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Mayor Pro-tem Jack Keeter and City Councilman Marianne Block untied the ribbon and opened Pullen Bridge to traffic last Friday afternoon. The bridge was opened after seven months of traffic jams and detours for students.

## Pullen opens for traffic

by Robin Ludlow  
Staff Writer

Last Friday at 3 p.m., seven months, nine days and 21 hours after the old Pullen Bridge was closed, a jubilant crowd of State students and Raleigh residents witnessed the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Pullen Bridge.

The ceremony marked the bridge's official opening in time for the home-game weekend and the Commodore concert and four days earlier than originally slated.

Prior to the untying of the ribbon, Chancellor Joab Thomas and several city officials commented on the success of the Pullen Bridge Project despite the controversies surrounding it.

Chancellor Thomas referred to the bridge as "a symbol of the working relationship between the University and the City of Raleigh cooperating with each other to find a suitable solution within the given restrictions."

Marianne Block, City Councilman for Section D, said that she had "no qualms" about the bridge project.

"I would like to thank all those involved with this project and we are glad that it is over. I know that the State students have been burdened a lot by the project," added Block.

Block also took the opportunity to say that with the new bridge completed "we are ready for the traffic from a Norm Sloan victory season."

City Manager Lawrence Zachary said

Friday was "another great day" for the University comparing it to the day when the Quadrangle was completed and the day "the cows were taken out of the old barn on the coliseum site."

"The success of this project has been tremendous thanks to the cooperation from the railroad," Zachary said. "It has taken less time to build this bridge than it usually takes the railroad to respond to a letter."

Mayor Pro-tem Jack Keeter, who at one time was Raleigh's fire chief, drew howls of laughter from the crowd when he told about when he would drive the fire truck down Dan Allen because the fire bridge could not hold heavy equipment. At that time no emergency vehicles were allowed to cross the bridge.

"We would have to go down that bumpy road, over there," remarked Keeter, pointing toward Dan Allen. "And I'm not a person who likes to slow down, so the person riding with me always took a beating."

At the end of the speeches Keeter and Block untied the ribbon and drove the fire department's new truck across the bridge. They were followed by several rescue squad vehicles and car loads of students who wanted to try out the new construction.

The ceremony ended a controversy which started about two years ago when the city's consultant engineers Bigger and Agna began warning that the bridge was unsafe and that pieces of the bridge had fallen onto the railroad track.

"The city was just not willing to risk a

libel suit in case of the bridge's collapse," said William Bigger. "Something had to be done soon and this seemed to be the best course."

The Council began accepting bids for the bridge's demolition and construction from March 14, when Southern Railroad approved the building of the bridge over their right-of-way, until March 30.

Controversy arose when the bids were higher than the projected cost by the city. But on April 19, the City Council awarded the contract to Columbus Contractors of Whiteville, N.C., the same contractor who was awarded the contract for the Ashe Avenue Bridge.

The cost of the Bridge was set at \$444,420, approximately \$150,000 more than the expected \$300,000 which was paid for the construction for Ashe Avenue Bridge. The higher cost was attributed to inflation and special conditions.

The main restriction on the bridge itself was set by the Railroad companies. They required that the new bridge be 21½ feet above their tracks. This meant that the approaches to the bridge would have to be built-up one and one-half feet. This also meant that the Pate and East Dunn approaches to Pullen Road had to be built-up so that they would not be cut off.

The largest problem with the project however, was that in the will of Richard Stanhope Pullen, who deeded the land to the city, it stipulated that no new construction could take place on the land that is a part of Pullen Park. So the new bridge had to be built on the same spot as the old bridge.

## Student housing shortage solved for spring semester enrollment

by John Flesher  
Staff Writer

The student housing situation, once bleak and uncertain, has improved, and officials in the Department of Residence Life are presently engrossed in plans for the upcoming semester.

"We were rather worried for a while, but everything turned out just about right," said Paul Marion, director of Residence Life. "We have kept all the dormitories full and have succeeded in moving all but five of the students who were in temporary housing. Those five women, who are now in Lee Hall, will probably be relocated within a week."

James Fulghum, housing officer, recalled the near crisis that occurred at the beginning of the fall semester. "It was a real problem," he said. "It wasn't that we were totally unprepared; we foresaw the housing crunch last Spring and appealed to members of the Raleigh community to take students into their homes. While the response was pretty good, the simple fact was that we had nearly 18,000 people needing a place to stay, and we were only able to accommodate one-third of them on campus."

"As a result, we had to put three stu-

dents per room in many places. Others were residing in dorm bunks. When the situation became critical, we even had about 75 people in the John Yancey hotel. However, these students were moved with a week, and the triple rooms were reduced to doubles by mid-September."

Fulghum said that the usual factors involved in solving the housing problem again had their effects this semester. "Rooms become available when students move off campus, and they do so for various reasons: joining fraternities, finding apartments, dropping out, and so forth."

This year, however, the cancellation rate has been slower than we anticipated, so we have only been able to assign places to a few of the men and none of the women on the waiting lists."

According to Fulghum, one reason for the lack of dorm cancellations is the lack of apartment space off campus. He said that a recent television survey of the Raleigh area showed that 98 per cent of the apartments in the city are occupied. "With the high costs of construction these days, most of the landlords interviewed said that expansion was out of the question, at least for the present," Fulghum added.

Marion expressed optimism for the upcoming semester, stating that everyone wanting an on-campus room should be able to get one. "This is usually the case during the spring semester," he said. "Students finding new accommodations or graduating leave just enough spaces for those who want to move in. We will still fill up, you can be sure, but we should have enough available rooms for those needing them."

For the past several years, the increasingly tight housing situation has led many people to call for the construction of a new dormitory. Neither Marion nor Fulghum, however, knew of any definite plans for

such a building. "Some time ago the North Carolina General Assembly authorized the addition of a residence hall at State, and even picked a site south of Lee dorm," Fulghum said. "Unfortunately, they can't send any money to help us out, so no concrete action has been taken. We get no state or federal aid for housing; it is paid for entirely through student rent."

Marion, too, cited money as the major problem in building a new residence hall. "We could do it tomorrow if the student body would agree to it, because they are the ones that would foot the bill," he said. "We would have to raise room rent substantially and make sure that the new dorm is full at all times during the year."

