

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Boarding house fire

FARMINGTON, Mo. (AP) — A rural boarding house built of concrete and granite "burned like paper" Monday in a roaring fire that killed 25 residents and sent the building's roof crashing down onto their bodies, authorities said.

Thirteen others survived.

Residents of the Straughan Wayside Inn included 13 persons placed there by Farmington State Hospital, which deals in mental disorders and treatment of alcoholism and drug abuse, authorities said.

### Withdrawal deadline

Thursday is the last day for Tech students to withdraw from a course with a grade of WP or WF. Thursday is also the deadline for deleting pass-fall grading in a course.

Students withdrawing from a course must pay a fee of \$3 in the bursar's office. The office closes at 4 p. m.

April 13 is the last day for May degree candidates to complete correspondence courses.

May degree candidates must also pay their graduation fees in the bursar's office by April 19.

### Hepatitis diagnose

A Tech student worker in the Wells-Carpenter Residence Hall kitchen has been diagnosed as having Hepatitis Type B, a non-contagious strain of the disease, according to Reagan H. Gibbs, M.D., director of student health.

"Individuals using the dining facility at the Wells-Carpenter complex have absolutely no reason to have special concern," said A.W. Holmes, M.D., chairperson of internal medicine at Tech University School of Medicine and a specialist in diseases of the liver.

"There has never been any documented evidence that the Type B strain of Hepatitis can be spread through direct contact with foods or utensils used in food service. Laboratory tests completed this weekend indicate clearly that the individual concerned has the Type B. strain."

### Media applications

#### KTXT-FM

KTXT-FM is now taking applications for station manager. The deadline for all applications is 5 p. m. March 16.

Applications are available in Room 115 of the Mass Communications Building.

#### La Ventana

Applications for editor of the La Ventana are available in the Student Publications Office, Room 103 of the Journalism Building. Applicants must have a junior or senior standing at Tech and be eligible according to university regulations. Applicants should have experience in magazine writing and editing.

The deadline for submitting applications is April 13. The Student Publications Committee will make the final selections on April 26. Applications should be typed.

#### UD

Applications for 1979-80 University Daily staff positions are available now in Room 210 (newsroom) of the Journalism Building.

Positions to be filled include news, sports, and entertainment editors, reporters for each department and managing editor.

Deadline for returning applications to the newsroom and signing up for an interview time is 5 p. m. Friday. Each applicant will be asked to submit a stringbook two days before being interviewed.

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**Sports...**Reports indicate an alarming relationship between sports and violence. Sports staff member Carole Machol takes a look at the relationship and the impact injuries have on competitive sports on page seven.

## STOCKS

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market posted a broad loss today, faced with renewed energy worries.

Trading was moderate.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials dropped 6.93 to 855.25.

Declines outnumbered advances by a 5-2 spread on the New York Stock Exchange.

Big Board volume came to 28.99 million shares against 29.97 million in the previous session.

## WEATHER

Mostly cloudy today with a 20 percent chance of rain. The high will be in the upper 50s, and the low will be in the low 30s. Winds will be northerly. Not as cool on Wednesday with a gradual warming trend.

# Gas bubble shrinks to safer size

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Engineers achieved a "dramatic decrease" Monday in a gas bubble that has held a stranglehold on efforts to cool down the disabled Three Mile Island nuclear reactor. Plant and federal officials said the hydrogen bubble had shrunk to a much safer size and the reactor's temperature had dropped significantly.

"I am certain it is cause for optimism," said Harold Denton, Nuclear Regulatory Commission operations chief. He said the bubble was showing "a dramatic decrease in size."

"I didn't expect such a rapid change," Denton said of the bubble. "I think it is safer than yesterday."

Local civil defense officials, hopeful that the changes meant that the five-day crisis here had passed, nevertheless maintained efforts to prepare for a precautionary evacuation of 25,000 residents still within a five-mile radius of the plant.

But the signals were clear: The situation had improved substantially.

On Monday, technicians continued efforts to eliminate the bubble completely, chiefly by the method they have been using all along: letting the gas dissolve in the constantly circulating cooling water and then allowing it to escape from the water outside the reactor.

Technicians also studied options

on exactly how to achieve the "cold shutdown" which would go a long way to ending the crisis.

George Troffer, an official with Metropolitan Edison, which operates the facility, said radioactive releases had been halted at the site.

And NRC's Denton said that radiation beaming from the plant was at low levels in a confined area.

The bubble, which had threatened an explosion that could have ripped

the lid off the reactor dome and, spewed radiation, began shrinking dramatically Sunday and continued throughout the day and night, Troffer said.

The latest developments gave officials more time to cool down the reactor. The critical time for a possible explosion from a chemical reaction within the reactor "has moved considerably out" from the five days Denton had predicted on Sunday, he said.

It was the most encouraging statement to date from the NRC since Wednesday's accident which had led the governor to urge preschool children and pregnant women to stay further than five miles from the plant and prompted an estimated 50,000 persons to voluntarily leave the Harrisburg area.

Meanwhile, all schools within 10 miles of the plant were closed Monday.

## House sends SHEAF bill to subcommittee

By JOEL BRANDENBERGER  
UD Reporter

The House Ways and Means Committee put a temporary damper on House Bill 2045, which would set up a State Higher Education Assistance Fund (SHEAF), by sending the bill to a standing subcommittee Monday.

Upon the bill's arrival at the Revenue Administration Subcommittee, the bill again was delayed as the committee asked for the hearings to be rescheduled so that more pertinent information could be obtained.

An aide to the committee told The University Daily that the delay was requested to give the committee time to obtain figures on natural gas production from the state comptroller's office. SHEAF plans to receive initial funds from the taxing of interstate natural gas sales.

"Several of the committee members were concerned about the drop in the production of natural gas, but they do feel it will go back up," the aide said. "They asked for figures from only the last quarter, so I don't think they're concerned about a trend forming."

The SHEAF bill is the brainchild of Representatives Wayne Peveto, Bill Caraway, and Don Rains. The bill is designed to provide building funds for universities such as Tech, which will lose their funds if the Ad Valorem Tax is repealed.

All universities, with the exception of the University of Texas System and the Texas A&M University System, receive their building funds from money raised by the Ad Valorem Tax.

Texas and A&M receive money from a separate permanent University Fund (PUF) which gets capitol from the sale of oil on the two

universities land grants.

The SHEAF bill would allow the state to tax all interstate sales of natural gas on the basis of volume rather than value for a two-year period to provide the funds for SHEAF.

Initial figures showed that if gas is taxed at a rate of 12.5 cents per 1,000 cubic feet the first budget year and 13.9 cents per 1,000 cubic feet the second, a total of \$210 million would be generated.

The money, coupled with the \$135 million already in the Ad Valorem Tax Fund, would provide SHEAF with \$345 million which could then be reinvested to provide the university with even more money.

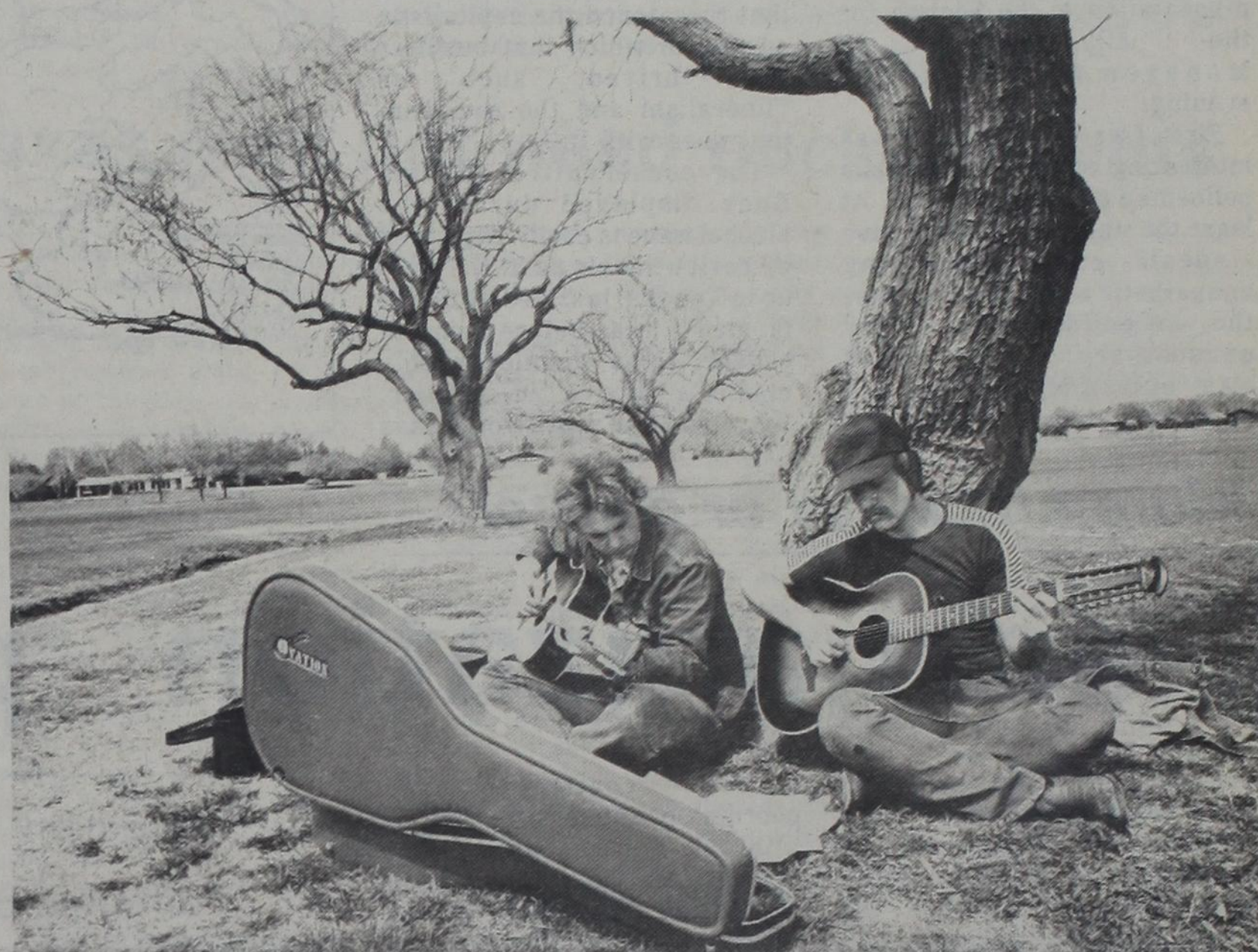
However, with the drop in natural gas production, the committee has apparently decided to wait and see if decrease continues. Legislators are hoping for an increase in the last quarter to determine if SHEAF is a viable way to provide universities with building funds.

None of the representatives sponsoring the bill were available for comment, but last week an aide for Rep. Peveto told The University Daily that Peveto was confident the bill would pass the House.

The bill has already received support from leaders in the House and Gov. Bill Clements endorsed the bill "in principle" at a recent news conference.

If the SHEAF bill does falter in committee, Rains has already stated his intention to push for his own SHEAF-like bill which would set up a similar fund, but draw its initial revenue from the state's general revenue fund. The bill is currently tabled pending the outcome of SHEAF.

However, last week Rains reaffirmed that his priority commitment was to the SHEAF bill.



### Homework?

Brad Reed, left, and Shannon Young, right, practice guitar for a slide presentation project. But unlike many homework assignments, they can catch some rays while they are at it. (Photo by Karen Thom)

## Faculty to discuss media center

By ROD MCCLENDON  
UD Reporter

The feasibility of an educational media center will be the main topic of discussion when the Faculty Senate meets in special session Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. in the University Center Senate Room.

Faculty Senate President Margaret Wilson called the special meeting because the Senate's March meeting was adjourned due to lack of a quorum. Wilson said enough unresolved business was left to necessitate a special meeting.

The Senate will also consider a resolution dealing with international students.

