Student recalls summer with MacDonald

by Andrea Cole Features Editor

The jury filed in slowly, and as he looked from face to face, he could see that they were all crying. They were actually crying, and Mack Leath just couldn't figure that out. ,"This is wrong," he thought to himsell. "The jury shouldn't cry." . "Have you reached a verdict?" asked the judge.

"We have, your honor," replied the

And the verdicts of second-degree murder, second-degree murder and first degree murder were rattled off like machine gun shots, but not as deadly - the defendent was senteneed to three consecutive life terms. ... Defendant: Dr. Jeffrey MacDonald. ... Bentenced: August 29, 1979. ... Defense and trial seen through the eyes of: Mack Leath, 22, 2801 W. Fraternity Court.

It's been said that everyone will, at one time in their lives be famous for at least 15 minutes. For Leath, an associa-tion with a nationally known murder case, began early this summer and lasted for eight to nine weeks.

Fraternity house rented

MacDonald, convicted of killing his pregnant wife and two daughters, rented the Kappa Alpha fraternity house from June 1 to August 15 for \$80 a day. Also occupying the house was his defense team comprised of as many a 55 membership to the team of team of team of the team of team of

his defense team comprised of as many as 25 members. Leath, a KA brother from Greenaboro majoring in business, had planned to spend the summer doing a little catching up in summer school. He and three other fraternity brothers were cleaning up and taking care of the house for the summer in exchange for a cheap place to stay. But "then Jeff MacDonald came. He

had some business to take care of, so he came about a week before. everyone else." Leath said. "Then a couple of secretaries came. Then Bernard Segal came and some of the other lawyers-and also Mrs. MacDonald, his mother. There were different peo-ple off and on, defense witnesses and defense experts." A full house. It makes a person wonder about fate-a sudden switch from summer school to an intensive study of criminal law.

school to an intensive study of criminal law. Leath initially aided the defense team by running errands, delivering of-fice supplies, arranging for renta-cars and picking up people at the airport. He was paid a retainer fee to assure no leakage of vital information to the

leakage os view press. He also cooked for the defense preparing his favorites-steak and omelettes. "Since I like to cook, I'd always try

to beef up their lunches," he said. But Leath soon began to participate in MacDonald's defense. For one of his exhibit projects, he designed a stretcher from cardboard and ontment tube caps for about \$6 for use in questioning prosecution witnesses.

use in questroning prostations "Being able to improvise different things (gave him the greatest satisfac-tion), because they were working on a tight budget," Leath said. "It's hard to go out and spend a lot of money when you're living with the guy (MacDonald). You know this guy's picking up the bill."

Weekly salary

When Leath became a member of MacDonald's defense team, he was paid a weekly salary of \$75. And he lived, ate, slept and probably dreamed the MacDonald trial for the rest of the summer

Leath wants to spend a lot of time talking about MacDonald's innocence. He was with the man constantly and is convinced that MacDonald has been

was with the man constantly and is convinced that MacDonald has been wronged.
 "He's just a great guy. There's not snowball's chance in hell that he did it," Leath said.
 He never discussed the trial with MacDonald.
 "I didn't want to bring it up. Whenever I had a question. I went to one of the lawyers," Leath said.
 He wanted to get MacDonald out of the house during the trial and en-couraged him to go to the beach or go fishing.
 "He had a boat, and he liked to

"He had a boat, and he liked to go marlin fishing." Leath said. "He's a diver, and I've got my diving cer-tificate also. It was just something we had is common." had in common." But MacDonald wouldn't take off on

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Group approves State master plan

by Glennie Moore Staff Writer

The director of Facilities Planning said Tuesday that the Physical Development Plan or "Master Plan" of the University has been approved by the Trustees Buildings and Property Committee.

Committee. Director of Facilities Planning, Ed-win F. Harris, said the document

win F. Harris, said the document resulted from a request made by William Friday, president. of the University of North Carolina system. "We received the memorandum from President Friday Feb. 28, 1976 stating that all 16 campuses of the University of North Carolina system furnish an updating of the 1978 edition of long range development plans," Har-ris said.

furnish an updating of the 1978 edition of long range development plans," Har-vis add. The Physical Development Plan was approved May 19, 1976, and Chancellor Joab Thomas sent the plans foo Presi-dent Friday June 1, 1978, Harris said. A cacording to Harris, the plan con-sists of a brief explanation and six maps of the 600 acre campus. "We call it the Physical Develop-met Plan instead of a Master Plan because the plan is a changing docu-ment and a process that is never finish-ed." Harris asid. The process is a continuous evalua-tion by all campus publics of alter-statives which result from all planning tudies, Harris said. In planning this process, he said, you must constantly consider land use, physical resources, buildings and penovations, landscaping and circulat-us. Harris said that the process also in

tion. Harris said that the process also in-cludes various levels where student in-put is made. Students may consult the campus Planning and Environment Committee or the Ad Hoc Building committee to offer suggestions.

The plan is referred to as a guideline, Harris said, because "we think it's impossible to predict what the campus will look like about 100

cmnk its impossible to predict what the campus will look like about 100 years from now." These guidelines for future develop-ment are to assure orderly develop-ment of the campus and are based on the following aix maps: - "The existing campus" which shows physical constraints that are ob-vious guidelines for development. ..."Precinets" which indicate land use and all property on the campus by different zones of activity. --"Court Structure" which is a specific guideline in planning and determining specific locations for new facilities. --"Circulation" which illustrates

facilities. — "Circulation" which illustrates vehicular and pedestrian areas. — "Landscape" which shows spaces of natural scenery. — "And" project project projects which in-dicate where future buildings may go.

Where green pasture land once lay, a multi-million dollar School of Veterinary Medicine is being built. Located of the former site of State's Dairy Farm which is in the process of being relocated, the Vet School is due to be com pleted in time to open in the fall of 1981. Construction costs are estimated to exceed \$32 million. (Staff photo by Stev Wilcon)

Vet School completion expected in 1981

by Daun Craig Staff Writer

The multimillion-dollar State School

The multimillion dollar State School of Veterinary Medicine will be open to students in the fall of 1981, according to Edwin F. Harris, director of Aracifities Planning at State. The building of the school, which will fontain 295,000 square feet of space, will not be completed when it opens to students. "The main part of the building will be finished by the fall of di." Harris said. "Total completion will be scon after that." The school is being built in five phases. "Phase I consisted of site preparation. That includes grading.

site utilities, storm drainage, the power plan building and landscaping." Harris said. The total cost involved in this phase is \$1,298,000.

