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Vols scrap Pack

Some hot shooting by Tennessee led the Volunteers to a 90-78 victory over the Pack Monday night.

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Weather Eve

Fair skies tomorrow with a low in the lower 30s and a high in the 50s.

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Faculty Senate approves plus/minus system

After months of studies, propos-als, resolutions and amendments, the N.C. State University Faculty Senate voted in favor of a resolution for the plus/minus grading system. The resolution, which does not have a grandfather clause, calls for

"the implementation of the ... system for recording final grades as soon as possible, but not later than fall semester 1994."

The resolution passed relatively unscathed from its original composition.

sition.

Only one amendment was made, a 4.3 added to the grading scale to represent an A+, according to

Senate Chair Robin Dorff."
"There was also a motion to exempt graduate students from using the new scale," he said, "but that motion failed."
"The general idea of the Faculty Senate was an across the board scale," said Student Senate President Pro Tempore Eric Lamb. "Only a small part of the Faculty

Senate expressed discontent with it affecting graduate students."

Lamb, a junior in civil engineering, said he had the impression that those senate members who actually taught graduate level classes were in favor of the new system affecting all students equally.

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Dorff said that the new system, if and when it goes into effect, will adwhen it goes i

Car catches on fire near gym

By J. Christopher Jost Jr.

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News Editor
Public Safety and Raleigh firefighters responded to a car fireint. Harn's lot Tuesday evening.
"I was just walking toward the
gym and saw smoke coming from
this car. I saw flames coming from
this car. I saw flames coming from
moderneath the car and through the
grill," said Diago Darquea, a sophomore in food science.

An unidentified man ran to the
nearby blue light phone and called
Public Safety around 6 p.m.
Officers from Public Safety
arrived within seconds of the call.
"The car sounded like it was trying to start itself. It was makine
kind of electrical noises," said
public Safety Officer D. Sherman
Gillespie Jr.
"We put the fire out with a fire
extinguisher but the car was still
smoking," Gillespie said.
Raleigh firefighters arrived

smoking, officespie said.

Raleigh firefighters arrived moments later to finish the job.

Firefighters first tried to release the hood from the inside of the car but had to force the hood open instead. After spraying the engine compartment with water, investigators went



Firefighters douse the burning engine

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The owner of the car. Heather Ann Brownlee of 2512 Avent Ferry Rd, was believed to have been at Carmichael Gymnasium at the time.

Student injured in bus wreck

A student was injured Monday afternoon when a Wolfline bus was rear-ended at the corner of Aven Terry Road and Champion Court.

According to the N.C. State University Department of Transportation, the bus was approaching a stop on its 6.05 p.m. route. The driver, William McLeese, turned on the flashing caution lights, according to proce-

dure, and came to a stop.

The bus was then rear-ended by a pick-up truck hauling a trailer, driven by Jose Chavira. The accident occurred at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Chavira was at fault for the wreck, bushing the bus a total of 30 feet.

One NCSU student, a sophomore in industrial engineering who wished to remain anonymous, was injured in the wreck, although not seriously. She was examined by the Emergency Medical Services and

India Nite features unity through diversity

By Chris Hubbard

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Bhatia,
president of the N. C. State
University India Students
Association, in referring to the
association's annual India Nite

resentation. Tickets for India Nite, which is Tickets for India Nite, which is Feb. 9, go on sale Thursday at the Stewart Theatre box office. Student tickets are 55 and gener-al admission tickets are 57. Indian food will be served in the University Student Center Ballroom from 5:30 p.m. until



