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Open discussion with Dr. James Newcomer on status of ROTC on campus

## ROTC Credit: Peace Group Query Target

By JAMES GORDON

Editor's note: See related article on Page 5.

An inquiry into the nature of the University commitment to the ROTC program was initiated last week by the Students for Peace, a campus anti-war group.

John Checki and Jack Yoakam, two members of the organization, proposed the abolition of academic credit for ROTC courses to Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs James Newcomer in an hour-long meeting Thursday afternoon.

The meeting produced few tangible results.

Checki and Yoakam told Dr. Newcomer they asked for the meeting as "an inquiry into the matter of ROTC on campus and what it is, what our contract with the Defense Department is concerning the matter and asking in a philosophical sense what it is doing on campus."

### Academic Credit

They raised the issue of academic credit for the program, questioning whether "it should be a part of a liberal arts education" and asked what steps would

be necessary to alter its standing in the curriculum.

Dr. Newcomer defended the program as "necessary for national defense" and, although expressing a noncommittal attitude toward the subject of academic credit, expressed the opinion that it would be difficult to effect any change in the program's status.

He said any change in curriculum must go through three separate committees before being submitted for the chancellor's approval.

Checki raised the question of how many students sat on the four curriculum committees.

### No Student Members

Dr. Newcomer replied that no students were members.

Yoakam said one of the main objections to the ROTC program is that the Defense Department sets up a department within the University under theoretical control of the administration but remaining free to propagate its particular views on American involvement in Vietnam and the part played by the military in the history of foreign affairs.

He pointed out that at Harvard, Yale and several other schools the drive to remove academic credit was initiated by faculty members.

Yoakam said he was "worried about the sanctioning of militarism in universities." He said that "many people get involved in ROTC to avoid the draft, and the University encourages this by giving academic credit.

"When they get in the program they're given the official version of our reasons for getting involved in Vietnam and why we are there," Yoakam said. "That's something more than just training men for military service."

### No Outsider

Dr. Newcomer said he did not consider the U.S. government an "outside institution" and said that participation in the ROTC programs provides a way for the University to participate "in the defense of our way of life."

He pointed out other University programs that cannot be classified in the "liberal arts" field, such as home economics and physical education.

Dr. Newcomer promised to furnish the Students for Peace with information on the details of the ROTC program and said he would be receptive to further meetings with the group.

Checki said after the meeting that he was "pleased that Dr. Newcomer showed an open attitude toward the subject of academic credit."

The SFP at a Thursday night meeting assigned several members to work further on the ROTC inquiry.

## Slater Man's Plea

### Food Gripes Should Be Pegged

By SUSAN BENTLEY

A spate of gastric complaints devolved into a meeting of the minds last Thursday when a student delegation met with Lester Aiken, food supervisor from Slater Food Service.

The meeting, a protest of the meal ticket system, was organized and led by Jimmy Jard, Houston junior. Col. John W. Murray, in compliance with his request, arranged a student confrontation with representatives of ARA Slater Food and University supervisors.

Twelve students attended the meeting, although representatives from all the Greek organizations were invited by Jard. Aiken said he could only interpret the small attendance as lack of interest and absence of concrete complaints.

Jard questioned the need for 17 mandatory meal tickets bought by each student for a semester's period. He pointed out the fact that many girls have cards left over at the end of the semester, while boys often run out of meal tickets midway in the term.

Aiken replied that, in order for the system to operate efficiently, a basic income must be guaranteed the service at the beginning of the semester.

### Nontransfer Rule

"But even then," he said, "we don't have a sure profit. That must come with cash money spent at the register. The meal tickets are not meant to provide all of a student's meals; rather, they should cover about two-thirds of them."

What of the people who have meal tickets left over when the semester is finished? Aiken explained that, although there is a nontransfer rule printed on the tickets, the school does not "police" the stipulation until the last three days of the semester.

This three-day enforcement is a guarantee that there will be food available to all students at

the semester's end when people buy food in masse to use up their excess tickets.

When questioned about the prices of the school's food, Aiken said that, according to a survey taken by his company last August, "Our prices, which are set by the school, are 12 to 15 per cent lower than any restaurant or cafeteria in this area."

Aiken explained to the students that he is open to suggestions. The food evaluations his company has handed out, he said, were used to a great extent, improperly

and in fun, and only a small percentage returned.

Aiken explained that he would be happy to talk to any dorm or group on campus to listen to complaints and to try to answer questions. "We are willing to listen," he said, "but the students must ask us first."

The meeting was at 7 p.m. in Reed Cafeteria. Charles Peveler, director of the Student Center; Dennis Blow, Slater representative from California, and Murray joined Aiken and the students in their discussion.

## Regional Science Fair Ready At Coliseum; Four-Day Event

By JOHN R. MAKEIG

Daniel-Meyer Coliseum is to be the site of the 18th Regional Science Fair.

The exposition will draw 400 science projects, representing the work of high school and junior high school students from eight regional Texas counties, and an estimated 10,000 visitors.

The students will set up their exhibits on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 11-12. Judging will begin Thursday; and the awards program will be on Friday.

The Science Fair will be open to the public on Saturday and on Sunday from 1-5 p.m.

Dr. Willis G. Hewatt, TCU Biology Department professor, has been the director of the fair and a member of its Board of Directors since its beginning in 1952. Walter Humphrey, the Editor of the Fort Worth Press, has also been a board member since the fair's beginning.

