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Salaries raised: but is it enough?

By BARRY MORRIS

Faculty members got a tardy Christmas present this year . . . a pay hike that went into effect Jan. 1. Both instructors and administrators however, are debating whether the raise is sufficient.

The money appropriated for the pay increases was divided between the deans by Vice Chancellor and Dean of the University Thomas Brewer. The deans then designated the funds available to each department.

The pay raises were determined by merit and were distributed on an individual basis to faculty personnel by the individual department chairmen, according to Brewer.

Department chairmen, followed general guidelines set up by the administration in administering the pay raises.

Brewer noted that despite the fact that the hike was not an acrossthe-board increase, nearly all faculty members received some kind of

"I could count on two hands the number (of faculty members) who did not receive raises," he said.

Even with the raises the University remains below the national norm in the salary scale for associate and full professors, the two highest ranks of professorship. Business manager Joe Enochs said that the University plans to raise these salaries in the future to a more competitive level. "It appeared to me that the administration was making a concerted effort to increase the salaries of those in the upper ranks," he said.

History department chairman Dr. Maurice Boyd said this raise in salaries did not place much emphasis on seniority, but on "what the instructors had been worth to the University."

Administering the pay raises during the middle of the academic year has posed some problems for the administration.

The Association of American University Professors (AAUP) publishes a comparative list of faculty salaries from schools around the nation, recording each schools' September salary figures. Since the University pay raises come in January, the figures sent in to the AAUP are nine months behind in its pay scale, compared to most other universities.

But the Jan. 1 pay date does have its advantages, noted Brewer. "In January, we know precisely what our enrollment for the year is, and all the audits are in from our endowments. It's a lot harder building a budget when you don't know these things."

A random survey of instructors indicated most were satisfied with the raise in salary.

Associate history professor Clayton Brown was "quite pleased" with his raise. "It's given me a lift of morale. My sense of loyalty to the University is stronger."

One first-year teacher was "very pleased" that he received a raise after his first semester at the University. He added that he was impressed by the way raises were handled, noting that at his former school the "faculty got pretty upset" over the issue.

Not all faculty members were totally satisfied with their increases. "Realistically speaking, I got what I expected," said one instructor, "but I wish it could be more. The increases have not kept up with the rate of inflation."

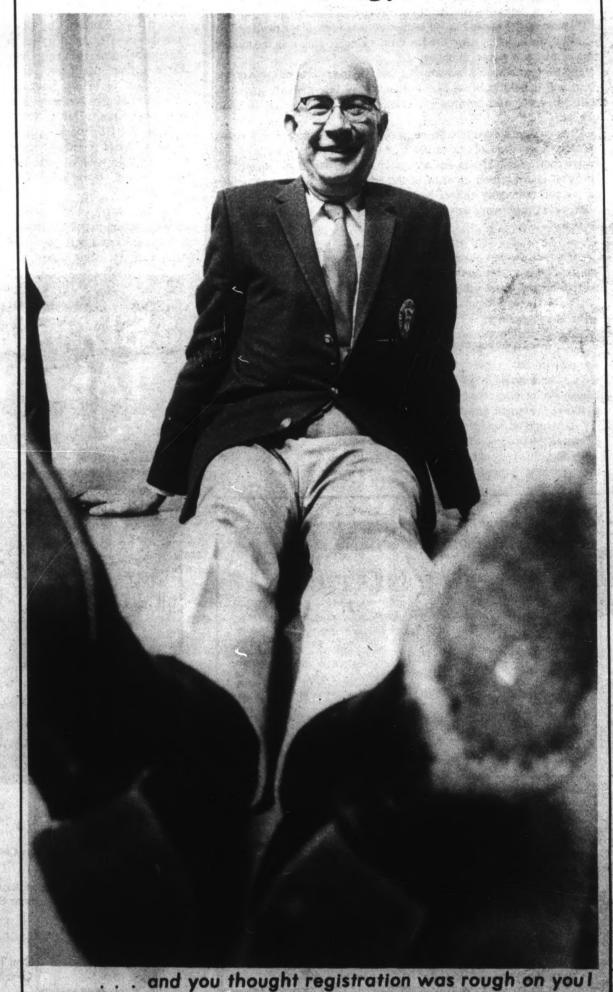
Brewer reinforced the comment. "The money the faculty receives is never enough. They deserve every penny and more."

Another area of discontent was the method by which the announcement regarding pay increases was made. Faculty Senate chairman Dr. Ray Remley noted that many people were relating the teacher pay raises directly to the hike in tuition costs, which will become effective in the fall of this year.

Brewer said, however, that although the amount of additional tuition money would in fact just about equal the payroll increases of all University employees, tuition increases would not be used solely for pay raises.

