Fiery debate rekindled in Florida

By ANDREW FROMAN
Alligator Staff Writer

"EQUALITY OF RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW SHALL NOT BE DENIED OR ABRIDGED BY THE UNITED STATES OR BY ANY STATE ON ACCOUNT OF SEX."

SECTION ONE. PROPOSED EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION.

The issue that has burned harsh lines of disagreement between women's rights proponents and staunch conservatives is heating up the Florida Legislature for the third time in four years.

And the 1977 legislative session hasn't even officially begun yet.

That issue is the proposed Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to the U.S. Constitution, designed to put constitutional power behind a growing list of anti-sexist state and federal laws.

The ERA was passed by the U.S. Congress in 1972, but in order to be officially ratified as a constitutional amendment, 38 of the union's 50 state legislatures must pass it by March, 1979.

Indiana's state legislature passed the amendment Jan. 18 to become the 35th state in favor of the amendment, putting Florida's legislature in the driver's seat on the road to final ratification.

And experts in Tallahassee say if Florida approves the measure this spring, any number of states could follow quickly to ratify the amendment before 1977 is over.

Florida's House of Representatives, which passed the measure in 1974 and 1975, has taken its first steps toward a third positive vote earlier this month when its Health and Rehabilitative Services Committee, chaired by ERA proponent Elaine Gordon, D-Miami, passed it by 6 to 5 vote.

The measure now goes to the full house, where Gordon said there are "definite" 81 votes in favor enough to approve it.

The final block to passage by Florida, and the one the ERA has tripped over in failing twice before, is the Florida Senate, where 23 out of 40 votes are needed to make Florida the 36th state officially in favor of equal rights.

GORDON, PROBABLY the legislature's leading ERA expert and advocate, said "we feel we have 21 solid 'yes' votes, and the 36th state officially in favor of equal rights."

But there are still many unanswered questions as to what the ERA will, or will not do, for women and for men.

Specifically:

- Will it end alimony payments for divorced women, forcing them to work even if they maintain custody of their children?
- Will it force women to be drafted and fight in wars?
- Will it force men out of prestigious jobs in private businesses?
- Will it force men and women to use the same public toilets?
- Will the ERA allow homosexual marriages and adoption of children by homosexual couples?
- Will it affect private business or personal relationships between men and women?
- These and other questions form the real crux of debate among homemakers, sales clerks, hard hats, executives and students across America who are asking each other—How will the ERA affect me?

The contradictory answers are so consistent the uninformed public is often still unable to decide for or against the amendment even when they hear the arguments.

Who is to be believed?

(see ERA page two)

State schools may lose funds from freeze

By TOM WARD
Alligator Staff Writer

Several hundred thousand dollars could be withheld from UF's budget this year because of tax revenue loss caused by the extensively damaged state agriculture industry.

State Senate Robert Graham, D-Miami Lakes, said here Wednesday the entire State University System should anticipate a multi-million dollar budget holdback as a result of the freeze.

GRAHAM QUALIFIED his statement by saying that all the figures are not yet in and conditions could change to alleviate the need for the potentially drastic holdback.

Graham, an announced candidate for governor in 1978, in Gainesville for an education conference, said the recent freeze in the state may have caused as much as $250 million in crop damage.

Although Graham stressed that the final figures on the crop damage loss would not be in for some time, he said a holdback in this year's funds could be forthcoming to make up the loss.

"WE WON'T really know until the final statistics are in. But this much crop damage will result in a definite loss in state revenue," Graham said.

"The only way to offset this would be to holdback on some of the funds, including for the State University System," Graham estimated "several hundred-thousand dollars" could be withheld from UF.

UF EXECUTIVE Vice President Harold Hanson met with Graham later in the day, but refused to comment on the meeting.

Hanson did say however that the proposed "integrated utilities plant" for UF would be one of the major legislative priorities.

"It makes sense. I guess you could say that I am one of the main pushers of it," Hanson said.

OTHER UF officials concur with Hanson and consider obtaining funding for the integrated utilities plant the number one legislative priority for this year.

Under the plan UF would build its own utility plant—at an estimated cost of $176 million. The new plant would service UF's energy needs currently met by the St. Petersburg based-Florida Power Corporation.

Currently, Hanson said, "This thing is up to the Board of Regents. We submitted the plan to them and they accepted it and placed it on their budget requests."
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The Equal Rights Amendment has not gone totally under. In this country there are several states which have adopted their own. Pennsylvania, Colorado and Massachusetts all have their own ERA—Pennsylvania’s would nearly exact to the proposed federal amendment.

OFFICIALS IN THESE states doubt that the amendment opponents bring up, and contend that there is only major problem with the ERA is the adversary publicity received outside the state.

Judy Hansen, Director of Information for Pennsylvania’s Commission on Women, said her office has nearly completed its task of fully implementing that state’s ERA, which was ratified by voters in 1971.

Hansen first labeled as “outright lies” reports that Pennsylvania has unused public toilets or unisex prisons. “It’s a joke,” Hansen said. “We have never had and will never have unisex toilets or unisex prisons.

Through judicial decisions, specific legislation and administrative changes, Hansen said Pennsylvania’s ERA has resulted in a large list of changes beneficial to both men and women.

“The ERA has considerably expanded married women’s rights in Pennsylvania,” Hansen said. “Married women now have responsibility for the household goods, whereas before we had the ERA they had to produce cancelled checks or receipts to prove they paid for anything.”

According to Hansen, women in that state can now retain their maiden names when they marry, serve as barbers for men’s hair, police officers for male prisoners and girls can now deliver newspapers— all rights they did not have before the ERA had extended in Pennsylvania.

“It is an era that can now be enjoyed by both men and women, as well as widows as well as widowers. Temporarily alimony—from the time divorce proceedings are filed under it is completed—is now awarded by whichever spouse more dependent.

Two other rumors that Hansen refuted were that Pennsylvania has legalized homosexual marriage—which absolutely not true—and that Pennsylvania has been “forced out” in the working world.

“One thing that you should stress is that I should stress to you,” Hansen said, “is that legitimate contribution of the ERA is recognized and given a financial or monetary status.

“It is a created feeling in the state that has taken years and women who are not married make and women the same—the makes them equal under the law.

ERA

Well, probably the federally authorized Citizen’s Advisory Council on the Status of Women, whose conclusions are drawn from pages upon pages of testimony taken in the U.S. House and Senate as well as from legislative and legal experts throughout the country.

According to the council’s report, the ERA will:

• nullify restrictions on buying or selling property, or obtaining credit.
• extend government pension and retirement benefits to both sexes.
• extend social security benefits to widowers.
• subject women to the same military and judicial obligations as men.
• prohibit discrimination in employment by state or federal government.
• eliminate protective labor laws applying only to women, such as rest periods or longer lunch hours.