Each year since 1952, two award winners of the fair have been sent to the Science Fair—International. Several of

the winners received national recognition.

"Fort Worth had the first Regional Science Fair in the state of Texas. It was organized only two years after the International Science Fair began," Dr. Hewatt said.

Each International Science Fair is financed by the Scripps Foundation; regional science fairs are sponsored by regional industries and civic organizations.

Travel expenses for the students and their science teachers are paid by the regional science fair.

### Behind the Scene

Many members of the science faculty at TCU serve as judges and advisers for the fair.

Selected winner of the exhibitions—judged on creative ability, scientific thought, thoroughness, skill, clarity and dramatic value—will go on to the International Science Fair.

"This year, since the International Fair is to be in Fort Worth," said Dr. Hewatt, "the winners will go to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., for three days of seeing behind-the-scenes workings of the Institution."

Dr. Robert J. Brock, now an intern at Baylor Hospital in Dallas, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "values received from participation in the Fort Worth Regional Science Fair."

"Many members of the science faculty at TCU advise the students during the year, and invite them to come to TCU for help, or to discuss their problems and projects with the staff. We also loan pieces of equipment to students," Dr. Hewatt said.

The international fair this year will be held at the new Tarrant County Convention Center in May. Four hundred exhibitors are also expected to display their work in this fair.

Participants from Latin America, Europe and Asia will be in attendance. Canada will be the most heavily represented foreign country, with Germany a close second with three displays.





FAMED PIANIST Van Cliburn will be in Fort Worth Monday, March 24, at the Tarrant County Convention Center, in an appearance to benefit the international competition bearing his name.

# Cliburn Concert Contest Benefit

Van Cliburn, the internationally-known pianist, will perform in Fort Worth at 8:15 p.m., Monday, March 24, in the Tarrant County Convention Center Theatre.

Cliburn gained instant fame in 1958 when, at the age of 23, he won the Tchaikovsky Piano Competition in Moscow.

Cliburn's appearance will be a solo performance benefiting the international competition, which was named in honor of the Texan from Kilgore.

First held in 1962, the competition is sponsored by the National Guild of Piano Teachers, the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Worth Piano Teachers Forum, Texas Christian University and the Junior League of Fort Worth, Inc.

Dr. Ira Allison was the founder, and the late Mrs. Grace Ward Lankford of Fort Worth organized the Van Cliburn competition. Allison is a resident of Austin and president emeritus of the 75,000-member National Guild of Piano Teachers, which donates the \$10,000 first prize that goes to the winner.

Tickets for the Cliburn concert are on sale at the Central Ticket Office, in the lobby of the Hotel Texas and at the Scott Theatre box office, 3506 West Lancaster. Prices are \$1, \$3, \$5, \$6 and \$25.

The \$25 tickets are located in a special 400-seat section on the "keyboard side" of the 3060-seat theatre.

Also included with the purchase is an invitation to the black tie Champagne Reception, held for Cliburn in the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Texas following the concert.

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## Committee Moves

# Election Code Approval Pends

By SHIRLEY FARRELL

The Elections Committee which was formed just two weeks ago has already revised the elections code.

Linda Newman, chairman of the Elections Committee, presented The Skiff with a copy of the new Elections Code late last week. Miss Newman stressed that this code is "tentative, it must meet approval of the House before it can take effect."

The new code will be presented at tonight's meeting of the House so that, if it is approved, it can go into effect for the primaries on March 19.

The code was posted in dorms and placed in the Student Activities office and the House of Representatives office so that constituents could be able to tell their representatives what they thought of it.

### Cheerleader Board

The major changes in the new code over the old one are the creation of a Cheerleader Screening Board and an Elections Appeal Board, and two ma-

ior revisions in the campaign rules.

The Cheerleader Screening Board shall "be composed of five representatives from at least four of the following groups: a.) National Cheerleading School in Dallas at SMU; b.) Area college or university cheerleaders; c.) TCU cheerleader alumni; d.) TCU P.E. department faculty; e.) TCU Ballet or Theatre Department faculty."


### Campaign Changes

The purpose of the board, as stated in the proposed code, is to screen all cheerleader applicants before the primary to reduce the number to eight girls and eight boys.

The Elections Appeal Board shall consist of the President of the House, the House Legal Advisor, the Elections Chairman, the administrative advisor to the House, and one representative elected by the House who is not a member of the Elections Committee.

The two major revisions in campaign rules are the prohibiting of formal or personal campaigning on the day of elections, and the prohibiting of the display of campaign materials in classes.

These are the major proposed revisions of the old elections code. Representatives will decide tonight if these revisions will be put into effect.

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# Calendar Of Events

—Tuesday, March 11—

Chapel—11 a.m.  
Student Recital: Julie London, Mezzo-soprano; Janet Stevens, viola; 8:15 p.m. Ed Landreth Auditorium; free.  
Guest Recital: James Schwabacher, tenor; 3 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium; free.

—Wednesday, March 12—

Election filing meeting—6:30 p.m., ballroom.  
Music Department recital—3 p.m.  
Fine Film—"Blow Up"—7:30 p.m., Student Center ballroom—50 cents at door; 25 cents with Fine Films Ticket.  
"Issues 69"—KTCU—FM—7 p.m.—guest is Clement Constantine, Executive Director of Fort Worth Community Action Agency.

