

Physicist speaks about astronomical wonders

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Staff Writer

Galactic evolution, black holes and collisions of stars were just some of the topics Edward Teller discussed Monday in Stewart Theatre.

Teller, a nuclear physicist and a key figure in the development of the atomic and hydrogen bombs, presented the sixth L.H. Thomas Lecture entitled "Gamma Ray Bursts From Globular Clusters."

Faculty, students and visiting scientists filled Stewart Theatre for Teller's speech.

"It is seldom that you would see so many non-physics faculty attending a

physics seminar," said P.K. Lin, an associate professor in chemical engineering.

A chemical engineering seminar was moved because it conflicted with Teller's speech, he added.

L.H. Thomas, a former professor of physics to whom the lecture is dedicated, was also on hand. Thomas, who constructed early models of the atom with Enrico Fermi, received a standing ovation as he entered the theater.

Before the speech, Chancellor Bruce Poulton presented Teller with a plaque commemorating the occasion.

Teller discussed his research on

globular clusters, densely packed globes of a million stars that are located in a halo above the galaxy. The thrust of his work dealt with determining the structure of these groups of stars.

Gamma ray bursts were observed originating from the globular clusters. Teller hypothesized that these bursts were coming from the collisions of neutron stars. These stars have the mass of our sun but are only about five miles across.

A large black hole in the middle of each cluster could also explain the phenomena, he said.

Teller peppered his talk with

humorous analogies and lines. He then answered questions at the end of the lecture. The questions dealt with a variety of subjects from subatomic theory to the Strategic Defense Initiative ("Stars Wars" proposal) to the peaceful uses of nuclear explosives.

"(The speech) contained interesting themes and controversial ideas," said John Kolena, a Duke University astronomer. "The astronomy part was pretty good," he said.

Teller simplified some concepts so the audience could more readily understand the speech, Kolena added.



Staff photo by Fred Woolard

Edward Teller speaks to students, faculty and visitors about galactic evolution, black holes and star collisions Monday at Stewart Theatre.

Physicist Teller defends 'Star Wars'

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Edward Teller, the physicist who provided the key to development of the thermonuclear weapons, is often referred to as "the father of the hydrogen bomb." This label annoys him.

"I have a son. I have a daughter. I have three grandchildren and (I'm) expecting a fourth. My son does not like having the hydrogen bomb referred to as his kid brother," he joked in a recent interview with *Technician*.

In an interview in *Discover* last year, Teller exclaimed, "The H-bomb never even sent me a Father's Day card."

Nobel prize winner Eugene Wigner describes Teller as "the most imaginative person I ever met, and this means a great deal when you consider I knew Einstein."

Hungarian-born Teller, now a senior research fellow at the Hoover Institution at Stanford, California, has been instrumental in the devel-

opment and government administration of nuclear weapons and power.

The public fears technology more than they should, Teller said.

"When I arrived in this country forty-nine years ago, I had a feeling that people were putting technology too much on a pedestal," he said.

"Public opinion in this country went in the opposite direction, and now I think that people are doubtful about technology," he added.

The public is not appreciating technology sufficiently, he said.

"One factor has been the mistake we made in Hiroshima," he said. "I do not believe, of course, that the bomb should not have been used. I only believe that it should have been shown to the Japanese first."

Teller said if a demonstration had been performed, it would have had the same political consequence as the Hiroshima blast.

"The war would've been finished 'not by killing one hundred thousand people, but just by demonstrating the power of technology,'" according to Teller.

"I think that all of us would be safer, happier and less doubtful about technology," he said. "I believe the second World War and its ending had a lot to do with a change in perception."

Teller is again involved in weapons research.

"At present, I am almost completely absorbed with SDI," he said.

SDI (or Strategic Defense Initiative), a plan proposed by President Reagan, calls for the development of defensive laser or particle beam weapons to knock out incoming missiles. Teller was one of the chief scientific sources the Reagan administration contacted when they were planning the system in 1983.

Teller strongly defends the role of defensive SDI-type weapons.

"For a democracy, there is no winnable war," he said.

"We know that if there is nuclear war, millions of America lives will be at stake," he said. "The Soviets don't want a war either, but there the decision is made by a few people."

"How defenses could increase the

chances of war is a little hard to see unless you take the popular position that a defense must be one hundred percent foolproof, but a treaty need not be one hundred percent valid," he added.

Many accuse Teller of trying to bring nuclear war to space.

"One of the points is that I don't want any battleground. But if battleground there must be, I'd rather have (it) in space than in Stanford or in Raleigh," he said.

"Furthermore, the beam operations for defense are not likely to occur in space anyway," he said.

"President Reagan did not talk about satellites, stars or space. It was the American press which came out an hour afterwards with the word 'Star Wars.' But space, to begin with, is not the main point; defense is."

"The most interesting survivable systems on which we can count on are ground-based."

Teller said the public argument over SDI is not on the right grounds.

"Right wingers want SDI; the left wingers don't. This seems to have

little to do with technical issues, and technical issues should be taken into account much more carefully.

"We are accumulating evidence that the defense is being practiced by the Soviet Union," he said.

The United States is lagging far behind in the defensive weapons race, Teller said. "The Soviet Union is way ahead of us. Practically all our ideas come from the Soviet Union."

For this reason, Teller proposes sharing the technology with the Soviets, although he doesn't "think we have anything as yet which we would share."

Despite the U.S.'s efforts to keep developments classified, "we can hardly ever keep technical subjects a secret from the Soviets," he said.

"I think that as to technical information: if we keep it secret, it will hurt ourselves more than anybody else," Teller said. "The Soviets will hear about it anyway."

The people who will be hurt are American scientists whose creativity is hampered by a restricted flow of information, he added.

In some intelligence operations, he thinks that details concerning SDI should be made public.

"To keep the X-ray laser a secret, which we no longer do, doesn't make much sense. And to keep details of X-ray laser secret, which we do, I believe is also somewhat self-defeating," he said.

Teller said American intelligence is to blame for a lot of public sentiment against a strong national defense.

"The worst thing is that we keep the Russians' secrets. We know what they are doing about defense (and it's a lot), and the American people don't know. They are being fooled by Andropov, by Gorbachev, and we don't call it; we don't expose their lies," he said.

Teller is also one of the outspoken critics of the nuclear winter theory which states that there will be a large temperature drop after a nuclear war. It's hypothesized that drop would cause millions more to die

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Committee approves legal service bill

John Price
Staff Writer

The Student Senate's Finance Committee approved one bill by acclamation but tabled another bill in a meeting Monday night.

The committee approved a bill which, if passed by the Senate tonight, would allocate \$12,000 to continue Student Legal Services through this coming summer session.

All but \$480 of this money is allotted as the salary of the legal adviser which would be raised from \$10 per hour to \$12 per hour by the bill.

The committee members seemed to feel the raise was definitely justified.

According to figures provided by Student Body President Jay Everette, the legal adviser sees at least 11 people per day.

"At 11 people a day, she (legal

adviser) would cost \$9.80 per person," said Senator Barry Hicks. "That is no where near what a lawyer working downtown could get."

"Nobody likes to spend a lot of money, but I agree with the \$12,000 salary," said Senator Bryan Kay.

The success of the bill seemed largely because of the popularity of the current student legal adviser, Ronnie Hazen.

"When she accepted this position, she stood head and shoulders above the rest (of the applicants)," said Senate President Gary Mauney.

He also said Hazen's performance "typifies what we had hoped for."

