

Lubbock alive, doing well economically



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Lubbock is alive and doing well — at least economically speaking. What's more, the city fathers are planning to publicly boast as much as possible and make it well known that that "Lucky me, I live in Lubbock" slogan holds more truth to it than we realize.

In the past there have been numerous slogans and banner cries which have exalted the city. Among them were such flashes as, "Lubbock: the Hub of the Plains," "Lubbock: the metro city of the southwest," "Lubbock Leads the Way," "Lubbock: a city for all reasons," the "Lucky me..." slogan and now after yesterday's special called meeting by the Chamber of Commerce, the new slogan will be "BIG Lubbock: Business Is Good."

WHEREAS OTHER CITIES across the country are suffering severe economic setbacks, Lubbock, according to official indicator reports, is "sitting pretty fine." For example, city bank deposits for 1974 were up 10 per cent over 1973's totals, building permits were up more than 50 per cent in '74, population increased by approximately 7.5 per cent and the unemployment rate for the city was holding its own very well at about three per cent.

Dub Harris, publicity chairman for the Chamber of Commerce, said yesterday, "Lubbock is not experiencing as much recession as are many other cities around the country. The economic pressures are not true for Lubbock. We just don't have as many problems as other regions in the country are having."

Harris, who was addressing a group made up mostly of mass media representatives, said the month of March has been designated as the time period when "we'll publicize our good economy." Although specific events and programs are not yet set, Harris told the group there will be an official

kickoff to push the economic campaign.

AS ONE NEWSMAN SAID, it may be hard to convince the non-business people of the city that the economy is indeed booming. Though there certainly may have been more money in Lubbock during the last year, I'm just wondering how much of that cash was transferred to employee's take-home checks. Successful business doesn't automatically mean the overall population is sharing the profits.

Dick Benedict of KCBD-TV was quick to point out that the "BIG" in the "BIG Lubbock: Business Is Good" slogan may have the connotation of promoting big businesses in the city and not drawing the attraction and interest of the "plain citizens."

In any case, the campaign will continue as planned and of course with as rare an economic situation as we have in Lubbock at present, there are also aspirations that the solid economic standing of the city will draw national exposure. I hardly think that there are too many cities which can boast of a mere three per cent unemployment rate.

ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO official word yet, the sentiment among campus student leaders is that the University Center and dorm alcohol proposals will most likely not make the agenda for the March Board of Regents meeting.

The reasons, as commonly shared, are that either Regent J. Fred Bucy or Governor Dolph Briscoe's new regent appointees will table discussion of the alcohol proposals until a later meeting. Student leaders are continuing to work toward the March 21 meeting date, but

realistically speaking, the Board's May meeting at this time looks like the more probable for the alcohol showdown.

Chairman Clint Formby, who is aware of both proposals, is also contemplating the idea of having another of those traveling Board meetings in March. The logical choice is El Paso. Last year the Board, for public relations purposes, conducted their meetings in Amarillo and San Angelo.

FORMBY ASKED ME IF there would be any strong reactions from the student body if the meeting were to be in El Paso. I told him students weren't counting on the alcohol proposals making the March meeting, but in the case the proposals did make the agenda, it would not be a good idea to move the meeting site.

"We're going to have to get out there (El Paso) sometime soon," Formby said. "I don't want to schedule it for May because the Board meeting date falls too close to Tech's commencement ceremonies. We could possibly delay it until later in the year — maybe for August. But, we really do need to get out there."

Formby also said he had heard no word from Bucy as to a tabling of the alcohol issue. "My guess is that if he does decide to table it, that he won't do so until he has received the Black Book (Board agenda)," Formby said. According to Vice President for Student Affairs Robert Ewalt, the Black Book is usually mailed to the regents two to three weeks prior to their meetings. That would put the mailing in the first week of March.

As the weeks slip by, the guess is the alcohol proposals will be pushed aside until later. There are no indicators that depict an otherwise different and optimistic picture.

Have a good day.

Letters to the editor

Writer defends both sides

To the Editor:
Having read the interesting exchange of letters concerning foreign TA's, I decided to interject my slightly biased opinion. This letter is not an all-out defense of the original Feb. 11 letter, for I believe that its message was delivered in a rather insulting and crude manner. However, I sympathize with the reason for which the letter was written, the crux of the complaint being the lack of verbal communication between teacher and student. This is a problem that, in many cases, may not remain uncorrected.

Many foreign students and teachers are intelligent and perceptive, and this they must be, for their academic growth usually depends not only on the mastery of a particular subject, but also on the assimilation of the American way of life. Some bear a philosophy dedicated toward scientific thought and experimentation that, at least to me, is quite admirable. Discouragement of the influx of foreign students would be a terrible mistake, for the confluence of different cultures is not only essential to a university, but to the American system.

But regardless of the beneficial aspects of the foreign academic population, some teachers here at Tech fail to communicate effectively in English, contrary to what several TA's would like to believe. Even though possibly "a handful of students, in order to justify their (inadequate) performance in exams, decide to blame the teacher", I would speculate to say that at least two, maybe three, handfuls of students would prefer not to even enroll in a course in which the instructor could not simply convey his ideas to the class.

