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Father discusses son's death

A father honors his lost son through a sports award.

DANIELLE STANFIELD
Senior Staff Writer

Since the death of his son, William Clark has coped with the loss through letters left to his family from his son.

"Without the letters, it would be hard for me to carry on," Clark said.

Jody William Clark, a former first-year college student at N.C. State, fell to his death off the 12th floor of Sullivan Residence Hall last August.

Jody Clark's letters for his family and friends said that he left the world in peace.

"Few will ever understand me or why this happened. Many will speculate and make fantastically outrageous conjectures," one letter addressed "for all" from Jody Clark, said.

"To the ones who have a glimpse of Jody, please hold on to that forever, and thank you for seeing through the ignorance."

Jody Clark continued and said that he meant no harm and that he was headed to a better place.

"I find comfort in that, knowing he finally acquired what he wanted," William Clark said.

According to his father, Jody Clark did not

commit suicide because of bad grades. He was diagnosed with clinical depression in his sophomore year in high school.

William Clark said his son received counseling and drugs for treatment.

"Unfortunately, the illness won out," he said.

According to his father, Jody Clark was a very intellectual person, graduating from Charlotte Providence High School with honors.

"He had one of the highest SAT scores at his school," he said. "I was always in awe of his intelligence."

However, his illness prevented Jody Clark from doing the required work and attending classes.

"His only focus was how horrible he felt about himself," William Clark said. "It was a terrible loss, a terrible tragedy."

William Clark said Jody probably acquired the illness genetically.

"He didn't have an opportunity to change," he said. "He didn't see the light at the end of the tunnel."

Jody Clark carried his depression as a secret, his father said. In addition, it was a private issue between his parents.

"Depression is not something to be embarrassed about," William Clark said.

One of William Clark's goals is to increase

awareness of depression. He said that those who think they may have clinical depression should seek help from a doctor. "It can be treated," he said.

According to his father, Jody Clark seemed to have everything under control on the surface. He was an accomplished athlete. He was first string in football and was nominated by his school as the weightlifter of the year.

As a tribute, Jody Clark's high school created a sports award in his honor.

"The trophy describes Jody as the type of individual it takes to accept the challenge," William Clark said.

At a dedication at his old high school, it was standing room only for a chance to remember and reminisce.

"It was very emotional," William Clark said. "He was liked by everyone."

One special moment for the Clarks was at N.C. State's memorial service for Jody.

According to William Clark, one young lady spoke of a situation where Jody Clark escorted her from the library to her residence hall late in the evening.

"She said they were just acquaintances," William Clark said. "She said he was the epitome of a Southern gentleman."

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Jars of Clay



Deborah Keys (front), Brandy Snyder (middle) and Lisa Warlick refine the ancient art of pottery in the NCSU crafts center.

The faces of NCSU's faculty

State deans talk about the ethnic makeup of their colleges' faculty

Editor's Note: The following is the seventh in an eight-part series on diversity at N.C. State.

PHILIP REESE
News Editor

The numbers speak for themselves. The faculty at North Carolina's top land grant institution does not look like North Carolina.

Twenty percent of North Carolina's population is African American. A little over 4 percent of N.C. State's full-time faculty is African American. Less than 1 percent of North Carolina is Asian. Five-and-a-half percent of NCSU's full-time faculty is Asian.

More than 1 percent of the state is Native American. Less than 4 percent of the state is Native American.

NCSU's full-time faculty is Native American.

Some NCSU colleges are more representative of the communities surrounding them. Some aren't. But, whatever the colleges' level of diversity may be, it is safe to assume that a lot of the deans are painfully aware of how their colleges stack up.

Here is what the deans have to say about their faculties' diversity: about why their colleges' faculty is or is not diverse.

Agriculture and Life Sciences

Lagging behind the rest of the university in terms of a diverse faculty, 94.7 percent of CALS' full-time faculty is Caucasian.

There are 432 full-time faculty members in CALS. Ten are African American, two are Native American, five are Asian and three are Hispanic.

CALS Associate Dean George Barthalmus is aware of the problem, but he said it is largely out of his colleges' control. According to Barthalmus, there are simply not enough minorities searching for teaching positions in CALS.

"When we calculate what we should be trying to get in terms of hiring, we have to look at the number of minority Ph.D.s graduating," he said. "It comes down to one or two faculty members we can recruit."

But, if NCSU is like other institutions, CALS is relatively lucky in regards to the number of minority graduate students entering the marketplace. About 27.5 percent of the colleges' graduate students are minorities. That's substantially higher than the School of Design's graduate school, which is 91 percent Caucasian.

Yet, the School of Design still manages to attract a large number (17.5 percent) of minority faculty members. CALS, in spite of a possibly large minority graduate student population, can only claim that 5.3 percent of its full-time faculty are minorities.

According to Barthalmus, CALS is doing everything it can to attract

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Eccentric professor receives top honor

The North Carolina Award goes to an NCSU professor who has dedicated his life to bettering the environment.

NICOLE MILLER
Staff Writer

There is a bit of Indiana Jones in N.C. State Professor Robert Bruck.

A prehistoric cave-bear skull sits next to the Mayan skull on his computer. One wall is covered with spears, blow guns and a hand-woven hammock from Africa, while the opposite wall is covered in awards and an autographed picture of Walter Cronkite. He's been all over the world, from the Monteverde Cloud Forest in Costa Rica to Mount Everest in Nepal.

Bruck is an adventurer, environmentalist, professor in plant pathology and forestry and recent recipient of a North Carolina Award for his research on the declining forests of Mount Mitchell.

His love for the environment began when he was a young boy at summer camp. For a boy who grew up in New York City, summer camp opened a new world of nature.

He took this love for the environment and made it his life.

Fifteen years ago, he and other NCSU professors were selected to go to Mt. Mitchell to study atmospheric deposition in order to find some cause explaining

the declining red spruce and frazier fir forests of North Carolina's mountains.

"If you went to Mount Mitchell in 1980, you would have seen spruce all the way to the top — a verdant green forest. If you went in 1986, it would have been a ghost town — millions of trees dead," said Bruck.

After many studies, the ground found evidence that acid rain and ozone toxins could be the cause of the declining forests.

Bruck explained that evidence is not the same as proof, and policy makers like proof. Environmental science is multi-layered, making it difficult to determine definite causes. In order to solve such problems as the deforestation in the Smokies, policies must be made.

In a system of science and policy making, there is a question of how to deal with vast environmental problems when there is evidence and no proof, and what to do before it is too late, explained Bruck.

"I won the award for being on the front line on the soapbox for 20 years. In reality, science is very important and can't be discounted for help. Political, social, legal and religious parts need to take the imperfect science and translate it into real human changes," said Bruck.

His hope is that scientists and policy makers can meet somewhere in the middle to help the declining forests.

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Wednesday IN BRIEF



PBS to broadcast tax-filing clinic

North Carolina taxpayers will be able to get answers to questions about filing their 1997 income tax returns during the Public Broadcasting Station (PBS) "Tax Clinic 1998."

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS), in cooperation with University of North Carolina Television, will present the PBS tax assistance clinic on Feb. 1, 1998, from 2 to 3 p.m.

Audrey Kates Bailey, program development officer, the University of North Carolina and Research Triangle Park will host the tax clinic. Mrs. Bailey has hosted this annual program since its inception in 1987.

The format for this year's program features a panel of representatives from the IRS, N.C. Department of Revenue and N.C. Association of Certified Public Accountants.

A staff of customer service assistants will be available to answer phones and relay questions to the panel members.

Special event to help students with meals

Students can enjoy a delicious six-course meal and learn how to handle meal jitters in a special program sponsored by the University Career Center and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Career Services.

"What to do with all those knives and forks: A practical guide to dining with employers," will take place on Wed., Feb. 4 from 6-7:30 p.m., in the University Student Center Blue Room. According to career center Associate Director Carol Schroeder, "this is a fun way to acquire a little polish to help you shine during lunch or dinner with an employer. We will teach you basic etiquette for the business meal."

Interested students may call 515-3249 or 512-2396 for additional information or may register in 2100 Pullen Hall or in 111 Patterson Hall. The cost of the meal is only \$5.00 thanks to support of Nalisco, which is underwriting a large portion of the cost. The last day to register is Jan. 30.

NCSU invites students to apply for scholarship

The scholarship program honoring Congressman Morris Udall and his legacy of public service was designed to provide opportunities for outstanding U.S. students with excellent academic records and demonstrated interest in, and potential for, careers in the fields of environmental public policy, health care and tribal public policy.

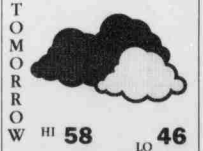
Eligibility requirements are as follows: You must be a full-time sophomore or junior; have a G.P.A. of at least a 3.0; be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national or resident alien; have a demonstrated interest in a career in environmental public policy and/or be a Native American or an Alaska Native and have demonstrated interest in a career in health care or tribal public policy.

Those interested should contact N. Alexander Miller (515-2353; alex_miller@ncsu.edu) or pick up an application in 102 Sullivan Hall. Completed applications must be returned to 102 Sullivan Hall no later than 5 p.m. Fri., Feb. 6.

OUTSIDE



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New plan benefits professors

A cornucopia of events was discussed at the provost's large staff meeting.

LARRY MARSHURNE
Staff Writer

The future for tenured professors who are thinking of retirement has just got a little brighter. Although the details will not be released until all UNC campuses have settled on their individual plans, between 30 and 60 professors may take part this fall in the Phased Retirement Program.

The program's name is somewhat misleading. "It is really a phased work program," said Bruce Mallette, assistant provost for administration. Professors will be "fully retired," but they will draw retirement and draw half salary as they go from full-time tenured faculty members to half-time contract employees for three years. Everyone will win as faculty members and departments will be able to focus on what the faculty does well — some prefer teaching and some research — and departments can change direction more easily. Administrators will not be eligible for the phased retirement, but if they are tenured, they may go back

to their departments and participate as faculty members.

One member of the provost's staff who is not waiting for retirement is Bill Willis, vice provost for information technology. Although Willis will be leaving the university March 1 for a position with Interpath Communications, he has quite a few ideas concerning the future of N.C. State.

"About half of the incoming freshmen have a computer," Willis said. "What do we do about student-owned computers? Within three years, the vast majority of students will own their own computers."

NCSU has been working to accommodate students who own computers. Over 70 percent of residence hall rooms are already wired for computers, and computers in half of the rooms in Sullivan are already connected to the campus network.

Noting that in the fall Western Carolina University is going to require all students to buy computers, Willis wonders what will happen if NCSU ever requires students to have their own computer.

"Right now our position is owning your own computer is a convenience," he said. "If we require it, it enters the financial aid

equation. If we don't plan for it, it may blow up on us. It goes through everything about the board."

But Willis, who has been with the university for 25 years, will no longer be one of the NCSU decision-makers. He said that it's time for him to graduate and that he told his wife, "I'm really excited. I think I'm going to cry."