Another bill considered by the Finance Committee would allot \$1,000 to the annual Woodchop Project sponsored by the Alpha Phi Omega (APO) service fraternity.

But the bill was tabled because no APO representatives were present at



Staff photo by Steve Abrahams

Barry Hicks (left) discusses the salary of the student legal adviser as Brian Kay listens during the Student Senate Finance Committee meeting Monday.

the meeting to answer questions about how the \$1,000 would be spent.

The senator sponsoring the bill, Clarence Hauer, was present but was not completely familiar with cost itemizations in the funding request.

First award given in 1986

Award funds adult students

Chloe Lowder
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A scholarship fund for part-time adult students at State has been established by the Division for Lifelong Education, university officials said.

In an interview Tuesday, Robert White, director of Adult Credit Program Development, said that the Woodard Scholarship Fund is "in the process of being established."

"We are looking for contributions to the fund now," he said.

The scholarship will be need-based and available to adult students not yet enrolled in a degree program and enrolled in six credit hours or less, White said.

All the criteria for awarding the scholarship have not been decided yet," he said. "We may offer it to adult students enrolled in degree programs also, but we have to wait and see how the fund progresses."

So far, there is no minimum age for awarding the scholarship which will be for tuition and cost of books, but White believes the cut-off will be "around 25," according to White.

He expects the first scholarship will be awarded in the fall of 1986.

The fund is named for N.C. Senator Wilma Woodard, who decided to pursue her undergraduate degree in 1965 at the age of 31. In 1969 she graduated from State with a degree in history and went on to do graduate work in political science.

Repairs subject of petition

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A group of State students have petitioned for improvements in the university's games room in the basement of the Student Center.

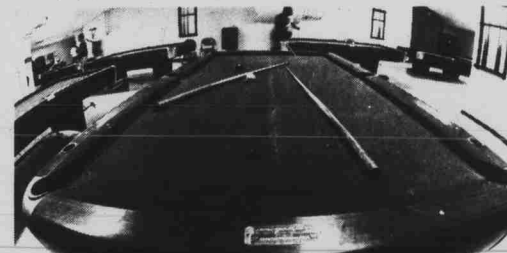
According to Elizabeth Lewis, a special student in undergraduate studies, the students began the petition last Wednesday "because this place is a mess."

As of Tuesday afternoon, 419 students had signed the petition.

Lewis noted the worn covers on the pool tables, the broken pool cues and the large stacks of chairs toward the back wall of the games room.

"Last January, they put the Special Edition in and it hasn't been cleaned up yet," Lewis said.

The petition has seven main points:



Staff photo by Scott Riverbark

Over four hundred students have signed a petition requesting renovations of the Student Center games room.

1. Re-covering of pool tables
 2. Acquisition of dart boards
 3. A new desk or counter
 4. Leveling of pool tables
 5. Purchase of a coat and book rack
 6. Removal of chairs stored in back
 7. New pool cues
- People have been complaining about the lack of improvements since last year, according to employee Joe Meno.
- "We need to do something about it," he said.

According to Larry Campbell, assistant program director, the university has already made plans to carpet the floor, paint, provide a desk and make other improvements in the games room.

The improvements are expected to be completed by January 1986.

"I'm not sure the petition will help," Campbell said. "All I can say is that the plans are drawn up and ready to be implemented."

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Society studies Japan, NC

Henry Jarrett
Staff Writer

What is North Carolina's Japan connection? The International Affairs Society discussed this topic after watching the video tape, "North Carolina's Japan Connection," at its meeting last Wednesday.

The video took a look at the cultural and economic ties between North Carolina and Japan.

The video mentioned that North Carolina is one of the few states that sells more to Japan than it buys. In addition, much of the machinery used

to modernize operations in textile mills is made in Japan.

The program was presented by Joseph Mastro, professor of political science and co-director of Humanities Extension at State.

Mastro said much of Japan's success in business is attributed to quality control.

Using the Mazda auto company as an example, Japanese companies have quality control inspectors at every station. On the other hand, some American companies have inspectors solely at the end of the line. He said Japan borrowed some of

those techniques from American companies such as AT&T.

He did not believe that America could beat Japan by aping its culture.

"Most Americans would find Japanese culture very frustrating," he said.

Other activities sponsored by the club include sending an eight-member delegation to a model UN Security Council Conference at Appalachian State in November. Club president Carol Einsle said it would be the first delegation sent from State.

Seat Belt law comes into effect

Reggie Boone
Staff Writer

Though it may have been easily overlooked, Tuesday marked the beginning of a new seat belt law in North Carolina. Under this law, all front-seat passengers in a vehicle must wear their seat belt at all times.

According to the North Carolina Highway Safety Research Center,

about 15 percent to 20 percent of the state's drivers now use their seat belts.

"I feel personally that it is a good law," State Trooper John Flynn said. "It will save lives and reduce property damage."

"Many times when a person is in an accident, they release the wheel and slide from under the seat," he said.

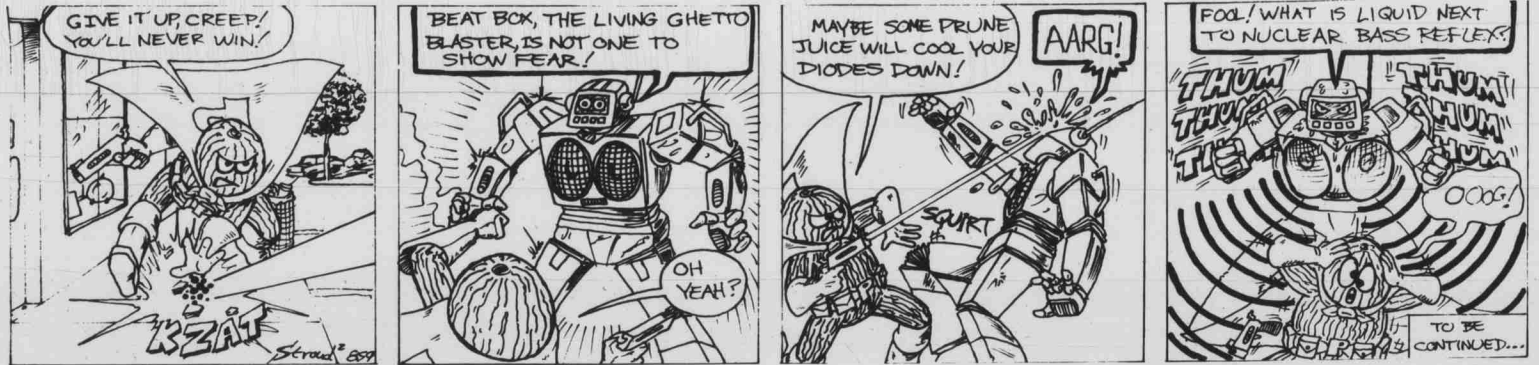
"With a belt on, they can stay behind the wheel and remain in control of the vehicle."

For the first 14 months, the Highway Patrol will be issuing warning tickets. Roadblocks will be used to ensure compliance with the law.

