

Means apartments up for sale

By BROCK AKERS

The R.M. Means Apartments will be sold as soon as the University can find a buyer, according to Dean of Students Elizabeth Proffer.

Proffer indicated that the University will continue to make semester-long contracts until the apartments are sold.

Residents of Means received a letter yesterday from Bob Neeb, director of Residential Living and Housing, which said, "After considering the general economic situation and rent increases that would be necessary to offset such a large expenditure (\$400,000), the University has decided against a major renovation. It will seek to dispose of the property through sale Additional housing for married

students will be considered when financial conditions warrant."

This decision came out of a recommendation of a committee of administrators chaired by Proffer to study problems of Means apartment dwellers.

"The apartments are in bad shape, to put it bluntly. Just before school started this fall, I visited them and found out how bad they really are," said Proffer.

"The plumbing is very bad, and our maintenance men have to make constant repairs as the old pipes rust out. The wiring is antiquated. The wiring was legal when it was put in, but it wouldn't pass the building code now. We also use space heaters which would not pass the building codes.

"Married student housing has never been high on anybody's list of priorities. We knew the situation was bad, but we simply did not have the resources to do anything about it," Proffer said.

"We are not in the real estate business and, consequently, all of our auxiliary enterprises such as married students' housing are supposed to be self-supporting. The Means apartments do not come close to being self-supporting," Proffer said. The rents at Means were increased for the first time since 1959 in February.

The University contracted a private building concern to estimate the cost of a complete renovation of the Means apartments. In a March 4 letter to the

University, the contractor specified what renovating needed to be done and said that he would handle the project for \$400,000.

Money for the project would have to be borrowed, said Proffer. University Business Manager Joe Enochs told Proffer that the lowest interest rate on a loan that size would be 8 per cent. At this rate, the rent for Means residents would have to be doubled to pay for the interest.

"With the prospect of having to double the rent at Means, we felt that if we had to charge a rate comparable to commercial enterprises, we might as well get out of the business," said Proffer.

The proceeds from the sale of Means would be put into a fund for acquisition of additional housing, according to Proffer. Contracts held by Means residents will not be revoked, said Proffer, and "we want to give the residents maximum notice as to when we shall finally sell the property."

The University is presently looking for a buyer for the Means site, but there have been no recent offers. "I don't know who might want them," said Proffer, "we may not find a buyer for two or three years." The University will continue to make minimal repairs up to the time the apartments are sold.

"We want to get enough money for the apartments to purchase a new site and construct additional facilities for married students," said Proffer. "We can build a new apartment house for the \$420,000 it would cost to renovate Means."

Proffer said that the University will not be able to make any plans until it can dispose of the property. Approximately 80 students would be displaced by the sale, Proffer said, and these students could not be absorbed into the other married students housing complexes judging by this year's level of occupancy.

However, Proffer indicated that the new owners of the apartments might want to undertake the renovation themselves and let the present tenants stay at the Means location.

Proffer said that the other University-owned housing for married students is in better shape than Means, with the exception of the Quadrplexes. The Quadrplexes are the oldest housing facilities on campus as well as the cheapest, according to Proffer. "We know they are bad shape, but they are not worth renovating. As long as students want to live there we will continue to operate and maintain them. Otherwise, the next step is to make them a parking lot."

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McEwin takes 'market' guess

Food price hike imminent

By LEE MIDDLETON

Food prices at the University's cafeterias may go up another 12 per cent next semester, according to Henry McEwin, director of University Food Services.

However, he said the 12 per cent figure was only an "educated guess" based on commodity research done at ARA Food Service's Philadelphia office. A formal request for price advances won't be made until the middle of the summer, McEwin said.

He said it is hard to make predictions since food prices often depend on highly volatile commodity markets. "Sugar prices went up over 300 per cent last year in just a few short months. So far, this year they have gone down around 20 per cent," he said.

ARA's research department "had predicted a 12 per cent increase about this time last year and that's about what the actual increase turned out to be. I think 12 per cent would be a good place to start for next year," he said.

"A lot really depends on how the crops turn out this year; 1974 was a bad year, so I'm sure there will be some decreases but I don't know how many," he said.

To have a significant impact on prices at the consumer level the decreases would have to be in foods that were used in large quantities, McEwin said.

Don Mills, director of University Programs and Services, said a 12 per cent increase "would be the maximum."

"I think there are some other areas we could save money. For one thing, we should be absolutely certain that what we serve is what students want."

In the past, a selection that over 50 students a day bought was usually considered popular and worth keeping, Mills said. However, he said cost pressures might force his office to increase the limit to around 100.

"Of course you'll have four entrees a meal but you'll probably see them more often," Mills said.

Mills also said he would like to see more specials offered as a way for students to counter higher prices. Mills said the specials proved popular in the past and should be expanded.

