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Bullock Claims White Too Slow On Voting Act

By JIM NEFF
Texan Staff Writer

State Comptroller Bob Bullock sharply criticized Secretary of State Mark White Monday for allegedly dragging his feet on extending the Voting Rights Act in Texas.

"We're under the act, and it's time that Texas rejoined the Union by starting to comply with it before we get into a mess of trouble," Bullock said at a Capitol press conference.

Since the act was extended to Texas three months ago, Bullock said White had not submitted any of the 23 election bills passed in the last legislative session. This shows that White is trying to make his "gloomy predictions" about the Voting Rights Act come true, he explained.

White told The Texan his office has been complying with the statutes of the act, submitting election bills to the Justice Department since Oct. 12.

Previously, White has said that in complying with the act the state will experience confusion and lawsuits and that Texas' elections will be increasingly controlled by the federal government.

Bullock said that if White does not offer guidance to local officials, then, indeed, his gloomy predictions will come true.

IN FACT, his department has guided local officials on the new voting rights statutes, White countered. Contending that he sent directives to all the county judges and mayors in the state last August, White said, "I guess Bob isn't on our mailing list."

Bullock said Texas has a shameful record in protecting the voting rights of

all its citizens. Since the state has not voluntarily protected the voting rights of its citizens he felt it necessary for the federal government to step in.

"I have heard Mark White brag that Texas has a model set of election laws," Bullock said. "Well, that's a crock of it. We have no such thing."

White told The Texan he said no such thing. "If you look back you'll see I bragged that Senate Bill 300 is a model voter registration bill."

AT THE PRESS conference, Bullock was asked if he thought Gov. Dolph Briscoe's opposition to the act explained White's alleged position of non-compliance.

"I think the governor is wrong," he answered, "but Mark is the chief elections officer of the state and is responsible."

White said Bullock's decision to hold the press conference surprised him. "Maybe he didn't have any businesses to raid today," he quipped.

At the conference, Georgia's Lt. Gov. Zell Miller explained the experience of his state under the 1975 Voting Rights Act, which now applies to Texas.

"You have little to fear from burdensome requirements and procedures in complying with the law," Miller said. "I do not believe Texas will have any problem with the law."

There is no reason "the law should be changed or watered down," he added.

Miller said the Voting Rights Act of 1965 never has been the "bugaboo to me that it has to some politicians who have been more interested in saving their political hides than getting more citizens their right to vote."



Lines of Communication

Vertical and horizontal lines interplay in this silhouette portrait of two unidentified University students. The two

are in the elevated corridor between buildings A and B of the Communication Complex.

Syrians, Israelis Disagree On Golan Peace Conditions

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JERUSALEM — UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim conferred for several hours with top Israeli leaders here Monday amid reports that Syria was attempting to win political concessions in exchange for a renewal of the mandate of the UN peace-keeping force on the Golan Heights.

Informed sources said Syria was seeking to have the mandate renewal include an urgent call for peace talks and a recognition of the political rights of the Palestinians.

Syria reportedly wants the Security Council to include in its renewal resolution a timetable for the Middle East peace negotiations — a tactic Israel has resisted vigorously. Damascus also is said to be urging that the Security Council agree to hear a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization outline the Palestinian case.

ISRAELI OFFICIALS dismissed the Syrian conditions as "absurd" and said they threatened the peace-making process.

The Syrian objective, in the opinion of

Israeli officials, is to exploit the renewal of the mandate as an opportunity to draw the Security Council more intimately into the Middle Eastern negotiating process. Since this would automatically increase the role of the Soviet Union, there was speculation here that Moscow may have urged the Syrians to pursue this course.

Whatever its genesis, the Syrian move appears designed simultaneously to enhance the status of the PLO and embarrass Israel, which has said publicly that it will not negotiate with the PLO.

Israeli officials said they believed the Syrian demands would be watered down substantially before the issue is discussed by the Security Council this Friday.

ISRAELI SOURCES admitted privately they were looking to the United States to veto any substantive changes in the wording of the renewal resolution.

"It would completely destroy the possibility of any future negotiations if the Security Council were to become involved," an Israeli official observed.

The 1,200-man peace-keeping force on the Golan Heights, known as the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF), was created as part of the Israeli-Syrian disengagement pact concluded on May 31, 1974.

The mandate of the force, which must be approved by the Security Council, has been renewed twice in six-month increments. The present mandate is due to expire Sunday.

Thousands Flee California Fire

GLENDALE, Calif. (UPI) — A firestorm that "whooshed in like a freight train" destroyed a dozen homes in the \$35,000 to \$60,000 range Monday and sent more than 3,000 persons fleeing in fear in the mountains north of Los Angeles where 40,000 acres of brush were consumed.

The fire, worst in the area in five years, was declared a state disaster area by Gov. Edmund Brown Jr., making residents eligible for state aid.

The worst damage to residences was in the Glendale-La Crescenta area, but the fire stretched nine miles along the rims of the rugged terrain, bringing out more than 1,000 men battling the blaze at one time.

On the western edge of the fire in the San Fernando Valley, the flames were

controlled, but to the east, winds with gusts up to 50 miles an hour propelled the blaze unchecked through dry brush and sent a pall of smoke over the entire Los Angeles metropolitan area.

The sun was a dusky red ball in the sky, and by midafternoon the smoke was so thick in the overcast that it looked like dusk.

There were no deaths, but three firemen suffered serious burns and dozens of firemen were treated for smoke inhalation and eye damage from burning ashes.

Glen and Judy Passmore and their two children stayed in their home despite evacuation warnings until 5 a.m. when the Santa Ana winds reached a tempest of 65 miles per hour and they fled. Mrs. Passmore said the sound was like a train

passing through the house.

Jim Rogers, a service station attendant, got on the roof of his house with a hose during the high winds and then was almost blown off when a helicopter came down and dumped retardants in his back yard.

Authorities said 15 homes were reported totally destroyed and scores burned or scorched. The evacuees returned to their homes Monday afternoon except for the unlucky few who found only chimneys and the skeletons of walls standing.

The fire started Saturday from unknown causes in the rugged chaparral of Big Tujunga Canyon north of Glendale. It was contained once, but flared up again Sunday.



Fire near Los Angeles

Gunmen Rule Beirut Streets

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Gunmen crouching behind barricades and on rooftops ruled over the deserted streets of Beirut Monday, trading deadly gunfire that marked the collapse of the 13th truce in 10 weeks.

Fighting political leaders refused to attend a crucial meeting on security, and others stormed out despite an emotional appeal from Premier Rashid Karami to work for peace.

Twelve persons were killed and 25 others wounded in gunbattles throughout the city, boosting the toll in seven months of civil warfare between Moslem leftists and right-wing Christians to at least 4,200 dead and 8,800 wounded.

The renewed fighting paralyzed business life in Beirut. A few shops opened in the downtown shopping districts, but by nightfall the streets were deserted.

Interior Minister Camille Chamoun and Socialist leader Kamal Jumblatt refused to show up for a meeting of the 20-member National Dialogue Committee, and several other political leaders angrily walked out shortly after it began.

Jumblatt, a Moslem, later called on Chamoun and President Suleiman Frangieh, both Christians, to resign and accused the interior minister of being the "prime mover" behind the current crisis.

Former Premier Saeb Salem, one of those who left the security meeting, bitterly denounced the leaders of Lebanon's rival militias.

"Those responsible for ruling this country are at the same time the leaders of what they call 'militias' and what I call 'armed gangs,'" Salem said. "This dualism cannot continue."

Karami appealed to the Lebanese people to realize that "the seriousness of this stage of their history requires all to stand in line."

today

Brrtle Sticks . . .

Tuesday will be partly cloudy and cold with temperatures ranging from the upper-50s to near 30. North-easterly winds will blow from 10 to 18 m.p.h. The sun will rise at 7:05 a.m. and set at 5:31 p.m.

'Texas Specials' Ruled the Rails on Turkey Day

By VINCE TAYLOR

and
JUDY TAYLOR WILLIAMS

(Editor's Note: Taylor is a 1937 University LLB graduate who put together these words in remembrance of the days he rode the Texas Special.)

It was over 20 years ago that a "Texas Special" rolled students and the Longhorn football team to a Thanksgiving Day game against the A&M Farmers (Aggies).

The "Texas Specials" were old-

fashioned Mo-So-Pacs (Missouri and Southern Pacific) with night berths, an occasional orchestra, dining and the yelling, screaming, hell-raising football craziness of a high school pep squad — only a bit more sophisticated.

Both Missouri Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroads sent their "Texas Specials" from Austin to College Station every other year from 1933 through 1951, competing with their prices and advertisements through the years.

The first recorded (by The Texan) specials ran on the Thanksgiving Day clash in 1933. Six specials left that day, advertised in The Texan alongside turkey dinners at Sommers Drug Store for 25 cents and long lists of sorority belles leaving town for the holidays. The Texan stated "on the first train, railway officials have placed a special baggage car in which passengers will be allowed to dance to the music of 'Red' Sheppard's Baggage Car band."

EIGHT FOOTBALL specials left

for A&M in 1935. The Missouri Pacific charged \$1.75 round-trip "in cash," with trains leaving Austin as early as 8:30 a.m. and returning after midnight (after the Aggie victory dance). In those days the Aggies were unbeatable on Kyle Field, and Longhorn fans didn't mind dancing to their music.

Southern Pacific ran its football special at the same rates but added Pullmans for \$4.55.

The Farmers trounced the Longhorns 20-6, and The Texan's edition after the holidays hid the score.

In 1937, Gov. James V. Allred was toying with the idea of running for a third term on a unicameral Texas Legislature platform, and the two railroads were more competitive. This time, MP offered Pullman rates of \$3.70 (plus "60 cents for the seat each way" — but, of course!). Southern Pacific offered the same \$1.75 common rates, and their Pullmans ran faithfully.

The Texan didn't print the score, and UT exes don't want to remember it. There was something about a big fuss over band member tickets, alleged Aggie ticket scalping, and above it all, student president, now 10th District Congressman Jake Pickle, in the middle of the act, in full defense of the Longhorn Band members.

DALE CARNEGIE lectured in 1939 on how to win friends. The Aggies could have learned something from him.

Southern Pacific specials left Austin at 8 a.m. on Thanksgiving. The MP's Pullmans left at 8:30 a.m.

Kyle Field was cold and wet — and so were the Longhorns. They got it 0 to 20. That year after-the-game Aggie dances got less and less popular for "teasippers."

The long return ride took almost four hours for the early evening train and five hours for the after-dance train.

In 1941, Coach Dana X. Bible got his lucky haircut along with team captain Pete Layden. The Texan ran three stories about the haircuts, along with an article that consulted a local sorcerer about a victory for the Horners.

FIVE TEXAS Specials ran at a discount of \$1.48. They all got to Kyle Field on time, and Bible's Longhorns beat hell out of the unbeaten Cadets 23-0.

Then came the war years, and no trains for College Station until after the war, in 1947. The Texan for Nov. 19, 1947, said "It's cheaper to thumb. No cut rates for A&M."

Both the MP and the SP revived their "Football Specials" for A&M. But inflation really hit. Roundtrip rates went up to \$3.18 for old coach seats and \$8.91 for the worn-out Pullman. This was more than double prewar rates!

The Longhorn team rode the MP, beat the Farmers 32-13 and won a trip to the Sugar Bowl. After that, MP dropped its special to College Station.

So, by 1949, the Missouri Pacific was out of the business of "Football Specials" to A&M. But its competitor was rolling on. A Southern Pacific special left Austin at 7:45 a.m. on Turkey Day and got back to Austin at 9:35 p.m. Fares went up to \$3.28 for chair car seats and \$10.29 for Pullman.

Near the end of that game Texas end Ray Stone was accused of wallowing Aggie fullback Bob Smith. It was some wallow.

COACH BLAIR CHERRY sent his regrets after the game. But Texas

had won 42-14 and a tie for third place in the Southwest Conference.

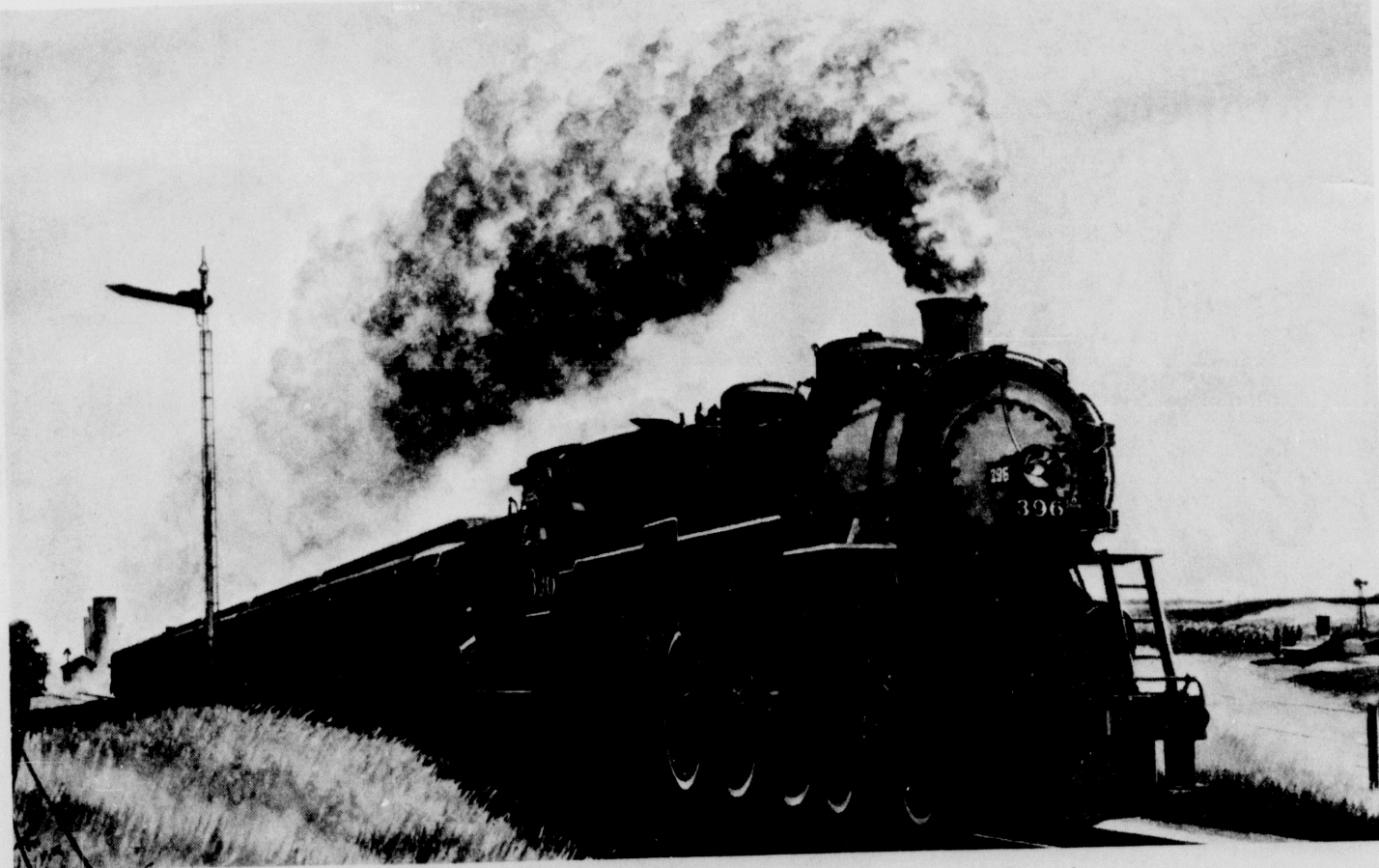
Ed Price was coaching in 1951. The SP added another section to its special. That train consisted of 14 day coaches, 10 Pullmans, two diners and a lunch car. It pulled out of Austin station at 8 a.m. on game day, returning about 9 p.m. Round-trip fares for the poor were \$3.28 and \$10.81 for the socialites.

The MP tried to compete for the last time with a train leaving Austin at 10:25 a.m., changing over at Valley Junction and hoping to get to Bryan by the time of the kickoff. Its round-trip fare was 5 cents cheaper than the SP.

The Longhorns did not take the train and lost a heart-breaker to Darrow Hooper's toe — 22-21. Aggie taunts of "pore Teasippers" were heard all the way back to a dark Tower. The MP would not roll again.

