

Ants unwelcome residents in many dorms

By LAURIE DANIEL

Ants have been the unwelcome roommates of many dorm residents this year, but a complete exterminating job won't be done until summer.

"Ants are a special problem," said Bob Neeb, director of Housing. He said the ants don't live in the buildings, but their nests are either under or away from the dorms.

According to Neeb, the University has stopped using an outside agency and began doing its own exterminating in September. "I feel like we're doing a pretty good job," he said. "It's not an easy problem to solve."

"One of the things students can do to help is to keep food closed up," he said. Neeb also suggests that each student keep a can of insecticide in his room.

If students are having problems with ants, Neeb explained, they need to report it. "If we don't hear anything, we assume the problem is solved," he said.

The exterminators, however, are not always very effective. "The exterminators have been in our room three times this year—twice in the fall and once this spring," said Kathy Byrd, Foster resident, "and we still have trouble with ants."

"Two days after the exterminator left the last time, my closet was crawling with ants," she added. Putting food in airtight containers has helped, but ants are still a problem even when she has food wrapped in plastic bags that have never been opened, she said.

Although the exterminators are prompt about coming to spray her room, they don't do a very thorough job, she said. They never ask her to move furniture away from baseboards or remove anything from her closet so they can spray there, Byrd explained.

Extermination is handled by the Physical Plant Department. Perry Nicks, assistant director, said his department has been setting bait at the foundation level of

the dorms. For more immediate control, he said, housekeepers in the dorms have insecticides, and students may also request an exterminator.

Some extensive spraying was done between semesters, and a complete job will be done this summer, he added.

"The exterminators told us that Waits has always had one of the worst ant problems," said Jill Estes, Waits hall director. "We're just trying to stress that everyone needs to be clean and neat about their food."

"We did have a bad ant problem in a lot of the rooms," said Clark RA Jim Porowski. However, he said he hasn't heard many complaints about ants lately.

Some dorms appear to be ant-free. Tom Brown and Pete Wright, appear to have no problem.

Randy Bacus, Pete Wright hall director, said, "We have no problems with any kind of insects." James Hines, Tom Brown hall director, said he has had no complaints about ants for several months.

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Factions reach accord in Lebanon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—Premier Rashid Karami announced Wednesday that Lebanon's warring leaders have agreed on the "principles and broad outlines" of a political settlement to the long Christian-Moslem conflict.

He said the accord will be disclosed Saturday after an extraordinary meeting of his six-man cabinet, disputing widespread reports of serious obstacles to the Syrian-mediated settlement.

Christian leaders have been demanding a written pledge that the Lebanese presidency be reserved for Maronite Christians. Moslems have insisted that the arrangement remain unwritten tradition in the country of 2.7 million of whom 60 per cent are Moslem and 40 per cent Christian.

Karami said the Christian demand has

been rejected and the issue "has been decided in accordance with the tradition followed since 1943."

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The judge in Patricia Hearst's bank robbery trial ruled Wednesday that the once-fugitive heiress' statements as "Tania" of the underground were made voluntarily and told the prosecution it could present them to the jury.

The ruling by U.S. District Judge Oliver J. Carter clears the way for introduction of crucial government evidence, including the taped "communique" in which Miss Hearst said she willingly took part in the 1974 bank robbery as a "soldier of the people."

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP)—A newspaper photographer sat quietly in a

courtroom and took pictures of a witness testifying in a robbery trial. It is believed to be the first exercise of a new rule which allows news photographs and radio and television broadcasts while the courts are in session in Alabama.

Roger Wentowski, a photographer for the Montgomery Advertiser-Journal, took the pictures Tuesday while a 10-year-old deaf mute, Karen Vance, was testifying about a drugstore robbery in Montgomery.

