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SEN. WICKER TALKS NATIONAL DEBT WITH OXFORD ROTARY CLUB

Sen. Roger Wicker (R-Miss.) visited the Oxford Rotary Club Tuesday afternoon to discuss such issues as the national debt, health care, Social Security, pork barrel spending and taxes.

Not only did he lecture in a seminar style at the Oxford University Club on the Square, but he also gave his audience an 18-question quiz. The senator said he was looking forward to the next two and a half months until election day, in hopes that the candidates will have meaningful debates and present realistic solutions to these issues.

Wicker was particularly critical of the national debt. The senator said that over the next six weeks, when the current fiscal year will end, the national debt may come in slightly under last year's \$1.3 trillion deficit but that it was still an unsustainable sum that is looking to rise. When Wicker asked if the U.S. needed a national debate on the debt, the crowd responded with a resounding, "Yes."

"Can we go on with the same configuration that we have now? I don't think so," Wicker said. "We have a choice to make."



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PARKING PROGRESS ON THE SQUARE

The 2-hour parking limit on the Square was extended to 8 p.m., among other parking-related changes, at last night's Board of Alderman meeting.

BY HOUSTON BROCK
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Talks for the new "Plan-B" parking progressed Tuesday as the Board of Aldermen met to discuss parking hours and enforcement on the Square. The purchase of a Jeep Liberty at \$17,011 was also approved, assuming that the new "Plan-B" parking will be installed.

"Several sections of the parking code are being amended," Oxford City Planner Tim Akers said.

The board approved the extension of the 2-hour parking limit at the Square to 8 p.m. Currently, two-hour parking is allowed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Parking tickets on the Square

will now have a 12-month reset period, meaning if you get a ticket in January, the tickets will progressively increase in price until the beginning of the following January. It will cost \$75 to get a boot removed, and all cars with a boot will be towed after 24 hours.

The board confirmed that the first parking citation received will be no charge. After the first ticket, information will be sent to the violator explaining the parking rules on the Square.

The board also briefly talked about the possibility for a new parking garage behind city hall. This discussion was delayed to a later date to include more details.

JC construction affects dining and parking

Faculty, staff and students are feeling growing pains from the JC renovations, dealing with longer lines for limited dining and a lack of parking.

BY JENNIFER NASSAR
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The school year has begun, along with the year-long Johnson Commons renovations, projected to be completed by fall 2013, which aim to create a better dining atmosphere.

Jeffrey Owens, dining services marketing manager, and his crew did not waste any time getting started on the project.

"We all started moving out around the end of May, first of June," Owens said. "Final move out was done in July, and construction started in the beginning of August."

As far as foundation reconstruction goes, Owens

said the focus is mostly on the general structure of the building.

"There will be a new entry point into the JC West," he said. "A lot more space and a friendlier atmosphere will also be added."

Temporary kitchens have been placed in front of the JC East to serve as the food center until the remodel is complete, and, so far, Owens said there have been no problems with the arrangement.

"From what we've been getting information on, everybody seems to love the JC East," he said. "Yes, the lines may be a little bit long, but we get them in and out fairly quickly as well."

Some students, like art

sophomore Joan Floersh, are not quite as optimistic, however.

"When you first go in there it's OK," Floersh said. "But when you go in to get food, the lines are extremely long and extremely crowded, and it's hard to see who is in what line."

In addition to the dining and serving changes, faculty members are feeling parking pains from the area the construction site is covering.

Director of Parking and Transportation Services Isaac Astill said parking on Dormitory Row West, the one-way street from East to West in front of the Johnson