Right now, the business office is making some cost estimates in conjunction with a study that takes place every few years concerning the feasibility of new dorms. As of now, it is only in the projection stage and no decisions have been made."

Another problem haunting dorm construction is location. "The area south of Lee is a possibility, but it would run into the surrounding athletic fields," Marion said. "Other places that have been mentioned are the grounds behind fraternity court and beside King Village, but these are far from the central campus area."

"Frankly, I can't think of any available spots that are both feasible and convenient. It's just one more thing that has to be carefully considered from every angle."

Marion said that much student input would go into any decision made concerning new residence halls. "The Residence Life Advisory Committee and the Inter-Residence Council would have their opinions voiced, but the most important people would be the students themselves since the money for a new dorm would come from their pockets," he added.

## Plan alters selection

by David Pendered  
News Editor

Student Body President Blas Arroyo has initiated action which, if passed, will bring the selection of the Student Center president under the power of the student body president.

The existing selection system dictates that the Student Center president be elected by a general vote of the student body in the spring semester elections. Arroyo has proposed that the existing selection system be altered and "position of University Student Center President be abolished and be replaced as an appointee of the Student Body President subject to the approval of the Student Senate."

The proposed new position, entitled "Executive Officer of the University Student Center," would be "directly responsible to the Student Body President," according to the proposal.

The proposal states that the powers of the executive officer and the powers of the Student Center would remain as they now are. The only change would be that the executive officer would be responsible to the Student Body President.

Mailed to members of the Student Center Board of Directors Oct. 27, the proposal is not on the official agenda of the Board of Directors' meeting Wednesday.

The existing constitution of the Student Center states that any changes require a two-thirds majority vote of all students voting in a general referendum. Before the vote, however, the proposed change must be approved by a two-thirds vote of

the Union Board of Directors or by a petition signed by 15 per cent of the student body.

Arroyo said Sunday afternoon that Student Government is not attempting to gain control of the Student Center through the passage of this action.

Rather, he said the government is trying to coordinate the actions of all student affairs so students will have a single voice when they address the administration.

He said Student Government does not wish to become involved in the daily functions of the Student Center. The center would still control the Programs Budget and would be the heart of student activities. The leader of the center would merely be more open to suggestions by the Student Body President and consequently the center would be more responsive to students' needs, according to Arroyo.

In the early 1970's, Student Body President Kathy Sterling separated the Student Center and the publications from the control of the Student Senate, according to Arroyo.

This was done, he said because Sterling was enveloped in the Vietnamese War movement and was taking steps to assure the freedom of these entities.

The time for separation is gone, Arroyo said because the students now need to have a unified liaison to the administration. He said there are presently so many student representatives at Chancellor Joab Thomas' liaison meetings that it is hard for students to be represented as a

unit. "We need to have one certain communication line and one certain coordination line," said Arroyo.

If the proposal is approved, Arroyo said the students would know exactly who was



Blas Arroyo

responsible for certain activities and therefore would know to whom complaints should be directed.

Arroyo said students should not worry about getting good executive officers. When the students elect the Student Body President, Arroyo said, they elect the person they feel is best able to fulfill their needs and that person will be able to appoint a responsible person to lead the Student Center.

Student Center President David Hinton was unavailable for comment.

## Variety of programs, exhibits

by Helen Tart  
Staff Writer

If one heard the strains of music and laughter coming from the ballroom on the second floor of the Student Center and didn't investigate, one may wish one had.

Food, entertainment and socializing were available at the International Fair this weekend for the students and community who attended. Approximately 5,000 people visited the fair over the entire weekend, Brita Tate, assistant director of the Programs office estimated.

"How can you tell the number of people? I knew we had at least 500 grade school children Friday. Just look around you!" Tate said, referring to the crowd watching a group of dancers in the ballroom.

"Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, the food especially. I haven't eaten a decent meal all weekend," Tate said, holding a piece of the bread sold at the Lebanon booth. "I'm always eating something from here this weekend."

"The foreign students especially enjoyed the fair," she added. "It gives them the chance to get together and socialize."

Strange smells and different-looking foods graced several booths, and dancers from some of the countries performed native dances, while a crowd more varied than all the nations represented watched. Grandparents, babes in arms, and everyone in between seemed to be gathered round in either curiosity or the desire to see a familiar dance.

Fair goers might have enjoyed Indian dancers performing a traditional welcome dance or been invited to dance with Venezuelan dancers or been treated to the playing of State's bagpipers depending on the time of day.

Anytime one might have sampled fried wonton at the Vietnamese booth or Lebanese bread or cheese balls and fluffy white candy at the Venezuelan booth for a small fee. "Most of the foods were prepared by the students. Some of the food was prepared ahead and reheated; many of them used the stove in Alexander," Tate commented.

"The people seemed to enjoy learning about other countries," commented Samir

Ataya, who coordinated the exhibit. One item which interested many people was an old sacred book of one of the religions of the country, he mentioned.

"The book is over 400 years old; it belongs to a student here." When asked the name of the book, Ataya said, "It is a

secret book, I cannot say what it is."

In another corner of the fair a family was having their picture taken in one exhibit, and for a dime people were getting their names written in Chinese. At that booth and everywhere was having a good time.



Staff photo by Chris Seward

People attending the International Fair this weekend were exposed to various cultures by students and community members who set up booths and programs for the spectators. At the Chinese exhibit, one could get one's name printed in Chinese for a dime.

## Student prepaid legal plan delayed

by Robin Ludlow  
Staff Writer

"We don't mean to appear negligent about the issue, but in order to install a prepaid legal service for students at State, we would have to be able to absorb about a \$10,000 loss and we simply can't take that kind of loss now," responded Joseph C. Delk, executive director of the N.C. Bar Association.

The response was to allocations that the Board was stalling on the plan to provide a prepaid legal service to students which was passed by the Student Senate last April.

The plan, which passed with only one dissenting vote, allowed a student up to \$550 in legal services per year anywhere in the U.S. or Canada him and his

dependents for an \$18 yearly premium.

The service would be managed by North Carolina Prepaid Legal Services, a non-profit corporation created by the 1975 General Assembly to provide for the prepayment of attorney fees in a fashion similar to the way medical insurance services are provided. NCPLS is sponsored by the state Bar and thus all its actions must be approved by the Bar's Board of Directors.

