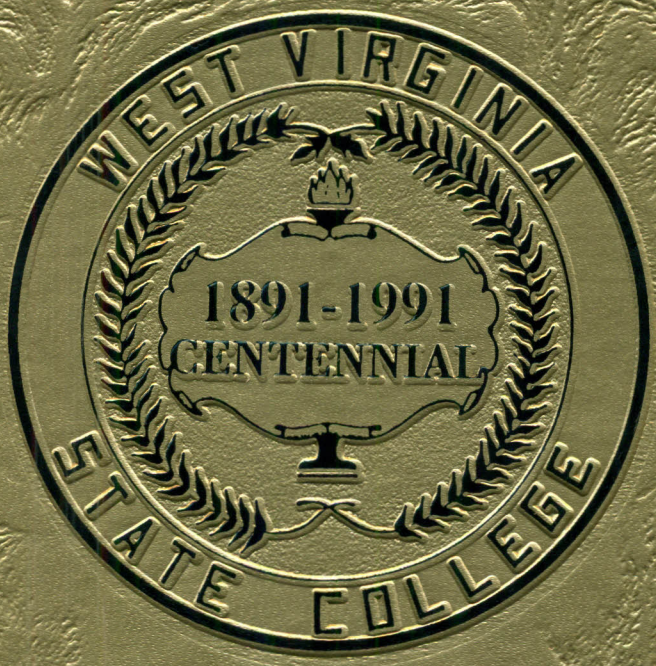
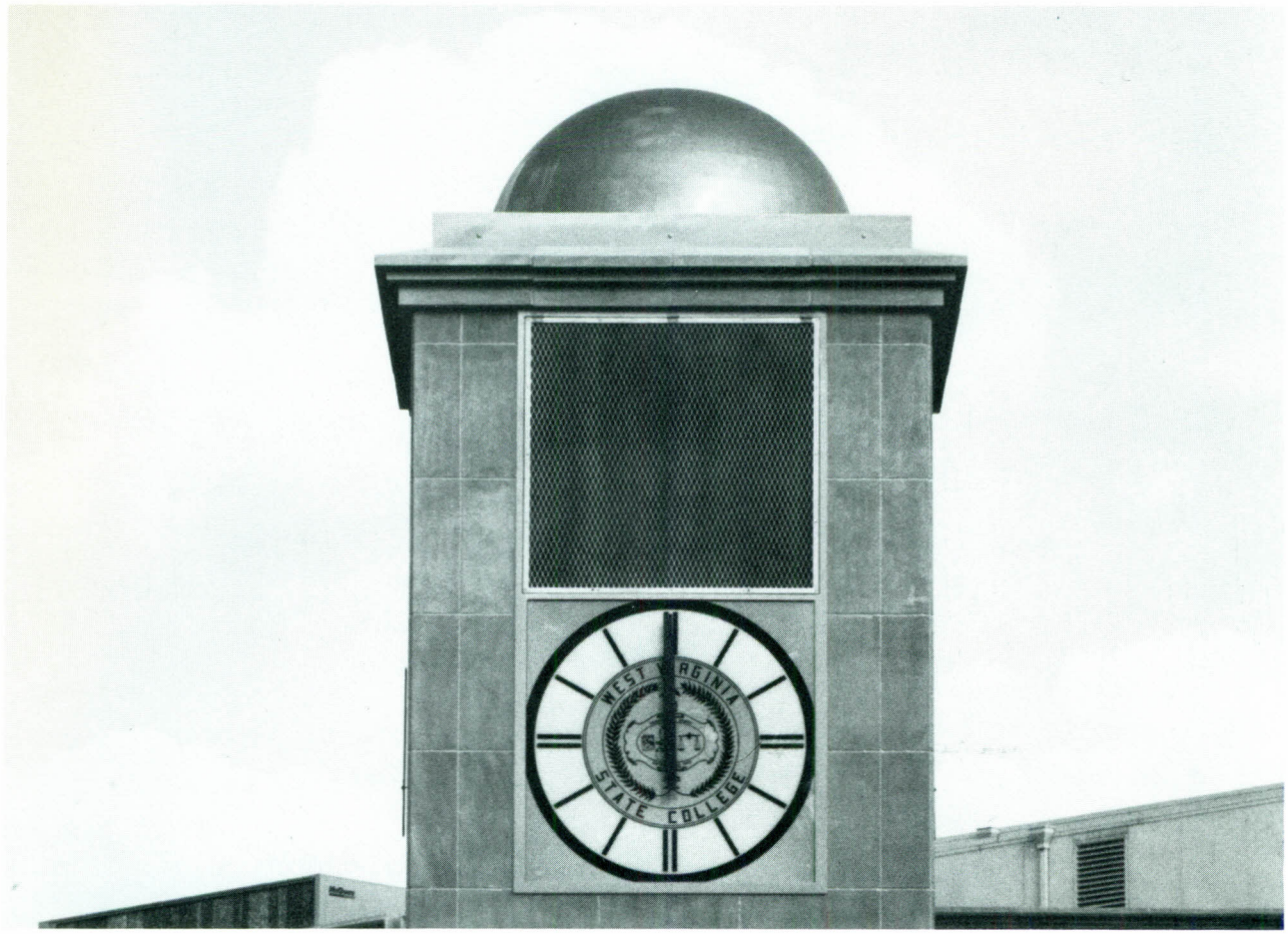



# THE ARCH

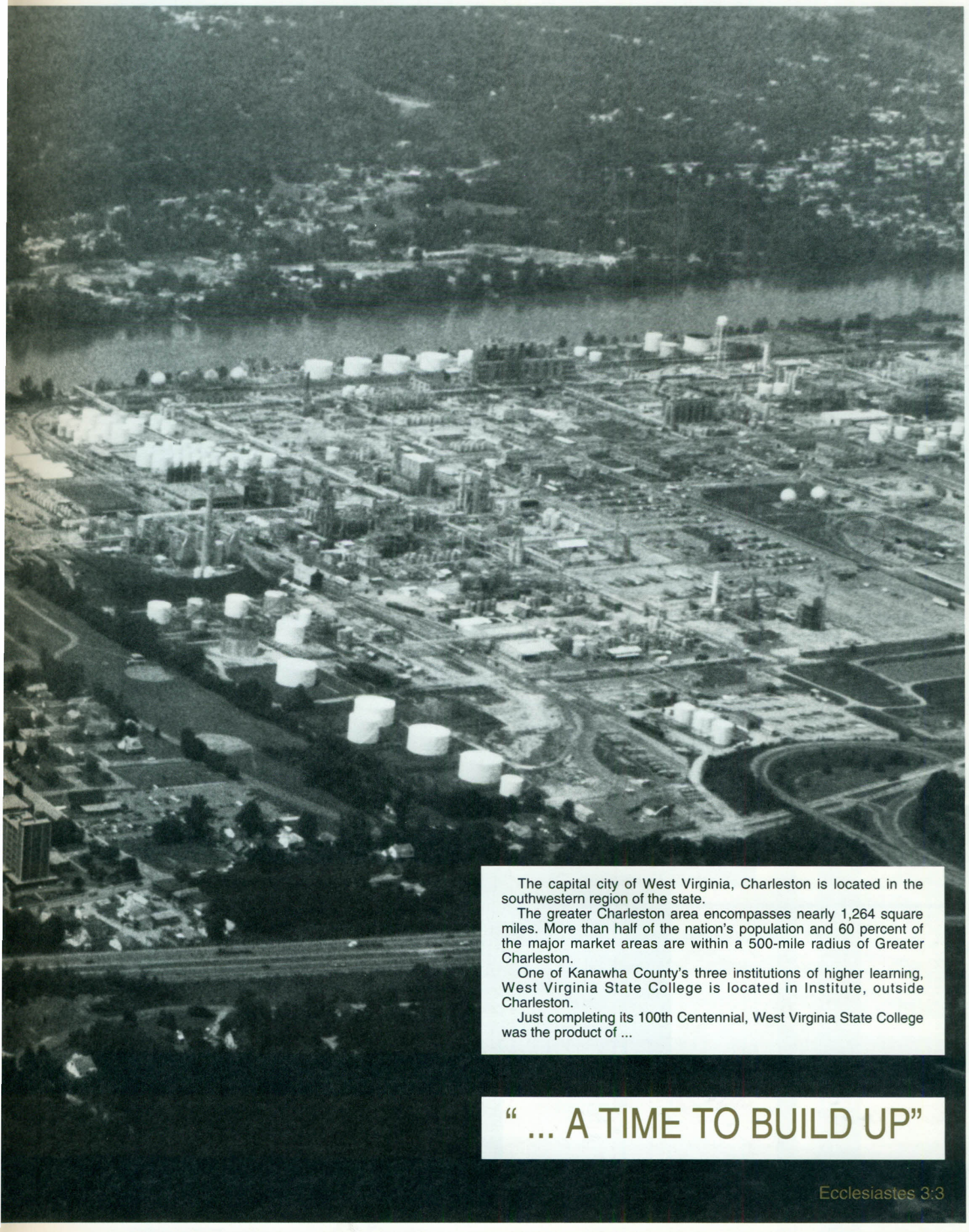
# 1992

West Virginia State College's clock tower symbolized time ... "a time to every purpose under the heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1.




# West Virginia State College

Institute,
West Virginia 25112



The capital city of West Virginia, Charleston is located in the southwestern region of the state.

The greater Charleston area encompasses nearly 1,264 square miles. More than half of the nation's population and 60 percent of the major market areas are within a 500-mile radius of Greater Charleston.

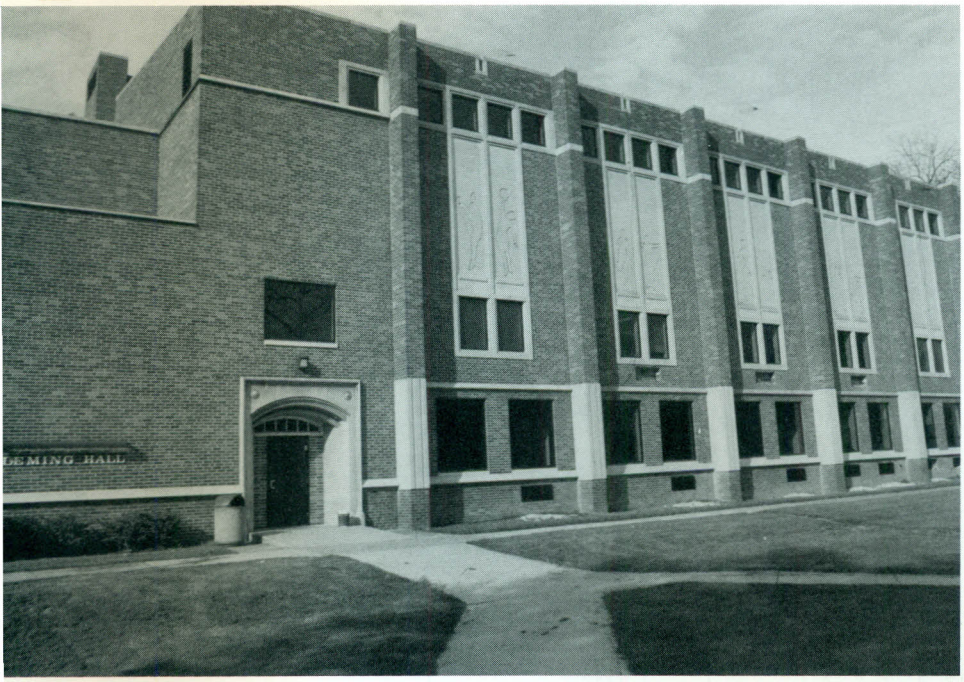
One of Kanawha County's three institutions of higher learning, West Virginia State College is located in Institute, outside Charleston.

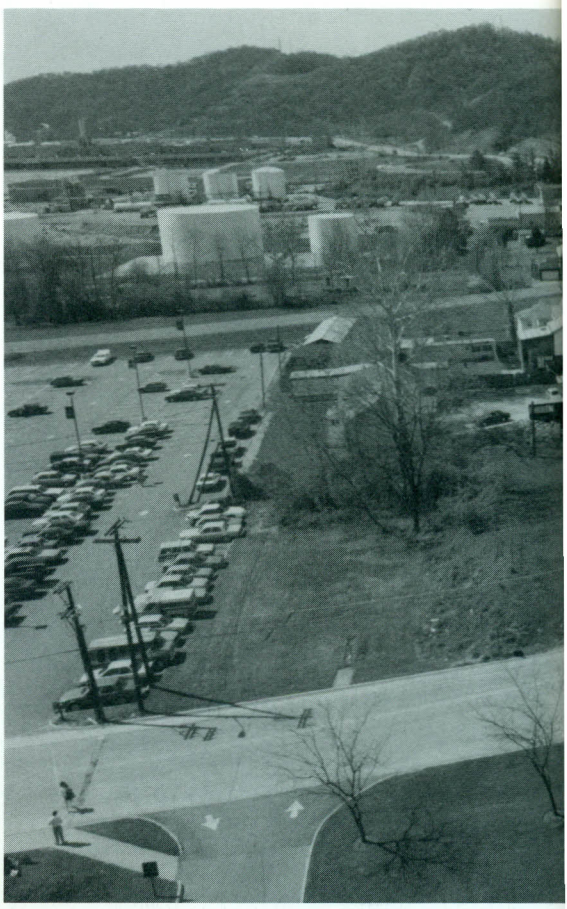
Just completing its 100th Centennial, West Virginia State College was the product of ...

# " ... A TIME TO BUILD UP"

Ecclesiastes 3:3

# AFTER 100 YEARS



Fleming Hall continued into a second century housing yellow jackets and their loyal supporters.

A beautiful, spacious campus contributed to student comfort as well as education.

An aerial view captured a well-known entrance.

Dormitories were home to many "State" students.

The aged and new buildings at West Virginia State resulted from " ... a time to gather stones together." Ecclesiastes 3:3.

Ferrell Hall dominated all campus activity.

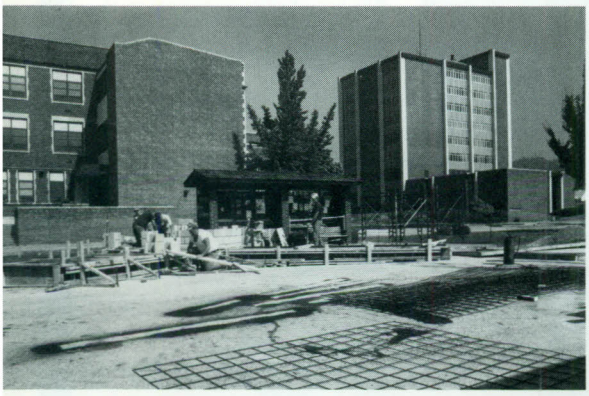
# MONUMENT TO TIME

As West Virginia State College's year long centennial observance came to an end, the college and its supporters looked forward to entering a second century of excellence.

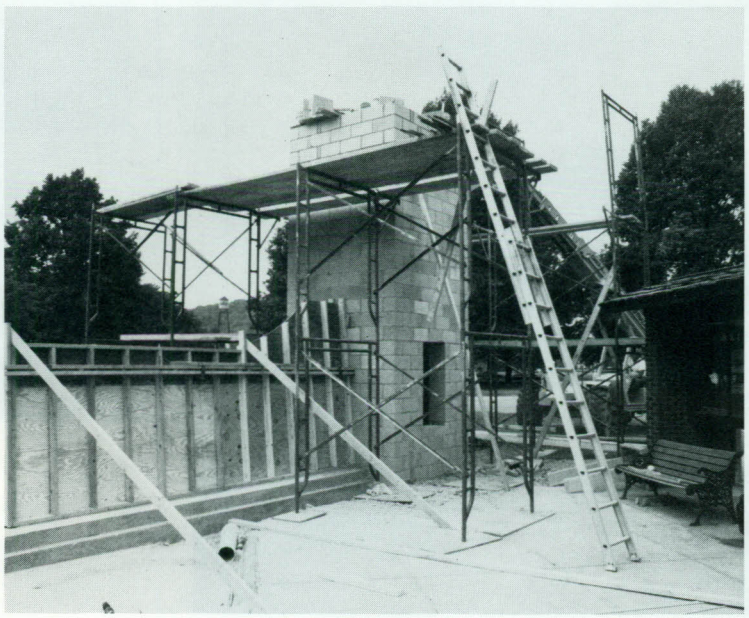
The $200,000 structure, a gift from State's National Alumni Association, underwent construction.

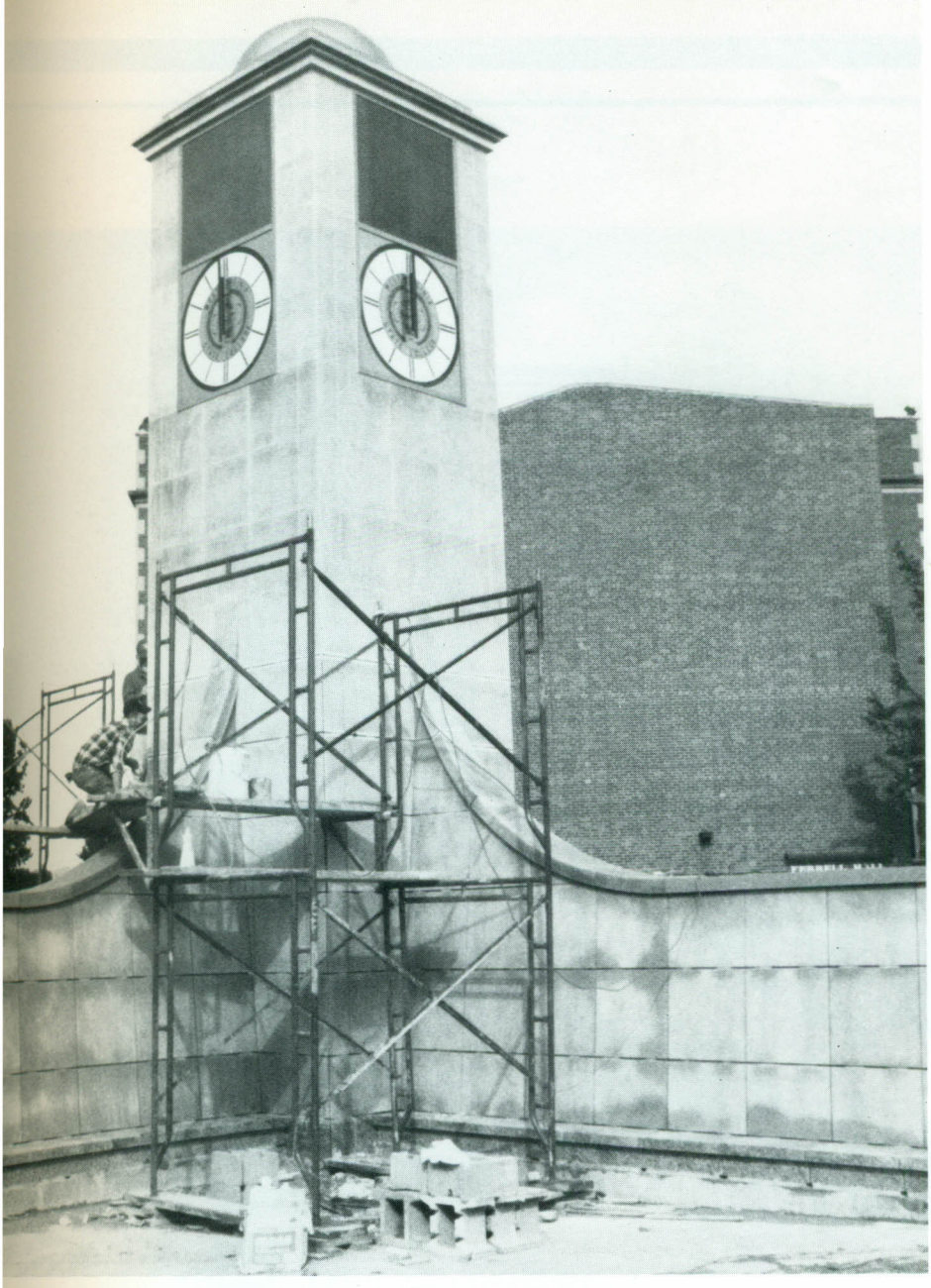
The monument was to contain replicas of the college's nine presidents and names of alumni and friends who contributed to construction costs.

A monumental task was begun.

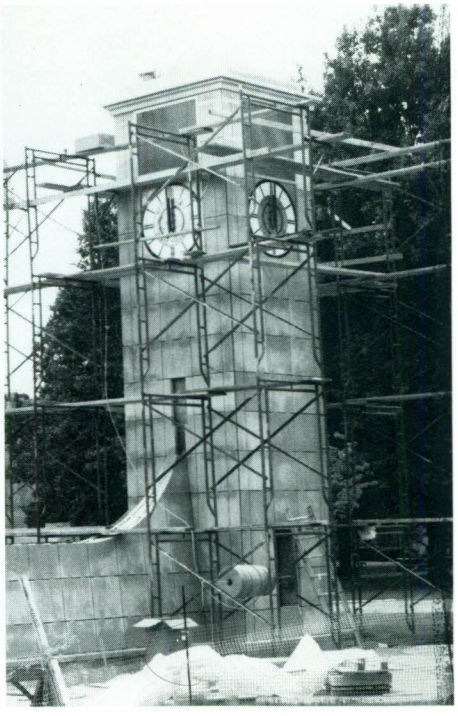


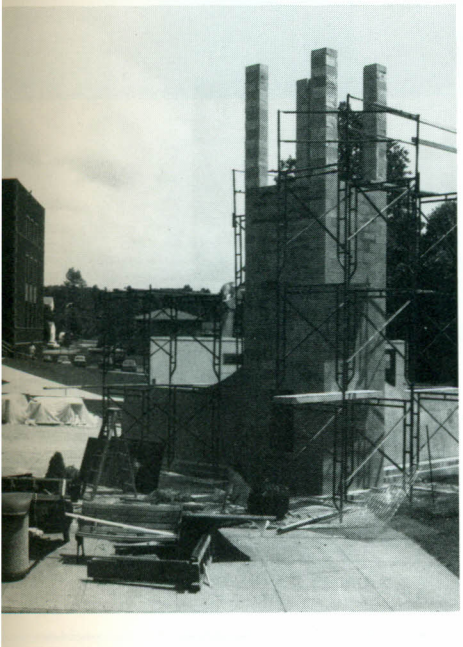
Completion appeared far in the distance.

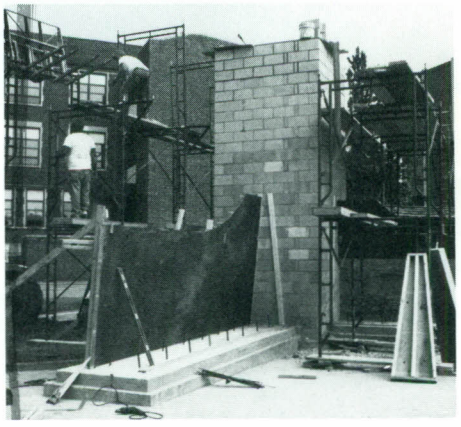




Scaffolding rose as the carillon neared completion.







The anxiously awaited monument was scheduled to be presented as part of homecoming week activities.

The ticking away of time did not defeat State's deadline.

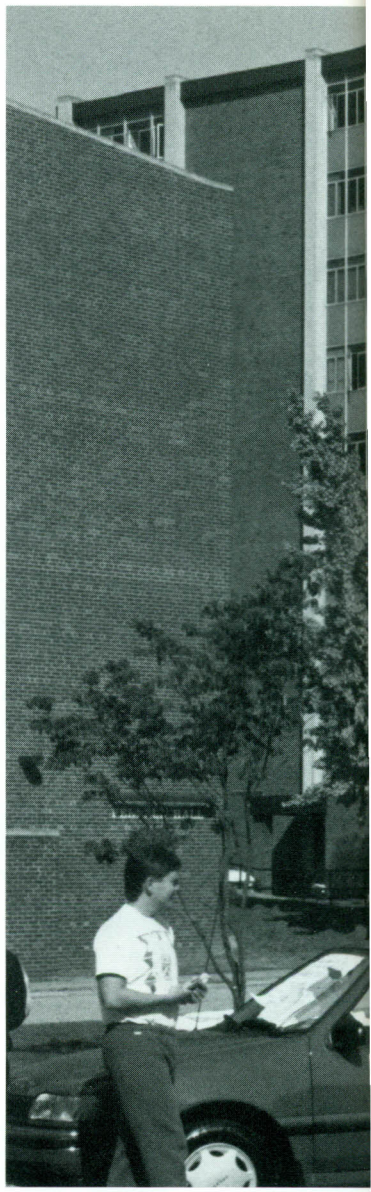
... A Time To Build Up

Ecclesiastes 3:3

... A Time To Gather

Stones Together

Ecclesiastes 3:5



Time

# Ticking Away

Dedication of the
Alumni Bell Tower

Symbolic of the passage of time and preparation for the future, the clock tower and carillon were unveiled. A centennial gift to West Virginia State College from State's National Alumni Association, the $200,000 structure was presented at noon as part of homecoming week activities.

Another century began ticking away.

FERRELL HALL

# West Virginia State College

On October 29, Charleston's historic Capitol Plaza Theater became the property of the West Virginia State College Foundation, which was to lease the facility to the college. State's plans for use of the theater included a community arts facility, academic courses, classrooms, workshops, seminars and Community College courses. Dr. David Wohl, chairman of Arts and Humanities at State, indicated that the college would also rent the theater to promoters and other outside groups.

In an effort to keep the theater a part of the community, State took over the historic music hall. Banks that held liens on the property forgave those debts as a gift to the college. (approximately $400,000).

