

## State officials critical of new smoking report

by George Lawrence  
Staff Writer

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare's recent release of the Surgeon General's new report on the apparent hazards of cigarette smoking is merited but needs to be viewed alongside other aspects of the situation, according to State School of Agriculture and Life Sciences officials.

Ag & Life Dean J.E. Legates says that it may well be true that smoking can be detrimental to one's health, but he also says that it is only one of many possibly damaging practices the public indulges in.

"The released report is fine but it reiterates things that were released years ago in the first report. It is the same question," said Legates. "Right now we need more medical information."

"There are many things that have the

same connotations as tobacco, such as alcohol and marijuana. Why single tobacco out? We need a broader picture of the situation," he said.

"It is the same with advertising. Why should alcohol be on television and tobacco not?" Legates added.

Director of Tobacco Research T. J. Mann also said he feels that the circumstances are much broader than the simple determination of the harmfulness of smoking.

### Health vs. economics

"I think a major point in the issue is the necessity of a separation of the economic aspects from the health aspects," he said last week. "It is important that we work co-operatively, like we are now doing, between the two aspects, but our research is concerned with the market and economic points.

We do not do medical research."

While State does not do any basic medical research, it does engage its agricultural researching projects in genetic breeding research that might cut down on tobacco's tar and nicotine contents.

"Yes, we are justifiably concerned with the health problems," said Mann. "But our main concern is primarily in the research leading to a product that provides satisfaction and at the same time is safest in the health aspects."

"I don't know if these two goals are in conflict or not," he added, "but there is a level of tar content at which a further drop will cut down on the smoking satisfaction. We are delighted to contribute to safer cigarettes, but we need a better determination of what indeed is safer."

Mann said that this geographical area's dependence on tobacco cannot be ignored when reviewing the circumstances.

Tobacco is a major force behind North Carolina's economy and the public, he said, has the choice whether to smoke or not to. "It is a matter of weighing the risks," he said.

But as long as smoking is legal and people buy cigarettes, State will continue to research a better and higher quality cigarette product.

"Tobacco is what has fed and clothed me for the last twenty years," said Mann. "I smoke cigarettes and I'm also sure that both the Surgeon General's reports suggest that conceivably smoking is bad for your health. But I have decided that the satisfaction I get out of smoking is greater than the risks I take by lighting a cigarette."

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Staff photo by Larry Merrill

## Another loss

Craig Watts and his State teammates grabbed 15 more rebounds and scored 12 more field goals than Duke Sunday. But, alas, the Pack was whittled for 21 more fouls also as the Blue Devils went to the free throw line 42 more times than the Wolfpack, hitting 33 to capture a 75-69 ACC triumph in Reynolds Coliseum.

## Worker suffers tumble

by Terry Martin  
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In a scene more befitting local cinema showings of Superman, a scrambling human form crashed through the ceiling of a third floor conference room in Thompkins Hall Friday.

Fortunately for Patricia Lindsey, 22-year-old Physical Plant employee, no serious injuries were sustained in the tumble.

A member of the landscape and grounds department, she was working in the Thompkins Hall attic space Friday, attempting to remove vines which had crept in through windows when the 1:30 p.m. mishap occurred.

According to Security Lt. W. C. Bartles, in the process of removing the vines Lindsey apparently lost her footing or stepped between the rafters, falling through the paneled ceiling in

the 65-year-old building. "She was real lucky, she could have been seriously hurt," Bartles said. He estimated that Lindsey fell 14 feet before landing on the wooden floor of the high-ceilinged room.

### Room unoccupied

The sound of her unbroken landing brought secretaries and faculty members scurrying to room 226, which was unoccupied prior to Lindsey's un-

expected entrance.

Political Science secretary Kathy Sherman, whose office fronts the room, was the first on the scene, and alerted Security and Emergency Medical Services of the accident.

"I heard the crash and ran across the hall," Sherman said. "She was stunned and I was stunned, but it didn't look bad."

Lindsey was taken to Rex Hospital, where an examination confirmed that she suffered a sprained left ankle.