"We are a new group, not funded by anyone, and we simply have to wait until we have enough money to take on a project like this," said Delk. "We are looking at the possibility of next Fall."

The Board feels that its prediction of a \$10,000 loss is justified by the recent attempt to implement a prepaid legal plan at Kansas State University which turned

out to be a financial disaster. "Out of 20,000 students only 176 students signed up, and they all had legal problems," Delk explained. "We feel that this is the kind of thing that is going to happen with an open enrollment system where everyone doesn't have to pay the premium."

If the plan does get passed for next Fall, State would be one of the first universities in the nation to offer such a program."

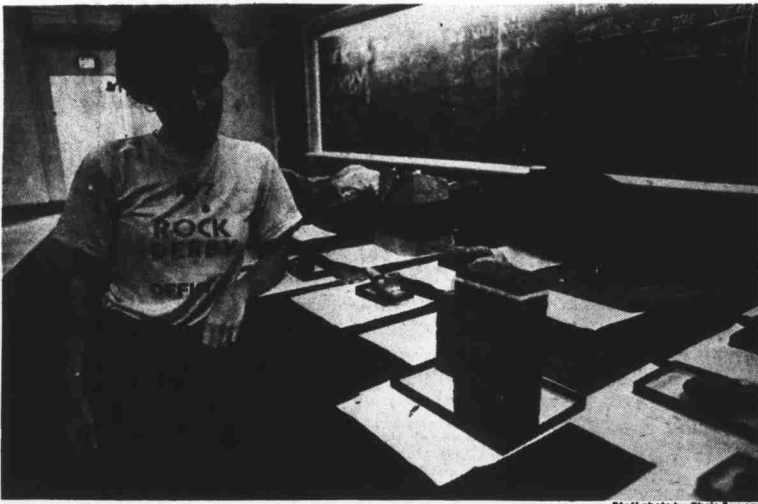
Chancellor Joab L. Thomas signed a contract with NCPLS in May to provide prepaid legal services for State's faculty and staff. The faculty plan provides for legal services up to \$2,200 a year from any attorney in the U.S. or Canada for a monthly premium of \$6.

The service includes wills, trust agreements, divorces, adoptions, title searches and court suits.

## Decals on sale

Commuter decals will go on sale today at 8 a.m. at room 100 of the Reynolds Coliseum. The decals will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis for \$35.

Commuting students who are currently using a fringe decal may turn in their decals for a "C" decal for the additional cost. The "F" decals that are turned in will be sold at a later date.



Rock Derby official Kathy Tew chats with Bruce the Brick (right) prior to the start of the first annual Rock Derby competition.

## Racing for retarded

## Tekes run for the money

by Tim Whelan  
Features Writer

Come rain, sleet, snow, or dark of night, the Tekes will keep their appointed rounds.

Brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon are running a football for 24 hours on Nov. 10 to raise money for the Tammy Lynn Center for retarded children in Raleigh.

Steve Hyde, Teke chapter community service director, said that "each brother can run at least three miles in 24 hours. We can get 150 miles easy. If we can get \$1,000 in pledges, it

will make it worthwhile," Hyde said. Tekes are seeking pledges from local merchants or individuals in lump sum or 'per mile' donations.

"We wanted to concentrate on helping somebody close by," Hyde said. "Last semester we had an Easter Egg Hunt with Tammy Lynn and the kids loved it."

This semester, the Tekes decided on a fund raising event, because the center "has been given a notice to vacate and we also need a facility with more space," Tammy Lynn's Execu-

tive Director, Nell Barnes, said. "If we didn't get much money, and just got T.V. publicity, it would help the Tammy Lynn Center," Hyde said.

Barnes agreed there was a need for "awareness of Tammy Lynn and the services it provides the community." About 100 retarded children, ranging in ages from birth to 19 are cared for at the center, located in a mostly condemned neighborhood on Cardinal Gibbons Drive.

"We'll probably start running

from the center around 3 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 10," Hyde said. "We're going to kick it off by having a celebrity, maybe Thad Eure throw a football to Charlie Gaddy. He (Gaddy) has promised to run a mile for us."

The Tekes' route will depend on what's good running roads," Paul Hyler, Teke athletic coordinator said. "We'll pick roads with shoulders, little traffic, and a minimum of big hills."

"Most of the house is practicing," Hyler said. "After all, it's for charity."

## For Bruce, success was only a stone's throw away

by Rex Pomeroes  
Features Writer

"I can safely say that I have been more impressed with Bruce than any other brick I've ever met in my life," said Rock Derby judge Joe Moyer, in describing the first runner-up for the title of 1977 Pet Rock of the Year. "He's truly an ace among bricks."

Sponsored by State student Baxter Thacker, Bruce the Brick had seemingly come out of nowhere to clinch second place in the Pet Rock division of the first annual Rock Derby.

"I decided to enter Bruce in the contest after I learned of the Rock Derby competition," said Thacker last Wednesday during a lull in Derby activities. "I've always felt that he had the makings of a champion and the time had come to find out."

Contestants in the Pet Rock division were judged on three phases of competition according to Moyer, who in addition to serving as a judge for the contest, was also responsible for the creation of the Rock Derby.

"These rocks will have to show us that they have more than just good looks; we're also interested in their intellectual side. Therefore they'll be competing in a talent portion, swimsuit portion and in addition will answer questions from the judges."

For his part in the talent competition, Bruce performed three stunts which Moyer termed "unbelievable."

Aided by another brick, Bruce reclined at a 45 degree angle, thus offering his version of the Leaning Tower of Pisa. He then attempted the difficult feat (for a brick) of standing on his head for nearly a full minute.

"He just never knows when to stop with that trick," said Thacker afterwards. "When I saw that he was becoming red in the face I immediately made him get down."

For the third part of his talent act, Bruce fell over and played dead, so convincingly in fact that several members of the audience jammed in the Withers Hall auditorium for the competition,

rushed forward to administer aid before they realized that the brick was only playing possum.

"Playing dead is something that he picked up from watching all of those police shows on television, with all of their killing and violence," lamented Thacker. "It's just like the old saying goes, 'Brick see, brick do.'"