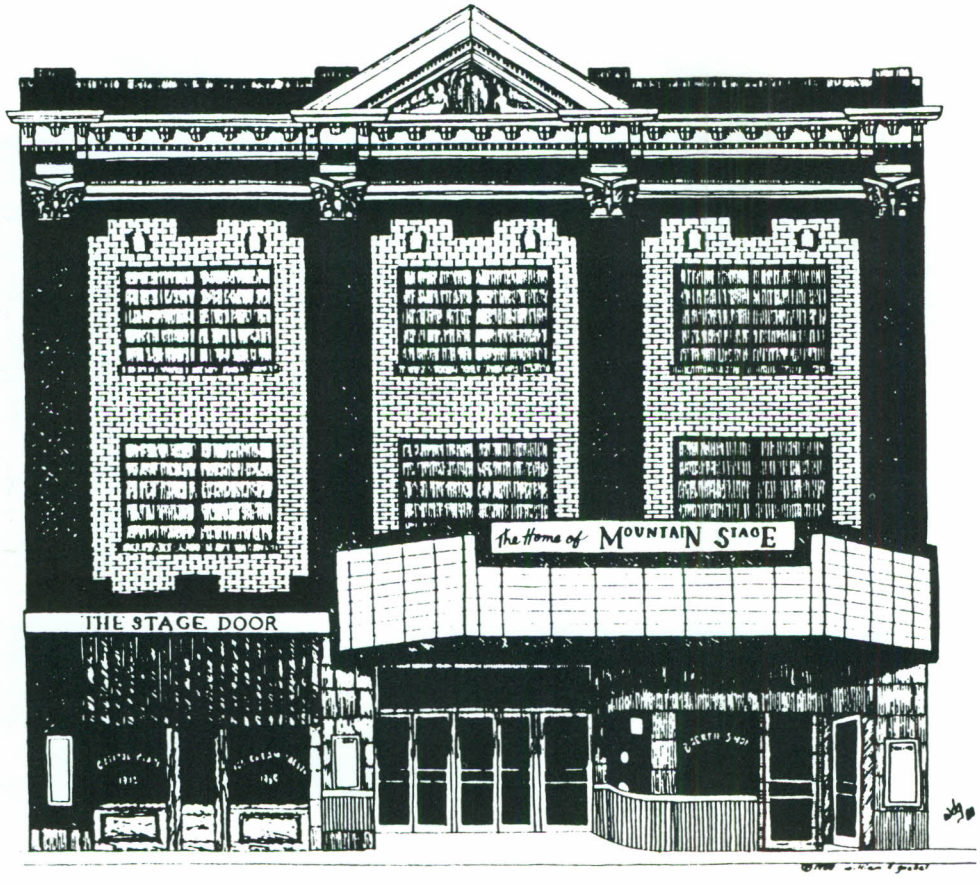
Located in a decaying block of Summers Street, the theater was on the list of sites considered for a new federal courthouse. One of the reasons the theater site was spared was that it was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

College President Hazo Carter said State had sought a downtown presence for several years. "Part of the mission of West Virginia State is to serve the Charleston area. Now we will be able to continue educational and cultural programs already serving Charleston."

The foundation planned to lease the theater to the college for $1 a year. Carter said the purchase put the assets of the foundation at more than $1 million. (A conservative estimate of the theater's worth was $100,000.)

The key to the theater was presented by Mark Ferguson of Capitol Plaza's board of directors to Frank Justice, president of the WVSC foundation, who in turn presented the key to President Carter.

# The Capitol Plaza Theater




William D. Goebel, local Artist and Author, specializes in pen and ink drawings of historic architecture.

The Capitol Plaza Theater is the last of Charleston's great old theaters. It was opened in 1912 and was originally called The Plaza Theater, presenting both Vaudeville and film productions until 1919. With much fanfare, the theater was remodeled and reopened in 1921 as the Capitol Theater. Unlike the Plaza, the Capitol Theater presented primarily film presentations and featured a wonderful Wurlitzer pipe organ. For many years it was a mainstay of the downtown entertainment scene, but eventually fell victim to the changing times and closed in 1982.

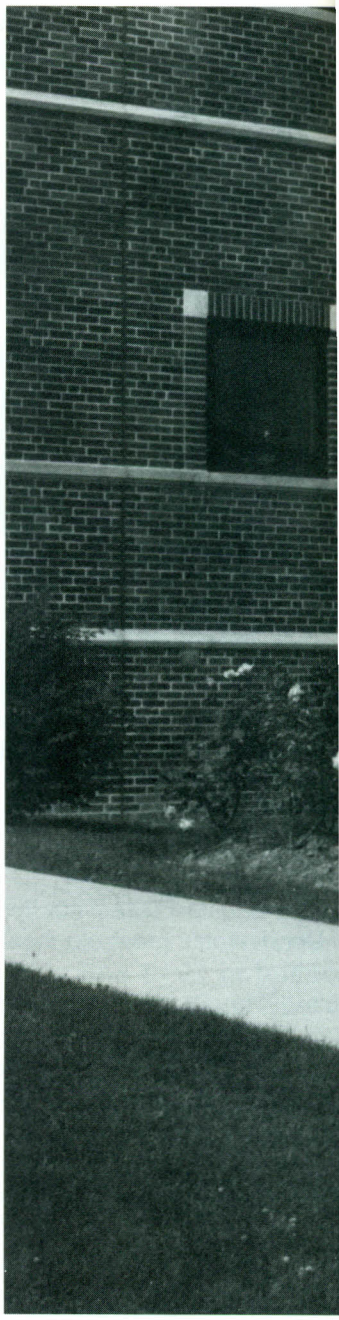
The theater remained dark until a major renovation project was completed in 1985 and the doors once again opened, this time under the Capitol Plaza Theater marquee. As the home of West Virginia Public Radio's MOUNTAIN STAGE, the theater appeared to have a bright future. But the theater lost its main tenant, was hurt by lack of attendance at other shows and by a general lack of interest.

The wrecking ball loomed large for the Capitol Plaza in the fall of 1991, but at the last minute, ownership of the theater was transferred to West Virginia State College to use the historic building primarily as an extension of the Institute campus. The building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

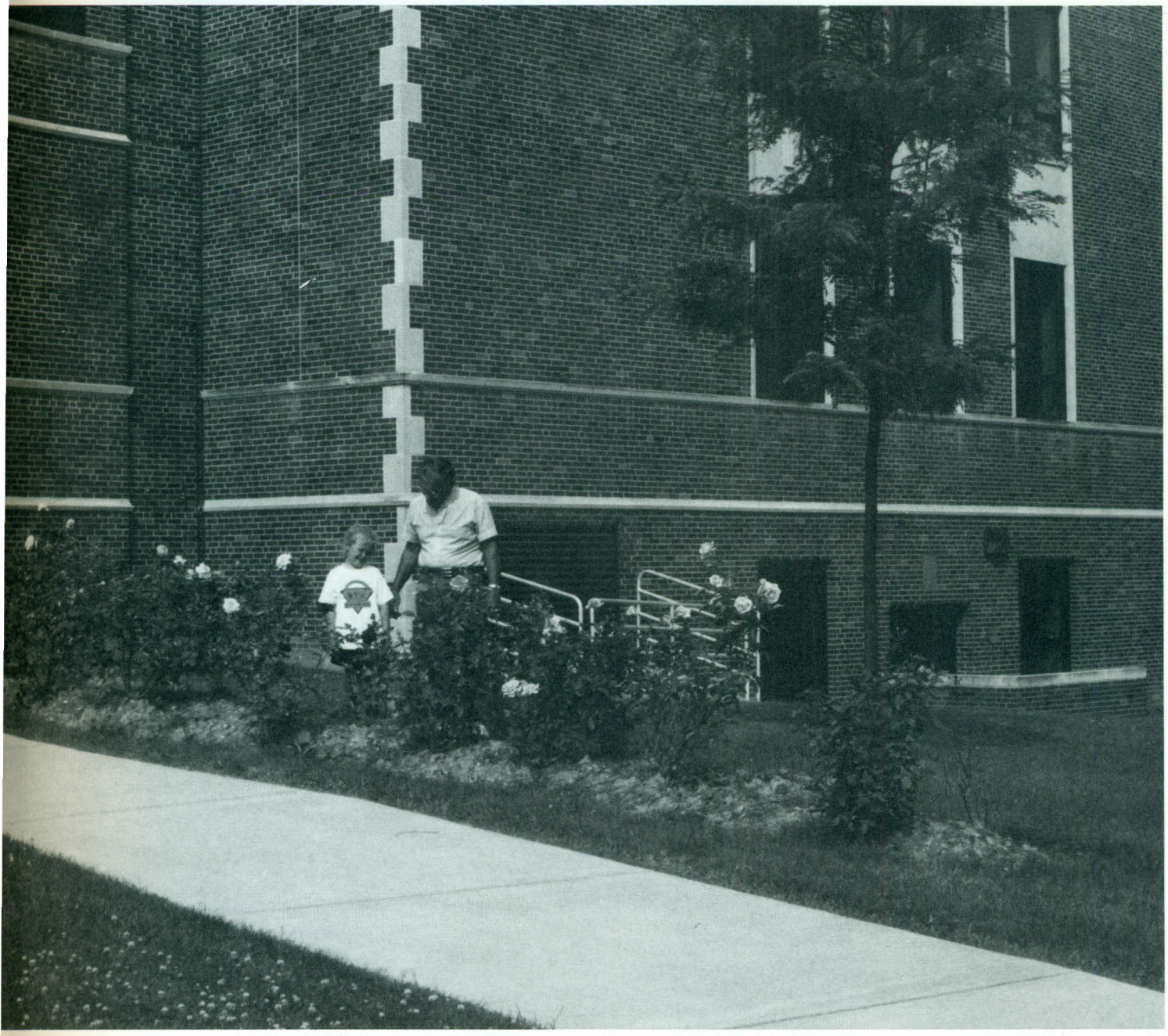
The West Virginia State College campus received a totally unexpected rose garden. The DNA Biological Society of WVSC received approval from the administration to proceed with a rose garden project. The Society felt that a rose garden would further enhance the landscape of the college grounds.

The garden, located between Hamblin Hall and the Drain-Jordan Library, serves not only an aesthetic purpose, but a practical one as well. The DNA Society stressed the availability of the area inside the garden for everyone - faculty, staff, students, retired employees and alumni.

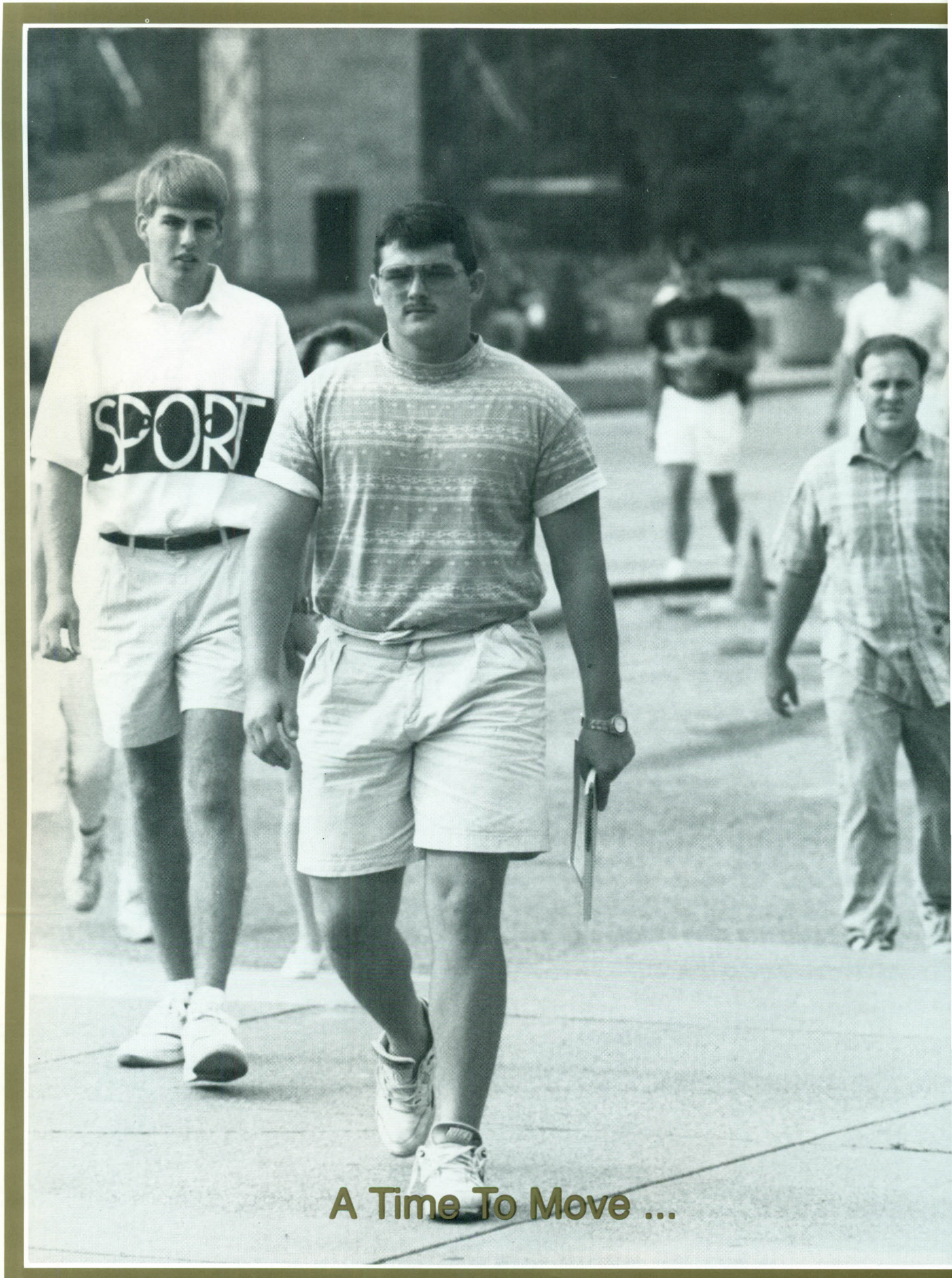
Roses used were of various colors. Since each plant cost $10, donations were accepted. Other donations to the project were to be made for benches, a brick wall and several other additions.



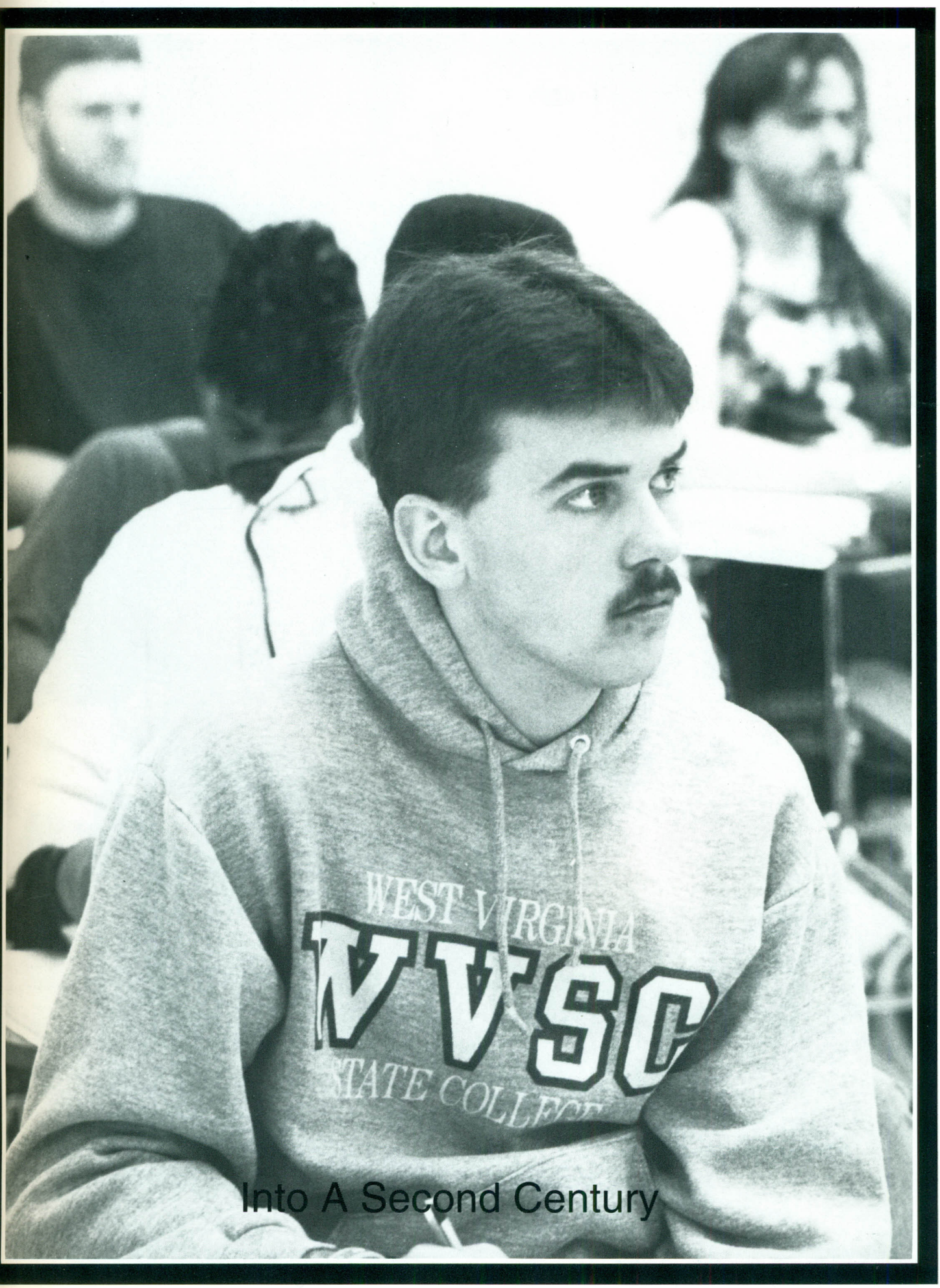
# A Time To Plant ...
## Ecclesiastes 3:2



Mr. Bradford Cobb, retired "State" employee, and his granddaughter, Rudi Anne Raynes, were among the first to admire the rose garden in bloom.




A Time To Move ...




Into A Second Century

Vigate

"A time to plant"

# ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY AND STAFF

West Virginia State College's First Family - The Carters

# Sitting in the power seat

Sitting in the power seat, Dr. Hazo Carter occupied a position entailing a certain degree of dichotomy and much responsibility. Leading West Virginia State College required supreme organizational skills, fiscal savvy, diplomacy, vision, energy, planning skills, motivational skills, communication skills, talent, foresight and substantial experience. His academic skills were tempered with managerial skills.

As president of West Virginia State College, Dr. Carter functioned as the institution's chief executive, good will ambassador and fundraiser.

The most obvious perk was having the influence to mold lives and see youth fulfill its potential.

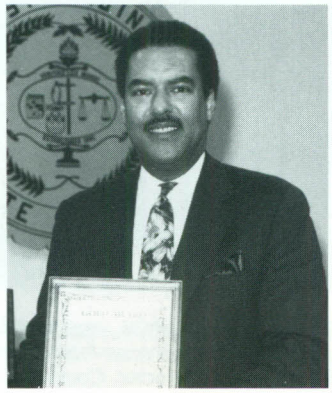
Dr. Carter, the ninth president of West Virginia State College, took office in 1987.

# Wearing Many Hats

Sharing a pensive moment with Governor Caperton

Doing his stint on West Virginia Public Radio

Ambassador for "State"



Accepting Awards

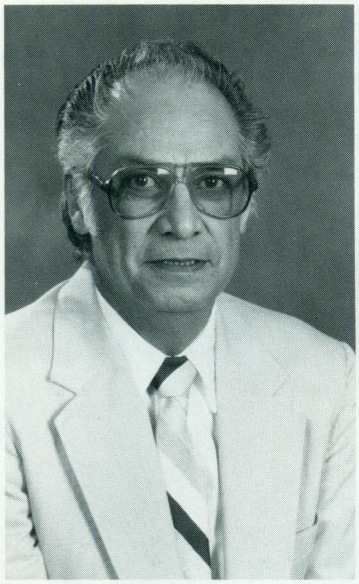
# Staff And Administration

FRONT ROW: (Left to Right) DR. Cassandra Whyte, Assistant VP for Administrative Affairs; Barbara J. Rowell, Director of Personnel; Connie Hunt, Director ED-NET; Vickie Barnes, Food Services Administration Back Row: Dr. James Brinhall, VP for Administrative Affairs; John Potter, Director Physical Facilities; J. Russell Hank, Director, Computer Sciences; Gilbert Flores, Director of Security; Nick Wounaril, Director of Fiscal Affairs

Left ro Right: Bobby Robinson Training Spec/Coord. Of Academic Computing; Tom McClure, Interim Director, Collegiate Support Services, Counseling Center; Don Gresby, Retention Coordinator; Patricia Kline, Interim Director, Career Planning and Placement; Dr. Hazo Carter, President WVSC; Dr. Ervin Griffith, VP of Student Affairs

Dr. Ervin Griffin, Vice-President for Student Affairs

Gilbert Flores, Director of Security

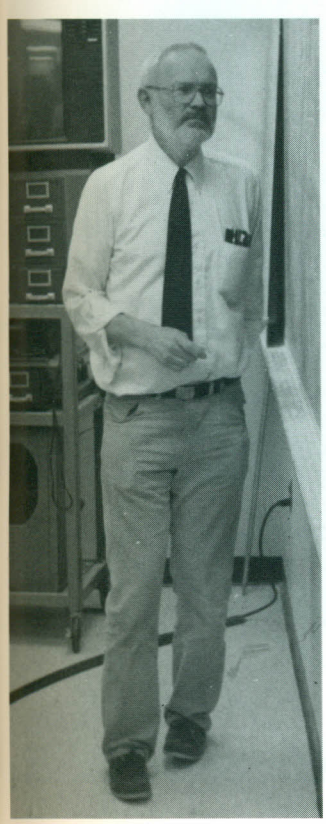


Steve Batson, Vice-President for Planning and Institutional Advancement

# TAKING THE LEAD

James Brimhall, Vice-President for Administrative Affairs

Dr. Barbara J. Open, Vice-Presdient for Academic Affairs

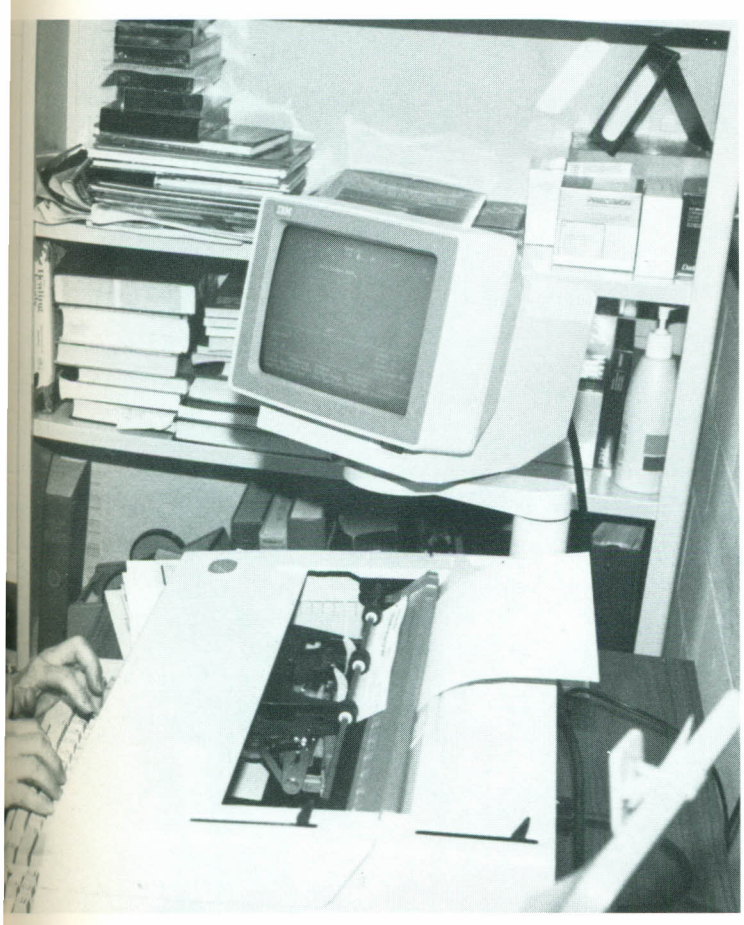


Dr. Jack Magan - Professor, Physics Dept.

