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## AC allots \$400 for overrun

By DIANE CRAWFORD

The Activities Council (AC) spent their Monday afternoon meeting budgeting and re-budgeting their finances—a move which proved profitable for some organizations.

By unanimous vote, AC agreed to allocate \$600 to Coffeehouse—the first \$200 going toward Coffeehouse's shallow budget and the next \$400 to cover ex-chairman Rick Smith's \$500 debt due to overexpenditure.

Smith will have to pay the remaining \$100 out of his own pocket if he cannot secure the money from other organizations. AC director Randy Moresi said this action should set a precedent for curtailing future overexpenditures.

SPB director Jeff Lyle said his committee agreed to give \$800 from its Christmas and Easter budget, to the Committee on Religion in the University (CRU). This move came about after earlier discussions to drop CRU from the Council.

"CRU was established to fulfill religious needs on campus," Lyle said. "What the committee members need to do now is to sit down and redesign their purpose, to draw back and take on just one or two projects at a time."

SPB's gift raised CRU's budget to \$1,300. AC adviser Don Mills suggested to CRU's director Martha Thompson that the committee arrange for a

member of the Campus Ministry to be their primary adviser.

In another motion, AC voted to remove \$1,500 from the Dance Committee's budget for the Homecoming dance and transfer the money to SPB. Lyle explained the Homecoming dance is not under the jurisdiction of the Dance Committee. "The Homecoming Committee is a separate organization and that committee decides dance plans," he said.

Forums chairman Bob Hampton announced Forums will spend \$10,000 on speakers next semester. The list of speakers planned includes Missouri Sen. Thomas Eagleton, impressionist

David Frye (for Howdy Week) and author Anthony Herbert.

The meeting ended with a jostling of committee budgets when Moresi announced the Finance Committee has asked

AC to cut \$2,500-\$3,000 from their total budget. "If we don't plan the specific cuts ourselves, they (Finance Committee) will cut it themselves where they wish," Moresi said.

## Blood to run in annual drive

The University will hold its fourth annual blood drive on Monday and Tuesday, March 12 and 13, in the Student Center Ballroom from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This year's drive is being sponsored by the Inter-fraternity Council. All profits from the drive will be distributed to hemophiliac families throughout Texas.

The University was recognized in 1970 by the National Hemophilia Foundation for conducting the largest blood drive in the history of American universities after 725 students participated in the drive. The following year, University students beat their own record when 920 signed up to donate.

## 'When you wake up...

By SUE ANN SANDUSKY  
Second in a Series

She went to all her Friday classes. Then she went back to her room, packed her overnight bag and went to Dallas' Love Field.

But it wasn't going to be an ordinary weekend trip. The 19-year-old TCU sophomore with the overnight bag was going to California for an abortion.

The trip had been arranged through the Dallas office of Problem Pregnancies In-

formation Service (PPIS). When she got to the airport, she checked in using the code, "The Glenda Parks party." There were 30 women on the 4:30 p.m. Dallas-Los Angeles flight in the Glenda Parks party. They all carried overnight bags. Most of them looked a little nervous.

When the plane landed in Los Angeles, the women of the Glenda Parks party were met by men and women in their mid-20s, members of the PPIS staff in California, who escorted the

women to a hotel. There they would spend the night before going to Avalon Memorial Hospital for their early morning operations.

### Slumber Party

"After we got to the hotel," said the coed, "it sort of became like a big slumber party. The atmosphere at the hotel was friendly and relaxed. Not that it was like a big joke, it was just that none of us had any secrets."

All the women in the group were from the North Texas area served by the Dallas PPIS. However, not all were unwed expectant mothers. "Some of the women were older married women who did not want other children. Some had their husbands with them, and one girl's father was with her because she had some special complications," said the TCU student.

### Forms and Tests

Friday night all the women attended a meeting conducted by the PPIS staff at the hotel in which they heard a detailed step-by-step account of what was to happen to them in the morning.

The TCU woman described the staff of PPIS in Los Angeles as honest and factual. "And they cared about you like a real human being, not like a freaky, little promiscuous teenager who goes messing around all the time."

The operation itself takes only three to five minutes, according

to the student, but a woman spends a total of 45 minutes in the hospital.

"When you first get to the hospital you have to fill out some forms and they run some lab tests. Then you are given a sedative. You wait. They prepare you for surgery by bathing you in an extremely cold wash. The anesthesia takes over and you sleep for about 30 minutes. When you wake up it's over," said the coed.

