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Tests political strength

SAIGON—President Nguyen Van Thieu is making the first big effort to test the strength of his basically military regime in the political arena for the coming grass-roots struggle with the Viet Cong.

Elected president by only about 35 per cent of the vote nearly 18 months ago in an election heavily influenced by the military, Thieu is believed to face an uphill fight.

A Roman Catholic convert born into a mandarin family in north-central Vietnam, he has never had wide appeal in the largely Buddhist south. And his administration has made little progress in land reform and in efforts to curb government corruption.

Thieu announced early this month he would try to make some sense out of South Vietnam's political scene. The 46-year-old chief of state is seeking a political union of those who agree with his policy. Aides say he hopes to launch the new political alliance in the first week in May.

Associates say Thieu has signed up leaders of eight of South Vietnam's 47 political parties. Thieu hopes to narrow this hodgepodge into a basically two-party system, with a non-Communist opposition.

Resigns following clashes

BEIRUT, Lebanon—Premier Rashid Karami resigned Thursday night, plunging Lebanon deeper into political crisis after two days of bloody clashes between government troops and demonstrators protesting restrictions on Arab guerrillas.

More rioting in the southern town of Tyre left four dead, bringing to 16 the number of demonstrators and police killed in the two days of disorders. Nearly 100 have been wounded.

Karami's resignation came as the crisis appeared to be shaping into a major split between Lebanon's rival Moslem and Christian communities.

Lebanon's population is about half Christian and half Moslem and the government generally has tried to steer clear of involvement in the Middle East fighting.

BEIRUT AND OTHER major cities were under curfew and Lebanon's 15,000-man army patrolled the streets and Palestinian refugee camps.

The new rioting involved Tyre's Rashidien refugee camp which has a population of 10,000 Palestinians uprooted from homes in territory which is now Israel. Lebanon has 160,000 such refugees in all.

Sabotage water supplies

BELFAST, Northern Ireland—Northern Ireland stepped up security precautions Thursday against an expert sabotage campaign which has crippled Belfast's water supplies and threatened a major health hazard.

An explosion early Thursday cut a four-foot water main feeding Belfast from Lugh Neagh, an inland sea west of the capital. It was the second such attack in four days. Water rationing was imposed on half a million people, and many homes had supplies only for three hours in the evening.

Authorities called out more British troops to guard installations. Helicopter patrols kept watch on power and water lines.

William Porter, minister of home affairs who has charge of internal security, said the province is under attack from people intent on its destruction. He ordered the call-up of more police reserves to add to the 2,000 reservists already helping the 3,000-man regular force.

Seek security conference

WASHINGTON—The Communist countries of Eastern Europe are conducting a quiet campaign in Washington and in other Atlantic alliance capitals for a conference on European security. They stress that the Soviet Union has dropped its opposition to U.S. participation at such a conference.

Corneliu Bogdan, Romanian ambassador to Washington, is the latest spokesman for the Communist bloc. Known as an able representative of his maverick country, he met with Undersecretary of State Elliot L. Richardson on Monday. The State Department said only that Bogdan asked for the appointment and that East-West questions were discussed.

DIPLOMATIC SOURCES GO beyond that. They say Bogdan told Richardson the Warsaw Pact nations do not consider the Atlantic Alliance's reserved reaction to their suggestion for a conference on European security as a final "no" and are ready to explore with the West under what circumstances such a conference could convene.

Defends protester draft

WASHINGTON—The Justice Department is defending before the Supreme Court the government's speed-up in drafting Vietnam war protesters.

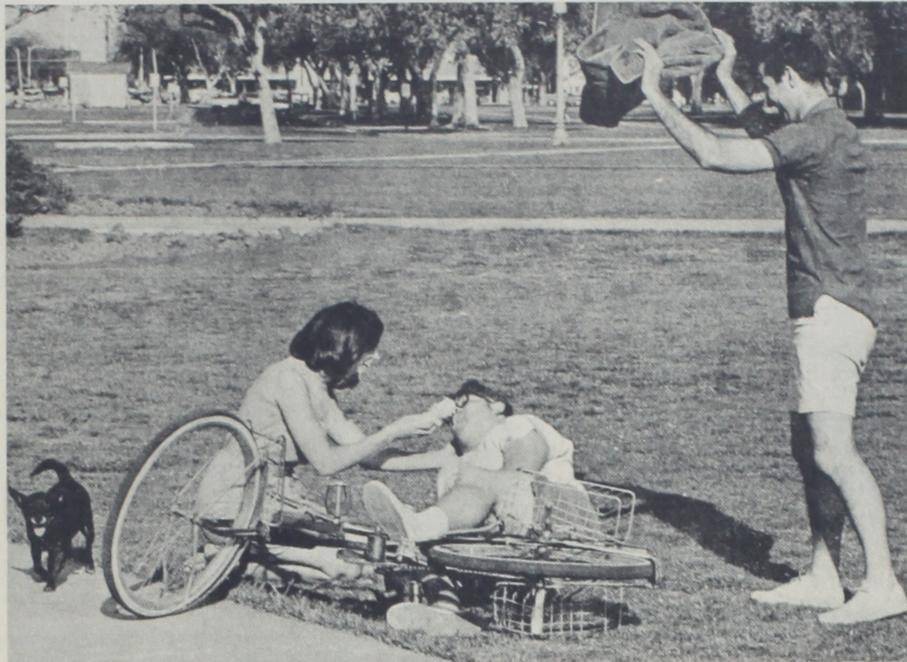
In a brief filed this week Solicitor General Erwin N. Griswold asked the court to reject a young Minnesotan's attack on the draft delinquency regulations.

The department official moved carefully, however. He did not specifically approve the reclassification to I-A of protesters. And he did not endorse a controversial 1967 memorandum of Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey counseling draft boards to use the regulations against young men who engage in "illegal activity."

David Earle Gutknecht, 22, of Gaylord, Minn., claims he was ordered to induction because he turned in his draft card during an antidraft demonstration in Minneapolis in 1967.

HE REFUSED TO SUBMIT, was convicted and sentenced to four years in prison.

Griswold said the regulations constitutionally authorize the priority induction of registrants who turn in their cards. "The obligation to carry a registration and a classification card at all times," he said, "is specific and narrowly defined and involves no conflict with the freedoms protected by the First Amendment."



LITTLE 500 GOES TO THE DOGS—Doris Riddell, left, feeds weary cyclist "Fat" Max Starkey an ice cream cone while Tom Kammerer waves a towel. The team is entered

in Saturday's classic as the KTX Clowns. Onlooker at left is a small dog about to charge cameraman. (Staff photo by Richard Mays)

As campus protest wave continues

Negro students close NYCC

NEW YORK (AP)—Dissident Negro students kept the huge City College of New York closed Thursday and shut down predominantly Negro Hampton Institute.

In New York City, where students staged protests on several college campuses, Negro students remained in command for the third day of some 16 acres of CCNY's upper Manhattan campus. They allowed administration officials inside to try to negotiate a peace and agreed to let President Buell Gallagher sleep in his own home, which is on the barricaded campus.

The Negro students, together with Puerto Rican students, have refused

to let any whites, student or faculty, on the enclosed campus since Tuesday morning. Classes were abandoned then. The demonstrators are demanding greater enrollment of minority group students and a separate school of black studies.

Meanwhile, 50 white students occupying an administration building on the other half of the campus repulsed a band of conservative students trying to end their sit-in. The conservative students tossed bottles at the sit-ins, who are demonstrating in support of the Negro protest.

City College, the biggest free-tuition school in the country, has 20,000

students, about 4,500 of them Negro. In Hampton, Va., trustees of Hampton Institute, which enrolls 2,600 students, closed the school "for an indefinite period." Almost 100 students invaded the administration building Wednesday and remained.

