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## Rumours of violence cause Nazi march cancellation

by Steve Watson  
Staff Writer

Fears of an armed confrontation in downtown Raleigh caused cancellation of a planned April 19 motorcade involving the Nazi Party and Ku Klux Klan, Nazi leader Harold A. Covington said Wednesday.

A rally will be held instead on State Road 1312 in Johnston County April 29, and the following Sunday the new Nazi party headquarters at 705 W. North St. in Raleigh will be dedicated, Covington said.

The rally is being held to support the 14 Nazi and Klan members arrested for their possible involvement in the shooting deaths of five Communist Workers party members in Greensboro Nov. 3, Covington said. "We called off the motorcade in

Raleigh because we got word that there would be a big shoot-em-up," Covington said. "We have inside information that about 100 members of the Revolutionary Communist Party were coming down and would be armed."

### Firearms prohibited

Raleigh city policy prohibited members of the motorcade from being armed during their drive through Raleigh.

"It wouldn't make sense for us to set ourselves up to be attacked like that," Covington said. "Since we can't drive through Raleigh without the communists attacking us, we're going to hold all our rallies from now on on private property where we can have weapons and defend ourselves."

A spokeswoman for the Revolu-

tionary Communist Party in Greensboro denied Wednesday that their organization was planning an armed confrontation with the Nazis and Klan.

"We don't care what they do. They don't merit our attention," she said.

Covington said the members of the planned rally in Johnston County would be armed, although he doubted any communist groups would show up since the location is an obscure private farm.

Johnston County sheriff George Johnson said Wednesday he was not anticipating any problems at next weekend's rally.

"I really don't even know where it's being held yet, but I know it's on private land, and as long as they obey the law they can do what they want on private property," Johnson said.

"We're just contemplating an ordinary weekend."

The rally, which is scheduled to begin about 4 p.m., will consist of speeches, a cross burning and a barbecue.

### CWP denies reports

The Communist Workers Party, whose members were involved in the Greensboro confrontation with the Ku Klux Klan and Nazis, denied on Wednesday reports that they were interested in further violence with the right wing groups.

"We have absolutely no plans for a military confrontation with anyone," Communist Workers Party spokesman Nelson Johnson said. "All the reports that have been put out implying that we're anxious for more violence are

preventing people from knowing what we really want."

Johnson explained that the Communist Workers Party has been giving talks throughout the state on the role they say the government is playing in supporting right wing groups.

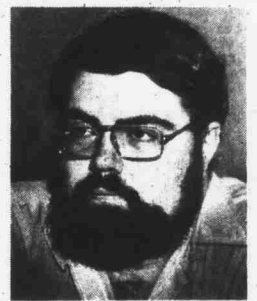
"The battle should be between the people and their government," he said. "The government is trying to create a battle between left-wing and right-wing groups."

The Communist Workers party is interested only in self-defense, not attacking anyone, according to Johnson.

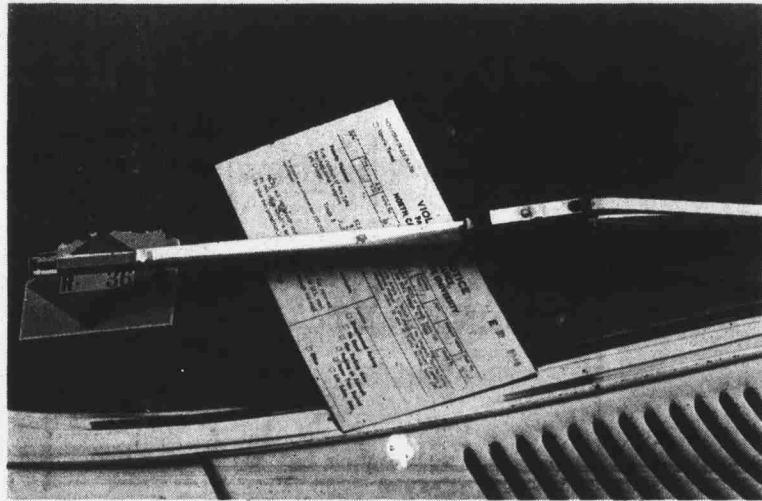
The new Nazi party headquarters in Raleigh will be called Jackson Hall, named after Andrew Jackson, Covington said.

"Andrew Jackson was a racist of the

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Harold A. Covington



Paying parking tickets can be rather costly, but a towing charge can really empty your pocket. However, one student, dissatisfied with towing procedures in Wake County, chose to take the issue to court. (Staff photo by Linda Bradford)

## Illegal car towing results in clarification of ordinances

by Eleanor Williams  
Staff Writer

Editor's note: Car towing is a concern of many students. The purpose of this series of articles is to relate the facts concerning one student's actions, not to solicit support for his class-action suit.

Wednesday's Technician reported charges of illegal car towing brought against Brentwood Wrecker Service by State student Robert Bowman. Jerry Leonard, Bowman's lawyer, said in a telephone interview late Wednesday afternoon that the manager of the Exxon station brought charges of assault against Bowman for his participation in a fight between station employees and Bowman on Saturday night, Feb. 16.

Because two warrants of assault cannot be filed for the same fight in North Carolina, Bowman's recourse was to

file charges of temporary larceny of an automobile, or "illegal use of a conveyance" against the driver of the wrecker, Leonard said.

Leonard briefly outlined the North Carolina Statute on illegal use of a conveyance. The statute states that if a person takes, operates or exercises control of an airplane, motorboat, motor vehicle or motor-propelled conveyance, without the consent of the owner, this constitutes temporary larceny of the vehicle involved, he said.

### Ordinances specific

The city ordinances concerning towing are more specific, however, Leonard said. Written permission to tow the vehicle in question must be given to the wrecker service by the owner of the lot who must be present when the car is towed. The car must have been illegally parked for two

hours, and the space must have been marked with white lines and a 24 inch by 24 inch sign saying that the car will be towed at the owner's expense.

In Wake County District Court on March 28, Bowman was found innocent of the assault charge. The driver of the wrecker was found guilty of temporary larceny of an automobile.

Leonard said he and Bowman were in the process of working out the details of a class action suit against the wrecker company to pay for the personal damages sustained during the towing incident.

A minimum of five other persons illegally towed under the same circumstances will be sought to strengthen the case.

The statute of limitations for illegal towing is a minimum of one year, Leonard said. He was not certain of the

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## Le Roux scheduled to play Zoo Day bands announced

by Eleanor Williams  
Staff Writer

Festivities at The Zoo Day, April 19, will be the most elaborate ever, according to Student Center President Ron Luciani.

Le Roux will be the featured band at the annual event sponsored by the Union Activities Board Entertainment Committee, the Inter-Residence Council and the Student Senate.

Michael Marlin, a comedian and juggler who has appeared on the "Midnight Special," will be the master of ceremonies. Le Roux will begin playing at 12:30 p.m., followed by the Super Grit Cowboy Band at approximately 3 p.m. Brice Street Band will conclude the show at 5 p.m.

"I remind everyone that the headline act will begin at 12:30, so get there early," Luciani said. Because record numbers of people are expected to attend, Cates Avenue will be closed on Saturday. "We ask that all people who have cars parked on Cates Avenue bet-

ween Tucker and Dan Allen, please make plans to move their cars on Saturday morning," Luciani said.