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Opinion

Editors outline semester goals

The success of a newspaper can be measured many ways. For some journalists a successful paper is one with a large circulation, for others it is one that has won sought after journalism awards.

We feel that if these two qualities make a good newspaper, the Daily Skiff is indeed a fine one. But is this the barometer we should be using?

The Skiff has a circulation of approximately 4,000 campus readers. It can list among its awards several Pacemaker All-American awards and a Sigma Delta Chi Best in Region award. Its writers have been lauded with awards from the Southwest Journalism Congress and from Sigma Delta Chi, the Society of Professional Journalists.

One award the paper has yet to receive, however, is the praise of its readers. We feel that award is the most valuable one. It is the goal of this semester's paper to obtain it.

The stories and editorials which appear in the spring editions of the Skiff will hopefully bring to the attention of the students issues of national, local and campus importance that are relevant to Skiff readers.

All opinion material will be on page two of the paper and labeled opinion. Any editorial appearing in the paper is the opinion of the entire Skiff staff. Topics for editorials will be discussed among an editorial board which consists of the editor, news editor, associate editor and managing editor.

Because the opinions are those of the entire staff, editorials will not be signed.

We realize we are not infallible. Therefore, so far as it is in our power we shall give a voice to those who disagree with us through letters to the editor and guest editorials.

Editorial notes will not be attached to any correspondences unless an error is contained or a response is requested. All letters should be typed and double-spaced. Letters should not exceed 200 words. All letters will be edited for spelling, grammar and taste. Letters must be signed with name, classification or title.

Guest editorials should be cleared with the Associate Editor in advance. Editorials should not exceed 500 words and will be edited for spelling, grammar and taste.

Letters and editorials can be brought to Dan Rogers Hall room 115, or sent to the Daily Skiff through inter-office mail.

We hope this year to be able to present a fair and accurate account of the news in a manner that will interest and inform the student body.

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News Digest

By the Associated Press

WASHINGTON—The Labor Department is considering new procedures to speed regulations designed to limit worker exposure to cancer-causing chemicals.

The regulations, proposed by the department's Occupational Safety and Health Administration, would set new uniform standards for identifying and regulating all potential cancer-causing agents. In the past, the agency has set regulations through a slower, case-by-case process.

DEARBORN, Mich.—Ford Motor Co. will reduce the price of selected option packages from \$32 to \$250 on several of its cars and trucks, beginning Feb. 1.

Ford said Monday the price cuts do not affect base prices or individual options, but only those decor options purchased as a trim, sport or luxury package.

General Motors and American Motors began offering cash rebates last November to boost slumping sales of certain small cars and both recently extended the rebate programs into February.

WASHINGTON—The Carter administration hopes to provide a \$50 cash payment for each American, including those who are too poor to pay taxes, Carter budget director, Bert Lance, said today.

Lance said the payment would be in the form of a \$50 tax rebate for each exemption claimed by a taxpayer. There also would be a cash payment for persons receiving Social Security benefits and for low-income persons who don't pay taxes.

TEL AVIV, Israel—Defense Minister Shimon Peres, reacting to reports of new advances by Syrian troops into southern Lebanon, warned on Tuesday that Israel "cannot tolerate a threat approaching its bor-

But he added that "the whole matter is still being examined" and said the government would draw no conclusions "before it has all the facts before it."

The military command said a unit of the Syrain peacekeeping force in Lebanon moved Monday into the southern town of Nabatiyeh, a mostly Moslem settlement just eight miles from the tip of Israel's northeastern panhandle.

MADRID, Spain—Police arrested more than 60 persons Tuesday in an effort to stem rising political violence that has left six dead. But new disorders were feared as angry leftists took to the streets to demand vengeance for rightist violence.

More than 35,000 workers walked off their jobs in Madrid and some 30,000 struck the Barcelona SEAT plant, Spain's largest automobile factory, to protest the mcahine-gun killing of four Communists by gunman presumed to be right-wing extremists.

Leftists in Madrid called for a general strike Wednesday.

washington—The Senate took the first step toward writing a code of ethics for itself yesterday but heard objections to having it linked to the adoption of a hefty pay raise for Congress.

WASHINGTON—The chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee said yesterday he is convinced the nation must return to the draft as a source of military manpower.

The principal witness was Defense Secretary Harold Brown, who told the committee it would be another month before President Carter will decide what changes to make in the \$123 billion, defense budget sent to Congress a week ago by the outgoing Ford administration.

