**UF college may hike degree requirement**

By Gina Thomas  
Alligator Staff Writer

Minimum course requirements for earning a degree in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences could be raised from 12 to 20 credits plus an additional science lab next fall if the faculty approves a plan scheduled today for preliminary consideration.

And Student Government leaders charged Monday that the plan to hike the number of credits had "virtually no student input."

Liberal Arts and Sciences College Curriculum Committee members expect to vote today on the plan, which increases the required number of credits needed in mathematics, humanities, social and behavioral studies, and adds another laboratory course in biological or physical sciences. The requirements the committee will vote on are:

- Sixteen or 20 hours of credit in the current requirement is 12 hours of credit.
- Eight hours of credit in mathematics, statistics, or computer information sciences.
- A minimum of two laboratory courses in biological or physical sciences. The current requirement is one.
- Sixteen or 20 hours of credit in the social or behavioral sciences. The current requirement is 12 total credits.

If approved by the faculty general assembly, the new requirements would affect only incoming freshmen, who must abide by the 1980 catalog.

Committee Chairman David Colburn, a history professor, said the impetus behind the proposed increase in the number of required credit hours is to "ensure that students receive a liberal arts education."

"The committee felt it was not inappropriate for students to take classes in humanities, natural sciences and behavioral and social sciences to be well educated in the 1980's," Colburn said.

Colburn said that the additional science lab, however, will likely be dropped when the 15-member committee votes on the plan later today. The committee recommends that the lab classes, which include additional costs of lab and teaching assistants.

The curriculum committee is composed of faculty who represent various disciplines in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

SG leaders Monday criticized what they called a lack of input from students in the development of the plan. Four students from the Liberal Arts and Sciences Student Council were appointed to the committee, but because two have graduated and one "disappeared," there has been only one active member, said College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Student Council President Frank Gonyon.

SG Educational Coordinator Bill Lirry said he asked Colburn to delay the vote until committee members can solicit student input, but Colburn refused.

"If you have something as significant as this, students should be polled," Legry said. "At best, students should vote on it."

Colburn said the committee was asked to "act on it (the plan)" to ensure swift implementation of the new requirements in order to have them written into the 1980 catalog.

"All I can say is the secretary sent out notices to every student before every meeting. Threetired joke party and an independent faction possibly playing the spoiler role."

The three parties are: Students with Campus Concerns, Students for Education and Equality and People for Equality and Education.

SG Elections Supervisor Randy Drake predicted that less than 14 percent of the UF student body will turn out Wednesday. A voter rally held at the J. Wayne Reitz Union Monday attracted just 50 persons.

Drake said the rally "served a purpose - it showed how many people are interested."

"That is what the average student feels about SG. They feel they don't get any personal gain from it," Colburn said.

UD Student Body President Doug Tuthill, who ran with the SEE party last spring, predicted a 10 percent voter turnout.

"Until we stop playing government and start providing services, people will never participate. I don't blame them," Tuthill said.

Tuthill, who has battled a student senate filled with members of the opposing parties, said Oct. 17 election is important.

The future of SEE, which surprised many observers last spring when it won all three executive positions and eight senate seats, could hinge on this election. If SEE does not gain any seats in the Oct. 17 election, party members know the party could be vulnerable next spring.

Elections supervisor Drake said voters must have ID cards and fee cards to vote.

Students voting for the 26 off-campus seats must vote at: Mather Hall, the UF libraries, General Purpose Building A, J. Wayne Reitz Union, Freedom Row, Sorority Row, the Law School, and the Medical School.

On campus constituents may vote at: Broward - Rawlings area, Graham Hall, Jennings Hall, Murphare Hall, Tobert Hall, Beasy Towers, and Yulee Hall. Drake said ballot boxes will be set up at married housing areas.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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**Bad news for U.S. economy**

By Bill DiPaolo  
Alligator Staff Writer

Rising unemployment. Soaring inflation. Tight credit and climbing interest rates. It's called a recession, it's not going to go away and we had better get used to it.

That is the unhappy forecast from UF economic professors and Gainesville bankers and business people. And despite those who disdain the high interest rates and inflation, most experts agreed they are the only cure for the staggering U.S. Economy.

Unprecedented actions by the Federal Reserve Board - which regulates the nation's money supply - have sent the U.S. dollar reeling on both Wall Street and foreign exchanges.

- The Reserve last week raised the discount rate - the interest rate for member banks - to a record 12 percent. The increase is the third since August.
- The stock market experienced its worst day in five years Oct. 9, plunging 29 points while exchanging more than 81,000 shares. The normal exchange rate is about 20,000 shares daily.
- Gold, which had soared up to $44 an ounce in foreign markets, sunk to about $360 following the Federal Reserve's move to raise the discount rate.

The announcement by the Reserve came two days after the government released figures showing that wholesale prices had shot up 1.4 percent in September, the largest monthly increase in five years. Reserve Chairman Paul Volker said the increased discount rate was necessary to dry up the excess money from the U.S. economy which was producing the double-digit inflation.

Despite the Reserve's strong actions, UF economists denied there was any need for panic, saying the moves were necessary for many reasons. They blamed excessive deficit spending - the government spending more money than it has - by the Carter Administration and by past presidents. A history of loose money policies by the Reserve, increasing union wages and inflation-fueled speculation also were mentioned.

UF economics Professor Bill Frazer scoffed at the Reserve's move to restrict the credit supply, saying the Reserve's control on the interest rate is one of "the greatest fantasies in the world." But Frazer praised the Reserve's pledge to maintain a steady monetary base.

See "Economy" page five
Man calls cops, gets busted
By Pat Cavanaugh
Alligator Staff Writer

A Gainesville man who let police enter his home to search for clues to the robbery he reported as arrested Sunday night after investigators found almost an ounce of pot in his bedroom.

Tentatively identified as Donald McVeen, 29, the man had called police Sunday to report that two acquaintances had smashed his head with a beer mug, tied him up and then locked him in the trunk of his car. The two assailants stole $2,000 in cash from his home at 4133 NW Ninth Street. McVeen told police.

Several hours later, police charged McVeen with possession of pot and violation of federal parole after investigators said they found a ounce of marijuana while searching for robbery clues in McVeen's home.

Previously convicted and jailed for more than a year on two charges involving delivery of marijuana, McVeen was in the Alachua County jail Monday afternoon on $150,000 bond, charged with parole violation and possession of a controlled substance.

Judge Jeanne Crenshaw set the unusually high bond partially because McVeen was found with a passport that carried his picture but listed a different name, she said.