The provost's "large staff" is also concerned with diversity. Provost Phillip Stiles noted that enrollment by gender is getting closer to fifty-fifty. The Susan B. Anthony Birthday Dinner is Feb. 18 and the second week in February is Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week.

Enrollment for students is also on the rise. There are 3 percent more full-time equivalent students than last year. (Two students attending half time are the same as one full-time student.)

However, enrollment may fall when suspensions are announced in the spring. Nevertheless, the number of students entering college will continue to rise, and NCSU and other schools will have to accommodate the growing numbers.

The "large staff" is staying aware of the challenges. And Provost Phillip Stiles praised his staff, saying, "It's good to know there's no crisis."

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Suicide Award

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William Clark said that NCSU was very helpful. NCSU's Student Government donated money to the Clarks' church. Chad Myers, the student body president, also corresponded with the suggestion of the donation in his memory.

"I can't begin to thank everyone for their support and kindness," William Clark said. One quote from Albert Einstein that his son always sent has given William Clark positive insight to the future. In memory, it is inscribed on his monument. "Out of clutter, find simplicity. From discord, find harmony. In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity."

Award

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While Bruck wins awards for his battles to aid the environment, he also is a professor who loves the university, his students and what he teaches.

He requested to teach a freshman level class, ES 100.

"Freshmen are the most important. They need a professor that is supportive. I tell them not to worry about facts. You can pull those off the Internet. They need to learn to integrate knowledge and data," said Bruck.

In his graduate level courses he wants his students to yell out against what he calls facts, Bruck said.

"I want them to think," said Bruck.

In March, he and a few of his students are travelling to the Amazon for some hands-on learning.

"College is not the end," Bruck said. "It's the beginning. I learned the most after college. Every day is a learning experience."

He calls biology a messy science. He drops a pencil repeatedly on his desk.

"In chemistry and physics there are equations and laws for this. No matter what I do, it falls to the desk. It's gravity. What we want to do is make it bounce back up. It's about

rejecting fact and finding new knowledge," said Bruck.

He praises NCSU as being the best place in the country for environmental sciences.

"NCSU is a marvelous institution of multidisciplinary studies. There are 500+ engineers and environmental scientists here, the most in the U.S. They're looking for global change. We should be proud of NCSU because of the studies and faculty who have become involved," said Bruck.

Bruck is passionate about the environment and learning. At every corner of his office there is a reminder of his travels and his studies. His book, "Air Pollution of Forest and Crops," sits on the corner of his desk next to a fossil found in Chatham County. Small statues line the top of his bookshelf. To sit in his office is to learn.

"If there are undergraduates who are unsure about their major and have some interests in science, some in politics and some in the humanities, look into environmental sciences. There is nothing that is as intellectually challenging. And there are jobs," said Bruck.

He offers a challenge to students at NCSU.

"I challenge you to pick up any of three newspapers, the Raleigh News & Observer, The N.Y. Times and The Washington Post. Any day of the year we're on one of the first three pages, usually the top fold. There is always a major story on the environment."

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Students who would like information about NCSU's Co-op Program are asked to attend one of the orientation meetings listed below. Those who would like to co-op beginning the 1998 Summer session or Fall semester are urged to attend an orientation as soon as possible.

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Arch Miller leads the Pack in both three-point percentage (.433) and free-throw percentage (.833).

Sports

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Florida bound

Men's basketball team looks to revenge home-court loss at FSU.

TIM HUNTER
Staff Writer

As the injury-depleted Wolfpack heads down to Tallahassee, it could face one of two Seminole teams.

The first team is one that defeated defending national champion Arizona, 84-79, and also handed the Wolfpack a tough home loss on Jan. 3.

The second team is one that has lost three straight ACC games at one point this season and was most recently defeated by UNC by a whopping 48 points.

Up and down? Roller coasters don't experience those kinds of peaks and valleys.

Hopefully for the Pack, it will face the second team, one that is still reeling from the record-setting loss at UNC.

Either way, N.C. State will be encountering one of the most formidable foes in the ACC. The duo of 6-11 Randall Jackson and 6-9 Corey Louis combined for 25 points in the earlier meeting and seemed to score at will against State's inexperienced post players. Even worse is the fact that 6-10 Ron Kelley and 6-8 Tim Wells, who both played in the previous contest, will both be out due to injuries. The Seminoles will likely look inside again, as their dismal shooting beyond the arc (.291) is last in the ACC.

On the flip side, State is coming off an impressive win over a talented Georgia Tech team in Reynolds Coliseum. Perhaps the best sign for the Wolfpack was that

it could win a conference game with only 11 points from a slumping C.C. Harrison.

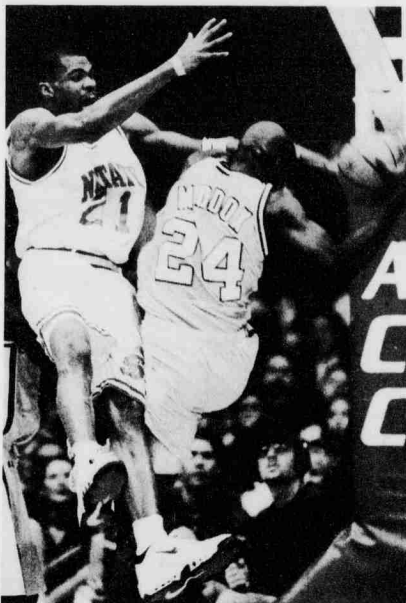
A breakout game for Harrison would be timely for State. The senior guard has made only 12 of his last 48 shots in one of the worst shooting slumps of his career.

Because of the numerous Wolfpack injuries, freshman guard Arch Miller has been inserted into the Wolfpack starting line-up, giving the 5-9 Miller a chance to showcase his skills. Miller was recently named the ACC Rookie of the Week, scoring 13 points against both UNC and Georgia Tech, including a game-breaking three pointer with a minute to go. Miller is currently fourth in the ACC in three-point field goal percentage at 43 percent.

Senior Ishua Benjamin has also stepped up his game recently. The 6-4 Benjamin is seventh in the ACC in assists with 4.4 and sixth in steals with two per game. "Osh" poured in 16 points in the win over the Yellow Jackets, including two clutch free throws with under a minute to go.

Florida State, (14-6, 3-5), needs a win just as badly as the Wolfpack, (11-7, 2-5), and should be ready to play after the 103-55 hurt experience in Chapel Hill. Look for Benjamin, the best defender on the Pack squad, to hound 6-6 guard Terrell Baker whenever he enters the game. Baker lit up the Pack in Raleigh with 22 points on 8-11 shooting.

If first-year coach Steve Robinson can figure out a way to get the Seminoles back some of their confidence, it could be a long



Kenny Inge (21) denies Tech's Michael Maddox's drive to the basket.

evening for State. The Wolfpack will suit up only eight players for the third consecutive game, including four freshmen and one sophomore. Florida State boasts three seniors and two juniors in its starting line-up and is second in the ACC in blocked

shots with 5.6 per contest.

State has yet to defeat the Seminoles in Tallahassee and trails the overall series 12-9.

Game time is set for 7:00 p.m. and is one of two ACC games for the Pack that will not be televised.

One for the ages

Kevin Cutts has been through it all, from competing in someone else's shadow to the spotlight to the sidelines and back again, but one thing remains consistent: his dedication.

K. GAFFNEY
Sports Editor

There are some people who take the world on their shoulders and just shrug.

In three short years, Kevin Cutts has experienced just about everything that a collegiate athlete can or will face in his or her career.

And while for some that may be life-changing, it doesn't appear to have phased Cutts one bit.

Cutts and N.C. State were the right fit right from the start.

In a year and a half, when Cutts has finished his engineering degree, Alumni Association meetings might look a little like family reunions.

In a few weeks, Cutts will defend his title as the 1997 ACC Diving Champion on the three-meter board.

The title just adds to the seeming fairytale that is Cutts' presence at State.

Studying engineering, Cutts has worn red and white since a young age, following a long line of footsteps from his home in Charlotte to Raleigh.

Cutts, whose father, brother and too many cousins to count attended State, grew up watching the Wolfpack at Carter-Finley Stadium and Reynolds Coliseum and now sports the red and white himself in

a different venue.

Last year's ACC Championships met was an unveiling of sorts for Cutts. In the shadow of ACC Champion Todd Smith, Cutts won the three-meter board while placing second on the one-meter board, establishing himself as another contender rather than just the support staff.

Cutts went on to collect two top-25 finishes at the NCAA Zone III Diving Meet.

State has established a tradition of strong diving, not coincidentally related to the presence of John Candler, the Pack's diving coach of 29 years.

Candler has coached 16 all-Americans and 45 ACC champions, most recently Cutts, Smith and reigning women's one-meter champion Shelly Cavaliere.

Cutts had worked with Candler in the summers previous to coming to State, and Candler has served as a major reason that Cutts is competing for the Pack in the pool.

And so far this season, Cutts has had to overcome more than just the competition in the pool.

Early in the season, Cutts took a month off, bothered by a back injury.

At the end of his freshman year, Cutts suffered a back injury in which two disks in his back cracked. As the injury has healed, it has resulted in a slightly herniated disk and another that has dried up.

"I've been through a lot more than most people," said Cutts. "I've been through that lows and I've been through the highs. The ACCs was

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ACC MEN

Current Standings

1. Duke
2. UNC-CH
3. Maryland
4. Clemson
5. Florida State
6. Wake Forest
7. Georgia Tech
7. N.C. State
7. Virginia

ACC men's Coach of the Year:

Steve Robinson



Nay sayers may claim that Steve Robinson is just riding off of the talent that Pat Kennedy left him at Florida State, but Robinson has already proved that he has one skill that surpasses his predecessor: the ability to utilize that talent.

In his rookie season as a coach in the toughest league in the country, Robinson has taken a team that was predicted to finish seventh in the league and proceeded to knock off some of the country's best teams, including Arizona and Connecticut. The Seminoles are currently over .500, with an overall record of 14-6, and hold three conference wins against Georgia Tech, Wake Forest and the Pack.

ACC Player of the Year:

Matt Harpring



You'd be hard pressed to find a player that is more important to his team than Harpring. While Tech has struggled to a 2-5 record in the conference, Harpring has kept the Yellow Jackets in the game on numerous occasions. Three of Tech's losses have been by three points or less. Harpring's numbers tell it all. He is third in the conference with 10 double-doubles, first in offensive rebounding with over 4.2 per game, third in minutes played, averaging close to 36 per contest. The 6-foot-8 senior is second in the conference in scoring and ranked in the top ten in four other categories. Harpring's season line looks like this: 22.4 points, 10.1 rebounds and 1.7 steals per game.

Rookie of the Year:

Kenny Inge



When Kenny Inge came to N.C. State this fall, he arrived with five other highly touted freshmen, any of who could've made an immediate impact on the Wolfpack squad. It was impossible for any preseason set to predict which of the six, if any, would come into his own and make a name for himself in the toughest league in the country.

