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New provost Stiehm brings experience to FIU position

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Dr. Judith Stiehm has been appointed FIU's new Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Coming to us from the University of Southern California, she brings with her an 11-page resume that's just what the FIU doctor ordered.

Stiehm (pronounced steam), 52, has a Ph.D. in political theory from Columbia University; a master's in American history from Temple University; a bachelor's in East Asian studies from the University of Wisconsin; years of teaching at UCLA and USC as well as three books under her belt. She is currently working on fourth. Stiehm has also travelled to at least 11 countries.

No doubt, President Maidique is very pleased with his latest appointment to the FIU community.

Stiehm will drop the "Vice" and "USC" in her present title of Vice Provost of USC on

the week of October 15, 1987. From then on, it's full steam ahead for Provost Stiehm.

Her attraction to FIU is based on it being such a new university. "There are so few 'new' institutions. [FIU] doesn't have the weight of history or tradition, but it's self-confident enough that it intends to shape its own destiny and not be the poor sister imitating somebody else who already has a higher status," Stiehm expressed in the Miami Herald.

Living happily on the California coastline with her husband, a pediatric immunologist teaching at UCLA, this mother of three never visited Miami until being appointed provost. She never even heard of FIU until she received a "book" from Lisandro Perez, chairman of the 17-member committee searching for an FIU provost, describing the University.

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said Stiehm.

Being the vice president for Academic Affairs, as well as provost, all other FIU vice presidents and department heads report to her. For Stiehm, who comes from a

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--Judith Stiehm, new provost

family of educators and has years of experience in the field, settling into the FIU administrative community will be easy.

An increase in Spanish speakers is a change that has not fazed Stiehm either. She speaks Spanish "un poquito". In a city so keen on bilingualism, the new provost is multi-lingual. She has studied Latin, French, German, and Chinese.

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KFIU



■ Pope John Paul II will remember FIU for the rain, the thunder and the 230,000 wet Mass participants. The University, however, hopes that he will remember FIU for its oil painting gift as well. Spanish artist Arturo Rodriguez was commissioned by FIU to paint the oil painting of a family at the beach. The painting will be sent to the pope at the Vatican.

Photo: Michelle Dreseris

International students excel at FIU despite change

SYLVIA GONNER
Sunblazer staff writer

They come from more than 100 countries to American universities every year. With them, they bring their cultures, their ambitions, their customs and manners, their fears, and sometimes their families. They are the international students.

"Unlike American students who first experience college life, many international students encounter tremendous culture shock once they enter the United States and engage in campus activities. They experience differences in climate, food, social values, modes of behavior, and verbal and nonverbal communication," write John Dillard and Grace Chisolm in a study on Counseling the International Student in a Multicultural Context.

Sylvie Lescurieuz, a student from France at Miami Dade Community College, comments, "I believe I didn't have as many problems to adapt as my girlfriend, Sin, from Thailand, because our western culture is still more similar to the American one than the Middle East or the Asiatic cultures."

In South Florida, most international students come from Central or South American countries. The top of the list countries at FIU are: Venezuela, Columbia, Jamaica, Mexico, El Salvador, and the Bahamas.

"Students from these countries usually make a good transition to our universities. The cultural shock isn't so bad because of climate similarities and because of the multitude of Hispanic communities in South Florida," said Eva Beltz, counselor at the Interna-

tional Student's department at FIU.

Although MDCC is the college with the largest number of international students in the nation (4,730 at MDCC in total), and FIU has a list of 89 countries and over 1,000 students, some of these international students still find very little in Miami to which they can relate.

"It was a total change of lifestyle, eating habits, and most of all, a new type of interpersonal relationships, as much with the people in the street as with my teachers and friends," said Christophe Pharaony, an Egyptian student at MDCC.

The Journal of College Student Personnel mentioned that "these experiences often result in a loss of cultural and personal identity."

At MDCC North Campus, where a majority of the inter-

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FIU to host symposium on Miami's homeless

FIU will host a symposium on Honoring the Humanity of the Homeless, Nov. 23-25 at University Park.

The symposium will consist of a combination of workshops, speakers and other events designed to increase public awareness and acceptance of the need to honor the humanity of the homeless and the development of community action plans to move this awareness and acceptance into practical application, according to Joel Montgomery, president of the FIU Doctoral Student Association, a sponsor of the symposium.

Brother Paul Johnson, director of Camillus House, a shelter for the homeless in Miami for almost 29 years, has committed to being one of the speakers. Other speakers include Dr. Pedro Jose Greer, Jr., primary medical provider of healthcare to the homeless at a clinic set-up by

In Brief

Camillus House; SGT Frank Maye, City of Miami Police Department and Coordinator of Cops Care: Operation Homeless; Tom Mullen, Executive Director of Passageways, a Miami-based center designed to work with homeless persons processed through the criminal justice system.

Sponsors of the event so far include the Doctoral Student Association and SGA. Montgomery says the event is the first symposium with this theme ever held in the USA.

A food drive is scheduled to be held during the month of October, with the food provided for the homeless just before Thanksgiving, Nov. 26.

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national students are Pakistani and Haitian, a pre-departure kit was developed by the coordinator of international student services, Joel Fleischer. "This pre-departure information for overseas students gives them some general guidelines about American customs, measures, banking and housing procedures, etc. It is designed to help them in finding housing arrangements and in opening a bank account," Fleischer said.

MDCC has also established an orientation program for foreign students that gives them assistance at the beginning of each term for registration and class schedule procedures. After that, at MDCC, international students go through regular advisement. Fleischer pointed out that the students who seek his advice "are usually at the search of a housing arrangement or unhappy to be in an ESL (English as a Second Language) program."

At FIU, however, there is a special international student's department at University Park. The advisor for the department, Melissa Wolfe, spends 90 percent of the time with immigration work. Wolfe believes that working with foreign students is constantly challenging and enriching. She was never this aware of the problems international students can have with the INS (Immigration and Naturalization Services), as well as with some rigid foreign governments whose laws and regulations sometimes provoke unscheduled departures.

Every fall semester, the International Students' Department compares its list of students on a student-visa with the INS. International students must be registered for two full terms a year, in full-time classes (12 credits at the undergraduate level and 9 credits at the graduate level). They must maintain a 2.0 GPA or higher if required by the school of major.