While Gainesville police Sgt. Jack DeYot and Officer Ray Shevaller were searching for clues to the alleged robbery in McVeen's home, McVeen was elsewhere with police.

Officers had taken him to identify a car that was pulled over because it fit the description of the one in which McVeen's two assailants had fled, DeYot said.

But while McVeen was away from his home, DeYot and Shevaller said they came across approximately an ounce of pot lying next to a packet of cigarette-rolling papers on a tray in McVeen's bedroom. DeYot said Monday.

An ensuing search of closets and cupboards throughout the house yielded large plastic garbage bags and burlap sacks marked "Mexico 70." DeYot said investigators then obtained a search warrant, he said.

Later, after McVeen told police that the car was not the one driven by the suspects, McVeen was brought back to jail and arrested.

Monday morning, Crenshaw set the bond at $150,000 because McVeen apparently had broken federal probation that prohibited him from leaving the North Florida area. McVeen's passport indicated he had recently been to the Bahamas.

That breaks federal parole of staying within 50 miles of Gainesville, Crenshaw said.

In addition, Crenshaw said, "I'm concerned with the man's parole. McVeen was found with a Florida driver's license with his photograph and name, a passport with the same photograph, but with a different name, and a birth certificate that lists a date of birth that is different from the one listed on his driver's license, Crenshaw said.

McVeen's probation officer, Jack Gambler, said that McVeen was on federal parole for two pot-related convictions in 1975.

Gambler said that McVeen was convicted of conspiracy with intent to deliver marijuana and of a second count of delivery of marijuana. McVeen spent more than a year in a Florida jail for those offenses. He was released on parole in late 1977.

Suspect for the assault and robbery of McVeen have not been located, police said.

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**Prowler**

**Woman finds stranger in room**

By Jonathan Soskind

Alligator Staff Writer

Fast asleep at 3 a.m. Monday, a female UF student awoke in the darkness of her bedroom and screamed when she saw a strange man standing at the foot of her bed. Gainesville police said.

Though police arrived within 5 minutes of the student's telephone call, a suspect could not be found. The woman, UF student Sallie Stewart, said the man, dressed in blue jeans and a plaid shirt, pivoted and ran out the back door of her NW 17th Street home when she confronted him.

The incident was one of two recent reports in which male intruders/crapt-filled the bedrooms of sleeping women. Saturday morning Alhlyon Cassh awoke to find a man in her Cit City apartment.

Police later arrested a suspect, 24-year-old Ruben Hill, and charged him with burglary. The woman's neighbor, Greg Greco, who is a state attorney's office investigator, had followed Hill after he allegedly left the woman's apartment, police said.

Though neither break-in involved the element of sexual assault, a Gainesville rape counselor estimated that 40 to 50 percent of the rapes reported here in the past three months occurred in the victims' homes.

Such break-in assaults are even more difficult for the victims to cope with, said Joanne DeMark, a Rape Victim Advocate counselor.

"It's one thing to say, 'It happened when I was at a bar or hitchhiking or at a friend's house,'" DeMark said. "But when it happens in my home, my castle, my security, my safe space, that makes it even harder emotionally to deal with."

Gainesville police could not immediately say how many rapes and attempted rapes occur in the victim's home. From January to November 1977, 16 of 25 rapes reported to police took place in the victims' homes.

Fall quarter 1978, at least one woman was raped by a man who forcefully entered her home. Another woman awoke to find a strange man's hand on her hip, but he was scared away.

In the first eight months of 1979, local women reported 31 incidents of sexual assault to Gainesville police. In the same period of 1978, 30 rapes were reported.

DeMark estimated that one-third of rapists who attack inside a woman's home are never caught. And the only way for a woman to protect herself is "to minimize that situational crime of opportunity and vulnerability," she said.

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**Fuel-efficient engines tested at UF**

By Jay Mallin

Alligator Staff Writer

Using experimental systems like hybrid electric power and water injection, UF researchers are developing methods they believe will mean more miles to the gallon for buses and cars.

The researchers have been working with engines in the lab and cars and buses on the road in an effort to create more efficient vehicles. Their recent projects include:

- Installing in a special bus a hybrid electric system that uses a diesel motor to charge the batteries, enabling it to get twice as many miles per gallon as standard buses.
- Experimenting with a water injection system they hope will increase efficiency for a normal passenger car by 20 percent.
- Designing and building a car that placed second in an international competition of fuel-efficient vehicles two months ago.

"We demonstrate the concepts that other people talk about," said Ron Jarnagin, a 32-year-old UF graduate student who is coordinating UF vehicle and engine research while Vernon Roan, a mechanical engineering professor, is on leave on a year-long sabbatical.

The oldest part of the research has been directed at "Roscoe," a 14-passenger orange and blue hybrid electric bus. The bus is a "hybrid electric" because while a 50 horsepowerpower motor moves Roscoe, its batteries are constantly being charged by an onboard diesel electric generator.

Jarnagin explains that Roscoe's mileage is better than that of a standard bus because the batteries easily handle the sudden loads involved in stop-and-go driving.

That allows the motor used in the generator to run at a constant speed chosen for peak efficiency.

Beginning with the chassis of a prototype all-electric bus, engineering students building Roscoe installed in side compartments two massive lead acid batteries weighing 3100 pounds.

"In back, next to a sign that warns "Danger: High Voltage," they put in a 30-kilowatt generator used to charge the two batteries.

Inside, the only clue to Roscoe's unusual power source is the dashboard, where the voltage and amperage meters replace the fuel gauge.

For the passengers, Roscoe features stereo music, air conditioning, carpeting and extra-large tinted windows to give the bus "a light and airy feeling," according to Jar- nagin.

"You can have a bus that gets 100 miles to the gallon but that won't do any good if people don't like to ride in it," he said.

When UF engineers first started work on Roscoe in 1972, "It was the first hybrid electric bus in the country," said Jar- nagin. "Now it (hybrid electric technology) is a hot item."

When Roscoe was tested by the Environmental Protection Agency, it was discovered that the bus gets 20 to 100 percent better mileage than standard buses.

Because of their work with Roscoe, the vehicle and engine researchers have just received a donation of two more electric buses from a California municipal transit company.

Jarnagin says they may be equipped with two different hybrid electric systems, one using a rapidly spinning graphite flywheel to store energy and the other cylinder of spinning nitrogen gas.

In another project, Jarnagin and other students are at- tempting to use water injection to enable them to raise the compression ratios of a normal gasoline engine.

