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Saigon's plight hits home South Vietnamese student plans to return home

By KEITH CLARK

While some Vietnamese students here are trying to get their families onto airlifts out of Saigon, one University student has stated he will return to his native country.

Nguyen Van Thoi, a graduate student in economics, is one of seven Vietnamese attending the University.

"I am not pro-communist and I am not pro-American. I am pro-Vietnamese. I get money from your American government, but I am studying and working for my people and I will go back to them," he said.

International Student Adviser Jackie Segars said she has been calling the State Department and the South Vietnamese embassy in Washington. The other Vietnamese students feel that their families are not safe in Saigon and they are trying to arrange for them to come to this country, she said.

But Thoi's family has a business in Saigon and business in the My Tho province where it is now staying. Some of his relatives had high rank in the government of South Vietnam.

"The government said there were rumors from the refugees that there had been some bloodbaths in the northern provinces. But I have no evidence. They might have made up the rumor."

Thoi said his family had never intended to go abroad and that it had decided to stay in Vietnam. He added that language would be a problem for the refugees who come to the United States.

All the Vietnamese students here at the University will be able to stay as long as it takes to finish their degrees, said Segars. They are fortunate because the program they are under assures them a maintenance allowance and tuition no matter what happens in their home country, she said.

If South Vietnam falls to the communists and if the U.S. government follows the same pattern it has in the past, students will be able to choose between establishing residency in this country or returning to South Vietnam after graduation, she said.

"This is just my assumption," Segars said. "I have not received any word from Immigration yet."

In the meantime, the students have decided to stay and finish their degrees, Segars said. "I really have to admire them. They have been doing outstanding work for the pressure they are under."

"They have been doing well in their courses and have received compliments from the faculty, staff and their fellow students. Their grades are up. They are strong persons," she said. "I wish I could be that strong."

Thoi said the things happening in South Vietnam sometimes interfere with his studies. "I follow up on the news every day because I am interested in politics. And I feel I have a responsibility to know what is happening in my country."

The other students had never been concerned about South Vietnam's very complicated political problems until now, when they want to get their families out of the country, he said.

What the South Vietnamese need most now is peace, said Thoi. "If the superpowers—United States, China, Russia—would pull back out of the way, the Vietnamese would make peace among themselves."

The "great silent majority" don't really care what political regime they live under. "Twenty-five years they are in a war. They want peace, food, shelter, clothing. Peace—that is the important thing. If we have peace we can work, grow the rice, get the clothing or go to the sea to fish," he said.

Thoi said a three-part coalition government would be formed when the fighting stopped. It would include the



"Peace— that is the most important thing."

Saigon government, the communists and the "silent majority," some of whose leaders opposed Thieu and were thrown into prison. This "third part" has never been able to make its wishes known, he said. "They just want peace."

When asked if the communists would eliminate the other parts of the coalition, Thoi said if they do, it means the Saigon part was weak because the people know how corrupt it has been in the past.

"It hasn't cared for the people. Your government never supported the people of South Vietnam—only a small group. That was a mistake by your government, but we still like the American people."

Thoi questioned the motives of some of the Vietnamese students in this country. Some students want to stay in the United States because they see that with their education they can have a higher standard of living here than they could in South Vietnam.

"They say they are afraid of the communist, but in their deepest heart they selfishly want to raise their own standard of living instead of helping their people in their own country. Some have wanted to leave South Vietnam for convenience," he said.

Thoi plans to return to South Vietnam after he gets his degree no matter what government is in power there. He said he is studying and working for his people but that it won't help them if he stays in the United States, so he said he is going back to the country he loves.



NGUYEN VAN THOI

Vote on split delayed, petition filed too late

A referendum on the proposed split between Programming Council and the House of Student Representatives will not be conducted this semester, according to House president David Davis.

Davis explained that the Election Code requires a longer time between the filing of petitions and the referendum than is left in the semester.

Loretta Gamble, vice president for Programming, an advocate of the separation of the council from the House, said the 585 signatures that are required for a referendum have already been acquired.

Davis said there is a question as to whether the petitions will be valid for next fall. "I think they are and I will rule that way at our next meeting," he said.

"I don't know if there will be some dispute over my ruling, but we will discuss all of the possibilities and implications. If there is no dispute we will use these petitions as the basis for a referendum next year."