Those students who don't meet the requirements are put on a warning of probation or dismissal list, and are invited to a meeting. Unless they come to the meeting to discuss their academic problems, they are dismissed, cannot reapply to the college for one year, and supposed to leave the country.

"The most dramatic case is the student who is doing really good and has to leave because of immigration or financial problems. I admire the most those who have to scrape every last penny in order to stay here, and whose grades get progressively better," Wolfe said.

She said that Beverly Weintraub, the administrative secretary of the department "is a mother to all of them." Weintraub found international students in general more polite and respectful.

"They are from the old school; they say please and thank you, unlike most American students," she said. Wolfe agreed and added: "They help us open our eyes as Americans, because our citizens don't have to deal with some of the problems they have with their governments. We don't live in the same system of fear."

The journal of College Student Personnel states that "the need of international students for professional counseling assistance is often greater than that of the American student. Of immediate concern to the counselor is the development of an awareness of the adjustments required of international students so that effective communication is achieved."

There is sometimes a language problem with foreign students although, in order to attend any American university, students must first pass the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language).

"We have to adjust to their verbal and nonverbal communication skills, as much as they sometimes have difficulty understanding lectures and procedures, although they have the required English level," Wolfe said.

Research on international student counseling reveals that stress-oriented problems usually occur because the student's concerns are centered around finances, course schedules, housing arrangements and scholastic performances. According to the research, these concerns were rated higher than concerns about adjustment, social contacts and being homesick. They report that 90 percent of the international students polled stated that personal involvement with Americans and concerns about the culture were second to professional training.

Debbie-Ann Isaacs, an FIU graduate, found the American educational system less demanding than her native Jamaican one where she received her pre-college education.

"I never approved of multiple-choice tests because they really don't test your knowledge. Back in Jamaica, as early as I can remember, all tests were oral and written essay questions," she said.

The level of previous education (high-school) for international students is generally higher than for the average American freshman, but Wolfe said that higher levels don't especially mean better students.

"Some princes or princesses are absolutely spoiled and become lazy, but in general I'm very happy that most international students maintain a good, above average GPA," she said.

Radio station asking for student involvement in project

KELLY CECIL
Special to the Sunblazer

Rumor has it that a radio station is being constructed at FIU. After three years of planning by SGA, the rumor is true and the radio station is KFIU. Broadcasting over AM frequency 530 is expected to begin by the end of the fall semester, as soon as the KFIU studio has been completed at University Park.

Electrical wiring and staffing are the two obstacles in this process. The studio's completion requires FIU students to install custom equipment cabinets and 3,000 feet of wire and cable into a mere 18-foot x 24-foot space -- half the size of most classrooms. A variety

of general staff and executive council positions must be filled as well.

Although a station management team headed by Stuart Blanc has been formed for the drafting of daily operational procedure policies and other management documents, participants in this radio venture are few. DJ-ing, promotions, production, engineering, business, and news and sports reporting positions remain unfilled.

In an effort to staff and promote KFIU, a logo slogan contest has been announced. The station's "alternative, progressive format" needs expression and FIU students are being challenged with designing a logo that captures pro-

gressive, reggae jazz, new age, folk, underground, British rock, and metal mania music.

Fifty dollars will go to the winner. Deadline for entry is Oct. 9.

The station's management team is receiving suggestions at SGA offices at both campuses. Students interested in general staff or executive council positions, or simply need more information in preparing logo contest entries should call Stuart Blanc at either of the campus SGA offices. At University Park, the number is 554-2315. On the North Miami Campus, call 940-5680.

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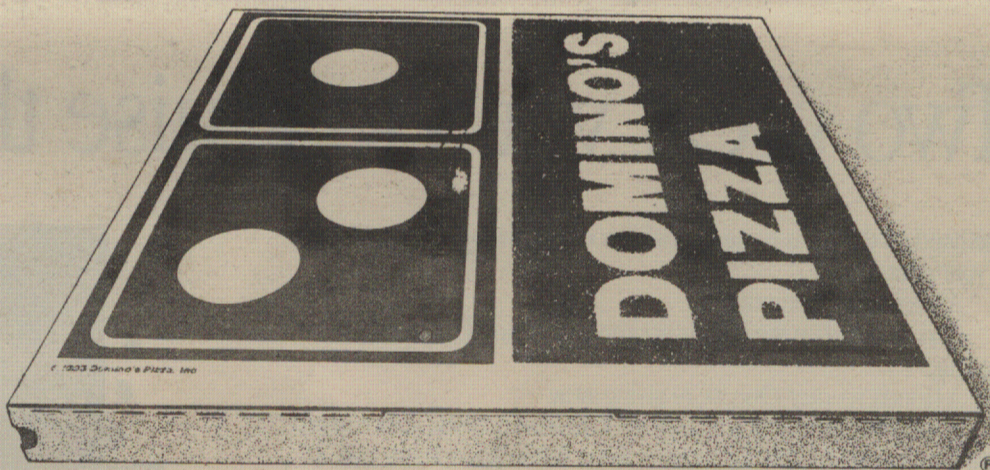
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On July 28, 1987, Dr. Douglas Spencer of the Resource Analysis Institute at FIU suffered at heart attack and died at the age of 59. Dr. Spencer had worked at FIU since 1973. He is survived by his wife and four children; London, Stephanie, Vickie and Vincent.



Photo: Michelle Dreseris

Above: It's 6:00 a.m. at the Miami Free Zone as Ruth Hamilton, Director of Student Activities welcomes special VIP guests of the university. FIU was allowed 500 special seats for the mass by the Archdiocese of Miami. 25 students were included in the group that went by police escort to the mass site on the University Park campus.



Fere Lantigua, Senator A&S; Michelle Dreseris, Editor, The Sunblazer; and Fred Jorgenson, S.G.A. President enjoy a continental breakfast in the Free Zone before leaving with the other FIU 500 for the mass site at the UP campus.