Neale Pearson, associate professor of political science, introduced a resolution at the March meeting urging the administration to initiate procedures to "centralize media and technician services, future purchases of instructional media, storage and distribution of media."

The resolution was discussed at the March meeting but never voted upon.

Concerning instructional media expenditures at Tech, Pearson told the Senate in March, "The university is spending a tremendous amount of money in a variety of ways on this campus, and they haven't been using it very efficiently."

In other business, Roger Troub, associate professor of economics, will introduce a resolution recognizing the significant contributions made by international students to Tech.

The resolution states, "The Faculty Senate strongly supports policies and practices which strengthen and maintain the quantity and quality of valuable resources available to the university provided by international students."

Charles Hardwick, vice president for academic affairs, will speak to the Senate concerning the feasibility of administrative internships. This is a plan to take two faculty members each year and have them work as administrative interns, Hardwick said.

The Senate will also discuss several state legislative proposals and actions.

# Administration studies pre-registration systems

By ROD MCCLENDON  
UD Reporter

Computer pre-registration at Tech is currently being studied by the administration but Tech students are probably two years away from such a computer system, according to Robert Ewalt, vice president for student affairs.

Ewalt and Charles Hardwick, vice president of academic affairs, are currently studying the various pre-registration systems at other universities.

At the February Board of Regents meeting, the administration was asked to initiate action to obtain a powerful computer compatible with existing Computer Center equipment. The computer is to be in operation by Sept. 1, 1979.

Kenneth Thompson, vice president for administration, said Gov. Bill Clements' budget cutbacks for Tech will not affect the possibility of the computer's purchase.

In the past, computer problems have been the main drawback to instituting a pre-registration system at Tech. Hardwick told the Faculty Senate in its February meeting pre-registration had for several years been "put on the back burner, while we have sort of waited to solve the computer problem."

Hardwick told the Senate the new computer would "give us four to seven times our current computing power."

At the same meeting, Senate members passed a resolution urging the administration to investigate the possibility of conducting a manual pre-registration at the end of this semester for summer and or fall terms.

Vince Luchsinger, professor of management, introduced the resolution. Luchsinger told the Senate, "Getting a good manual system going would make a later computer system easier to operate."

Margaret Wilson, president of the Senate, told The University Daily Thursday that a manual pre-registration system still might be possible for the fall semester. She said since a decision has not been made by the administration concerning such a system, the summer sessions would probably not involve pre-registration.

"Even with a manual pre-registration system," she said, "You've still got to have a fairly large facility to conduct pre-registration."

"There are lots of mechanics and logistic problems that just will not be solved overnight."

Scott Lassetter, newly-elected

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external vice president of the Student Association, said he does not believe a manual pre-registration system will work.

"Manual pre-registration has all the pitfalls of computer pre-registration but with none of the benefits," he said.

Lassetter was the chairman of the SA's Special Committee on Pre-registration. Earlier in the semester, his committee conducted a study regarding a computerized pre-registration system.

The committee received 24 responses from letters of inquiry sent to several universities. Of these responses, 18 universities use computer facilities in their advance registration systems. The committee found two major types of computer registration systems:

"The 'form type' requires that the student fill out a class schedule on a computer card, with several alternative choices, and send it in to the registrar, "the report states." The student later receives his complete schedule.

"The 'on-line' type involves the

student going to the registrar's office and working out a schedule with a keypunch operator. He knows immediately what classes are closed and eventually leaves the office with the schedule in hand," the report states.

The report concludes, "While on 'on-line' system is considerably more expensive, it is also most beneficial for the students."

Ewalt told The University Daily the Admissions Office is "seriously considering the on-line system although no official determination has been made."

The SA's Special Committee on Pre-registration interviewed several administrators to determine arguments concerning the feasibility of computerized pre-registration.

The committee found several positive and negative aspects. According to the committee report, computerized pre-registration would help administrators and department heads to plan class schedules better in order to meet student demands more efficiently.

Computerized pre-registration would provide better utilization of class times and building space. The report states billing and payment is more prompt and funds are received more quickly from the state.

"The student is not placed in a high pressure situation and the computer, with its ability to determine an infinite number of schedule combinations, develops a more rational schedule," the report states.

Among the negative aspects concerning computerized pre-registration, the report states in most instances, the student will lose the option of choosing favored class times and professors.

The cost of computerized pre-registration is extremely high, the report states, and the drop-add rate has tripled in almost every case where such a system has been initiated.

The report states, "There are many pro and con arguments concerning computerized registration, but the most convincing is the efficiency of a pre-registration system."

"Students and administrators alike overwhelmingly favor the implementation of a computerized pre-registration system."



# Bucy: the man behind the mouth

People who say unpopular things interest me. It takes a lot of nerve or security or confidence or something to continually say things that are not well-received by the public. Regent J. Fred Bucy has become notorious for his unpopular comments on a

students in the audience probably hope to reach a position similar to Bucy's as president of Texas Instruments.

Following a technical overview of Texas Instruments' marketing and management policies, Bucy loosened his tie to give students some of his views on success and life. Bucy told the audience that the three most important decisions they would make in their lifetime were who they marry, what company they work for and who their boss is.

Bucy's priorities are clear in view of the fact that two out of the three most important things in life relate to business. A man whose primary concern is a successful corporation would naturally be against anything that threatened the capitalistic system in which that business has thrived, such as "liberalism and the socialism that goes with it."

The conservative attitude Bucy displayed during the alcohol issue is easily explained by reviewing his past. He grew up in Tahoka, married at 18 and farmed a year before going to college. Upon completion of a master's degree in physics, Bucy went to work for Texas

Instruments and is currently in his 26th year of employment with that same firm.

It is also easy to understand Bucy's stand on ridding the university of such unnecessary subjects as English. Bucy was probably never a whiz kid in English. He mispronounced words like theorist, penetration

and relevant throughout his Thursday evening discourse. A basic vocabulary course offered by the English department probably would not hurt in this case.

But one thing Bucy has said recently is still hard to understand. Bucy testified to the Texas Legislature that

foreign students are a burden in our universities.

Throughout Thursday's talk, Bucy referred to Texas Instruments' foreign factories and his visits to them. He obviously has enjoyed his travel to all parts of the world and talked with relish of his time spent in Paris and on the

French Riviera.

Bucy also made the statement that Dallas looks like the United Nations each year when Texas Instruments has its managers' meeting. This left me with the question of why Bucy is against educating foreigners in America. If the reason is simply because he believes foreign students do not write their own papers, I suggest he look further into the advantages of having foreigners educated here. Not only could it benefit business, but also it allows American students to interact with foreigners in the same way Bucy has been fortunate enough to interact with them.

I'm glad I went to Bucy's speech. It did answer some of my questions about the man even though it left other questions dangling. It's easy to see a person's faults when he continues to spout unpopular viewpoints, but it should be noted that Bucy's successes do indicate that he has been doing something right.

It should also be noted that regardless of whether he is right or wrong, J. Fred Bucy is here to stay for at least another six years.



Mary Sailor

variety of subjects. With the hope of getting some insight into Bucy's philosophies and priorities, I went to hear his presentation to the Society for the Advancement of Management Thursday evening.

First, I want to say that it was interesting to see two campus policemen at Bucy's speech. At least the university police give students credit for being unapathetic at times. However, the policemen were unnecessary; Bucy's crowd was extremely polite and receptive. After all, most of the



## More efficiency or control?

# Reorganization plan questioned

Ambulatory clinic nurses at the Medical School are anything but happy with the school's new reorganization plan that has abolished the department of nursing as well as decentralized representation for the nurses.

Although the administration insists the reorganization plan was implemented to conform to the more mature and stabilized status of the Medical School, the nurses who spoke to The University Daily believe several other issues contributed to the abolishment of their department.



Tod Robberson

EACH OF the nurses asked not to be named. They said their efforts to make the public more aware of the Med School situation are not meant to create a dissident atmosphere or to fragment the school in any way.

Essentially, the reorganization plan changes the school's administrative structure from that of a centralized supervisory staff to a departmentalized staff.

According to the administration, the old structure was adopted when the school formed because the individual departments were growing at different rates.

Richard Lockwood, Health Sciences Centers vice president, explained that it was necessary to have coordinating

nurses (patient care coordinators) to ensure that all clinical nurses were kept updated on the most modern procedures, regardless of the extent of their department's development.

LOCKWOOD said the individual departments at the school have now more or less stabilized in their development, thus eliminating the need for a coordinating staff. He said coordination can now be handled by the head nurses in each department.

As a result, the administration decided to "phase out" the three patient care coordinator positions currently filled by nurses Mary Ann Wendorf, Ella Herriage and Norma Cansino. So far, so good. The nurses essentially accept the rationale behind eliminating the three jobs. But the nurses are irritated by a number of aspects about the administration's handling of the reorganization plan.

FOR ONE thing the decision to eliminate the three jobs was made without any consultation with the clinical nursing staff. Nobody ever thought to ask any of the nurses how they thought the transition should be handled.

The transition involves training each of the departmental head nurses in how to provide continuing education, orientation and, in general, guidance in keeping the nurses under their supervision updated on the latest nursing skills and procedures.

THE NURSES don't believe the two months provided before the coordinators' jobs expire is enough to adequately complete

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this training. But perhaps their biggest complaint is that the reorganization plan eliminates interdepartmental organization between the nurses something they believe the plan was deliberately designed to do. They believe the plan, at least partly, was meant to eliminate the nurses' ability to organize and have representation within the Med School administration.

THEY BASE this argument on the history of a controversy that began last fall involving a statement of philosophy and objectives released by the nursing department. In 1974 the nursing department issued a paper stating the standards of practice, philosophies and objectives to be followed by all nurses in the Med School.

In 1978, Bill Hatherill, executive director of Clinic Administration, authorized the department to update and revise the statement to reflect the increasing responsibilities and more modern role of the nurse as a part of the health care team. THE NEW statement was sent to all chairpersons and department heads within the Med School Sept. 22, 1978. According to one nurse, it received overwhelming opposition among the physician staff. Within an hour after its

release, Hatherill purportedly received five complaints from doctors saying the statement was abrasive and inflammatory, and they demanded it be rewritten. But according to several interdepartmental memoranda obtained by The UD, Hatherill had already approved the statement as written, and therefore the doctors' complaints should not have had any effect on the matter.

After an Oct. 2, 1978 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ambulatory Clinic Medical Staff (which was composed of doctors and administrative personnel, excluding nurses), the committee decided to form a Joint Practice Committee (JPC) of doctors and nurses to discuss the philosophy statement. AT THE first meeting of the JPC, Hatherill announced he was declaring the statement null and void, and told the nursing department to revise it, eliminating the language the

doctors found offensive. The offensive language, for some doctors, constituted the entire statement. For others, the offensive language was contained to isolated points referring to procedures the doctors apparently deemed too responsible and powerful for the nurses to handle. According to the nurses, the doctors felt the statement was an example of how the nurses "are getting too big for their breeches," and therefore must be brought under control before they become too powerful.