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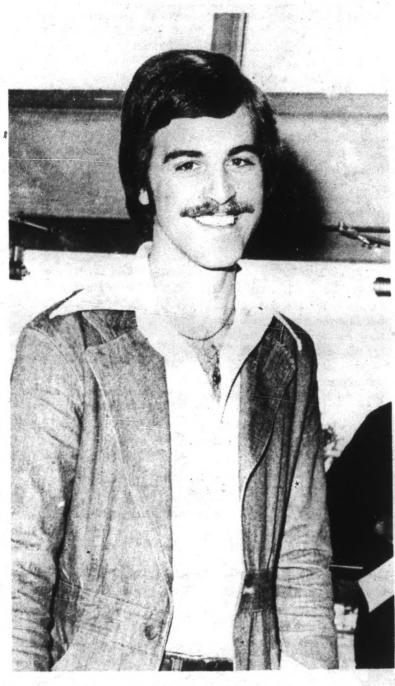
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Veitenheimer seeks unified campus



MIKE VEITENHEIMER

Playing with fire is a no-no

Students who jeopardize the safety of other students in residence halls by tampering with fire alarms and playing with fire fighting equipment will be referred to the Dean of Students office and subject to immediate suspension from school.

Bob Neeb, director of Residential Living and Housing said the new policy is meant to stop a number of false alarms that have been set off in recent years.

"In the last year, our bill for replacement of fire prevention equipment was over \$6,000. We've had 10 or 12 false alarms in Milton Daniel alone," Neeb said.

The danger in such games appears when Housing needs to evacuate a dormitory. "We have trouble evacuating halls in a fire drill or a real fire. When you have a series of false alarms, students refuse to evacuate, hiding in their rooms," Neeb said.

Residential Living tried to solve the problem by implementing a concentrated safety education program but failed. Consequently, consultations began last fall between the Dean of Students office, the Student Conduct Committee, Housing, and the Fort Worth Fire Department. Jointly they decided the strict disciplinary action was the best solution.

"The main thing is to get students to understand what can happen when they tamper with fire or fire equipment. It seems the more attention we give the problem, the less cooperation we get," Neeb said.

Most kinds of fires in the dorms are also the result of student pranks. "There are two or three kinds of pranks. One is to squirt lighter fluid under the door and hold a match next to it. One student set fire to a door by burning paper on it," Neeb said.

The real danger in fires is from the smoke. "It does not take long to engulf an area in smoke. Heat, not flames, is our main problem."

Catching pranksters is not easy. "It's hard to catch someone. That's why they will do it. But in the last year and a half, we have caught a few individuals," Neeb said. They usually received a warning reprimand.

By RITA MILLER

When Jimmy Carter took office, he set as his goal getting people involved in government again. Just as he is making himself available to all people, TCU's president of the Student House of Representatives, Mike Veitenheimer, wants to unify all the people on campus.

Veitenheimer came to the University three years ago. He knew the Student Government was doing "something," but didn't know exactly what it was. Students he felt, didn't know what was happening on campus. Last semester he decided to try to change that.

"People on campus are pacified, but they're not satisfied. To me this is a big campus and there is no reason why activities shouldn't go on that people want," Veitenheimer said

"The most important goal of my administration is to achieve a high level of student involvement in student government."

How does your average student become involved? One way is to voice their opinions to House members, Veitenheimer said. "Students can voice their opinion or complaint, preferably to their representative, who can bring it to the executive board. Or they can come talk to me personnally."

Students, particularly those who are not already involved, are shy about coming by the House offices. So, somewhat like President Carter is going to the people of America, Veitenheimer, along with the Executive Board, plans to go to the people of TCU.

"Before we initiate a lot of the bills we're thinking about, we'll go back and talk to the people in the dorms and on Greek Hill just like we did in the campaign."

Veitenheimer says he wants to know what the students want and

Though he would like to see more students on committees, Veitenheimer also feels people can become involved on campus by participating in Student Government and Programming Council sponsored entertainment.

"One of the big changes we're making is to reunite the House and Programming Council. We are really one organization, but last year the Vice President of Programming rarely even attended executive board meetings. This time Diane Delaney, vice president of Programming will attend.

"This is important," Mike added, "because a majority of our money goes to Programming Council. By unifying them we will have the advantage of more people being actively involved in planning activities. This will, in turn, represent more student input."

Another problem on campus has been getting people to attend the movies and lectures—something Veitenheimer blames, in part, on bad publicity.

"We had a retreat with Programming Council last weekend and they were taught how to plan and execute publicity. I let them know I think we can have a big turnout."

Social functions are not all Veitenheimer, a political science and speech communication double major, is concerned about. There are many other useful things the House can do for the student body, he says. "Campus safety is an area where we can carry a lot of weight."

However, he added that he knew of no proposals in that area now, but thought it would be a good idea. Getting more lights on campus is something the House might work for, he said, but was not so sure about some other things—like increased visitation and alcohol on campus.

"I am one of the many hundreds or thousands of students who'd like to see liquor on campus, but at the same time I think we must be realistic. Moudy has told me there will be no liquor on campus as long as he's here.

