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# Increasing salary and supply costs form basis

# for higher Food Service prices, according to White

Recent increases ranging from five to 75 percent in the prices of urgers and ice cream products for sale by University Food Services are due to increased service costs, including labor and supplies, and anticipated legislative and merit salary in-creases, according to Assistant



Art White

Vice Chancellor for Food Services Arthur White.

'One of the reasons (for the increases), overall, is 'that we're having increases in labor. The prices have been raised to meet this. We had cost increases like labor and anticipate an expected 10 percent legislative increase in salary. Plus we give a merit increase which usually runs beten three and five percent,' White explained.

Price changes, effective as of the beginning of the summer ses-sion, according to White, have raised prices on almost all hamburger and ice cream foods University Food Services sells.

A Food Service employee said prices on all hamburgers are up a nickle, representing only a five percent increase in the cost of a "Super Wolf" but ranging up to nine percent with a "Wolf Cub" hamburger. Hot dogs have increased 11 percent in price, from 45 cents to 50 cents.

But ice cream products show the highest increases. Price changes here have shown increases ranging from 13 to 75 percent, according to information

from the employee.

A three-scoop banana split has increased from \$1.40 to \$2.45, an increase of almost 75 percent. The "Wolfpack" ice cream special reflects almost as great an increase, 71 percent, since its price was raised from \$3.50 to \$6.00. Even the price of a single scoop of ice cream has increased 17 percent, from 30 cents to 35.

The increase in ice cream prices does not reflect the season or an across-the-board increase, according to White. He said prices were raised, on (his) department recommendations, University Food Services could break even.

We are charged by the state of North Carolina to break even. We (decided on increases) as a department. We also attempt to raise prices only once a year, unless some unexpected increase comes up. This was our annual review of prices. We reviewed all of our prices; some prices did go up," White said.

The decision to raise prices on certain items, such as hamburgers and ice cream, was based on which items were priced too

low, according to White.

"We found those things that were exceptionally low and brought them up to the area where they should be. If you compare us to other ice cream places, you'll find we are still lower, White said.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Banks Talley said he had not authorized an increase in ice cream specifically, but that he had an understanding with White that Food Services would decide which prices needed to be raised to break even.

"I haven't authorized an increase in ice cream. I don't authorize increases item by item. My policy with Mr. White is that break even, and that whatever adjustments need to be made, are made at the time they need to be to keep us breaking even. We cannot have a deficit food operation," Talley explain-

Talley said he depended on White's familiarity with Food Services on issues like price in-creases. "He is the Food Services director. He's the one familiar

"The year before last, we went about \$50,000 in the hole because we let food policies stay the same for one entire school year. We can't do that often because Food Services has always been in a break-even position," Talley explained.

White said he did not expect any further increases until the same time next year, "unless something extraordinary hap-pens, like Coca-Cola raising their prices.

Coca-Cola suppliers raised their prices last December, a move which increased beverage prices by five percent in January at University soda fountains.

Food Service employees say they were given no notice or explanation for price increases. In addition, one employee confirmed that his salary had not been raised yet as a result of the in-

"Minimum wage hasn't gone up; I still get paid regular wage - \$3.10 an hour - unless it shows up on next month's paycheck. I haven't been told why they raised the prices," the

# Counseling Center offers full schedule for summer

by Cara Flesher Staff Writer

State's Counseling Center is continuing its schedule of workshops and programs throughout the summer, Director Lee Salter said Tuesday. The Center, located in 200 Harris Hall, is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

"The night hours are working extremely well," Salter said. "Adults and couples especially take advantage of night hours.

"This fall we will be open three or four nights a week. But since there aren't as many students on campus in the summer, we are able to do other things, like train study skills development, ing adult volunteers for running reading improvement and help in

workshops."
The Center offers programs such as Assertiveness, Coping With Stress, Math and Test Anxiety Reduction, Lecture Notetaking, Test Preparation and Time

"To get involved with any of these programs, a student just needs to come by and sign up," Salter said. "We are available both regular and special students. All our services are free, and anything discussed with our counselors is confidential."

The Center offers three

categories of services: academic, vocational and personal.

Academic services include

decision-making, such as whether or not to withdraw from school.

Lifestyle values, preferences in working conditions and vocational interest testing are examples of vocational services offered at the Center.