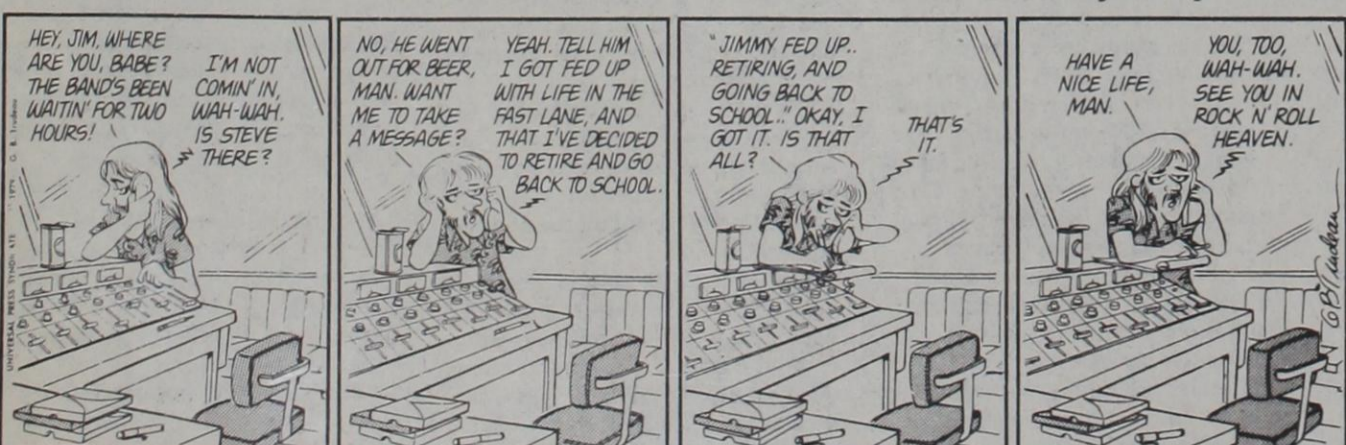
AND THUS, according to the nurses, arose the plan to reorganize the school to decentralize the nurses and eliminate their ability to organize. The nurses said organization is an absolute necessity to providing the patient with uniform standards of care. "The patient expects to be treated in the same way no matter what department he's being treated in," one nurse said. But unless the nurses can organize their procedural standards, a patient in, say, radiology might be treated entirely differently than would

a patient in family practice. "The patient is the one who ends up suffering as a result of this new plan," the nurse said. Hatherill and Lockwood insisted the reorganization plan has nothing to do with the philosophy and objectives statement, nor is it an attempt to restrain the nurses' ability to organize. STILL, FROM now on all standards of practice will be formulated by individual departments, not by the nurses as a group. The result could affect the uniformity of patient care standards. It could also affect the ability of the School of Nursing to obtain accreditation, since a uniform set of standard of practice guidelines must be established among the nurses. The administration's reorganization plan may have been conceived in good will, but its implementation was handled carelessly and without regard to those on which it would have the greatest effect: the nurses.

If the administration can't muster the courage to admit its mistakes in handling the plan's implementation, the least it can do is to try mending the communication gap it has created between the nurses and the supervisory staff.

## DOONESBURY

by Garry Trudeau



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# Wind-powered generator new form of energy

By JAMES SCHLANKEY  
UD Staff

As hydrocarbon or fossil fuels become increasingly scarce, home utility bills are skyrocketing to more than \$100 per month. This has prompted consumers to ask "What can I do?"

One way to lower utility bills is to buy a wind-powered generator. A wind-powered generator harnesses the energy of the wind and transforms it into usable electricity.

Wind energy, or the use of it, dates back to 200 B.C. when the Persians used a wind machine to grind grain, which is how wind machines came to be called "windmills." Since then, wind machines have been applied to various tasks such as pumping water. It was the windmill that helped open up the west by supplying water for locomotives and agriculture. Windmills were first studied for generating electricity in the late 1890s. By the mid

1930s, thousands of homes were equipped with wind generators that provided power for lights, appliances and some early automated farm equipment. Rural electrification acts by the federal government put an end to this enterprise, and in 1959 the production of wind-powered generators came to an end, temporarily.

According to Les Robinson, who worked for Wind Engineering Corporation of Lubbock, the market has

reopened and is on the climb for wind machines. People are buying wind energy systems for private use to reduce utility bills at an increasing rate Robinson said. A wind-powered generator can substantially reduce utility bills, especially when they are used in conjunction with solar heating systems.

The price range for wind-powered electrical generating systems for sale in the United States goes from \$500 to \$35,350. The cost may seem

prohibitive, but the federal government offers a tax credit that reduces the cost by approximately 25 percent.

According to Robinson, the person that plans on buying a wind energy system should look upon the venture as an investment. The power produced by a wind-powered generator will cost the same throughout the generator's life span even though the price of utility supplied electricity will climb due to inflation.

A potential buyer will be surprised at what he sees when looking at the various types of wind machines. There are two types basically: horizontal axis (which resembles what people are used to seeing), and vertical axis, which resembles an eggbeater. Each type has advantages and disadvantages when the two types are compared.

For example, the vertical

axis or eggbeater type has a lower manufacturing cost because less materials are required for its construction. The vertical axis also enables the machine to accept and use wind from any given direction. The horizontal axis machine must either have a tail to orient it with the direction of the wind or else be designed for downwind operation.

Vertical axis machines also supply their power at ground level, eliminating the need to put generating equipment on the top of a tower. But, vertical axis machines cannot start themselves. They must rely on an external motor to start it running even with the current windspeed.

Horizontal axis machines have the advantage of pitch-controlled blades. The pitch of the blades can be adjusted so that the speed of the machine can be controlled. The feature allows the wind turbine to get

maximum performance during low speed winds and keeps the machine from disintegrating during high speed winds.

Robinson said a rural home would be an ideal situation to use a wind-powered generator because the rural home would be free from any zoning laws or other legal barriers. But the main requirement for the system is there needs to be a steady supply of wind. This qualifies almost every house in Lubbock to use wind-powered generators.

A house using a wind-powered generator also has to have some form of management of how the electricity is used. Utility lines would have to remain hooked up for the times that the wind is not blowing. Of course when the wind is blowing and all the power being produced is not being used within the house, the surplus electricity is fed back into the utility lines

causing the meter to run backwards.

Besides providing electricity for homes, wind machines are finding more and more applications as their technology advances. Farmers are turning back to wind power for irrigation purposes. Wind power is also being looked at for pumping oil out of the ground. A wind machine could supply power to pump motors or pump the oil directly.

Robinson also pointed to another potential of a wind-powered generator. The exhaust air from a cooling tower of an air conditioning system of a large building should be harnessed to either run the lights of the building or run the cooling system itself.

But for the average consumer, the wind-powered generator offers the ability to open an electric bill and be able to smile.

## Massey stays young at heart

By ILENE BENTLEY  
UD Reporter

After working almost 29 years under five Tech presidents, Betty Massey, Tech budget analyst, remains young at heart.

Her own home grown plants, floral arrangements and paintings fill her office.

According to Massey, plants need attention.

"You have to talk sweet to them," she said. She even admits jokingly that she sometimes hugs her fern.

Massey attended Tech from the fall of 1944 to the spring of 1947 when she gave up her education for marriage. Herold Massey, her husband, graduated from Tech in 1946 with a bachelor's degree in business.

In 1950, Mrs. Massey began working part-time in the Administration Building, when D.M. Wiggins was the Tech president.

Soon after she began her new job, a telegram arrived for Wiggins wishing him a happy birthday. So Massey delivered the telegram to the

Tech president.

"I was brand new, and he came back and said, 'This was supposed to be a singing telegram,'" Massey said.

Edward Newlon Jones was the next Tech president Massey worked for. According to Massey, Jones was more business-like in the office than the other presidents.

A few years later, Robert Cabaniss Goodwin became the new Tech president.

"I hand addressed Christmas cards to all the people on the payroll for Dr. Goodwin," Massey said. "But I didn't work that closely with him."

Later, Grover Murray became president and then Cecil Mackey, the current Tech president, took the office.

According to Massey, Mackey is the only one of the five presidents she has not personally known and worked with.

Massey prepares the university's annual budget and loves her work, she said. She said she does not plan to retire for at least another 15 years.

"I'd like to work as long as I'm able," she said. "I love what I do and like to stay busy."

Massey said she enjoys joking with those she works with.

"I find out who I can kid and kid them," she said. "One guy used to haul me down the east wing on a dolly, until the president caught us one day. I think if he (the co-worker) came in today, I'd probably still get on the dolly."

When she first came to Tech, the Administration Building did not have an east or west wing. And all of the floors were made of tile, Massey said. Many home economics classes were in barracks, and the Intramural Building was used for physical

education classes.

"But we walked back and forth in the sand storms, just like today," she said.

Massey said she aims to

remain young at heart like her mother.

"Mother's 83, but she's still 16 in her heart," Massey said. "She enjoys life."



Massey

Although she has worked for Tech as a budget analyst for almost 29 years, Betty Massey maintains a youthful glow and outlook on life. (Photo by Mark Rogers)

## Yoder receives award

R. Clifford Yoder, director of Housing at Tech was awarded the 1979 Distinguished Service Award from the Southwest Association of American College and University Housing Officers in ceremonies Thursday.

The award was presented by Dr. Robert H. Ewalt, vice president of Student Affairs at Tech.

The annual award is conferred to recognize service, dedication and significant contributions to collegiate student housing.

Since June 1970 when Yoder became director of Housing at Tech, he has supervised the complete renovation of several older residence halls and instigated physical improvements in all halls.

"Yoder has the best interests of students at heart," said Tony B. Whittington, coordinator of housing in the Wiggins dormitory complex. "He works closely with residence hall government and all students in seeing that the dorms are a safe and comfortable, yet economical, place to live."

## We goofed!

Correction: The University Daily reported in Monday's Board of Regents meeting story that the Medical School was placed on probationary status in 1977. The school was placed on probationary status by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education in 1974 and was removed from that status in 1976. Since that time the school has held a normal accreditation status. The University Daily regrets the error.



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# CAMPUS BRIEFS

## Lopiano to speak at banquet

Donna Lopiano, director of women's athletics at the University of Texas, will be the keynote speaker at the annual Home Economics Spring Banquet.

Each organization will present an award to the most outstanding student in that organization. The most outstanding home economics senior also will be presented an award.

The banquet will be Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the University Center Ballroom. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased from any Home Economics Council member or in the Home Economics dean's office. Everyone is invited to attend.

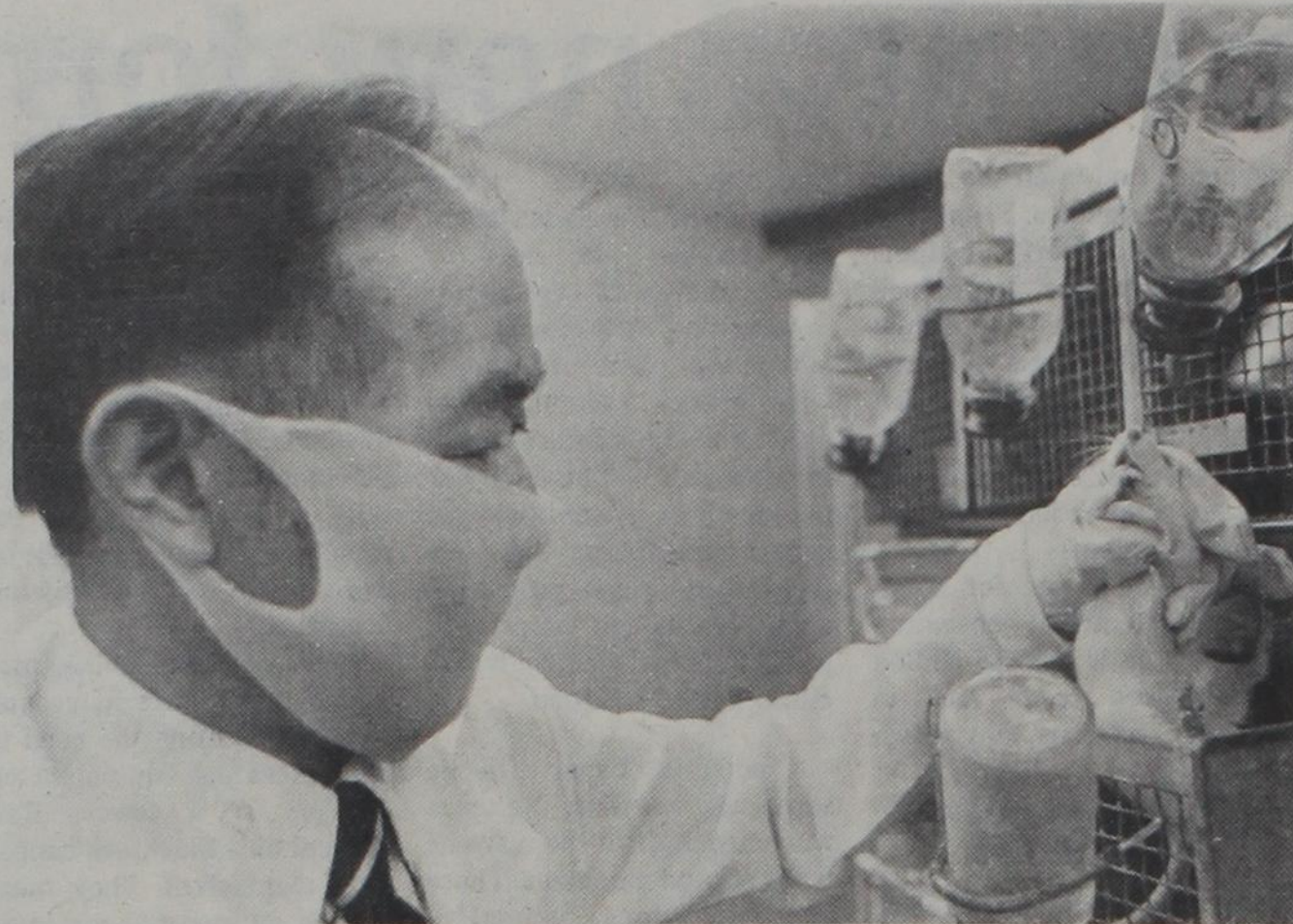
## Tech wins second in debate

Tech won second place in the Southwest Conference Debate Tournament Saturday. The tournament was hosted by the Tech debate squad. Tech narrowly missed winning first by one ballot.