## Tuition increase sought

by Tim Cole  
Staff Writer

Rep. A Hartwell Campbell, D-Wilson, has come out in favor of a tuition increase in the University of North Carolina system by as much as 10 percent.

Campbell, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee on Education, said tuition should be raised by as much as 10 percent next year in the 16-campus system of which State is a part.

UNC President William Friday disagreed with the need for the hike, saying such a hike would make it more difficult for many students to attend UNC schools.

Only 45 percent of North Carolina high school graduates attend college, compared with 60 percent nationwide, Friday said.

Sen. George W. Marion Jr., D-Surry, said he was considering introducing a bill either to increase tuition for out-of-state students or to further restrict their enrollment.

### Highest in Southeast

North Carolina presently ranks fourth highest in the nation in tuition for out-of-state students and highest in the southeast.

Marion said the out-of-state students should accept a larger share of the burden of their education in these days of tight state budgets.

Campbell said he thinks there is considerable support among legislators for the tuition increase.

"It seems to me that it is unfair to ask the citizens of North Carolina who are hard-pressed by the forces of inflation to assume all the increased costs (of the system)," Campbell said.

Campbell added that private colleges would be increasingly unable to compete with UNC schools for students if UNC tuition is kept "artificially low."

UNC tuition was last raised by the 1977 legislature. That increase was also for 10 percent. In-state tuition now ranges from a high of \$384 at UNC-Chapel Hill to a low of \$270 at Elizabeth City State University. Tuition at State costs \$330 per year.

## Gay alliance receives official recognition

by Andrea Cole  
Staff Writer

The Gay and Lesbian Christian Alliance received notice from the Office of Student Development Dec. 14, 1978 that its application to be chartered as a University organization had been accepted, according to its president, Todd Ellis.

He said there are now about 10 members in the organization.

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"We felt there was a need to reach the community of gays on campus who have no real opportunity to relate to other gays," he said.

The alliance's constitution states that its purpose will be fourfold. It will provide opportunities for fellowship, including social interaction, emotional support, and organized activities among gay Christians and friends.

### Goals made

Secondly, it should promote a feeling of self-acceptance and unity among State's gay students.

Thirdly, it should promote an understanding of the relationship of personal sexuality and religious faith.

Finally, it should educate the student body and general public about the concerns of the gay population and the diversity of personality and

lifestyles within that population.

The Gay and Lesbian Christian Alliance is supported by St. John's Metropolitan Community Church, Ellis said. The church was started in 1976 by two men who became lovers while studying at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Willie White is the minister of St. John's, a campus minister at State for the Metropolitan Community Churches and advisor for the alliance. He addressed the group at its first social function Jan. 18. About 30 people attended.

"Let's face it," he said, "we're a minority. We're not the most well-liked either. But this organization started out as a dream, and this dream has become a reality."

"There are a lot of people in the closet," Ellis said after the meeting. "The gay community is not the same as the straight community. We've had to hide our persuasions to protect our jobs, and our lives."

"Hopefully this organization will help homosexuals to feel more comfortable with their sexuality. The persecution has to stop at some point in time," he said.

"We want the straight community to see that we are gay and proud," Ellis continued. "We are loved by the Lord like everyone else is. The stereotypes of gay people need to be destroyed. It's quite an endeavor to do that. But it must be done."

## Changes made in food service

by Dan Dawes  
Staff Writer

Food Service has made several changes this semester in both menus and facilities, and Food Service Director Art White plans more changes in the near future.

White, a graduate of Cornell's Hotel School, said the Student Union Cafeteria now opens at 7:30 a.m. instead of last semester's time of 7 a.m.

"We took a customer count all last semester, and at the most, there were 40 people between 7 and 7:30. Most of the time there was much less, and half of these were faculty workers. I had a discussion with the Student Advisory Committee, and they confirmed

it was a good decision." However, White said, "the Library Annex will still open at 7, so people do have somewhere to go before class."

### New hours

The Library Annex, Student Union, and campus snack bars will remain open during the week until 11 p.m. The Annex will not be open on Sunday evenings this semester, because sales averaged only between \$100 and \$200, while the cost of employees was about \$300. "It will only be inconveniencing a few people," White said.