"Because the KKK, Nazi march has been called off," Luciani continued, "the administration is more in favor of closing Dan Allen, too. We should know in the next few days. This way people could sit on the lawn at Bragaw and still have a pretty good view of the bands."

Luciani said that food and drinks will be available for a nominal sum. Official Zoo Day T-shirts and hats will be on sale. "There will be no free beer, but plenty of free ice and a lot of souvenirs," he said.

"If any student organization is interested in having a fund raising booth or concession, they must contact me at 2453 as soon as possible," Luciani said. "There are very few spaces left. No group should just plan to set up shop; they must have approval of the Zoo Day Committee."

In case of rain, there will be no show and no rain date. "We plan to have rain insurance so we wouldn't lose too much money," Luciani said.



## Tompkins Hall renovation delayed one month due to bad weather

by Cara Fleisher  
Staff Writer

Completion of the Link Building between Tompkins and Winston halls has been delayed at least one month due to bad weather. Physical Plant project construction manager William Bilger said Thursday.

"The weather in January, February and the first of March delayed completion, originally scheduled for June 1981, until July 1981. The July date is tentative," Bilger said.

Renovation of Tompkins Hall is running on schedule, Bilger said. Demolition, duct work and chilled water piping have been completed. All revisions to the existing structure are finished.

The next step in the renovation is construction of a new roof. "That way,

when we begin work inside, it won't be spoiled by rain," Bilger said.

After the roof is completed, floors will be refinished and replaced. New partitions, ceiling and stairwells will be put in, and then painting and decorating will be done.

"The foundations in the Link Building are 85 percent complete. Some of the underground work, such as sewer lines, is also finished," Bilger said.

As soon as the foundation is finished, construction will begin on an underground steamline from Poe and Page halls to the new building. Construction on the above-ground structure will begin in about a month, Bilger said.

Bilger said there have been only

minimal problems with vandalism. "A few broken windows is all the trouble we've had. The delays in the Tompkins renovation weren't abnormal. They were caused by what we found when we started tearing out the walls, things like uneven floors; they weren't foreseen."

An underground cable will probably be the new power source to the new link and Tompkins Hall, according to Edwin Harris, director of the Facilities Planning Division. Harris said he is not sure if the power line will also service Winston Hall.

"I have not heard of any renovation in Winston. We are asking for funds from the 1981 Legislature. That is just a proposal, a request. We won't know about that until July, 1981," he said.

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## Student accuses State of changing repair price

by Margaret Britt  
Assistant News Editor

Residence Facilities is giving two different prices for the replacement of a ceiling light fixture in a dormitory, according to student Craig Higgins.

Higgins received a bill for \$26.95 in dormitory repairs at his parent's home over Christmas vacation. When he returned to school in January, he contacted several people for an explanation of the bill.

Physical Plant told Higgins the figure included \$12 for labor and \$14.95 for the fixture.

Physical Plant gave no explanation of the charges, Higgins said. "It (the bill) said code 09, dorm

repairs. That's all the bill you get," Higgins said.

"Eli Panee (director of Residence Facilities) told me the bill would be \$8. Then I saw Kevin Nelson (assistant director of Residence Facilities), and he told me there would be no rebates," Higgins said.

Higgins said he called Panee yesterday, and that Panee told him that he must go through the Fee Appeals Committee if he did not want to pay the \$26.95 figure.

Panee denied quoting the two figures to Higgins.

"He stated that figure, I didn't," Panee said.

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The foundation for the Link Building between Tompkins and Winston halls is 85 percent finished. Completion of the building will be delayed at least one month, due to weather conditions. (Staff photo by Simon Griffiths)

# Student fights car towing fine

(Continued from page 1) law, and felt this time period could be extended to three years.

Bowman said the case will go through fairly smoothly because the judge and police officers involved were very sympathetic.

"Ninety percent of the people I know with privately owned vehicles have had their car towed at one time or another and never questioned it," Bowman said.

"My purpose is not so that people will park illegally, not to give people a free pass to park, but just to let people know what to do if they have been towed illegally," Bowman said.

"When you pay the money to get your car, request to see the written request to have the car removed. If they (the employees of the wrecker service) can't produce the evidence, the

following procedure can be used," Bowman said.

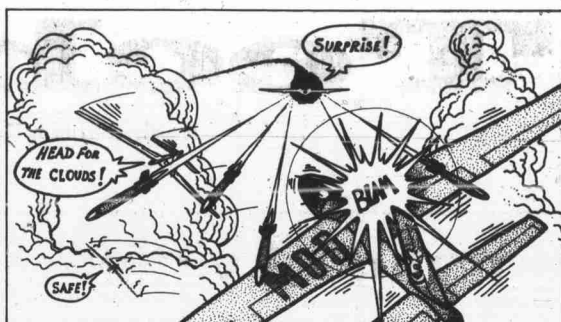
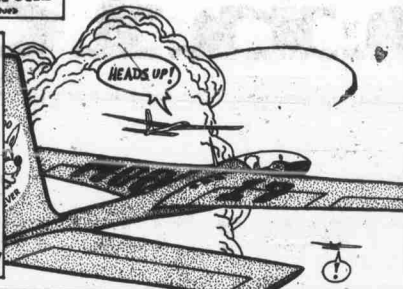
"Keep the receipt and go to the magistrate's office and explain the conditions under which your car was towed. It is your free and legal right to have a warrant issued," Bowman said.

"Within a month you will be called to court as a witness of the state. The state brings charges against the wrecker service. The district attorney can call for the case to be settled in court and you can get your money back then."

"People don't need a lawyer," Bowman said. "There are no legal fees involved. I needed a lawyer because the assault charge was involved. In an uncomplicated case, you are just the witness of the state. "I just want people to be aware that they have an avenue of recourse if they want to take it," Bowman said.

## GLORY WARRIORS

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# Nazi march cancelled due to hints of violence

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first order who also took on the Jewish banking establishment while he was president," Covington said. "He was the first true people's candidate. Also, he was from North Carolina, so we thought it was fitting." Covington called Jackson a proto-National Socialist (the Nazi Party is called the National Socialist Party).

The Klan and Nazis are closely allied in North Carolina, Covington said. The Raleigh motorcade was called off and next weekend's rally planned by Covington in collaboration with Gorrell Pierce, Grand Dragon of the Federated Knights of the Ku klux Klan, and Ken Poole, leader of the National States Rights party.

"We're closer now with

the Klan since the Greensboro thing," Covington said. "The Klan has been around in North Carolina a lot longer than we have, and tends to attract the traditional racist. We attract fanatics," he said.

The Johnston County rally is expected to draw Klan members from the immediate area as well as Nazi

members from other parts of the country, he said.

"We've had good response from the local people down there about our rally," Covington said. "This will just be the beginning of an ongoing system of agitation. We have to make some sort of public gesture to support our brothers in Greensboro jails."

All future Nazi and Klan rallies will be held on

private property so that the members can carry weapons, he said.