Baylor University won first place and the University of Houston ranked third in the tournament. The tournament follows a four-man team round-robin format.

Representing Tech on the affirmative were Price Ainsworth and Mac Thornberry and on the negative were Mark Lanier and Craig Haynes.

Price Ainsworth won the first place affirmative speaker award.



Cancer research

Shiang P. Yang, professor of food and nutrition, observes the condition of a rat used in his cancer research experiments. Corn oil was proven to have developed more breast cancer in female rats and more lung cancer in male rats. (Photo by Mark Rogers)

# Yang experiments with rats to prove links to cancer

By GINA HENDERS  
UD Staff

Corn oil and beef tallow have been linked with breast and liver cancer in experiments conducted by Shiang P. Yang, professor in the food and nutrition department.

Yang and two of his colleagues conducted several experiments with rats to prove that certain vegetable oils, beef tallow, corn oil and coconut oil — with or without the chemical carcinogen N-2 FAA produces breast cancer in female rats and liver cancer in male rats.

Yang explained, "The proportion of calories (40 percent) supplied by the fat in a 20 percent fat diet is similar to that in an average American diet."

These researchers found a higher number of FAA-induced liver tumors in male rats fed diets containing corn oil than those fed comparable diets containing either coconut oil or tallow.

Yang said, "This is true because corn oil represents one of the major sources of vegetable oils, and it is highly unsaturated."

For female rats, unlike the male species, tallow is as detrimental as, or even more so than, corn oil in the development of breast cancer. "Our studies have demonstrated that a chemically induced cancer is sex-dependent not only on the target tissues but also on the effect of dietary fats upon its incidence. All of the male rats developed visually observable

hepatic tumors at the end of the 24-week period, whereas not all female animals developed breast tumors," concluded the nutritionist.

Yang recently wrote an article concerning his findings. Yang's article has appeared in several magazines. He also will present these findings at the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology 63 annual meeting in Dallas Thursday.

The main reason for conducting these experiments was to find out how much effect fat has on cancer. The more animal fat intake, the more cancer-related deaths. Yang will present this research information in China May 12.

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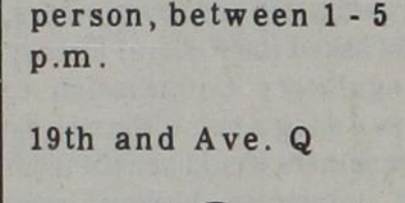
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# IFC discusses first semester pledgship

By KATHY KOONS  
UD Staff

Lively discussion on whether first semester freshmen should be eligible for pledgship and whether an invitation to colonize at Tech should be sent to two national fraternities dominated a recent Interfraternity Council meeting.

A study committee made up of eight delegates recommended that IFC accept both proposals.

Objections from several delegates council members

prohibited any major decisions being made.

Kappa Alpha delegate Bill Brown, representing the committee said, "The strongest point for pledging entering freshmen is that the fraternity can get them early before they develop bad study habits and help them with a good scholarship program."

Several delegates opposed rushing first semester freshmen because they predict summer rushing would get expensive and out of control.

IFC treasurer Weldon

Whiteside said, "As I see it, when we start summer rushing, IFC will have to be a police force with more control than you want. Panhellenic only lets these sorority girls visit for 30 minutes and buy the rushee a coke under 30 cents — that's control."

Brown said that IFC is strong enough to handle the problems that may arise from summer rushing, and that there is more positive aspects to the proposal than negative.

"There are more vocal anti-Greeks around this campus than before, and we need to get these freshmen before they are influenced by them," Brown said.

Kappa Alpha delegate Whiteside disagreed, "It was good for me to have a semester up here to find out what college and fraternity life was about."

A motion from the floor suggested tabling the proposal until next fall. It passed with more than the necessary two-thirds vote.

Uncertainty about the method of accepting and implementing an expansion program fired another discussion Thursday at the Sigma Nu lodge.

Brown said Delta Upsilon and Pi Kappa Phi fraternities have expressed the most interest in colonizing at Tech.

Recently several delegates and IFC Adviser David Nail attended the Mid-American Interfraternity Council Convention in Kansas City and talked with representatives of both fraternities.

Nail said, "We got the impression that they want an

invitation from our IFC. They don't want to colonize where they aren't wanted."

It was decided that delegates will take this proposal to their chapters and return Wednesday with an opinion about whether to expand. Nail suggested that an invitation be sent to Delta Upsilon and Pi Kappa Phi inviting them to make a formal presentation before IFC.

Expansion, if accepted, will probably not happen until next spring, Nail said.

In other business, Panhellenic President Kim Greer addressed the council asking for fraternity cooperation during rush.

"Some of the things that happened last year were: a guy road on the top of a bus all the way back to campus and one guy followed a rushee into a party," Greer said.

Panhellenic Adviser Mary Reeves said they were mostly concerned about liability and safety.

Dates were set for fall rush and the last IFC mixer for the semester. Central Rush Chairman Rick Alder said the IFC smoker will be Sept. 19 and parties will be Sept. 21-22 and 28-29. Signing is set for Oct. 4-5. The mixer will be April 20 at Coldwater.

Plans are underway for the first Tech Greek conference, scheduled for Oct. 10-12. More than 50 schools will be invited.

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# Many nurses demand increased responsibility

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LITTLETON, Colo. — Stethoscope around her neck, tongue depressor in hand, Ann Lemoine moved swiftly back and forth across the toy-and instrument-filled clinic room as she examined 3-year-old Tyler Zimmerman and his baby brother, Travis.

The little boys were weighed; their eyes, ears, reflexes, motor skills, mental perception and verbal ability tested; their stomachs prodded; their blood pressure taken; their diets discussed, and their medical histories recorded. The baby was given a measles inoculation and oral polio vaccine, and the older boy a tuberculosis test.

ALL THROUGH the examination, Mrs. Lemoine chattered, joked, chuckled, coaxed, soothed and exhorted. "The little guys are in great shape," she told the boys' parents, John and Debby Zimmerman, as they were leaving the clinic in this suburb of Denver. "But call me any time. I'm always available."

Mrs. Lemoine is not a medical doctor. She is a registered nurse, one of a new breed called nurse practitioners, and as such she is on the front line of a revolution.

More highly educated and spurred on by feminism,

many among the nation's one million registered nurses are demanding and receiving a greater role in health care delivery. Increasingly, they are performing functions once reserved for physicians.

MANY NURSES, like Mrs. Lemoine, work in cooperation with doctors and under their supervision, which is often nominal. But about 15,000 have rejected the traditional perception of the nurse as the "handmaiden of the physician" and are setting up independent practices.

The nurses' demands for increased responsibility have produced considerable hostility among doctors, many of whom fear they will face difficult economic competition. Some doctors express concern that nurses are engaged in tasks for which they are not qualified.

A report on the changing relationships between doctors and nurses by the American Medical Association said, "Confusion and misunderstanding have created friction between medicine and nursing."

Dr. James H. Sammons, executive vice president of the AMA, said in a letter to the House subcommittee on health and the environment that the association has "long supported the use of the physician extender."

"HOWEVER," he added, "we believe this person should be utilized as originally intended, i.e., as an extension and assistant to the physician, with the physician remaining primarily responsible for the extender's patient care function."

The nursing profession, including the American Nursing Association, was angered by President Carter's veto of the nurse training act last year and the current effort to rescind \$84 million of \$122 million already appropriated for nursing education and research. Administration officials, who said there was an oversupply of nurses and doctors, reduced funding for doctor training as well.

It is a sore point among nurses that — they generally cannot be directly reimbursed for their services by Medicare or Medicaid, or by Blue Cross or most other third-party insurers.

"The autonomy of the profession is a very crucial issue," said Constance Holloran, deputy executive director of the nursing association.

EVEN WITH these frustrations, nurses have been moving into a broad range of new services, particularly those relinquished by doctors in many areas, such as basic

family care or care of the poor:

—In Memphis, for example, health care for the city's indigent population of about 200,000 is provided mainly by

public health nurses at a system of clinics. The nurses are backed up by the city hospital when needed.

—The number of nurse midwives, who care for

pregnant women through delivery and after, has doubled since 1970 and now totals about 2,000 nationwide.

—In hospitals, nursing is becoming increasingly

complex, with highly trained nurses serving in intensive-care or coronary-care units, in cancer wards and in a whole range of specialties.

—At the same time, nurses in many hospitals are increasing their contact with patients, resuming functions

they had yielded to nurses' aides and orderlies during World War II. Some hospitals now use only registered nurses on their wards, claiming that productivity is higher than when nurses' aides or paraprofessionals are used.



**Nurse practitioner**  
Lucille Kirelbn comforts a patient at Detente House in McLean, Md. She is the innovator of a new profession — nurse practitioner. (New York Times photo)

## Gifted children able to start college early

SEATTLE (AP) — A 10-year-old freshman at the University of Washington is the youngest college student in the United States.

A 13-year-old girl praises the university's Philosophy Department and says she has come to enjoy the humor of the ancient Greeks.

These students are part of a program launched in 1977 called Early Enrollment. Their combined grade-point average is a 3.6 on a 4.0 scale.

Skipping gifted children ahead is better than holding them back with their own age group, says Dr. Hal Robinson of the Child Development Research Group.

"In the old one-room schoolhouse, kids weren't segregated by age," said Robinson. "They were allowed to work at their own speed. It's only since the growth of the urban school that this bureaucratic system of age segregation has become established."

In one case, a mother called Robinson because Iowa school authorities had told her to remove all books from her 18-month-old child's reach because the youngster had begun to read.

She followed their advice, and the toddler started sneaking in episodes of Sesame Street. The mother wanted to know if she should unplug the TV, too.

Robinson explains that early reading and exceptional problem-solving skills are signs that a child may be intellectually gifted.

All of the students enrolled in the program scored higher than 80 percent of Washington's graduating high-school students on a state pre-college test.

The younger students haven't had problems making or maintaining friendships. Many of the girls say most of their friends are other university students. The boys say they have friends in their neighborhoods.

Robinson, who hopes to see the program expanded, believes there are many more gifted children "than anyone suspects."

"The standard bell-curve predicts that there should be three kids per 100,000. That's nonsense. We've found ten times that many."

He stressed that early enrollment did not encourage students to specialize.

