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Headlines Around The World

From the Associated Press

PREPARING to meet the May 1 troop-strength limit, the United States Army announced March 19 an expanded departure schedule that will let thousands of soldiers leave Vietnam two to five months early.

Those returning early to the U.S. are not necessarily being discharged early and there are no indications whether any further tour reductions will be forthcoming. Fresh Army troops are arriving in Vietnam at an expected rate of 2,500 in March and 1,000 in April.

PRESIDENT NIXON is asking Congress for legislation he says will provide "greatly increased capital for minority business enterprises, at startlingly small federal cost."

Nixon is asking for liberalization of rules governing minority-enterprise, small-business investment companies.

Under these regulations, the private sector and the Small Business Administration pool funds will be loaned to or invested in firms operated by blacks, Puerto Ricans, Mexican-Americans and Indians.

FIVE DEMOCRATIC presidential candidates will receive protection from the Secret Service, according to Secretary of the Treasury John Connally.

The protection, which begins Tuesday morning, includes Sen. Edmund Muskie of Maine, Sen. Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota, Gov. George Wallace of Alabama, Sen. George McGovern of South Dakota and Sen. Henry Jackson of Washington.

It does not include Sen. Edward Kennedy who has filed several affidavits saying he is not running.

CALIFORNIA'S Supreme Court refused March 17 to grant a rehearing of its 6-1 decision outlawing the death penalty under California's constitution.

With the court's latest action, the decision will commute the death sentence of 102 men and five women in life imprisonment.

Inmates on the state's death row at San Quentin include Sirhan Sirhan and Charles Manson.

EXPECTED to announce his long-promised peace plan, British Prime Minister Edward Heath has disclosed that it will contain concessions to the province's Catholic minority with firm offers of a greater say in the Protestant-controlled provincial government.

DRUG ABUSE has become the target of a new bill sent to President Nixon March 17 by the Senate. It passed the Senate in a compromise version of the legislation by 63-0 while the House cleared it 366-0. A proposed National Institute on Drug Abuse will be created within nine months.

Busing, Governorship

Barnes Focuses on Reform

Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes' announced topic was "Business and Government" in the last Business Week lecture Friday, but before he had finished answering questions from the audience, he had discussed issues from school busing to no-fault auto insurance.

In his opening statement, Barnes, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, said, "Business' role in government has been primarily one of defense of concern over what legislation is going to be passed that will effect their operation in the free enterprise system."

Barnes said business should lose this defensive attitude and become more active in forcing government to reform and "do things the way we should do them."

"We have a good relationship between business and government in Texas," he said, and stressed the importance of maintaining this, saying 500,000 new jobs would be needed by 1980.

Corporate Income Tax

Of his opposition to a corporate income tax, which has been criticized by other gubernatorial candidates, Barnes said some people do not understand the tax burden already borne by Texas business.

He said business in Texas is taxed more heavily than that in New York, California, Illinois or Ohio.

Barnes also advocated a revision of the state constitution and a strengthening of the governor's office.

"Texas has the second weakest governor in the United States," he said. "Our budget system in Texas is almost unbelievable. The governor has no budget-making authority."

Mass Busing Not Wanted

Some candidates have warned of the federal government's power encroaching on the rights of the states, but Barnes said, "I for one believe the greatest enemy that state and local government has had has not been the federal government but has been our-

selves. Our failure to act."

On school busing, Barnes said, "Mass busing just to achieve racial balance is not what we want to do in 1972." But, he said, opposition to busing without a corollary commitment to upgrading educational facilities is a "demagogic position."

Barnes commended a court decision in San Antonio which he said meant, "We will have to spend the same amount of money on a student whether he lives in DeLeon or in Fort Worth."

Barnes said until two months ago he would have favored no-fault auto insurance, but recent problems with the system in Massachusetts have led him to take a "wait and see" attitude. "We desperately need to do something about the cost of automobile insurance," he said.

Barnes emphatically denied any connection with the Sharps-town stock fraud scandal, and said through all the investigations which have been conducted he had never been questioned because he knew nothing about it.

Private College Aid

Barnes strongly supported state financial aid to private colleges. He said he was one of the first state officials to endorse a program which gives \$300 to freshmen who enroll in private schools, and added, "I think the state should go further."

As to where the state would get money for such aid, Barnes cited three bills now before Congress.