"The Walnut Room will be open for lunch during the week, but will no lon-

ger be open at night. Menu additions will include barbecue and tacos," said White. However, Walnut Room style dinners will still be served in the Cafe area of the Student Union.

According to White, a sound system should be installed by the end of this week. Proper lighting, sanitation upgrading, and employee slowness are also being improved.

Special groups, such as clubs or dormitories, will have the use of the Walnut Room at night. Tickets could be sold for Food Service to cook special meals of the student's choice such as prime rib, said White. Another possibility under consideration is a dinner

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## Says problems remain

by Jeffrey Jobe  
Staff Writer

The protests, demonstrations and strikes will continue in Iran, even though the Shah stepped down recently, according to an anonymous State student from that country. Expressing displeasure with the Bakhtiar government the representative of Iranian students said, "We are not satisfied with Bakhtiar. His is a government put in to slow the revolution down until foreign influences can get hold."

"In no way was he established with the consent of the Iranian people," said the representative.

The student pointed out that with the Shah gone from Iran, the "first obstacle" had been removed. The intentions and aims of the students remain the same, however. They still want the formation of an Islamic republic in Iran along with independence from foreign powers.

"A lot of students and people oppose the Bakhtiar government," he said. "We will continue to protest until his government is abolished."

"Bakhtiar did not abolish the parliaments," the student said. "These are not representatives of the people. They are puppet parliaments put in by rigged elections."

### No return

When asked what would happen if the Shah returned, the student replied that his return is impossible. "The Shah will never return. If he did, the people would rise up again against him," he said.

The media has recently been deluged with reports of violence on the part of both

parties. In America, the estate of the Shah's mother was damaged by a crowd of Iranian students.

Commenting on the acts, the student said, "The only violence I see is on the part of the Shah's army. We are trying to move the revolution forward with the least number of casualties."

In reference to the estate attack in America, the student said, "How could America let her (the Shah's mother) in the first place, when she has stolen so much wealth from the Iranian people? Why let her in but cause trouble for oppressed

people who need to be let into America?"

"Those students in that attack do not represent all of the Iranian students," he added. "Their particular actions should be attributed to their own organization. Besides, the police were not that great in controlling the crowd."

### Shah disliked

The primary reason behind the unrest and trouble in Iran is that the people wanted the Shah to step down so an Islamic republic could be formulated.

"The Islamic state will be formed pretty soon," the student said. "The biggest obstacle at present is the persistence of the U.S. government in supporting the Bakhtiar government."

"That government is wholly unrepresentative of the people," he said. "Also, the U.S. influence in the army tends to polarize the army and people."

"Stressing that the army should be the protector of the people and not against them, the student said that while the Shah was out, the U.S. was in control. "A lot of what the Army

does, it has been forced to do," he said. "The army is under control of the Pentagon and/or 'white-collar' advisors."

### Preliminary steps

According to the Iranian students, there are several steps that need to be taken before the Islamic government can be set up.

"One is the formation of an Islamic council that will direct the transition toward the Islamic republic. Free elections will be held for the parliaments which will include representatives from

all the minorities in Iran. A constitutional assembly will be held to write up the constitution of the new Islamic republic."