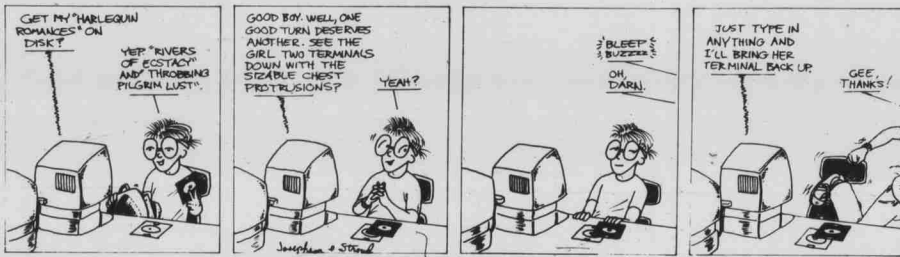
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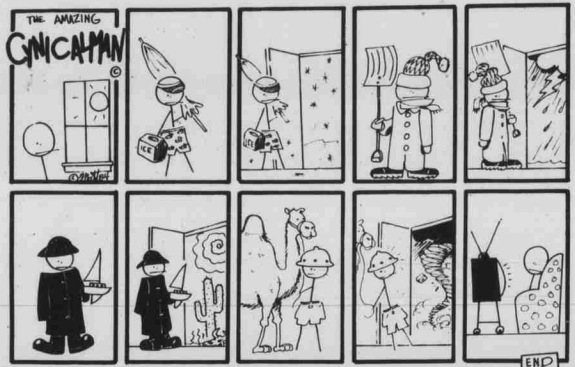
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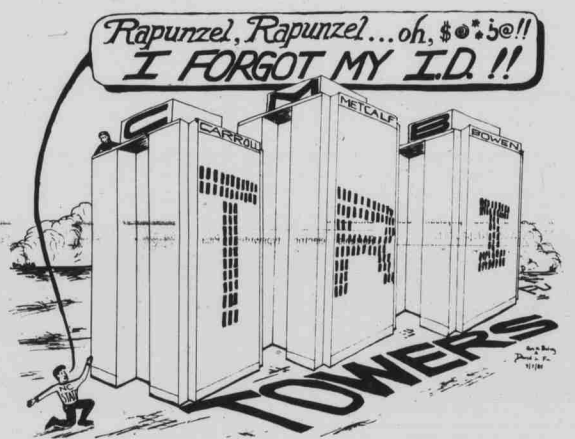
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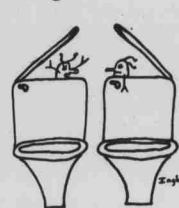
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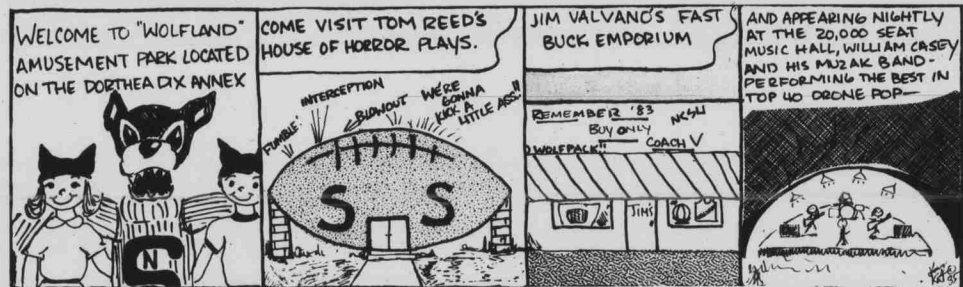
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Public should not fear technology, Teller says

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and prolong the effects of a war.
The evidence to support this claim is nonexistent, he said.
"The facts are not there to support it. To say that

there may be a temperature drop of fifty degrees is nonsense. To say that there may be a temperature change of five degrees is possible," Teller added.
Still, he argued, this slight change may have some effect on harvests

and crops, but would probably not seriously affect Earth's climate.
Teller acknowledged many people do not side with him on the issues.
"Those who dislike my presence, and they are many, just say that I went

crazy" when Teller switched from molecular physics to weapons research, he said.
"From my own point of view, I have gone crazy because it was certainly more enjoyable and less

worrisome to work on molecules than to work on hydrogen bombs," he quipped. "I prefer the molecules."
So after a lifetime of research and work, one would think Teller, 77,

would like to relax and take some time off.
Not so, according to the physicist. When asked whether he would consider retiring, he replied, "I may have to retire, but it will not be considered, not planned."



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Opinion

A paper that is entirely the product of the student body becomes at once the official organ through which the thoughts, the activity and in fact the very life of the campus are registered. It is the mouthpiece through which the students themselves talk. College life without its journal is blank.

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Happy birthday!

Thursday is Founder's Day here at State, marking the university's 99th birthday. We join everyone here on campus in wishing State a very happy 99th birthday.

As part of the celebration, a birthday party will be held on the brickyard Thursday afternoon, beginning at 12:30. There will be entertainment and a giant cake-cutting ceremony. In addition, Jim Pressley of the University Craft Center has an exhibition of photographs and university memorabilia on display in the Craft Center Gallery in the basement of the Frank Thompson building on campus. This exhibit, which should be of interest to all, will be on display through Oct. 10.

State was founded by the North Carolina state Legislature on March 7, 1887, as part of the Federal Land Grant Act of 1862. According to David A. Lockmiller, author of the university's official history, the Land Grant Act "emancipated learning from the classical and artistic ideas of the past by realizing that all citizens are entitled to instruction in the various phases of agriculture and engineering, and that the everyday affairs of life are a fit program for higher education."

Known originally as The North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, State first opened its doors to students on Oct. 3, 1889. The importance of engineering at State forced the first of numerous name changes. On March 2, 1917, State changed its name to North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering, and the name stayed that way until the state Legislature consolidated all of North Carolina's state-sponsored colleges and universities on March 27, 1931.

At that time, State officially became North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering of the University of North Carolina. Try putting that on a basketball uniform. For simplicity's sake, that was informally shortened to State College, and that was what State was called until the early 1960s, when the great name-change debate hit full stride.

On May 10, 1963, the Legislature officially recognized State's status as a university and, with or without malice, changed the name to North Carolina State of the University of North Carolina at Raleigh. Whew! While State's university status was long overdue at the time, the new name never quite made it.

On July 1, 1965, State became North Carolina State University at Raleigh, laying the name debate to rest, and that name has gone unchanged since then. The university, meanwhile, has changed a great deal.

Regardless of what name State has been known by, the university has become one of the nation's leading universities, especially in the original fields of agriculture and engineering. But State has become much more than just an agriculture and engineering school, and as it approaches the century milestone, State is undergoing phenomenal growth.

When the Legislature first chartered State, it decided to put the new campus far to the west of Raleigh, which then had its western-most boundary near what is now St. Mary's Street. As the city grew to surround the campus, State became an integral part of Raleigh and is now a much-treasured community asset. State has played a key role in the development of both the city of Raleigh and the state of North Carolina and will no doubt play a vital role in their future.

State's current administration has demonstrated its concern for the future of the university. The recent study on a proposed new core curriculum shows the desire of the administration to assure that State will continue to place an emphasis on all phases of education and be a balanced overall university, not just a training center for the sciences and the technology-oriented.

So, Technician wishes a happy 99th birthday to State. It is our sincere wish that State will continue to fulfill its original role as a place of higher education for all while fulfilling its newer role as the community leader that it has surely become.



Students must work to change bias

Once upon a time there was a university where a majority of the student population was of a particular political persuasion. The few who believed differently about political topics were in a severe minority. But somehow this minority gained control of the student newspaper, which gave them an excellent forum to broadcast their views across campus.

Students who were of the majority opinion had seen no need to make their own ideas known in the paper since those views were already so widely accepted. Therefore, all of the students were continually subjected to the dogma of the minority.