Two would provide for revenue sharing by the federal government, and the other would have the federal government assume all costs of the Medicaid program now 50 per cent state-financed.

In the area of government reorganization, Barnes said he favors annual sessions of the legislature, four-year terms for state officials, decreasing the number of legislative committees, increasing the power of the governor and revising the state constitution.

Barnes said he hoped the governor would appoint a "blue-rib-

bon committee" to prepare a draft of a new constitution for the legislature to consider.

Barnes said he favored a system of state-wide day care centers for the children of mothers on welfare. He said job training

should be available for the mothers.

Barnes closed by saying he was optimistic for the future of Texas and urged everyone to become more involved in the political process.



MORE STATE FUNDS for private schools, state constitutional revision and day care centers for welfare mothers were among the measures advocated by Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes in his Business Week speech last Friday. —Photo by Bill Bahan

Under 21s Excluded From Jury Service

Although 18-to 20-year-olds recently earned the right to vote as a result of the 26th Amendment to the Constitution, they do not have the right to serve on juries.

That is the opinion of the Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin in a decision handed down March 8.

Convicted of burglary, Joe Shelby of Lubbock, 18, asked for a re-trial on the grounds that no one under 21 was allowed to sit on the jury that assessed him five years imprisonment.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported the presiding judge, John F. Onion, Jr., said a state law limiting jury service to persons 21 and over still applies.

An official at the voter registration office in Fort Worth explained it is easy to segregate those under 21 so that their names do not appear on the jury roster because registration cards require ages and birthdates.

Laws concerning jury duty and possible exemptions were revised in July, narrowing the number of exemptions to two main ones—those persons over 65 and those women who have children under the age of 10.

Onion wrote, "Surely the states still retain the right to determine the qualifications of the jurors to serve in their own courts and may place the burden of such public duty on certain age groups

even providing exemption, though not disqualification, on account of age. We do not view the U.S. Constitution as prohibiting a state from confining juror selection to citizens, persons within certain ages, etc."

"Thus we find that 18-year-olds are not qualified jurors," Onion concluded.

Special Pencils Available For Identifying

Electric etching pencils and identification stickers are available in the Security Office for those interested in marking personal items as a safety precaution against the possibility of getting items stolen.

The pencils and stickers are part of Operation PINK, a method of identifying stolen property by means of issuing numbers to area residents.

Such items as bicycles, tape decks, hubcaps and radios should be marked, said Chief Wesley Autry, Security Office.

Students can take items to the Security Office to be marked or mark items themselves by checking out electric pencils.

Farenthold, 'Rivals' On Week's Agenda

March 21—"The Rivals," a Theater Department production, continues through Saturday, March 25, with performances in Scott Theatre at 8:15 p.m.

Rep. Frances Farenthold, Democratic gubernatorial candidate and "Dirty Thirty Den Mother," speaks at 2:30 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

The Honors Concert with the University Symphony Orchestra and student soloists will be held in Ed Landreth Auditorium at 8:15 p.m.

Easter Convocation will be by Dr. Norman Pittenger from Kings College, Cambridge, England, speaking on "The Resurrection of the Body," chapel, 11 a.m.

Dr. Pittenger will hold informal discussion on sex and theology in the Student Center lounge at 3 p.m.

March 22—Venita MacGorman will present a flute recital in Ed Landreth Auditorium at 8:15 p.m.

"Satyricon" will be shown in the Student Center Ballroom at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

March 23—Ralph Morris will give a violin recital at 8:15 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

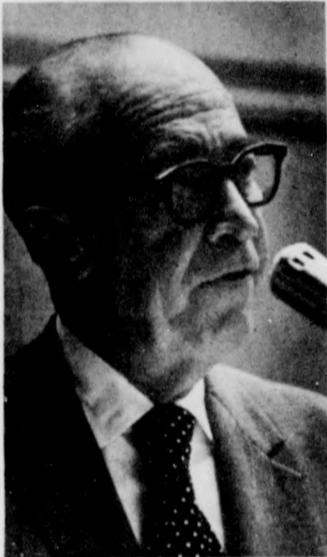
Dr. Edward Biehl, from the SMU Chemistry Department, will speak on "Synthetic Applications of Benzene Intermediates" at 11 a.m., in lecture room 4, Sid Richardson Science Building.