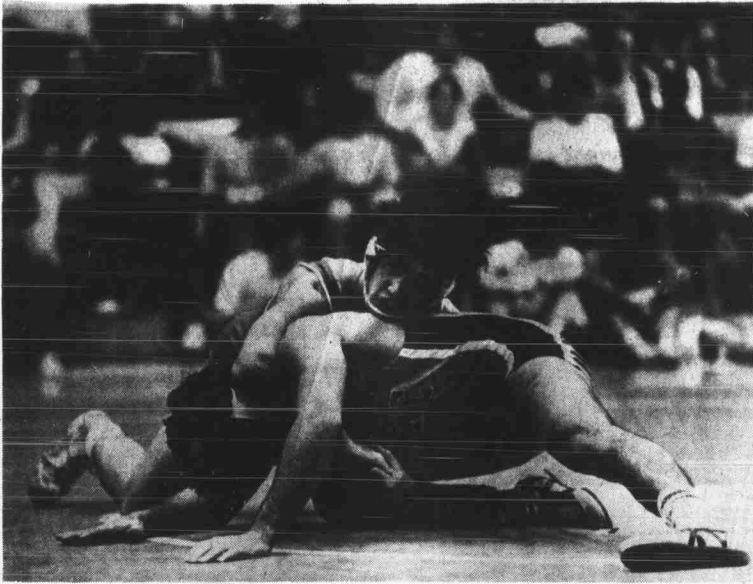
"The Islamic council will be important in the formation of the new republic. There are many prerequisites to being on the council."

"None of the members can have participated in any way under the government of the Shah. They should have openly, through words or actions, opposed the Shah," the student said. "They should know the Islamic

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Campus Food Services has undergone several changes this year. This student tears into a chicken-and-salad lunch, one of several possibilities from the Cafe.





Freshman Mark Noto, a winner in State's last three matches, is one of several rookies to pace the Pack grapplers.

Staff photo by Wayne Bloom

# Pack back on right track, host Colgate grapplers

by Allen Bell  
Sports Writer

To Wolfpack partisans at the very least, it seems that a lot of things went North Carolina's way last week. Thursday night in Carmichael Auditorium, the Tar Heels added another big win to their list of "miracles." Perhaps someone should institute a two-point rule when State and UNC meet.

After rattling off 14 consecutive wins over a two season span, six this year, State's wrestling team fell to UNC 20-19 in its ACC opener. It didn't take long for the Pack matmen to shake it off, however, as they responded with a 30-14 triumph over East Carolina Saturday night in Greenville.

State, now 7-1 overall, meets Colgate in Reynolds Coliseum tonight at 7:30 p.m.

The Tar Heels, now 5-1

overall and 2-0 in the ACC, scored 14 points in the 158, 167 and 177-pound weight classes by virtue of two superior decisions and one major to build up a 20-10 advantage with two bouts remaining. Though obviously disappointed to drop the tight verdict, State head coach Bob Guzzo was not disheartened.

"The match could easily have gone our way," he said. "We won five (bouts) and they won five. We just lost a major decision, that was the difference."

"It's a long season and things like that are going to happen. I was real pleased with the effort our kids gave. Hey, we wrestle them at home later in the season."

Meeting the Pack at home did little to aid the Pirates Saturday night though. Losers by a 32-13 count in Raleigh earlier this year, ECU did not fare much better this time around.

The Pack sprung to an early 22-3 lead, spurred by a fall at 4:17 from former Pirate Paul Thorpe at 158 pounds. Joe Lidowski notched a fall at 7:02 at 190 pounds while Mike Zito earned a superior verdict at 126 pounds.

Jim Zenz, 118, upped his record to 8-0 for the year with a forfeit. Other winners for the Pack were Mark Noto, 142, 7-3; and Frank Castrignano, 150, 4-3. Heavyweight Paul Finn fought to a scoreless draw.

Again State's freshmen played an important role in the win.

"We're still going with a lot of young freshmen," noted Guzzo. "We have a lot of people out that we would like to get back in the lineup."

It may be tough for some of the veterans to get back in though. Since earning a starting assignment against East Stroudsburg State,

Noto has recorded a perfect 3-0 slate while Castrignano snapped a personal three match losing streak with his win over Paul Schaefer, one of ECU's top wrestlers.

"It's difficult to tell what type of team Colgate is because we haven't wrestled them in three years," he said. "We figure to be going with the same lineup we used against ECU."

## Tourney Tickets

Tickets to the women's national collegiate basketball Large College Division championship tournament, scheduled for March 23 & 25 in Greensboro, will be placed on sale Monday at two sites, the Greensboro Coliseum box office and the Reynolds Coliseum box office here.

# Women cagers destroy Blue Devils 99-44

by Bryan Black  
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DURHAM — State's women's basketball team completed a week long rollercoaster ride with a 99-44 thrashing of Duke Saturday night.