"These include decisions concerning values in working, such as if one enjoys variety in job duties, an orderly job or a job helping people," Salter said.

'In vocational testing, a student talks with a counselor and then takes the test," he explain-ed. "The test helps determine personal preferences in job situations, like if the student enjoys leadership roles. It suggests possible academic and career

Coping with stress and communication groups are part of the personally-oriented services at the Center.

In communication groups, a student talks with other students with similar concerns and learns new ideas and skills.

"The communication groups usually deal with personal pro-blems in relationships, such as with parents, friends, and boy or girlfriends," Salter said. The Center also has counseling for married or unmarried couples.

Counselors offer support in dealing with unwanted situations such as poor grades and unwanted pregnancy. They also of-fer psychiatric consultation for serious emotional difficulties and related medical con-

A variety of printed material is available for students who visit the Center. These include pamphlets and brochures on Test Information, Study Skills, Rape, Alcohol Use, and the Student Health Services and Volunteer Services available at State.

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Steve Rea

# No refund for North Hall, officials say

by Barrie Egglestea Staff Writer

Residents of North Hall, com-plaining of housing problems, have been denied the refund in room rent they asked for, State Student Government officials

say. In late March North Hall residents asked for a \$308-pererson refund from room rent paid for the 1979-80 school year. The \$308 figure included \$48

for laundry facilities (which were being installed near the end of the year), \$60 for mailbox rental

mailboxes were on order in March while Resident Assistants hand delivered mail in North hand delivered mail in North Hall and \$100 in personal damages for lack of hot water during the winter months.

Student Body Treasurer Steve Rea and Student Senate President Ron Spivey spoke with Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Banks Talley Jr. on behalf of North Hall residents. According to Talley, problems in North Hall were not severe enough to war-rant a refund, Rea said.

Although rent money will not

be refunded, both Rea and Student Body President Joe Gordon confirm that improvements will e made at North Hall before the 1980 fall semester begins.

On May 1, Talley sent a memorandum to Student Government officials outlining these improvements:

oinstallation of washers and

employment of two persons to distribute mail econnection of an additional

hot water tank

checking of the hot water

oinstallation of a new lock

ordering of mailboxes.

Additionally there will be two people, not three, assigned per room this fall. The change from three to two residents will cost students an additional \$50 per

According to Rea, this increase will cover the high incidence of vandalism at North Hall and will make up revenue lost by having two instead of three people per room.

### The news in brief

## McPherson named director in vet school office

veterinary official of the National Institute of Health (NIH), has been appointed director of the Office of Ex-perimental Animal Medicine State's School of Veterinary Medicine.

McPherson also was named as a professor of companion animal and special species medicine. He will assume his new duties June 1.

Chancellor Joab L. Thomas announced the appointment with the approval of State's Board of Trustees and the University of North Carolina's Board of Governor's.

McPherson, 48, has served s chief of the Animal Resources Branch of the Division of Health Resources at NIH in Bethesda, Md., since 1970.

A native of Rugby, N.D., he earned degrees at the University of Minnesota and the University of California at Berkeley.

McPherson holds membership in the national honor societies of Alpha Zeta, Phi Zeta and Delta Omega. He is a

diplomate of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine.

Thea Joan Fischer will serve as veterinary medical librarian, Dean of Veterinary Medicine Terrence M. Curtin

Fischer was medical librarian at Lankenau Hospital in Philadelphia and has served in other medical libraries in Philadelphia, Baltimore Brunswick, N.J.

The new school is scheduled to open to students in the fall

## **Deadlines**

The following deadlines from the Department of Registration and Records apply to the First Summer Ses-

Friday, May 30, was the last day to withdraw or drop a course at the 400 level or below without a grade.

Friday, June 6, is the last day to withdraw or drop a course at the 500 or 600 level without a grade. Students tak-

ing evening (E) courses will be allowed to drop evening courses with a refund by this date.

### **Best-seller**

A chemical engineering textbook by two State engineering teachers is a "best seller" in its field.

Elementary Principles of Chemical Processes by Dr. Richard M. Felder and Dr. Ronald W. Rousseau of the chemical engineering faculty has received widespread adoption by the chemical engineering community since its publication in 1978.

More than 70 schools in the United States and Canada have adopted the text for sophomore chemical engineering classes. In addition, the text is currently being translated into Chinese and Spanish.