NEWLY, THERE are things the ERA will not do. It will not:

• effect hiring practices or pay scales in private businesses.
• restrict married couples in court.
• end alimony or child support payments. They will simply be awarded according to which partner is “most able” to pay them.
• prohibit special maternity benefits for working women.
• nullify divorce rights. They will be extended to men in states where they do not already have rights to their wives property.
• force men and women to use the same public toilets.

In addition Gordon emphasizes the impact the constitution’s state power will give specific legislation in equalizing pay scales and opening the doors of state institutions and universities to women administrators.

Spellerberg counters the amendment won’t do anything of the sort, but instead women will “still have to look for what the specific statutory legislation,” as well as the federal courts of enforcement of existing equality laws.

Spellerberg calls the ERA “absurd” and “unnecessary” because of the specific federal and state legislation already passed, such as the Federal Equal Pay Act of 1963, The Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1974 and the 1974 change in Florida credit regulations allowing women credit without co-signature from their husbands.

Women will lose a lot of the rights it would take them years and years to win,” Spellerberg said in explaining her opposition.

“We do not think total, absolute equality will benefit women.”

Right down the line, friends and foes disagree sharply on what ERA promises will do to help or hurt women.

GORDON CALLS the idea that women will automatically lose alimony and support payments when the amendment is ratified a “fallacious argument” and cites statistics to prove it.

Without the ERA, less than half the men divorced five years ago were still paying alimony or child support to their ex-wives, and only five per cent of the men divorced 10 years ago still made any payments.

When the ERA, Gordon claims the individual “who suffers the most financially” will receive financial assistance from the courts will depend on whose ex is the man or woman.

SPELLERBERG SAID having the ERA would make it almost imperative that every woman be prepared to go to court.

On the issue of drafting women to fight in a war, ERA proponents point out Congress has always had the right to send women for combat, and for once Spellerberg agrees.

But the self-assured Miami realtor emphasizes that Congress has always had the right to exempt women from the draft and has always exercised that right.

ALLOWING WOMEN to fight in combat, Spellerberg said, would “be an injustice to the weaker sex—which is still the women as far as physical capabilities are concerned.”

Another problem for the amendment’s detractors is the possibility it will open the door to homosexual marriages and the adoption of children by homosexual couples—an idea which makes Spellerberg cringe.

“It’s an attack upon the institutions of marriage and family,” she said. “The purpose of marriage is to have a family and produce children.

BUT THE traditional fears of the ERA panning the way for homosexual marriages may not be well founded, according to a study by the federally sanctioned Citizen’s Advisory Council on the Status of Women.

The council’s 1974 report stated that “all it (the ERA) says is that if a state legislation makes a judgement that it is wrong for a man to marry a man, then it must say it is wrong for a woman to marry a woman—or if a state says it is wrong for a woman to marry a man, then it must say it is wrong for a man to marry a man.

In other words, state laws prohibiting homosexual marriages are completely legal so long as they apply to both genders equally.

ONE MAJOR factor hindering final ratification is the fact it has taken so long for those 35 states to pass the ERA.

In the beginning, so to speak, after Congress passed it in 1972, the ERA swept through more than 30 states in two years. But they were in part the large industrial states of the North and Northeast, along with several states on the west coast—California, Oregon and Washington.

Throughout 1975 and 1976, the total number of states having passed the amendment was stuck at 34, with the situation made tenser by the fact four states— Nebraska, Tennessee, New York and New Jersey, all rescinded earlier ratification votes.

THE LEGALITY of those state’s second thoughts is still under review, with a possible court or congressional decision pending, so their original votes in favor of ERA are still counted as among the 35.

STATES IN BLACK HAVEN’T PASSED ERA

...amendment needs three more states to be ratified

Jill Ruckelshau, one national spokesperson in favor of ERA, blamed “an enormous amount of misunderstanding about the equal rights amendment” for the slow pace of ratification.

In an interview by U.S. News and World Report in December, 1975, Ruckelshau said opponents of the ERA are “ignoring the fact that the courts will follow the intent of Congress and are publishing charges exploiting fear of change and lack of confidence in our institutions.

WHETHER OPPONENT’S contentsions of the disastrous effects the ERA will have are true or false does not matter—they have been effective.

Since the early rush of states passing the ERA, opponents have become more vocal, better organized and have added the power of the Mormon Church in Utah and many fundamentalist churches in the rural South to combat the ERA.

Influenced by massive letter-writing campaigns and petitions in opposition, male legislators often feel threatened by possible passage of the ERA.

THESE ARE only general trends, trends which ERA supporters say have been halted by Indiana passing the ERA earlier this month, but trends which ERA opponents say are growing stronger every month.

Even if the findings of the Citizens’ Advisory Council are accepted the disagreements and the battles will continue.

No one is sure whether the ERA will pack the Wallace proponents expect, or if court decisions will be needed to force compliance with any specific state or federal anti-suffrage legislation.

THE ANSWER to that question will come in time—time that Congress is willing to wait for.

Supporters want as many states to pass the amendment as possible before the March, 1979 deadline, while detractors would like March, 1979 to arrive as quickly as possible.

Whether or not the amendment is approved by 35 states in time, the issue will not be dead. Both sides vow they will fight the finish—and in the spirit of their constant disagreement, they haven’t decided whether that “finish” will ever arrive.
Faulty tape blamed for Guide flub

BY DENNIS KNEALE
Alligator Staff Writer

A faulty UF student data computer tape was to blame for at least 6,000 errors in the 1976-77 Gator Guide distributed last week and UF officials Wednesday said a 13-page supplement of dormitory resident phone numbers will be distributed next week to correct the bungle.

Although the UF computer tape used for printing the guide did not contain any dormitory resident phone numbers and UF officials proof-read the error-riddled guide pages before they went to press, UF Business Manager Richard Schiffli said the supplement decision was not made because UF made the errors.

"FAULT HASN'T got anything to do with it. We simply supplied the numbers that I think the students strongly needed," Schiffli said.

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Bears asleep

SALEM, LL (UPI) - It's a cold winter even in southern Illinois. Tom Telford's bears attest to that.

Telford says his black bears are hibernating for the first time in the 15 years he's been keeping them. Telford now has four black bears, two males and two pregnant females, paired off in separate pens which contain large oil storage tanks with straw for beds.

Telford said his bears started their long snoop around Christmas time.

"They just crawled in the straw and bedded down," said Telford.

He said he has tried to rouse the bears by shaking and scratching them but they just stir and settle back into slumber. Apples and other food placed in the pens has gone untouched, he said.

TV to show live high-wire stroll

MIAMI BEACH, FLA. (UPI) - When Karl Wallenda goes out for a 700-foot stroll here next Monday night it will be without touching the ground - he hopes.

The famed 72-year-old circus and high wire performer is slated to walk that distance over a one-inch steel cable stretched from the roof of the Hotel Fontainebleau to the neighboring Hotel Eden Roc.

His performance is being featured live on the Jan. 31 CBS television special, "Evel Knievel's Death Defiers," at 7:30 p.m. (EST).