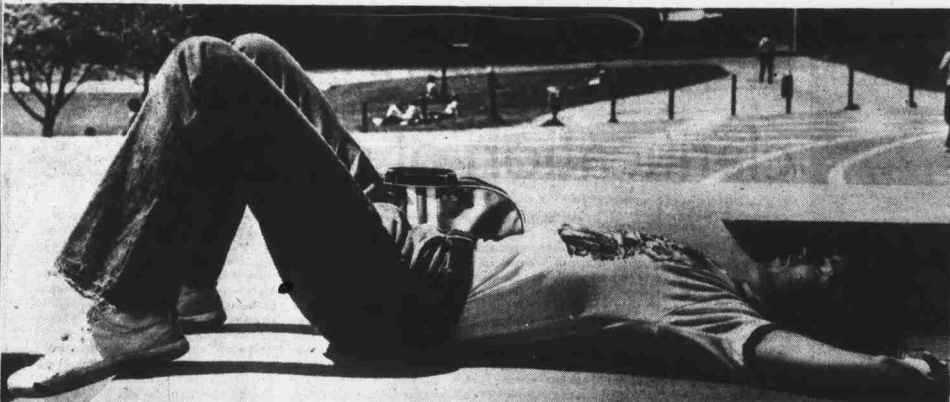
"We use violence only in self-defense, and only as a last resort," Covington said. "But we will be carrying guns now wherever we go."

"Buildings of our party affiliations in the country have been the objects of com-

munist attacks for several years now," he said.

"Once we raise the Nazi flag in front of the new building we'll probably be attacked, too."

Covington has sent a memo to the Raleigh Police Department informing them of his new headquarters and plans for its defense. Party members will be living in apartments in the building.



AAhhh!

Now this is what you call putting the library to good use. He should have at least taken off his tennis shoes and rolled up his pants legs and shirt sleeves. Dressed like this he'll never be

prepared for the beach. And we all need a jump on the warm-weather scene. (Staff photo by Linda Bradford)

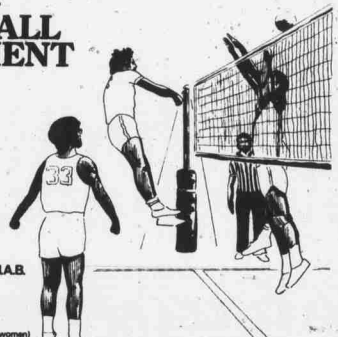
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# Student convicted of trespass

by Terry Moore  
Staff Writer

State student Stonewall Blocker was convicted of reduced charges of trespassing on April 8 in Wake County District court following his arrest on a larceny charge on April 4, a Public Safety spokesman said. Blocker was arrested and charged with larceny following the theft of money from his roommate's wallet. Public Safety had marked the money after Blocker's roommate reported a small amount of money missing from his wallet on April 2, the spokesman said. The larceny charges were reduced to trespassing and Blocker was found guilty of



two counts of trespassing and ordered to pay a \$50 fine, court costs and a \$6 restitution, Public Safety said. A Pioneer receiver valued at \$395.82 was stolen from the Tau Kappa Epsilon house between 4 a.m. and 7 a.m. on April 3. According to Public Safety, there were no signs of forcible entry

and all doors were locked." Also, a cassette stereo and speakers worth \$400 were stolen from a vehicle in a parking lot at Fraternity Court on April 10. Other reports from April 2 until April 9 included: five assists to other agencies three false burglary alarms

•180 escorts  
•one investigation of an animal  
•16 investigations of persons  
•three investigations of vehicles  
•63 maintenance calls  
•three traffic accidents  
•one request for service  
•seven disturbances  
•one assault

•two vehicle breaking and enterings  
•four false fire alarms  
•one actual fire  
•one theft in an academic building  
•two vehicle thefts  
•five trespassing reports  
•two cases of vandalism  
•two vehicles towed  
•one complaint of an illegally parked vehicle  
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•three larcenies of State property  
•two damages to State property  
•one damage to personal property  
•two larcenies of coin-operated machines  
•one harassment

## Weekend weather forecast

	Low	High	Weather
Friday			Mostly sunny
Saturday	Near 50	Upper 70s	Partly cloudy
Sunday	Low 50s	Mid 70s	Partly cloudy Showers

Good sunbathing weather on Friday with warm temperatures and sunny skies. Increasing cloudiness with a slight chance of showers late in the day Saturday. Cloudy with a chance of showers on Sunday.

Weather forecast provided by Russ Bullock, Mark Shipman and Kathy Brehme of the University Forecasting Service.

# State accused by student of changing repair price

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"I did not say he had to pay the \$26.95," Panee said. "What I did say was that, in talking, I had suggested to him there was a possibility we could work out something in the labor charges. I was wrong about that," he said. "I indicated to him in a March 19 letter that there is an agency, the Fee Appeals Committee, and I asked him to use this agency. I would prefer that he go through this committee," Panee said. "We (Residence Facilities) would go by the decisions of the committee," Panee said. Panee said the members of the committee are not associated with Residence Facilities. "They are a legitimate body," he said. "I told him I thought they (the committee members)

were meeting shortly, and I would make sure his case was heard," Panee said. "We were remiss in not telling him about the committee before March 19," Panee said. Panee said a copy of the fee appeals form was included in the March 19 letter. "I feel he has a legitimate complaint to question the charge," Panee said. Panee said if the committee decides to reduce the amount of the bill, Residence Facilities would absorb the difference. Panee said two similar cases had come up since Higgins had contacted WRAL-TV and *The Raleigh Times*. Panee said he contacted both students involved in the complaints and told them they could contact the Fee Appeals Committee if they thought the charge was not legitimate.

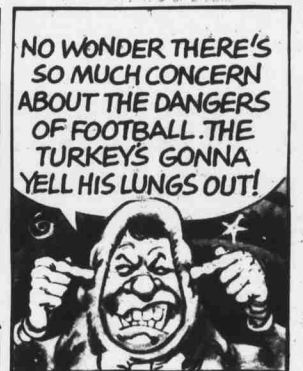
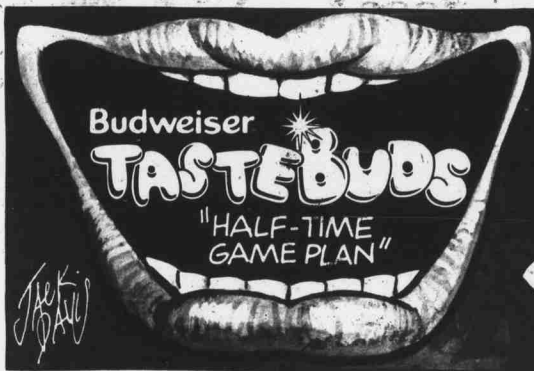
"One is being questioned, and one is a legitimate charge," Panee said. Panee said the charge is set by Physical Plant, and that Residence Facilities passes on the charge to the student. Higgins said that he is going to call in an independent electrician for another estimate on the fixture. Student Body Treasurer Steve Rea recommended that future student bills include an itemized list of the charges in an April 8 letter to Charles Braswell, director of Physical Plant. "I think it is important that they itemize costs on the bill. It is only good business. Students are going to question (their bills) now," Rea said in an interview Thursday. "It would prevent any question of their (Physical Plant's) integrity," Rea said.