Normally, raising the ratio causes the fuel mixture to detonate before it should. A water injection system prevents that occurrence by squirting water into the ignition chamber.
Convict appeals
WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court today turned down an appeal by Lenson Hargrave, who is on death row in Florida for the murder of a store clerk.
The high court refused to review Hargrave's case over the objections of Justices Thurgood Marshall and William Brennan, who oppose all capital punishment.
Hargrave probably is in no immediate danger of facing execution because he has not yet exhausted all state and federal court appeals.

Andrus makes pipeline proposal
WASHINGTON — Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus said Monday he will recommend the Northern Tier Pipeline to President Carter as the best of four competing proposals for piping Alaskan crude oil to the Midwest.
Andrus said he chose the Northern Tier proposal; the only one entirely within the boundaries of the United States, because it seemed to offer the best prospects for private financing.
“I view the ability of a proposal to obtain private financing as the ultimate test of the system’s viability,” said Andrus.

Carter pledges $7 million for relief
KANSAS CITY, MO — President Carter Monday pledged an initial $7 million to ease the starring conditions in Cambodia, and warned Vietnam not to interfere with international relief efforts.
Carter, in Kansas City to speak to the Catholic Charities Convention, said the United States has pledged $2 million to Cambodia from the U.S. Refugee and Migration Assistance Emergency Fund, and $5 million worth of food under the Food For Peace program.

Congress to decide on checking accounts
WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court Monday left it up to Congress to decide whether financial institutions may continue providing customers with automatic transfer of funds between savings and checking accounts.
The justices turned aside a challenge to a federal appeals court finding that such transactions are illegal under current laws barring payment of interest on checking accounts.
However, the appeals panel ruled it is “The responsibility of Congress and not the courts to determine such policy,” and stayed its order until next Jan. 1 to allow time for Congressional action.

Graham scolds prison official
TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Gov. Bob Graham reprimanded one Florida State Prison official over the handling of John Spencekin's execution Monday and asked State Attorney Eugene Whiteworth to investigate the conduct of others.
Graham also said Department of Corrections Secretary Louie Warrick is changing procedures for the carrying out of executions to ensure a condemned inmate visits with family and friends in as natural a setting as possible, interviews with the press, and has the right to make a final statement.
Graham's actions were in response to an investigation of the May 23 execution.

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Senate delays trucking decision
TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Nearly half of the 40-member Florida Senate decided Monday to put off for as long as 15 years a decision on whether the Public Service Commission should continue to regulate the trucking industry.
If members of the powerful commerce committee get their way, the PSC would continue to license truckers and set rates, a practice critics say protects the trucking industry from open competition and keeps rates high.

UAW to give aid to Chrysler
DETROIT — Chrysler Corp. Chairman Lee A. Iacocca Monday renewed his plea for financial concessions from the United Auto Workers Union, and union responses made it clear some form of aid will be forthcoming.
UAW President Douglas Fraser said precisely what kind of help will require long days of collective bargaining.

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VOTE S.E.E., WED., OCT. 17
The nine-member Reserve loans money to member banks at an interest called the discount rate. An increase in the dis-
count rate usually proceeds a rise in the prime rate, which is the interest rate major banks charge their best customers. Current prime rates are about 13 percent.

The Reserve is hoping the current tightening of the money supply will dry up the excess dollars that are fueling the in-
flation rate.

Frazier said "too many variables" involved in determining interest rates prevent effective board control. The more diversification and established a bank becomes, the more it is able to rely on deposits instead of loans from the Reserve, said Bill Edmondson, vice president of home improvement loans at Atlantic Bank.

Economists have been urged a more restrictive monetary policy for years. "We economists" Professor Bill Baumberger said. "They (the Reserve) have finally decided to listen.

The current recession is not expected to be as swelling as the 1974 decline, which was sparked by the Arab oil emb-
argements. But the United States must stick by its new stringent monetary policies before Europe will believe the
dollar has regained its strength, Fishkind said.

In fact, the news from the sea may have been made at "the expense of politics" here, Baumberger said.

Goldard said the restrictive monetary policies being prac-
ticed by the Reserve should have been implemented about three years ago when the U.S. economy began to recover
from the last recession. The Administration and the Reserve must no longer bow to the pressure of big business, he said. There is no great mystery in solving the troubles in the (U.S.) economy. It's a political solution, not an economic one," Goldard said.

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**Future dim, but recession spares Gainesville right now**

*By Bill DiPoco Alligator Staff Writer*

"If there's a recession, I don't know where it is. We've
got all the work we can handle," said Jim Stringfellow, owner of Stringfellow Supply Company on South Main Street.

Eleven other businesses in Gainesville echoed Stringfellow's confidence despite the nationwide eco-
mic slump. They bragged about excess sales and fast-
moving inventories, and said they were as good or better than last year.

But ask about the future and the mood quickly changes. The confidence gives way to fear, and uncertainty replaces the optimistic smile.

Ken Waters listed back against the cluttered desk in his 12th and Newberry gas station, and said he no longer
knows what to expect.

"I don't know what's going on. Nobody does. We change
times now that are right down to the thunder.

Waters said: "People never waited that long before. The
bottom's going to drop out pretty soon." 

Jill McCoy, a spokesperson for Alachua Annexed Contrac-
tors, said that despite rising production costs, business is as busy as ever. There is a building surge in Alachua County because residents are trying to build
quick and beat the soaring interest rates, she said.

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**Police briefs**

**Student accused of murder**

UF accounting student John Marti is being held in the Alachua County Detention Center in lieu of $5,000 bond on a charge of third-degree murder.

Marti was arrested Sunday night by Alachua County Sheriff's deputies following two robberies in Gainesville.

Richard Jones, 27, was pronounced dead Sunday morning at Shands Teaching Hospital after his girlfriend, Cathy Baynard, of Chiefland, found Jones unconscious in room 205 at the Holiday Inn on Newberry Road.

Marti, 24, 3530 SW 24th Place, was arrested 10 p.m.
Sunday for third-degree murder. Florida law says a person is guilty of murder when his crime results in another person's death, in Marti's case, the alleged sale of cocaine to Jones.

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**Man charged with burglary**

A 30-year-old Alachua County man was arrested Monday and charged with burglary after a citizen who saw him driv-
ing around suspiciously called police.

Gainesville police said the vehicle was seen near L&S Auto Repair at 1140 East University Ave. early Monday morn-
ing.

Responding officers saw the vehicle leaving the business and stopped the car. The driver, identified as Jose Arroyo, at-
tempted to run away, but after a brief foot chase police stop-
ped.

Arroyo, address unknown, was arrested and charged with burglary. He is being held in the Alachua County Detention Center on a $5,000 bond.