Editor Says Partiality Endangers Press

By ELAINE HOLLAND

The greatest threat to the freedom of the press comes from within, from journalists who sacrifice their positions as an impartial observer to their commitment to particular values, warned Nick B. Williams, former editor of the Los Angeles Times.

Williams spoke in Dan Rogers Hall auditorium Thursday night, giving the first Walter R. Humphrey Memorial Lecture. The lectureship was established at TCU, in memory of the late editor of the Fort Worth Press, through the Fort Worth chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic society, and the Texas Grid-iron Club, Inc.



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"The press with no official sanction, but constitutional recognition, is a part of the system of checks and balances," Williams said. "We were intended constitutionally to be offensive when we felt individually that we must offend."

The first 10 constitutional amendments restrict the use of power in order to preserve individual liberty, he explained; the first amendment is the charter which grants the press its role.

Lose Credibility

Journalists can become so involved with what they think is right that they lose credibility with their readers, he said. "They have to that degree diminished journalism," he warned.

The press must seek to persuade, and therefore be committed, yet commitment has its dangers, Williams stressed. The role will never be easy, he added.

"Perhaps we really ask that the journalist be a judge, but never be the jury which brings in the final verdict," he said.

Councils, whose members represent the various elements of the population, have been suggested to advise and guide the press, but Williams voiced doubt about their usefulness.

"I cannot believe that such a council can be chosen that is truly representative of all the elements of a large city," he said.

Freedom of the press is also under attack from outside forces, according to Williams. The most dangerous of these attacks are

subtle, rather than obvious, he said.

The attackers use a single story, treating it as representative of all news stories by all papers, he explained. "It implies a false and incredible chain of thought between all news editors."

Trial and Error

"The press is not invariably correct," Williams admitted, "but man learns through trial and error."

"We too are liable to corruption, dogmatism and pomposity," he said. The press does not have absolute power, however, he continued; it is dependent on the readers for its very existence and readers can be very loud and effective critics.

Williams pointed out injunction prior to publication as one of the greatest threats to free press. Even when there is enough reason to justify such an injunction, its use damages the press, he said.

He cited the Pentagon papers as a case when the press brought the trouble on itself. The press should be careful about challenging the power of the government to enforce laws, Williams warned. The Pentagon papers would probably not have caused such controversy, however, if there had not been executive antagonism toward the press, he added.

Politicians since before Thomas Jefferson have fought with the press, said Williams. Criticism can be used to discredit the press

and to present the politician as a martyr, he said; martyrs attract more contributions.

"The press focuses on those actively involved in politics," he said. The party in office usually gets the most attention, and criticizes the press most loudly, according to Williams.

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For the spring semester 1972,

1,215 students were reported as making "unsatisfactory progress" in a total of 1,699 course sections.

Copies of the reports are mailed to parents of students under 21. The complete analysis by schools and colleges of the University is as follows:

School/College	Total Students	Unsatisfactory Reports
AddRan College of Arts and Sciences	2186	555
Brite Divinity School	203	4
M. J. Neeley School of Business	777	277
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Vacationers Vote Absentee

Students who wish to vote in the TCJC Board election April 1 but will be out of the city during Easter break must vote absentee.

To aid in absentee balloting, Paul Bissbort, TCJC student running for Place Three on the board, is providing a bus Wednesday and Thursday, March 22 and 23, for TCU students wishing to vote.

The bus will leave the Student Center every hour on the half hour taking students downtown to the Fort Worth National Bank

Building and return them to campus.

Candidates seeking election are:

Place One—Wesley L. Kinser, retired teacher and municipal judge; Kenneth Dan Collins, mathematics department chairman at O.D. Wyatt High School; J. Pete Zepeda, Community Action Agency worker; James Hayes, former TCJC south campus student body president; Loyd C. Cox, president of United Auto Workers Local 317.

Place Two—Dr. J. Ardis Bell,

incumbent board member; Tawn Alen Rose, TCU student; Rev. Pablo Calderon, pastor of the Gethsemane Presbyterian Church; Marty Cole, TCJC student.

Place Three—Edward Sampson, Jr, local attorney and state democratic executive committee man from Tarrant County; Paul Bissbort, TCJC student.

Former Student Joins Faculty

Billie F. Hightower has joined the faculty as an instructor in Harris College of Nursing.