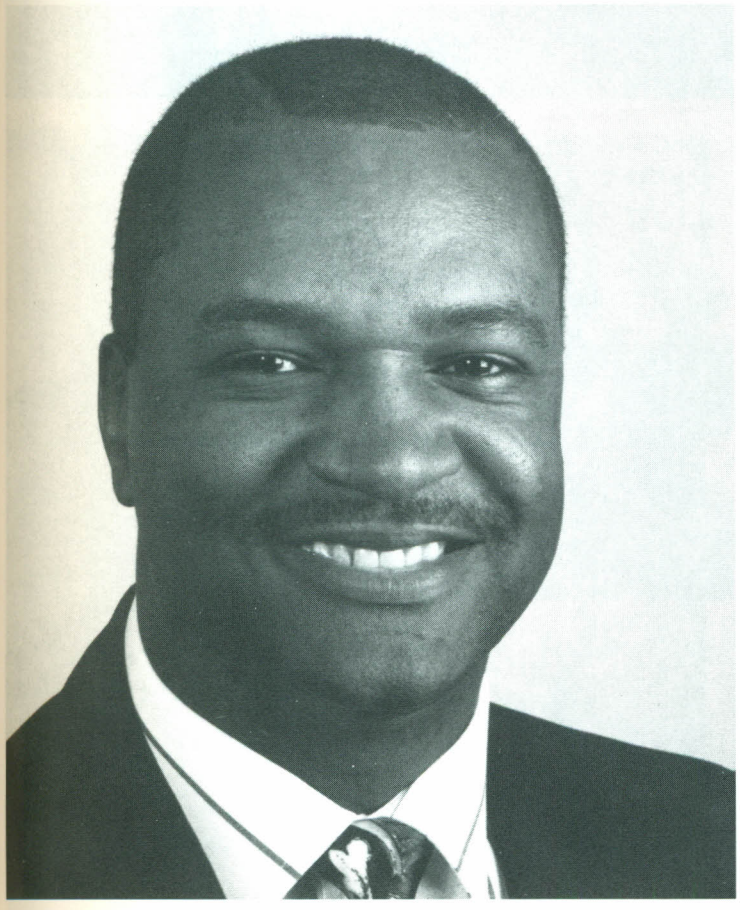
# Running The Show

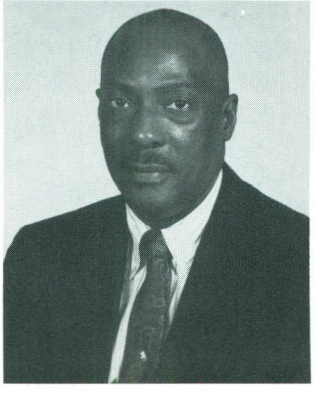
Mr. Hutto - An "Institution" at WVSC

Lashon Gore, Don Gresby, Lucy Thurston



Shonnette Koontz, Library Assistant





Tony Jackson - Residence Hall Director, Dawson Hall

Edgar Randall - Men's Basketball Coach

Barbara Cary - Director of Upward Bound/Special Services

Dr. Greg Smith, Athletic Director, attended press conference with new coaches

Elizabeth Scobell - Librarian

# Year Culminated in Hirings

Barbara Burke was hired to be Women's Basketball and Softball Coach

Robert Marshall was hired as Men's Head Basketball Coach

# CARY AWARDED HONOR FOR LEADERSHIP

In December, Barbara Williams Cary was named director of Upward Bound/Special Services for West Virginia State College. Formerly the director of Alumni Affairs, Mrs. Cary was also elected to one of six at-large seats on Charleston City Council. She was the first Black female elected to the Council and the first Black to win an at-large seat.

A graduate of West Virginia State College, she held a master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh and did post-graduate work at the universities of N.C. State and Pennsylvania. Her memberships included the board of directors of NAACP, the Pilot Club of Charleston, and the American Red Cross Leadership Committee.

Mrs. Cary and WVSC President Hazo Carter displayed awards received by West Virginia State College for participation in the WV State employees Combined Campaign. For her leadership during the campaign, Mrs. Cary, who coordinated the college drive, received the Excellence Award, the highest honor given to one recipient a year. The college received the Gold award for contributions which helped support several United Way agencies in Kanawha and Putnam counties.

# Frazer Receives Librarian Award

Stuart Frazer, reference librarian at the DRAIN-JORDAN Library at West Virginia State College, was the recipient of the 1991 "Outstanding New Librarian Award" from the West Virginia Library Assocation.

To be considered for the award, a person had to be a member of WVLA and have been employed as a librarian for less than five years. Frazer began working at West Virginia State two weeks after receiving a master's of library science degree from Rutgers University in August 1989. He received his bachelor's degree from Tulane University.

Library director, Elizabeth Scobell, nominated Frazer, indicating that he was enthusiastic and competent, and that, during his tenure as reference librarian, reference questions have doubled. Also periodical and interlibrary loan services have increased dramatically.

# Employee of the Year Chosen

Sue Brick, secretary to the Department of English since 1978, was selected Employee of the Year for 1991. She became eligible for the honor after being named an Employee of the Quarter.

The honor carried a $1,000 cash prize from the West Virginia State College Foundation, Inc. It was sponsored by the Classified Staff Council and the Business, Industry and Education Cluster Program initiated by WVSC President, Hazo Carter, Jr.

# Carter Accepts Donation

Dr. Hazo Carter accepted a check for $20,000 from Henry (Hank) Bellinger (right), president of the National W Club, an athletic booster organization of the College. At left is Vandy Miller, a past president of the club. In recent years, the National W Club has contributed over $100,000 to the College for scholarships and other aid to the college's athletic department.

## 'Kid Tracks' helped identify children

# WVSC Campus Police Volunteered

Kindergarten students at Anne Bailey Elementary were fingerprinted as part of the 'Kid Tracks' program sponsored by WVSC. Campus police officers volunteered to travel to area schools to create fingerprints and photo files of students. Records were then given to students' parents.

The purpose of the Kid Tracks program was to help parents and law enforcement agencies find lost children. Special cards were made for fingerprints and photos. These cards were not retained by any law enforcement agency but were given to the parents.

In the fall the officers visited the school to build rapport with the children. In the spring, they return to do the actual fingerprinting.

Frank Barker

Charles McDowelle

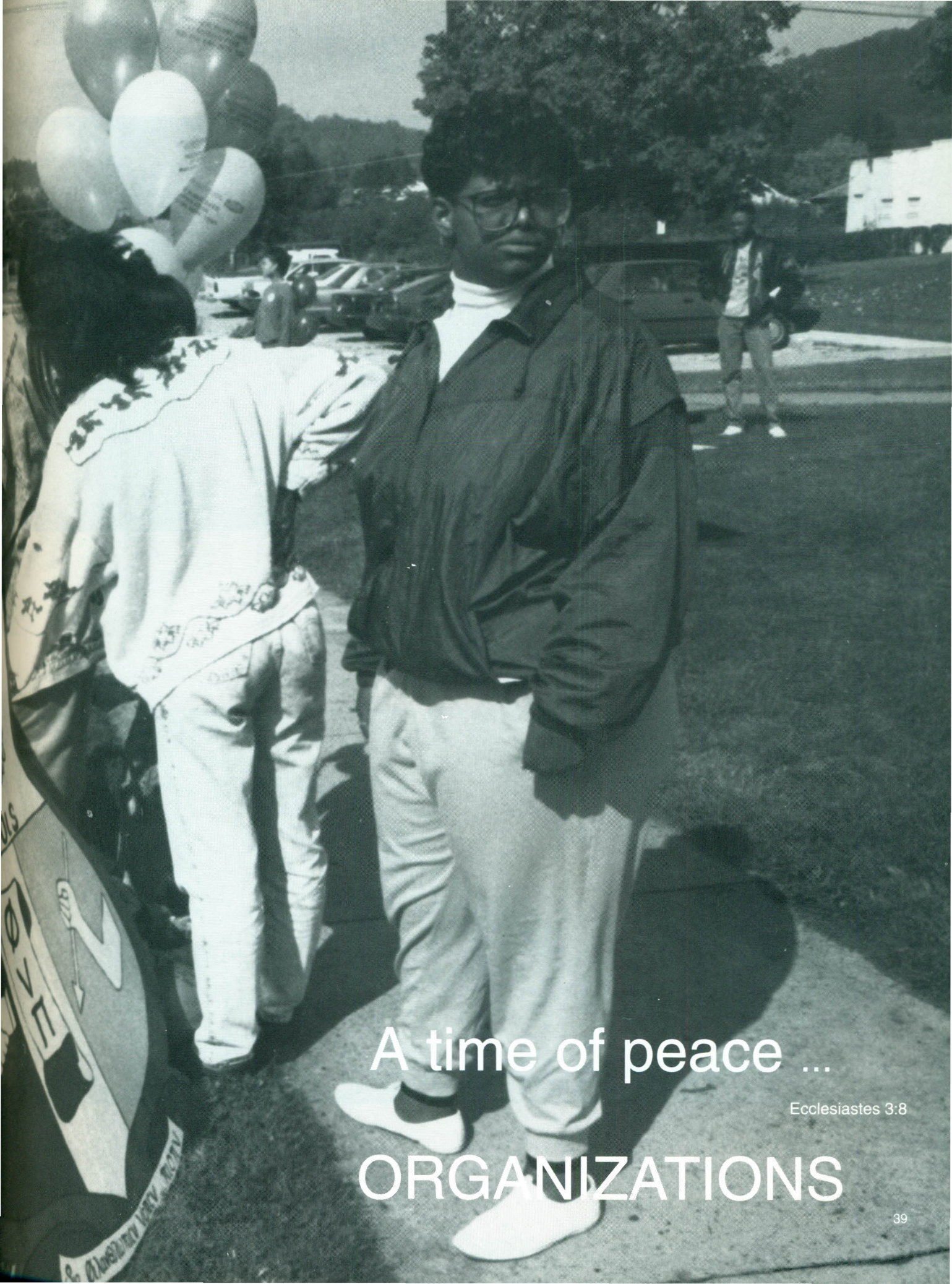
James Wilkinson

Cpl. Alva Carter

Melanie Vickers

William Porterfield

Sgt. Michael Scragg



# A time of peace ...

Ecclesiastes 3:8

# ORGANIZATIONS

# AKA'S

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# Delta Sigma Theta

Mrs. Carper, Tishawa Campbell, Roslyn Payne, Devon Foster

# PAN-Hellenic Council Received Award

The PAN-Hellenic Council at West Virginia State College received a national award for Outstanding Original Project of the year from the National Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc. Pictured with the award were (from left) Steve Taylor, Sharon Smith Banks (Advisor), and Omar Richardson. The WVSC Council won the award for work with Chandler Elementary School, scholarship presentation to the office of Student Affairs, and other Community projects. WVSC's Pan Hellenic Council was comprised of seven of the eight historically Black sororities and fraternities.

# West Virginia State College Student Government

Alverneece Johnson, Vice-President; Dionne Reeder, President

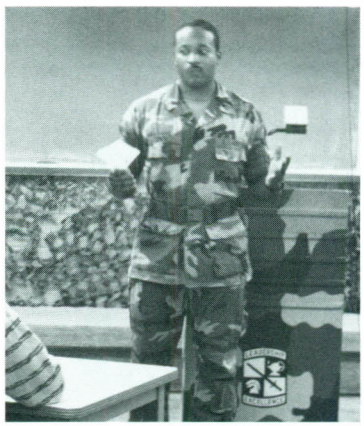
"... A time to keep ..."

Ecclesiastes 3:6

# HAPPENINGS ON CAMPUS

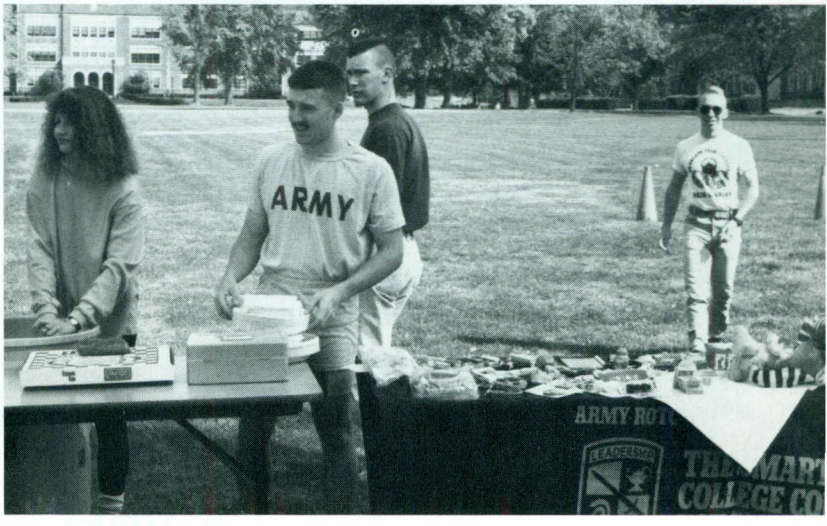
Kevin Townes and Colonel Lucas provided valuable instruction

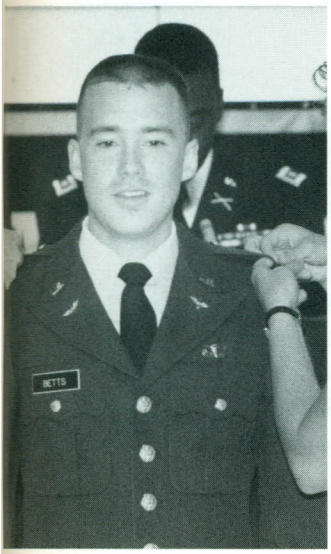
ROTC at State celebrated it's 50th year.



# ROTC BLOOD DRIVE

The cadet corps sponsored a blood donor drive on October 3 at the Wilson College Union.



# ROTC INDUCTIONS HELD

Inductions to the ROTC Hall of Fame were held on October 18, 1991, at the P. AHMED WILLIAMS AUDITORIUM, as part of homecoming week activities.

According to LTC. Willie C. Lucas, professor and chairman of the Military Science Department, four honorees were inducted.

All graduates of West Virginia State College and its ROTC program, honorees were the following:

COL. Ronald E. Townsend of Nitro; Earl E. Jones of Columbia, Maryland; COL. (Ret.) Kenneth A. Ingram of Nitro; and, LTC (Ret.) Henry R. Bellinger of Salem, VA.

# ROTC Celebrated Half A Century

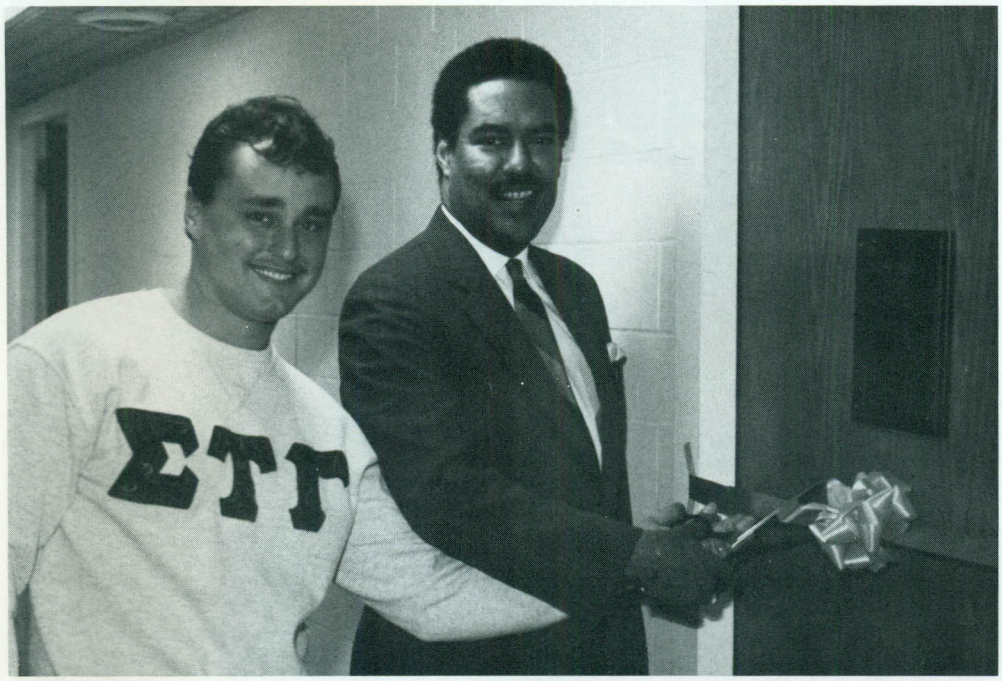
The West Virginia State College ROTC celebrated its 50th anniversary at a ceremony held at the Charleston Marriott on April 11, 1992. Pictured cutting the ceremonial cake were (left to right) Professor of Military Science LTC Willie Lucas; LTC (Ret.) Charles Ledbetter; guest speaker, Brigadier General James Monroe; Major General (Ret.) Dallas Brown.

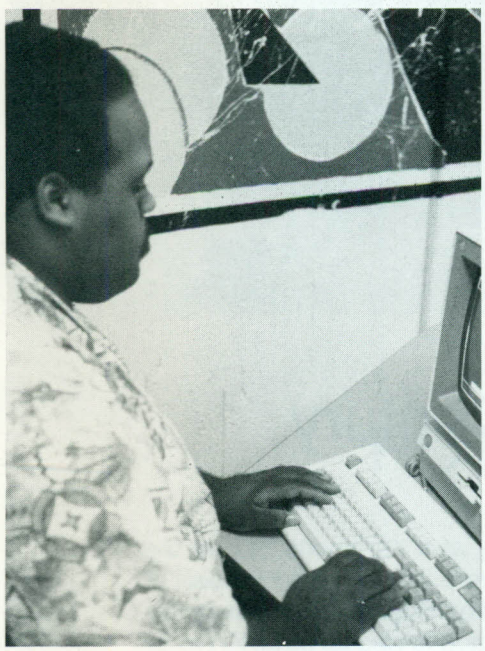
ROTC gave three and four year scholarships to students of exceptional ability. During 1992, seventeen WVSC students took advantage of ROTC scholarships, which paid 100% of tuition and fees plus $250 per semester plus $100 per month for ten months. To qualify for these scholarships, students had to maintain a 2.5 grade point average; be between the ages of 17 and 25; achieve an ACT score of 19 or a SAT score of 850; and meet height and weight requirements.

# All Star Challenge Team Victory Paid Off

The new computer lab officially opened on March 10. President Carter was assisted by student Eric Pauley in cutting the ribbon for the new lab.

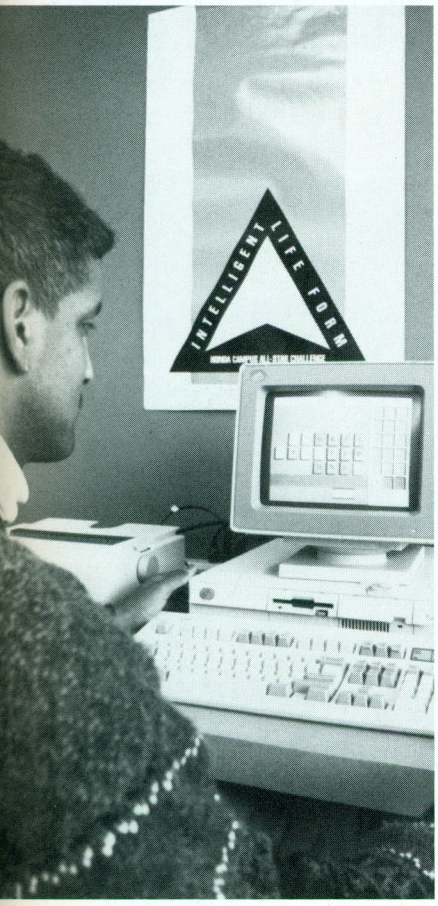
Available in the lab were six IBM PS-2 personal computers all with printers. The lab was to maintain hours coinciding with those of the student union.





Dionne Reeder worked the lab into her schedule.

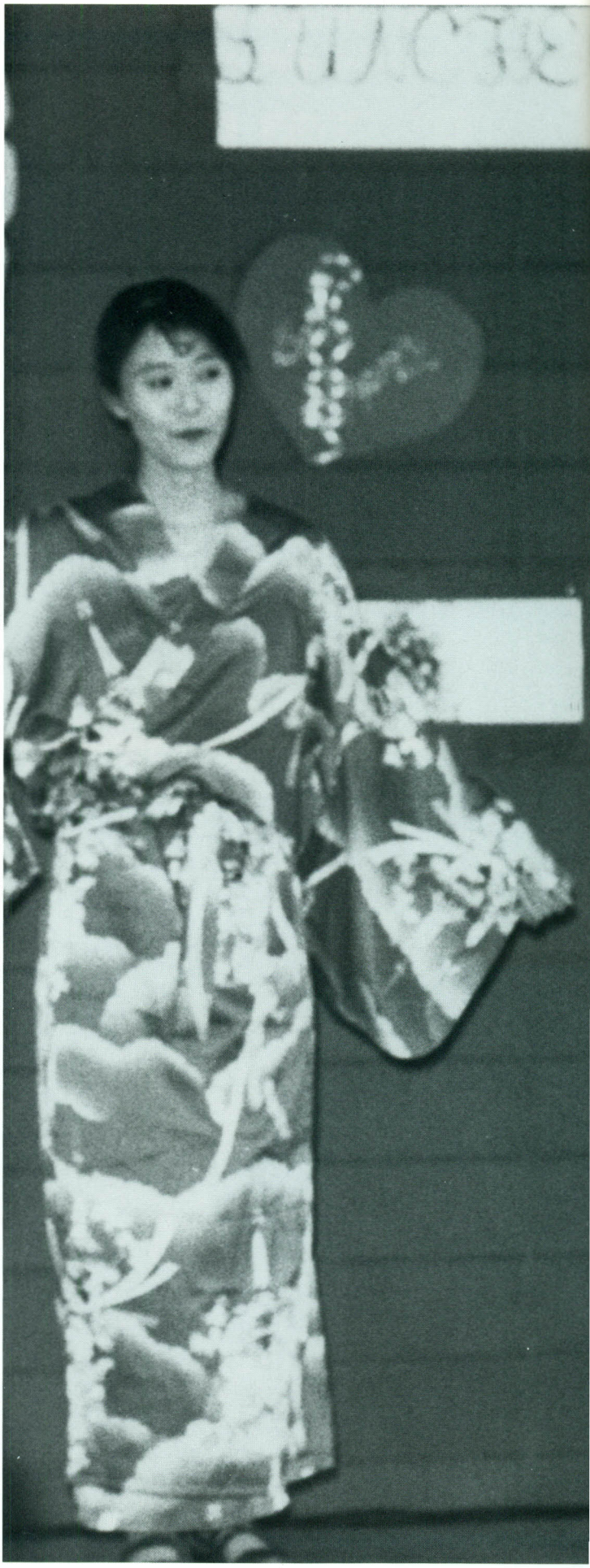
# New Computer Lab Opened

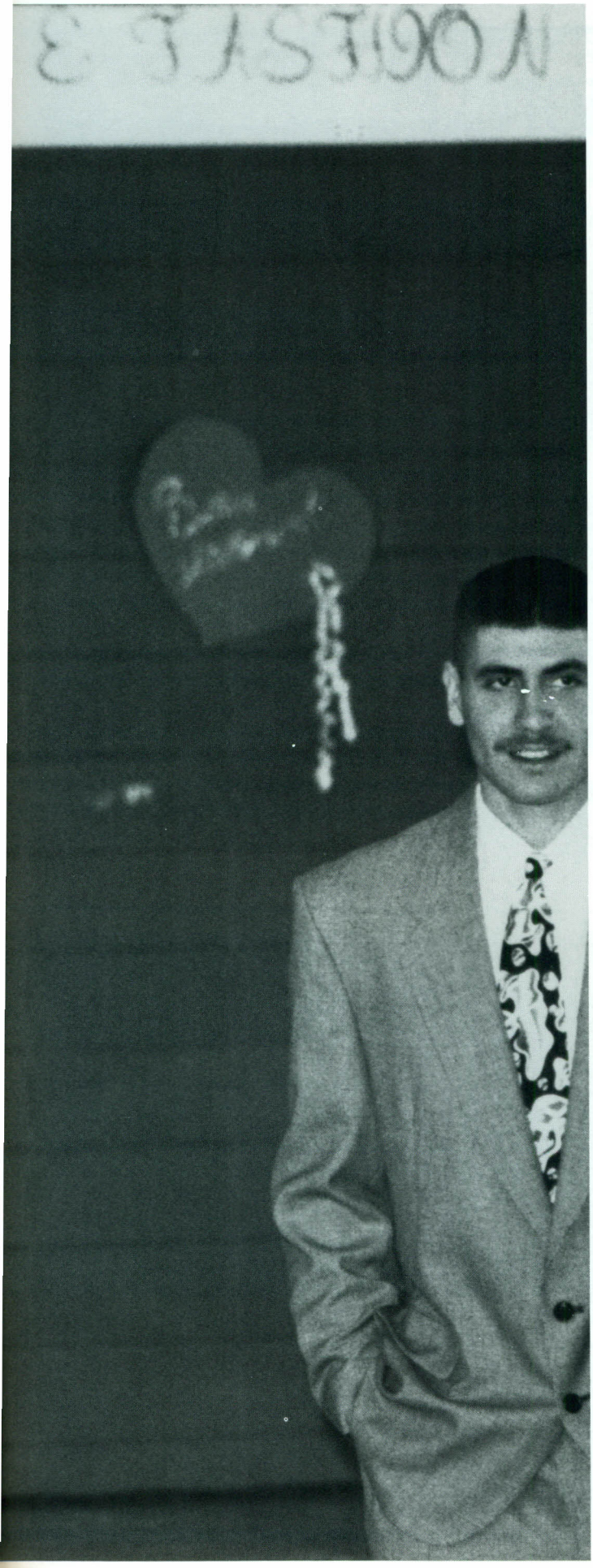



Rico Short applied computer skills

The 1990-1991 All Star Challenge Team's victory made the lab possible.

Students and faculty eagerly participated





## Multicultural Awareness Festival

# Appreciation of many cultures

April's Multicultural Awareness Festival, organized by Blossom Martindale, was a major success. Flags of different countries hung from wires across the sky. The sides of the walkway were covered with different cultural dishes such as sushi, egg rolls and ribs. Displays featured Indian jewelry and painted buffalo skulls, woodwork of finely made cups and mugs, paintings of various cultures and races, and a moon-jump for children's play.

On center stage were colorful dances, harmonious music, dramatic and poetic readings and displays of talent.

The festival was a key event in the sense that it united different peoples with various ethnic backgrounds and culture; it also contributed insight into and appreciation of the diverse cultures shaping the community.