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**Visitors robbed at gunpoint**

A North Miami Beach couple passing through Gainesville was robbed Monday at gunpoint in their motel room. Gainesville police said.

Police said that approximately 6:45 a.m., a man armed with a handgun forced his way into a Howard Johnson's motel room on North 13th Street where Nathan Suchuer and his wife Barbara were staying.

The man struck Suchuer in the head with the gun, causing minor bleeding. He then robbed him of his wallet and cash and also took Mrs. Suchuer's purse, which contain-
ed jewelry of an undetermined value, police said.

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**Mazzo's pot trial continues**

The trial of a Gainesville businessman charged with mari-
juana smuggling is scheduled to continue today in Jamaica.

William Mazza, 31, was arrested two weeks ago along with two Americans and three Jamaicans while they were allegedly loading a ton of pot into a small plane on the nor-
tern part of the island.

American Embassy officials would make no comment Monday on the progress of the case, except to say that Mazza has retained a Jamaican lawyer to represent him. H.L. Orr, an official at the American Embassy, would not reveal the maximum sentence Mazza could receive nor the amount of his bail.
Editor: Long-time students at UF can remember when, within a period of about a year and a half, we sat on the North Lawn for free concerts by Herbis Mann, Jesse Colin Young, Roger McGuinn, Chick Corea, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Dave Brubeck, David Bromberg and Jimmy Buffett, when he wasn't making music for money.

Lately instead of being the host for high-caliber entertainers who want to plug their music into a record-buying audience, we've become the testing ground for relatively unknown bands (with a few exceptions). Without getting down on local talent, we feel it's important the point made that if we could draw the aforementioned performers a couple of years ago, we should be able to do the same today, in light of our ever-increasing productions budget.

We've been assuming all along that there were a number of reasons it hasn't been possible to bring the bands. It's only recently we've discovered that one reason is that they weren't being actively sought.

We're glad to see members of the executive committee such as Deborah David and Janice Randolph actively pushing for a balanced bill of performers and not being just silent figureheads or tokens. Their efforts have been pushing Thorpe Shuttleworth to get to work trying to find a wider selection of musicians for us to hear.

Editor: Earlier this quarter we were all shocked to hear of Scott Brantley's unfortunate injury which doctors said should be the end of his brilliant career. Now, after reading an article in The Gainesville Sun, I am shocked again to see that Brantley wants to continue to play football again, even though his doctors say that he may not be able to get up after his next tackle.

We were amazed to find out that during negotiation with Buffet, Shuttleworth agreed to conditions requiring ticket prices to go from $6 to $7 without consulting the executive committee as he is required to do. On top of this, only half of the printed tickets are at student prices; once these are sold we will be forced to pull out $8.50 for general admission tickets to a concert sponsored by student funds. There is a limit to how much we want to pay to see someone who made it through our purchases of his albums and now wants us to charge us a mint to see him.

We support the suggestions made by John Eder (Sept. 28 Alligator) that efforts be made to have concerts which will appeal to all students and to work towards meeting the desires of various groups of students (one of the reasons that Thorpe was reprimanded was his lack of initiative in doing this).

This is not done as a personal attack on Shuttleworth, but is primarily done to support the efforts of the executive committee to actively push for representation of all students, who contribute money to activity and service fees, in the handling of their money.

Don Mackle, 2UF
Bill Lazar, 6LS
Students for Education and Equality
Kennedy vs. Carter?

Senator knows how to play smart politics...

Editor: A recent letter asked why, for 16 years, has Sen. Edward Kennedy been unable to get his own National Health Insurance bill out of the subcommittee which he heads. In reply, I wish to inform the writer that the Democratic Senator basically has been sitting on this valuable piece of legislation during two successive Republican administrations so as not to have it butchered by his Republican foes. With the election of President Carter in 1976, the time was right to bring his bill clearly into the public eye. This is smart politics, something the president has not been frequently accused of.

Also, because inflation is a product of past administrations spent fuel, the United States is now in the foreseeable decline after three years of a Carter White House.

And if in fact we do have to have lingering inflation, as the writer seems to infer, then let’s at least get a solid health insurance plan to go with it.

Steven Fischer
Kennedy Activist

...while president falls short of demands

Editor: I was mildly amused to read Chip Carter’s speculation, reported in last Thursday’s Alligator, that “the people of Florida are behind (his) daddy.” Come on, Chip, let’s float down a few levels of consciousness to mere reality. Although the president obviously is going to be thwarted in his bid for re-election, I don’t take any joy in seeing the president’s approaching defeat and possible humiliation.

The president is an honest and honorable man. I’m even sure he’d make a fine Sunday school teacher. But for all of his laudable qualities, Mr. Carter has shown the nation and the world, time and again, that he’s not quite up to the job of president. His lack of strength and leadership has left the country without a purpose or direction.

The people’s disillusionment with his unfulfilled promises is reflected in the polls. In an office as important as the presidency, there is unfortunately no room for mistakes and no time for second chances. Too much depends on the use and misuse of power which a president commands.

I praise Mr. Carter for being a decent man and for giving the nation every ounce of energy he has to try to help the American people — but he has fallen short of what we have a right to demand of a president. He has not given us the leadership which we must have. Mr. Carter deserves to be honored for his effort. But let’s honor him by naming a high school after him or putting his picture on a postage stamp, and not by electing him to a second term.

Tom Truex
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'Fishies' want a non-nuclear, socialist state

Editor: Recently The Alligator has been full of the “heroic antics” of the Catfish conspiracy against the “evil nukes?!” Everyone knows that all the nukes want to produce is the cheapest, cleanest electricity possible for a hungry public that demands more and more every day. But what do the fishes want for society? They claim to advocate “a non-nuclear, more labor-intensive life style (i.e. socialist).” In other words, they are demanding the public give up everything to move to a farm of the 1800s. Sounds silly.

But tell me: What if I don’t want to go? Where is the freedom of choice that this country always has given its citizens? The nukes tell me that I can live however I choose even on a plantation farm, if I want to. Why won’t the fishes give me a choice?

What will be the role of women in our “brave, new world?” Will they receive all the rights of the 19th century woman (i.e. barefoot, pregnant and in the kitchen). Only in the energy-intensive 20th century have women been free.

Tell me when the United States moves back to the country side how many will die? Should the statistics from the recent similar social experiment in Cambodia be used in comparison?

Will we burn wood for heat in our new life? If so, what will happen to the forest? More importantly will cute T-shirts that say “Save the trees, the bears, the deer, the racoons...” be available?

I want the freedom to live how I choose. I want a clean environment. I want women to be equals not serfs. I want nuclear power.