The referendum would ask voters if they would favor a separate and sovereign Programming Council over the present system which ties Programming to the actions of the House.

Vietnamese students suffer quietly

Vietnam is a broken nation. The spirit of its people is shattered. Its leader through so many of the long years of destruction and death has left in a state of embarrassment and failure. South Vietnam's days are numbered.

But the tragedies of the past two decades, and the hopelessness engendered by the events of recent months, are not limited to a tiny napalmed wasteland thousands of miles away and thousands of issues of Newsweek ago.

They are here and now, painted on the faces of Vietnamese students walking around this campus and attending classes at this university.

The war is not being fought by alien-sounding names and

meaningless statistics listed on long lines of newspaper copy. The lives lost each day are people—real people with real families like yours and mine.

And some of those lives being spent in Vietnam are friends and relatives of the same people we pass crossing University Drive, sit next to in the Library and live next door to in the dorm.

Studying can be difficult when you're under the pressure of parents, grade point averages and scholarships. It's tough being motivated when the weather is nice, the baseball field is calling and your mind turns to summer.

But it's even harder to concentrate on schoolwork when you're not sure if your parents are dead or alive, when your

homeland is being torn asunder and when you're not sure where all this absurdity leaves you.

These hardships by themselves would be sufficient to discourage, frighten and confuse the most secure and strong-willed individual.

But put that individual in a fish-bowl, surrounded by the very people whom he can only feel are, to a large degree, responsible for the deaths of his loved ones by their abandonment of his nation, and the adversity is compounded.

This is not to attach blame to anyone for the mistakes and tragedies of Vietnam. It is merely an attempt to better understand the predicament of Vietnamese students at the University.

It doesn't matter if any of them have a right to feel bitter towards Americans. It doesn't really matter now if it's truly the fault of our government, and therefore the fault of each of us, that South Vietnam is being overrun and its people murdered.

What matters most of all is that each of us treats the Vietnamese students we know and meet with the utmost respect, sensitivity, understanding and love.

With individual kindness we can overcome tension between nations. And with personal concern we can help ease the troubled minds of our neighbors.

—AL SIBELLO

Reader Feedback

Editor:

This letter is a take-off on the letter on Friday by Susan Berger and Jennifer Jackson. Your reply suggested that the various groups on campus who are unrepresented need to make you aware of them, and in essence, do the work for you.

How many times has Coach Shofner run to the Skiff to report what is going on down at the football field? How many times has the House of Representatives had to report to the Skiff what is going on? They don't!

The Skiff reporters find out what is going on and write the stories. Most students are tired of your boring stories and articles on your choice of material.

It would help if you took the advice of Berger and Jackson and took some interest in other groups on campus. The longer I stay at TCU, the more I am beginning to side with Dr. Moudy on the funding of the Skiff. The material represented is not interesting to most of the students.

Lastly, I would like to ask you whether a picture of Frank Houx

and "Midnight" Burke is really worthy of the time, space and money that it took to print the picture? Is the picture important to the student body? Is favoritism really a good journalistic policy? Are politics everything that the Skiff takes into consideration?

I believe that the student body would be greatly benefited if you answered these questions—and if you started next year a little differently than you did this one.

Tom Hurt

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Mini-registration underway

Students who want to raise a class grade can register from April 29 to May 1 in the Registrar's Office for mini-term review courses.

Designed to help students improve grades received during the semester, the session runs from May 19 to May 30. The cost is \$100 with \$50 deposit due in the

Business Office upon registering. The balance is due at the start of class.

The Financial Aid Office will offer assistance to students who need it. Housing for both men and women will be available, at Sherley Dorm. Double room occupancy will cost \$55 and single rooms will cost \$70.

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Police still searching for molester

No charges have been filed as of Monday afternoon concerning the attempted rape of a 20-year-

old University woman early Sunday morning, according to Detective R.L. Mullins of Fort Worth City Police.

white man in his 20s, with curly dark shoulder-length hair.

Mullins and Detective Arlene Rachels are continuing the in-

vestigation. Mullins interviewed the student Monday morning.

Volunteers needed for speech project

Volunteers are needed this week to listen to tapes made by the Speech and Hearing Clinic. The volunteers will be helping in a project being carried out by the clinic's speech therapists.

Trained listeners are not allowed to participate in the project, but anyone who has not listened to speech therapy tapes before may help out. The tapes will be played Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Persons wishing to help should call ext. 256 or 257.