After a life time of high wire stunts, including similar walks at the Houston Astrodome and the Tower of London, Wallenda is not exactly uptight about this one but he hopes he'll make it.

"This will be a first for me," he explained. "I've never done a walk at night before and with a steady wind like this."

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Sikes loses his post

WASHINGTON (UPI) - House Democrats Wednesday ousted Rep. Robert Sikes, D-Fla., from a subcommittee post he allegedly used for personal gain, ignoring the wishes of Speaker Thomas O'Neill and siding with reformers who warned: "The American people are watching."

After an emotional debate in which some claimed Congress' integrity was on trial, the Democratic caucus voted 189-92 by secret ballot to remove Sikes as chairman of the influential Military Construction Subcommittee.

The move was a defeat for O'Neill and for old guard congressmen who defended Sikes passionately. It suggested pressure is building for a strict new code of Congressional ethics.

At issue was whether Sikes, a 19-term congressman, should head the subcommittee even though the House reprimanded him last year for failing to disclose financial interests in a bank and a land development project that benefited from his legislative activities.

The military construction subcommittee is part of the house appropriations committee. It dispenses billions each year in funds for military facilities.

"The American people are watching to see if we do anything about it," said Rep. Richardson Preyer, D-N.C., who will chair a special committee assigned to develop a new code of ethics.

Aspiring artists invited to compete in art festival

By PATRICK CONNOLLY
Alligator Writer

AspiringPicassos and Michelangelos have until March 1 to apply for a chance to compete for $3,750 in cash prizes and $3,000 in purchase awards in the Spring Arts Festival. The festival will run April 23-24 and is being sponsored by the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce, the City of Gainesville and Santa Fe Community College, which has received a grant from the Fine Arts Council of Florida.

Three Slides of the artist’s work must accompany the application, festival director Karen Beach said. Based on the excellence of the slides, the artist has a chance to become one of the 250 artists selected to compete in the festival, she said.

For those not interested in competing, or who are turned down for competition by the judges, 100 exhibition spaces are available, Beach said, and are being assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

"We’re going to have a much better show this year," Beach said. "There are more applications being sent in so that the judges have a wider field from which to choose. It’s going to be highly competitive."

The Open-Air festival, covering six blocks, has competitive and exhibition categories ranging from a variety of painting mediums to graphics, drawings, fiber art, leatherwork, jewelry, sculpture, photography and pottery.

A special exhibition and competition display for children under 16 is also available.

New to the festival this year is a "hands-on" area, where spectators can try their luck at different art skills, Beach said.

Demonstrations of printing, macrame, painting, blacksmithing, and musical instruments will be offered. About one fourth of the available space has already been assigned, Beach said, and a nominal entry fee, depending on which category and whether an event is to be an exhibition or competition is charged.

For an application or more information, contact the festival office at the Chamber of Commerce or write Spring Arts Festival, P.O. Box 1530, Gainesville, FL 32602.
UF sports arena okayed by planning council

By ANDREA MURRAY
Alligator Staff Writer

Construction of the proposed $9.7 million UF sports arena was approved Tuesday night by a North Florida Regional Planning Council committee - in spite of complaints that the facility will cause serious parking problems.

Using color slides and maps, UF planners described the mass seating facility - which is scheduled to be open by December 1975 - will be financed entirely from student fees.

Despite the objections, the regional planning council committee unanimously approved the plans after studying the coliseum's possible economic and environmental impact. The council's executive committee must next approve the plans.

A PUBLIC hearing on the activity center will be held before the Gainesville City Commission on Feb. 21. The 11.2-acre sports center to be built west of Florida Field on the ROTC drill field will displace about 300 parking spaces now available and plans for the facility provide only about 100 new ones. Neil Webb, UF associate director of planning said.

To alleviate the parking crunch, planners are considering moving the UF baseball field to Snell field, which is used now for intramural sports, Webb said. Intramural facilities would then be located elsewhere, he said.

Webb said UF planners hope to be able to build a parking garage to go along with the arena but said garage plans are for the more distant future - after completion of the arena.

"The parking garage is a separate project in the very early planning stages," Webb said Tuesday.

The roof plans for the building also were questioned by Curtis. He asked if adequate power would be available to support the Teflon and fiberglass air-supported roof in an energy emergency.

Webb explained the roof would be safely supported by built-in steel cables in cases of power failure.
No decision made in legal battle over NOW office space

By ROBERT RIVAS
Alligator Staff Writer

UF's National Organization for Women (NOW) chapter stopped the J. Wayne Reitz Union Board of Managers from cutting their office space by nearly one third and in the process threw the board's legal status into doubt.

NOW successfully fought to stop the board from meeting and making the space allocation decision that would have given NOW a smaller office on the union third floor. Before the meeting ended five student board members were almost cited for contempt of court and Student Body President Dan Lobeck was ordered not to make any more committee appointments by Board of Masters member Marie Evans.

NOW CO-DIRECTOR Sandi Blakley, obtained an order from Evans to end the managers meeting because the student board members may have been seated illegally.

Under UF policy, Lobeck nominated the student board members and UF President Robert Marston approved his nominations. But under student body law, the Student Senate must approve Lobeck's nominations before they become official.

The two laws conflict, but UF Vice President for Student Affairs Art Sandeen said the current appointments are legal. EVANS ISSUED the order to end the meeting at 3:45 p.m., but Board of Managers Chairman Bill Chandler insisted the board was seated under Marston's authority and the Board of Masters could not order the meeting ended.

The meeting went on while Blakley fought for a contempt of court citation from UF Student Court Chancellor Shay Bilchik. By 5:45 p.m., minutes before Bilchik could cite the student members for contempt, Board of Managers member Gary Gunter introduced a motion to end the meeting. The motion carried 6 to 4 and the meeting was over—before NOW was moved into the smaller office.

EVANS ORDERED LOBECK not to make any committee appointments until the Board of Masters, the highest UF student court, could decide whether he must have all committee appointments validated by the Student Senate. Board of Managers student members Gunter, Chandler, Maruchi Azorin, Debra Lynn Shannon and Bill Wiresman were ordered to appear before the Board of Masters Monday at 7:30 p.m. Lobeck must also appear at the same time.
23 oaks and pecans replace trees felled for parking lot

By ELLY HOCHMAN
Alligator Staff Writer

Twenty-three trees near the Architecture and Fine Arts Building have been transplanted in the Leigh Hall parking lot area, close to the same place a number of trees were cut down during Christmas break.

Calvin Greene, Physical Plant director, said the trees were in the way of construction for proposed General Classroom Building B. "ALL THE trees were relocated in areas not disturbed by the parking lot," Greene said.

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Professors, lawyers debate death penalty

By LORRAINE SOLOMON
Alligator Writer

Two UF professors exchanged crossfire with two state attorneys Tuesday night in a vigorous debate on capital punishment at the Spessard Holland Law Center Auditorium.

"Society has a right to protect itself. People have a right to expect society to protect them," said Harris Tobin, assistant state attorney and proponent of the death penalty.