John Paul II's visit

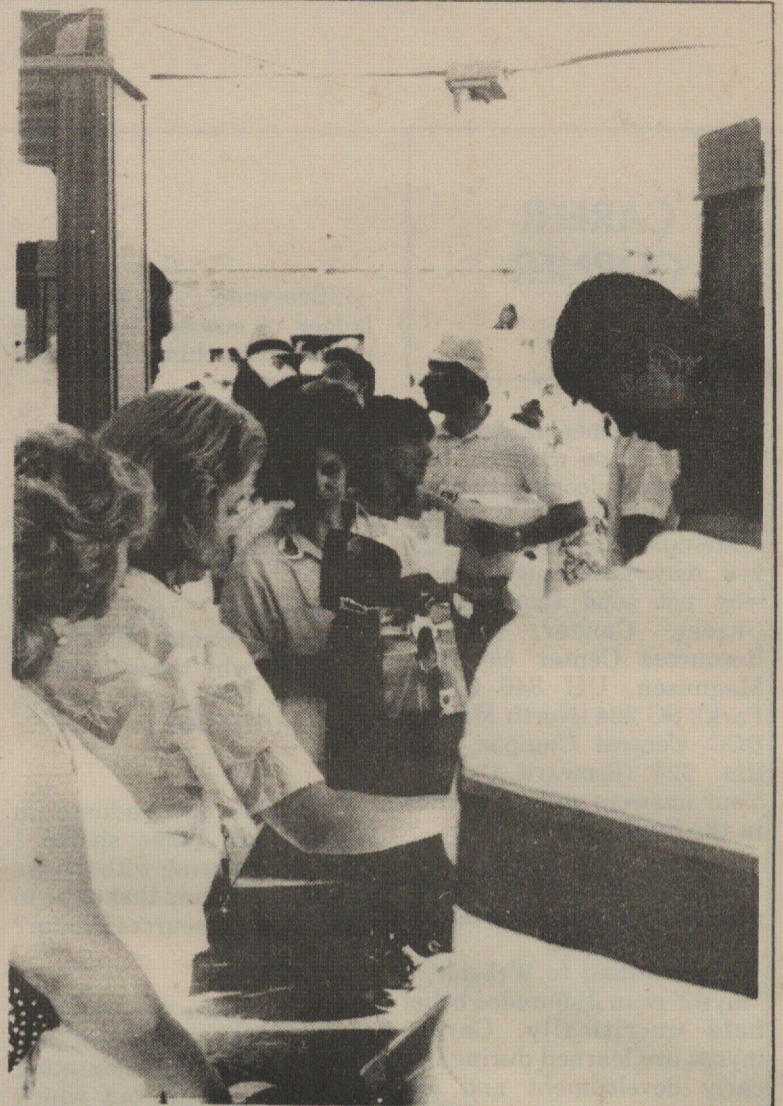


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Above: It was a very slow process. Each of the 6,000 VIP's, including the FIU 500, were carefully searched and screened by the metal detectors. It was before the rain came and the humidity was high, but everyone waited patiently.

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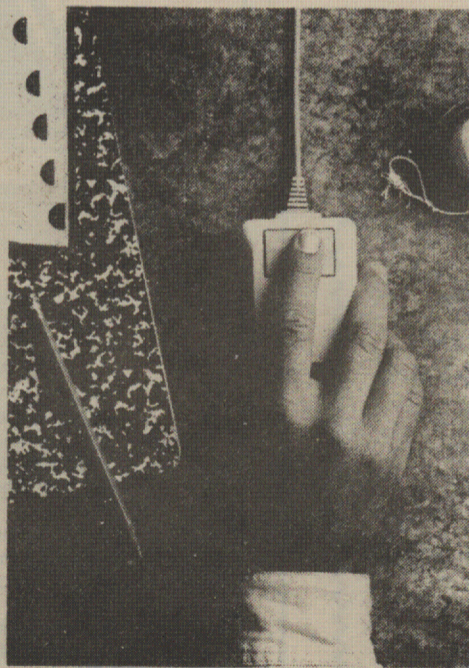
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Left: As the five chartered buses carrying the FIU 500 special guests arrive at the north entrance to the campus, national guardsmen monitor each incoming vehicle. Security was the word at the top of everyone's list.

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Above: Danny Cera and Manny Becerra try to roundup FIU's special guests for their bus trip from the Miami Free Zone to special seating areas in front of the altar.



Left: Secret service men and police officers swarm around the pope mobile, tensely expecting trouble at any minute. Thousands wave Cuban flags and shout, "Viva Papa! Viva Papa!"

Photo: Michelle Dreseris



Right: "Unity in the work of service" was the theme for the papal visit. Unity in the face of a severe electrical might have been another title. Strangers huddled together under shared umbrellas, and by the time the mass was cancelled everyone was thoroughly soaked - even those who wore raincoats. Each time the rain came down harder the crowd would shout, "Viva Papa! Viva Papa!" perhaps as much to encourage themselves as to console their pope.

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Whether or not you are Catholic, something about the pope inspires strong emotions inside all of us. Some groups lash out at his "old-fashioned" views on human sexuality. Others revere him as the infallible embodiment of God on earth. Others (myself included) respect his position as the head of the Roman Catholic church but refuse to accept the "infallible embodiment of God" part. Still others see him as the ultimate combination of church and state: a dogmatic dignitary.

Whatever one believes about the pope, his visit to South Florida has magnified people's opinions and feelings towards him. Criticism has become complaint. Respect has grown into reverence, and quiet reverence has blossomed into ecstatic fervor. The major awakening inspired by the pope's visit, though, is commercialism. A sudden explosion of "pope fever" has occurred among the trinket and souvenir moguls in answer to the demand created by reverent and casual Catholics spurred by what many consider to be a once-in-a-lifetime event.

Pope souvenirs have appeared in forms ranging from subtle mementos to blatantly ridiculous attempts to exploit the papal visit. One of the more tasteful souvenirs is the gold commemorative coin. On the other end of the spectrum is the papal water sprinkler ("let us spray"). Shaped like a pope with his arms outstretched, it waters your lawn with "holy" water. Even lower than that, we have the pope mask, which is just what it sounds like. This year your child can dress up as John Paul II for Halloween. The mask doesn't come with papal robes, but Mom can easily alter that sheet Junior used for his ghost costume last Halloween.

Oddly, I have not seen many pope's-visit T-shirts. They exist, but I wonder what the slogans would look like if the marketing magnates got a hold of them:

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Perhaps we might see a black, concert-style T-shirt announcing:

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I must clarify that my flip-pant attitude toward the marketing of pope memorabilia implies no disrespect for the pope, his office, the Catholic church, and certainly not the Catholic people; though Catholicism's history is full of examples of souvenir hunting. Remember the Crusades, the Holy Grail, etc.? Also, I must indicate that, though I am a Christian, I am not Catholic, and my attitude toward the pope is one of curious, cautious respect. Even so, I am very much against Madison Avenue making a money-grubbing mockery out of anything that looks like a profitable venture, especially when the marketing moguls disregard respect and good taste in the name of money.