The Wolfpack dominated the game from start to finish, obtaining a double figured lead just eight minutes into the game. With five minutes left in the first half State had moved ahead by 20.

At the half, the Pack was up 53-26. It only took a moment before State was leading by more than 30 in the second half, and with 15 minutes left, it was a 40 point margin.

With several minutes still showing on the clock, the Wolfpack's bulge was more than 50 points. The victory upped State's overall record to 12-4, moved its ACC record to 3-1, and left its division mark unblemished, now at 6-0.

"It was a great team

effort," said Pack coach Kay Yow. "The entire team played well."

As Yow talked about the Duke win, she couldn't help but shake her head at the awesome performance her club had just completed, while reflecting on Thursday's disappointing loss to Clemson and still trying to put that in perspective with Tuesday's tremendous triumph over Maryland.

"At Clemson we didn't feel like we got a good team effort," she said. "The intensity just wasn't there, but tonight (Saturday) it was. And unlike at Clemson, everybody was in the game mentally."

"We're pleased with this win. We proved something to ourselves. I think the Clemson game made us very much aware that we can't be slack against a good team, and how much other teams get up on us. When the other team is sky-high and you come out sluggish, that's when you lose. And I don't think we're the type of

team that needs to learn that lesson twice."

Against the Blue Devils, State had five players who wound up scoring in double figures, while each team member scored. Another major factor in the lopsided game was the Pack annihilated Duke on the boards, 50-33.

Trudi Lacey led State with 21 points, 17 of those coming in the first half. She also had 12 rebounds and six assists in the win.

All-America Genia Beasley controlled the lane on both ends of the floor, finishing with 18 points and 15 rebounds. Ronnie Laughlin totalled 15 points and a half a dozen assists.

Freshman Connie Kogers had her high game thus far in the season with 14 points, hitting 6-7 from the floor and 2-2 at the foul line. She also passed for six assists.

June Doby added 10 points and six caroms, while Christy Earnhardt had eight counters and five assists.

State is at home Wednesday night for a 7:30 game with the Carolina Tar Heels. The Pack beat UNC 87-81 in early December at Chapel Hill. However, Yow is very concerned about the Heels.

"That will be a really tough game," Yow said. "It always is. Carolina is very similar to Clemson and they're as good or better than Clemson is. Before this past week we knew pretty much what to expect from

our team, but now I'm just not sure."

"We've always been a consistent team, but we beat Maryland at Maryland, which was a game a lot of people thought we would lose, and we came out of there way up. But we go down to Clemson and lose by 13 (88-73) to a team we should have beaten."

"I'd like to see us get back into that consistency range this week," she concluded.

## Men fencers knock off Virginia

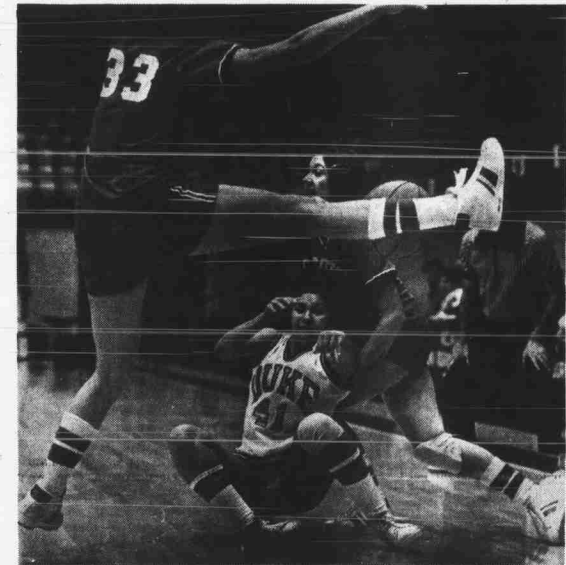
Paced by a strong showing in foil, State's men's fencing team recorded its first win of the season, besting Virginia 18-9 Sunday afternoon in Carmichael Gym.