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"The Gary Gilmore case was cited as unrepresentative of most "death row" cases, according to Auxter. "The way Gilmore was removed from us was obscene," Marky said. He recommended a medically administered dosage of drugs for future executions.

"STITT SAID he wondered how many death row cases are similar to that of Pitts and Lee — two men sentenced to death in Florida who later had their conviction overturned by Gov. Reubin Askew.

Marky spoke of the cost of keeping prisoners housed in prison for lengthy periods of time and lack of money for education, or old age care. "If you’re talking about cost, I say we need to get rid of more of them," Marky said.

Auxter and Stitt said they believed racism is shown in cases of capital punishment.

Stitt said the percentage of blacks on death row since the 1960s has increased from 53 to 62 per cent. He cited a study in which the evidence suggested black males are more often found guilty than white males or females, or black females.

THE DEBATE, which lasted one hour, was followed by almost two hours of questions from the audience. The majority of those asking quest ons said they were opposed to the death penalty. One man said he was a political conservative and resented Auxter's statement that capital punishment appears to right wing people who are "committed to the nostalgia of the past."

When asked their opinion of the debate, Shelley Nathans, 75, 75, 75, 75 said, "I think the panel opposed to the death penalty clearly presented a better case."

Deciding a winner was secondary to Paul Singerman, 24, who said he attended the debate "to clarify a few questions" in his mind.

Irma Bocchino, moderator of the debate and director of the UF Debate Team, said she believed Auxter and Stitt won. "The side against the death penalty carried the weight of evidence factually, statistically and in a documented fashion," she said.

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Graham hits campaign trail months early

By PAT CRONIN
Alligator Staff Writer

Florida Sen. Robert Graham hopes to be as successful with Graham crackers as Jimmy Carter was with peanuts.

Against formidable odds, the Miami Lakes Democrat has unofficially begun campaigning for governor 20 months prior to the first gubernatorial primary.

On a two-day visit to Gainesville this week, Graham tried to recruit volunteers in between his busy schedule of speeches and television and radio interviews here.

At a bicycle demonstration the evening of February 11 in Gainesville, Graham was told by a reporter that Graham's campaign was in danger of being signed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture as a campaign front-runner.

Graham泮ted Sen. Dempsey Barron, D-Panama City, for saying universities need better efficiency and not more money.

"That's a cop-out," Graham said. "I was speaking with Dr. Morris Trimmer of the building construction department at UF, and he told me that the student-to-teacher ratio had doubled in his department since he came here in 1958. You can't convince me that doesn't lower the quality of education."

But while Graham wants more funding for education, his proposals to revitalize the current tax system to raise extra revenue are unclear.

"We NEED to look to the current tax structure to raise revenue for education," he said. "There are three objectives we need—a system that is fair, a system that is flexible and a system that produces adequate resources."

Graham said he wants to tax consumer services, raise taxes on most alcoholic beverages and terminate a 3 per cent tax rebate to raise an extra $250 million.

Graham outlined many of the programs he favors, saying he wants to:

Pass Equal Rights Amendment which he thinks will succeed this year.

Keep capital punishment for extreme cases such as airport terrorists.

Intensify current programs in solar, tidal and wind energy.

Reduce prison population through massive vocational programs.

Stimulate the economy through new businesses.

Besides covering major issues in his speech, Graham also said he is considering a running mate from the Tampa Bay area.

"I think Tampa Bay would have the best geographical advantages to offer," he said.

Graham remarked, "However, I still don't have anyone special in mind."

Graham said he would be in Gainesville twice more before going to Tallahassee for the new legislative session in April and predicted he would officially qualify later for the governor's race between May and December.

Instant coffee sub is easy on your wallet

By ANDREA MURRAY
Alligator Staff Writer

"It looks, smells and tastes like coffee, and it makes you feel good—it's better than coffee." That's how Orlando inventor George Sarantakos describes his latest creation, a low-priced artificial coffee.

It only took two days for Sarantakos to brew up the imitation drink in his home kitchen. He said, it is comprised of six natural ingredients which he would not reveal.

WHATSOEVER the drink is made of, the price is right. Sarantakos said his concoction will sell for about half the price of coffee once negotiations with manufacturers are completed. With a pound of coffee costing up to $2.99 in Gainesville, buyers of Sarantakos product, called "Bravo," stand to save some money.

Low cost may not be the only benefit of Bravo. Sarantakos said the drink makes him feel healthier.

"I've been drinking it and I feel like a young man of 16," the 44-year-old inventor said. He plans to send samples to UF food researchers for analysis of Bravo's protein content and potential health benefits.

Healthy is not how to describe several homemade substitutes consumers have been using to avoid paying high prices for coffee, U.S. Department of Agriculture officials reported many of the substitutes, including mustard, are poisonous, and warned persons to be careful of using potentially fatal substitutes.

Describing himself as a professional inventor "like Ben Franklin or Thomas Edison," Sarantakos said the inspiration for his coffee substitute came to him after dinner.

"I WAS drinking a cup of instant coffee and I looked at the price. I said to myself 'the time has come'; I just turned everything in the oven, put it all together and had myself a cup of coffee," he said.

The amino acids in the ingredients he uses makes Bravo taste like coffee, Sarantakos said, but it won't do the same job of waking you up in the morning.

"There's no caffeine in it," Sarantakos said, so it has no bitter aftertaste. He recommends drinkers mix it half and half with real coffee to save money and still get a coffee "kick."

Sarantakos, who does his work at home, said he has been making a living from his inventions for 15 years. He said he hopes to get enough money from Bravo to fund some of his pet projects including work on solar energy and a cure for cancer.
editorials, opinions

Go Gators

File this one under “alumni on the march.”

Back in 1959, a guy walked off the UF campus headed for Harvard Law School. He returned Tuesday night, running for governor. The Gator candidate is State Sen. Robert Graham, a wealthy Democrat from Miami Lakes, a Phi Beta Kappa and Florida Blue Key.

This space isn’t accustomed to nice words, but a few need to be said about Bob Graham. At the top of the list, Graham was one of a few state lawmakers who fought for more education money last session. As we all know, Graham and company lost, outnumbered by the Panhandle crew.

But right next to that goes something at which Graham succeeded: Significant state environmental reform, the early 1970s which are saving Florida’s land-and-seascapes. As a central architect of the reforms, Graham made possible unprecedented ecological protection for the Florida Keys, Big Cypress Swamp and other areas of critical state environmental concern.

Read to that this scene: Sen. Graham wolfs down a tasteless egg salad sandwich with students in a capitol basement cafe, taking time he doesn’t really have to explain how their government works.

We will confess straight off we’re biased. Graham is one of the few politicians anywhere who will give a reporter a specific answer, supported with facts that pop from some hidden cranial computer. He was coping with that kind of answers to most questions last night at the J. Wayne Reitz Union, talking to student politicos and JM 301 students. He revealed a tax plan he figures would pump $250 million into the state general revenue fund, which runs universities.