THE SP SPECIAL was loaded to capacity in 1953. The dampener occurred, as we recall in hazy recollections, while the empty train was parked at College Station. Pranksters set fire to some women's furs and sprinkled the packed lunch boxes with farm dirt. Nevertheless, the return trip was chaotic because Texas had won 21-12. Hardly anyone on that returning train dreamed it was the last train they would be able to take.

In 1955, the SP special rolled with the team. It was the last train to carry them, and no student specials ran. The game was nationally televised for the first time. Coach Price had Saxton and 14 seniors, who had never lost to A&M, playing their top game. The Horns won 21-6 . . . and the chant of course was "pore Aggies!" The Tower looked great to Longhorn fans.



'Texas Special' puffs its way northeast to Aggieland.

City, School Officials Tour East Austin Flood Area

By MIMI BRUNNER

"It even looks like the place where they filmed 'The Legend of Boggy Creek.' You can almost see the monster coming out over there," quipped Rep. Gonzalo Barrientos on Monday's tour of the debris-strewn East Austin plain that is flooded almost annually.

The tour was sponsored by Barrientos, City Councilman John Trevino, school board member Gus Garcia and flood plain resident Jorge Guerra to inform the public of the flooding conditions and to make more persons aware of Tuesday's hearing by the Army Corps of Engineers. The 7 p.m. hearing at the Rosewood-Zaragoza Community Center will determine whether a flood control study of the area is needed.

"There are 1,600 homes in this threatened area ... at least 100 businesses in the flood plain ... several schools in this 200 acres of our community," Trevino said.

"IF THE OFFICIALS are convinced there is a definite need for federal assistance, a three-year study can be authorized, costing some \$450,000. This, in turn, depending upon the recommended solution, could result in a multimillion dollar project to solve our problem," he added.

Garcia said that flooding not only causes damage to buildings, but substantial student absence. Because the district receives state funds derived from daily attendance figures, it loses money when many children do not attend school because of flooding or illness caused by it.

The most recent bout with severe flooding occurred in May.

If the study gets the approval of the corps, the \$450,000 cost would call for congressional and presidential approval. Once approved, it would take almost three years to complete. Budgetary approval would again be required for the actual construction.

THERE ARE THREE possible solutions to the flood problem, according to Charles Graves, quoted in the Austin American-Statesman. One proposal involves lining the creek with concrete either to enlarge it or to form a more direct channel to Town Lake.

Another solution would be to create a "holding lake" by building a dam at the head of the watershed. In theory, the lake would hold the extra water, allowing it to seep out gradually.

Evacuation, or clearing an area along the creek for standing flood waters not to overwhelm the creek downstream is the third alternative.

All three possible solutions

carry the problem of transplanting established homes and businesses.

"IF THERE WAS A flood now, the bus would have to stop here," said Guerra at the beginning of the bus tour of an area between Webberville and Gardner Roads.

"The furniture is moved around by the waters in this house," he added. "Each time it floods, someone must help evacuate the woman who lives here because she can't swim."

"This is called Tom Miller Ditch," Guerra continued, pointing to a drainage ditch strewn with debris. "Back in the 1950s (former mayor) Tom Miller thought it was what we needed to improve flooding conditions. It's a good

breeding place for mosquitos in the summer," he added.

"WHEN THE TOM Miller Ditch can't take any more water it also needs relief so it pushes water into the homes," Guerra said.

Mayor's Bond Group Loses Ground

By KAREN HASTINGS
Texan Staff Writer

Information on the Dec. 6 bond election was in short supply when Mayor Jeff Friedman appointed his probond election committee.

As a result, several members have since dropped out in the wake of new information, and at least one still admits to knowing little about the issues involved.

Student Government President Carol Crabtree and Vice-President Lyn Breeland were originally named to the 50-member group, and both have since withdrawn.

They list opposition to the water and wastewater improvements in the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) as their main point of contention.

THE CIP is a five-year listing of community improve-

ment projects. The Dec. 6 bond election will decide on municipal bond authorization to finance part of the first three years of the CIP.

While stressing that she supported most of the CIP projects, Crabtree said, "I didn't feel I could give my total support to all aspects of the CIP."

Both Crabtree and Breeland admitted to being in favor of the bond election until investigation showed what they feel to be a preponderance of growth-oriented projects in the water and wastewater proposals.

PLANNING Commissioner Dean Rindy also has resigned his place on the committee and has cast his lot with the Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility, a group which has also come out in opposition to the water and wastewater

proposals.

While fellow Planning Commissioner Linda Lewis-McGowan says privately that she, too, opposes these two propositions, she is staying on the committee.

"I'm afraid that if a lot of people oppose part of it, it's going to defeat the whole bond issue," Lewis-McGowan said. The experience of the recent Texas constitution election has convinced her of the hazards of opposing such issues "piecemeal," she said.

All of the members interviewed who have since dropped their place on the bond committee say that originally they were for the entire bond issue.

"I wasn't all that informed then," said University Young Democrats President Irwin McGee, one of the original

committee members.

He said he, like most of the committee members, had been contacted last month to join the committee by representatives of Friedman, and some indicated that their original support was more procouncil than probond election.

McGEE SAID he originally saw the bond election as a "council test" but is now convinced that the two issues should be kept totally separate.

Attorney Mark Pearlmuter said he joined under the impression that people he "knew and trusted" were also on the committee. Since then, Pearlmuter said, he had decided that water and wastewater proposals "drastically encourage growth" and should be cut

from the bond issue.

Pearlmuter, like all the others who left the committee, said he is in favor of every other proposition on the bond ballot, which includes library, parks, fire protection and street improvement projects.

WHILE NEW information seems to have divided original bond committee members, at least one is still uncomfortably straddling the fence.

Attorney Mark Hanna said he has requested information — any information — from the city on the bond election and the CIP, but to no avail.

"I'm still on the committee, but I couldn't even tell you what's in the bond issue. I can't be for it if I don't know what's in it. I hate to trust rumors," Hanna said.

Rostow Specifies Aims Of General Studies Plan

Claiming that the exciting questions of economy and hunger cannot be answered in just one department, Elspeth Rostow, dean of the Division of General and Comparative Studies, spoke Monday to a small group at the Texas Tavern.

"The division (of General and Comparative Studies) is the proper and essential place to answer questions," Rostow said in discussing with the group of 15 students the programs offered through General and Comparative Studies.

General and Comparative Studies has grown steadily and in 1974 had an enrollment of 3,108 with a first semester enrollment of 1,283. This year the first semester enrollment was 1,355.

Many unusual programs are being offered despite the lack of a great deal of money.

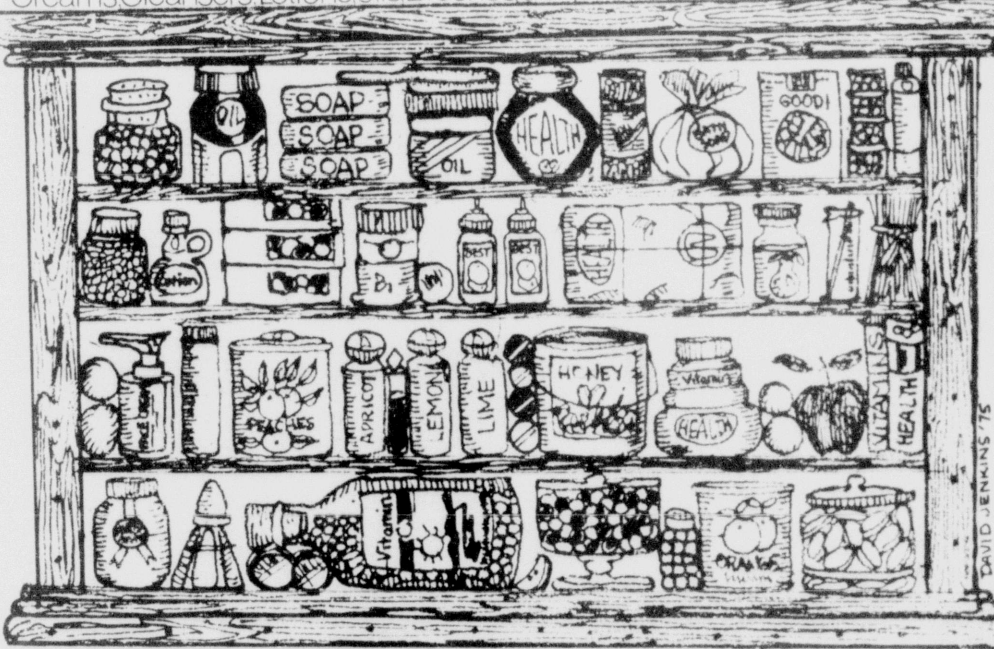
"We're not lavishly funded, therefore we'd better have a lot of ideas," Rostow said.

Programs allow students to go to Washington, D.C., and work at a top level office in government, to travel to Persia and Asia to see a different culture's approach to their own problems, and to work individually on a project with an instructor's guidance.

Despite being given a "budget we couldn't live with" in the summer, Rostow said University President Lorene Rogers was "generally helpful in restoring some of the funds," adding that Rogers "approved programs and was supportive" of the division.

One program lost in the cutbacks was Museum Studies, whose instructor left when the funds did. Rostow called the loss of the program "a shame."

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Fromme Attorney Requests Assault Charge Conviction

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (UPI) — The case of Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme, accused of attempting to assassinate President Ford, went to the jury Monday with an appeal by her lawyer to convict her of the lesser crime of assault.

Attorney John Virga insisted the apostle of mass murderer Charles Manson pulled a loaded pistol on Ford, not to kill him, but to gain publicity for her "Wake Up America" proenvironmental, anti-industrial pleas.

On the 14th day of the unprecedented trial, the defiant Fromme brought the defense case to an abrupt conclusion by refusing to testify because Manson and other jailed members of his onetime sex and drug cult were barred from appearing as witnesses.

In a two-hour closing statement described by the judge as a "history of the world," Virga cited the names of such figures as World War II Nazi Field Marshal Irwin Rommel, poet Ogden Nash, Santa Claus and retired Supreme Court Justice William Douglas to try to convey the background of Fromme's thinking.

"IT'S NOT my trial," the 27-year-old Manson disciple told U.S. District Court Judge Thomas MacBride. "If it's not my trial, how can I take the stand on my own behalf?"

Virga cut short his defense case because of Fromme's refusal to testify and asked the jury of eight women and four men to convict her of assault rather than attempted murder.

"I'm telling you now you should find her guilty of assault on a president because that is what she did," Virga said. "She did not act with intent to kill the President."

But federal prosecutors demanded that she be found guilty of the charge of attempting to kill the President when she pointed a .45-caliber automatic at Ford Sept. 5 as he walked through a crowd toward the state Capitol. There were four bullets in the ammunition clip, but none in the firing chamber.

"REASON AND logic would tell you one of those four bullets was meant for the President of the United States," U.S. Atty. Dwayne Keyes told the jury. "What is the purpose of that weapon? It's not for sport. It's to kill people."

Arguing against the contention she pulled the gun on Ford to get publicity, Keyes said, "There are many other ways to get attention in the presence of the President. You can slap at him. You can yell an obscenity or use an imitation weapon. If you think she went to the park with a loaded .45 just to point it at the President, you have to ignore all the evidence about what went on before."

If convicted of attempting to murder Ford, the diminutive defendant faces up to life in prison. However, the jury could find her guilty of assault, which carries a maximum 10-year prison term and a \$10,000 fine.

Fromme, wearing jail denims and carrying her "sacred" red robe in her arms, appeared in court for 10 minutes outside the presence of the jury.

SHE TRIED to emphasize that her fanatical environmentalist warnings of "bloody bedrooms and screams in the night" should be taken seriously.

"What I'm saying is don't make us shoot. Don't make us be violent," she told MacBride in a statement reminiscent of a pretrial warning she made to the judge.

The small, red-haired defendant said her attorney would "lie" and try to make a joke of a rambling but violent threatening letter she wrote last August to a television newsmen which said, in part: "... if Manson is not allowed to tell what you are too sheltered to face ... your homes will be bloodier than Tate-La Bianca and My Lai put together."

The reference was to the grisly 1969 killings masterminded by Manson of pregnant actress Sharon Tate and six others, and the slaughter of Vietnamese at the hamlet of My Lai.

FROMME EXPLAINED to the court, "The letter says if you all continue to lie, you and your children will die and die violently."

"I won't have it lied about. He has every intention of misrepresenting me."

"I thought the whole object was to come in here and tell the truth," declared Fromme, who was ejected from the courtroom Nov. 7 for misbehaving and who elected to sit out the trial in a cell equipped with closed-circuit television. "He can plead my case as not guilty without lying."

Virga, who had planned to call about 10 additional witnesses, explained in court, "I told Fromme I can't fill in the gaps in the record unless she testifies. I have requested her to testify."

Farmers Block Main Roads, Railway Lines Into Lisbon

LISBON, Portugal (UPI) — Angry farmers cut the main roads and railway lines to Lisbon from the north Monday in an effort to cut off food supplies to the capital in protest against illegal Communist-led land seizures.

The farmers cut the two main highways to the capital from the north, as well as secondary roads and railway lines. Troops were sent to the barricades at Rio Maior, 48 miles north of Lisbon, but political sources said they were pulled out later.

The farmer voiced support of the sixth provisional government and troops loyal to the government. They called their action a "warning" to antigovernment leftist workers in the industrial belt of Lisbon, politicians said.

THE MOVE fueled the Portuguese crisis at the very moment that the military's key Revolutionary Council was meeting in a desperate effort to reduce tensions that politicians have said could explode into armed conflict.

The action by the conservative

farmers followed a meeting in Rio Maior. Political sources who were at the meeting said more than 10,000 farmers from all over the country attended.

The sources said the farmers sent a delegation to Lisbon to present their demands to President Francisco da Costa Gomes and the Revolutionary Council.

THEY SAID THEY were ready to keep the barricades up until their demands were met. The farmers were considering cutting electricity and water to Lisbon as a last resort.

Farmers have been angered by illegal Communist-led land occupations, and many have expressed fears their own land could be occupied.

The sources said the farmers were demanding:

- An end to the wildcat occupations of land.
- Purging of the Communist-controlled staffs of local agrarian reform centers.
- Minimum prices for farm products.

THE CONSERVATIVE farmers said they supported the Socialist-dominated sixth provisional government, which has been subjected to several large hostile demonstrations by Communist and far left workers from the Lisbon industrial belt, climaxing in the 36-hour siege of Prime Minister Jose Pinheiro de Azevedo in his official residence two weeks ago.

They called for the resignation of far left Lisbon area commander Gen. Otelo Saraiva de Carvalho. The Revolutionary Council was summoned into session especially to discuss the refusal of the far left Lisbon area troops to accept the replacement of Carvalho by the more moderate Capt. Vasco Lourenzo.

Moynihan To Stay on Job Ford Expresses Confidence in Ambassador

WASHINGTON — President Ford expressed Monday "complete confidence" in Daniel Patrick Moynihan, the chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations, and White House officials said later that the controversial diplomat had agreed to remain at his post for the foreseeable future.

Moynihan reportedly had been planning to resign because of what he regard-

ed as insufficient support by the State Department.

However, Moynihan apparently decided to remain on the job, at least for the time being, and so informed Ford during a 40-minute meeting with the President Monday, the White House officials said.

RON NESSEN, the White House press secretary, read a statement after the meeting which asserted that "the President wants it clearly understood that

Ambassador Moynihan has his complete confidence. The President and Secretary (Henry) Kissinger encouraged Ambassador Moynihan to continue to speak out candidly and forcefully on major issues coming before the United Nations."

Nessen said later, in response to a reporter's question, that Ford did not want Moynihan to quit his post because "the President brought him in there in the first place to be a forceful advocate, and he has been doing just that."

Kissinger was present for only the last 10 minutes of the 40-minute meeting. Several Administration officials said Monday that Kissinger had been displeased with Moynihan's independence and passionate oratory at the United Nations and that, accordingly, the State Department had not been supportive.

KISSINGER WAS said to be particularly annoyed at the strong language used by Moynihan in linking the policies of President Idi Amin of Uganda with the Organization of African Unity and with the rhetoric Moynihan employed to denounce the UN resolution condemning Zionism as racist.

However, Nessen and other White House sources said Monday that the President fully approved of the way Moynihan has been conducting himself at the United Nations. One source also speculated that Moynihan sought and obtained from the President assurances that he would not be undercut by the State Department.