The presiding judge, Richard P. Emmet, allowed the pictures under a new canon of judicial ethics that went into effect in Alabama Feb. 1. It allows pictures and broadcasts in the courtroom with the consent of the trial judge, defense and prosecution attorneys, the defendant and the witness.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Former Pennsylvania Gov. William W. Scranton is President Ford's first choice to succeed Daniel Patrick Moynihan as ambassador to the United Nations, administration officials said Wednesday.

However, Scranton has informed Ford that he is undecided about whether to take the job, the officials said.

At the White House, Press Secretary Ron Nessen would say only that "several people are under consideration" and that he expected an announcement "relatively soon."

Scranton is known as a moderate Republican and has a long history of government service. He served as a special assistant to former Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, served a term in Congress before being elected governor from 1963 to 1967 and was an unsuccessful candidate for the 1964 Republican presidential nomination.

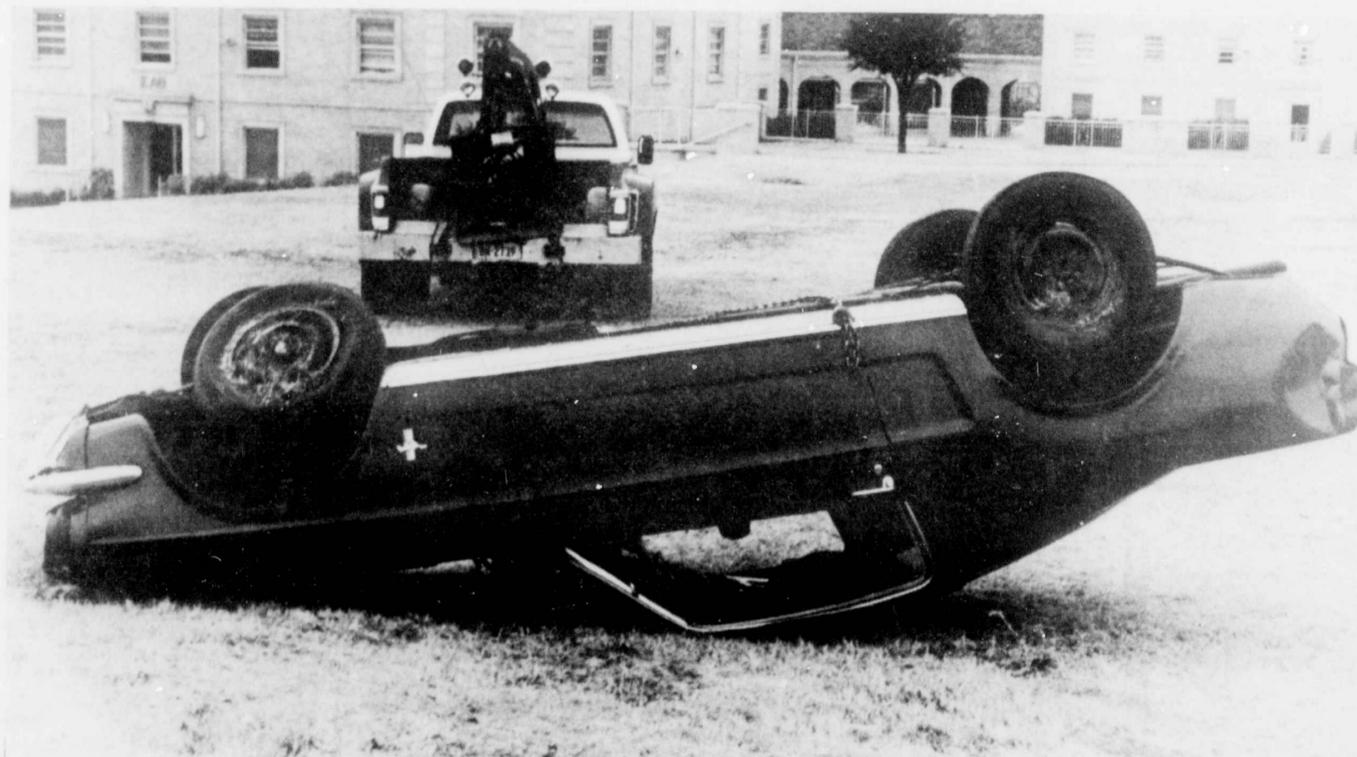
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Environmental Protection Agency knows that about 100 pesticides cause cancer in animals but refuses to limit their use, three former agency officials testified today.