—Thursday, March 13—

Student Activity Documentary Series—"Martin Luther King 1929-1968"—11 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Student Center ballroom.  
Martin Luther King Memorial Service—4:30 p.m.—Student Center, room 205-206  
Science Fair  
ZTA Scholarship Dinner  
University Coffee Hour  
DG Founders Day

—Friday, March 14—

Science Fair  
BSU Retreat  
Baseball: Murray State University—2 p.m. (Here)

—Sunday, March 16—

Science Fair 1-5 p.m.  
Faculty Spring Picnic—5 p.m.  
AWS Officer Election  
Student Recital: Thelma Lindemore, organ; 3 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium; free

—Monday, March 17—

"Issues 69"—KTCU—FM (repeat from previous show with Clement Constantine, Exec. Dir. of Fort Worth Community Action Agency)  
"Hamlet"—Scott Theatre—8 p.m.—free to students, but seat reservations must be made through Ext. 243.  
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## Appeal Made For Spiriters

The TCU yearbook staff is still taking nominations for TCU Spiriters.

Spiriters may be any junior or senior student with a 2.0 grade point average. They may be nominated by any individual, organization, or faculty member. Students selected for Who's Who in the fall are not eligible.

Persons making nominations should include a list of their nominee's accomplishments and activities during his years at TCU. Nominations without this list will not be considered.

The Spiriters, who will be chosen by the Horned Frog staff for their contributions to TCU, will be featured in the Personalities section of the 1969 Horned Frog.

Boxes will be available in the Student Center lobby and the TCU Post Office for deposit of nominations. Deadline for entries is Friday, March 14.

## In State Committee

# Crow Abets Slash in Voting Age

By JORJANNA PRICE

Court Crow not only believes the 18 year-old should have the right to vote, he believes in doing something about it. Last Tuesday, Crow and two other young people appeared before the Senate Committee on Constitutional Amendments to testify in favor of the resolution allowing 18 year-olds to vote.

"It's about time the citizens of Texas had a voice on this issue," said Crow. "Even if the bill is voted down by the voters, they at least should have the chance to express an opinion."

As Crow points out, this is not the first time that the "18 year-old" resolution has been before the legislature. It has been up, except for four times, every year since 1943. Last year was the first time the resolution has been received favorably by the committee but it still was not brought up for vote.

### No Results

"This issue has gotten to the point where it is self-perpetuating," commented Crow. "There have been as many as 50 resolutions before the state legislature and still no results."

According to Crow, one reason is lack of support in state committees. And when a resolution does pass a committee, it is voted down because of lack of leadership.

Crow and his fellow representatives presented the social, legal and educational aspects of allowing the 18 year-old voting privileges. They stressed that the 18 through 21 year-old group is accepted in many ways as an adult but not considered so by the state constitution.

Also, in Texas young people are allowed to drive long before turning 18 and can decide whether or not to attend public school at 17.

Crow pointed out that in Texas, no one under 21 can legally drink alcohol, but any one over 18 caught will be tried as an adult.

While testifying, Crow was asked by a state senator if he thought that the 18 through 21 year olds would change the results of elections if allowed to vote.

"I told the committee," said Crow, "that I don't think that this age group is as liberal as many conservatives would like to think. And if their votes might influence the outcome, then this is too big a block of the population not to be heard from."

"Right now, 50 per cent of the national population is under 25," continued Crow. "And I don't think that any election changes would be that radical. But with the 18, 19 and 20 year-olds vot-

ing, the government can be that much more assured that that is what the population wants."

Crow was asked to appear before the senate committee by the Youth Franchise Coalition, an organization of youth and adult groups conducting a national campaign to secure passage of a national constitutional amendment lowering the voting age to 18.

### More Optimistic

Crow says that people are getting more optimistic about young people. "They're seeing that the 18-21 year olds are truly better educated and deserve to be considered a major element of the adult population."

"The resolution could possibly pass this year," said Crow, "especially if the young Repub-

licans and Democrats really push it.

"My biggest argument for the passage of the resolution is that it is time that Texans enjoy a voice on an issue that has been before the state senate for such a long time."

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Let's Be Frank

# Now, What Kind of Officers?

By FRANK LEWIS

Elections for House officers will be coming up shortly.

We thought we might take this opportunity to see what type of officers we might want.

All in all, this year's House officers have been the best at TCU while we've been here—and from what we've heard faculty and staff say about these officers it appears they are some of the best in many years at the University.

Within the past few months it has been quite fashionable to knock the \$67,000 fountain as being a waste of money that could be better spent elsewhere.

It would be nice if students here elected to pay a little more attention to the \$32,500 the House spends each year. After all, it's our money.

Some Interest

This year, some interest has been paid to what is being spent by the House—this has been mainly due to the efforts of Treasurer Jim Keegan.

Keegan's books, as far as we can tell, have been kept up-to-date and accurate and his reports have been made on-time. This has not been so with some past treasurers.

Charles P. Foote, associate professor of accounting and a former long-time adviser to the House, can point to many irregularities in House bookkeeping since he came here in 1955.

He said in 1965 he found a notation in the books which read: "To make book balance reconcile with bank balance". The error in the books, he said, could be traced back past September 1964.

On another occasion he said, "the records went a whole year without being balanced".

Much Company

In his audit of the 1965 books he said he found the books had been inaccurate and out of balance for the whole year and there were not sufficient business papers to substantiate what was entered in the books.

