

## No more reprieves for San Quentin

SAN QUENTIN, Calif. (AP)—After several stays of execution, aged and infamous San Quentin Prison has exhausted its last appeal and barring a reprieve is doomed with four years.

Few will miss the grim, buff-colored fortress looming over San Francisco Bay on a 40-acre site in Marin County. It has been there since 1852 when it replaced a beached ship's hulk used to house Gold Rush miscreants.

San Quentin's history has been marked by cunning escape attempts, more than 400 executions and bloody outbursts of violence.

"We are infamous," says Warden Louis Nelson. "When you think of prisons in California, you think of San Quentin. When you think of prisons' ills, you think about San Quentin."

Gov. Ronald Reagan said San Quentin will be replaced by two new \$70 million prisons, scheduled for occupancy by 1978. The state has not said what use it will make of the old fortress.

Hundreds of California's most dangerous criminals have served time in the penitentiary's five-story cell blocks, built to house 2,800 men but

crammed with as many as 6,000 inmates during the 1930s.

The apple-green, eight-sided gas chamber was installed in 1938. It was last used in 1967 when a convicted police killer named Aaron Mitchell became the 194th person, including four women, to die there. Prior to 1938, 215 men were hanged on the prison grounds.

Among the twin-seated chamber's best known occupants was convicted kidnaper Caryl Chessman, executed in 1960 after a 12-year wait on death row.

The tenants of that notorious cellblock have been dispersed since 1972, when the state Supreme Court outlawed the death penalty.

Some, like cult leader Charles Manson have been transferred to other prisons. Others, like Robert F. Kennedy's assassin, Sirhan Sirhan, have been relocated within San Quentin.

The gas chamber has been kept in working order, but death row, now known by the blander title of North Block Segregation Wing, is being used to isolate troublemakers among the prison's current 3,500 inmates.



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## UN rep sees status changing

# Women's rights universal issue

By MARY MASON

The problem of women's rights is universal, according to one United Nations diplomat.

Barbara White, alternate U.S. representative for special political affairs at the United Nations, spoke to approximately 15 persons about the status of

### High schoolers due for ad field day

Area high school students will see the best TV commercials of 1973 and hear a talk on Rodney Allen Rippey of Jack-in-the-Box fame at the University's 14th annual Advertising Field Day today, in the Student Center.

The program's main speaker will be Robert P. Battenfield, director of marketing communications for Jack-in-the-Box. Advertising students Janie Manning and Randall Garrett will describe the University's advertising program before Battenfield's speech.

The day's activities will include a panel discussion between advertising professionals from different agencies and Tandy Leather Company, and a talk on the development of an advertising campaign by the coordinator of Southwest High School's distributive education class.

The day is sponsored by the Advertising Club of Fort Worth and the Journalism Department.

women around the world in the Student Center study lounge Wednesday night.

As a career minister for information at the U.S. Information Agency and a trustee of the League of Women Voters Overseas Educational Fund, she has spent a considerable amount of time in different countries throughout the world.

Women's status in the United States is probably neither better nor worse than in other countries, she said. "It varies very much by country and what you're talking about."

"In the Soviet Union, they will tell you that women are completely equal on all levels, but I don't believe this to be true," Ms. White said. Women do rank quite high in the medical professions there, she added. Nearly half of those in dentistry and doctoral fields are female. In Yugoslavia, one must be a mother to be a pediatrician. That in itself is rather limiting, Ms. White added, smiling.

The foreign service officer said she never met more than two women in the Soviet Union who held very high political offices, although Soviet women enjoy high status in the medical profession.

Italy has somewhat of a reversed situation, said Ms. White, who spent seven years there



BARBARA WHITE...  
speaker on equality

In that country, women are quite politically involved, unlike the Soviet Union. There are more women in Italy's Chamber of Deputies than in the U.S. Congress, she said, although women there still aren't as politically prominent as in the United States.

