

Mondale says Democrats worried about Anderson

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Ted Mondale, son of Vice President Walter Mondale, said Wednesday in an exclusive *Technician* interview that the Democratic Party is "definitely worried" about Independent presidential candidate John Anderson.

the degree to which Anderson's campaign has hurt Jimmy Carter.

"Of every eight votes Anderson gets, seven would probably have gone to the Democrats," Mondale said. Although Anderson is painted as a liberal, he has a conservative rating in Congress, according to Mondale.

Anderson "voted for the Kemp-Roth proposal," Mondale said, referring to the proposed 30-percent income tax cut.

"Anderson is one of the biggest nuclear men in Congress. His consti-

tuency differs from his record. I think when we (Democratic Party) bring this out, his popularity will decline sharply."

Carter won't debate

Carter will remain firm in his refusal to participate in a three-party debate with Reagan and Anderson, according to Mondale.

"No president has ever debated a third-party candidate before and I feel that this is a legitimate reason not to blame the president for not debating

Anderson," Mondale said.

Carter wants to debate Reagan one-on-one so there will be more time to examine each other's policies, according to Mondale.

Mondale pointed out that a Carter administration would continue to develop comprehensive energy conservation measures.

"President Carter plans to decrease dependence on foreign oil by two-thirds by the end of the decade," Mondale said, referring to the Democratic Party platform which proposes issuing renewable energy grants and using

solar power to meet 20 percent of the nation's energy needs by the year 2000.

Mondale says that Carter's economic programs will encourage business expansion, creating 500,000 new jobs in 1981 and 1 million new jobs in 1982.

"A large tax cut will encourage businesses to re-industrialize," Mondale said.

Tax cuts which give businesses incentive to expand are better than personal-income tax cuts which only benefit people who already have money, according to Mondale.

Mondale said that even George Bush, Ronald Reagan's running mate, has spoken out against the Kemp-Roth proposal which Ronald Reagan supports. The Kemp-Roth program would cut personal income tax for a period of three years.

Despite his directive that all 19- and 20-year-old men register for the draft, the president opposes the reinstatement of the draft, according to Mondale.

"Draft registration is a measure to save a 30-day preparation period in case of an emergency," Mondale said.



Staff photo by Lynn McNeill

University Food Services Director Michael Crab reads the new Meal Mobile Tuesday. One of the purposes of the new food van was to alleviate inconveniences caused by the earlier snackbar closing hours.

Quad and Syme snackbar hours extended to 9 p.m. on weekdays

by Elaine Wilson
Staff Writer

The Quad and Syme snack bars will now be open until 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday due to a decision of University Food Services officials and Student Government leaders at a Sept. 17 meeting.

The new hours will go into effect Monday.

The Quad snack bar has been open this semester from 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Syme snack bar has been open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday.

Vice Chancellor of Food Services Art White said the extended hours will be in effect for the remainder of the semester. It is tentative whether these hours will continue for next semester, he said.

"If we decide to continue keeping it open until 9 p.m.," White said, "it will be based on obvious trends shown from the cash register records and the number of people using the stores at these later hours."

White said the snack bars' hours

were reduced this semester because of rising operating costs and to compensate for \$3,000 lost by the Quad snackbar last year.

"With the present 18-percent rate of inflation and increase in labor costs, it was necessary to do something to reduce or eliminate the greater expected losses next year," White said.

Committee formed

A committee has been formed to review the snack bars' sales records. The committee is composed of Student Senate President Ron Spivey, chairman, and six representatives from the Quad and Triad.

The committee will meet every two weeks throughout the semester with White and Walter Barkhouse, director of snack bars.

According to White, the decision about continuing the extended hours past this semester will depend on whether operating costs can be covered.

Hours were extended because many students said the snack bars' shorter hours inconvenienced them.

A petition, signed by 351 students living in the Quad area, called for an extension of the Quad snack bar's hours to 10 p.m. on weeknights. Due to Food Services' compromise, the petition will not be pursued.

"Art White has already been very cooperative by raising it until 9 p.m. I believe he gave us a fair deal," Quad President Tim Owen said.

"Students need the later hours because they do not usually get out of class until 5," Spivey said. "That is the time many of them realize they need to buy groceries."

Welch Dormitory President Patty Ferrari and Owen said students without cars could not go off campus to buy essential items. Nighttime hours are especially needed in the Triad, Ferrari said.

"A lot of times, the night students over in the design school need a break. They don't have a place to buy refreshments like coffee," Ferrari said.

Before this semester the Quad and Syme snack bars were open from 7 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and 5 p.m.-10 p.m. Sunday.

Teletip gets 541 calls in first 4 days

by Karen Stanton
Staff Writer

Wolfpack Teletip, a telephone information service that began operating Sept. 10 out of the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service, has received favorable response.

Gerald Hawkins, associate dean of Student Affairs, said the Teletip service received 541 calls as of Monday.

"The best day was Monday when we had 131 calls," Hawkins said.

Teletip tapes are requested by code number and played for the caller by an operator. The service has 60 tapes with various topics to choose from.

Pauline Bradley, a Teletip operator, said the most frequently requested tapes have been those on financial aid, tips for stopping smoking, contraceptive methods, and the menu of the day in the Walnut Room.

Bradley said the only problem with the system has been requests for information that is not available through the service.

"In such cases I tell them to call student information at 3138," Bradley said.

Hawkins said expansion of Teletip was possible.

Hawkins said he hopes the ad in Wednesday's *Technician* will make

more students aware of the service. With the feedback from students and other users of Teletip, Hawkins hopes to eliminate less popular tapes in order to replace them with new ones.

"We are anxious to find areas that are not covered," he said.

Hawkins said he would like to see student organizations included in the service.

"Each organization would only have to pay \$28 to make the tape," he said.

"One of our concerns is the hours," said Hawkins. "We would eventually like to expand the evening hours and open on Sundays."

Financial aid depends on U.S. bill

by Margaret Britt
News Editor

State students receiving financial aid may lose some of that assistance unless Congress reauthorizes the Higher Education bill currently under study.

Doug Tuthill, U.S. Student Association national chairman, Wednesday talked with Student Body President Joe Gordon.

USSA is an organization which lobbies for student interests in Washington, D.C.

"The bill will establish policies for all forms of federal financial assistance to students for the next five years," Tuthill said. "Legislation set by reauthorization of the Higher Education bill will determine who is eligible for financial aid as well as the amounts and conditions of the loans."

According to a USSA letter to the *Technician*, students would "lose many

important provisions currently included in the bill, including minimum wage for work/study, improvement of management of financial aid funds and provision for better information on the availability and conditions of federal financial assistance."

Findings this week

Selected senators and House representatives will discuss this bill in closed-committee sessions and will present their findings to the Senate this week.

Tuthill encourages students to take an active part in expressing their needs on the bill.

"The senators keep telling us that it is hard for them to give us any of their time when our constituents do not vote or contact them," he said.

Both N.C. senators voted Sept. 4 against the conference report.

Public-opinion messages may be sent to senators via Western Union for \$2 and will be delivered overnight. Senators may also be contacted through the congressional switchboard at (202) 224-3121 or by writing the individual senator at the U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510.



Staff photo by Linda Brafford

Diane Billingsley purchases a bottle of Zoom from Lynn Miller at the Garden of Eden in Cameron Village shopping mall.

Zoom continues big student sales

by Sybil Mann
Staff Writer

The California-packaged organic stimulant Zoom is selling well in the Raleigh area, due in large part to purchases by students, according to area merchants.

"We are selling mostly to students," Lynn Miller, manager of The Garden of Eden in Cameron Village, said.