This phenomenon of failure to communicate does, in fact, exist on this campus, no matter how many batteries of examinations have been dealt out by the Educational Testing Service to "effectively" measure these TA's ability to communicate. The question, then, is how to remedy the

situation which now exists. An answer which seems possible enough to try out, would be for each instructor, foreign or American, to make a sincere attempt to be considerate of those in his class who may not understand his "normal" English diction. That instructor should at least aim to learn to speak English in such a manner that would enable him to convey most of his lecture material to a majority of his class. Some teachers might find a more liberal use of visual aids helpful.

Examining the letter of Feb. 13 from several TA's, it is true that many students could pass a course, even when handicapped by an unintelligible teacher, if they simply "try to learn more and more instead of blaming someone else". But it cannot be denied that for many other students, the difference between effective and ineffective instruction and guidance from an instructor during a class period of instruction may spell PASS or FAIL.

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Few facts and many lies

To the Editor:
Up until now, I have been quietly observing the controversy over the ERA and noting the arguments "pro and con". However, after reading the letter entitled "ERA — purely emotional" (Feb. 14, UD), I feel I must take a stand and express my views.

How anyone could be so naive as to believe that supporters of the ERA are acting on pure emotion is beyond my comprehension. The letters written in support of the ERA (two appeared in Friday's UD) have presented FACTS in a logical and systematic manner in an attempt to show you people why the ERA is a good thing and that the arguments against it are not valid. The letters opposing the ERA have presented few facts, many lies, and were the ones written out of emotional reactions — namely, fear and insecurity.

What are these people afraid of? Granted, a man who depends upon a subservient wife to fix his dinner, wash his clothes, and fulfill all his sexual needs, has something to fear if she is made aware that she has the right to think about her own needs. And granted, a woman who needs a man to take care of her and make her decisions for her, has something to fear if a law is passed which COULD change these things.

But are these valid reasons to keep in existence laws which, allowing some people the luxury of remaining weak, cause others to continue to suffer? It should be obvious to everyone that these are the real reasons people oppose the ERA. The scare tactics of the arguments on the draft and unisex restrooms are mere disguises of these fears. Especially since previous letters in support of the ERA have shown with Constitutional evidence the redundancy of these arguments.

In regard to the "rights" women will lose presented in the letter first referred, I would like to clarify a certain point. These are not divine rights! They are advantages, enacted by law, which women have over men in certain situations. Is it right in a divorce court that women AUTOMATICALLY have favor in obtaining custody over children? Is it right for men to have to pay alimony and women don't? Is it right that upon death of a spouse, women receive more social security benefits than men? Many other situations such as these discriminate against men and yes, the ERA will change this. The "Women Who Want to be Women" and other opposing groups are aware of this and using those scare tactics mentioned above to argue against equal rights.

I hope all of you will open your eyes and stop being misled by those who are simply too insecure to change with the times — changes which will inevitably occur sooner or later. The "pros" and "cons" have been stated; let's make a decision and move on!

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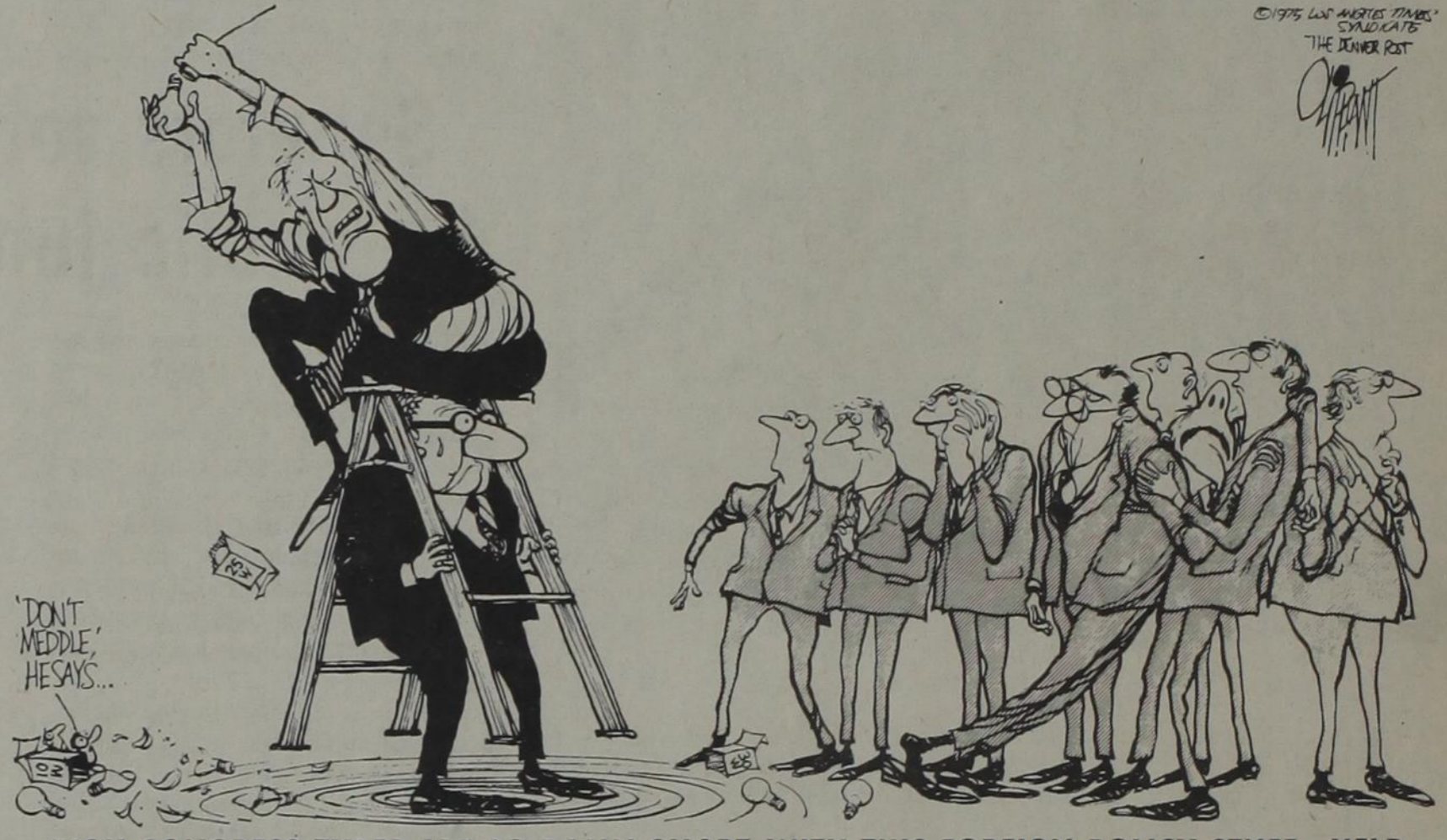
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Navy copter fleet poor