"We would like to slow it down, if anything," says Robinson. "We want the kids to have a broad, liberal education. We don't want them to get trapped in some special field of study very early on."

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**Phi Sigma Alpha**  
PSA, the political science honorary, will be accepting nominations for Professor of the Year, today through Friday in Holden Hall Room 227, the center for public services. A champagne reception will honor the recipient on Friday, April 20, at a place to be announced.

**Tech Twisters**  
Tech Twisters will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Room 207 of the Men's Gym. All members are urged to attend.

**College Life**  
College Life, sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ, will meet Friday at 7 p.m. at a place to be announced tomorrow. Come and learn how to overcome depression; singing, skits, refreshments and fun. Everybody welcome.

**WICI**  
Women in Communications, Inc. will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at 3612 23rd St. for a pizza and coke party. There will be election of officers. Newsletters are available in Room 102 of Mass Communications Building.

**Lubock Gem and Mineral Society**  
will meet today at 7:30 p.m. in the Precinct 1 clubhouse at 5012 50th St. The program will be Stones of the Far East. Any interested students are welcomed.

**AHEA**  
American Home Economics Association will meet today at 7:30 p.m. in Room 111 of the Home Economics Building. Officers should be present at 6:45 and officer elections will be at 7:30 p.m.

**Brown Bag Seminars**  
All Brown Bag Seminars for the rest of the semester are canceled.

**Horseman's Assn.**  
Horseman's Association will meet today at 7:30 p.m. in the Meat Lab. Speaker will be Orin Barnes and the topic will be Feeding and Fitting the show horses. Everyone is welcomed. Refreshments will be served.

**Cordette**  
Cordette will meet today at 6:30 p.m. in the office. Bring money after meeting.

**ODK-Mortar Board**  
Omicron Delta Kappa and Mortar Board will have a wine and cheese mixer today at 9 p.m. in the Pike lodge in Greek Circle. Everyone needs to bring \$1 to help cover costs.

**Alpha Theta Pledges**  
Alpha Theta pledges will meet today at 7 p.m. in Room 311 of the Agriculture Building. Last week to finish tests.

**College Republicans**  
The College Republicans will meet today at 9 p.m. at 2115 10th St. If you are going to the campaign school in Fort Worth bring your money. Also we will work on the state convention. For more information call Mike Harvey 742-6817.

**Student Foundation**  
Student Foundation will meet today at 5:30 p.m. in the Ex-Student's Building. Mandatory meeting for all members. We will discuss Senior Challenge and other upcoming events.

**TAS**  
Tech Accounting Society will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Room 202 of the Municipal Auditorium. Speaker will be Joe Watson from Arco and his topic will be "The Controversial Function."

**Phi Alpha Kappa**  
Phi Alpha Kappa, the finance honorary, will meet Thursday at 7:30

p.m. in the Ready Room of the Southwestern Public Service at 1120 Main. Bill Horton, President of Southwest Lubbock National Bank, will speak. All majors welcome.

**BA Council**  
Membership applications for the BA Council are available in Room 172 through Friday.

**TTPC**  
Tech Pistol Club will meet Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Room 117 of the Chemistry Building. We will vote on a new constitution and elect officers. Anyone interested in joining is invited to attend.

**Tech Chess Club**  
Tech Chess Club will meet today at 7:30 p.m. in Room 265 of the Business Administration Building. No dues, or requirements. Join us for fun and games.

**NOW**  
National Organization for Women will meet today at 7:30 p.m. at the Wesley Foundation, 2420 15th St. Public is invited. The topic will be the History of Feminism.

**Block and Bridle**  
Block and Bridle will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Ag. Engineering Building. Plans for Little International, which is Saturday, will be discussed. Everyone is urged to attend.

**Animal Science**  
Animal Science will meet Saturday at 9 p.m. in the Ag. Pavilion. Little International. Open to anyone. Sign up sheets in the lounge of the Animal Science Building. All animals provided except horses. Ribbons and trophies awarded. Sign up before Wednesday. For more information call 742-2505.

**Diane Dorsey Scholarship**  
Applications for the Diane Dorsey Scholarship are now available in Room 131 of West Hall. The scholarship is

sponsored by Pi Beta Phi in memory of Diane Elaine Dorsey. Any Tech student is eligible for the \$200 scholarship awarded each spring. Return applications to Room 131 of West Hall. For more information contact Laura Graves 747-9287.

**Major-Minor**  
The Major-Minor Club will be having its annual Spring Banquet on Thursday at 7 p.m. at K-Bob's Steak House. All members may pick up their tickets at the Women's Gym. Non-members who wish to attend may purchase tickets at the Gym for \$6.

**Pi Eta Sigma**  
The Freshman Honorary will meet today at 7:30 p.m. in the Senate Room of the U.C. Guest speaker will be Dr. Annie Marple, Asst. dean of the law school. New initiates are urged to attend to receive the certificates.

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KTXT meets the 'Sultans'

**Music**  
Guitar Ensemble Recital for free today at 8:15 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

KTXT-FM's "Tonight at the Radio"—"An Evening with Dire Straits" at 10 p.m.; two hours of jazz from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Daniel Eastburn in a free performance Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the UC Courtyard.

Alan Shinn, percussion, in a free graduate recital Wednesday at 8:15 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

Skinner Back Wednesday at Rox. Cover is \$1 for men, women free. Ram Jam Thursday. Cover charge is \$1. Budgie Friday and Saturday. Cover charge is \$4.

Texas Rain through Saturday at the Chelsea Street Pub. No cover charge.

The Dovey Quilter Band, houseband, today and through Saturday at Cold Water Country. No cover charge today and Wednesday. Jay Boy Adams Thursday. Cover charge is \$3. Louise Mandrell Friday. Cover charge is \$3. Virginia Kelloff, violin; Arthur Follows, cello; and Mary Pendleton, piano, in a free faculty recital Thursday at 8:15 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

Chicken Lips Thursday through Saturday at the Blue Boar. No cover charge.

Glenn Barber Thursday through Saturday at the Red Raider Inn. No cover charge Thursday, \$3 Friday and Saturday. The Maines Brothers Sunday. Cover charge is \$1.

Free Tech Singers concert Friday at 8:15 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

Louise Dimiceli Friday at the UC Storm Cellar. Cover charge is \$1 for students with Tech ID and \$2 for others.

Candace Lieber, piano, in a free recital Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

Holy Cats in a free performance Sunday from 2:30 to 6 p.m. in the Stangel-Murdough pit.

Cheryl McClure, clarinet, in a free graduate recital Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

Lin Haefka, clarinet, in a free recital Sunday at 8:15 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

**Film**  
"Laura," Cinematheque presentation, at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the UC Theatre. Admission is \$1.

"Saturday Night Fever" Friday at 1, 3:30, 6 and 8:30 p.m. in the UC Theatre. Admission is \$1 for students with Tech ID.

War Film Festival—Saturday: "The Civil War." Films are "Friendly Persuasion" and "The Red Badge of Courage." Begins at 7 p.m. in the UC Theatre. Sunday: "World War II." Films are "Sergeant York" and "Paths of Glory." Begins at 7 p.m. in the UC Theatre. Series tickets are \$2 each, individual films are \$1 each.

**Theater**  
"Curse of the Starving Class" at 8:15 p.m. through Wednesday at the Lab Theatre. Tickets are \$1.50 for students with Tech ID and \$2 for others. Call 742-2969 for reservations.

"Absurd Person Singular" co-produced by the University Theatre and the Country Squire Dinner Theatre. Production continues through

Saturday at the Country Squire Dinner Theatre. Student rates are \$7.95 per person Thursday and Friday. Call 792-4353 for reservations.

"Pancho!" by the University Theatre Friday through Wednesday, April 11. Performances begin at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$2 for students with Tech ID and \$3 for others. Call 742-3601 for reservations.

**Dance**  
Sally Bowden in-residence Wednesday and Thursday. Master classes in modern dance Wednesday from 12:30 to 2 p.m. and 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Dance Studio of the Women's Gym. Performance Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Dance Studio. No admission charge.

**Others**  
"A Sunshine Carol" through Sunday at the Tech Museum. Admission is 50 cents for students with ID and \$1 for others. Showings are at 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

Auditions for the Texas Renaissance Festival will be April 21-22 from 2 to 5 p.m. Locations: Farm Road 1774 halfway between Magnolia and Plantersville. Dancers, singers, actors and jugglers will be cast.

**Upcoming**  
The John Biggs Consort Tuesday, April 10 at 8:15 p.m. in the UC Theatre. Tickets are \$2.50 for students with Tech ID and \$5 for others. Tickets are available at the UC Ticket Booth.

"Never Too Late" at the Lubbock Theatre Centre April 13-14, 16, 20-21. Call 744-3681 for reservations.

"Rock 'n' roll is Here to Stay" April 11 in the Municipal Auditorium.

Lubbock Laugh-In with Pat Paulsen, George Miller and Rumor Saturday, April 14 in the Civic Center Exhibition Hall. Tickets are \$5 and \$6. Tickets are available at the UC Ticket Booth.  
"La Perichole" April 18-21 by Tech Music Theatre, Civic Lubbock, Inc., and Lubbock Civic Ballet. Performances at 8 p.m. in the Civic Center Theatre. Tickets are half price for students with ID and \$4, \$6 and \$8 for others. Tickets are available at the Civic Center box office.

Jethro Tull with UK April 26 in the Municipal Coliseum. Tickets are \$7.50 and \$8.50, all seats reserved. Tickets are available at B&B Music, Al's Music Machine and Flipside Records.

Bad Company May 4 in the Municipal Coliseum.

**Out of Town**  
Eric Clapton Monday, April 9 in Houston, April 10 in Fort Worth and April 12 in San Antonio.

Gino Vannelli today in the El Paso County Coliseum, Saturday in San Antonio, Sunday in Houston and Wednesday, April 11 in Fort Worth.

Toto today in the Las Cruces, N.M., Pan American Center (NMSU).

Alice Cooper and The Babys April 11 in El Paso.

England Dan and John Ford Coley Friday in College Station, Saturday in Houston, Monday in Midland, April 27 in El Paso.

Herbie Mann today in Austin, Wednesday in San Antonio, Thursday in Dallas and Friday in Houston.

Yes May 30 in Amarillo, May 31 in Fort Worth, June 1 in Austin, June 3-4 in Houston and June 5 in Oklahoma City.

The flu had made its rounds in late October. And I was one of its victims. It was the kind of flu which knocked a person down. I was knocked down.

So what did I have to do for two days? Study? Yeah, some. But what I really did was took the time to listen to records—all kinds of them. One of those records was by an English band making its debut on Warner Bros. Records.

The cover looked like something an artsy New Wave band would use. But one spin on the turntable proved differently. It was a rock 'n' roll so pure and new in texture and approach that I couldn't help but play the record all day. I thought my roommates would get tired of it. But they didn't.



Doug Pullen

Four months later, Dire Straits hit the national charts with a successful single, "Sultans of Swing," which may well go down as a rock 'n' roll classic. The group's album was originally released in June in England. It skyrocketed into the top 10 charts of the major US rock trade publications by the middle of February.

A phenomenon ensued. The band is probably the hottest property in the business. KTXT-FM will delve into this successful new band tonight on their "An Evening With..." program. The program begins at 10 p.m.

The program is mixture of music from the group's first album and a taped interview with drummer Pick Withers. The interview resulted from an accidental meeting b

etween the drummer and a few KTXT representatives. It seems the band and the KTXT people were staying in the same Dallas hotel.

Dire Straits was in Dallas for a show March 23 at the Palladium, a show which was, like all the others on the group's debut American tour, sold out.

The KTXT people were in town for a broadcasting convention. Rick Tyson (his air name) ran into Withers in the hotel. He requested, and received, an interview, which took place the next day in the band's hotel room.

Dire Straits has a new album, but the program album set for a May release. KTXT won't be able to play any of the material from "Communique," the new 'n' roll.



Pick Withers

Where does student fee money go?