WHY FORD supported Moynihan, who has been on the job less than five months, has several answers. Judging from what White House aides said Monday, Ford finds congenial Moynihan's blunt-speaking style.

Beyond that, however, Moynihan has won growing popularity here at home — if not abroad — for his impassioned speeches stating American policy at the United Nations, and it is rarely good politics to force a popular appointee from office.

Moreover, Ford only recently announced a major shift in his top national security and defense posts. The sudden withdrawal of another top Administration official would have added to the impression of instability within the Administration that resulted from those shifts.

news capsules

Search for Bodies Continues on Missile Cruiser

PRILOLO, Sicily (UPI) — Workers cut through the blackened and twisted superstructure of the U.S. guided missile cruiser Belknap Monday searching for three men believed crushed or burned to death during the ship's fiery collision with the U.S. aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy.

At least four men were killed and 45 injured when the two warships collided Saturday during night flying exercises in the Ionian Sea 70 miles off the coast of Sicily.

Another four originally were reported missing, but Navy officials Monday revised the figure to three and said all apparently were trapped under the superstructure during the crash.

"There is no chance that they are alive," a Navy official said Monday.

Rally Drives Stock Prices Up

NEW YORK (UPI) — A late rally Monday drove prices higher in slow trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

The Dow Jones industrial average, off around two points at the outset, gained 4.88 points to 845.64. The blue-chip average was helped by a 1½-point gain in Sears, Roebuck, which closed at 72½. Sears reported strong third quarter earnings.

Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 0.17 to 89.70, and the average price of an NYSE common share increased 6 cents.

Grand Jury Indicts Maryland Governor

BALTIMORE (UPI) — Gov. Marvin Mandel was indicted Monday on federal charges he exchanged state favoritism for secret financial interests in two firms. Mandel declared his innocence and demanded a prompt trial.

Mandel, 55, a Democrat, was charged along with five other men with using the mails to defraud and two counts of prohibited activity for the secret ownership and income.

Mandel said he would not resign and said he trusted the people of Maryland to understand "the fundamental American precept — that a person is innocent unless proven guilty."

The indictments climaxed an investigation of Maryland political corruption that previously toppled former Vice-President Spiro Agnew and several lower level officials.

O.P. Carrillo Sentenced to 5 Years in Jail

CORPUS CHRISTI (UPI) — District Court Judge O.P. Carrillo was sentenced to five years in prison and fined \$22,000, and his brother, Ramiro, was given four years in jail and fined \$20,000 Monday for federal income tax violations.

U.S. District Court Judge Owen Cox first denied a 54-point motion for a new trial by the Carrillos, then handed down the sentences.

Defense attorney Arthur Mitchell said the Carrillos would appeal their cases in the next 10 days.

A final conviction in the federal case could lead to Carrillo's disbarment and make him ineligible to serve as a judge.

Carrillo also faces an impeachment trial in the Texas Senate and an appearance before the Judicial Qualifications Commission.



—UPI Telephoto

New Yorkers gather to support their hometown.

New Yorkers Rally, Boo Mayor, Senator

NEW YORK — New York gave itself a rally Monday to show that, despite its fiscal condition, its people stood united against Gerald Ford, but relatively few New Yorkers — 15,000 or 8,000 or 5,000, according to different policemen — showed up in Times Square to take part in it.

Mayor Abraham Beame, who had exhorted in a cracked voice "this great outpouring of people" to join him in breaking "down the walls of indifference" in Washington, had not spoken to any policemen and estimated the crowd at 25,000 to 50,000. But he was not disappointed, he said, "considering the kind of day it was, blustery and so forth."

THERE APPEARED to be only a few

more people in the square, from 43rd to 47th Street, than there might be on any similar fall day during the lunch hour.

And those that were there, packed tightly together against the gusting winds that whipped out from the side streets, were a restless but good-humored melange of union members organized for the rally, vendors of pro-New York buttons and hot pretzels and hundreds of others enjoying an afternoon of one of the city's favorite pastimes — hooting at politicians.

When Beame was introduced as "the greatest mayor in the city's history," there was a rolling, massive booing to greet him. The hoots prompted Joey Adams, the master of ceremonies, to remind the crowd that "I said Mayor Beame, not Gerald Ford."

Sen. Jacob Javits was heckled with "Get the politicians off the platform!" and "Give him the hook!" as he told the crowd of the New York congressional delegation's efforts on behalf of the city.

MOST OF THE politicians — Beame, Javits, City Council President Paul O'Dwyer, Controller Harrison Goldin — spoke of President Ford in bitter words for his continued refusal to support federal assistance to the city. But the people standing below them in the street didn't seem to care what they said. What they wanted were the singers, dancers and actors who had been promised.

Woody Allen, clad in a surplus Army trenchcoat and a floppy, wide-brimmed fedora, said he was there "to lend my body, to freeze publicly on behalf of New York."

Up on the stand with Allen were Tammy Grimes, Jule Styne, Eli Wallach, Betty Comden and Adolph Green, Ruth Warrick, Madeline Kahn, Colleen Dewhurst, Virginia Capers, Dustin Hoffman, John Raitt, Anne Meara and Geraldo Rivera.

Ruling Equates New 'Pringles' To Old Chips

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Food and Drug Administration Monday turned down objections from the makers of traditional potato chips and ruled that restructured chips of the "Pringles" variety also may be called potato chips.

The only proviso is that the label of such products must also state "Made from dried potatoes."

Makers of the slice-and-fry type of chip, who have been waging a fight against the restructured chips for the last two years, wanted the FDA to force the new products to call themselves "potato snacks" or a similar phrase. The new product has chipped into old-style chips, replacing them in up to 25 per cent of sales.

THE TRADITIONAL potato chip forces had contended consumers were being deceived by the phrase "potato chips" since the new varieties are made of chopped-up potatoes reshaped into a "perfect" size and stacked in cans.

But the FDA said the addition of the phrase "Made from dried potatoes" should take care of that, and the new chips otherwise meet the dictionary definition of a potato chip.

The regulation is effective on Dec. 31, 1977.

In related actions the agency also ruled that onion rings made from chipped onions, rather than actual rings, shall be called "onion rings made from dried, diced onions," and that seafood products made from chopped fish, clams or shrimp shall be labeled "Made from minced fish."



—UPI Telephoto

Moynihan arrives at the White House to see Ford.

CIP: a student concern once and for all

Before, every city bond election since University students earned the right to vote at their campus residence questions arise over whether students should vote on something which primarily affects permanent residents. Many students new to campus life wonder why while many citizens do what little they can to stop it. The CIP election on Dec. 6 is one such election.

ACCORDING TO AN UNOFFICIAL list prepared by Mayor Jeff Friedman's staff, the CIP items which affect the campus community as well as student transportation and recreation are far-reaching and numerous. Included in the package are Riverside Drive improvements, expansion of the computer signal system, additional transit buses, neighborhood health centers, Town Lake Development, playground improvements, the new coliseum, a new tennis center, park improvements, new fire stations in the University area, preliminary planning for a Cultural Arts Center, bike and hike ramps on city streets and various other proposals.

Primarily, the argument against student input in the bond election is negated by simply examining this list. Most of these items are used only by students, therefore the approval of these items would directly affect students. Even the Riverside Drive street improvements should generate some student interest although the item is contained in a somewhat overexpansive as well as expensive street improvements section.

BUT ON A BROADER scale, students should maintain interest in such facets of the CIP as the airport improvements and police and courts proposals which many times directly concern students. Furthermore, the grossly overpriced proposals for water and wastewater expansion warrant attention not only because of the future growth aspects of the items, because they involve revenue bonds which directly affect utility rates, something students face just like other Austin residents.

In fact, the water and wastewater bonds which encompass \$162 million or 75 percent of the \$205 million total CIP package, should be of upmost concern of those conscientious bill payers of the University. Although city officials have promised "no new taxes" with this CIP, they have, at numerous opportunities, failed to explain exactly what will happen should Austin's population not grow by leaps and bounds as they have predicted.

Under the city's program, no new property tax increase is planned as long as Austin is allowed to double in size by 1995. No new utility rate in-

creases are expected, yet the promise was never publicly made, by the same reasoning. What it boils down to is that as long as there are enough citizens in Austin to pay the rising costs — with everyone paying their fair share — we may not see an increase in rates for some time.

But if Austin tones down its growth pattern, the remaining Austin citizens will be forced by financial agreement to cover the complete cost of these expansionist activities. This means students and students of the future as well, for if the University maintains limits on enrollment, the University will not cause Austin expansion, but the future University students may be forced to pay for expansion anyway.

ALL THIS FORMULA financing talk means higher and higher electric,

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- ## Student-Oriented CIPs
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- Riverside Drive Improvements
 - Expand Computer Signal System
 - Acquire 20 Additional Transit Buses
 - Neighborhood Health Centers
 - Town Lake Development
 - Bailey Playground Improvements
 - Community Coliseum
 - Austin High School Tennis Center
 - Southeast District Park Improvements
 - Shoal Creek Development
 - Cultural Arts Center
 - Central Library
 - Bikeways and Sidewalk Ramps
 - Burleson Road Improvements
 - Lions Municipal Golf Course Improvements
 - Austin Recreation Center Improvements
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firing line

Water, wastewater may hit our pockets

To the editor:

Some newer people on campus may not be aware of the stakes involved in the city bond election on Dec. 6. It may not be as simply understood as something like extended drinking hours, but its impact is greater. It will cost every student money if the water and wastewater portions, Propositions 11 and 12, are passed by the voters.

A consultant for the city told the council that rate increases of over 100 per cent for water, and over 300 per cent for wastewater were necessary *just to make future bonds attractive enough so investors would buy the bonds!* That means the rates will climb just so the city can sell the bonds if we pass them.

Rates will go even higher to pay the principal and interest on the bonds. What you are being asked to approve Dec. 6 is higher utility bills, or higher rent if your apartment or dorm rent includes utilities. If you have been conscientiously trying to conserve electricity, check your city utility bill. Combined charges for water and wastewater on my bill have often exceeded electricity costs.

The water and wastewater bonds are primarily designed to serve a city of 300,000. Unfortunately it is not aimed at the 300,000 of us here in Austin today, but the 300,000 extra the city bureaucrats would like to see here among a city of 600,000 in 1995. By the time they get here, of course, we will have paid through the nose for their nice new water and wastewater facilities.

Richard Hamner
2818-A San Pedro St.

Crime ailment

To the editor:

Crime prevention, like preventive medicine, should seek to identify the sources of pathologies and to treat them before they threaten the stability of the system as a whole. Advocating more padlocks as "crime prevention" is like prescribing the snake oils we see on TV for colds and other ailments. The best it can possibly do is to treat only the symptoms of the disease.

Your supplement on "crime prevention" will only add to the state of siege mentality in which citizen is set against citizen. How about a supplement on the reasons crime is rising in our society and what can be done about them?

It is also disturbing when James Reston says in the same issue of The Texan that the problem of political violence arises from "the anarchy of lost, defeated and desperate individuals, and the question now is how the prominent and powerful citizens of the nation are to be protected against it."

I disagree. The real question is how can the prominent and powerful citizens of the nation lead us away from that anarchy.

Charles Greer
Geography

Badmouthing Baker

To the editor:

Your article by Russell Baker, "Hitler's Bedfellows in the UN," is propaganda reminiscent of those days when Joe McCarthy was telling us the Communists were going to eat us alive. As McCarthy exchanged Communist for liberal, Baker exchanges the UN's resolution that Zionism is racist for the General Assembly's endorsement of anti-Semitism. Baker then goes on to tell a sad story of how the Communists are out to screw Israel; and as everyone knows, one cannot condemn Israel's existence without condemning every Jew in existence.

It might interest Mr. Baker to know that the Communists, Arabs and Third World states which he finds such a menace to our hypocrisy, and "which have become arbiters of international moral conduct," and who resolved that Zionism is racist, were the same who on Nov. 29, 1947, adopted, in a resolution by the General Assembly, recommendations for a separate Arab and Jewish state which created the state of Israel.

It also might be noted that on May 17, 1948, four days after the state of Israel was proclaimed, Russia recognized the state of Israel. However, Mr. Baker does not tell us this since dealing with facts would refute his philosophy that communism is bad.

Randolph Mahone

Cow worshiper

To the editor:

Re: Miss Sisco's article on "Bevo, a bum steer" in Wednesday's Texan referring to Bevo as a "symbol of male superiority at UT." I shudder to think that a "journalism" student couldn't write a better article than that. Or perhaps she was just trying to get her name in the paper. Regardless, it is ridiculous to suggest that "the Silver Spurs and the Texas Cowboys discriminate against women in their recruitment efforts." Bevo is not a symbol of male superiority at UT. He is a Texas Longhorn steer which is the only appropriate mascot for a university whose football team is called the Texas Longhorns. To even suggest that we might be able to worship a "cow" for mere sexual equality is absurd! So I suggest, Miss Sisco, if you wish to worship a "cow," that you go to India and worship all you want. Perhaps they would appreciate your ludicrous journalism. Believe it or not, Miss Sisco, some people are proud of the University of Texas.

Tommy Thomas
1900 Willow Creek Hills

Witch hunt

To the editor:

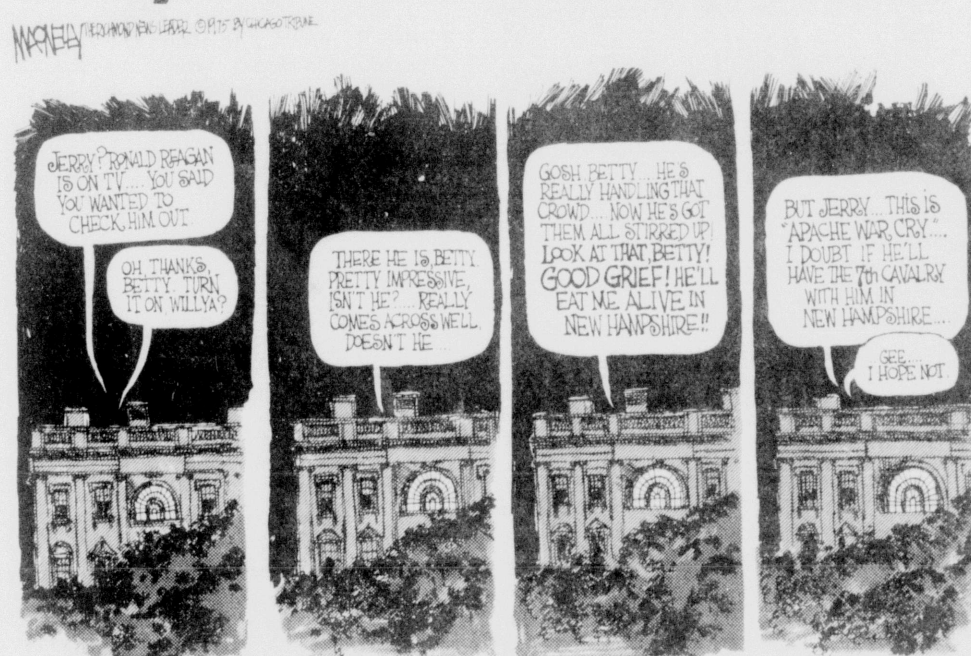
I am moved to write this letter by an article printed in the Thursday, Nov. 20, edition of The Texan. The article appears on Page 1 and is headlined "Sizable Tax Break Possible for Shivers."

The article notes in the first paragraph that Gov. Shivers may be able to deduct \$500,000 from his income tax this year for the donation of his home to the University, while the county appraises the home at only \$160,000. The remainder of the article is devoted to a cursory explanation of how this complex difference in evaluation is possible.

It is this student's opinion that Gov. Shivers' reasons for donating his home to the University are none of The Texan's business, and that even if they are of legitimate concern the facts as they appear in The Texan are so trivial that the story definitely does not warrant a place on the front page many days after the donation took place.

I am astounded that The Texan apparently has so little sense of justice and fair play that it will print such innuendo. I am even more astounded that The Texan will apparently go out of its way to uselessly alienate the chairman of the Board of Regents, a man whose cooperation and sympathy are essential if this university is to have a meaningful dialogue between the administration and the rest of the University community.