"I left my car locked underneath a light between the baseball fields and tennis courts behind Sullivan dorm." said Hillary Hunt, one of the victims. Hunt wasn't certain why her car was chosen to be vandalized. "I don't know, but I'd like to see Public Safety over there more often." Hunt said. According to the police report, the assenger door, radio antenna, side view mirrors and the paint were destroyed or danged. Public Safety Officer Larry Ellis said that these crimes are not fortune to the proposed of the police report, the passenger door, radio antenna, side view mirrors and the paint were destroyed or danged. Public Safety Officer Larry Ellis said that these crimes are not fortune to the police report, the passenger door, radio antenna, side view mirrors and the paint were destroyed or danged. Public Safety Officer Larry Ellis said that these crimes are not fortune to the proposed of the paint were destroyed or danged. Public Safety Officer Larry Ellis said that these crimes are not fortune to the proposed of the paint were destroyed or danged. Public Safety Officer Larry Ellis said that these crimes are not fortune to the proposed of the paint were destroyed or danged. Public Safety Officer Larry Ellis said that these crimes are not fortune to the proposed of the paint were determined to the paint were door, and the paint were determined to the paint were determined to the paint were determined to the paint were door, and the Have you wondered what they do in the N.C. General Assembly? The sweet smell of popcom, peanuts and cotton candy slowly mixes with the odor of sweat and manure. A low murmur can be heard from the crowd sitting in the bleachers, its anticipation charging the air with electricity. Everyone is looking anxiously toward the three rings in front of them, knowing that they are about to witness the skills of the finest performers in the world. Young boys walk through the stands selling hot does, drinks, cotton candy and chewing tobacco, their calls mixing with the growing noise of

Over the weekend, several students found their automobiles either broken into or vandalized.

Six cars received damages ranging from \$150 to almost \$2,000.
Total combined damages to the vehicles was about \$6,000.

By James Wilde

... and into the light.

A lone student walks through a breezeway adjoining Kamphoeiner Hall.

Vandals hit cars over weekend

Suddenly, the lights dim and spotlights start circling the center ring. The crowd grows silent as a booming voice comes over the loudspeakers:

"Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, friends and farmers, idiots of all ages! Welcome back to another day of the wildest, wacklest, greatest show on earth—the North Carolina General Assembly!" The crowd breaks out in wild cheers as spotlights show the esteemed North Carolina lawmakers jogging in from back-



their neatin by engaging or the triends, for 14 straight days, our honored saviors have been meeting behind closed doors, ignoring all the trivial and meaningles natisances that normally plague their workday. Instead of wasting time on useless details like the budget deficit and redrawing congressional districts, they have been wran-

IMPORTANT DATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION ENGINEERS: STUDENT PROFESSIONAL AWARENESS CONFERENCE for ENGINEERS (SPACE) is here! SPACE begins today at 1 p.m. at the University Student Center Annex Hall and at 6 p.m. at the McKimmon Center. For more information, contact the IEEE office in 227 Daniels at 515-5068.

INTERESTED IN A COMMUNI-CATIONS FIELD? Join WOMEN IN COMMUNICATION INC. (WICI) today at 5 p.m. in Caldwell counge. Enjoy free pizza and receive membership information. Questions? Call Caroline App at 831-0972.

The WOMEN'S RESOURCE COALITION meets today at 6:30 p.m. in the Women's Center (B-18 Nelson). New members are welcome and several executive board positions are available. For more mormation, call Claudia Perich at 856:1242 or Jan Rodgers at 515-2012.

WOLFSTOCK ORGANIZA-

TIONAL MEETING today at 7:3 p.m. in the Metcalf Study Lounge For more information, call Mar Marzano at 233-9518.

THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COMMITTEE and
ALEXANDER HALL invite everyone to attend an "INTERNATIONAL COFFEE HOUR." Thursday to
meet students from around the
world and relax over delicious
refreshments and visual delights
provided by THAI Student
Association of NCSU in the lower
lounge of ALEXANDER HALL
from noon-1 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

The STEWART THEATRE PRO-GRAMMING COMMITTEE and the NATIONAL BLACK TOUR-ING CIRCUIT, INC. presents the WIZARD OF HIP, a one man odyssey in search of hip, today at 8 p.m. at Stewart Theatre. For more information, call \$15-3105.

The 1992 NCSU LIBRARY'S COLLEGE BOWL SPRING CHALLENGE will be Feb. 8 and 9, in the Erdahl-Cloyd wing of the D.H. Hill Library. All students, faculty and staff are eligible. Registration forms are available at the Student Leadership Center, 3118 NCSU Student Center and are due Feb. 6. For more information, call Claxton Graham at 546-0351 (evenings).