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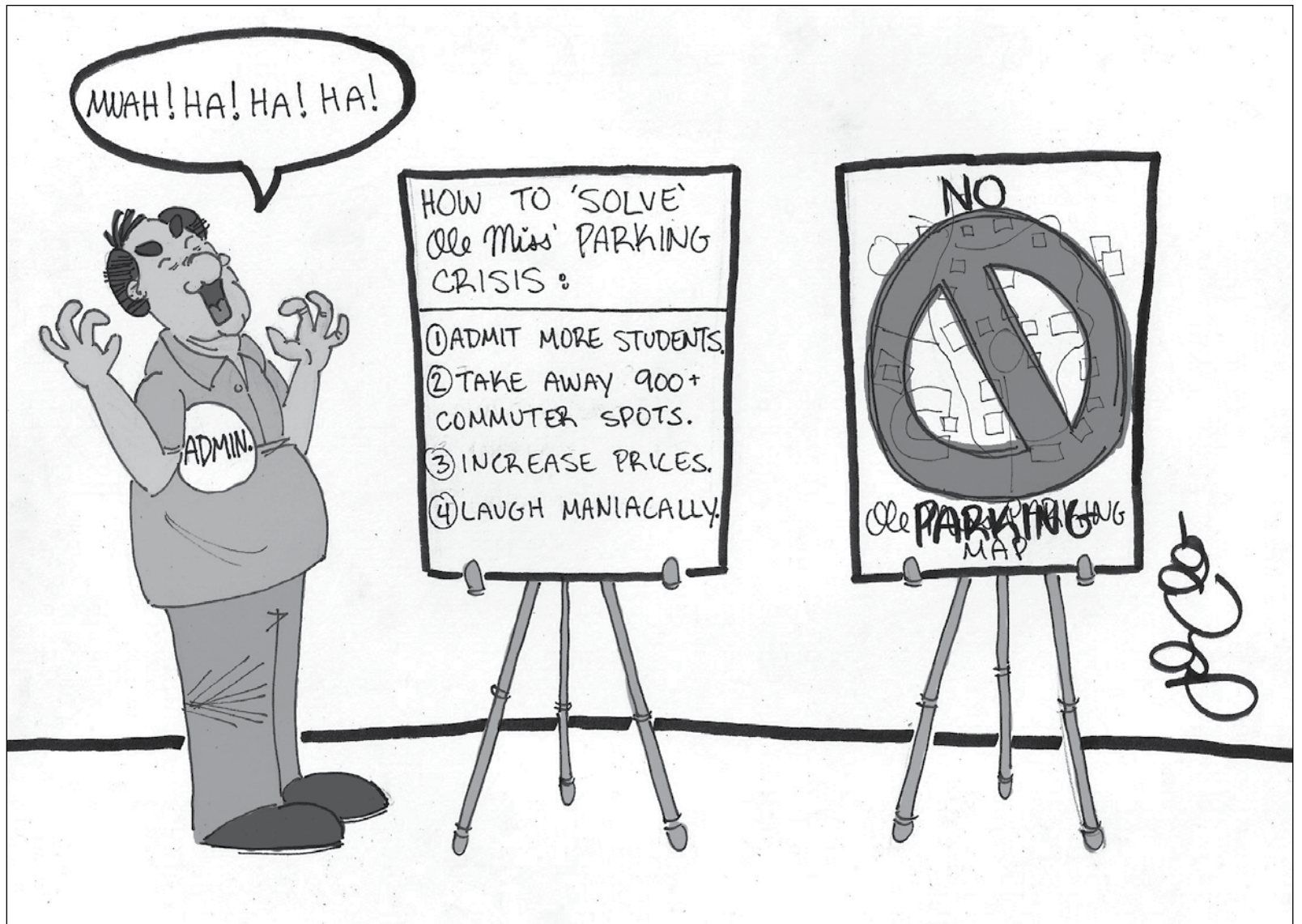
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Despite what Obama thinks, Romney-Ryan have education right



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Ever since Republican candidate Mitt Romney announced Paul Ryan as his running mate, Democrats have sought to attack the pair in any way possible. I understand that it is a part of politics and that both sides participate. However, I would prefer that candidates focus on why they are the right candidate rather than why their opponent is the wrong candidate.

What does it say about American politics when the citizens go to the polls voting for the “least worst” candidate instead of the best candidate?

Consequently, the Obama

campaign is attacking the Romney-Ryan ticket on higher education and Pell Grants. Ryan’s budget plan called for cuts in non-defense spending, which would include education.

His approach to education cuts is simple: reduce the eligibility for federally funded grants while keeping the grant amounts the same. This means the neediest students will still be able to receive the maximum Pell Grant, but students that are on the fringe will be directed toward loans rather than grants.

This is no different than the welfare reform of the 1990s that replaced AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children) with TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families), which reduced the number of people eligible for welfare.