I have applauded the investigative courage of The Texan in the past; Texan coverage of the Bauer house affair and the Spurr firing, to name only two events, has been outstanding. Had there



been clear evidence of fraud or other wrongdoing on Gov. Shivers' part in this case I would have been proud for The Texan to print the facts. Rather it seems that The Texan went on a vindictive witch hunt, found nothing, and decided that it had spent so much time investigating that it had to print something to justify the effort.

I believe that Gov. Shivers is a big enough man to forgive if not overlook this incident, and I hope he will do so. The Texan has done a great disservice to those in the University community with legitimate grievances by printing the articles discussed; I hope also that The Texan will admit the error and avoid its repetition in the future.

Phillip Umphres
Junior
Accounting

More meddling

To the editor:

After boldly proclaiming, "McKee's meddlers prejudicing case," The Texas proceeded, without the slightest hesitation, to inject itself into the affair.

It is difficult to understand why the Board of Governors, a duly elected group of law students, is meddling when it expresses its lack of confidence in the SBA president, but The Texan, a nonelected, self-appointed herald, can confidently advise law students in this matter. And where was the accusing finger when Mr. Wilson, a nonlaw student, intervened to "investigate" an expenditure of \$1.42 which has since been repaid?

The recall movement is, above all, a matter of honor. It is not a racist scheme or a criminal proceeding. Anyone familiar with the ABA canon of legal ethics knows it requires attorneys to "avoid even the appearance of impropriety." Those who were outraged by Watergate (and I am sure The Texan was among the most vocal finger-pointers then) should be no less alarmed by unethical conduct among students aspiring to become attorneys.

Currently two different actions are under way within the law school which can effectively cope with the situation. First, the Honor Council is investigating the situation to see if it deems violations of the Honor Code serious enough to warrant proceedings before the Honor Tribunal; second, the recall election. Because law students are trained to search out facts among verbiage, I think they will be able to sift out the cold facts from the overheated rhetoric of the situation. Fortunately, law students are little influenced in their judgments by pronouncements of The Texan; consequently, they will be able to assimilate

the facts and make independent, rational and mature decisions in this situation.

If The Texan is sincere in its desire to see a calm and just solution to this problem, then it will cease its editorial sabre rattling and follow its own non-meddling advice, leaving the evaluation to those who are quite competent to make it: the law students.

Tom Fitzhugh
Law

O'Hair and soft-sell

To the editor:

I feel a comment must be made on the recent speech by Madalyn Murray O'Hair at Dobie Center. A forceful speaker, O'Hair made some good points on the importance of atheists in American history and the necessity of taking one's freedom in order to have that freedom. However, I must object to her treatment of a respectful audience.

It is easy to see why she turns many people off. Her attitude was insulting. Listeners seemed to include both atheists and the curious. We were berated for being docile and not asking questions, but several questions were treated with outright ridicule. She showed a self-righteous contempt for those not as knowledgeable as she on the beliefs of atheism and on political issues (Israel and Vietnam conflicts).

I admit my own question was not treated in this manner, but I was appalled at her behavior toward others. Most people are put off or respond belligerently to attack. I suggest O'Hair do some study on dealing with people if she expects to gain any rapport in her presentations or any followers of her beliefs.

Kathy Kennedy
Psychology

Uncloseted

To the editor:

Isn't it ironic that the "normal" employees of the Austin American-Statesman refused to be named along with their statements, whereas Wednesday's gay demonstrators permitted their photographs and names to be taken?

It wasn't difficult for me to ascertain who, in this instance, had the real chutzpah.

If "the smartly dressed young woman" and "grey-haired man" are in the majority, then surely they have nothing to fear or hide. Come out people. You are the ones in the closet, not us.

Marc Sanders
Psychology
Former member of Gay People of Austin

water and wastewater bills for students, obviously affecting them as much as park improvements or bike trails and perhaps even more.

Thus, the fact that 75 percent of the CIP directly affects something students as well as property owners pay, namely utility bills, negates any argument that students should have no interest or participation in the bond election.

True, the other 25 percent of the bond election which goes toward more people-oriented programs are nonrevenue bearing bonds financed by property taxes. Thus, the question again rises: why should property owners pay for services which can be used by nonproperty owners, who can vote in the bond election yet not pay taxes?

THE PLAIN AND SIMPLE truth is that many city services are paid in part by nonproperty owners, although not directly through property taxes. Nonproperty owners, many of whom are students, are also residents of Austin and by living here and generating revenue within the city, they provide money for the city. The various fees, permits, parking citations and other city revenue bearing programs generate funds for the city. In addition, state sales taxes, which everyone pays, go directly to Austin. As a last argument, there is always the possibility (as so often has occurred in the past) that students who vote in the bond election may become Austin property owners when they graduate and thus have an important decision for their future before them.

With the growing change from dormitory to apartment living and apartment to home living, students should become increasingly concerned with a CIP which in many ways can benefit them or in other ways can fiscally overburden them. But with the vote, they can pick and choose which benefits they want and veto proposals (water and wastewater) which will hurt them.

Capital punishment: crime against society

By JIM NEFF

"They consider Jennings a nigger that should be strung up to serve a lesson for the black community," a faculty member recently told me.

Walter Jennings, a black convicted Nov. 14 of killing Police Officer Leland Anderson, has received a life term in prison. Some people in the Austin Police Department and the district attorney's office were disappointed — they wanted capital punishment for Jennings.

WOULD GIVING Jennings the electric chair — boiling his blood until it burst in his brain — serve a valuable lesson? Would it deter others from shooting police officers? Or would it be an oversimplified solution to a tricky problem — that of race relations in the Austin community?

That Jennings was to serve as a grisly example to others who might commit his same crime is clear. "Next time the jury will want someone to kill two cops before they'll give the death penalty," said an assistant DA.

But does capital punishment deter crime? Our criminals today are hidden away, not brandished in public as in the days of the public stocks. Such public humiliation served as a deterrent. Today the middle class citizen is frightened of prison — just as he is frightened of death of ghettos. But ghetto dwellers live in their own private prison-extensions, so as to make prison walls seem inevitable.

WE TALK of making society safe from the criminal by capital punishment, but most criminals are taken from parts of society that are not safe anyway. Capital punishment does not hold the same threat as it does to the good guy middle class.

The theorists of capital punishment as a deterrent also forget that most violent

crimes, like Jennings, are committed impulsively. An impassioned killer does not pause to weigh the benefits of his act against a possible death sentence.

For all these reasons, and the incontrovertible fact that capital punishment has never proved to deter capital crime, we know that killing persons to educate others does not work. So why capital punishment? What justification to take a person's life?

REVENGE, I THINK, is the answer to these questions. Take a life, lose a life. People must "pay" for their crimes. The desire to make an offender suffer equivalent pain is almost natural to us; it quickly rises to the surface. Look at the outcry at the Jennings' verdict when it did not satisfy some persons' grudges.

Sentencing Jennings to death will not make "payment" to society for his crime. Some say Jennings owes society his life. Another person owes society 20 years. Pay now; sorry, no credit. Here "society" steps in to serve an avenging angel — the bald motive of revenge makes us too uneasy. Since Jennings inflicted pain, "society" metes out a packet of pain for him. The punishment is meant to be awful.

THIS BRUTALIZATION is the last thing we should do. Do we really want to deter crime, to solve some of the problems of the ghettos? Then the best way is not by inflicting more violence, but by making society participate in the restoration of people in ghettos, in prisons, in rural slums. (Of course, none of these socially useful goals should even be pretended to if all we want is revenge.)

Capital punishment can never reform anyone; it kills them. We all know that. We have been far too successful at breaking down the dignity of human life with our prison systems, with capital punishment, with our ghettos. I believe that the harder we work along these prior lines of effort, the more we must pain and injure ourselves.

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Medical Examiner Position Favored

Travis County will need financial help from the city and federal government to hire a new county medical examiner, Commissioner Richard Moya said Monday. "As it stands," Moya said, "the cost is too much for the county to bear alone. We have had indications from the city that they want to work with us and help us out, and we are hoping to give this matter high enough priority to enable us to get federal help."

Fellow Commissioner David Samuelson also favors a county examiner. "We've entered the stage where there is a definite need for a person of this nature. Where the money will come from is another question. I think probably all of the other commissioners favor this also."

There became a need for a new examiner when current medical examiner Dr. Coleman de Chenar resigned effective Jan. 1. Chenar performed 394 autopsies last year at a cost of \$30,428 to the county. Estimates by Travis County Justices of the Peace John Wisser and Jim McMurtry range in the area of \$100,000 for the services of a new examiner.

Both men feel there is a definite need for a county examiner.

"Dr. Chenar did not do it as a fulltime job," McMurtry said. "I feel that to attract a competent fulltime examiner a base salary of at least \$40,000 must be offered. Added to this would be the cost for assistants, a lab and a lot of different things."

Wisser said Travis is the largest county in the state without a county medical examiner. "An examiner is a must. The benefits of one are great. It would make for a better and more professional investigation and also a better witness in a trial."

Federal funding, Wisser said, might be the answer. "We plan to apply for funding. The need for both funding and an examiner is something all the justices agree on. After all, we all campaigned for a county medical examiner."

The county is due to run into another expense problem on Jan. 1, McMurtry feels.

"It will be at least nine to 12 months before we can do anything about getting this person," McMurtry said. "We can't do anything until we get the money." McMurtry said doctors will have to be rotated, probably a different per case, until a county examiner can be found.

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Medicaid Contract Breathes New Life

While trying to solve an insufficient funding problem, the State Department of Public Welfare Monday once again extended its Medicaid contract with Blue Cross of Texas.

The state board chose to extend the present contract for 60 days while it continues to search for alternatives to a probable cutback of Medicaid services, David Young, attorney for the welfare department, said Monday.

The present contract, which expired Aug. 31, was extended for 90 days until the end of November. The Monday meeting further extended the contract to allow more time before the yearly negotiation begins. The state is about \$50 million short in appropriations for the Medicaid program, Young said.

"We're using a utilization review to try and make sure we only pay services for medical necessities. We're trying to find different ways to cut abuses rather than lop off services for everyone," he added.

At the meeting, the department illustrated abuses by welfare recipients. A case example showed a family of three who have made as many as 22 hospital visits, 154 outpatient visits and 185 doctor's office visits in one year, totaling about \$33,000.

Since many of the diagnoses included depressive neuroses, the department wants to examine a possible abuse of the Medicaid service.

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Water-Sewer Alternatives Offered by Citizen Group

Citizens for Fiscal Alternatives Monday to the passage of water and sewer proposals in the \$205 million Dec. 6 bond election, reiterating their charge that the two planks will increase utility rates and promote growth.

Besides urging voters to defeat the two sections of the 12-proposition bond issue, group spokesman Richard Hamner urged the city administration to "go back to the drawing boards" and consider a five-step alternative.

City officials should first identify existing water and wastewater needs and use the almost \$38 million

available to upgrade the systems, Hamner said.

Also, a new bond proposal should not be brought before the voters until the new Master Plan, Lake Austin Development Plan and revised Planning Department population projections have been completed sometime during the next year, Hamner said.

He also urged the city to "take into account the Austin Tomorrow stated goal of slowing the rate of growth." The ongoing committee of the Austin Tomorrow Goals program has formally endorsed the entire bond election. Estimates of the water

and sewer bonds' effects on water and sewer rates should be given the voters before they vote on them, Hamner continued.

Lastly, he urged city staff not to design facilities based on outmoded technology.

Hamner reiterated the group's position that the two bond sections would "allow the city to double in size" by expanding the capacity to treat fresh water and wastewater.

Though the group believes some projects under the two propositions are needed, Hamner said, the City Council can't be relied on to alter or eliminate the objectionable projects.

Students Told Prospects Of Overseas News Jobs

Paul Underwood, assistant director of the School of Journalism at Ohio State University, told students Monday that the International Reporting Program was designed to give students a foundation for work as foreign correspondents.

Underwood, who has worked as a reporter for The Associated Press and New York Times, said that when the program began in 1967, it was hoped that each student would be able to spend one quarter abroad, working as an intern with a news agency or newspaper.

The program did well until 1970, when news agencies and papers began to drop out of the program because of financial problems.

"They were cutting down their staffs and couldn't get rid of their own people for interns, so that part of the

program has gone by the board," he said.

It is still possible to find students positions abroad, Underwood said, but they must be able to support themselves.

There are semiprofessional academic internships available abroad with some institutions, he said. The Institute of Journalism in Paris is a postbaccalaureate school of professional training set up by Paris newspapers and government.

Preparation for a job as

foreign correspondent should begin with a degree in journalism, knowledge of economics and several years working on a medium-sized newspaper where a variety of experience can be gained, Underwood said.

"After that, beat on the doors of news agencies and persuade them they can't operate without you," he said.

Underwood noted that graduates of the program currently working in foreign countries are fluent in that country's language.

Information Clarified

A story in a Texas issue of The Daily Texan stated that the National University Conference on Hunger held the Joe C. Thompson

Conference Center during the weekend was cosponsored by the Institute for World Order Project Dialogue and the World Order Program.

The student failed to mention that Student Government was also a cosponsor and allocated \$1,900 for the World Hunger Concert effort.

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Precinct 1 Funds May Run Out Before Last Payroll

By DAWN TURNHAM
and
DANNY HOLLAND
Precinct 1 Commissioner David Samuelson may run out of operating funds for his precinct before he receives

his 1976 budget allocations, county officials said Monday. Only \$27,000 in certificates of deposit and cash remain in the Precinct 1 bank account for the rest of November and

all of December. Asst. County Auditor Herbert Freitag said. Samuelson's funds for day-to-day operations of his precinct come from the Road and Bridge Fund (RBF), a statutory fund created for the

construction and maintenance of public roads in Travis County. It is supported by a special tax of 15 cents per \$100 valuation on county property.

ASIDE FROM ROAD con-

struction and repair the fund pays the salaries of commissioners and their employees.

County Judge Mike Renfro was particularly skeptical of Samuelson's RBF expen-

ditures which total \$979,693.17 for 1975.

SAMUELSON HAS constructed or rebuilt approximately 30 miles of road this last year. He budgeted for 1975, \$120,000 for gravel and

\$225,000 for asphalt, the main components for most road construction.

SAMUELSON'S expenditures are higher than those of other commissioners, but he explains that his precinct is a "deprived area" and that a good road system is the first step toward improving the area. "You can't do it all in one year," he said.

Another reason for the wide variance in road expenditures is the different terrain in each precinct, Samuelson said. An example of this, he said, is that Precinct 3 is based on hard rock which requires different type of construction than his precinct, which has a sticky black clay foundation.

NOT ONLY HAS Samuelson allocated more for asphalt and gravel than the other commissioners in 1973 and 1974, but he has spent every penny of those allocated funds during those two years.

Samuelson's budget is running close enough to the red that even his aide, Jim Huhey, said he was afraid the commissioner could not meet the Precinct 1 payroll.

"October payroll expen-

ditures totaled \$23,448 and "if he has any more bills that we haven't processed, then he doesn't have much money left," Freitag said.

SAMUELSON SPENT in 1974 a total of \$251,119.72 for gravel and asphalt for approximately 24 to 25 miles of road construction.

In 1975, he has spent \$345,000 on gravel and asphalt for 30 miles of road construction. The difference in cost between constructing 25 miles of road in 1974 and 30 miles of road in 1975 prompted some county officials to ask "what does Samuelson do with his gravel?" Margaret Gomez, administrative assistant for Precinct 4 Commissioner Richard Moya, said.

"This is an ungodly amount of gravel he buys. I have driven out to Samuelson's precinct to see if it is stockpiled any place, but have seen none," Renfro said.

"All of the gravel (for road construction) is stored on the road near where we are going to work," Samuelson said. "Of course, we always lose a little bit, about three inches, of gravel because we cannot pick all of it up," he added.

Fatality Spurs Call for Better Health Service

By GLENN KARISCH
Texan Staff Writer
The death of a high school football player in a rural Texas town shows the need for improved access to medical facilities for all Texans, two state representatives said Monday.

Representatives Mickey Leland, D-Houston, and Burk Florence, D-Hughes Springs, said the refusal of the Texas Institute of Research and Rehabilitation (TIRR) of Houston to accept 16-year-old Jake Whetstone for treatment indicates the need for legislation guaranteeing health service to everyone.

Whetstone, a junior at Linden-Kildare High School, broke his neck in a Nov. 14 game and was rushed to nearby Linden Municipal Hospital. With Whetstone paralyzed from the neck down, all vital functions were maintained artificially until his death Sunday.