But when Damon Thorpe went down early on with a broken foot, State found itself in desperate need of some offensive production in the low post, and quick. Inge seized the opportunity, relishing in the role of State's primary front-court threat along with fellow freshman Ron Kelley. Inge excited Reynolds crowds with his high-flying dunks and won over fans across the league with his relentless hustle.

ACC WOMEN

Current Standings

1. Clemson
1. N.C. State
1. Duke
4. UNC-CH
5. Virginia
6. Maryland
7. Florida State
8. Georgia Tech
9. Wake Forest

Coach of the Year:

Gail Goestenkers



Coach Goestenkers has the Duke women's team looking just like the men's — deep and strong.

The Blue Devils struggled early but have worked their way into a share of the No. 1 spot in the conference. Goestenkers' recruiting has brought in guard talent such as former player Kira Orr, current floor general Hillary Howard and last week's ACC Rookie of the Week Georgia Schweitzer, who looks to inherit the control of the ball after Howard departs in a year and a half.

Goestenkers has also added a pair of transfers from Purdue to this year's floor line-up. Nicole Erickson and Michelle Van Gorp have made a significant impact on not only the Devil's game, but on the opposition as well.

ACC Player of the Year:

Chasity Melvin and Tracy Reid



Okay, we had to walk the fence on one of these. Reid and Melvin have continued to dominate the league, even though they draw double- and triple-team coverage every time they touch the ball. While Melvin gets the edge in the team standings, Reid is tops in scoring. Both are in the top five in field goal percentage and stand in the top two spots in rebounding, with Melvin holding a slight edge in both. As far as importance on their respective teams, no one can argue that the two are the emotional leaders for the Wolfpack and the Tarheels, respectively. And while Melvin's quiet encouragement is nowhere close to Reid's angry, aggressive style that has seemingly become synonymous with UNC basketball, both approaches apparently work. It should be interesting to see how this one

Rookie of the Year:

Tynesha Lewis



It might be a tough case pitting N.C. State's 5-10 guard from Pinetops, N.C. against UNC's Nikki Teasley, but we're just going to have to give the nod to Lewis. Head to head a week ago, Lewis grabbed the advantage, scoring 21 points and adding six assists and five rebounds in just 24 minutes, while Teasley struggled against the defense of LySchale Jones for 11 points, eight assists and four rebounds in 38 minutes. Lewis is third on the Pack's squad in scoring and in assists and has worked her way into the starting line-up — a line-up, it should be added, that started the season with just two returning starters.

All predictions are Technician's opinion, not fact.

Wolfpack NOTES



Stephens earns recognition for work in the classroom

N.C. State's Tremayne Stephens, a senior in parks, recreation and tourism, was named to the ACC all-academic team for football.

Stephens was the ACC's leading rusher last season with 1,142 yards and finished out his career as the conference's 11th all-time rusher with 3,553 total yards.

He was one of 13 members named to the team who were also named first or second team all-conference.

To be eligible, a player must have earned a 3.00 grade point average for the full semester or have maintained a 3.00 GPA cumulative during his academic career.

Stephens has a 3.25 GPA in PRT.

Six players from Florida State, including 1997 ACC Player of the Year Andre Wadsworth, made the all-academic team.

The Seminoles' senior linebacker Daryl Bush boasts a perfect 4.00 GPA in sports management.

Campout for Duke, Wake Forest games this weekend

Did you have fun two weeks ago? Well get ready, because it is that time again.

This weekend, the N.C. State's Student Senate's Campus Life Committee will host another ticket campout outside of Reynolds Coliseum.

Tickets for State's men's basketball games against Wake Forest and Duke will go on sale on Monday morning at 7 a.m. Campout will begin this weekend and will be announced on WKNC, State's student radio station.

The Wake Forest game will take place on Wed., Feb. 4 at 9 p.m., and the Duke match-up will kick off at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 8. Both games will be televised, with the Duke game hitting the national airwaves on ABC.

Student Government has decided that no glass bottles will be allowed at campout, and will allow campers an opportunity to go to the women's basketball game on Sunday without forfeiting their place in line.

Miller garners ACC Rookie of the Week honors

This has been quite a week for Archie Miller. Not only did the 5-9 freshman work his way into the starting line-up last week, but his play earned him honors as the ACC's Rookie of the Week, as selected by a voting panel of the Atlantic Coast Sports Writers Association.

Miller averaged 13 points and 37.5 minutes in two games, helping the Wolfpack break a five-game in-conference losing streak against Georgia Tech on Sunday.

Antawn Jamison and Sarunas Jasikevicius shared ACC Player of the Week honors. Jamison scored 24 points in UNC's win over Florida State this week, while Jasikevicius scored 20 in Maryland's comeback win over Clemson.

On the women's side, highly touted freshman Nikki Teasley earned Rookie of the Week honors for the first time this season, while Duke point guard Hillary Howard earned Player of the Week honors after helping the Blue Devils to their third straight win.

ACC Men's

Co-players of the Week:
Antawn Jamison
Sarunas Jasikevicius

Rookie of the Week:
Archie Miller

Women's

Player of the Week:
Hillary Howard

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Nikki Teasley

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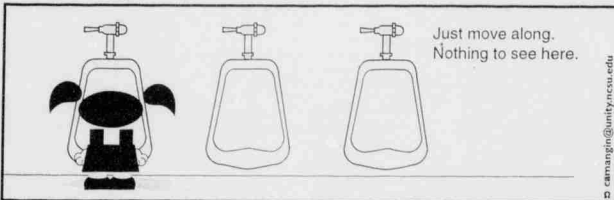
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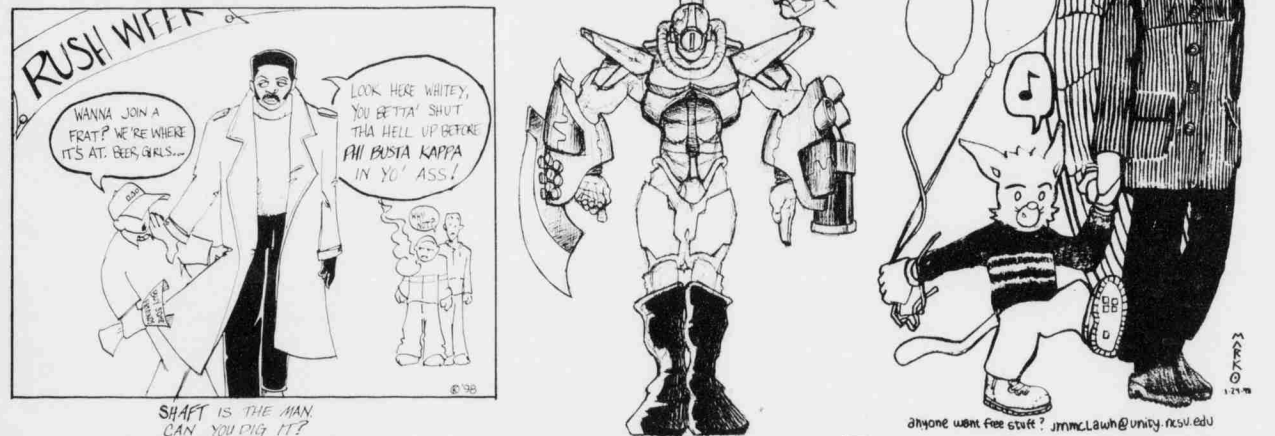
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Movie isn't so 'great'

■ New movie reels you in with high expectations but leaves you with a low opinion.

MONIQUE THOMAS
Staff Writer

"Great Expectations" is one of those movies when its preview comes on the television, all motion in the room stops. Everyone's eyes trace the movement of the characters as they grace the screen in three-second flashes, and as soon as the announcer says, "Great Expectations" — opening in theaters everywhere Friday, everyone in the room joins in a chorus about how they've "just got to see that movie." It will, after all, be "soo romantic."

Well after seeing the movie, I advise all future viewers to savor that preview experience. In fact, get a bag of microwave popcorn. Put it in a Thermos (to keep in the steam) and place it next to your favorite easy chair right in front of the TV. Then tell your favorite electrically inclined friend you'll treat him to his favorite meal (something with an excessive amount of hominy) if he can connect all of the lights in your living room to one button on your remote control. When the preview comes on again, push the button to dim the lights, pop open the Thermos and lean back and enjoy the 10-second preview experience. Because, trust me, the preview is comprised of the best parts of the movie. The advertisers clearly took the six most intriguing scenes of the movie and consolidated them into one preview that I'm sure will lure thousands into their \$6.50 per person snare.

The movie is a modern-day adaptation of Charles Dickens' 19th century novel. Somehow Dickens' main character, Pip,

underwent a name change as well as a complete change in time period. He re-emerges in the movie version as a Generation-X artist named Finn Bell, played by Ethan Hawke. How does one make a movie out of a book and change the main character's name? It's like making "Oliver Twist" and opting to call him "Bob" instead.

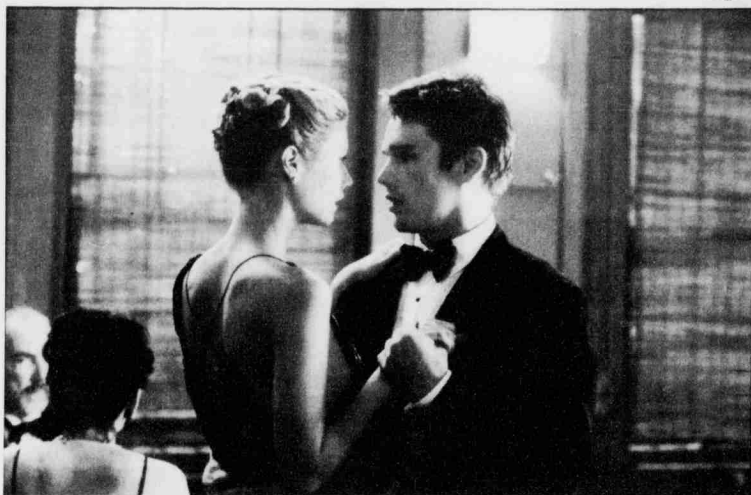
Next to this apparent incongruity lies a plot about... well, I'm not sure what it was about, as most audience members leave the film more confused than before they actually saw it. The plot centers on Finn's life from childhood to young adulthood, and how three eccentric people change his life forever.

Robert De Niro plays the part of a convict named Lustig, who Finn aids as a child in his escape from prison. De Niro plays an important role in the film, but I believe his acting talents were wasted for a character that appears in the movie for no more than 10 minutes.

Gwyneth Paltrow, as Estella, plays the niece of an eccentric, wealthy aristocrat, Nora Dinsmoor, played by Anne Bancroft. Paltrow's performance is... well, I can't really say. She didn't have many lines in the film. It was obvious they hired her for her pretty face and a body that looks good in revealing clothing. Why should she bother talking?