Miss Hightower is a former nursing supervisor at Midland's Memorial Hospital and has been obstetrical supervisor and instructor at Fort Worth's All Saints Hospital. She earned her B.S. in nursing at TCU in December, 1971.

Dr. Suther To Be Head Of Department

Dr. Judith Suther, associate professor of French, will assume chairmanship of the Foreign Languages Department next fall.

Dr. John Hammond, head of the department since 1958, has requested to return to full-time teaching.

Announcing the appointment, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs James Newcomer said, "Dr. Suther brings to the chairmanship the vitality of active teaching and active research."

Texas Takes Traffic Tip From European Signs

The Texas Highway Commission took a tip from the Europeans and approved a new method of road warnings used in Europe for 20 years. The new signs will convey their messages through symbols and pictures rather than words.

One major reason for the new system is to help persons of various cultural and national backgrounds identify the meanings of signs easier and quicker while driving. A study of this road sign system has been going on in the United States since 1964.

The changes in the signs, signals and highway markings are in the manual on uniform traffic control devices, becoming effective June 1, 1972.

The new signs are approved by the Texas Highway Commission and will be placed initially under the presently used signs so drivers will not be confused by them. Gradually, the new signs will

replace the old, and it is hoped they will be familiar enough to be effective when used alone in about two years.

Samples of the symbols to be used on the new signs are red circles with diagonal slashes to mean "do not" or "no," such as a left turn arrow encompassed by a red circle to mean "no left turn."

Sign color will be more important as green will mean, "movement permitted," with yellow conveying a general warning and red meaning "stop". Orange, a new color in the manuals, will be used to warn of construction or maintenance.

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In Our Opinion . . .



Minor Sports Wear Purple, Merit Support

Student support of the basketball team was really great, and with crowd support the Frogs were able to produce a winning season.

There are other teams on campus which wear the Frog name which don't receive as much or any support from fans—the baseball team, rifle team, golf team, track team, soccer team and gymnastics teams.

With the warm, beautiful days we have been having, there is no reason why students should not go out and support the baseball team. Not only would it help the team, but the individual as well.

Wouldn't the rifle team appreciate a "good luck, we're behind you" telegram now and then?

It is easy to back a winner, but TCU has some other teams which are winners, too.

They bear the Frog name; they wear purple and white; they stand for TCU. So TCU should stand behind them with all its support and enthusiasm. The student body should support all of its teams—not just the football and basketball.

Athletes on other teams work up just as much sweat and are just as devoted to the University. The University should be just as devoted to them. N.L.

Newly-Won Rights Face Test April 1

Now that persons between the ages of 18 and 21 are eligible to vote, the next step is to exercise that privilege. But that does not mean waiting until November to cast one's first ballot.

Voting in local elections is also a part of newly won privilege—responsibility which should not be ignored. Those who have the power to choose their local and national officials must exercise that power.

Voting is not a game to be played once every four years when a presidential election rolls around and one pulls the lever or marks the ballot to choose his favorite candidate.

If the new voters do not choose to participate in their local elections, there are always those who will vote and the quality of government will be in their hands.

First Chance Comes April 1

The first chance to prove young people are taking seriously their new power of voting comes April 1 with the year's first county elections for three members of the Board of Trustees of Tarrant County Junior College.

Students have fought the actions of local county tax-assessor collectors to restrict their registration in Tarrant County. Due to the efforts of a number of persons, many students have become registered voters in this county. The best way we can say thank you for their efforts is to vote.

We urge all those registered to vote in the April 1 election. Those who will be away on Easter vacation should vote absentee. Even that has been made easy for students with the provision of a bus Wednesday and Thursday to take students downtown to cast their absentee ballots.

Country Will Be Watching

Students have complained about not having the vote. Now they do and many eyes across the country will be watching to see if those who cried the loudest are going to exercise their new privilege.

Voting in Tarrant County has been made ridiculously easy even for those who will have to vote absentee. It's your community (you did affirm you planned to stay here "indefinitely," remember?). Show your interest in it. Exercise the right to vote now.

November isn't the only election that counts. L.A.

Letters to the Editor . . .

Cutline Writing Falls Short of Goal

Editor:

Granted, "all the news that's fit to print" is a motto few papers can boast; granted also, The Daily Skiff has a great deal of territory to cover, and the unfortunate yet necessary exigencies of space require abbreviation on any but the most important news.