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The NCSU DEPARTMENT of PSYCHOLOGY 1991-1992 COL-LOQUIUM SERIES presents Dr. John Lockman of Duke Medical Center on "SOCIAL and COGNITIVE DEFICIENCIES of AGGRESSIVE YOUTH" today at 3:30 p.m. in 626 Poe Hall.

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pys organizations. All items must have fewer than 50 words and must be turned in to the Technician office by noon two days before publication. All submissions are printed at the editor's discretion.

Weather Outlook

Thursday

Fair skies with a morning low in the lower 30s and a daytime high in the 50s.

Fair skies with a high in the 50s and a low in the 30s.



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plays some cool tunes so listen to them or we'll send the dragon after vou.



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ging over a dilemma of the greatest argency — the state of North Carolina's educational system!"

A unified "Ooooooh" escapes from the crowd, clearly stunned that the great politicians would have anything to do with North Carolina schools. Most of the assembly members managed to escape from schooling around the seventh or eighth grade and have never since stepped foot in the horthead of the state of the state

collective feet, thrilled that the assembly has assumed responsibility for the messy situation.

"Our honorable state leaders, assuming their undesirable yet necessary roles as the academic leaders of our state, have decided to tell the incompetent nincompoops in charge of each school to resume their football rivalry. In honor of this special occasion, the statesmen will participate in physical rivalry that best symbolizes their ingenuity.

"This challenge will split the sensitive in the special congressional tradition—the Darn footin' Split-Off.
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By this time a brass spittoon has been placed in the center ring, and

the legislators have circled around at a respectable distance. Senator Billy-Bob-Bo-Luke-Duke Jones speaks up over the noise of the

crowd:
"Okay, boys., you all know the rules — the first team to hawk up five gobs of tobacks juice into that there spittoon wins it al!! Remember, no cheatin allowed. That means you. Jimbo-Roy — I know how you count votes in your district. Now, on the count of three, start spittin. One, two ... uh ... what the heck comes after two? Oh yeah ... three!"
The sounds of spitting and cheer-

... three!"
The sounds of spitting and cheering immediately flood the room—ptuii, "Show em where it's at, Randy-Joe-Bob!" splat, "Take it to 'em Leroy-Earl!" ding, splat, ding, pruii, ding, ding, ding.

And there you have it, ladies and gentlemen. The winner of this fantastic contest is ... we'll ... we'll tell you who won as soon as we wipe

you who won as soon as we wipe off the tobacco juice.

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Continued from Page 1 the density of population and the amount of cars on campus. Ellis said that the Public Safety staff trues to do its best, but because of limited staffing it is impossible to achieve a zero percent crime rate. Other crimes that occurred over the weekend included an assault, modestation of fire equipment and several larcenies.

According to the police report, Lee Andron and a friend were walking behind Bowen Residence Hall at 3:48 a.m. Jan. 26. A man wearing a white button-down shirt carrying a tan jacket asked Andron and his friend if they had seen any-one with a radar detector. Andron stated no and kept walking.

A man resembling the person who had questioned Andron and his friend punched Andron sometime later.

Andron had no comment on the neident.

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SPORTS

Hot Volunteer shooting guns down Wolfpack

In the school of hard knocks called college sports, the N.C. State men's basketball team has received a lifetime's worth of education in a short period of time. The latest tought lesson for the young Pack: Monday's 92-78 loss to the University of Tennessee. Unlike this past year's game at Tennessee. Unlike this past year's game at Tennessee, in which the Wolfpack basketball program was treated to one of its greatest moments — Chris Corchiani becoming the NCAA's all-time assists leader — State emerged from this year's battle with the Volunteers

with few happy memories.
Befuddled by the naise-outside play of Tennessee stars Jay Price and Allan Houston, the Pack Fell behind by 13 at the half and by 21 at 67-46 with 15:11 to play in the game. Price happily played the role of mad bomber, unconsciously filling it up from three-point range. Houston, the Volunteers' high man with 32 points, treated the mostly unappreciative crowd to the most impressive array of death-defying fade away jumpers since Rodney Monroe worked his magic undermeath the Reynolds Coliseum rafters.