\$100,000 may sound like a lot of money, but it's not when it comes to entertainment

By LISA COLKET UD Staff

To most students \$10,193 is a lot of money. When considering that this amount of money was allocated to the University Centers Programs Entertainment Committee to spend on entertainment for 1978-79 it is not such a large sum.

Although many students are unaware of it, this is their money. Every Tech student enrolled in three semester hours or more in the regular semesters and every student enrolled in summer sessions pays a University Center fee. The fee for each regular semester is \$10 and \$5 for each summer session.

Even though this amount is paid by students, some of the entertainment brought to the campus charges an admittance fee.

A portion of the money collected in the University Center fee is allocated to UC Programs which is then

distributed among nine committees.

According to Kate Victory, current Entertainment Committee chairperson the Entertainment Committee has the second largest budget of UC Programs. Every spring the committee chairperson, assistant chairperson and committee adviser of each of the nine committees have a meeting and draw up a proposed budget. This budget is then sent to Programs Council for approval.

"For the past two years we have been in the black," Victory said. "We try and spend under our budget."

The budget for this year allowed for 14 Courtyard concerts, four New Artist Series concerts, two

"Cabarets in the Courtyard, two dances and one mini-concert. However, the New Artist Series was cancelled this year after two attempts. A lack of support from the entertainment provided by the "new" performers led the Entertainment Committee to discontinue the series.

The funds which were not used in the New Artist Series and funds resulting from other changes in the budget were used to create the Storm Cellar, Tech's coffeehouse. The idea had been around for two or three years and was put into reality in January.

Opening night at the Storm Cellar was a success. Nearly 200 attended. The Storm Cellar only holds 150. The Storm Cellar was designed as a place for Tech students to relax and enjoy themselves on

campus.

The Storm Cellar is opened Fridays at 7:30 p.m. and features a guest performer. The Cellar draws a consistent crowd of about 60 people. There is not a regular admittance charge this year, however, next year there will be a \$1 admittance charge, to cover the cost of guest performers.

According to Victory, the Entertainment Committee tries to provide quiet and mellow music for the coffeehouse and courtyard concerts.

"With the size of the coffeehouse, it is easier to have solo performers, but we have had bands," Victory said.

A new twist was added in the entertainment program this

year. A "Cabaret in the Courtyard" was given, consisting of a juggler and three acrobats.

Chris Harmon newly elected chairperson for 1979-80 plans to make several changes in the entertainment program. He plans to initiate new programs which will bring a variety to the entertainment at Tech.

Plans have been made to bring Gene Cotton, a country singer, to the Storm Cellar to perform in September.

The National Lampoon Show, which is a traveling group will also perform at Tech in the fall. The show will consist of two or three cast members of the movie "Animal House."

Harmon also said he is working on possibly changing the Courtyard concerts to 10 a.m. and serving coffee at the concerts, he feels there are more people in the UC during this time of the day. The concerts are usually at 11 a.m.

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Nitzinger: Musician's claim to play rock not a false one; Promises fulfilled by riveting hard rock show

By INEZ RUSSELL UD Entertainment Writer

Advertisers make many claims. Many of them, if not false, are stretched way out of proportion. But there's one ad that fulfills every claim it makes.

It's an ad that's appeared on local radio stations for guitar player John Nitzinger—"This man plays rock." Boy, does he. And he proved it Friday night at Rox.

Performance: ON STAGE

But Nitzinger has other qualities besides the ability to play hard, riveting rock. And it is those qualities that make him unique.

Rock musicians today have a tendency to be loud, monotonous and humorless. They take themselves so

seriously that there is no fun left in their music. That's not the case with Nitzinger.

For one thing, unlike many popular guitarists, he can actually play the guitar. Not just pound on the strings making loud screechy noises, either.

He actually possesses a knowledge of his instrument. That means he knows how to use tempo changes and exciting, clear-sounding solos. He knows his instrument. And

when Nitzinger and his band play, the music is loud, but it is not monotonous.

They manage to fuse exciting keyboard work with a throbbing base and a drum beat that reverberates inside one's body. The tables started shaking after the band got well into its set. But it was an exciting feeling, and the audience received the music with applause and screaming throughout the set. Nitzinger's other saving

grace is his humor. He livened up the set continuously with off-the-cuff jokes. For instance, he sang a song called "Headache," while playing music loud enough to cause just that.

More importantly, Nitzinger was able to laugh at himself, the audience, and his music. But that never distracted him from his main objective—playing rock.

And like the ads said—"This man plays rock."

Soft, serene movements distinguish dancer

Serene. Soft. Touching. These words constantly pop up when Sally Bowden's name is mentioned.

It has been said that she possesses the same freedom and quiet poetic style as singer Joni Mitchell. But the art form through which Bowden chose to deliver her message is movement, not music.

Bowden is a modern dancer, constantly experimenting with new forms and techniques. And although her dance training is extensive, Bowden has emerged with a style of movement that is simplistic, almost primitive, at times.

Bowden will be on the Tech campus Wednesday and Thursday to give her perspective on experimental dance. She will conduct master classes Wednesday from 12:30 to 2 p.m. for advanced students; and 2 to 3:30 p.m. for intermediate students.

Bowden will give a studio performance Thursday at 8 p.m. The classes and performance will be in the Dance Studio, Room 108, of the Women's Gym. The classes and performance are free and open to the public.

Bowden is widely known for her performances with the Merce Cunningham Dance Company. She received her training from such modern dance innovators as Cunningham, Martha Graham and Alwin Nikolais-Murray Louis.



Sally Bowden

Originally from Dallas, Bowden studied at the Boston University School of Fine and Applied Arts. Since then, she has been a guest artist-in-residence and teacher for

many educational institutions. Reviewers have said that she has a unique style of expression that only she can claim. A "Dance Magazine" critic said this about Bowden:

"She dances softly, like a shy smile. In her own world, relating, improvising, not 'performing' at all, yet with a natural aura that gives her all the presence in the world."



## Violence takes toll on sports

By CAROLE MACHOL  
UD Sports Staff

Violence and sports. They go together like hot dogs and mustard. Like catchers and home plate collisions. Like losing teams and unemployed coaches.

As sport becomes less a game and more a business, the necessity of winning has resulted in more than a million players being hurt every season.

In each of the last five seasons, more than 20 college and high school football players have died in or soon after games or practice, and more than 60 have been permanently paralyzed.

**FOOTBALL**  
**FATALITIES** are tallied annually by the National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations, the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the American Football Coaches Association.

Two categories compromise those deaths. The direct category has those deaths that have stemmed from a football-

related injury. The indirect category lists both the football-related deaths attributed to systemic failure (heat stroke) and those of unknown cause that were associated with practice or games.

Football has always been a violent sport. But in recent years it has become rougher, leading a bloody trend that has swept up most of the major sports.

A Hennepin County, Minn., grand jury indicted Dave Forbes of the Boston Bruins Jan. 17, 1975, for aggravated assault with a dangerous weapon — his hockey stick — on Henry Boucha of the Minnesota North Stars during a game earlier that month.

**FORBES**, a leftwinger, became the first professional athlete in the United States to go before a judge by Civil authorities for committing an act within the confines of a playing area.

After the incident Forbes received a 10-game suspension without pay, imposed by then-National Hockey League President Clarence Campbell.

In hockey the penalties for fighting are getting more and more expensive. Most players involved in kicking or fighting matches have received at least a two-game suspension without pay.

Then there are the basketball fights. In basketball, which, according to the rules, is a non-contact sport, pushing, shoving, punching, bumping and slapping have become a major part of the game.

**BASKETBALL**  
**PLAYERS** are conditioned athletes, like most any person playing professional sports. During the 1977-78 season, 6-8 Kermit Washington, then playing for the Los Angeles Lakers smashed Rudy Tomjanovich of the Houston Rockets after a scuffle between Washington and Kevin Kunnert, also of Houston.

Rudy T., the Rockets' No. 1 scorer ended up in the hospital with a broken jaw, nose and other head injuries. It was the kind of blow that few athletes bounce back from.

Larry O'Brien of the National Basketball Association didn't treat the battle lightly. He suspended Washington (without pay) for two months and fined him \$10,000. Overall it cost Washington more than \$50,000.

Even baseball, the once-tranquil summer game has become one of the more violent sports. Retaliation is high on the list of motives for a pitcher throwing a knockdown pitch or hitting a batter.

**ONLY ONE** player has been killed in a baseball game. He was Cleveland's Ray Chapman, who was felled in 1920 by a pitch from Yankee Carl Mays. The pitch that killed Chapman hit him so hard that the third baseman, Aaron Ward, thought it was a bunt and fielded it.

Some of the reasons a pitcher will throw at a hitter are: he wants to set him up for a certain pitch, he wants to get back at a hitter for his last hit off the pitcher, or the pitcher just plain mean.

Batters react differently.

Some drop to the ground after being hit, while others head straight for the pitchers mound with bat in hand.

Some pitchers admit hitting the batters on purpose. One reason to hit a batter would be to save a ball club from losing a game. For instance, Houston Astros pitcher Ken Forsch hit a batter that scored earlier in the game and ruined his shutout. Retaliation.

**DESPITE THE** batting helmet and Rule 802-d, which requires a warning, then automatic ejection for such tactics, baseball has never been able to cope with the problems of beanball pitching.

The pressure to win, coming from the fans, alumni and coaches has resulted in an anything goes attitude for many high school, college and professional players.

Not only college and pro players use the violent tactics on or during the course of play. The young athletes are imitating their favorite heroes and using some of the same moves

and shoves the older players use.

There are many more high school and college athletes than pros. In football alone there are more than a million high school players, about 70,000 college players, compared to 1,200 to 1,300 professional players, according to an article in Penthouse by Joseph B. Treaster.

**ACCORDING TO** Dr. James Nichols, consultant for the New York Jets (football team), Knicks (basketball team), Rangers (hockey team), and Cosmos (soccer team) 40,000 people suffer crippled knees from sports annually. Nichols said the most dangerous sports fall in the high-velocity, high-contact category.

To prevent injuries in sports, the first that needs to be done is eliminate the unnecessary violence. In order to do that the officials of all the respective sports will need to crack down and issue the penalties against those who violate the rules.



Up and over

Tech's David Thompson seems to have this bar cleared in action last weekend at the Tech Invitational Track and Field Meet. Thompson placed third for the Raiders in the pole vault. The Tech track team travels to Austin Friday to compete in the 52nd Texas Relays. (Photo by Karen Thom)

## Chicago's roster problem still unsolved

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago White Sox have a roster problem which player-manager Don Kessinger thought he might be able to solve by doing the unusual for a veteran.

Kessinger, 36, said he considered retiring this spring to help alleviate the logjam of players competing for two positions in the White Sox infield. He said he recognized the advantages of such a move, but team management wouldn't budge.

"It was one of those things I brought up at our meeting when we decided on the team cuts ...," said Kessinger. "It was something I thought we should think about. I felt I should bring it up in our meeting, but they voted me down."

"They," were Bill Veeck, White Sox president, and Roland Hemond, the team's general manager.

Kessinger said he had considered the move as one way of possibly helping the

team relieve its severe roster problems, as well as enable him to remain eligible to play in an emergency.

He explained that if a coach or player is not on the active playing list when the season opens, he may be activated at any time in an emergency. However, if he opens the season on the roster and later changes his status to inactive, he must sit out the remainder of the season.

Kessinger, who batted .255 in 131 games last season when he was used primarily as a shortstop, has been working out at second base this spring. Either he or Alan Bannister, another converted shortstop, will start at second on opening day if rookie Harry Chappas wins the starting shortstop assignment as expected.

Veeck, who could not be

reached for comment Monday, repeatedly has called Kessinger the team's most valuable player in 1978. He once said it was a "disgrace," that Kessinger was overlooked for selection to the American League All-Star team and designated Kessinger and Chet Lemon, who did make the All-Star team, as his personal

All-Stars. He rewarded both players with new color television sets.