I received a Pell Grant last year slightly below the maxi-

mum, but I am far from the neediest student. The grant helped me a lot, but I could have managed without it. It would have made things more difficult for me and the thousands of others in my situation if we had not received the grants, but the federal government operating in the red every year is much worse.

Obama’s mindset is that the government should financially help everyone get a college degree (except the top 1 percent, I’m sure), even if the government cannot afford to do so. Romney and Ryan believe that the government should only financially help those that absolutely need it. The monetary difference is huge.

Obama calls the roughly \$36 billion a year in Pell Grants an investment in the future of America. According to a study released in early June this year, nearly

60 percent of undergraduates received a Pell Grant for the 2009-2010 school year. The report also found that the overall graduation rates for Pell Grant recipients are steadily declining. However, graduation rates for students in the lowest financial bracket, the original targets of the Pell Grant program, have steadily increased over the past decade.

Why continue wasting money on a program that has proven to be ineffective for all other than its original target group? Don’t let the Obama ads fool you, Romney and Ryan are planning to reform education based on facts and common sense. Obama, on the other hand, is just trying to keep people dependent on the government.

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Rights aren't universal



BY BRITTANY SHARKEY
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The world watched and waited with baited breath on Friday as Russian punk rock band Pussy Riot awaited their verdict and sentence.

The three band members had been charged with the crime of hooliganism that was motivated by religious hatred, a charge that sounds more like it came from your old next door neighbor who tells you to get off his lawn than from an official court of law.

The charge stems from a riot/performance/flash mob back in February of this year, in which the band stormed the Christ the Savior Cathedral in Moscow and performed a song called "Punk Prayer."

The song highlighted the Russian Orthodox Church's undue influence in Russian politics and the close relationship the church has with Russian president Vladimir Putin.

Three of the band members were arrested in March and have been held in custody since.

On Friday, each band member was sentenced to two years in prison. It's an incredibly harsh sentence that is disproportionate to the crime committed. When coupled with the fact that Russian women's prisons are notoriously harsher than men's prisons, and that the band members are likely to serve their sentences in labor camps in remote Siberia; the sentence seems all the worse.

Friday's sentence follows what had been a sham trial in the eyes of most of the world.

Celebrities spoke out against the harsh treatment of the band and Amnesty International began a petition that garnered

over 10,000 signatures that Russian embassy officials saw and promptly dismissed. The international outcry begged the Russian court to drop the charges or lessen the punishment; while two years is the statutory minimum for the crime of hooliganism, it still seems excessive in this case.

This case highlights the trampling of rights and the lack of freedoms in today's Russia.

Unlike most western countries, Russia lacks an independent judiciary. The executive heavily controls the judicial branch of government; many feel that verdicts and sentences are dictated by strictly political motivations.

In the last year, the government has cracked down on regulations relating to protests and upped the fines for those violations, in some cases tripling the previous fines. In anticipation of hosting the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, there has also been greater re-

striction placed on journalists and activists operating in the country. The government has also loosened the definition of "extremist", giving the government greater control over fringe political groups and their communications.

The severity of Putin's Russia highlights just how precious the rights that many of us take for granted are. It's incredible to think that in another country, participants in the Occupy movement could be arrested and sent to a labor camp for two years. It may be 2012, but for many people in the world basic rights and freedoms are not guaranteed. We may not have a perfect track record when it comes to rights, but flagrant violations like this highlight just how good we have it.

Pussy Riot lacked some finesse in their delivery. Were there more respectful ways to communicate their message? Absolutely. However, in a re-

gime where rights are being trampled on, sometimes a minor public disturbance is necessary to get the world to take notice. Their message, regardless of the means of delivery, was legitimate and that should not be a crime.

By turning it into a crime, Putin and his government have had the harsh spotlight of international attention thrust upon them. Instead of realizing that the court of public opinion is the harshest judge, by criminalizing the actions of the band Putin has turned them into martyrs. The last thing an authoritarian regime wants is to attract international interest and by picking on this band, that's just what Putin got.

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The Johnson Commons is undergoing a year-round construction project and is expected to reopen in 2013. Students can still eat in the JC East, however, via a temporary kitchen.

