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Rats! Races canceled

By DWIGHT CUMMING

The high jumper lined up to make a practice jump at the University's annual olympics. Tensed. Ready to go.

"C'mon Sweet Baby, C'mon Sweet Baby, you can do it," shouted the jumper's coach.

With one great leap Sweet Baby cleared 25 inches.

Sweet Baby? University olympics? 25 inches? Yes, it's true. The University does have an annual olympics. A rat olympics.

Dr. Norman Remley's fundamentals of motivation class had been training 16 rats for the

second annual rat olympics in the Psychology Department. Disaster struck, though—not in the form of Arab guerillas, but by disease—and the olympics have been canceled.

The lab project included four events—high hurdles, the rat dash, long jump and high jump.

"The rat olympics is designed so that students can put to use in some practical form what they're learning in the classroom," said Dr. Remley. "The students are free to devise and select the motivation variables themselves and the results have astounded me.

"When the students began constructing the high jump last year they asked me how high to make it. I figured about 15 inches was about the highest a rat could jump, but last year we had a rat jump 27 inches," Dr. Remley said.

This year's rat olympics would have been more elaborate than last year because the students have designed special equipment for each event," said David Smedley, trainer of "Secretarirat," favored in the high jump.

"All competitors except about three or four have come down with a viral infection," Dr. Remley said. "Several have since died due to respiratory colds," he said.

The infection killed one of the favorites in the high hurdles—Wana Na Esa—who had the best time last week.

Three other 'rathletes' have died, prompting officials to cancel the olympics for the time being.

Smedley's rat, Secretarirat, has jumped the highest in high jump practice, topping the 30-inch mark.

"I feed Secretarirat Captain Crunch cereal and he's crazy about it. He'll do anything for some Captain Crunch and I think he'll win the high jump easily," Smedley said.

Other 'rathletes' in the high jump competition include Sweet Baby and Tobu Shosha.

The rat olympics were to ceremoniously begin by the lighting of the rat torch by a rathlete wearing a purple cape who would run a course of several feet to push a lever lighting a diminutive torch.



Rare blood sought

Rare AB-negative blood is badly needed by a 17-year-old Paschal High School senior who is suffering from a bleeding ulcer.

Donna Abshire is in John Peter Smith Hospital in need of the rare blood. Anyone who can donate blood should call 292-0712.



Go rat go!

Above, Sweet Baby shows her stuff on the high jump, leaping over a barrier. To the left, Secretarirat is sitting on a table, munching on Cap'n Crunch, his favorite breakfast cereal.

Photos by Michael Gerst

House amends, OK's council bylaws

By MELISSA LANE
Managing Editor

The University's new Programming Council received a set of bylaws Tuesday night, but not before the House of Student Representatives amended and debated the document for more than two hours.

Jeff Lyle, Student Programming Board director, introduced the document after the House suspended rules to review the proposed bylaws.

Town student Jeff Boggess requested that two of the document's articles be considered separately, with the remaining eight articles considered as a whole. Boggess' motion was defeated 13 to 19 with three abstentions.

The rush of amendments which often found representatives amending an amendment of an amendment came soon after. Tom Brown representative Jim Marston attempted to amend Article IV, Section 3 concerned with the council's structure.

Originally the section stated the council's standing committees may be created or dissolved by a two-thirds

vote of the total voting membership of the council. This vote must then be confirmed by a majority vote of the House.

Marston's amendment, however, would have allowed the council's standing committees to be created or dissolved by a majority vote of the House.

Clark representative Keith Clark then requested an adoption of an amendment to Marston's amendment which stated the council's standing committees could be created or dissolved by a two-thirds vote of the total voting council membership with confirmation by a majority vote of the House, or by a majority vote of the House acting independently. Clark's amendment was passed unanimously.

Lyle then proposed the last line of Clark's amendment be changed from majority vote of the House acting independently to two-thirds of the House acting independently. Lyle's change was approved 31 to seven.

The amended line then came under attack from Marston who proposed it be changed to two-thirds of those

present and voting. His amendment was defeated by a voice vote.

Emphasis changed from Section 3 to Section 4 when Marston proposed Fashion Fair be dissolved as one of the council's 13 standing committees. A request for a roll call vote on this question was defeated 12 to 21 with one abstention. Marston's amendment was defeated.