Graham called for extending the sales tax to services, upping liquor taxes and reducing the rebate merchants get for collecting sales taxes at the cash register. While Graham’s math on the $250 million may do, that sure looks skimpier than the $2.5 billion state general revenue fund. Merely to restore state services to their pre-recession level would probably cost more than that.

Like any candidate who wants to remain a serious contender, understdog Graham does avoid questions on a personal income tax. The closest he comes to an answer is saying we should bulk tourists to a greater extent—which has been the pat answer in Florida since Ponce de Leon’s time.

So, while we’re boosting Bob Graham as a candidate, we’re keeping our eyes open and won’t pick sides yet just. After all, it is almost two years until the final election for governor. And there is at least one other worthwhile candidate in the running already. He is Fla. Atty. Gen. Robert Shevin, also of Miami, also of UF (1955), also a Blue Key. Shevin makes government-in-the-sunshine work, is tough on crime—one say so tough—and already has a campaign war chest.

Any way you slice it, though, you ought to grab a newscast and settle onto the bench. This Gator growl promises to be interesting.

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advice and dissent
letters from readers

British goods have real class

EDITORS: In the Jan. 14 edition of The Alligator, Bruce Berkwitz made some mighty sweeping conclusions about the British national character from a pretty narrow database. A different conclusion can easily be reached by viewing Berkowitz’s facts in a slightly different light.

Really, Mr. Berkwitz, why did you buy the British AC sedan? I presume it was not out of manchastic tendencies, so the old huggy must have given you some kind of good vibe when you first saw it. Eh? And have you never thought, "This thing must have been slick back when it was new!"

Review is ‘ridiculous’

EDITORS: This letter is in response to your paper’s recent record review in the Jan. 20 edition.

After reading the review of the latest Allman Brothers album “Wipe the Windows, Check the Oil, Dollar Gas,” conducted by Martin Hardee, I felt compelled and obligated to write this response.

MR. HARDEE’S derogatory comments on this album discredits himself as a critic, not the Allman Brothers as a band. His comments and initation are so absurd and uncal that his entire musical knowledge, if any, becomes questionable.

Hardee’s remarks regarding the recording quality of this album are the most ridiculous statements I have ever heard. He states, “The technical quality is just plain disgusting. One could do better with a cassette recorder and a ceramic mike.” I challenge Mr. Hardee and his ceramic recorder along with his ceramic mike to record any rock concert anywhere and obtain a better recording with his equipment than the New York Record Plant Remote Truck obtained. Once Mr. Hardee makes his recording I think he should compare his recording to the recording quality of “Wipe the Windows, Check the Oil, Dollar Gas” before he displays his musical ignorance.

As far the question of whether one should purchase this album, I say yes. I bought the album here in Gainesville for $4.99 plus tax and found it most enjoyable. I feel that anyone who enjoys live albums and Allman Brothers music will also enjoy this last release with no regrets.

Matthew Peterson

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EDITOR: Regarding the recent exhortations for the "abolition of capital punishment" of Gary Gilmore, the public executions for the condemned man were, in the years to come, public executions of David Jensen's husband and father, lying lifeless on the floor of a service station restroom with two bullet holes through his head. In this particular case, through a mistake in procedure, the man was not dead and he was subsequently executed. The public is the executioner and the burdens of that execution should be placed squarely where the responsibility lies, with the public. A televised execution may just give the public a little better understanding of capital punishment and it may give those who oppose the death penalty a subject a basis from which to speak.

Mark Goldberg
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ded murder" as it has so often been called is an affront to the dignity and morality of this country. Perhaps if the bureaucratic haze which envelops this procedure were eliminated so it could be recognized as the violent and inhumane treatment it is, the public support for this barbaric ritual would be changed, and if not then at least the public would be informed.

AT ONE SUCH electrocution in the past the description went as follows: "His lips puffed out and his body squirmed and tensed and he jumped so that the chair left the floor." In this particular case, through a mistake in procedure, the man was not dead and he was subsequently reexecuted.

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Thieves score with stolen cage tickets

By KATHLEEN PELLEGRINO
Alligator Staff Writer

Someone scored big on UF basketball early in the season, making off with almost $1,000 worth of season basketball passes in November.

"The theft wasn't discovered by the ticket office until around Jan. 10," assistant athletic business manager Hardee McAlhaney said Wednesday.

But McAlhaney delayed reporting the theft to the University Police Department until Jan. 20 when, after investigation, he realized the 73 passes were not missing but had been stolen.

THE 73 passes were available to student spouses for $13 at the beginning of the basketball season. With half the season over they are now worth about $6.50, McAlhaney said.

"Our bank receipts showed that we had money for only about 100 of the 250 (spouse) tickets," McAlhaney said.

Furthermore, he added, Jan. 11 a student tried to redeem a ticket that had a missing number. That student gave McAlhaney the name of a second student whom he said sold him two spouse tickets.

MCALHANEY THEN reported the students to UPD.

UPD Investigator Ken Overstreet said neither student was responsible for the initial theft.

The thief, buyers, price paid for is still a mystery, Overstreet said.

"I have leads in the case and they are being investigated." McAlhaney said he suspects the tickets were taken sometime before basketball season started. He speculated that the thief, probably a student, reached in through the ticket office window and snatched a handful of tickets from the back of a batch.

"We had a similar case during football season when we suspected tickets had been stolen," McAlhaney said. "But it turned out to be a mistake and the final ticket count balanced out."

These Gator cups hold a different kind of spirit

Many a UF student has collected Gator cups rather than spend hard earned dollars on glassware. And now it seems they're using them to produce homegrown pot instead of buying the illegal, yet much in demand substance.

For example, one Broward Hall resident used 14 of the drinking containers to pot marijuana plants in until hall advisor Steve Rafferty found the plants Monday and turned them over to UPD.

Rafferty, who as an HA supervises four resident advisors in the Broward Rawlings area, said he found the plants in the dorm but would not name the student responsible for harvesting the crop.

The anonymous student will be referred to the area conduct board for disciplinary action, Rafferty said Tuesday night.

New directories arrive

New Gainesville telephone directories arrived in Alachua County Tuesday and all 80,000 will be distributed before February 10, a Southern Bell spokesman said.

The new books are being handed out door-to-door, but extra directories can be obtained at the Veteran of Foreign Wars' office on Waldo Road.

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Drop policy change may be defeated

By ANDREA MURRAY
Alligator Staff Writer

A University Senate vote on a new, more restrictive drop policy for UF students is being delayed to avoid its probable defeat, Student Government officials say.

The policy change proposal in the works for nearly a year, was expected to come before the senate for a vote on Thursday, but Senate Curriculum Committee Chairman Gene Hemp, associate vice-president for academic affairs, has decided to hold the bill in committee.