James W. Hoss
7EG

Define lines between protester, criminal

Editor: A wealthy U.S. industrialist pays a group of demonstrators to stage a protest outside an Iranian jail. The people, in an effort to show their hatred for the shah, create a situation which demands the intervention of the guards. The demonstrators who break through the plant fence and reach the interior of the plant where they are met by armed guards. Being outmanned and not knowing whether these intruders are terrorists or extremely determined, though basically peaceful demonstrators, but knowing that the plant must be protected at all costs, the guards open fire. Another Kent State has occurred.

What is to be done to protect the United States public from these potential hazards? The solution is definitely not to shut down nuclear plants, which are a vital source of our electric supply. Nor is the solution to halt demonstrations which are a constitutional right and as such must be defended. The solution is to clearly state that there is a certain clearly marked, well-defined line (such as a perimeter fence of an operating plant) which demonstrators must, in any event, never cross. To cross this line must be viewed as changing from a political to a criminal act. These criminals should realize that there is a large chance that deadly force could be used to stop them and that, at best, their act would result in harsh criminal penalties. To treat these people in any other way will lead to the jeopardizing of the safety and well-being of all.

Tim E. Rosey
Colleen Olden, SWCC Party Chairwoman

**SWCC favors dorm improvements**

By David Dahl
Alligator Staff Writer

Members of the Students with Campus Concerns party chose their names because "it's the party's chairman said Monday.

Directing a blatant attack against what they call the current administration's "pie-in-the-sky ideology," the party has slated 37 senatorial candidates and five Activi-ty and Service Fee Advisory Committee candidates for the Oct. 17 election.

"I think we direct ourselves toward campus concerns much better than other parties," Chairman Colleen Olden said. "We concern ourselves with issues that directly affect students at UF and the Gainesville community.

By attempting to tackle the problems of the world, "the current administration has allowed campus concerns to slip through undetected," the party's platform states.

Among the SWCC platform planks is the continuation of the UF Lobbying Association efforts in Tallahassee, UF split from the Florida Student Association this year and because members of SG felt the statewide lobbying group was not addressing UF student needs.

"Right now our program is in existence for two years," Olden said. "I think we should let it grow. It has come a long way in two years."

Other SWCC platform planks include:

- Favoring the allocation of $20,000 for the improvement of dormitories.
- Allowing dorm students to sublet their rooms.
- Full-scale SG investigation into the safety of the Housing Center.
- The preservation of green space.

SEE Party Chairman Tim Brooks

**SEE Party continues to build**

By David Dahl
Alligator Staff Writer

Last spring, a group of predominantly ideological liberal arts majors organized a student government party and surprised most observers with several victories in the SG spring elections.

Today the Students for Education and Equality (SEE) party again appears on the forefront, this time in organizing for the Oct. 17 election. With just eight seats in the 80-member student senate, many SEE members admit the election is vital to their survival.

SEE will slate 35 senatorial candidates and five Activi-ties and Service Fee Advisory Committee candidates.

Candidates will be running under the different organizations, some questioned if they receive the money. A "I feel we've shown we can do it," Lazar said.

Lazar said he likes the spending quotas voluntarily placed on the committee last summer.

"We've got to have some limits on how we spend," Lazar said.

To keep the committee from being "white washed," Lazar said he would "like to see all things that go before us checked out a little more.

Lansky also wants the organizations to be accountable after they receive the money. "I want to know how all the money was spent," Lansky said.

Keith Bender, a finance major who says "more research should be done in ASFAC,"

"ASFAC has power because they do the research," Bender said. "In a confrontation, they have power because they have the knowledge.

"If we administrators reallocate money, Bender said the research would be "futile.

"I think ASFAC should have the power (to allocate)," Bender said.

Anne Riker, a second year business student who major in the Athletic Association, "should be distributed more equitably," to include both men and women.

"I don't think the legislature should require us to spend $179,000 (to bring up UF's Women's Athletics program up to par with the men's)," Riker said. "They made the bill, they should fund it."
PEE Party: free coffee in library

By David Dahl
Alligator Staff Writer

While both party members and the opposition claim the party is a “joke” at least one People for Equality and Education member says his party will win in the Student Government Elections Wednesday.

“We expect to sweep the election,” PEE member Fred Susanneck said. “But then again, the Germans expected to win both wars.”

Originally created by the often-witty minds of Susanneck and former Where’s the Party presidential candidate Mike Steinberg, the PEE party will slate 23 candidates for the election.

Consisting predominantly of law students, the party will slate one Activity and Service Fee Advisory Committee member, one of-campus candidate and 22 off-campus candidates.

The PEE party planks include:
- Favoring four more student regents
- Favoring more books in the library
- Free coffee in the library
- Letting the Halloween Festival run all night.

Oct. 17 SG elections ballot

OFF-CAMPUS SENATE

Students with Campus Concerns:

Theresa Johnson
Chiquita Moeur
Mike Perni
Skip Deveraux
Sarah Fontenot
Gary Brandon
Ann Holstein
Bob Wathenburger
Walter Brower
Rob Kelly
Jim Bierne
Todd Daumtrier
Jeremy Friend
Jane Lewis
Eddy Jones
Wan Brood
Mike Chastine
Steve Minneger
Kerry T. Taylor
Kerry Jerry
Ryan Pielat
Beth McSwain
Tracie Conard
James Karame
Bob Quigley

Independents:

Douglas J. Fawsett
Andy Wood
Frank Stich
Kerry Lee Brightman
Thomas D. Logan
Alicia Roos
Alan Banker
Paul Carol
David Attec
Greg Stearn
Martin Ledith
Rob Motier
Mike Piazza

P.E.E.:

Lynn Roofenthal
Steve Penniman
Fred M. Garrett
Cary Patterson
Rob Wolfe
Richard Broger
Scott Newcorn
Jefford Feldman
Tony Tschuk,
Ralph Marcella
Victoria Sorensen
Don Lewis
David Christy
Michael Terronez
Roy Tallman
Fred Lonsenn
Jon Marcus
Bill Smith
Mark Scholtz
Scott Silver
Larry Santello

Students for Education and Equality:

Cory Hart
Andrea March
Sarah Miller
Cody Catherine Burch
Troy Madsen
Tracy Leronman
John M. Gang
Sylvia Sandell
Stephen L. Mark
Michael Allen
Eugene Hall
Bobby Livingston
Anne Zabno
Lynn Largo
Dan Muckle
Randy Clarke
Paige Douglas
Mark Whitford
Chris Bost
Wayne Livingston
Greg Cage
Dan Steiner
Steve Peterson
Ami Gooding
Andy Luna
Herman Lembak

