshman class showed the greatest interest in the Peace Corps, with seniors generally maintaining their traditional policy of non-involvement. In terms of volunteer service, this trend is unfortunate because the Corps normally accepts seniors more readily than freshmen.

Cox declined to identify himself as either an optimist or a pessimist, but he added that he was "optimistic about the Peace Corps." Despite the

an "Outstanding Senior" while at Savannah High School. She resides with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion B. Waters of 16 Chippewa Drive, Savannah.

The selection committee was instructed by the sponsoring magazine (GLAMOUR) to judge the nominees in ten categories. According to the rules, the Best Dressed Coed should have: a clear understanding of her fashion type; a workable wardrobe plan; a suitable campus look in line with local customs; an appropriate look for off-campus occasions; individuality in her use of colors and accessories; imagination in managing a clothes budget; good grooming, not just neat, but impeccable; clean, shining, well-kept hair; the deft use of make-up; good figure, beautiful posture.

As the representative from Armstrong State College, Melinda will be required to write a commentary of not more than 1,000 words, describing the evolution of her fashion tastes and predicting what those tastes will be ten years from now.



Melinda Waters

De Toledano lectures on political topics

by Clay Doherty

The first lecture of the Armstrong winter quarter Lecture-Concert series was an interesting political talk presented on January 16 by noted speaker-journalist Ralph de Toledano. Speaking before a crowd of some several hundred ASC students in the Armstrong gym, Mr. de Toledano offered comments ranging from presidential possibilities to the personality of Senator Robert Kennedy.

De Toledano, the son of journalists, quickly took to writing in high school and college, editing various campus news and literary newspapers. He majored in literature and philosophy at Columbia College, graduated in 1938, and, in 1940, took a job as associate editor of the *New Leader*, a strongly anti-communist weekly. De Toledano began as assistant editor of *Newsweek* in 1948 and was associate editor in two years. He now writes a nationally

syndicated column called "In Washington", a column with a clearly conservative slant.

De Toledano's comments concerning the presidential possibilities were interesting. With masterful precision and clarity, he brought out the good and the bad points of the hopefuls. He considered Richard Nixon as the man most qualified, George Wallace as being a shrewd and capable man, and Ronald Reagan as a man who has captured the imagination of the American people.

Relating a story about the first time that he saw Bobby Kennedy, de Toledano said that the new politician sat by himself in a corner of an office, staring at his hands. De Toledano stated that Robert Kennedy is one of the most ruthless men he has ever met. He remarked that the people backing RFK are the "peaceniks" and other radicals, and that Kennedy is trying to lead a Revolution of Youth. He also mentioned that he thought that Jimmy Hoffa was framed by Kennedy, as part of a personal vendetta.

De Toledano says that he is a "non-conformist conservative with general Republican sympathies. I derive my politics from a belief in God and the dignity of man."

Red Cross needs donors in Armstrong blood drive

by Sandy Beasley

Mrs. Jo Weeks, campus nurse, hopes for active student support in the winter quarter blood drive on the Armstrong campus. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be here today from the hours of 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and will be stationed at the gymnasium.

In order to donate blood students must be at least 18 years old and, if they are under the age of 21, they must have the written consent of their parents. The parent's consent slips may be obtained from the Office of Student Affairs, the clinic, or the student center and must be returned by February 8.

Mrs. Weeks stated that again this time there will be a trophy given to the club or organization which has the most volunteers to donate blood. Last time PKT won the trophy with 17 donors.

During the last blood drive on campus, a total of 40 pints was given, which is the most to date, but far short in comparison with the number of students on campus. Mrs. Weeks expressed the hope that the number of pints given would be doubled during the upcoming drive.