Main building

"Phase II includes foundations and the structural frame for the main building." Harris said. This part of the construction will cost \$3,200,000 and will be handled by Barnhill Contracting Co. of Tarboro. Barnhill entered the lowest of six bids in competition for the protect.

project. Phase III will be the completion of the mainbuilding; the projected cost is

Phase IV involves the completion of the adjacent animal-related buildings, and Phase V involves the movable equipment. th and Phase V involves the movable equipment. The State Dairy Farm that was stan-ding on the site where the school is be-ing built was relocated to Lake Widow Road south of Raleigh. To move and rebuild the farm cost approximately \$1,030,000.

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the opening of the school. "I can't help but believe that it will be a success," he said.

said. Curtin expects the Vet School to become the number one school of its kind in the country because of easy ac-cess to the Research Triangle and to the major medical facilities in North Carolina.

the major medical lacilities in North Garolina. Also, Raleigh is easily reached by plane, far more than any other city where a vet school is located. Applications for admission to the school will begin to be accepted in the spring of 1981 and will begin to be con-sidered then. "The National Crediting Agency re-quires that the admissions process be under control of the Veterinary facul-ty," Curtin said. A committee of faculty members rotating every four or five years will be in charge of admissions. The Registrar's office, practicing

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York takes mayoral election by Steve Watson Staff Writer

Staff Writer G. Smedes York, 38, was elected mayor of Raleigh Tuesday, capturing 12,640 votes. Isabella Cannon, 75, the incumbent, finished second with 11,184 votes. She will remain as mayor until Dec. 10. Kurt Hair, State graduate student, received 207 votes, and Harold Cov-ington received 172 votes. The election turnout was moderate, with 35 percent of those registered voting.

Philosophy change

oting.

Philosophy change York felt the results indicated a change in voter philosophies about our local government. "The vote indicates that people are interested in solid management of the city," York said. "Business people were elected, indicating to me a concern with economic matters." The black vote went to York, a fact which York also attributed to economic considerations.

which York also attributed to economic considerations. The black community is interested in the development of the southeast part of the city," York said, "and they apparently felt I could offer leadership with development matters. I am also on the board of Shaw University and am a member of the Raleigh Wake Ur-bact on the election." Tork's strengths are in North Raleigh and in the areas inside the beltline, he said. "These are the people most aware of the leadership strengths I have," York said.

Overdevelope at warnings

Mayor Cannon has repeated warn-ings of overdevelopment of Raleigh as a result of the election, but York refus-

a result of the election, but York refus-ed comment on the accusations. He prefers to keep a positive approach to all issues. York professed no desire to run for state office in the future. "I am in-terested only in Raleigh and Wake County, where I grew up," York said.

During Pope John Paul II's American visit, millions flocked American visit, millions flocked to see him, yet frequently it was just as interesting to watch the people waiting for the Pope. In Washington, D.C., people camped out days in advance in order to be in a good position to view the Pope.(Staff photo by Patricia Perez-Canto.)



The total cost of the school is ex-pected to be \$32,300,000. Building will begin in about one month. Dean of Veterinary Medicine Ter-rence M. Curtin is looking forward to

Will be success

Crowds struggle to see pope

by Patricia Peres-Canto Staff Writer

WASHINGTON -- It was our o'clock in the morning of the Pentagon was quiet and dark.

d dark. Five people with sleeping gs, coolers, backpacks and ankets walked toward the etro entrance at the Pen-

Metro entrance at the Pen-tagon. The Metro (subway) in Washington would open Sun-day at 6 a.m. when the people going to hear Pope John Paul ITs mass at the Washington Mall would start using the on-ly transportation system available since most traffic was halted for the day. By 5:30 a.m. people had started coming to the Metro started

In front of the old Smithso-nian building an altar had been erected for the mass that afternoon.

that afternoon. Around the fence enclosing the altar people slept. Some had been there since early Saturday afternoon.

(continued from page one) veterinarians and the general public will also be represented.

For the next couple of hours, most of the people slept huddled beneath biankets covered with plastic bags and foil paper to keep out the cold. NBC filmed a few unlucky sleepers, who groaned and buried their faces underneath the blankets.

Another or unanality back. Many people opted to have someone at their place wave a papal flag 30 minutes after they had left to show where they should head when com-

Breakfast time

they should head when com-ing back. It was 1:80 p.m. and everyone seemed to have the same idea. Pack everything and he ready for the pope. Religious songs of the Pueblo Indians were heard from the loudspeakers. Puer-to Rican, Scottish and other ethnical religious songs were played.

Breakfast time The sun was out. It was 6:30 a.m. and time for only in front of one, but also in a state of the state of the form the state of the form the state of the state

Rosary recited

The rosary was recited, and the thousands of people in the Mall recited as if one per-on. The older people and nums recited with confidence, and the younger people, less ortain, watched the mouths of those who have the rosary as part of their lives. It started drizzling, and everyone moved toward the "Excuse me please. Can I step on your blanket? Thanks! Excuse me. Thank-you. Ohi I didn't realize there was so

in bio-chemistry. "Things that make good

fence. One minute you were studying, and the next sleep-ing bags, coolers, backpacks and blankets disappeared. And you moved fast to keep up with the people who came tifted above heads in hope to with you. There was no room now to bie down. If you were lucky you could sit. meone sleeping there. I'm sorry. Excuse me, please." Thirty minutes like that to reach the bathrooms. Another 30 minutes to come hash

mass began, and the crowd was transformed in a silent sea. Nothing could be heard but John Paul's softly spoken

Crowds small

The crowds were disap-pointingly small, the newspapers said, but not for the people who were at the Mall.

"Where is the pope now" "The radio says that he's on Constitution Avenue." "He'll be here in about half an hour."

an hour." "Can you see the altar?" "A corner of it." "You can stand in my chair if you want to." "The pope." "I think the pope is com-ine"

Another avalanche toward the fence. Chairs, coolers, blankets, books and radios were moved in a matter of records iert with the sound of cheer-ing in his ears. He's gone. He has been with the people in the Mall for two hours. No one seems to be tired as they continue to cheer the pope.