Kessinger, who played the first 11 years of his 15-year major league career with the Chicago Cubs, was acquired by the White Sox from the St. Louis Cardinals in August 1977 when the Sox were making a bid for the AL West Division crown.

He appeared in 39 games down the stretch in 1977 and the 131 games he played last season were the most he had played since 1976—his first year in St. Louis—when he appeared in 145 games.

Kessinger was Veeck's surprise selection as player-manager after the 1978 season, replacing Larry Doby.

## Houston blanks Minnesota, 2-0

COCOA, Fla. (AP) — James Rodney Richard and Gary Wilson combined for a four-hitter Monday as the Houston Astros defeated a Minnesota Twins split squad, 2-0, in exhibition baseball.

Richard pitched seven innings, striking out eight batters while allowing three hits and two walks. Wilson gave up one hit the two final innings.

Roger Erickson pitched a

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Erickson and Wynegar; Richard, Wilson (8) and Bochey. WP-Richard. LP-Erickson.

complete game for Minnesota, giving up eight hits.

Houston took the lead in the fourth inning when Jose Cruz singled, stole second and scored on Art Howe's two-out single. The Astros scored again in the eighth on a double by Rafael Landestoy, a sacrifice bunt by Craig Reynolds, and a single by Cesar Cedeno. Cruz and Howe were the only players with two

## Messersmith keeps smiling

Red Smith

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Andy Messersmith is a living landmark standing 6 feet 1, weighing 200 pounds, wearing No. 47 in Dodger blue on his white playsuit. He is not the only baseball player who can read nor the only one with principles nor the only one with the courage of his convictions, but the other one is selling Volkswagens in Billings, Mont.

The other one's name is Dave McNally and it is because of these two that there are millionaires in the dugout today as well as in the executive office. Four years ago Messersmith read a contract offered by the Los Angeles Dodgers and McNally read one presented by the Montreal Expos and each for his own reasons declined to sign. This resulted in the landmark case that cracked open baseball's reserve system. Because Messersmith and McNally stood on principle, employers no longer own ballplayers outright; now the player can qualify as a free agent and sell himself by the carat. "What do you think of what's going on now?" Messersmith asked a visitor the other day. "These million-dollar contracts."

"I am gratified," the visitor said, "that for the first time ever in professional team sports, the player has some voice in his own future. As for the salaries, if they get out of proportion, the restraints of the marketplace will remedy that."

"EXACTLY," MESSERSMITH said. "And it is the owners who have been waving these big contracts at the players. No player has said, 'I want so many dollars over such and such a term or else.'" There was a pause and a smile that was only slightly wry. "Why is it always the player who is the greedy one?" Andy asked.

Owners cry that inflated player payrolls are bankrupting them, but they don't go broke. Delicatessen operators and tailors and hardware merchants who do a poor job go broke, but the last baseball owners to go broke were Roy and Earle Mack with the Philadelphia Athletics. The people who ran the Seattle Pilots into the ground in one season sold out to Milwaukee at a profit.

The first time the Dodgers added Messersmith to their pitching staff, they had to give up five players for him, including Frank Robinson. It took only a phone call to get him back, and he paid for the call.

After playing out his option in Los Angeles in 1975, Messersmith signed with the Atlanta Braves. Plagued by a sore arm, he underwent surgery in Atlanta, and after two

summers the Braves sold him to the Yankees. A shoulder separation suffered in spring training made him useless last year, and the Yankees released him in November.

"I CALLED Peter O'Malley," Andy said, "and told him I was looking for a job. He arranged for me to come to the park and throw."

The tryout was last Jan. 25 and the veteran of 333 major league games admits he was as nervous as a rookie. In Chavez Ravine there was a jury composed of Al Campanis, the Dodgers' vice president for player personnel; Ron Perranoski, a pitching instructor in the minor league chain; Red Adams, the Dodgers' pitching coach; Ben Wade, director of scouting, and Gail Henley, a scout. Messersmith showed them his fastball, his curve, his change of pace and his screwball. Thirteen days later the Dodgers signed him for two years.

"With a no-trade clause?"  
"Yes," Andy said, and laughed. "Ironic, isn't it?" It was because the Dodgers refused to give him a no-trade clause that Messersmith played out his option in the first place. Before that 1975 season ended they were willing to give him anything he wanted but by that time he was determined to test the contention that baseball, unlike other competitive businesses, couldn't survive without ownership of employees. Recently Campanis said the new contract did not include a no-trade provision, but Al tells the truth most of the time.

MESSERSMITH IS glad to be back with the Dodgers. He doesn't knock the Braves or Yankees but his travels has increased his respect for the Los Angeles organization. An all-around player who has twice won a Gold Glove for fielding his position, he is happy to be back in the National League away from the designated hitter.

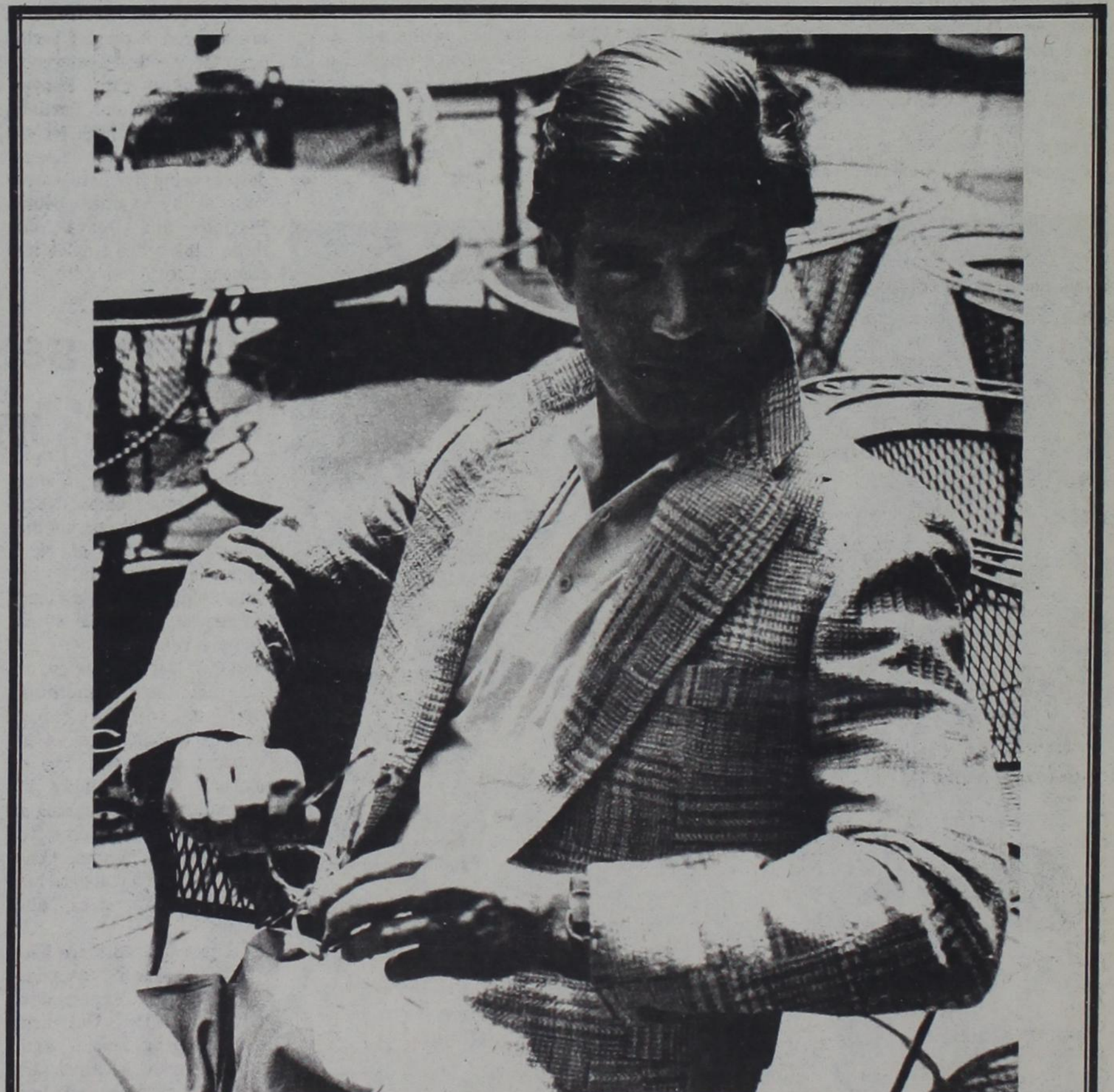
"I don't like being a specialist," he said, "I like playing baseball all the way. I'm no great hitter, but I like to try to hit."

"How did you find the climate at the Dodgers in '75 when you were playing out your option?" he was asked.

"Great," he said. "It was my best year."

HE WON 19 games and lost 14 that season. He had been 20 and 6 the year before, but in 1975 his earned-run average of 2.29 was the best in the league and he started more games (40), pitched more innings (322) and had more complete games (19) than anybody else.

In most circumstances every club in baseball would come clamoring for a pitcher with that record, but Andy says the demand for his services was minimal.



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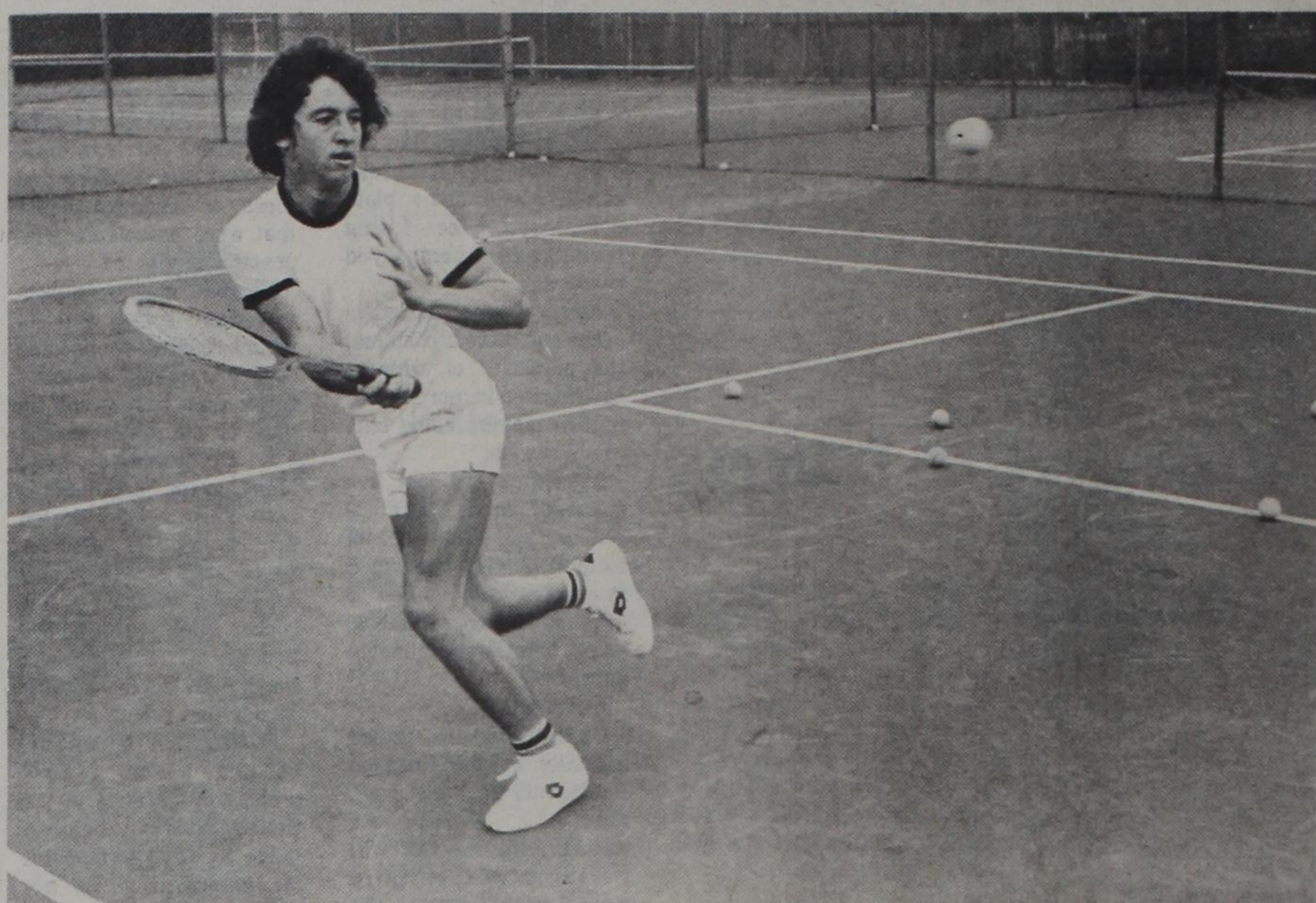
# Scribes snare victory as KTXT loses tone