They told a House government operations subcommittee they resigned from the EPA on Thursday to protest what they consider the agency's inaction on chemicals that cause cancer in laboratory animals.

Asked for comment on the accusation, an agency spokesman said it is "not true." The spokesman declined to make any further statement. Agency officials were expected to be called later as witnesses.

Correction

The Daily Skiff erred yesterday in attributing some statements to a Milton Daniel resident assistant we called Steve Horning. The RA's name is Steve Forney. We regret the error.



A seat belt saved University student Nathan Harnagel from serious injury yesterday when he swerved to avoid hitting a truck going around the curve on Berry street near Worth Hills. Traveling at

about 30 mph, Harnagel hit the median which knocked him to the other side of the street where the car turned over. Harnagel said he cut his hand and thought he might have glass in his eye.

To do something wrong, do it right

Even if you're going to do something wrong, there is a right way to do it.

We believe the administration was wrong to censor the Theatre Arts Department's production of "Hot 1 Baltimore." However, even if we assume for the sake of argument that the play should have been censored, the administration could not have found a more inefficient way to do so.

Last week the Daily Skiff printed a letter poking fun at the way administrators work and act. It announced a "Be An Administrator Contest" and proposed a facetious

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problem for February, asking entrants to think of ways to negate the positive effects of the raise that went into effect Jan. 1.

The problem for February could have been to devise the least efficient possible way to censor a play, creating as much confusion, anger and inconvenience as possible. The prize would have gone hands down to the parties involved in censoring "Hot 1."

First of all, the timing was almost as bad as it possibly could have been. The play was on the calendar this summer. If the administration was going to insist on censoring the play, it should have done so then, long before the play went into rehearsals.

Give the administrators the benefit of the doubt, though, and assume they had a good reason for starting the wheels or repression as late as they did.

Then they hindered the process by initiating the censorship before they read the play. The first indication anyone in the Theatre Arts Department received of the administration's desire to censor the play came through a note objecting to the "homosexual" nature of the play.

Since the play didn't deal with homosexuals, the director should have known right then that he was dealing with people who were acting foolishly. Quite logically, he ignored the first notice.

Then, once the administration got down to some serious censoring, everything was passed up and down the lines of the bureaucracy, rather than right to the director.

It would have been much simpler if Chancellor James Moudy or Vice Chancellor Thomas Brewer had dealt directly with Dr. Henry Hammack, director of the play. But that would have been the efficient thing to do.

Instead, Moudy told Brewer to censor the play, even though Moudy had not read it. So Brewer told Fine Arts Dean George Tade, who in turn told Theatre Arts Department Chairman George Sorensen, who in turn told Hammack, who in turn told the cast.

Sometimes three of the parties would meet together for some reason, but never did the whole bunch come together to discuss and resolve the issue, until the conflict had already gone too far.

The censorship negotiations became confused and warped along the lines of the bureaucracy, and people at the opposite ends were never in communication until very late, when the crisis was at its peak.

As Daily Skiff editors tried Thursday night to unravel the mess, we learned with every phone call that different parties in the controversy had different perceptions of what was going on and of what the other parties were thinking and demanding.

The peak of the confusion came when Brewer told the Faculty Senate of two specific demands, yet Hammack did not even know of those two demands.

We know the administration cherishes its bureaucracy, and we know it serves some purposes. However, it is painfully obvious that this case should have been handled through direct communication, not by passing messages through channels, where they can get distorted, misunderstood and lost.

When the problem first arose, Moudy and Brewer should have gathered Tade, Sorensen, Hammack and representatives of the cast together in one office to resolve the points of difference. We suggest the administration attempt to handle future problems in this more efficient manner.

