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Nixon rewinds, forwards tapes

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Nixon agreed to turn over the Watergate tapes to a federal judge Tuesday, even as the House of Representatives began a preliminary investigation into whether to impeach him.

Nixon's chief courtroom lawyer, Charles Alan Wright, said Nixon decided to give in to a

U.S. Appeals Court ruling because the weekend's events made it clear that his proposed compromise wouldn't settle the constitutional crisis.

"This President does not defy the law," Wright said. "He has authorized me to say he will comply with the court's order in full."

The courtroom capitulation

covered not only the tapes but subpoenaed documents and notes dealing with the recorded conversations.

The President's reversal seemed certain to dampen and likely to end impeachment talk from all but his most ardent critics on Capitol Hill.

From Sen. Barry Goldwater,

R-Ariz., came this comment on the Nixon decision:

"Thank God."

Wright announced Nixon's decision to U.S. District Court Judge John J. Sirica who originally ordered the President to supply the tapes to him for private inspection.

Sirica's ruling had been upheld by a federal appeals court, but Nixon at first refused to go along with it and fired special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox when Cox balked at an out-of-court arrangement to have the tapes edited by Sen. John C. Stennis, D-Miss.

Sirica's clerk said later that the judge had no advance knowledge of the President's intention.

The timing of the delivery of the tapes was left open but Wright promised it would be "done as expeditiously as possible."

The first congressman to introduce an impeachment resolution said after Nixon's

surprise announcement that he would not withdraw it.

Rep. Jerome Waldie, D-Calif., a member of the Judiciary Committee, said he wants to find out if Nixon intends to give the court White House documents which also had been sought by Cox.

Waldie also said he wants the House Judiciary Committee to ask Cox to examine the tapes and documents if they are made available, to determine if they are indeed the ones he had requested.

"Then I'll wait until I see the contents of the tapes and documents," Waldie said.

"If the President is indeed turning over the tapes and the documents, it is a most positive step, the first indication he's willing to abide by the law of the land," Waldie said. "It will make a marked impression on the Congress as it determines what to do about impeachment, particularly when we have the ability to examine the tapes and the documents Cox sought."



The firemen above helped fight the flames that raged in the Fort Worth Steel and Machinery Co. plant Monday afternoon. Sparks from a grinder ignited some explosive paraffin in the plant,

producing a fire that filled the sky with black smoke for over an hour. Firemen finally subdued the fire by surrounding it with water and smothering it with foam.

Photo by Michael Gerst

Drivers to air gripes

An open forum on the campus parking regulations which have caused a minor stir among campus drivers will be held Wednesday, Oct. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in Student Center rooms 207-209.

The hearing will hopefully be the first of a series in which students, faculty and staff can

state their complaints or compliments concerning the regulations.

Dr. William Ray and Dr. Spencer Wertz, co-chairman of the Parking Regulations Committee, will be at the meeting along with Buck Beneze, assistant to the dean of students.

Progress report heard on fraternity

By JEFF BOGGESS
Assistant News Editor

Kappa Sigma fraternity, which was placed on probation last spring for numerous misconduct incidents, may be in trouble again during its fall review by the Student Organizations Committee (SOC).

Last Thursday, Oct. 18, the committee met behind closed doors to hear a report by the fraternity on its

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progress in fulfilling its probation responsibilities. The progress report is also a condition of the one-year probation which the panel gave the fraternity.

However, committee sources have told the Daily Skiff that something unfavorable not covered in the report was found and another committee meeting will be held Thursday, Oct. 25, to discuss the matter.

The sources disclosed there appears to be a question of whether the fraternity violated University summer rush policies. One member said no University office or department is bringing the charges, but rather they will be presented by some members of the panel.

In last spring's meetings which eventually led to the group being placed on probation, evidence was secured

from various offices of the University.

The panel member said there are two factors the committee will consider in discussing the charges. First, the SOC must determine whether the violations were the acts of the fraternity as an entity or just the acts of individual members. If the latter is the case, the charges will presumably be turned over to the Student Conduct Board for individual action.

However, if the findings indicate the violations were a fraternity activity, the question of the group's current probation will be examined.

While there are numerous reports of other fraternities violating the summer rush policies, the committee source said the Kappa Sigma incident is special because the

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fraternity was on probation at the time it allegedly broke the rules.

The source intimated he felt strong action might be taken against the fraternity if the allegations are proven to be true.

However, another committee member, Marilyn Bachnik, said she felt the seriousness of the alleged of-

fenses, and not the mere violation, would be the determining factor in the panel's ruling if the violations are proven.

Although details of last Thursday's meeting were not revealed, one member said the report centered on how

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well the fraternity is complying with the conditions of its probation.

These conditions include taking measures to raise the group's aggregate grade-point average, improve pledge treatment by fraternity members, increase civic activities performed by pledges, discipline pledges and allow the fraternity's alumni board exercise more control.