EFFORTS WERE MADE to transfer Whetstone to TIRR, reputed to be one of the best institutions for such cases in the South. Finances for Whetstone's treatment were guaranteed by his insurance through the school and by the Texas Crippled Children's Fund.

After being assured there was space available at TIRR and that TIRR was well-equipped to handle such cases

by a TIRR resident doctor in charge Nov. 15, Whetstone's parents were advised that the space was no longer available because a walk-in patient had filled the vacancy in the intensive care unit, Florence said.

Dr. Ed Carter, associate director of TIRR and director of TIRR's spinal institute center, said he was at a conference that weekend and had no knowledge of such occurrences but said such cases are generally given priority.

Whetstone, after learning to communicate by blinking his eyes, developed additional respiratory complications and died Sunday afternoon, Dr. Fred M. Roberson, the Linden team physician and one of the doctors who treated Whetstone in Linden, said.

Florence, said the incident showed the need for requiring hospitals to take such emergency cases.

"They were too busy with bureaucracy and red tape to take the time to do something for this boy," Florence said. "It is my personal opinion that you had such an acutely ill little boy that the medical facility simply didn't want someone this sick."

WHETSTONE'S mind continued to function well until his death, Roberson said, adding that he had fed the patient ice cream Sunday morning.

Roberson said none of the local doctors had ever treated a case similar to Whetstone's but did as much for him as

they could. "We thought someone should take the ball and run from there," he said.

Whetstone's chances for survival were small anywhere but almost nonexistent if he remained at Linden, Roberson said.

INJURIES LIKE Whetstone's are probably one of the severest spinal injuries and carry a mortality rate of more than 90 per cent, Carter said. The unavailability of a rapid system of transportation made moving Whetstone extremely dangerous, he said.

TIRR's operating room was being remodeled, Carter said, and would not be available for emergency surgery if Whetstone reached the institute alive. He would have had to be transported to a neighboring hospital if sur-

gery became necessary, increasing the risk, he said.

The incident may have racial implications since Whetstone was black, Leland said. "It is impossible for me to think that the hospital would do the same for a white kid," he said.

However, Florence said there was nothing to indicate racism to him. "Racism played no part of it in Linden, Tex., and I hope it played no part in Houston," he said.

TIRR was the first hospital in Houston's Texas Medical Center to fully integrate open ward areas, Carter said, adding that he would like to invite Leland down to examine TIRR's facilities.

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7 and 9 p.m. Film: DIRTY HARRY. Donald Siegel's exciting and somewhat violent film following the escapades of a hard-boiled cop named Harry Callahan, played by Clint Eastwood. Batts Auditorium. Admission: \$1 for UT ID holders; \$1.50 for members. Recreation Committee.

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Beerfest Benefit To Help Students

By BARBARA BOYTER
Texan Staff Writer

Hansel and Gretel, a favorite restaurant of many University students, will hold a benefit Dec. 2 with proceeds going to its scholarship fund.

The German restaurant, at 409 W. 30th St., will provide all the beer you can drink for \$3. Dr. Walter Meyer, the owner, said Monday.

"We want to build up a fund so that eventually it will leave interest each year so that there is a foundation each year. To do that, we need to raise \$20,000 which we will try to make in the next three to four years," Meyer said.

One way to build up the fund will be to have benefits such as this about five times a year, Meyer said.

Meyer figures that the average person can drink two pitchers and that with 10 kegs, he can make about \$675 per benefit.

Donations and profits from an old-fashioned coin-operated weight scale at the restaurant and from the sale of chocolate candy also goes toward the fund.

The Hansel and Gretel Scholarship Fund provides grants of \$250 each year to five currently enrolled University students who are in good standing. Recipients are accepted on the basis of need and demonstrated ability to pursue a particular field of interest.

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Dr. Walter Meyer practices his 'draw.'

Magma Potential Energy Source

Molten rock beneath the earth's surface may be a viable energy source by the year 2000, a project engineer for Sandia Laboratories Magma Energy Research Program, said in an energy seminar Monday.

Dr. John L. Colp of Albuquerque, N.M., said that the volcanologists have long known that molten rock or magma within the earth contained vast amounts of heat.

"The problem is harnessing that energy," he said. One proposed method is the installation of a heat exchanger directly into a magma source. Fluid would be circulated through the molten rock and the heated fluid returned to the surface where it would be utilized by a city and possibly used again.

Another problem cited by Colp is the exact location and

situation of these magma sources. "Scientists don't know if they are totally liquid or if solid hunks are in them."

Enough magma resources are thought to exist to provide the United States with 720 years worth of energy based on 1974 consumption rates.

Colp said these figures made it clear that magma

energy development should be investigated thoroughly.

"The program at Sandia is designed to be a slow, thorough and in-depth investigation of the problems involved and their solutions," Colp said. "The result could well be the eventual making of the dream come true for the benefit of all mankind."

Speaker Overthrows 'Ideal' Wood Predicts 'End of Revolutionary' Era

By BECKY PARR

The United States is approaching the end of the American Revolution tradition, Dr. Gordon Wood, professor of history at Brown University, said in a lecture at the Academic Center Monday.

"We are experiencing a decline of our historic sense of mission. We are coming to the end of American exceptionalism. This represents our coming to terms with the world as it is, not as we wish it to be," Wood, whose talk was sponsored by the Bicentennial Lecture Series, said.

The Russian Revolution marked the beginning of the end of the American Revolution heritage. The antagonism which developed was based on competitiveness, Wood said. For the first time, there was an alternative revolutionary tradition.

The Truman Doctrine in 1947 was a major turning point in America's ideology, he continued. For the first time, the United States was committed to protecting established governments against revolutionaries.

"It became difficult for us to see a revolution as anything but Communist," Wood said.

The ideology of anticommunism which replaced the American Revolution tradition is dying out, Wood believes. This is evidenced by the decline in Cold War

rhetoric.

The U.S. revolution was the single most important event in our culture, Wood explained.

Calling it an "ideological movement," Wood said the revolution created a new morality for Americans. Instead of feeling inferior to Europeans, Americans could feel that their culture, embodied in the idea of republicanism, was something important and unique.

"They believed they were the chosen people of God leading the world to liberty," Wood said.

Americans saw the revolutions in Europe in the 19th Century as copies of the American Revolution. Americans offered sympathy, but no physical assistance, because the revolutions would have to come from the countries themselves, aided by the U.S. example, Wood said.

After the Russian Revolution of 1917, America's reaction to herself and others was never the same, Wood said. At first, the United States welcomed the revolution when the czar abdicated in March. The United States extended recognition seven days after the fall.

In the fall, the takeover by the Bolsheviks killed American enthusiasm. America became Russia's bitterest enemy because the Bolsheviks challenged America's world leadership, Wood explained. If America was not leading the world, there was no purpose in her past actions and values.

"The mission of America will not come from the number of troops, but the way we recognize egalitarian ideas of revolution," Wood said. "An obscure President, Millard Fillmore, said, 'Teach by example and show by success.'"

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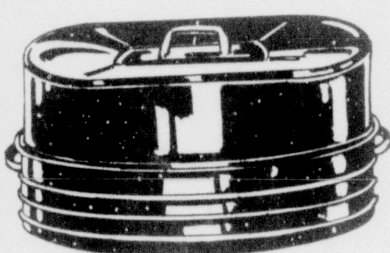
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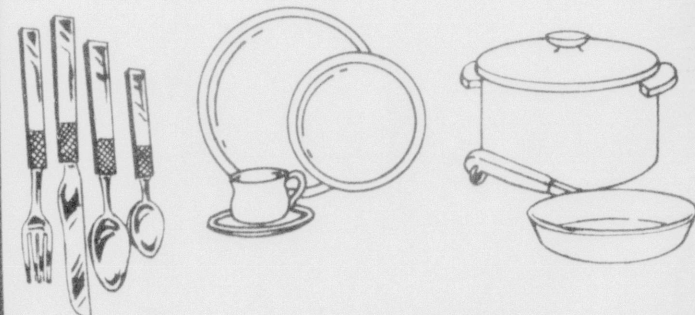
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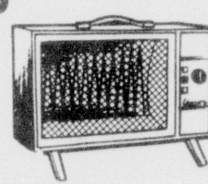
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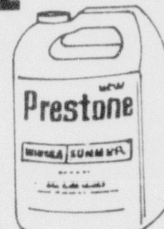


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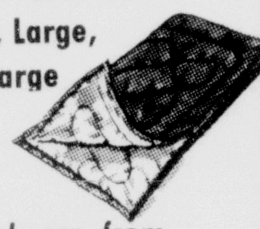


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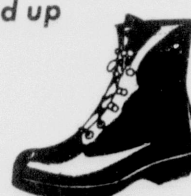
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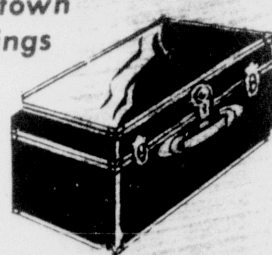
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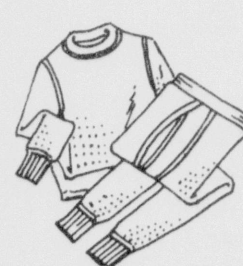


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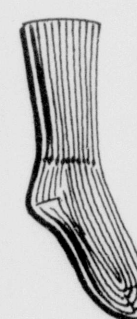
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Post-Turkey Pipedreams

Texas A&M tight end Richard Osborne is one Aggie who is no joke.

As a matter of fact, Osborne is one of the nine four-year starters on this year's second-ranked A&M team, and he needs only nine more receptions to become the Aggies' all-time leading pass receiver.

He also was named to the preseason All-SWC second team and has even been mentioned as a possible All-America candidate.

Despite these achievements, Osborne hasn't really been given a chance to live up to the tremendous billing he received when he first set foot on the A&M campus back in 1972.

After leading his team to the state championship and being named Texas High School Football Player of the Year in 1971, he arrived at Aggieland with the expectation that the Aggies would be filling the air with footballs for the next four seasons.

Ground Game

"I thought we might throw the ball more when I first came here, but we haven't had to with our running game working as well as it has," Osborne said.

As Emory Bellard perfected the Aggie Wishbone, the offense became more and more ground oriented and Osborne the receiver gradually developed into Osborne the blocker.

The big transition took place in the spring of 1973 when Osborne was moved from split end, where he had grabbed 31 passes as a freshman, to tight end so the Aggies could make better use of his size (6-5, 230) for blocking purposes.

"I knew after coming here that it was only a matter of time before they switched me to tight end. I'm not quick enough to be a split end," Osborne noted.

For somebody who is "not quick enough

to be a split end," Osborne certainly did a remarkable job at that position while he was in high school at San Antonio Lee.

As a junior, he caught 11 passes in one state playoff game and a year later, he climaxed one of the most exciting and memorable high school games ever played with a 63-yard touchdown reception in the final minutes. That catch, coupled with the subsequent two-point conversion, gave Lee a 28-27 victory and the state championship.

Showdown

That game, however, pales in comparison with Friday's showdown between the Aggies and the Longhorn's at least in Osborne's eyes.

"This will be the biggest game I've ever played in," he said. "This is a great bunch of athletes, and we've stuck together for four years for this game. It's the one we've been waiting for, and we aren't going to let down for anything."

While on the subject of letdowns, Osborne recalled last year's fiasco between Texas and A&M and reiterated what staunch Aggie supporters have been saying for the last 362 days.

"That was last year. This is a new year with new teams, and it is going to be a helluva football game," he said.

Osborne emphasized that the Aggies will be sticking to the same game plan they have used all year on offense.

"Our offense has been sidetracked a few times during the year, but we've put enough points on the board to win nine games, so we'll stick with the same old game plan," he explained.

"We'd like to beat Texas as bad as they beat us last year, but I just want to end this season on a real good note," he added.

Come Friday, we shall see who gets the last laugh.

Thomas Awaits Stretch Drive

Times Getting Better for Texas Aggie All-America

By NICK VOINIS
Texan Staff Writer

As a kid growing up in the Dallas area, Pat Thomas and his elementary school chums traveled often to the Cotton Bowl to watch the Don Meredith and Bob Hayes-led Cowboys play. Afterwards when they would gather for a friendly game in the neighborhood they would imitate their heroes by name and position.

Times got better for Thomas as he later became an All-State running back for the Class AAA champion Plano Wildcats.

"I thought it would be a privilege just to get a scholarship and be able to play in college. Then things started getting better and people started talking to me," said the Aggie All-America cornerback. He isn't anxious to start talking about the pros just yet, though. "I don't really want to talk to them now, but after Arkansas (the Aggies' regular season finale) I'll talk to any of them. I've

just got one thing on my mind now."

The 5-10, 180-pound senior defensive ace has had an exciting career while at Aggieland. Last year he led the Southwest Conference (SWC) in interceptions with six, two more than Longhorn Sammy Mason. Earlier this season Thomas intercepted his 13th collegiate pass which put him ahead of Dave Elmdorf (1968-70) as the A&M career interception leader.

THOMAS was selected to three first team All-America teams as a junior (Associated Press, NEA, and Football Writers). He appeared on the Bob Hope Special last winter as an All-America and also was a preseason Playboy All-America selection this fall. He could well be the best cornerback in the nation this season.

Counting Thomas, the Aggies have nine four-year lettermen. The other eight are split end Carl Roaches, tight end Richard Osborne, halfbacks Bubba Bean, Skip

Walker and Ronnie Hubby, defensive end Blake Schwartz, linebacker Ed Simonini and center Henry Tracy (out for the season following eye surgery). "We're all a team, we've developed a winning attitude and it means a lot to us," Thomas added.

BEFORE the season began Thomas and the Aggies did set some personal and team goals. "I wanted to be a part of the No. 1 defense in the nation — it means a lot to us. We wanted to win the conference and go undefeated and go for the national championship."

Thomas is a part of the No. 1 defense in the nation, and the Aggies do have the SWC championship within range again.

As a team the "Maroon Curtain" has allowed only 606 yards net rushing in nine games, for a 67.3 yard average per game and a 1.7 yard average per play. Opposition has completed 62 of 174 passes attempted for a 35.6 percentage and 970 yards

net passing for a 107.8 yard average per game.

Texas Coach Darrell Royal says of the Aggie defense, "They're a year older, more confident and more poised. They're a better football team defensively, considerably better. They're aggressive and quick and cause a lot of bad plays. They have speed and quickness in the secondary."

Although playing much of the season with injuries (bruised shoulder and sprained ankle) Thomas has come on to intercept 3 passes and has a total of 25 tackles. He missed nearly all of the LSU and TCU games but is now fully recovered and anxiously awaiting the remainder of the season. "The next games will be as enjoyable as all those four years of playing here. We're taking them right down the line — week after week. We're going to play to win."

Thomas feels his defensive coordinator and secondary coach, Melvin Robertson, has influenced him as much as anybody at A&M. He teaches his secondary just what they do in the pros and adds another dimension to it. "He's

one of the better defensive coordinators in college football and he's something for me to look up to, especially since we've worked together every day now for four years."

AFTER last season's 32-3 romp by Texas, the Aggies should be ready to play this year, but Thomas doesn't think they'll be after revenge. "Why should you want revenge from last year when you've got all to gain this year? We just want to win. It'll be in our minds, believe me. We'll have to play ball against them and play to win."

"Campbell and Akins are good running backs, you can't key on any one of them. We respect all of them (Texas offense), we'll have to key on the entire offense and stop them from scoring," Thomas added.

Thomas plans to continue his football career after leaving the college ranks but holds no preferences as to which team he'd rather play for. "I just want to get off into the business world. In the business world you always try to profit the most."

Sports Shorts

Akins Back in Saddle

Texas quarterback Marty Akins returned to practice with the first team Thursday, although he was not at full speed. His return heightened speculation that Akins would be ready for Friday's game with Texas A&M at College Station.

In addition, tackle Brad Shearer and safety Raymond Clayborn returned to contact drills for the first time since incurring a bruised knee and strained arch, respectively, in the TCU game. Both are expected to play against A&M.

MIAMI (UPI) — Quarterback Bob Griese of the Miami Dolphins will undergo surgery Tuesday for tendon damage in his right big toe and will be lost to the club for the season, Coach Don Shula said Monday.

Griese injured the toe in the third quarter of the Dolphins' 33-17 loss to Baltimore Sunday. He was examined Monday, and team physician Dr. Herbert Virgin decided to operate.