As far as performances go, I was more satisfied with Anne Bancroft as Ms. Dinsmoor. I think her acting is wonderful and full of passion for her character. Passion is exactly what Hawke's character, Finn lacks. Most of the time Hawke seems confused, not knowing whether he is coming or going. This is fine, but his confusion was a little too believable—he seems confused about being confused.

This is the kind of movie where you just don't know with whom you're siding, who



So it's got Gwyneth Paltrow and Ethan Hawke in it — 'Great Expectations' is still far from great.

Photo courtesy of 20th Century Fox

you love and who you hate, because everything is liquid. The majority of the movie seemed like introductory material needed to lay down Finn's story. So you sit there watching the film waiting for the actual movie to start, and then you see the credits rolling across the screen—that's pretty much when you realize it's over. Unfortunately, the movie ends before you realize that it's started.

If you're going to this movie to see a traditional romantic film—don't. This isn't

what you're looking for. Most of the movie is spent watching Hawke get a clue as the other characters move him around as a pawn in their chess game. The movie concentrates more on manipulation, revenge and retribution than on love (translation: no Kleenex needed).

The film does have an eccentric, almost poetic quality to it that I really liked. It was obviously wrought with symbolic images, but for those of us who skipped reading the book and opted for the Cliff's Notes so

we'd have time to watch "Party of Five," we're just out of luck because we won't know what any of it means.

On a good note—the soundtrack is wicked awesome. The music carries the same surreal poetic quality present in the movie. If you get a chance to hear the soundtrack, make sure you listen to number one, seven and 16. You can see "Great Expectations" at the \$1.50 movies, but, more than likely, the preview experience you'll have at home is the best it's gonna get.

Band covers everything

■ No Sugar Ray, no Spice — but Everything's nice.

MATT LEQUICK
Senior Staff Writer

Saturday night an engaging act named Everything brought its sound to the Cat's Cradle in Chapel Hill. What is their sound? That question remains a challenge to answer.

Elements of rock, jazz, funk, ska, hip-hop and R&B combine with clean guitar rhythms to characterize Everything's music. Each song they played contained these elements mixed in different ratios, and some of the results were surprisingly pleasant.

The line-up for the band consists of six guys who have been playing together since 1990 when they met at James Madison University. The band hales from the Virginia countryside in the Washington, D.C. vicinity. The rhythm section breaks down to David Slankard on bass and Nate Brown on the drums. Nate also does lead vocals on a few tracks. Up front is vocalist/guitar player Craig Honeycutt and guitar/sax player Steve Van Dam. The two sections are linked by Wolf Quinn on the

keyboards and the trombone, and Rich Bradley, who plays the sax and the guitar. These six guys came together Saturday night for a soul-bearing show of musical style and poise.

The show was part of a tour to generate interest in their forthcoming release, entitled "Supernatural." The band is no stranger to the tour routine; they have averaged over 200 shows a year in recent years. Everything also played some material from their self-titled release of 1996. However, I was there to see how their new material fared with the fans, and how the band sounded live.

The high level of comfort with their own stage presence was obvious, especially when compared to that of the opening band, Squeezeyto. The guys had some chemistry going, too. This chemistry was not only active between the band members on the stage but also between them and their audience.

Capturing the flow of the rhythms of such tracks as "The Hoop" and "Upon These Dreams" on a compact disc is difficult. The grandeur that comes from feeling the air in the room move in accordance with the musician's hands cannot be translated to disc. Neither can the flow and sway of other bodies keeping time to the music — two

factors that still assert the superiority of a soulful live show.

Though these elements helped make a fun, music-filled night, the recorded versions of the same songs are almost just as good. Everything's CD, "Supernatural," begins with the title track, and after four minutes of a sweet mix of hip-hop keyboards, rock vocals and some jazzy horns, slides right into the heavy beats and syrupy lyrics of "The Hoop." All the lyrics on the album are light in their subject and delivery. Don't expect the deep and introspective, but rather the fluffy and fun.

A song called "The Real" and a take called "Good Thing (St. Luisa)" follow the openers. "The Real" sports the most musically ear-catching choruses of the album. "St. Luisa" begins and ends with a sonorous sax solo, and the rest of the band falls into place in such a way that a strong reggae flavor is created. Guitar and more sax interventions hint of ska later in the song. As the album continues, one finds that it still harbors some more surprises. A beautiful and percussion-heavy track titled "Upon These Dreams" stands out in the middle of the album. "Supernatural" closes with "Big D's Playground," a lengthy track in which the band really jammed to live. The



Virginia act, Everything, played a fine set at the Cradle Saturday night.

Photo courtesy of The Blackbird Recording Company

album version is a bit abbreviated, understandably. Nonetheless, it's a softer-sounding number worthy of a good listen.

Until the end of Feb., Everything will be touring the East coast and the Southeast. "Supernatural" is due out March 10 on the Blackbird recording label.

'Good Will' is a good movie

■ "Good Will Hunting" is one of the best cinematic offerings as of late.

BETHANY NORRIS
Staff Writer

It is not often that a movie has the ability to leave you feeling its effects long after the credits have rolled. And it's an even rarer occurrence when a movie about a bunch of punk teenagers in Ssuth Boston does so, but in "Good

Will Hunting," such is the case.

Aside from its surprising sentimentality and truth, even more incredible is the fact that this Golden Globe award-winning screenplay came from two virtually unknown Generation-X actors. However, it is their youth that keeps the movie pure and makes it real.

In case you can't already tell, "Good Will Hunting" is not your ordinary movie. It is a film about the complexities of life. Its hero, Will Hunting (Matt Damon), is torn between

what he should do and what he wants to do — a situation we can all relate to.

True, the fact that Will is a genius leads him to have a different outlook on his problems than the rest of us. However, it is the humanity and vulnerability of this 20-year-old boy that affects the viewer. Will is searching for what we are all searching for — someone. He is looking for someone to challenge him, to understand him and to love him.

He finds these qualities in two people: the father figure of Robin Williams who plays his court-appointed psychologist, and the Harvard pre-med student he falls in love with, played by actress Minnie Driver. Both of them give him something — the love that only they can give. This is the something that Will has been missing throughout his life.

Yet it is the love of Will's best friend, played by Ben Affleck (Matt Damon's fellow screenwriter), that really hits home. The loyalty and brotherhood that these two young men feel for each other truly shows that if you love someone enough, you love them enough to let them go.

All in all this is one of the greatest movies to hit the screen this season. Having already received several award nominations, including Golden Globe's Best Picture, expect "Good Will Hunting" to keep bringing in the awards.



Screenwriters Ben Affleck and Matt Damon's on-screen friendship mimics their real life one as well.

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Over the course of ten weeks, *The Moment of Zen* will represent each stage of the path in the *Ox-herding Pictures*. To obtain the full benefit of these pictures you must catch every Wednesday's *Technician*. Look at the picture, read the passage and then the commentary. Who knows, you might become enlightened by the end of the semester!

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obviously a high, and then to turn it around and miss a year and almost have to redshirt — I think that I have learned that no matter how much you don't want to go to practice, you still have to do it, just to stay in there and try your best and work hard."

Cutts dove in Tallahassee, when the Wolfpack took on Florida State at the end of October and then didn't hit the boards in competition until the first weekend in January at the Georgia Diving Invitational.

"The doctors took me out because it was just too painful," said Cutts. "It was painful to walk, painful to dive, painful to do anything really. Even sitting in class was bothering me."

But over two months away from the pool didn't seem to phase Cutts, who made finals, and finished eighth on both boards, competing against some of the nation's top divers from the powerful Southeastern Conference.

"I wasn't really sure about how I was going to dive," said Cutts of his performance at Georgia. "After taking that long a break, no matter

how you practice, meets are totally different. I handled it pretty well. I was pleased, even my parents didn't think that I was going to make finals."

Cutts is back in the pool and facing a new challenge: another teammate.

Andy Johnson has made an immediate impact on the Wolfpack diving program and on Cutts. Smith's eligibility ran out at the end of last season and Johnson's presence has kept Cutts' major competition in the same pool that he trains in day in and day out.

"[Johnson] and I are really close," said Cutts. "We do a lot together outside of the pool, just like the rest of the team, we all sort of hang out together."

The ACCs came up for Cutts, Johnson and freshman Brendon Firestone at the end of February. And while Cutts admits that less than a win on either board would be a disappointment personally, his commitment to the team has him looking for points for his team rather than glory for himself.

"I am proud that I have won an ACC Championship, but sometimes it is not even good to be remembered as an individual if your team doesn't win," said Cutts. Who says athletes aren't role models?

Iced games

K. Gaffney

COMMENTARY



competition expected from the Canadians but few others.

Like the softball team that won gold in Atlanta, the make-up of the ice hockey team features a lot of women in their late 20s and early 30s who have been playing since they were little and have been just waiting for the sport to break through.

And like the softball team, there is the teenage superstar.

Angela Ruggiero is an 18-year-old defenseman who is known for her physical play and is used to playing with the boys. But this is women's ice hockey; a checking is NOT legal. Among other things, this will force women's ice hockey to go the route of women's field hockey and lacrosse. Both games are dictated by speed and finesse and incorporate little of the physical play associated with the men's side of the pitch — or in this case, the ice.

One can't help but wonder if women's ice hockey will go the way of soccer, basketball and softball. For years only played on the high school and college level, athletes in these sports now have the opportunity — although limited — to play professionally after college. Not only have the recent trends meant that it can be done on American soil, but it is a difference that hits especially close to home here in Raleigh.

Not only does the Triangle boast two teams from the new fast pitch professional softball league, but N.C. State alone has five former players in the WNBA, one of two newly created women's basketball leagues.

Raleigh will be a host city for a new semi-professional women's soccer league. State women's soccer Coach Alvin Cornal announced his resignation on Dec. 7, citing the opportunity to coach the team as his reason for leaving.

But is there room for ice hockey? Probably not in Raleigh, as the NHL's Carolina Hurricanes still haven't been fully accepted into the macrocosm that is sports in this state (probably because it has to compete for fans with college and professional basketball).

But in the north, where college leagues and club teams are acting as the feeder programs for the newest Olympic sports, I just wouldn't be too surprised next time this year if ice rinks in Boston and Syracuse and Orono are hosting professional women's games.

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That poor kid

The latest presidential scandal is reaching across the United States and, more specifically, Stanford.

Going beyond secret smoking and stopping in the bedroom, the latest presidential scandal has the entire nation talking. Most students have heard the pre-class debate of whether or not the president's private life really affects how he does his job running the country. Some say yes; obviously, if Bill Clinton will lie about his sexual liaisons (what person doesn't, really), then he'll lie about what he's doing in the government.