A suspect has been jailed, said Lt. Oliver Ball, but Mullins said he doubted this person was involved in the incident.

The student told police that she was awakened about 5:15 a.m. Sunday in her dorm room by a man who identified himself to her as "Tom." He spent about 30 minutes in her room, she said, and molested her after his attempt to rape her failed.

She told police she called a friend after the attack, who notified campus police. She was also taken to the Health Center. She described the attacker as a

Freshman robbed at gunpoint, police hunting 2 assailants

A freshman student was robbed at gunpoint early Friday morning.

Harold T. Perciful Jr., a religion major, was walking on Berry Street in front of the Bellaire Apartments at about 12:45 a.m. when a car pulled up beside him. Perciful said the occupants pointed a .38 revolver at him and told him to get in the car. They then took his wallet, a necklace, meal tickets, glasses and shoes.

Perciful was taken to a residential area just north of the campus where he was told to get out of the car and lie face down until the auto had left.

"He had a gun in my back the whole time,"

Perciful said. "He said he should shoot me since I didn't have enough money."

Perciful said he had about four or five dollars in his wallet. He said his necklace was valued at about \$30.

He described the two assailants as being in their middle 20s, black, and both with goatees and mustaches. Perciful said one was "tall and slender, about six foot one," and the other one was "kind of stocky." Both were wearing "floppy hats," he said.

Lt. George Killough with the Fort Worth Police Department said the case was still under investigation and that no charges have been filed.

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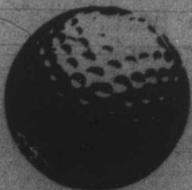


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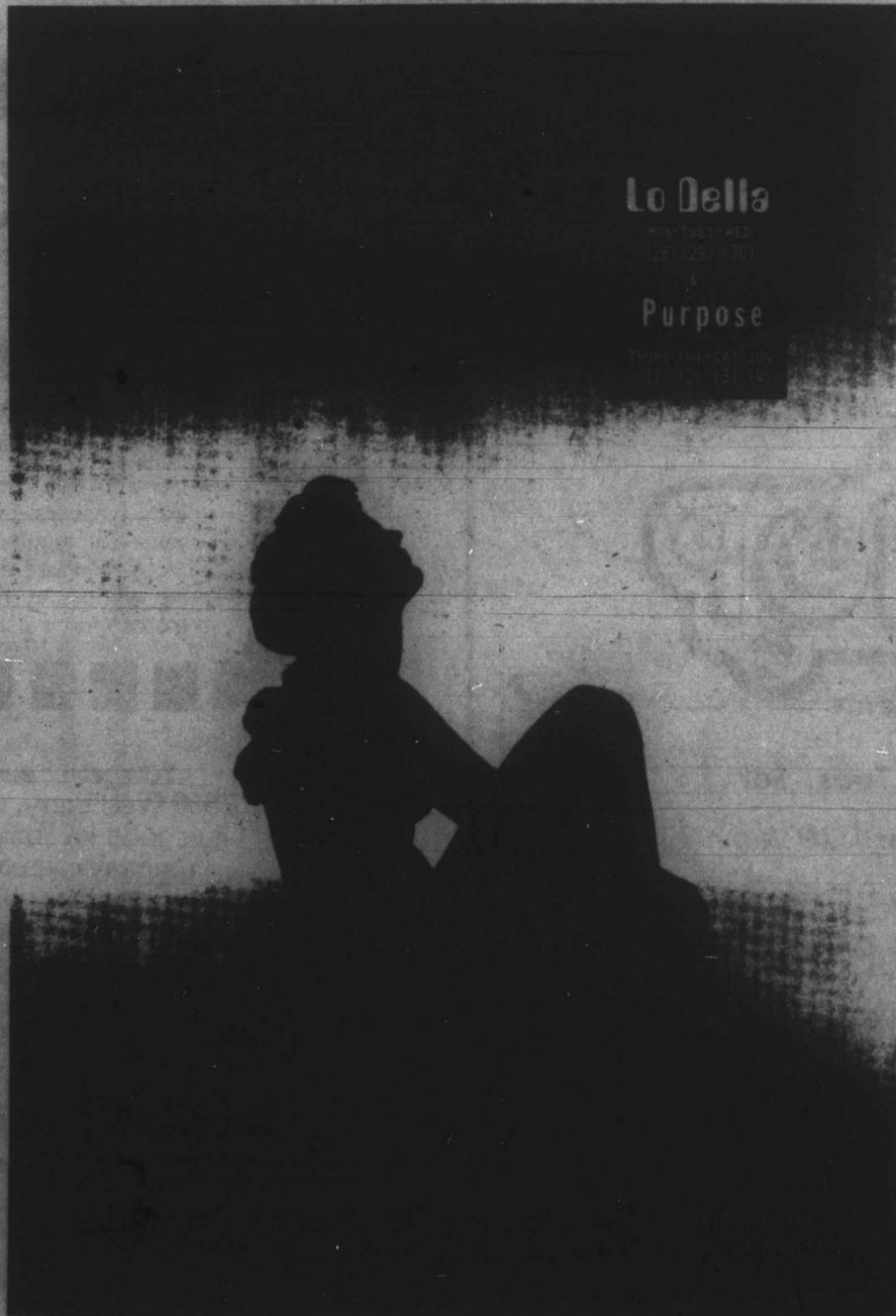