He said he blamed some of the increased expenses on higher labor costs which he said would go up 10 per cent next year. To compensate for these higher costs he said prices of some items otherwise unaffected by price increases would be raised.

"For instance, on an item like beef, which has shown little increase at the wholesale level, we will probably raise the price to make up for higher labor costs."

Mills said he saw no increase in the minimum meal ticket participation required of students.

"I think we can hold the line at \$240 for at least the next two or three years. I don't see any increases before then," he said.



It's that time of year—spring is in the air and cheerleader campaign material has cluttered bulletin boards all over campus. Elections are today from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the

Student Center and the Worth Hills cafeteria and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Undergraduate Religion building and Rogers Hall.

Vietnam provides instant replay

Reader takes humorous look at situation

The following article was first written five years ago, following President Nixon's decision to send American troops into Cambodia against Communist sanctuaries. Unfortunately, it seems just as timely today as it did then.

Historians pay attention: here is proof that history repeats itself! In fact, I may be able to get this published again in another five years.

In a sincere effort to make similar alterations a little easier to understand, I offer the following scenario for future Asian wars (only the dates have been changed as a nod to the passage of time).

The action takes place in the small but strategically located country of Hwon Mo Thime, and it goes something like this...

September, 1975: Hwon Mo Thime's current dictator, Skhip Ngo Nhaked, calls on the United States for military advisers to teach his country's forces how to use the new American weapon, the M-434, which our government has produced for a cost of \$513.73 per gun and sold to the Thimese for 1,797,319 cridneys (\$14.62 American) per gross.

Late September, 1975: Fourteen crack military men are picked to serve as advisers to the Thimese and extensive training begins. First order of business is to teach the advisers how to fire the M-434, which none of our troops have ever seen.

Early October, 1975: Skhip Ngo Nhaked is overthrown and replaced by his military commander, Hoo Sahay Dat.

Late October, 1975: The 14 advisers arrive in Hwon Mo Thime's capital, Justa. They are welcomed by Thime's Assistant Secretary of Water Buffalo Production, Hats Wha Chuthinc. Hoo Sahay Dat is busy attending the funeral of the reactionary leader he deposed.

December, 1975: The Thime guerrillas, the Viet Bien Home, which comprise about 73 per cent of the population, attack nine rice paddies and a jute mill, paralyzing the country's economy. The advisers, realizing that the 11 palace guards they are advising cannot possibly cope with the Viet Blen, ask Washington for help.

January, 1976: Hoo Sahay Dat is overthrown by the 11 palace guards who make themselves generals and place How Dee Doo Dat in the prime minister's position. Doo Dat serves only as a puppet, naturally.

Late February, 1976: The Peace Corps is removed from Hwon Mo Thime. They go home and are drafted because of the drastic man-

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power shortage in our armed forces due to the rising need for advisers.

April, 1976: Doo Dat's government is overthrown by a coalition of Justa's leading merchants, and Loc Nky, a dry goods salesman, takes over leadership of the country.

May, 1976: The Viet Bien Home, backed by troops from the northern section of Hwon Mo Thime, continue their terrorist activities. More advisers are called for and Washington responds with 9,000 men and two squadrons of fighter pilots and planes bent on peaceful pacification of the rabble.

June, 1976: The first military contract to a civilian firm is approved for construction of one runway in Hwon Mo Thime. Ace Construction Company of South Carolina gets the \$19 million gem. Construction begins with the start of the monsoon season.

Late June, 1976: Ace Construction announces that due to unforeseen difficulties, an additional \$9 million dollars will be needed if the project is to be completed by its deadline in August. Washington approves the request.

July, 1976: Loc Nky is overthrown by the peasant's coalition. The coalition sets up a democratic election in which 97 per cent of the people take part. Ninety-two per cent of the Thimese are illiterate. Hindeed Ah Do, a French-educated Thimese with obvious Western leanings, is easily elected over his opponent who calls for an end to American intervention.

August, 1976: Ace Construction begins pouring concrete on the runway.

October, 1976: The Viet Bien Home continue terrorist activities, centering on Ace Construction's runway. Ace calls for military protection if they are to finish the project by the revised deadline of December.

Late October, 1976: Washington sends 32,000 troops to guard the construction site. This move proves fatal to the Administration and the Democrats take a commanding lead in the Presidential polls.

January, 1977: The ambassador to Hwon Mo Thime, Phineas T. Bunker, who is fluent in Thimese and respected by the country's people, is transferred to the Island of Chad and replaced by Howard Gridlick, a Rhode

Island grocer who contributed heavily to the Democratic Party. Gridlick, realizing the importance of his new position, immediately begins brushing up on his halting Spanish.

Late February, 1977: The Administration sends 155,000 troops and a tank battalion into Hwon Mo Thime.