Some say no: what he does in his bedroom, or of the bedroom of anyone who is of legal age, is his business. The usual comments have been made concerning presidential philandering. John F. Kennedy was supposedly 10 times worse; rather than having just the Arkansas State troopers searching for conquests, he had the Secret Service out prowling.

And through it all, Jackie was standing by her man. At the time, their children were too young to know what was going on.

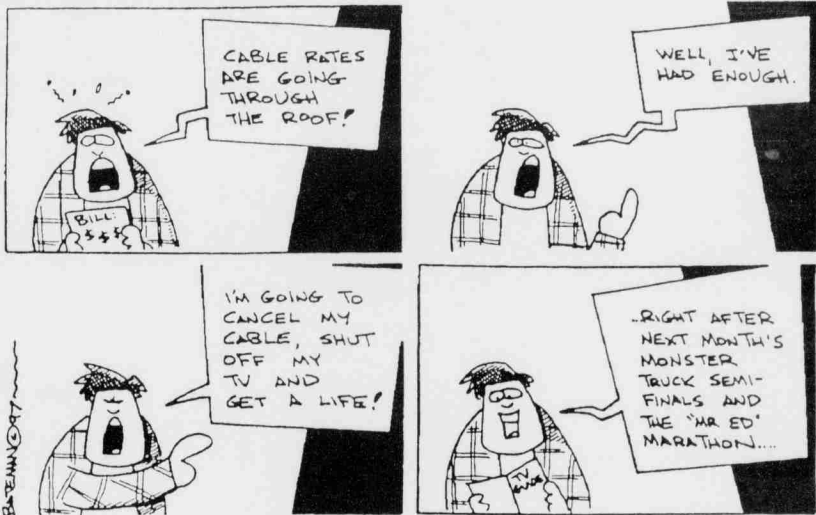
But what about President Clinton's grown daughter, Chelsea, diligently studying with her Secret Service study buddies in California? She's most definitely aware of what's going on. Many children know what it feels when a parent has an affair — it's painful, and often, the children feel like they

have had something to do with the escapade. But, affairs such as these are kept to secret whispers among family, neighbors — maybe in town, considering on how big or small the town may be.

But how do you feel when the whole country is talking about your father and his bedroom habits? To most college students, this situation on a small scale would be extremely stressful.

But it's even harder for Chelsea Clinton. Bring in that old saying that girls always date guys similar to their fathers, and you've got a real eyebrow raiser. The poor guy she dates not only will be under constant surveillance by the Secret Service, but will also be a target for even more speculation than he may have been previously. What's a girl to do when no one in her family can have a private life of any kind? And just think about this — she's probably dating some guy who thinks that she'll put up with the same crap her mother does. This is a gossip session that the whole nation can get a few juicy words in about.

So, our heart goes out to Chelsea — who, so far, has been remarkably left out of the whole matter. But, things like this can scar a girl. Hopefully, there's someone at Stanford — maybe a roommate or professor — that Chelsea can turn to. And, if not, there's always Socks or Buddy. Or she could e-mail her dad — if he's not too busy mixing and mingling with interns and other important people.



Child labor is wrong

MUHAMMAD AYY BALAGAMWALA
Staff Columnist

"They live in poverty and neglect as they harvest our food, work in hundreds of dingy factories stitching ... tags onto our clothes, assemble cheap jewelry in trailer homes and tenements, operate dangerous machines in restaurant kitchens and neighborhood stores. In town after town, they serve our fast-food meals late at night, prepare our muffins and coffee early in the morning. Often they are scalded and burned, sliced up by food machines, exposed to pesticides in the field and choking fumes in the factory. They fall and fracture their backs and break their arms and hands frequently, delivering and picking up things for us. Sometimes, they are left badly maimed or disabled for life. Sometimes they are killed. Nearly all the time, they get tired, miss school and are ignored."

The above looks like an account of a third world country where poverty and illiteracy are rampant. To the contrary, this is a portion of an article written by a Boston Globe reporter on his tour of the United States. The tags the children sew are "Made in America" tags. The reporter concludes his article with the statement "America's children are among the nation's most widely

exploited workers." He calls this a "national shame." Indeed this is an embarrassing situation for the United States. Recently, both of the legislative houses (the House of Representatives and the Senate) introduced the "International Child Labor Elimination Act of 1997." This bill is designed to mark countries that refuse to follow international guidelines on employment of children and to ban imports from these countries. It also prevents the U.S. government from providing them with any form of assistance.

While this may be a noble step taken by the government to reduce the employment of children around the world, the legislative houses don't realize that their country itself will be in violation of this bill! Also, there is the great furor created by the American public and media recently over dresses, shoes, footballs and toys made by children abroad. Celebrities and companies are put on the spot on television to answer for their use of child labor in sweatshops. One day it might be Michael Jordan, the next day it might be the CEO of Nike.

Americans are ready to boycott a particular brand of clothing or a line of product to show that they are aware of the problem of child labor. However, few Americans are aware that the lunch they had at

McDonald's or Burger King or that lovely produce they bought at Harris Teeter or Food Lion probably had some child labor involved in it. According to the United States Bureau of the Census, nearly seven million American children work. Two million children work illegally, before the age of 14, for long periods of time and often under hazardous conditions. The highest rate of deaths and injuries nationwide occur in the agricultural sector, where the United Farm Workers estimate 800,000 children are employed. The school dropout rate among children working in agriculture is over 50 percent — the highest of any group in the United States. In addition, there are 100,000 15-year-olds working in mining and construction jobs, which in 1987-1988 resulted in 13,000 injuries. Looking back in history, we can see that child labor was rampant in the United States. In 1910 the number of children in the age group of 10 to 14 years old who were employed in the United States was 18.4 percent. This is more than the current percentage in most Asian countries.

At that stage, the United States was 134 years old. Considering that most Asian countries have not even

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Rain, rain go away

Would all this rain just stop already?

The patter of raindrops on umbrellas hinders students' thoughts and daily activities. It's as if the only thing between you and your ability to function is the rain. Not just a few sprinkles that actually refresh and energize but those drops that drown and depress. Then comes the dreaded part of all: the wind. Our only shield from the downpour of dullness — that handy umbrella — is wiped away and now we are soaked and freezing. In other words, the wind causes our umbrellas to become dysfunctional in an awkward position in which it is now filling up with rain and not repelling it.

Yesterday on campus, this was all too familiar sight. For the last few weeks, students have been faced with the bitter cold, wind and rain, rain and even more rain. The tendency for students to roll over and dig deeper into their blankets rises now more than it usually does.

Those diligent students who have 8 a.m. classes do not want to get up, much less brave the dreaded January weather. Those who are bold enough to get up and dress for a snow, rain and wind storm are only disappointed when they finally reach their class on the other side of campus and find that half of the class is empty. To top it all off, the professor decides that he/she does not want to take attendance that day. Your backpack is soaked, all your papers are stuck together and

the words in those expensive textbooks are unreadable. There goes the day.

Rain only causes more problems to those who are healthy and feeling fine, especially when the person sitting next to you has a cold that's not getting any better due to all the dampness, and now he/she is coughing all over you. When the weather worsens, student sicknesses increase, even if only psychologically, and class attendance lowers. Those who are out sick are faced with the problem of trying to catch up on their assignments and the disappointment of realizing that they have no more absences left but rather just another day of rain.

The fact is that this grungy and sullen weather only causes problems for most of us. Those of us who love this weather should be excited; many people find January their favorite month. Those of us who wish we could travel to Bermuda for the rest of the winter find ourselves wishing that the rain would go away and come again on another day — a day when we can sit, do nothing and let the quiet patter of rain be our lullaby.

Brave the rain and bear the cold; summer is only a few months away. Before we know it, we'll be back at the beach with friends and partying like never before. When the wind takes your umbrella and you find yourself at K-mart waiting in line for another one, just remember that in a few months you'll be waiting in line for suntan lotion and bikinis and soaking up those glorious rays.

Campus Forum

Way to go Kenny!

I would like to point out the obvious: the job the freshman power forward, Kenny Inge, is doing for the Wolfpack this season. His play has demonstrated over and over again what Coach Senek works from his players: hard work, determination and discipline. Kenny Inge has quickly become my favorite freshman player this season. Many of the N.C. State fans have fallen in love with Archie Miller, but I am sticking with the big man. Granted Miller is an outstanding player, but the hard work and play that Inge has demonstrated all year shows what a great a player he can and will be for

the NCSU basketball team as well as in the ACC. I have discussed with some of the guys in my residence hall about what they thought of an idea I had to show support towards Kenny Inge. One of the music stores on Hillsborough Street has a small sticker of the "South Park" cartoon figure Kenny and I thought about buying one and putting it on the back window of my car to show support and props to my man Kenny Inge. So I am proposing that if any student on campus is as big of a fan of Kenny Inge as I am, go to the music store on Hillsborough Street and buy that sticker and put it in the rear window of your car. Personally I think Kenny Inge should get the Rookie of the Year award in the ACC. I love the way that guy plays: GO KENNY!

John Byer
Junior, Agricultural Education

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LARRY MARSHBURNE
Staff Columnist

Governor Sanford has cancer, and I'm not so sure about my president's condition. The Democratic Party has problems, and the big problems are not caused by people who disagree with the democrats. In 1972, when I cast my first ballot, I broke with family tradition and voted republican. My mother, on hearing the news, told me she was glad my grandfather was dead — he was spared the news of my indiscretion. That vote for Nixon, and for Jesse and for a few other less-notable republicans, cured me of my tendency to vote republican. However, I did vote for Bob Dole once in the primary election during my days of being registered as an independent. Independents can vote in the republican primary in North Carolina, but not in the democratic primary. So, given a choice of voting for Elizabeth (Red Cross) Dole's husband, or for Bush or not voting at all in the primary, my vote, like my blood, went to the Red Cross.

I have since switched my affiliation back to the democrats, and I can proudly say that — in the democratic primaries — I have not voted for anyone who has been publicly, repeatedly, credibly accused of adultery. However, in the presidential elections, when the candidates I voted for in the primary failed to secure the nomination, I have, like my grandfather did, voted for the democrats.

Meanwhile, Big Government also grew at the state level. The tax-and-spend democrats, under Governor Sanford, instituted the 3 percent sales tax to support public education in the state. That tax has since doubled, and we now hear that we need a lottery to support

Toeing the party line

public education. Or better still, we hear that we need a voucher system so that people can put their children in the private schools which were founded in the '60s for people who did not want their children to go to school with black children.

Well, once again, I've strayed from the ideas suggested by my topic paragraph — I really don't wish to say anything in this column about my president's condition — but I'm going to close as if this column were well-organized and insightful.

I'm upset that Governor Sanford has cancer, and I don't know where we can still find good people who want to be public servants and who believe that government is a good thing. Hang in there, Governor Sanford. We need you. I do have a few suggestions for those with strong political beliefs. If you have an ambition to be the leader of your country, or of anything else, please start now to examine your behavior, especially if you're a democrat. Or if you're opposed to Big Government, please vote now with your feet and boycott the Big Government institution that has been the pride of tax-and-spend democrats for decades; boycott state universities.