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CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW Speech and Hearing Clinic, behind the Health Center, is roaring right along. The building should be completed by December. The building will be used for classes and speech and hearing therapy in the Fort Worth community.

Parents' Weekend speaker chosen

Nader slated for next fall

Forums Committee has decided on Ralph Nader as the speaker for Parent's Weekend.

The committee chose Nader at their meeting Thursday from a list that included George Plimpton and "The Amazing Kreskin."

All three were suggestions from the Parent's Weekend Committee.

Harry McClintock, Forums chairperson, said Nader would be a speaker "everyone would know" and would be of particular interest to parents. Nader will cost the committee approximately \$2,500 plus air fare and accommodations.

The committee chose Nader

over Kreskin, McClintock said, because of Kreskin's credibility.

In other business, the committee decided to invite John Knowles, author of "A Separate Peace" to speak on Oct. 7. Knowles will speak to one class, and hold a news conference before his speech.

McClintock said he hopes the Films Committee will schedule the movie version of "A Separate Peace" the Friday before Knowles' appearance.

The committee also discussed the possibility of bringing actress Cicely Tyson for Black Awareness Week. However, McClintock said he didn't think

she was worth the money. "All she does is give a one-hour dramatic reading. She doesn't speak to any classes and isn't available to the press," he said.

McClintock said in addition, the committee is considering inviting the authors of "The Guinness Book of World Records" for an appearance in November. No definite date was made for that appearance.

Their speaking fee is \$1,400.

Dorm students to face 2 food options in fall

Residence hall students will have the option of selecting one of two food programs next fall.

This plan, outlined in the "1975-76, 1976-77 General Information Bulletin," has been offered before, but has not been advertised, according to Don Mills, director of Programs and Services.

The first food program is the familiar "a la carte" plan which allows a student to buy a series of coupon books which he uses to pay for food on a "per item" basis.

The other plan is a full-board plan which provides students 21 meals a week, in conjunction with the athletic training program. It allows students seconds on all items except the premium entree. This program will only be offered in Reed Hall Cafeteria.

Under the "a la carte" plan, students will be required to purchase 16 meal books, at \$15 each—\$240 plus tax, a \$60 increase over the price of this plan for 1974-75.

The cost of the full-board plan has not been decided. Mills said the price will probably not be announced until around July 1.

Mills said students were given

the chance to participate in a full-board plan this semester. However, 150 students were needed for the program and only 80 students indicated that they were interested. This plan would have cost students \$315.

However, there are 21 students who are eating under a similar program this semester and the cost is \$350.

Mills said the full-board plan to be offered in the fall will probably appeal to heavy eaters.

Calendar

TUESDAY, APRIL 29—Chapel Service, Dr. Roy Martin, "The Healing Memory," Robert Carr Chapel, 11 a.m.

Seminar over TAGER-TV, Dr. Jean-Albert Bede, Green Honors Chair professor, "Monetary Devaluation Through the Ages," 2 p.m.

Outdoor student-conducted band concert, in front of Student Center, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 30—"Shadow of a Gunman," University Theatre, 8:15 p.m. Tickets \$2 for adults, \$1 for students through Fri., May 2.