Dr. Jerome H. Holland, the college president and Cornell University's only Negro All-America football player, refused to leave his office after the students trooped in with bedrolls, food and extra clothing.

At Harvard, President Nathan M. Pusey told 800 Business School students: "The kind of disruption that we just experienced, disruption of this kind will not stop on this or any other campus unless the university communities themselves insist that they do stop."

WITHOUT MENTIONING the Students for a Democratic Society, which led the two weeks of unrest at Harvard, Pusey said campus revolutionaries seek only to tear down American society.

At other campuses: George Washington, D.C.—University officials prepared criminal action against SDS-led protesters who smashed furniture and scattered files during a five-hour siege of the Institute for Sino-Soviet Studies that ended early Thursday. Eight of the 40 demonstrators already have been identified, President Lloyd Elliott said.

St. Bonaventure University, Olean, N.Y.—Seven students began a total fast Thursday outside the school president's office window, vowing to remain there "until they collapse, if necessary." They want a board on college disciplinary hearings that the Student Senate has recommended and the school has refused.

Hardy says Mideast 'supercharged'

By KATHY RHOADS
Staff Writer

David Keith Hardy, guest speaker for the Tech Union's International Interests Committee, spoke Thursday night on what may happen in the Middle East and whether or not the problem can be solved.

Hardy said that the Middle East was so underdeveloped educationally, socially and otherwise, except for the oil industry. "They have a bad internal political structure, unbalanced economy, sophisticated weapons but don't know how to use them; the Big Four powers won't commit themselves and they have trade complications."

He said that there is a "supercharged" atmosphere brought about by the military and both countries want to get back at each other. The Russians have moved in very cautiously without any political complications. The Russian-Arab relationship is based on a client-state basis where Russia is supplying military as well as technical assistance.

Hardy said there is no possibility of a settlement at the present time. The only alternative is for the major powers to negotiate. The Swedish ambassador to Moscow was sent by the

City Hall wins

... again

NEW YORK (AP)—City Councilman Joseph Modugno of Queens says that he can't win at City Hall.

Last July, Modugno's car was damaged during an antipoverty demonstration at City Hall.

He finally collected \$325 in insurance for the damage last week.

Wednesday, Modugno drove up to City Hall in his repaired car only to be told he could not park there because of another scheduled antipoverty demonstration.

He said a policeman told him, "We don't want your car to be damaged again. You can park on Warren Street. It will be safe there."

United Nations to negotiate but he had no power and support.

"An outside force is needed to intervene but in the age of super nationalism we live in we just can't go muscling in. This is the problem that the Russian and United States state departments are discussing at this time, but the problem is the use of military force without being called names."

Hardy said that the communications field played a part in this crisis by painting black headlines and the crisis was not that serious. "The armies are happy as long as the fighting does not escalate."

"If the United States and Russia are going to get together, the Middle East will be the area because of the increasing tension between Russia and China. But, in our lifetime, there is no conceivable solution of justice."

Rash of stomach illness now apparently finished

The rash of stomach illnesses from residents of Gaston and Thompson halls has ended, Dr. O.R. Hand of the Student Health Service said Thursday.

Hand said only three or four cases of intestinal disorders had been treated Thursday, none serious and only one from the two dorms.

"This thing was apparently a tempest in a teapot," said Hand. He added that all of the students treated for stomach illnesses Tuesday night and Wednesday had been either sent home or released by Thursday morning.

HAND SAID SINCE noon Wednesday the number of students treated for stomach illnesses had been no higher than usual.

Jim J. Northcutt, director of environmental health and safety, took samples from the Gaston-Thompson cafeteria Wednesday. Northcutt could not be reached Thursday but a spokesman for his office said no conclusive results from the tests would be available before Friday at the earliest.

Dr. M.C. Schlecte of the Student Health Service said Wednesday the ill-

nesses had all the characteristics of food contamination because of the relative quickness with which most of the patients were recovering.

Old South Parade to begin at 3:30

The annual Old South Parade of Kappa Alpha Order begins today at 3:30 p.m. at the Broadway entrance to the campus.

According to Traffic Security, the parade will proceed by the East Engineering Building, the West Engineering Building, the Ad Building, the Union, and conclude at Doak Hall.

John E. Simpson, Houston sophomore, will present the secession speech at Doak Hall. Also scheduled is the presentation of the Rose Queen candidates of Kappa Alpha Order. John Carris of KA will give invitations to each person attending the ball Saturday night.

Garry Barnard, chairman of the Old South Parade, estimated the speeches and parade would last about an hour and a half. Barnard said the activities would be highlighted by the secession party tonight.

Citizens testify before Council on movie issue

By FRED GANSKE
Staff Writer

More than 20 speakers presented their views Thursday on the pending motion picture ordinances at a 5-hour public hearing before the Lubbock City Council.

One ordinance, if adopted, would use the rating system as given by the Motion Picture Code and Rating Administration of the Motion Picture Association of America.

The ordinance, however, would place penalties upon movie exhibitors who admit persons under 16 who are not accompanied by a parent or guardian to a film rated "R."

A person under 16 would not be admitted to a film rated "X" under any circumstances, according to the ordinance.

The other proposed ordinance would set up a nine-member motion picture classification board which would judge each film to be shown in Lubbock as to its acceptability for viewing by children. This would be in addition to the MPAA code.

Subject to \$200 fine

Both state that a movie exhibitor, if convicted of violating the ordinances, would be subject to a fine not to exceed \$200.

Mayor W. D. "Dub" Rogers opened the hearing by saying all members of the council are opposed to censorship. The ordinance, he said, would provide for a system of classification and does not involve censorship.

Other speakers, however, apparently did not agree that censorship was not an issue.

Robert A. Rooker, assistant professor of journalism at Tech, said he opposed any ordinance which includes censorship. Trust, he said, should be placed in people's ability to distinguish between what is good and bad.

The only thing the ordinance would do, said Rooker, would be to sell a lot of theater tickets.

One of the major issues discussed in the hearing was whether or not the movie code as interpreted by the movie industry was adequate for the moral atmosphere of the Lubbock area.

Mrs. J. B. Hance, 5403 19th St., said the present movie code with its "G," "M," "R" and "X" does not fit the "moral composition" of Lubbock. Mrs. Hance said she was speaking for 120 signers of a petition which she presented to the council.

Rev. David Ray, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lubbock, said the type of films we see today indicate the sickness in our society. Morality cannot be legislated, said Ray, but trends can be curbed.

He recommended fines of not less than \$200 for convicted violators of the proposed ordinance.

Ray said there was a need for a broadly based committee to review MPAA ratings at the city level.

Richard Garrett, a sophomore at Tech, said he was for an effective labeling system for movies but without enforcement. He said he feared the motion picture classification board as outlined in the proposed ordinance would tend to be prudish in classifying movies.

'Be turned into Hell'

Rev. Bert Homer, pastor of 25th Street Baptist Church, agreed with Ray and said he "spoke from the standpoint of national righteousness." "The wicked shall be turned into hell," said Homer.

Mrs. Dale Pontius, 5224 14th St., said she is against any type of forbidden movies even for children. Mrs. Pontius said she is a member of the Lubbock Civil Liberties Union but was not speaking as its representative.

Rev. Jess Hall Jr., pastor of the Greenlawn Church of Christ, also said movie codes need to be based on community standards of morality.

Roger Settler, Lubbock senior, said the ordinance and all the arguments he had heard in the hearing were too concerned with sexuality in the movies. He charged that violence and bloodshed were being condoned in the Lubbock movie ordinance.

He said violence in movies is more destructive to a young mind than sexuality.

At the conclusion of the session, a member of the Lubbock Junior Chamber of Commerce presented a resolution calling for an ordinance which would prohibit the sale and possession of what he called "hard-core pornography" in Lubbock.

City Attorney Fred Senter, however, said there was an adequate state law covering the subject. The city could not pass an effective law in this area which would have stiffer penalties than the present state law, he said.