Munchin'

It never seems to rain when you've got three tests, two term papers, a lab and a couple of weeks worth of dirty clothes. It rains just after you bought a new bathing suit and a bottle of

Hawaiian Tropic. Those April showers will be back this weekend, so you better take time now for munchin' in the sun. (Staff photo by Linda Bradford)





State's senior All-America attackman Stan Cockerton (15) will be looking to make moves similar to this one in order to move nearer to ex-Cornell star Mike French in his chase for the collegiate career scoring records Saturday when the Pack hosts Roanoke. (Staff photo by Linda Brafford)

## Lacrosse team meets Roanoke

by Gary Hanrahan, Sports Writer

The West Campus Jam takes place Saturday, but this year there's an added attraction.

State's lacrosse team returns home after a three-game road trip to host highly-regarded Division II power Roanoke at 2 p.m. on Lee Field.

The Pack is fresh off its first win of the season, a 23-9 bruising of Baltimore, and is seeking to ride the momentum of that victory to win No. 2 against the visiting Maroons.

After four tough season-opening losses to top 10 Division I teams, State may

tend to let up a bit in this part of its schedule. But if the Pack should let up too much, the Maroons may leave their hosts looking rather red-faced: Roanoke, simply stated, is about as good a team as one could find.

"They are an excellent small-college team," State coach Larry Gross said. "Or, for that matter, they're an excellent team anyway. Players who stick out in my mind are Rich Graham on attack; Bruce Pompor, another good attacker; and John Neurohr in the goal, a real strong goalie. Their players have been around a long time and bring experience to the game."

Graham is one of 10 seniors trying to help the Maroons better last year's 9-3 record. A first team All-America, Graham holds nearly all of Roanoke's scoring records. Pompor in 1979 scored 27 goals and had 13 assists; he's considered a key man in helping Roanoke construct a 3-1 record this year.

But the heart of the Maroons' strength may lie in their overwhelming experience at the midfield position. Roanoke coach Paul Griffin returns five senior middies, including two-time All-America Michael Rowley and co-captain Pat Hantske.

Add these factors to the Maroons' traditionally stingy tight defense and the Wolfpack looks as if it will indeed have a game on its hands.

State features senior attacker Stan Cockerton, who is chipping away at the NCAA's all-time career scoring leader. Cockerton currently has 170 goals and 250 total points and trails only Mike French, who tallied 191 goals and 296 points in his career at Cornell.

## Softball team whips Falcs, set for invitational

by Terry Kelley, Sports Writer

State's women's softball team got back on track Wednesday with a doubleheader sweep at St. Augustine's. The Wolfpack pounded the Falcons in both games with 12-2 and 15-4 victories.

State hosts one of the big-

gest softball events of the year beginning today. The State Invitational gets under way on both of Pullen Park's fields at 1 p.m., with Appalachian State playing North Carolina and UNC Greensboro playing Flager. Gwyn Moseley, State's leading hitter at .453, was two for four, and Sharon Ayscue was two for three in

the first game against St. Aug's as the Pack unleashed an 11-hit attack.

State started the scoring in the second inning on a two-run hit by Dawn McLaurin to drive in Donna Tanner and Karen Johnson.

In the third, the Wolfpack added another pair of runs on Gina Miller's double and Moseley's two-run homer.

The assault continued in the fourth with hits by Brabson, Ayscue and Susan Rizzo.

The second game was just as bad for the Falcons. Moseley continued her torrid hitting with a four-for-five game, and Rizzo and Ayscue were each two for three.

The game was scoreless until the Pack struck for five runs in the third. After Jan Willis scored on an error, Gina Miller clouted a three-run homer, scoring Ayscue and Brabson.

"I'm very pleased with the hitting in the second game," State Coach Nora Lynn Finch said. "I felt like the team didn't have any letups. They kept being aggressive."

Finch is excited about this weekend's tournament.

"We're bringing in certainly Florida's top two teams and one of Kentucky's best," Finch said. "This is the first collegiate softball tournament in North Carolina that has fielded nationally-recognized out-of-state powerhouses. So I feel like this is a good opportunity for people to get a taste of what a national slow pitch tournament will be when State hosts the national championships in 1981."

The tournament features Florida, Florida State, and Flager from Florida, Northern Kentucky, Appalachian State, Carolina, Western Carolina, East Carolina, UNC-Greensboro and State. Other first games

are Western and Northern Kentucky at 2:30 p.m., and ECU and Florida, also at 2:30 p.m. Florida State plays the ASU-Carolina winner and State plays the winner between the UNC-G and Flager, both of those games starting at 4 p.m.

"This is a dynamic field," Finch said. "This is obviously

ly the best tournament we've ever had. Northern Kentucky ought to be awesome."

The tournament is double elimination with the championship games beginning Saturday at 3 p.m. State will be trying to extend its two-game winning streak and improve its 14-4 record.

## Reedy Creek ruggers ready for weekend event

by Eliza C. Hampton, Contributing Writer

Rugby. The very word strikes terror into the hearts of even the roughest and toughest jocks. Yet, the number of people who actually watch the sport, much less understand it, is small.

Face it. Rugby has one helluva reputation. It's got to be seen to be believed and this weekend there'll be plenty of rugby in Raleigh.

The Reedy Creek Women's Rugby Club is hosting the Second Annual Michelob North Carolina Women's Rugby Cup Saturday. The games begin at 9 a.m. at the State intramural fields with four North Carolina teams competing. Also, at 2 p.m., the State Men's Rugby Club will be playing Bridgeford, an

English team visiting the United States. That match will be played at Millbrook High School.

The trick to understanding rugby is to realize it isn't like any other sport. Each team is composed of 15 players. Eight of these ruffians form a pack (called the "scrum") whose mission in life is to gain possession of the ball.

The remaining seven players are "backs" and their job is to outwit and outrun the opposition, thus scoring by touching the ball down beyond the goal line. The ball is advanced by passing, kicking and the basic hell-bent-for-leather mad dash.

There is a catch, though. The ball may only be passed laterally, which leads to the

intricate and devious strategy the backs use to gain yardage.

Play is continuous and possession of the ball can change at any time. One maneuver used to get the ball is the "maul." To the uninitiated, it looks like a riot on the field, but there really is a technique to this play.

When the opposition, usually a desperate dame with fiery eyes who didn't eat breakfast, is running full tilt toward her team's try line (goal), there are various alternatives to consider.

If tackled effectively, she will fall to the ground, requiring the release of the ball. If she's built like Alex Karras, of course, this may

not work. She can counter by turning around and her teammates will then form a maul around her.

This is simply a "wedge" of players who bind onto the ball carrier. This prevents the other team from getting to the ball, which is then channeled out of the maul to the backs, who again attempt to move it toward their try line.

Despite the rumors, this much-maligned sport is actually less hazardous to your health than, say, alligator wrestling. The list of protective equipment is short—one mouthguard. This means there's less weight to throw around.

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# Meadows homers Pack past Wake Forest; State hosts Cavaliers Saturday, Tigs Sunday

by Stu Hall  
Assistant Sports Editor

Usually there is more to a win than it being just a win. In State's baseball team's case, the 4-2 win over Wake Forest Wednesday in Winston-Salem moved the Wolfpack from seventh place in the ACC to fifth place.