"Now if we are going to be realistic, we must decide if we want to do all the work for it only to have Moudy veto it?"

If a bill is resubmitted in the House this time it will follow the same course as any other bill and if the committee and the students want it pursued, it will be, he said.

Will Moudy change his mind?
In Veitenheimer's opinion—no. "I
think we could have a peaceful
demonstration of 4,000 people
and it wouldn't change
anything"

Veitenheimer also fully realizes the powers of the House

in this area or any other are limited. He would like to institutionalize student government—establish specific functions of the House. In any event, cooperation with the administration is very important, he said.

"If we gain the respect of the administration, they will let us do more. If we fight them, we lose—we can't play power politics against the administration."

What he really wants is a government that gets along with the administration while pleasing the student body—in essence a unified TCU.

"At the retreat we got in groups and drew pictures of what TCU was like and what we wanted it to be like. The first picture we drew the parts of a body, labelling them the various aspects of the school. None of the pieces were linked and we labeled it "TCU Broken."

"The second picture, we put the pieces together and called it "TCU Unified". The third one, the pieces were all together and the person was smiling—"TCU mappy". The final picture depicted the person running and we called it "TCU Movin On". "That's going to be our theme, at least my personal theme—to get TCU movin' on."

Kennedy's death still being probed

It has been over 13 years since President John F. Kennedy was shot on a cold November morning, but the interest in the assassination has never died.

A man who has devoted his life to investigating the assassination brings his theory on the Kennedy murder to campus tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

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By CINDY RUGELEY

The film is rolling. On the football field two fictional teams have assembled. One team, from Miami is clad in red and white uniforms. The other team, from Dallas, is wearing red pants and white jersys with white numbers and letters.

Off camera another group of players, decked in

Off camera another group of players, decked in the same red and white attire stands. Amongst them is the coach. His dress deviates from the red and white pattern however in one respect. He is wearing a purple TCU Frog jucket.

The filming is for the movie "Semi-Brugh" and the coach is former TCU student Norman Alden

Alden, who attended the University in 1965-47 said the jacket probably will not be worm in the actual movie.

"This jacket was given to me albut a year ago by Johnny Swaim." Alden said. The Frug Baskethall Coach and Alden went to the University tugether.

Alden never graduated from the University because of problems he describes as unfortunate but unescapable. His father had died a few years before he came here leaving the younger Alden and Alden's mother to run a business.

Alden left the University and went to work for KXOL radio station as a disc judicy. He later became part of a comedy series running on the station playing the part of character named "Epod." "That's dope spelled backwards," Alden explained.

While at the University Alden said he didn't take much of anything too seriously, but did pilay some football and baseball.

Alden said he believes he has always been in entertainment in some way or another. "I always like to get in a crowd and play the joker," he said.

After the radio show Alden moved to New York with some friends and later caught a ride with a friend to California. "He told me if I wanted to go back to New York the next week to meet him in Las Vegas. I didn't have the money to get to Las Vegas so I just stayed in California."

While there he was babysitting for a friend one day and when she needed a ride to audition for the Milton Berle show he decided to take her and audition a comedy routine himself.

One week later he was back in New York appearing in the show.

Alden has since appeared in numerous movies, including Kansas City Bomber with Raquel Welch. He has also had guest appearances in "almost every TV series." Alden jokingly says his most popular role was that of the man who drowned in Mary Hartman's chicken soup.

Alden hopes to someday star in a TV series of his own. "I would like to get back into comedy and besides the series gives me security."

Acting to Alden is just like any other job. "I get paid enough to feed my family. That's what the job is for. It is a little more hectic at times than a regular job would be, but mostly it is the same type of 8-5 situation.

He admits he is recognized a lot of times when out shopping or playing golf and asked for an autograph. "I think that is really great. It would bother me if I wasn't recognized," he emphasized.