Zoom is billed in advertisements as an appetite suppressant but many question its possible use as a stimulant.

A check of local health-food stores showed that only the General Nutrition Centers in the Crabtree Valley and Cary Village malls and the Garden of Eden sold the drug.

In addition, General Nutrition Center has a policy to sell Zoom-like compounds only to persons 18 and over. Zoom is a tablet made from concentrated guarana plant powder, according to Miller. The guarana plant is a close relative of the coffee plant.

A label from a bottle of Zoom, manufactured by the Amazon Trading Co., said the pills contain 800 milligrams of guarana and suggested individual dosages of 2 to 4 tablets

before breakfast and a half hour before meals.

The label also listed small amounts of potassium and phosphorus.

Zoom is advertised as "coming direct from the Amazon Jungle" to the customer. These ads began appearing in U.S. and Canadian health journals and magazines, such as *Cosmopolitan*, about two years ago, according to an article in the January issue of the Canadian newsmagazine *Maclean's*.

Misleading ads

The ads feature a supple woman or a virile male extolling the virtues of guarana.

The ads claim Zoom is "100 percent organic... pure energy food for natural vitality." The ads also claim that a Zoom user "can go without eating for long periods of time" and will be "energetic and happy... because (he) will feel healthy and younger."

Also promised are "heightened mental alertness" and a "natural lift" while the person diets.

"Customers see these ads and want to look like the person pictured," Miller

said. "A lot of people use it to try and lose the weight. But we don't ask them what they use it for and we don't push it."

"It doesn't make you high - it's a low-keyed kind of energy."

Marge Benson, owner of Benson's Nutrition Hut, said she began selling Zoom when it first appeared on the market.

"I had a lot of requests for it when it first came out. My customers didn't seem to think there was too much to it so I stopped carrying it," Benson said.

Harmony Health Foods on Hillsborough Street sold guarana tea before the arrival of Zoom but discontinued the tea due to lack of interest, according to employee Christy Mariner.

"We tried a bottle of Zoom but decided that it wasn't very beneficial," Mariner said. "We don't recommend caffeine or products like it."

The Federal Food and Drug Administration has investigated products containing guarana but has made no move to remove any from the market.

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Student killed in accident

by Margaret Britt
News Editor

State student Roy Handy of 1014 Washington Street in Cary was killed in a head-on traffic accident Wednesday evening.

Handy, 25, was a sophomore in horticultural science and landscaping.

Handy died from severe head injuries resulting from the accident,

according to Medical Examiner L.J. Kaasa.

Handy lost control of the car he was driving east on N.C. Highway 1656 when he lost traction on a left arching curve due to wet conditions and crossed over into the left-hand lane and struck a pick-up truck, according to Sgt. Raymond Isley of the N.C. Highway Patrol.

Isley said there was "an indication that (Handy) was going too fast for the condition of the road."

Sign of the Crimes



by Allen Weed
Staff Writer

A man was caught allegedly accessing a computer illegally in Daniels Hall Sept. 11, according to a Public Safety report.

Stephen Routh, manager of user services at State's Computing Center, apprehended the suspect in 244 Daniels Hall after being informed of the alleged use by Jim Ott of the Triangle Universities Computing Center.

TUCC has been monitoring State's computers to find illegal accesses and the responsible parties, the report said.

TUCC had informed Routh that at least nine different names and accounts were being used illegally to access computers on State's campus, the report said.

Also reported last week were:

- an attempted sexual assault on the fifth floor of D.H. Hill Library;
- a fire in the reclamation center on Sullivan Drive, causing damage estimated at \$2,000;
- 10 stolen bicycles worth a total of \$2,000;
- four cases of vandalism, including \$50 worth of damage to the Doak Field scoreboard;
- two stolen beer kegs;
- 13 burglaries;
- an attempted theft of a video playback machine from the textiles library in Nelson Hall;
- a stolen moped worth \$500;
- a tape deck worth \$100 from Becton Dormitory;
- a false fire alarm;
- four harassing phone calls;
- an attempted bicycle theft from E.S. King Village.

Big Zoom sales continue

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according to the *Macleans* article.

"They have no jurisdiction over it because it's a natural form of caffeine," Miller said.

"More amazing than its sudden popularity is that the amount of Zoom's active ingredient (per tablet) is equal to the amount of caffeine in one cup of coffee," the *Macleans* article said.

"Guarana has the same chemical composition as caffeine, theine and cocaine — and the same psychological effects," according to *Modern Herbal*.

"However," Marriner said, "I don't know anyone who would say it's like cocaine."

Modern Herbal lists only one medical property for guarana: relieving menstrual cramps and pressure.

"Zoom, when we tried it, did this almost immediately," Marriner said.

Zoom is not recommended for anyone who has headaches or heart problems, according to *Modern Herbal*.

In addition, Zoom burns B vitamins in a manner similar to caffeine, Marriner said.

Zoom may also raise body

temperature, constrict blood vessels, speed up the heart rate, increase arterial tension, and dehydrate the dieter by functioning as a diuretic.

"Some peoples' systems can't take it," Miller said. "It depends on the body — some people become sick."

Recent studies

The FDA has recently released studies showing a link between caffeine and birth defects.

No research in this area has been conducted with guarana. Caffeine may also be addictive but how addictive is not known, according to recent news reports.

Guarana, also called "Brazilian Cocoa," is a climbing shrub native to Brazil and Uruguay, according to *Grieve's Modern Herbal*, a reference book on herbs.

The first literary mention of guarana was in 1664 by a European missionary who noticed Amazon natives making a tea from the leaves. Amazon Indians still brew and chew the leaves, according to the *Macleans* article.

It was not until the summer of 1978, however, that a Beverly Hills entrepreneur, Marc Bernstein, organized the Amazon Trading Company to sell guarana as Zoom, according to the *Macleans* article.

Weekend weather forecast

	Low	High	Weather
Friday	—	low 80s	fair
Saturday	low 80s	mid 80s	sunny
Sunday	low 60s	high 80s	mostly sunny

A beautiful weekend is in store for North Carolina. Warm and less humid conditions will result in great weather for outdoor activities. If you're going to the beach expect partly cloudy skies with possible afternoon showers.

Forecast provided by student meteorologists Myron Padgett and Kirk Stopenhagen.

Meeting, Sept. 24,
NEWS STAFF: 3:30 p.m. in office.



Carmichael priorities

Due to the increasing demand from students, faculty and staff on the facilities and fields in and around Carmichael Gymnasium, it is necessary to inform the University community of the priority usage of these areas as follows:

- 1) physical education classes
- 2) intramural athletics

- 3) intramural sports club activities
- 4) free play activities involving University students, faculty and staff

Use of these areas by individuals or groups affiliated with the University may be granted on a very limited basis but only with the approval of the physical education department.

News staff computer training session

Mon. Sept. 22 5:30 p.m.