## Schwabacher To Lecture At Colonial

James Schwabacher, distinguished San Francisco tenor who has been described by West Coast critics as "the West's most versatile man of music," will lecture on campus March 12 at 3 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The recital-lecture is a part of the Faculty Recital Series and will be free and open to the public.

Schwabacher appeared in Philharmonic Hall in New York's Lincoln Center in 1963 and 1964.

He has performed 14 different roles with the San Francisco Opera Company.

However, those in the 1964-1965 school year should not feel too bad for they had much company over the years.

"The manner of adequate records was a continuing problem demonstrated by each Student Association of Congress (now the Student House of Representatives)," Foote said.

In 1965 he said after he made a suggestion to Dr. Howard G. Wible, then dean of students. Dr. Wible suggested to the House officers they appoint a financial adviser which they did—Prof Foote.

Returned Books

Over the two years Foote was financial adviser he said he was not called upon "anything like I should have been".

This situation was not corrected last year for the House books were not even in shape to be audited when they were turned in for their year-end audit over the summer.

The auditor simply returned the books to be completed.

Keegan this year has made some procedural changes that hopefully will ensure that no treasurer (no matter how negligent or incompetent) will be unable to keep bad books without being detected.

It might well be noted that the House doesn't even know what it owns. There is no list—or at least there wasn't one earlier this year.

Inquiries have shown the House owns the furnishings in its Chambers and offices and a variety of pianos and organs scattered throughout the Student Center among other things.

It might well be asked just how badly needed were these Student Center pianos (as badly as the fountain?).

All of which brings us back to our main point, the House elections are coming up soon—if you really care about how your money is spent for "educational things" then take care for whom you campaign and for whom you vote in the election.

## Editor's Mail

# Buckman: Pros and Cons

Editor:

If it is allowable, the following is an attempt to construe the letters sent to you by Mrs. McCurdy and Mr. Buchanan who, as a freshman, is only beginning his "sentence". I include Mr. Buckman, also, through necessity, and I want to make clear that all views that were expressed deserve different treatment than the Pavlovian responses The Skiff illicit.

In the last issue we remember Mr. Buckman inferring possibilities of administrative prisoners while Mrs. McCurdy, through genteel argument, entertains the idea of faculty hostages. At the same time, (meaning: on the same page), Mr. Buchanan opposed rebellion while shuddering at the thought of the collective mediocrity becoming conscious of themselves as other than parts in a social machine.

We see the dialogue develop with only an effort, on our part, of imagination. We hear from Mrs. McCurdy who declares the integrality of the Negro—(hot damn), while Mr. Buckman, concealed by a past issue, is revealed quite implicitly as a supporter of the "Uncle Tom" stigma.

Further on we hear Mr. Buckman expressing concern over the SDS and other sundry items of misplaced value structures. He is ready, apparently, to stand forth and reject those who would stifle views of other groups.

Mrs. McCurdy, however, feels

that stifling views is common place by practically everybody and, "if Mr. Buckman were a member of SDS, he would not mind stifling views opposed to that organization." Mr. Buckman it seems, "is ridiculing non-objectively." Thus implying that it makes a difference in how we ridicule. Mr. Buchanan lovingly breaks in, "... people have to live everyday as human beings in relationship with other human beings."

We glance up the page and Mrs. McCurdy is off on another concept: "Do you Mr. Buckman really feel that building a \$67,000 fountain is educational?" Mr. Buckman, who rarely mentioned the term "educational" in his article, failed to consider that question; therefore his idea of education, "is rather juvenile."

The impressionable freshman, Mr. Buchanan, attempts to move discussion somewhere else, and softly cries: "Fromm reminds us that the boredom and anxiety of our students is due to alienation from the environment and from other human beings." Mrs. McCurdy, undaunted, manages: "If I were a man and were drafted I would go to jail." Mrs. McCurdy appears to have reduced Mr. Buckman. Poor man.

But in the end Mrs. McCurdy succeeds in reducing herself, for she is a product of the social element which the tone of her letter reflects and she can't find fault with herself directly. No, Mr. Buckman serves that purpose for her. He exists as a name in a newspaper and therefore vulnerable. She exits with some lost hope for mankind and the wish that Mr. Buckman (the stinker) is only one of a kind.

Mr. Buckman is nowhere to be found. He has abdicated his responsibility to save his antagonist, Mrs. McCurdy, and therefore leaves us empty. It is left to Mr. Buchanan who shakily responds in the final crunch: "We actually

have to live as concerned human beings."

If this University contains a substantial number of individuals like those in this letter, maybe we can learn from this attempted portrait of a dialogue. The notions of apathy, affluent degeneracy, and unconcern, may, after all, be only disguises of the true seed of ferment.

That seed is ambivalence, and that is what we have tried to find. At TCU ambivalence over everything in general may soon grow into a process of fermentation but what form it will take cannot be known or dictated—or even suggested.

Bob Esenwein

## Enforce Limit

Editor:

The comment on town student needs not being met by two hour parking meters which appeared in the March 4 Skiff was appreciated.

I have a suggestion to offer which would perhaps aid town students, as well as dorm students, greatly. There are approximately eight 20-minute spaces for parking outside the Student Center entrance. These spaces provide, or should, a great aid to town students who must occasionally visit the main campus offices, etc.

I have repeatedly noticed cars parked daily, for the day, in these 20-minute spaces. Generally I have tried to occupy these spaces for the set limit, as a consideration for others who may have five minutes of business to conduct in the Center but who must spend twice that time walking form the Colby lot, etc.