March, 1977: The Administration, adhering to the promise it made to pull out the troops, brings home 1,500 men to much fanfare and news coverage.

April, 1977: American troops get the revolutionary M-434. The Department of Defense immediately signs a contract with a munitions firm to supply M-1 ammunition for the guns.

May, 1977: The Department of Defense awards a \$13 million contract to Ace Munitions to develop an attachment for the M-434 so that M-1 ammunition can be used with it.

June, 1977: Ace Construction finishes the runway and is awarded a contract for seven more, with construction to begin as soon as the monsoons start again.

August, 1977: The long-awaited peace talks begin.

October, 1977: 200,000 more troops arrive in Hwon Mo Thime.

December, 1977: The peace talks provide their first victory of words. The delegates come to an agreement on the shape of the table, the lunch hour, and the renewal of "All in the Family" for the upcoming television season.

January, 1978: The Department of Defense announces that within nine years the American troops in Hwon Mo Thime should be reduced to 14 advisers. Ace Construction is awarded a \$13 billion contract to pave all of South Hwon Mo Thime. A contract is awarded at the same time to Uncle Ben to provide the rice to feed the Thimese, who have found it difficult to cultivate on concrete.

February, 1978: Sporadic fighting begins in the neighboring country of Hwat Chu Say. American advisers are sent in . . .

—RICK SELCER

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HEW modifies athletic guidelines

By JUDY BERRY

The final Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) guidelines for women's athletics may not be as harsh as had been expected, according to an article from the Washington Post which appeared in the Dallas Times Herald, March 28.

The regulations "were designed to enforce Title 9 of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 which bars sex discrimination in educational institutions and activities receiving federal aid," the article said.

Dr. Ken Herrick, chairman of the University's Intercollegiate Athletics Committee, said the preliminary HEW guidelines "would drastically change intercollegiate athletics for men and women."

The preliminary guidelines indicated that what was done for men in athletics would have to be done for women. Comparable facilities, scholarships and programs for women would be started or discrimination would exist," Dr. Herrick said.

"HEW was saying don't tell us your troubles. If you spend a million dollars on men, spend a million dollars on women. That's why athletic directors were sweating blood—it meant that we were finished," Dr. Herrick said.

"The NCAA led the fight for colleges to get the HEW guidelines modified so that the men's program could survive," Dr. Herrick said.

The "proposed regulations are less stringent than had

been expected and feared by the NCAA and many men's coaches and athletic directors," the article said.

The significant changes in the rules sent to the President, according to the article, were:

"Women may not try out for men's teams if the sport involves body contact, even if the men's team is the only team in that sport. The school would not be required to start a women's team in that sport."

Contact sports are defined as boxing, wrestling, rugby, ice hockey, football and basketball. Women may try out for men's teams in non-contact sports, such as swimming, if there is no women's team, the article said.

Further, "schools will not have to make 'affirmative efforts' to give special training and support to women in sports where they've had little opportunity in the past.

"Physical Education classes will have to be integrated but may be segregated for contact sports and sex education where such courses are taught in the class."

Colleges are allowed three years to comply with the new rules, which became effective July 1, the article said.

"We don't have to apply the regulations today, but show good faith that we will do so," Dr. Herrick said.

"This way, it isn't thrust upon us, but allows women's athletics to grow gradually, as the men's grew," said Abe Martin, athletic director.

HEW officials point out a number of times in the rules that equal spending for women's athletics is not required. However, a preface to the rules adds, "any failure to

provide necessary funds for women's teams may be considered by the department in assessing equal opportunity."

Martin said he has no objections to increasing the women's budget but that it would be impossible to make it equal to the men's all at once.

The women's athletic budget has been increased for next year, which Martin said is "a more sane approach than increasing the budget all at once."

"This is the way it has to grow so as not to destroy anything else," said Frank Windegger, who will become athletic director in September.

"The women have been grossly short-changed in intercollegiate athletics. I realize we haven't done enough for them and it's not right," said Dr. Herrick.

Janet Murphy, women's athletic coordinator, agreed that the men's program took years to develop and said, "Our program hasn't developed that far.

"The budgets proposed for women have turned out to be adequate for this year and next. It is way below the amount being used for men but they have more needs and travel further," Murphy said.

Dr. Herrick feels the distinction should be made between "revenue and non-revenue sports for men and women" and that the two should be treated equally in non-revenue sports.

"There is no justification for a full time tennis coach for men and not one for women," Dr. Herrick said.

Brachman to award innovative prof

The annual Brachman Award for Innovative Teaching will be given to a University faculty member at the Brachman Awards Banquet on May 3.

Faculty in all colleges of the University are eligible for the award which consists of a \$100 cash stipend and an engraved plaque.

Nominations may be made by any University student or faculty member.