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Weekly soap opera update

All My Children: Jake and Allie had an unsettling feeling about David. Later, David let something incriminating about Jake "slip" out, forcing Joe to take action. Edmund learned Jim lied to him. Adam told Liza about an important decision. Liza told Marian to butt out of her love life. Marian, in turn, tried to threaten Adam into divorcing Liza. **Wait to See:** Adam consults someone with special powers.

Another World: Liza tried to reconcile with Shane after learning of his drug discovery. Matt planned to start a pharmaceutical company. Carl found the initials A.C. on the pen in Hadley's apartment. Fearing what Grant might do to Paulina, Cindy tried to retrieve the bag (listening device) from her. Meanwhile, Grant stymied the investigation into the fire. Sofi innocently told Nick of Matt's connection to Alexander. **Wait to See:** Carl comes to an upsetting conclusion.

As The World Turns: Hal decided to change Margo's opinion of Carly. Kim caught Molly stealing money from her purse. Later, Holden told Molly to prove her love by telling the truth so he can be released from jail. James deliberately provoked Kirk into punching him. John feared his career had returned. James was put into the jail cell next to Holden's. **Wait to See:** Lily hopes Steve can help free Holden.

The Bold and the Beautiful: Eric and Lauren suffered deep cold and heard dogs barking as they relived their Greenland ordeal. Amber put on a special "show" for

Rick, hoping he'll finance her demo tape. Sheila freed herself but was unable to call James because Maggie and Mike were about to recapture her. While Taylor grappled with whom to name as her baby's father, Ridge was telling Brooke how happy he is that they're expecting a child. **Wait to See:** Brooke confronts Ridge with sad news.

Days of Our Lives: As Bo prepared to tell Hope the truth about him and Billie in Rome, Hope told him Billie is pregnant. Carrie was increasingly upset at seeing Mike dance with his date. Meanwhile, Mike resolved to get on with his life. Laura and Celeste had a plan to trap Peter, while Peter and Stefano planned to use Laura to find Jennifer. Vivian rushed to marry Jonesy to become his legal heir, unaware that it all belonged to Stefano. As Kristen feigned, Peter had a jungle madness attack and tried to strangle Laura. **Wait to See:** Susan and Edmund make a decision.

General Hospital: Stefan told Katherine he, not Helena, was having her followed to protect her. Robin urged Brenda to resume modeling. A surprise ambush on the docks made Jason realize the baby could have been killed. James, still based on Sasha's handwritten confession about the evil things Sasha did for Phyllis. Later, the judge ruled in Danny's favor, but Phyllis vowed to leave town with Daniel before Danny could take him. Veronica decided not to renew her prescribed medication. **Wait to See:** Cole is rocked by Ashley's statement.

The Young and the Restless: Sharon told Nick she'll tell him why she's in such a good mood at the right time. Later, Sharon told Doris the baby she gave up for adoption had been found. Michael failed to retrieve the manuscript. Chris persuaded the judge to read it based on Sasha's handwritten confession about the evil things Sasha did for Phyllis. Later, the judge ruled in Danny's favor, but Phyllis vowed to leave town with Daniel before Danny could take him. Veronica decided not to renew her prescribed medication. **Wait to See:** Cole is rocked by Ashley's statement.

fall, but as Annie and Alan's wedding day dawned, Reva wondered if Annie might win out after all. Dinah revealed that the tape that could help Abby was lost. Later, Rick learned Jesse had thrown the tape away. Matt acted to save Vanessa's life at the risk of the life of their unborn child. **Wait to See:** Fletcher and Holly face the truth about her feelings for Roger.

Sunset Beach: Mark escaped from Ben and rushed to save Meg from him, only to be hit by the gaff. Tim caught Mark's dying words about the killer. Casey and the others found Mark's killer dead and unmasked him. It was Grogan. Later, back in Sunset Beach, Ben entered a shabby room where he had a flashback to killing Mark. Vincent Duke, Bette's second husband, turned up asking for a loan. **Wait to See:** Meg begins to believe Tim may be right about Ben.

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Kaczynski's deal blocks state murder charges

■ The Unabomber's plea also spares him from the death penalty.

MARK GLADSTONE
Los Angeles Times

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Taking a swipe at the U.S. Justice Department for negotiating with the Unabomber, Sacramento District Attorney Jan Scully said Tuesday she cannot prosecute Theodore Kaczynski on state murder charges, though she'd like to.

After last week's plea bargain between Kaczynski and the federal government, state and local authorities said it was unlikely under California law that state charges could be pursued, but wanted time to research the matter.

On Tuesday, Scully said her analysis showed that a person convicted in another jurisdiction

cannot be prosecuted for the same crimes in California.

The plea bargain, in which Kaczynski pleaded guilty to a 10-count indictment in Sacramento and a three-count indictment in New Jersey, saves him from the death penalty. He faces the prospect of spending the rest of his life in prison when he is sentenced May 15.

Kaczynski, 55, also admitted responsibility for 11 other bombings. Altogether, three people died - two in Sacramento - and 29 were injured over 18 years in bombing attacks linked to the Unabomber.

But Scully said Tuesday that Kaczynski's fate should have been determined by the jury, which had been picked but not seated.

"One who kills with such malice, planning and cold premeditation should face a jury to determine the penalty he should suffer," Scully said.

The veteran prosecutor downplayed Kaczynski's diagnosed condition as a paranoid schizophrenic, saying "a person can be mentally ill yet cunning, manipulative."

Lead federal prosecutor Robert J. Cleary was unavailable for comment, but his spokeswoman noted that even when President Clinton had indicated a similar view - that the case should go to the jury - federal prosecutors did not respond.

In federal court in Sacramento, Kaczynski faced murder-by-bombing charges in the deaths of two men and other charges related to seriously injuring two academicians.

In New Jersey, Kaczynski faced federal charges in the slaying of an advertising executive. New Jersey state authorities said last week they would not pursue separate charges against Kaczynski.

Black & Decker to sell U.S. household products unit

■ 3,000 jobs will be cut in the plan.

SEAN SOMERVILLE
The Baltimore Sun

TOWSON, Md. - Black & Decker Corp. on Tuesday said it would pull the plug on its struggling U.S. household products unit and eliminate another 3,000 jobs in a cost-cutting plan intended to boost profits.

The company, based in Towson, plans to sell the business that brought the Dustbuster and SnakeLight into millions of American homes. Black & Decker said the other job cuts - 10 percent

of its work force - would come mostly from international operations.

The moves are part of a two-year restructuring that will cost \$250 million and ultimately eliminate more than a fifth of Black & Decker's jobs worldwide. The company said the plan will result in annual savings of \$100 million.

Within six months, Black & Decker plans to sell its household product businesses in North America, Latin America and Australia as well as its profitable glass-making machinery and True Temper golf club shaft businesses. The company said the divestitures

should net about \$500 million. Black & Decker does not plan to sell its European household products operation, which has strong Dustbuster sales.

The restructuring plan will leave Black & Decker focused on its main hardware business with power tools, Price Pfister plumbing products, a range of lock-set brands and fastening and assembly systems.

Black & Decker's household products division employs about 3,500 people worldwide. After jettisoning that business and cutting the additional 3,000 jobs, Black & Decker will be left with about 23,000 workers - a 23 percent decrease from its current 30,000.

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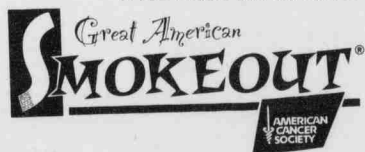
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Faculty

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minority students, and he encouraged close scrutiny of CALS minority recruitment strategies. "If we are under-shooting what is available, we should be spanked," he said.

Design
Featuring a strikingly non-diverse student body, the School of Design still manages to maintain one of the most diverse faculty populations on campus.

Design Associate Dean John Tector credits his faculty's diversity to unrelenting efforts to recruit minority faculty members. In fact, Tector said design is looking to improve the diversity of its faculty even further.

"The proportion for the whole school appears to be favorable, but we still have a lot of work to do in specific areas," he said.

As an example of this, Tector cited the department of architecture, which, according to Tector, does not have any minority faculty members on its payroll.

Tector said one of the problems his college had to overcome in its drive for a diverse faculty was the lack of new job openings.

"A very high percentage of the faculty is tenured," he said. "So the positions don't come open very often."

Engineering

At first glance, engineering appears to employ one of the most diverse faculties at NCSU: more than 19 percent of the college's faculty belong to a minority ethnic group.

But closer inspection reveals a few problems. Of engineering's 223 full-time faculty members, six are African American, two are Hispanic and three are classified as international faculty.

The rest of the college's non-Caucasian faculty is comprised of Asian males.

Engineering Assistant Dean Tony Mitchell blames the small number of non-Asian minorities on a limited faculty marketplace. According to Mitchell, only 4 percent of the total number of Ph.D.s are awarded to African American students.

In order to remedy the problem, engineering maintains a constant lookout for competent minorities with doctorate degrees.

"Identification is a huge issue," Mitchell said. "We try to make sure the department heads know who is out in the marketplace."

According to Mitchell, the large number of Asian faculty members in engineering is a reflection of the large number of competent Asians looking for a teaching position.

"As an African American, I know that the numbers are scarce. So I can market myself. But the Asians... It's a matter of economics and the size of the pool," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said Asian faculty

members have been able to take advantage of a recent influx of Asians into teaching positions. "At one point, there weren't as many opportunities for Asian people at the Ph.D. level," he said. "These days that's changing."

Humanities and Social Sciences

With 20 full-time African American faculty members, CHASS employs almost twice as many African Americans as any other college.

CHASS Associate Dean Mohan Sawhney said CHASS' diverse faculty is no accident — CHASS vigorously pursues minority faculty.

"The department heads are aware that they are to find women and minorities," Sawhney said.

But Sawhney is quick to add that CHASS does not give blatant race-based preference to potential minority faculty members.

"Those things don't happen on this campus because nobody has the authority to say 'bring in a minority this time,'" he said.

Instead, CHASS uses other methods to attract minorities.

"We all have our images," Sawhney said. "Sometimes we say 'this person has cultural sensitivities.'"

The only area CHASS is lacking in is the number of Asian and international faculty members it employs. Sawhney partially blames this problem on the United States' former immigration policies.

"If you wanted to get a VISA, you were required to fill out a document

that there was a shortage in your area," he said. "There simply was not a shortage of English and history majors in the '70s and '80s."

Forest Resources

The College of Forest Resources represents the middle of the road when it comes to ethnic diversity. About 13 percent of the faculty are part of a minority ethnic group. That's just a shade below the university average.

Former Forestry Associate Dean Douglas Wellman credits his college's limited success to a sort of nepotism.

"The expression 'grow your own' is the way it goes," Wellman said. "You bring in somebody as a student and put them on a faculty."