THE PROPOSED change, according to Terry Brown, a student member of the Curriculum Committee would allow course drops to be handled by individual colleges only for the first four weeks of each quarter. From the fifth week on, students wishing to drop a class would have to petition a central committee composed of faculty members from each college.

Current drop procedures are determined by individual colleges and differ among the nine undergraduate schools.

Faculty and student opposition to the senate proposal has been applied since last November, according to Gary Gunter, president of the college councils.

Brown helped organize a petition drive resulting in more than 2,800 signatures of students opposed to the change.

Both Brown and Gunter said the bill was expected to be defeated Thursday because of widespread opposition.

Faculty and student opposition to the committee's proposal has been heard since last November, Gunter said. Gunter and Brown said the bill is not coming to a vote because some senate members do not want to see it rejected.

"I think they knew that it wouldn't pass and didn't want the Senate to take it up," Gunter said. "I just didn't think it was ready to go," Hemp said. "It will be discussed on Thursday. The committee did pass it, but when it goes to the senate is my decision."

Hemp said the bill will probably be scheduled for vote in February. Faculty and administrative comments and feedback on the proposal still need to be considered, he said.

Senate meets today

The University Senate will meet today to consider a committee recommendation on honorary degrees and also to mull over a letter from the Disabled Students Council asking for faculty involvement in the upcoming Handicap Awareness Day.

The committee recommendation concerns possible candidates for honorary degrees at UF. No information on who the candidates are will be released until after the vote.

The meeting, at 3:30 p.m. in McCarty Auditorium, is expected to be short, according to Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Gene Hemp.

The senate is made up of 391 faculty, 32 administrators and five students who act as advisers but have no voting rights.

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Profs consider using plus or minus grades

By ANDREW FROMAN
Alligator Staff Writer

UF's traditional grading scale could be bolstered with pluses and minuses if a UF committee decides the extra grades would give faculty more flexibility in grading students.

Professor Joel Cohen, chairperson of a curriculum committee sub-committee, said his committee began advertising for faculty and student response Wednesday, and that he hoped to have a recommendation for the full Curriculum Committee before the end of winter quarter.

UF ASSOC. Vice President for Academic Affairs Gene Help said the sub-committee's study of a new grade scale is still in its early stages, but is aimed at determining whether an expanded grading scale would allow faculty to give students "more representative grades," while also relieving "some of the pressure on grade inflation." He said the new system could be in use as early as Fall, 1977.

Hemp said in some instances, professors are in a dilemma when grading students who don't quite deserve a higher grade, but don't quite deserve the lower grade either.

"And the tendency is to give the higher grade--although that's just conjecture on my part," Hemp said.

HEMP SAID he directed the sub-committee to study the new grade scale because of several other factors--including faculty requests for the expansion, a recent approval of UF's Graduate School faculty to expand their grade scale and the success of the UF Law School's own expanded grading system.

A 1974 report by a graduate school committee studying that school's grading policy recommended the shift to a minus grading system.

The report said that since many graduate professors consider even a C grade failing and therefore usually give A's or B's, a shift to an A-, B-, C- system "offers two more grading points above the level of C than does the present system."

ACCORIDING TO J.D. Perkins, special assistant to Graduate Dean Harry Sisler, the graduate school's faculty "overwhelmingly" approved an expansion of the grading system last June.

Assoc. Graduate Dean F. Michael Wahl said the graduate school has withheld instituting the new grade scale until the Curriculum Committee decides to recommend it for UF's undergraduates also.

The UF Law School's Assoc. Dean E.L. Roy Hunt said the law school faculty adopted their own A-, B-, C- system so that they too could have "more flexibility in grading students."

Hunt said he wasn't sure how long the law school had been grading students with plus grades--"at least two years maybe, three"--but he said he's been "very pleased" with the results.

"I think it's worked well and so far as I know, our faculty have been happy with it," Hunt said.

"If UF is to have the expanded grading system, it must be approved by the Curriculum Committee and subsequently the University Senate. It would then be sent to UF President Robert Marion for final approval."
Ford requests $18.5 million VA expansion

By ELY HOCHMAN
Alligator Staff Writer

Former President Gerald Ford recommended Congress appropriate $18.5 million for expansion of Gainesville's Veterans Administration Hospital as part of a $94.5 million construction and park purchase appropriation for all of Florida before stepping down last week.

Ford based his request on Veteran's Administration department recommendations that will also be given to President Jimmy Carter as he revises Ford's request.

The funds, if appropriated, would be used for construction "to add four floors to correct space deficiency that has been there since the hospital was built," Donald Thompson, assistant hospital director, said.

The addition, to be built on top of the existing structure, will provide needed educational and research space which the hospital now lacks, Thompson said. The hospital has inadequate patient space. Although not included in the construction funds, money for equipment will be made available from other funds once the floors are completed, Thompson said.

The construction would be a continuation of Phase 1, and almost $5 million building program begun last year and expected to be completed December, 1977.

This first phase of construction will complete the first two floors of a new institution for outpatient care, which will include additional operating rooms and laboratories, Thompson said.

After the first two floors are completed the new funds will be used to complete the structure, he said. The foundation of the building is being built strong enough to handle the four floor addition, he added.

Thompson explained that the building is being done in two stages because the needed funds were not available all at once. Projected completion of the entire project is slated for July, 1978, he said.

Emily Isberg, press aide to U.S. Sen. Richard Stone, D-Fla., said President Carter's transition team has informally agreed to submit Carter's budget recommendations by Feb. 20.

"Carter's recommendation will be based on recommendations from the individual departments," Isberg said. "He will probably receive the same recommendations that Ford did."

A Carter press aide said he did not know whether Carter supported the appropriation. Files on the various departments were still being moved from Georgia to the White House, he said.

Following Carter's submission of the budget, Congressional appropriations committees will hold hearings, Isberg said. The budget will then be voted on in Congress.

Isberg said Stone was working for the approval of the funds. As a member of the Senate's Veteran's Committee, he is pushing for the upgrading of Florida's veteran's hospitals.

Thompson said the funding request has "been in the works for several years." It will take one year in planning and two years in construction to get it (the addition) built," Thompson said.

Thompson said if the budget reaches Congress it would probably pass.

"Normally when it gets to Congress it has been reviewed by several committees and I would think that it would pass," Thompson said.

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**Student senate decides to keep political parties**

By ROBERT RIVAS
Alligator Staff Writer

The Student Senate Tuesday night voted to keep its political party system even though both major student government parties propose to eliminate parties from SG politics last spring.

By a 4 to 9 vote, with two abstentions, after more than an hour of often-heated debate, the senate agreed with Sen. Rob Webb's statement that fraternities and sororities have a "right" to dominate campus elections by rallying behind one party since Greeks are the most "informed and concerned" voters.

AS MANY senators viewed the bill's effects, it would have forced aspiring senators to win or lose on the issues rather than on party labels.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Byron Townsend, said it was "so that everybody who runs starts off on the same footing."

Student Body President Dan Lobeck appeared before the senate to say the bill would foster a "much healthier and more open system."