Another reason for my disgust is that, as a Christian, I believe in the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. The Bible says that no man knows the time of Jesus' return. Maybe one reason for this is that if man knew the time, somebody would be walking around on the Last Day wearing a SECOND COMING souvenir T-shirt.

Edward Glenn

One Student's Opinion

Uh-oh. To paraphrase an old cliché from the movie Jaws, just when we thought it was safe to think about the Democratic Presidential race, along came rumors that happily married Gary Hart was thinking of getting back into the race.

Gary Hart? You remember him. He was the Democratic front-runner with so-called "new ideas". He was forced to drop out of the Democratic Presidential race when it appeared that he had given more than a casual glance to actress/model, Donna Rice.

Even after Hart dropped out of the campaign, polls continued to show him as the

front-runner in the Democratic race. Those polls apparently fueled the rumor that the former Colorado Senator was planning to re-enter the race. As of last week, Hart himself was denying the rumor; however, the fact that there was a rumor at all brings up some very disturbing points.

First of all, I can't believe that a candidate who went out in a horrible mess that was clearly self-made would have the sheer chutzpah to even considering to re-enter the race. Hart seems to think that the American people have very short memories. If this is the case, then he must think that he'll be able to get away with blanking out our memories of past imperfections after a couple of years in the Oval office.

Secondly, the fact that people would even want this man as our President reflects the decreasing moral values in our society. Forty or fifty years ago, before television made appearance everything in a political campaign, people's votes were based on the political and personal merits of the candidates. In the eyes of a voter, if a politician could not manage his family life, he certainly could not manage the well-being of a massive number of people. Sometimes, candidates could manage the first better than the second, but the basis for voting was generally reliable.

In this age of AIDS, that voting process is necessary. It is a must for a politician to have a stable home life in order to manage a stable government. If Gary Hart

separated from his wife, vowed that he was not a womanizer, and then seemed to involve himself in a compromising situation, who is to say that he would be able to maintain the position of leader of the free world with honesty and dignity? It baffles me that the people of this country, shocked twice in the last fifteen years by Watergate and the Iran-Contra scandal, are willing to vote for such a man. If people today would vote the way their parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents voted fifty years ago, there would be no way in which Gary Hart could be a front-runner

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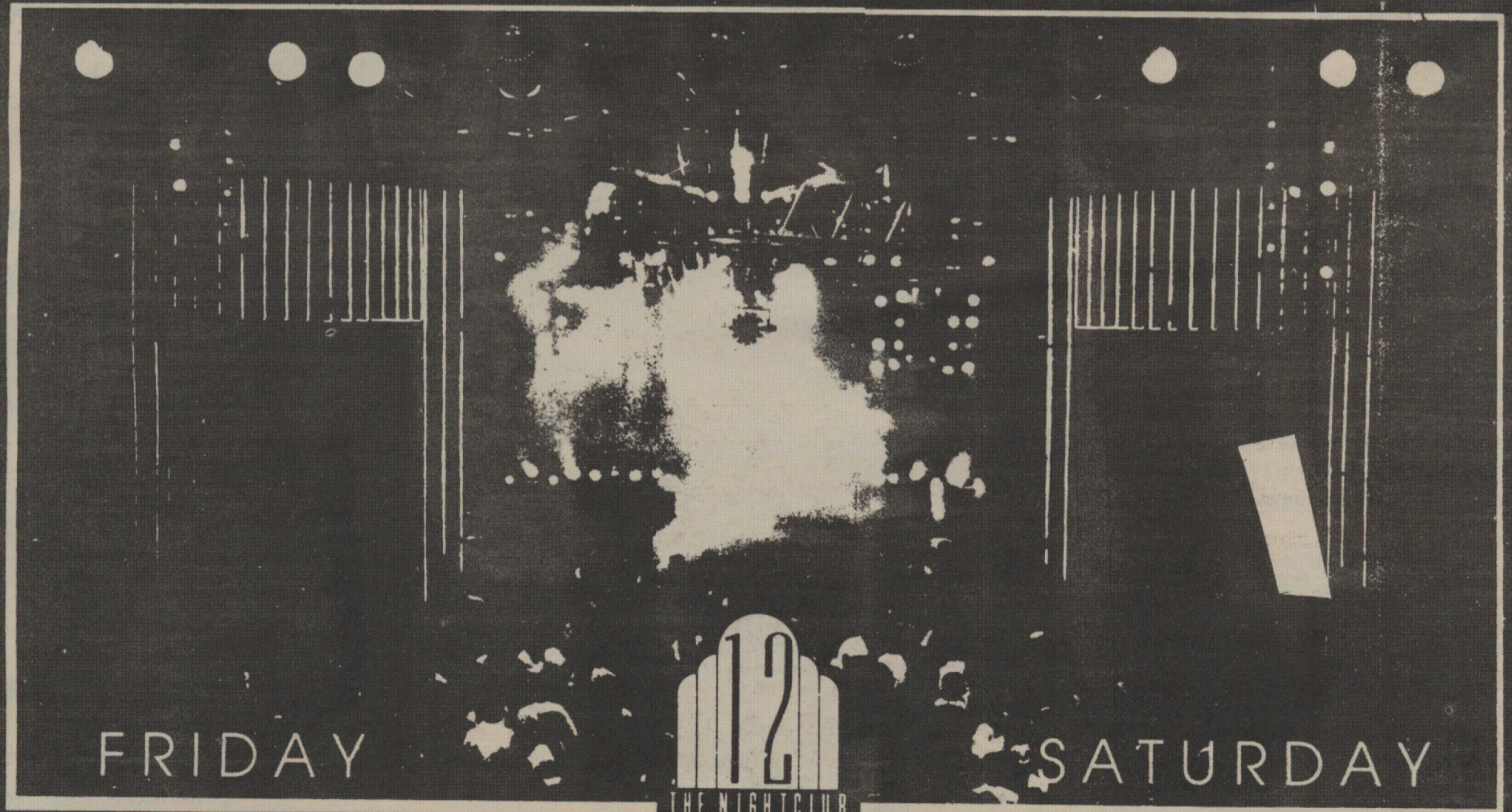
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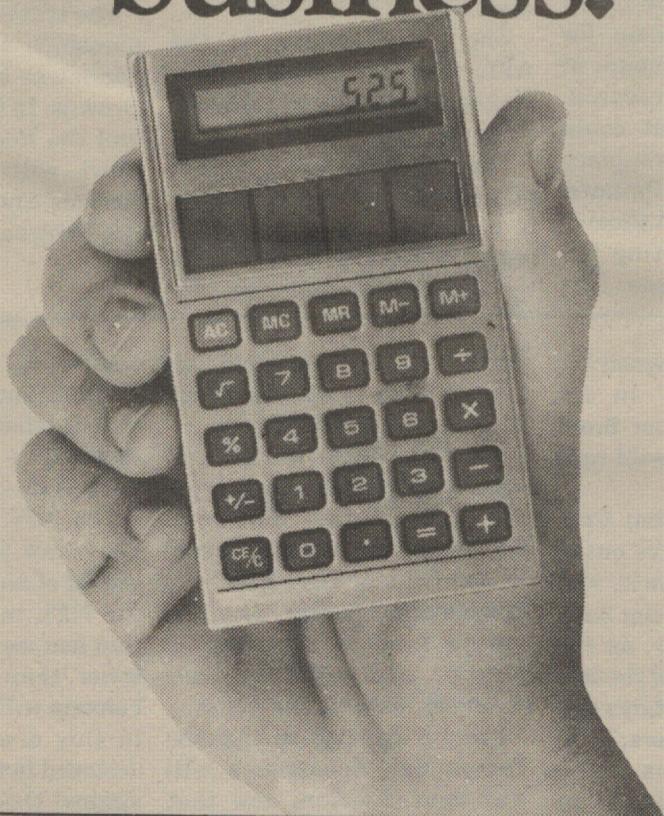
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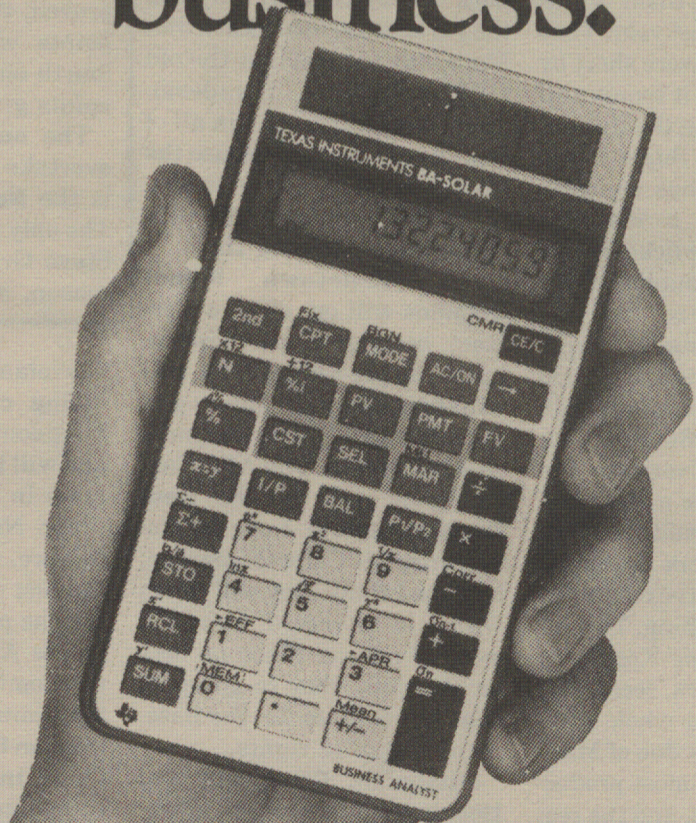