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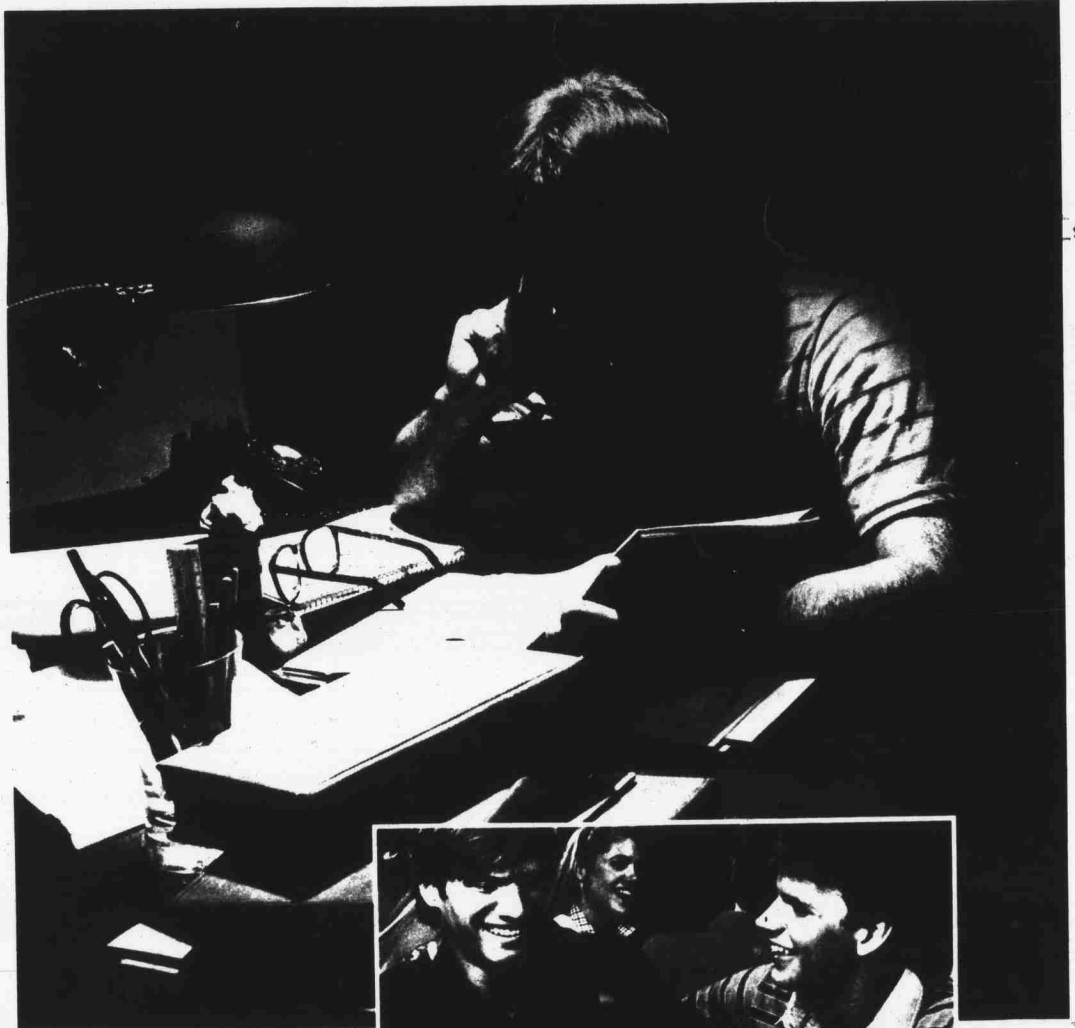
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Stuck in the 'nub,' they're some of 'the best around'

by G. Harry Gardiner
Features Writer

A student enters the Student Center from the entrance near Carmichael Gymnasium.

Up the steps, through the door and then what?

Maybe as he hustles through the front entrance he happens to notice a peculiar sign hanging in an office window to his left — a sign shaped like a pencil that has seen too many calculus problems.

Across that sign is written: "THE NUB."

What the sign stands for is the Cooperative Campus Ministries, an organization of many faiths dealing with Judeo-Christian beliefs.

But how could Cooperative Campus Ministries become known as "The Nub"?

"I've heard two stories about the origin of the name," Father Al Dash said. "One of them is probably more believable than the other."

Dash said the Nub offices were moved from the King Building to the Student Center and supposedly got stuck in the "nub" of the building.

The more believable explanation is that there was a name contest and "The Nub" won, he said.

Denominations involved with the Nub include Baptist, Lutheran, Moravian, United Methodist, Presbyterian, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Disciples of Christ, Hillel Jewish and Metropolitan Community Churches.

The Catholic Campus Ministry, the Episcopal Church at State and two offices make up The Nub.

The Nub sponsors a broad range of activities for students. Weekly groups are held by all the faiths for discussion of such subjects as Bible study, personal growth and social justice.

The thought of such activities may seem a bit "out of campus style," to some

students but these programs are relaxed and totally voluntary, Dash said.

Many Nub groups are involved in a wide variety of social functions.

"These functions not only help our community but also provide an excellent form of personal growth for the student involved," Dash said.

Two hunger-related activities that will be sponsored this fall by the Nub are a crop walk on Oct. 5 and a fast Nov. 20.

The first is a 10-mile walk and each person participating will be sponsored by someone who pledges money for each mile walked.

"The money from the crop walk goes to local as well as world hunger funds," Dash explained. "This gives the person involved a chance to see some of the accomplishments gained by his time and effort."

The second project dealing with hunger, "Oxfam Fast for World Harvest," will raise money for the people of Oxfam.

"This project is good because the money goes to self-help projects and not to handouts," Dash said.

"The CCM (Cooperative Campus Ministries) gives the student an opportunity to get involved in service activities with the church," member Chuck Garrison said. "I've found the organization very geared to college life."

Dash said the different faiths involved in the Nub seem to work well together.

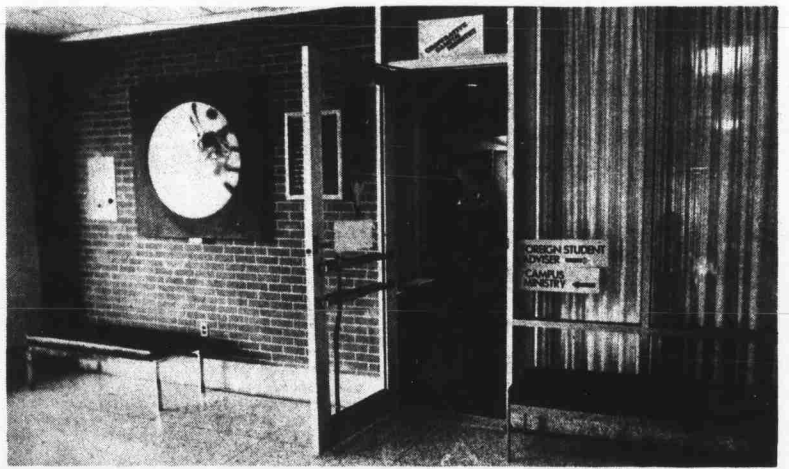
"N.C. State's campus ministries seem to be the best around," Dash said.

"Most others seem to end up competing between faiths but we have worked together well."

CCM has been growing in recent years.

"There seems to be more interest in religion in the past few years," Dash said.

"In the past CCM has had a small following but the students seem to be getting involved with their chosen faiths."



Staff photo by Simon Griffiths

Cooperative Campus Ministries was once housed in the King Building but moved to the Student Center where it supposedly got stuck in the "nub" of the building.

Western wear crops up like crab grass

by Shannon Crowson
Features Writer

It's beginning to crop up like crab grass or unwanted wild onions in unlikely, manicured places. The clum-

The music, from Willie to Wayne to Dolly to Kenny to Mr. Daniels, is twanging more often on the sound systems and the jukeboxes. The dancing isn't progress-

respectable to be a cowboy.

Like any way of life that becomes a fad, though, the real thing isn't always what the public thinks or wants to believe. These \$100 lizard-toed boots, hand-tooled belts and straw Stetsons look mighty fine. However, the redneck stigma and actual lack of insight into the Western way is still attached like the little doggie's foot in the barbed wire.

