



The dove is etched in glass above the door of Thanks-Giving Square Chapel.

## Urban square exudes peace

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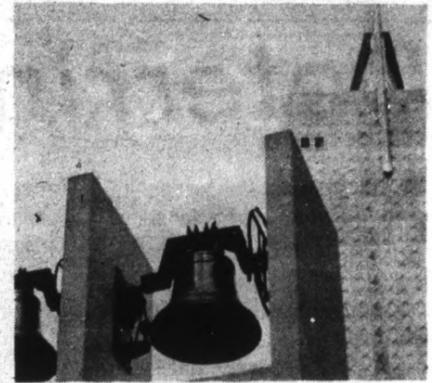
An international shrine dedicated to gratitude, "mankind's deepest response to God throughout the ages," set among gardens of tall trees and running water.

Though it sounds as though this place would be next door to the Garden of Eden, it is actually situated in the center of downtown Dallas.

The shrine, known as Thanks-Giving Square, was conceived in 1961 by two businessmen who wondered whether deep spiritual meaning could be expressed in a beautiful garden in the center of a modern city.

Helping to make these businessmen's dreams a reality is Dr. Ralph Stone, Thanks-Giving Square director. Stone was the associate minister and head of the college department at University Christian Church before becoming director of the shrine. His wife, Jan, was a secretary in the Honor's and Philosophy departments at the University.

Only something as exciting and full of possibility as Thanks-Giving Square could have drawn his family away from Fort Worth, Stone said. Programs, cultural events and experimentation in art, music, dance and theatre are among the projects he plans.



The bell tower will be formally dedicated Sunday, Nov. 28 at 2 p.m. The service will involve representatives of Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Buddhist and Hindu religions, Stone said.



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## Conflicts preclude policy

By CINDY COOK

A comprehensive national energy policy will not come out of the Carter administration for a couple of years because of conflicts between the states and the federal government.

The states are now "running the show" and are competing for industry, Dr. Ron White, Federal Energy Administration economist said Monday night. "They want to make sure they're not a loser with a national policy."

This problem in government structure was one of three factors effecting energy policy in the nation, the visiting Washington economist told a group gathered to hear the first Edwin A. Elliot lecture.

Another factor in the delay is energy's place on the government's priority list. Citing the petroleum crisis, White said, "until 1973, oil conservation was at a very low place on our agenda."

Technical complexity in the industrial sector is also causing a delay in developing energy policy, White said in his lecture, "Energy Efficiency and the Problem of Conservation."

"Energy conservation must mean more than turning off your lights, driving too far too fast or turning down the thermostat," White said. "We need to become concerned about indirect consumption, energy as an intermediate good—everything we use is embodied energy."

White discussed some conceptual issues, such as the difference between the engineer's and economist's definition of efficiency and the FEA's definition of conservation.

"Whether or not the economist's or engineer's notion of efficiency is carried out is open to question, but it is clear that economic constraint is carried out," White said. "Conservation is all economically justifiable actions that reduce the demand for energy."

Harnessing self-interest and adopting government standards were White's two proposals for conserving energy. "We must move beyond self-interest," by making conservation profitable, he said. "We need to tax things that are wasteful."

White discussed three outcomes now being studied by the FEA regarding energy conservation.

—a tax on energy based on consumption that would be a "high revenue generator" but may cause a "fiscal drag on the economy;"

—a utility rates reform based on "peak-load pricing efforts;"

—reduction of energy consumption in the industrial sector, which in part is the result of technical complexity.

Industry uses more than half of all energy consumed in the nation, White said. Transportation is next on the list, followed by in-home consumption.

White, a 1969 University graduate, analyzes and evaluates intergovernmental energy programs and transportation and appliance efficiency programs in his position with the FEA.

The economist was the first guest lecturer in the 1975-established Elliott Lecture Series, honoring distinguished University alumni.



"ALL TOGETHER NOW"

## Committee on humans leaves most unaware

By CHERYL MANKE

Although the University's Programming Council's Committee on Human Awareness has been around for three years, few humans are aware of it.

Despite campus ignorance, this committee is putting together some good ideas, according to Committee Co-Chairpersons Winifred Ferguson and Walt Steimel.

They say that Human Awareness was begun to help

eliminate stereotypes among people of different cultural backgrounds on campus, unifying them through programs for awareness.

"The impetus may have grown out of the emotions accompanying a suit filed in 1974 against the University by the local chapter of the NAACP, Ferguson said. The suit concerned racial discrimination in hiring practices."

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## News Digest By the Associated Press

**SAN FRANCISCO**—A telephone caller threatened to set off a bomb in the Mark Hopkins Hotel while convicted bank robber Patricia Hearst was in the Top of the Mark bar, a hotel official said Tuesday.