Published by John Wiley and Sons, the 571-page book is now it its fourth printing. A fifth printing is anticipated this summer.

The authors, both members

of the State faculty since 1969 present the fundamentals of chemical process technology, including important areas of chemical production, separation processes, energy generation and environmental problems.

A feature of the text is the presentation of three case studies that gives students an opportunity to relate the material to significant industrial processes.

A review in the journal of Chemical Education described publication well-received by students since its informal, wellwritten style maintains clarity even when discussing the most difficult concepts.'

## **Plastics**

The steady growth of the plastics industry in North Carolina is reflected in the 1980 Directory of North Carolina Plastics Processors and Producers' recently recently published by the Industrial Extension Service (IES) at

Editor W. Paul Cowgill, IES plastics extension specialist, said the directory lists 254 North Carolina firms, an 18 percent increase since the last directory published in

The new edition describes the products and services available from the firms. These firms include custom, proprietary and captive processors, material suppliers, machinery manufacturers and mold makers.

The directory also provides detailed information on each processsor such as typical markets served, major materials processed, equipment available and key personnel.

The 86-page directory may be purchased for \$7.28 from the Industrial Extension Service Regional Office, North Carolina State University, P.O. Box 1125, New Bern, 28560.

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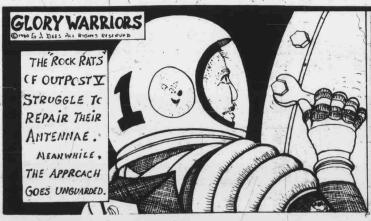
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# am brings baseball

rts Editor

The man had just finished what he described as one of the oddest shifts he had ever worked—six to four. That was now all behind him, though. The driver, who bulged heavily out of his red plaid pants and un-tucked blue plaid shirt, cared only about the evening to follow.

that looked too young to be working, was trying to raise a few dollars so that she could buy her favorite songs that she had heard on the radio. Each time somebody bought a program her bracey smile would reflect the setting sun.

At the souvenier stand stood a lady in her early 20's. She had a en tan that would rival any each bound college student. In fact, she had just graduated from college and her cheerful smile to

all, the kids passing by and welcoming voice to the elderly citizens made the surroundings a little bit more bearable.

These people are from dif-ferent worlds and that's the way it will always be, but there is something that they all have in common and that's the love of the game of baseball.

After a lengthy hiatus baseball was brought back to the triangle Outside the gate a little girl, area when the Durham Bulls arrived in Durham this spring. The Bulls have brought with them a welcoming committee of all sorts. It doesn't matter that the Bulls are sitting at the top of Class A Carolina League standings, all these people care about is baseball and they're glad it's

Tve been sitting in front of this gate ever since I got off my lousy shift at four," echoed the cab driver as he looked at his watch that read 7 p.m. "I think I deserve to be the first one in the gate tonight. This is the first time I've been to a game all year

and everybody says they're exciting as hell to watch."

The girl who was trying to earn some money was peddling 75 cent Durham Bull baseball programs to any poor soul that came her way. Money wasn't the only thing that she was doing the job for. She was also doing it because she loved baseball, even though she was too young to remember Durham's yesteryear

"Oh, well don't think the only reason I'm selling programs is because of the money," the bracey little girl replied. "My brother and I love to play and watch baseball and it's fun to be

"Don't tell anybody, but I quit selling after the third inning, then I sneak in to watch the rest of the ballgame," she said with a glimmer of untrusting suspicion in her eyes.

As one enters the renovated stadium, one will be greeted warmly by the lady at the souvenier ytand. Her looks could easily catch ones eyes for a quick doubletake.

sport, brings her pleasure. She was raised on sports after her father was a star with football's New York Giants and Detroit

"I think I love watching the people going by the most," she said. "My favorite part of the job are the kids. They come up and do the craziest things."

She, like the little girl peddling programs, doesn't do it for the money, but because she is a minute part of the game. The souvenier stand, where kids can by baseball and their favorite major league batting helmets.

The job isn't her life, though, just a small part. She has other things in life that will give as much pleasure as the stand.

"I've been offered a job in Management Buying in Belgium and a job teaching English in the Carribbeans," the Duke graduate

Not to be overlooked are the fans, who really do make up the game of baseball. A trip behind the stands on the third base side will offer an 11-year old black boy sitting high atop a ladder right outside the wall. Why?

