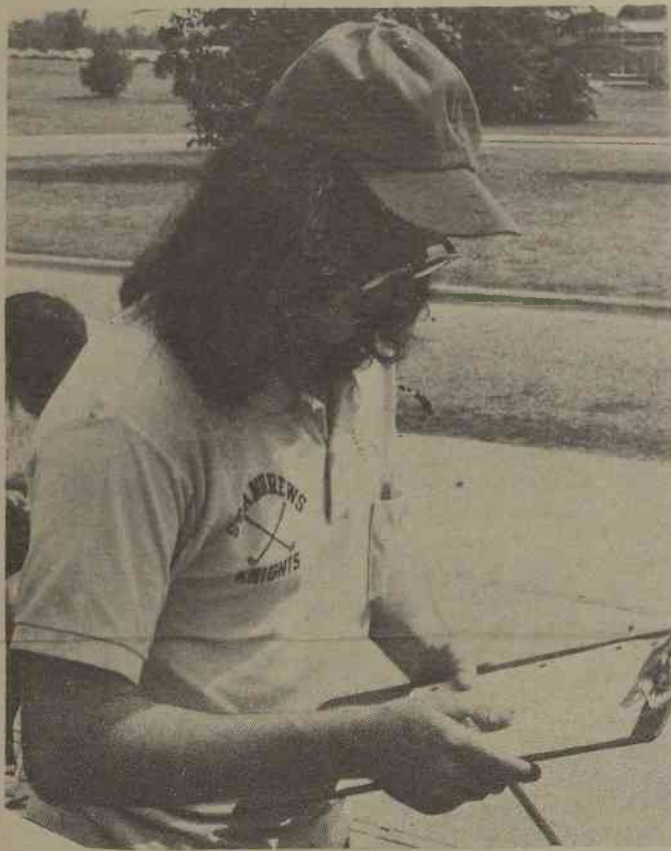


AN EXCITED, if slightly hung over, crowd of over 100 crowded the steps of the College Union Saturday morning to see the opening events.

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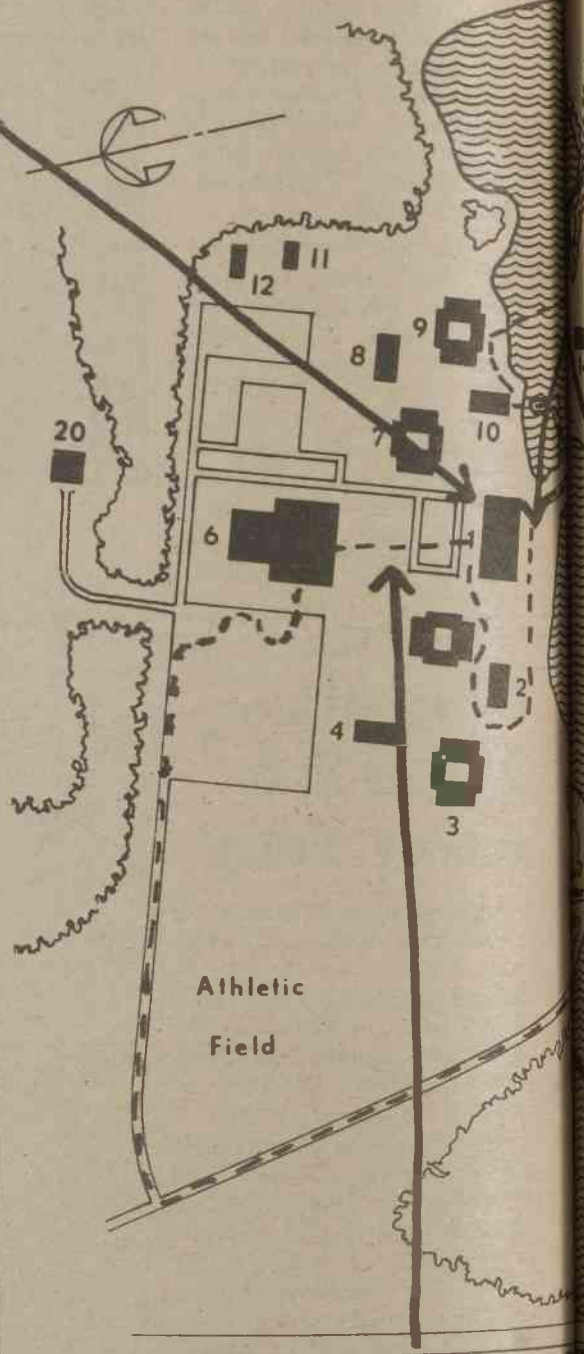
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THE LAST LEG of the race was a coed piggyback race around the Athletic Union. The contest-and a pony keg-was awarded to Relay Team Middleditch, Robin Daniels, Terry Winborn, Mike Dunn, Libby Grodon, Helen Mosely and Cathy Bell. The second place team was from downtown Hamlet with CUB member Bob Korski.



COACH MARK FERRY checks out his game plan as competing teams prepare for the beginning of the Relay.

THE WHEELIE-WALKIE HOPALONG required a student with one shoe off to hop his way around the traffic circle and up a ramp to the front deck of the Union, pushing a wheelchair all the way. As contestants entered the first turn in a scene reminiscent of the chariot race in "Ben Hur," a small pile up occurred when too many people cut the corner too closely. Duane Robinson and Chuck Coldwell broke away into a commanding lead and are shown here approaching the finish with that look of certain victory.



NOT FOR WEAK STOMACHS was the marshmallow eating contest. Stuffing his face for The Lance (right) was David Strasburg, who reportedly later swore on a stack of CUB members he'd never eat another marshmallow as long as he lived.



AS THE CASUALTIES WERE COUNTED at the marshmallow fest team members had to dribble a basketball over to the gym and shoot ten layups. Orange's Grant Thorn is shown on his way to the gym as Relay official Buzzy Pierce watches the action in the background.