In spite of his crowd pleasing performance, the best Bruce could manage was a first place tie in the talent competition with a rock who was able to dive headfirst into a beaker of water and then do the backstroke. A fact that obviously displeased Thacker.

"It was a really bad decision on the judges' part. There was no originality in the rock's act whatsoever. I can name ten pieces of pumice right off hand that can do the same thing in water."

Bruce bowed out of the swimsuit competition due to what Thacker called "personal reasons."

"Bruce is a very shy, introverted brick. Anyone that knows Bruce at all can tell you that parading around half-naked in a swimsuit just for the benefit of others is just not his style."

Before the judges' questioning began, Thacker commented on his young brick's many qualities.

"He's got the perfect body configuration for a brick. Just look at those dimensions—1 in. x 4 in. x 6 in. of solid red clay. And he's athletic too," said Thacker pointing to the sweatband around the top of the brick.

"Bruce is also a rock music fan."

His favorite song?

"Brick House" by the Commodores of course," answered Thacker quickly. "He's been after me all week to take him to their concert Saturday night. I think he's hoping to go backstage afterwards and get their autographs."

Each contestant in the competition had been urged to submit a pedigree and Thacker had made one available on Bruce.

"I've been able to construct Bruce's family wall by tracing his ancestry. He comes from a very prestigious background," said Thacker.

"His grandfather was an actor. You

probably remember him best for his starring role in 'The Wizard of Oz.' He played part of the Yellow Brick Road."

"His father has been selected to be the cornerstone of the new Gardner Hall addition," continued Thacker, "and his mother is part of the letter 'S' in the center of the brickyard."

As the first portion of the competition got underway, the judges posed the question to Bruce, "What do you see as the moral role of rocks in stabilizing the American nuclear family?"

"That was an awful tough question for him to answer," said Thacker. "Bruce being the pacifist brick that he is. As a matter of fact, one of his Biblical ancestors applied for a conscientious objector's status when he was asked to fight with David in his battle against Goliath. There was just no way he could bring himself to answer that question after he heard the word nuclear."

Nevertheless when the five semi-finalists out of the beginning field of 35 contestants was announced, Thacker's brick was included.

"It was a dream come true for Bruce," Thacker said. "I just hope he can win it all."

Both Bruce and Thacker's dreams were shattered moments later however as the judges announced that Sri Ammonanda, the cosmic awareness rock owned by geology student Bill Dodge had been selected 1977 Pet-Rock of the Year.

Bruce had finished in the first runner-up spot, and if Ammonanda was unable to complete it's reign as Pet Rock of the Year for any reason, Bruce would assume the title.

"He's pretty down in the dumps right now," said Thacker after the decision. "He really thought he had a chance for the top spot."

As for Bruce's future plans, Thacker said that he will be on display along with the other winners in the contest in the showcase inside Withers Hall.

"After that I believe I'll retire him. Things like this just take too much out of him."

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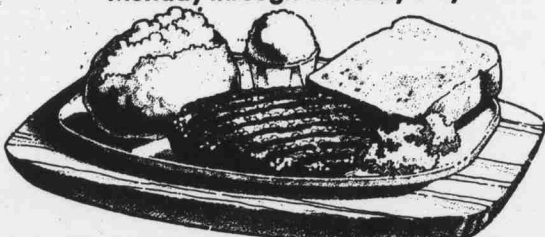
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The Commodores: (left-to-right) William King, Lionel Richie, Thomas McClary, Walter Orange (behind drums), Ronald Lapread and Milan Williams.



# Entertainment

## Commodores

### Fitting reception in the Land of Brick

by Raymond Rawlinson  
Staff Writer

The refrain from the Commodores' latest single sometimes rings through my mind at the oddest times, which is surprising because I don't particularly like the single or the group. In the music industry,

this type of record is known as a hook. It's meant to hook the listener with an easily identifiable phrase, and that is what I fully expected from the concert, a performance filled with catchy hooks the audience could easily identify with. It just goes to show you how wrong a person can be.

The Commodores put on what had to be one of the most energetic concerts I've ever seen. When the house lights dimmed to announce the arrival of the Commodores, the whole house rose to its feet, clapping, yelling, and all out showing everyone who they came to see. When the lights came back on,

four men were strutting across the stage, singing with a vigor that is usually achieved in the middle and towards the end of the show. The Commodores started high and took the audience even higher.

They started their 70-minute set with several fast very danceable songs. But since the Commodores are known just as much for their ballads as their songs, I wondered how the group would make the transition from fast to slow. I underestimated the professionalism of the group.

All it took was a dimming of the house lights once again. When the lights went back on, the lead singer started into a (better) version of "Zoom," off their album simply called *Commodores*. All it took was the first few chords before the crowd recognized the tune and screams of delight came from the females in the audience.

The Commodores milked the audience for all they were worth. Intermittently singing and talking to the audience, the group molded the crowd into just the shape they wanted. The lead singer frequently asked the crowd to clap along with the songs but this wasn't necessary. Almost everyone clapped along with or without being asked.

High points of the evening came when the Commodores

sang "(Just to be) Close to You," "Slippery When It's Wet," and "Easy," eliciting such a response from the audience, they indeed made it seem easy like Sunday morning.

My personal favorite came when the group sang "I Feel Sanctified," a song off their first album. This is easily the best dance record I've heard in a long time. It was recorded about six years ago, before the disco craze started turning anything with a rhythmic beat into a major pop hit. "Sanctified" came late in the set; everyone who wasn't on their feet then, immediately jumped up and started dancing in the aisles or anyplace there was enough room to move any part of their body.

Saving the best for last, the climax of the night came when the group sang "Brick House." Their 10-minute live performance of this song is certainly superior to the studio version, if only because the studio version gives no hint of the great amount of energy that is unleashed during its performance. Both the group and audience were moving, each trying to keep up with the other.

The Commodores won many converts to their special brand of music, even one of the most cynical of reviewers. The Commodores have been called the Beatles of soul. This tag is



Ronald Lapread and William King entertain an audience of live wires with a number from their current LP *Commodores*.

at the same time true and confining. The Commodores made their name in such places as Moritz and the Riviera, places where, I'm told, the beautiful people play.