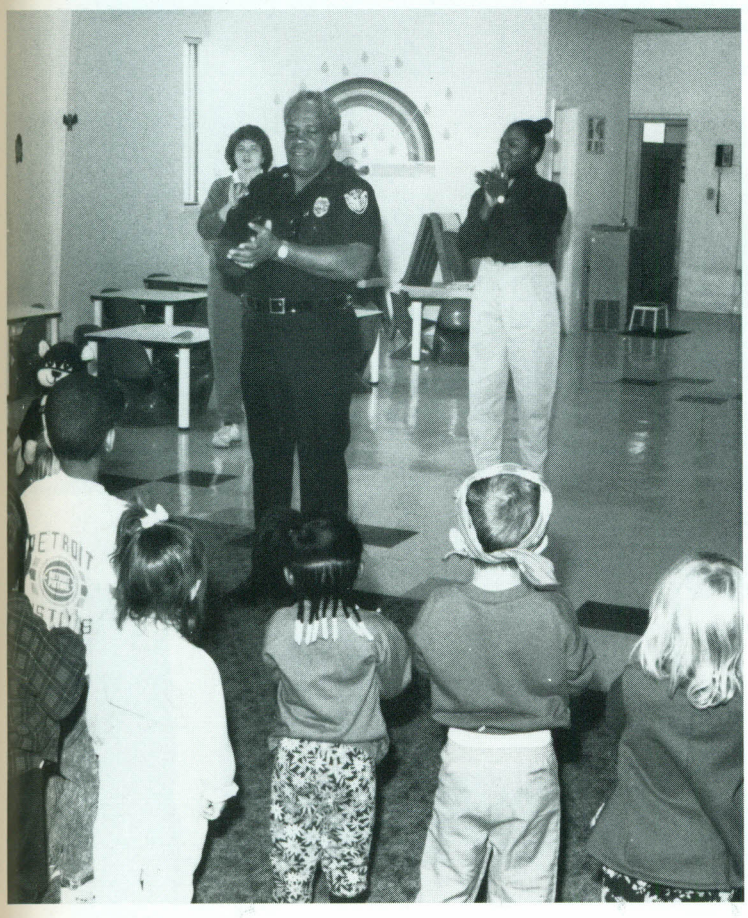
# Child Care Center

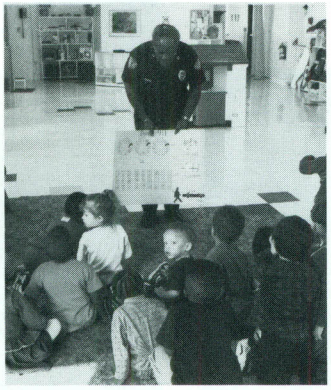
The center entered its second successful year.

Constructive activities were included in the daily care.

Joe Brown of Campus police gave safety instruction.

Crafts were incorporated into daily activities.





Instructors participated while teaching.

# NASA ASTRONAUT VISITS WVSC

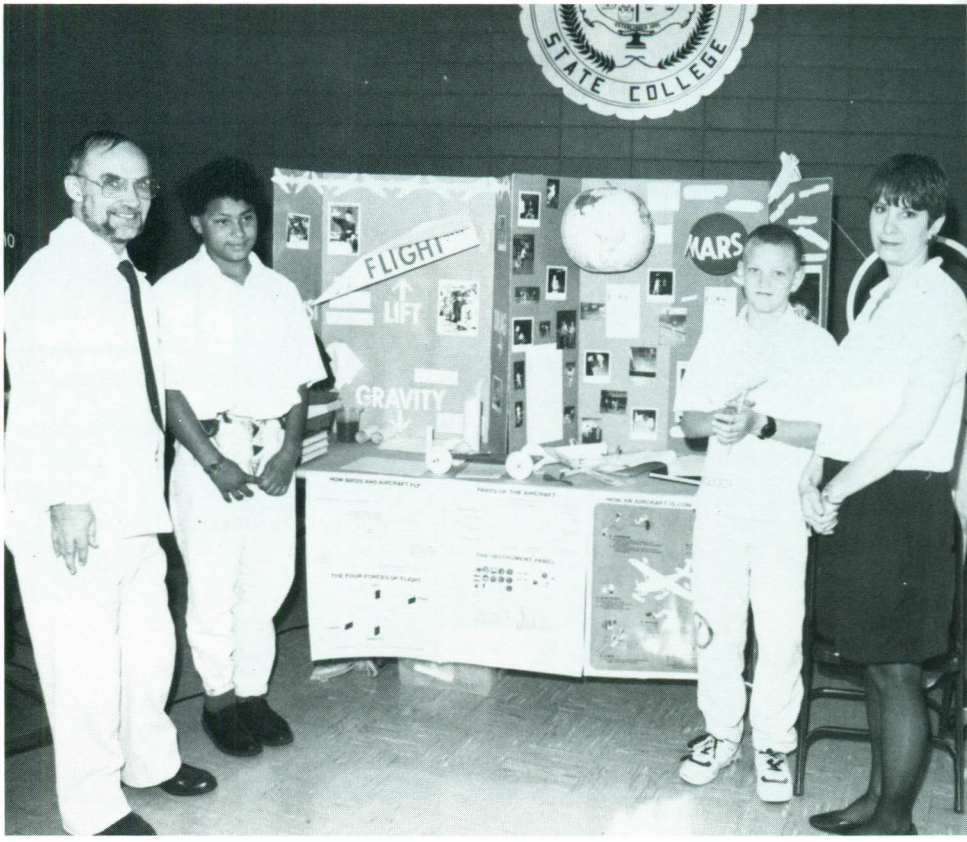
NASA astronaut Eileen Collins visited WVSC in October to participate in "Day of Discovery," an all-day event sponsored by students involved with a low-level radio frequency research project.

State was the recipient of a grant from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Goddard Research Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, to conduct the research.

An Air Force major, Collins was selected by NASA in 1990 and became an astronaut in July 1991. She had logged over 3500 hours in 30 different types of aircraft and was qualified for assignment as a pilot of space shuttle crews.

Collins was awarded the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for Service in Grenada.

She also had served as a pilot instructor for the T-38 and T-41 aircraft and was an assistant professor of mathematics at the U.S. Air Force Academy.



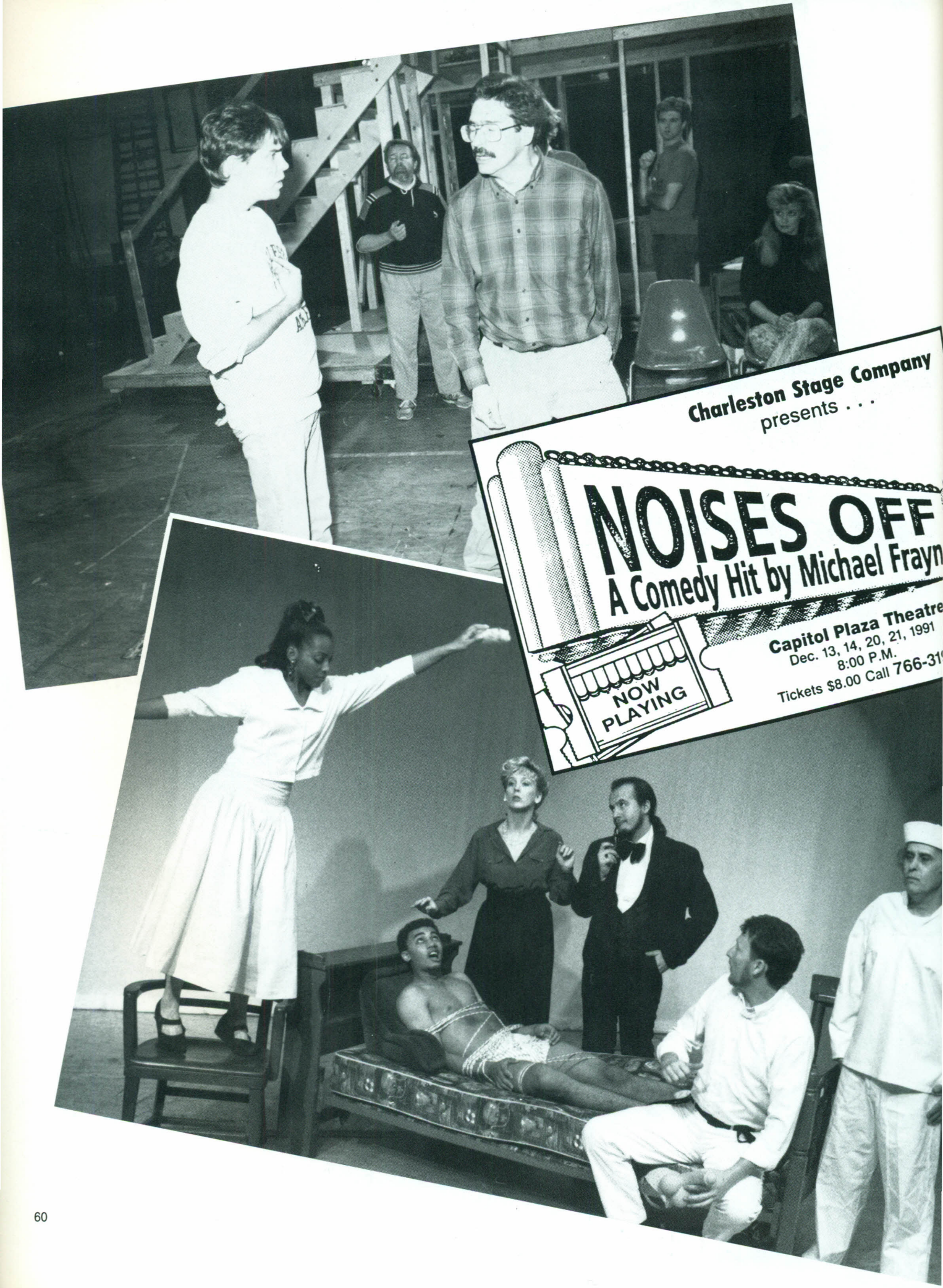

Also part of the day's events was a representative from the NASA teacher training school in Wheeling who showed a variety of space toys and explained how pilots maintain a sense of direction.

Dr. Carter introduced Major Collins to State's campus

Major Collins was on the air with Steve Batson

Collins also presented photos of an astronaut's view of burning Kuwaiti oil fields.

Collins showed film of astronaut training and previous missions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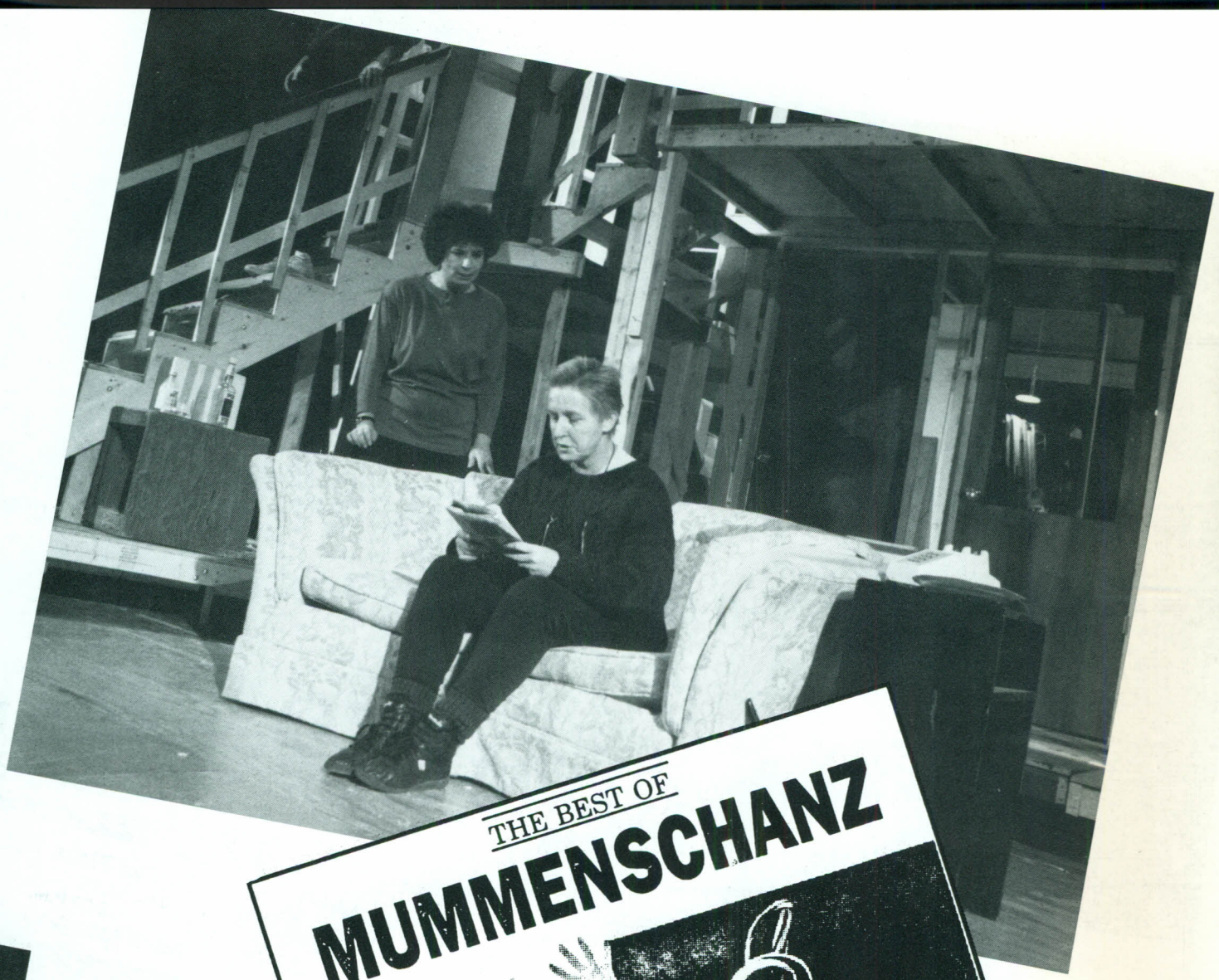

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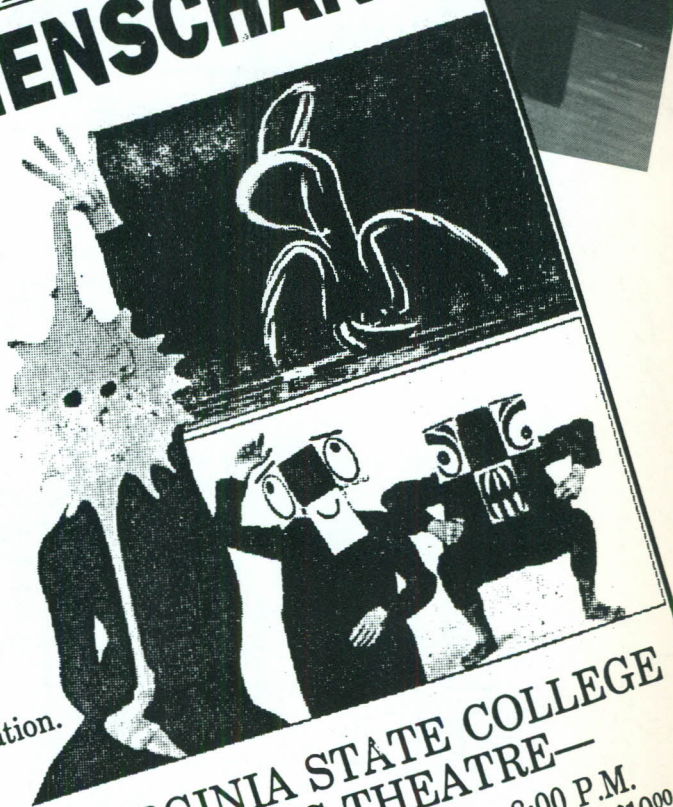

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## DRAMA AT WVSC

# State Shows "Paradise Park"

West Virginia State College sponsored two showings of Danny Boyd's feature film, Paradise Park, in the Fine Arts Theater on the state college campus.

Two extra screenings were scheduled due to what sponsors said was an unprecedented demand for tickets to the Charleston premiere on Jan. 31.

The film's co-producer and WVSC professor David Wohl commented that "we were very surprised and gratified at the response to our Charleston premiere."

# Film Festival Finalist

West Virginia filmmaker Danny Boyd's latest feature film, "Paradise Park," was selected as a finalist in the 25th Annual Houston International Film Festival.

The film was one of the top three finalists, according to Boyd. More than 4,000 films were submitted to the festival, which is the world's largest film and video competition. Final awards were to be announced in Houston on May 2.

The film had a 17-city tour that included screenings in West Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Virginia and Tennessee.

"Paradise Park" was also requested for entry in the Durban International Film Festival in Durban, South Africa, according to Boyd.

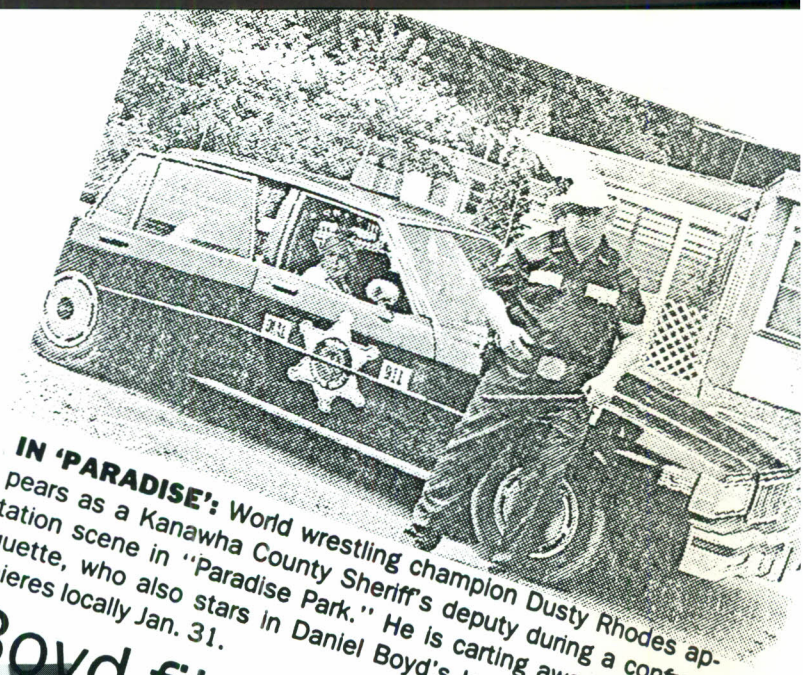
Screenings were set for Clarksburg at the Rose Garden Theater and Charles Town at the Opera House.

"Paradise Park" is the story of one day in an Appalachian trailer park after a resident announces she had a vision that God will visit and grant wishes.

Its stars include Larry Groce, host of West Virginia Public Radio's Mountain Stage, country music stars Johnny Paycheck, Porter Wagoner and wrestler Dusty Rhodes.

Boyd both wrote and directed the movie.

Filming of
"Paradise Park"



**IN 'PARADISE':** World wrestling champion Dusty Rhodes appears as a Kanawha County Sheriff's deputy during a confrontation scene in "Paradise Park." He is carting away Lina Basquette, who also stars in Daniel Boyd's latest film which premieres locally Jan. 31.

# Boyd film to premiere in city on Jan. 31

The casting, filming and editing are finished and now curious film devotees can see for themselves what Danny Boyd's new "Paradise Park" is all about.

The full-length film, along with 26 songs to appear in a soundtrack album, premieres at 9 p.m. Jan. 31 at the Charleston Civic Center Little Theater.

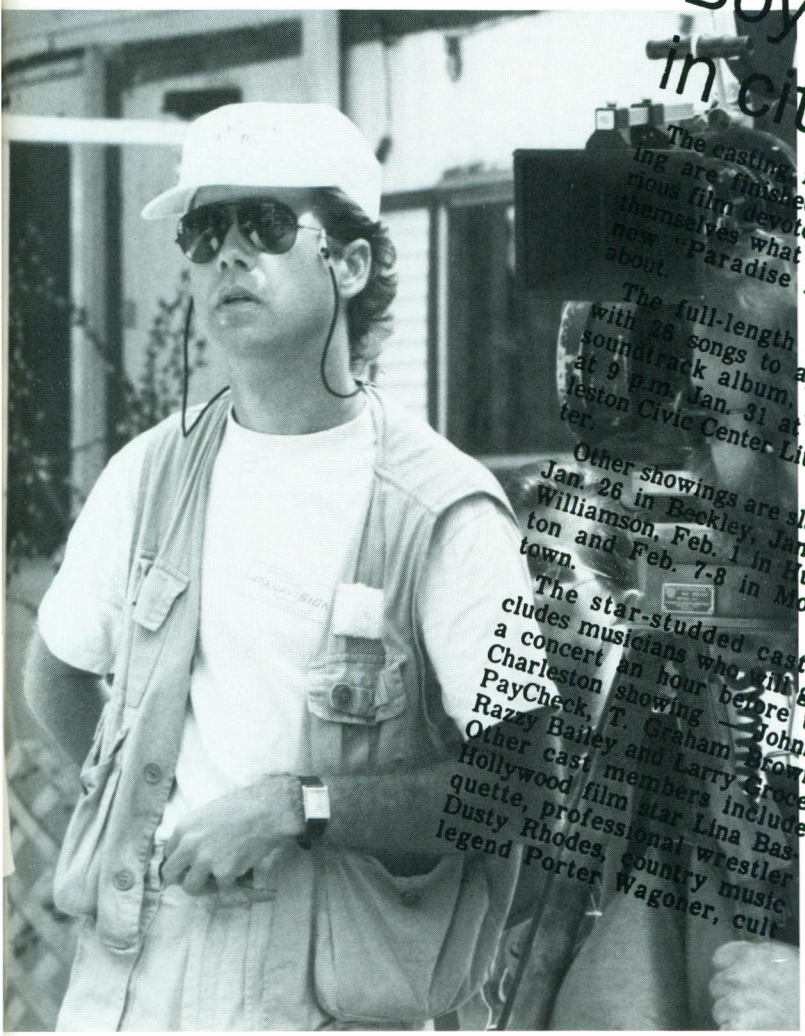
Other showings are slated for Jan. 26 in Beckley, Jan. 27 in Williamson, Feb. 1 in Huntington and Feb. 7-8 in Morgantown.

The star-studded cast includes musicians who will give a concert an hour before the Charleston showing — Johnny PayCheck, T. Graham Brown, Razzy Bailey and Larry Groce. Other cast members include Hollywood film star Lina Basquette, professional wrestler Dusty Rhodes, country music legend Porter Wagoner, cult star Webb Wilder and local actors Jim Wolfe, Gary Brown and Guy Nelson.

"Paradise Park" tells the tale in a dozen fantasy sequences of a group of downtrodden West Virginia residents in a mobile home park. One of the members, whom the others think is slightly unbalanced, believes God is going to appear to grant them a miracle.

Writer-director Boyd co-produced the film along with West Virginia State College professor David Wohl and Associated Press reporter A.V. Gallagher. Students from WVSC and the University of West Virginia College of Graduate Studies participated with the crew.

Tickets to the Charleston premiere are $10. They are available at WVSC, WQBE radio, Disc Jockey Records in the Kanawha Mall and Fret and Fiddle Music in St. Albans. For information, call 766-3195.



Danny Boyd, Director,
"Paradise Park"

# FIRST LADY, RACHEL WORBY

# "THANKS A MILLION"

Dionne Reeder, Rachel Worby, Roslyn Payne, Charmlin Howard

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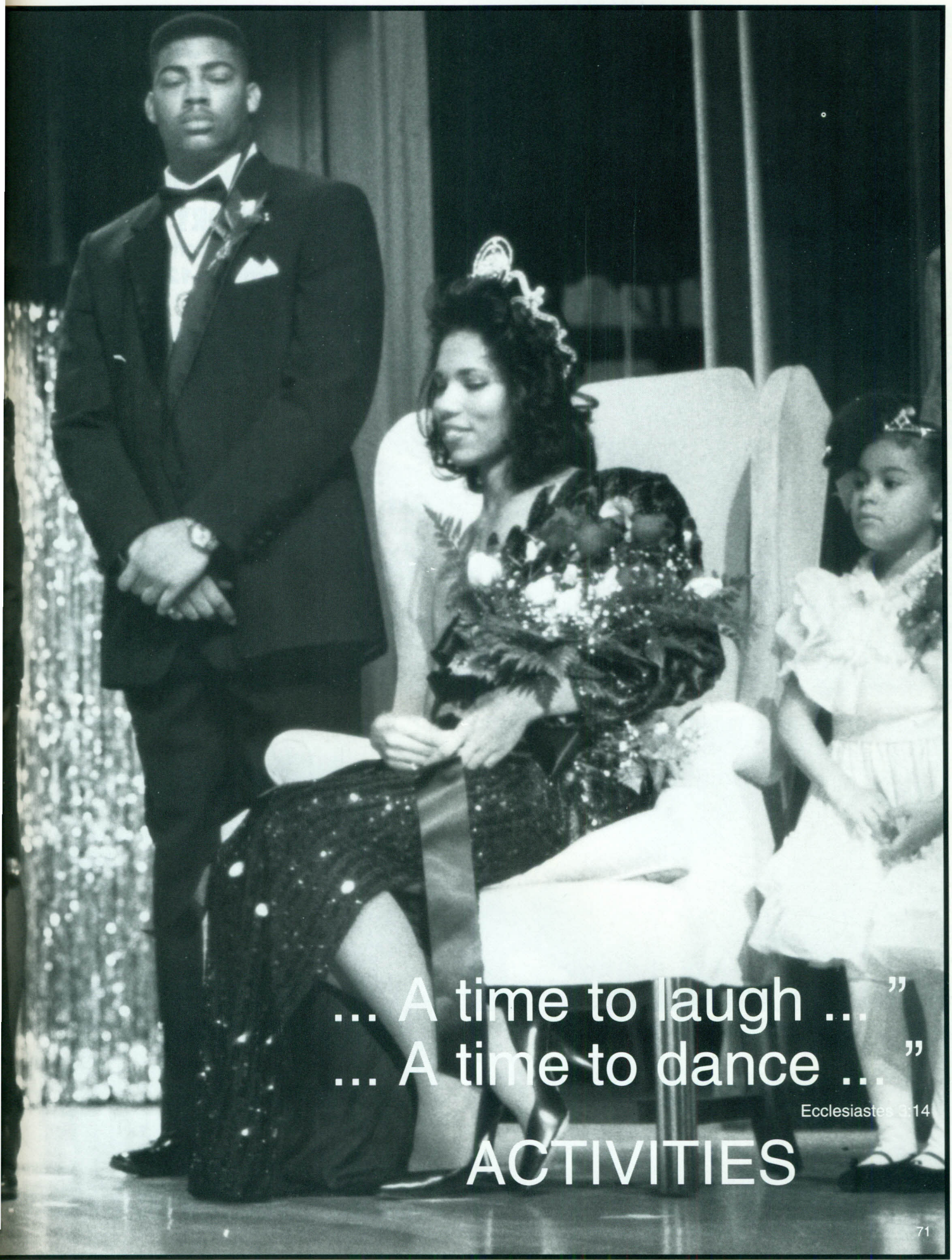

... A time to laugh ... "
... A time to dance ... "

Ecclesiastes 3:14

# ACTIVITIES

# It Was A Special Week

## Homecoming week lasted from October 12-19; A week of activities for students and alumni, Homecoming was laden with activities.