The crowd cheered wildly

Curtin explains grading, admissions policies for new vet school GPA will certainly have an faculty of 84 and approx-advantage over an applicant imately 250 others, in-cluding., nurses and

GPA will certainly have an advantage over an applicant with a 2.7 GPA. The school is designed to accommodate a certain amount of students and, pope to admit a class of 4 more single optimization of five times as many applications as can be or five times as many applications as can be cepted. The school will employ a

"And man shall leave his ther and mother..."

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Communion. Begin bags, canaras and coke bottles exert carried to the fence act received communion. Bowly, people made their way back. Avay now from the fence and toward the cout. And while many thousand still received communion, the pope blessed the crowd. And while many thousand left with the sound of cheer, ing in his sars.

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clouds and summine, cool, with a chance of a shower on Saturday. Ilgame, partly cloudy and cool and in the mountains partly cloudy and cool with highs in the upper 50's and lows in the 30's.

Around 70 Mid 60's Low 60's

A break in the cold weather as today will be partly cloudy and warmer. For the rest of the weekend intervals of clouds and sunshine, cool, with a chance of a shower

Forecast provided by Brian Eder, Kathy Brehme, John Hart and Mark Shipham, members of the North Carolina State University Chapter of the American Meteorological Society.

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stood up and said, 'I never committed this crime. I never hurt my family.' He went to the Marshall's office

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from page one) sion will be dependent on the curriculum." Curtin said. ans and the For example, if a course in olic will also be biochemistry is included in the curriculum, then there is no pre-requisite for a course

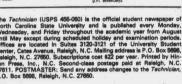
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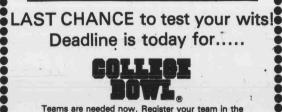
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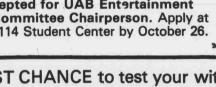


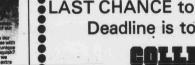
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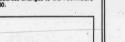




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Entertainment

. by Susan Willard Entertainment Writer



Funny face ballons and Ferris wheels are only part of the attraction the State Fair has for folks of all ages. The North Carolina State Fair begins today and runs through Oct. 20. Admission at the gate is \$2.50. (Staff photos by Larry Merrel and Gene Dees.)



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program, the contest offers young people an oppor-tunity to acquire proficiency in masonry. Gov. James Hunt will open two events, Work Wonders and Forestry Field Day, on opening day. Work Wonders is designed to give workers, employers and the general public an idea of employ-ment and training resources available in state government and is located in the Charter-Sphere Dome. Highlights of the program include efforts in the state involving education, training, appren-ticeships, occupational information and industrial development.

the state involving education, training, appren-ticeships, occupational information and industrial development. "Money DOES Grow On Trees . . . Plant Some" is the theme of Forestry Field Day being sponsored by the N.C. Forestry Association in cooperation with State's School of Forest Resources. The field day will feature the governor's announcement of a program animed at informing landowners of opportunities in growing trees and the formal opening of the Forest Resources Center. Photographers will delight in a new contest created for the fair. Entitled GREAT FAIR FOTOS, the contest is open to all amateur and professional photographers residing in the state. The pictures must be taken during events held Oct. 12:20 and will be accepted in the categories of people, agriculture, amusement and entertainment. Further information can be obtained from any area camera shop. Information on these and other events can be ob-tained from any of three strategically located infor-mation booths. Midway hours are 10 a.m. to mid-night, with the exhibition halls opening at 9.45 p.m.

Music at arena

Dorton Arena, the 25-year-old landmark of the State Fair, has received some badly needed renovations. Visitors to the building can get a firsthand look at the improvements, which were completed over the past year. This first major restoration since its construction, the suppaced with darker bronze panes that will keep out 70 per-center of daylight. New sound, lighting and wiring have explaced the old antiquated systems. The new systems will be given a workout during the fair, when nine shows will be presented on the Dorton Arena stage. Ronnie Milsap will be on the stage opening night and he following Saturday. The Dixie Melody Boys and The In-spirations, North Carolina gospel groups, will entertain Sunday. The Kendalis will be on hand Monday, followed by Jon William, Tuesday; Roger Miller, Wednesday, Cornell Gutter and the Coasters, Thursday; and Eddie Rabbitt, Fri-day. Barbara Mandrell will close the show. All arena shows are free and begin at 7 p.m. Seating is on first-come basis and arena doors will open at 5:30 each area.

evening.

evening. Another entertainment feature, the Folk Festival, will take place in the Charter-Sphere Dome adjacent to Dorton Arena. Daily performances will feature singers, dancers and musicians. The festival was created in 1948 to en-courage and loster efforts among Tar Heel citizens to preserve and develop the state's rich heritage of folk music and dance preserve and dance

- Susan Willard



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State fullback Billy Ray Vickers needs just 21 yard tomorrow to go over the 2,000 mark for his career.(Stat

by Bryan Black Sports Editor

Sports Editor The football game tomorrow between State and Maryland at 1 p.m. in Carter-Finley Stadium is shap-ing up as a gambler's nightmare. State is favored by three points, but with each team as banged up as they are, putting money on this game just might not be a wise thing to do. Things are very unpredictable at this point. The way it looked Thursday afternoon, the Pack will be missing three starters on defense – tackle Simon Gupton, and inside linebackers Dann Lute and Robert Abraham. Six-one, 240-pound sophomore Den-nis Owens is set to go in Gupton's place, junior Near Musser will start at one of the linebacker spots, and David Shelton, an outside linebacker up to this week, will be on the other side.

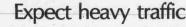
More backers gone

State's No. 3 inside linebacker, Marion Gale, will also not be available because of a knee injury. Also, No. 3 outside linebacker James Butler has been out for the season since the first game after having to undergo knee surgery. Shelton and Dave Horning, a starting outside linebacker, will be playing with minor injuries.