A shot of Jack Daniel's and a Willie Nelson album does not make a cowboy.

It takes things like faded jeans, white on the backside from hours in the saddle; plain boots scarred, not city-slickered-up from a dose of mink oil; and a bent hat,

stable-dusted and without a fancy feathered band. The shirt is just denim blue, ironed without starch.

That's real cowboy garb but average isn't always "fun."

Just ask a rancher in Butte, Laramie or even Big Gulch, Wyoming, about the real dudes. They live in the endless mansions of space under bright skies, breathing air clear and true. Mountains spring up out of the ground from nowhere — blue shoulders on shoulders.

This urban cowpoke vogue seems tawdry. If I thought it could become standard to wear a Stetson from time to time, and turquoise jewelry was recognized as part of culture and a dying craft, I'd be pleased.

But we're ignorant of the Indian culture rooted in North Carolina's Cherokees. Instead we flock to Clint Eastwood and John Wayne movies and eat Double R Bar-Burgers, never knowing



what the West is all about.

especially in the clothing department.

As is the fate of many national fads, the Western bonanza may not become an influence here. There's still too much fear of change,

But in case you're tempted, never fear. Even Gilley's, that spawn of social changes, wasn't built in a day.



Out of the Blue

Shannon Crowson

ping sound of the boot is becoming familiar music in the halls and the hats are starting to tentatively tower on the dance floors and in a few of the sawdustless bars.

ing to the cotton-eyed Joe or the Texas two-step despite the summertime drenching of TV, movie, newspaper and magazine propaganda. However, the West is coming South; it's becoming

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An assembly of good people and music is always nice by the Fireside



Staff photo by Linda Brafford
Bartender David Woodall hopes the return of general admission will attract more State students.

By Eleanor Williams
Assistant Entertainment Editor

When the Fireside Assembly became a private club last April, the changes that occurred were more extreme than the owners ever dreamed. The club, which had been packed nightly since opening in December 1979, stayed empty night after night despite attempts by the management to bring back the crowd.

So Wednesday, Sept. 10, the Fireside Assembly surrendered its liquor license and reopened its doors to the public.

"We want to reach out for the State crowd," Kenneth Farrell, part-owner of the club, said. "We originally opened up to give this end of Hillsborough Street something to do — some place for the students to go.

"We started wide-open to the public as a restaurant lounge, but we had to sell 51 percent food volume to keep our liquor license. We were only selling about 35 percent food, so we turned private. Business has never been the same since we started selling memberships."

Last spring the club's pool and pinball rooms could barely be seen from the entrance; the crowd was so thick in the lounge area and on the dance floor it was hard to hear the music.

Today the wood booths on the fringe of the room are clearly visible and the overstuffed sofas in the lounge have room for everyone.

All that should change soon. Farrell explained that memberships gave the management better control over the clientele.

"Last year we had a rough crowd — a lot of bikers. This year we're going to stay on top of it — have a dress code and (mandate) no carrying of knives."

There will be no cover charge except on band nights but memberships will still be honored for reduced cover charges and food specials.

For example, the Fireside Assembly has a pig-picking every Monday night which costs \$5 a ticket but members can eat for \$3. The pig is cooked on the deck behind the club. This event will continue as long as the weather is warm.

"One problem we had last year was with stuff getting torn up," Farrell said. "We plan to do a little remodeling — bring back the big (TV) screen for the lounge and add lights under the Plexiglas dance floor as soon as we get a little more capital. We are going for the college crowd and hope they will take better care of the place."

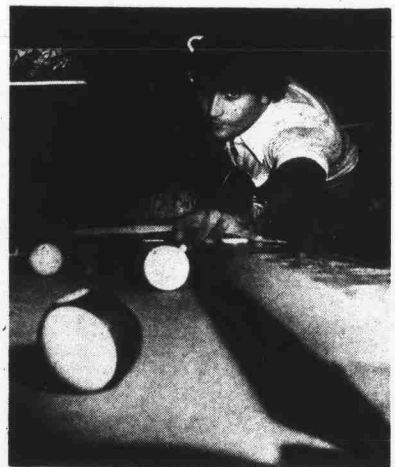
Although the music in the Fireside Assembly is mainly rock and roll, beach music and disco are included.

"We want to get the crowd in here and we want to get them up here dancing, too," Farrell said. "They'll jump right up here when good disco songs are played. People don't dance too much to rock and roll."

Wednesday nights are band nights at the Fireside. Clearpassage, a local band, often plays.

"We want to work with local bands now but when business picks up, we'll expand as the crowd dictates," Farrell said.

Farrell thinks these changes will be enough to bring back the throngs of people who once lined up outside the club. No contests or gimmicks are planned — just good atmosphere, good times and good music.



Staff photo by Linda Brafford
Tim McNeil enjoys the Fireside Assembly because of its pool tables and atmosphere.

The Fireside Assembly is located two blocks from State's campus at 3110 Hillsborough St. next to the Keg.

Persistence and originality reap rich rewards for Nigel Olsson

When Nigel Olsson toured the world in 1974 as the percussionist with the finest edition of the Elton John band, it was, contrary to the opinions of some, neither the beginning nor the end of a brilliant career.

When John summarily dismissed his rhythm section shortly thereafter, it came as a shock to those who had watched Olsson become an integral part of John's sound.

Prime mover

At the heart of a drum-driven band, Olsson was a prime mover, his diminutive frame sheathed by a drape of silky dark waist-length hair and hidden behind his drum orchestra.

There was a Nigel Olsson both before and after the gloved and head-geared incarnation of *Captain Fantastic* fame. He was born in Cheshire, England, to a seafaring man who moved his family of sons to Africa when Nigel was in grade school.

The remainder of his childhood was spent in



Nigel Olsson and Elton John are joining forces once again for a world-wide tour.

Sunderland, a port on the northeastern coast of England, where Olsson learned the basic guitar chords needed to play the blues. He studied seamanship at his father's quiet in-

sistence and learned motor maintenance as a vocation. At a time when Graham Bond, the father of British rhythm and blues, and Memphis Slim were his primary influences, Olsson played

rhythm guitar, sang in schoolboy bands and learned to play the drums out of necessity when a regular drummer quit on the eve of a gig.

Olsson's first professional appearance on a large scale happened in 1966 when his band, Plastic Penny, began a two-year lifespan during which it recorded "Everything I Am," a No. 1 hit in Britain.

Plastic Penny operated under the auspices of Dick James, whose staff writers were Bernie Taupin and Elton John and who also managed Mirage, a group including Dee Murray, Plastic Penny and Mirage dissolved at the same time and Olsson and Murray threw in their lot with the constantly reforming Spencer Davis Group — just in time for a tour of America in 1969.

Uriah Heep drafted Olsson into service the next year to record two tracks of a nearly completed debut album. He had been working with the group only nine days when John asked him to play a promotional gig.

He went into rehearsal the next day and almost instantly knew he'd found where he wanted to be. Invited to America to introduce material from his first two albums, John asked Olsson to accompany him on the road.

Olsson was one of the first drummers to raise the standard of his profession to an artistic level. He spends four hours of every day tuning

and experimenting with percussive sound to broaden the instrument's range, which had been regarded in the past as a metronome for other musicians.

Drastic decision

In the summer of 1975, shortly after the release of John's *Captain Fantastic* and before an important date at Wembley Stadium, John made the drastic changes in his band, letting both Olsson and Murray go.

While they were acknowledged as the backbone of his band, "cosmetic" changes were in order. Though the decision

was abrupt Olsson took the change gracefully and with no regrets. The years with John had turned a neophyte drummer into an impressario. Olsson had become one of rock's premiere drummers.