Granted, in the third place, that the Select Series programs appeal to only a small number of students at TCU.

Even these three reservations,

however, do not excuse the cutline under the picture of the Bach Aria Group in the March 15 edition of The Daily Skiff.

Two journalistic criticisms of it can be made: it is inaccurate and it is incomplete. It is inaccurate because it fails to mention that this concert was free to all TCU students, as are all Select Series programs.

It is incomplete because it fails to mention the exact time and place of the performance.

These two failings, grave as they are, are venial when compared with the tone of the cutline itself. That tone of writing, whether humorously intended or not, is a poor reflection on the editors of The Daily Skiff.

There is no point in the cynicism and provinciality of the parenthesis. There is no point in the suggestion, however implicit, that there is any strangeness in liking one sort of music better than another.

In short, given the inaccuracy and incompleteness of what is there, there is no point in the cutline at all, save bad taste.

Given these considerations, we suggest that you would serve your public better in the future by giving it complete and accurate information and by sparing it your poor humor and unfortunate prejudice.

Dale B. Billingsley
Steve Wright
Sue Wright
Gary Ottenberg
Susan Chambless
Charlie Ess
Donna Cordell
Joan Williams
Dr. Ann Gossman

'Token' Trustee Backed

Editor:

I disagree with your opinion that a student trustee would be ineffective. Your article was lengthy and I could spend some time pointing out the things in it that are actually supportive and those that were merely construed for the sake of proving your opinion.

But instead, there is one part of your article which stands out as the basis for this controversy in the first place, which I would like to point out.

Your article states:

"How, in a semi-annual business meeting, is our token (trustee) going to represent us? Will he gain the floor and make a brief speech on students' needs? (Which you answer with) There is probably little time for that."

There is probably little time for the Board of Trustees to listen to the students' needs? "Texas Christian University offers a program of study for the primary purpose of developing individuals..."

While undergoing this educational or developing process these individuals are called students. The University must take

the time to listen to the concerns of the objective of its primary purpose.

I support the idea that a trustee should present the students' views to the board because a student trustee would be empowered with the vote.

Even if it may be only one vote, that one vote must be acknowledged and heeded.

Tawn Allen Rose
TCU Senior
Candidate for Place 2
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Pictures talk. Some little boys don't.

Some inner-city ghettos have special schools. For little boys who don't talk.

Not mute little boys. But children so withdrawn, so afraid of failure, they cannot make the slightest attempt to do anything at which they might fail.

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to hide." They began to explain, to describe, to communicate. And once the channels of communication had been opened, they began to learn.

We're helping the children of the inner-city. And we're also helping the adults. We're involved in inner-city job programs. To train unskilled people in useful jobs.

What does Kodak stand to gain from this? Well, we're showing how our products can help a teacher—and maybe creating a whole new market. And we're also cultivating young customers who will someday buy their own cameras and film. But more than that, we're cultivating alert, educated citizens. Who will someday be responsible for our society.

After all, our business depends on our society. So we care what happens to it.



More than a business.

Technical Problems Slow 'Rivals'

By PAULA SPERRY

"The Rivals," TCU's current production at the Scott Theatre, with its well-instructed cast provides an excellent introduction into comedy of manners.

Two technical problems impede the movement of the play. The first problem is a lack of articulation on the actors' parts. Due to this weakness, many plot and

character points are missed.

The second problem involves set changes. The characters involved often seem to forget which scene comes next. The continuity of action which the show, or any comedy, needs is thus lost.

Praise must be given to several cast members. Jim Couvalt as the nasal Acres is a gem.

Both he and Art Lippa maintain a naturalness on stage which cuts through the posturing, the technique, so that the natural comedy of the lines will play.

Beautiful Bumpkin

Laurence Heptig shows us a beautiful bumpkin, but on the vocal side his diction is sloppy.

Alan Klem, Jan Elder, and Doug Cummins display good command of ensemble acting, but it is Candace Siler as Mrs. Malaprop who wins the heart of the audience.

Her command of both audience and role display the sense of timing necessary for the role, but again diction must be mentioned. Too often the dialect Miss Siler uses gets in the way of good speech patterns.

Margo Price does an excellent job as the prancing fluff-headed maid, Lucy. Physically and vocally she creates a memorable character.