Events included a campus carnival, sponsored by West Virginia State College Student Government, and concerts on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday's concert featured C&C Music Factory while Sunday's featured the gospel music of Bebe and Cece Winans. Both concerts were held at the Municipal Auditorium.

Other traditional Homecoming activities included the coronation of Mr. and Miss State, a pep rally and Homecoming parade. Additional alumni activities included receptions, dinners and dances.

Homecoming brought to an end the year long centennial observance initiated on the 100th birthday of West Virginia State College.

Another highlight of homecoming week was the naming of State's "Alumna of the Century." Mary McGhee Hairston, 96, of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, was named by the National Alumni of West Virginia State College. The oldest living graduate of the college, Mrs. Hairston also made the largest individual donation, $196,000, ever given to the college. Interest from this donation goes to scholarships for WVSC Students.

Although Mrs. Hariston was honored during Homecoming Week, she was unable to attend the festivities.

The Municipal Auditorium played a major part in homecoming festivities.


**West Virginia State College**

**PROUDLY PRESENTS**

**HOMECOMING 1991**

**featuring**

**C&C MUSIC FACTORY**

Contemporary Music Concert

**Saturday, October 12**

**8:00 PM**

$15.00 General Admission

$12.00 WVSC Students

**BEBE and CECE WINANS**

Gospel Music Concert

**Sunday, October 13**

**7:30 PM**

$7.50 Admission

**MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM**

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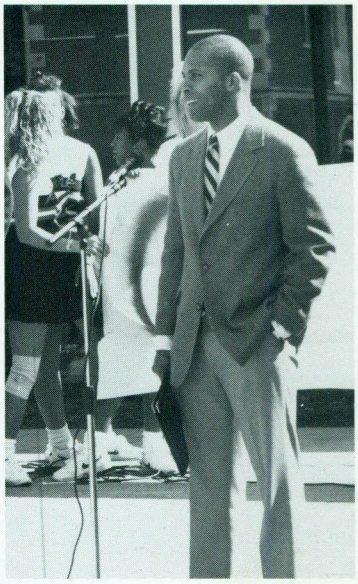
Yellow Jacket fans responded to football play.

Student government president, Dionne Reeder, and VP, Alverneece Johnson, participated in homecoming festivities.

Mary McGhee Hairston, 96, was honored as State's "Alumna of the Century"

Que Stephens and OmarRichardson displayed their "SARTORIAL SPLENDOR" for homecoming festivities.

Dr. Smith was also an active participant in homecoming.



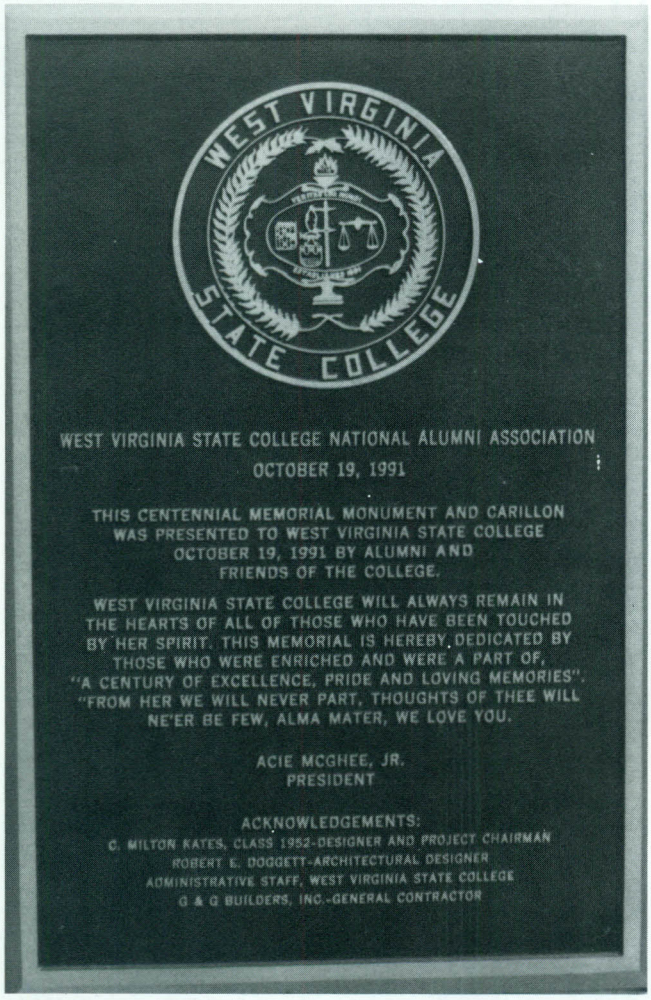
"Miss Centennial" personified 100 years of WVSC Spirit

Dr. Carter and Dr. Byrd entertained guests at alumni festivities.

Bob Gobel, Head WVSC Football Coach, with daughter, Shannon

Parachuting in the WVSC Homecoming Ball

Centennial monument and carillon presented on October 19, 1991



Former President Wallace was honored speaker at dedication.

# CLOCK TOWER UNVEILED

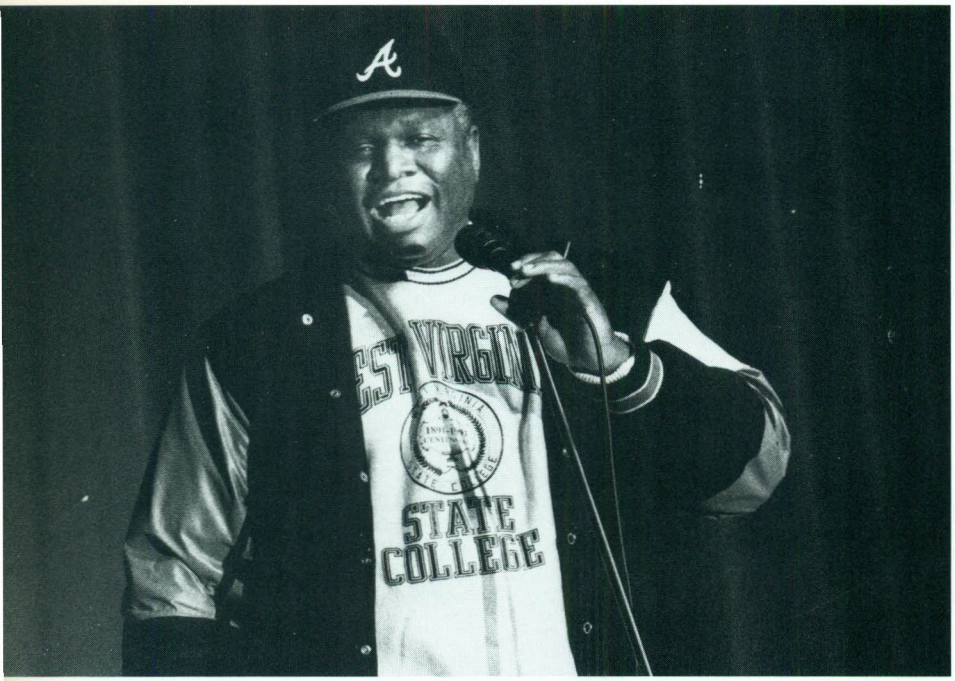
# TIME TICKING AWAY

Although Homecoming was the official end of WVSC's year long centennial observance, the unveiling of the carillon and clock tower was the high point of the festivities. This centennial gift contained replicas of the college's nine presidents and names of alumni and friends contributing to construction costs.

Former President Wallace was an honored guest at the dedication ceremony.

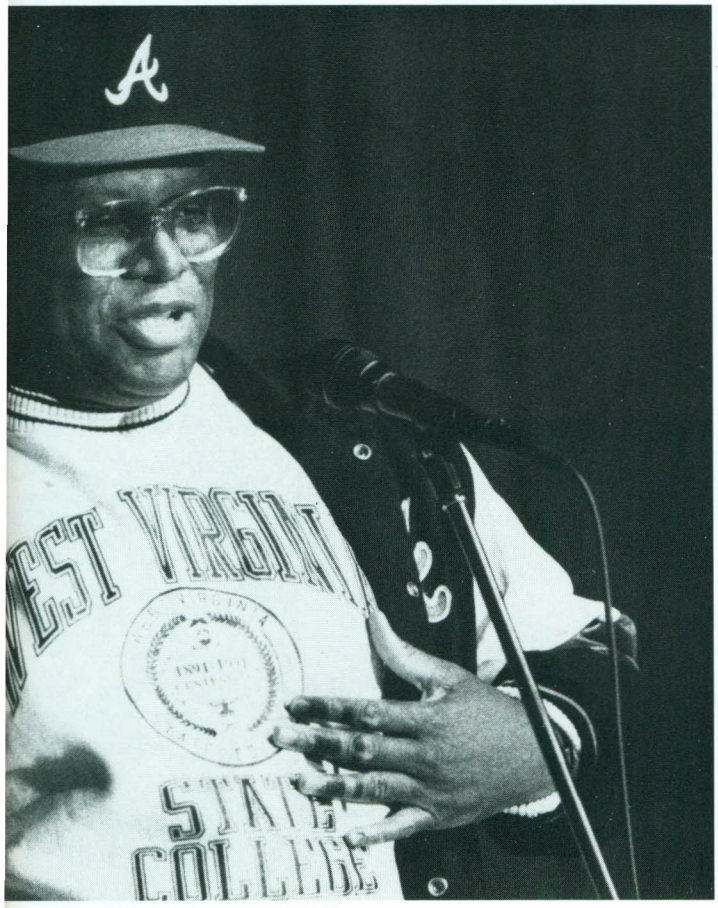
Alumni and friends contributed to $200,000 cost of Bell tower.

# Homecoming Stars

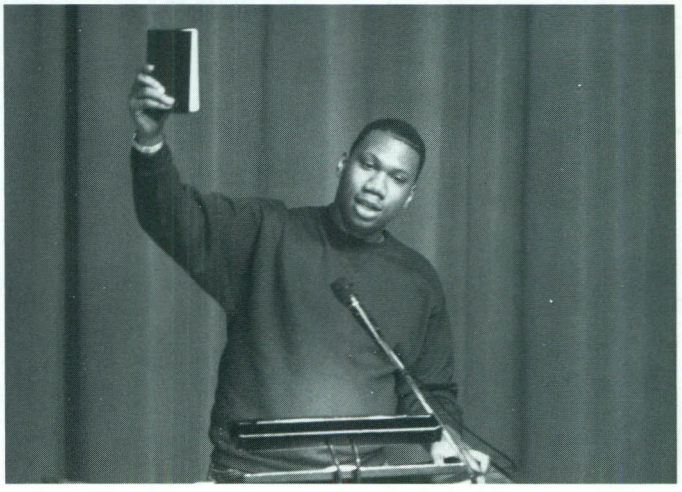


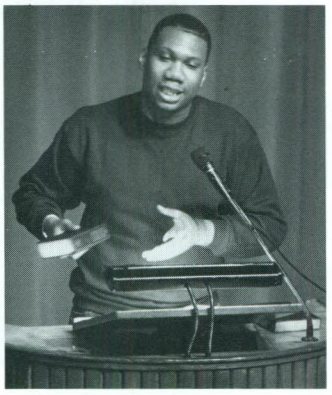
George Wallace headlined homecoming personalities

George Wallace accepted a WVSC sweatshirt from SGA President Dionne Reeder

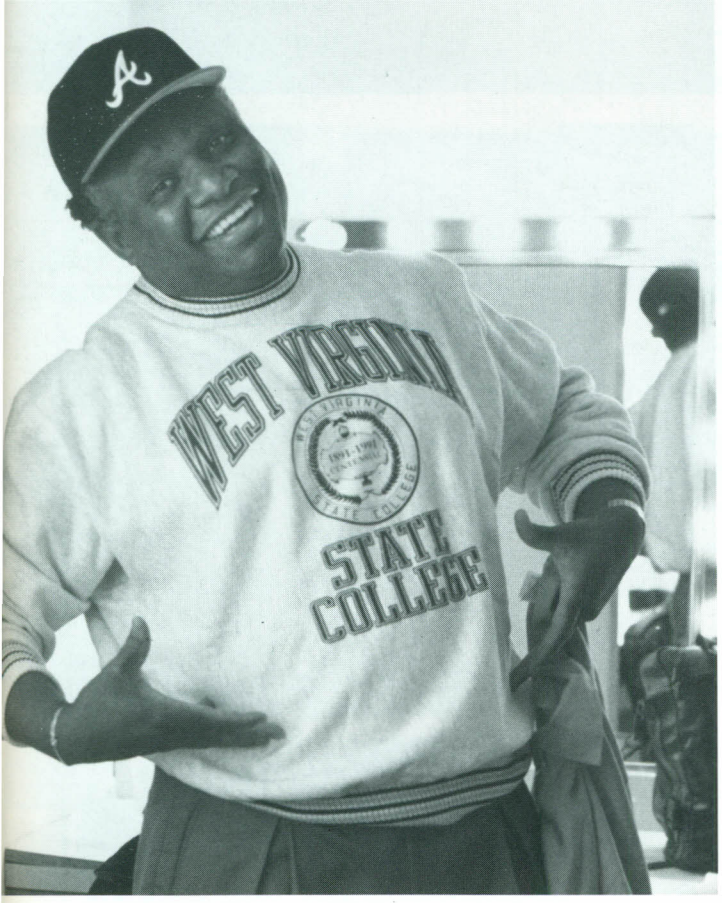



Comedian George Wallace talked with Dionne Reeder



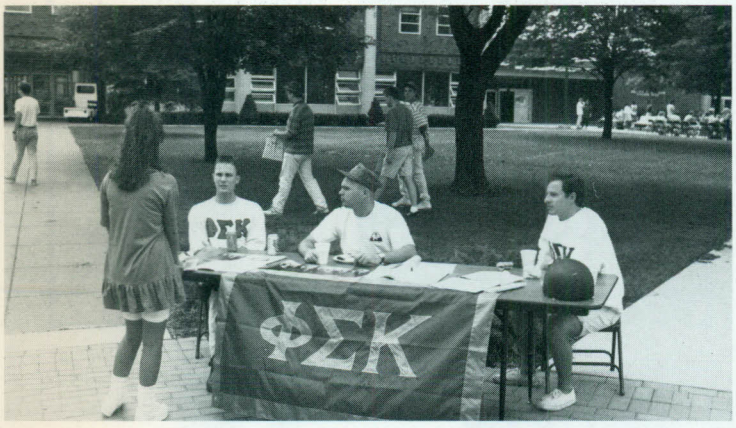


RAP Superstar KRS-1 (Chris Parker) from Boogie Down Productions spoke at homecoming.




George Wallace modeled his WVSC sweatshirt.

Homecoming week featured carnival stands.




"You Can Be A Star" recording booth was a big hit.

# Homecoming Week Activities

Bake Sales abounded.

Penny Toss was a popular homecoming activity.

Homecoming week activities appealed to young and older.

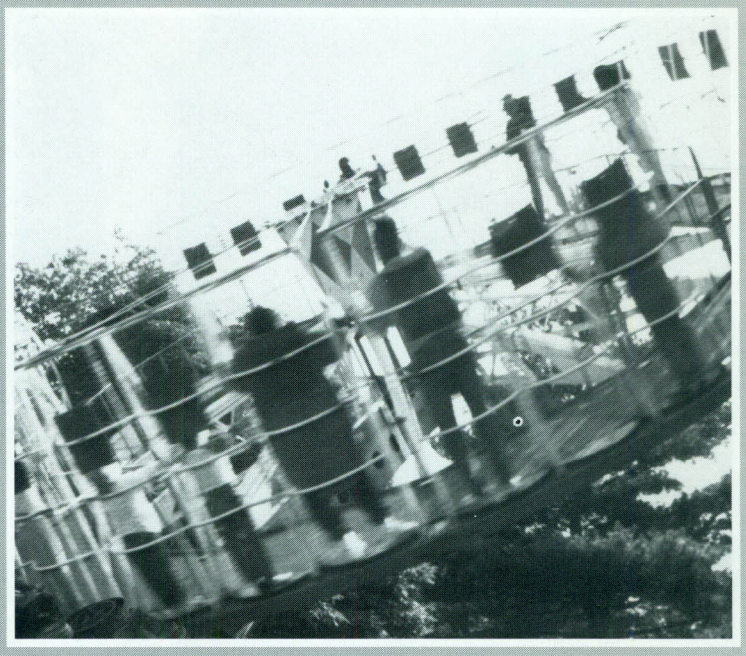
Jerry "Meathead" Miller exercised golf interests.

An old favorite, the Scrambler was still appreciated by college age "kids"!

# Campus Carnival WAS BIG HIT

Face painting appealed especially to children.

The Round Up still attracted its share of enthusiasts.



Craft tables, Game tables and Refreshment stands completed the carnival atmosphere.

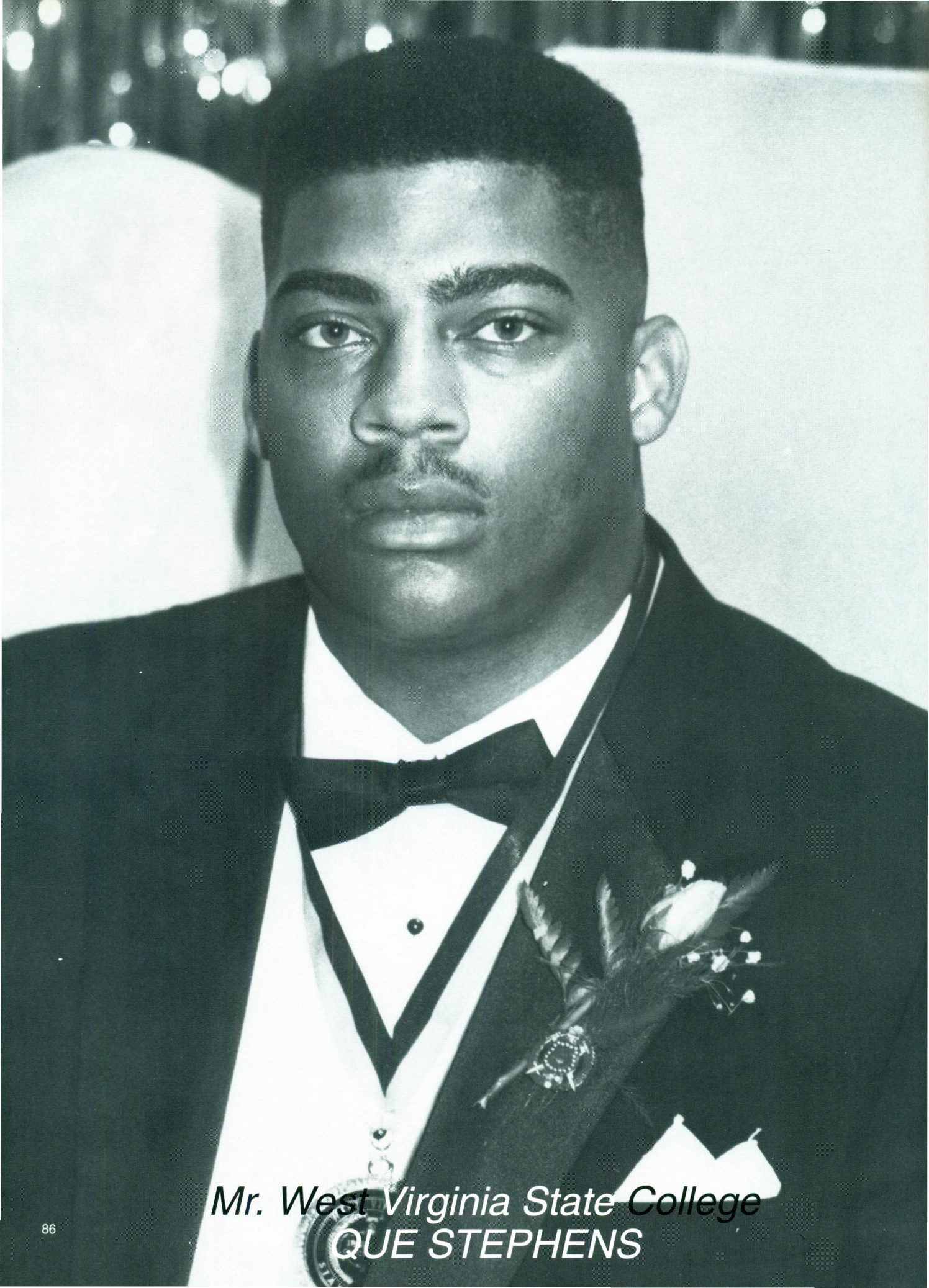
The SGA sponsored carnival was the perfect addition to homecoming week.

*Mr. and Miss State*
*QUE STEPHENS AND ROSLYN PAYNE*

# LITTLE MR. AND MISS STATE

The highlight of Homecoming Week was the coronation of Mr. and Miss State to reign over homecoming festivities. Roslyn Payne of Beckley was crowned "Miss West Virginia State College." A senior political science and accounting major, Roslyn was also former student body president. Crowned "Mr. State" was Que Stephens II. From Paso Robles, California, Que was a junior majoring in history and political science.

Mr. and Miss State were attended by "Little Mr. and Miss State". "Miss State" was also surrounded by many attendants.



*Mr. West Virginia State College*
*QUE STEPHENS*

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First Attendant to "Miss State" —



ALICE HAMPTO

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TANJA CONDRY

LASHAWN FULMER

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CASEY ISOM

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SHANIS PADGETT

SONJA PARKER

MAURITA PARKS

NAPONJI REEDER

SHERRY REYNOLDS

VALARIE ROBINSON

CAMILLE SHIPMAN

JAMERIA SLATON

JACKIE TATUM

ANDRIANNA TEMPLE

PAMELA THOMAS

YVETTE TOWNSEND

LESLIE TURNER

*MISS CENTENNIAL*
*— LIBBY McINTYRE —*

# Miss Centennial Reigned in '92

The embodiment of the spirit of West Virginia State College's 100th birthday was crowned, Libby McIntyre reigned in 1991-1992 as "Miss Centennial."

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"The Centennial Celebration Finale

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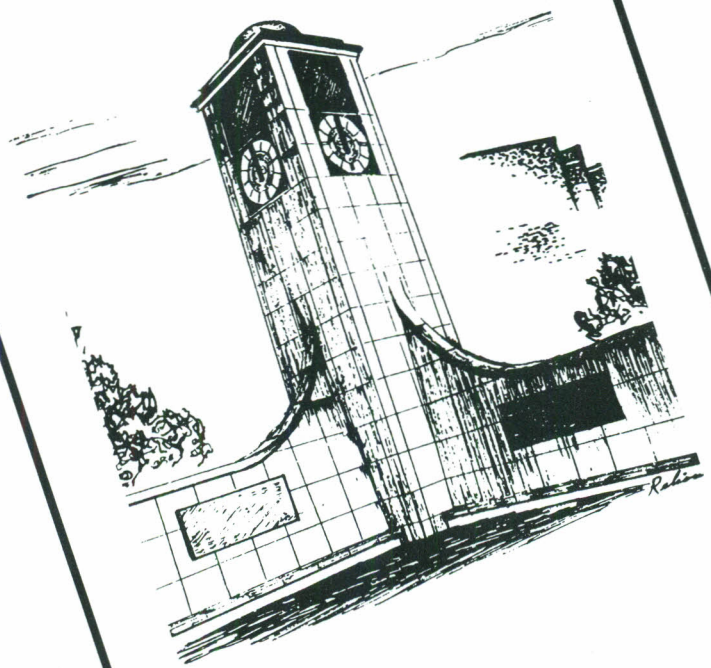

# Miss Sternwheel Regatta

**By Ben Calwell**

A junior at West Virginia State College is the 1991 Miss Sternwheel Regatta.

Simi Chawla, 20, of Charleston was crowned on Aug. 3 at the Miss Sternwheel Regatta Pageant in the Center Court of Charleston Town Center. The pageant is traditionally the lead-off event of the Charleston Sternwheel Regatta Festival.

As Miss Regatta for 1991, Chawla will make appearances a various regatta activities and be t' official spokeswoman for the 10- .y event.

"I'm kind of shocked — I didn't realize the judges would vote in my favor," Chawla said. The competition included interviews with the five judges plus sportswear and evening gown competition.

The pageant is not really a beauty contest. "I was really happy that it's not a beauty pageant. I wouldn't have entered if it was," Chawla said. She added that one of the big reasons for participating in the pageant was to take advantage of the public speaking seminars provided to contestants by Charleston Town Center.

Ruth Ann Moore, marketing director for Charleston Town Center, said the seminars and other workshops provided by Charleston Town Center provided the 15 contestants with skills "they will use in many lifetime experiences. In our eyes, all of these young women are winners."

Chawla, whose parents are from India, said a scary part of the pageant was gazing out on 350 people during the competition. There were three rehearsals for the pageant during which there were no people present. "To go from an empty room to 350 people was difficult," she said.

One of Chawla's favorite events during the regatta is the health fair at Charleston Town Center. "There's free testing and analysis for those who can't afford it," she said, adding that the fair includes dental screening, eye and ear exams. "I also like the concerts."

Simi Chawla

Chawla is an elementary education major at W.Va. State. Upon graduation, she plans to stay in the area a id to eventually obtain a master's degree.

Fifte n contestants vied for the title of Miss ternwheel Regatta. The judges for this year's event were: Marysue Jackson, news anchor at WCHS-TV; Linnet Hanshaw, 1988 Miss Sternwheel Regatta; Bill Rogers, executive director of the Charleston Convention and Visitors Bureau; James Caldwell, past district governor of Toastmasters International; and Michael Switzer, art director for Aim Communications.