THURSDAY, MAY 1—Psychology lecture, Prof. William Mason of the University of California, speaking on the development of parent-young attachments in primates, Richardson Lecture Hall No. 1, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 2—Film, "Sleeper," Student Center Ballroom, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., 30 cents.

SATURDAY, MAY 3—"Shadow of a Gunman," University Theatre, 2:15 and 8:15 p.m., tickets: \$2 for adults, \$1 for students.

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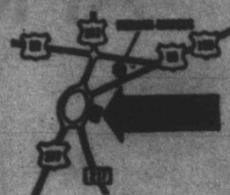
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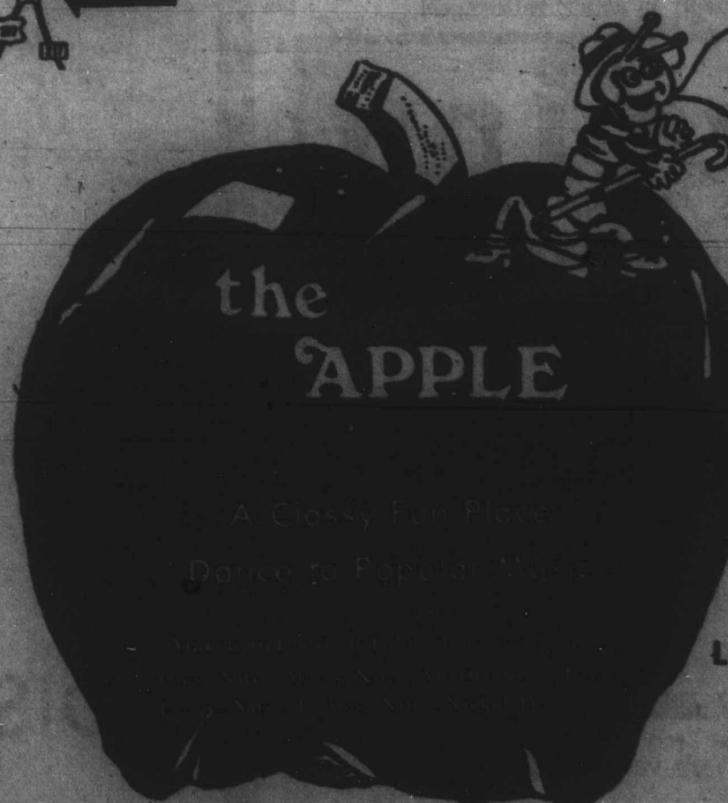
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RHA—the students' friend ★ Panel specializes in 'fringe benefits'

By STEPHEN NORTHCROSS

If you've never had a date with a Playboy Bunny, the Residence Hall Association (RHA) might be able to help you.

A few months ago, some interested students from the University attended a meeting of the Texas RHA at Stephen F. Austin to find out what the organization was all about.

Ann Cowan, one student who attended the meeting, said the RHA at Stephen F. Austin helped students obtain ice machines for the dorms and persuaded the school to let girls wear shorts and hot pants in the lobby of their dorms. At West Texas State University, the organization raffled off a date with a Playboy Bunny.

The University may get its own chapter of the RHA if enough people are interested in the organization. Frances Oliver, another student who attended the meeting, said the RHA would help unify students in the dorms, improve dorm facilities, bring students and administrators together, facilitate interdorm planning, and help the cause of students' rights.

In a meeting last Thursday of dorm presidents and Greek dorm representatives, the idea behind the RHA was discussed with Edd Bivin, coordinator or residence hall operations. Reactions to the ideas behind the association were favorable with about 15 students in attendance.

Students were told the RHA would

function as a part of the whole student body housed in dorms separated from the House of Student Representatives. The association would be made up of representatives from the dorms and Greek houses to work with the Office of Residential Living and Housing (ORLH).

During the meeting, the students decided that one representative from each dorm and one representative from every two Greek organizations would make up the RHA on this campus, making a total membership of 20. An executive committee would be elected by the 20 members. The election of representatives to the association would be left up to each individual dorm or organization.

Every student on campus who lived in a

dorm would be a member of the RHA with the 20-member committee acting as an advisory council to work with ORLH. All dorm students would be asked to give 50 cents to \$1 for the operation of the RHA. Residence halls who already collect a dorm fee would be exempt as the money would be collected out of those fees, said Cowan.

"The RHA would be beneficial to me as an administrator," said Bivin.