Even if the solution is bad, everyone should know what it is and how it was reached, and the parties involved should be able to reach it promptly.

—STEVE BUTTRY

More 'Hot 1' reader feedback

Editor:

A few days ago I received news of the great embarrassment Dr. Moudy has forced upon the University community. He looks now—and I am at a loss for words to describe my disappointment—like a modern-day George Wallace barring the schoolhouse door to keep out that which

threatens, that which is new to him, that which opens up his values to criticism.

It is for me a very disrupting experience to see one man—a fine intellect, I still believe—limit himself and the University in so pathetically parochial a manner: one which signals yet another retreat from any

dialectic of values or questioning of values.

I think it was Paul Tillich who once said, in some form or other, that one cannot know what he believes until he has doubted. By banning the doubting, Dr. Moudy not only precludes any rational basis for his own beliefs, and growing as well—something that hardly seems consistent with his

role as the administrative head of a group of learners.

As these events accrue and form patterns, connections, and trends, TCU ceases to be a university in any sense of the word that includes it as a place of questioning and searching, and heads instead precipitously down the path toward a "life" as a kind of neo-Orwellian box of happy thoughts.

The actions Dr. Moudy has taken over the past few weeks (perhaps years) strike at the heart of the academic community. The faculty has provided the only place safe from encroachment—the classroom—but now even that traditionally free haven comes under attack, ironically from the office which

has historically protected the community's freedom of discussion: that of the Chancellor.

By striking any portions of the play a department has chosen to give as a whole to the school, Dr. Moudy stifles the questioning, attacks the learning, and betrays the calling of his office and his profession.

A few years ago, you may remember, bands played and flags fluttered as TCU plunged into its second hundred years with great hoopla and at least reasonable hopes and expectations. Today, finding the water cold and cutting, the Chancellor stands etched in the schoolhouse doorway, saying to those years: "No, it was all a mistake, it's too early; please let us call you later."

The community looks to its possibilities and its potential in the years ahead and wishes to join with them and explore. Its academic leader stands in the door and speaks to the wind.

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Editor:

How marvelous to have the extrasensory powers of Chancellor Moudy! To think that he can censor a play without even having to read it ...

Kelly Vletas
Junior

Applications for Mortar Board 1976-77 are now available in the Student Life office, Room 110 of Sadler Hall. All interested students who will obtain senior classification by Fall, 1976, are eligible to become members of this organization of honor students if they have maintained an accumulative GPA of 3.0 or above. If you are interested, pick up your application today. Deadline for returned applications is February 18, 1976.

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Wiggins residents question value of new alarm system



TODAY IS THE LAST DAY the "Images of the American Revolution" exhibit of art will be on display in the Gallery in the Student Center. "Betsy has a Dream," an acrylic by Larry Jones of Navarro College, is one of the 35 art works in the exhibit.

The new fire and burglar alarm system now being installed in Wiggins dormitory won't be a nuisance to residents, if they cooperate, said Jack Arvin, area coordinator for Worth Hills.

Part of the fire alarm system, which will be fully installed soon, includes a sound alarm that will be connected to each outside door in the dorm. Each time the doors are opened (after the building is locked) a horn-type alarm will sound. A delay switch on the front door will allow residents up to three minutes to enter.

"This alarm system is being installed with the purpose of keeping unwanted intruders out," Arvin said. "It will not be a nuisance if we can secure cooperation from residents."

The alarm will sound in three

places—the hall director's apartment, the dorm office and Campus Police.

"It's a good system if they want to hire a night watchman," Martha Gildersleeve, Wiggins hall director said. "Each time an outside door is opened someone must investigate, whether it be a door propped open or a resident unable to make the time period allotted for the front door."

"Security officers will not be expected to investigate each time the alarm sounds," Arvin said. If a serious incident does occur then the Campus Police will be called.