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Commons, will be blocked due to the construction. From Dormitory Row North, where Galtney Lott Plaza is located, past the parking lot on the west side of Chapel

Lane will be without parking as well.

However, Astill said there are ways to accommodate both the faculty unable to park in that area and the hungry students.

“For faculty, they should look at using the new Park-and-Ride routes, as well as focus more on the parking

provided by the Vaught Stadium and walking to campus,” he said.

There will also be parking along Meek and Dormitory Row West, but with a catch.

“If (the faculty are) really not here before 8:30 a.m., they’re going to be driving looking for a spot,” Astill said.

Pushing the new Park-and-Ride option, Astill said hopes both faculty and students give the new route a try.

“I really encourage everybody, even if they have a commuter permit, to try that on a regular basis,” he said.

The JC East is open Monday through Friday from 10

a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Magnolia Kitchen is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., as well as Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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Living Learning Communities move into The Ridges

Students are getting accustomed to the new Living Learning Communities, more commonly known as The Ridges, which are aimed at specific academic groups on campus.

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As most of The University of Mississippi community has noticed by now, three new residence halls have appeared on campus. These new Living Learning Communities (LLCs), more commonly known as The Ridges, were designed to give 850 of the incoming freshmen the opportunity to immediately meet people who have similar academic interests.

Each student goes through an application process, which heavily weighs academic performance.

The LLCs have a specific focus including business, global perspectives and STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics).

"The Ridges were built specifically for LLCs to provide

the right kind of environment, faculty and staff who actually have offices in those buildings, and space for activities which make them a little bit different than other residence halls," said Jennifer McClure, assistant director for marketing in student housing.

Roommates and business majors Matt Davis and George Preston, who live in the Business LLC at Ridge West, are enjoying to larger bathrooms and nicer rooms. However, Davis said that socially the communities are off to a slow start.

"Unlike other dorms on move-in day, it's been a challenge to meet people here since the doors don't stay unlocked," Davis said.

However, McClure said she believes the social atmosphere will come alive once the school year gets fully underway.



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"All of the LLCs will have programming that encourage students to look outside their LLCs and connect with members of the campus community and members of the greater Oxford community," she said.

For international students, the LLC can be a great way to socially transition to America by living in a community full of diversity. Swedish international student and business management major Vilhelm Kokko, a member of the Glob-

al Perspective LLC, is enjoying the LLC social experience.

"The LLC is great way for me to experience the American culture as an international student," Kokko said.

Economics major Will Rankin, who lives on the same floor as Kokko, has been interested in other cultures since he studied in France.

"The new dorms are a great way to expand to my horizons and cultures," Rankin said. "I've already learned a lot."

Despite the importance of social life in college, McClure said that is not the main goal of the LLC communities.

"The very first impact we hope to have is with academic success as far as grades go and retention," McClure said. "That's what's important to us. But we also hope that we not only have freshman involved in these communities, but that upperclassmen will become involved as well and can do some tutoring and mentoring."



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Square shopping on a student budget

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The Oxford life can be quite the adjustment, whether you're a freshman, grad student or adjunct professor. Some students are coming from big cities with big malls and others are more familiar with the small-town drug store.

While there is plenty to do on campus and around town, like playing Frisbee in the Grove or catching a movie, our humble, little town is said to be lacking in one particular area: Shopping.

Typically the go-to place for shopping is the Square. However, because of exclusivity, prices tend to be a bit steeper, and many students steer away from the shops and boutiques. Even so, a true fashionista who keeps the right things in mind knows how to work around



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the cash dilemma.

A successful and frugal shopping day should be faced with several key points in mind.

First, think about your bud-

get. What are you really willing to spend? Try not to rush to the first rack you see. Instead, be observant of the windows and counters, which is where

sale information is typically posted.

The next thing to think about is what exactly you are looking for. There is nothing

worse than what I call the "grab, grab, go" daze. Say for instance, you need a skirt for a party tonight, but you end up leaving with a pair of earrings, a scarf and a hat. Not what you planned on, huh? Knowing exactly what you want can help you avoid making this easy mistake.

Another point to consider is what is in your closet. If you need a skirt, you may already have a shirt or accessories that could pair well with the outfit; these items can be marked off your list of things to buy, which will save you money.