The association would not only function as a tool for dealing with ORLH, but as a student association to promote goodwill between campus residents by offering them more benefits and activities than could be accomplished by an individual dorm, said Oliver.

Travel agency plans still up in the air

The University might be going into the travel agency business next fall.

Don Mills, director of Programs and Services, said his office is planning to set up a University-owned and -operated travel agency.

It would be run as a regular travel agency, Mills said, enabling students to buy tickets and make travel arrangements without having to go through an airline. The University would receive a commission on each ticket sold, netting the University about \$34,000 or \$40,000 a year, Mills said.

The agency would be located at the information desk in the Student Center lobby.

"Sept. 1 looks like a good date for initiation of the service," Mills said.

However, some legal problems are still in the way. Mills said one of the problems is the effect of running a profit-making business would have on the tax-free status of the University. He said this could possibly be circumvented by prohibiting the agency from advertising and soliciting off campus.

"It would be available primarily for TCU-connected people: students, faculty, staff and their families," he said. "But if some guy walked off the street and wanted to buy a ticket, we could sell it to him."

Another problem is the licensing of the agency. Mills said a new travel agency has to post a bond and have an apprentice travel agent before it could begin business.

He also said Charles Peveler, associate director of Programs and Services, could probably qualify as an apprentice agent.

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Skiff staff seizes Media softball game

General consensus has it that the printed word is more powerful than radio and the Daily Skiff softball team upheld that theory last Sunday as they ripped KTCU-FM 17-13, to win the first annual "Battle of the Media" softball game.

The Skiff was a little slow in developing, falling behind 1-0, but they exploded in the third, fourth and fifth innings to take a commanding 14-4 lead. Skiff pitcher Gregg (Too Small) Kays was coasting along easily, but ran into trouble in the seventh and eighth innings, as KTCU-FM narrowed the margin to 16-13. But Kays and the defense stiffened to preserve the "prestigious" win.

The big rip for the Skiff was Al Sibello's three-run homer in the fifth inning. Other key hits were provided by Bruce Jasurda (3 for 5), Frank Houx (2 for 5) and Tom Burke (3 for 3).

KTCU's gallant come-back try was fueled by three home runs, two doubles and numerous errors by the Skiff's defense. But a defensive switch by the Skiff stifled any dreams KTCU-FM had of winning.

Daily Skiff coach Michael Gerst was pleased with the way

his team performed and naturally was elated with the win.

"Hell, I knew we would win. But, I was starting to sweat a little when they started coming back. I just had to settle my pitcher down a little. He was rushing to get home for dinner," Gerst said.

Dave "the Rave" Brown, coach of KTCU-FM, was sad about his team's loss but hinted he would like to have a rematch before the semester ended.

Gerst and the rest of the Skiff staff said they would consent to a rematch but Gerst said, "I don't know why they want to rub salt into their own wounds. A rematch would only mean we'd beat them worse than this time."

Bruce Jasurda, the Skiff's first baseman, said, "I'm really glad we won. I'm a senior and this will be a great thing to look back upon when I'm boasting about myself to my grandchildren."



HIGH STRETCH—Daily Skiff first baseman Bruce S. Jasurda leaps high in an attempt to grab an errant throw during game with KTCU-FM. A KTCU-FM runner is bearing down the base path but

Jasurda was not intimidated. In the background, anxiously watching the play, is Skiff pitcher Gregg "Too Small" Kays, who limited the KTCU-FM team to just 13 runs. Photo by Michael Gerst

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Dismayed Frogs rocked twice by SMU

Windegger retires from coaching with 298 victories

By TOM BURKE

Assistant Sports Editor

Retiring baseball coach Frank Windegger, who assumes the position of athletic director next fall, didn't get his 300th career victory. He didn't get his 299th either. But, he did win No. 298, when the Horned Frogs demolished SMU 12-2 last Saturday in the nightcap of a twinbill.

On Friday, the Mustangs ended Windegger's dreams of reaching the coveted goal of 300 wins by squeaking past the Purples 9-8. Then in the first game on Saturday, SMU continued their dominance by racing past the Frogs 7-2.

Reuben Tomlin took the loss in the opening game, but came back to win the finale, ending the season with a won-lost record of

10-3. Sonny Cason made his final pitching performance in a Frog uniform starting the first game on Saturday, but the Ponies had no pity as they knocked him from the mound after only five innings. Cason made his last appearance in the third game, taking over the catching chores from Les Hemby in the ninth inning.