"We took an extra day in

order to explore all the alternatives available to us," Shula said at his weekly news conference. "It was decided by the doctors that an operation was the best way to go."

The injury was described as a rupture or tear of the long flexor tendon of the big toe. Shula said the seriousness of the injury will not be known

until the doctors can look at the toe.

But the fact that Griese will be lost to the team for the remainder of the current season deals a serious blow to the Dolphins' hopes of protecting an already precarious one-game lead over Baltimore and Buffalo in the AFC East.

Royal Looking to Aggies

By BILL SULLIVAN
Texan Staff Writer

The status of quarterback Marty Akins' celebrated knee was the big question when Texas Coach Darrell Royal held his weekly press conference Monday.

Royal, however, could shed little light on the matter.

"He (Akins) is improving," he said. "He's getting around better than he did yesterday, but we still can't be sure if he'll be ready for Friday."

Ted Constanzo has worked with the first team offense since the TCU game," he noted. "From what we've seen of Akins so far, we have to look to Constanzo as the starter."

Royal felt that statistics adequately told the story of the Texas A&M defense.

"They're the nation's No. 1 ranked team defensively," he noted. "Their defense is a lot better than last year. They're a year older and quite a bit better."

The Texas coach also acknowledged the improvement of the Aggie offensive

unit.

"On offense, they're considerably better than they were last year," he observed. "No. 33 (freshman fullback George Woodard) is the big difference. They have the same halfbacks (Skip Walker and Bubba Bean) they've had the last few years."

"Also, their quarterback play is a lot more solid," he added.

A&M fans are among the most spirited and vocal anywhere, but Royal seemed unconcerned about any disadvantage Texas might suffer playing at College Station.

"It's not any different from Fayetteville or Little Rock," he said. "It all depends on how the game is going."

It was suggested that A&M might have some psychological edge coming into the game, but Royal did not agree.

"I really don't think so," he said. "Both teams have the Southwest Conference championship and the Cotton Bowl at stake. The only difference

is that A&M has the possibility of an undefeated season."

COMMENTING on Texas' domination of the series in recent years (the Longhorns have won 22 of the last 25 meetings and the last 7 in a row), Royal said, "I imagine they feel it's about time for the worm to turn."

He evaluated his own team by saying "With Akins, we have a better team than last year, but right now we can't count on him."

So the question remains as to whether Texas will be able to count on Akins by Friday.

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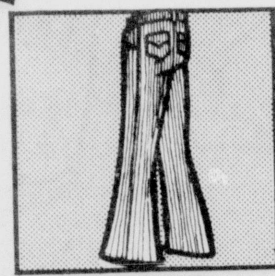
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Buckeyes Stay First, Aggies Move to No. 2

NEW YORK (UPI) — Texas A&M and Oklahoma have moved in as the most serious challengers to Ohio State for the United Press International Board of Coaches major college football championship.

Rose Bowl-bound Ohio State, which completed a perfect 11-0 regular season campaign with a 21-14 victory over Michigan last Saturday, was a near unanimous choice Monday for the No. 1 spot in the weekly ratings, but Texas A&M and Oklahoma each made major advances among the top 10.

TEXAS A&M (9-0), although idle last weekend, moved into the No. 2 spot as Nebraska, which held the second spot a week ago, was defeated by Oklahoma, 35-10. The Sooners (10-1), meanwhile, used their victory over the Cornhuskers to climb

three spots in the ratings to No. 3.

Ohio State, however, continues to hold a commanding lead in the rankings and can now rest until its Rose Bowl matchup with the Pacific Eight Conference champion — either California or UCLA. The Buckeyes received 39 first place votes and 399 points from the 40 coaches who participated in the this week's ratings to take a 67-point lead over Texas A&M.

Texas A&M received the other first place vote and 332 points while Oklahoma got 307 points. No other teams received as many as 300 points.

WHILE the regular season is over for both Ohio State and Oklahoma, it is really only just beginning for Texas A&M. The Aggies still must play the two toughest teams on their schedule — Texas (9-1) on Friday and Arkansas (8-

2) on Dec. 6 — and they need to win both games to clinch the Southwest Conference title and the host spot in the Cotton Bowl.

Alabama (9-1) held on to the No. 4 spot this week with 252 points and Texas (9-1) moved up two places to No. 5. Nebraska (10-1) dropped to sixth, Michigan (8-1-2) fell from fourth to seventh, Arizona State (10-0) remained in the No. 8 position and Penn State (9-2) and Colorado (9-2) were ranked ninth and 10th respectively, reversing their positions from a week ago.

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NEW YORK (UPI) — The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 20 college football team with worst records and first place votes in parentheses.

(11th Week)

Team	Points
1. Ohio State (11-0) (399)	399
2. Texas A&M (9-0) (332)	332
3. Oklahoma (10-1) (307)	307
4. Alabama (9-1) (252)	252
5. Texas (9-1) (213)	213
6. Nebraska (10-1) (193)	193
7. Michigan (8-1-2) (182)	182
8. Arizona State (10-0) (110)	110
9. Penn State (9-2) (99)	99
10. Colorado (9-2) (92)	92
11. Arizona (9-1) (88)	88
12. California (8-3) (83)	83
13. Florida (8-2) (81)	81
14. Georgia (8-2) (78)	78
15. San Jose State (9-1) (77)	77
16. UCLA (7-2-1) (76)	76
17. Arkansas (8-2) (75)	75
18. Tulsa (7-3) (74)	74
19. Notre Dame (8-3) (73)	73
20. Kansas (7-4) (72)	72



—UPI Telephone

Oilers seek elusive fumble.

Women Face SWT

Another season for the Texas women's basketball team will begin when it meets Southwest Texas State University Tuesday at San Marcos. But there's a big difference, Coach Rodney Page said.

"This is the best team I've had without a doubt."

Rita Egger will become team quarterback and freshman Julia Campbell,

only 5-2, adds speed and experience at guard.

Francis Seidensticker, last year's center, quit for academic reasons, but the big story is the acquisition of Aretha Swindell, 6-2.

Swindell was All-State in high school basketball and track and won the national triple jump title two years ago.

"We'll run a full court press," Page said, "but we might change to zone. On offense it's run and pattered. We try our regular fast breaking, but we're hurting in depth this season and it might tire the players."

With Campbell's addition, the Longhorns are now the fastest team Page has ever coached.

So, with all indications, at 7 p.m. the Longhorns should turn it around against the Bobcats.

Pittsburgh Rout Punchless Oilers

HOUSTON (UPI) — Quarterback Terry Bradshaw rallied the Pittsburgh Steelers to two quick touchdowns within 87 seconds in the second quarter Monday night and then relied on his team's "Steel Curtain Defense" to take a one-game first-place lead in the AFC Central Division with a 32-9 victory over the Houston Oilers.

Bradshaw riddled a confused Oiler secondary for 13 of 16 passes and 168 yards, and called on bullish fullback Franco Harris for two touchdowns and 149 rushing yards to spark the Steelers' offense.

It was the eighth straight triumph for the Steelers and boosted them into a one-game lead over Cincinnati in their division. Houston dropped two games off the pace in the division.

With the Steelers trailing 3-2 late in the second quarter, Bradshaw directed his team on a 66-yard drive which was capped by Harris' four-yard TD run to retake the lead with 2:23 left in the half.

Pittsburgh cornerback J.T. Thomas intercepted a Dan Pastorini pass seconds later, and it took Bradshaw only four plays from his own 48-yard line to engineer another Steeler score. Wide receiver Lynn Swann shook safe-

ty Willie Germany in the end zone to gather in an 18-yard touchdown pass with 55 seconds to go before the half.

Roy Gerela booted a 30-yard field goal late in the third quarter for Pittsburgh, and the Steelers added a pair of 13-yard touchdown runs from Frenchy Fuqua and Harris in the fourth quarter.

Houston did not score its first touchdown until 9:55 of the final period when Pastorini hit Ken Burrough with a 59-yard scoring bomb that made the score 25-9.

Prior to the Houston TD, Pastorini had netted minus 10 yards passing. The Steelers' rush sacked Pastorini four times while the Pittsburgh secondary picked off three of his passes and blanketed the Oiler receivers. In addition, kick return specialist Billy Johnson, the Oilers' dangerous breakaway threat, was bottled up by Bobby Walden's booming punts and the hard-hitting Steeler specialty teams.

The only time the Oilers were able to enjoy a lead was with 5:17 left in the second quarter when Skip Butler booted a 27-yard field goal that wiped out a 2-0 Pittsburgh lead provided when Dwight White tripped up Pastorini in the end zone for a safety.

Sports Shorts

Earl, Simmons Honored

NEW YORK (UPI) — Archie Griffin of Ohio State, Ricky Bell of Southern California and Tony Dorsett of Pittsburgh, three of the leading contenders for the Heisman Trophy, were named Monday to the All-America team selected by the American Football Coaches Association.

One other leading Heisman candidate — Chuck Muncie of California — was surprisingly left off the team as the AFCA completed a five-man backfield by selecting

quarterback John Sciarra of UCLA and fullback Earl Campbell of Texas.

Twenty-four players were selected to the team, but the Southeastern Conference, normally a breeding ground for All-Americans, had only one player selected — defensive end Leroy Cook of Alabama.

Others named to the offensive unit were ends Henry Marshall of Missouri and Steve Rivera of California; tackles Marvin Powell of Southern California and Bob Simmons of Texas; guards Dennis Lick of Wisconsin and Randy Johnson of Georgia and center Rik Bonness of Nebraska.

Those named to the defensive squad along with Cook were end Dewey Selmon of Oklahoma; tackles Steve Niehaus of Notre Dame and Leroy Selmon of Oklahoma; linebackers Ed Simonini of Texas A&M, Reggie Williams of Dartmouth and Ray Preston of Syracuse; cornerback Pat Thomas of Texas A&M and deep backs Tim Fox of Ohio State, Chet Moeller of Navy, Don Dufek of Michigan and Mike Haynes of Arizona State.

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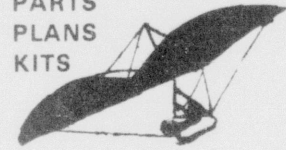
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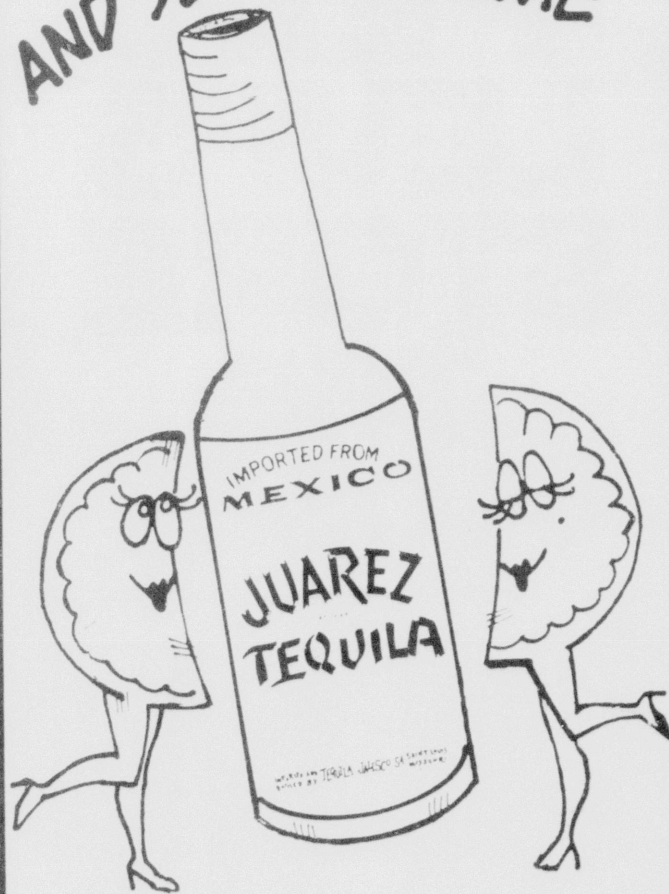
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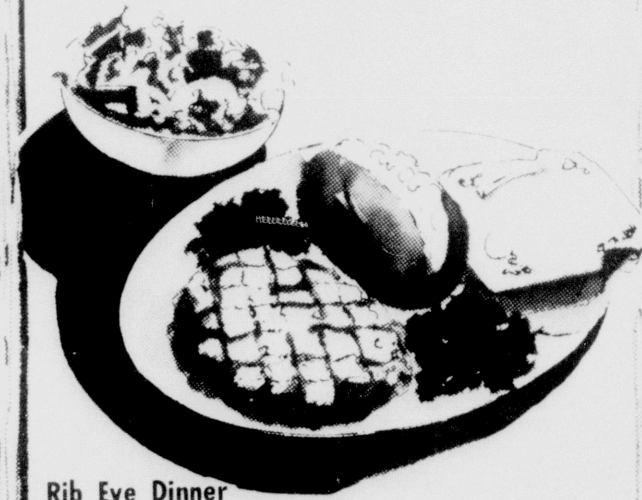
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Paramount Begins Fund Drive

Historic Theater Seeking Community, Government Support

By PAT TEAGUE
Texan Staff Writer

There are two facades at the Paramount Theatre.

The neoclassical grace of the first is obvious. Built in 1915 and originally called the Gaiety Theater, its three large portals and balconies hint at the legacy of theatrical grandeur.

Names like Orson Welles, Anna Pavlova, John Barrymore, Lillian Gish and John Philip Sousa have shone from the venerable theater's marquee.

Inside the Paramount, foyer lights are fashioned after the fragile beauty of flowers, and ornate "petals" lift the eye to an elegant ceiling. Down the aisle a regal opulence and spherical ceiling suggest anything but the movie house the Paramount has been for almost three decades.

But that splendor and exquisite beauty represent the Paramount's other facade, disguising an urgent need for money.

John Bernardoni, president of the Paramount Theatre for the Performing Arts, announced last weeks plans for an extensive fund-raising campaign, conducted at several levels, designed to achieve three goals. Those goals include a complete restoration of the building, bankrolling a bona fide, union-scale acting company and the purchasing of a gamut of theatrical equipment.

Bernardoni and his codirectors estimate the projects will cost in excess of one-half million dollars. He said the attainment of that financial goal — just over \$508,000 — would elevate Paramount productions to professional stature.

With the exhaustive 100-hour per week efforts of Bernardoni, the Paramount may rise above its movie emporium identity to achieve his view of what theater should be.

"I mean real theater," Bernardoni said. "With dancing like you've never seen. Dancing like you would see in 'Seven Brides for Seven

Brothers' — a company which would be based in Austin and tour the southern United States."

But Bernardoni said he does not intend to phase out entirely the film classics which flicker intermittently across the Paramount screen.

Actually, in Bernardoni's conception, the theater would still handle films and also road shows, concerts, local personalities like Willie Nelson as well as the Austin Civic Ballet and Symphony Orchestra.

So the part of Bernardoni's job he calls "hustling" continues. As we spoke, our conversation was broken by a long distance call from Emily Whiteside, who recently restored the Galveston Opera House.

In December, Bernardoni plans to visit Whiteside to view firsthand her project, but he takes a realistic view of his own.

"I am not married to the Paramount project. I will not stay on in Austin if I see the city does not want the theater," he said.

"But the theater could be the most fabulous structure in this part of the country. It's a real theater. It's identical to theaters on Broadway in every respect," he added.

Though the Paramount has seen more than 70,000 customers pass through its doors since early this year, Bernardoni conceded a measure of personal debt. But he feels the theater can work as he envisions it. The event which evinced that feeling was his inaugural production, the Dave Brubeck concert.

When Bernardoni received a call from Brubeck's agent in December, 1974, saying someone in Texas had "crapped out" and an opening in the schedule existed, he was still negotiating with Interstate Theaters for the use of the building. He took the agent's offer. The curtain for the Brubeck concert was scheduled to rise in just over a month on Feb. 2, 1975.

On that day Interstate was still

showing pictures, and Bernardoni was not allowed in the theater until 5 p.m. to ready the stage for two Brubeck concerts, beginning at 7 p.m. To compound matters Bernardoni was appearing in a play across town that night.

"I was onstage at Center Stage that night, right in the middle of the biggest moment in my life. It was a tremendous gamble. Jazz had done absolutely zero in Austin for 20 years," he said.