Wayne

Injury-ridden Pack, Terps battle tomorrow

Sports



It will be a big day Satur-day for traffic in the Carter-Finley Stadium-State Fair Two events which annually attract thousands of visitors will be going on throughout the day. First, the N.C. State Fair will be in the N.C. State Pair will be in its second day, and secondly, the State football team will be hosting the Maryland Terrapins in a key ACC bat-tle. The Fair opens at 9 am. While the football is set to kick off at 1 p.m. The State Highway Patrol predicts more than 100,000 people will be in the general area by noon. The patrol has the following suggestions:

rush. State ranks next to last in the ACC in rushing defense, giving up 225 yards a game. Maryland's biggest strength is its defense, which is first in the ACC, allowing opponents just 224 yards a game. State's offense, on the other hand, is leading the ACC in scoring with an average of over 30 points a game.

a game. Individually, State must look out for Wys Maryland's rugged running back who is averaging 118 yards a game, and Dale Castro, the Terrapin placekicker who is 10 out of 10 on the season. Linebacker Brian Matera has 74 tackles in Maryland's five games.

Two straight losses

Two straight losses The Terps have won three of those five games, los-ing last week 27.7 to Penn State and the week before to Kentucky. The wins have come over Villanova, Mississippi State and Clemson. The Wolfpack will be looking to averge last year's embarrassing 31.7 defeat in College Park, a game in which the Terps scored twice in a matter of seconds early in the second half. If the Pack is unable to get its ground game going. Smith can always put it up. He's rated the top pass-ing quarterback in the ACC according to the system set up by the NCAA. And Smith has a pair of wide receivers who have accomplished some pretty impressive things thus far. Sophomore Mike Quick has a pair of touchdown passes and has shown moves pro scouts have to be passes and has shown moves pro scouts have to be

School Lee Jukes set a State record with this inve-catches against Auburn last week. The five grabs went for a total of 172 yards, bettering the old yar-dage mark of 155 yards in a single game. Tomorrow's game will also be special for Vickers,

the stadium area when traveling from Raleigh. - Those people with a Carter-Finley Stadium park-ing pass and buses will be allowed in Gates C and D beginning at 9 a.m. Allother gates to the Stadium (A. B. , and P) will open at 10 a.m. - When traveling from Raleigh via Wade Ave. and 1.40, do not turn onto Blue Ridge Road, but get in the get lane and travel past that exit to Gate E which exits to the left off 140. Watch for signs that say "Stadium Traffic."

people will be in the general area by noon. The patrol has the following suggestions: - Please do not use Hillsborough St. to get to area by noon. The general the general vicinity of later than 11 a.m.

rubbing their hands together about. Senior Lee Jukes set a State record with his five

ie Wysocki is the ACC's an Ch nd leading rusher. concleading future. who needs just 21 yards rushing to become the fourth rusher in State history to go over the 2,000-yard mark. Right now, Vickers ranks seventh in yardage among ACC runningbacks. With all the injuries, it's hard to feel real good in picking this game. Flat out, it should be rated a toss up. With the inuries to State's defense, the Terps should be able to move the ball. And while State has an extremely potent offense, the Maryland defense should be able to keep the Pack within a certain point of control.

Perhaps the best way to pick this one is to look at State's performance last week. No one associated with the Wolfpack wants to experience anything like that again.

Men ruggers beat Heels

The State Rugby Football Club traveled to Chapel Hill for its last game to take on the Tar Heel ruggers. Although faced with many problems resulting from heavy rains and bad field conditions, State defeated the Heels 60 with Ron Rockett scoring the lone try. Following an earlier

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defeat to the Charlotte Old Originals. State's record now stands at 2.2. The Wolfpack plays Greensboro Sunday on the lower athletic field at 1 p.m. The State Rugby Football Club is spon-soring the first annual ACC Rugby Tournament Oct. 20:21 on the lower athletic field.

"Basically, Maryland is a very arrhey've been team," State head coach Bo Rein said. "They've been hit with a rash of nipures, but they still play with a lot of pride. "They have a fine rushing attack, headed by (Charlie) Wysocki. And defensively, they've proved they're capable of shutting out some good people. The game will be played with the intensity you ex-pect from two teams that are battling for the con-ference lead." While the Terps have a strong ground attack, the Pack will be looking to improve what was to be a strong point of its game-its defense against the On offense, starting tackle Todd Eckerson will again not play because of a broken leg. Chris Carr will be in his spot. However, playing with injuries Women's volleyball team topples VCU, ECU

Dawson.

by Lorry Romano Sports Writer

State's women's volleyball team got back on the winning track Wednes-day night in Carmichael gym. However, the team did not do it in the best of form with the consistent, dynamic playing it had shown so far this season. The Pack managed to vercome East Carolina and

Virginia Commonwealth, but it took State three games in each match to do it. games n each match to doit. "It was boring," State coach Pat Hielscher said. "We played in spurts. We should have gone out there and controlled the match, but the team did not have the mental intensity, so we did not dominate the games like we should have." In the first match against

Virginia Commonwealth, the Pack's sluggih of fice and numerous serve-reception errors almost cost State the match. VCU cop ped the first game 15-12, but State towa the first game behind the steady net play of junior Carmin Pam Jordan to take the game, the Pack regained match for us." Hielscher far, State took the first game against East Carolina 159. Then the Wolfpack eropped the next game tol-15. and in the last game the Pack finally defeated the Pirates 158. "It was a terrible tri-match for us," Hielscher

will be quarterback Scott Smith, All-America center Jim Ritcher, tackle Chris Koehne, guard Chuck Stone, fullback Billy Ray Vickers and tight end Lin

Stone, fundack pinly hay vice is and ugite tin Jawson. However, State really has less reason to complain about injuries than do the Terrapins. Maryland will have five starters out with injuries. The Terps big-gest loss is Lloyd Burruss, one of the conference's premier defensive backs and kick returners. Also missing will be tight end Eric Sievers, defen-sive guard Marlin Van Horn, safety John Baldante and defensive tackle Ed Gall. In addition, Maryland has a number of players who will play with their injuries, just like the Wolfpack. They are defensive back Steve Trimble, fullback Rick Fasano, wide receiver Gary Ellis, defensive end Brad Senft, backup fullback Lyle Peck and guard Paul Glamp. Hurt het sound

Hurt, but sound

"Basically, Maryland is a very sound football am," State head coach Bo Rein said. "They've been

said. "When a team doesn't challenge you, you have to challenge yourself; we didn't do that." The Pack has almost a week-long break until its next match when the team hosts North Carolina in Car-michael Gym Thursday.