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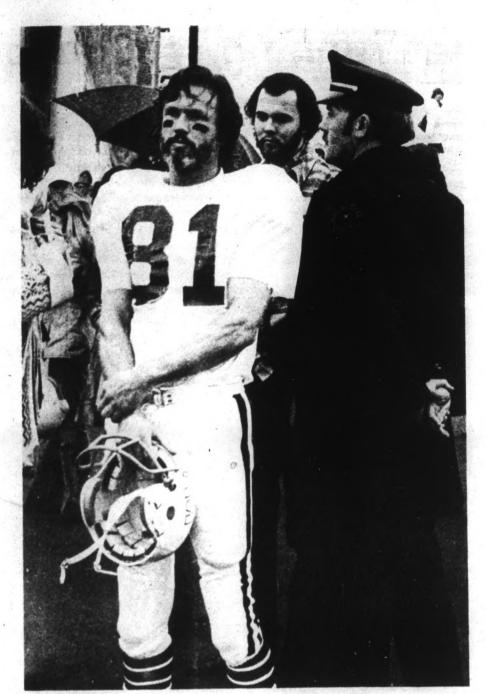
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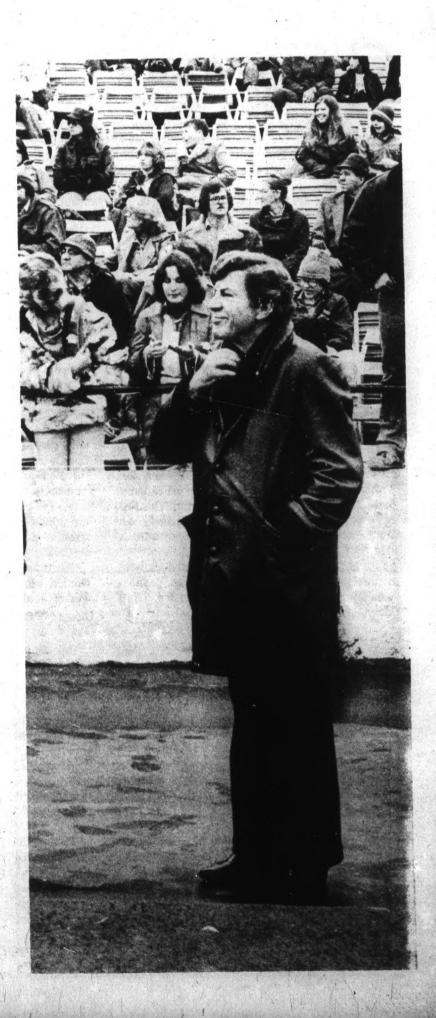
Photo essay

by Cindy Rugeley



During filming breaks of "Semi-Tough" a stuntman entertained crowds by leaping from a helicopter into an air mattress. Actor Robert Preston looks on.

A 'Semi-Tough' day at the Cotton Bowl





HUGH PARMER

Parmer running for mayor

City councilman Hugh Parmer announced yesterday as candidate for mayor of Fort Worth, saying he anticipates "an uphill fight" against incumbent Clif Overcash.

In his announcement, attended by press and friends, including several TCU faculty and students, Parmer stressed as campaign issues utility rates, jobs and the Fort Worth tax structure.

The city-wide election will be held Saturday, April 2.

Parmer is a 37-year-old Fort Worth businessman whose interest has oscillated between government service and state and city politics, and developing a company which now has gross earnings of \$2 million annually. He has been a city councilman for two years.

He became the youngest member ever elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1962 at the age of 23. After his defeat in 1964, he held various positions in Washington, including one with the Peace Corps and another with the Teacher Corps.

Parmer was graduated with honors from Yale in

political science, and held a graduate teaching fellowship at TCU.

Parmer said in his announcement he is concerned over the city's decreased tax base, which he said would create ultimately a problem similar to that of other major cities. He cited a North Central Texas Council of Governments study which he said shows Tarrant County to have grown 10.5 per cent since 1970, while the City of Fort Worth has decreased 2.3 per cent.

"This means that growth has occurred in suburban cities whose residents use Fort Worth service, streets, parks and libraries, but do not participate in our tax base," he said.

Parmer is generally credited with having fought for and won single member districts for the city council, which he says has brought government closer to people. He also takes responsibility for the slum housing enforcement policy, para-medical ambulance service, the adding of 10 detectives to the police department and converting the North Side coliseum to western events.

Clergywomen getting jobs

Clergywomen are gaining headway in getting jobs, but still have trouble being accepted in many circles because of their sex.

Resistance to women in the ministry still exists, said the Rev. Jo Taylor, a graduate of Brite working at the southwest regional headquarters of the Disciples of Christ.

Two years ago, Taylor had to show an ordination certificate or a signed letter saying she was a minister before Harris Hospital in Fort Worth would give her a minister's parking sticker.

Since then, Baylor Hospital in Dallas has refused Linda Hanna, a colleague of Taylor's, a sticker because she is not ordained. At the same time a male working in ministry, but unordained, received two.

People also differentiate between male and female ministers by asking a man to "preach" and a woman to "speak," said Taylor.

However, women are finding it easier to be placed in positions now than several years ago. Last fall some churches in the Metroplex flatly refused women for student internships, causing difficulty placing women in field education, said Walter R. Naff, director, field service education at Brite. Naff would not name the churches. This fall, however three more positions than students are available. The churches would welcome women, said Naff.

In 1975, "All who graduated and wanted positions in ministry are currently serving as pastors, associate ministers or in campus ministry," Naff added. The Rev. Elizabeth Johnson Pense, now working on her doctorate of ministry and doing substitute preaching, said her experiences have been positive.