After the meeting, one SOC member said he feels the report was "pretty objective." He added the fraternity representatives "had a better attitude than they did last year," referring to the disciplinary hearings held last spring.

At Thursday's SOC meeting, the vote was 11 to 4 to close the meeting to the public.

Last spring a resolution in the House of Student Representatives calling for most University committee meetings to be open failed to pass.

Don't steer clear of parking hearing

Students, faculty and staff will finally have their chance to voice their content or discontent with the present parking regulations tonight, but will they?

When changing the regulations was considered last semester there was a minor uproar from those few who knew about them, but little else. Hearings were held but attendance was almost nil. Naturally, the Parking Regulations Committee thought it had come up with an acceptable plan which would

quietly replace the old.

But, when fall semester arrived, students, faculty and staff were handed, without warning, new parking regulations which seemed to them unfair. Soon the uproar began.

Apparently there was a lack of communication all the way around last semester. The hearings were not well publicized and fell toward the end of the spring semester when students were trying to get last minute

term papers in and studying for finals.

In a university structure such as TCU's where policy decisions are usually studied for several years before implementation, nobody expected the regulations to be put into force so quickly.

Other factors may have entered the picture also, but the fact is there are parking regulations being enforced today which are disliked intensely by large segments of the University community. And, instead of

turning a deaf ear, the Parking Regulations Committee is making an effort to hear the complaints and remedy the situation if possible.

Dr. William Ray, co-chairman of the committee, has said if the

commentary

committee was in error it is willing to change the regulations. This attitude, which is missing in several University policy areas, must be highly commended. Let's only hope this gesture is not in vain and people make an effort to express their feelings—rationally.

Before any person enters the forum, however, he must remember his opinion is only one among several thousand campus drivers. Not everyone will be, or can be, pleased with the final outcome.

The committee must weigh each faction of the University community and their wishes

equally. The faculty and staff should not be given preferred treatment just as those who yell the loudest should not be held on a pedestal. The final outcome will, in all probability, be a compromise, but preferably a fair one.

Hopefully, this hearing tonight will not be the first and last of the hearings. Several more hearings should be held this semester and then the findings translated into improved regulations for the spring semester.

So, if you are interested in the parking situation on campus, or, even if you are not, make an all-out effort to attend the 7:30 p.m. hearing. If nobody shows up, this cooperative spirit to change a "wrong" may be lost and the students, faculty and staff can only blame themselves. The Parking Regulations Committee has made the important and necessary first move. Now its up to everybody else.

—MELISSA LANE

When will they ever learn? U.S. steps back in quicksand

President Nixon has asked Congress for \$2.2 billion in emergency military aid. Air Force logistics advisers have

opinion

also been sent to Israel. How soon we forget.

In the 1950's, the United States sent military advisers and aid to Indochina. Too many years and

lives later, we are finally out of there, though Nixon is still trying to give them more money to carry on the fight.

It is significant that the Soviet Union appears ready to jump in on the side of the Arabs. The Sinai Peninsula, the Golan Heights and the Persian Gulf might be a time bomb that could explode into World War III.

The issues are complex and there are no pat answers. The Jews have a right to their

homeland. So do the Palestinians. The Arabs appear to have attacked first this time, but both sides have repeatedly been guilty of aggression.

The result has been a downward spiral of hatred and war. Once again, the United States appears eager to jump into this spiral and get caught in the quicksand.

Didn't someone say something about a generation of peace?

—STEVE BUTTRY

Letters

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Student committee seats available

By DONNA GRIMLAND
Student seats on the University policy-making committees have never been completely filled.

Marilyn Bachnik, assistant director of University Programs and Services, said, "Some of the committees never get filled because students are not interested in joining them."

Religion enters campus classrooms

A week-long lecture series relating the Christian gospel to the subject matter in the classroom is being conducted through Friday.

"Christian Update Forum, A Symposium" is being sponsored by several campus non-denominational Christian groups "in an effort to show the academic mind the basis for Christianity," said Steve Sandvig, spokesman for the campus sponsors of the symposium.

Lecturers are speaking on over 40 religious topics during the regularly scheduled class periods of consenting teachers.

The focal point of the symposium will be a lecture series which started last night and continues Wednesday and Thursday nights at 8 p.m. in the Student Center.

Tonight's lecture will be "Abortion: Biblical Perspectives" by Dr. Bruce Waltke. Thursday Dr. William Bell will speak on "Reliability on Biblical Doctrines." All students and faculty members are invited to attend.

"A lot of the University committees can set policy and recommend changes, but some of them never do. They have the potential to make changes. They need only more participation by the students."

Some of the University committees are Admissions, Intercollegiate Athletics, Student Organizations, University Evaluation, Use of Facilities, Teacher Education, University Convocations, Traffic Regulations and Appeals Boards, Student Conduct, Scholarships and Student Aid and Student Publications.

The Traffic Regulations and Appeals Boards Committee hears appeals concerning traffic violations and considers ways to improve campus parking. The

University Convocations Committee assists the administration in planning speakers and dates.