Wellman said training minority faculty while they are students is a must because the number of minorities in forestry is very low.

"What we have to do is to work very hard to find good prospective faculty and nurture them along the way," he said. "You can't just run up the flag and say we have positions because the pipeline is so thin."

Currently, the College of Forestry's student population is 86 percent Caucasian, leaving forestry with a small number of potential minority faculty members to train. And Wellman doesn't expect the situation to get any better.

"I would not expect a dramatic change," he said. "It's too much of a struggle to get where we are."

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Forum

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Diversity isn't just being "different"

Monday's editorial "Diversity: Changing life" is certainly, to all appearances, in line with the present official use of the word "diversity." G. K. Chesterton, speaking of "progress," "efficiency" and "practicality," pointed out that buzzwords and trendy phrases are usually "substitutes for thoughts." Diversity, according to Technician (and, I believe, N.C. State's diversity initiative, although it uses a great deal many more words), is "just being different." Which, while a good definition of the word, is not in itself anything worth defending. Neo-Nazism is "different," serial murderers are "different," in fact it is hard to find anyone, good or evil, who isn't "different" in some sense. Stalin, I should hope, was very "different."

Clearly this is not what NCSU actually means for the policy to be, or what the editorial supports. The College of Engineering, say, has a strong prejudice against those who

are different in that they do not choose to rise above a 1.3 GPA. This will not change.

The real initiative is, in part, a somewhat laudable or, at worst, ineffective effort to support more communication across racial, social and religious communities. But it is also, in part, I fear, a disguise for political and religious intolerance — anything is to be tolerated except certain opinions. Technician itself suggests that people opposing any of the ideas in the diversity initiative should "allow those who feel it needs to be done to do it," surely a non-democratic piece of advice. Are not all opinions to be tolerated and even encouraged in the name of diversity?

No. Some are to be dragged "kicking and screaming" into the 20th century. Or at least, what those on the other side think the 20th century should be (is there any question as to whether all 20th century ideas are good ideas? Of course not — we're not to be that diverse!).

A simple question may help readers to decide what "diversity" is. Is it "diverse," that is — "good," to oppose homosexuality on religious and moral grounds? To be "free from prejudice" is only one point of view — others have a strong prejudice against acts, they feel, are abhorred by God. Are they to be admitted to the great temple of diversity, or dragged in "kicking and screaming" to join the rites of

intolerant tolerance, never mind their diverse faiths?

Reasonable, sincere people disagree on a lot of issues — homosexuality, welfare, abortion and affirmative action, being among the most divisive. In most questions, certain ideas are more correct, just and wise than others are. Some are obvious — no respectable person would oppose an adamant opposition to, say, racism by NCSU. Few doubt, even without a diversity initiative, that NCSU adamantly opposes racism. But many respectable people might question efforts to decide other issues for them without their consent. To allow those who are addicted to "substitutes for thought" to think for us is surely a great mistake and quite "different" from a real interchange of ideas.

Alex David Groce
Senior, Computer Science

Special treatment for athletes wrong

I was extremely upset when I read the article titled, "Athletics proposes new tutoring facility," in the Jan. 26 edition of Technician. The one thing we do not need on our campus is something else that caters to the athletes. The proposed

\$10 million facility is just another waste of money that could best be spent in other endeavors. Rather than pampering the athletes with a special building, why not have a money drive to make a new computer lab so people do not have to wait in long lines to do homework or check e-mail? It seems that Alan Tonelli was the only voice of common sense and reason in the article. Unfortunately, his is the voice of a minority — a minority that believes that college is about learning and growing up, not about playing and being babied.

The article also mentioned the rigors of athletes' schedules. Many students have to have jobs in order to pay for the opportunity to attend college. Some of them work full time in addition to going to school. Tell them about the rigors of a schedule. In fact, my roommate is holding down two jobs in addition to being a university scholar and having 8:05 a.m. classes everyday. And many of these working students have a better GPA than that of 2.85. These are the students whose rigorous schedules we should be worried about — those who have to work, not those who choose to play.

In closing, it is time for the school and the community in general to stop pampering the athletes and to start worrying about the academic needs of the rest of us.
N. Edmon Jones, III
Freshman, Microbiology

Child

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reached their centennial anniversaries, it is not fair for the U.S. to criticize the governments of the developing countries or enforce bans on them. (Save the Children Foundation, "Fact Sheets")
A famous Pakistani proverb says, "If you point a finger at someone, there are usually three fingers pointing at you." Alternatively, to put it in more "American" words, "Practice what you preach." Thus, the U.S. government needs to focus on eliminating the remnants of child labor from the United States, rather than targeting other nations for abusing children's rights.

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Clinton's feminist supporters face political dilemma

■ Womanly wails are heard across the country as the president is accused of adultery, lying, obstructing justice and suborning perjury.

FAYE FIORE AND ALISSA RUBIN
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — This was not supposed to happen. The party that prides itself as the champion of women's issues was not supposed to have its leader accused of adultery in the White House.

The allegations that Bill Clinton was sexually involved with a former White House intern and then lied about it has plunged his wide support among feminists into potential turmoil. And few are on the horns of a more terrible political dilemma than the high-profile Democratic women who helped propel the president to victory in 1992.

"It's a two-edged sword for us," said Anita Perez Ferguson, president of the National Women's Political Caucus. "We are very disappointed in the allegations, but we are also very busy working on all the good programs this administration has put in place for

women." Rarely have women advocates had to confront such conflicting images of a president. Just last week, the State Department was leading the fight to stop abuse of Afghan women by their government. Monday morning, Clinton announced expanded after-school programs to help solve the national child-care crisis. And this week, women's organizations are giving the administration their recommendations for spending \$15 million won by the Clinton administration to support family planning abroad.

As these front-burner women's issues play out against an explosive backdrop of rumors of infidelity in the Oval Office, many of Clinton's feminist supporters appear to be separating the president's public policy from his private life.

"Here are examples of programs that are administration-driven and are good for women and at the same time there are these new reports that are very disturbing and that we hope are not true," Ferguson said. "Those are the two sides pulling at us."

A recent public opinion poll shows 51 percent of men believe Clinton had an affair with Monica

Lewinsky, the former White House intern, while only 39 percent of women have concluded the charge is true. This finding suggests that many women who have long been loyal to the president are reserving judgment until the facts come to light.

The same appears true of some of the nation's most powerful female politicians and advocacy groups, who are rising neither to defend nor condemn him. The result, according to a consultant for a Washington public relations firm that handles women's issues, is "a deafening silence."

Several female members of Congress were reluctant to discuss the matter. Rep. Rosa DeLauro, D-Conn., an advocate of women's issues, released a three-sentence statement: "The charges are serious. There is a process under way to gather the facts. I want the appropriate thing to sit until the facts are in before commenting."

Marian Wright Edelman, executive director of the Children's Defense Fund and an early Clinton supporter, is not commenting on the president's personal problems. "She doesn't speak personally about any national leaders," her office explained.

The National Organization for Women explained in a two-paragraph fax that it is "unable to comment responsibly" about the validity of the charges against Clinton.

Clearly, such groups hope the controversy resolves itself in his favor. "Some people say if we lose (Clinton), we lose everything," the consultant said.

But critics are crying hypocrisy, recalling how seven congresswomen charged up the Senate steps in 1991 to support Anita Hill in her charges of sexual harassment against then-Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas - allegations that Thomas, like the president now, vehemently denied. Leading the charge was Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., who was then a member of the House.

The critics also note that NOW called for the resignation of Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., after a number of former employees and other women accused him of sexual harassment.

"There is now overwhelming silence from major women's groups who were so quick to indict

Bob Packwood before anything was proven true," said Republican pollster Linda DiVall. She called this "further proof that these groups exist primarily to serve Democratic administrations and the Democratic Party."

But women's advocates say the Hill and Packwood causes were entirely different, involving women who had been denied a forum - Hill by the Senate committee convened to confirm Thomas' nomination to the Supreme Court and the Packwood women by a Senate that initially refused to call him to account for his alleged conduct.

"Those cases involved the Senate's judgment," Boxer said. The Clinton matter "is in the hands of the special prosecutor ... and the country would be better off if political figures kept personal opinions to themselves."

NOW Executive Vice President Kim Gandy contends the group's decision to call for Packwood's ouster was hardly political, given that the senator was a pro-choice Republican with an exemplary record on women's issues.

Moreover, Lewinsky has denied under oath she and Clinton had an affair, even though her taped conversations with a friend tell a different story. And she has never alleged sexual harassment, a crucial distinction for many women. When sex is said to be coerced, the sisterhood is ready to do battle; when it is consensual, women are more likely to wait and see before passing judgment.

"If (Clinton) was calling women into the Oval Office and then attacking them, I think you would see a very different response, but that's not the allegation," said former Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Colo., now chief executive officer of the Association of American Publishers.

And even though the power differential between a low-level staffer and the president of the United States is vast, some experts warn against suggesting Lewinsky is a victim when she does not consider herself one.

"To suggest that a woman is incapacitated by the aura of authority of the president of the United States is completely insulting to the integrity and intelligence of the women in our society," said Jennifer Droba, a lecturer on sexual harassment at Stanford University Law School.

NATIONAL NEWS

Immigration fraud indictments announced

■ Several private groups may have helped 13,000 immigrants pass the INS-required citizenship tests for a hefty sum, just in time for elections.

WILLIAM BRANIGAN
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Federal authorities Tuesday announced the indictment of 20 people accused of involvement in a nationwide scheme to falsify the citizenship test results of as many as 13,000 immigrants in 22 states.

Capping a two-year investigation, federal agents began rounding up the alleged ring members in California and three other states as the indictments were unsealed by the U.S. Attorney's Office in Sacramento.

It was not immediately known how many of the 13,000 immigrants who benefited from the testing fraud have already received U.S. citizenship, officials said. The Immigration and Naturalization Service, which participated in the investigation, said it would review each case to determine whether it should require a new test, revoke the applicant's citizenship or prosecute the person for immigration fraud.

Critics of the INS said the agency has failed to take adequate measures against citizenship testing fraud and persisted in using private entities despite evidence that they could not be properly monitored.

In an interview with reporters and editors of The Washington Post Tuesday, INS Commissioner Doris M. Meissner said citizenship testing procedures would be overhauled in the next several months.

Meanwhile, she said, "parent companies" responsible for the testing under a privatization program should strictly monitor their own operations and those of their affiliates. She said that only 15 percent of citizenship tests are currently conducted by private groups, with the INS itself administering the rest.

The case represents the latest blow to an INS naturalization program that

has been plagued by charges of fraud and mismanagement in recent years. Congressional Republicans have charged that thousands of immigrants with criminal records were improperly naturalized under the program during 1996 as part of a "rush" to turn out new citizens in time for the elections. The INS insists the program was intended to deal with record increases in citizenship applications.