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Golfers go after 2nd straight Iron Duke title

by Stu Hall Sports Writer

Sports Writer State's golf team will try to defend its Iron Duke golf tournament title of a year ago when it travels to Durhan tomorrow to begin play in the three-day event. State head coach Richard Sykes has split his team into a "red" and a "white" squad. All America Todd Smith, Thad Daber, Neil Harrell, Eric Moehing, Roy Hunter and Nolan Mills constitute the red squad. The white team consists of Brooks Bar-wick, Jay Martin, Butch Monteith and Andrew Stiles. As of Thursday, two spots remained open on the

spots remained open on the white team, with four crier

So that all Criers may be run, all items must be less than 30 words. No lost items will be

YOUNG DEMOCRATS Meeting Wednesday Oct. 17 at 5:00 p.m. in Board Room, 4th floo Student Center.

golfers trying to qualify for them. For Sykes it will be a good way to see everybody com-pete and to answer a few

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way to see everybody com-pete and to answer a few key questions. "The red team is probably our No. 1 team this week, although I'm not se sure that two or three of the players on the white team shouldn't be on the red team." Sykes said. "With everybody play-ing against the same com-petition it will be a good way to start making some com-parisons to see who is im-proving and get some idea of what this team is going to do.

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NCSU RACQUETBALL CLUB will meet Thurs day, Oct. 18 at 6:00 p.m. in room 211 of Car michael Gym. New members are welcome!

UAB ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE meeting on Oct 19-at 7-30 p.m. in room 3115 Student Center All members and interested students are urged to attend.

rounds in Columbus was in contention, but then shot an 81 to finish rather disappoin-ting. He is carrying a rather big school load so he can finish next spring, and right now that's more important. With the studying, he can't practice every day like he should, but he is going to be right on target this year." Daber, who had an Daber, who had an outstanding freshman year and an up and down year last season, is a big question mark along with Monteith, a junior who was a highly touted prep golfer, but has not yet reached his poten-tial.

tial do. "Todd Smith is still im-proving; he had two good "Thad is playing better this year. He had a bad

GOING TO THE STATE FAIR? Several local agencies need help manning their booths. For more information contact Volunteer Services, 737-3193, or stop by 3112 Student Center.

COLLEGE CLASS OF First Presbyterian Church will be running a van service eveny. Sunday morring for students. The van will pick up at Peace 920 a.m. at Admin. Building, Meredith 930 a.m. at Johnson Hall, State at D.H. Hill

season last year after a good freshman year, so I hope he has it together this year." Sykes said. He worked hard this summer, and I really think he'll have a good year this year.

"Butch is a real question mark the past two years; he has lacked consistency, and Tve been playing him as much as possible this fall, and 1 think he can help us." Last year's Iron Duke in-dividual medalist was Tom Reynolds, who graduated from State last spring.

Joining the defending champions in this 54-hole event will be tournament host Duke, who also will

faces Appalachian next

State's club football team dropped a 30-8 decision to St. Leo's College in Tampa, Fia. Saturday.

Saturday. The first half was one of frustration and disappoint. ment for the Clubpack as it



Gary Hanrahan Sports Writer

p.m. "The easy part of the season is behind us now." State head coach J.W. Jaenhour said. "The pro-blems are that we have lost some close ones in the first part of the season. We've stayed with a good frame of mind through the season. The team is not down, but we are still working hard. which pleases me. "They are working so hard I would like to see them win." State, 0-5 on the season, is

them win." State.0-5 on the season, is paced by the doubles team of Rebecca Barnette and Wendy Corey, which is undefeated for the season. "Both are playing really well as doubles partners.

Though the Pack offense played sluggishly until Luney's goal awoke it from its slumber, Gross was quick to praise the Quakers. **Dukes-Wolfpack** on radio at 3:30

"Guilford' played very-very well. We helped them with their goal: it wasn't anything great their offense did, but we can't fault them. It was one of the better defensive efforts we've seen this year. They deserved to win." This afternoon's James Madison-State soccer game will be broadcast live on WKNC-FM, 88.1. Air time is 3:20 p.m

************ playing. We ought to leave that up to the ranking com-mittee.

mittee. "If we play well, the wins take care of themselves; if we play winning ball, the rankings will take care of themselves." Gross evaluated State's two upcoming games, which have now become "must wins," especially in light of Wednesday's upset.

themselves." Guilford had a 3-7-1 record coming into the game, and many considered it to be a breather for State before to day's 3:30 p.m. start against James Madison on Lee Field and Monday's game at East Carolina. "James Madison Universi-ty is always one of the bet-ter teams in the region. They're a tough team they're very physically defensive.

Two must wine

and Monday's game at East Carolina. But the Quakers played the Pack to a scoreless standstill in the first half, then tallied the game's only score when Derek Luney beat the left side of the State defense with 11 minutes elapsed in the se-cond. "ECU is an improved team. We saw them in the tournament where they played well. On their own field, they'll be strong.

"People have to realize we're not a Clemson, Teams just aren't going to roll over and die when we come out."

Netters take on Clemson They are playing incon-sistently in singles," Isenhour said. "They should be seeded in the ACC tour-nament in a couple of weeks:

by Stu Hall Sports Writer

Painful loss

Gross thinks the loss will

State's women's tennis team faces its toughest op-ponents this coming week when it plays host to Clem-son Saturday at 9 a.m. and travels to Chapel Hill to face the Tar Heels Tuesday at 2 nament in a couple of weeks; they get to show their stuff in these next couple of mat-

in these next couple of mat-ches." Clemson and Carolina are the teams in which State can see how much it has improv-ed this year. "Clemson and Carolina are like tests. They are sort of like mid-terms," Isenhour said, You get to see how much you have learned, or in this case, how much your have improved. Rebecca Barnette and Suzanne Nirschl haven't goten the practice that they might have wanted the past couple of days. of days.

of days. "Clemson is good. I watch-ed them play Tennessee last weekend. They have pro-bably the best player in the ACC the last two years. "Carolina is probably the class of the ACC. They have two girls, Sandy Fleischman

and Jennifer Balent, who are sophomores and are really good. Their number five singles player didn't make the top six this year. That's how good they are."

Women ruggers top Charlotte

top Charlotte Reedy Creek Women's Rugby Club hosted two games against the Charlotte Harlots last Saturday. The "A" side game was played with 30-minute halves. There was one un-converted try in the first half by Any Patterson of Reedy Creek. Charlotte did not score, and the final score of the "A" side game was played with 25-minute halves, and Reedy Creek's lamed another victory ver the Harlots with an 8-0 score. Reedy Creek's Mary

score. Reedy Creek's Mary Price was responsible for two unconverted tries, one in each half, to give Creek its points.