by Jack Anderson

WASHINGTON — The Navy's helicopter carrier fleet is in such poor condition that it is a greater threat to the men on board than to potential enemies.

Yet the Navy would have to depend largely on the seven helicopter carriers to break a stranglehold on oil supplies. As a last resort to prevent the strangulation of the West, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has warned that the United States might use military force.

Vice Admiral Frederick Turner, the Sixth Fleet commander, backed up Kissinger's warning with a statement that the Navy didn't want to invade any oil sheikhdom but was "prepared" to do so.

The stark truth is that the helicopter carrier fleet is scarcely seaworthy, let alone prepared for combat. Each carrier is supposed to deliver by helicopter an entire battalion of Marines, with howitzers, vehicles and supplies. It's unlikely they would make it.

We reported last November on the deterioration of the helicopter carrier fleet. As the worst example, we quoted from classified reports on the leaky, creaky condition of the USS Okinawa.

Our story brought an outpouring of letters from Navy men who urged us to keep reporting the truth about the fleet. One officer commented that not only the seaman's but the nation's safety was at stake.

This generated enough pressure to get some limited repairs for the Okinawa. But the Navy has continued to neglect the other carriers. Just how little has been accomplished is now evident from a new classified report on the Okinawa's sister ship, the Iwo Jima.

The Navy's top inspector, Rear Adm. John Bulkeley, reported bluntly that "material deficiencies exist which significantly degrade" the Iwo Jima as an operational vessel.

These deficiencies include leaking oil, contaminated air ducts, dangerous fuel storage conditions, foul living quarters, shaky landing platforms, malfunctioning radar and misplaced lights.

Summing up his findings in 140 pages of confidential

documentation, he warned that the ship was in urgent need of repairs. For example, he found "the ship's radars, without exception, require maintenance." One failed to work at all during the tests.

"The ship's communication equipment ... require immediate and extensive maintenance," he also reported. This "substandard performance" seriously hampered the Iwo Jima's ability to communicate with other ships.

The living quarters were a mess. Lighting, urinals, showers, bunk partitions, lounges, ventilation and passageways were often "excessively damaged (or) in a deplorable state of repairs."

A shipboard source told us the Iwo Jima brass were tipped off that Bulkeley planned to inspect the ship and, therefore, thoroughly sprayed insect killer from bow to stern. But the cockroaches were so lively and abundant that they were still running wild when Bulkeley's inspectors arrived aboard.

The inspectors found "deficiencies exist which are likely to cause serious injury to personnel." Safety nets were weak or had fallen overboard and were "lost at sea."

The Navy admits many of its ships are in serious need of repair. The cause isn't alone the shortage of money. Our Navy sources also blame it on low morale and lack of pride, brought on by too much drug use, racial unrest and spreading disenchantment.

Footnote: Officially, Navy materials chief Admiral I. I. Kidd has told us: "When they break, I fix 'em. But the entire fleet needs maintenance."

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Juvenile offenders workshop topic

Officials and employees of local governments across the South Plains will meet today at Tech for a workshop on "Treatment and Disposition of Juvenile Offenders."

Registration for the workshop will begin at 9 a.m. in the Continuing Education Building (X-15) across from the Municipal Auditorium. Workshop sessions will begin at 9:30 a.m. and run through 5 p.m.

"A recent Federal District Court decision has held that the Constitution requires a minimum standard of correctional treatment for juveniles in trouble with the law. This ruling could require changes in the traditional approaches in disposition of juvenile offenders," said Charles P. Bubany, professor of Criminal Law and Procedure in the Tech University School of Law and coordinator of the workshop.