The odd thing about this situation was that although they made extremely little effort to join the staff of the paper and express their thoughts therein, those of the majority opinion nonetheless would constantly complain about the paper's bias.

Hello, my name is Jeff. You may know me as the sole conservative columnist on the Technician staff. Certainly you have already seen the connection between the above tale and the situation at State. We have a conservative majority among the students, as evidenced by the overwhelming support for most conservative candidates in the '84 elections and the quite emotional fever in Reynolds during the president's visit. But Technician is run almost totally by those that are far-to-the-left of the political spectrum.

JEFF STILES

Editorial Columnist

When I came here in the fall of 1984, like many other right-wing patriots entering State I, too, was appalled at Technician's lopsidedness toward liberalism (in fact, I still am). Ignorant of the reason for this bias on its editorial page, though, I would think of Technician as an extremely prejudiced paper with a whole gang of fire-breathing communists for a staff.

Then I began to respond — via the forum section — to some of the articles I was reading in Technician. Eventually my writing ability was noticed and I was asked to come on staff. That's right, the liberals allowed a "white sheep" to write for Technician!

Many students complain about the liberal slant of Technician. Granted, Technician may be the "last bastion of liberalism at State" (not counting our beloved political science faculty, of course), but it IS open to allowing the conservative viewpoint to be expressed.

Right now, God-fearing students are turned off by the saturation of liberalism

in Technician, so many usually will not even bother to pick up a copy. Because of this, many students miss out on the informative aspect of Technician's design. And that is very unfortunate for all of us.

However, you can be assured that merely complaining and griping about the bias will do nothing to balance the situation. A liberal columnist will not suddenly jump into a phone booth, twirl around three times and emerge in a red, white and blue uniform as "Super Conservative, Defender of the Right". Even if the loudest possible student outcry is made, nothing will be done unless conservative writers come on staff and get their hands dirty.

You may ask, "But will they really accept ME? After all, I'm a conservative; it seems like my kind would feel out of place in such a hostile environment toward conservatism."

Well, the students in the office actually are very friendly (although they do seem to turn into monsters whenever they write columns). Really, Technician would be glad to see more writers come on staff and balance the paper out politically. Believe it or not, Technician is as tired of hearing about their bias as you are of reading it three times a week.

So, fellow conservatives, come "break down Technician's door". Roll up your sleeves and, if you have writing ability, join the Technician writing staff. God knows, we have some serious catching up to do.

Proposal 48

Athletes must be encouraged to excel

It is absolutely true, I think, that the individuals who are suggesting a substantive compromise of the criteria outlined in Proposal 48 are doing so in what they assume to be in the best interest of black and other disadvantaged athletes. It is equally as true that this is a classic example of attempting to do the right thing for the wrong reason. Right thing in this instance is showing a compassion for the disadvantaged.

I am opposed to the thrusts which I have heard, and have expressed it in many assemblies. Since my oral statements have on occasion been misinterpreted or misunderstood, I am summarizing my position in writing.

It is a terrible mistake for those of us in higher education to send the wrong message down to the athletes and officials of our secondary schools. These people play numerous interactive roles in dealing with the personalities in the secondary schools, and their roles must be calculated to help the athlete reach the zenith of individual skills while nurturing the athlete toward intrinsic personal worth.

To reduce the criteria (which are minimum) sends the wrong message to prospective student-athletes. The action would tend to obtain from most less than their best and would not serve the purpose of raising the level of motivation for those who could make it if they tried.

Reducing the criteria rather than adopting a sufficiently high index based upon a constellation of factors will continue to foster the principle of learned helplessness which is so rampant in our secondary schools. This principle has created a welfare state in too many of our secondary school athletic programs.

Of equal concern to me is the fact that the proponents of the concept of waiver or exemption are seeking short term gains for a few rather than the long term gains for thousands of disadvantaged young people who will be placed in the pool of student-athletes in the future.

Those who seek exemptions because of the benefits which they think will accrue to

L.T. WALKER

Guest Opinion

black athletes should be reminded of the conclusions of Harry Edwards, professor of sociology at the University of California at Berkeley. Edwards stated black youth in ever greater proportions will be funneled toward sports career aspirations. This, however, will be insufficient to guarantee black sports representation even at current levels, much less expanded levels.

In the collegiate ranks, more stringent academic prerequisites for sports participation, faculty intolerance of declining educational integrity in athletic programs, the rising cost of academic support for student-athletes and law suits alleging "athletic exploitation" and failure to educate will lead colleges toward greater selectivity in awarding athletic scholarships.

It is not enough to permit the athlete to enter the university without the potential for earning a degree because of the opportunities in professional sports. That claim is not supported by the statistics. The chart below clearly indicates that the athlete with only the option of professional sports does not have both oars in the water and is exploited by the coach who permits him to pursue that course.

Number of Athletes Competing at Each Level

	Baseball	Football	Basketball
High School	400,000	600,000	600,000
College	25,000	40,000	17,000
Professional	600	1,222	324
Rookies per year	100	157	60
Career length	7-8	5	5
years			

It is far better, in my opinion, to save the underprepared disadvantaged who upon completing their university work must enter a

society with little compassion for mediocrity and which provides no more entitlements. There are already some success stories which should be noted. There is evidence that a positive approach to upgrading the academic standards of athletes will prepare them for college and university work. All they need is the lead time to achieve the required level.

California has adapted a rigid system which is already upgrading academic standards. In our own area, Superintendent Cleveland Hammonds of the Durham City School system initiated a policy in 1983 which is achieving fantastic results. West Virginia has a statewide requirement of a 'C' average for all students participating in extra-curricular activities. Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and other school districts have adopted similar measures.

There has been a marked reduction of athletes who did not meet the required standard. It is also true, according to Willie Bradshaw, city director of athletics, that athletes' grade point averages have been raised. The athletes, he said, have stopped fooling around and are more serious. Hammonds also highly praised the coaches for their role in organizing study groups, better monitoring of the progress of the athletes and developing an awareness that minimum standards are demanded for participation in athletics.

Bradshaw indicated that this is only a first step. The city system will now work on a quality point system for eligibility.

It is imperative for those in leadership roles to encourage the underprepared student-athletes that they "can get there from here." The road to successful achievement of appropriate academic standards is paved with "Ds" blocks — discontent, dedication, devotion to task and discipline. The potholes in the same road are despair, defeat, dismay, depression.

Researchers avow that institutionally relevant factors such as SAT score, grade point average and rank in class can be utilized in concert to derive an index which achieves the goal of equity and quality. I will continue to opt for that. The student-athlete — black, white, Hispanic — deserves no less.



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Forum

A technical core

In response to the new core curriculum proposed by the gang at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, we, some of the engineering and technical students at State, would like to make our own recommendations.

We believe that the current core curriculum is quite sufficient in preparing students for the "real world." Currently, students are required to take approximately 18 hours of humanities. Most technical students choose courses including SP 100, PHI 201, EB 201, PSY 200 and various history courses. In fact, all engineers are required to take EB 201, a history of science or technology-human values class, a literature class and several history courses.

Also, several engineering fields encourage or require students to take IE 311, engineering economic analysis. How could *Technician* even suggest that an engineer major has no background in economics?

In addition, how can an increase of core courses from 26 to 50 hours not increase the number of hours required to graduate without eliminating free electives or courses in a student's major core curriculum?

Anyway, if this proposal is pushed through by the administration without student approval or input, we feel that some additions should be made so that the fine arts and SHASS students will be as well-rounded educationally as we engineers would be.