For winning the crown, Chawla received a $500 gift certificate from Charleston Town Center and a five-day cruise for two from radio station Super 102.

# W.Va. Tech, State square off in Regatta Bowl

**By David Truman**

West Virginia Tech and West Virginia State split the first two Regatta Bowls held, so this year's game will serve as the rubber match in the annual battle for Kanawha Valley bragging rights.

assistant under Gobel at Tech.

In 1989, Tech rallied from a two- touchdown deficit to tie the game on a 23-yard touchdown pass with 1:53 left. Tech's Steve Adams iced the win with his extra point. The two teams combined to throw 84 passes for 515 yards

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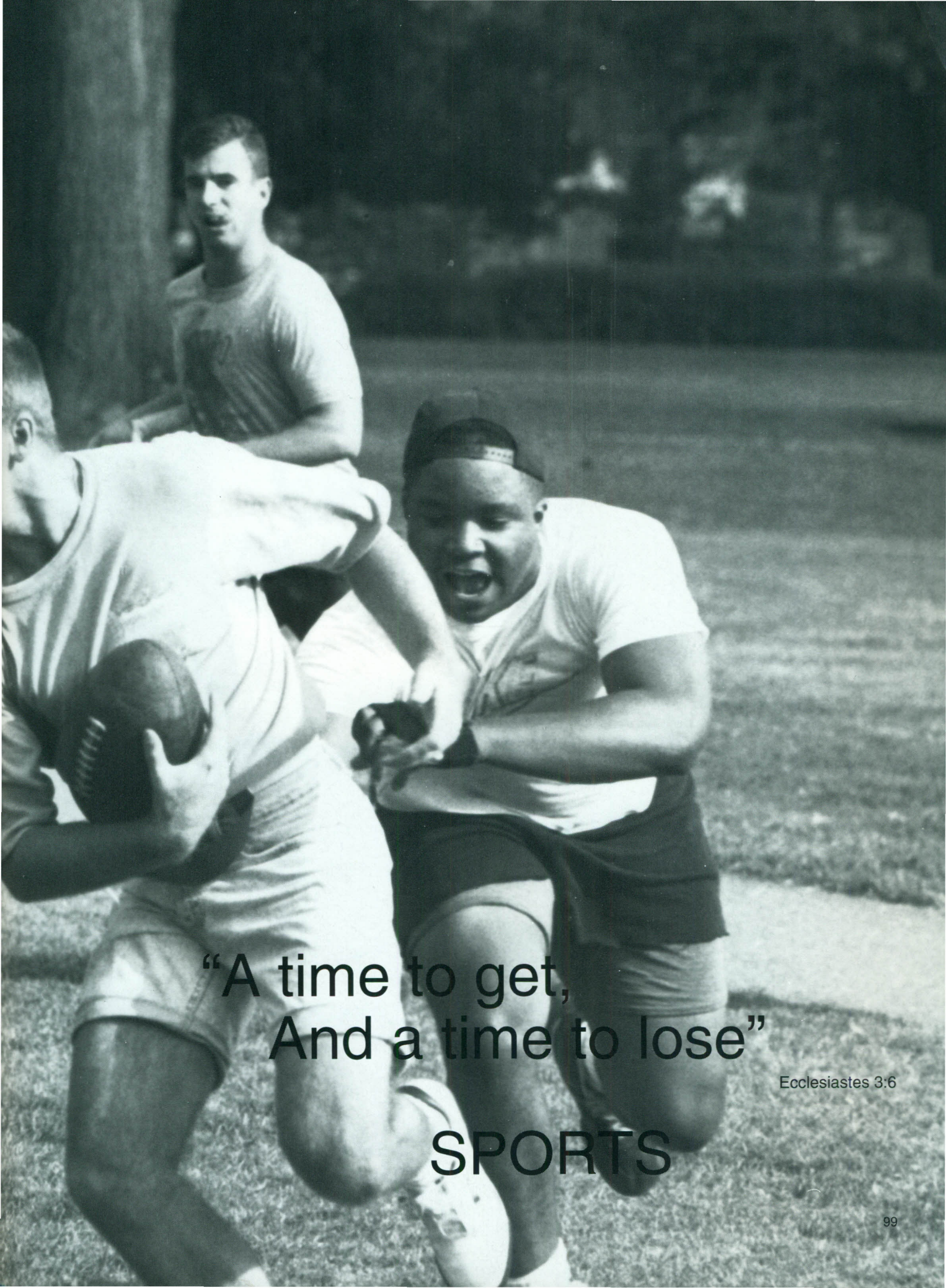

"A time to get,
And a time to lose"

Ecclesiastes 3:6

# SPORTS

BUOYING TEAM SPIRIT IN '92 ...

# West Virginia State College

## Cheerleaders!

Left to Right: Libby McIntyre, Jameria Slayton, Aneka Carter, Lisa Campbell, Tia Wesley, Cathi Campbell, Kara Trader, Sh
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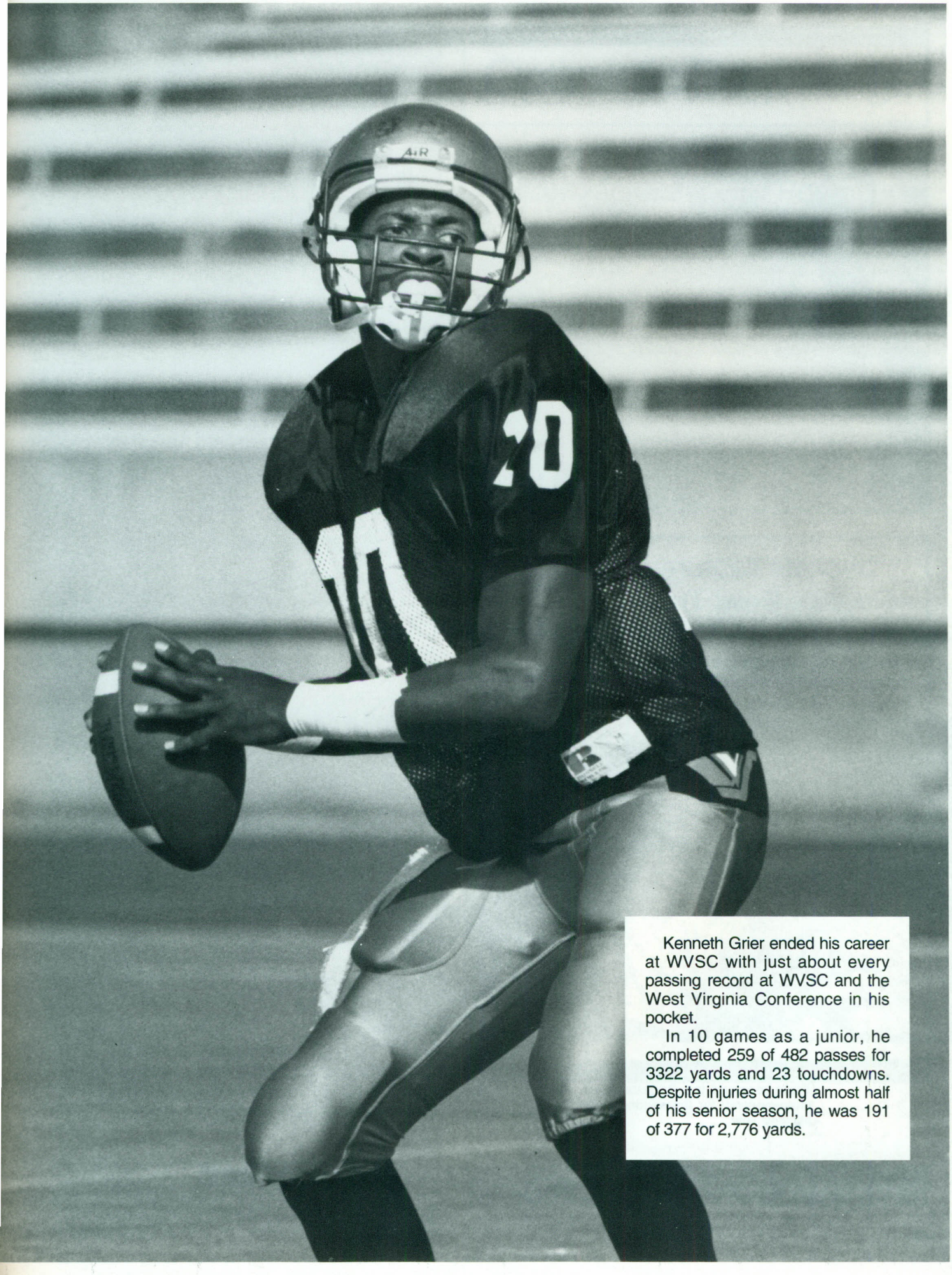
Jackets

State

Regatta Bowl Champions



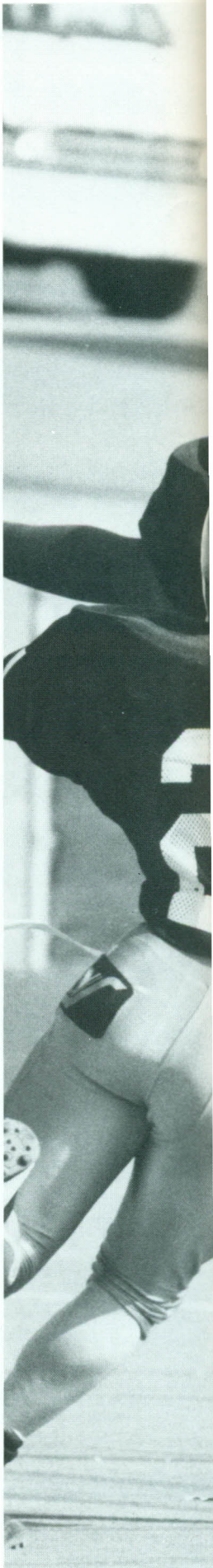
Kenneth Grier ended his career at WVSC with just about every passing record at WVSC and the West Virginia Conference in his pocket.

In 10 games as a junior, he completed 259 of 482 passes for 3322 yards and 23 touchdowns. Despite injuries during almost half of his senior season, he was 191 of 377 for 2,776 yards.

# Jackets captured Regatta Bowl Trophy

State's Staff - Head Coach, Bob Gobel
Offensive Coordinator - Scott Tinsley
Defensive Coordinator - Jack Erwin
Wide Receivers Coach - Eddie Ivy
Offensive Line Coach - Robert Burdette
Linebackers Coach - Earl Monroe
Secondary Coach - Mo Townson
Defensive Line Coach - John Baird
Spec. Teams Coach - Que Stephens

State received the Regatta Bowl championship for the second consecutive year.



# Optimistic Beginnings

## Yellow Jackets were "Potent"

West Virginia State began its season optimistically. State placekicker Chuck Wood led the NAIA in kick scoring with an average of 7.8 points per game. Ahmed Witten, in interceptions, tied for second place with 1.25 per contest.

Quarterback Ken Grier ranked third in passing at 326 yards per game and fourth in total offense at 316 yards per game. George Howard tied for ninth in receiving with six catches per game.

West Virginia State Quarterback Ken Grier, who led the West Virginia Conference in total offense, suffered a broken collarbone in 21-15 victory over Glenville State. "He threw 3 touchdown passes after he broke it," said State Coach Bob Gobel, "He's the gutsiest kid I've ever seen."

Grier, a 6'1", 170 lb. senior from Decatur, Georgia, broke his left, non-throwing shoulder. At the time he had completed 78 of 152 passes for 1307 yards with 7 interceptions and 5 touchdowns. He led the league with 1262 yards in total offense.

Backup quarterbacks were freshmen: Jay Townson, (5'10", 170 lbs.) from Charleston had been quarterback at Capital High; Robert Johnson (6'3", 200 lbs.) was a redshirt from Wytheville, Virginia.

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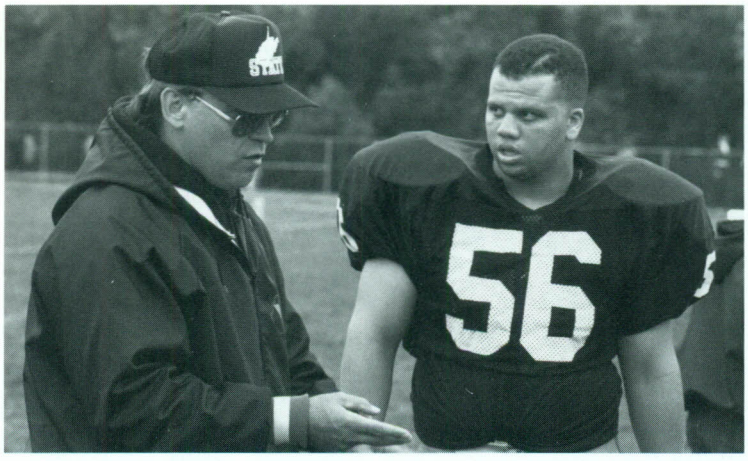
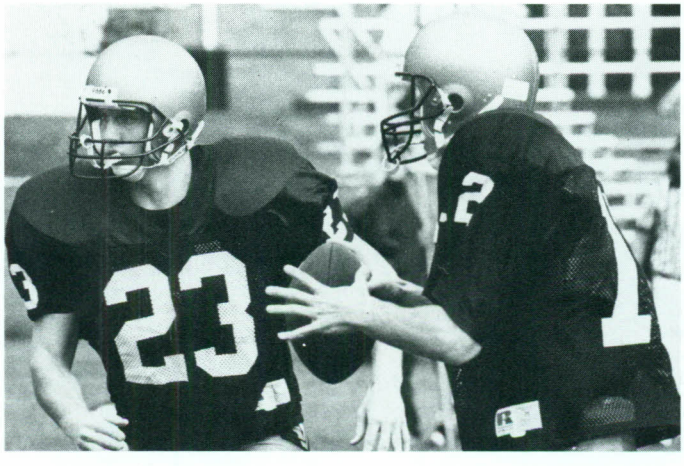


"In its first game without injured potential all-American senior Quarterback Ken Grier, the usually potent Yellow Jacket offense could not, well, get out of first Grier." — Mike Cherry, *Sunday Gazette-Mail*



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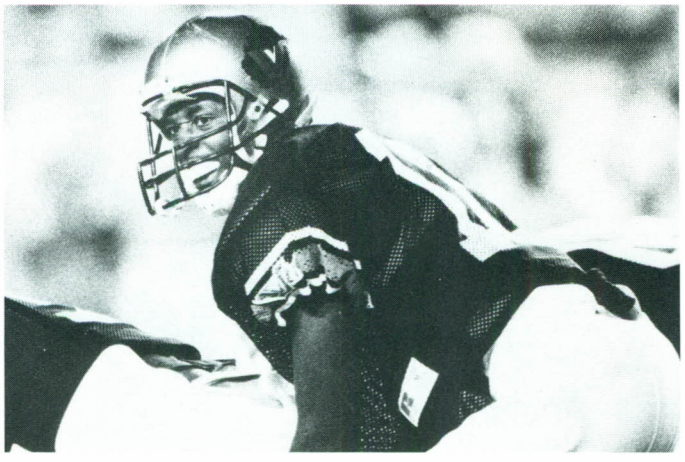
| WVSC | 27 | Fairmont | 25 |
| Concord | 33 | WVSC | 26 |
| Central State | 43 | WVSC | 20 |

# QB INJURY FELT BY TEAM

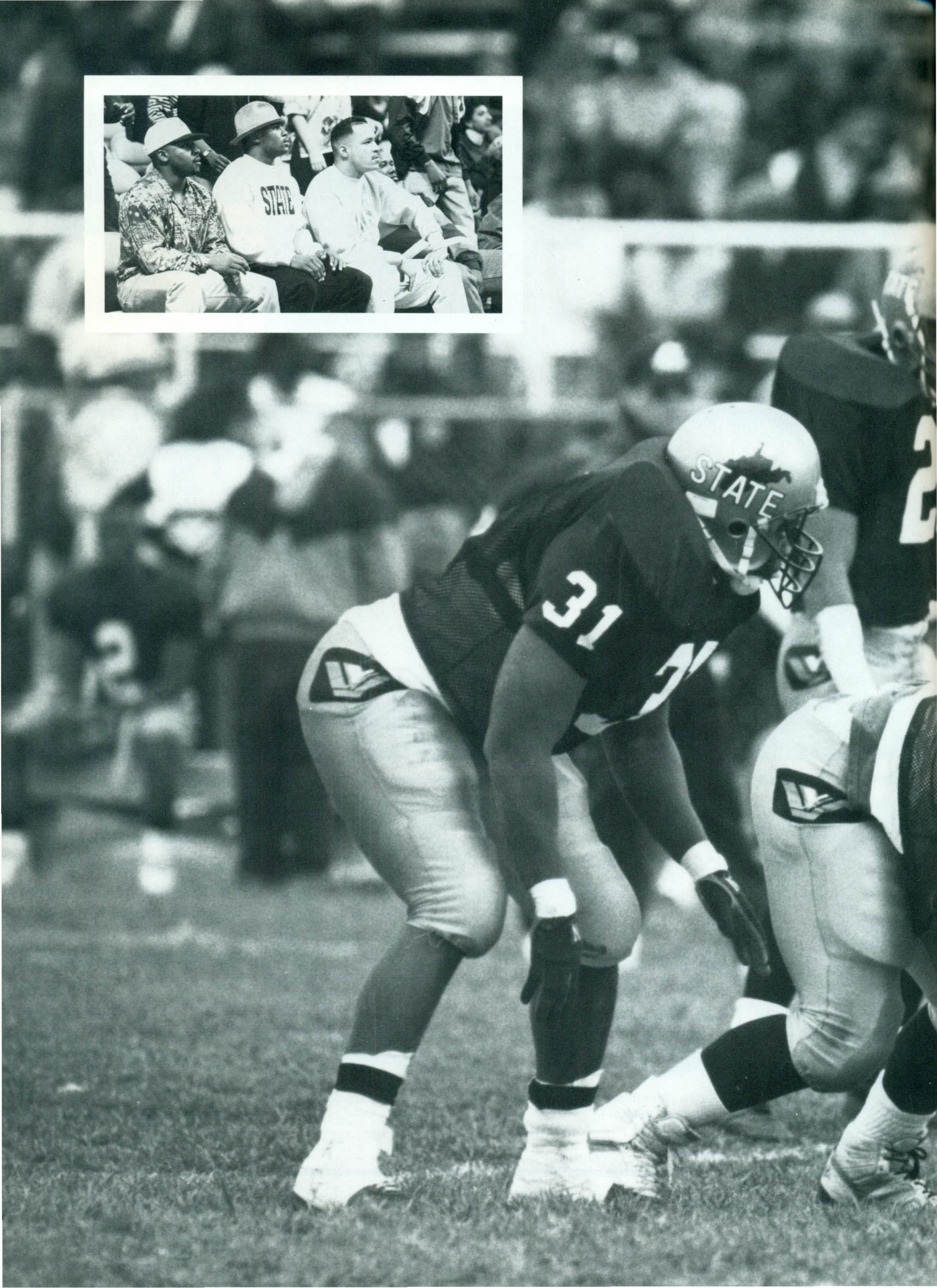
Grier returned with a broken collarbone in the Tennessee Wesleyan game. Team over view improved to 6-2 overall, 4-2 in WVC.

BRIAN PARKER CARRYING BALL



Ken Grier threw for 6255 yards in two years to set the Conference's yardage mark.

"He's a coach's dream, the closest thing to a perfect player," — Bob Gobel. "I wouldn't trade him probably for anyone I've ever coached. He leads by example."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# Super stuff

Coach Gobel received recognition for
as well as Football

# 1991-1992

# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

## Freshmen Dominated Team

Top Yellow Jackets

5-10 Jennifer Akers (Belle)
5-7 Anne Blaney (Neptune, NJ) (16.1 ppg)
5-8 Kim Cook (Charleston) (6.9 ppg, 5.4 RPG)
5-6 Rhonda McCormick (Chesapeake, OH)
5-9 Genean Jones (St. Albans)

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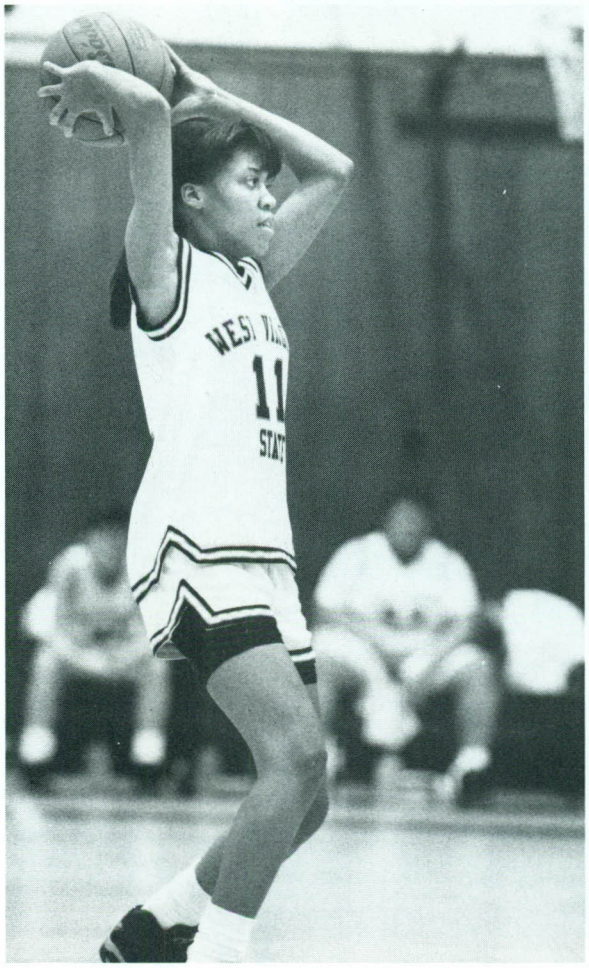
5-7 Cheryl Gaynor (Dunbar)
5-6 Janine James (NY)
5-11 Marva Jeter (Weirton)
5-8 Shelley Martin (Chicago, IL)
5-10 Colette McKnight (Charleston)
5-6 Doris Reynolds (Logan)

The team, coached by Cliff Jackson, was happy to have 11 players on the roster (9 of the 11 were freshmen), since the previous year they had played several games with no substitutes. "We were in a lot of games last year until we were down physically," said Coach Jackson.



Of Anne Blaney, Jackson said, "She'll have to do a lot of things for us."

## EARLY PRACTICES WERE THE RULE

## ABIDING BY EARLY BIRD THEORY

The team continued to abide by the early-bird theory. Three days weekly, they practiced at 5 a.m. "The first half hour on court they're grumpy and groggy," Jackson admitted.

During the season, the Lady Jackets suffered losses to West Virginia Tech's Lady Golden Bears (119-42); Glenville (83-71); Wesleyan (66-46); and West Liberty (78-62).

In the Wesleyan game, State was led by Jennifer Akers (15) and Doris Reynolds (13).

Against West Liberty, Anne Blaney scored 21 points and acquired 12 rebounds and 5 assists.

# MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

1991-1992

# U P-Tempo Game

State's first game was victorious. The Concord Mountain Lions fell 128-114 under "Sahara-like conditions" at Fleming Hall. "They outran us tonight, they outshot us and they outrebounded us," said Concord Coach Steve Cox. "We knew they played the up-tempo game," Concord guard Todd Keffer added. "We just didn't know they'd shoot as well." Junior Bill Moon led the Yellow Jackets with a career high of 37 points.

State's 118-112 victory at West Virginia Tech starred Barry Baker. Baker was the game's leading scorer with 35 points (22 in the second half). Baker hit 16 of 24 field goal attempts and 3 of 5 free throws; he pulled down 11 rebounds.

Coach Randall commented, "Tonight we showed how deep we are. We're a 10-deep team which, basically, goes to the guy with the hot hand. Tonight that hot hand was Barry Baker."

Columnist Danny Wells commented that basketball season took odd twists. Lightly regarded WVSC had been doing beautifully. "Jackets are ranked second in the country among NAIA teams on offense with a 109 point per game average. The bad news is the Jackets are giving up 115 points a game."

"Depth is the key to my system." - Edgar Randall

ach Randall: "Depth is the Key to my system. We've t to be able to run fresh players in and out." State was le to sub liberally with no problems. The December eli- bility of 6'8" sophomore Shindon Boling was expected help shore up one weakness — rebounding.

# Fresh players required

## Subbing liberally

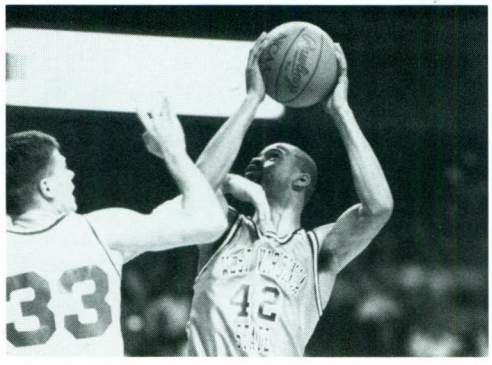
Additional game results included Salem-Teikyo 88 WVSC 85; WVSC 68 Bluefield 62; Shepherd 103 WVSC 100; WVSC 98 Wesleyan 68; Alderson Broaddus 104 - WVSC 86; WVSC 136 Davis and Elkins 99; WVSC 93 West Liberty 84; WVSC 88 Wheeling Jesuit 80; West Virginia Tech 97 WVSC 96; University of Charleston 92 WVSC 78

In the WVC Tournament, WVSC defeated Wheeling Jesuit 105-103. According to Jeff D'Alessio (columnist), "West Virginia State's acrobatic senior center picked up the loose basketball near mid court, and was off to the races."

Coach Randall: "The more we win the more people will start believing in us," — "Basically, we want to run full speed for 40 minutes, and if an opponent is in good enough shape to run with us, we'll accept defeat!