Coach Tapp has stated that students taking physical education who donate blood will not have to attend their P.E. classes and will not be required to make-up that class. (NOTE: While this reporter was talking with Mrs. Weeks, Mr. Jim Futrelle, head of the Red Cross Blood Program, called and told Mrs. Weeks that the Red Cross was completely out of available blood



Students question de Toledano after his lecture. —photo by Tjoumas

Masquers rehearse for "Juno and the Paycock"

"Juno and the Paycock," a modern tragedy written by Sean O'Casey, will be presented by the Armstrong Masquers February 21 through 24. The play is set in a Dublin tenement house in 1922, in the midst of the Irish civil war and labour movement strife. It depicts a life that was familiar to O'Casey, who was born in a Dublin tenement in 1880, and who was a member of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union and secretary of the Irish Citizen Army in 1914.

During tryouts, Masquer's director Frank Chew told the prospective cast members that "Juno and the Paycock" proves it is impossible to really classify plays. He termed

O'Casey's work "a unique blend of comedy and tragedy." When asked later if he would like to say anything about the play for publication in the *Inkwell*, Mr. Chew replied, "No, just tell them if they miss this one they'll be sorry."

Fourteen members of the cast of nineteen players are: Hugh Cobb, Yvonne Tenney, Jerry Duke, Sally Lovell, Rod Ferguson, Florence Williams, Charles Edwards, Sylvia Crisfield, Clay Doherty, Al Jokela, Danny Butler, Elliot Shantz, and Alan Smith. Four of the remaining characters will be played by "surprise" cast members to be announced later.

editorials . . .

FEET IN THE GRASS, ALAS, ALAS

Sidewalks, grass, and dust to the contrary, the shortest distance between two points is a straight line. Any other path between two locations would very likely conflict with geometry and human nature!

Trampled grass, then, is understandably common. College maintenance departments often find that the only way to prevent students from walking a forbidden path is to put a large, sturdy building on the spot. Armstrong's experience will very likely be the same.

Improvement of the campus landscape is certainly an excellent project, but to expect students to follow walkways that are arbitrary rather than functional is to expect the impossible. The Inkwell has only the best of wishes for tender green things, but we predict that the new shrubs and grass will have a hard time when planted in likely paths between buildings.

DE TOLEDANO WASN'T CONVINCING

In this time of whirlwind politics and wild, unfounded claims, it is indeed a pleasant and rare experience to be shown the light. Unfortunately, when Mr. Ralph de Toledano breezed into town on January 17 to elucidate upon the grave problems of modern America life, he fell short of the mark for new and exhilarating ideas. One does become bored after a while with the kind of oratory that condemns without compassion.

De Toledano, author of the book *RFK—the Man Who Would Be President*, in reference to his opinion that Jimmy Hoffa was framed by Kennedy's Justice department, said that with Bobby Kennedy, "everything is a vendetta." De Toledano's vendetta against Kennedy, though, is not based on any kind of concrete evidence, but rather on suppositions. De Toledano feels that RFK's personality is un-American.

De Toledano says that the only people backing Kennedy are the "peaceniks" and hippies. Some say, though, that what the world needs is an entire population of people who want to end war. De Toledano said "peaceniks" as though he detested the people represented by that word. But isn't it time that someone starts the trend towards trust between nations? The human race will never survive unless the "peaceniks" are heard, both here and in the communist countries.

THE UNHAPPY MEDIUM'S MESSAGE

The editorial imperative, or the inherent manifest destiny of words over space, compels the emancipal use of sarphoonery. Multitudinous examples from empirical reality suffice to dull the celebrant after perusal of journalistic lyconery, resulting in barbisolate and empty unwillistry. The mind cries for relief, but there is none.

The college experience, being miles from life, adds to the macaverous plathera of words. Blue-book filling, the word made flesh of the lexicographic population explosion, has its migatory home on the campus.

But the old way may be finished. The end of it all is solemnized by the rude beast that slouches toward the printshop. There is absolutely no inevitability as long as there is Marshall McCluhan.

Scholarships annouced for two piano students

The executive director of the KENNEN FOUNDATION has announced the establishment of two applied music fee scholarships for the academic year 1968-69. Music fees, amounting to \$40.00 per quarter, will be paid for the full year for one student, and a half year for a second student.