"The ruling eventually could impose on states the obligation to take certain affirmative steps which have not been taken in the past to rehabilitate juvenile offenders," Bubany said.

"The developments in this area have broad implications for all citizens, but they have immediate significance for local governments and officials who must formulate and implement juvenile correction policies," he said.

"The treatment of juvenile offenders is a sensitive topic which can be highly charged with emotion," Bubany said.

"There are many controversies and divergent points of view on the subject.

"The workshop will not be able to solve the problems involved. It will open communication on different points of view and examine possible solutions and impacts they might have on a community," Bubany said.

Workshop sessions will include "Juvenile Rights, Including Right to Treatment," by Rodric B. Schoen, Tech School of Law; "Probation Services of the Juvenile Court," by Lloyd Watts, Chief Probation Officer, Lubbock County; "Establishing Need of Treatment-Juvenile Court Hearing," by Daniel H. Benson, Tech School of Law;

"Correctional and Treatment Facilities for Juveniles in Texas: Texas Youth Council," by Don R. Workman, board member, Texas Youth Council; and "Alternatives to Incarceration: Community-Based Programs," Lawrence E. Cummings, Tech professor of sociology.

The workshop is one of a series conducted by the Division of Continuing Education at Tech in cooperation with the South Plains Association of Governments. The next workshop will be on "Alcoholism and Drug Abuse" March 5 at the university. The workshops are open without charge to officials and employees of local governments.

In elementary school 'experiment'

Metric system now being taught

SILVER SPRING, Md. (AP) — There is a poem written on a classroom chalk board at Montgomery County's Cresthaven Elementary School that underlines a change currently taking place in an important area of instruction. It reads:

"Foot by foot and yard by yard,
We find old systems in discard.
Giving way to metric meters,
Kilograms and milliliters."
Cresthaven School, located in a quiet neigh-

borhood of this Washington, D.C., suburb, is about halfway through an experimental academic year of going metric.

And according to its teachers, the metric emphasis has failed to produce any signs of distress among either the children or their parents.

No longer are children at Cresthaven taught that a foot has 12 inches, a pound 16 ounces or a quart two pints. Instead they are learning that a meter has 100 centimeters, a kilogram 1,000 grams and a hectoliter 10 liters.

"We're concentrating on the

first, second and third grades," said Kelly Guido, Cresthaven's principal. "Some of the littler ones haven't yet learned to measure in feet and inches. What we're hoping is that they'll learn to think in metric terms as the primary language of measurement."

Cresthaven School is in the vanguard of a growing movement by educational systems across the nation to abandon the English system of measuring which is used only by the United States and a handful of other nations.

Montgomery County school officials say next year more

than half of the elementary schools in the county will follow Cresthaven's lead and switch to the metric system. By September 1976, metrics will be taught as the basic system of measurement in all the county's schools.

In Maryland, the state Board of Education has directed all schools to be totally metric by 1980.

At Cresthaven the teachers employ special metric exhibits, including such items as charts for the children to measure their height in centimeters and special scales to weigh themselves in kilograms.

Part of the effort here to teach metrics involves bringing the parents in for workshops, so they can help their children if they should ask such questions as: "How many kilometers is it from Washington to Baltimore?"

In the adult workshops, as in the classroom, the emphasis is on learning the metric system itself, not on converting metric measurements into inches, quarts or pounds.

Center has been designated an official American Revolutionary Bicentennial Site.

The change in title will in no way affect the Ranch Headquarters Association, according to Snyder. The support group which has been instrumental in development of the center will retain its original name and status as a non-profit educational corporation.

Ranch Headquarters now Ranching Heritage Center

There's a new name for a piece of American history and tradition preserved at Tech. The outdoor ranching complex here is now called the Ranching Heritage Center.

Formerly known as the Ranch Headquarters, the name was changed to better encompass the scope and spirit of the project, according to Robert L. Snyder, director of the Ranching Heritage Center. The change was made by the Tech Board of Regents during its last meeting.

Center visually preserves the history of the ranching industry from its 18th Century beginnings, through the 19th Century and into the 20th Century and the end of the free range era," Snyder said.

The center brings together, in one place, historic structures depicting the different stages of ranching development in different regions. The buildings are authentically restored and furnished to give visitors a sense of "experiencing history," Snyder said.

The Ranching Heritage

Strokes linked to birth control pills

CHICAGO (AP) — The use of birth control pills significantly increases the risk of a stroke in women, according to a followup study of women stroke victims.

The study, by the Collaborative Group for the Study of Strokes in Young Women, is reported in Monday's edition of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The study involved a statistical group of 598 non-pregnant stroke victims from 15 to 44 years old and two control groups matched for age and race. The women were interviewed about contraceptive practices, smoking habits, symptoms of headache and general medical history.

This information was used to determine the risk of a stroke in women of various ages and backgrounds, taking into account such other factors as high blood pressure, smoking and migraine

headache. In all categories, the relative risk of the less severe thrombotic, or blood-clotting, stroke and the more severe hemorrhagic stroke were found to be significantly higher for oral contraceptive users than for non-users.

In discussing the use of the contraceptives combined with hypertension, the report pointed out that both factors tend to dispose a woman toward possible stroke. The study added, however, that risk of thrombotic stroke for pill users with severe high blood pressure is twice that of non-users with the same degree of hypertension.