Women's status also greatly varies in Latin America, Ms. White said. While a U.N. delegate in Argentina last year, she observed women rank highly in the educational system. There women comprise 40 per cent of the university faculties, whereas most women in the U.S. educational system have lower-echelon jobs.

The United States and world

have fallen behind in the area of women's rights, she said. Even the U. N. is still "man-manned," she said, quoting a recent magazine article. Of more than 100 missions initiated by the U. N., only one is headed by a woman, said Ms. White. Besides that woman and herself, "I don't think there are any other women who have ambassadorial rank in the U. N.," she added.

The U. N. is not a model employer, she said. A survey taken several years ago showed the largest number of women were at the bottom ranks. But, she added, "I think there are some moves underfoot, and there will

be some changes, and the pace of change will probably be faster."

The Status of Women Council has proclaimed next year International Women's Year, she said.

During the last five years, there have been an increasing number of changes in women's status here, said the U. N. ambassador. Opportunities for young women are very good, much better than in the past, she said. But, promotion for those already in the bureaucracy seems to be more difficult. In general, the U.S. government is a fairer employer of women than business, she said.

## Film eyes mentally ill

"The Titticut Follies," one of the most controversial films on the treatment of mentally ill, will be presented at the Student Center next week by the Sociology Department.

The cruel, inhuman treatment afforded the mentally ill at a state hospital in Massachusetts is exposed in this movie, which was banned by the state attorney general there. He argued the film violated the patients' rights of privacy.

Others argued that the right of humane treatment for all people, regardless of their condition was more important than the right of privacy.

David E. Jorgenson, sociology instructor, said the dehumanization of patients depicted in the movie is not uncommon in other institutions of this type.

The film will be shown Monday, April 1, at 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, at 8 a.m. and Thursday, April 4, at 9:30 a.m. in Student Center rooms 205-206. There is no admission charge.

Attendance is not compulsory for sociology students because of the harsh vividness and nudity displayed in the film, Jorgenson said.

# Blood recipients grateful ★ donors thanked for gift

**To the TCU community:**

The act of giving deserves thanks. I would like to take this opportunity to express the gratitude of the Texas State Hemophilia Association, St. Joseph's Cancer Chemotherapy Unit, and my own personal appreciation to all in this year's blood donor program.

Certain key workers deserve special thanks including: John Vermillion, Dave Holman, Tom Plumley, Cleo Frangides and Melissa Lane, plus all of the coordinators who worked in their dorms and organizations.

Some interesting sidelights developed during this year's program which you should be

aware of, including: 1) 77 units of blood have already been used from the TCU pool for the sister of a faculty member who was recently in an auto accident; 2) Mrs. Poyner on Monday began receiving transfusions of platelets and packed cells in her fight against cancer; 3) little Mike, the three-year-old hemophiliac who entertained everyone during the drive, fell Thursday while playing "lion" (even the best of lions trip now and then).

He began hemorrhaging and receiving transfusions of Factor VIII over the weekend. It is highly probable that some of the 401 pints of blood that were

collected in this program were used in each of these three cases—probably yours!

It seems that we are constantly assailed by "causes" in our lifetime. Each has its merits and all deserve attention at the very least. I recognize that not all people are capable of giving blood, and I sincerely hope that you and the ones you love will never have to receive it.

If you chose not to donate this time, regardless of the reason, please take the time in the near future to ride over to the Carter Blood Center, 1263 W. Rosedale, to give one pint. Keep in mind the tremendous needs of people like Mrs. Poyner and little Mike, there's no substitute for the Gift of Life.

Bill Reeves  
Senior

**Editor:**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for a most successful drive at TCU this spring. As always, the cooperation we received from the faculty, staff, and the student body was outstanding.