Dr. Alex Beltz, professor of Zoology at Armstrong State, said the scholarships will be awarded following an audition by prospective recipients, May 24th, at the KENNEN FOUNDATION headquarters (1451 Dale Drive, Savannah).

Only piano students are eligible for the grant. Dr. Beltz outlined the audition repertoire, noting that each applicant must perform four works: a short Bach selection, other than the Minuet in "G"; a sonatina other than Opus 36 No. 1 by Clementi or easy sonatas by Haydn and Mozart; a short romantic work such as Nocturne by Chopin; a 20th Century repertoire. In addition, major and minor scales may be requested, and the applicant must have a statement

from his or her high school principal that he or she will be capable of carrying a 13-16 quarter hour class load. Dr. Beltz added that the selected piano student will be required to maintain a 2.5 grade point average.

Applicants are welcomed from high school students throughout the state, including those who may be interested in living in the planned 180-bed dormitory.

Ashmore plans college speech

Dr. Henry L. Ashmore will deliver a "State of the College" address to the student body on Monday, February 12, at 1:00 p.m. The convocation will be in the Armstrong gymnasium.

Dr. Ashmore will discuss the accreditation process and the plans for graduation, along with new college programs. He will also have news about the new buildings on campus and about "Lake Ashmore."

All students are asked to attend.

Indian recruiter visits Armstrong

Mr. John Diehl, representative of the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the U.S. Department of the Interior, recently spent a day on the Armstrong State College campus to encourage students to join the bureau. He came with full authority to recruit workers. Seniors and any others interested in working for and with American Indians were able to meet with Diehl in the morning and afternoon of January 10th.

At 12:30 the same day, Diehl spoke to a group of ASC Department of Education students. He presented a program about the benefits and opportunities of teaching Indians in the United States.

Diehl was one of several people who have visited or who will visit Armstrong State for the purpose of recruiting prospective employees.

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SPRING! SPRING! SP...!

Song Written in the Heat of Dreaming

by John Spence

Listen. Hear the little Borg rattle through the ruts,
Its guns blazing in the night, slaying a million worms,
Kicking up the dried mud along the roadside,
Where flak from the field mice's cannons
Rise to light the sky.
Go, little Borg, go!

"Fantasticks" producer discusses theater work

Armstrong was favored with a visit from the producer of "The Fantasticks" January 15. Albert Poland, who is bringing the road company of the longest running off-Broadway play to Savannah, spoke to a select group of interested students and faculty concerning the production.

Frank Chew, advisor to The Masquers, acted as moderator for the casual question and answer period. Students attending the tete-a-tete were Hugh Cobb, Carol Mordecai, Yvonne Tenney, Florence Williams, Alan Smith, and Clay Doherty. Also present was John Duncan of the History Department.

Poland spoke concerning the problems of being involved in

the production end of theatre. He mentioned problems he and co-producer David Cryer have had with the musician's union's various locals.

Poland and Cryer also produced an off-Broadway musical this year. However, this venture was not financially successful; "Now is The Time For All Good Men" closed after a three months run. However, "The Fantasticks" has been highly successful for the duo in the last two years.

"The Fantasticks" will be at the municipal auditorium tonight in the Famous Artists Series.

Faculty groups favor students

Four committees of the faculty have set forth recommendations requesting the addition of student representatives to the committees. Dr. F. Lane Hardy, presiding at the faculty meeting of Tuesday, January 16, revealed that the spokesmen of the Library, Student Activities, Teacher Education, and Disciplinary Committees spoke out in favor of the appointment of students. The move is seen as means of facilitating cooperation between students and their teachers, while at the same time giving the students more responsibility in the running of the school. It was suggested that students might play a valuable part on such organizations as the Athletic, Student Activities, and Curriculum Committees. Several faculty members applauded this move, and expressed hope that the students will assume their responsibilities in the matter should the recommendations be approved.

Library given anonymous gift

Armstrong State College Librarian Mrs. Regina Yoast today revealed that an anonymous benefactor has contributed 110 volumes, representing the complete set of "A Basic Library of 100 Significant Titles for the Study of the New World."