Another standing committee came under attack when Boggess proposed the Spirit Committee be abolished. Another try at getting a roll call vote was defeated prompting town student representative Steve Miller to speak up. "We're trying to make this meaningful to the outside. If you continue to hide behind anonymity then people can't really see how we vote."

Boggess' amendment went down to defeat 11 to 23. Article 9, Section 1 dealing with amendments and/or suspension of the bylaws then came under House scrutiny when Bob Stanley, Brachman representative, proposed an amendment to give the House some kind of control over the council's bylaws.

Stanley requested that the council's bylaws be

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U. S. oils South Viets

President Nixon, congressmen, presidential advisers, business executives, my little brother, gasoline dealers and countless other people in this country are aware that there is an energy crisis. Therefore, it is safe to assume that we need all the oil we can get.

Apparently acting upon a "peace with oil" policy, the government announced Tuesday that the United States would send oil to the South Vietnamese.

Things have not been too peaceful in South Vietnam since Henry Kissinger brought peace to the area, and a much deserved Nobel Peace Prize to his trophy case. The South Vietnamese and the Viet Cong are still blasting away at each other.

Recently, the Viet Cong got the

best of the South Viets and destroyed one of our allies' fuel dumps. A few well placed explosions sent thousands of barrels of oil up in smoke.

To prevent the South Vietnamese war machines from running short on fuel, the government (i. e. President Nixon and advisers) agreed to replace such oil losses with our own plentiful supply of crude.

President Nixon has asked all Americans to drive 50 and set the thermostat at 68. Perhaps he will ask that the South Vietnamese drive their tanks with a little more regard for miles per gallon.

Then, we can drive our cars happily, and the South Vietnamese can fight their war happily.

—GREGG KAYS

Balloting slated today for council VP post

Students will decide who will fill the newly created post of Student Programming Council vice president Thursday in University balloting.

Also on the ballot will be a proposed constitutional amendment to lower the percentage of student funds set aside for the Permanent Improvements Committee from 12 per cent to eight per cent.

Junior Bob Hampton, Forums

chairman, is unopposed for the vice president job. Mary Jane Evans, Elections chairman, reported SPB Director Jeff Lyle filed for the post last week but withdrew his application Monday.

Polls at the Student Center will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Dan Rogers Hall from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; and Worth Hills cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 to 6 p.m.

SCHEDULE OF FINAL EXAMINATIONS

FALL SEMESTER 1973 December 17-21

8:00 MWF	8:00-10:00	Wednesday, Dec. 19
9:00 MWF	10:30-12:30	Thursday, Dec. 20
10:00 MWF	8:00-10:00	Tuesday, Dec. 18
11:00 MWF	10:30-12:30	Friday, Dec. 21
12:00 MWF	10:30-12:30	Tuesday, Dec. 18
1:00 MWF	8:00-10:00	Friday, Dec. 21
2:00 MWF	1:30- 3:30	Thursday, Dec. 20
3:00 MWF	1:30- 3:30	Tuesday, Dec. 18
3:30 MWF	1:30- 3:30	Tuesday, Dec. 18
4:00 MWF	10:30-12:30	Wednesday, Dec. 19
4:30 MWF	10:30-12:30	Wednesday, Dec. 19
8:00 TTh	8:00-10:00	Thursday, Dec. 20
9:30 TTh	8:00-10:00	Monday, Dec. 17
11:00 TTh	10:30-12:30	Wednesday, Dec. 19
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SPECIAL NOTE: Final examinations for classes offered during the evening hours are given during the regular class sessions.

A House for all seasons

Either today or at the start of next semester, Bill Stotesbery will hand his gavel to the new House president Bruce Gibson. Whatever happens with the new regime is unpredictable at this time. The Daily Skiff would like to pause and applaud some of the stand out members of the past year's student administration.

First, as president of the House, Stotesbery showed marked improvement in judgment and handling of meetings than his immediate predecessor. But even if he had not had the Lowe House to compare himself to, his achievements would still stand as strong ones.

As originator of the document revision committee, Stotesbery saw to it that the committee got going this summer. He brought up election code revisions, bylaws changes and constitutional revision. His attempt to get a judicial system going has so far met with failure, primarily because there has not been enough active support of it through the House.

Working with David Davis, House legal advisor, Stotesbery changed House rules from the Robert's Rules of Order to the Sturgis brand. He ran the House effectively. Equally important, he left the chair when it was needed and spoke on what he felt strongly about.