Nixon calls for postal rate hike

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Nixon asked Congress Thursday for a \$635-million increase in postal rates and promised to come up with a plan to reform the postal system which, he said, should be "an example of sound business practices."

Nixon, as anticipated, proposed a one-cent boost in the cost of mailing a letter—to seven cents. He wants the post card charge hike to six cents but sought no change in the 10-cent air-mail rate.

Also recommended were increases in charges for the handling of second and third class mail.

Even while calling for the higher rates, Nixon said:

"This administration is determined that the cycle of greater and greater postal deficits and more and more rate increases will be broken."



CAUTION: GENTLE THURSDAY MAY BE HAZARDOUS TO YOUR HEALTH—Another windy Thursday apparently did not keep same from being gentle, as a large crowd gathered behind the Union for an afternoon of fellowship and music. The couple in foreground takes a cigarette break, thus proving that such gatherings do not necessarily weed out the hippies from the "estab." (Staff photo by John Palm)

Editorial

Fiddlers delay 'Name-Change Day'

Gov. Preston Smith has proclaimed Saturday "Texas Tech Day" for the state. The Texas House celebrated "Speaker's Day" all day Wednesday. Gov. Smith presented the 1969 Mother of Texas Award Wednesday.

Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes posed Wednesday with Mickey Mantle for pictures after the House had passed a resolution recognizing Mantle's gifts to baseball and wishing him luck with his chain of restaurants.

The Legislature passed a resolution congratulating the Tech Ex-Students Association for "loyalty and enthusiasm" and sending "good wishes for the celebration of Tech day."

It might appear that the Legislature is messing around a little bit. But we cannot forget the trying problems it has handled this year already.

When there was trouble on the college campuses, the men in Austin faced the problem—they outlawed it. When campus leaders were unhappy, the governor faced the problem—he invited student

body presidents down for a 45-minute conference.

Surely there are still more important things for the Legislature to take care of before it considers a name-change for Tech. But while Lubbock Rep. Delwin Jones and the State Affairs Committee of the House fiddle with names, a fire still smolders at Tech.

Final exams and the end of the legislative session approach simultaneously, much as did a Tech Board of Directors meeting and final exams last January. We warned the student body last time what was coming, it came and it was resented.

Dead week begins in 17 days.

Dr. Grover Murray, Tech president, said in his "Tech Day" message to the ex-students of Tech, "we have one of the brightest futures of any university in the country."

He might have qualified that by adding "if any students come back and if we keep explaining our name in Time magazine."

Walk for hunger

Tech students plan to conduct a Hunger Walk Sunday to collect money for the Biafra Relief Service Foundation. Mayor W. D. Rogers, strong rival of Gov. Preston Smith as a proclaimer of days, has proclaimed Sunday "World Hunger Walk Day."

Student Association President Jay Thompson has endorsed the walk with the following statement:

"In conjunction with Mayor Dub Rogers of Lubbock, who has proclaimed Sunday as "World Hunger Walk Day," I would like to encourage all students who would like to take a positive and active "step" toward solving the problem of world hunger to participate in the Hunger Walk this Sunday. This can be our way to give so that others might receive."

The cause is worthy, and you meet the nicest people in the streets of Lubbock.

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'Terrific shock tokid'

Boozing may mean booking

By EDDIE KENNEDY
Staff Writer

Two Tech students in the car are 20-year-olds and the other—the driver—is 21. They have just returned from "the strip" with a quantity of beer and are headed for some place within the city limits.

However, the driver accidentally violates some minor traffic law and is seen by a Lubbock policeman who immediately halts the car, routinely checks the interior and finds the beer.

Then following standard procedure, the officer asks the students to step out of the car, checks their identity and age, requires them to place their hands on the car, and "pads (risks) them down."

"AND THIS," according to a local criminal lawyer who has handled many such liquor violation cases in the past, "is a terrific shock to the kid, especially when he realizes it is actually HE and not someone else standing there with his hands over his head, waiting for the paddy wagon."

Most students get themselves into hot water through disregard of the "first commandment" of the Texas liquor law which reads, "It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of twenty-one (21) years to purchase . . . or consume any alcoholic beverage."

RUMORS ABOUT exceptions to this rule are always present on the campus. Students sometimes have misconceptions, such as they are "safe" if they lock the beer in the car trunk or drink on private premises.

"But they're all wrong," said

Leon C. Bowman, Lubbock district supervisor for the Texas Liquor Control Board (LCB). "There are no exceptions to this rule. A minor is in direct violation of the law every time he takes a drink, unless he's in the presence of his parent, legal guardian or adult husband or wife."

On campus, it is not so much a question of possession of liquor as it is one of behavior after the student has already become "soused."

And according to the circumstances of the case, campus police may file a variety of charges on the student at the Lubbock police station.

If a student is arrested by the city police (procedure varies somewhat with traffic security and the LCB) for "minor in possession" or "making available to a minor," he is first moved to the police station. If he is in a car, it is the owner's expense.

He is then "booked" which involves photographing, fingerprinting and questioning. A record of his arrest (called a "rapsheet") goes permanently on file with the Lubbock Police Department. His fingerprints are sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington D.C. and to the Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin. And from then on, the person has a record, whether or not he is convicted of the

charge. "Nine-tenths of the students who get themselves into this kind of mess wouldn't be here if they stayed completely away from a car when drinking," was the lawyer's advice.

"Usually a group of students get in a car and go out to the strip where one of the adults buys for everyone. Then they return to town and violate some traffic law."

"It's always that they do something wrong in a car, where they shouldn't have alcohol in the first place. Then they get stopped, and only then get chopped (arrested) with a liquor violation."

"In my opinion," commented Justice of the Peace F. B. Bolen, "a bunch of well behaved 20-year-olds who have a drink of beer are not criminals; they've just violated the law. My idea of a criminal is someone who injures somebody or his property. But is the law, and there's no way around it."

BUT IS THE legal age a real problem? A survey conducted by a graduate seminar in sociology under the direction of Dr. Mhyra Minnis, professor of sociology, indicated the only people that are really "up in arms" about the legal drinking age are those under 21. Perhaps not so surprising after all.

But whatever the legal age, the minor who takes a drink of alcohol is in danger of going through a not-so-pleasant experience with the police.

"And when the door swings shut, and it finally dawns on the kid just what a pickle he's got himself into," commented the lawyer, "it's enough to make a Christian out of anybody—even a college student."

College regulations prohibit alcoholic drinks on campus

There is no state or federal law prohibiting alcoholic beverages on campus, according to Dr. Owen L. Caskey, vice president for student affairs.

Caskey did say, however, there is a college regulation regarding alcoholic beverages on campus.

He cited the Code of Student Affairs which says, "The College prohibits the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages, including beer, on the campus. Students are required to comply with state laws against possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons below 21 years of age."

When there is a violation of this rule, Caskey said, "It is a disciplinary offense and can be investigated."

He also said only five or six people have been put on probation for drinking violations and there have been no suspensions for drinking by Tech officials this year.

However, either on campus or off, any student who is in violation of the liquor law is in danger of being hauled downtown.

CHIEF SECURITY Officer Bill Daniels said any male student apprehended on campus with liquor in his possession is automatically turned over to Lewis N. Jones, assistant dean of students for administration.

involves photographing, fingerprinting and questioning. A record of his arrest (called a "rapsheet") goes permanently on file with the Lubbock Police Department. His fingerprints are sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington D.C. and to the Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin. And from then on, the person has a record, whether or not he is convicted of the

Letters

Petrified at learning ROTCs out to get him

In regard to the Board of Regent's endorsement of ROTC, may I say that I too am terrified, moreover, petrified at learning that the ROTC are out to get me.

Little did I know that there are soldiers hiding in every corner, just waiting to snatch up poor, unwilling students, clothe them in blue or green (first grab, first serve), and impress them into the service of their country for one and one-half grueling hours a week.