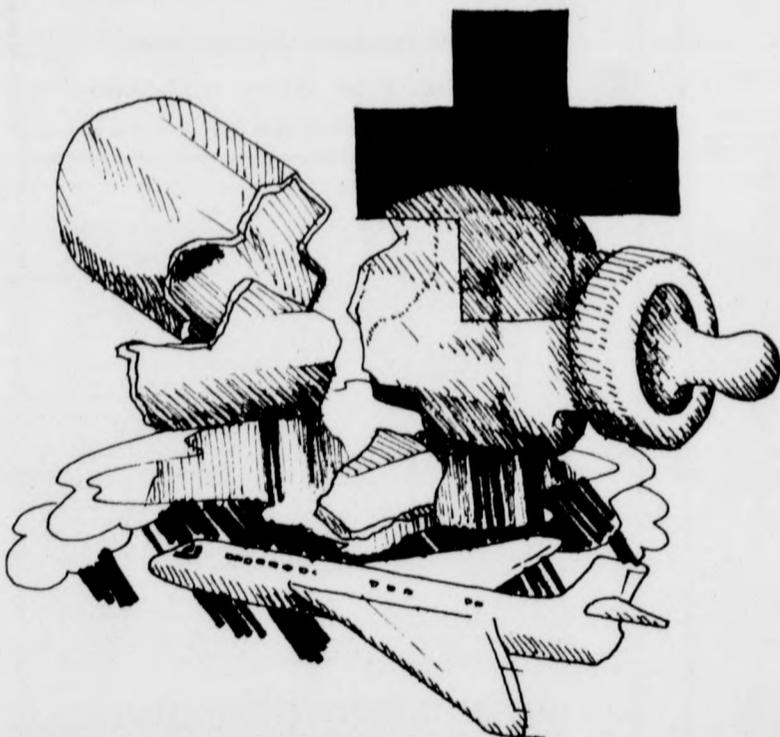
"I went in at about 8:30 a.m. and by 9:25 a.m. I was going back to the hotel. I had a few hours to wait before my plane left. Then the staff took me back to the airport and I got back to Dallas around 7 p.m. Saturday night. And when I got back I found myself thinking 'Where have I been for the past 24 hours? Did this really happen to me?'"

Money is a major problem for many women who want an abortion. The California trip costs \$315, and at the time the coed had her operation, going through PPIS was the least expensive way to get an abortion, despite the weekend trip to Los Angeles.

### Hospital Fees

Since the U.S. Supreme Court struck down Texas' anti-abortion laws as unconstitutional in late January, doctors in the state have been free to perform

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7  
7:00 P.M.: PROBE ENCOUNTER; Ben Loring and the "One Man Band"; TCU Student Center 207-209.  
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## Reader feedback

# Necessity of life - fake grass

Editor:

Over the years, it has frequently been pointed out that it would be a good thing if more lights existed on our campus. However, "money problems" were always mentioned, and the topic was put aside until the next occurrence of assault, rape, exposure, and the like.

Now, people have said nasty things about this set of events, things like, "It seems like it just might, perhaps, be more humane to protect students than to build such fancy new buildings, or re-carpet administrative offices, or build Centennial Flames, etc." I must confess that I have agreed with these comparisons.

Last Wednesday's Daily Skiff explained, in a front page story, how we need more lights, but gosh they cost \$180,000 (that estimate is several years old by now), and we sure are poor, but maybe the government will help. But until they do, our administration will give you some helpful hints on what you can do to help—lock your door (so if you're followed you can stop

outside and find your key), tell somebody if you're a victim (I assume a seance would be an acceptable form of communication if you happened to get killed in the dark), and travel in groups (so that if you trip over someone you can't see, you can assume they are a groupee).

Well, some people, upon reading this story, turned their paper over, and read a story about fake grass, which, for only \$300,000, could be placed on our football field. Then, of course, some troublemakers started saying things like, "It sure looks strange that we can probably get \$300,000 for fake grass by this summer, but haven't been able to find, over several years, \$180,000 for lights."

I must disagree with this comparison, I mean, like Coach Tohill said, fake grass is "a definite asset in recruiting." I ask these troublemakers, "Really, how many students will TCU lose just because the campus isn't lighted and they might be attacked?"

Besides, there is evidence that

fake grasses causes, among other things, burns and torn-up knees on football players. Students now stand a good chance of getting burned, torn-up, etc. in a dark corner on campus. I feel that it is only fair to allow our football players these same benefits.

For those not convinced by these arguments that it is absolutely necessary to buy fake grass instead of lights, and I am sure that our administration accepts this logic, (shall we judge them by what they do by

next fall, not what they say today?), I offer a Plan to Avoid Assault.

Just buy a flashlight, and if attacked, shine it in the eyes of your attacker, and then run down to the football stadium, where you will find, if it has been raining, that fake grass has no mudholes that you might fall down in, and therefore you won't have to worry about getting dirty as you attempt to escape.