WANT TO KNOW MORE about Korea? Come to Korean Night Gala, Oct20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center. For more information, call 737-2451. Sponsored by Korean Student YOUNG DEMOCRATS Beer Blast! Everyone invited! Friday, Oct. 19 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Packhouse THE UNION ACTIVITIES BOARD is loaking for an enthusiastic person to coordinate activities during the noon hours in the Student Center. This job will satisfy volunteer requirements in many NCSU courses. Apply at 3114 Student

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Gross thinks the loss will damage State in its drive for an NCAA divisional bid, but for now he would like to forget about the national ranking system. "With only seven league games remaining, any time you get a loss or a tie it's go ing to hurt your chances." Gross said. "We'll just have to start playing good ball and see what happens. "I think one of our pro-blems might be that we're worrying too much about the rankings and not enough about the opponents we're

Club football team loses, IF YOU ENJOY SWIMMING, come share your interest and your time with some handicap ped children. Please contact Volunteer Ser voces for more info. 3112 Student Center, 737 3193.

watched each long and pro-mising drive end in a flurry of penalty flags. State was down 30-0 at halftime. Penalties stifled

tion Diress. said. "In the fall it ream, doesn't count; you're just trying to get your guys some practice for the spring when it really counts." p.m

State scoring drives until the final minutes when it scored to avert the shutout.

The Clubpack record now stands at 2.1. The two winsin-clude victories over the UNC Greensboro Club team (25-0) and the semi-pro eastern North Carolina All-Stars (16-8). The Pack will host league rival Appalachian this weekend.

"It's really hard to tell who is going to win this thing because you don't know if a team is going to br-ing their best players or not," Duke Sports Informa-tion Director Johnny Moore said. "In the fall it really deers' recount, won'rea jurd

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Never fear The low-calorie roasted peanut is here

by Scott Mills Features Writer

Features Writer Pickles. As I searched for the elusive Dr. Maurice Hoover among the milk displays, vegetable posters and impressive machinery, the aroma of pickles seemed to follow me. Something else was there too. It was a familiar smell, yet different somehow... Hal Turning a corner, I found both Hoover and the source of the mysterious smell. Grapes were being smashed, yeast was being added, and State's own version of Boones Farm was being produced.

Wine production is only one phase of the multifaceted program that is being taught and prac-ticed at Schaub, State's food science building, Hoover said. Extensive research in developing new foods and changing or adapting foods already on the market is performed by both students and faculty, he said. And that's not all.

"In addition to our own research, we also cooperate with the Horticulture Department in evaluating such things as breeding vines," he explained.

Revolutionary foods

But what about the cosmic, space-age foods that we hear about? Revolutionary foods that make it on the market are rare these days, Hoover said. The main emphasis in food science research is "to. develop North Carolina grown products and extend their use by developing new products," he said.

Ideas for new food products often come from re-quests made by growers, food producers and even shippers. Once the request or suggestion is taken up as a potential product, the experimental station makes an outline of what they are going to do for the next three years. next three years.

"The plan keeps us from going 90 different direc-tions at once," Hooover said. For the adventurous "Space Dust" nutritionists, there's someone looking out for you at food science, too. A course called "New Product Development" re-

quires each student to come up with a new product, Hoovér said. It is this bunch of future scientific Euell Gibbonses that are often responsible for the occasional wonder foods that arise. Typical products for these students, Hoover said, include seafood, dairy and plant products

Peanut butter shrimp patties

So what happens when one of these guys invents peanut butter shrimp patties—or whatever? Does a black limo pick them up and carry them off to fame and fortune? No. Because State generally pays for the research, State owns the products that are developed, Hoover said

specimens concosted in one of State's labOrstories? Dr. Meurice Hoover, food science pro-fessor displays his newest food product, "yam tots" (Staff photo by Lynn McNeill) sau. And even if one is allowed to charge into the real world with his shining shrimp patty, problems again-arise, he added.

"Say one develops something that gets in the food trade," Hoover said. "Usually big companies get it and modify its form so it's hardly recognizable." But wait! There's good news. Sometimes products really do make it big-time. Hoover, who is one of several experts on peanuts, tomatoes, apples, peaches, sweet potatoes and muscadine grapes, has just finished a successful project concerning french fried sweet potatoes.

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are his all-around favorite. And you know, when I was leaving, I swear I smelled peanuts.



by Tom Campbell Features Writer When riding a bicycle,

When riding a bicycle, rain is a pain. Any rider who regular-ly commutes by bike will have to face wet weather on occasion—it's best to be prepared. There's no 100 percent guaranteed method of staying com-pletely dry and comfor-table while pedalling through puddles.

Rain gear should be sturdy and allow unhindered movement while riding. A poncho is generally too loose-fitting

A cheap vinyl plastic suit doesn't last more than a few rides, no mat-ter how carefully it is treated. Be sure the rain suit selected is a bright color to draw the motorist's attention.

If a hood is attached, make sure it fits snugly so it will turn with your head as you look over your shoulder or glance down side streets. If the hood blocks vision in these situations, wear a headband over it to hold it in place.

When water-proofed from the head to the ankles, the feet catch a lot of runoff. Water-resistant footwear is a good idea.

Also keep an extra pair of dry socks on hand at your work or destination

for emergencies. Bike riders with toe clips can use plastic bags over their feet as a disposable means to keep dry. For under \$10, light-weight aluminum fenders are a bargain. Without fenders ten speeds look sleeker; but the wheels sling water up on the rider. A cyclist without

rider. A cyclist without fenders can be identified on rainy days by the streak of mud running down his back. The best buy in fenders are "Blue Mels."

Mels." If it is only drizzling, fenders will play a large part in keeping you dry. Foot-long "mini-fenders" look spiffy, but are a waste of money. A homemade fender can be used in a pinch if

can be used in a pinch if the bike is equipped with

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a book carrier over the rear wheel. A folded newspaper attached to the book rack catches water slung by the rear tire, but the front tire will still spray the pedals-and the bike frame. Above all else, SLOW DOWN when riding in rain. Very little water is slung from tires when riding at a slow speed. Be aware that hand-brakes lose most of their effectiveness when the wheel rims are wet; slow bike movement enables quicker stops. Remember that pour-ing on the steam after taking the trouble to suit up against the weather may cause sweat trapped inside to dampen you as much as the rain might have if the rain gear were left at home.

and blows in the wind. It doesn't keep a bike rider dry and may be a hazard because it hangs close to the wheels and chain. A poncho that is specifically made for cycling has elastic wristbands on the lower front corners.