Rumor has it that plans are underway for a military takeover of our own beloved school.

First the Air Force will strafe and bomb the Administration Building with Piper Cubs, then make another pass to listen to the dying people scream. When the smoke clears, the Army will capture all of the faculty and their families, stabbing all babies under three years of age.

Yes, the military certainly must go; it's truly a most dangerous, COMMUNISTIC subversive challenge to the livelihood of all Americans. But things are looking up.

Reliable sources contend that there is a movement within

the military to do away with rigid authority. Yes, soon soldiers will be able to vote on whether to charge or retreat while in battle, that is if the VC can be persuaded to stop

shooting until a decision has been reached!

James Standifer
AFROTC
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Asks question

What campus organization provides free blood for any Tech student or member of his family, raises and lowers the national and state flags on the Tech campus, provides the card section for Tech football games, cleans the stadium after each football game for one-third the cost of a commercial firm, helps represent Tech at parades and other functions, has

voluntary membership and provides officers for the military that is protecting the rights of all Americans?

The answer to the above question is ROTC. It seems to me that ROTC does its share of representing the students of Tech.

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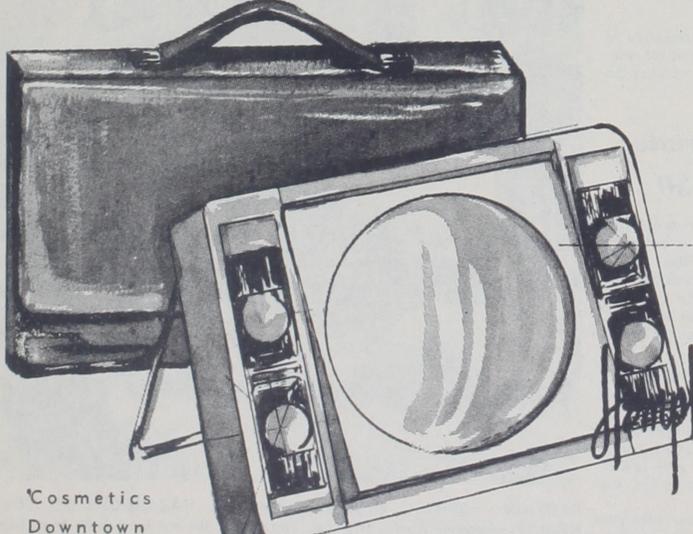


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HUNGER WALK

- ★ **WHAT:** A march organized by Tech students to help fight world hunger.
- ★ **WHO:** Anybody and everybody is asked to join in the walk and/or donate funds.
- ★ **WHEN:** Sunday, April 27 at 1:30 p.m.
- ★ **WHERE:** It will begin in front of the SUB. The course will head south and will loop back to end at the Memorial Circle.

Become Concerned
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Another yearly record

Tech plagued by bad checks

By JIM DAVIS
Staff Writer

Tech is well on its way to another yearly record, this one of dubious repute, according to H. L. Burgess, Tech coordinator of room reservations. Burgess, who is officially in charge of collecting on bad checks, said that bad checks worth \$150,277.58 have been passed on campus in the first seven months of 1968-69 fiscal year (Sept. 1, 1968 to March 3, 1969).

Burgess said, this total is approximately \$41,000 more than had been passed in the same period last year, an increase of about 27 per cent—a record in itself. He estimated that the fiscal year total would exceed \$200,000 for the first time in Tech's history.

Burgess attributes this massive rise in bad checks primarily to the "growing irresponsibility and lack of moral integrity in this country." He also attributes it to the increased enrollment of Tech.

More amazing than the record is that Burgess and one housing office employe have collected \$141,000 or 92 per cent of the money due on the bad checks.

Burgess said the \$9,000 left uncollected is primarily from recently written checks. He expects to collect more than 99 per cent of the money due.

Bad checks fall into two categories, according to Burgess. First the majority of bad checks are the result of overdrawn accounts. Burgess said, these checks are caused by careless, but honest mistakes by the check writer.

The second type of bad checks are the intentionally written bad checks—forgeries and checks written on non-existent accounts.

Collecting on over-drawn accounts is usually a simple matter of sending out notices, according to Burgess.

The checks are first processed through the comptroller's office and the losses are temporarily covered out of a special fund. The checks are then turned over to Burgess for collection.

At this point his office issues a first notice to the writer of the check telling the writer that he has written a bad check and asking for restitution. He estimates that this first notice gets a 80 to 85 per cent return.

In 10 to 15 days a second notice is sent to those who did not respond to the first. Burgess said, this notice usually brings in an additional 5 to 10 per cent of the bad check money.

The remaining bad check writers are dealt with on a more personal basis. Burgess said, they are talked to by telephone or in person or their parents are notified. Every effort is made to secure restitution before any other action is taken.

If someone absolutely refuses to pay on a bad check, two actions are possible. He can officially drop the person from Tech for failure to meet his financial obligations to the school, or he can refer the case to the Lubbock district attorney for possible prosecution.

Burgess said, such actions are rarely taken, but can be undertaken if the check writer leaves him no other choice.

Two other measures are in existence to try to prevent bad check writing. He said, his office makes a \$2 service charge on every bad check they collect. Besides being a small deterrent, this charge is intended to meet the cost of collecting the bad checks, an expense of about

\$7,000 a year. The funds gained from this charge which are not used to pay for collection can be used for student activities.

A second deterrent is aimed at habitual bad check writers. Burgess said, his office compiles a list of the names of those who consistently overdraw their accounts and turns this list over to the Tech Union and Book Store.

Andy Wilson, assistant director of the Tech Union, said the lists are posted in the newsstands where checks are cashed. The employees are instructed not to cash checks for persons whose names are on the list. These lists appear to have been very effective.

The second type of bad check—forgeries and checks written on non-existent accounts—are handled through the cooperative efforts of Burgess' office and the office of Lewis Jones, assistant dean of students for administration.

According to Burgess, when he receives a check or group of checks he believes to be forgeries, he notifies Jones who

may take disciplinary action on the case.

According to Jones, as soon as a forgery is detected a full investigation is begun to verify the forgery itself and to find the forger. This investigation is accomplished either by Jones and his staff or by traffic security.

If unquestionable proof can be established and if the circumstances warrant, he may recommend disciplinary action under the Code of Student Affairs. He can also notify the district attorney's office for action.

Jones said, every effort is made to insure that justice is served in these proceedings. The object is to protect the students, including the accused.

Very few forgers escape detection on campus.

Burgess made one comment which seems to sum up the consequences of the entire situation. The students are only hurting themselves with the bad checks. If it does not slow down soon some limitation will probably have to be placed on Tech's check cashing services.

'Lion in Winter' portrays history

By CASEY CHARNESS
Fine Arts Editor

In the year 1183, in the piercing drafts of Chinon Castle, gather seven majestic barbarians on Christmas Day. Their purpose is to start seven deadly wars among themselves and thus decide the heir to the throne of England.

The commanders of the small royal battalions are Henry II and his Queen, Eleanor of Aquitaine, and here, amidst the moral and physical drabness of the Dark Ages, looms a traumatic battle of wills as these warriors prepare themselves for war.

Playwright James Goldman drew from these situations the basis for his portrait of royalty and his screenplay for the expensively mounted cinematization of a humanization of history.

PETER O'TOOLE repeats a role he created five years earlier in "Becket," but this Henry is a king 20 years later. I liked the young Henry's immature confusion in dealing with Becket much better than I do this flamboyantly bombastic middle-aged lecherous king.

O'Toole's desire to portray Henry's lust for life is occasionally embarrassingly expressive, with screaming substituting for emoting.

But he does have his moments, especially with Eleanor in the annulment scene.