Faculty members will be judged on using a creative approach to classroom teaching and extending the students' learning experiences beyond the boundaries of the classroom, either directly or indirectly.

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SMASH SHOT—Freshman Randy Crawford, shown here in a recent match, leads Frog hopes as the tennis team plays Baylor today in Waco. While the netters toil this afternoon, the baseball squad hosts Dallas Baptisi at 1 p.m.

Photo by Frank Houx

No signatures expected today

By **FRANK HOUX**
Sports Editor

When a high school athlete tours various schools trying to find the one right for him, he generally is having so much fun, he isn't in much of a hurry to sign up.

For that reason, Frog assistant coach Lee Pestana doesn't expect to sign anyone today, the national signing date for schoolboy cage athletes.

"The national date is earlier this year," Pestana said yesterday. "The players aren't through with their visits. We could sign some people today, but not the ones we want. I don't think too many quality players will sign early."

Pestana says the Horned Frog coaching staff has recruits lined up to visit on into the month of May, so the signing date isn't really that important to them.

Locally, head coach Johnny Swaim is interested in signing Fort Worth Paschal guard John Schlicher. However, a lot of other people would like to sign the 6-3 floor leader as well.

Pestana says that if anyone in the state has a shot at Schlicher, the Horned Frogs do. Paschal's top schoolboy became more embellished in the minds of basketball scouts everywhere after a sparkling performance in a national all-star game in Washington, D.C., last week.

The Purple staff also would like to sign Alan Winder, a 6-10 gem from Arlington High School, but will be contested for his signature.

Larry Harris, a 6-2 guard from Navarro Junior College is expected to sign with the Frogs for his soph year. He is the brother of senior guard Alonzo Harris.

Sports roundup

Massey wins state archery crown

Several athletic teams were in action over the past weekend:

Robert Massey led the archery team to a fourth place finish in the state archery tourney, hosted by Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

Massey took top individual honors, qualifying him for the

National Intercollegiate championships in May. The nationals will be held at Cerritos College in Norwalk, Calif.

Also competing for TCU were John Banta, Karl deJesus and Bruce Gibson.

The women's tennis squad placed third in the Central

(Okla.) State Tournament last Friday and Saturday, and plays host to UTA today at the Potishman Courts, beginning at 3 p.m.

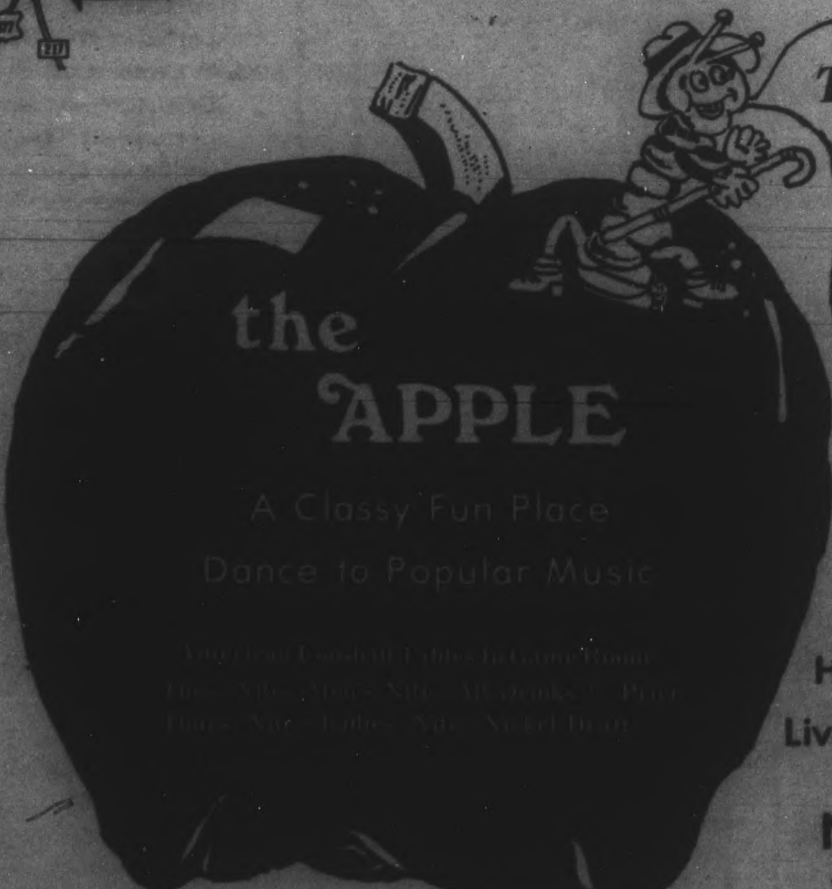
The women's track team ran its first meet of the year Saturday at College Station. Frances Reaves placed sixth in the hurdles for the Frogs.

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