ON CAMPUS SENATE

RAWLINGS

Slate: Jerry Bond
INDEPENDENT: Johnny Joe Wanting
Deborah Brown

BEATTY

SWCC: Kim Canodle
INDEPENDENT: Mauro Santini
James McGreed
Pamela Davis

MURPHREY/TOM:

SWCC: Scott Cornett
INDEPENDENT: Chuck Fall
Warren Hall
Steve Colatin
Herman Henderson

GRAHAM

SWCC: Kevin Canodle
INDEPENDENT: Sabina Hawesick
Markus Higston
P.E.E.: Jonathan Miller

UNIVERSITY VILLAGE

SWCC: William O’Malley
INDEPENDENT: Curtis Skonkman
Bob Nash

JENNINGS

SWCC: Michael Howard
INDEPENDENT: Robbie Alvarino
Sherri Burton

BROOKS

TOLBERT

SWCC: Jan S. Johnson
INDEPENDENT: Thomas Wash
Leanne Bentfortune

YULIE

SWCC: Stephen Kitson
INDEPENDENT: Lisa Norma

CORY VILLAGE

SWCC: Neil Peters
INDEPENDENT: Tanahlowe

TANELOWE

SWCC: Wayne Pitman

ASFAC

AT LARGE

SWCC: Keith Benedick
INDEPENDENT: Mike Bell

TOLBERT

SWCC: Jan S. Johnson
INDEPENDENT: Thomas Wash
Leanne Bentfortune

HUME

SWCC: Wade Johnson
INDEPENDENT: Lisa Norma

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TANELOWE

SWCC: Wayne Pitman

NORTHWESTERN FINCH

SWCC: Richard Cawson
INDEPENDENT: Mike Croust

RALPH

INDEPENDENT: Richard Alf

CITY VILLAGE

INDEPENDENT: Kate Lednorth

SENIOR SENATE

SWCC: Rob Robertson
INDEPENDENT: Anne Wilko

SWCC: Dr. Steve Eustace
INDEPENDENT: Bill Lauer
what's happening

Southeastern Center for Bioenergetic Analysis

Body Awareness Exercise Class: will be held every Monday-

day from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the center, Route 1, Box 16,

Alachua. It's 15 miles north of Gainesville. The class is an

ongoing bioenergetic exercise class designed to increase self

awareness, deepen respiration and mobilize energy. Class

includes therapeutic discussion group. Call the center at

462-5155 for more information.

Southeastern Center for Bioenergetic Analysis

Workshop: "Body, Energy and Feeling: the Bioenergetic

Process" will be the topic of a two-day body psychotherapy

workshop on the role of breathing, chronic muscular tension

patterns and psychological functioning in relation to

biological energy and emotional expression. Call the center

(Route 1, Box 16, Alachua) at 462-5155 for more

information. The center is 15 miles north of Gainesville.

Campus Bible Fellowship: will hold a Bible study on

prayer in Lake Chair 11 tonight at 7 on room 150 B of the

J. Wayne Reitz Union.

Council of Progressive Student Organizations: will

meet tonight at 6 at the Institute of Black Culture for officer

elections.

Guest speaker: PUR 4000 presents Wade Edwards,

president of Florida Hospital, Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. in

room 215 of Little Hall. All interested students are welcome.

Phi Beta Sigma: will hold its first annual "Big Boogie-

dance marathon Friday night at 8 in the Ruthskeller.

Proceeds will go to sickle-cell anemia. For more information,
call 392-7129 or 392-7164.

National Organization for Women: NOW sponsors a

program meeting featuring "Women and the Law" today at

5:30 p.m. in room 123 of the Union. The program is open
to all women and men. Call June Hain at 392-1634 or

378-2423 for more information.

Environmental Action Group: will meet Wednesday

night at 7 on the Union North Lawn. In case of rain, meet

in room B-71 of the Union. EAG is a non-profit organization

dealing with ecology, wildlife conservation and recycling.

New members are welcome.

Bacchus: will meet today from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in

rooms B-75 and B-76 of the Union.

Society for Creative Anarchism: will meet today

from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in rooms 150 F and G of the Union.

The Alachua County Right to Life Committee: will

meet Monday night at 7:30 at St. Patrick's Activity Center.

500 NE 16th Ave.

Moonlight Study: A "Brown Bag and Bible" study will

be held today and Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. at

Century Tower.

The Dances of Universal Peace: will be held tonight at

7 at 1624 NW Fifth Ave., a short walk from campus. A $1

donation will help cover hall rental. The dancing is

sponsored by the Judo Order, but people of all beliefs are

welcome.

Science Fiction Society: will hold a business meeting to
discuss a new constitution tonight at 8 in room 334 of the

Union.

UF Folk Dance Club: will hold folk dancing tonight from

8 to 11 in the Women's Gym. The dancing is free; no partner

is necessary.

Hilltop Student Center: holds fall classes in Hebrew, Yid-

dish and Jewish thought starting this week. Classes will run

for seven weeks. These classes are open to the entire com-

munity. Please call 372-2900 for schedules.

Hilltop Student Center: will have a spaghetti dinner and
games night tonight at 5:30 at the center. 16 NW 18th st.

Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and hot and

cold beverages. No reservations are necessary. Cost is $2 for

non-members. $1.75 for members.

Christian Science Organization: will meet tonight at 7

in room 3155 of General Purpose Building A.

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Abortion and vasectomy

Easing a moral dilemma

By Laura Kelly
Alligator Staff Writer

Sarah's fingers wrap around the edges of her gauze shirt. Her first abortion is scheduled to be performed in two days. Apprehensive and ambivalent, she has decided to speak with a counselor about her decision for the operation. A young woman with dark hair enters the comfortable waiting room and calls Sarah's name. She summons Sarah toward her office with an introduction and a wave of her hand.

Stephen watches as Sarah leaves the room. He is 45, a businessman with three children. Stephen and his wife have decided to limit the size of their family and are now exploring permanent forms of birth control. Stephen's fingers drum the endtable as he waits for some answers to his questions.

"In my line of counseling the primary question is, does abortion seem necessary? Secondly and equally as important — does it seem right for you?"

— Abby Goldsmith

"We believe very strongly in informed consent," said Abby Goldsmith, an abortion counselor and front office coordinator at the GWHC. "In my line of counseling the primary question is, does abortion seem necessary? Secondly and equally as important — does it seem right for you?"

Sarah sits in an office on a couch of plump purple cushions. She's 23, about to graduate and has decided along with her fiancé, Danny, to have an abortion. The operation will cost $176. She feels pangs of guilt and wants to speak with someone, someone who will understand.