And while we are speaking of Elanor, let us congratulate

her incarnation in Katharine Hepburn, an Oscar winner for this role ... and the lady well deserves it!

She plays Henry's "new Medusa." But Eleanor is really a fabulous woman; earthy, as the time she recalls a larkish jaunt to the Middle East: "I made Louis take me on a Crusade, how's that for blasphemy? I rode bare-breasted to Damascus, Louis damn near had a seizure and I got windburn ... but the troops were dazzled."

SHE IS A beautifully caustic comic character situated above a deeply emotional presence that betrays itself in moments of profoundest fear.

Miss Hepburn's performance is truly remarkable. Yes, she cries too much, but she is unfailingly human—and humanity is the downfall of the five remaining jousting.

There is Geoffrey (John Castle), a mechanistic, calculating rationalist; John (Nigel Terry), a sniveling, immature idiot; and Richard (Anthony Hopkins), the most moral, immoral, son, who adds a battle with himself to the skirmishes of the one-day war.

Timothy Dalton is King Philip, a boy-king with a coldly malevolent presence based on his boast of authority. And there is Princess Alais (Jane Merrow), whose childlike simplicity covers the woman she really is.

in the writing, not in the acting. Of course, it is a good film, but it has vulgarities and inanities that clog the works, like this from Geoffrey: "I know, You know I know, I know you know I know, Henry knows we know, I know it. We're a very knowledgeable family."

Or this dreadful attempt at comedy relief: after Henry and Eleanor have had their most vicious fight, clawing at each other on all fours, a weary, bedraggled Queen deadpans straight into the camera, "Oh, well, what family doesn't have its ups and downs?"

God help us all if this is the state of royalty! These figures have been brought not to the level of humanity, but below it. They crawl, they belch, they scream and curse, and through it all, they demand each other's civility.

IT'S A PARADOX. And yet, in the contrivedly jubilant final scene, we know that Henry and

Eleanor would not be the couple they are if it were not for their domestic quarrels.

Phony? And how. The thesis has not been supported. It would be a much more rewarding esthetic experience, however, to ignore these flaws, and concentrate on the Lady Hepburn herself, whose grace and sensitivity rise far above these incongruities.

She and O'Toole, and John Barry's strong, stark musical score, and the memory that this all really happened, and the joy of watching the intricate gambits played, devilish games won ... well, these are enough to make "The Lion in Winter" a film, if not of high-caliber, at least of caliber.

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Annual singing competition to feature campus talent

University Sing, a Phi Mu Alpha (Tech music fraternity) and Interfraternity Council sponsored singing competition and general musical entertainment event, will return to Municipal Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. May 3.

Lamb selected to head IFC until November

Arch Lamb, Sigma Chi, Lubbock junior, will head the Interfraternity Council as president.

Other officers elected at the Wednesday meeting were: Gary Harrod, vice-president, Phi Gamma Delta, Fort Worth sophomore, David Lamb, secretary, Alpha Tau Omega, Lubbock freshman; Ted Rushing, treasurer, Pi Kappa Alpha, Lubbock freshman.

Lamb will serve only from April to November because of the change in schedule next year. The other officers will serve one semester.

Each performance will be judged on the basis of musical excellence (75 per cent of the score) and staging (25 per cent) by a group of Texas high school choral directors.

The concert by the mixed choral group and orchestra will conclude the two and one-half hour program. The orchestra will also accompany the competition performances. Variety entertainment will perform during the interludes between competition performances.

THE COMPETITION will be in three divisions—fraternity, which will have three groups, sorority, two groups, and mixed, four groups. Trophies will be awarded for the top three places in each division, the most original performance, and a sweepstakes trophy will be awarded for the best overall performance in all divisions, according to Holmes.

The performances are full-scale productions, often from Broadway scores, each of which will last about 10 minutes, Holmes said.

PRODUCTION WORK on the program is being done by Phi Mu Alpha while sets and staging equipment are being provided by various performing Greek groups.

Tickets for the event can be obtained from any participating Greek member and beginning Monday a ticket booth will be set up in the Tech Union.

The price is \$1, and tickets will be available at the door for \$1.50.



TOUCH THERAPIST DEMONSTRATES TECHNIQUE—Bernard Gunther, creator of audience-participation games to release the expression of sensory experience from people, will present his hypotheses in a lecture-demonstration Monday in the Union Ballroom at 3:30 p.m. The event is a total-involvement project, and girls have been asked by the sponsor, the Ideas and Issues Committee of the Union, to wear slacks or shorts to the program.

Gunther leads audience in 'Sensory Celebration'

Bernard Gunther, one of the pioneers in the use of touch, relaxation, body awareness and non-verbal communication in the total growth process, will be on campus Monday at 3:30 p.m. in the Union Ballroom to lead a demonstration of what he calls "A Sensory Celebration."

THIS IS A participation demonstration, two hours of experience and experimentation in awareness, active meditation, and unspoken language.

Gunther for the past five years has been a resident staff member of the Esalen Institute in Big Sur, California, where he has developed his own approach to massage, meditation and mind-body-environment awareness known as Sensory Awakening.

MANY OF HIS innovations are now being used in educational, religious and therapeutic institutions throughout the United States.

He is the author of the best-selling book "Sense Relaxation," published last year, in which he says, "Under the

surface of words, tension and the personality, there is a timeless non-verbal reality that is the essence of experience."

THIS REALITY is awakened through a series of sensory games designed to let the senses exploit and release themselves.

The audience-participation program is open to the public free of charge, and all persons are requested to wear casual clothes, such as slacks or shorts.

The event is sponsored by the Ideas and Issues Committee of the Union.

Workshop to inform Mexican teenagers

A workshop-seminar designed to inform high school juniors and seniors of Mexican descent in the south plains area about college-level educational opportunities will be on the Tech campus May 3.

Sponsored by "Los Tertulianos," a Tech social organization primarily of Mexican-American students, the program will involve a day-long program of talks and discussions on educational opportunities available to prospective college students. There is no admission charge.

Mayor W. D. Rogers proclaimed May 3 as "Chicano Day" Thursday in the City Council meeting. "Chicano" is a slang expression meaning Mexican-American, and the proclamation is in coordination with the workshop-seminar.

In the morning session of the workshop-seminar, Frank Hunt, dean of the Vocational School at South Plains College, will speak on programs and oppor-

tunities available in area vocational schools.

A representative from Draughton's Business College will present a commercial seminar on the different programs offered by commercial or business schools.

Following lunch at the Wiggins Complex, a college and university seminar will be presented by Tech administrators.

Talks will include "Why Go and How to Get In" by Kenneth J. Wallace, dean of undergraduate admissions; "How Much" by Thomas P. Stover, director of financial aids; and "Scholarships, Workshops and Loans" with Dudley S. Akins, financial aids supervisor.

Afterwards, there will be a tour of Tech and other city campuses sponsored by "Los Tertulianos." Members of the organization will sponsor a Mexican-style dance featuring the Night Raiders at 7:30 p.m. in the Union.

Musical experience keynotes career of Pops Night guest

A wealth of musical experience that started when he was a freshman in high school has provided Lubbock junior Richard Campbell with all the self-confidence he needs to get up Monday before 3,000 people in Municipal Auditorium for the annual Pops Night.

Invited by Symphony conductor William Harrod, Campbell has been in the spotlight many times before, this being his fourth appearance with an orchestra.

banded Sourdough Singers in 1965. The singers broke up when all went off to college.

In 1967 he won a place on television's Ted Mack's Amateur Hour, which led to his being signed up for a stint in the Six Flags Over Texas 1968 summer musical.

His only musical comedy work had been in fall, 1967, at Tech, when he captured the title role in the Tech Music Theater's production of "Li'l Abner."

him. "It's a lot harder than you'd think," he remembers of his work at Six Flags. "We had professionals all over the place: a choreographer, writer, director and music arranger, all from New York or California."