Despite some bad luck with a few inactive committee chairmen, Stotesbery was able to get the committee system to function at least as well as

it has in the past. He has done an excellent job of communicating with administrators to find out exactly where the students stand.

Another House executive board member deserving recognition is Steve Oatman, House treasurer. Oatman worked long and hard and came up with a revised financial code which should make the treasurer's job a lot more efficient. This semester he has handled the books with full competence.

The biggest and at the same time most basic thing Oatman should be congratulated for is his honesty in office. After the book-juggling scandals of the last House administration, it was a welcome relief to have a House treasurer who was conscious of the past image of the Treasurer and improved on it by being honest.

Jeff Lyle, head of Student Programming Board and Randy Moresi, Activities Council chairman, are also to be commended despite some of their House meeting activities. Both worked hard on their committees. Lyle and Moresi as heads of their respective committees, guided the development and eventual passing of the bylaws changes made in student programming.

The best thing that can be said for all of these office holders is that they did not abuse the power of their offices and in almost all cases had the best interests of the student in mind.

reader feedback

Editor:

Recently, President Nixon has asked the American public to voluntarily conserve energy in our so-called "energy crisis." He has suggested such measures as lower highway speeds, changes in room heating and cooling by several degrees, and car pools.

We feel that regardless of one's political views, that all Americans should support the President's requests.

We, the men of Phi Delta Theta, at TCU, have resolved to do our part to honor the President's wishes.

We have further resolved to turn off all lights when not in use, walk to classes more, and restrict use of cars to more necessary trips.

It is our hope that the rest of the student body will join with us

and other "energy-conscious" Americans. Please, let's be more considerate and less selfish and do what little we can to ease the situation.

Members of Phi Delta Theta
John R. Vermillion, President

Editor:

Please accept my apologies for giving the wrong score on the Vigies-*SAE* football game. The official score was 6-2 Vigies.

Jay Graves
Men's Intramurals

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Letters must be signed with name and classification or title.

Guest editorials must meet the same requirements and not exceed 400 words.

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Special House meeting on tap today

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not only by a two-thirds majority vote of the voting members of the council as stated, but also with concurrence of a two-thirds majority of the total House membership.

Town student representative

Richard Lysiak proposed Stanley's amendment be changed from concurrence to confirmation which would allow the council to make decisions and the House have veto power. Lysiak's amendment was tacked on to Stanley's and the final

amendment was approved unanimously.

A proposed change to Section 3 of the same article was presented by Miller which would have required two-thirds of the total House voting membership for approval of an amendment ok'd

by the council, instead of a majority vote. Miller later withdrew this amendment.

The last amendment of the evening came when House legal adviser David Davis disclosed that the bylaw writers inadvertently constructed the bylaws such that the council would be under no control of the House of they wanted to amend the council's bylaws.

House members then agreed to add a Section 4 to Article 9 stating the bylaws may also be amended by a two-third vote of the total voting membership of the House.

After more than two hours, the House finally approved the total proposed bylaw document. It will go into effect next semester.

In other House action, a bill calling for the House to allow the University to cover the mural in

the Student Center cafeteria as a part of any redecoration effort was approved.

House president Bill Stotesbery announced there will be a special House meeting Thursday at 5 p.m. to conclude this semester's business and hand the gavel to the new executive board for the 1974-75 school year. It will be the last meeting of the semester.

Travel Desk

By JIM MILLER

If plans go as scheduled the new Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport will open Jan. 13—just before students begin arriving for the spring semester.

Eastern, American, Delta, Continental, Texas International, Ozark, Frontier, Braniff and Mexicana airlines will be located at the new airport.

Students planning to leave their cars at Love Field while on vacation should plan now what to do or they may find themselves stranded 17 miles between Dallas and Fort Worth.

Before Jan. 13—Airport Limousines from the Sheraton-Fort Worth Hotel to Love Field, cost \$4.50; have a friend take you; or drive your car to Love Field and park in long term parking.

Jan. 13 or after—SURTRAN from the D-FW Regional Airport to the Fort Worth SURTRAN station at Sixth and Commerce, cost \$2.50; have a friend pick you up; or SURTRAN from the D-FW Regional Airport to the SURTRAN Love Field terminal, cost \$2.50.

SURTRAN Information: SURTRAN will begin operating when the D-FW Regional Airport opens Jan. 13. Tickets may be purchased at any of the new airport's terminals. After Jan. 12, SURTRAN tickets may also be purchased at a booth in the American-Eastern baggage claim area wing at Love Field.