As an experiment, on March 5, I parked before the Student Center at 8:15 a.m. and my car remained until 12:15. This was 12 normal periods. My car lacks an option which causes it to change shape or color at 20-minute intervals—are the campus police blind?—or simply is this a case of non-enforcement of stand-

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

### FAMOUS LAST WORDS



ing regulations?

I feel that to prevent the inconsiderate few from using the Student Center spaces as private parking facilities, the 20-minute limit should be enforced—perhaps not accurate to the minute or ten-minute period—but come on now—four hours in the same space—either remove the restriction or enforce the rule.

John D. Marshall

## Hacker Hacked

Editor:

Mrs. McCurdy's reply to Mr. Buckman's article indicated that she thinks and that she is, at best, a cry baby.

I gathered from her reply that students have an undeniable right to establish the principles under which an institution of higher education must operate. My dear Mrs. McCurdy, please look up the meaning of anarchy and if this is the state you want, Stop the World, I Want Off! Oh, by the way, Utopia never was and never will be.

Dissent for the sake of dissent is anarchy but dissent with a purpose I'll support. The dissent expressed by the SDS has, as far as I can determine, no purpose but anarchy.

One nice thing, Mrs. McCurdy, about being a female is the fact that you will not face the possibility of the draft. Therefore, your remark if drafted "I would go to jail" is not valid. Further have you seen the inside of a jail?

M. S. Hacker

## Buckman?

Editor:

I just read in a Skiff letter that there are more mature students than Bob Buckman. Who let the cat out of the bag?

Pete Kendall Student, UNM

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# Yale ROTC Rule Widely Debated

By BOB BUCKMAN

Academic credit for ROTC was recently abolished at Yale University, causing a furor with nationwide repercussions. Is this a danger signal for the ROTC?

Military officials at TCU expressed dismay at the action taken by Yale, while at the same time expressing general satisfaction with the liaison between the military and the TCU administration.

Col. Walter A. Divers, professor of military science, was critical of the Yale faculty, saying the move was "in violation of the contract. The ROTC program itself is part of the educational system."

He placed the blame for the action on anti-war elements.

"The peace groups' methods are first to get ROTC uncredited. Then the enrollment drops and the program can be discontinued. That's what they're shooting for, of course."

He felt removing credit for ROTC would definitely result in a drop in enrollment, since it requires as much time as other subjects.

### Sufficient Credit?

Cadet Lt. Col. David Timmons, battalion liaison officer, turned the issue around.

"I don't really think they give enough credit for ROTC," he said.

"We get two hours of credit for two hours of class work and an hour-and-a-half of drill each week."

Are military courses worthy of academic credit? The professional officers seem to think so.

"Mainly, ROTC is an academic subject," Divers said. "It prepares you for leadership, which is something you'll be using the rest of your life, whether you're in the military or not."

Lt. Col. Kirksey Parker, professor of aerospace studies, had praise for the caliber of Air Force instructors, all of whom are officers.

### Air Force Curriculum

"Out of 35 officers in the squadron I just left in Japan," he said, "only four were picked for ROTC assignments, two of them after interviews. In addition, we require our instructors to attend the academic instructor course at Maxwell AFB, Ala. This is a highly concentrated course in preparation, presentation and new methods."



COL. WALTER A. DIVERS  
Critical of Yale

Parker detailed the Air Force's curriculum, saying the first two years are designated the general military course and the second two years the professional officer course. During the GMC, cadets receive orientation in military-oriented political science, principles of war, national power, organization of national defense, and background of the Air Force.

In the POC, cadets study the development and growth of aerospace power, bombardment and tactics and even the planning of an actual space flight, including the designing of the spacecraft and planning life support programs, recovery, communications and trajectory. Senior cadets are indoctrinated on management of men and resources, leadership and military justice.

### Degree Plan Needed

The Army's basic course is similar to the Air Force's, adding instruction in weapons and marksmanship, map reading and tactics and military history. Cadets in

the advanced course are taught leadership, principles of military instruction, internal defense and development, military law, intelligence, administration and logistics.

Army Lt. Col. Donald G. Thompson (Ret.), who was professor of military science at TCU for three years, took the argument for academic credit for ROTC a step further. "I think there is a need for a specific degree plan for that individual who feels from the time he starts to school that he wants to be a professional soldier. Whether some like it or not, the military is here to stay," Thompson said.

Basically, relations are good at TCU between the administration and the ROTC. There is even a Military Affairs Committee, made up of members of the faculty, which maintains a liaison between the two. School administrators frequently visit the ROTC summer camps and come away impressed.

Cadet Timmons, on the other hand, senses a certain amount of friction between the school and the military, charging that the Army unit receives the same annual allotment from TCU it has received since 1952 and that the ROTC, unlike other campus organizations, is prohibited from soliciting private funds for its activities.

"The administration thinks that ROTC hasn't brought its share of recognition to TCU," Timmons said. "However, this has been changed somewhat since the rifle team has shown such marked improvement."

### Students' Loss

Divers, a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, had praise for ROTC-trained officers and saw grave consequences from any attempt to undermine the program.

"Students will lose because they won't be able to take it," he said. "ROTC is a stabilizing influence. The Army will lose because of the large number of officers coming from ROTC. When the Army loses, the country loses."

among students the situation may not be as serious as the news might imply. Last year, more than 18,000 Army second lieutenants were graduated from the ROTC, an increase of more than 50 per cent in two years.