Mrs. Yoast placed the value of the tomes at \$600.00, and said the donor was a Savannah businessman. She declared the volumes are especially useful as source material for anything touching American History. The first published letter of Christopher Columbus, written in 1493, begins the documents in the series; and all documents may be seen by anyone wishing to visit the college.

The Armstrong State Library now has 40,051 volumes on the shelves.

Young Dems answer de Toledano

by Joe Kelly,

President, Young Democrats

There is a feeling on the part of a great many social and political commentators that the national political dialogue has entered a new phase of irrationality. Many feel that calm and judicious discussion of events and issues has been replaced by outbursts of emotion and personal recrimination. Mr. Ralph de Toledano's address at a recent Lecture-Concert Convocation would seem to help confirm the observations of these commentators.

Mr. de Toledano, a nationally-syndicated columnist and author of *Seeds of Treason and R.F.K. - The Man Who Would Be President*, touched on several subjects and persons during his speech. He had words of praise for a few individuals; for example, Richard Nixon ("...the man best suited for the Presidency...") Ronald Reagan ("...a man who captured the imagination of Republicans and Democrats.") and even George Wallace ("...a man of great capabilities, great shrewdness..."). However, several other of our more widely known politicians were wounded by the cutting edge of the de Toledano wrath. These were the "bad guys" in his piece, invidious symbols of what's wrong with America.

However, towering above all these symbols of darkness was Mr. de Toledano's personal Prince of Darkness, that political Beelzebub with the Beetle haircut, Senator Robert Kennedy of New York. Seemingly, Mr. de Toledano feels that the problems America faces can be summed up in two words - Robert Kennedy.

Senator Kennedy, according to de Toledano, is a man moti-

Pirate Patches

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because they are operating under two sets of rules: the local ruling, which has already been stated, and the Georgia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference ruling, which states that a player must have passed at least 10 hours (or 14) in the quarter preceding the one in which he is playing and 24 hours in the two preceding quarters. Failure to comply with these conference regulations can bring several penalties. Examples are forfeiture of games, fines, restriction of recruitment program and many others.

The point that I am trying to make is that there is a great imbalance in the eligibility rules of the college. This imbalance has come to the attention of those who have the power to make the necessary changes. Perhaps, by next fall, there will be a more equal ruling that will affect all students rather than only a few.

vated by "internal violence," and is the "...coldest, most ruthless person I have ever seen in public life." "With Kennedy... everything is a personal vendetta." He speaks, says Mr. de Toledano, of a "Revolution of Youth," but his youth consists of the nihilists and peaceniks of the New Left. Nothing deters Kennedy from pursuing his ambitions; he puts politics ahead of country. He advocates "...sending blood to those whose troops are killing American boys..." he "embarrassed the United States Government while touring South Africa." On the whole, one would be forced to conclude that Senator Kennedy is not Mr. de Toledano's favorite person.

One would be hard put to refute many of his charges against Senator Kennedy, because they are totted firmly in the Freudian realm; de Toledano has performed a long-range psychoanalysis of Kennedy's character and has concluded that the Senator is not a very nice man. Are we supposed to accept Mr. de Toledano's subjective judgments about Robert Kennedy's personality as definitive proof that he would be an incompetent leader?

Does he propose to use as his standard Kennedy's insulting the United States government during his South African tour? Well, if speaking of the United States' racial problems before South African citizens constitutes an insult to the United States, then Kennedy is indeed guilty. If speaking out against South

Phi Kappa Theta wins blood drive

Phi Kappa Theta, international social fraternity at Armstrong State, won the Blood Drive on November 13. A total of 40 pints was donated by various individuals and Phi Kappa Theta donated 17 pints to win the honor of being the organization that gave the most blood in the fall quarter.

Mrs. Jo Weeks, campus nurse, expressed the hope that Armstrong State will improve on the number of pints of blood in future blood drives. She also stated that forms to be signed by the parents of potential donors under twenty-one will soon be available and on display in the Student Center.