Counseling about the multiple facets of health care is one of the GWHC's services. In addition to counseling on abortion, counseling on human sexuality, sickle-cell disease, prenatal care and vasectomy counseling are offered in hopes of informing, along with taking the fear and mystery out of health care.

Goldsmith views counseling as the bulwark of the abortion process. "Before a woman has an abortion, she attends a group counseling session. It is very extensive, thorough and is set up to inform and answer any questions," Goldsmith said.

Lasting an hour, the lecture-discussion shows the instruments to be used, examines the possible risks and side effects and lets the woman know just what is going to happen and how she can expect to feel afterward.

Another service offered by the GWHC that likewise arouses personal apprehensions and questions, though not the controversy of abortion, is the vasectomy. It, too, costs $176.

Established little more than 18 months ago, the vasectomy clinic "meets a local need for a clinic that doesn't discriminate against men willing to undergo the operation," said Ruth Hunter, the clinic's medical coordinator.

"Most local doctors that will perform vasectomies usually have several criteria that must be met before the doctor will consent to perform the operation," Hunter said. "In most instances the man must be married, but be a certain age and have already fathered children. We believe that any man can choose a vasectomy, once he is aware of the proceedings."

Stephen's opposition to vasectomy had radically changed after he read an article discussing the possibility of a reversal. After attending the GWHC's counseling session, he understood the medical improbability of a reversal and was urged by his counselor to view vasectomy as a permanent option while making his decision.

The standard routine for anyone wishing to learn more about vasectomy is to attend the group counseling session. Like abortion group counseling, the session is informal, with the procedure fully explained and time reserved for questions, individual counseling follows, plus a mandatory 10-day waiting period.

The waiting period provides a chance to consider other alternatives, to realize potential future life situations when a vasectomy may not be desirable or feasible, and a time period for any hesitation to subside.

"If there is any doubt, we don't perform the operation," Hunter said.

The attitude of awareness and informing the patient of every aspect of the medical procedures and options before taking any irreversible action has often given patients a new understanding of themselves.

"I work with women giving birth control counseling and gynecological exams," staff nurse Priscilla Murray said. They feel good about being here and are encouraged to ask questions about their bodies and become more aware of them.

A non-profit organization, the GWHC also offers pregnancy testing to all women regardless of age or marital status and operates a 24-hour hotline staffed by a counselor and a nurse, in case of medical or psychological emergencies.
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OUR PHILOSOPHY

By definition Student Government should be concerned only with the issues
which directly affect the University of Florida community.

Despite this fundamental premise, there has been a recent move on the part
of the current administration to concern Student Government with global,
moral, and societal issues. Not only do these issues divide students, their
solutions are unattainable through Student Government.

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Student Government can affectively deal and the only concerns which the
students should allow their government to represent.

Cops arrest
two students
for grand theft

Two UF students were ar-
rested Sunday for allegedly
stealing road signs in north-
et Gainesville.
Lawrence O'Brien and
Pamela Pratt, both UF
were arrested and charged
with grand theft by two
sheriff's deputies after a resi-
dent in the area called the
Alachua County Sheriff's
department and reported two
people in a yellow Mustang
stole the sign.

The students were caught
with two stop signs and were
arrested and taken to the
Alachua County Detention
Center where they spent the
night. They were released on
the own recognizance Mon-
day, deputies said.

GPB faces
flooding
problem

By Jonathan Suskind
Alligator Staff Writer

Torrential summer rains
and a trickle of landscaping
funds are the two major
reasons the new General
Purpose Building B complex
has been experiencing
drainage problems since it
opened last June, UF physical
plant officials said Monday.

The $5.6 million structure
which houses the College of
Architecture and Fine Arts,
flooding every time it rains,
said Warren Michael, asso-
cicated director of engineering
and utilities. This past sum-
mer, "a raised every
dingdong day and it kept on
raining," Michael said. Mud
washed from the bare, erod-
ed earth around the building
clogged up drains, he said,
resulting in rainwater being
blown into hallways and
dripping into first floor
classrooms and offices.

The problem should be
remedied sometime later this
month when physical plant
workers prepare the soil and
plant sod and grass seed to
absorb the runoff, Michael
said. That wasn't done
earlier because no money
was budgeted for landscap-
ing in the construction con-
tact, he said.

Once the grass and sod are
in place and growing,
workers will construct
sidewalks and a brick patio
in front of the building. The
third phase of landscaping
will be to terrace the land
and plant shrubs.

William Strenggaard, assis-
tant director of physical
plant services, said the entire
procedure, including irriga-
tion systems, should be com-
pleted in spring 1980, and
will cost about $120,000.
The money will come out of
physical plant operating
funds, he said.

"We just can't drop them
to finish this project. Our in-
mediate goal is to hold the
earth in place."

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Basketball team starts practice with optimism for better season

By Ralph Diaz
Alligator Sports Editor

UF basketball coach John Lotz would love to forget last season. Like a troubled past, the 1978-79 season record is one that Lotz does not care to be reminded about.

The Gators struggled to a last-place Southeastern Conference finish with a 3-15 record - 8-19 overall. It was Lotz's worst season in his five years as UF's coach and UF's poorest overall record since the 6-18 season of 1959-1960.

But as Lotz begins his seventh year, with practice having started, a new hope exists. Lotz, the UF's finest basketball boss anticipates a better record from the 1970-80 squad.

"You can't control the past. The thing that makes us optimistic is that we lost five one-point games to very good basketball teams," Lotz said.

Six of UF's losses were by a combined total of only seven points. Five games were decided by overtime.

Although most college basketballscribed and anyone else who follows UF basketball are predicting another bleak year for the Gators, Lotz believes his team will give fans plenty to cheer about.

"I personally feel the fans shouldn't sell the team short," Lotz said. "Our players have worked hard during the off-season, we're stronger, and I really feel we'll be an exciting team to watch. People have to understand how tough the SEC really is.

Lotz will take six juniors, three sophomores and five freshmen into this season's SEC battle. The Gators have no seniors.

The Gators lost seven letterman from last year's squad. The costliest losses were forward Malcolm Cesare and guard Ric Clarson. Both are now playing European basketball.

UF does have some true talent returning.

Junior forward-center Reggie Hannah, junior Jerry Bellamy, sophomore Maurice McDaniel and red-shirt sophomore Bob Van Noy claim the "big-man" spots. Freshman center Jim Grandholm may figure in the group.

At guard, juniors Mark Gionbettti, Jimmy Cotton and Ken McMillan will vie with sophomore Mike Milligan for starting spots. Milligan should see plenty of action at the forward position, too.