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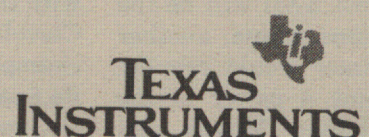
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Cleveland to take it all in '87

MICHAEL SHELLEY
Sunblazer sports editor

I thought I was the only Cleveland Browns fan in the world, and everyone called me a fool for picking them to win the Super Bowl last year. They almost went; we were short by 24 seconds. Now, it seems as if everyone is saying the Browns are going to the Super Bowl, even my illustrious co-sports editor, who is a die-hard Dolphins fan. The fickleness of the American public never ceases to amaze me, as everyone changes their favorite teams after a bad season. It is reminiscent when the New York Mets won the World Series. Everyone immediately became a Mets fan. The same can be said about the classless New York Giants.

Cleveland deserves all of the attention it is getting. They're damn good! Bernie Kosar is a 11-pro quarterback, second only to Marino in the whole NFL. The running-back duo of Mack and Byner is the most productive in the league, and the rest of the team is strong and consistent. There are no obvious weaknesses.

The Browns' opponent in Super Bowl XXII will be the New Orleans Saints, another team I knew would rebuild, and become a power in the NFC. Reuben Mayes and Dalton Hilliard are two running-backs who were stars in college, and are making a

niche for themselves in the pros. The Saints' defense is very strong, as is their offensive line, and the only thing that might hold them back is the lack of a first-class quarterback (Bobby Herbert only has the job because head coach Jim Mora was his coach at the old USFL Oakland Invaders). They should at least win all of their home games, because the Pope held mass in the Superdome, and now have an even higher force guiding them.

The hometown Miami Dolphins will get off to a slow start, because of all those injuries in pre-season, but will win their last eight games giving them an 11-5 record, and a wild card berth. The AFC East champion will be the New England Patriots. Look for the Indianapolis Colts to improve, because I think they will finish with a 6-10 record. Here's a word of advice: Place no bets on the Jets; they're going to beat out Buffalo for the basement bragging rights.

Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, and Houston will give a new meaning to the word mediocrity by finishing well below .500.

The AFC West, always a strong division, will supply us with the team that will lose to Cleveland in the conference championship game—the Seattle Seahawks. Although Seattle, now strengthened by the talented Brian Bosworth, will finish with a better season record than the Browns,

Something to Bank On: Browns over Bears in SB XXII

JEFFREY BRENNER
Sunblazer sports editor

Place your bets. Place your bets. Who is going to win this year's Super Bowl, who is going to have the worst team and who is going to be the Cinderella team? All of these questions and more, will be answered in the following, as Brenner makes his fourth attempt at predicting winners.