"I don't have enough money to come to the ballgames," the boy says sheepishly as if he were ashamed of the fact. "So, I bring my ladder and sit out here. After the first week or so, this guy comes out and says he give me 75 cent to chase all the foul balls that are hit out of the park. My best night this season was 11

The baseball park is also the grounds where baseball dreams are manufactured.

"I don't give a damn who I play for just as long as I play," says the first of three little boys.

"I play all the time and after I get big I'm going to play for the Bulls," the second one says.

"I'm the best in North Carolina and one day when I graduate I'm going to play with Willie Stargell in Pittsburgh," the third one says emphatically.

Baseball has come a long way since Abner Doubleday invented but the love and desire for the game has never changed.

# Shea sets track triple crown

Julie Shea doesn't keep pace with her companions. She runs a step ahead.

State's four-time national champion strides to the beat of her own heart and she only knows three paces-fast, faster and fastest.

The latter was the proper designation when she ac-complished an incredible feat. Shea finished off the first distance triple crown in the history of the AIAW National Track and Field Championships.

The Raleigh native cruised through the 10,000-meter run in a meet record time of 33:02.32 on Friday, came back Saturday to win the 5,000-meters in a field record time of 15:41.28 and then added the last leg of the triple crown with a victory in the 3,000-meters in 9:13.15.

"The 10,000 was the easiest," Shea said. "I just strided through that. The 3,000 was the toughest. Before that final race, I'd run over 10 miles in spikes, and my calves were starting to hurt."

But ignoring pain is one of Shea's specialities.

"Negative thoughts are what defeat you," she explained. "I know in the 5,000 there was a runner about 20 yards in front of me, and I was really hurting. So I just tried to hang on. When she finally started coming back to me, I felt great."

At home in Raleigh, there's on ly one way to get her day started right, and that's with "Daddy's french toast" before her morning

jog.
"I really love Raleigh," Shea said. She is a woman who has discovered most of the city literally by foot. "That's one of the best things about running. You don't have to depend on a car to go places. I like to look at the trees-I guess I'm a nature lover. When you're running, you're looking for distractions. That way you block out the pain. You can get really philosophical about going past the pain barrier and all that, but it's really just a matter of trying your hardest to do your best.



**Betty Springs** 

## Springs, Shea net 7th, 10th

State freshmen Betty Springs and Mary Shea finished seventh and 10th respectively in the annual 10,000-meter Mini-Marathon around New York's Central Park Satur-

Springs seventh-place finish was clocked at 34:10:19, five minutes behind Grete Waitz's world record time of 30:59. Waitz broke the previous record of 31:15, which she set last year on the same 6.2 mile course.

Shea's time was clocked at 34:15.04.



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## Freshman Hunter ties for 20th in NCAA tourney

In a golf tournament that isn't considered a very high finish. But consider the case of

State golfer Roy Hunter.
The Wolfpack freshman made his first trip to the NCAA golf championship in Columbus Ohio last week and shot a four round 297 total. The score itself was nine strokes over par, but Hunter accomplished a lot more than the score indicated.

He was the first State freshman to attend the NCAA's individually. He was the highest ACC finisher in the field, which included such notables as Wake Forest's Gary Hallberg, NCAA defending champion, and North Carolina's Frank Furher. He was the third highest finisher in the NAA Eastern Region. finishing behind Tennessee's Jeff Jones and Georgia's Joey Mudd.

"He did very well in his first NCAA Tour-nament," State coach Richard Sykes said. "It was a very hard course to play on. It was long and windy. That course was a true test of a champion. It was simply hard as hell."

Nerves struck Hunter in the first round, as he carded a six-over par 78. On Thursday, the Charlotte native eased down to a 74, giving him a two-day total of 152. Day three brought



an Roy Hunter tied for 90th in his first NCAA golf championships.

Hunter back to his normal game, this time recording two-under par 70. A fourth round score of 75 finished Hunter with a 297 total, tying him with Ohio State's Mitch Camp and Minnesota's Tom Lehman.

"Before the summer is out, you'll probably pick up the paper and read a lot more about him," Sykes said. "With his talent and the players we have coming back next year, I think we can start looking forward to some winning seasons in the future."