Now... what have we here? More diabolical

The best option is a rain suit. This can be a one-piece, water-repellent coverall often sold at motorcycle shops or a standard rain slicker and pants commonly worn by boatmen.

















Students majoring in math and science ducation who fear the demise of their depart-tent have some legitimate beefs where the andling of the matter is concerned. But the tuation hardly warrants the "students vs. ad-inistration" label being applied by many-at att part for the account ha least not for the present. School of Education Deal Carl Dolce said

Itesat not for the present.
School of Education Deal Carl Doice said this week he is studying the possible merger of the Math, and Science Education Department with the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. The unification would occur after the June, 1980 retirement of present Math and Science Department Head H.E. Speece.
A deluge of letters and phone calls to the Technician this week indicates general disapproval of the idea among students in the department. But even more disturbing to them has been apparent disinterest in student opinion reflected by the powers that be.
It seems students were not noted officially that the merger is being contemplated; they found out through the grapevine. Additionally, their input was not solicited. Unfortunate happenings indeed, but hardly surprising, considering this University's track record where administrative deference to student opinion is concerned.
However, Dolce has indicated he is willing to meet with students to hear their feelings expressed—indeed, one such meeting has already occurred—so those wishing to those with gottem colices. Date with students to be suberificial as possible.
Besides being negligent in informing and consulting students, Dolce appears to have

their common faith.

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I am not proposing that preachers change hemselves into stand-up comics. I am merely suggesting that when something funny hap-pens in church, we should accept the laughter

simply a matter of punchines. It is too impor-tant for that. Humor keeps us from taking ourselves so darn seriously. Whether we are Christians or not, it gently reminds us that we are after all only human, and very capable of making mistakes. Laughter punctures our ballooning egos when we become self-important. (Don't imagine for an instant that Christians are immune to vanity and concett. Because

are immune to vanity and conceit. Because

we have received a message of profound im-portance, that Jesus can literally save

portance, that Jesus can interally save mankind, it is perilously easy to mislead myself into believing that we are somehow superior to the unconverted. I have never preached, but I can imagine the seductive realization that for the moment

an entire congregation is ready to receive. God's truth from my lips.) Humor of course is often misused. I will confess that I have used my own wit to give

es. nor is a gift of God. A laugh is a brief of thanks for that gift. Humor is not a matter of punchlines. it is too impor-

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As we stated earlier, though, there are lots of points to be considered here, and it is too early to take a definite stand. Students, faculty and administrators involved should carefully research the issue; all sides should be given a fair and equal chance to be heard, and a deci-sion should be made with the best interests of the University in mind.

Slanted story?

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Slanted story? I would like to restore the image of the University which was so rudely damaged by P.G. Bladen in his letter to the Technician, Monday, Oct. 8. I witnessed the incident in question, and I an shocked that Mr. Bladen would writes such a biased account of the incident in section 12 at the Wake Forest game. The consumption of alcohol had nothing whatsoever to do with the incident, as Mr. Bladen would like you to believe. During the fourth quarter, the fan in quite unexpectedly, Mr. Bladen, who was siting in the row below the fan, turned and quite unexpectedly. Mr. Bladen, who was siting in the row below the fan, turned at out, grabbed the fan's horn and threw it down section 12. After the initial surprise, the fan "repreatedly asked Mr. Bladen, dint see tin answer the then-becoming-obnoxious fan and soor an altereation broke out.

fit to answer the then-becoming-obno fan and soon an altercation br and soon an altercation broke out veen the victimized fan and Mr. Bl

I do not condone volcence, particularly at a public event such as a football game; however, Mr. Bladen, I suggest that you brought on the entire incident.-loanaot.--understand how someone can go through life and not realize the consequences of such a thoughtless act. In conclusion, Mr. Bladen, I suggest that

In conclusion, Mr. Bladen, I suggest that you think long and hard before you again take someone's property as you did at the Wake Forest game. If you do see fit to do such a thing again, I would expect the same outcome. Also, Mr. Bladen, if you must write about your experiences, why not write them in a truthful manner rather than casting shadows on this University with such one-sided statements.

Wayne Boyd SR ME

H.E. Speece. Not only will the School of Education feel the loss of Dr. H.E. Speece and the Department of Math and Science Education but the entire University! Marianne Plata SR SED

one of State's finest department heads-Dr.

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The Wolf's Prayer

Although one Technician editorial (10/3/79) states that students are not powerless against the University, one tends to feel that way at times. With the new fence around Court of the

With the new fence around Court of the Carolinas, the fence around the lacrosse field, changing the drop period from nine weeks to four weeks and just in general "brickiness," one tends to feel powerless. And what do many people do when they feel powerless? They pray. Thus, I offer a prayer to a "supreme being," one that is dear to our hearts: our alma mater. Our University, which art in Raleigh, Hallowed be thy walls. To thy campus we come, Thy will be done In fence, as it was in brick. Give us this day our daily MacDonaldized Wolfburger, And give us The Link

Wolfburger, And give us The Link

And give us the Link As we forgive the rape of Carolina Court; And lead us not into the cross-country track, But deliver us from open space. For thine is Doak field, Carolina court, and

the cross-country track, forever. Ted James SR CHE

Carter and holes

Next time we think of criticizing Carter, let's pause for a moment and think about the land of 20 million holes. Remember, these holes range from 20 to 50 feet wide and five to 20 feet deep. In some areas th create a scene much like the craters of a moonscale as they

create a scene much like the craters or a moonscape. The common Carter critic, like almost everyone else, cannot comprehend the land of 20 million holes because of the immense guitt that results. It is like a mental block. If one can withstand the horror, glimpse next at the making of the 20 million holes. Over 7 million tots of our bombs produced these holes. Over 1.7 million died in the making of the holes; 56,000 of them were our older brothers, flesh and blood. Millions more were wounded. Over

our other bronners, lesh and block. Multions more were wounded. Over \$150,000,000,000 of ours was spent. All was wasted. The takeover of the Khmer Rouge alone caused an estimated 2 million deaths. Then there are the countless thousands of boat people who were lost at sea

see. Can anyone comprehend the suffering? Could John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson or Richard M. Nixon grasp it? Can your parents, who elected, financed and trusted these three men comprehend it? Your parents, the very ones who marched off their sons to the Lost Cause of All Ages, can they take it in? Is it clear: do we understand? understand?