Since joining the Sunblazer staff, I have had the opportunity to publish my predictions. I have done baseball twice and this is the second time for football.

In this year's baseball predictions, I have a good chance of winning both National League titles, as I chose New York (two and a half games back) and Cincinnati (four games back). So, if you want to place bets on my predictions, all I can say to you is "May the force be with you."

Since FIU is located in Miami, let us start with the AFC East.

I have this prejudice because I grew up in Miami, I always choose Miami. Guess what? I still have to choose Miami to win the division.

I chose Miami because of their offense. There is none better in the league. I hear some people shouting in back of my head, "What about the defense or should we say lack of?" In the four exhibition games, the defense looked improved, they only gave up 64 points which tied them for fourth on the least amount of points given up in preseason.

The only team that could overtake Miami for first place is the New England Patriots. The only problem with them is Steve Grogan is starting the season, not Tony Eason. The

poor New York Jets, you have to feel sorry for them because they have a full season worth of injuries and they haven't even played one regular season game. The Buffalo Bills will edge out Indianapolis for fourth place in the conference.

The Central division now has two good teams, up from one last year.

The Cleveland Browns will run away with the division. They probably will have the most well-rounded team in the league. The other good team in the division is the Cincinnati Bengals; they will be just a couple of games out of first place at season's end. We won't even mention the other teams in the division, because they are so bad.

The AFC West is the toughest division in the AFC once again, with three teams fighting for the top position.

The headlines will read, The Kansas City Chiefs run right over competition. The Chiefs will have a great ground game as they drafted last year's number one collegiate rusher, Paul Palmer and a blocker for Palmer named Christian Okoye from Azusa Pacific. Their defense isn't too shabby either.

The Seattle Seahawks will finish a strong second to the Chiefs as I don't see everything going well in Seattle. The Denver Broncos, San Diego Chargers and L.A. Raiders will round out the division.

The playoff teams for the AFC will be: Miami, New England, Cleveland, Kansas City and Seattle.

The NFC East, which used to be the toughest in the league, is now down to a two team race. The New York Giants and the Washington Redskins will

finish with the same record and they will both be in the playoffs. The Redskins might have the edge since the Giants play three 1986 playoff teams in the first five games. The rest of the division will just be games which the Redskins and Giants can start their second and third stringers.

The Chicago Bears will again dominate this sorry excuse for a division, although some of the teams will improve. If the Bears could find a decent quarterback they could possibly go undefeated. The Minnesota Vikings, with their new found quarterback Wade Wilson, might improve on their record of 9-7 last year. The Tampa Bay Buccaneers got a new coach, quarterback and outlook. They just might finish in third place over the Detroit Lions and Green Bay Packers.

In the West the New Orleans Saints will be the surprise team of the year; they will even have a winning record for the first time in franchise history. Too bad they will finish second to the Los Angeles Rams. It seems to me that the San Francisco 49ers are starting to grow old like the Raiders, Cowboys and Steelers. They aren't as bad as those teams are, but give them another year and they will be.

The playoff teams for the NFC will be: Washington, New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and New Orleans.

The teams in the AFC championships will be the Seattle Seahawks and the Cleveland Browns. In the NFC the Bears and the Redskins. The Super Bowl will be between the Browns and the Bears, with the Browns winning it all.

Cleveland will be crowned the "King of the AFC" in the Kingdome. The Denver Broncos will be the other wild-card team in the AFC.

The National Football Conference, winners of five out of the last six Super Bowls, will see the pendulum swing back to the AFC this year, as the two dominant teams of the last ten years, Dallas Cowboys and the San Francisco 49ers, have fallen into the depths of the non-contenders because of an aging offensive and defensive line. The New York Giants will win their division again this year, and that should be the end of their days in the playoffs for another 25 years.

Allow me to coin a phrase the notorious prognosticator Pete Axthelm once said: "The New York Giants are a fairy tale; the Cleveland Browns are a novel." The only Giants I ever

liked were the San Francisco Giants, who I chose this year to go to the World Series.

In the NFC East, the Washington Redskins will get the wild-card, although finishing with the same record as the Giants, 12-4. I feel the Philadelphia Eagles are one season away from going to playoffs, and will show their strength later in the year.

I really want to say that the Tampa Bay Buccaneers will win their division, now that they have Vinny Testaverde, but I'll wait until 1989. Nevertheless, I think they will finish at 7-9 (no more losses in the two-digit range). The only possible choice here is the Chicago Bears, but because of the inability for Jim McMahon to get healthy, it will be a struggle for them to finish at 11-5. The Green Bay Packers (Hackers), despite the

acquisition of former Auburn running back Brent Fullwood, will do what no team since the expansion era Buccaneers have done—go winless (0-16).

The NFC West, which last year had the best collective record of any other division in the NFL in 1986, will repeat that feat, as no team will finish lower than 8-8. The Atlanta Falcons will win the wild-card in this division, but will be destroyed in the wild-card game against the Redskins.

In the NFC conference final, look for a shaky start by the Saints against the Redskins, with New Orleans prevailing in overtime.

The Cleveland Browns vs the New Orleans Saints in Super Bowl XXII at Jack Murphy Stadium in San Diego. Believe it! Final score—Browns 31, Saints 16.

CARTOON CONTEST

The Scripps Howard Foundation has announced a restructuring of the Charles M. Schulz Award for Promising Cartoonists, according to Albert Scholttekotte, president and CEO, Scripps Howard Foundation.

The Award, sponsored by the Scripps Howard Foundation and funded by United Feature Syndicate, will honor outstanding college cartoonists and encourage them to launch post-graduate professional careers. Any student cartoonist on a college newspaper or college magazine in the United States and territories is eligible.