"That doesn't sound so impressive, but when tournament time comes around the top four teams get the home field advantage in the first round, and right now State is sitting right on the edge of getting that advantage."

"Right now the main thing we're concerned with is winning some games," said State coach Sam Esposito, whose Wolfpack hosts Virginia Saturday at 2 p.m. and Clemson Sunday, also at

WKNC, 88.1 FM, will broadcast the following State baseball games:

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sat., April 12	Virginia	Doak Field	1:45
Sun., April 13	Clemson	Doak Field	1:45
Wed., April 16	Duke	Doak Field	2:45
Fri., April 18	Wake Forest	Doak Field	2:45

2 p.m. on Doak Field. "We'll worry about the seeds at the end of the season but whatever, they'll be tough games whether we're at home or on the road."

Louie Meadows, hitting well over .300, provided the heroics for State against the Deacs with a three-run, eighth-inning home run that gave the Wolfpack a 3-1 lead. Junior college transfer Danny Bass added an insurance run when he drove home Kenny Sears from third on a sacrifice fly.

"Louie has been hitting well all year," Esposito said. "He's showing some steady improvement, though. He's learning the strike zone a little better and he's gotten some big hits for us. Against Maryland he got the winning single; against Clemson

he had three hits, so he's really been quite steady."

Freshman Mark Roberts, now 2-1, pitched eight strong innings, yielding five hits and one earned run, an eighth-inning home run by Marty Harnisch. Joe Plesac, also a freshman, pitched the ninth inning and picked up his first save to go, along with his four wins.

"I was quite pleased with those two freshmen," Esposito said. "Everytime they've gone out on the mound they've pitched well enough to win and have been in every game."

"We're hoping some of our other starters will get things cranked up and start pitching some solid games. Our bullpen has been quite shaky as of late and we'll need some good games from them down the stretch."

Sears finished the game with two hits, as did first baseman Tim Barbour. Meadows and Tracy Black provided State, with its other two hits.

"I'm really pleased with Timmy," Esposito said. "When he wasn't playing at the beginning of the season, he worked harder in practice to make himself a better baseball player."

A 3-2 loss in Charlottesville to the Cavaliers

three weeks ago will be in the back of the Wolfpack's collective mind when it takes the field Saturday.

"Virginia is one of the best teams in the league," Esposito said. "We were beaten up there, and you've got to give their pitcher credit when he strikes out 15 batters."

State is still saving its 6-3 win over Clemson last Sunday, yet it remembers last year's 41-9 debacle at Doak Field.

"We can't help but remember last year's loss," Esposito said. "We beat them with good pitching Sunday and we'll try and do it again. They have a strong ballclub and it should be a tight ballgame from beginning to end."



## Seahawks sink

Louie Meadows slides safely into second base after a UNC-Wilmington error on Meadows' bunt single in the eighth inning of Thursday's 10-4 win over the Seahawks, which upped the Pack's record to 16-10. (Staff photo by Lynn McNeill)

## Track teams go to Carolina Relays

State's ever-improving track teams will make the short trip to Chapel Hill for today and Saturday's Carolina Relays.

Men's coach Tom Jones is extremely pleased with what his team has accomplished this season and is looking forward to the meet, which will be another non-scoring event.

"I wish some of the meets we've been in had been scoring meets," Jones said, "because we'd probably have won most of them. I'm very happy with the team to this point."

There will be a 15-team field at the Carolina Relays; teams present will include

### Archers win co-rec

State's archery representation at last week's co-rec day took top honors with a 438-point spread over second-place UNC-Greensboro.

Shooting for State were Bob Loose, Leslie Tilly, Melanie Adams and Richard Brake.

host UNC, South Carolina, Duke and St. Augustine's. Jones cited several individuals in particular who have caused him to smile more than once.

"Ron Foreman has been running really well," Jones praised. "He qualified for nationals last week at South Carolina. And Alvin Charleston in the pole vault and Scott Wall in the high jump have turned in some very fine performances—and those two guys are just freshmen."

"When you can get freshmen winning like they have, with the improvement that will surely come, it's definitely helpful to the team. Dean Leavitt has been winning in the shot and discus, and Arnold Bell has made some breakthroughs in the jumps. He tied a school record in the long jump last week with his 24-1/4."

A basketball player turned-harrier for the spring, Jones also caught Jones' eye.

"Art Jones has been doing a good job for us," he said. "He'll be running the quarter and in the mile relay this weekend. He ran a 48.8 quarter last week. We're hoping he'll help our mile relay team qualify for nationals."

Women's coach Rollie Geiger is looking to qualify more people for the national meet as well.

"We're going to try to get some more girls qualified in the 1,500 and the 5,000," Geiger said. "Our other girls will be looking to improve their times. We're going to be taking more of a full team over there than we have to some of the other meets."

Specifically, Geiger is hoping to see Mary Shea and Kim Sharpe qualify in the 5,000 and Betty Springs make the cut in the 1,500.

The women's team spread itself out a bit last weekend and four girls reaped the benefits of the NIKE National Road Racing championship in San Diego, Calif. It was a

10,000-meter race, and State's Julie Shea finished second, Springs third, Mary Shea fourth and Ann Henderson 11th in winning the team title.

## Power Pack stays on top in intramural softball race

by Darrell Sapp  
Sports Writer

Intramural softball playoffs began this week with Power Pack retaining the top position.

In games involving the top 10, Power Pack crushed the Sultans 11-1, Soused Family smashed 007s 15-0, Miller's Maulers beat Schomallas 9-3. Nike capped by ASME 15-14. Cadillac Cowboys edged Animal Science 9-7. Powerdrivers beat Lumber Company 11-4, Becton crushed Bragaw

12-11. The top 10 for the week is as follows:

1. Power Pack	3-0	9. Sigma Phi Epsilon	4-0
2. Soused Family	5-0	10. Owen 1	4-1
3. Miller's Maulers	4-0		
4. Nike	4-1		
5. Cadillac Cowboys	3-0		
6. Powerdrivers	3-0		
7. Becton	5-0		
8. Dream Kids	4-1		

The residence and fraternity track meet is April 14-16. Participants should be at the track by 6:30 p.m.

State took the co-rec title for the third straight year while UNC-Greensboro finished second. UNC Charlotte third and North Carolina last. State got first-place finishes in golf, table tennis, bowling, archery and racquetball.

## Linksmen tie Duke

State's golf team had its final tuneup Tuesday for next weekend's ACC Tournament, tying Duke 6-6 in a 12-on-12 match-medal match in Durham.

Duke won in the first two positions, with Buddy Martin nipping the Wolfpack's Roy Hunter 77-78 and Chris Newman whipping Butch Monteth 73-81. State won in the next three spots as Neil Harrell tripped Paul Hindley 72-74. Andrew Stiles topped Al Bain 76-79 and Todd Smith got by Len Kellerman 73-77.

The Blue Devils also grabbed the No. 6 match, where Bob Stanger was one shot

## UAB to hold Tug of War today

The Union Activities Board Recreation Committee and Miller Beer are co-sponsoring a Tug of War on two consecutive Fridays, today and April 18. Fraternity and independent teams may compete today, and dormitory and athletic teams may compete April 18.

better than Eric Moehling's 77. State's Brooks Barwick was able to win at No. 7, 76-77, over Doug Whitaker. Duke won at the eighth and ninth positions as well, with Tim Middlehouse three strokes better than Nolan Mills' 80 and Joe Lynch a shot over Jay Martin's 78.