Coliseum rafters.
There were bright spots for the Pack.

Senior Tom Gugliotta played his usual workhorse role, scoring 23 points and grabbing 13 rebounds. Kevin Thompson chipped in 15 points and 11 boards. And freshman Mark Davis took a giant step toward fulfilling his potential by nailing five of seven three-point antempts en route to a 20-point night. The Pack opened the second half aggressively, repeatedly slashing into the paint and drawing fouls. The Volunteers picked up their seventh team foul when Corey Allen fouled Thompson just 4:42 into the second half, and the Pack was in the bonus for the rest of the way. Bolstered by the

Wolfpack coach Les Robinson said. "I don't know if that's a carry-over from Florida State or what When you get four new guys in your top seven ... you don't like to have eccuses, but they haven't been through this before. "It's funny," Robinson said. "We beat them up there last year, and they win down here. It's not supprised to be that way, but the truth of the matter is we were the better team last year, an "hy were probably the better team list year, an "one were the second "I told my team coming out for the second

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Davis scores 20 in losing effort

By David Honea

For someone who recorded a career-scoring best, Mark Davis didn't have a very good night Monday.
Despite Davis' 20 points, State dropped a 92-78 decision to Tennessee. And Davis's first stop after the game was the training room, where he got two stitches over his eye to close a cut opened er his eye to close a cut opened teammate Tom Gugliotta's

efflow.

The night started on a higher note for Davis, as he hit five straight three-pointers in the first half, helping State to a 33-28 lead with 6:00 to play.

Although the Vols defense tightened after that, Davis still managed to reach 20 points for the first time in his career. The performance left no doubt that the Utica. Miss., freshman has become an integral part of the State offense.

"I didn't do anything special in

integral part of the State offense.

"I didn't do anything special in the first half." Davis said. "We were moving the ball around really well and I just took the open shot.

"They didn't guard me any tougher in the second half." Davis added. "We just didn't seem to move the balf well, which is the key to our offense. We seemed a little slow."

Wolfpack fans knew coming into the season that freshmen would have to play some major roles. The question was which freshmen, and what roles.

what roles.

So far, Davis has been the biggest part of the answer. Starting every game but one, he has spent some time everywhere except center.

At 11.1 points a game. Davis is third on the team in scoring behind Gugliotta and Kevin Thompson. And he hasn't faded against tough competition, hitting double figures against five of the last seven opponents.

nents.

"Anytime we get scoring from the freshmen it kind of takes the pressure off everybody else and makes the defense pay attention to them," Gugliotta said. "Tonight Mark stepped up and helped keep

us in the game for a while when we weren't hitting."

One of the down sides to State's young line-up, according to coach Les Robinson, is not knowing how the team will react to certain situa-

the team will react to certain situations.

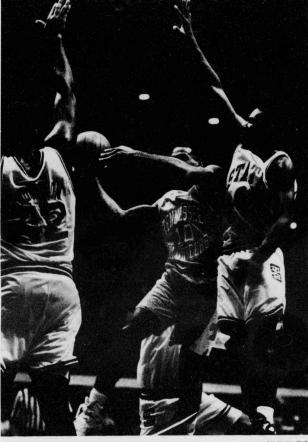
"Tonight when we cut their lead to seven in the second half, we got a little too excited and let it slip away." Robinson said. "After the Carolina win, some of the younger guys may have thought that was the season, but we need the older players to let them know it's just one game.

"When you're inexperienced you have ups and downs, and we've been sort of down since beating Carolina." Robinson continued. "But each up is usually higher than the previous one, and eventually you reach a level of consistency."

In the trial by fire of ACC competition, the State freshmen are already learning some hard lessons, but Davis said it has been good for the team.
"We've done a lot of growing up real quick," he said. "We're still freshmen because the season's not over, but we don't really play that way anymore.

"We've got to bounce back and win these next games."