"The system was designed for

commercial buildings that are closed during the night," Gildersleeve said. With residents coming in and out at all hours "it will be impossible for anyone to get any sleep."

Any resident who violates the new system continuously will lose the privilege of living in this dorm," Gildersleeve said.

"I feel they had good intentions but I think the new system is a waste of money because we have never had an alarm system before and I don't think we need one now. I think a lot of people will be awakened needlessly by nothing more than people pranking around," Lisa Ramsey, a Wiggins resident said.

Committee proposed House bill protests play cuts

The Executive Board of the House of Student Representatives introduced a bill Tuesday supporting the cast of "Hot l Baltimore" in their effort to have complete control over the script of the play.

The bill recommended that an ad hoc committee be established to prevent "future curtailment of artistic expression." It would consist of two at-large students, two fine arts majors, one at-large faculty member, one fine arts faculty member, and an administrative delegate of the Chancellor's choice.

Scott McCown, House legal adviser authored two bills that were sent to the Academic Affairs Committee. If adopted, one would alter the library's policy of unregulated faculty book loans. The other asked the House to "investigate and clarify" the current status of review week and pre-registration.

A bill calling for the collection and recycling of aluminum cans was submitted by President Jay Case. It calls for "depository boxes to be placed at strategic locations beside trash receptacles."

The vending machines on campus are dispensing "so many aluminum cans, we could at least do something useful with them," he said.

A final bill, sent to the Permanent Improvements Committee, proposed a sidewalk to extend from Reed Hall to Ed Landreth Hall. Steve Van Fossen, who submitted the bill, said a dirt path had naturally developed between the two buildings, and the committee should develop sidewalks consistent with where people walk.

The House's final action was to install seven newly elected student representatives.

Free bus to Siberia leaves Friday at 3 p.m.

A trip to "Scientific Siberia" is being sponsored by the new Political Science Association and Tom-Brown-Jarvis.

"Scientific Siberia" is the exhibition of Russian technology and frontier exploration currently on display at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History. The tour costs 75 cents.

A delegation of 23 Russians is visiting the United States with the exhibit, said Johnnye Saint Angelle, chairperson of the Political Science Association.

All of the Soviet visitors were invited to a reception in their honor Friday at 8 p.m. in Jarvis lobby. "But somehow the invitation got confused. We have been told that two of the Russian scientists will definitely show up. But we are trying to get more," he said.

The expedition will leave by

bus from the Student Center tomorrow, at 3 p.m. The bus ride, courtesy of University Programs and Services, is free and space is available on a first-come-first-seated basis.

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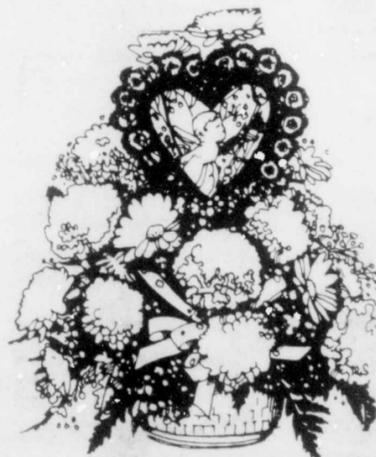
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Frogs hopes dim with Houston loss

The Horned Frog basketball team has gone into a tailspin lately. The Frogs lost to the Houston Cougars 103-95 Tuesday night at Houston.

The Frogs also lost Saturday afternoon to Texas Tech and are now 5-7 in the Southwest Conference race.

Houston led the Frogs 55-46 at halftime but saw the Purples come out and take a 58-56 lead. The game had been exciting basketball up until 17:00 left to

play when the fireworks broke out.

Cougar Al Winder got into a tussle with Tom Bledsoe who then landed a punch on Winder's cheek. The referees jumped in to separate them and then Bledsoe tried to get to Winder again.

Bledsoe was ejected with 16:58 left to play in the game. The Cougars began to regroup their attack at that point and took the lead for good at 69-67.