No, we have not comprehended the suffering yet. We disown the one leader who at last has comprehended the suffering.

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The polls show that the same American relentlessness that made the holes will dispose of our last hope in 1990. The one who steered us clear of Panama, Iran and Nicaregua. The one who has brought human rights to world attention. The one who has saved untold thousands by doubling the refugee Immigration. The very one who helped construct the world's most magnificent peace treaty. We must not take what Carter has done for granted. Remember how quickly Kennedy sent men to Vietnam after we threw away tens of thousands of men in our disastrous North Korean invasion. Our mistakes are repeatable. Before this becomes the land of Carter critics, we must think about the land of 20 million holes, and the remains of our brethren there. All least then we can raise ourselves to the level Carter is on. The polls show that the same American

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Statements explained

Stattements express my gratitude to the Technician for publishing the article on my service with the Peace Corps (Oct. 8). Thanks to that article, it is hoped that readers might be more informed as to the meaning of serving in the Peace Corps. Also, I think the Technician should be commended for trying to do "human interest" stories on students at NCSU. By doing so, you promote a sharing and a communication of ideas and experiences among those of widely different backgrounds and interests. This is healthy. However, care should be exercised when such articles are undertaken.

backgrounds and interests. This is healthy, However, care should be exercised when such articles are undertaken. I have several clarifications which I feel must be made, but for the sake of comprehending my methations (and perhaps understanding my motivations for saying them) and for the general benefit of State readers, especially our fellow students from African countries. 1) Unsanitary conditions and/or superstitions which may exist to greater or lesser extents in Togo had nothing to do with my ability to communicate. It was not knowing the local language that, at first, made communication slow. When I could communicate effectively either in French of in the local language, I grew to appreciate and respect all aspects of their culture. 2) I think the words animism (generally speaking, ancestor worship) and fetishism should have been used instead of ethnocentic terms such as "witch doctors" and "graven images." 3) Einell, L screet that L was nucled as

shound neve terms such as "witch doctors" and "graven images." 3) Finally, I regret that I was quoted as saying something I did not actually say. While I did say that the pace of life is slower in Togo, I did not say that "there is a lack of ambition toward material progress in Togo, in contrast to the U.S." The reason that the adaption of technologically advanced methods is slow comes from a lack of wealth on the part of the Togolise. Those moving upward in society are just as desirous of symbols of their new well-being as anyone anywhere. I just wanted to set straight the record.

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I would like to call the attention of the State student body as well as the Technician staff to the possible merger of the Department of Math and Science Education to the Department of Curriculum and Instruction

On the merger

Instruction. Because I am a senior engaging in my student teaching semester with the Department of Science Education, the inevitability of finding myself on the short end of this merger concerns me greatly. My fellow peers and I feel that graduating from a department that no longer exists will have a drastic effect on our job possibilities. I write this letter so that the whole State student body will be aware that the reputation of the nationally recognized Department of Math and Science Education is being faced with a possible demotion. Beta Coulon

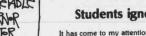
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Students ignored

It has come to my attention that many deans or at least one in particular at State are truly not interested in the feelings of their students. It seems that "DRUTHERS" are of no consequence. This also includes the "DRUTHERS" of the faculty members themschier

This situation is in fact a reality in the School of Education. The Math and Science Education Department is unique in that all students and faculty members are one large

students and faculty members are one large family. This unit shares respect and admiration for all of its members. There has never been a time when a student could not, find respect, empathy and a guiding hand. This guiding hand did not necessarily come from the student's assigned adviser but from the entire faculty including the department head—Dr. H.E. Speece. If some people have their way, the Department of Math and Science Education will no longer exist after the retirement of



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Bliss betv someone a good swift verbal kick. Even more often I have used my sense of humor to erect ave used my sense of humor to erect ational billboards attesting to my own

conversational billboards attesting to my own cleverness. Humor can also be a medium of prejudice. Our society is much less racist than it used to be, but the continued existence of "nigger jokes" proves that we have a long way to go. A snicker hides many a hatred. But Christianity brings out the best aspects of humor. A good laugh among Christians is an acknowledgement of God's love for them and their love for each other. When God saw the world he made was good, I would not be surprised if He had smil-ed.

Sometimes something happens in church that frightens, annoys and even shocks many members of the congregation. It is nothing stanic-It is not even unspiritual. It is nothing more than laughter. The cause is not important. A snoring parishioner, a child singing out of tune-once I heard the collection plate drop with a hor-ribly fiscal clatter—in any case, many strive mightily not to notice. Course of the semicer of the humorous remark into the semicer, you can almost feel the lips pursing. Thank God for those who laugh! I think this fear of mirth on Sunday morning is tragic. The service should not be a liturgical ballet, with every step carefully choregraph-ed. The church is meant to be a place of joy, where the children of God meet to celebrate their common faith.

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The idea of God smiling, or for that matter

Jesus laughing, may strike some of you as strange. But I invite you to read between the lines of the Gospel. Why were little children drawn to Jesus?

Why were little children drawn to Jesus? Certainly they were too young to understand the significance of his teachings. (Quite a few adults missed Jesus' points, too.) The children must simply have enjoyed being around Him. I'm no expert, but it seems to me that humorless adults are rarely surrounded by children other than their own. — Or consider Jesus' first miracle, the making of water into wine. Jesus and his disciples had been invited to a wedding at Cana. I cannot see how He could have attended the celebra-tion and not joined in the laughter. (It is hard to reconcile Jesus' brief career as a winemaker with the rigid teetotaism of some Christians.) I admit that these are not positive proofs of a divine sense of humor. But my own limited knowledge of our Lord prevents me from

knowledge of our Lord prevents me from conceiving of a humorless Christ. Jesus wept, we are told. But to me it is equally important to believe

that Jesus laughed

Larry

Laughter's good for us