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N.C. State's Mark Davis (4) attempts to block a Jay Price shot. The freshman guard/forward had a career-high 20 points in the Wolfpack's 92-78 loss to Tennesse .

Basketball team hits the road

Sports Staff Report

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The N.C. State men's basketball team will face a tough test tonight as it attempts to snap its two-game losing streak at Wake Forest.

The Demon Deacons enter the contest with a 10-5 overall record and a 3-4 ACC mark. WFU dropped its last game 84-68 on the road at top-ranked Duke.

Sophomore forward Rodney Rodgers, a Durham native, will lead the Demon Deacons against the Pack. The 6-foot-7, 255-pound Rodgers, the Deacon's leader in scoring, shooting percentage and rebounding, currently stands fourth in the ACC scoring rankings at 20.7 points per game, fourth in the field goal percentage lists at 61 percent and third in the rebounding charts at 9.3 caroms a game. Hobboon native Chris King is second in scoring for the Deacons at 16.7 points per game.

State will at attempt to counter WFU's inside power with team leaders Tom Gugliotta and Kevin Thompson. Gugliotta, despite his recent two-game slump, continues to rank second in the ACC in scoring with a 23.2 points per game average. Gugliotta also leads the ACC in rebounding with 10.3 boards per contest.

Thompson, a Winston-Salem native, will return to his hometown trandishing a 15.3 points per game average and an 8.1 rebounding waterage.

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average. State will be looking for its first victory ever in Lawrence loel Coliseum after dropping its first contest in the new facility last season. The Pack will also be trying to end a three-game WFU win streak. State's last win in the series occurred in Winston-Salem in 1990. WFU defeated the Pack twice last sesson and remains one 1990. WFU defeated the Pack twice last season and remains one of only two ACC teams that State coach Les Robinson has not scored a victory against since coming to Raleigh (new ACC member Florida State is the other).

State is the other). State and WFU will tip-off at 9 i.m. The game will be shown live



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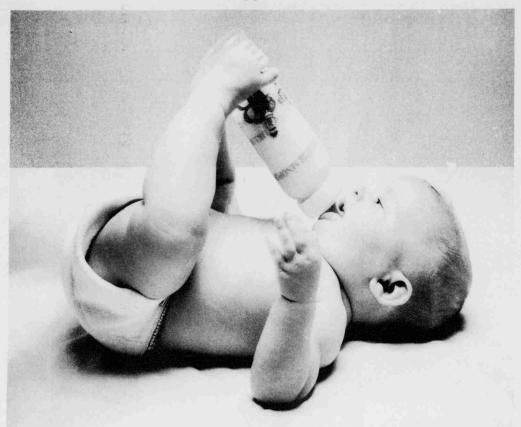
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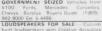
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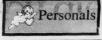
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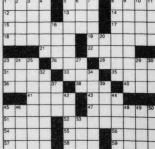
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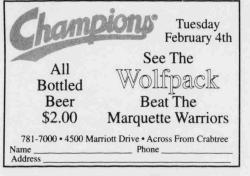
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So flee to Durham iyour sanity. Raleigh is tainted land.

Victor's huge Speaking of those happy days of old, starting tonight. "Les Miserables" plays through this weekend at Raleigh Memorial Auditorium.

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The play has garnered many awards, including the Tony for Best Musical. Victor Hugo's novel about the French Revolution has become a stage spectacle of sight and sound. The ragamuffin icon of the show has become the new Mickey Mouse logo of Broadway, Many of the seenes in Berte Ellis's novel "American Psycho" take place with a copy of the soundtrack playing in the background. Debbie Gibson performs with the Broadway cast. She won't be singing in town this weekend.

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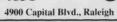
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Editorials

Free choice is the answer

he abortion controversy seems to be one that will never end. If the government decides that abortion should again be illegal, prochoicers will battle even harder for the laws to be changed. Likewise, if the government decides that abortion should remain legal, the prolifers will continue and increase their sometimes violent protests. The whole problem boils down to the fact that the government has the final say in the

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matter.