Consider the fact that "ignorance breeds fear." In today's world of "high-tech everything," a public who is uneducated in basic technology is afraid of computers, nuclear power, new medical discoveries, robots and anything else that is "new."

Therefore, there should be an increase of core technology courses for all students rather than an increase in humanities courses. Here are some courses to be considered:

CSC 101, CSC 102. These will teach students how to budget their time and organize themselves for work on large projects while maintaining day-to-day activities and duties.

NE 201. As the world grows towards the increased use of atomic energy in both power systems and in defense, the common college graduate should be able to understand the intricacies of the atomic energy field and its inherent benefits and dangers.

PY 205, PY 208. Physics teaches the basic laws of nature, without which we would have no universe. Physics would "foster logical judgment and introduce students to views of the world by way of technical development" and "give (students) a sense of how technology has shaped society."

CE 213. This would teach students a logical approach in solving everyday physical problems.

The point is, State is not UNC-Chapel Hill. We should not pursue this "general college" idea employed at UNC since the beginning of time. If State institutes this plan, students will not know what their major is until they are juniors.

Students would be virtually forced to waste two semesters of time taking music, art appreciation, history and literature when the choice to take these classes as free electives should be left up to the individual student.

In addition, we are not Wake Tech, either. Presently, State students are required to take plenty of humanities. The present requirement is quite sufficient in preparing students for their future because most engineering and technical courses teach students how to think in real life situations without having extensive knowledge of Shakespeare and Chopin.

Blain A. Dillard
JR CSC

Editor's note: This letter contained two additional signatures.

Proposal labels, not censors

From Henry Jarrett's column, it may not be clear that the proposal Mrs. Gore and others are making is not to ban any

this week in

UAB

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Now is the time to enter yourself and/or team in the 1985 INTRAMURAL COLLEGE BOWL TOURNAMENT. Match wits with your fellow students and display your skills in this exciting question-and-answer game. For more information and registration materials, come by Room 3114, University Student Center (737-2453)

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materials. They propose simply to have some sort of rating system to let buyers, and their parents in the case of children, know what sort of material is on albums. Most people would agree that parents have a responsibility to make sure that their children are not exposed to inappropriate matter.

I had no idea what type of thing is in some albums until I saw a Phil Donahue show on this subject. In his column, Elliot Inman spoke of casual sex and drugs. In fact, some albums, including those of well-known performers, go far beyond that. They speak explicitly and favorably of incest and violence including rape.

Jarrett argues against a rating system by misleadingly indicating that bans are proposed and then extending this argument to the extreme. Any idea may be criticized in this way, but such criticism is meaningless. Under a rating system, "artists" could continue producing whatever nonsense they wished, but parents and children would be better able to maintain the home atmosphere that they consider healthy.

Claude Futrell
MR ECL

Law for nose do-gooders

Tuesday was a day of rejoicing for all nose do-gooders of North Carolina, for it was the day that the seat belt law went into effect.

I think that buckling up is a reasonably intelligent thing to do; I use my seat belt if I happen to be in the mood. What scares me about this law, however, is the way the public has accepted it.

It is ironic that in "the good old '80s" the people who are running their mouths about patriotism and how wonderful it is to be free are the same people who have given into this ridiculous piece of legislation without even a whimper.

We Americans, once a sturdy pioneer racer, are now "being sent to our rooms" by a second, illegitimate set of parents in the General Assembly. What's next, a law requiring everyone to take a daily vitamin pill? It could be enforced, who knows, in twenty years Raleigh police might be stopping people and demanding urine samples!

Gary A. Huber
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THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

By M. Ananb
and Ladi Oluwole

International students spice up campus life

One of the most fascinating aspects of a major American university is the presence of a fair sprinkling of international students, and State is no exception.

They number almost a thousand and come from all the continents, even a couple from Mauritius, a tropical island in the Indian Ocean of a population barely larger than Raleigh. They contribute to a cultural mosaic which is perhaps a unique feature in American campuses. You could have perhaps met a few of them if you had come to the international students party held Sunday.

The international students body is one of the more active ones, perpetually up to something or the other. Parties, cultural evenings featuring countries which have a large number of students at State and picnics are on the calendar.

Parties and picnics are perhaps the best way to meet people from other countries; after the initial hesitations, they serve as the quickest means to get rid of our respective ignorances.

Cultural evenings are organized by the students and others of the same country by origin. They provide a veritable gastronomic and visual treat. They invariably start with a dinner featuring their authentic cuisine followed by an entertainment program.

A taste of Nigeria comes to campus Sunday when the Nigerian Student Association holds its 11th annual Nigerian Night.

As a celebration of Nigerian culture, the evening begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center ballroom with a buffet-style banquet featuring popular Nigerian cuisines, thus rendering a unique experience in dining.

The dishes include Jollof rice, Egusi soup, Moi-Moi and Dodo. Following dinner we move to Stewart Theatre for a diverse program of entertainment including a display of artifacts and jewelry hand-rafted and designed by native Nigerians.

There will be a fashion parade of traditional Nigerian attire. All garments are beautifully sewn by native Nigerians and represent some of the finest cloth and prints in the world. Included in the program will be an oral interpretation of an African poem highlighting various aspects of Nigerian life and culture.

Topping off the festivities will be cultural dances featuring Chuck Davis with members of the American Dance Festival and the Otesha Dancers of Winston-Salem.

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Sports

Pack alums labor in minors

Bruce Winkworth
Staff Writer
Editor's note: This is the second in a two-part series looking at former State baseball players in the minor leagues by Bruce Winkworth, who covers the Carolina League for Baseball America.

Former Wolfpack standouts Tracy Woodson, playing at third base for the Class-A Florida State League's Vero Beach Dodgers, and pitcher Dan Plesac, playing in the Double-A Texas League with the El Paso Diablos, did much to enhance their status as major league prospects this past season.

Woodson hit .250 with nine home runs, 62 RBIs and 30 doubles, playing in a notorious pitchers' league. Plesac, working in a hitters' circuit, compiled a 12.5 record and 5.03 ERA and nearly led the league in wins and strikeouts.

No other former Wolfpack players showed as much promise this summer as Plesac or Woodson, but only one, Plesac's brother Joe, appeared on the verge of being released. Joe, righthanded and a year older than Dan, was almost unhittable his first two years at State. An arm injury slowed him down as a junior, but the San Diego Padres still thought highly enough of him to draft him

in the second round of the 1982 draft. Since then, his career has been one of unfulfilled promise, and injuries have been the culprit.

This season was Joe's fourth in Class-A, and he was 2.4 with a 6.52 ERA for Charleston of the South Atlantic League, a good pitchers' league. He allowed 60 hits and walked 42 in 50 innings and was ineffective much of the season. Unfortunately, the end of the line seems to loom close for Joe Plesac.

Another former State player slowed by injuries was outfielder Chuckie Canady, a second-round choice of the Texas Rangers in 1981. For almost three full seasons, Canady showed progress and promise in his minor league career. But last year, he seriously injured a knee diving for a fly ball while playing for Oklahoma City of the AAA American Association and missed the rest of the season. At the time of the injury, Canady was hitting .265 with nine homers and 60 RBIs in 86 games.

This season, Canady came back, but was obviously hampered by the knee. In 98 games, he batted just .220 with 12 homers and 42 RBIs. A wealth of young outfield talent in Texas, particularly a fellow named Oddibe McDowell, has

placed a shadow on Canady's future.