# Irish, Holiday Festival head basketball slate

Notre Dame and the Holiday Festival in New York City highlight State's 1980-81 basket-

"Our schedule is going to be very attractive and very demanding," State assistant coach Marty Fletcher said. "The field for the Holiday Festival is excellent this year and it should be very competitive. The Notre Dame-State series has been one of the greatest over the last few years and this year's should be no exception.

Joining State in the Holiday Festival Dec. 26 and 27 are Penn, St. Johns and Iona, the team new State head coach Jim Valvano

coached last year.

"Penn is coming off a fine finish, in which they made it to the first round of the NCAAs, St. Johns will more than likely be ranked in the Top 10 at the beginning of the season and Iona will be an emotional game for coach Valvano.

Also on the Wolfpack's

schedule is the final Big Four Tournament, Dec. 5 and 6, and annual North-South Doubleheader with North Carolina, Furman and St. Joeseph's Feb. 6 and 7.

Making appearances in Reynolds Collseum are in-state non-conference rivals UNC-Wilmington, Davidson, Campbell, Appalachian State and East Carolina.

Five of State's first six ACC encounters will be on the road, making it one of State's toughest ACC schedules in years.

"It will be a very competitive stretch for us. If we can come out of it with three or four wins, we will be in good shape for the rest of the ACC schedule."

Feb. 14 brings Digger Phelps' Fighting Irish into Raleigh for an

intra-regional showdown.
"Anytime a Digger Phelps coached team plays an ACC team, it will always be a very exciting matchup," Fletcher said.

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My favorite true movie story

Back in the days when Hollywood was producing the huge-budget costumed spectaculars like Ben-Hur, an unnamed director was preparing to film the greatest battle scene ever captured on film. Thousands of actors and extras in full battle armor accompanied by chariots and horses and every imaginable implement of destruction were positioned in a valley and ready to do battle.

The incredible expense of the scene only would allow for it to be done once. To protect himself, the director stationed three cameras: one on the north side of the valley, one on the south side, and one at the end of the valley on a tower.

All was in readiness and the director called through a bullhorn, "ACTION!"

The batttle was amazing, better than anyone could have envisioned. The director was thrilled. "Cut!" he called when he was sure he had enough.

"North side camera, how'd it go?" he asked.

The film broke after the first ten feet. We didn't get a thing."

"South side camera, what did it look like to you?" he said a little worried.

# Laughter in 'Action'

"Wind blew dust in our faces, we couldn't see anything," came the bad

Thank God for the tower camera at the valley's end thought the director.

"Tower camera, how about

"Ready when you are." A new comedy and a fine detective film are this week's attractions at State.

The In-Laws Thursday, 8 p.m. Stewart Theatre Admission: Free

Alan Arkin and Peter Falk star in this crazy comedy of marriage and mayhem. For those of you that thought screwball comedies died years ago (with the exception of What's up Doc?) this will be a pleasant surprise. It seems that the reviewers were the only people to see this film when it was first released, so take this opportunity to see a rare new film at Stewart on Thursday.

The Thin Man Tuesday, 8 p.m. Stewart Theatre Admission: Free

OK Dashiell Hammett Fans, you are in for a treat. Other than The Multese Falcon and The Dain Curse (that ran on television about a year ago), the Tuesday at-

traction in Stewart is the sole occasion of decent treatment of Hammett's work

Filmed in 1934, this is one of the few detective films to capture the magic of William Powell mystery. plays Nick Charles and Myrna Loy plays his wife Nora in a fine casting touch. The in-terplay of the actor and actress is more important than the who of the whodunit.

This film inspired five sequels, none quite as good as the original. To put to rest an old falsehood, the thin man is a murder victim, not William Powell.

Next week: Neil Simon and the Marx Bros.

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# Auditions for Moss Hart Comedy set for Monday

Auditions for the summer production "Light Up the Sky" will be held at NCSU's Thompson Theatre on Mon-day, June 9 and Tuesday, June 10 at 7:30. Any student living in the Raleigh area may audition for the 9 male and 4 female roles in this

delightful comedy.
"Light up the Sky" is a product of that master of comedy Moss Hart and deals with people in show business: the actors, the writers, the backers and their relatives. The play explores the uncertainty of opening a new play, the whims of the leading lady, the nervousness of the playwright and the determination of the show's major investor.