Starting a solo career was not something Nigel shied away from, but the development took time.

In 1975, Rocket Records released Olsson's first solo album, *Nigel Olsson*, which revealed his many artistic sides. The first single, "Only One Woman," was recorded at the same time as John's *Caribou* LP and reflected

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That bumper-sticker slogan describes candidly Virginia's 8-4 football season last fall. And from the looks of its 6-3 win over Navy this past week, the Wahoos can expect another "experience" this year.

State, after a two-week layoff, will try to make it a "bad experience" for Virginia when it visits Charlottesville Saturday in the conference opener for both teams.

The game should feature the classic matchup of football in the trenches — Virginia's offensive line vs. State's defensive line.

Although being one of the least-publicized areas of football the Cavs

defense, giving up only three yards. That average is sure to get progressively higher as the season goes on though.

The defensive secondary received another blow this week when it was announced that Donnie LeGrande would be out for the season due to his leg injury.

"We hoped he would be back for the Virginia game, perhaps if not the Wake Forest game," State coach Monte Kiffin said. "Our secondary has kind of dwindled down."

"Virginia played conservative last week," Carroll said, "but we expect this game to be wide open. We anticipate them to throw the football, with Kirtley working to throw to his

Between the Lines

Stu Hall
Sports Editor

offensive line returns five starting seniors. It's a line that rates the best in the ACC.

"We have our hands full," State defensive coordinator Pete Carroll said. "The offense that we'll be facing is one that has very few weaknesses, starting with their offensive line."

"As you look at the matchup between us and Virginia, they're very strong, very physical and we are smaller in our defensive line and we hope our quickness will offset their size."

It would seem a shame to waste that reputable line on a backfield that did not produce but Virginia has that area covered also.

Returning is junior quarterback Todd Kirtley and senior All-America candidate Tommy Vigorito. Last year Vigorito rushed for over 1,000 yards, while flanker Greg Taylor ended up with 933 yards.

"They have a great tailback in Tom Vigorito, who had an outstanding game against Navy, and we expect him to not only run the ball but we expect them to work the passing game around him also," Carroll said.

Vigorito provided most of the offensive punch against Navy, as he rushed for 122 of Virginia's 177 total yards.

The rushing attack could present a problem to the Cavs if State's defense was anything like it was against William & Mary.

Going into Saturday's contest State ranks No. 2 in the country in rushing

backs."

When the tables are turned, the Wahoos have to figure out how to contain State's explosive offense.

To Avery already has a game under his belt and has had two more weeks of practice so practically all the jitters should be gone.

"I really believe he has improved over the past 10 days," Kiffin said.

The fact that Virginia was 15th in the nation in scoring defense last year has Kiffin concerned.

"They have most of the people back and there were only two teams that scored more than two touchdowns against them last year and we were one of them," Kiffin said.

State's overpowering offense doesn't stop at Avery either. The balanced backfield has a host of talented performers — Chris Brown, Wayne McLean, Dwight Sullivan and Eddie Jackson. The four of them combined for 241 yards rushing against William & Mary.

Nathan Ritter was held to only kicking extra points two weeks ago and should play a big factor in State's game plans, while Wahoo Wayne Morrison, who scored all of Virginia's points against Navy, figures in the Cavalier game plan.

With the battle being expected in the trenches, this game should be relatively close in score. Since this is the ACC conference opener for both teams, all intangibles are thrown out the window.

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- Sat Football, at Virginia, 1:30 p.m.
- Women's Tennis, at Richmond, 1 p.m.
- Men's and Women's Cross Country, vs. North Carolina, Virginia, at North Carolina, noon and 1 p.m.

Depth is key to season for men harriers

by Sinaa Sumner
Sports Writer

"This year the men's cross country team has the best depth State has ever had," State cross country coach Tom Jones said.

Such high optimism is supported by the quality of the returning lettermen and new recruits. The squad has a chance to prove its statement when it travels to Chapel Hill Saturday to run in a triangular meet with

Virginia and host North Carolina.

The team is led by senior co-captains Steve Francis and Dan Lyon and senior Kelvin Little. Francis, Lyon and Little finished third, fifth and 10th respectively

in last year's ACC Cross Country Championships.

"These three will make the nucleus of the team due to their experience and strong leadership," Jones said.

These three will be supported by two talented sophomores, Mike Mantini and Steve Thompson.

It is a fact that no team can continue in a winning fashion without solid recruits so Jones solved that problem by recruiting two junior college All-Americans and a high school standout.

John George and John Wentworth, from Brevard Junior College, have both earned names for themselves. Between the two of them they have chalked up 10 All-America titles.

"Although junior college-level competition is not par with four-year colleges, their experience will be tremendous help especially as the season goes into full swing," Jones said.

The new freshman is Jeff Hutchinson, the N.C. high school champ in the mile his senior year with a time of 4:08.1.

Rounding out the squad is Leland Adams, an experienced runner who will add depth to the team.

Despite the loss of two of its top runners, Gary Hofstetter and Doug Slack, Carolina will still provide

tough competition for State.

"The struggle for first place individually will be between Steve Francis and Virginia's Mike Cotton," Jones said. "As a team we will try to run as a group and to try and place four or five runners in the top 15, which will also be the goal of the team throughout the season."

"The team's success will depend on the team effort," he said.

After last year's third-place finish in the ACC, Jones has set the ACC championship and a bid to the NCAA championship as his goals for the team.

No State cross country team has ever been to the NCAAs, but the 1977 team came the closest when the Wolfpack missed receiving a bid by one point.

Matches on the road will be tough and Clemson is the pre-season favorite to capture the ACC title; with North Carolina, Maryland and State challenging it.

"State has the best chance of defeating Clemson because of our depth," Jones said.

In order for State to qualify for the NCAA championship, it must finish in the top five of the Southern region, which includes cross country powers Alabama, Florida and perennial national power Tennessee.

Spikers clip Pirates; expect win in D.C.

by Devin Steele
Sports Writer

State's volleyball team experienced some home-opener jitters Wednesday night before finally pulling out with a three-game victory over East Carolina, 15-11, 16-14 and 15-13 before a packed house in Carmichael Gym.

"The best thing about the match is that we won," said State coach Pat Hiescher, whose spikers travel to Washington, D.C. today, to compete in the George Washington Tournament.

"I wasn't pleased with the overall team effort although a few individuals were highlighted. ECU frequently set the tempo. I wasn't happy with our overall blocking either."

The Wolfpack spikers found themselves in the come-from-behind situation in the second game but thanks to Carmen Macon's crucial serving and a little extra effort by her teammates, they managed to increase their record to 3-0.

"A good part of that comeback was Carmen's clutch serving and key aces," Hiescher said. Macon scored six aces and served 14 points to lead the team in scoring.

State did not accomplish its goal of holding ECU to 27 points or less — instead it allowed the Pirates 38. It did, however, accomplish three major goals — to win in three, to play Kelly

Halligan in the middle and to have Joan Russo set a game. This allowed her to gain game experience as a setter for the upcoming tournament.

"Although we won in three, we allowed the games to go down to the last four points. That was too close," Hiescher said. "Joan replaced Susan (Schaefer) as setter in the last game because we wanted her to get experience for the upcoming tournament and season. She did not warm up for the position before the game. She had a good effort."

Middle blocker Stacy Schaeffer saw limited action because of a muscle strain in her leg.

"We tried to give her a rest so that her leg could regain its full strength. Playing defense on the back row is rough on the legs because it's a lower position," Hiescher said.