LOBECK ASSERTED often-repeated charges that the Spark party "stole" the issue of abolishing political parties from his NOVA party last fall's elections.

Both SPARK and NOVA, the two largest parties, ran on platforms of abolishing parties last fall. But during the meeting, the senate heard a long list of Spark and NOVA senators insist they didn't have to vote the party platform just because they ran with the party.

After a round of sarcasm about FBK "deals" Webb called the allegations a "bunch of horseshit" and said he would "throw up" if he heard any more.

"I APOLOGIZE for my language but I am totally fed up with these accusations," Webb said. "I am a political science major, and any political science major worth his salt knows the value of political parties."

Dr. Manning J. Dauzer, UF's distinguished professor of political science, Wednesday agreed with the senate's decision that there is no point in abolishing parties. He said politicians will form parties whether they are sanctioned by law or not.

"I don't think that any legislation could abolish political parties," Dauzer said. "People have a right to conspire together any way they want to. I think parties are inevitable."

But Dauzer added, "if there are parties you'd best regulate them."

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**ASFC refuses off-campus housing funding request**

The UF Activity and Service Fee Advisory Committee (ASFC) Tuesday refused to appropriate the Division of Off-Campus Housing $6,338.40 for extra personnel.

The bulk of the money would have been used for two student assistants to inspect rental units before off-campus housing approved them for student use and to hire lawyers to work out a "model lease" agreement.

ASFC Chairman Rob Webb said Wednesday the committee was not sure the inspection was necessary. Facing a possible six percent deficit by the end of this year, ASFC is skeptical of using any of its $43,000 reserve fund, Webb said.

"We're just trying to be real careful," he said. "We did not want to have to kill the proposal."

**Veto power may be removed**

By ROBERT RIVAS
Alligator Staff Writer

The Student Senate Tuesday night took action to curb the powers of the student body president.

The senate approved a proposal to remove rules governing senate committees from student body law—which is subject to presidential veto—and to place the rules under house regulations.

ALTHOUGH the proposal to place the rules under house regulations requires only one vote by the senate, the second part of the proposal—which amends student body law—must be voted on again for final passage.

The senate-ordered change could run into trouble, however, as it may be vetoed by Student Body President Dan Lobeck.

The senate bill—if approved by Lobeck—would remove Lobeck's veto power over rules governing senate committees, committee seniority, committee attendance and censure of senators.

IN OTHER ACTION, the senate:

- Passed on first reading a reapportionment of UF colleges' representation in the senate. The College of Arts and Sciences went from 4 to 3, UF's Engineering went from 2 to 3. Education went from 4 to 3, Business Administration went from 2 to 3, Agriculture went from 1 to 2, and the new Veterinary Medicine was given its first seat.
- Authorized a $43,000 reserve fund for a "Camp Placement Day" March 9. The day will be a chance for UF students to meet with summer camp directors from throughout the country for placement as camp counselors and guides.
- Authorized a $53 fund for the UF Transcendental Meditation Society to hold a "symposium on enlightenment" Feb. 17. Representatives from the society told the senate at least 90 UF students would attend.

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**RUB customers, watch mailbox**

New Regional Utilities Board (RUB) electric subscribers are finding junk mail when they get utility bills out of the mailbox. Every RUB subscriber's name is listed in the Gainesville Library and local organizations are picking up on the list to support their causes free of charge.

George Lindsey, RUB assistant to the general manager, said the list of subscribers' names is public record and must be made available.

"WE PLACE print-outs from time to time in the library at the request of such organizations as Welcome Wagon," Lindsey said.

"The University Baptist Church is one organization making use of the list. Franches Mueller, office worker at the church, said the church has recently obtained xeroxed copies of the free print-out."

"WE MAIL to all newcomers in the area," Mueller said.

"Mueller said the lists will be checked every few months. But unlike many companies which send mailings every few weeks, Mueller explained that the church will mail only once."

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The bagel couple

By JAN TUCK WOOD
Alligator Writer

It used to be hard to get a bagel in Gainesville. In fact, all you heard of bagels was talk of how good they were in bakeries in Miami or New York. And how Gainesville didn't have them.

Well, all that has changed. Bagels are becoming a staple of the UF student's diet, and the shops are filled for Sunday brunch, or breakfast before class.

And two of the people behind the "bagel boom" are Donald and Randi Roth, the owners of Bageland.

Enchanted with his education major, Roth traded his books for bagels more than a year ago.

It was a risk, but with two stores and a wholesale business, the Roths are, as far as they know, Gainesville's youngest merchants. And they're prospering in a town where many people didn't know it bagel from it doughnut not long ago.

Donald and Randi, 23 and 22 years old respectively, agreed the bagel business was a gamble. But they survived with the help of "a lot of nice bankers" and the business knowledge of their fathers, Randi said. Donald's father flies up from Fort Lauderdale weekly to "teach me how to manage the business," Donald said.

Because UF wouldn't accept Randi as a transfer student, "Dad said the only way we could get together was to open a restaurant," Randi, who had been going to college in Georgia, explained.

They opened Bageland in Butler Plaza in December, 1975, and Bageland on 1st Avenue a year later. They also do wholesale business with local hospitals, restaurants (Howard Johnson's and Sambo's) and supermarkets (Pic 'N' Save and Skaggs Albertson's).

Before they invested in expensive equipment, the Roths shipped their bagels in from Miami. They've been making their own for two-and-one-half months and are, according to Randi, the only bagel baking establishment from Atlanta, Ga., to the Palm Beaches.

"A lot of college students can afford to eat bagels because they fill you and aren't very expensive," Randi, from North Miami Beach, said.

Apparently, a lot of people are eating bagels. The Roths have plans to ship their product throughout central Florida and to Jacksonville and Tallahassee. They also want to sell their bagels in the savorings of convenience stores.

It wasn't easy, but the market in Gainesville was right for the bagel idea, the Roths said.

It wasn't easy, either, to quit school and start a business with no business background.

"But we had an idea and saw a need," Donald said. "And I thought we had a shot at it."
Dance afficionados will have a chance to indulge their appetites this Friday and Saturday nights at the Santa Fe Community Dance Company's winter concert.

Under the direction of Nina Fedorovich, the company will perform a varied program, including several new works.

The dancers, who have been rehearsing for over two months, will perform nine pieces that range in style from classical to comic to abstraction to improvisation. In short, even the dancers agree you probably won't like every single one. But there is sure to be something to please even the fussiest viewer.

Of special interest will be "Diagram," a new work choreographed by Fedorovich. It is set to electronic music composed especially for the company by Gainesville musician Richard Jones. It features a flutist who performs on stage during the finale.

Other new works are: "Prelude," a pas de deux danced by Phil Goldberg and Beatrix Aldana to music by Chopin, "Ballet Beyond," an abstract modern ballet by Beth Ramey and Deborah Luhu, and "Elsewhere," a light-hearted piece, suggestive of Spanish gypsies, choreographed by Beatrix Aldana.