Women colleagues, however, have told her getting a second job proved harder than landing the first. Pense attributed this to a "lack of advocacy within the system."

Both Pense and Taylor said they experienced acceptance from male staff members in their jobs.

The ministry should be offered to women because denying "them the right to be ministers means they are not as good of Christians as men," said Arthur F. Headley Jr. Headley is a member at University Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and is a student at Brite.

Headley said the argument most often used against women participating in ministry is Apostle Paul's statement that a woman should keep silence in church.

Paula E. Burdick, a Southern Baptist at Brite, said she has not sensed any resentment toward female students at Brite, but has felt antagonism directed at females in other seminaries in the Metroplex.

Nancy Ann Bohning, a Methodist at Brite, said the atmosphere there is a community one. When asked if she felt a constant need to prove herself, she said, "No, I don't at Brite."

Churches look for male ministers first and women second, said Burdick, "if they look for women at all." Bohning and Headley also said they thought churches would look for men first.

Peanuts seem to be popping up everywhere these days, and the Annual Faculty Exhibition in the Student Center is no exception. Shown is an untitled goober created by Richard Lincoln, Associate Professor of French and Art.

No suspect arrested

Campus security and Fort Worth police are still investigating the alleged assault of a TCU student Dec. 11, 1976, but no suspect has been arrested.

Ed Carson, campus assistant police chief, said the description given of the assailant could fit any one of 2,000 people in Fort Worth.

The alleged incident took place on the perimeters of campus in the vicinity of the corner of Bellaire Dr. and Rogers at approximately 6:30 a.m.

Fort Worth police were notified immediately of the incident. TCU security became involved when a cruising officer came into the area while the Fort Worth police were investigating.

The victim, according to Carson, "was not sure at the time whether the action that had taken place contained all the elements that constitute rape." Buck Beneze, assistant dean of students said the victim has now said she was not raped.

Following the incident the girl was taken by security to the University Health Center where she was treated for cuts and bruises.

Liquor issue brought up

An amendment to a bill to allow alcohol on campus is to be submitted to the House next week, said house member John Cowles.

The amendment, proposed by Cowles in November, never came to the floor of the House although the Student Affairs Committee accepted it unanimously.

Because of the opposition he met at that time, Cowles said it would be better to wait until the new administration takes office to resubmit it.

Hogs climb in

college poll

Stalking recruits with F.A. Dry

By David Bennett

Note: Head Football coach F.A. Dry offered to take this writer on a short recruiting trip during the Christmas break. Here is my report:

"The best way to find out if you've got a good football team is to go through the locker room and check the shoe sizes. If you find a lot of 71/2's you know you're in trouble.

That is a slightly less than serious remark of F.A. Dry, the man with the responsibility of remaking the Horned Frog football program.

The former Houston Oiler and University of Tulsa coach has been moving throughout Texas this past month in search of quick and large players for the 1977 edition of the Horned Frogs.

Earlier this month he left for Houston with assistant coach Alvin "Tookie" Berry and this writer. The journey was designed specifically to locate a quarter-back with the combined ability to lead the team and to operate Dry's veer offense.

In less than 24 hours on the road we had visited three of the top prospects in the state and Dry's words were always positive—trying to avoid any reference to the past three years at TCU.

"We want you to visit TCU,"
Dry would begin while settling
into a living room chair at the
prospect's home.

"We need someone who can run the veer. We need a young man who is quick, can run, and throw the ball. We also need someone who can lead the team. I need a guy who can walk out on to the Coliseum field (the Frogs play USC this year) and not be awed by the Trojans.

"I also need someone who won't be afraid of that sniper," Dry adds with a sense of humor refering to the movie "Two-Minute Warning."

Dry then pauses, leans forward in his chair and adds, "During my four years as head football coach at the University of Tulsa, 25 of my players signed pro contracts. One of them was a quarterback in the Senior Bowl this year and my quarterback in 1975 was the No. 2 draft pick last year by the Oakland Raiders."

Suddenly the youngster became interested.

"Well, what date can you come

up and visit us?" Dry asks in his straightforward manner.

"Gosh, you just came right out and asked me, didn't you?" one shocked prospect replied. He will be visiting TCU sometime during February.

Most recruits are unsure and scared. They have no idea of where they want to go or what they want to do. Basically they are no different from any other high school senior except for the fact that head football coaches are constantly appearing at their front door, begging them to come to their school.

On this trip we stayed right on the trail of Fred Akers, the new Texas Longhorn coach, Rice's Rice, and SMU's Meyer. We had to leave one recruit because another coach was coming right after us. It is enough to boggle anyone's mind.

The competition is fierce on the recruiting trail, but Dry leaves the impression that he loves this part of football.