The students at TCU are to be commended for their response to their community's need. And this

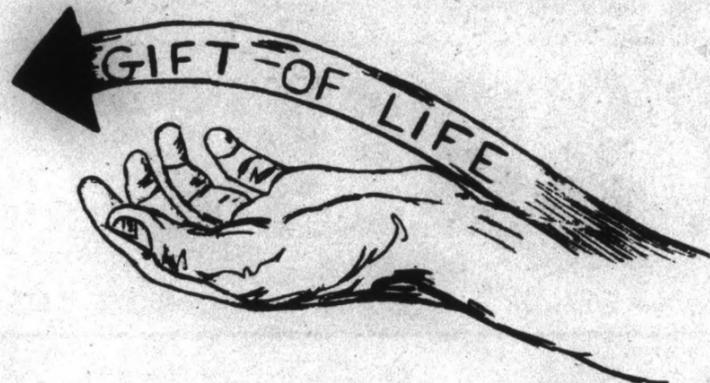
year, we had more participation from the faculty and staff than ever before.

A special vote of thanks should go to John Vermillion of IFC and to Bill Reeves of Tom Brown who did such an excellent job of organizing the drive. They donated many hours of their

time, and their efforts are most appreciated.

Again, our thanks for your support and cooperation. We are looking forward to more successful drives at your fine university in the future.

Richard Wilson  
Blood Donor Director



## —reader feedback—

**Editor:**

In response to the vaunted TCU 5X plan presented by the honorable Chancellor Moudy, I offer the following quotation taken from John A. Garraty's "The American Nation," a history text used on this campus.

"As colleges grew more dependent upon the wealth of private citizens, their boards of trustees tended to be dominated by businessmen, who sometimes attempted to impose their own social and economic beliefs on faculty members. Although few professors lost their positions because their views offended conservative trustees, at many institutions trustees exerted constant nagging pressures that

limited academic freedom and scholarly objectivity."

Until this university begins to reform its oppressive conservative policies I suggest that the 5X plan and the financial support of this University be shoved right back where it belongs, to Moudy and the trustees.

David Smedley Sr.  
Senior

**Editor:**

We, the TCU Fencing Club, would like to express our gratitude to the Ballet Department for permitting us to hold a major AFLA tournament in their building this weekend.

If it were not for this display of generosity on the part of Mr. Schaffenburg, the tournament was in danger of cancellation due to problems encountered in scheduling the use of facilities in the Rickel Center.

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# 'Comedy of Errors' energetic

By JON SHIPLEY  
Pink and violet buildings set the jocular mood for the Theatre Department's production of Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors."

But more than jocular, the mood can be described as intensely energetic, as the characters onstage romp through the comedy. The flair of the actors in such scenes as the abortive duel between Antipholus of Ephesus and the merchant, played by Lee Ritchey and Franz Jones respectively, verge on the swashbuckling, and indicate that the actors themselves are enjoying the play immensely.

The intensity of action on stage makes it sometimes seem there is more response from the actors than from the viewers.

Perhaps some of the audience's reserve comes from the difficulty in comprehending all of

the dialogues of a plot which depends upon the confusion of character identities.

Some of the subtle relationships are lost in hard-to-understand lines. The problem of diction is further compounded by

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the King James English, and while shorter speeches are intelligible, longer speeches of the characters tend to resemble some not-quite-distinguishable foreign language.

The costumes, designed by Virginia Vogel, are, like the set, more of suggestion of 16th century lifestyles than an accurate reproduction. Some costumes such as the prioress' huge ecclesiastical visor seem almost a caricature of the original Shakespearean mode of dress. This creates the suggestion that perhaps the production is

operating on two levels—the comedy of the plot itself and a parody of the Shakespeare comedy.

"Comedy of Errors" will be presented at Scott Theater

through Sunday, March 31. The Sunday performance will be at 3:15 p.m., and all other performances are at 8:15 p.m. Admission is free for TCU students and faculty.

## Kent State decision pending

CLEVELAND, Ohio (AP)—The federal grand jury investigating the 1970 Kent State University shootings went through its second day of closed-door sessions Thursday, and did not issue a decision.

A Justice Department spokesman said two days without a decision was unusually long in a civil rights case.