Africa's policy of apartheid (racial discrimination) constitutes an insult to the United States, then, again, Kennedy is guilty. But, Mr. de Toledano himself should be insulted by the fact that the United States has extensive financial investments in a country which a recent report of the United Nations Human Rights Committee labeled a veritable concentration camp for its black citizens. He should be insulted by a government that imprisons a Nobel Peace Prize winner, Chief Luthuli, for his fight for racial justice.

Senator Robert Kennedy is certainly a controversial public figure. He has taken many positions on public affairs that have aroused intense opposition; certainly, his public record is subject to a great deal of criticism. But he has also taken positions which have won wide-spread public support; his actions as a public official have not been devoid of popular approval.

Recruitment effort launched; dormitories promised by fall

According to a team of administrators, the completion of dormitories at Armstrong by Fall Quarter, 1968, will offer an incentive to potential non-Savannah students to enter the college.

In recent weeks Mr. Dale Price, Director of Student Activities, and Mr. Tom Llewellyn, Director of Public Information, have traveled to many areas of the state disseminating information about Armstrong State College. Visiting approximately forty high schools, they talked with principals and counselors.

Beside discussing entrance requirements and financial aids, Price said the team wanted to "let the schools know we're here."

Principals and counselors in the various areas showed particular interest in the police science, nursing, and dental hygiene programs. Several commented that they were familiar with Armstrong because of the college's good name, but they said they had held back recommendation of the college to graduating seniors because of the lack of dormitories.

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What is it? (See Inkwell ad on this page.)

-photo by Spence

Math Department gets grant for new project

Dr. Lane Hardy of the Math Department reports that his department has been awarded a National Science Foundation grant of \$45,950. This money will be used to finance a project designed to improve the teaching of secondary mathematics in area high schools.

Initially the program will

involve two professors, Dr. Lane Hardy and Mr. John Hansen, and thirty secondary mathematics instructors. These instructors will be given an eight-week course in geometry and pre-calculus mathematics here at Armstrong State this summer. While taking this material the teachers will receive sixty dollars per week plus an expenditure allowance.

With the resumption of classes in September the two professors, one at Savannah High and one at Beach High, will teach a demonstration class at the first period each day. Then each teacher will finish out the day in regular class work, with occasional critiques by the professor.

In-class problems and new procedure will be discussed several times during the year at seminars for that purpose. The goal of the program is to help secondary math teachers smooth out the transition between old and new math.

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the library's fake chimney.



PIRATE PATCHES

by Dick Sanders

Recently, there has been a great deal of concern over the policy of Armstrong State concerning the eligibility of students to participate in extracurricular activities. This problem became prominent at the end of the last quarter when it was thought that Danny Hatrich was ineligible to play basketball this quarter. It was later discovered that he was not, in fact, ineligible.

Nevertheless, the problem was brought to the attention of the Office of Student Personnel. The problem is that, according to the Student Handbook, "... Students on scholastic or disciplinary probation will not be considered eligible to participate (in the student activity program). All students, especially those with academic deficiencies, should employ reasonable discretion in the amount of time they choose to devote to extracurricular activities of the college." This rule, in itself, would be fine if it were not for the presence of a "Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students" which has been compiled by five organizations - The American Association of University Professors (AAUP), the Association of American Colleges (AAC), the U. S. National Student Association (NSA), the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), and the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors (NAWDC).

Pre-advisement begins Monday

Pre-advisement for the Spring Quarter, 1968, will take place during the week of February 12-16. This is a correction of the dates posted in the calendar of the Armstrong Bulletin. The procedure for pre-advisement is the same as that for the Winter Quarter: students pick up their class cards at the registrar's office window, complete the information and list subjects, and return the cards to the registrar's office before Friday, February 16. Mrs. Arey and Mr. Padgett emphasize the fact that a student is not considered pre-advised until his class cards are returned to the office within the period set as pre-advisement week.

Those students with 90 or more hours completed must have the signature of a faculty adviser when scheduling subjects for Spring Quarter. Although it is not a required school policy, a student who has chosen a major should contact the head of his department for consultation on a course of study for his chosen field.