Michael Henderson, a new man to pop audiences, but an old friend to jazz regulars started off the evening. Henderson, playing lead guitar played some hard-driving disco tunes as well as the two records for which he is famous. "Be My

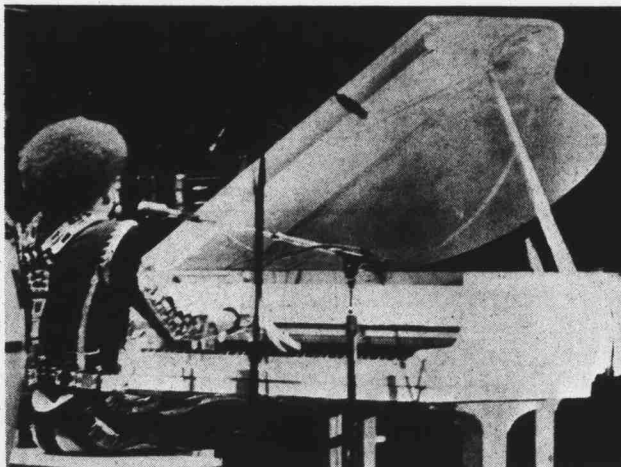
Girl," and "You Are My Starship."

Although Henderson was visibly trying very hard, the audience was not as enthralled as they should have been. Henderson has a nice tenor voice but frequently, for whatever reasons, decided to sing in a high falsetto voice. During these times he hit notes that were obviously out of his range.

During the Henderson set,

the crowd added a little accompaniment. Somebody was playing a tamborine in the audience throughout the performance and during "Starship" some beautiful female voices in the audience added just the right compliment to Henderson's singing.

Henderson should be around for a long time if he realizes that his forte is dance tunes and not the ballads like "Starship" he played.



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## Sturdy State defense holds off Gamecocks

by David Carroll  
Sports Editor

For the umpteenth time this football season, State's defense was sturdier than a brickhouse when it needed to be.

The confident red-shoed Wolfpack defensive unit allowed only a field goal on two South Carolina penetrations inside the 10-yard line and stopped another threat at the 25 in the waning minutes, enabling State to hold on for a crucial 7-3 victory over the Gamecocks Saturday at Carter Stadium.

"There were no doubts in our minds," said senior defensive tackle Tom Prongay, who has been a shining example of consistency all season long. "You could look in everybody's eyes and know we weren't going to let this one get away."

The significance of the win is that the Pack, which improved its record to 6-3, is assured of a winning season and still has an outside shot at a bowl invitation.

### Big defensive plays

State's defense treated the partisan 40,800 spectators to a number of big plays. Richard Carter intercepted a pass in the Pack's end zone with 2:46 left. Jon Hall recovered a fumble at the 25 with 1:46 to go to seal the final verdict. But the real hero was sophomore defensive back Woodrow Wilson, who won the Dick Christy Award as the Pack's outstanding player against the Gamecocks.

Wilson, nicknamed El Presidente, intercepted two passes. The first theft set up the game's only touchdown.

"I don't even think the quarterback (Ron Bass) saw me," explained the former high school All-America tailback

from Hampton, Va. "We were in man-to-man coverage, but my responsibility was the tight end and to block. So I just picked up the tight end loose-like, and when he turned it loose I knew I had a chance. I just cut in front of the tight end and got it."

Wilson intercepted the ball running full speed from left to right at the 43 and raced 25 yards to the Gamecock 18, where Bass forced him out of bounds.

"My guys were yelling at me to cut back," said Wilson. "But I

thought I could outrun him down the sideline. I guess you can't have everything."

### Wilson stars

Wilson was virtually mobbed by a cluster of newsmen afterwards. The player who has been labeled by some as a goat and know we weren't going to let this one get away."

Wilson intercepted the ball running full speed from left to right at the 43 and raced 25 yards to the Gamecock 18, where Bass forced him out of bounds.

"I've never had this kind of attention before," he beamed. "And I've never been presented a game ball either, not in high

school and certainly not here at State.

"It's nice to have a game like this. I made some bad plays earlier in the season. Today I was just in the right place at the right time."

Another man who has a penchant for being in the right place is junior linebacker Billy Cowher, who had a whopping 24 tackles.

Cowher gave State's pass rush credit for the airtight pass defense.

### Strong pass defense

"I was real proud of our defense against the pass," he stated. "I think our pass rush was the best it's been all season today. South Carolina did a lot of things different but we kept adjusting. We seemed to have a pretty good idea when they were going to throw the ball."

Indeed, the Gamecocks had problems throwing the ball. Bass completed only one of 10 passes for a mere total of 11 yards passing.

"It takes a heckuva quarterback to pass consistently against a zone coverage," said State coach Bo Rein. "I helped that we got a couple of sacks from our blitz."

Rein pointed to the turnovers as the determining factor.

"Some things we tell the squad on Friday night is to stress that you can win by winning the rushing battle and by getting more turnovers," he assessed. "We call it a sudden change. We got it and finally scored. Then when we gave it up, our defense stopped them."



Staff photo by Chris Seward

Wolfpack defensive tackle Tom Prongay corals South Carolina quarterback Ron Bass.

"The thing I'm most proud of is that we didn't wait around in the fourth quarter to find a way to lose. It was a good win, and we're pleased to get it."

South Carolina, which fell to 4-5 with its fourth straight loss, won only the statistical battle, outgaining State 300-247 yards. The Gamecocks gobbled up an impressive 289 yards on 60 rushes, but they had problems moving the ball when they got within striking distance.

Most of State's offense came on the ground, where the Pack picked up 201 yards. Once more, running back Ted Brown had an outstanding game, picking up 122 yards on 22 carries in addition to his six-yard scoring run.

"Brown is the best running back I've faced this year," said South Carolina coach Jim Carlen. "Our defense held State to seven points and that's got to be a great job. We just didn't make enough big plays."

Perhaps the most crucial series of the game was when USC had a first and goal at the seven with time running out. On first down the elusive Bass was smothered two yards behind the left side of the line of scrimmage by solid sophomore tackle Brian O'Doherty. Bass tried the same thing again the next play with much the same results. This time it was big Simon Gupton making the stop for a yard loss. Then after a timeout, Carter intercepted a Bass pass over the middle to halt the 12 play, 64-yard drive.