The Pack seized victories at the No. 10 and No. 11 spots, with Benny Surles' 75 three strokes better than Greg Nezhick and Tommy Arthur's 79 a shot over Stan Lucci.

Duke tied it with a win in the final match as Stuart Algie shot a 78 to the Pack's Donnie Griffin's 79.

Winning teams from each division will compete on the morning of The Zoo Day, April 19, for the championship. Beer will be on hand for the preliminaries and prizes will be awarded on The Zoo Day. Registration is in the Program Office, 3114 Student Center.

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# Features

## The fair weather fair that features earnest efforts at adding energy

by Mike Mahan  
Features Editor

It was 250 degrees Fahrenheit inside the solar oven beside the library, much warmer than the temperature on the windy brickyard that greeted the first hours of the Alternative Energy Fair sponsored by the campus Evolution and Revolution toward

Humanism organization (EARTH) Thursday.

"The sprout salads didn't last more than an hour and a half," said Mark Carpenter, a member of EARTH, who sat behind his display table munching on the few cookies that were left by the morning crowd.

Carpenter, a senior in agriculture and life sciences,

grows all his sprouts at home in wide-neck bottles he salvaged from local restaurants. With the help of friends, who also supplied homemade dressing and baked goods, Carpenter prepared all 15 gallons of the sprouts consumed at the fair.

"Sprouts are a good alternative to fresh produce because seeds are easy to

transplant and store," Carpenter said. "They're relatively low in cost and only a minimum amount of trouble to fix."

A stand positioned in front of Carpenter's table displayed bottles of the sprouts—or "nutrients," as Carpenter called them.

The War Resister's League from Chapel Hill sponsored a display table

covered with books and literature about nuclear weapons, nuclear power and the draft. A basketful of buttons sat in the midst of all the pamphlets and books. One button read, "Don't register for WWII, the war without winners."

Besides being there to represent the league, Danna Southerland said she was there "to sit in the sun and soak up the solar rays."



Solar energy dominated Thursday's energy fair held on the brickyard. The student in the foreground blocks the sun from a solar-powered toy truck. (Staff photo by Linda Brafford)

Solar energy dominated the fair. Several solar panels were set up beside the stairs to D.H. Hill Library, including a solar box made by third and fourth graders from Hunter Magnet School in Raleigh. Air Comfort Inc., demonstrating the energy that can be strained from the sun, allowed spectators to feel hot water through a sink faucet hooked up to solar panels.

A novel toy truck, "Sun Runner," sat on the table next to a solar heater, spinning its toy wheels under solar power and stopping only in the shadows of passers-by.

Also spinning, but at a tremendous rate, was a metal-structured windmill. It could have been mistaken for a helicopter soaring overhead except for its dependence on the fluctuating wind currents.

Bob Gow and Jim Wait added vegetation to the campus with demonstrations of

French Intensive Organic Gardening. Employing the "double-digging" method of preparing a garden, they worked alternately and diligently with forks and shovels.

Gow, head gardener at Appalachian State University's Earth Studies, explained the process to curious onlookers.

"It accomplishes a level in which the soil is prepared

two feet deep, without adding or taking away soil," Gow said. "The plant's root system can grow more freely."

Brian Sumner, a member of EARTH, said things went well with the fair, except that they ran out of food too early.

"I think we got a good response," Sumner said. "A lot of people have signed up for the club."

## When the curtain flutters so do the butterfly wings

by Betsy Walters  
Features Writer

The lights go up, the curtains part and the show begins. Hopefully, the audience gets involved, laughs or cries for two short hours. Most importantly, people in the audience should enjoy the play and then go their separate ways.

The audience does not see the weeks of set-building, rehearsals, makeup, costume designing and arrangement of lights. The audience does not see the struggles of a director trying to inspire actors and at the same time realize his vision of what a good play should be.

No matter how big the production or how professional the players, it takes a great deal of sweat to make a play work.

And one more thing the audience does not see—the actors' backstage opening night nerves.

There are quick smiles of reassurance between the players, nervous laughter, loving hugs, and that old stage wish of good luck, "break a leg," which is usually answered with, "I probably will."

Opening night is when your stomach is pulled tight, making you breathe in quick gasps. It is when hands shake and voices break in the middle of an important line.

It's the time when all those words you memorized so well and knew like your hometown become alien sounds.

When whispering your lines, your tongue will not leave the roof of your mouth.

It is then, with panic-stricken eyes, that you grab your best friend and beg her to recite the forgotten words to you one more time. And she knows them just as well as you do because her part comes right after yours and she has heard your lines over and over and over again.

Now you try saying them to yourself again and it all comes back. The muscles in your stomach barely dare to relax. Now, to the dressing room.

It is a large room lined with makeup desks, each with a mirror. You choose your desk randomly and take your individual makeup boxes with you.

Now you pick up your tin of pancake stage makeup base and with a heavy sigh unscrew the lid and dip the sponge into its greasy tanness. Cringing, you pat this weighty cosmetic on what will no longer be clear skin. Once you have exaggerated your eyes, lips and cheeks you know you have completed the makeup.

Stage makeup must be exaggerated because the stage lights tend to wash all the color out of the performer's face.

Now, the rest of the cast scurries from one end of the room to the next in a hurried fit of putting on costumes. Some pour themselves into confining leotards and tights. Others have costumes with glittery tassels. There is a disarray of second-hand baggy clothes. And hats that other performers will choose from.

Then there are hair styles to contend with. There is an ample supply of hair pins and hair spray, but it seems that everyone needs to use the same curling iron at the same time. You begin to quake as you wait to curl or uncurl your hair. As you wrap the fine strands around the hot iron, your tongue becomes thick and dry.

This happens right before vocal warm-ups. Everyone heads back to a little inner studio backstage where they do a few stretches and sing scales. The cast gathers in a circle and begins with jumping-jacks.

Someone cracks a joke and the sudden release of tension moves around the room. Reassurances start to circulate once again and there are friendly pats on the back.

Now, somehow, as the cast gathers closer to the piano for warm-ups, this cast becomes a peculiar



Thompson Theatre opens its doors for its cast long before the audience arrives.

family group. You feel a silent pact has been made between each member. It's five minutes before the play begins, and all hands are thrown into a musketeer-type, one-for-all cluster.

Backstage again while you wait for your cue, you feel the nerves gathering in your stomach walls. You clasp your hands together, rubbing them almost viciously. You sit by your best friend and shake. "Break a leg!" you hear in a whisper as someone passes.

You smile at someone in the dark. One of the equally nervous prop managers wishes you luck. And your cue is about to come up.

You feel as though your heart will actually stop as you step into your place. Then something strange happens. Your hands stop shaking. Your heart slows to a regular pace.

You realize that you really do know your lines. Breathing is easy and confident. Somewhere inside a kind of settling calms you.