The ultimate praise, though, must be paid to Dr. Gaylan Collier who directed the show. The task of the director in a period show is to train the actors in an exaggerated acting style.

She has made her actors appear confident in an acting style which does not inspire actors with confidence.

Dialects Unobtrusive

Dr. Collier has also done an amazing job with the dialects used in the play. Rather than being obtrusive, the dialects are



MRS. MALAPROP played by Candace Siler, and Sir Anthony Absolute, (Doug Cummins), intently scrutinize Lydia (Jan Elder), in the Theater Department's production of "The Rivals," which features period costumes in this comedy of manners.

Vocalists, Musicians To Appear in Concert

The annual Honors Concert featuring student participants, ranging from freshmen to graduates, will be presented Tuesday, March 21, at 8:15 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

All participants were selected through auditions before the entire Music Department faculty.

Those selected as soloists for the event are Arthur Brasil, Katherine Sametz, Virginia Hanagami, Ruth Morgan and Riley Haws, pianists; Genie Christi and Ronald Brumley, vocalists; and Carol Cappa, flutist.

They will be accompanied by members of the University Symphony Orchestra with Fritz Berens, associate professor of music, conducting.

"For those who are playing for the first time with an orchestra, there is always an element of

suspense. It requires particular preparation on the part of the soloists. They must listen to the instruments behind them, stay in touch with the conductor's baton and keep a strict tempo," Berens added.

The performance is free and open to the public.

Wright Wins Danforth Fellowship

Stephen K. Wright is the recipient of a Danforth Fellowship award for the Ph.D. degree. Wright won the award over two other TCU nominees and was chosen with 96 other students from more than 1,500 seniors in colleges and universities across the nation.

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tools in the actors hands.

Another tool, the costumes, are beautiful. Although that may appear empty praise, it is not. It is merely that nothing else need be said except that they are beautiful in this play.

Jim Monroe has designed a serviceable set which serves as a background for the action. It works well except for the scene changes, and those seemingly unimportant changes damage the continuity of the play. Hopefully this is a "dress rehearsal problem" which will be corrected.

Now comes the inevitable question, should one take the

time to see the show? The answer simply is yes. As a further incentive the tickets are free to TCU faculty and students and may be reserved by calling ext. 243.

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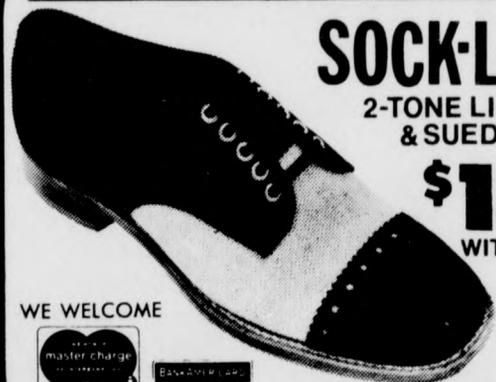
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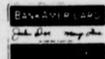
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Cinema Candidos . . .

Message? Maybe Too Much

By **DAVE BECKER**

"The Last Picture Show" is not the best movie of 1971. It is an authentic, true-life cultural representation of a typical small Texas town. It is also a "message movie."



BECKER

But why should the viewer step from the provocative controversy of modern life to witness the stark depravity of a dying piece of rural America?

Technically, the movie is a work of art. Director Peter Bogdanovich skillfully filmed former TCU English teacher Larry McMurtry's script in black-and-white, setting a very dreary mood.

The ubiquitous music is a country-and-western gig and even the happy songs of Christmas-time sound like they have been lifted from a Chet Atkins soundtrack.

Lure of the City

The town, Anarene, is (in real life) Archer City. The story centers around teenagers and their seemingly universal problems

growing up in a town that is stagnating.

The early 1950's era was one of special hardships as the lure of the big city was great.

"Everything gets old if you do it often enough," preaches one town matron—speaking of sex and life in general.

Each of the kids "does his own thing." One is having an affair with the coach's wife while others are rebelling against parental authority by skinny-dipping in the big city or facing the torments of premarital sex.

No Generation Conflict

Unrealistically there is not the conflict of ideas between the younger and older generations. However, the town boys must face disfavoring elders when they botch a football championship or lose a basketball game, 121-14!

Sam the Lion (Ben Johnson) is really the "last picture show." Sam owns the pool hall, greasy spoon, and the movie house. When the town boys goad a young deaf-mute into a car with the local prostitute, Sam banishes them from his businesses.