"I really enjoy getting to meet parents along with the athletes," he says. With his unending pace, he gets plenty of chances.

A recruiting day with Dry normally begins at 8 a.m. by reading the morning paper. He noticed in the final poll that TCU will be playing five of the top twenty teams in the nation next fall.

We then hopped in the car and during the next five hours drove more than 100 miles in Houston to visit two quarterbacks. Recruiting means a lot of boring time spent in the car or drab coffee shops. During a break for lunch Dry decides to look for a kicker, a well known blank spot in the Frogs lineup.

After talking to a high school coach and making some phone calls, Detective Dry gets a lead on a kid who kicked a 54-yard field goal. After driving another 45 minutes to locate the school we discover the youngster is just a

junior and won't graduate until 1978.

While coaching at Tulsa, Dry and his staff found that in the Southwest conference a large percentage of the players are recruited from District 4-A teams.

"We decided to go into towns in Texas and had great success in places like Malakoff, Arp, Nederland, Beckville, Pine Tree and Naples. If you go into Dallas you can get into a dogfight real fast."

Dry has broken Texas into different areas for his staff of eight coaches to cover. They are on the road Sunday through Friday but return to campus to meet with recruits who are visiting here.

"I'm letting my coaches do all the recruiting," Dry says. Some schools let alumni do some recruiting work, but Dry will have no part of that.

"My coaches can work full time and most importantly they know what the rules are."

At an alumni reception in Houston in Dry's honor, he found the alums frustrated but ready to win. They offered Dry their full support. The coach then stressed to the group that everything must be done honestly.

"You've got to make everybody feel like they are somebody. If you can't do that then you really aren't worth anything.

Just before the alumni meeting, Dry had heard about a punter and field goal kicker at another high school. We hurried over and the coaches rounded up the lad who had to duck when he came in the door. He said he was about 6-5 and weighed 240 pounds.

"What size shoes do you wear?" Dry asked.

"I guess 12 ½ or 13," the boy

Dry smiled and said, "When do you want to visit us?"

By CHUCK AULT

The Michigan Wolverines inched closer yesterday to recapturing the number one spot in the Associated Press collegiate basketball poll.

Michigan, by defeating three Big 10 opponents last week, grabbed the number 2 ranking advancing from last week's fifth position.

The only SWC representative in the Top 20 is Arkansas which is ranked 15th. The Razorbacks are 14-1 this season and along with the Houston Cougars hope to bring level of respectability to Southwest Conference basketball.

The biggest jump in the rankings occurred when Tennessee moved from 14th to seventh, while Cincinnati suffered the worst decline dropping from 2nd to 12th after losing to Tulane last week.

The San Francisco Dons remained atop the list despite a loss to the Athletes in Action, 104-85.

- 1. San Francisco
- 2. Michigan
- 3. Alabama
- 4. North Carolina
- 5. Nevada-LV
- 6. Kentucky
- 7. Tennessee8. UCLA
- 9. Marquette
- 10. Wake Forest
- 11. Louisville
- 12. Cincinnati
- 13. Minnesota
- 14. Providence15. Arkansas
- 16. Arizona
- 17. Syracuse
- 18. Purdue
- 19. Clemson
- 20. Memphis

Coach Guy Shaw Thompson's track team was off and stumbling last week at the Sooner Indoor Relays in Norman, Okla. For Thompson, it was a case of not liking what he didn't see.

If that sounds confusing, you've got to realize that since September, Thompson has lost 7 runners. Some have been academic casualties, others just decided to go elswhere.

Senior Phil Delancy, a member of last years sprint relay quartet which finished sixth in the NCAAs, placed second in the 300 yards dash at Norman last week. Richard Troy was the only other Horned Frog who met with any success finishing fifth in the 300 yard dash.

This was the first of three indoor meets for the Frogs. This weekend the thinclads will go to Monroe, La., and then on Feb. 4 the Frogs will run in the Southwest Conference Indoor Championships at Tarrant County Convention Center.

"I hope people don't judge us on how we perform next week at the indoor meet because we'll put something together before the outdoor season," Thompson said.

Among the missing this season will be Lorenzo Ashford, the 1976 SWC Indoor 60-yard champion. And Jerry Thomas, the 1976 SWC outdoor 220 champ, did not return to the University this spring.

Thompson has high hopes for Alfred McAfee, a mid-term inductee from Ranger Junior College. "He's a quarter miler and sprinter and we'll probably use him on both relays," Thompson says.





Face Aggies tonight

Basketball team on skid row

When the Horned Frog basketball squad rolls into College Station tonight, Johnny Swaim might rather be fishing. He would probably rather be doing anything other than playing the Aggies at home.

But there are signs of hope that the Frogs may put it all together and win a conference gamesomeday. But it probably won't be tonight. The Ags have won 19 of their last 20 home games before falling to Houston last weekend.