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# Story 'escape' even for writer

By STEVE BUTTRY

The wacky story of "Viva Max" was created in an attempt by author Jim Lehrer to escape his hectic routine as a reporter for the Dallas Times Herald.

Lehrer talked following the screening of the movie based on his book, when the Centennial began Monday night in the Student Center Ballroom.

In his discussion with the audience, Lehrer was asked where he got the idea for the book, which involved the Alamo being overtaken by a latter-day Mexican Army.

"There's a very boring story behind that," he replied. He went on to explain that the idea came up when he was talking with some friends on the Times-Herald staff. He asked in jest, "Wouldn't it be funny if the Mexicans re-took the Alamo?"

## Novel Question

Lehrer began working to make the question into a novel, as a diversion from the chaos and confusion of his life in the press room and courthouse.

Asked how well he thought the story had survived the transition from

a novel to a film, Lehrer replied, "They retained the soul of the book and changed everything else."

Joking about the many changes made in the film, Lehrer quipped, "When I wrote it, it was about a Frenchman taking the Statue of Liberty, but they didn't change much else."

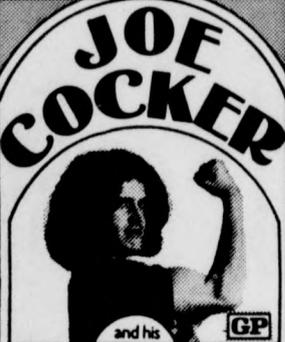
He explained that in the book the presidents of the United States and Mexico resolved the conflict, which did not occur in the film. The president was patterned after Lyndon Johnson.

## Emotional Experience

Admitting that he was pleased with the film, Lehrer said, "It may be a lousy movie, but it was an emotional experience to me to see my story being played by Peter Ustinov and these other great actors."

The third place film in the university division film contest was shown immediately following the "Viva Max" screening. The film was produced by a student at the University of Texas.

The festival will conclude tonight with Fred Gipson and the film "Old Yeller," based on his book. The winner in the film contest will also be screened. Admission is by ticket only.



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# Abortion incidence on rise

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abortions, and hospitals and clinics may offer them legally.

At the present time only Harris Hospital in Fort Worth is conducting abortions on request. A minimum hospital deposit of \$150 is required to cover hospital services, medication and lab work. According to a Harris Hospital spokesman, the deposit does not include the physician's fees.

The student said she could not have had the operation done in Fort Worth for less than \$315.

In the past two weeks, however, the situation locally has changed somewhat. Two Dallas doctors have opened a clinic where abortions are performed for \$150.

## Trinity economics subject of debate

A debate on the economics of the proposed Trinity River Canal will be presented Thursday, March 8 by University chapters of Young Republicans and Let's Improve Foul Environments (LIFE).

Arguing for the project will be Dr. Floyd W. Durham, professor of economics. Debating him will be SMU economist Dr. Ronald Smith.

The debate will take place in Student Center room 207 at 6 p.m.

A PPIS representative in Dallas said they are now referring women to Clergy Consultation for Problem Pregnancies which makes the arrangements with the local clinic.

Dr. Claude Evans, SMU chaplain and Clergy Consultation founder, explained the Dallas

clinic is only set up on an interim basis. "We are hoping to establish a permanent clinic that would be a total reproduction center handling venereal disease cases, vasectomies, human sexuality seminars, birth control counselling, referrals to agencies for unwed mothers as well as abortions."

# Houstonian to headline 2nd 'Business Year' event

The second "Business Year" program of the School of Business will be presented March 8 in Dan Rogers Hall.

Houston businessman James A. Wilson, chairman of the board of United Gas Inc. will speak on the theme of marketing as related to natural gas utility.

Wilson was named operating manager of the Texas distribution division of United Gas Corporation in 1954 and has been president of United Gas Distribution Company. He assumed his present position as chairman of the board of United Gas in 1969.

The March 8 program is part of a series of seminars sponsored by the School of Business throughout the Centennial year. The presentation is open to the public and will be preceded by an informal coffee.

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# Ed Brash



By JERRY McADAMS

Ed Brash pretends to be our readers' reporter. His job really is to fill at least 20 or 30 inches of space on this page. He gives advice and sometimes ridicules people with problems. In fact, his advice is often ridiculous, too. If you have a question, keep it to yourself. Maybe the same question will occur to Ed Brash someday and he'll write an answer.

**GRID TURF:** I work at a local university whose football stadium is in desperate need of artificial turf. Only trouble is, there just doesn't seem to be enough money to pay for it. The Texas game last season was a muddy mess. We've held meetings with the administration, but opinions differ on what to do. Is there any way you could....? Billy T.  
**BRASH:** A couple of area philanthropists with more money than they know what to do with say they'll be glad to install the plastic grass and even throw in some new goal posts. They have your number, expect to call you.