Once he slips two town boys a few bills for a jaunt into Mexico. They go merrily off, only to

return to face Sam's untimely demise.

Everyone faces the fact that no one can live forever, but this begins the decline of an entire town that cannot operate properly without Sam.

Believable Teenagers

Sonny (Tim Bottoms) and Duane (Jeff Bridges) are real and believable teenagers from the 1950's. Billy (Sam Bottoms), the mute who sweeps the town streets, is a lovable character and shares a warm on-screen relationship with his real-life brother. (Young Bridges shares an Oscar nomination with Ben Johnson).

Jacy (Cybill Shephard) is an atypical bobby-sox miss of the day. Her anxiety to locate a spouse is predictable but her restlessness to relinquish her virtue as her classmates sit parked outside the motel room is inane!

Cloris Leachman plays the coach's wife, drawn into an affair with Sonny. Her grasp for youthfulness through her young lover brings her a beauty that diminishes quickly when he struggles free of her.

"The Last Picture Show" is playing at the Opera House Cinema.

Coeds Replace Guards at Doors

Now when a woman student returns to her dorm in the wee hours of the morning the doors will not be opened by a dashing security guard but by a yawning

colony of security guards until 4 a.m.

Colby and Foster dorms have recently adopted the night supervisor plan under which a volunteer from the dorm admits women who need to be let into and out of the dorms after hours.

Sherley and Waits dorms are in the process of planning their supervisor systems and until their programs have been worked out they will continue to receive ser-

vices of security guards until 4 a.m.

Chief Wesley Autry, security police, said officers need time after 4 a.m. to patrol other buildings on campus and the night supervisor system would give them more time to work efficiently.

Tar Bucket Fire Damages Rickel Roof

Fire damaged the almost-completed roof of the new Rickel Physical Education Building on Tuesday, March 14.

George Harris, recreational athletic director, said, "A large tar basin was the cause of the brief fire which consumed a relatively small area of the roof where tar had been laid down earlier."

He said, "Two mops used to spread the tar were left in the basin the previous night, and probably combusted causing fire to erupt within the basin. The fire spread to a limited area of tarred roof and destroyed the tar which was laid, but little other damage occurred."

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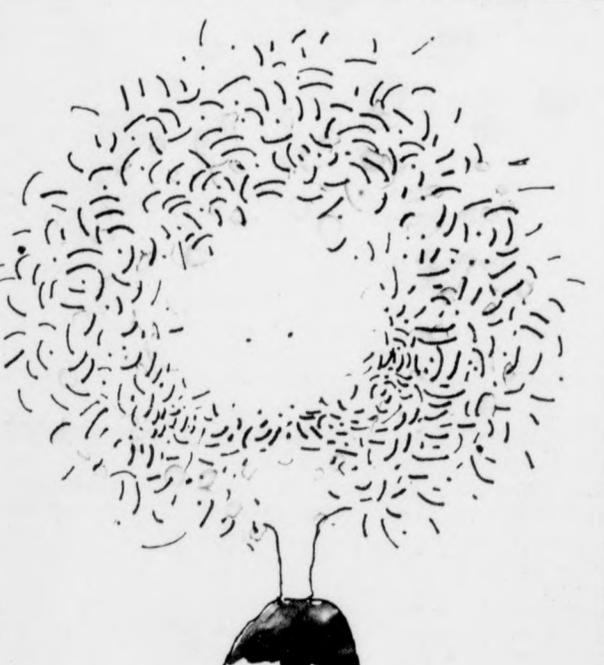
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DIAMOND RESIDENTS—These Frog baseball players will be manning the infield for TCU's Southwest Conference title bid this year. From left are third baseman Don Bodenhamer, shortstop Tommy Butler, second baseman Phil Turner and first baseman Pat Carden.

Skiff Sports

Grid Work Continues

Quarterback Race Is On

As the Frogs begin another week of spring training, TCU football's biggest question is still unanswered. Who will replace Steve Judy as quarterback next season?

Head coach Billy Tohill says although there are some primary candidates for the job, nothing is definite yet.

"We started out this spring trying to find a number one quarterback and at the same time, find the right offense for this quarterback to execute," Tohill says. "We feel like we have possibly three men that are going to compete for the quarterbacking spot. The first two are Kent Marshall and Don Howard, but Terry Drennen may also enter into the picture."