Make an effort to keep these tips in mind when you're needing some retail therapy.

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Prewitt shines

Sophomore Cody Prewitt had an impressive fall camp, which put him in position to see extended playing time this season.



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Sophomore safety Cody Prewitt

BY BENNETT HIPPI
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Ole Miss safety Cody Prewitt found himself in a tough and unenviable position this past spring.

The 6-foot-3, 214-pound sophomore was trying to impress a new coaching staff in a new scheme, but a badly injured ankle caused the staff to misevaluate what they thought they had in Prewitt.

"I think we got a misconception on Cody because last spring; I think it was the second practice, he turned his ankle real bad," Ole Miss defensive coordinator Dave Wommack said. "I was really concerned about him in the summer being able to do what we needed

him to do."

Prewitt said the injury affected his ability to "cut and everything like that," adding "you need to be able to do that fast playing defensive back."

"It was just really frustrating because I knew what I could do, but my body was limiting what I could do as far as that goes," Prewitt said. "I learned the defense well, and that's really the only thing I could do in the spring - was just learn the defense and know what I was doing and just wait for my

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Ward practices, Grant and Moore return

Channing Ward, a five-star recruit, took part in his first practice at Ole Miss Tuesday afternoon. Senior Uriah Grant and sophomore Collins Moore also returned to practice after they suffered preseason injuries.

BY MATT SIGLER
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True freshman Channing Ward, Ole Miss' top recruit, made his debut as a Rebel Tuesday afternoon. Ward was fully dressed and participated in all of the drills head coach Hugh Freeze planned.

"He looks good in a suit," Freeze said. "He's in decent shape, but just doesn't know what he is doing yet. How far we can bring him in a short amount of time, I don't know, but I know Kiffin and our defensive staff are working hard to see how much he can retain in a short amount of time. We are glad he is out here, and he is certainly going to be an asset to us."

Ward, from Aberdeen, was a five-star recruit coming out of high school, but had trouble this offseason getting cleared by the NCAA to participate. However, after being cleared last week, coach Freeze and his staff are looking to see how they can exploit him come game time.

"He's looked good," defensive line coach Chris Kiffin said. "The best thing about him is his physical make-up, he is a specimen out there. It's going to take some work to get him caught up, obviously he's got the skills and assets to be a great player, but the learning curve of it to come out here right now and to have 13 days until game day is going to be re-

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Channing Ward (11) and Kameron Wood (36) run a drill during an NCAA college football practice.