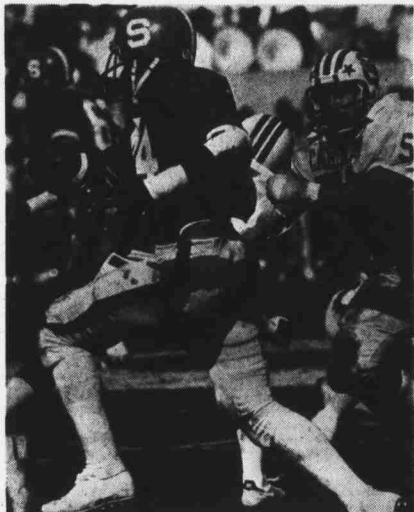
"Now we've got to beat Penn State here next week," said Wilson. "If we do that and finish 8-3, here comes a bowl bid."

"Penn State is a big one," said Cowher with anticipation.

"I really want it."



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State runner Rickey Adams looks for daylight.

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## Red-White game has much offense, little defense

It's a small wonder that public address announcer C. A. Dillon didn't get laryngitis during State's Red-White basketball game at Dorton Arena, Saturday.

Dillon seemed to be saying, "Basket by..." almost every time the teams went down court.

In other words, there was a lot of offense and little defense.

"I saw about what I expected from a team which has only practiced two weeks," reflected Wolfpack basketball coach Norm Sloan. "When you get 10 new players with only two weeks of practice, they revert back to old habits. That's what happened and the result was 10 guys playing playground ball out there."

"There was a lot of fine individual play, which you can expect in this type of game, but we still have a lot of things to work on. The individual offensive play was good at times, but the defense was not good at all."

Clyde Austin and Hawkeye Whitney led the Whites to a 120-106 run-and-gun victory over the Reds.



photo by Seward

Tony Warren scored 35. Austin collected 29 points while Whitney tallied 24. The Red team was paced by junior Tony Warren, who was the game's leading scorer with 35.

# Cavalier booters slip past unaggressive Wolfpack, 1-0

by Denny Jacobs  
Staff Writer

State's soccer team continued its losing ways in an all too familiar fashion, as the booters went down to their third consecutive one goal defeat, losing to Virginia 1-0.

Cavalier striker Jose Bauza capitalized on a Wolfpack

miscue for the game's lone tally with 12 minutes left in the game, as he found himself totally unguarded 10 yards in front of the goal mouth. Bauza wasted no time getting off his turnaround shot and drilled the ball past keeper Jim Mills. Earlier in the game Mills had rejected Bauza from a similar spot but had as much chance to

stop the game winner as a wingless quail does on the first day of hunting season.

It was the eighth time in 12 games this season that the Pack has scored one goal or less as its three man line was once again unable to generate the needed offense.

Sophomore forwards Greg Myren and Dickie Thomas had

State's best scoring opportunities in the evenly played game and both came after Virginia had taken the lead. Moments after Bauza's goal Jeff Gaffin fed the ball through the Cavalier defense toward Myren, who had broken free, but goalie Willy Hochstetler surrounded the ball as Myren drew his leg back to kick after chasing it down.

A few minutes later, Emanuel Koukutsikas chipped a pretty crossing pass in front of the goal to Thomas, but the Charlotte native's head shot trickled wide of the nets.

### Gross pleased

"I'm happy with the win," said Virginia coach Larry Gross, "particularly considering the fact that we didn't get down here until an hour before the game after the long bus ride. State played us a lot tougher than Duke (Virginia's last game) and in the final ten minutes they really blitzed us."

As has been the case so often this year, the booters took too long to put pressure on the opposition, waiting until they were already behind.

"It's been like this all year," said head coach Max Rhodes. "We've never really been out of a game this year, except for maybe Clemson, but we just played too passive. It seems like we only play after we get behind. It was just kind of the same old stuff."

### Fullback Rodney Irizarry winds up to unload

"I thought we played well enough in the first half and was pretty well pleased and I figured we'd have the advantage going into the second half, but we let up and didn't go after the ball like we should have. That goal they had should never have happened, but nobody went after it."

Myren, who played his normal aggressive game, admitted making the error that set up the Cavalier score and cited tentative play as the Pack's downfall.

### Messed up

"I messed up on the scoring play. It was my fault but I thought Rodney (Irizarry) would get a piece of the ball and when he didn't it went right through my legs. I'm not really sure what's wrong with us. If we would just go crazy we might make some mistakes but we'd be better off because we'd be playing our game and not someone else's."

With its three man alignment State depends a great deal on the play of the halfbacks to exert pressure but there was too much of a gap against Virginia.

"We haven't been getting enough support from our halfbacks," continued Myren.

"We've just been too defensive and other team's fullbacks are taking advantage of it and booting the ball down to their attackers."

Halfback Scott Corrie concurred. "We play so defense oriented on penalty kicks and balls in our end that everyone counts on the other guy to pick it up," he said. "We're not marking up like it's a mistake that beats us."

Senior goalie Mark Matthews, who due to Mills' consistently outstanding play, watches in frustration on the sidelines, sees the team as too nice on the field.

"If we could just get a little kick-ass in our blood, it might not look pretty but we could win. It always seems to be too late before we get pissed off and when you get pissed off you do crazy things. Somebody out there has to get mean and then the whole team gets pumped up like at Carolina when Scott (Corrie) went wild. It's like a spark that ignites the whole team but it just doesn't happen on our team."

But there was no spark Sunday and the loss dropped State's record to 4-7-1, insuring the booters of a losing season and a winless, 0-5, conference mark.

## crier

So that all Crier announcements may be run, items submitted should be less than 20 words. No Crier item will be run more than three times and no more than three announcements for a single organization will be run in an issue. The deadline for all Crier entries is M-W-F at 5 p.m.

NCSU 4-H Club will meet Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. in 308 Ricks.

NCSU Civitan Club's Charter Night Dinner will be Wednesday at Raleigh Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. Dress is formal. More information, call Myra at 737-5446.

ASME Luncheon Wednesday at noon in BR 221. Michael Danzing of Southern Railway will speak.

EDUCATION Council will meet Wednesday in Poe 528 at 4:30. All representatives please attend.

STUDENTS interested in Anthropology attend the Anthropology Society Meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 in the Board Room of the Student Center.

"TEA FOR Tuesday" series presents "Self Defense" (Rape prevention) Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Village Community Room. All E.S. King Village residents and their friends are invited to attend.