He said the 22-member jury must choose among four general alternatives—indicting one or more persons, finding no grounds for indictment, deciding to write

a report or deciding against writing a report.

He added that, to his knowledge, no federal grand jury dealing with a civil rights case had returned both indictment and a written report; and he added that he doubted this one would set a precedent in that regard.

The jury, empaneled last Dec. 18 at the Justice Department's request, was directed to determine whether there was probable cause for believing federal law was violated in the May 4, 1970, shootings.

## Carlin's price tag too high

An \$8,000 price tag has reduced Forums' hope of providing comedian George Carlin as the Howdy Week speaker.

The committee is now investigating other possibilities, such as David Steinberg, to fill the Howdy Week speaker slot.

Erich Von Daniken, author of "Chariots of the Gods," will be the Parent's Weekend speaker, Oct. 4.

Other possible Forum speakers being discussed are New York City's "Super Cops" and the "Portable Circus," a comedy group similar to the Ace Trucking Company.

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# Frogs' life on line

By PHIL JOHNSON  
Sports Editor

COLLEGE STATION—The whole ball of yarn goes on the loom for Frankie Windegger and his Purple bombers here today at 3 p.m., when they take the batter's box against the league-leading Texas A&M Aggies.

As usual, it'll be a single nine-inning contest today with a 1 p.m. double dip tomorrow.

And if the Frogs are going to scoop up some ground on A&M, they'll have to do what three other Southwest Conference teams have found impossible this year: hang tough enough to subdue the rampaging Farmers.

Compiling a spotless 9-0 league mark and suffering only five defeats on the season up to yesterday, the Aggies have proven too much for either Baylor, SMU or Arkansas to handle. They've got a game-and-a-half lead on the second-place Texas Longhorns (10-2) and stand two and a half in front of the Frogs and Rice, both 8-4.

TCU's rotation will probably remain intact, with Frank Johnstone carrying his 7-1 season ledger to the hill today, and Randy Owens (3-2) and Ed Owens (2-0) serving tomorrow.

## Golfers, tracksters in action

Five freshmen tee it up for TCU this morning as the young Frog golf team begins play in the Morris Williams Invitational Golf Tournament in Austin.

Jewell Wallace has been forced to go to his younger players as a result of academic and discipline problems. Last semester Marc Trout and freshman Bill Moril of Fort Worth failed to hack the necessary grades and were dismissed. Sale Omohundro more recently quit school.

The Horned Frog track team, meanwhile, goes to Waco for a dual meet with Baylor.

The newly-formed girls' track team will travel to Denton tomorrow for its first meet, hosted by Texas Woman's University—the defending national champion.

TCU will host the 1974 American Intercollegiate Athletic Association for Women regional gymnastics meet tomorrow, beginning at 1 p.m. in the Rickel Center.

## Intramural action underway

Any independent girl interested in playing in the intramural badminton singles tournament should pay a visit to room 240S in the Rickel Center.

The first round of women's intramural racquetball singles is to get underway by April 1.

Playing the best two out of three, sophomore Joni Copeland meets freshman Tricia Uhler; Amanda Foust and Jackie Wanland, both sophomores, go at it, and senior Betty Sackbauer faces Odile Jaubert, a sophomore.

In women's intramural tennis singles, also a two out of three proposition to be completed by April 1, Sackbauer meets junior Holly Murphy; juniors Becky French and Terri Adamson do battle; Foust goes against senior Lynn Dorner; Uhler meets Cindy

Bleek, a junior, and the Sackbauer-Murphy victor plays Ginger Lughes, a freshman.

Women's swimmers representing the Chi Os took the intramural Greek swim meet by a 1½-point margin over the Thetas.

The final results: Chi Os, 34½; Thetas, 33; DGs, 15½; Pi Phis, 12½; ADPis, 8½; Kappas, 2½; Alpha Gams, 2; KDs, 1; and Tri Deltas, ½.

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