"It feels better but it's still weak. I'll be ready for the tournament," Schaeffer said.

The second game was a close one. State's spikers found themselves behind 14-7 before they began to make their comeback. Macon served the last six points to pull State out 16-14.

Lynn Davidson, former Wolfpack starter and East Carolina's assistant coach, commented on the game afterward.

"It was very decisive for

State," Davidson said. "We played tougher against them this time than we did earlier this season in a scrimmage. I don't think they were expecting us to give them the challenge that we did."

"They (State) were hot at times and cold at times. Most of their mistakes were mental; however, they ran some good plays and hit hard against us. Every team in the state respects them, and it's well deserved. They have two very fine coaches."

The Wolfpack will carry its unbeaten campaign into the tournament. Its match with James Madison will be its first appearance in the eight-team tournament which ends Saturday night.

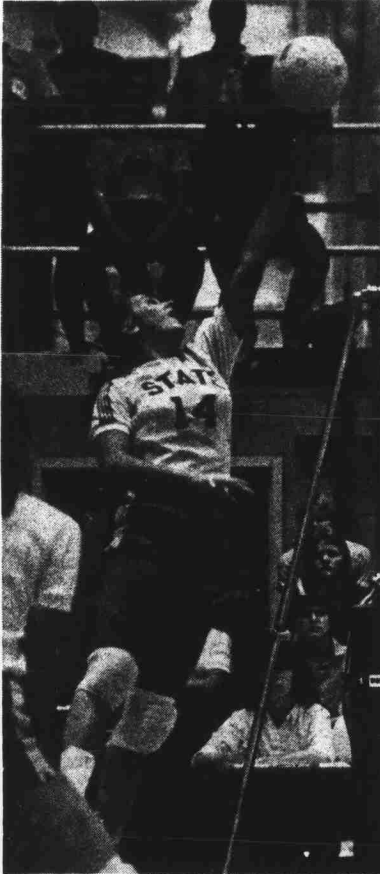
"It's a good opening tournament for the season," Hiescher said. "It's a well-balanced tournament and we need to play well to win. I certainly expect to be in the finals Saturday night, though I haven't seen any of the three teams we're going to play in the preliminary rounds."

Hiescher believes that both State and George Washington will compete in the finals.

"They have a very good team noted for its defense," Hiescher said.

State played GWU last season at the Maryland Invitational but lost in a three-game heartbreaker.

"It certainly is a tournament that is a very realistic one for us to win," Hiescher said.



Staff photo by Simon Griffiths

Joan Russo dinks shot across net in win against ECU.

Booters' defense closes 'curtain' on UNC-W

by Terry Kelley
Sports Writer

A few years ago the Pittsburgh Steelers' defense was named the "Steel Curtain" because it was virtually unscorable upon.

After State's soccer team's 3-1 defeat of UNC-Wilmington Wednesday, the Wolfpack defense may soon be given a special name since in the Wolfpack's four wins it has given up only one goal.

State defenders allowed only nine shots on goal while the Pack's offense took 19 shots in improving its record to 4-1.

"We played real well with good composure," said State soccer coach Larry Gross, whose team challenges the nationally No. 1-ranked Clemson Tigers in its first

ACC match of the season Sunday in Clemson.

"We beat what is supposed to be a real strong Wilmington team that was undefeated. We got off to a 3-0 lead. We did give them a goal which was not well earned. It didn't come off of an offensive thrust. The ball deflected off two defenders and they got a quick shot and scored," Gross said.

Chris Hutson had six saves in his first start at State. Gross used Hutson as a strategic move.

"This was a good chance to give Chris some playing time," Gross said. "Strategically it was done because Wilmington has some people who have extremely long throw-ins which has resulted in a number of goals."

"The ball goes 70 to 75 yards in the air with them being able to put two or three people around the goal and put some pressure on the goalie. We thought having someone 6-6 in there kept them from putting it in the goal mouth and putting it in the goal. Chris did a nice job."

Gross feels his team is young and will continue to improve.

"A lot of people are confused about what happened in the tournament. We play Duke at another time. We have a long way to go. This is not a young team but it's a team that hasn't played together a long time," he said.

"We have a lot of soccer ahead of us. We're going to be a strong team later this year and next year."

Gross had praise for some players and especially his defense.

"Chris Ogu played very well. Joey Elsmore played very well. The defense played well. Danny Allen, Francis Moniedafe and Bobby Cochran all played the whole game," Gross said.

"We used a lot of halfbacks. Our halfbacks got a little tired. Two games in the tournament — Monday and Tuesday — we worked pretty hard. We used pretty much all of our halfbacks."

"We're 4-1 and in the four wins we've surrendered one goal and scored 15. I've got to be pretty pleased with that."

The Wolfpack booters will face their toughest test of this young season Sunday at Clemson. The Tigers have

held the nation's No. 1 ranking for two weeks.

"This will be the biggest test of the season for us," Gross said. "We're 0-0 in the conference. Although I doubt any team will be undefeated in the ACC this will be the biggest conference game to date this year."

"Our goal is to go into the game playing well and not to lose our poise, not to be intimidated by the fact we are playing the No. 1 team in the country."

"They have a strong team with a first team All-America, Nnamdi Nwockocha, a striker. Nnamdi is one of the premier players in the coun-

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Steve Francis, Dan Lyon and Kelvin Little hope to lead State to ACC title this fall.

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Women netters assume spoiler role

by Tracy Byrd
Sports Writer

State's women's tennis team could easily play the role of the "ACC spoilers" this fall. Although the Pack women have some strong players, their lack of depth is expected to hurt them.

"If we win one-half of our matches, they will be upset wins," said State tennis coach J.W. Isehour, whose netters hope to pull off two wins this weekend when they travel to Richmond on Saturday and to William & Mary on Sunday.

With the loss of Susan

Sadri, who transferred to Georgia, Rebecca Barnette, Suzanne Nirochl and Inza Walston, State's lineup will have a totally new look this fall.

Heading the talented array of players is freshman Stephanie Rauch, who will be State's No. 1 player.

Rauch captured the N.C. state junior tennis championship this summer.

At the No. 2 position will be junior Sarah Harmer. Wendy Corey, who spent most of last season on the sidelines with an injury, is back to play at No. 3 singles. Seeded No. 4 is senior Dawn Maybeck.

Mary James and Maureen Murphy, two walk-ons, will play at the No. 5 and No. 6 spots respectively.

The doubles teams should be both solid and promising this season. Rauch and Corey will be combining their abilities at the top spot.

Following them are seniors Harmer and Maybeck, the No. 2 doubles tandem. James and Murphy will pair up for the No. 3 doubles team.

The women will try to upset both Richmond and

well-played game. I think we'll be ready. They have a nice team — they'll start three Americans and eight foreign players. The pressure's a little more on them than on us. If we play a great game we're capable of beating them on their home field," Gross said.

"It'll take a few breaks and a great game. Last year we lost to them 4-3 in one of

the most exciting games ever seen in Raleigh.

"I think our defense matches up well against their offense. We have five people who have never played a minute against Clemson in the past. If you go out there awed you will be in trouble from the start. I'd like to unmotivate them. I don't want to leave our game on the field the day before; I don't want to be tense."



Stephanie Rauch

William & Mary this weekend. State has yet to play Richmond, which looks to be a tough opponent since the Spiders have one of the better programs in the East.

Women's cross country team to take season a step at a time

by Ken Maxwell
Sports Writer

State's women's cross country coach Rollie Geiger describes regular-season cross country meets as "stepping stones and a developmental process to the ACC, regional and national cross country meets."