He's going back to Six Flags this summer to get some more "on-the-job training," because though he came to Tech for its football program, his first love is a singing career.

And that's not as far-out a proposition as it might seem, for he has an agent in California who arranged for him to tape auditions for Columbia Records and Screen Gems.

But for the present, Campbell intends to develop his own style and polish it through work, such as singing with an orchestra.

FOR POPS NIGHT, he will perform "Camelot" with former "Abner" co-star Dana Gibson, as well as soloing on "If Ever I Would Leave You" and "On the Street Where You Live."

Tickets for the 8:15 p.m. concert are on sale in the Auditorium, at \$3.50, \$2 and \$1. The program also includes performances by Bill Lucas, assistant professor of music, and Donna Axum, former Miss America.

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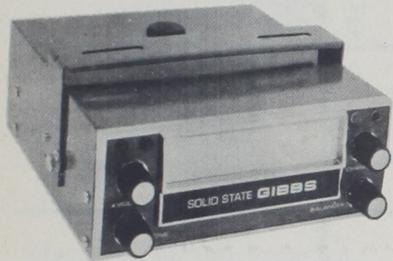
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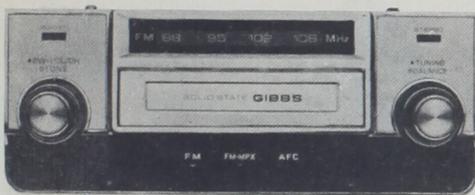
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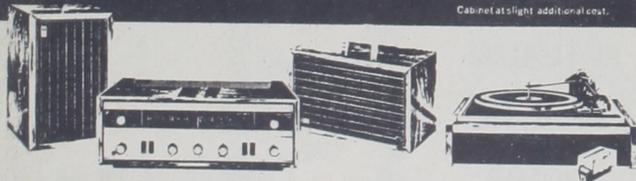
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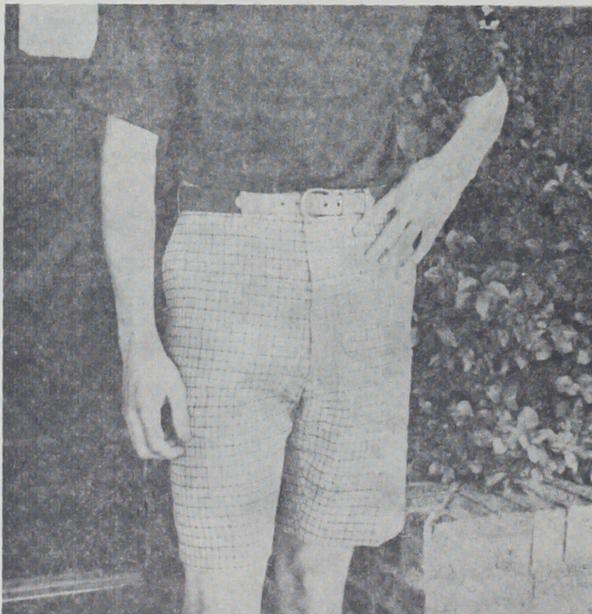


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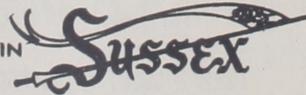
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Wading pool helps in salamander study

Something is fishy here—or so one might think when passing by the science laboratory of Dr. Francis L. Rose, Tech assistant professor and graduate advise.

The green and white wading pool sitting in the middle of room 304-J of the Science Building is holding tiger salamanders instead of children, its customary summertime users.

Rose explained the doctorate work of Miss Dede Armentrout is concerned with the ecology of these salamanders. Miss Armentrout seines the shallow ponds found on campus and in the surrounding area for the scaleless amphibians.

She tags the specimens for future reference and records the necessary material for this life history study, such as the sex, size, state of the gills, color, and stage of development of each specimen.

The marking and recording of data takes about two days for

a group of 60 salamanders, according to Rose. The moist-skinned animals are then returned to their original ponds and are checked periodically for new developments. The average size of the amphibians is 7 to 8 inches, Rose said.

The ecological study will take Miss Armentrout about two years, according to her adviser. Rose is doing electrophoresis work on the salamanders to determine differences in species.

'Sin Dance' set for Saturday

A "Sin Dance" from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday is the last dance of the semester sponsored by the Tech Union Dance Committee.

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Humor big part of work for preacher-bus driver

By DIANA MILLEN
Staff Writer

"Back up and tighten up" is just one of the many phrases Tech bus driver Rev. James Thomas shouts out in a busy day of carrying around campus. Thomas, Lubbock transit driver from Slaton, has been driving buses since September, 1968. He enjoys working Tech "green" and "yellow" routes, because he "likes the kids." However, he says he has to keep on his toes every second to watch for student not watching for buses.

"Several weeks ago a student pulled out of a parking lot smack into my bus," Thomas said. "We were lucky no one was hurt."

THE BUS BRAKES have been slammed several times to avoid hitting students, and many times Thomas has watched students "pile out the back door of the bus and run as fast as they can to cross in front of the bus before it takes off."

Thomas adds to his job a bit of old-time humor that is left from his days as a medicine show comedian 30 years ago.

Medicine shows traveled to small towns and stayed long

enough to sell liniments and potions "guaranteed to cure what ails you and your livestock."

Wagons with stage platforms parked on the town's main street and comedians, singers and dancers drew crowds for their doctor's sales pitch.

THOMAS WORKED out of Waco with Dr. John Tate, reciting short poems to passengers. He said the poems just popped into their heads while performing before crowds.

"Once we were in the Valley and I saw the sheriff of the town in the crowd," said Thomas. "I yelled to the doctor, 'Doc, what's that out yonder?' The Doc picked it right up and said, 'That's beautiful, beautiful.'"

"I said, 'He may look like the Lilly of the Valley to you, but he looks like a goat in the alley to me!' Well, that sheriff turned red and sure was embarrassed!"

Thomas has been a minister for the past three years at Lubbock's St. Mark's Baptist Church. The congregation has about 35 members, much less than the 50-year-old preacher carries in a bus at one time.

"THEY DON'T PAY the

preacher much," he told the passengers, "but I'm willing if y'all are. Let's have church!"

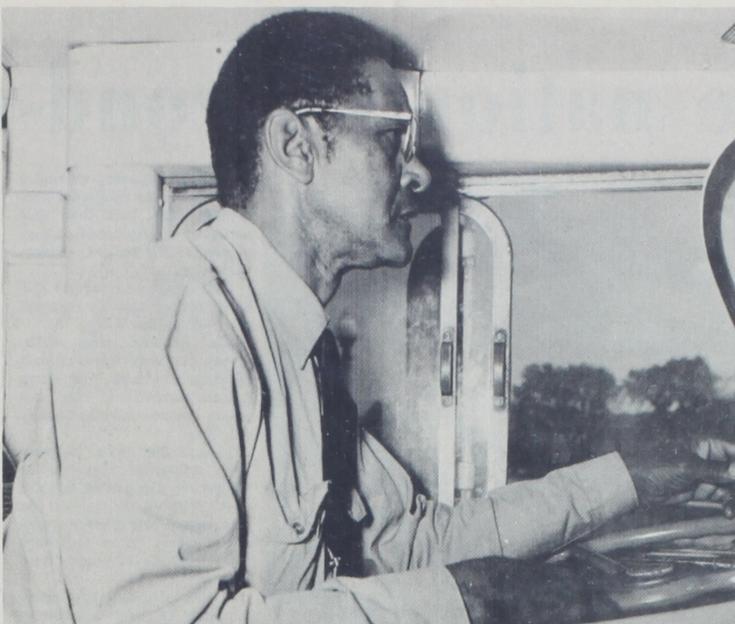
Thomas often calls out the names of bus stops in a way that has become familiar to students who travel his routes. "Angels' Paradise one and two" are men's dorms and "Angels' Paradise three and four—no males allowed" are women's dorms.