LUTHERAN Student Movement. Discussion of Hosea. Tuesday 10 p.m. 411B Lee.

ENGLISH Club meeting Today at 3:30 p.m. in Faculty Lounge, Winston Hall.

THE ASSOCIATION for Off Campus Students will meet Wednesday at 4 p.m. in room 2104 Student Center.

MIA of Alpha meeting at 8 p.m. in 3115 of the Student Center.

NCSL WILL meet Thursday at 7:30 in the Board Room.

FCC TEST Review Session - Taking the FCC 3rd Class License test on November 12? Then come to a review session and make sure you are prepared for the exam. Review sessions will be conducted today at 8 p.m. in the Green Room of the Student Center. Sponsored by the Speech-Comm. Department and WKNC-FM.

ANIMAL Science Club will meet Tuesday at 7 in Polk 110. A speaker will be present.

RESERVE copies of '76-'77 Agro-mech can be picked up in 3123 Student Center—limited time only.

VICA Meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Poe 412.

THE MED TECH Club will meet today at 7 p.m. in Gardner 3533. Dr. Stevens from Chapel Hill and Dave Rouscup from Rex will be the guest speakers.

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WAATC: The NCSU Amateur Radio Club meets Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Daniels 228. Topic: "Contests" and the new antennas.

PRE MED Pre-Dent Club and AED will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in 3533 GA.

HILLEL Jewish Student Association will have a dinner meeting on Wednesday in the Green Room at 6 p.m. All Jewish students and faculty are welcome.

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# Technician Opinion Good proposal

Society within the last few years has finally begun to realize that marijuana distribution and use in the United States has become a way of life for many Americans. Surveys and polls recorded by national polling organizations have indicated that a great majority of Americans have either tried or frequently smoke pot.

But the realization that a large majority of the U.S. population use marijuana has not been as difficult for some people to understand as has the realization that stiff fines and imprisonment do nothing to persuade people not to use marijuana.

The Senate Judiciary Committee, however, last Wednesday took a step forward by voting to reduce the federal penalty for possession of small amounts of marijuana.

Acting on a proposed revision of the federal criminal code, the committee approved six to four a plan to decriminalize possession of up to one ounce of marijuana, enough for about 20 cigarettes, but provide for a civil fine of \$100.

Under the proposal, possession of larger amounts would remain a criminal offense, but the maximum penalty, now a \$5,000 fine and a year in jail, would be reduced to \$500 and 30 days in jail.

Arguments and debated have ensued for years now over the decriminalization of marijuana—whether stiff criminal penalties

should be dealt out to violators or smaller fines be adopted. It seems that recently, public sentiments has shifted over to the latter, as the Senate Judiciary Committee's vote indicates.

What many people argue is that wrong is wrong no matter what the case or instance, and that breaking the law by smoking a marijuana cigarette or robbing a bank has one common denominator—both ignore and break the law. Therefore, supporters of stiff penalties for marijuana use say users should be dealt with severely.

But it simply isn't practical to look at bank robbery, murder, or rape on the same level as marijuana use. Many people who are marijuana users are young people, barely out of high school. To treat them as you would an armed robber convict or murder convict doesn't seem to imply the same level of justice. Robbers or murderers have committed violent acts which harm others; marijuana users do not. To look them up in jail for several years as you would a murderer isn't fair.

The proposal by the Senate Judiciary Committee, however, seems to put marijuana law-breakers in a category which deals with their illegal acts at a fair level. The entire Congress should consider the feasibility of this proposal and pass the legislation.



## Letters

### New project

To the Editor:

In the "Opinion" in the Oct. 26 paper, it was stated that as a step to deterring another assault incident, better lighting is needed. Two weeks ago Circle K Club saw the need for lighting (as I'm sure everyone on campus has) and planned a project for this next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

We will go around looking for dark areas, especially where trees need to be cut back, and then inform the University of our findings. One problem that is inevitable, is that many of the leaves have already fallen. So, some lights are no longer obstructed.

Unfortunately, we could not schedule this project any sooner. So, we need the support of the campus community. If you know of any points on campus that need lighting, please contact a Circle K member.

Or, you may drop a note off at the Student Center Information Desk and ask them to put it in the Circle K mailbox there. Or, you may mail us a card to P. O. Box 5652, Raleigh, 27607. And I'm sure that everyone in the club will join me in wishing Mr. Dulin a speedy recovery.

Ted James, Treasurer  
NCSU Circle K Club

### Chaos

To the Editor:

Why have lists, lines, or the draw? There is a fourth alternative. We suggest that tickets be distributed by means of a ticket air drop over the brickyard.

The means of obtaining tickets would be left to how many you could catch or fight someone else for. Not only would this eliminate the

controversy of lists versus lines, but it might also reduce student-teacher ratios and could possibly solve State's housing shortage.

Those students not wishing to participate could still enjoy an afternoon's entertainment by viewing the competition from Dabney or D.H. Hill. Come to think of it, since there is limited viewing room on Dabney's balconies and from D.H. Hill's windows tickets would have to be picked up prior to "show time", which would lead to some ambitious student starting a list... maybe there isn't a fourth alternative.

Kim Fidler  
Junior SPV  
and three others

### Conflict

To the Editor:

This is in response to Mr. Mark Epstein on his letter of Oct. 7th concerning the Arab Israeli conflict.

In his letter, Mr. Epstein said, "The Arabs who left Israel were most certainly not forced to leave." I would like to refer him to the report by Dr. Israel Shahak, Chairman of the Israeli League for Human and Civil Rights. The report (Feb. 1973) states how much destruction was inflicted upon the Palestinians to force them out of their homes.

Mr. Epstein claimed that the Palestinians who still live in Israel are enjoying their human rights and good standard of living, etc. I advise him to take a look at the U. N. Resolutions of March 1972 and March 1973. Both resolutions strongly condemned the Israeli actions toward the Palestinians living in Israel which could lead to their disappearance as a society.

He also added that Israel would not deny citizenship to the Palestinians if they choose to return. I would refer him here to the Israeli law

which requires any Palestinian who wants to obtain Israeli citizenship to have been living in Israel before the date of its establishment and April 1st 1952. This simply prevents two million Palestinians from obtaining Israeli nationality.