"The conduct alleged in these indictments is appalling," said Paul L. Seave, the U.S. attorney in Sacramento. The defendants have "tarnished the honor" of U.S. citizenship by selling a piece of the process "like a used appliance at a flea market," he said.


The 20 defendants named Tuesday were subcontractors for three INS-accredited organizations: Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N.J.; Southeast College National Testing Organization of Houston; and a group called NAS that was kicked out of the program last year over irregularities by its affiliates. Bromwich said no evidence of wrongdoing by any of the three was found in this case.

The defendants ran six testing sites, mostly in California. In return for fees ranging from \$150 to \$300 per applicant, the defendants would guarantee that those seeking citizenship would pass the tests that the INS requires to demonstrate knowledge of U.S. history, civics and the English language, prosecutors said. The tests normally cost \$30.

Prosecutors said the defendants would supply correct answers to the test-takers, permit them to compare answers and even complete the exams for them. Some clients were permitted to fail the first time, then given passing grades in a subsequent exam so that passage rates would not appear abnormally high. As part of the investigation, undercover agents posing as citizenship applicants took the tests and even received certificates of passage by mail on behalf of applicants who did not exist.

If convicted on the fraud charges, the defendants face up to 10 years in prison and a \$1 million fine.

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Russian Private kills seven soldiers at remote base

■ Ten mass murders in the military since 1996 along with scads of other problems plague the once-mighty military; nearly 1000 Russian soldiers killed themselves in 1997.

CAROL J. WILLIAMS
Los Angeles Times

MOSCOW - A soldier high on acetone fumes went on a rampage and killed seven fellow servicemen at a remote base on the Pacific island of Sakhalin, military officials reported Tuesday in describing the latest of at least 10 multiple slayings in the disintegrating army over the past two years.

The carnage Monday night spotlighted the deepening crisis afflicting Russia's armed forces,

which are grossly underfunded, poorly supervised and embittered over their deployment to political and ethnic conflicts such as the failed war for control of Chechnya. Russia is in the midst of a chaotic reduction in the size of its services dictated by a seven-year economic slump and the uncertain world that has emerged since the Cold War ended with dissolution of the Soviet Union.

But as the once-vaunted Red Army fighting forces seek to define a new role for themselves amid dwindling resources and mission drift, draft-dodging, desertion, hazing, suicide and murder have grown to epidemic proportions.

In the most recent and one of the more savage outbreaks of violence

in the military, Pvt. Oleg Naumov, 20, attacked a fellow soldier with an ax, then grabbed an automatic rifle and shot his commander and a private at a guard post, four soldiers in the base canteen and four more in a restroom, officials reported. Seven of those attacked died of their wounds.

Naumov, who fled the base in the town of Pobedino but was apprehended early Tuesday, had been abusing drugs since age 13 and had a criminal record - unbeknownst to his commanders, Gen. Mikhail Klislin, deputy chief of the General Staff, told reporters here after the slayings.

He said Naumov had confessed to inhaling acetone vapors while on duty Monday and claimed to have no recollection of the killings.

The Sakhalin Island slaughter was the second rampage by a gun-toting soldier in less than 24 hours. Earlier Monday, a soldier stationed on the outskirts of Moscow shot and killed a fellow serviceman, then deserted. He, too, was later arrested.

"The army is sick. It has reached the limit of human endurance," Gen. Nikolai S. Stolyarov, an air force officer and parliamentary deputy, lamented over the latest violence in an interview with the NTV network's "Hero of the Day" program. "The main cause is that the country lacks moral doctrine. We have forgotten such notions as honor, conscience, dignity and duty."

Before his dismissal by Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin last spring, former Defense Minister

Igor Rodionov warned of a "catastrophic situation" in the armed forces and insisted on more federal funding to carry out military reforms that are to reduce the number of Russian service personnel from 1.7 million to 1.2 million by the end of this year.

Yeltsin named former strategic rocket forces commander Gen. Igor Sergeev to the Defense Ministry post last May.

Sergeev has been more circumspect in his criticism of the state of the army but he, too, has warned that the government will be unable to reduce the forces without thorough and costly internal reforms.

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In 1996, the latest year for which the army has provided statistics, 1,071 soldiers were murdered and 543 killed themselves. The report estimated a suicide rate approaching 1,000 for last year, when food and fuel shortages added physical discomforts to the long-standing problems of delayed pay and brutal hazings.

Early editions of Wednesday's newspaper Izvestia carried a grim graphic at the top of its front page titled "A Chronicle of the Losses in Times of Peace." It listed the dates and details of 10 mass killings committed by soldiers since February 1996.

Navy steps up efforts to fix F/A-18E/F problems

■ If all goes well, the wing on the Super Hornet won't dip, the bombs won't collide, and the seals won't fall anymore.

BRADLEY GRAHAM
The Washington Post

The problem emerged nearly two years ago, when test pilots putting the Navy's newest jet fighter through combat maneuvers discovered a tendency for one wing to dip abruptly as the aircraft closed in on a target.

Designers of the aircraft, the F/A-18E/F Super Hornet, expressed confidence that they could correct the "wing drop" by rewriting on-board computer software to anticipate and

compensate for the sudden roll. But a year later, the trouble remained.

More problematic for the Navy today was that word did not filter up to top Defense Department officials that the nagging wobble was proving difficult to fix. In March 1997, the officials approved production of an initial dozen planes, each costing an estimated \$73 million. Only last autumn did Pentagon leaders and members of Congress learn of the problem amid headlines that raised the possibility that the plane's entire wing would have to be redesigned at substantial cost and delay to the prized Navy program.

Since then, the Navy has intensified efforts to find a less drastic solution, while attempting to reassure concerned Pentagon officials and

members of Congress. Navy officials insist that they have devised an affordable solution that involves altering airflow patterns across the plane by adding small strips to the wing and punching holes in a bump on the wing's upper surface known as the wingfold fairing. But whether these changes can eliminate the problem under all flight conditions has yet to be fully tested.

The Navy has postponed a decision on production of a second batch of the Boeing-made planes until March pending further testing. And Congress has warned the Navy to expect tough questioning about the program in budget hearings over the next few weeks.

"The issue is, what spillover will the proposed fixes have to the plane's

other attributes, such as speed, range and stealth" said a Senate staff member with oversight responsibility. "Obviously, the concern we have is that the Navy wants the plane so bad it not push this thing in ways that are not prudent."

The Navy plane is vying with the Air Force's new F-22 jet fighter and the proposed multiservice Joint Strike Fighter for dwindling defense dollars. While Defense Secretary William S. Cohen last year trimmed the planned purchase of F/A-18E/Fs from 1,000 to as few as 548, the Navy has withstood efforts by some congressional critics to abort the project in favor of more of the existing F/A-18C/D model.

The General Accounting Office argued before the start of production that the new plane represented only a marginal improvement over the older version.

"None of the deficiencies cited by GAO give me any concern about the performance, cost or schedule of this aircraft," said Rear Adm. Dennis McGinn, head of naval air warfare. "I'm confident solutions will be found."

another salvo this month in a draft report describing "numerous deficiencies relative to the aircraft's operational performance" and urging a halt to purchases until fixes can be found and their full costs assessed.

In addition to wing drop, the report listed problems with the engine and with bombs colliding after release from pylons on the plane's underside. It also said that several classified features designed to make the plane less visible to radar were being compromised by seal failures, damaged door latches and the peeling of laminated surfaces.

"We believe that the Defense Department and the Navy need to adopt a more cautious approach as they make funding decisions for the E/F program and prepare for operational testing of the aircraft," said the report, copies of which have circulated widely.

But the Navy maintains the program is a model of good management, cost control and on-time development.

"The Navy disputes this, citing the E/F's performance, cost or schedule of this aircraft," said Rear Adm. Dennis McGinn, head of naval air warfare. "I'm confident solutions will be found."

It is not unusual for scores of deficiencies to arise during in-flight testing of new aircraft. And wing drop has occurred before, although the phenomenon is not well understood by aviation experts. It results when the flow of air across a wing changes to create an unexpected loss of lift on one side of the plane.

What has made the problem so troublesome for the Navy has been its persistence. Engineers put off dealing with it for months after it first appeared in March 1996 during the F/A-18E/F's seventh test flight. Instead, they focused on what Navy and Boeing officials considered more urgent problems, particularly engine failures and a landing configuration that complicated landings on aircraft carriers.

"The thinking was that as the test envelope expanded later, we'd get a better understanding of the problem, and we'd be able to find an optimal fix," McGinn said. "The assumption was that it would likely be solved by changing the software in the flight control computer" to sense the roll coming and immediately adjust the wing's leading and trailing edge flaps. "That's why this never stood out as a serious problem."

Foreign banks, investors applaud Indonesian reform plan

■ The rupiah has happily escalated by 4000 per U.S. dollar as the International Monetary Fund pumps \$43 billion into the flailing economy.

PAUL BLUSTEIN
The Washington Post

JAKARTA, Indonesia - Foreign investors and bankers cheered Tuesday's announcement of new plans to address Indonesia's banking and debt crises, raising hopes that Indonesia has averted a threatened collapse of its financial system.

But the plans leave a number of thorny issues unresolved, ranging from relatively narrow worries over how exactly they will work to broader fears about Indonesia's political stability. And the moves raised fresh concerns that the international rescue of Asia's troubled economies will bail out wealthy lenders and borrowers, helping them avoid the full consequences of foolish business decisions.

Indonesia's currency, the rupiah, rallied after Tuesday morning's double-barreled announcements by the government and the International Monetary Fund, which is leading a \$43 billion effort to rescue Indonesia. In the first announcement, the

government said it is guaranteeing all deposits and other obligations of Indonesian banks and setting up an agency to restructure or merge banks with excessive bad-loan problems. In the second announcement, the government said it is proposing that many Indonesian companies "temporarily pause" in paying their foreign debts pending a major, organized rescheduling of Indonesia's overseas obligations.



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The rupiah strengthened to around 10,500 per U.S. dollar in late Asian trading, from a morning low of about 14,000 per dollar. Although trading in the currency remained light, it reversed last week's pattern in which the rupiah was plunging record depths almost every day.

The rupiah's decline has meant that most major Indonesian companies are technically insolvent because their foreign debts, denominated in dollars, have become too crushing to pay.

Also heightening for Indonesia's prospects was the generally positive reaction of foreign bankers, who met Tuesday morning at the country's central bank, according to participants at the meeting. The crisis has deepened in part because many foreign banks are refusing to extend letters of credit to Indonesian borrowers, raising the specter that Indonesia won't be able to buy the imported goods and food it needs to keep its economy functioning properly.

But government officials stressed that the pause is a voluntary matter to be negotiated between debtors and creditors. And a foreign banker recalled that the government's representatives said, in effect: "Right now, (the Indonesians) aren't paying anyway, so what do you want to do? You want to work with the program or not?" Indonesia's notoriously poor bankruptcy courts have made it almost impossible for lenders to press claims against debtors.

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