In regard to a subject as personal as abortion, how can the government dictate what is right and wrong? With certain exceptions, the government does not decide when or with whom a person can or cannot have sex — which is an equally personal issue. Moreover, the government does not decide when or with whom a person can or cannot have sex — which is an equally personal issue. Moreover, the government does not dictate a citizen's religious choices or practices — another personal matter. It thus seems logical that a few select people should not be able to tell 50 percent of the population what to do with their bodies or beliefs.

Technician is by no means saying that abortion is acceptable in every situation. Women should not rely on abortion as a form of birth control. Couples should certainly not have abortions because they want a son, and the baby will be a girl, or vice versa. But such actions are their decisions, not ours or anyone else's, including the government's.

We can understand why pro-lifers are against abortion. We respect their opinions, but we continue to believe that abortion should remain legal. The continued availability of abortion will not seriously affect the pro-lifers in the country. The women and men who are against abortion simply won't have one, while others will have that option. No one will make pro-lifers have an abortion; their own values will not be compromised if abortion is kept legal. If a pro-lifer becomes pregnant with an unwanted child, there is nothing that says that she must have an abortion. She can easily follow other options.

On the other hand, if abortion becomes illegal, a determined woman will find a way to have an abortion.— no matter what. For example, people still rob banks and others still commit murder while both are against the law. And unfortunately, obtaining an illegal abortion will be much more dangerous than obtaining a legal abortion. Those who give coat-hanger abortions will not be as well-trained; they may not have adequate or clean equipment an

Standing by their beliefs

C. State University's chapter of Campus Crusade for Christ is weathering a member's recent arrest with dignity, chins up and heads held high. Technician respects and acknowledges the organization's honorable and honest actions.

Although the perpetrator was charged with sexual offense, Campus Crusade for Christ officials stand by the member as he seeks professional care and guidance. Their deeds admirably mirror their theology.

The accused Crusade member is not technically involved with NCSU's organization as many students on campus wrongly believe, but the Crusaders nonetheless consider him a friend. Anc like a good friend, Campus Crusade for Christ is being supportive and non-judgmental.

In similar embarrassing positions, other campus organizations might have cut their losses and run from the situation. But the Crusade is neither hiding nor denying the incident. In fact, the association will provide their brother with guidance and encouragement as he overcomes his problem.

All the preaching in the world cannot compare to the Crusader's dignified stand. Their Christian behavior proves that actions do speak louder than words. Campus Crusade for Christ is not only claiming Christian brotherhood but the members are indeed acting as Christian brothers. No hypocrisy there — just a clear, loving message.

Campus Crusade for Christ is to be commended for its Christian behavior unlike Brickyard preachers, the Crusade is not pointing the finger amidst insults and threats. Rather, it is reaching out with open arms and, most importantly, open hearts. Technician hopes the remaining students and faculty at NCSU can achieve the same level of compassion Campus Crusade demonstrates.

Quote of the Day

"If you love somebody, better set them on fire

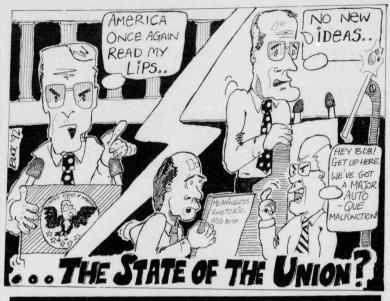
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Health care solutions deserve closer look

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When considering all of the unemployed, sick patients who flip through year-old magazines at the doctor's office everyday, one's thoughts easily turn to America's health care system. In three difficult times, when many families are struggling to put food on the table, there has been renewed consideration for a national health-care system. The rising cost of medical care has been matched only by the spiralling costs of insurance coverage. This has propelled health care into the political spotlight with everyone offering solutions.

It's easy, when I start dipping deep into my savings, to think how great it would be it's omeone else would pick up my medical tab. But upon closer inspection, a lot of these plans for socialized medicine are not all they're eracked up to be. Remember the old Three Stooges skit where the stooges, trying to get a rat out of the ktchen, destroy the room with shotguins, show showels and flame throwers while the rat gets away? We could be in danger of doing the same damage while avoiding the primary problem.