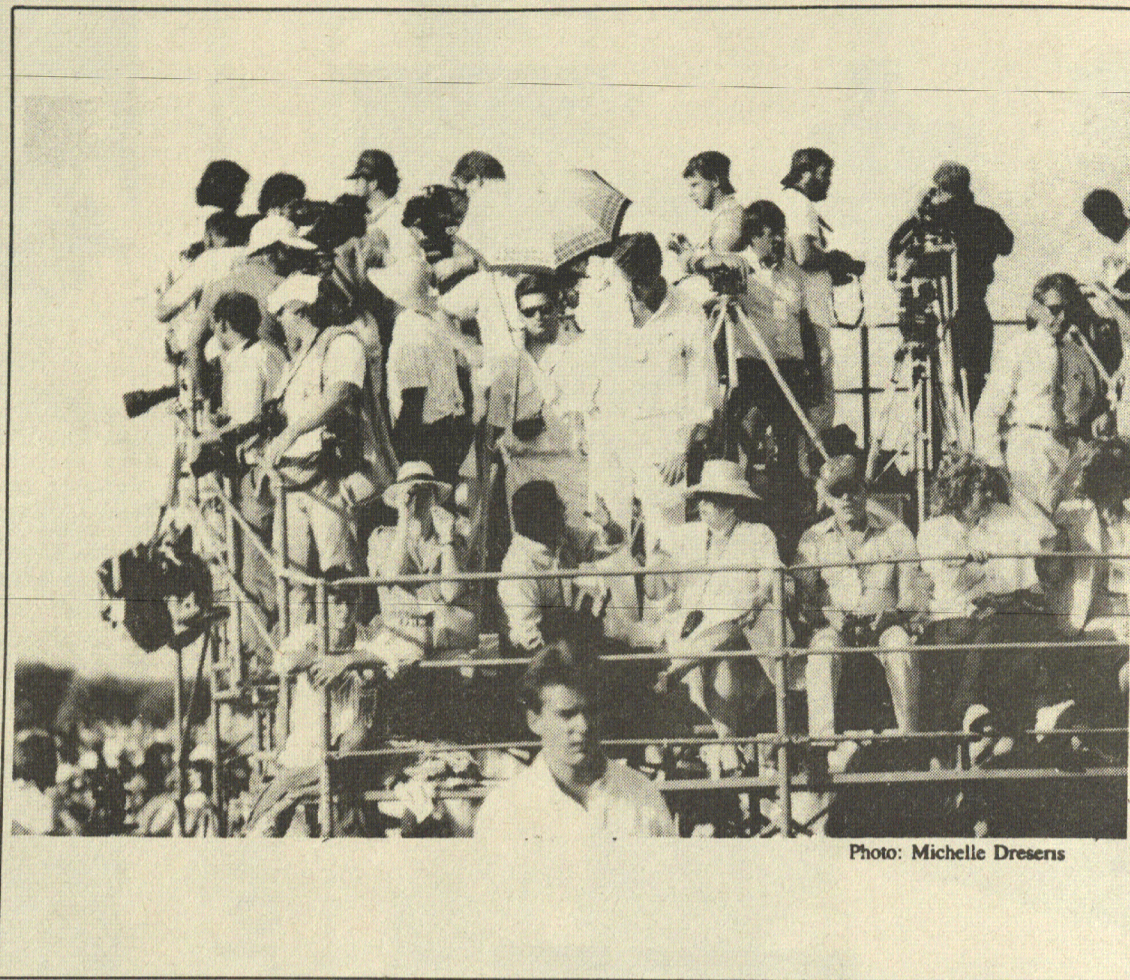
"By changing the emphasis of this prestigious award, we hope to put the focus on the aspiring student cartoonist seeking a career in this industry, rather than the already established cartoonist," Scholttekotte said.

The Award was created in 1980 to honor Charles M. Schulz on the thirtieth anniversary of his classic comic strip, Peanuts, which is distributed by United Feature Syndicate, a division of Scripps Howard, a cash prize of \$2,000 and citations to the winner and to the college publication will

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Above: Some of the 4,000 national and international reporters and photographers who were in Miami for the first stop on John Paul II's papal tour of the United States. Hunting their own special shots, these photographers had a choice view of the Pope and the Mass site.

NICOLE LINSALATA
Sunblazer features editor

My first night in Cambridge, England I discovered the Anchor. Which means that, yes, I became comfortably inebriated on my very first night as an International Summer School student. I felt a twinge of relief, actually, after ten hours on a plane, tormented by thoughts that I would be held up in my tiny dorm room the entire term, bored and friendless, while England passed me by.

Well, I thought, I'll resign myself to it. I'll study hard, go on all the optional excursions offered by the program, and just have a culturally and educationally enriching time.

It didn't turn out that way, thank God. At our first dinner, over the lamb intestines and potatoes, I met Alison, Janet, Claudia, and Susan, all from Florida universities (including FIU). We made plans to attend the welcoming address together and then go out to a pub.

That night, clutching my map of Cambridge and bundled up in the July cold (seriously), I hurried to meet them at Lady Mitchell Hall. Of course I expected an ancient, crumbling building, surrounded by a green field. I smiled when I

saw the small, glass-enclosed building with "Lady Mitchell Hall" printed neatly over the door. Figures.

After catching a few z's during the welcoming address, we headed over to the Anchor. We trudged through a muddy field and over a bridge. The pub

that at the end of the term I'd be scraping together the two pounds eighty pence I'd need for our last evening out. That amount would get me exactly two pints of cider. I had it down to a science.

Oh by the way, I did have classes at Cambridge. But that's another article. **NEXT ISSUE:** Studying, traveling to London, and drinking excessively--not necessarily in that order.

CAMBRIDGE U.K.

itself sat along the River Cam, and its atmosphere reminded me of any of a number of parties I'd attended in Hollywood or Miramar or Ft. Lauderdale. Just a lot of people spilling out of a hot, crowded, noisy building onto a lawn or driveway. Only here it was more picturesque--they spilled out onto the bridge.

I expected English beer to be hot, bitter, battery acid but the pint of Heinekin lager I ordered turned out to be quite normal. Okay, so it's Dutch, not English. Whatever.