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Men's national leadership honorary, Omicron Delta Kappa, is accepting applications for membership. Qualifications are a 3.0 overall grade average and at least junior hours. Applications may be picked up at Dr. Traylor's office, ICASALS, Holden Hall.

ADS
Deadline for signing up to attend ADS initiation is Monday. A list will be provided in J 102.

RESIDENT ASSISTANT APPLICATIONS
Those interested in becoming a Resident Assistant for 1975-76 should attend one of the two meetings scheduled at 7:30 p.m. in the UC Coronado Room on Feb. 20 and 21. Purpose of the meetings is to explain the job position and pass out job descriptions and applications.

LOS CHICANOS
Los Chicanos will meet at 7:30 tonight in the UC annex. All members are urged to attend.

CAMPUS SCOUTS
Campus Scouts will meet tonight in room 113 of the Plant Science Building. Cookie sales will be discussed at a business meeting at 6:30 followed at 7 p.m. by a slide show on canoeing and rafting.

OUTING CLUB
The Outing Club will meet tonight in Room 257 of the BA Building. A speaker will talk on cross country skiing and a trip to Taos this weekend will be discussed. Membership dues of \$5 are due for the semester.

CORPSETTES
Corpsettes will meet today at 4:30 p.m. in the parking lot of the Biology Building.

CIVIL ENGINEERING
The Student Chapter of ASCE will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday in C & ME 52.

FOREIGN STUDY NIGHT
The French Club will sponsor Foreign Study Night at 7 o'clock tonight in the Anniversary Room of the UC.

PSI CHI
A Psi Chi meeting is scheduled at 7 p.m. tonight in room 201 of the Psychology Building for all interested psychology students.

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA AND PHI ETA SIGMA
Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in BA 358. Dr. Barnett will lecture.

MAST
The Tech Sailing Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in room 44 of the Science Building.

SOCIOLOGY CLUB
Sociology Club will meet at 7:30 tonight at 4607 23rd. The speaker will be T. J. Patterson, president of the East Lubbock Businessman's Association.

MORTAR BOARD
Mortar Board will meet at 9 o'clock tonight at 5411 46th St.

AGGIE COUNCIL
The Aggie Council will meet at 7:30 Wednesday in room 301 of the Ag Building.

HANDS
HANDS will meet at 6:30 tonight in room 207 of the UC. The Consumer Awareness Project will be finalized.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION
Baptist Student Union will hold its first annual Spring Banquet Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. at the Baptist Student Center, 2401 13th. Tickets are \$2 at the door. Dress is semi formal.

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Oil shortage called 'national disgrace'

FORT WORTH (AP) — Condemning "wimpering Yankees" and "demagogic Congressman," one of America's top geologists says it is a national disgrace that America ever became dependent on a single barrel of foreign oil.

And, declared Michel T. Halbouty of Houston, public apathy and political indifference on energy could lead to nationwide "destruction, and chaos, and possibly war."

Halbouty addressing the Texas Daily Newspaper Association, assailed a "lethargic, unthinking Congress, and 'apathetic public,'" a "sensationalist media" and some "ill-advised moves" within his own industry.

A past-president of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Halbouty was among the first industry representatives to warn more than a decade ago that U.S. energy policies could bring on a dangerous dependency on foreign oil and expose the country to international blackmail.

"And it seems that rather than getting better, our dependence on foreign oil could increase unless Washington gets down to business," he told the news executives.

"On top of all that, it now appears the OPEC Oil Producing and exporting countries are determined to increase rather than decrease prices.

"The reason we are in this situation is that everyone in government, from the Congress to the President, is neck-deep in plitics. There is no sign of cooperation between the branches of government

and the parties in the public interest.

"The power blocs are looking to the next election — personal and party welfare first and the public welfare be damned."

Hurlbuty, while directing most of his criticism at the Northeast and its congressional representatives, said:

"Only the American people could snap the politicians out of their preoccupation with their own self interest, but there doesn't seem much likelihood of that happening."

"The public has become apathetic — and I put a lot of blame of the media for not continually informing the people of the destruction and chaos which their apathy will lead them into."

Halbouty has asserted, in effect, that the problem of the press is one of sensationalism to the detriment of factual reporting on the energy dilemma.

Halbouty offered his own explanation of the energy crisis and the recession and inflation that followed:

"You could very easily blame this whole mess on the voters and their Congressmen in the upper East Coast and the northern tier of states... Yankees in the North and East started demanding after the first Mid-East War more imports to further depress oil prices.

"They wanted to get the stuff free if they could and they came pretty close.

"They sent their duly elected demagogues to Congress to demand increase imports, elimination of depletion allowance and other tax incentives and federally controlled natural gas prices."

This resulted, he said, in preventing oil and gas from joining other commodities in steadily increasing in price.

"The consequence was a virtual stoppage in oil and gas exploration and development on the domestic levels," he said.

"Soon we practically gave up and many oilmen and drilling contractors, as well as highly skilled and uniquely experienced rig crews, finding jobs scarce, wandered off into other areas, where their talents and resourcefulness were welcomed."