The Frogs are coming off a respectable performance against the Tulane Green Wave last Monday night in New Orleans.

The Green Wave was coming off one of the season's big upsets last week after edging then No. 2 ranked Cincinnati, 78-75.

It looked like a scene from "The Way We Were" at the beginning as the Green Wave rolled to a 30-9 lead and just prior to half time made the margin 24 points (51-27).



TIM MARION

Hustling defense on the part of ≠ Remaining games × the celler dwelling Frogs narrowed the gap to 5 points, but the Tulane coach decided enough was too much.

The Green Wave then drowned the Frogs 100-82. Daryl Braden led the Frogs with 18 points while Tim Marion and Randy Boyts contributed 12 each.

Tipoff time tonight is 7:30 p.m. in College Station and the game will be broadcast in Ft. Worth on KRXV-AM 15.

Wed. Jan 26- Texas A&M (T) Sat. Jan 29- Texas (T) Tue. Feb 1- Texas A&M (H) Sat. Feb 5-SMU (T) Tue. Feb 8- Texas Tech (H) Thur Feb 10- Texas (H) Sat. Feb 12- Houston (T) Tue. Feb 15- Arkansas (H) Sat. Feb 19- Rice (T) Tue. Feb 22- Hardin Simmons Sat. Feb 26- 1st Round SWC

World champion cowboys Tom Ferguson, Chris LeDoux, Monty Henson, Don Gay and other stars will begin competition Friday for almost \$150,000 in prize money as the 1977 edition of the World's Original Indoor Rodeo begins at Will Rodgers Coliseum.

Included in the competition will be bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping, steer wrestling and wild horse racing.

The rodeo will continue through Feb. 6 in conjuction with the 81st **Annual Southwestern Exposition** and Fat Stock Show. Ticket information can be obtained by calling 332-7361.



Dave Bennett

Out of the Frying pan...

No one was surprised when North Texas State announced last week that they want to be members of the Southwest Conference. In a strange way, their appeal reminds me of when I was a kid.

In the old days, when my body was still functioning, I'd often think I was better than my buddies at whatever game they happened to play. I would wander off and try to play with the big guys. Sometimes I would be successful, but more often I would end up with a broken nose.

Under the leadership of Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Hayden Fry, the Mean Green have found themselves camped in the winning column in both football and basketball. Two years ago they withdrew from the Missouri Valley Conference and became an independant. Visions of national rankings danced in their heads.

Although the national rankings have been few and far between, North Texas teams continue to win. Among their magical accomplishments-a victory over Tennessee in Knoxville two years ago, a feat comparable to beating Billy Carter in a beer-drinking contest at his own gas station. And this year in the battle of the crybabies (Fry and former UT coach Darrell Royal have more excuses for losing than

Richard Nixon) the Mean Green lost to the Longhorns by only 3 points. The largest crowd all season, 65,000 bodies, showed up at Memorial Stadium for that near miss.

From 1926 to 1956 there were only seven teams in the SWC. Texas Tech was approved for admission in 1956 and Houston in 1971.

Coach Fry has found that being an independant isn't as great as he thought it would be, so now he wants to play with the big kids.

The SWC constitution says that admission is by invitation only. A three-fourths majority vote by the member schools is necessary to allow admission of another school.

This power play has been part of Fry's game plan ever since he was getting support. North Texas officials have another idea though-a state supported law school which would mean the end of SMU so Fry can't expect much support for the Mean Green from Ron's Mustangs.

The timing of the announcement was well thought out. Every football team in the nation happens to be right in the middle of recruiting season and Fry knows that those young men will hear of his plans. Hopefully, the recruits are smart enough to know that it took Houston almost 20 years to get into the conference. If it takes North Texas that long, Fry's sideburns will be whiter than snow.

What North Texas may really need is a strong dose of humility. In announcing their desire to join the SWC, NTSU president C.C. "Jitter" Nolen boasted, "I think we are easily where Houston was when they were admitted and I think we are ahead of them in football." They must be good. They claim they are better than the Cotton Bowl champs. From what I can remember, that's a good way to get a broken nose.

Horns lose 2nd sacker

Mark Chelette, a second baseman for the Texas Longhorn baseball team has been dropped from the team for academic reasons.

Chelette, a sophomore from Odessa was to battle several other noperuls for the starting spot at second, after Garry Pyka turned pro after his junior year at Texas.

TCU WRESTLING SCHEDULE Jan 28-29: Texas Tech tournament (T) Feb. 4: Univ. of Texas (T) Feb. 11: LeTourneau-Texas Tech-TCU (H) Feb. 18-19: Univ. of Texas tournament (T) Mar. 4-5: State Collegiate Tournament (H)