Major roles in the production are:

Irene Livingston, the Broadway star, attractive, in her mid 30's, who is used to fighting for what she wants and has fought many wars to get where she is. In spite of that, she's held up very well. Carlton Fitzgerald, the

director who always says he'll cry, no matter what the situation. He is very dramatic from his entrances to his ex-

Stella Livingston, Irene's mother, a veteran of a thousand fights, whose age is as uncertain as the color of her

Owen Tucker, a playwright and a friend of Irene's who is

a quiet, softspoken man who manages to maintain his equilibrium in the midst of

Sidney Black, a small round one purpose man, money. He has poured a for-tune into the play and he's determined to see it makes money. But then he always seems to be able to do just

Frances Black, Sidney's wife, a former ice skater who is full of vitality. There is a warmth about her that seems incongruous with her husband's character. But then she loves the guy.

Peter Sloan, has the body and face of a good humored longshoreman and the brooding deep set eyes of a poet. His nirst effort at playwriting is about to open and everyone is experiencing nervous expectations.

Nan Lowell is an attractive secretary hired to type the rewritten sections of the play. She is somewhat

fascinated with business people but not to the point of over looking their human down to earth traits

Tyler Rayburn is Irene's long suffering but quite pa-tient husband. At times she treats him badly but inevitably turns to him for solace.

Minor roles in the show

Sven, a masseur.

William Gallagher, Shriner who once played Shakespeare in college.

A drunken Shriner and a plain clothes Policeman.

"Individuals interested in working on crews for the show can come to auditions or contact Terri Janney at Thompson Theatre.

"Light Up the Sky" will run July 25, 26, and 28 through August 2.

## **Chamber Festival**

Chamber summer Festival begins Tuesday June 10, at 8 p.m. in the ballroom of the N.C. State University Student Center. The North Carolina Chamber Players will begin their four concert festival with music from the Renaissance-Baroque Periods (1500-1750).

Donald Martin leads the Players in two concertos by the greatest masters of the Baroque, Bach and Handel, along with music by two important predecessors, Pachelbel and Purcell

Late music from the Renaissance period will be played by the guest artist Francis Perry.

Violists James Hopkins and Christine Martin, violinist Paul Goldsberry, and oboists Michael and Lois Schultz are the soloists.

The North Carolina Chamber Players are a participating member of the Durham Arts

The concert is free to NCSU students and guests.





artoons by david wooten

# NY trip planned

The Student Center Arts Office and the Union Activities Board are planning a trip to New York to view "Pablo Picasso, A Retrospective" at the Museum of Modern Art.

The trip is being designed to appeal to students, faculty, staff and friends and will be held during summer school break June 26-29, 1980.

Keeping the cost to a minimum was a top pririty. The total package cost will be \$75. This amount includes round trip bus fare, three nights lodging (multiple occupancy and no meals) and admission to the exhibition.

The exhibition has been called the most important ever assembled on Picasso, comprising almost a thousand

Contact the Arts Office, fourth floor Student Center (737-3503) or the Program Office, third floor Student Center (737-2451) for more details and an application.

Don't delay—payment must be made in full by Monday, June 16 and only the first 45 applicants will be eligible. Payment is not refundable.



## Technician forum

I would like to express praise for our N.C. State security force. They are doing a fantastic job of ticketing cars. I've only been here four days and yet, my roommate and myself have received five tickets. Isn't that great!

I received the first two the second day I was here at summer school. I made the terrible mistake of parking in Riddick Parking Lot so I could unpack my car and unload my motorcycle.

Little did I know that this was forbidden even before summer classes had started, but then who would believe a story like that? After returning to my car the next morning, I found that I had not one, but two tickets. The gentleman had been kind enough to leave my motorcycle a ticket, too.

Then it was my roommate's turn. He tried parking his motorcycle near a trash dumpster. He returned lafer and found his bike had been ticketed. Oh well, time to move. He moved his bike down the street to where he figured it would bother no one, much less security.

Well, guess what? That's right! The dreaded parking ticket has struck again! We were both so happy that we decided to go down to the traffic office and appeal.

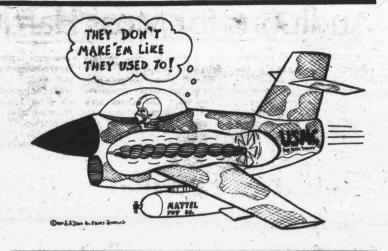
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Well, that's not quite the end. We need a happy ending, don't we? Well, Friday morning I needed to park somewhere reasonably close to Harrelson Hall so I could take a friend to the bus station immediately after class. I chose the parking lot in front of Patterson Hall.