Louie Meadows, a high school teammate of Canady's, mysteriously struggled all season at Columbus of the Double-A Southern League, hitting just .233 after hitting .280 at Columbus and .302 at Class-A Daytona Beach a year ago. The Houston Astros' second round pick in the 1982 draft, Meadows displayed speed and line drive power at every minor league stop until this year. The speed was still there, shown in 16 doubles, eight triples and 23 stolen bases, but the batting stroke that had turned on the Astros vanished in '85.

In Durham, outfielder Chris Baird saved his career from the scrapheap, batting .264 with nine homers and 50 RBIs for the Bulls. Baird was the Braves' 24th round pick in 1983 and played well that year at Pulaski of the Appalachian League, a short-season rookie league. But he had a dismal 1984 in the South Atlantic League and was demoted back to Pulaski before season's end. When Baird went to spring training this year, he was well aware that the Braves would release him if he didn't show some of the form of 1983.

He did. In addition to raising his average and home run totals from a year ago, Baird led the Carolina League with 94 walks and won the Most Valuable Player award in the Carolina League all-star game.

Several other ex-State players had noteworthy seasons, and in summary form, they are:

Doug Davis, catcher, Angels — Davis surprised

everyone by hitting .261 with six homers and 28 RBIs for Midland of the Texas League. Davis was an unexpected draft pick a year ago because of his limited catching experience at State. Now it appears that he will get a chance to catch every day for Midland next year.

Doug Strange, outfield, Tigers — Strange, an eighth-round pick this year, was moved from second base upon signing with the Tigers. At Bristol of the Appalachian League, Strange led his team with a .311 average, 15 doubles, four homers and 43 RBIs. According to *Baseball America*, Strange has an outside chance of being among the top 10 prospects of the Appalachian League.

Mickey Billmeyer, designated hitter, Orioles — Billmeyer played almost no defense in 1984 for the Wolfpack, so his minor league experience followed suit. But as a DH, Billmeyer hit .304 with five homers and 14 RBIs for Bluefield of the Appalachian League in 15 games. Billmeyer was injured late in the season and the Appalachian League stats are incomplete for Bluefield.

Brad Blevins, pitcher, Cubs — Blevins, who only pitched for the Wolfpack in 1979, was the Pittsfield Cubs' stopper in the bullpen with a 5.6 mark, eight saves and a 3.04 ERA. Blevins has kicked around Class-A ball for several years, and opposing managers have accused him of doctoring baseballs the past several seasons, ever since he became effective.

Mike Pesavento, pitcher, Dodgers — A Vero Beach



Technician file photo
Louie Meadows hopes to rebound from a disappointing season next year in the Houston Astros chain.

teammate of Woodson's and 11 saves. He struck out an impressive 98 in 87 innings.

Hugh Brinson, pitcher, Blue Jays — Brinson also went undrafted out of college last year but signed with the Blue Jays as a free agent. The Jays sent Brinson to the Rookie Gulf Coast League where he was as effective as any pitcher in the league. He went 4-3 with a 1.51 ERA and struck out 53 in 42 innings. Brinson opened the short season in the bullpen, but joined the rotation at mid-season and was the ace of the staff.

Baker apologizes for fans' actions

A few weeks ago after East Carolina beat State in football, enthusiastic Pirate fans stormed the field at Carter-Finley Stadium in celebration. In the process, approximately 20 people were injured and a restraining fence in the south end zone was torn down and had to be replaced.

The action disgusted one State student enough to make her express her dissatisfaction with the East Carolina

TIM PEELER



Sports Editor

football office. So, Natalie Lynn Jones wrote a letter to Pirate head coach Art Baker asking for an apology. Along with the letter, she sent an article that appeared in the Sept. 11 *Technician* that told about the damage done to the football field.

Though she didn't really expect a response, Jones said she was content in knowing she had expressed her thoughts. But to her surprise, Baker answered her letter and even apologized to her and other State students for the actions of Pirate faithful at the Sept. 7 contest.

Jones, a senior in business management from Brevard, brought a copy of that letter to *Technician* offices. Here is the text of the letter, which Baker recently gave *Technician* permission to print:

Dear Valerie:
Thanks for taking the time to write. I know that you were upset, and I don't blame you.

(see 'Baker,' page 7)

Netters claim Wake tourney

Todd McGee
Sports Editor

The women's tennis team, led by top-seed Patty Hamilton's victory in the No. 1 flight, captured the team title in the Wake Forest Fall Invitational over the weekend.

Hamilton, a junior, recorded three straight upset victories in the affair, including a 7-5, 6-3 drubbing of Furman's Jani Straus in the finals on Sunday. Hamilton upset nationally-ranked Rita Winebarger of South Carolina in the first round.

Mary Lloyd Hodges, a

junior college transfer from Peace, took the Pack's other individual victory, winning three straight matches in the fourth flight.

Coach Crawford Henry expressed surprise at his team's win in the eight-team field, which included nationally prominent foes South Carolina and Auburn.

"I was surprised at the outcome," he said. "I wasn't all that surprised with any of the individual performances, more that we were able to perform

(see 'Hamilton,' page 7)

State battles to scoreless tie with Indians

Allen McFaden
Staff Writer

The women's soccer team traveled to William & Mary Sunday and fought the sixth-ranked Indians to a scoreless tie in double overtime, making the Pack's record 3-2-1.

"The girls played extremely well, the best I've seen this year," State

coach Larry Gross said. "Last year (William & Mary) dominated and we were lucky enough to come away with a tie.

"This year it was the reverse. We dominated and they never got into the game. They really only had one good scoring opportunity the whole game."

The Pack travels to Chapel Hill today to meet

second-ranked North Carolina in a 1 p.m. match. Earlier this season in Raleigh, the Tar Heels beat the Pack 3-0 in the first outdoor meeting of the two rival schools.

"We meet UNC for the second time this season, and I feel that they are number one," he said. "We have a lot to make up for, and we're going into the

game as an underdog. If we play like we did this weekend, we should do well."

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Intramurals

Grid teams shoot for league playoff spots

Several previously unheard-of teams emerged as playoff contenders last week in intramural play.

The Paratroopers pushed their mark to 3-0 with a close victory over the Pack Pounders, 26-21.

The Mustangs, whose only loss of the season was a last-second heartbreaker to fifth-ranked Franchise, upped their record to 2-1 with a 40-13 plundering of the Geeks. Both the Mustangs and Paratroopers are looking forward to last-game wins to put them into the playoffs.

In other open league play, No. 1 ranked Air

Force I slaughtered the Hogs 73-12. Red Necks I deflated the Economics 38-8 and the Startowners dusted the Dirtbags 34-14.

Also, powerhouse Gazoo's Gang rolled over Tobacco Road 49-6, the Franchise plastered Bragaw No. 1 'B' 42-6, Sons of Thunder manhandled the Road Warriors 29-0 and the Heroes demolished FarmHouse II 39-0.

PKA continued to pile up the wins in fraternity league action, downing FarmHouse by a 26-12 count. Second-ranked LCA also remained undefeated

as they mangled TKE 48-6. These two juggernauts play in the same league and will go head to head in their next game.

Other fraternity scores from last week: SAE downed Alpha Gamma Rho 40-14, PKP blanked APA 14-0, Sigma Chi ragged Sigma Alpha Mu 39-6 and Kappa Sig roasted Theta Tau 48-0.

Resident results from last week showed Sullivan, Bragaw No. I and II, Turlington, Syme and Owen II rolling to victories and maintaining unblemished records.