This joint statement considers several aspects of student life, including organizations. Article IV, Section A-4 states: "... Student organizations may be required to submit... a current list of officers. They should not be required to submit a membership list..."

It seems to me, and to Dr. James T. Rogers, Dean of Student Affairs, that this creates an imbalance in the eligibility rule as stated in the Student Handbook and the requirement of the joint statement printed above. According to these rules, the eligibility statement would necessarily apply only to the officers of organizations and to the athletic teams. In an interview with Dr. Rogers, he said that the Student Activities Committee was "considering" the problem.

This local ruling creates another problem as far as the athletic teams are concerned.

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Inkwell gets exclusive session with groundhog

Inkwell reporters were on hand just after dawn February 2 to interview Savannah's very own groundhog. A personable fellow with large white teeth and a shock of hair falling over his forehead, he readily agreed to discuss various topics. The text of the conversation follows:

INKWELL: We hope you weren't disturbed by our coming so early.

GROUNDHOG: That's okay. A man from the Weather Bureau just left.

INKWELL: Since we're on the subject of weather, do you think that nuclear testing in the atmosphere has contributed to our problems?

GROUNDHOG: Gosh no, it's obvious to me that underground tests are far more dangerous.

INKWELL: As a sort of subterranean expert, what do you think of underground movies?

GROUNDHOG: After living in the same hole all winter, I can appreciate good clean dirt. But I understand that nothing is safe from the Movie Review Board.

INKWELL: Are you implying that you don't agree with the crusade against filth?

GROUNDHOG: I'm implying that I'm not the only creature afraid of his own shadow.

INKWELL: Afraid or not, you must be extremely dedicated to stay in that hole for 6 weeks at a time.

GROUNDHOG: Dedicated? Some of the bridge players stay in the dump for 6 months at a time.

INKWELL: Yes, that's true. If we can move to a different topic, what do you think of miniskirts?

GROUNDHOG: They're especially nice from my point of view.

INKWELL: Well, just one more question. In this day of rapid progress, overnight skyscrapers, and insecurity of the home, how can you be sure that your burrow will be safe in case you need it for another 6 weeks?

GROUNDHOG: Easy. It's in a spot that will probably be undisturbed for months to come: smack in the middle of the site for the new Student Center.

INKWELL: Thank you, Mr. Groundhog.



A scene from "One Summer of Happiness," to be shown tomorrow in the Fine Film Series.

Baker says fountain will flow by spring

Within the next month a lovely oasis will be taking form in the middle of Armstrong's campus. Everyone remembers last year's cow skull at the convergence of the walkways as a hint that the hole there was less than at-

tractive.

Mr. Richard Baker, the superintendent of grounds, has promised that the fountain will be completed by the spring quarter. The only thing delaying the construction, he said, is paperwork and blue prints.

A final plan was decided upon last week and it is hoped that the necessary materials will be available by the middle of February. According to the plans, an eighteen-inch wall with seats will surround the fountain. Tropical plantings will add to the atmosphere and beauty of the campus.

Pirates improve after Christmas

As of press time, which took the Pirates through 16 games, the ASC quintet was 4-12 on the season. Looking at the record in two sections, it can be seen that the Pirates are a much improved team.

Breaking the season at Christmas, the Pirates, according to the record, are a different ball club now as compared to their earlier record. At the Christmas break (including the Tournament) the Pirates had won one game and had lost eight encounters. In contrast to that record, the Pirates are 3-4 after the break. ASC has lost to such basketball powers as Augusta (by 11 points), Berry (by 20 points) and Florida Southern (by 18 points). The Pirates lost, too, on a bad night, to West Georgia, the team that is currently anchoring the GUAC.

Armstrong's small, aggressive players have beaten Piedmont (93-85), conference leader LaGrange (73-64), and Savannah State (85-73). The teams that the Pirates have beaten are taller than, as fast as, and have better records than the Bucs.

The Pirates are becoming, as Coach Bill Alexander predicted before the season started, "spoilers" for some of the higher ranked squads in the southern region.

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