The "split-tongue" building is Tech's Foreign Language and Math Building. The new Business Administration Building is now the "agitation or aggravation, take it or leave it." The corner of Flint and 19th Sts. is "The outskirts of town, better known as Shantytown."

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Thomas has a philosophy of life best expressed by one of his poems: "Just don't worry about the mule goin' blind, Just sit tight and hold the line."



STEP TO THE REAR—Tech bus driver Rev. James Thomas adds spice to an ordinary workday of driving students across campus with his bits of "old-time" humor. The Baptist minister got much of his funny material as a medicine-show comedian 30 years ago.

Ruth Rucker named new WSO leader

Ruth Rucker, Pampa junior, was recently elected president of Women's Service Organization for the coming year. Other officers, all sophomores, are Linda Morrison, Houston, vice president; Janet Wossum, Amarillo, treasurer; Nedree Riggs, Lubbock, recording secretary; Linda Mahlman, Georgetown, corresponding secretary and Di Doshier, Vega, pledge trainer.

WSO, named outstanding campus organization during Recognition Service, celebrates its tenth anniversary with a tea 3-5 p.m., Saturday in the Union. All former members are invited.

Last semester the group completed more than 3,000 service hours for campus and community.

Projects this year have been helping at the Information Booth, ushering at University Theater and the speakers' series, selling tickets for Artist Course performances,

reading to blind students, soliciting teams for Quiz Bowl, taking up Biafra collections and working in Dad's Day registration.

Drill teams to compete

Three Army and Air Force drill teams are leaving today to compete in drill competition in San Antonio while Angel Flight, women's Air Force drill team, is headed to Colorado Springs to tour the U.S. Air Force Academy.

CorpsDettes, women's army drill team, and Sabre Flight, male Air Force drill team, will compete in the Fiesta Flambeau parade drill competition tomorrow.

The Tyrian Rifles, male army drill team, will compete at Trinity University and in the parade.

Raider Roundup

Home Economics Student Council The Home Economics Student Council will hold their first meeting at 3:30 p.m. today in the faculty lounge in the Home Economics Building.

Dicatore Exams Final exams will be administered to Herbert Eugene Welch for doctor of philosophy and Duane Allen Clary for doctor of business administration today in the BA Building. Welch will be in room 501 at 2 p.m. and Clary will be in room 150 at 3 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Alpha Phi Omega Car Wash The Alpha Phi Omega pledge class will have a car wash Saturday beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Briercroft Shop.

ping Center. Price is \$1 per car. 75 cents with Tech ID.

Spring Engineering Banquet The Spring Engineering Banquet for members and pledges of all engineering honoraries and all engineering faculty will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Tech Union Ballroom. Tickets are \$2.75 each and are available from any Tau Beta Pi pledge or contact Arnold Acker at 763-0646 before Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

Tau Beta Pi Tau Beta Pi will hold their spring function Saturday at the Knights of Columbus Lodge, 1403 N. Boston. Refreshments will be served at 6 p.m. and a band will play at 8 p.m. The function is free to all members.

Committee to study relations between Greeks, campus, city

The Interfraternity Relations committee, with plans and programs scheduled, has been set up to improve relations among the Greeks, the campus, and the Lubbock community, said Rob Hart, member of IFR.

The IFR is a standing committee and is composed of members from Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic, said Dr. William Duvall, assistant dean of students for programs and adviser for IFR.

The idea for IFR originated in the Greek Week workshops and the purpose is to improve

the Greek image, said Hart. Three different levels for improvement have been suggested, Duvall said. They include: improving relationships between Greeks and to work in a cooperative manner, strengthen existing channels between the Greeks and campus, and work with the Lubbock community in more service projects, Duvall said.

In the past, the Greeks have worked with the Lubbock March of Dimes drive, and in the future they plan to participate in more community affairs,

said Hart. The IFR has suggested a plan to get pledge classes together as freshmen to enable members of different fraternities and sororities to know other Greeks, Hart said.

The IFR hopes to have more specific programs to improve relations between Greeks and the campus. Tentative plans include more all school parties and entertainment, guest lecturers, and seminars, Duvall said.

The reason behind the founding of the IFR is nationally the Greeks are declining in prominence and on the Tech campus, fraternities took fewer pledges than before, Hart said.

The IFR will help the Greeks work for improvement within the Greek system, Hart said. It's time for fraternities to offer more than parties, Hart said.

Fountain photograph exhibit shown at West Texas Museum

Relief from the onset of warm weather is offered at the exhibition at the West Texas Museum—a collection of photographs of fountains is on display in the main gallery of the museum through May 4.

Being shown are fountains in two major categories: those which were designed as sculptures and those which were originally conceived as an extension of a building's design.

The designs were done by both sculptors and architects. The sculptors represented are Robert Cronbach, Lin Emery, Constantino Nivola and George Tsutakawa. The architects include Marcel Breuer and Associates; Harrison and Abramovitz; Philip Johnson; I.M. Pei and Associates; Skidmore, Owings and Merrill; and Edward Durell Stone.

The fountain is actually a sculpture, the artist explained, with a shape consisting of a base, a basin and the design which the spraying water makes. Thus creativity, combined with scientific know-how makes possible a variety of shapes as the water trajectory forms cascades, sprays, jets or rings.

It is the American Federation of Arts' "Fountains in Collection of photographs of sculptured designs which have been used by outstanding architects to enhance public buildings, parks and plazas across the United States.

The exhibit was brought to Lubbock by Tech's International Center for Arid and Semi-Arid Land Studies as part of the Center's "Focus on the Arts," a series of cultural programs from the United States and abroad.

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Mayor proclaims Sunday 'World Hunger Walk' Day

Lubbock Mayor W. D. "Dub" Rogers Jr. has proclaimed Sunday World Hunger Walk Day in Lubbock.

Hunger Walk is a walk staged by Tech students and concerned persons for the relief of world hunger. The walk will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Tech Union and will take a five mile course through Lubbock.

Lubbock families, organizations and businesses are needed to sponsor walkers with donations. If requested, walkers will advertise their sponsor during the walk.

Objectives of the walk are to raise money to feed the hungry; to become concerned and involved in erasing this problem; to impress upon the public the need for concern for the others and to show that students are willing to work for a constructive purpose, according to Dr. Dan Croy, director of the South Plains Guidance Center.

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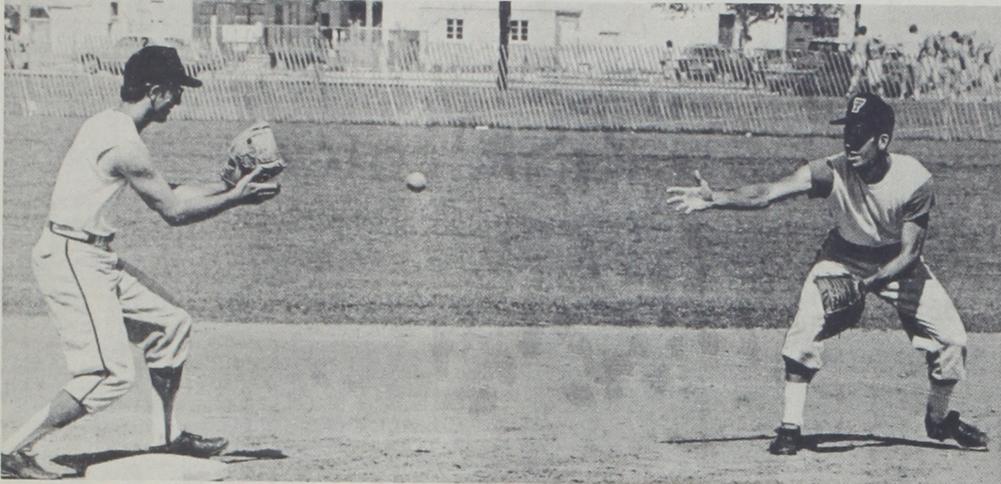
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Raiders battle nation's second-ranked team today



SERIOUS PREPARATION—Shortstop Jim Montgomery takes the pitch from second-baseman Jerry Haggard as they perfect their double-play moves in preparation for the last ditch effort against Texas. The two infielders are the two only gradu-

ating seniors on the squad, but their presence will be missed next year, as both earned All-SWC accolades last year. Haggard enters today's series with a .410 conference batting average, second best in the league.