The anonymous caller, a man, was quoted as saying "We are the SLA" in an account of the incident in the Hearst-owned San Francisco Examiner.

In obtaining Miss Hearst's release from prison on bail last Friday, her attorneys argued that she was in danger because of

her testimony about Symbionese Liberation Army activities during her time as a fugitive in the company of SLA members.

**WASHINGTON**—The government Tuesday took its second step within 24 hours to phase out fluorocarbon aerosols, this time by announcing an interim requirement that your spray antiperspirant or perfume be labeled as hazardous to earth.

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virtually all other aerosol items in the cosmetic and personal care market — would have to carry this legend:

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**WASHINGTON** — President-elect Jimmy Carter named 133 persons to his Washington transition staff on Tuesday, including key campaign aides and young governmental-affairs specialists.

Forty of those named will be responsible for liaison with the various federal departments and agencies. The transition office said the list of liaison officers was delivered to the White House on Monday evening and those named will work with Ford officials previously named by the White House.

**MORGANFIELD, Ky.**— Nearly 500 miners have refused to enter a Peabody Coal Co. mine near here since last Friday when a bomb was found deep

inside the shaft, a union official said Tuesday.

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** — A case of swine flu has been confirmed in Missouri, and federal health officials have sent investigators and promised emergency supplies of flu vaccine if needed.

Both state and federal officials said, however, there is no reason to believe the isolated case signals the start of an epidemic. The swine flu patient in Missouri recovered from the disease.

# Detering capital punishment . . .

Try to imagine this scene—in an abandoned warehouse a syndicate leader directs his hit-man to shoot a business leader.

The hit-man sighs, and then looks back at his boss. "Sorry," he says, "but ever since the Supreme Court ruled on capital punishment, I feel deterred."

Silly, isn't it?

Here's one even sillier—two men get drunk at a bar, start an argument, begin a fist fight, and then one pulls out a gun.

Just before he pulls the trigger, his opponent whispers, "Don't

forget the Supreme Court decision." The man peacefully puts away his gun.

Advocates of capital punishment have always argued the death penalty is a deterrent to murder and rape. They usually prove their point by bringing up Scripture for affirmation of secular retribution.

Those proponents ignore the irrelevancy of capital punishment. It probably won't be too long before America has its first execution in ten years. And with convicted murderers in Utah and Texas pleading with the court to

be shot, the whole issue of the death penalty becomes even more crucial.

The reintroduction of the death penalty in 11 states, according to FBI statistics, actually resulted

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in a small, net increase of murders.

The states with the lowest murder rates—Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Vermont, Maine, North Dakota—are

among the 16 which do not employ executioners.

The myth that capital punishment deters murder is deeply ingrained, overlooking the facts about most killings. The FBI says 71 percent of all murders are the result of a passionate, angry mind, a mind that will not consider deterrents when the trigger is pulled.

So, the proponent's argument goes, if the murderers are not killed, then they will get out of prison and kill somebody else. The experts know otherwise.

Dr. Kenneth Wells, one of the leading authorities on capital punishment, said "the history of murderers who have escaped the death penalty shows the best examples of successful rehabilitation..."

The death penalty is not needed to prevent the convicted murderer from killing again. Paroled murderers commit fewer crimes than any other category of serious criminals, and those who remain dangerous are simply not paroled.

A National Council on Crime report once found that cases of homicide committed by persons pardoned from the death penalty are rare if not almost unknown. In fact, of all those convicted murderers released, less than 1 percent committed another killing.

But there is an even more convincing story to be told. Juries and judges refuse to convict under the death penalty because they think the penalty is too harsh. The case of Gary Gilmore in Utah is the perfect example of an unwilling legal system.

Harvard law professor Alan Dershowitz once said, "The death penalty, especially if it is made mandatory, may actually increase crime by producing more acquittals and more deadlocked juries in cases where the defendant is guilty but where some jurors conclude he doesn't deserve death."

Of course, the most disgraceful injustice of all would be the hanging of an innocent man. And with a foolish ruling on capital punishment, the Supreme Court is going to allow just that to happen.

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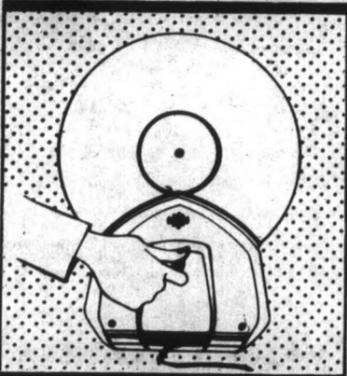
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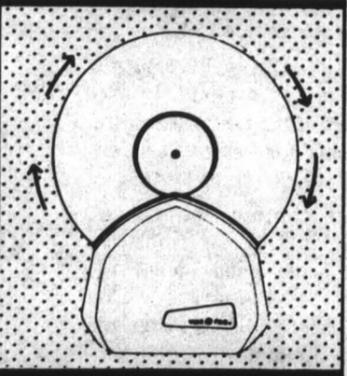
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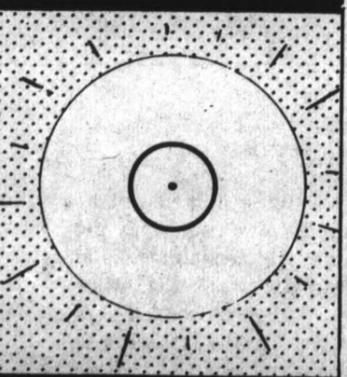
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# Dance brings yuletide spirit