Otis Birdsong, Houston's All-

American candidate, led the Cougar attack with 32 points. He hit 19 of his points in the second half.

The victory boosts Houston's record to 6-5 in the SWC and dims the Frogs hope for a fifth place finish.

After the game Winder came

Netters stop Austin College

The men's tennis team has yet to lose a set to any of its opponents. The Frog netters blanked Austin College 7-0 Monday at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.

Singles' results: Randy Crawford def. Carlson 6-2, 6-0; Tut Bartzen Jr. def. Menefee 6-0, 6-2; Tom Mott def. Hallman 6-1, 6-4; Ron Baumgardner def. Davis 6-1, 6-0; Jim Allin def. Cottrell 6-0, 6-1.

Doubles' results Baumgardner-Tom Buerger def. Carlson-Menefee 7-6, 6-4; David Stauble-Mark Litzsinger def. Hallman-Cavis 6-0, 6-2.

Fem cagers drop Mountain View JC

The women's basketball team picked up its second victory of the season Tuesday night, toppling Mountain View Junior College 59-11 in Dallas.

The team is now 2-14 on the season. The Frogs travel to Denton today to take on Texas Woman's University at 7 p.m. UTA comes to Daniel-Meyer Coliseum Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. to play the women cagers.

over to say something to Bledsoe but ended up with another fist in his cheek.

"You just don't come up to the man you've been maliciously elbowing the whole game and who you've started a ruckus with after your team has won and start trying to talk," said Coach Johnny Swaim. "Maybe 10 days later, you try to apologize, but not right after the game."

The Frogs shot 44 per cent from the field behind the

marksanship of Randy Boyts, Gary Landers and Tim Marion. Houston shot 54 per cent.

The Cougars outrebounded the Frogs 50-43. Boyts, Landers and Marion each hit 21 points in the contest. Hensley added 15 and Bledsoe 10 before he left.

The Frogs return to Daniel-Meyer Coliseum Saturday at 7:30 p.m. to play the Arkansas Razorbacks. The Purples will be trying to break a three game home losing streak.

Intramural schedules

Men's Thursday League: Feb. 12, 3 p.m.—Brite vs. Bockers; 4 p.m.—Head Hunters vs. Tom Brown; 5 p.m.—Vigilantes vs. The Hammers; 6 p.m.—Thanatos vs. Historians.

Feb. 19, 3 p.m.—Head Hunters vs. The Hammers; 4 p.m.—Tom Brown vs. Historians; 5 p.m.—Vigilantes vs. Bockers; 6 p.m.—Thanatos vs. Brite.

Feb. 26, 3 p.m.—The Hammers vs. Bockers; 4 p.m.—Vigilantes vs. Thanatos; 5 p.m.—Head Hunters vs. Historians; 6 p.m.—Tom Brown vs. Brite.

Mar. 4, 3 p.m.—The Hammers vs. Thanatos; 4 p.m.—Historians vs. Brite; 5 p.m.—Head Hunters vs. Bockers; 6 p.m.—Tom Brown vs. Vigilantes.

Mar. 11, 3 p.m.—The Hammers vs. Tom Brown; 4 p.m.—Historians vs. Vigilantes; 5 p.m.—Bockers vs. Thanatos; 6 p.m.—Head Hunters vs. Brite.

Mar. 25, 3 p.m.—Brite vs. Vigilantes; 4 p.m.—Head Hunters vs. Thanatos; 5 p.m.—Bockers vs. Tom Brown; 6 p.m.—Historians vs. The Hammers.

Women tracksters do well

The women's track team is off and running as it competed in the Dallas Cross Country Meet at Whiterock Lake last Saturday.

Three women represented the Frogs at the meet and came away with medals.

Diana Kopersky took second in the mile run, followed by

teammate Fran Reeves. Jeanne Alter placed third in the run around the lake. She ran over 10 miles in the event.

The Frogs will have time trials this weekend to get ready for the Houston Astro-Bells Meet on Feb. 28.

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