State returns a veteran unit from last year's championship squad, but injuries have hit hard. In addition to Shea's injury, Debbie Revolta, Kim Sharpe and Valerie Ford are injured.

Geiger however, approaches the situation with optimism. "This will be a good opportunity for our freshmen to get experience in a collegiate meet," he said. "We don't want to dwell on our injuries, but I do have a lot

of confidence that our freshmen will take up the slack." Four freshmen whom Geiger is counting on this season come to State with impressive credentials. Suzanne Girard from Johnson City, N.Y. and Lisa Beck from Clearwater, Fla., were three-time state champs in their respective states. Sandy Cullinane was two-time state champ from Bedford, Mass., while Tricia Malischewski of Rahns, Pa., was also her state's cross country champion.

Others who will figure prominently in the State picture Saturday are Karen Myers, a sophomore letter winner, Margery Mayer, Terry Haywood, Lucy Gardner, Julie Hamilton and Pam Robinson.

Pack to tackle No. 1 Clemson

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try. We have to play extremely well and try to shut him down. He's certainly not the only player they've got. Francis Moniedafe, it will be his job to cover Nnamdi."

Gross expects an action-packed game.

"It's gonna be a very physical game. It will be a

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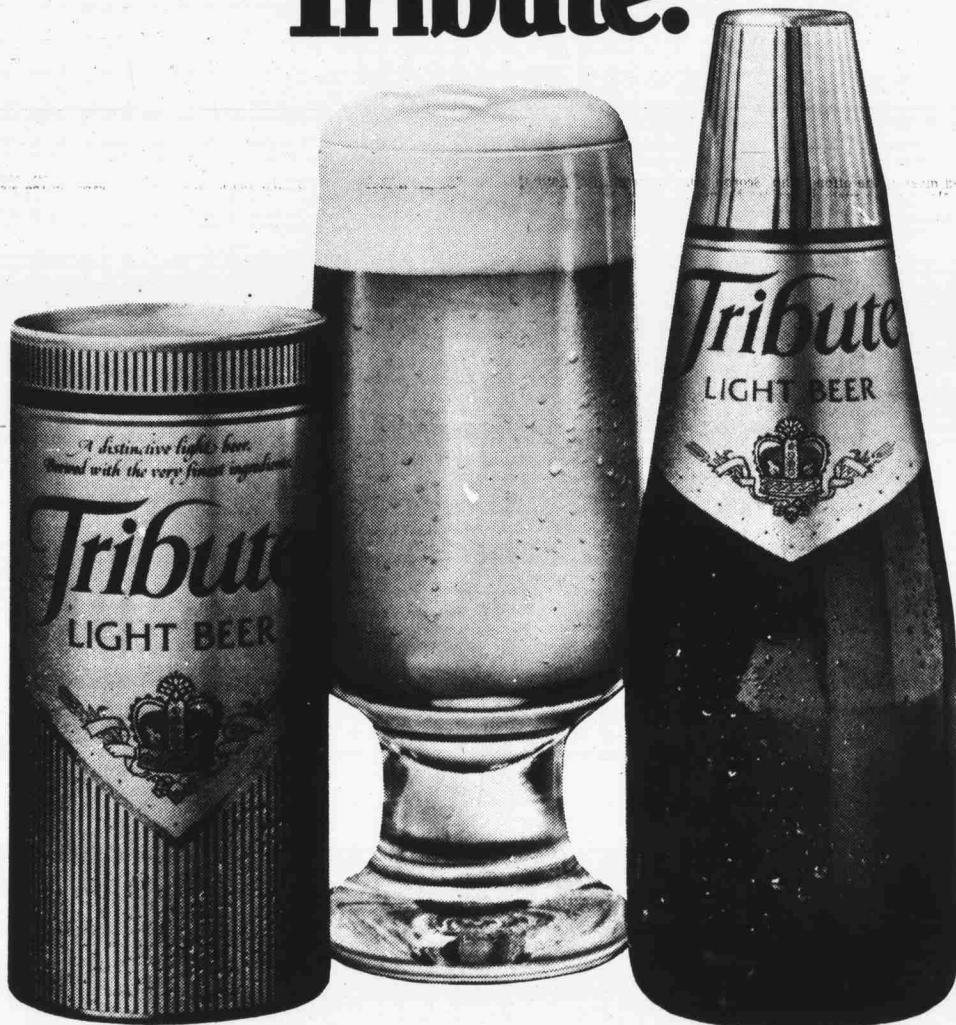


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Technician Opinion

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They'll do it every time

An ancient axiom postulates that the worth of a leader can be measured by assessing the quality of those men with whom he surrounds himself.

Using this criteria, a cynic might have condemned Jimmy Carter long ago; Hamilton Jordan, Bert Lance and Andrew Young (to name a few) have been the subjects of volumes of apologetic White House press releases which attempt to explain the trio's stranger-than-fiction antics.

Unfortunately, public misconduct by members of the Carter staff (particularly in the stretch run of this year's presidential campaign) has been and will continue to be a focus of the national press corps. Last week, Tim Kraft, Carter's national campaign manager, became the Carter administration's latest *cause celebre*.

Kraft, accused of using cocaine several years ago on a trip to New Orleans, La., has been forced to take a "leave of absence" to minimize further political fallout. A man's career, as well as Carter's campaign, has again been damaged by the media's constant search for juicy subject matter — subject matter that is only tangential to crucial concerns about the man in question and the candidate.

When a public figure is accused of an ac-

tivity such as drug use, the public automatically assumes guilt. Kraft is only under investigation; federal law mandates that the attorney general investigate any allegation that a high-level government or campaign official has violated a federal law.

The next step is the appointment of a special federal prosecutor; this occurs only after the attorney general's investigation yields evidence that the allegations have some merit. It will be months before Tim Kraft finds out whether he will face a special prosecutor. Meanwhile, Kraft is out of a job and Jimmy Carter must again parry charges that a top aide is a confirmed drug user — and the public is deprived of press coverage about more substantive concerns.

The press should be concerned with public misconduct on the part of government officials. But in Tim Kraft's case, the news media has created a boogyman that just is not there — at least not yet. Perhaps Kraft will be proven guilty; but we should allow the judicial branch — not the Associated Press or United Press International — to determine his guilt. Only then can Tim Kraft — and thus Jimmy Carter — be held accountable for any wrongdoing.



Carter's roulette game dangerous

Danny Cartner

Jimmy Carter is playing political roulette. He chooses to ignore John Anderson as a viable force in the presidential election. Perhaps Carter doesn't remember the 1968 elections when George Wallace came within one state's electoral vote of sending the presidential election to the House of Representatives where he could have virtually handpicked the next president of the United States.

This country probably will not elect an Independent-Party president. However, Anderson is gaining support from groups which Carter badly needs. For example, New York's Liberal Party has chosen to back Anderson. Traditionally, this party has wholly backed the democratic candidate.

Carter cannot afford to lose the state of New York to Ronald Reagan since Reagan is assured the California vote and no democrat

since Harry Truman has won without New York.

Until last week some logic could be seen in Carter's refusal to recognize Anderson. Carter may have been hoping that Anderson's campaign finances would deteriorate enough to prevent him from continuing in the race. However, Anderson has now been awarded federal campaign funds which will become available after the election. These funds have enabled Anderson to borrow enough money to put his campaign in the best financial straits since he split from the Republican Party.

Despite the obvious power of Anderson, Carter continues to put him in the category with special-interest campaigners. Carter refuses to debate with Anderson and Reagan

even though almost 20 percent of the American public supports Anderson. Maybe someone should explain to President Carter exactly what these percentages mean.