The Student Publications Committee appoints the editors and business managers for student publications. It hears complaints and modifies policies for the student publications. It also acts as an appeals body on problems of an editorial or advertising nature and proposes business contracts regarding these publications.

Purposes of the other special University committees are listed in the Faculty-Staff Handbook.

Most of the committees are made up of three students and several faculty members. The faculty members are appointed by Chancellor James M. Moudy,

but any student is eligible to sign up for a University committee. He needs to fill out an application form in the House of Student Representatives office, Student Center room 226.

If there is not room on a certain committee, the vice president of the House, Bill Lane, will then

appoint a student to another committee if he is interested. The House must approve the appointment.

Miss Bachnik said there are several committee openings. Students should contact Lane for information on the committee openings.

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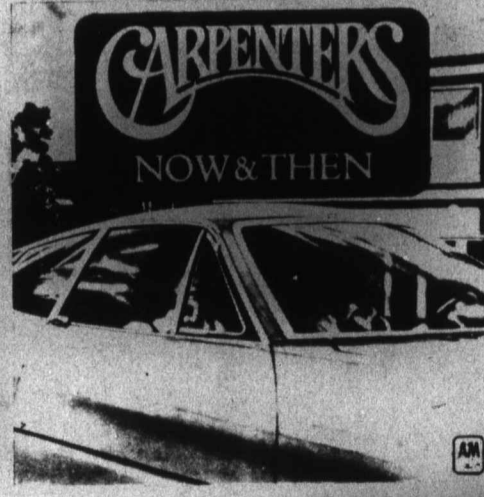
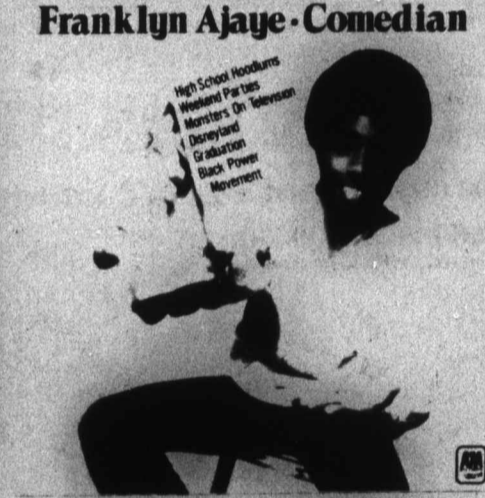
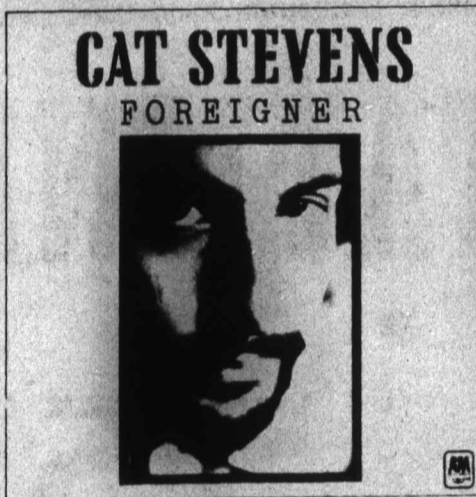
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Player shortage kills JV Frog cagers

By JOHN FORSYTH
Assistant Sports Editor

There probably will be no junior varsity basketball team this fall, head cage coach Johnny Swaim announced yesterday.

Barring unforeseen success of an alternate plan, the JV will abandon its 1973-74 schedule due to the lack of number and quality in the players who came to try out, Swaim said.

"There are only seven or eight players on the team," Swaim said. "and what can you do with seven or eight players?"

With the exception of two freshmen signed to scholarships, the JV team consisted of walk-ons that, Swaim pointed out, "tried hard but just aren't basketball players."

"Shoot, it's tough to see them running up and down out there trying their hearts out when they just can't play basketball," Swaim said.

"And they really did try," emphasized assistant coach Danny Whitt. "They hustled like the dickens."

Swaim said that he and his staff will pick about three JV players, along with the two on scholarship, to work out for an hour before the varsity practices in the afternoons. They will work primarily on opponents' offenses, then run them against the varsity.

"We gain two ways doing it like this," Swaim said after Monday's varsity practice. "The varsity gets to work against the opponents' set-ups, rather than against our own all the time. And those kids on the junior varsity would get a chance to prove that they're worth scholarships."

The Frog coach said that he would follow one plan to give the JV a chance for life, but he doubts it will work.

"There are some kids on the varsity that probably won't play much this year. I know who they are, and they know who they are," he said. "I'll give them the chance to play on the junior varsity team rather than sit on

the bench with the varsity. If they want to play 16 games this season and have some fun, then maybe the JV can play its schedule. But I doubt they'll go for it."

Swaim cited one varsity squad

member, a senior, who "is the nicest kid. Heck, he'd run up and hit his head on the wall if I told him to, but he just can't play basketball. So he might as well be on the junior varsity and get to play."

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