At the end of his letter, Mr. Epstein said, "Exchanging land for pieces of paper and promises is not what Israel can do. The Arabs can fight a war with Israel and lose, fight and lose again, and fight and lose still again. But if Israel fights and loses just once, then there will be more Israel."

He is simply suggesting that Israel is not ready for a peace treaty, which means that more and more rounds of fighting are to be expected in which Israel must insure military superiority over the Arabs. The question to ask is: How many times does Mr. Epstein think Israel can fight? And how many times does he think the Arabs can lose? And how long does he think the U.S. taxpayers will keep paying for the Israeli war bills?

Adel M. Elwefati  
Grad. Civil Eng.

### Slow progress

To the Editor:

As an observer of the soccer program at State for the last three years, I have been appalled and amazed at the lack of progress our soccer program has accomplished.

With soccer the upcoming sport in America, and with the No. 1 soccer team in the nation in

our conference we have yet to get serious with our program as evidenced by the utilization of a "part-time" coach that never played the sport and lack of financial support with a comparable number of scholarships as compared to other schools.

It is widely known that there is a local high school coach with excellent credentials who eagerly seeks the post. It is due to Willis Case's ignorance of the upcoming "minor" sport that State continually lags behind many conference schools as evident by the unsuccessful attempts to contend for the Carmichael Cup.

Being one of the richest athletic departments in the country this continually amazes me. Harry Lawrence  
LEB Jr.

### Common sense

To the Editor:

On Tuesday, October 25, I attended the traffic committee meeting to present the views of the Central Campus Inter-Resident Council (IRC). The CCIRC represents all the students on Central Campus.

I attended this meeting in vain. The students of Central Campus were ignored. The committee's decision, not because they agreed completely with it, but because they wanted to compromise.

In the compromise CCIRC recommended that the 150 additional C decals be sold, 150

resident spaces be given in Harris Lot, and a number less than 150 C spaces be taken elsewhere on campus (mainly West Campus).

This compromise would have been fair to everybody. The students on Central Campus outnumber the students on the two other areas of campus (twice as many as East Campus and a few hundred more than West Campus). Yet, there are only 244 R spaces on Central Campus out of 1577 R spaces available.

Bill Williams was the main backer of the simple solution of the empty spaces in Harris lot. He recommends that more lights be put up on the routes that students take back from their cars (many times 10 minutes away) to their dorms on Central Campus. The cost of these lights to the University will run into the thousands of dollars. However if a few signs stating R decals only and C decals only are moved, the cost would be about a hundred dollars. Bill Williams believes that the moving of the signs would be a much to radical change in the middle of the year.

Most students with IQ's above 26.5 could comprehend this change at midyear, but it is granted that certain other groups could not.

Central Campus IRC is not recommending that the commuting students be forgotten. (I myself was one once). We only want the situation to be completely evaluated. (CCIRC's simple parking surveys were more complete than Securities). We are tired of talking to a brick wall.

Jim Miller  
Member, Central Campus IRC.

## Princes and princesses in new roles

by Sunshine Southerland  
Contributing Writer

This story, originated by Jay Williams represents a new genre of fairytales, for all ages. I hope this story is told many more times.

Perhaps someday, Ramsella's sister princesses Cinderella, Snow White and others, will metamorphosis into a better story to tell our children. It would only take a little imagination to retell those stories and create a more positive image about little "princesses" and "princes".

Princess Ramsella was as lovely as the moon shining upon a lake full of waterlilies. She was as graceful as a cat leaping. And she was also extremely practical.

When she was born, three fairies had come to her cradle to give her gifts. This was a very common custom in her country. The first fairy had given her beauty, as was the custom. The second had given her grace, which was also a very common thing for princesses to have. But the third, who was a wise old woman, said, "I give her commonsense." That was not very common in her country.

"I don't think much of that gift," said King Mortimer, raising his eyebrows. "What good is commonsense to a princess? What she really needs is charm." However, when Ramsella turned 18, King Mortimer changed his mind about princesses having commonsense.

In Ramsella's 18th year a dragon moved into the neighborhood. He settled in a dark cave on top of a mountain, and the first thing he did was to send a message to the King. "I must have a princess to devour," the message said, "or I shall breathe out my fiery breath and destroy the whole kingdom."

King Mortimer was very shocked by such a request. He anxiously called together his councillors and read them the message. "Perhaps," said the Prime Minister, "we had better advertise for a knight to slay the dragon. That is what is generally done in these cases."

"I'm afraid that we haven't time to find a knight," moaned the King. "Knights usually need at least a week to get ready and the dragon has

only given us until tomorrow morning."

"That is a very impatient dragon," commented the Prime Minister. "Good King Mortimer, what shall we do then?"

The king looked very sad, and after a few moments of deep thought, he raised his head calmly and made a declaration that startled his councillors. "We shall have to send the princess."

### Women's Voice

Princess Ramsella had come to the meeting because, as she said, she liked to mind her own business and this was certainly her business. "Rubbish!" she said. "Dragons can't tell the difference between a princess and anyone else. Use your commonsense. He is just asking for me because he's a snob. And I certainly do not intend to be devoured by some snobbish dragon."

"That may be so, daughter, but if we don't send you along, he'll destroy the kingdom," the King moaned.

"Right!" said Ramsella. "Well I see I'll have to deal with this myself." She left the council chamber. She got the largest and gaudiest of her state robes and stuffed it with straw, and tied it together with string. Into the center of the straw bundle she packed about a hundred pounds of gunpowder.

She got two strong young men (not knights but very dependable fellows) to carry it up the mountain for her. Then she stood in front of the dragon's cave and called, "Come out! Here I am, that princess you wanted." The dragon came blinking out of the darkness. Seeing the bright robe covered with gold and silver embroidery, and hearing Ramsella's sweet voice, he opened his mouth wide.

At once Ramsella gave the two men a signal and they swung the robe and gave it a good shove. It went right down the dragon's throat. Ramsella threw herself flat on the ground, and the two young men ran. As the gunpowder met

the flames inside the dragon, there was a tremendous explosion.

Ramsella got up, dusted herself off, and sighed a breath of relief. "Dragons," she said, "are not very bright."

She left the two young men sweeping the debris, and went back to the castle to have her science lesson, for, as you should know by now, she was a very practical girl.



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