The Ponies 2-1 edge in the series marked the first time the Mustangs have come out on top of the Frogs in Windegger's 14-year reign as coach.

Saturday was officially "Frank Windegger Day" in Fort Worth, and even though the Purples only split the doubleheader, the festive mood was still prominent. Windegger was presented several plaques, a box of fishing equipment and his jersey, No. 30,

was retired in pre-game ceremonies. The Frog's final victory of the '75 season raised their season record to 29-18, and



FRANK WINDEGGER

placed them third in the Southwest Conference.

"I guess overall you would have to say the season has been a

disappointment. I think everything hinged on us getting some good pitching and when we lost Steve Hill early in the year, it really hurt us. With the way Tomlin pitched, things might have been different with a healthy Hill," Windegger said.

Windegger praised Tomlin, Tommy Crain, Danny Twardowski and "others" for having good seasons.

Twardowski, Crain and designated hitter Tom Riordan paced the Frogs' win in the nightcap, as each had three hits. The Purples had 14 total safeties in that win. Les Hemby, who had three home runs in the series (one in each game), chipped in with a pair of key hits.

Frog fans had a lot to cheer about in the solo win as the

Purples dominated the game from the first, scoring four runs in the first three innings and breaking the game open in the fifth with five runs. The Frogs took advantage of the throwing arm of Mustang catcher Bruce Gietzen, stealing six bases. Powerful Crain also had a bunt—believe it or not—single, for the second time this year.

Then, in the final inning, with the game safely tucked away, Windegger inserted seniors Ralph Fusco at first and Cason behind the plate. These two, along with center fielder Mike Turner, are the only Frogs who will not return as players. And if all that wasn't enough, Tomlin pinch hit for Crain and smashed out his second hit of the season, securing his perfect record at the plate.

Baton unit takes second and third at Drake

A walk-on track performer rarely gets the chance to prove his abilities in a meet as prestigious and important as the Drake Relays held in Des Moines, Iowa, over the past weekend.

However, track coach Guy Shaw Thompson took walk-on Gary Norriss to Des Moines as the leadoff man on the Frog 440 relay team. Norriss did his job well as the Purples took second behind the University of Kansas in the sprint relay.

Thompson decided to let the same group of runners compete in the 880 relay as well and the

quartet of Norriss, Sam McKinney, Phil Delancy and Bill Collins (in order) placed third behind Kansas and Texas Southern.

The coach said the best leg in both races was the third, run by sophomore Phil Delancy. The native of the Bahamas was the only team member running his normal leg on the relay.

Norriss was running in place of Lorenzo Ashford, who pulled a muscle at the Kansas Relays last weekend. Collins, however, usually runs the leadoff leg.

The Houston sophomore qualified for the finals of the 100-

yard dash last weekend at Kansas when he went with the sprint relay team as an alternate.

Thursday night Thompson's

troops travel to Austin for a quadrangular meet with Texas A&M, Rice and host University of Texas.

Thompson plans to take a large

squad down for the meet and will begin to choose up his squad for the Southwest Conference meet scheduled for May 23 and 24 in Lubbock.

Post man Bill Bozeat snares MVP award

Awards for various achievements were handed out to members of the Horned Frog basketball squad last Saturday, and as expected, the biggest guy got the biggest awards.

Post man Bill Bozeat who at 6-10½ stands as the tallest player in TCU annals, copped the Buster Brannon Most Valuable Player and Dick O'Neal Rebound awards at the annual basketball picnic at Lake Granbury.

The O'Neal award is given annually to the team's top rebounder, while the MVP is always given to the player making the greatest contribution to the team on and off the court.

Only one other player was blessed with more than one award. Senior

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Eddy Fitzhugh of Dallas was given awards for the most assists and defensive play.