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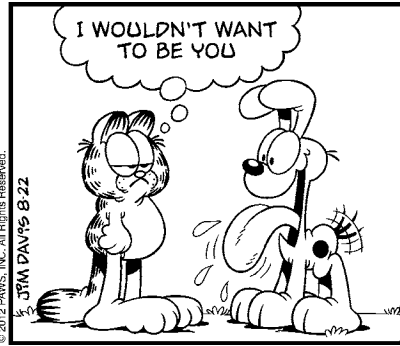
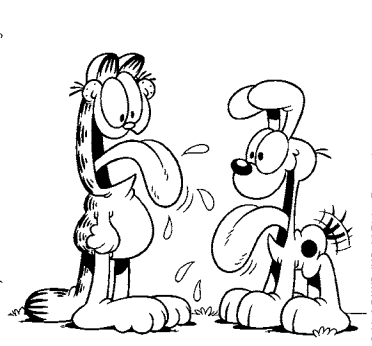
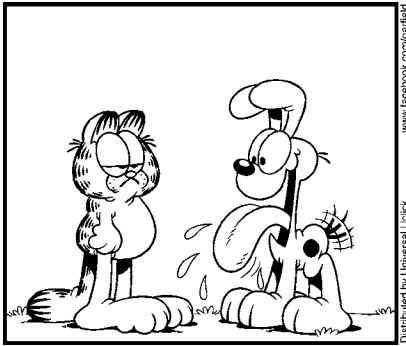
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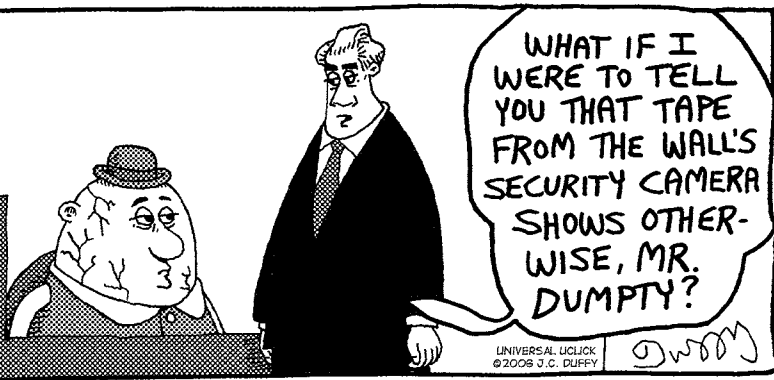
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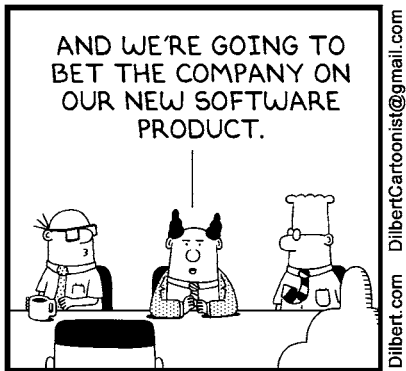
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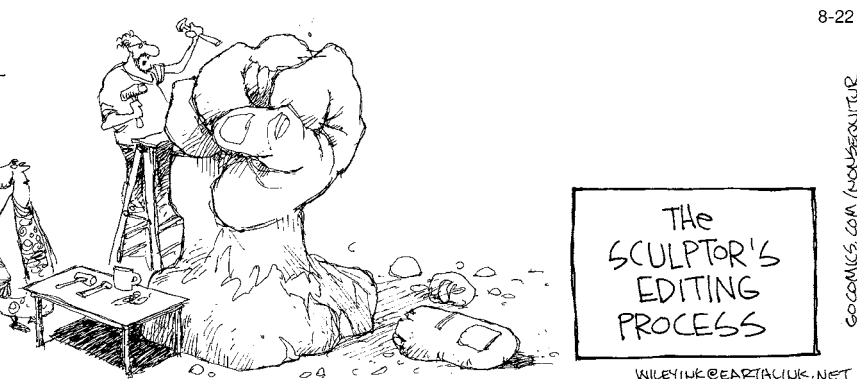
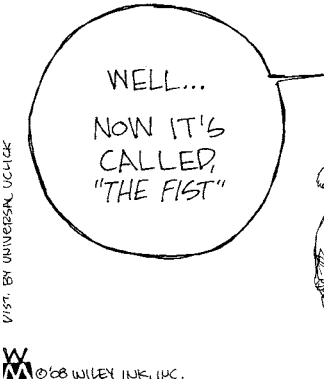
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- 19 "Nutcracker" costume
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Sophomore safety Cody Prewitt



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ankle to catch up.”

Catch up is exactly what Prewitt has done, as he opened fall camp in a three-way battle at one of the safety spots between himself, redshirt freshman Chief Brown and senior Tanner Burns. He quickly moved to the front of that group and ran with the first team for a good part of camp.

“I think Cody’s been the guy that’s really stepped up as much as anybody,” Wommack said. “We’d like to have a big-

ger, physical guy, and I think he’s 214 [pounds] right now. He’s just been the quarterback for us and run the show. Sure, he’s made some mistakes, but he’s really come along.”

Much has been made of Hugh Freeze’s up-tempo, fast-paced offense. What hasn’t really been covered is the effect that tempo has on the Ole Miss defense, which faces it every day in practice. Working against that is something Prewitt said has made him and the defense better as a whole.

“It’s really just more fun [to go against]; it makes everything more competitive,” he said. “When everything is

more competitive, we all play harder and it makes us think, so it makes us better on defense whenever they pick up their tempo on offense. It just makes it really fun.”

Prewitt also has the advantage of having some experience from his freshman season under Houston Nutt. He played in all 12 games last year and started his first game against Kentucky on Nov. 5.