I knew (according to the all-powerful "Traffic Rules and Regulations" handbook) that I was illegally parked. Well, for being there a grand total of 25 minutes, I received my third parking violation. What a happy ending!

Isn't it great to know that this campus is so crime-free that all security has time to do is ticket cars. Boy, this really puts my mind at ease—knowing that if I ever need the help of a security officer, he'll be nearby writing a parking ticket. How about you—don't you feel a lot safer?

Tommy Wiggins JR AE



## Forum policy

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# Too much objectivity in American journalism?

Back in 1977, reporters Mark Dowie and Tracy Johnston wrote a story for Mother Jones magazine about the dangers of the Dalkon Shield, an intrauterine device that sickened and even killed some women. Going over manufacturers' data a year later, Dowie noticed that a full million of the contraceptive devices were unaccounted-for. They hadn't been sold to American women and they weren't in storage in the United States, either. Intrigued, Dowie started digging.

The results of his investigation, carried out with the help of several other reporters, was a collection of articles collectively titled "The Corporate Crime of the Century." Published in the November 1979 is ue of Mother Jones, the articles detailed the "dumping" of toxic substances banned here—pesticides, drugs, Dalkon Shields—in developing countries by U.S. multinational corporations. The expose caused a firestorm of controversy in the Third World, sparked proposed legislation here and won Mother Jones a coveted national Magazine Award for excellence in reporting.

Relaxing in the San Francisco office of Mother Jones, Dowie assayed the significance Guest Opinion
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of the story. "I just spoke on the phone with an official from Angola who read our issue," he said, "and they are going to take a strong stand against dumping." Dowle seemed pleased. It was in keeping with Mother Jones' policy of publishing muckraking that galvinizes readers.

"Even good magazines tend to be passive in their presentation of information," Dowie said. "We put our exposures in the hands of people who will do something about the problems the stories describe. We hand-delivered copies of the dumping story to every embassy in Washington, D.C., and we told other people, activist organizations, about what we found

"A lot of periodicals tell you about the illegal stuff, the guy with his hand in the till, and so

on. That's all well and good, those stories need to be done. But our tendency is to focus on practices that are perfectly legal. By exposing them, we may be able to inspire legislation and other changes. That's where reform comes from."

Such legislation was recently introduced in Congress by Rep. Michael Barnes (D. Maryland). Barnes' bill, the 'Hazardous Goods Export Control Act of 1980, would not ban dumping, but it would see that governments of Third World countries are fully informed about the substances they are importing and that those substances are duly labeled with warnings in the local language.

Dowie, resplendent in a Nicaraguan army shirt he got from a Sandinista on a recent trip to Central America, pronounced himself pleased but not satisfied by the proposed legislation. "I'm happy it's been introduced and everything but, speaking frankly, it probably won't make a hill of shit worth of dif-

"The corporations will get around it. They're determined to dump the shit and they'll get rid of it on the side." The end of corporate dumping, if it occurs, says Dowie, will happen primarily because of what is done in the Third World, not what is done here. "The only way to stop it is for them to boycott all our products until the bad ones are pulled off the market. If we can't alter the supply, maybe they can alter the demand."

Dowie, who doubles as Mother Jones' publisher, is understandably proud of the award-winning story. "It's what I think investigative reporting should be. Investigations should be long-term. They should be deep. They should be politically motivated. They should be advocacy journalism."

A one-time corporate economist, Dowie worked for a year on the dumping story. Incredibly, he had no journalistic experience before he started writing for Mother Jones four years ago. "I believe that investigative reporting is half-psychic and half-photographic, in a figurative sense," he says. "You can know how to use the typewriter, do interviews, research, but if you don't have an eye for the story, you ain't gonna get it. Having come out of the corporate world, as I do, I can tell when there's more to a story, when the data are incomplete, when something is being held back."

On February 25, 1980—four months after the Mother Jones piece appeared—the Washington Post ran a front-page story on corporate dumping that substantially confirmed what Dowie and company had unearthed. Unlike Mother Jones, the Post stopped short of calling dumping a crime. "One of the weak points in American journalism is that they will struggle and struggle for 'objectivity,' " snorts Dowie. "Our position is simple. We think dumping is evil, and we want to stop it."



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