Marshall (6-2, 189) is the most experienced of the three, having served as backup man for Judy last fall. Howard (6-2, 198) was a redshirt last season after transferring from the University of Houston. Both will be juniors next season. Drennen (5-11, 173) is seeing his first varsity action after piloting the Wogs to a 3-2 record a year ago.

"Either Marshall or Howard can execute the wishbone as well as the I-formation attack," Tohill

says. "And we'll use both formations this fall."

"Although we'll use the wishbone primarily, we'll be able to use the I at any time, especially on long yardage situations when everybody in the stands knows you've got to pass, draw or run a screen.

"So far we've had a real good spring training," Tohill continued. "We've gotten a lot accomplished and now we'll start working on executing with consistency."

Tohill says he hasn't been disappointed in some of the varsity newcomers, either. Freshman tailback Mike Luttrell is currently in the starting backfield along with Marshall, Bill Sadler and Steve Patterson.

On defense, two more freshmen, Dede Terveen and Tommy Van Wart are now on the first unit. Terveen is manning an inside linebacker post while Van Wart is taking over at tackle for Ken Steel, who is out with an injured elbow.

Other key players on the Frogs' injury list this week include guards Jerry Wauson and Merle Wang and offensive tackle Jim Montgomery. All are out with damaged knees.

Tech Next foe

Frogs 2-1 in SWC Play

By JERRY MCADAMS
Sports Editor

The Horned Frogs are 2-1 going into the second week of Southwest Conference baseball play after besting Texas A&M in a three-game series last weekend.

The Frogs took the first game of a doubleheader Friday afternoon in College Station by a 6-3 count behind the pitching of Frank Johnstone. That contest went nine innings.

In Friday's second game, Jess

Cole hurled TCU to another victory as the Frogs pounded in 10 runs while holding A&M to four.

In Saturday's game, Frog pitcher Johnny Grace struck out 10 batters, but was credited with a 5-3 loss. Gary Few, who replaced Grace in the seventh inning, gave up three of the Aggie runs.

Assistant coach Mike Justice says hitting is still a problem for the Frogs. "It's not that we aren't hitting the ball," Justice

says. "We're just not getting the big base hits."

Justice said he and head coach Frank Windegar were pleased with the team's performance against A&M. "Any time you go out of town and win two out of three, you feel like you've accomplished something."

The Frogs' next foe will be Texas Tech, one of the league's pre-season favorites. That three-game series will begin Friday on the TCU diamond.

Women Compete in First Tourney

TCU's first women's tennis team competed Friday and Saturday in Denton at the North Texas State University Invitational Tennis tournament.

The Frog squad was paced by

Sally Helland and Maribess Lehmann who finished second in doubles competition. Another TCU duo, Dana Dillard and Teri Adamson, placed third in doubles while Emily Hanna was third in

singles play.

Additional TCU entries included Edie Price, Craig Maddox, Michele Lynd, Judy Solomon, Mary Webb, Ann Kretzschmar and Kay Whitaker.

Bob Colerick, who along with Janet Murphy coaches the team, said he was pleased with the performance, especially since many of the girls had never played in a competitive tournament before.

Tracksters Below Par Last Week

An injury laden TCU track squad garnered only 13½ points and a fifth place finish at the Arlington Relays last weekend. Sprinters Bill Collins, Ronald Shaw, Carl Mills and Freddie Pouncy saw little or no action at the meet. All are suffering from leg injuries.

The Frogs' highest finish in any event was third. David Hardin was number three in the 880 with a 1:55.0 and later ran on the mile relay which also finished third.

Other Frogs placing in the meet included John Bishop, third in the javelin and fourth in the discus; Sammy Shipley, fifth in both the long jump and triple jump; Mark Miller, fifth in the 440 hurdles; and Brian Brown, fifth in the high jump.



VALUABLE—Track standout David Hardin has become one of the most valuable members of the Frog squad after joining the TCU team as a freshman walk-on two years ago. Hardin now anchors the Frogs' mile relay team and also runs the 880 and 440 hurdles.

Photo by Jerry McAdams



THE MAN—Head football coach Billy Tohill watches intently over Frog spring training workout. Tohill is beginning his first year at the head post.

Photo by Jerry McAdams