Seniors Steve Dickman and Rodney Irizarry each earned 3-0 marks to pace the foil team to an 8-1 decision

against the Cavaliers. Blaze Bartoli also contributed a pair of wins. Mark Barrett

The win ups State's mark to 1-3, 1-2 in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

State's women lost to the Cavs on the virtue of touches as the score was knotted at eight apiece.



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Ginger Rouse puts her leg into the defense in State's 99-44 romp over Duke.

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# Technician Opinion Pending

The recently proposed amendment to the Union Board of Director's constitution could prove to be a beneficial piece of legislation if approached and resolved thoughtfully. If it is blindly rushed into, it could prove to be just another buck-passing instrument.

The amendment, proposed at the Jan. 19 Board of Director's meeting by Student Senate President Nick Stratas, calls for the addition of the student body treasurer to the role of voting members. Also originally included in the bill was the suggestion that a member of the Publications Authority be made a voting member of the board. However, Stratas struck this after an early-afternoon meeting with Ron Luciani, Student Center president.

What the bill would do at a fundamental level would be to increase the points of input by knowledgeable students. By requesting the addition of student members who are already members of the higher student boards rather than the addition of more at-large members, the bill secures that the persons who fill the places will have a good concept of the University as a whole. That is, it is more likely that a member of the Publications Authority of the student body treasurer will have a better awareness of the University workings than the average student, simply because those students are bound by their office to be acutely aware of the community.

It could prove to be a wise move to make the student body treasurer a member of the board. By the powers vested in the office of

treasurer, the treasurer currently has the power to examine the records of any body which receives for student funds disbursement. Also, because of his intimacies with the funds of the Student Senate, the treasurer would be able to offer valuable insight into ways the two coffers could be joined to offer students improved samples of the performing arts.

A member of the Publications Authority would also be a good addition to the board at this time. Because the representative would be so well informed of student-related matters; he would be another guarantee that the UAB directors would be provided with full and accurate information when making decisions which affect all fee-paying students. Also, the member theoretically would be able to help the board maintain an awareness of the students for whom they are programming.

Both additions could be very valuable if the members are willing to work to their abilities. If not, the bill would merely inflate an already large board. One thought the directors should remember when discussing the problem is that both, one or neither of the additions could be admitted to the board in an ex officio capacity where they would be members having meaningful input without being permitted to vote.

Either way, board members and students should realize that the decision that is made will set a strong precedent which will deeply affect Student Union programming in the future.

## Take stock

The dismissal of former New York congresswoman Bella Abzug from the President's women's advisory council created quite a flap in the news these past few days. As I consider the political significance of this "misunderstanding" to the future of Jimmy Carter the politician, I begin to ask myself several questions dealing with the larger issues involved in the dispute: the direction of the women's rights movement, the debate over the ERA, and the misinterpretation and innuendo surrounding the President's stands on these two issues.

Since his initial stirrings on the national political scene four years ago, Jimmy Carter has spoken as a man dedicated to the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment and the advancement of women's rights. In addition to consistently speaking out for the ERA, the President worked strongly to extend the time permitted for its approval and only a month ago, at the Democratic mid-term conference, supported a requirement that half of the delegates to the Party's 1980 convention be women.

Detracting from this, however, throughout his public career the President's relationships with various important factions of the women's movement have been less than harmonious. The principle reason is that the party's activist women are decidedly more liberal than Carter or the party in general.

The party is fairly moderate; Carter even more so. According to one strategist, Carter is basically sympathetic to the ideals and goals of the women's movement, but feels there is a "problem of style and taste" that tends to alienate great proportions of American society. His assessment is that the political realities of the situation demand a tempering of demands, a realization to which activist women would not acquiesce.

On top of the traditional tension to which Carter has been party, his relationship with the women's advisory council has been harmed by what he called an "atmosphere of confrontation." An illustration of these difficulties is the recent firing of Bella Abzug, the committee's co-chairwoman. This move is seen by many, including Ms. Abzug, as further indication of Carter's disdain for the women's movement and accuses him of "developing a growing sensitivity to criticism."