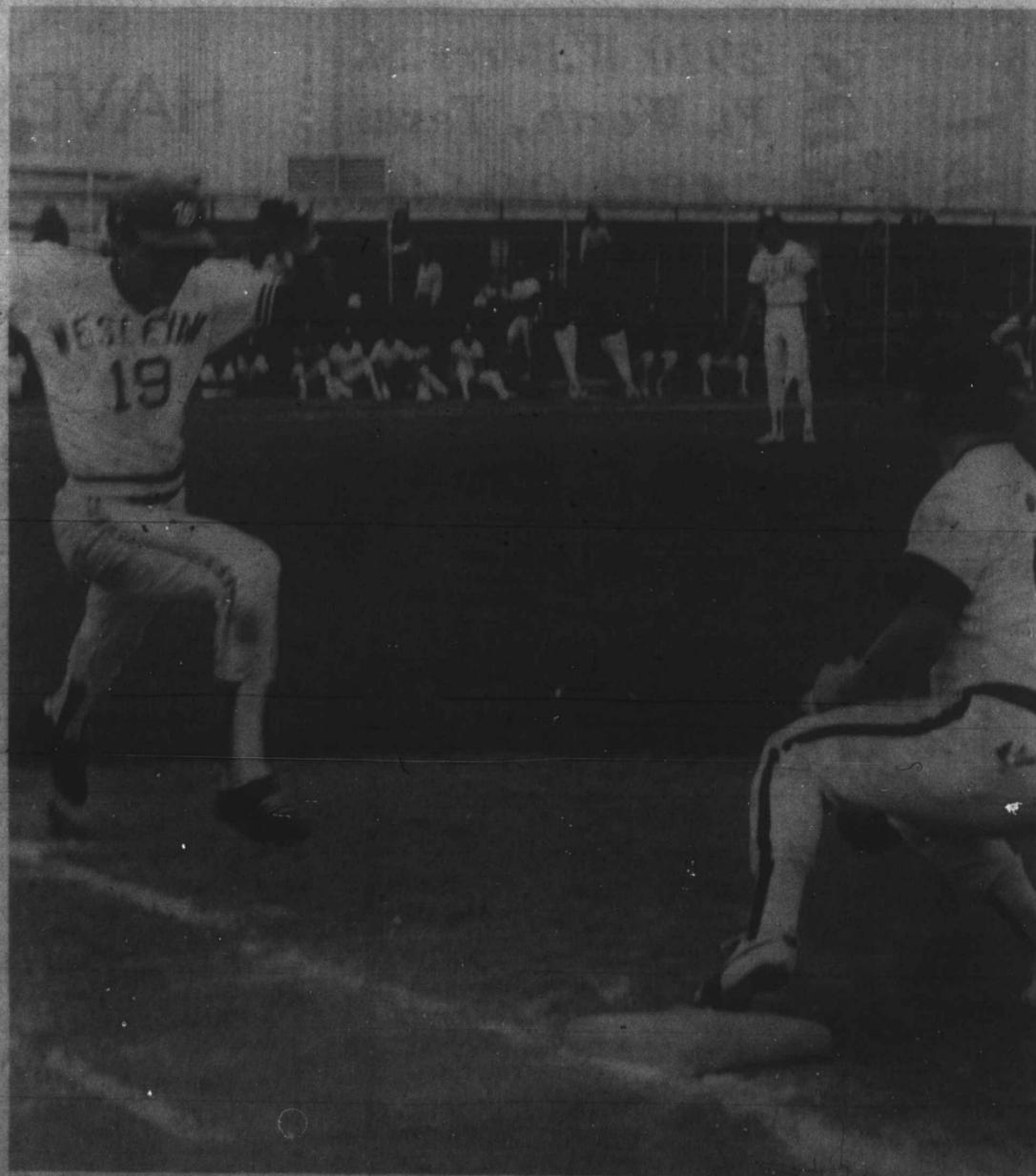
Senior co-captain Alonzo Harris received the Ridings Free Throw Award for the best free throw percentage, as he edged fellow senior Bozeat by a shade for the honor.

Another senior, Johnny Blakney of Fort Worth Southwest, received the Frog Club Most Conscientious Player Award. Incoming Frog Club president Marvin Gearhart was on hand to make the presentation.

Blakney is now helping out track coach Guy Shaw Thompson as a high jumper.

Junior Thomas Bledsoe copped the Field Goal Percentage Award with his school record 80.7 per cent average from the floor.

Rick Hensley, another junior, was awarded the Purple Heart Award, given each year by the TCU chapter of Sigma Delta Chi for making an important but unrecognized contribution to the team.



CRAIN SCOOPS—Frog first sacker Tommy Crain scoops a low throw to nail a TWC runner in last week's sweep of the Rams. Crain and pitcher

Reuben Tomlin were among players cited for good play this season by outgoing head coach Frank Windegger.