"But everything worked. KUT (the University radio station) said it was the best audio show ever heard from a facility. Brubeck raved and 1,600 people showed up. The parking downtown, which we had worried about, was terrific and it was a huge success," Bernardoni said.

As for the Paramount, "The most important thing is the hearing and the seeing. Even the side seats are great," he said.

Customers need not worry about getting poor seats anywhere in the 1,286-capacity theater, Bernardoni said.

"You can see the entire stage floor from any seat in the house."

Did they need any security people?

"No, the building intimidates people, and they don't want to hurt it," he said, contrasting it with other local halls.

The fate of the Paramount now, as Bernardoni sees it, is contingent on the success of his current project.

"This is no groovy project to restore an old building," Bernardoni said.

It is also to help clean up and add to the downtown area, he said, which he described as "pretty ugly right now."

"You know San Antonio, at its worst ebb, is really cleaner than this city downtown," he added.

He said he was encouraged by projects initiated by WE CARE AUSTIN, a local civic group, however.

Money needed for restoration of the building will include \$52,000 to overhaul seating, \$45,000 for painting, an estimated \$22,500 in lost time while repairs are being made and the purchasing of a host of other items. That phase alone, Bernardoni estimates, will cost \$306,000.

Beyond that, the new theatrical equipment will be purchased, the actor's equity company will be set up and additional money to offset the strain of expected inflation brings the total to \$508,546.28. That amount does not include the outright purchase of the Paramount, which is owned by two estates.

Bernardoni expects the funds to come from foundations, state and federal agencies, corporate gifts, benefit performances and glittering soirees. As a nonprofit public corporation, the Paramount qualifies for all of these.

He winces at the mention of a proposed theater for the performing arts rumored to be built by the city.

"Why build something like that when they've already got a better structure than they could ever build? They really knew how to build these old theaters," he said.

Acting as an advocate for the Paramount, Bernardoni said the city's Municipal Auditorium lost more than \$100,000 each of the last two years and cost more than \$3 million to erect. By comparison, the \$508,000 the Paramount is soliciting seems small, he said.

Bernardoni said the city's books would not show a loss on the municipal structure, though, since the city applies the hotel tax as a credit to the auditorium. It reasons that the auditorium was staging some event which brought those tourists, he said.

Ambitious plans and fund raisers aside, it is still a question of demand for your supply, Bernardoni said.

"When you get down to show and tell, it's difficult to know what will happen."



The Paramount in 1942



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Costume shop supervisor Cathy Lang

Costume Shop Key To Dramatic Success

By NICK WILKINSON
Texan Staff Writer

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Lining an entire wall are shelves containing what appear to be enough armor, helmets and bellicose attire to stage a super-DeMille production of "The History of Warfare." Ranging from classical Greek and Roman to lethal glitter of Nazi Germany, this array weaves a narrative thread around mankind's hostile endeavors and serves as a chronicle of warfare in general.

Neatly labeled and sectioned are the various racks of period costumes. One may browse through remnants of the Roaring '20s and, suddenly, become enveloped in the austerity of the Victorian era. Classical French costumes, with their superfluous quantities of lace and rich fabric, command an imposing position amid the not so glamorous peasant attire of feudal England and the blue collar drabness of modern times.

PERHAPS THE MOST unique aspect of

this vast collection of dramatic garb is the Lucy Barton Collection. Professor emeritus of the University drama department and renowned for her Shakespearean designs, Barton has made numerous contributions to the costume collection. Her use of rich brocades, velvets and laces enhances these works of art. A goddess of sorts among costumers, Barton has provided the drama department with quite an elegant assortment of Elizabethan and Gothic finery.

The question arises, "Where do these creations stem from?" The answer lies in the beehive of activity to be found on the second floor of the Drama Building. Amid the whirl of continuously active sewing machines and the steady snip-snap of scissors cutting cloth from patterns, costumers, under the able direction of Dr. Paul Reinhardt, busy themselves with preparation for upcoming productions. It is here that costumes evolve from the water-colored sketches of the initial conception to the actual performance attire.

THOUGH THE efforts of these people go virtually unrecognized, it would be unforgivable to overlook the many hours spend behind the scenes, creating appropriate costuming for any given show. Annually, the drama department produces more than 800 costumes for various theatrical productions. Beyond the required hours of labor, costumers devote their very being to the success of their endeavors. And it is obvious from previous departmental productions that the efforts of these dedicated souls have not been in vain.

John Steinbeck:

Collected Letters Reveal Sad, Varied Career of One of America's Favorite Authors

By JOHN LEONARD
1975 N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — "I don't know whether or not I told you," wrote John Steinbeck to Elizabeth Otis, his friend and literary agent, a year before his death. "But the last time I was in Washington and staying at the White House I had a long and early breakfast with the President, and I told him what I thought we were doing wrong and made suggestions for correcting our errors, all based on winning this war. He listened carefully, asked me to stay over and meet his son at noon. Then I saw McNamara, Rusk, Humphrey and several others and went over the ground again. They listened and made no comment, but McNamara asked me to write it down. I couldn't, so I made a tape of it, which he took to Vietnam on his last trip. Recently he telephoned to say that he had put my suggestions before the field men — that they had accepted some of them and rejected others. It seems to me that the rejected ones

were the most important."

IT IS A letter, part boast (he hobnobs with the great) part disappointment (they do not heed him), part confession (in August of 1967, he is no longer writing, he has to put ideas down on a tape for Robert McNamara to pocket). Its context makes it even sadder. His son and namesake, John Steinbeck 4th, after a tour of duty in Vietnam has joined the peace movement; and there is Steinbeck pere, the author of "In Dubious Battle," in Lyndon Johnson's bunker.

What could be more calculated to offend the established literary sensibility? That sensibility has already reviewed the war in Vietnam, as though it were a novel by Mickey Spillane, and found it wanting. Steinbeck's endorsement was just one more reminder of how out of it he had become, had been for years. His best work belonged, anyway, to the 1930s, a solemn and impacted decade, stuffed with agitprop. Critical opinion had long ago lumped it

in with the "proletarian" or "Popular Front" category of fiction; it was insufficiently ambiguous. Yesterday's radical is today's embarrassment.

EVEN STEINBECK'S fame seemed accidental, a kind of Watts tower of honors and recognition, a Pulitzer here, a Nobel there, a couple of cans of film containing Marlon Brando in "Viva Zapata!" (his screenplay) and James Dean in "East of Eden" (his novel). Such an accretion slumps the shoulders of the man who must wear it on walking to the indifferent work of his last years, to "The Winter of Our Discontent" and "Travels With Charley," he is leaning away from his own celebrity, and it ticks, like a clock or a bomb. When the alarm went off, the bomb exploded, the heart stopped in 1968, there was an obligatory poof in the press. But what had been inside the contraption in the first place, all along? Not much, went the consensus. Who reads Steinbeck any more?

SO PERHAPS there was something inside the contraption, after all. Understandably, Steinbeck's widow, Elaine, and his friend Robert Wallston think so. They have sought to put him back together again, from scattered viscera, the leftovers of three marriages and 27 books, the scraps and splinters and angry doubts of his 42 years of writing to people about himself and his

work.

"Steinbeck: A Life in Letters" (Viking, \$15) is the consequence. From 5,000 letters, Mrs. Steinbeck and Wallston have selected 861, organized them chronologically (no easy task, since he seldom dated his correspondence, and sometimes wrote in the margins of magazines), built discreet editorial bridges over puddles of confusion, muddled events, and achieved, if not a rehabilitation, at least a believable portrait, a kind of gramophone recording of the man's mind as he watched his life go by.

And it amounts to more than Steinbeck's story as he saw it; it is almost a sociogram of a certain kind of American writer in the 20th Century, before everybody got academized.

Thus: the little boy who grew up to be famous and disgruntled; the loner curious about how things tick; the half with stamina, stubbornly collecting facts; the workman at his bench, making a book as

though it were a cabinet or a show; the loyalist, sticking to one editor, one publishing house, one literary agent all his professional life; conventionally intelligent, piously liberal, thinking with his stomach — the sort of person about whom Ken Russell couldn't possibly concoct a movie. There used to be more of these people around, back when writers didn't think of

themselves as Artists.

Typically, Steinbeck's letters are occupied with self; they read like an accounting book of the small change of his body and mind. He had no real community or tradition, and found none. He refers more often to Hollywood and theater people, or to his talks with politicians, than he does to other writers, other books.

In 1968, two months before

his death, "I have owed you this letter for a long time — but my fingers have avoided the pencil as though it were an old and poisoned tool." In between, he worried obsessively "whether there is any talent left"; "long ago I knew perhaps that mine was not a truly first-rate talent;" "I consider the body of my work, and I do not find it good."

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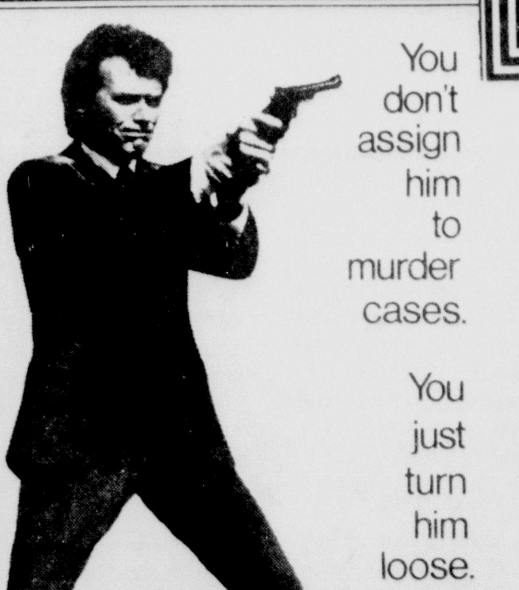
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Taylor Dresses Up Turkey Tips

By LINDA O. RAMIREZ
If you can't get home to Mom's and Dad's this Thanksgiving and think you're going to miss that traditional bird, direct that old college spirit flowing through your veins to roasting your own turkey.

It's as easy as one, two, three: buying, cooking and eating it. Barbara Taylor, lecturer in the home economics department, has some tips on how and how not to handle a bird.

When purchasing your holiday bird, you probably will notice it is frozen. Thaw the turkey before placing it in the oven. This more than likely will decrease the cooking time. Usually, directions for thawing and roasting are in-

cluded on the turkey package. Depending on the weight, different lengths of time are required when thawing in the refrigerator or in cold water. If you have not bought your turkey by now, you will have to thaw it in cold water. It takes anywhere from two to three days to thaw a turkey in the refrigerator.

After the turkey has thoroughly thawed, place it in the oven. The temperature at which your bird will reach a golden brown is 325 degrees. If you cook the turkey in an open pan, roast for four hours if the bird is 8 to 12 pounds or four and one-half hours if it is 12 to 16 pounds.

If, for some strange reason, you just happen to have one of

those dark covered enamel roasting pans like mother used to have, cook the turkey three and a half hours if it is of the smaller size and four hours for larger birds.

Foil may be used as a cover when roasting, or the turkey may be wrapped in the foil. This will keep the turkey a little moister. Approximately 15 to 30 minutes will have to be added to the cooking time in an open pan when foil is used, Taylor said.

Stuffing a turkey does not add to the cooking time so go ahead and stuff it.

"No matter how hungry you are, you must follow the correct cooking time, because there is nothing worse than partially

cooked poultry," Taylor said.

Raising the oven temperature will not speed up the cooking process either.

"Higher temperatures toughen the turkey, and the chemical composition of the meat is ruined," she added.

The only other thing you must remember is to baste the turkey. Unless you go all out and spring for a self-basting, the turkey should be basted about every half hour. If you roast in a covered pan or a pan with foil, baste about every hour.

If you remember these simple instructions, your turkey will be done when the skin is well browned and the meat is tender.

If all else fails, you can always pick up a frozen turkey pie.

Veterans Aid Applicants Must Initial New Form

Veterans attending the University on the GI Bill, who want the Veterans Administration to know about it and send money, need to fill out a green sheet and get it on file at the registrar's office.

Certain dependent wives, widows and children, termed Chapter 35 dependents, also need to complete the form.

The green certification form, University REG FORM 302, should be in the vet's file before the spring semester begins, Martha Wingren, administrative clerk in charge of veterans benefits, said Monday.

"All we are doing (giving the VA information) is what students have asked us to do all along," Wingren said. "The law just requires that we have a signed request now."

The new form is the result of Public Law 93-579, entitled

the Privacy Act of 1974. The form authorizes university officials to provide information to the VA about a GI Bill recipient's enrollment so benefits can be paid. Without the recipient's signature, there is no authorization.

"If any veteran hasn't a form on file by spring semester, we probably won't be able to send their enroll-

ment information to the VA," Wingren said. "We haven't had a definite ruling on it yet, but that is what we expect."

The law says disclosure of the requested information is voluntary, and no penalty may be imposed for failure to respond. But if vets don't tell the VA they are going to school, the monthly VA check stops coming.

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Students not going home for the holidays might have a problem getting stuffed this Thanksgiving.

Some private dormitories will not serve food Thursday to Sunday. These include Dobie Center, Castilian, Madison, Dexter, Contessa and Newman Hall. Food ser-

vices will end after the evening meal Wednesday and resume at breakfast Monday.

Student centers in the campus area also will be closed over the holidays. The Catholic Student Center will open for Thanksgiving services only. The Methodist and Episcopal student centers will

be closed for the duration of the holidays. Saatva, restaurant in the Methodist Student Center, also will be closed.

On campus, Varsity Cafeteria, Kinsolving and Littlefield food services will close after the Wednesday

evening meal and reopen for breakfast Monday. Andrews cafeteria will remain open for residents of all women's halls, Ken Smith, assistant director of Housing and Food Services, said.

Jester Center Halls will be open through the holidays.

Normal serving hours will be observed through Wednesday. Between Thursday and Sunday breakfast will be served from 7 to 9 a.m., lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and dinner from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Jester snack bar will close at noon Wednesday and reopen at 7 p.m. Sunday.

Hobbs Enters Sheriff Race

Citing the need for professional and efficient law enforcement, Democrat Doyle E. Hobbs announced his candidacy Monday for Travis County sheriff.

"I believe we have selective enforcement," Hobbs said. "Several areas such as narcotic prosecution and pursuit are not up to standard."

Hobbs, formerly a police officer with the Austin Police Department and Travis County and now a private businessman, advocates a

business-like approach to the operation of the sheriff's office. He also supports cooperation with all law enforcement agencies, attorneys, departments, commissions and courts, a comprehensive selection and training program and honest and equal enforcement of all laws.

Hobbs feels that the sheriff's department needs to restructure its priorities, emphasizing crimes with a victim.

television

7 p.m.
7 News
9 Hannukah
36 Movin' On
7:30 p.m.
7 Joe and Sons
9 Consumer Survival Kit
24 Welcome Back, Kotter
8 p.m.
7 Switch
9 The Ascent of Man
24 The Rookies
36 Police Woman

9 p.m.
7 CBS Reports Inquiry: First of a two-part documentary exploring the death of President John Kennedy.
9 Woman Alive
24 Oscar's Greatest Music: Jack Lemmon hosts a collection of film clips from 20 years of Oscar Award Shows.
36 Joe Forrester
9:30 p.m.
9 Woman

10 p.m.
7 News
9 Litas, Yoga and You
24 News
36 News
10:30 p.m.
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9 ABC Captioned News
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Critics Suspect Domestic Conspiracy in JFK Death

By JAMES R. DICKENSON
1975 Washington Star

(Editor's Note: This is the second of two articles.)

DALLAS — People are tired of the talk and theories about the Kennedy assassination here in Dallas, and none professes to be more tired of it than William Alexander, the flinty-eyed, acid-tongued former assistant district attorney who prosecuted Jack Ruby.

In the 12 years since John Kennedy's assassination, Texas hunters on their way home have tossed their empty rifle cartridge shells on the grass near the site, and it's generally just minutes before they are gone. They figure there are more tourists with "souvenir" shells of the killing than there are religious pilgrims who have "genuine" splinters from the cross on which Christ was crucified.

People like Alexander tell of this to make the point that the area was searched and policed so stringently for everything, including brain tissue and skull fragments which were found as far as 100 feet away from the president's limousine, immediately after Kennedy's assassination that there is no chance that anyone got a genuine souvenir.

THIS IS BY WAY of making their final point: that nothing as far as they're concerned has ever turned up to make them doubt the Warren Commission's conclusion that Lee Harvey Oswald, acting alone, fired the shots that killed President Kennedy, that there were just three shots, the first of which hit Kennedy in the throat and passed through to inflict the wounds of Gov. John Connally, the second which missed completely, and the third which killed the President.