“Me personally, it gave me experience and it’s going to eliminate going out (against Central Arkansas) just being nervous and seeing 50,000 people in the crowd,” Prewitt said. “I think that kind of ex-

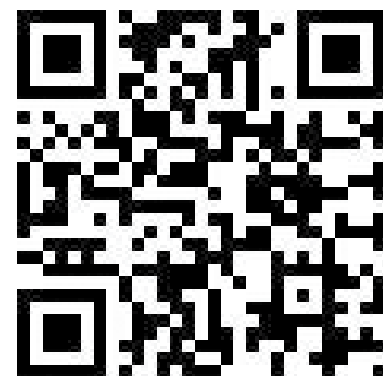
perience really helps; it gets the butterflies out of the way early.”

That game against Kentucky is when Prewitt hit his stride, recording 27 total tackles in the last four games – including a career-high nine at Kentucky and nine again against LSU. He also reeled in his first career interception against Mississippi State in the Egg Bowl.

His strong finish to an up-and-down freshman season is something he and the rest of the group of freshmen that played last year want to carry into 2012.

“Once you really do know the defense, we’re going to

come in here this year and the younger guys that did play last year, we’re not going to have go through that awkward stage or whatever the first few games,” Prewitt said.



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Bryson Rose kicks a field goal during an NCAA college football scrimmage.

Fall Camp Report: Special Teams

As the final installment of a three-part series, The Daily Mississippian football beat writer Bennett Hipp will give a report on Ole Miss' fall camp, concentrating on the special teams.

BY BENNETT HIPPI
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KICKER:

The one position group that Ole Miss head coach Hugh Freeze doesn't really have to worry about is the special teams, the kicking game in particular.

"That is one place I hope that we are pretty solid," Freeze said. "I think Bryson (Rose) is as solid as can be, and Tyler (Campbell) is a really good punter. I feel comfortable that we are in OK shape there."

Rose returns after a junior

season that saw him hit 9 of 11 field goals and 20 of 21 extra point attempts.

An offseason under the new strength staff, headed by strength and conditioning coach Paul Jackson, has Rose feeling even better about his abilities heading into the 2012 season.

"I feel comfortable right now from about 55 (yards) and in," Rose said. "The strength staff has been great this year."

Rose said he focuses on staying flexible, using yoga and stretches to help.

In terms of kickoff duties, the

emergence of true freshman Nathan Noble has allowed Ole Miss to consider redshirting senior kicker Andrew Ritter, which would give Ole Miss a veteran kicker next year after Rose graduates.

"He's very open to it, but I'm not saying it's a done thing yet," Freeze said about redshirting Ritter.

"I want to sit down with the family and make sure everybody's good with it before we do something like that, but it's definitely a possibility."

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PUNTER:

After an ill-fated venture that turned senior punter Tyler Campbell into a rugby-style punter in 2011, Campbell switched back to a traditional punting style. However, it took a while in the spring and summer to get his mechanics back in order.

In 2010, Campbell led the Southeastern Conference in punt average at 46.37 yards per punt. That number fell to just 43.57 yards per punt in 2011, and Campbell is hopeful that a return to his old style will get him back to where he was as a sophomore.

"I really think that messed up my fundamentals last year as far as a totally different leg swing," Campbell said. "This year I told them I want to be a conventional punter, and that is what I've worked on so far."

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Senior punter Tyler Campbell

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Sophomore wide receiver Collins Moore

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ally tough on him.

Grant and Moore return to practice


After suffering labrum injuries this offseason, both senior Uriah Grant and Collins Moore returned to practice Tuesday afternoon for Ole Miss.

Grant, who had surgery this offseason, and Moore, who suffered a torn labrum during camp, both are key players for the Rebels this season.


"We weren't going to put him in any contact today," Freeze said of Moore. "He said he wasn't having any pain. He did some conditioning work. It's still a little early, we'll try him next week. We'll turn him loose and see how he does next week."

Grant said he feels blessed to be able to return to the team after his injury and is looking to get back to his starting role on the defensive line. Grant also said that he feels 100 percent at this point.

"During camp and the rehab process it's been hard watching the guys practice," Grant said. "There were some days that I was down, but leaders like Jason Jones and AJ Hawkins lifted me up everyday and encouraged me to just keep my head up, and they knew I would be back."



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