Twenty percent of the American vote is one out of every five people. That leaves four out of five votes to divide between Carter and Reagan (not considering the hundreds of minor candidates). For Carter to obtain a majority of the electoral votes, he must get about two and a half of those four votes.

According to current polls Carter wouldn't win if the election were held tomorrow. In other words, it is time for Carter to start campaigning against Anderson if he expects to win in November.

Junior Danny Cartner, an English education and writing and editing major, writes a bi-weekly column for the Technician.

forum

All of us might be happier about our newspapers and our broadcasting if we worked harder at that old American custom of speaking up, of dissenting, even applauding, but, above all, of being heard — and counted.

— Vincent S. Jones

Article 'exaggerated'

I would like to respond to David Carroll's article "We're here to help you" in the Friday Sept. 12 Technician by making three points.

One, I assume that you are trying to make an honest statement about Christians sharing their beliefs on campus rather than making exaggerated statements to see what kind of response you receive to your article.

You could better state your case with a straightforward approach instead of using the exaggerated examples contained in your article.

Two, I have been a Christian for five years and associated for three years with individuals and groups who witness to the reality of Jesus Christ. I do not witness in the manner you describe nor does anyone whom I know.

Three, I too reacted with fear and anger when I was witnessed to by Christians before I asked Jesus into my life. As I later came to realize, the reason for the fear and anger that I experienced resulted from my running away from the Lord.

I would personally enjoy talking to you further if you would care to.

Gary E. Hinson

A class act

For most of my seven years in Raleigh I have lived in the University neighborhood because I like the atmosphere here. I have recently begun

moonlighting at a second job in a restaurant on Hillsborough Street and have to walk through Fraternity Court to get home late in the evening.

I have had to put up with constant harassment, from catcalls to being followed by four boys in a car (two inside and two on the hood) for three blocks shouting obscenities that can't be repeated. If this is an example of the social and intellectual cream of the crop (which frat rats think themselves to be), then students have reached a sorry state.

As an alumnus of State, I always liked to think we had more class than some of our neighboring universities' claim.

These are the "Southern Gentlemen" the Greek life turns out!

I. N. Franklin

If I may say so...

How long does it take to read the Technician? Rather, more appropriately, how much of the Technician do you read?

Journalistically speaking, State's Student newspaper earns an overall rating of BAD! Many would be quick to point out that the "quality" of this paper is a reflection of the lack of a journalism degree at this institution. However, this cannot be accepted as an excuse for second-rate, high school level work.

Specifically, running front page pictures without an accompanying story, anywhere in the paper is peculiar. The September 15 issue had three such pictures. Is it not possible to find photos related to the headline stories?

If not, perhaps these headline stories are not really front page material. Secondly, the newsworthiness of some articles is questionable at best! Other than the thrill of having their names in print, the feature of unicyclists Scott Finney and Skip Holmes has little if any redeeming value for anyone else.

This of course is just one example of many features on nonsense and trivia. The opinion columns are a third weak area of the Technician. Often, the points of view expressed are extreme and unrealistic (After two years on campus, neither I nor anyone I know has been "accosted" by religious fanatics roaming the brickyard.) Often columns on university issues are exag-

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gerated, one-sided complaints by students failing to get their way and lacking understanding of the function and structure of a university. Another column, in its second year, gives us a rose-color, naive picture of living with a roommate, dating and other fun activities that are of little interest to those of us over 18.

Fourthly, syndicated cartoons don't appear to be good enough, so local amateurs are recruited through ads, to draw less humorous pictures. Yes, dear editor, this list could go on, but the point should be clear.

Perhaps, the paper could address issues such as the UNC-HEW case, accusations of substandard black universities. State's expansion plans for Hillsborough Square, University-community relations, the status of Iranian students or housing plans of the future, just to give you a few examples.

Can the Technician staff accept the challenge to produce a better newspaper?

C. Meinholdt

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Editor's note: Because of people like you who closely scrutinize the paper, the Technician staff members, in addition to being full-time students, strive to maintain the professionalism of this newspaper



That's why they call it rush

Last week, after nights of giggle-laden gabfests, clothes-touting opportunities, amateur theater and vocal recitals and the absorption of enough sunshine to make cacti wilt, some 40-odd State women committed themselves as fall pledges in State's three social sororities.

The final acceptance of bids, or pledge invitations, by the "rushees" was the anticlimax of the strange annual process called fall rush. The rules are many, the decorum exact and the needs unchanging.

Far from Tara

Shannon Crowson

Fall rush at State isn't highly publicized, just mysteriously advertised via small campus posters with little girls on them, freshman orientation presentations and the most important word-of-mouth. But as for what comes next, few except the sorority members and rushees know what to expect.

Why such a mystery? The private and all-female parties are gushing affairs designed to pick out the "good" girls desired by each house for membership.

I rushed my freshman year. I knew vaguely that I wanted to be a part of the inner circle of Greek parties, the eternal PJ-party atmosphere I imagined, the teamwork and sisterhood — linkage and camaraderie with a few on a campus where there are so many.

Little did I know it also involved national offices and guidelines for "Christian" behavior. That part was vague; but by the same token, so was rush.

I dressed in my pink-and-green skirt covered with obnoxious cats, add-a-beads

and espadrilles and marched bravely into the fray of rush with other rushees — all strangers.

For the next week, we were constantly name-tagged, registered and ferried to the three houses. We were catered to by smiling, confident upperclassmen. The parties were under way.

The parties were exciting; the sisters welcomed us, dressed in theme costumes, which entered into the after-refreshment skits — mini-production numbers regaling us with the meanings of sorority life and how great it was. We saw Broadway reviews, intergalactic oddities and sock hops. We were amazed, applauding but not recognizing the work behind them. That part was fun but the chatter that followed wasn't.

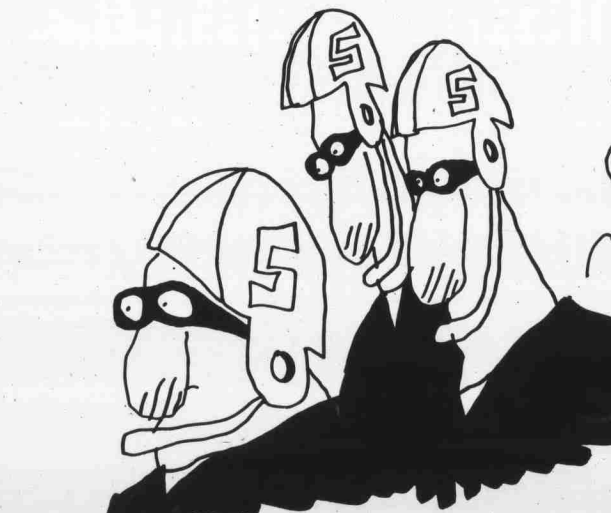
Meeting the individual sisters would have been fine were it not for the horrible repetition of questions. A Xerox stating name, hometown, year and major taped to one's skirt would have saved time.

As the week of parties wore on the conversation deepened into "who-do-you-know-in-your-town" games, the learning of sorority songs and becoming a part of the beaming circle for a moment or two.

Then the last of the nauseous green punch was swilled down, the choices made and the bids handed out — just like last week.

I became disillusioned with public stereotyping and a small loss of self, but that's beside the point. Rush is a twofold proposition. Houses need members, the economy's hurting (dues pile up) and rushees need acceptance into the sub-society of Greek life away from the girls' schools' cloud.

The system's surviving and that's fortunate. The metamorphosis of confused rushee to sister is an interesting process. And rush should be experienced — if not for the learning, at least for the punch.



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