**BUMPS:** How many little bumps on the surface of a basketball? M.O.  
**BRASH:** That's for me to know and you to find out, creep.

**NAMES:** What's Merle Wang's middle name? J.B.S.

**BRASH:** Merle Allen Wang.

**RUNNING:** Suppose a track man is running the mile at a regulation meet and is leading by 150 yards on the last lap when an errant discus knocks him off the track just short of the finish line. What is the ruling? R.H.

**BRASH:** The runner in question would be disqualified for leaving the track....pending a coroner's report. Curious, no?

**ON CAMERA:** Is it easy for a baseball player to mess up during a practice session that is being filmed by a local TV station? L.J.  
**BRASH:** Yes, according to expert Don Bodenhamer.

**FUTURE:** Where can I get a big 1974 calendar? Johnny S.  
**BRASH:** A local calendar manufacturer says he'll send you one, no charge.

**ROMANCE:** Ask your love-and-war man which player on a football team is most apt to have romance problems. A.B.  
**BRASH:** The love-and-war man says it is most difficult to find a girl who'll be true to the end.

**SURE CURE:** I was playing basketball the other day with a bunch of guys and I stopped and turned too suddenly and twisted my knee. Now it hurts when I run. What should I do? A.P.  
**BRASH:** Walk.

**SPORTS:** A little argument going on here. My friend claims he knows more about sports than some of these guys on TV around here. Who's right? J.F.  
**BRASH:** Your friend.

**TITLES:** Those articles in the Skiff written by Bobby Yates, why are they entitled "Bull's-eye"? S.H.  
**BRASH:** "Bull's-eye" is a modification of the more appropriate original title.

**ORIGINATOR:** Who is credited with dreaming up the "I-formation"?  
**BRASH:** The "I-formation" was first used by Kirk Douglas against the cyclops in the movie version of Ulysses. The cyclops was eating them up until Douglas' crew went into the "I".

**DOUBLES:** Is it true that TCU trainer Elmer Brown and his twin brother Delmer sometimes play tricks on the football team by taking turns going to the games? C.E.  
**BRASH:** Nonsense.

**PUBLICATION:** On exactly what days does the Daily Skiff come out?  
**BRASH:** No one seems certain. Research continues.

## Baseball rescheduled

Although an impudent thunderstorm that racked the Frog diamond kept the TCU baseballers from tackling Texas Wesleyan yesterday, the Frogs and Rams will try it again today with a 1 p.m. doubleheader at the TCU diamond.

TWC is undefeated, boasting a spotless 4-0 mark before their visit here this afternoon. The Rams, crosstown buddies to the Toads, whipped TCU twice earlier in the season and pounded hapless Creighton twice last week to string together their clean slate.

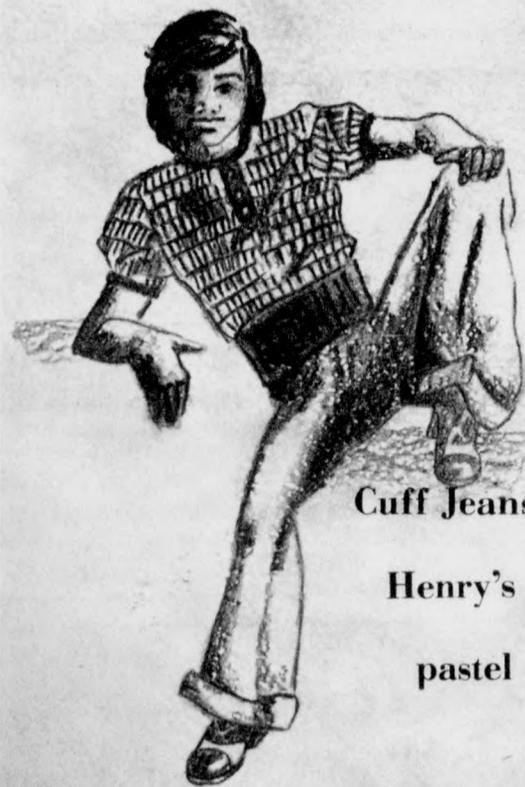
## Independent crown on line

In Independent league playoff action Monday, undefeated NAACP (6-0) virtually out-classed and frustrated BSU (4-3) by a lopsided 68-33 score.

Wednesday league champion Vigies (6-0) continued their winning ways Monday when they demolished Canterbury (4-3) 55-36, in an important playoff encounter.

NAACP will oppose the Vigies Wednesday, March 7 in the finals of the Independent league playoffs at 5 p.m. Playoff losers Canterbury and BSU will battle against each other to determine third place in the playoffs at 4 p.m. in the Rickel Center.

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