There is a growing number who disagree or at least think enough questions have been raised that the investigation should be reopened. There are a number of resolutions before the

Congress, some of which call for a reopening of all investigations of assassinations and assassination attempts since 1963 — the President and Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Gov. George C. Wallace of Alabama.

THERE WERE BELIEVERS in a conspiracy 12 years ago. They included President Lyndon Johnson, Connally and such members of the Warren Commission as Gerald Ford, the late Sen. Richard Russell of Georgia and the late Rep. Hale Boggs of Louisiana.

THEY ALSO ARGUE that the commission's finding that Oswald was the lone assassin was dictated in advance by J. Edgar Hoover. Moderate critics who think the investigation should be reopened think the problem was that the commission was looking for a foreign conspiracy and that the idea of a domestic conspiracy didn't even occur.

ON THE QUESTION of his acting alone, the critics cite witnesses who claim they saw puffs of smoke and heard bullets coming from the grassy knoll by the Texas Book Depository, which was to the front and right of the limousine at the time of the shooting; Oswald's shots came from the left rear.

They also claim that witnesses saw an armed man by the knoll and that the films of the shooting show shadows that could be armed men. Defenders of the Warren Report say that the acoustics of rifle shots are misleading, that no other cartridge cases were ever found, that no other bullet holes were found in the car, that any frontal shots would have hit the windshield, and that no sounds were heard to go with the alleged smoke puffs.

The critics also refer to the famed Zapruder film, which shows Kennedy's head move forward under the impact of the shot and then jerk back. Citing Newton's third law of action and reaction they reason that this was the result of a hit from the

front.

SOME ANSWER THIS by theorizing that neuromuscular reactions account for it. Alexander thinks the sudden acceleration of the limousine could be the reason although Mark Lane, the earliest of the Warren Report critics, says the film sequence disputes this.

Time magazine reported recently that tests by Dr. John K. Lattimer of the Columbia University medical School and Prof. Luis Alvarez, a physicist at the University of California, offer another conclusion. Lattimer has fired a similar rifle at human skulls filled with gelatin and found that they jerked forward and then fell back. Alvarez got the same results firing rifle bullets into mellons.

That explanation is that the material being blown out the exit wounds in front had a jet effect that snapped the skulls to the rear.

OTHER CRITICS CONTEND that while there may not have been frontal shots, there was more than one rifleman firing from the rear and they fired more than three shots.

The critics also contend that the bullet holes in the rear of President Kennedy's jacket and shirt were too low to allow a trajectory that would have made it possible for the bullet, which hit him in the neck, to hit Connally.

THE CRITICS also contend that there was barely time, according to the film sequence, for Oswald to work the rifle's bolt, let alone aim. They also contend that the telescopic sight was off, which caused expert riflemen to fire high at silhouette targets.

THERE ARE ALSO questions about Oswald's movements, but tests by the authorities convince them that the commission's conclusions as to Oswald's movements are correct. "He even had the right bus transfer punched at the right time in

his pocket," Alexander says.

Alexander scoffs at any conspiracy theory but he has one doubt that is connected with his notion that Oswald may have killed the President as an agent of the Soviets. That is why Oswald was heading back toward the scene of the crime when he was stopped by Dallas policeman J.D. Tippit, whom he shot.

Alexander notes that Oswald was near an expressway at the time. Could he have arranged for a pick-up that he missed and decided to head back toward downtown?

ALEXANDER ALSO contends that a map was found at Oswald's place with six locations marked along the President's route, including the book depository. These are not dots, but short lines, he says, the one at the depository approximating the direction of the shot.

Places for other assassins? Or alternative sites for his own effort? The map, Alexander contends, is in the hands of the FBI.

The questions go on and on and will continue to do so. There is still dispute over Abraham Lincoln's assassination 110 years ago and even an occasional call for an investigation of that.

More and more responsible people are calling for a reopening of the Kennedy assassination investigation — particularly Oswald's possible intelligence connections. It might answer a lot of questions and silence a lot of critics. Or it might, as one investigator contends, just satisfy a small minority.

campus news in brief

Film Examines China's Health System

"Away With All Pests," a film explaining the ideology underlying the health delivery system in the People's Republic of China, will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday at 2204 San Gabriel St.

Based on a book by Dr. Joshua S. Horn, a British physician who lived 20 years in China, the film documents the success of the Chinese health system in fighting venereal disease and other maladies.

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CONSTANT FAN CLUB will discuss A&M game plans and a club banquet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Scholz' Garden.

"DIRTY HARRY," sponsored by the Texas Union Theatre Committee, will be shown at 7 and 9 p.m. Tuesday in Batts Hall Auditorium. Admission is \$1 for UT ID-holders, \$1.50 for members.

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SWAMI SATCHIDANANDA will appear at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Burdine

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TEXAS UNION MUSICAL EVENTS COMMITTEE will present Allen Kirshch from 8 p.m. to midnight Tuesday in the Texas Tavern. Admission is free.

USED BOOKS of all kinds will be sold by the Graduate Library and Information Science Student Association, all day Tuesday in Humanities Research Center fourth-floor lounge.

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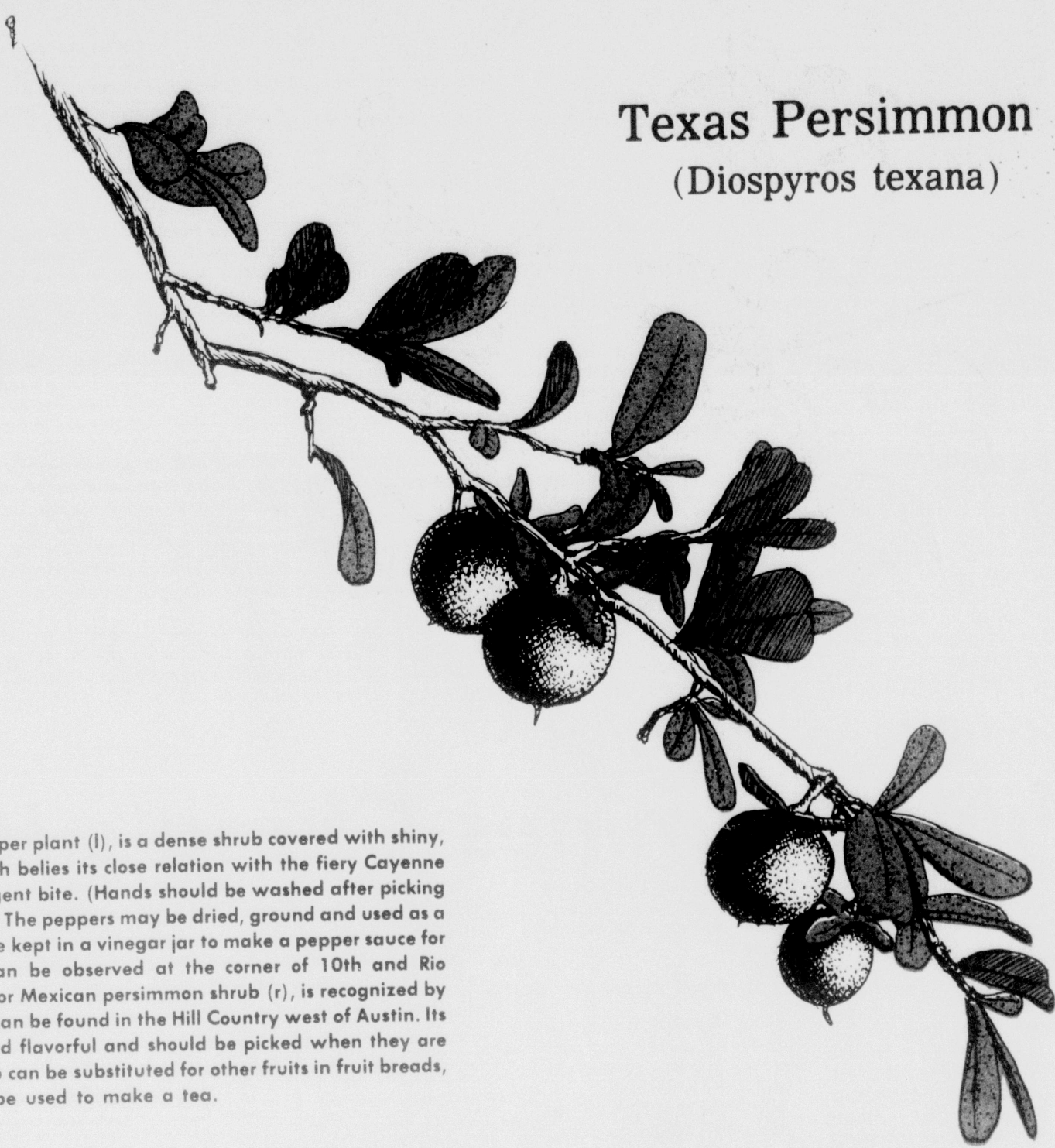
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Red Pepper
(*Capsicum annuum*)



Texas Persimmon
(*Diospyros texana*)

The chile piquin, or red pepper plant (l), is a dense shrub covered with shiny, orange or red berries, which belies its close relation with the fiery Cayenne pepper of Africa in its pungent bite. (Hands should be washed after picking them to avoid eye contact.) The peppers may be dried, ground and used as a condiment or several can be kept in a vinegar jar to make a pepper sauce for vegetables. The species can be observed at the corner of 10th and Rio Grande Streets. The Texas or Mexican persimmon shrub (r), is recognized by its gray, peeling bark and can be found in the Hill Country west of Austin. Its black berries are sweet and flavorful and should be picked when they are jet-black and soft. The pulp can be substituted for other fruits in fruit breads, and the thick leaves can be used to make a tea.

Edible Plants No Raw Deal

Story by
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A lot of naturalists may be out picking little red berries and edible leaves nowadays, but you can't give all the credit to that somewhat over-televized Grape Nuts advocate and pine tree freak, Euell Gibbons.

At least that's what one University art and biology student — and admitted natural food lover — said when asked if the folksy old forager had increased awareness in the growing natural food movement.

"Oh, I'd say all that publicity probably only served to increase the awareness of Euell Gibbons, rather than awareness of the plants," senior Michael Emerson said with a grin. Emerson, who combines his artistic talents and biology know-how with his special interest in edible plants of Texas, said the commercialization, "tends to make people more skeptical."

But growing numbers of urbanites are turning to the countryside, their own front yards and empty lots nearby in an effort to find edible delicacies — and, Emerson maintains, to fulfill a basic need.

"While farming started only 10,000 years ago, all the time before then all food was foraged. Probably there is some sort of need built up over four million years" to get out and forage for yourself.

"A lot of people are going out in the country to make connection with their past," Emerson points out. "Anyway, it's a good excuse to get out in the country."

WHILE MANY GO foraging to "return to nature" or "because they're sick of being in the city," some edible plants collectors are into it simply because "they're good," Emerson maintains.

"A lot of wild foods are higher in vitamin content than their domestic counterparts, which have been bred for and texture and size, things that have nothing to do with the vitamin content or flavor," Emerson says.

Other plants aren't quite what the

supermarket shopper would prefer and have indeed been bred for the better, such as wild lettuce, which Emerson says is usable only in early spring, and bitter even then.

But if some plants have been bred for the better, and others overbred, there are still a lot of plants that have been totally ignored — not "improved" and not appreciated.

"They haven't been improved, because they don't need to be. Some plants are perfectly good in the wild state," some are even better than those found in supermarkets, for instance watercress which "almost invariably tastes better picked from a stream than from a supermarket."

It is plants like these that the average plant lover is after, armed with a simple digging tool and plastic bags to put his finds in.

"You really don't need much of anything," Emerson explains, perhaps explaining another reason the natural kick is catching on. "About all you need is plastic bags to keep your greens from wilting and a digging implement if you're going after roots."

WHERE TO GO is probably the biggest question facing the forager, and Emerson points out many good books (for the most part available at Whole Earth Provision) are written on the subject, including a "really wordy Euell Gibbons book full of BS" that he says is perfect "for those who have trouble reading facts."

"Really, it is pretty complete," Emerson later adds, although he does criticize Euell — (who gives the impression of eating pine needles raw ... and has the ulcer to prove it) — for the unpardonable sin of overcooking his food.

Emerson recommends a few books "as more concise" and having the added merit of dealing with more plants. "The Wild Food Trailguide" by Alan Hall is available for around \$3.50 and is useful "for telling you if the plant is at least in the state," Emerson says.

Range maps are included, along with a

brief text and even recipes for the plants that are included.

For more specific guidelines, the "Edible Wild Plants of Eastern North America" book is available by Merritt Lyndon Fernald.

The book, which costs \$11, is "amazingly complete," Emerson says, dealing with the plants of the eastern woodlands, which includes the eastern half of Texas. "Wild Edible Plants of the Western United States" by Kirk costs \$4 and covers the western plants, also found in Texas.

In addition, the "Mushroom Hunters Field Guide" deals with mushrooms, as Emerson puts it: "a trickier subject."

Mushroom freaks of a cosmic nature shouldn't get too enthused about listing their hallucinogenic repasts under natural foods, for as Emerson puts it, a strict naturalist like Smith would probably consider them poisonous.

MEDICINAL PLANTS, on the other hand, are covered extensively in several publications, including a "Guide to the Medicinal Plants of the United States" by Arnold Korchmal.

Once armed with books, plant lovers need to make sure the habitat of the plant they are seeking is someplace in the area, then learn the size, structure and color of their quarry.

"You need to pay particular attention to color, smell and taste," Emerson says. A particularly helpful characteristic is the distinctive fruit often borne by plants, "which are easier to identify as they stand out from the rest of the plant."

AUSTIN, IT TURNS OUT, is particularly blessed "with a lot of variety when it comes to plants," Emerson says, as it's situated on the boundary of both the eastern woodlands and the western desert and plains areas. At least 30 edible plants are found in Austin, listed in the "Plants of Austin, Texas" book.

As a rule of thumb, eastern-type plants are found east of town, perhaps around Walnut Creek, with "a lot more of the edible plants being trees, just because

there are more kinds of trees there."

The western plants, which include more edible roots, are more likely to be found in the Hill Country, immediately west of town.

Experimenting outside of the recommended plants in books is not a good idea, Emerson says, as "a lot of information in the books was built up by trial and error ... people did die. It's not a good idea to experiment."

OTHER NO -NOS include not checking approved plants closely enough to be sure of positive identification and trying too much of a plant at first (it's much safer to try a small amount in case of allergy or misidentification).

Green plants are usually not deadly in small amounts, Emerson says, except poison hemlock, which is found in the water version, along the Pedernales River. "Trouble is, it is related to, and looks much like a carrot. You have to be careful with the carrot family."

Civilization can make plants, which were originally safe, poisonous: for example plants growing along sides of roads, which tend to absorb lead. "It's best to get away from civilization," Emerson emphasizes.

He recommends getting away from it all, recalling his own trips to Arkansas, where he lived on wild foods. "It was a very satisfying thing to do, but it takes a lot of patience, picking one leaf at a time for a salad instead of going to a store and grabbing a head of lettuce."

Emerson says the best way to learn about foraging is probably the way he learned — taking a few books one spring out to East Texas for a month.

"I took grains and legumes for protein, and that was the only food I took," he remembers. "If I wanted to eat anything else, I had to find it." He lost a little weight but made it back okay.

Upcoming Thanksgiving holidays would give plant enthusiasts a chance to try out their plant hunting skills — and indeed give them something to be thankful for if they are as lucky as Emerson was on his trip out into Euell Gibbons land.



Waxmallow
(*Malvaviscus arboreus*)

The waxmallow (l) is a relative of the hibiscus and reaches heights of up to three meters. The plant grows abundantly in shady spots. Berries can be used as a pleasant nibble or for treating a sore throat or as a mild laxative. A poultice of the leaves is useful in healing infected wounds. The plant may be identified growing on the west side of Rio Grande Street, between 13th and 14th Streets. The watercress (r) grows throughout the year in Texas streams, including local streams like Onion, Slaughter, Walnut and Barton. Only the tips of the plant growing above water should be pinched off (without uprooting the plant). Watercress can be used raw in salads, although it should be thoroughly cooked if there is any suspicion the water is polluted. It can also be made into soup.



Watercress
(*Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum*)