Furman guards Melvin Roseboro, Quan Roseboro and Peter Savory will compete with junior-college transfer Tony Matthews for playing time.

Despite the absence of seniors, Lotz said the Gators have enough veterans to lead the team. In particular, he singled out Hannah.

"I think Reggie's played well for the last two years, has had some outstanding games and will play up to his potential this year," Lotz said. "He's matured. He's not really a big talker, but he has the attitude of just come see me play."

Lotz said the return of Vau Noy will ease the hurt of losing Cesare, last season's leading scorer and second best re-bounder.

"Bob Van Noy is a great shooter and has more range than Malcolm. Not being allowed to play last year made him appreciate it more," Lotz said.

Hannah, like Van Noy, along with the rest of the team, must improve the UF scoring attack of last season in which the Gators hit less than half their field goal attempts and 66 percent of their free throws.

"We have the potential to be a team that can be good offensively," Lotz said. "If we play more unselfishly, we can raise that average to 50-55 percent."

The Gators will do their shooting one last year in Alligator Alley. Lotz had hoped the mass-seating facility would be ready for this season, but construction delays have kept the Gators back at the Florida Gym.

"I can appreciate all the speculation about the coliseum, but I've just settled myself into looking forward to playing there the 1980-81 season."

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The Gators open their season against Louisiana State University Dec. 1 in Baton Rouge. On Nov. 7, the Gators face the Athletes in Action team in Alligator Alley.

Sports fans lose when competition is abused

College football players take uppers before games, boxers drop to the canvas without being hit and greyhounds are drugged prior to chasing the rabbit.

What is happening to the meaning of American sports? When opposing teams step on the field, when fighters climb through the ropes or when a group of lightning-fast dogs are led to the starting gate, the purpose each has is to win.

Sometimes, however, winning is a minus to the legitimacy of the sport. Winning is the whole idea, but when illegal methods are used - such as drugs and payoffs - the biggest loser of all is the sports fan.

To the die-hard fan, nothing is more exciting than good, sold competition. It's very hard, maybe impossible, to explain why millions of people each year go to arenas and stadiums and treat their favorite sport as a religion.

Quite simply, competition is what makes sports great. But when competition is rigged, the meaning of sports is lost. The purpose of seeing who the best is just disappears. Thus, the fan is shafted.

Such was the situation in 1963. Doug Jones and Cassius Clay fought in Madison Square Garden in New York, and after the fight had gone the distance, most ringiders and reporters thought Jones was the winner. When the fight was awarded to Clay, sportswriters called it a farce.

Two years later Clay defended his championship against Sonny Liston in Lewiston, Maine. In the first round, Clay swung and missed Liston's jaw by what photos showed was about four or five inches. Still, Liston went down and Clay retained the heavyweight title. Again, the majority who saw the fight called it a box.

A person who worked at a dog track in South Florida said the greyhounds were injected with drugs, some uppers and some downers, so the trainers could acquire first-hand betting knowledge.

The same source later worked at another dog track. There, the person swore, added weight was put into the dogs' number pouches. At a harness racing track, another source said, it was not unusual for the jockeys to discuss strategy with their opponents.

In dog and harness racing the concept of rigging the competition is even more damaging because betting is illegal. In the same context is jai alai, which is currently under state investigation.

More significant to persons in Gainesville is the college football team in his six years as UF coach an, if ballplayers do use stimulants in preparation for Saturday afternoon they would keep it to themselves.

A former NCAA lineman, however, admitted that when he played in the late 1960s players got themselves up for games with more than just a pep talk from the coach. And, he confided, it took place in the locker room.

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Collinsworth patient for passes

By Noel Neff
Alligator Staff Writer

A year ago, Cris Collinsworth's statistics as a wide receiver, quarterback and kickoff returner intimidated Gator opponents quite well. As a sophomore he caught 39 passes for 745 yards, carried the ball 18 times for another 100 yards, completed two-for-two, passes for 46 years and returned 15 kickoffs for 394 yards. In all, he contributed 1,285 yards to the 1978 UF team, including a say in 10 touchdowns.

This year, Collinsworth has tried everything but sending smoke signals to attract his quarterbacks' attention. Plain and simple: he's not getting the ball.

In the 0-4-1 Gators' first five games, about half of the 1979 schedule, the 6-foot-4-inch, 192-pound speedster has caught only 14 passes for 174 yards, returned six kickoffs for 139 yards and rushed twice for 12 yards. Only 325 total yards. "I guess I'm just going to have to be patient," Collinsworth said. "It hasn't been the same type of deal we had last year. It's just something you have to understand about what Coach (Charley) Pell is doing with our program."

Collinsworth, who made the All-Southeastern Conference first team in 1978, had touchdown catches of 44, 47, 52, 58, 63 and 97 yards last year. His longest play this year was 34 yards against Mississippi State. Pell's game plan this year, however, calls for less long plays and more consistent drives.

"Last year the games we won were the games where we did something in the big play department," Collinsworth said. "But this year, Coach Pell doesn't want to make the big play the main thing for us offensively."

"If this whole rebuilding process makes us an 8-3 or 9-2 football team next year, then I'm more than willing to go through whatever it takes -- even if it means catching only 20 passes this year," he said.

Gator freshman quarterback Tyrone Young completed the Gator's only pass Saturday to Collinsworth in a 40-0 loss to Alabama, only the second game Young has started for UF.

"Our defense hinders Cris in a way because last year the Gators were 70 percent a drop-back-and-pass team," Young said. "This year we're a run pass option team and we sprint out. But by not being consistent offensively, it hasn't helped Cris any."

Young said the Gators' offense was more consistent against Louisiana State and he could find Collinsworth open. But against the Crimson Tide, the quarterback said he and his receivers were well-pressured by the Tide's defense. He saw flanker Collinsworth open only twice the entire game.

"It is such a talented athlete," Young said. "Knowing the ability he has, we just need to get the ball to a guy like that. We're going to, more than likely, get the ball to Cris Collinsworth more so we can perfect."

Collinsworth's statistics this year, however, are reflected by the Gator team which has scored only three touchdowns and three field goals in five games for 30 total points. In the first five games a year ago, the Gators went 2-3 and totaled 123 points. Opponents have out-gained the Gators 1,656 yards to 1,085 this year.

But Collinsworth refuses to complain.

"I'm willing to go wherever route Coach Pell decides to establish," Collinsworth said. "There's not a wide receiver in the country who doesn't like to catch passes. But if I had only caught five passes and we were 5-0, I would be the happiest person in the world."