An option play picks up big yardage in intramural football action last Thursday. Play begins heating up this week as teams start gunning for the elusive postseason bids. The playoffs begin in less than three weeks. Staff photo by Scott Rivenbark

Syme burst onto the playoff scene with an impressive 22-12 victory over a formerly ranked but now withering Bragaw So. II team.

Turlington strengthened its playoff bid with a 28-12 stripping of Bagwell; Bragaw No. I cooled off considerably from recent weeks, barely edging

Tucker II in overtime; Owen II continued to collect marks in the W column by pasting South 28-12 in a rematch of last year's Resident league finals and Bragaw No. II held a hard-luck Lee squad scoreless, winning by 19.

Bowen, Sullivan and AD-Pi continued their dominance of women's

football with all three teams rolling up undefeated marks.

In Co-rec play, The Civils, Banana Cakes, Bud's Gangster and Gazoo's Gang still sit atop their respective divisions, with each team owning an undefeated record and gunning towards a playoff berth.

Rugby club wins

State's Rugby Club traveled to UNC-Wilmington Saturday to win both A and B-side matches by the scores of 44-0 and 12-6, respectively. Trys were scored by Jim Latham (2), John Fitzgerald (2), Eddie Swan, Mark Durrett, Mark Letchor and Hank Mazingo. Fred Vietti scored 12 points on conversions and penalty kicks.

The Wolfpack Ruggers are determined to repeat as North Carolina Collegiate Champions, with

their first true test Sunday at 1 p.m. against the Pirates of East Carolina. This match, which will be held on the lower intramural field, promises to be as exciting as the two teams' meeting last spring in Greenville, when the Pack rallied for a comeback victory to defeat the Pirates by one point.

This season both ECU and State have bigger and more experienced sides, which should make Sunday's upcoming match a fierce battle until the end.

Upcoming Club Sports Activities

Activity	Organizational Meeting*
Aerobic Dance/exercise	Tue., Oct. 8, 7 p.m.
Snow ski club	Thurs., Oct. 3, 7 p.m.
Tae Kwon Do club	Thurs., Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.
Water ski club	

*The aerobics club has registration today and Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and on Monday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in room 2037 Carmichael Gym. All organizational meetings are held in room 2037 Carmichael Gym.

Baker writes back to State student

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I would like to begin by saying that we certainly were not proud of those students that destroyed property and acted in any way that reflected negatively upon East Carolina. We are not ever happy when our students behave in a negative manner.

I hope you realize that all of our fans are not like those few thousand who were unable to restrain themselves. I would like to say, though, that it was a big win for our football team and a big win for our fans. Of course, as you know, it was the largest crowd to ever see a football game in the state of North Carolina, and often large crowds are unmanageable.

I know that there were several officials of our school, including myself, who tried to get students back off the field at the end of the game. I do want to say that the students would not have been in on the game had not N.C. State called time out with four seconds remaining.

I think you could appreciate the fact that these kinds of things happen at a lot of big football games. I know that about a year ago this happened at a Michigan State-Ohio State game (goal posts and fences were torn down). It has happened at other big games across the country, and it's unfortunate. I have attended a few games where these happened, and I am always concerned especially when people can be injured.

I would remind you, too, that a few years ago when N.C. State won the National Championship the students in Raleigh acted somewhat the same, so perhaps, in this regard, you can understand a little bit the way that some of our students acted. This certainly does not mean that I in any way condone the behavior of our students and fans.

I have worked very hard in my first year here to try to establish a class football program and sometimes it takes a while to get all of these things across. We are going to try to do the best that we can to make sure that our university and our football program will reflect good, positive feelings between our school and ours.

You certainly have a fine team and athletic program there and I wish you well in the future. I really appreciate you taking the time to write and express yourself, as I can certainly understand how you feel. I hope you can understand a little bit how I feel, too.

Thanks again for your letter, and please let me apologize to you and the other students for those fans who offended you.

Sincerely,
Art Baker
Head football coach
East Carolina University

Though Jones said she wasn't really happy with the comparison of the ECU game with State's National Basketball Championship of 1983, she was pleased he took the time to answer her letter.

I don't like the insertion of the fifth paragraph, which, almost as an after-thought, says these things happen all the time in college football. An incident similar to what happened at the Michigan State-Ohio State game Baker refers to was near fatal. A fan taking part in the after-game celebration after an Ivy League game a few years back was seriously hurt and nearly died after being struck by a fallen goal post.

I think all involved - officials from both schools, Public Safety officers, coaches, players and especially overzealous fans - should be concerned that a similar incident could have occurred Sept. 7 when the overflow celebration caused injury to innocent bystanders and damage to university property.

We all owe a special thanks to Natalie Jones for taking the initiative to demand an apology and to Art Baker for having the class to address this touchy situation.

Hamilton sparks Pack to tourney win

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like that as a team all week.

"I have seen them all play that well at one time or another; just getting them to do it at the same time was the main thing."

Besides Hamilton and Hodges, each of the Pack's other singles entries, freshman Katie Fleming at No. 2, Anne-Marie Voorheis at No. 3, Sandra Meiser at No. 5 and Gretchen Elder at No. 6, took two of their three matches.

"This will help the individual confidence of all the players, knowing that they can win against any competition," Henry said.

In doubles, a pair of

freshmen playing the No. 2 position led the Pack effort. Fleming and Christa Doiran took two of their three matches, as did Hamilton and Voorheis at No. 1 and Meg Fleming, Katie's older sister, and Hodges at the No. 3 spot.

Henry felt the fact the players had already completed in one tournament, the Big Four, helped his team pull off the stunning upset.

"This was surely an improvement," he said. "They were way more relaxed. They're getting better and better."

The netters are in action next week against Peace Tuesday afternoon at Peace.