Tech baseballers, walking a tightrope in the Southwest Conference race, take their title hopes to Austin today to play league leading Texas in a three-game stand.

Texas carries a perfect 11-0 SWC record into the series, and Tech stands 7-3.

The Raiders seem undismayed at Texas' high national ranking. Thursday, the Horns found themselves only two points behind top-ranked Southern Cal.

Though the team respects their opponents, they feel the Longhorns are getting complacent. "We've got to win the first one," said shortstop Jim Montgomery, "If we do, I think we'll have the advantage from then on."

It will take more than determination to beat the Steers, however. Texas has lost only two games this year, and has not been beaten twice by the same team.

If the Techs cannot beat the Horns at least twice, they have no chance at the title.

Even with two victories, the Tech nine still must beat TCU three times, while the Aggies beat the Horns once.

Perhaps outfielder Steve Hurt expressed the situation best: "It will be two very good teams playing each other. Whoever hits better and makes fewer mistakes will win the games. It's as simple as that."

Coach Kal Segrist plans to start freshman Jack Pierce in today's seven inning opener and pitch Pat McKean in the nine inning affair. Gary Washington is slated to pitch Saturday's single game.

Pierce and Washington have been the mainstays of the Tech pitching staff this season.

Pierce stands 2-0 for the year and posts an ERA of 0.90 in SWC play. Washington is 3-1 with an ERA of 0.79. The big 6-5 righthander suffered his first defeat this past weekend, a 3-0 loss to Rice. The Owls snapped Washington's conference shutout string at 30 innings.

Second baseman Jerry Haggard continues to lead the Raider hitting attack. Haggard

picked up four hits in 12 at bats last week, dropping his average to .410.

Four Raider regulars are hitting at a .300 or better clip. Besides Haggard, outfielder Don McKee is hitting .364, Randy Walker is batting .313; and third baseman Johnny Owens raised his average to .304 with a four for eight performance against Rice. Catcher Max Martin is hitting .292, and short-

stop Montgomery stands at .282.

As a team, the Raiders are hitting .261 and have blasted nine homers in 10 SWC games.

Probable Tech starters will be Dick Shaw 1b, Haggard 2b, Owens 3b, Montgomery ss, Martin c, Steve Hurt lf, Walker cf, and McKee rf.

The games will be broadcast today on radio station KLBK, at 12:45 p.m.

By Lightfoot, Walker

Shy giant challenged

By BENNY TURNER
Assistant Sports Editor

A shy tight-lipped young man stepped into the shot put ring, and heaved the shot 57-4, good enough for the Southwest Conference crown.

Later that same day Ronnie Mercer again displayed his skill when he sailed the discus 158-6 for a second place finish, and a 10-point individual total for the meet.

THAT WAS ONE YEAR ago in Fort Worth. This year Mercer has already sent the shot 57-10, but this time he is not the leader. Ronny Lightfoot, a Texas A&M strongman, leads the way, two weeks before the SWC meet, with a toss of 58-5.

Mercer said, "I had hoped to throw around 60 feet this year, but the way Lightfoot, (Sam) Walker and I are doing 59 feet might well win the conference.

"I haven't progressed as well as I thought I would," said the weight man, "Sixty feet looks a long way off." After a long moment of silence Mercer repeated, "Yea, I think 59 feet may win it this year."

WALKER, A FRESHMAN at SMU, recorded a throw of 72-foot last year with the high school shot (12 pounds). His best heave currently with the 16-pound collegiate shot is 57-8,

just two inches behind Mercer. "Even though Lightfoot has the best throw in the conference and Walker is right behind me, I think I will have an advantage in the conference meet, because I did win last year."

Mercer won the conference as a sophomore and will have one year of eligibility left after the current season.

IT TAKES two and one-half hours of work each day for Mercer to stay in shape for the shot. Monday and Tuesday are usually spent in the weight room, where he concentrates on the bench press. "I try to work out with about 310 pounds," said Mercer.

For a short time after the weight lifting session Mercer puts the shot, with an emphasis on form. Wednesday is devoted solely to the shot put ring, while Thursday is a day of rest.

The only time the quiet monotoned weightman displayed emotion of any type, was when talking about the Tech track program and its support. On this topic Mercer spoke without styness or a loss for words.

"Coach (Vernon) Hilliard has done a great job with me. In high school I was a mediocre putter, now with his help, I am defending conference champ.

"The switch-over from the high school 12 pounder to the

16 pound collegiate shot is difficult and many schoolboys cannot make the change. I could because of Coach Hilliard.

"WE HAVE A GOOD team and a good coach. Right now we have a young track team that needs time to develop, but the main problem is support.

"Man after man quits our team because we don't have that support. High school recruits are not impressed with this situation. They want to go someplace like Texas or A&M where they will get the support and the morale boosting that an athlete needs. Why should they come to Tech over a school like those two?

"We just don't have much support."

After this sudden and unexpected, flurry Mercer once again assumed the shy and meek aura he had originally displayed.

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Tech women host eight schools in track meet; 14 events scheduled

By SALLY JONES
Staff Writer

Tech's women's physical education department will host the State Intercollegiate Track and Field Meet for Women today,

the first such contest in the history of Texas intercollegiate competition.

Dr. Colleen O'Connor, meet director, said the top three competitors in each event in seven collegiate districts will vie for state honors in their respective events. The meet will include 14 events, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Tech track.

Schools to be represented are Tech, West Texas State University, North Texas State University, Texas Woman's University, Southwest Texas State University, Mary Hardin Baylor College, Del Mar College, Bee County College and Our Lady of the Lake College.

Track and field events include high jump, long jump, discus, shot, javelin, 50-yard

hurdles, 50-yard dash, 889-yard run, 100-yard dash, 440-yard run, 220-yard dash, 440-yard relay, 880-yard relay and 880-yard medley relay.

Tech students competing in the one-day meet and their events are Pat Billingsley, shot; Ann Burrell, 220-yd. dash, 440-yd. relay, 880-yd. medley relay, high jump and javelin; Judy Foreman, 440-yd. relay, 50-yd. hurdles and long jump; Phyllis Hobart, 50-yd. hurdles, high jump and long jump; Helen Jones, 50-yd. dash, 440-yd. relay and 880-yd. medley relay.

Jan Price, 880-yd. run; Sidney Sealey, discus; Kay Shelton, 440-yd. run, 880-yd. medley relay and javelin; Alice Sligh, 100-yd. dash and 880-yd. medley relay; and Kathy Wheat, 50-yd. dash, 100-yd.

dash, 440-yd. relay, shot and discus.

From the Southwest Texas State University meet April 19, Tech women brought home 21 ribbons—seven firsts, eight seconds, five thirds, and one fourth.

Sponsoring the meet is the Texas Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics for Women.

Tracksters in Colorado

Texas Tech's tracksters will compete in the Colorado Relays Friday and Saturday as Coach Vernon Hilliard will carry 21 men to the Rocky Mountain meet.

Last year at the meet, Tech placed six men in the top four. Shot putter Ronnie Mercer placed second in the shot and

third in the discus; and Ronald Grigsby was fourth in the high hurdles. Former weightman Ed Mooney still holds the shot put record set in 1967 with a 58-10½ heave.

More than 15 University and College teams will compete in the Boulder meet.

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