D-FW Regional Airport Information—The airport is scheduled to open Jan. 13. Driving in to the airport for 30 minutes or less will cost 25 cents.

Parking after 30 minutes will be on a graduated scale for the day. Short term parking will be \$3 per day, while long term parking will be \$1.50 per day. AIRTRANS rides will be 25 cents one way. Phone calls will cost a quarter, allowing the caller to call anywhere in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. More information is available at the TCU Travel Desk in Student Center room 101, ext. 232.

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Kip Woodruff
College Director



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JIM SHOFNER
... new Frog boss

Jim Shofner, yesterday named the successor to Billy Tohill as chieftain of the Frog gridmen, will pay a visit to his once and future home this weekend.

A press conference is scheduled at noon Saturday in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum, when Shofner will be available for presentation to the local news media.

The new Purple mentor is currently employed by the San Francisco 49ers as receiver coach—a post he has occupied for

four years. Prior to that he was the Prospectors' defensive backfield coach for three seasons.

San Francisco plays in New Orleans Sunday, and its last game of the season will be Dec. 15 against Pittsburgh. Shofner is expected to assume his duties at TCU immediately thereafter.

TCU Chancellor James Moudy said of the selection, "In the choice of Jim Shofner, TCU applied the criteria of experience and reputation—experience in the most advanced forms of football and reputation as a poised exemplar. Shofner is widely known in the former, and we know him well in the latter."

Born in Grapevine Dec. 18, 1935, the new Frog grid boss is a graduate of Fort Worth North Side High School. At TCU, he was a three-year football letterman and played in two Cotton Bowl games. He led the Southwest Conference in rushing in 1957, his senior year, with 682 yards overland and topped the Frog scoring list with 40 points.

Paul Brown made him Cleveland's No. 1 draft pick in 1958, and for six seasons Shofner started in the Browns' defensive backfield. He retired from active competition after the 1963 season. Shofner's only previous experience in coaching at TCU was in 1965-66, when he tutored

the Purples' defensive backs.

"He's one of our boys that's made a tremendous contribution to football in college and the pro ranks," says athletic director Abe Martin. "We were looking for a real man first and a football coach second, but we got both. I'm excited about our prospects for the future."

Sources speculate that Shofner may try to bring some current NFL players to help coach the Purples through their 1974 spring drills. His regular staff may include some of his present cohorts on the staff of the 49ers.

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Frogs home tonight after Denton fiasco

The Frog cagers, who have played one pretty good game and one pretty bad game, still have a 0-2 record and face University of Pacific here tonight.

Tuesday night's loss to North Texas State in Denton was the bad game. The Eagles produced a zone press that completely befuddled the visiting Purples, who fell 109-93.

"Confusion destroys a lot of things," Swaim said after the game. "And we were really confused out there. Part of it was my fault because I didn't have them ready for the 1-2-1-1 press. The press killed us."

Once again, Swaim saw flashes of greatness. "Wayne (Wayman) and Gary (Landers) looked good at times. And Alonzo (Harris) worked like the devil the whole game. He was playing out there in mass confusion the best he knew how."

Wayman led TCU scorers with 18 points. Landers totaled 13 and Harris got 10. Forward Ted Jones had 16 points.

"Gary White came off the bench and gave 200 per cent," Swaim said, "crawling around on his belly trying to get the ball."

"But they just shellshocked us with that press. We couldn't get the ball inbounds, then we couldn't get it downcourt. And they were more aggressive than we were. They played well, got a lot of turnovers and easy layups."

Included in the Pacific lineup, meanwhile, is All-America candidate John Errecart. The 6'2" senior averaged 14.7 points per game last season.

"He has few peers as a shooter," says Tiger head coach Stan Morrison. "John is an outstanding passer and improved defensive player. We are going to demand more from him as a rebounder this year. He's been an effective rebounder in the past. John's just an outstanding basketball player."

Tonight's game will be the first ever between TCU and UOP.

'Saturday's Children' a topic for SWC meeting in Dallas

The Southwest Conference meeting begins today in Dallas with, among other things, an investigation of Rice athletics scheduled.

"Saturday's Children," a book about athletics at the Houston school, tells of payoffs to football players and transportation violations. The matter will go before the faculty committee for action if the book's contents are found to be true. An announcement on Rice's fate is expected by week's end.

Other discussion topics include adjusting the SWC constitution to include women, possible recruiting violations and track and field, tennis and golf programs.

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