Barry Baker agreed: "We'll run the ball down our opponents' throats." He added that his team was in better physical condition than any team on which he'd ever played.

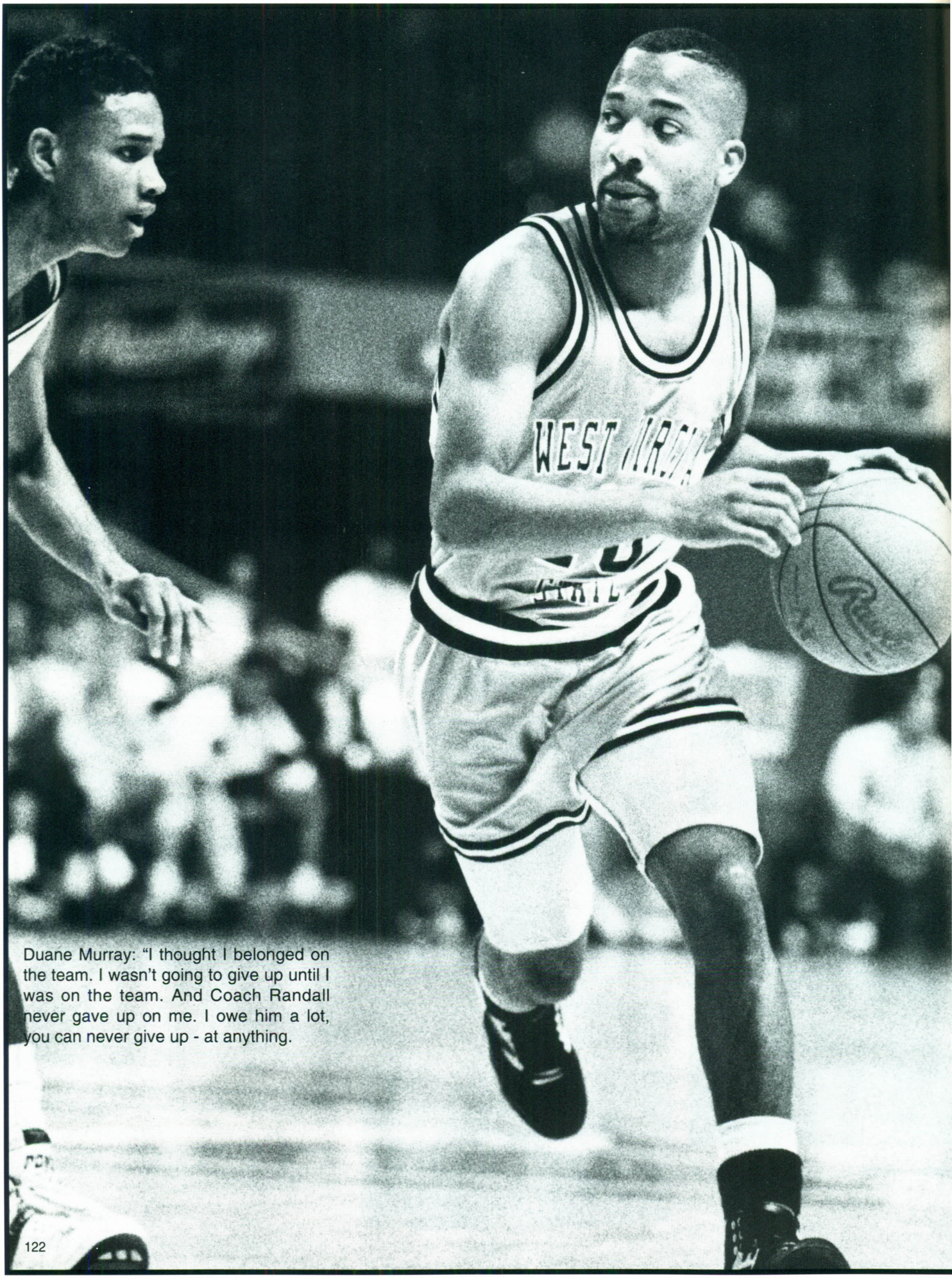
eam member Prewitt: "Our game's 40 minutes of ell."




Columnist Mike Cherry: "It's alive. It's alive. Hellbent-to-basket, take-no-prisoners- or 20-seconds-off-the-shotclock offense has a strong heartbeat with the Yellow Jackets."

Edgar Randall decided to let the Jackets "run and gun." The high-octane fast break returned to Institute."

Edgar Randall: "We're going to put the ball up a lot this year ... to run and shoot and play really aggressive defense."



Duane Murray: "I thought I belonged on the team. I wasn't going to give up until I was on the team. And Coach Randall never gave up on me. I owe him a lot, you can never give up - at anything.

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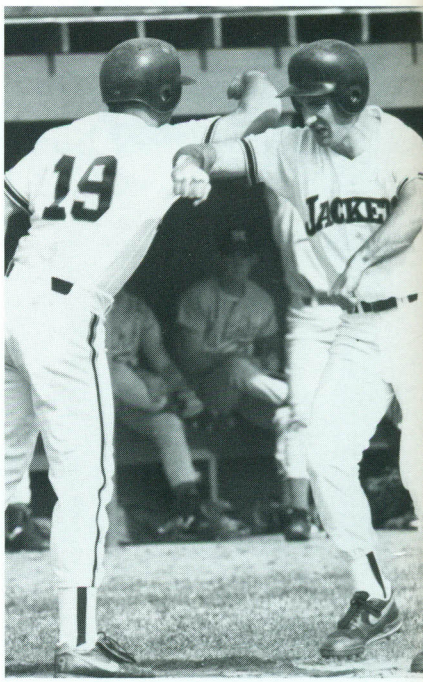
# Scheduling Woes

In the past Coach Cal Bailey disagreed with the practice of teams' not making up postponed games because a potential loss could hurt standing in the post-season playoff race. "You win Championships by winning on the field, not by not playing," Bailey said.

Bailey's belief in scheduling as many games as possible so that rainouts could not wipe out an entire season led to the WV Conference Commissioner's ruling that State would be ineligible for league playoffs. The NAIA allowed baseball teams to schedule no more than 60 games. The NCAA limit was 65. However, WVS rules said a member school couldn't schedule more than 32 games, excluding a spring southern trip.

Although Bailey scheduled 37 games, his procedure was not out of line with his usual practice of scheduling over 32 games. Some in the past had been verbal commitments, not included in the actual schedule. In the '92 season, Bailey turned in a 37-game schedule and, subsequently, was turned in by another league coach.



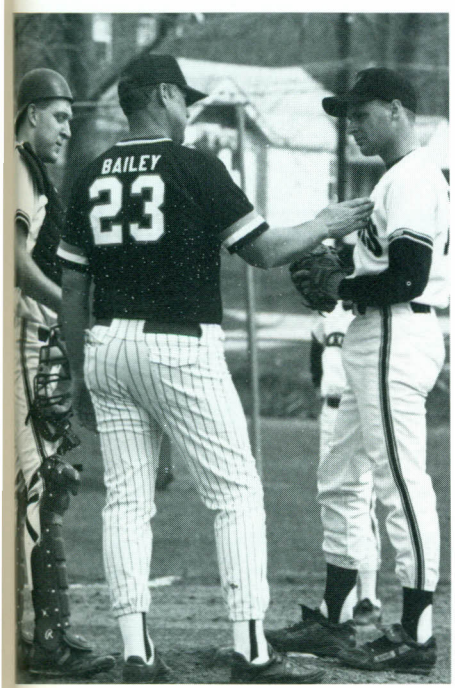
# State hit with playoff ban

## Penalty harsh

Refuting WVC Commissioner Blizzard's premise that one can't schedule games before losing them to bad weather, Bailey explained, "We didn't do it for an unfair advantage. We did it so we could get 32 games. You can't schedule 32 games and get 32 games in. We put it out front and said, "Here's why we're doing it." '

"How are you going to play a game in good weather unless you have one scheduled?" - Cal Bailey

"The penalty is much too harsh for the offense," C. Bailey



Citing some team's practices of overusing wet-ground excuses to avoid facing difficult teams and thereby reaching WVC playoffs, Bailey asked, "It appears that we're being penalized for playing. What's the penalty for not playing?"

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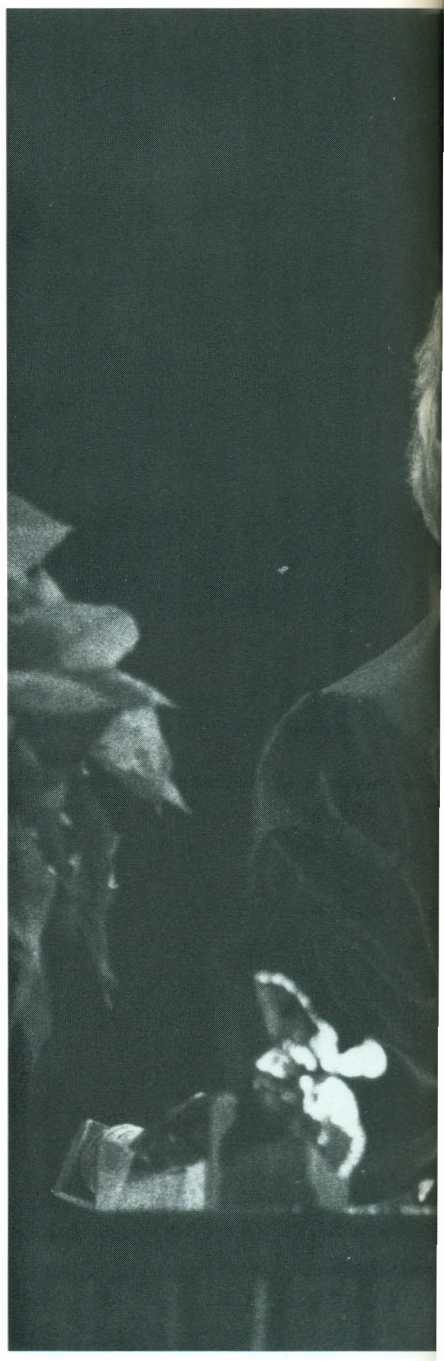
West Virginia State Baseball

- 1991 Defending District 28 Champions
- 1992 Record 29-4, 17-1 in the WV Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
- Led WVIAC in hitting (.334)
- Won 16 games in a row to finish the season
- John Alexander, a left-hand pitcher from Oak Hill, was 7-0 with a 3.35 ERA and was "Pitcher of the Year" in the conference
- Chad Akers, from Logan, (.404 average) broke school record for stolen bases in a season (23).
- Chris Wheeler, all-WVIAC from Ashland, Ky., (.400 average) made All-WVIAC team for third consecutive year
- Corey Morris hit .396, and led WVIAC in homeruns with 10 homeruns.
- Team was undefeated on their home field (12-0).

Dr. Oden At December graduation; Wall Street "Whiz Kid": Keynote Speaker



# Pedersen addressed 282 grads

## "Keep your mind open."

The youngest person in stock market history to have a seat on the American Stock Exchange spoke at West Virginia State College's midyear commencement on December 21 at Charleston Municipal Auditorium.

Laura Pedersen, began her financial career at 18 with an entry-level job on the trading floor of the exchange and became an options trader within a year. At 21, she became a partner in a Wall Street firm and at 22 was a millionaire. She authored *Play Money: My Brief But Brilliant Career on Wall Street* before becoming vice-president of International Network Development for Universal Communications Group, a satellite television company in Pittsburgh.

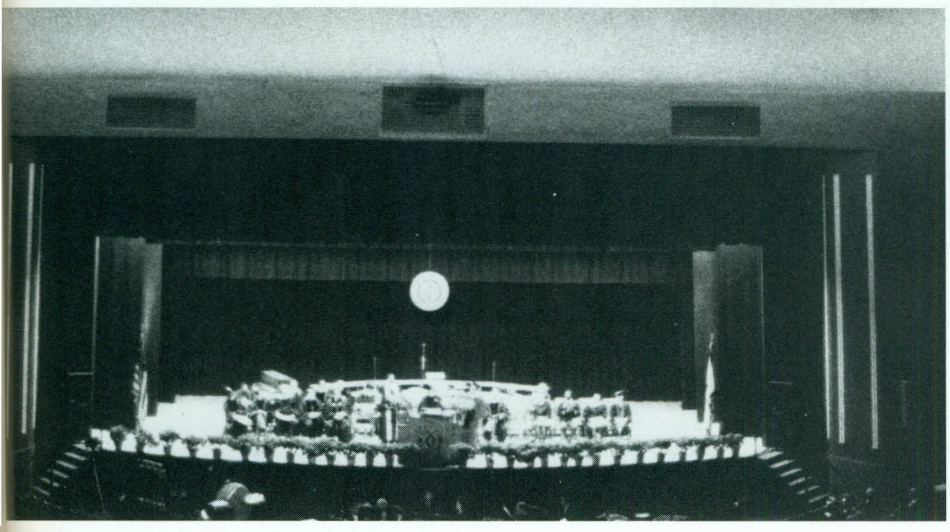
After suffering partial loss of her hearing, she elected a more peaceful life as author, consultant and consumer-and-economic-trends speaker.

"Knowing things has become more important than making things: We can train robots and unskilled workers to make things."

COLONEL LUCAS

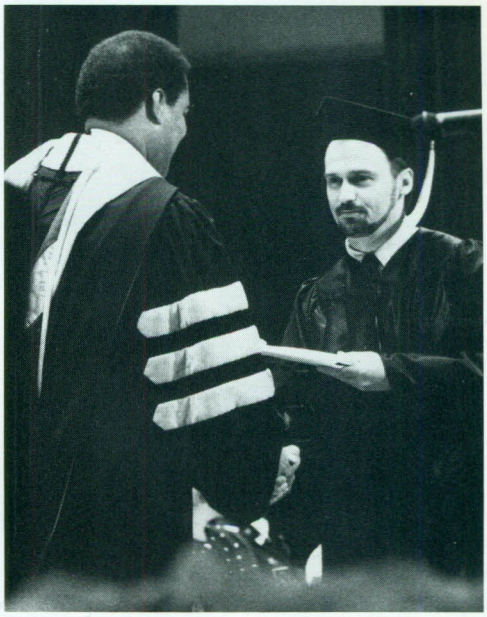
Pedersen urged students to "Keep your mind open, but don't let your brains fall out"

"There aren't any people out there who can't be beaten by hard work and good ideas." L. Pedersen



At commencement, Awards of Excellence were given to four area teachers named Teachers of the Year, and recognized retiring employees.

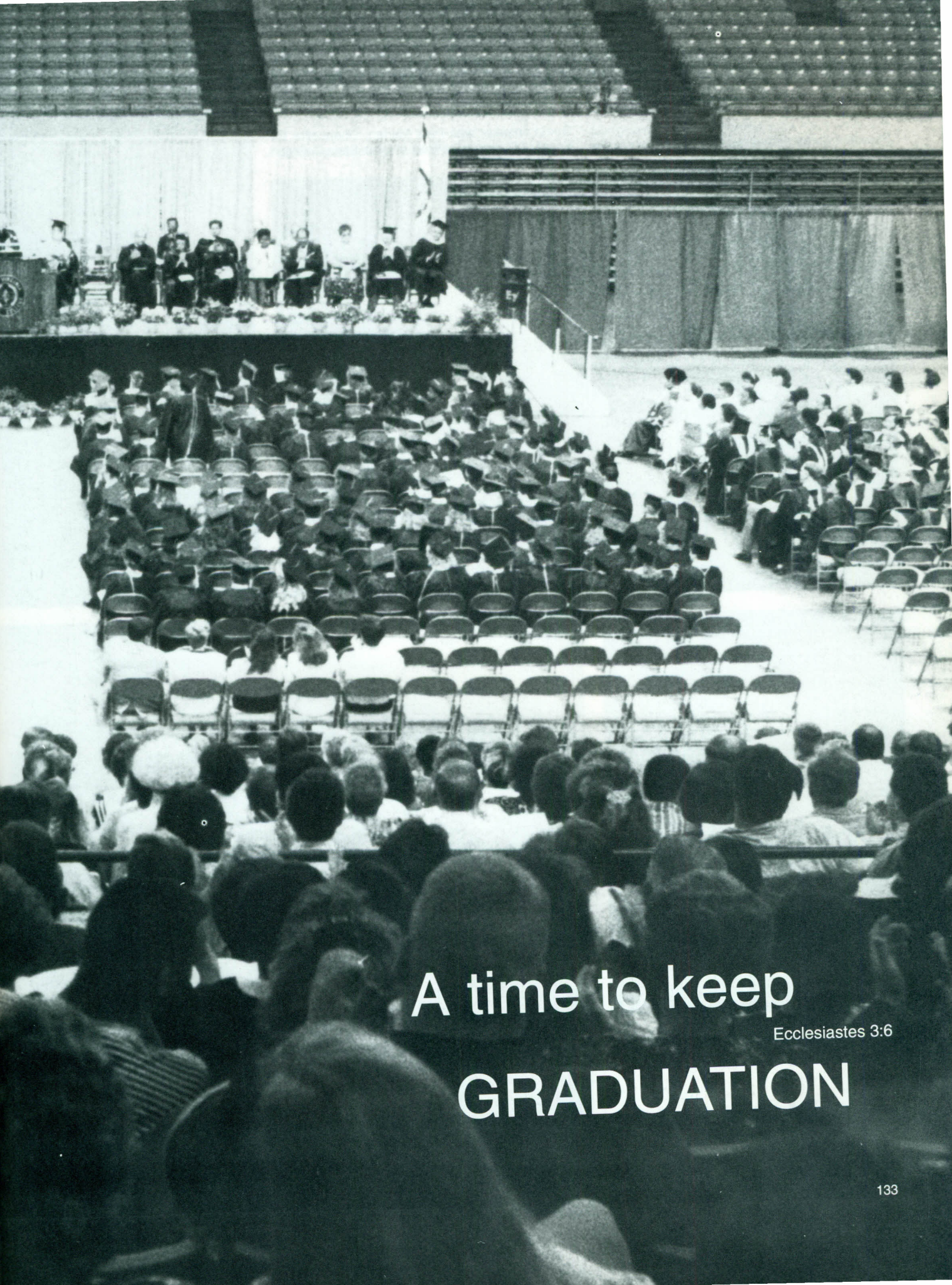
Dr. Carter presented diploma to John R. Lutz



Roslyn Carter received her diploma

Nancy Cutlib, blind and forty, received the largest ovation as she received her diploma. "I feel like I've fulfilled a goal. It's a little late in life, but better late than never."

Music for the ceremony was provided by the Department of Music. The invocation was given by the Rev. Braxton Broady, with the benediction given by the Rev. Margo Friend.



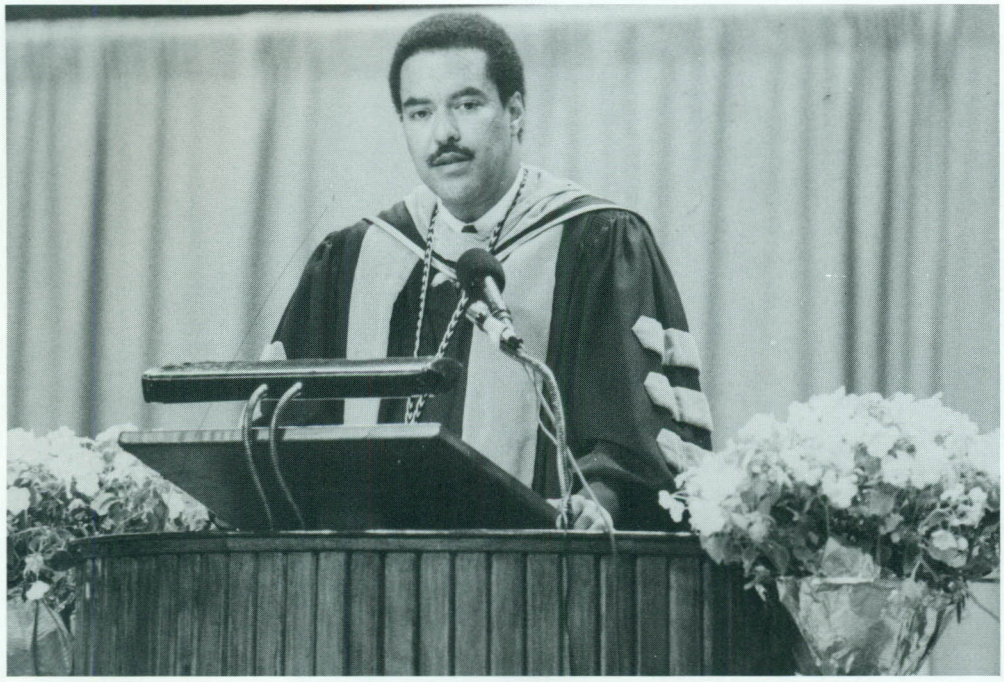
# A time to keep

Ecclesiastes 3:6

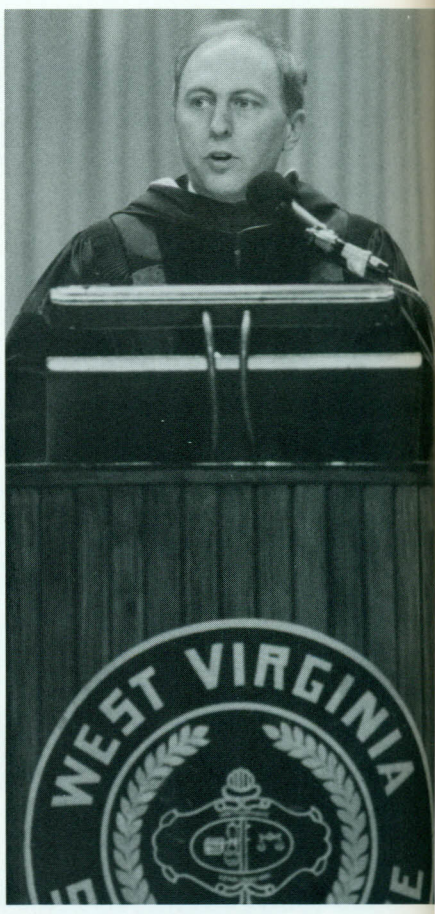
# GRADUATION

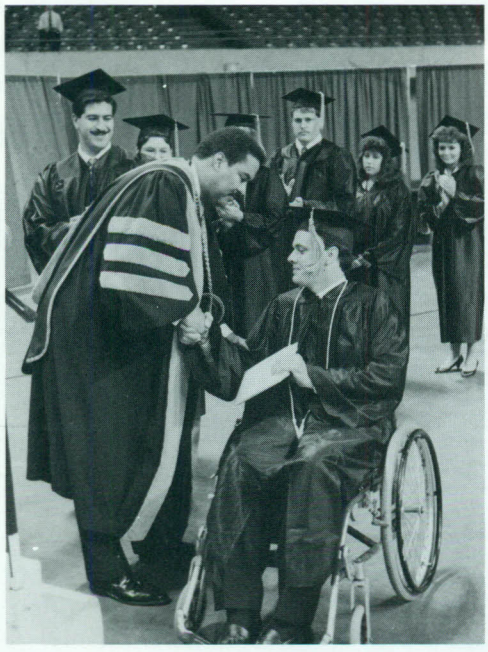
# Springtime Graduation

President Carter Addressed Graduates



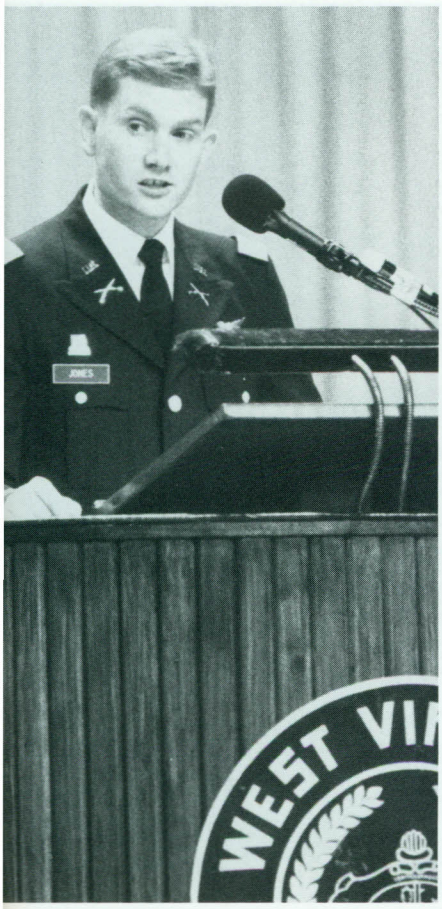
Guest speaker was Paul Marian, Chancellor for Board of Directors for West Virginia State College



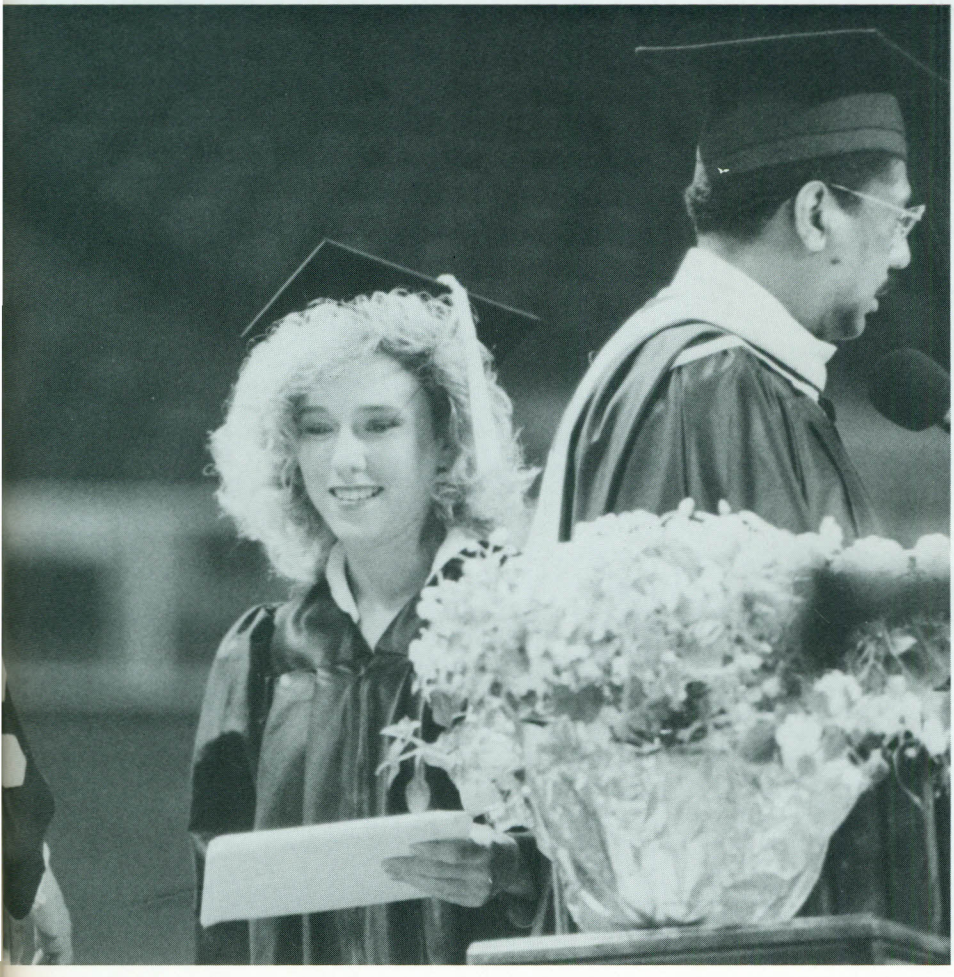
Spectators viewed ceremonies for friends and family.