Volleyball Results

Men's Open	Women's Open	Residence
Talking Melons 2, Pathogenic Deviates 0	Team Brava 2, PR No. 2 1	Tucker II 2, Bagwell 0
Navy ROTC 2, Johnson's 1	St. Pauli Girls 2, Powerhitters 1	
AZ 2, Owen I-B 0	Necrotic Killers 2, Killers Heifers 0	
Airborne 2, Wolfpack Spikers 0		
Geeks 2, Cadavers 'R' Us 0		
Bohicas 2, Clueless 1		
Scorzzofave 2, Bragaw N. I 'B' 0		
Taiwanese Student Asso. 2, Vice Squad 0		
FarmHouse II 2, Bragaw 102 0		
Spikeaholics 2, Wesley 0		
Scrubs 2, Sullivan II Spikers 1		
SAM II 2, ASME 1		
Owen I 2, Syme 0		
South 2, Bragaw S. 10		
Turlington 2, Alexander 1		
North 2, Metcalfe 0		
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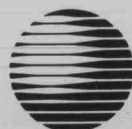
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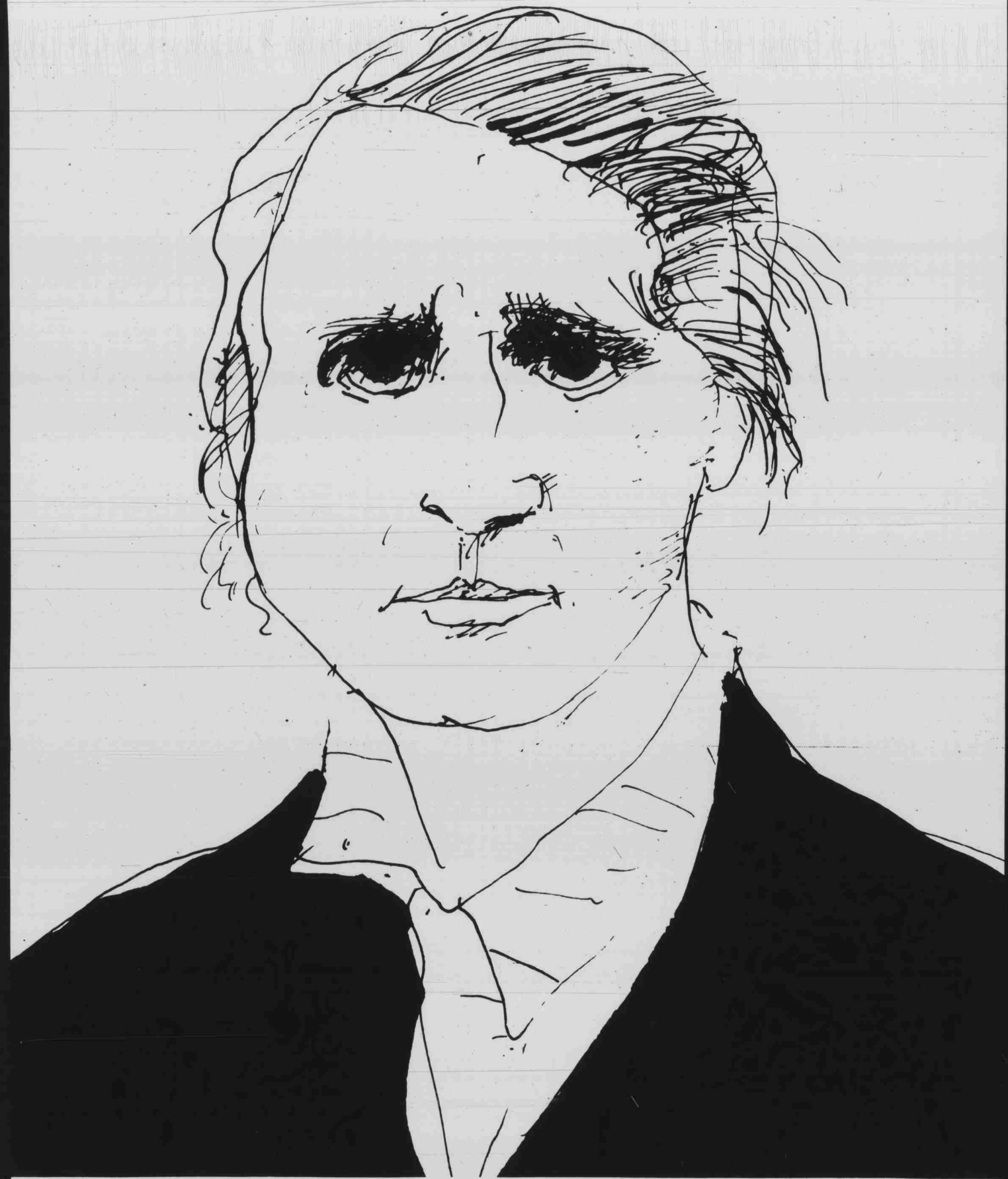
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Features



Gloria eyes coast

A somewhat windblown couple (below left) takes one last stroll down Sportsman's Pier in Atlantic Beach early Thursday morning before Hurricane Gloria forced visitors and residents to evacuate Bogue Banks. However, dedicated surfers (above left) were oblivious to the danger around them as they broke out their boards looking for the ultimate wave. The following day, the view was less threatening as Gloria made her way up the N.C. coast, leaving Sportsman's Pier (below) in three separate pieces and causing extensive damage to other area piers.

Staff photos by Roger Winstead



'No need for a major freakout' after seeing ghost from the past

Dear Steven: My favorite restaurant recently started featuring fashion shows once a week during lunch. Models strut their stuff for a variety of area women's shops, and I'm sure most of the luncheon crowd enjoys the display of shapely bodies and new styles. I'm offended by the whole thing. Last week a lingerie shop was featured. The models walked around from table to table in slinky underwear and nightgowns. It was dis-

STRAIGHT UP with Steve the Bartender

N.K.: Save your breath. No one is forcing you to eat at the place the one day a week of the shows. Don't like it? Take your stomach somewhere else and let the rest of the world enjoy themselves.

Dear Steven: I took my boyfriend out for brunch last weekend to a restaurant which offers a free "split" of champagne with every order. Well, we were prepared for a full bottle of the bubbly, but instead

each received a tiny bottle about eight inches tall. We asked the waitress and she said that was a split. Exactly how much liquid did we consume? — **THIRSTY**

Thirsty: 187 ml. or 6.34 fluid oz. About two swallows and a drop.

Dear Steven: Football season is my worst time of the year. My otherwise hard-working, active husband spends the entire weekend in front of the TV. Well, this year I'm not going to hang around keeping him stocked with beer and pretzels. I think I deserve to go out with my friends for a few laughs. But whenever I bring it up he says he'll begin to spend more time with me "next week." "Next week" hasn't

come yet. I've been waiting three years for it. Should I grab the car keys and head out? — **STIFLED TOO LONG**

Stifled: Sure, that's one approach. If you really want to make a statement, I suggest asking your friends to pick you up. A half dozen ready-to-party women interfering with his gridiron concentration should quickly change his attitude. Have fun.

Dear Steven: Why do truckers like to hog the roads? They never drive the speed limit and crawl up your bumper if you don't let them pass. My sports car could easily outrun any 18-wheel hunk of metal, but if they want to play games I'm ready. I thought the laws are for

everyone, but cops seem to let the truckers get away with anything. It stinks. — **LEFT LANE LARRY**

Pea Brain: Continue to play your silly road games and you're going to end up in a pine box. Truckers are the kings of the road. Respect their status and let the police take care of business their way.

Dear Steven: My life is ruined! I had just gotten out of the car to return a couple of books at the library when I saw her: the woman from my past who was responsible for almost three years of nightmares. Well, at least I thought it was her. My heart pounding, I flew back into the car, cranked it up and left 100 feet of rubber as I got out of Dodge.

I dated Cheryl when I lived in New York, and our relationship ended up on a very sour note. We made a clean break of it and I even left town to get away from her. The woman I spotted at the library sure did look

like her, but why would she have moved here? If it is, this time I can't pack up and split. I'm married with my second kid on the way. I'm so nervous I don't know what to do. When my wife asked why I looked as white as a sheet when I returned home, I told her I ran over a cat. Boy, am I in trouble. What should I do? — **NERVOUS IN RALEIGH, N.C.**

NERVOUS: About a year ago a similar thing happened to me while I was doing a load of laundry. I turned around and spotted a lady who looked too much like an old flame of mine from Miami. Well, I didn't hang around the laundromat long enough for my stuff to dry and got into the car trying to figure out how I'd break the news about our new neighbor to my wife. I saw her again a few days later and was relieved to discover that all my sweat was for nothing. In fact, I even

introduced myself and told my new friend, Lisa, what she had done to me. Before locking yourself up in the closet, why don't you do a little checking around though the odds are a million to one that your ex has invaded your territory. A call to a friend or two in New York may give you an answer. Ask telephone information for her listing. Drop her name at the library. Even if it is her there's no need for a major freakout. Most of us can grow a lot in three years. Maybe you can both handle a casual hello the next time around. Let us know how it turns out.

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