And when the lights hit your face, no matter how sweaty your palms are, you realize it was not as hard as you had convinced yourself it would be. Out in the lights once again, your energy level climbs and you are ready to do it one more time.

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BEER RAFFLE. BRACE yourselves for the NCSU L5 Soccer's Zoo Day beer raffish. AED, PRE-MED/PRE-DENT clubs are sponsoring an organ drive April 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on backyard. Padging your body or any part now will give life to others later—

AIME (geology club) meeting April 17 at 210 Withers at 7:30 p.m. Rick Lintz will speak on acid rain. Everybody come.

TUG OF WAR fraternities and independent teams compete April 11, dorms and athletes, April 18. Begins at 3 p.m. on Harris Field. Forms in 3114 Student Center. Sponsored by Miller Beer and UAS Recreation committee.

## CYCLE SENSE

by Tom Campbell  
Features Writer

Suppose you're tootin' down a slight hill on your bicycle just drinking in the warm spring breeze, admiring the redbud trees and thinking how much cycling is akin to horseback riding. A casual glance at the road ahead shows you a young woman laden with groceries and trailing a toddler. She steps off the curb 20 feet in front of you without seeing you coming.

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**COME JOIN THE BROTHERS** of Theta Tau in attendance of a guest speaker on Tuesday, April 15 at 7 p.m. in 242 Reddick. Dr. Jordan will speak on Music Engineering.

NCSU MED TECH CLUB picnic will be held April 16. Please sign up for picnic before then in 1627 Gardner.

MCAT AND DAT REVIEW Saturday, April 12. Second semester physics 9:12, Cox 204. Second semester inorg. chem. 12:1, Dabney 221.

ACSSA MEETING Monday, April 14, 7 p.m. 210 Dabney. Electors of officers so all members please attend.

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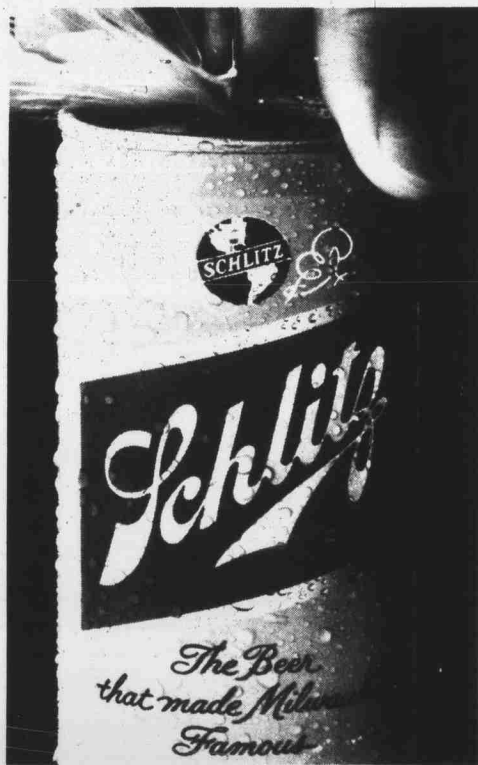


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# Technician Opinion

## Inaction would be risky

No one knows better than President Carter that every move he makes to punish Iran endangers the American hostages Iran holds. But Carter—and most Americans—knows that he has no choice but to tighten the screws.

The crisis worsened Monday after Iran's despot in preacher's clothing, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, vetoed all efforts by the Iranian government to take custody of the hostages.

Khomeini, notwithstanding the desire of Iranian government officials to end the hostage crisis, ordered the militant "students" to hold the captives until the newly-elected Iranian parliament could decide their fate. Indications are that the earliest the parliament would act on the question would be mid-June.

Carter, in response, severed all diplomatic ties with Iran. He also halted all shipments of food and medicine to Iran and made Iranian financial assets frozen in this country available to American businesses involved in dealings with Iran.

He also warned that further actions would be taken unless the hostages are "promptly"

released. (He did not, however, elaborate on his definition of "prompt.")

As of Thursday, it became apparent that political analysts were right in predicting that the sanctions would further harden Iranians toward the U.S. The militants have threatened American allies considering joining our boycott with an oil cutoff. And they have pledged to kill the hostages if the U.S. government takes any sort of military action.

Even so, we support the president's decision to get tough with Iran. And we hope that Carter will not wait long before taking even firmer action if Iran and Khomeini refuse to budge.

Restraint and appeasement simply have not produced fruitful results and American patience is wearing thin. We naturally want to get the hostages back safely, but as time goes on we must begin to consider their mental health as well as their physical well-being.

Messages filtering out of the embassy indicate that many of the hostages may be near the breaking point. The time has come for an all-out effort to get them back. Tough action would be risky, but at this point, so would inaction.



## forum

### Meal ticket plan

This letter is a response to the differences that have been expressed with respect to mandatory participation by future freshmen in a residence food service program.

The University contends that there is justification for a residence food program and that the only way to make it fly is by forcing participation. The general response of students has been that this "arbitrary" decision usurps the rights of those involved to a choice in the matter.

Without arguing one side or the other, I would like to propose a method administering the service (sic) that would reduce the distance between the University Food Service and those fed by it. Simply allow for the resale of meal tickets by students who do not wish to partake.

This could be made possible by issuing meal tickets which are punched to keep a record of meals used and which have a specified expiration date. To make resale easier, at least in terms of information, meal tickets should be printed with the original selling price and the average price per meal in terms of the original selling price.

Allowing for the resale of meal tickets would benefit both the University Food Service and student participants in the proposed program. Food Service would have a management control datum in the market price of meal tickets.

If the selling price of a ticket was below its "value" in terms of the original selling price, it would indicate that the ticket was valued at less than its selling price by the student population. A price above this "value" would indicate that participation in the service was in some sense underpriced.

Students would have the option of choosing between participation and non-participation, albeit not without cost. If, as everyone predicts, the service could not survive if participation was voluntary, then the market price of meal tickets would run below the original selling price and the freshmen who chose to sell would have to accept losses. It's always possible that they could make a profit, though.

Robert F. Brooker  
GRAD EB

### Discount demanded

The fee for transcripts here at State seems outrageous. With consideration given for the expense of processing, the fee still seems steep. With the cost of computer time, stamps and labor, consideration should at least be given to multiple requests.

One would tend to think the seal of State is

embossed in 14K gold. My question is, should students have to put up with such fees?

Many schools request a minimum of two transcripts at the outset of the application process, including State. Is it more expensive to duplicate two at one time than to do it separately?

How about a discount!

Norma Burgess  
graduate student  
MPA

### Fraternities ignored

Fraternities are a part of this University whether the Technician likes it or not. It is incomprehensible to me how the Technician can ignore fraternities even when they are involved in the most newsworthy projects.

The week of March 17, Sigma Chi held its annual Derby Week to raise money for cerebral palsy. The Sigma Chi raised a good deal of money for cerebral palsy, and the Technician made no mention of it.

On Friday, March 21, Sigma Alpha Mu began its annual project, Bounce for Beats. The money raised by this project was donated to the Heart Fund. The tip-off ceremony on Friday morning consisted of Chancellor Thomas jumping for the basketball against Mayor York.

Many news organizations of the city felt that this was a newsworthy ceremony. Does the Technician feel that it is too good to cover the news as professional news organizations do? Or does the Technician feel that any fraternity function that does not make fraternities look bad is not worth being printed?