## Guest Opinion

Tom DeWitt

Question: Should a chief executive expect or accept in-house criticism and advice or should he expect his advisers to go over his head without prior consultation and voice strong public criticism of his priority policies?

Ms. Abzug was fired because she released a press dispatch to the media criticizing Carter's anti-inflation policies without giving him prior notice. She unjustifiably went over his head and he had every right to do as he did.

This then brings into play the over-riding issue of this discussion and that is the way in which both sides of the ERA debate have conducted their campaigns. The political naivete and unsophisticated tactics of both parties are enough to make any educated person turn a deaf ear and regard the final outcome of the process with indifference.

To think that upon its ratification there is going to be any magic sigh of suddenly "released" women is sheer, imaginative idealism. It would be fine if this amendment were incorporated into our national constitution, yet I cannot help but wonder why the proponents of this amendment could not orchestrate enough support in seven years to get this twenty-four word sentence of such relative simplicity incorporated into law.

Additionally, I fail to see justification for the great emotional circus paraded across our land in the past several years in which people on both sides of the ring pretend to be the outstanding spokesman (or spokeswoman, as the case may be) for the morality of our nation, a contest in which we each seek to blame another for our own blunders and incompetence.

In the final analysis it would be prudent of the American people, and activist spokeswomen in particular, to take stock of arguments on both ends of the spectrum and attempt to balance and temper those views and goals within the boundaries of traditional American pragmatism. Saucy rhetoric and emotional outcries of discrimination leave a sour note in the air and depress rather than inspire the very people essential to the success of the equal rights movement.



## Letters Thanks, boys

To the Editor:

We would just like to thank the entire Wolfpack team for a tremendous show of heart. We are much happier being represented by a group of men with that kind of character than a bunch of nickle-nosed brats who seem to continually stumble backwards into victory.

Having said that, we would like to challenge the rest of this campus to show the same sort of character as this team. Their refusal to give up on themselves, regardless of final outcome, should be an example to all of us not to give up on the season.

Again, thank you, team. You made us proud to be Wolfpack backers.

Kenneth Babb  
Sr. CHE  
Charles Ramseur  
Sr. Psy

## NCSU hustle

To the Editor:

It seems that my roommate and I were victims of an unintentional hustle. After standing in line for State-UNC basketball tickets on the first day, we received tickets for imaginary seats. We were supposed to have seats in section 21 on row Q. There is no row Q.

The ushers were understanding about the problem but there was nothing they could do. There were six or seven other people who were ripped off the same as us.

I do not know whether this problem has ever happened before but something should be done before it happens again.

Sitting in an imaginary seat is no fun and it seems that some sort of compensation is due.

Stephen Blake  
Soph. CE  
Dwight Vernelson  
Soph. CE

## Return of the coat

To the Editor:

As all who saw the game know, the loss to Carolina was heartbreaking to everyone except the few Carolina fans. My girlfriend was one of those Carolina fans. During the last few seconds when everyone was standing after the buzzer someone stole her coat from her seat. We were in section 4.

I can understand how the coat was stolen in a moment of frustration at Carolina's win. But what can anyone do with only the coat to a three-piece suit? The coat was expensive and she went back to Chapel Hill very upset. I thought State students were above such petty pranks.

The game's over and we'll beat them good in Chapel Hill. Let bygones be bygones and please return the coat. I don't care who did it and no questions will be asked. Please return the coat.

Mike Perry  
302-A Sullivan 737-5083  
Jr. LEA

P.S. I'm willing to give twenty dollars for the coat's return.

## Sloan for Palm

To the Editor:

Wednesday night's debacle was the last straw; N. C. State must get rid of Norman Sloan, and the sooner, the better.

It is completely irrelevant that his team won the national championship in '74. It doesn't matter that he took nine freshmen and a J. C. transfer to the '78 NIT final in a "rebuilding year." It's not his credit what State has won 68 percent of all its games since he became coach. The fact remains that he blew a lead

late in the game against UNC-Carboro, and that is inexcusable.