Eventually 75 per cent of the 40,000 independent wildcatters retired, he said, noting that historically it was the independents who found up to 90 per cent of the new oil fields on shore in the lower 48 states.

"So let us now put the cause of the oil shortage, the recession and the spiralling inflation including the almost incredible interest rates where they belong — on the back of the wimpering Yankee," he said.

"This is why men are walking the streets without jobs and their families and communities and the nation are suffering. Natural gas simply is not available for the North and East in sufficient quantities to relieve this disaster.

"For the first time in my life, I now realize the meaning of the term 'Damn Yankees,' and it's not as funny as I

thought it was."

With no apparent reluctance, Halbouty also attacked his own oil industry for its "shortcomings and mistakes," but he said:

"What we need is production increases in gas and oil and a Manhattan project — a spaceage type of crash program in all other types of future energy sources."

And, he declared, the country needs it now — not after the next election.

"We know we are telling the truth and we know that many Eastern and Northern members of Congress are either ignorant or that they are deliberately leading their constituents and this nation down the road to economic chaos and possibly war, simply to attract more votes.

"What is even more frustrating is that a large segment of the American voters and consumers continue to listen and believe these mountebanks, even as they are being led to economic slaughter."

Dr. Philip Gramm, a Texas A&M economist, provided the news executives some grim economic forecasts and said:

"Ultimately, the federal government is going to have to live within its tax receipts if we are to avoid inflation and economic hardship.

"Government edict cannot void the laws of economics and fancy programs cannot substitute for fiscal responsibility."

Gramm blamed the country's economic problems on an "incompetent and irresponsible government."

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Sword play

This sword play is part of the new Theatre Art's advanced acting class, stage combat. This scene, taken from Hamlet, is being directed by Sam Cornelius (center), a student in the class. The swordsmen also are both students. (Photo by Curtis Leonard)

Farmers may switch from cotton production

WASHINGTON (AP) — Great numbers of cotton farmers are threatening to switch to other crops because of inadequate federal farm programs and the increasing costs of production, the Senate Agriculture Committee was told Monday.

Chauncey L. Denton Jr., president of the National Cotton Council of America, said growers have indicated they intend to cut back 1975 cotton acreage 32 per cent from last year.

"It is entirely possible that crops in 1975 and some future years could be too small to meet domestic and foreign market requirements" for cotton, Denton said.

Denton's statement was echoed by several other witnesses, representing most phases of the cotton industry, from production to manufacturing.

Denton noted that the average cost of producing cotton jumped from 32.5 cents a pound in 1972 to more than 50 cents in 1974, mainly because of higher fertilizer costs due to the energy crunch.

The 50-cent figure is 12 cents higher than the government's 38-cent target price for cotton. But while cotton prices are falling, prices paid farmers for other crops are rising because of growing world demand for food, Denton said.

Thus, cotton farmers find it more attractive to switch to

soybeans or other food or feed crops than to stay with their present crop, he added.

Denton urged that the Commodity Credit Corporation update its loan program to promote the orderly marketing of cotton, assist in financing the crop, assure adequate production at prices competitive with the rest of the world, and "not unduly encourage increased foreign production."

C. Hoke Leggett of Hobgood, N.C., representing cotton producers, went a step beyond the action recommended by the Cotton Council. Leggett urged legislation allowing cotton producers to renew CCC loans for an additional eight months beyond the present loan period.