### Anti-martial Sentiment

Whether the anti-ROTC movement will pick up steam or not remains to be seen, but one point should be conceded: the military is, indeed, "here to stay."

Also, far less publicized than the action at Yale, is the fact that 15 more colleges have been granted Army ROTC contracts, and more schools have applied than can be accommodated. The figures are similar for the Air Force.

The recent controversy undoubtedly arises from the anti-martial sentiment prevalent on college campuses today, but even

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## King Service Will Be Held

Memorial services for the late Dr. Martin Luther King will be held Thursday, March 13 at 4:30 p.m. in room 205-206 of the Student Center.

Conducting the services will be The Rev. Roy Martin, minister to the University, Dr. Jerry Michel and Dr. Paul Wassenich. They will be assisted by Chi Delta Mu, the Christian Service Fraternity.

The services are in conjunction with a film on King to be shown continuously from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. that day in the same room of the Student Center.

Contributions will be accepted for the Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund.

This day was picked for the memorial because classes will not be in session on the anniversary of the assassination.

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BLOW-UP, the controversial film by famed director Michelangelo Antonioni, will be shown tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center ballroom. Starring David Hemmings and Vanessa Redgrave, the film is regarded as one of the best of 1960's.

# National Ballet Group Eyed By Interested Students Here

By GERLYN McDONALD

Efforts to form a national ballet honor fraternity are now underway.

Barbara Macklem, senior ballet major here, proposed the idea that ballet dancers should have a national honor fraternity.

Presently no such fraternity exists. Dancers usually belong to Alpha Psi Omega, national theater fraternity.

Since TCU is one of only four or five high-standing schools in the nation in ballet, Miss Macklem said she thought it should try

to initiate a national ballet fraternity.

After consulting Dr. James Newcomer, vice chancellor for academic affairs, Miss Macklem talked to Dean Frank C. Hughes, School of Fine Arts, and Dr. Jack L. Cogdill, chairman of the Theatre Arts Department, who agreed to sponsor the organization.

A local lawyer drew up a charter of incorporation, stating the general purposes of the fraternity to be called Chi Tau Epsilon.

Miss Macklem said, "This is something totally new, I sent letters to 67 schools which offered a major or minor in ballet."

This step was designed to measure interest elsewhere in the new idea.

Red tape is slowing down the process.

To insure the legality of such a move, the state of Texas has to approve the incorporation.

This step completed, Miss

Macklem and the lawyer must draft national by-laws which will be standard for all schools wanting the honor of joining.

Presently the by-laws of Alpha Psi Omega are being used.

The new ballet fraternity will require a 3.0 overall average, plus a certain number of points accumulated during performances.

This point system will fluctuate from school to school depending on the size of the college.

Any school wanting a chapter can arbitrarily set its own point system.

Chi Tau Epsilon stands for honor and artistic improvement.

## AC Drafting Volunteers

Mary Margaret Azevedo, Director of the Activities Council, has requested all persons interested in working with the AC to contact any of the present AC members or to seek information in the Student Government office in the Student Center.

"The only elected position of the AC is its director," Miss Azevedo explained, "but we need volunteers to head all of the committees and to be members of those committees."

Under the restructuring proposal the AC will consist of eight standing committees: CESCO, Committee on Religion in the University, Dance, Forums, Public Relations, Exhibits, Fashion Fair and Films.

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# Geography M.A. Now Offered

By LARRY CROWDER

TCU has become the third university in Texas to offer a master of arts degree in geography, joining SMU and the University of Texas at Austin which already offer the program.

Two TCU students are now pursuing M.A.'s in geography, according to department Chairman Dr. Robert M. Taylor.

They are Bill Fitts, who received his BA in geography here, and Larry Gibson, who received his undergraduate degree from Mill Saps College in Mississippi.

Until this semester, graduate level courses in geography could be taken, but no graduate degree was offered.

Dr. Taylor petitioned the graduate council in the spring of 1968 for authority to grant the M.A. degree. The request was approved last fall but did not go into effect until this semester.

He presented to the graduate council an 11-page summary of background information to support his proposal. It included staff requirements, facilities needed, areas of emphasis, and the needs for the program.

Since the staff and facilities were reported to be adequate as they were, no increase in budget was requested.

Dr. Taylor said this probably was a deciding factor in the graduate council's decision.

When asked if teaching more courses with the same number of teachers would overload his instructors, the department chairman said, "There are so few students pursuing the degree at present that we anticipate no problems. But we hope the program grows, so we will eventually have to increase our staff."

The requirements for an M.A. in geography include an undergraduate degree with a major in geography and three hours of elementary statistics. At the graduate level, 12 hours of geo-

graphy, six hours of thesis and 12 elective hours for a total of 30 hours are required.



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Colorful History

# Library Stemmed from Donation

By RANDY PRITCHETT

Every student on campus has walked by it, maybe even walked in.

But do you actually know anything about the history of Mary Couts Burnett Library?

The background of the library dates back as early as 1910, Librarian Dr. Paul Parham said. At this time the University was located in Waco, Texas, where a disastrous fire struck the University in that year.

After the fire it was decided to move the University to Fort Worth, where a strip of land was given to TCU for the construction of a library.