The growing popularity of the dance in Gainesville is due in large measure to the efforts of the company as well as the Civic Ballet. Many of the performers in this weekend's program are contributing members of both companies.

Admission to the performance is $1, making it one of the cheaper amusement available this weekend.

Showtime is 8:00 in Building E at the Northwest Campus.
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County VD rate drops from highest in state

By LORRAINE SOLOMON
Alligator Writer

Alachua County won’t have the number one venereal disease rate in the state this year – a distinction it earned during 1976 – according to local health officials.

“We’re not number one anymore,” Dennis Trimble, public health advisor and VD investigator for the Alachua County Health Department and the Gainesville VD Clinic, said. “More extensive contact interviewing” now done in his department is causing a decrease in Alachua’s VD rate, Trimble said.

ONE HUNDRED cases of syphilis and 1,500 cases of gonorrhea were reported in Alachua County last year. Trimble predicts “a lot less of both” for 1977.

A major reason the decline is that an additional VD consultant and investigator was hired at the Gainesville VD clinic. Trimble said. Previously only Trimble discovered and tracked down VD cases.

This increase in manpower enables the clinic to interview more patients, contact people they have been in touch with and give more people preventive medicine to avoid future disease, he said.

TRIMBLE SAID a federal grant had allowed the clinic to shift more of its resources to personnel. Although the grant expires March 31, Trimble said the clinic has a good chance of getting the grant renewed.

The clinic, located at 818 SW 4 St., is free of change and open to the public every Monday and Thursday afternoon from 12:30 to 2:30. Besides two VD investigators, two nurses, a doctor, a clinic aid and a clerk provide assistance.

Although money is short, “no one goes away without being treated.” Trimble said.

Of the 3,171 people who went through the clinic last year, 2,442 required and received medical attention.

WHEN A person is found to have VD, extensive work is done to trace the disease to other people begins. Through phone calls and field visits, contacts are found and brought into the clinic for preventive medicine or consultation. Last year 1,724 contacts were named and 1,500 field visits were made, Trimble said.

Penicillin treatment is given in the form of pills or shots. Trimble favors using shots since many people don’t like them and therefore may “think twice about coming back in” with recurring cases.

“The people who need to know about VD are the people we don’t see,” Trimble said. Most people go to the to the clinic because they have been identified as a contact – the majority of those with the disease ignore the warning signs and go untreated, he said.

RESIDES THE clinic, the Corner Drug Store also treats VD cases, providing aid for people who don’t have access to other services. Upper class people “who wouldn’t be caught dead in a VD clinic but could be caught with VD” often go to a private doctor, Trimble said.

John Creech, director of the Corner Drug Store, also notices a decline in the local VD rate, but takes a wait-and-see attitude, claiming the meaningfulness of the current trend won’t be better understood until later.

Although official data is unavailable at this time, Trimble speculates that Marion County currently has the highest VD rate in Florida. The rate in Alachua County has declined but, Creech said, VD “is not yet conquered.”
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Fear of Falling

It isn't a lack of ability or preparation that befalls the gymnast and leads to defeat, injury—even death. Often it is the mind which can fail the athlete for but a moment and lead to disaster.

By DAVE IACAMPO
Alligator Sports Writer

Some contend the most dreaded moment for an athlete is having to face defeat. For a gymnast, it is that instant when time stands still. That dreaded split second when the confidence wavers, a limb falters and what is suddenly being faced is not defeat, but injury or even death.

THE FEAR FACTOR is an ever present reality for gymnasts, although it is not something they dwell upon.

"Coaches try to play it down because if they didn't nobody would try anything," Lady Gator gymnast Michele Love said, but admitted that experiencing a fall does have an effect.

Last November Love suffered a cervical sprain while practicing her floor exercise routine for a match. She is still not fully recovered.

"IT HAS MADE ME become more cautious," Love said. "Doing that great trick and injuring yourself isn't worth it if it puts you out for the season."

The fear factor may alter a gymnast's outlook about her sport, but, according to Lady Gator gymnast Sue McFarlane, it is not fear that will cause a fall.

"The fall hasn't made me more afraid," she said, "but I think it would make anybody more cautious.

"THE TRICK is to keep your mind on what you're doing," she added. "If you keep your concentration, you're not going to fall."

Head Coach Sandy Phillips agreed that concentration is important, but safety is the key for preventing injury.

Besides making absolutely certain every piece of equipment is set just right before a workout it's also a coach's duty to instill a personal safety standard within the beginning gymnast.

"THE BEGINNER follows a developmental program from the basics to the advanced skills," Phillips said, "and this includes conditioning and mental approach."

Conditioning and mental approach enable the gymnast to overcome the fear factor. As conditioning improves, more moves become possible, and so the cycle goes to the limits of the gymnast's capabilities. If the gymnast keeps a positive mental approach and doesn't outstep her physical limitations by too much, the chances of being hurt are minimal. "I'm never afraid," Phillips said, "but I never try anything I know I can't do."

Phillips said steps can be taken to help make gymnastics a safer sport.

"I'd like to see instructors certified," she said. "They should be experts on the latest techniques and physical information, including weight control and muscle toning."

It may be possible to safeguard against the hazards of gymnastics. Elimination of the fear factor is another matter.

ANDREA POLITES recalled a trip to Fort Lauderdale, where she met a gymnast who liked to work out on the mini-trampoline. Soon after her return to Gainesville she learned he had died after breaking his neck during a routine.

"I think about it a lot," she said. "It set with me because I've been injured too."

Polites has spent the last year recovering from an injury on the balance beam. She reinjured herself on the uneven parallel bars last summer, and now when she is on the bars she avoids the move that caused her to fall.

"I'll probably never try that move again," she said.

Sometimes it's hard to forget the fear factor.

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--Sandy Philips
Van Sickle dead

UF All-America coach, on picture in July,ing Newport Beach, Calif. He had been seriously ill since suffer-
Country that season.

One of the greatest UF football teams of all time was end Dale
Van Sickel, who was named the first All-American from Gator
Country that season.

Van Sickel passed away Tuesday at the age of
1928. 

The former two-way end for the
UF
Squad, which won eight of its nine games. And the

big-
gest star of that famous team of long ago was end Dale
Van Sickel was named to the National Football
Foundation College Football Hall of Fame. He was also the
first UF player picked for that honor.

Calling all faculty joggers

UF faculty and staff members are invited to participate in
the National Clearing house faculty and staff jogging
program today at 5:15 p.m. at Percy Beard Field.

He had been semi-retired for several years prior to the ac-
cident, which occurred when he was driving a car that was
supposed to go off the end of a wharf in the Walt Disney pro-
duction, "No Deposit, No Return."
The wharf had been pre-dicked with oil, but, apparently,
too much oil was put down and the car skidded into an abut-
ment, leaving Van Sickel in critical condition with some
brain damage. A lawsuit is still pending.

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Alligator Writer

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