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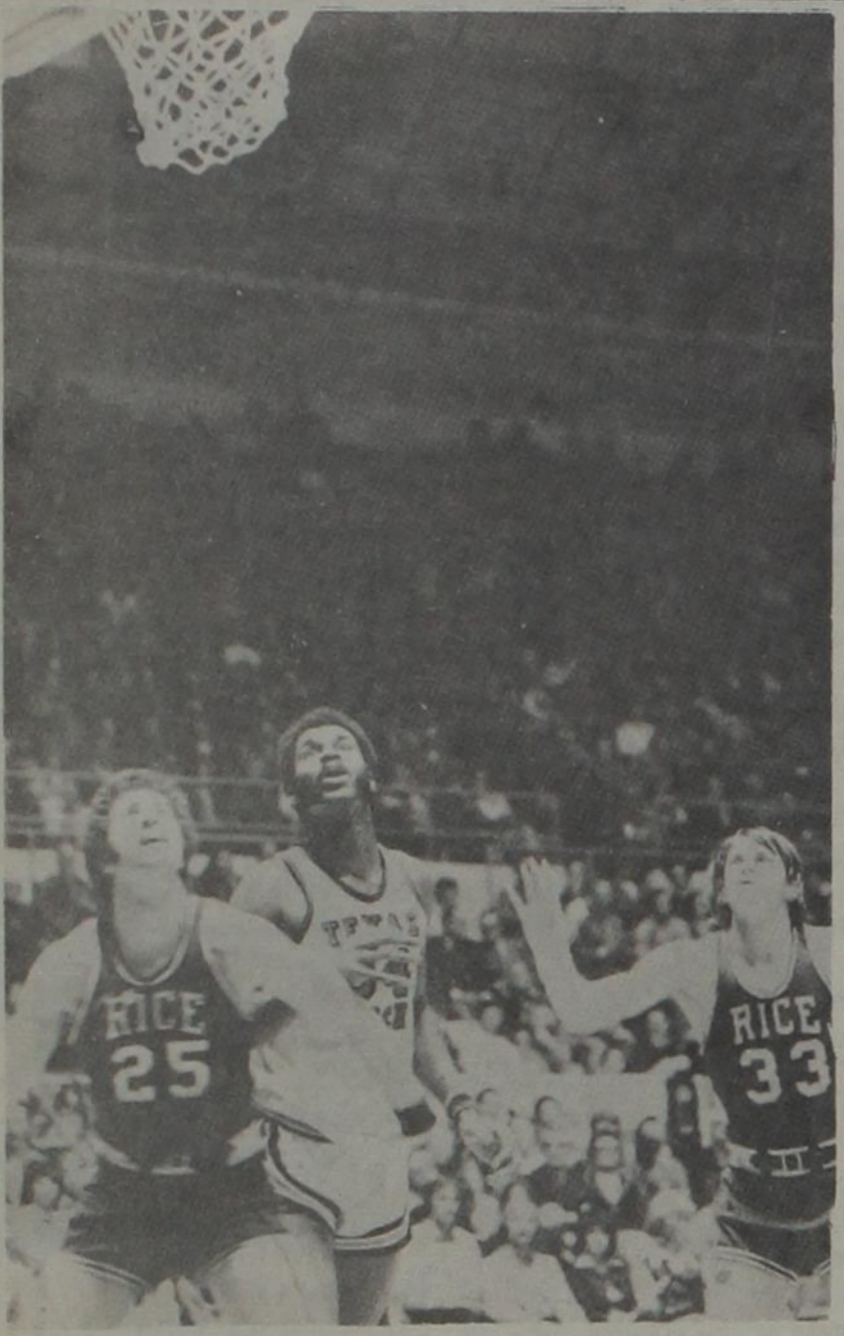
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Rude reception may await Tech



Bull and Newt
Rick Bullock (above) and Grady Newton (below) will be in the starting lineup tonight when Tech battles Southern Methodist in Moody Coliseum. In the first meeting with SMU, Bullock scored 17 points and Newton 10. (Photos by Paul Tittle)

A possible rude reception may await the Tech Red Raiders tonight as they face the Southern Methodist Mustangs in Dallas. Tip-off will be at 7:30 in Moody Coliseum and the game will be aired here over KFYO.

The rude reception in Dallas will be the second act of the Raider-Mustang rivalry. The first act occurred last Tuesday in Lubbock when a fan-induced ice storm rained down on the Mustangs in the Lubbock Coliseum. That ice storm, described as the worst at Tech in six years, has sparked off controversy which has spread around the SWC about the unruliness of crowds this season.

SWC officials have taken steps to try to curb the negative crowd reactions. Measures are being taken against the Arkansas Razorback's Mad Hatter group and policemen were stationed all over the student stands in last Saturday's Tech win over Rice in Lubbock.

Watchful eyes will be turned in the direction of the Tech SMU rematch to make sure the Pony fans don't try some retaliation measures. The Pony fans may subscribe to the old Jimmy Cagney theory of, "What you did to my brother, you dirty rat, I'm going to do to you."

As far as the conference race is concerned Tech needs this win to keep their championship hopes alive. The

Raiders are one game off the Texas Aggies' 7-1 pace. Arkansas is likewise a game out of first place. Tech sports a five-game winning streak as they have come on like gangbusters after a slow start due to injuries.

The Mustangs own a dismal 3-4 record. Lack of defense and rebounding have hurt the Ponies. SMU dearly misses supercenter Ira Terrell who is suspended this season for

NCAA violations. SMU is led by center Rusty Bourquein (6-8) who is averaging 14.9 points per contest. Bourquein is a natural forward forced to play center due to Terrell's absence. SMU received a shot in the arm with freshman Jeff Swanson (6-6) who has stepped in the slot left open when Oscar Roan passed up his final year of eligibility to average 11.2.

John Sagehorn (6-3) is a senior floor leader at one guard who averages 11.9 while Mike Jaccar (6-0) will be the other guard. The other forward will be freshman Joe Swedlund (6-6) who is also in double figures with an 11.1.

The Bullock-Bourquein match-up will be the key as they are one-two in rebounding. Last week Bullock had 13 rebounds to Bourquein's eight and the Bull had 17 points while the SMU ace had 14. Bourquein fouled out of the contest.

North Texas defeats Raiders

By JOE GULICK
Sports Writer

The Tech wrestling club lost a dual meet 30-22 to North Texas State University last weekend.

Tech had a dual meet scheduled with TCU, but TCU cancelled the meet. That was the second time this season the Frogs cancelled a dual meet with Tech.

Four Tech wrestlers won their respective weight divisions in the NTSU meet.

They were: Melvin Robinson, 177-pound division; Steve Wilson, 167-pound division; Mark Faris, 158-pound division; and David Hadden, 142-pound division.

This weekend the wrestlers travel to the state wrestling tournament at Richland College in Dallas. The winner of the tournament will be the state wrestling champion, according to Allen Atnip, president of the Tech wrestling club. Richland College is the defending state champion and is currently ranked No. 1 in the state, Atnip said.