Burke Burnett, a wealthy cat-

tle and oil man, died in 1922 and his entire estate was left to his wife. Mrs. Burnett decided, with the aid of her doctor and lawyer, what she would do with the remaining estate when she died.

**He Found**

In early December of 1923, the president of the college, E. M. Waits, was asked to visit Mrs. Burnett at 9 a.m. When he arrived at her house on Summit St., he found Mrs. Burnett's lawyer, doctor and chairman of the TCU board.

It was here that Mrs. Burnett will her entire estate, some \$6,000,000 to TCU. Her only request was to have a building with

her name on it.

The family contested the will and only one-half of this money went to the University. This was the largest single trust ever given to the University, Dr. Parham said.

Four months before she died in March 1925, she went down University Drive to see the Mary Couts Burnett Library being erected. What she saw was the present reference room and the area east of it.

The building stayed the same until 1958 when additions were built. These new additions quadrupled the original 1925 building, with its 90,000 square feet.

**Modern Concepts**

All the modern concepts were added, allowing close communication between the students and the books.

This is what libraries have tried to accomplish in the last two decades, Dr. Parham said. But with this addition they tried to keep some of the traditions that remain apparent in the reference room.

Mary Couts Burnett Library officially opened its new additions in 1958 with a new seating capacity of 1000 and with 304,000 volumes.

At the present time the seating capacity is 687 and the volumes number 650,000. The decline in seating has been due to the num-

ber of new books added each year. In the last three years, Dr. Parham said, the library has lost 12 seats a year to additional book space. One of the building goals for the University in the next decade is the expansion of the library.

For the last two years Dr. Parham and his associates have been making a list of improvements that may be used when an addition to the library is ready.

## Designer Talks On Fabric Items

Pola Stout, internationally known for her unique contributions to the textile arts, will speak to home economics majors and interested persons on March 11 at 4:30 p.m. in the auditorium of M. J. Neeley School of Business.

"Fabrics Can Talk" will be her theme.

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## Folk Concerts For French Club

Marie-Odile Chantran, a 17-year-old exchange student at Arlington Heights High School, will present a program of folk songs at the monthly French Club meeting, to be held Thursday, March 13 at 11 a.m. in room 206 of the Student Center.

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# Frogs Pound Rebels 18-2

With the sting of last Friday's 18-2 loss to the Frogs lingering in their minds, UT-Arlington's Rebels will challenge TCU again tomorrow afternoon at 3 here on campus.

The contest will be the second of the season for the Purples and the third for the Rebels. UTA is still looking for its first victory.

The Christians started the season with a bang Friday afternoon by pounding the Rebels in a wind-

blown, two-and-a-half hour long, seven inning affair.

Almost all the Frogs got to play as TCU's powerful hitting was too much for UTA's freshman pitching duo. TCU slammed 13 hits. The Rebels didn't help their cause any by committing four errors and walking 10 men.

The Frogs wrapped up the victory in the third inning by exploding for 10 runs.

Third baseman Jeff Newman started the spree with a triple off the center field wall with two men on base. One pitch later, catcher Bill Ferguson belted a home run over the left field fence.

Roger Williams kept things going, bringing in Dick Turner with a single. Dick Gage scored on a fielder's choice. Singles by Larry Peel, Newman and Ferguson brought in four more runs before the inning ended.

UTA errors allowed TCU to add five runs in the fourth inning. An error by the Rebel's shortstop scored Gage, who had doubled to get on base. Another error scored Williams. Another single by Ferguson brought in Glenn Monroe and John Costas. Dick Turner's single knocked in Peel.

A single by Peel in the fifth inning scored Monroe. Turner's double in the sixth inning brought in Newman and Ferguson.

Junior right-hander Jim Chase started for the Frogs was credited with the victory. He pitched four innings, allowed only two hits, struck out five, and didn't give away any earned runs.

Freshman Bob Shaw and junior Rod Monahan shared relief duty. Shaw pitched two innings striking out four. Monahan hurled the last frame, striking out two. Neither allowed a hit.

## Canterbury To Battle 4-1 Towners

Undefeated Canterbury will battle one of their closest challengers, the Towners, tomorrow afternoon in Independent Intramural basketball.

The Towners have lost only one game in five tries, falling to Milton Daniel No. One last week 52-49. If the Towners win, there could possibly be a three-way tie for first place in the division a s Milton Daniel No. One also has a 4-1 record. They are playing Pete Wright tomorrow.

Tom Brown is in fourth place in the division with a 3-2 record. They play BSU tomorrow. Tied for fifth are Clark and Pete Wright with 2-3 marks. BSU is last, 0-5. Air Force No. Two has dropped out of the league.

In the other independent division, Philosophy Club was leading with a 5-0 record after last week's play.

Their closest challengers were Air Force No. One, who have only lost one game, that one to the Philosophy Club in the season opener, 45-23.

There was a three-way for third place after last week's action. Tied with 3-2 records were Brite, the Viggies, and Milton Daniel No. Two.

Tied for sixth were the Math Club and Army with 1-4 records. DSP is last.