Let's look at the current proposals. A number of people are pushing for a national health insurance program, with the government acting as the insurer for all American citizens because the average family cannot afford to pay the rising costs of private insurance. Thus, the government would assume all health care costs. But



where does the government get its money?
From the people? If the people can't afford
the private companies now, how can to pay the private companies now, how can they afford to pay the government? What about the extra cost of setting up the government bureaucracy required for such a

government bureaucrasy sequence.

People say they are willing to pay higher taxes for health coverage, but that's because they assume these taxes will be less, not more than their current health care bill. Other nations are able to offer this service, but they have been doing so for years, and the system is firmly entrenched in its own government. America simply does not have the money to initiate such a system. We are in debt—deeply in debt. We already pay more in interest on this debt than we do for education. This is not the time for expansion.

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Most political leaders recognize this limitation and suggest a different plan that would require all employers to either provide health benefits for their workers or pay a comparable amount to a government

ve closer look
insurance fund. Stop for a minute and think
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shovel and flame throw our nation's
economy beyond repair.

Chris Heagarty is a senior majoring in political communication.

Americans eating slice of humble pie

This may sound like a cynical column, but I honestly feel it's reflective of our nation's situation. We had a great victory a year ago in Operation Desert Storm, and our country swelled with nationalistic pride. We have also been fortunate enough to secure the release of the Western hostages from Beirut. And the stock market has been on a sweeping upward trend, closing at new record highs seemingly every day. The sobering aspect of all this bliss is that our nation's pressing problems still refuse to go away.

to go away.

For example, unemployment at both the white collar and blue collar levels is continually rising despite the government's attempts to manipulate the economy with falling interest rates.

Our lack of confidence in our leadership is also illustrative of our domestic strife. Polls reveal that less than 50 percent of Americans believe President Bush spends



rights.

On an international level, we have also encountered a loss of credibility. Despite our huge, decisive victory in the Middle East, we have been unable to secure a lasting peace settlement in the area. Instead, we cajole the participants while they relentlessly act like spoiled children, arguing over places, times and seating arrangements.

The latest debacle was Bush's thinly disguised sales pitch to Japan to implement some type of trade balance. In this respect at least, it seems we Americans are having to eat a big slice of the humble jie. The bottom line is this—the only superpower left on earth after the two world wars and a cold war of nearly 50 years has had to send its president overseas to a tiny nation it once defeated, asking permission to sell more goods and services. This really seems like a whimpering plea from what is supposedly the pre-emiment world power.

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Fast food philosophy and the American Culture

All of the great societies of the earth have made major contributions to the population of the world. The nation in which I live, the United States, is no exception. America's achievements were a topic of conversation I engaged in with two of my friends at a Taco Bell recently. The conversation took up several hours of valuable study time and wws marked by several concurrences as I shall testify. At first, we had to differentiate between major accomplishments and minor ones. We also disagreed on how many accomplishments the United States was entitled to elaim. We later compromised that all truly great civilizations had at least two.

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After a few minutes of deliberation, we decided that an architectural feature of modern America was essential as one of the achievements. Originally, the other two members of my group considered miniature golf courses, but I persuaded them that the shopping mall was much more of a feat.

The second accomplishment was the object of argument rather than convenience on our part. We agreed that this contribution should reflect the rich culture of America, but disagreed on which vehicle best typified us for greatness.

One of the orators claimed that our fashion was keen and cited leather and fluorescent bras. The other considered television to be the climax of American

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culture.

I. the most intellectual of the group, reasoned that popular music, not simply passing trends such as jazz or rock, most summed up the American experience. Unable to agree, we compromised, and MTV was our selection of the peak of American's social awareness.

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American's social awareness.
Every great society leaves behind some sort of legacy, whether it is the pure thought and logic of Greece, statesmanship and discipline of Rome, art and liberation of Renaissance or the shock and disgust of Hiller's Germany, I just hope that the next great society on earth can top the shopping. great society on mall and MTV.

CHRISTOPHER M. LYERLY Senior, Math Education

Technician cartoonists offend sensitive reader

I would like to applaud Sean McLean for his political cartoon Jan. 22. It's about time someone revealed all these religious organizations for the pervert-havens that

I would also like to thank him for showing me such a great new way to judge groups so open-mindedly.