Francisco Martinez, Charles Watkins and Stan Rogers (left to right) will portray the three wise men in "A Day for Dancing." The production, sponsored by the University dance department and University Christian Church, will be performed Nov. 27-28.

University students will be welcomed back from their Thanksgiving holiday and will be pointed toward Christmas with "A Day for Dancing."

This dance choral work, which has become a Christmas tradition at the University and University Christian Church, will be performed in the church's sanctuary Nov. 28 and 29 at 7:30 p.m.

Forty-five University ballet and modern dance students will dance to music supplied by the chapel choir and a wind ensemble under the direction of Ruth Whitlock of the music faculty.

"'A Day for Dancing' is not only an event of artistic excellence, but it is also an event of deep religious significance," Dr. Billy Joe Hannon, production coordinator said.

Nine carols from the 15th and 16th centuries will be performed, retelling the Christmas story from the Old Testament prophecies to the birth of Jesus

and the visit of the wise men.

"The combination of dance, vocal and instrumental music gives a profound interpretation of the traditional Christmas biblical lessons," Hannon said. "There is no better way to begin the Advent season (leading up to Christmas) than by joining in the celebration of 'A Day for Dancing.'"

A leader in the field of church dance, Jerry Cochran, director of modern dance believes people should have the opportunity to welcome the holiday season as Christians did centuries ago. Dance can be traced back to the middle ages as a form of wor-

ship, she said.

Cochran, who plays the role of Prophecy in this year's production, has choreographed or "danced a prayer" for churches of most major Protestant denominations, in Roman Catholic cathedrals, and for a Jewish congregation.

"We live in a time when some may find dancing in church strange or unusual. I feel a responsibility to use totally trained dancers, to make the visual experience one that everyone can relate to and to show it in the finest way possible so that dance can be a form of prayer for those watching."

## Eastern worship held

An Eastern Orthodox worship service will be held Sunday at 10 a.m. in Robert Carr Chapel.

Father Thomas Green of Saint Seraphim's Eastern Orthodox Church in Dallas will be available at 9 a.m. for students desiring time for confession.

Green has been named Eastern Orthodox chaplain for the University and is traveling to various schools to set up regular services of worship for members of that faith.

Coffee and a light snack will follow the service.

## Awareness unites people

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"At first I think many felt Human Awareness was a minority organization," he said, "because many original members were either black, Mexican-American or Chicano."

But this isn't the case. "Human Awareness Committee isn't just for minorities; the concept has grown to include the International student, the older-than-average student," Steimel explained. "We want to get people together, get them involved. Mutual personal and community enrichment are the goals," he said.

The committee suffered a setback last year when key officers and members became disassociated through other time-demanding activities, Ferguson said. Funds were in short supply also.

"But the committee has grown this year, with six fully active members. And we have an an-

nual budget of \$1500—maybe \$1800 next year," Ferguson said.

So, what does the HAC do with all that loot? Lots of things. "In the first year, Human Awareness sponsored a Student Center presentation of the poems of B.F. Maiz, a black poet well-known by many campus people," Ferguson said. "There was also 'A Happening Thing' (impromptu theater) in which audience participation was encouraged."

The exhibits set up in the Student Center Lounge that retell the story of the Spanish and the black races in Texas history were an idea that blossomed in Human Awareness Committee, Steimel said.

Human Awareness gave financial support to the seminar on World Hunger held a few weeks ago.

An International Food Tasting Luncheon is planned for February, Ferguson said. The International Student

Association will volunteer to help cook the feast. Then ISA and Human Awareness will join to host the luncheon in the Student Center Ballroom.

"If people take an interest in the foods, perhaps they'll be more interested in the people behind the foods," Steimel said. Future plans also include another impromptu theater production and a speaker for Black Awareness Week.

Steimel is also hoping to promote a program next semester to get campus "shut-ins" out of their rooms and into campus activities. Programs featuring counseling and refreshments would be held on weekends at various dormitories, he said.

"In a way, we're like creative programming," Ferguson explained, "if you have an idea, but no money, come and discuss it with us. We invite all people who would like to become members."

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