"There will be about 12 or 14 teams entered in the tournament," said Atnip. "Some of them are very tough teams. It's going to be a close tournament, and I hope we finish close to the top."

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Lacrosse meeting set

By KIRK DOOLEY
Sports Writer

A meeting to organize a Tech lacrosse club is scheduled at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Mesa Room of the University Center. Purpose of the meeting is to determine how much interest Tech students have in lacrosse.

Phillip Marshall, an associate professor of psychology, has played lacrosse at the University of Rhode Island and is starting the club along with Bill Kozar, an associate professor in men's PE and Jim Chapman, a graduate student. Chapman played lacrosse at Texas A&M, where he was one of the founders of the club there.

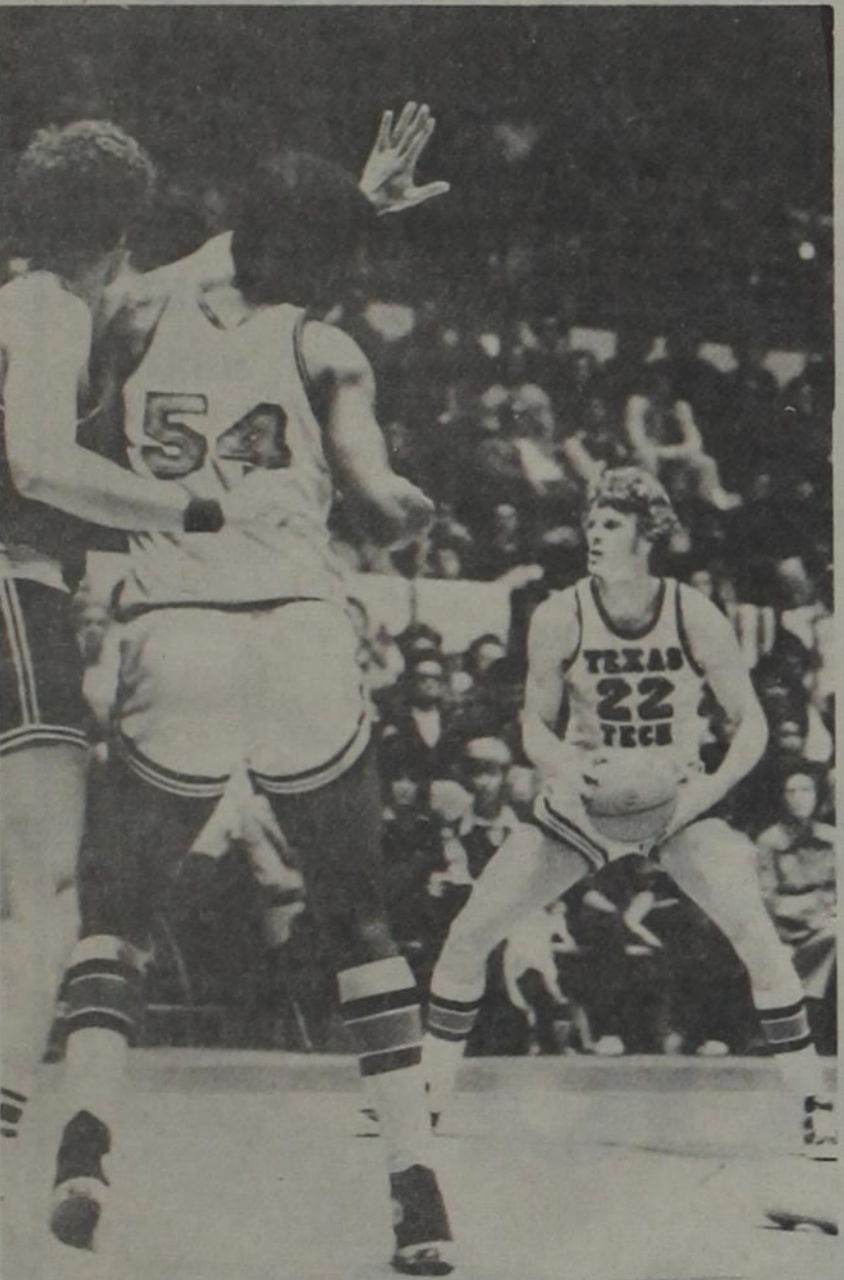
"We don't really have any idea how many Tech students have been exposed to the sport," said Marshall, "nor do we know how many to anticipate. We want to stress that we are introducing the sport to Tech; no experience is necessary. There has been some talk of starting a club to teach interested students to play lacrosse and we are simply following through."

Lacrosse is extremely fast and is definitely a contact sport. The field is 110 by 60 yards and the rules are similar to hockey. There are 10 men on a team. Scoring is accomplished by advancing a small hard rubber ball into a net six yards square.

"There are already eight clubs in Texas," said Marshall, "so hopefully in time we will be playing them with an experienced, uniformed team. Until then we will learn the fundamentals and play each other."

Most West Texans don't know much about lacrosse and for some reason many believe that it is an English, or European sport. Actually lacrosse was invented by the American Indians before the Europeans got here. The Canadians picked it up and developed it into what is now the Canadian national sport (not ice hockey).

The meeting Wednesday night will include films, slides, and a general orientation to lacrosse.



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