Brent Potecti is a graduate student studying philosophy and political science.

Thanks to McLean's revelations, I now realize that all Christians are money-grubbing perverts. I have proof — just look at Jim Bakker and Jimmy Swaggart.

I am also beginning to realize that all Northerners are obnoxious. I met one obnoxious Northerner during Christmas. Of course, all Germans are insan reasts who love nothing better than killing Jews. It must be true — that's the way Hiller was. And it goes without saying that all blondes' 169 are smaller than their shoe size. I mean, I have known at least two blondes who prove this point.

By far the greatest revelation that I received using McLean's logic is that all cartoonists for Technician are immature, unprofessional, uncouth idiots who don't have the intelligence to be funny without reverting to elementary school bathroom humor that most folks left on the walls when they left sixth grade.

I have never come into contact with Campus Crusade for Christ. If McLean hadn't informed me about them. I might have wandered into a smoldering cesspool of licentiousness. Thanks for keeping me from such a trap.

Just think, if that incident hadn't been carried in the news, no one would have known what an "evil" organization Campus Crusade is.

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Sports Staff Report

The N.C. State wres ling team made strong claims to , rominence on the conference and n tional levels with a couple of impressive performances this weekend.

Sunday, the 22nd-ranked Wolfpack earned its 10th dual meet victory of the season with a 40-3 domination of Virginia Monday, State senior Sylvesis Terkay solidified his number two national ranking in the heavy eight division with a 4-2 decision over third-ranked Kurt Mamoen of Oklahoma State in the Nat chail Wrestling Coaches Association All-Stat Classic at the University of Iowa. Grappling before 8,849 fans at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Terkay jumped to an early lead over Mammen with a two-point takedown 1:08 into the match.

Mammen cut into the lead with an one-point escape 37 seconds later and then tied if up with another escape with just seven seconds remaining in the second period. Terkay then regained the lead by earing a one-point boms for riding time 33 seconds into the third period and then finished off the scoring 29 seconds later with an escape of his own.

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Terkay's victory lifted his individual record to 23-1 on the season.
Terkay also played a large role in the Pack's victory over Virginia with a pinfall victory in 47 seconds over UVA's Cary Haggard. State notched victories in nine of 10 weight classes, including three pins and three major decisions.
Joining Terkay in scoring pins for the Pack were Chris Kwortnik and Tom Best. Kwortnik. 5-1 on the season, pinned Howard Miller at

4:14 in the 167-pound division and Best, 8-4, pinned Andy Van Horn in 46 seconds in the 150-pound class. In other matches, State's Mark

no seconds in the 180-pound class. In other matches, State's Mark Cesari upped his overali record to 23-3 with a 12-1 decision over Chris Jordan in the 142-pound division, and the Pack's Stew Williams improved to 19-4 with a 12-1 win over Jay Novak at 177 lbs. Other winners for the Pack included Randy Minadeo (118 lbs.), Mike Norton (126), Clayton Grice (134) and Dan Madson (190). UVA's Trevor Johnson prevented a St.Je shutout by edging Pack freshman Mike Chase 3-2 in the 158-pound class.

State's dual meet record now stands at 10-3-1 overall and 2-0 in the ACC. Virginia is now 0-4 and 0-i.

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half that N.C. State would make a big run, and they did," Tennessee coach Wade Houston said. "It's tough to hold a tears off like that when you're playing on the road. But to my team's credit, they hung in there and got the ball in the hands of our best offensive play-

hands of our best offensive players."

With the win, Tennessee improves its overall record to 12-6. N.C.
State falls to 9-8 overall.
Next for the Pack is a tough road match Wednesday at Wake Forest, a team that won two from State last year. Ten of the Pack's final 12 games are ACC contests, and six are on the road.
"We've got to get ourselves up off the mat and realize we're going into a much tougher situation on the road," Robinson said. "This team could respond very positively. and I think it will. But we're going to have to play great baskethall every night out."

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