I also discovered cider, England's answer to Bartles and Jaymes. I was so taken with the deceptively mild-tasting stuff that I decided right then I was going to bring bottles of it home to the ciderless States. Little did I know



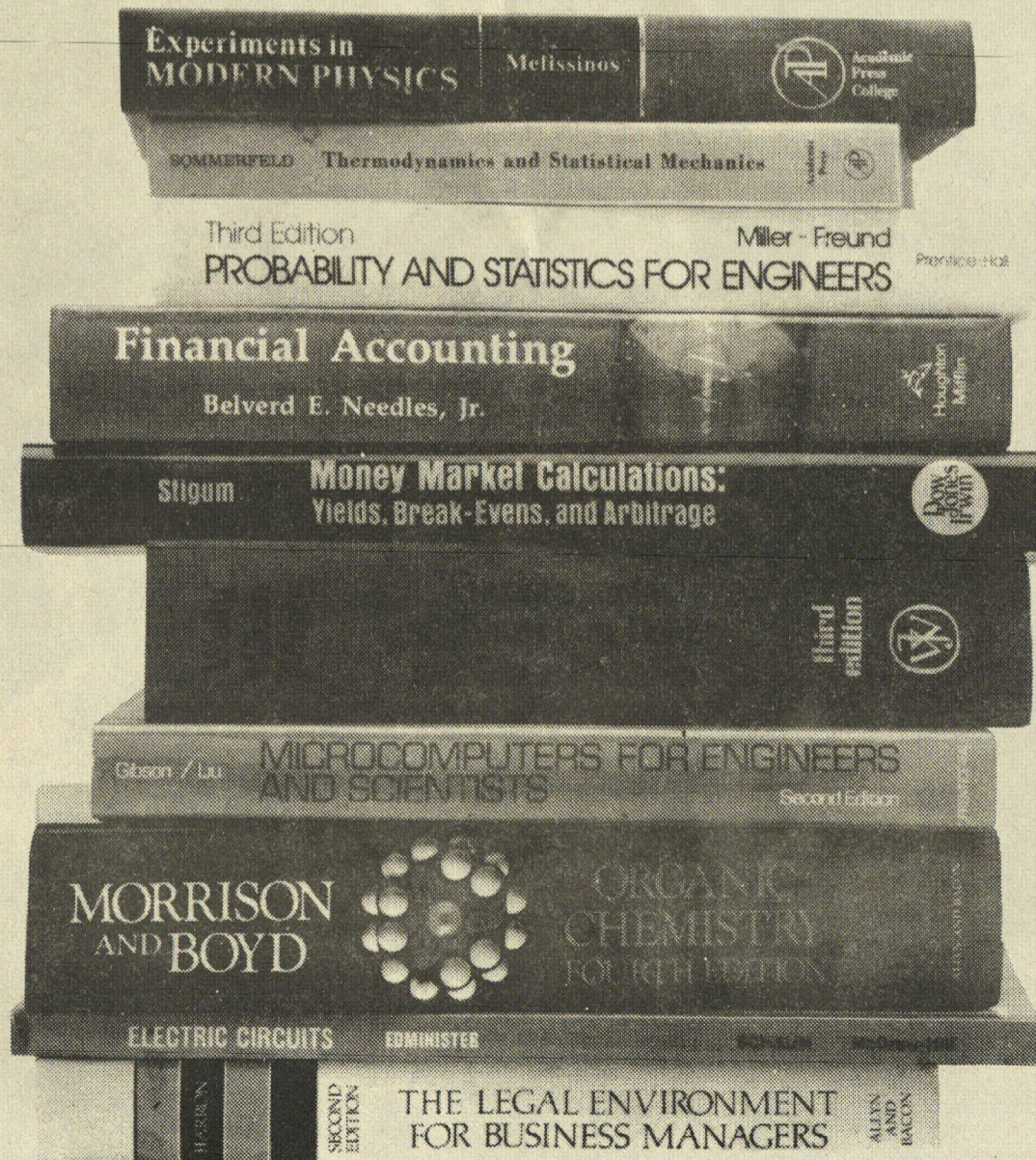
Above: Being a VIP did not exclude anyone from waiting in line for about an hour, along with 6,000 others, to go through the secret service's metal detectors and bag checks. Vice President Walter Strong had warned the 500 group earlier in the morning in AT 100, "You are now about to leave the hands of FIU and go into the world of the secret service." Commemorative paper fans were given to the FIU 500 at breakfast in AT. Many didn't really appreciate them until they were standing in line with masses of other hot, sweaty bodies waiting to clear the metal detectors.

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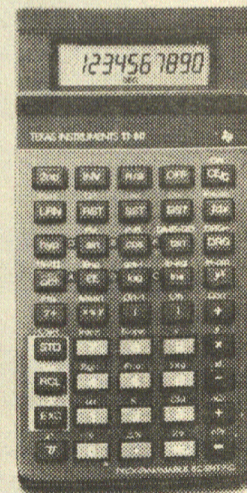


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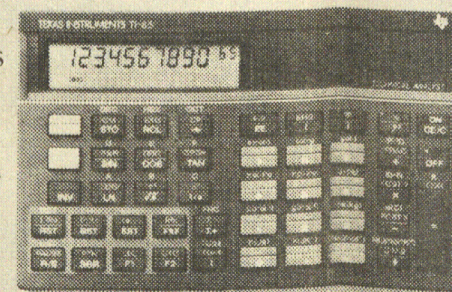
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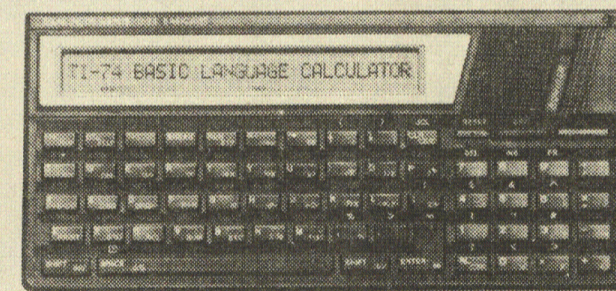
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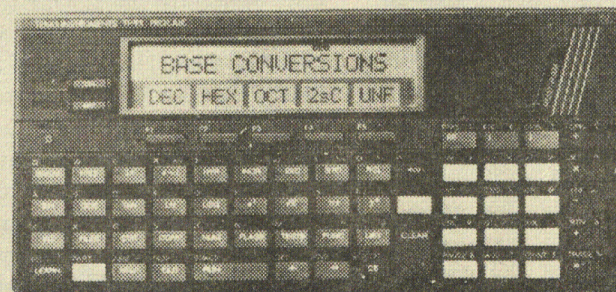
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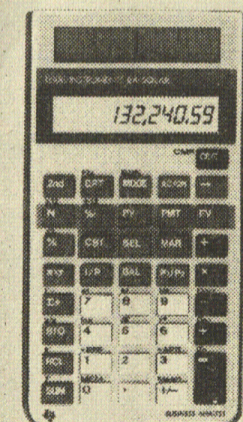
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