The Technician is supposed to be a newspaper for the University and about the University of which fraternities are a part.

James W. Sterritt  
SO PPT  
Sigma Alpha Mu

### Not all girl crazy

This letter is in response to the features article in the March 28 edition of the Technician concerning the Barbell Club. First of all, I would like to think it is the duty of the school newspaper when doing articles on a club or organization to report realistically and fairly.

This is exactly what the features editor, Mr. Mahan, did not do.

To start off with, when reading the article it is not hard to get the impression that everyone in the club stands around and looks at themselves in the mirror 24 hours a day, wondering how many girls they can pick up.

The purpose of the club is for its members to keep themselves physically fit and enjoy themselves while doing so, not to sit around and be flabbergasted at their strength like a bunch of "pretty boys." It isn't a club of imbeciles who are all girl crazy.

So Mr. Mahan, my advice to you is to get your facts straight. Do not report things as seen just through your eyes and do not quote people for statements they did not make; it might cost you money one day.

One last thing Mr. Mahan, I have never had a set of braces in my life!

George Sorensen  
SR ECON

### Chastity discussion

Larry Bliss' column on "Chastity" and the dozen or so letters printed the next month both for and against sex have caused much talk.

The University chaplains have been asked by several students who read the articles about the "Christian case for old-fashioned chastity" and we are happy to answer. But the problem is . . . we don't know what to say.

Or more accurately, we have several things to say. Or most accurately, several of us have different things to say about sex, students and chastity.

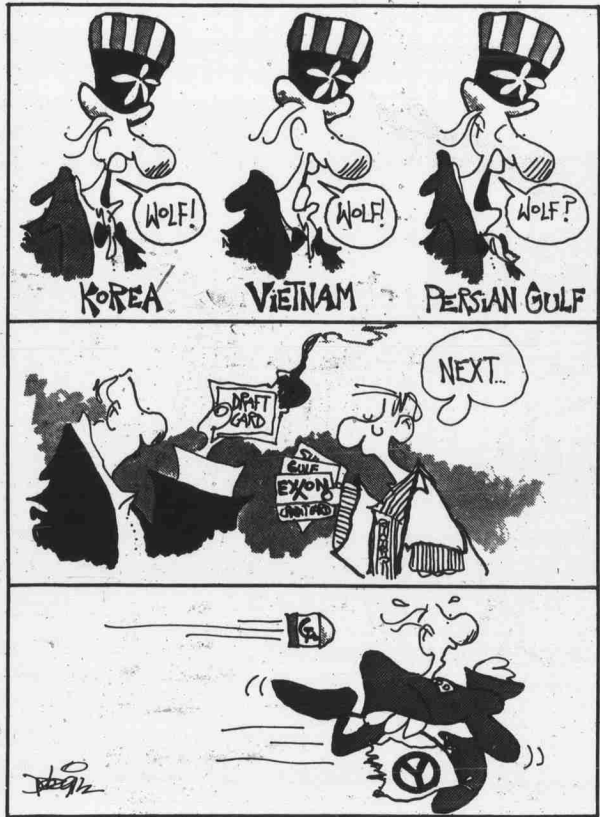
We have decided to let the students in on our disagreements.

Five chaplains: Frances West, Unitarian; Barbara Hill, Baptist; Al Dash, Catholic; Ted Purcell, Baptist; and Steve Shoemaker, Presbyterian, will present a panel discussion (with questions and comments from the floor, of course) on Tuesday, April 15, at 6:45 p.m. at the Baptist Student Union (on Hillsborough Street across from D.H. Hill Library—and two blocks from My Apartment Topless and Studio One XXX Theater).

Call 834-1875 if you want a \$1.50 supper at 6 p.m. or just come to the panel at 6:45 p.m.

Steven Shoemaker, for the  
Cooperative Campus Ministry, State

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## Flesher: he served his term successfully and kept his sanity

Organizations and groups around the world recognize peculiar calendars with unusual dates and the Technician is no different. We have just witnessed the passing of the April Fools' edition of the paper, which is a "new year" of sorts for us—a time when we usually change editors.

The process by which the paper produces a new leader has become particularly turbulent in recent years, not unlike the ordeal of giving birth. At the same time, however, all the yelling and screaming has left us less and less certain about what we have ended up with after the painful process was over.

This year was different, however, because for the first time in four years, nobody tried to forcibly remove the Technician editor from office. No "annual springtime impeachment proceedings" were held this year because the paper came out on time, in the black, and without serious incidence of libel. In my humble opinion, it was the best paper in my four years here, and the main reason for its success is John Fleisher, the outgoing editor.

As John or any former editor will tell you, the job of running this enterprise is far from easy. Among the skills required of an editor are those of the consummate politician, who must be able to pick his way past the interest groups on campus without getting them all hot and bothered. An editor must also be able to demonstrate considerable business acumen, being called on to juggle six-digit budgets which make the job rank financially as the largest student enterprise.

### Charles Lasitter

An editor must further understand the personnel needs of a volunteer organization and be able to arbitrate staff disputes in such a way that the students involved are allowed to learn and grow. There's lots more, but when one understands these demands, the question quickly becomes not why others fell short, but rather how John managed to succeed as he did.

His efforts can be appreciated even more when one understands the circumstances surrounding his ascension to the top spot. In February of last year, the Publications Authority had for the first time in its 55-year history just finished firing a Technician editor. The staff was highly divided over the dismissal, with several key people quitting in protest. This came in addition to the heavy attrition of the year before, in an organization where the turnover can approach 100 percent in bad years.

Understandably, John was not all that enthusiastic about taking the job. We all ganged up on him, however, and began talking about his "duty" to the organization, and he reluctantly relented.

The rest of course is history, but a few notes

on how it came off so well are in order. First, John was probably the least secretive editor in recent memory. His policy on the economic functioning of the paper was to let it all hang out and to consult as many knowledgeable people as necessary to keep operations on an even keel.

He carried this policy of openness over into his dealings with people in the office, where it served to quell fears that generally happen after many secluded skull sessions behind the editor's closed office door. He further insisted that staff suggestions be worked out at some level below that of his office if at all possible. This kept him free of any dictatorial role, which perhaps goes to show that you often don't have to do anything when other people say that action on your part is imperative.

It's clear that the newspaper did well under his tenure, but more importantly, his Technician experience is a model one in that he benefited from it individually. He did not leave office as an alcoholic, nail-biting bundle of nerves. He did not flunk out of college or get arrested in some narc bust. He might even admit to being better off overall now than when he originally took the job.

I'd bet on it anyway, because he is much different in character now than when he first started here. He used to be far from the calm collected organization spokesman that he ended up being, seeming more at first like one who would carry around a strong flashlight in his shadow because too intimidating.

I understand that if all goes well he will

graduate in May and pursue a graduate education in English or something at, uh, UNC-Chapel Hill. To attest to the strength of his ego, I can report that he's been heard to discuss the possibility of joining the Daily Tar Heel with the ultimate hope of becoming

editor there, which would make him the only person in history to hold down the editorial position at both schools.

True, it would be a step down for him, but what the heck, I mean, where can you go from here anyway?

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