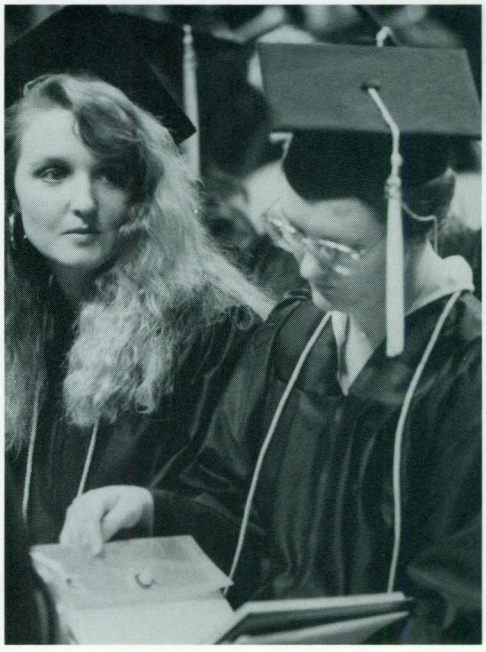
# Civic Center Houses Ceremonies




ROTC representation was present also

Long-awaited ceremonies may have seemed lengthy to some.

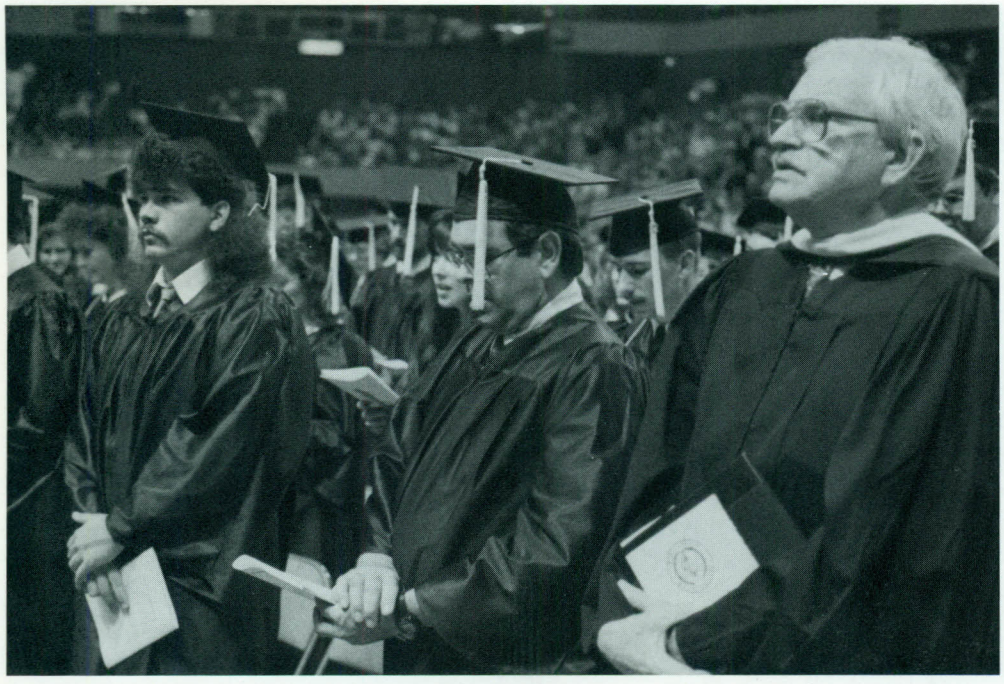




President Carter presented the precious diploma

# Commencement: A Beginning

Graduates prepared for recessional



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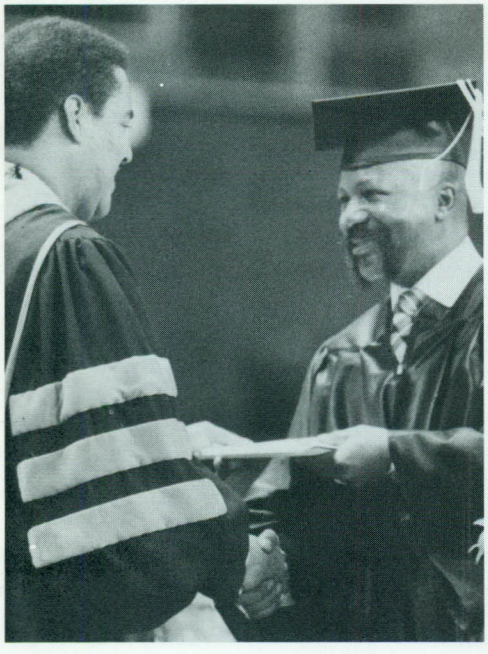
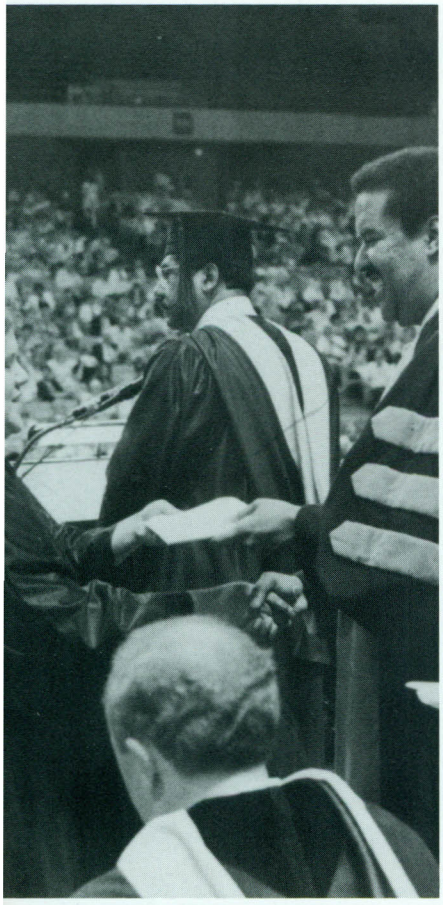


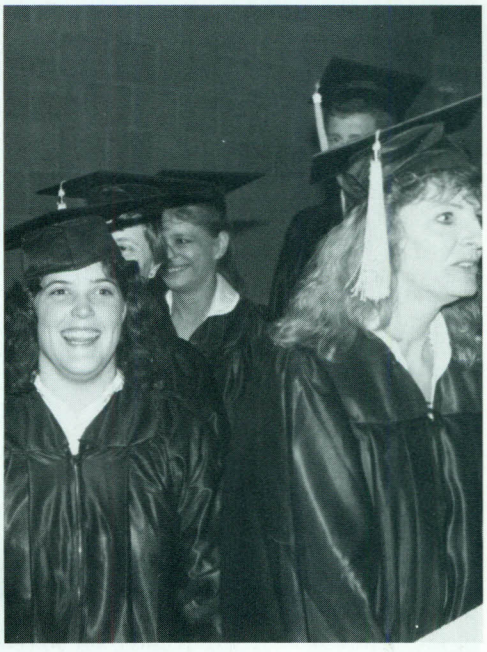
Preparing for the ceremony

# Receiving the diplomas



President Carter found himself in an enviable position.

Female graduates were relieved, yet thoughtful



Making a happy exit

The "Alma Mater", one last time

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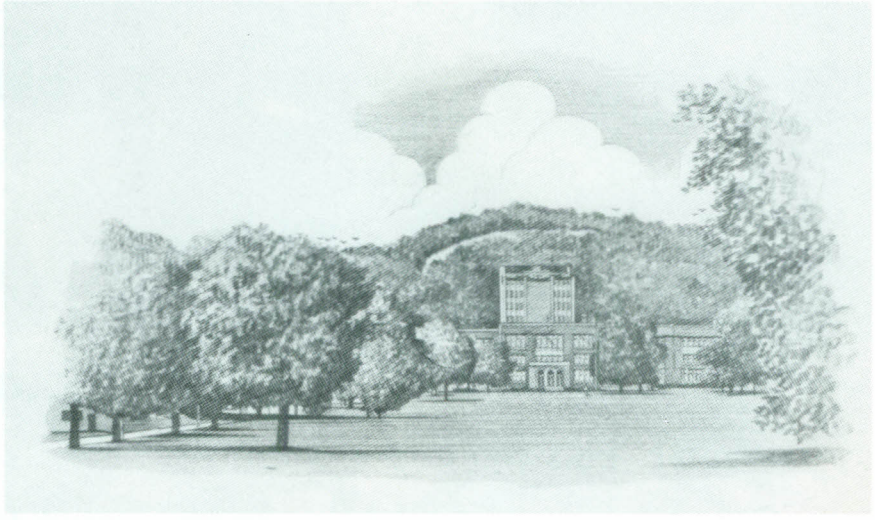

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"A time to sew"

Ecclesiastes 3:7

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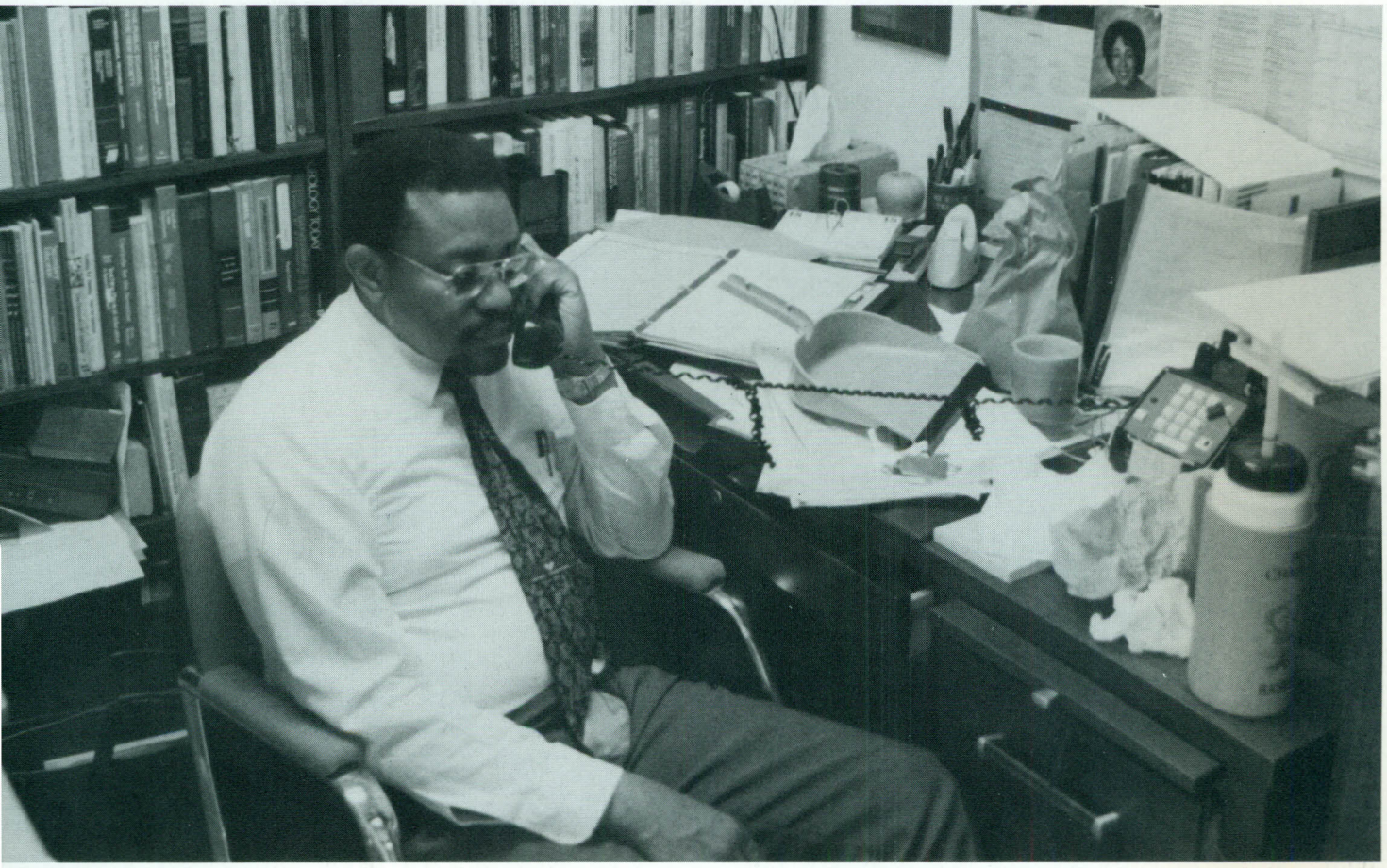

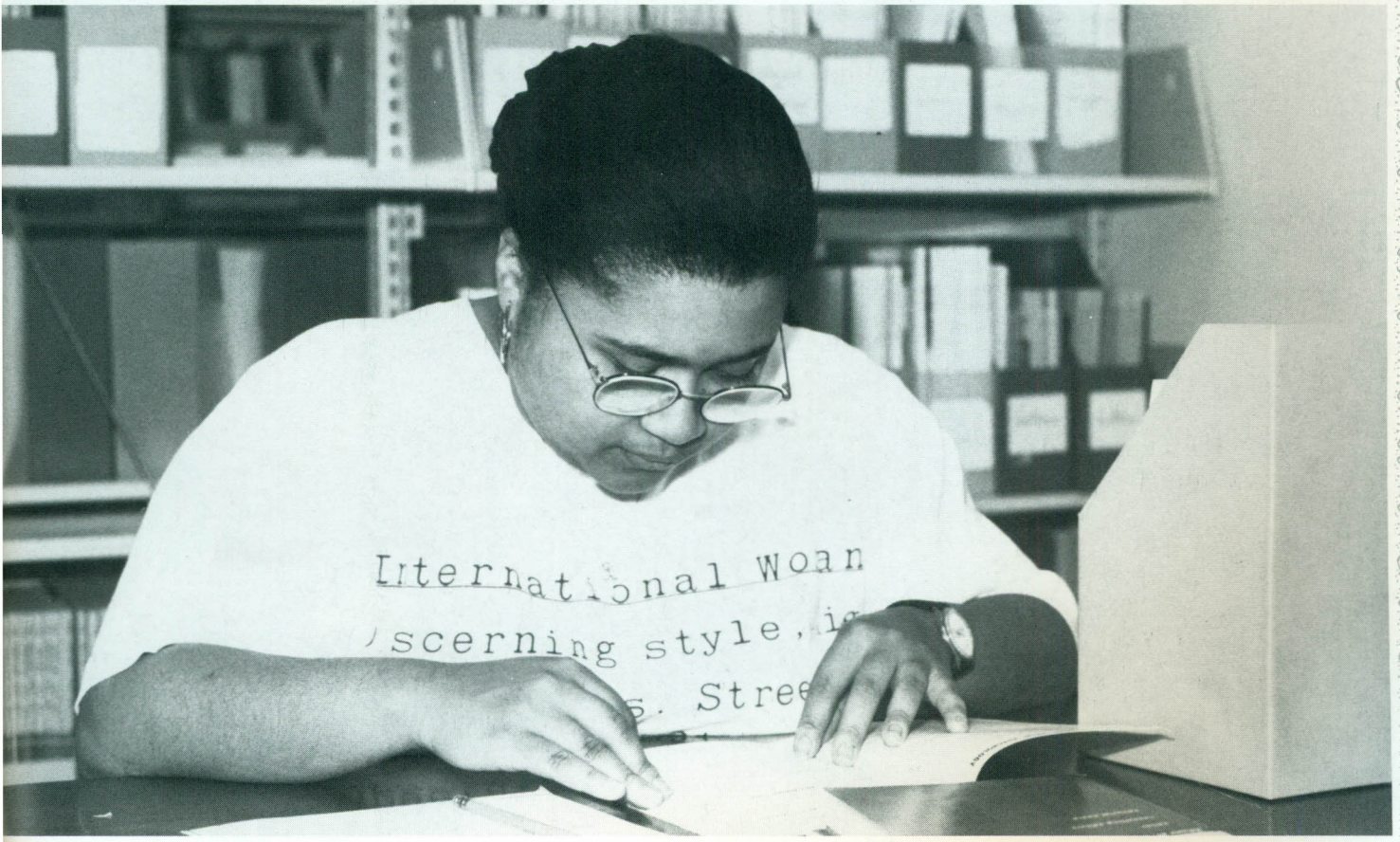
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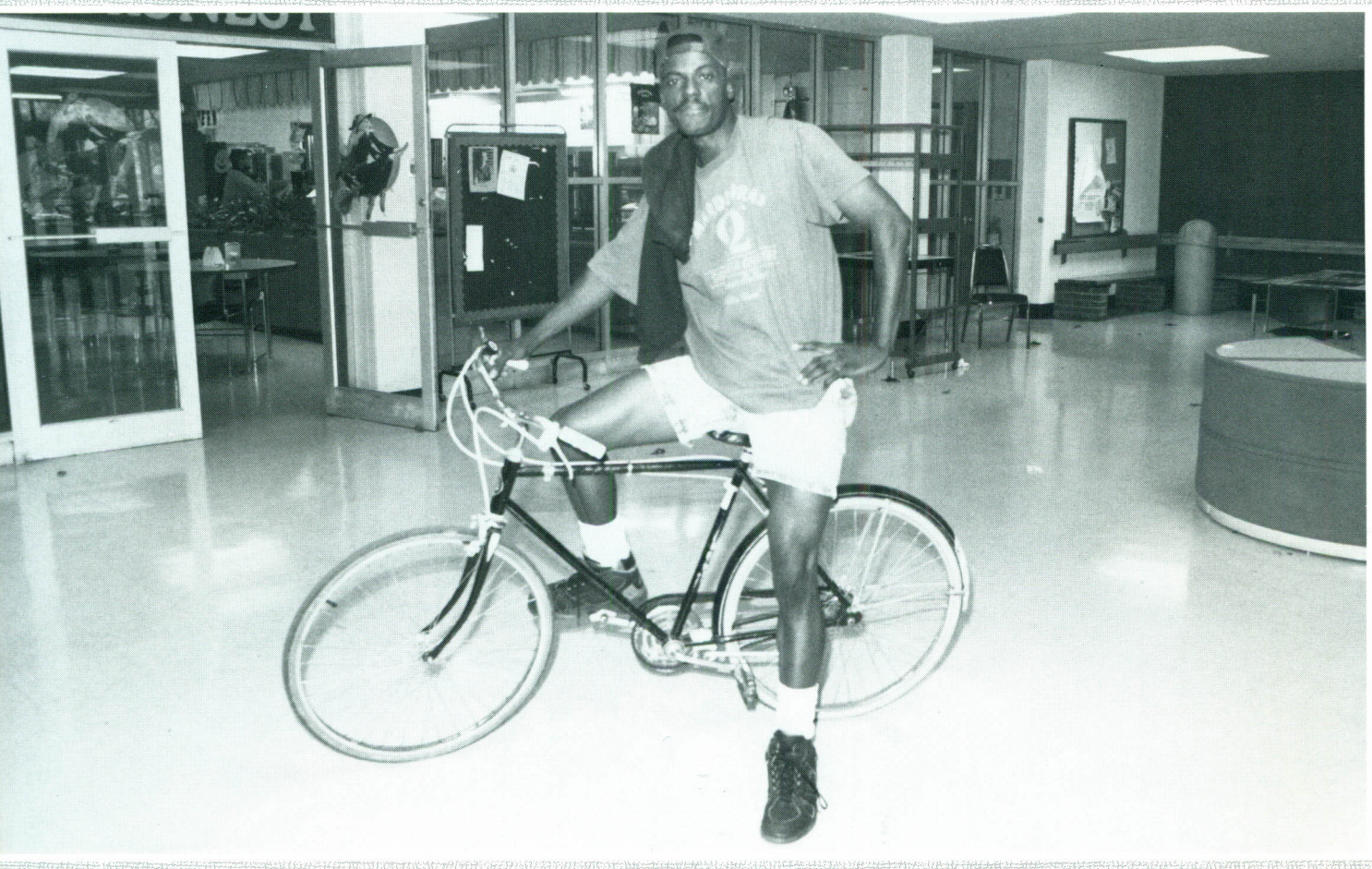

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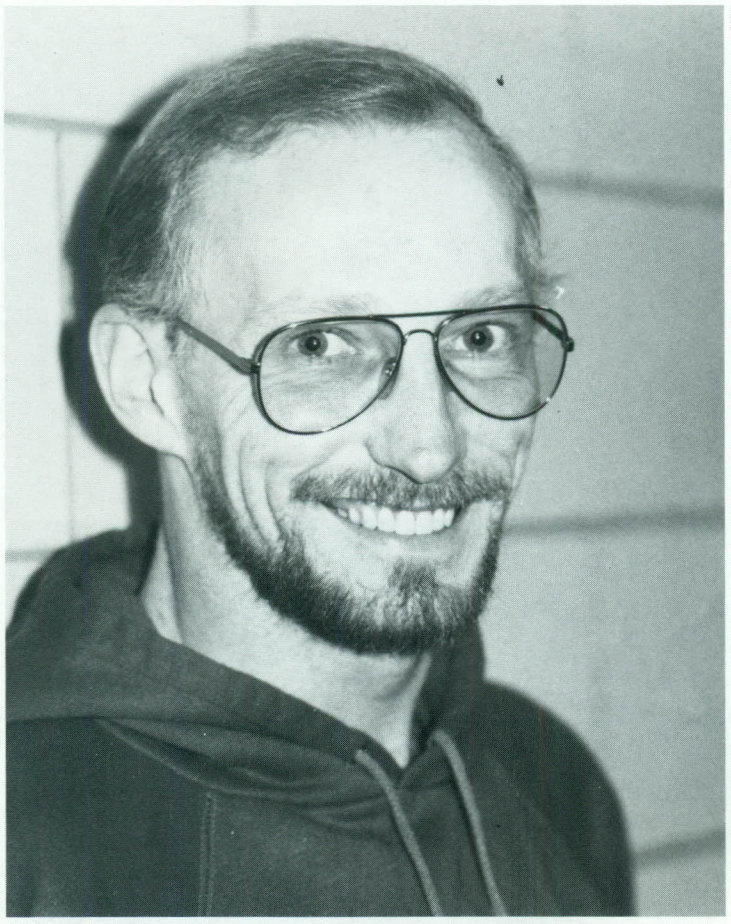

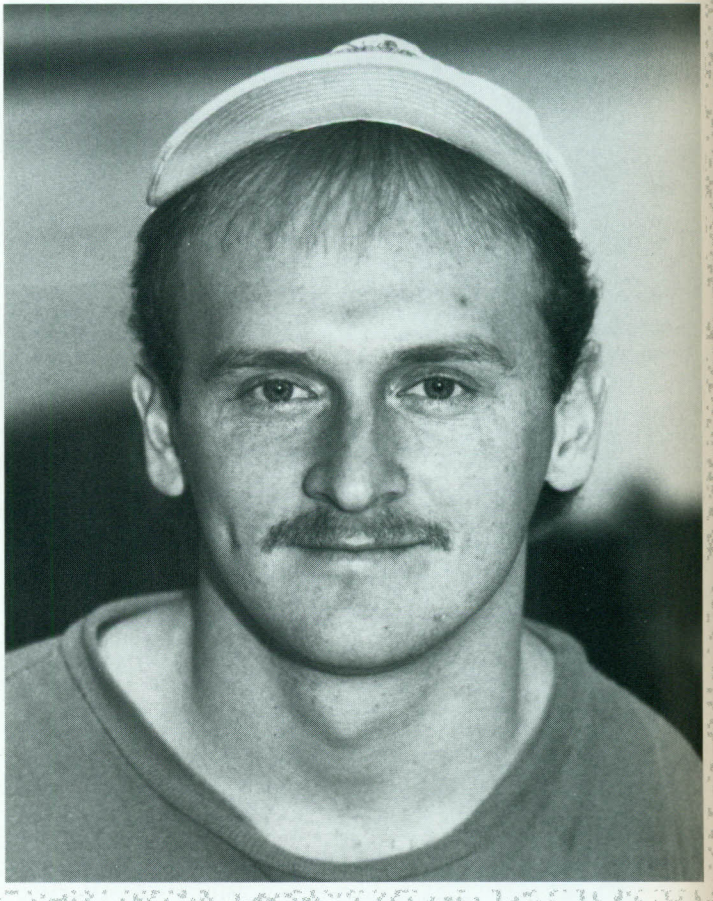

"To everything there is a season and a time" ...

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