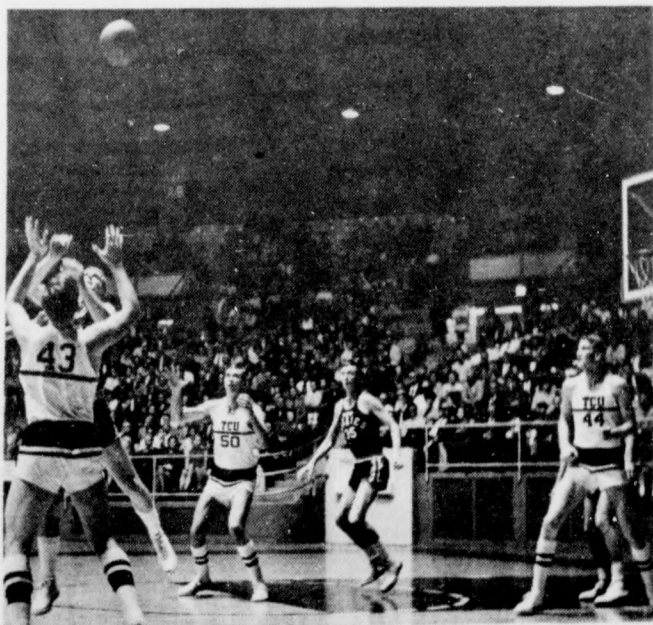
Greek basketball play has ended. The Lambda Chi's won the championship.

## Bill Merritt Shoots Ace

Bill Merritt, senior TCU golfer, fired a hole-in-one in the opening round of the Border Olympics tournament in Laredo last week.

Merritt finished the tournament with a 299 to lead the Frogs. TCU tied Odessa College for 12th with a team total of 1211.

The University of Houston won the tournament with a 1128 total.



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Forwards saw action in Frog finale vs. A&M



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### Title Pick Right

# Top Stars Recognized

By PAUL RIDINGS

How do you top picking Arkansas to win the Southwest Conference football championship when almost everybody else was tabbing Texas or A&M as the winner and then having the Hogs tie for the title?

Why, by picking Texas A&M to win the 1969 SWC basketball crown.

The Farmers won the championship with a 12-2 record and battled Trinity in the NCAA Playoffs last Saturday night. The Skiff picked A&M to take the crown last December.

But, that was about the only team The Skiff tagged correctly. The prediction was 1-Texas A&M, 2-TCU, 3-SMU, 5-Texas, 6-Baylor, 7-Texas Tech and 8-Rice.

The actual finish was 1-Texas A&M, 2-Baylor, 3-SMU, 4-Texas Tech and Rice, 6-Texas and TCU and 8-Arkansas.

Players from five different teams made The Skiff All-SWC team. Here's the first team selections:

- Ronnie Peret, A&M
  - James Cash, TCU
  - Tommy Bowman, Baylor
  - Gene Phillips, SMU
  - Greg Williams, Rice
- The second team selections,
- Billy Bob Barnett, A&M
  - Lynn Phillips, SMU
  - Larry Gatewood, Baylor
  - Bill Voight, SMU
  - Bill Swanson, TCU

The Skiff would also like to present the following awards for outstanding achievements during the 1968-69 basketball season.

Player of the year: Ronnie Peret, Texas A&M.

Soph of the year: (tie) Gene Phillips, SMU, and Tom Myer (Rice).

Silence is golden award: Don Knodel and Bo Brickels, Rice coaches.

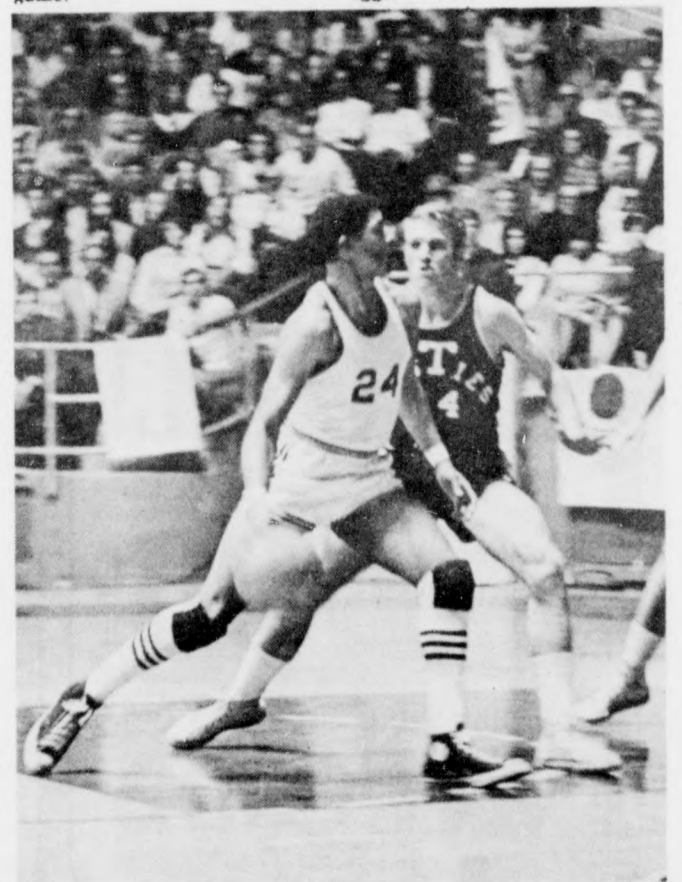
Worst player of the year: Jim Hubenak, Rice.

Best acting performance: Gene Phillips, SMU, in the last ten seconds of the TCU-SMU game.

Glass forehead award: Roy Edwards

Phantom punch award: Bill Hobbs

Poultry award: To whoever figured out those Texas Tech fans were throwing turkey eggs and not chicken or mongoose eggs.



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