I propose, therefore, that Sloan be fired and replaced by Margaret Thatcher, or if that cannot be done, be traded to Samoa for a palm tree for the Student Center courtyard.

David Matthews  
Jr. EE

P.S. To quote Dick Motta, "The opera isn't over 'till the fat lady sings."

## Clean up problems

To the Editor:

I find it amusing that all three pro-nuclear letters in Friday's Technician were written by people in Nuclear Engineering. This couldn't, by chance, have anything to do with the fact that these individuals see their future livelihood threatened by anti-nuclear commentary could it? This is somewhat reminiscent of the tobacco companies constantly reminding us of how healthy smoking is.

As for Mr. Darling's letter in last Monday's Technician, he is quick to chastise those who write in giving misrepresentations of nuclear power; however, his own letter was filled with errors and omissions.

1. Mr. Darling may be in Nuclear Engineering, but he doesn't know beans about toxicology. Plutonium is, in fact, the most toxic non-biological substance known to man. Sub-microgram doses have been shown to be highly carcinogenic. The LD50 (the dose required to kill 50 per cent of the individuals in a test population) is only on the order of 1 microgram. Mr. Darling states that arsenic is 50 times more toxic than plutonium. This is an idiotic statement since a toxic dose of arsenic is over 3 grams in humans making it over 3 million times less toxic than plutonium.

2. All the NE people fail to mention that plutonium combines with atmospheric oxygen to form plutonium oxide in a highly explosive reaction.

3. Current estimates that there is only enough 238U to last us for another 70-100 years so we are actively developing a resource that will be running out in a few generations.

4. All the NE people constantly avoid the issue of waste disposal. There is still no safe means established for the long-term disposal of radioactive wastes.

5. As for saving consumer \$2.5 billion, what other energy source are you comparing it to? Natural Gas? Hamster driven generators?? How much more could we save with solar power? U.S. consumers could save nearly \$1 billion a year just from solar hot water heaters, let alone the amount saved from solar space heating.

I realize that there are pros and cons connected with the use of nuclear energy and both the anti- and pro-nuclear forces are guilty of exaggeration. Nevertheless, before the U.S. commits itself to a potentially hazardous program of full-scale nuclear energy, a number of rather disturbing questions need to be cleared up.

Jon Mirsalis  
Grad TOX/GN

## Anti-Greek forum

To the Editor:

In reference to Sylvia Adcock's article "Council Discusses Greeks", we "Dorm Rats" feel certain facts should be made to explain why many of us are anti-Greek.

1. Mental and physical harassment within NCSU's fraternities has not been halted, only hidden from the public view. I.E.—Theta Chi has a popular practice of severe verbal abuse while attempting to eat.

2. Another popular technique used by fraternities is that of being "ultra-nice" to prospective pledges for the first one to two weeks in the semester while encouraging

them to move into the house, thus forfeiting their present living accommodation. Once in the house, though, all Hell breaks loose. For example—the molasses and cornflake incident that happened "five years ago" occurred at this university at the Delta Sigma Phi house during the Fall of '78!

3. A fraternity man's grades may be "close to average" once he becomes a brother, but during pledging such severe mental stress is encountered that grades cannot be maintained at an "average" level.

4. And after all of this wonderful fellowship comes Hell Week. Although abolished, Hell Week still flourishes. At Theta Chi approximately 1-1/2 hours of sleep were allowed per night over a six-day period.

Mr. Council—before you write any more asinine articles on how easy and good fraternity life is—Pledge one!

Craig R. Rethwilm  
Soph. NE  
Douglas Rylan Morris, Jr.  
Soph. NE

P.S. We do not intend to crucify all fraternities on campus. There may be some good ones, and we wish them no offense.

CRR  
DRM

## What's happened

To the Editor:

What has happened to the Wolfpack basketball team? Here it is, we are three games into the ACC season and we haven't won one yet.

I urge my fellow students to help out in the future games. We can start at the Carolina game. Let's make a lot of noise at our games. We should do it the whole game no just part of it.

This will help our team get up, and play the way they should. We know we are good; let's prove it.

Patrick Mulkey  
Sr. R.P.A.

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