John Eubanks

I'm not one to brag, but... I'll just quote the lead from the Associated Press story concerning last Saturday's game between the University Daily's Bad News Bearers and the KTXT-Diamond Studs. It read, "The Bad News Bearers overcame a 10-run deficit in the first inning to defeat the KTXT-Diamond Studs 25-18 last Saturday in media softball action." Wait a minute. Ten down in the first inning? Okay, so we were a little tight. After all, it was our first game of the season. For some, it was the first game of their life. I'm not saying ex-UD Sports Editor Chuck McDonald never played softball, but when he showed up with no glove, no uniform and three Lucky Lagers in a brown paper sack, I figured we were one less experienced athlete. So we let him pitch. By the time the game started, Chuck had borrowed a glove, put on an old tank top used for checking the oil in his truck and consumed the three beers. So all he did was walk his first three batters. Later we learned Chuck had no idea of the strike zone. "Hell," he said. "I threw the ball right at his head. He couldn't miss." But Chuck wasn't the only one to blame. The Bearers played real team ball. KTXT scored 10 runs in the first inning, but we chalked up ten errors, one by every player on the field. We really stuck together. We simmered down somewhat, but still trailed 16-5 in the sixth inning. Then newsroom director Steve Monk shouted, "Deadline in five minutes." Our journalistic instincts took over. You see, the word "deadline" has a deafening ring to journalists. It's like when Popeye says, "That's all I can stand, I can't stand no more." And sucks down a can of spinach.

The sound of aluminum bats hitting softballs began ringing out like the clatter of typewriters in a busy newsroom. You could hardly hear yourself think. By the time the "deadline" was completed, we had overtaken the Vibes by one run, 17-16. Three innings remained in our nine inning tilt. Shouts of "play a little D" echoed throughout the field as we took our positions. Sure, we had to overcome a first base umpire who wore a KTXT hat and shirt. But so did they. You might say the guy made some questionable calls on both sides. Visions of days past began running through the heads of over-the-hill athletes on our squad. "We can do it," someone shouted. With two out in the ninth inning, their final batter came to bat. He hit a towering pop fly toward first baseman Mike Vinson, who trotted under the ball and confidently raised his glove toward the sun. Those in the stands held their breath. The ball landed shakily in the webbing of his glove, popped out, rolled down his arm and fell to his feet. But before it hit the ground, the umpire shouted, "Batter stepped out of the box. He's out. Game's over." Vinson glanced at the ball on the ground and then toward the umpire, who was signalling victory for the Bearers. "Thank you God," he whispered. The game was over. It was time to celebrate. Players, coaches, groupies and fans gathered at Mr. Gatti's to tell their version of the game. The stories grew as each player told his version. But you couldn't blame them. To the victors come glory. Baby-faced freshman Jeff Rembert learned how to chug beer for the first time in his life. And newsroom lab director Richard McKinney showed us a technique for eating pizza without burning the top of our mouths. But by the end of the day, few learned to swallow pizza whole. Others learned that dark beer affects you the same way clear beer does. Gosh, we learned a lot of things. But, apparently, we haven't learned our lesson, yet. We plan to play in a tournament this weekend and continue our winning streak. Now, if Chuck can find that strike zone, we'll be okay.



Just practice

Gregg Davis prepares to execute a forehand shot in the Raiders' practice last week at the Tech tennis courts. Davis and his teammates host North Texas State today at 2 p.m.

The Raiders resume SWC play Friday in Houston against the Houston Cougars. Davis and doubles partner Robert Davis own a 9-5 dual match record. (Photo by Karen Thom)

## Netters host North Texas State

Sporting an 8-8 dual match record, the Tech tennis team of coach Mark Hamilton hosts North Texas State at 2 p.m. today in a non-conference showdown at the Tech tennis courts. The Raiders are 0-1 in Southwest Conference warfare after losing to nationally-ranked SMU in Dallas Friday, 9-0. A previously-scheduled

match with Baylor in Waco Saturday was cancelled due to rain. New at the North Texas State helm this year is A.G. Longoria, who in three seasons at Pan American produced three nationally-ranked teams. "We don't know much about them (North Texas State)," Hamilton said, "But we feel pretty good about our chances."

Tech will go with its usual lineup, with Doug Davis (12-6), Chow Wah (9-6) Harrison Bowes (5-11), David Crissey (5-12), Robert Davis (6-10) and Randy Clayton (9-7) manning the singles posts. In Doubles, the Raiders will start Robert Davis and Gregg Davis (9-5), Doug Davis and Bowes (12-4) and Crissey-Wah (4-3).

"Our non-conference schedule is extremely tough," Hamilton said. "And, of course, play is always tough in the conference." The Techsans resume SWC play Friday in Houston against the Houston Cougars. The Raiders face Texas Saturday in Austin and return home to entertain the Texas A&M Aggies next Tuesday.

# With one week to go before playoffs, three NBA divisions up for grabs

By ALEX SACHARE  
AP Sports Writer  
Have the Portland Trail Blazers learned to win without Bill Walton? Two years ago Walton led the Blazers to their first National Basketball Association championship. Last year, injuries crippled the red-haired center late in the season and the Blazers made a quick exit during the playoffs. This season, with Walton on the sidelines, Portland

struggled along below .500 until the last month, when the addition of rookie Mychal Thompson to the starting lineup helped the Blazers win 10 of their last 12 games. With one week to go before the playoffs, Portland holds a 2½-game lead over surprising San Diego in the race for the final berth in post-season play. Three of the four division titles are also up for grabs in the final week of the regular season. At stake, besides the extra money that goes to each

division winner, is one week's rest via a bye through the first round of the playoffs. Defending champion Washington is the only team to have clinched a division race. The Bullets lead Philadelphia by eight games in the Atlantic Division and their 52-25 record is the best in the league. San Antonio leads Houston by 1½ games in the Central Division, with Atlanta 2½ games out. Kansas City holds a slender margin of one-half game over Denver in the

Midwest Division, while Seattle leads Phoenix by two games in the Pacific Division. The Eastern Conference playoff teams are Washington, San Antonio, Philadelphia, Houston, Atlanta and New Jersey. Only Seattle and Phoenix are assured of playoff berths from the Western Conference, while Kansas City, Denver, Los Angeles and Portland have the inside track for the other places. San Diego, despite being five games over .500, is 2½ games behind Portland and Denver and three behind Los Angeles and Kansas City.

Portland is in its best physical shape of the year. Besides Walton, the only injured Blazer is guard Lionel Hollins, who has a minor knee injury. Forwards Maurice Lucas and Bobby Gross and guard Dave Twardzik are all back in action after early season injuries. "We've finally got some people healthy," said Lucas, who had 30 points in the Blazers' 109-107 triumph over Cleveland Sunday. "And we're playing much better now. The maturing of our young players has a lot to do with the way we're playing now."

## Braves' star set for opener

By TOM SALADINO  
AP Sports Writer  
ATLANTA (AP) — Bob Horner, involved in a contract squabble with the Atlanta Braves, has a sore arm. But the National League Rookie of the Year says he will be ready for the Atlanta Braves' regular season opener Friday. Horner, the blond slugger who blasted 23 home runs in only 89 games last season after the Braves signed him off the Arizona State campus as their No. 1 draft choice, arrived in camp last week after missing 26 days in his contract dispute. The 21-year-old played for the first time Saturday and again on Sunday, going hitless

in eight at bats. He was scheduled to start at third base Monday but has a sore shoulder. "My arm is a little stiff. I guess I threw too hard, too soon," Horner said Monday in a telephone interview from West Palm Beach, Fla., prior to the Braves' game against Kansas City. "I was supposed to play today but the shoulder is still tender. I'd hate like heck to go out there and hurt the shoulder real bad. So I'll take the day off and maybe be back Tuesday," he said. "I should be ready in a couple of days. I'm ready to go. My swing feels real good. I hit the ball well against Minnesota Sunday. "Obviously I'm going to be a little behind everybody else but not that much," he said. "It's just a question of getting my timing down." Manager Bobby Cox also feels Horner will be ready for the season opener Friday at Cincinnati. "It looks now like he's going to be ready. He's starting to see the ball real good. I'd

venture to say he could be in there opening day," Cox said. If Horner is activated to the roster, rookie Mike Macha, who has had an excellent spring filling in at third for Horner, likely will be sent to the minors, Cox said. "I'd have to say we can't keep both of them. But if we have to send Macha out, I think we'd find a way to get him back pretty soon. Right now, there's just not room for both of them," he said. Horner and the Braves have been involved in a contract dispute since November. He was seeking a long-term contract for a reported \$250,000 a year while Atlanta has offered \$100,000 for one year. The dispute will be settled in arbitration. No date has been set. "The situation is out of my hands. If we lose, I'll be with the Braves," Horner said. "If I win and become a free agent I could still be with the Braves," he added. "I wouldn't count out that possibility. But hopefully other teams will be in the bargaining."



Rudy T. Houston's Rudy Tomjanovich (45) is guarded by members of the Seattle Supersonics basketball team as he looks for a teammate to pass to in a recent meeting between the two teams. The Rockets, at one-half game behind the NBA Eastern Conference Central Division-leading San Antonio Spurs, are anxiously-waiting the upcoming playoffs. The Sonics are in second place in the East's Pacific Division.

## Man's search for 'something better' inspires bicycle ride

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — From Omaha, Neb., to Chattanooga, Tenn., via the wooded wilderness of New Brunswick, Canada, and Maine fishing camps, is a long bicycle ride, no matter whose atlas you refer to. But for Jay Connerley, it was just the "something better" he was looking for. Weary of working days as an electrical draftsman for a suburban Omaha utility in Fremont, Neb., and making a two-hour nightly drive to college evening classes, Connerley, 23, climbed aboard his two-wheeler to seek adventure. "...I just figured there had to be a better way," he said. Relying on experience acquired in two Outward Bound programs and equipped with a sense of adventure, sandy-haired Jay set out May 15, 1978, on an arc through Minnesota, Canada and down the eastern seaboard to Chattanooga. It was a 4,300-mile ride. "Before I could get from Fremont to Omaha, I had three blowouts," he said. "I was carrying too much gear. Along the way I mailed things back until I was carrying just one day's food, a portable stove, a change of clothes and a raincoat." In Iowa, he was hampered by strong winds. "I would pedal as hard as I could for 8 hours and only get 50 miles," he said.

Along the way, Jay said, he met hundreds of interesting persons, each joining him in what he called "natural and relaxed friendships, even if they did only last a few days." "I truly didn't meet a person on the entire trip who wasn't very nice to me. Outside of Montreal I met an industrial psychologist on a bicycle tour of his own. "He had just about finished his trip and was only a few miles from home so he invited me to join him for a few days' rest." Jay said there was something about being on a bicycle that made a person open and approachable to townfolk. "There is no doubt about it, people are just more friendly

when you come into a town on a bicycle. Maybe it's because you just naturally have something to talk about... maybe," he said.

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