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News Briefs

- Senator Al Gore spoke to students at East Carolina University Monday urging them to help change the United States.

- Texas billionaire Ross Perot will announce Thursday whether or not he will re-enter the presidential race. His decision to re-enter the race will be up to his volunteers and supporters, according to Perot.

- Traffic was backed up for miles Sunday afternoon on a stretch of I85/40 in Alamance and Guilford Counties. 72 vehicles were involved in at least 13 accidents. 16 people were treated at hospitals for minor injuries.

- Escaped murderer Glenn Edward Jacobs remained at large Tuesday. He escaped Friday in Eastern Raleigh by kicking out the window of a van which was taken him back to Central Prison. This was his second escape.

- A Pakistani jet crashed in Nepal killing all 167 aboard. One American was among the passengers killed.

- A 12-year-old Mississippi boy has filed suit to divorce his parents, evidently prompted by the success of the Gregory Kingsly case.

- The "new" *New Yorker* appeared on newsstands Monday. It is the first edition under the new leadership of Tina Brown, former editor of *Vanity Fair*.

- Hillary Clinton, wife of Bill Clinton, the Democratic Presidential candidate, was in Raleigh Tuesday. She held a round-table discussion with area campus newspaper editors.

Hillary Clinton stresses the college student vote

by Traci Latta and Tracey Rawls

Hillary Clinton set forth her agenda for education and family values at a round-table discussion with editors from local college and university newspapers Tuesday at North Carolina State University (NCSU).

"The way I see it, my life is half over..., but you are the future," said Clinton. According to the Arkansas democrat, persons between the ages of 18 to 24 years have lowest voter turnout rate. She stressed the importance of voting among college-age students as it impact the present as well as the future.

She also addressed the future of education and women in the workforce. "Choices may change, and women will find themselves in the workplace personally prepared. These educational choices will make it possible for women to do what they need and want to do," the Democrat said.

Clinton went on to say that as first lady her primary focus would be a message of change in domes-



photo by Chris Hondros

Hillary Clinton fields a question from a college-student editor while Joe Johnson moderates the discussion.

tic policies. "I want to be the voice of children," said Clinton.

As a college student, Clinton became a child advocate through her work with legal-service groups.

Clinton said: "Family values need to have a backbone of economic policy. The Republican family platform is a false debate that needs to be supported with more than just rhetoric.

It's sad that the Republicans attack

Bill and me, instead of the future," she said.

If she becomes first lady, Clinton wants to break away from the traditional role. She pictures a day when the role is not gender-specific.

Representatives were present from the *Meredith Herald*, *Technician*, *Duke Chronicle*, *The Daily Tar Heel*, *Peace Times*, *State Critic*, and *Campus Echo*.

Security responds to student concerns

by Frances Pate

In last week's issue, there was a letter to the editor about a Meredith student's concerns about security on campus and an experience she had dealing with them. In response to the letter, Chief Dan Shattuck said he is very concerned about the bad reports he has received concerning "his men" and always tries to find out what's going on.

If something "wrong" happens, he said he wants to be the first to know. Shattuck added that security officers are well-trained on how they should conduct themselves and are told what procedures they should follow.

Shattuck said, "It is hard to get people to do what you want them to do. Everyone has their own method of doing things." He said he would

strive to make sure the security officers did their jobs well, and more importantly, properly.

Responding to the article last week, Shattuck explained what he thought the problem was. He said that students often have to wait a few minutes for a security officer because there are only three security officials on campus during after-curfew hours. According to Shattuck, one stays in the gate house, one mans Vann and Brewer, and the other is responsible for the "riding rink" parking lot, the International House, Poteat, Heilman, and Barefoot. During "peak" times a guard may be expected to let in five or six students at different locations and see them all safely to their dorms.

Shattuck said a security officer, during these hours, runs a tight schedule and can't afford to wait at one

particular door. Shattuck said five minutes is a reasonable amount of time for a student to be expected to get from her car to her dorm, give or take a couple of minutes. If a student is late getting to the dorm, the security person is forced to leave another student waiting elsewhere. "Unfortunately," Shattuck said "We can't be everywhere at all times."

In response to security escorts from parking lots, Shattuck said a student waiting for an escort should wait in their car for a few minutes, with their headlights on, and security will come. Because the "liability is too great," Shattuck said students cannot be carried to or from their dorms.

Shattuck and his staff are doing their best, but we "girls are going to have to be more responsible for [our] own security."