



ALGER HISS Photo by Galen Hollis

Hiss hits McCarthy with verbal blows

By Laura Egbert

"...McCarthy was a low, mean scoundrel; an ugly man without principle..." said Alger Hiss in an address Friday night in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

A former state department official, Hiss went before Senator Joe McCarthy's Committee on Un-American Activities for allegedly passing top secret documents to a communist spy ring in the United States in 1948.

During the hearing he was found guilty of two counts of perjury and sentenced to 10 years in jail. After serving two and one half years in jail, he was paroled.

Speaking Friday night on "The Role and Influence of the Press during the McCarthy Era and Watergate," Hiss said Mc-

Carthy's nickname, "Tail Gunner" Joe, was all false.

"During World War II he fired more shots than anyone else in his battalion. They called him 'Coconut Joe' because instead of shooting at planes he shot down coconuts."

Although Hiss was dissatisfied with his treatment by the press, he does not blame them. The hysteria which affected so many Americans during the McCarthy period affected the press as well.

"The difference between the way the press behaved then (McCarthy Era) and Watergate was an increase in sophistication," stated Hiss. That increase in sophistication stemmed from the tremendous growth in education.

After the formal lecture ended, a reception in the Student Center and an informal question and answer period followed.

"I have no reason to be bitter toward Mr. Nixon... he was just being an opportunistic politician," Hiss answered.

"I've asked for a public apology from Nixon and haven't gotten one. It wouldn't do me any good to do harm to him. If he had been a friend of mine, it probably would have hurt."

Hiss said he does not believe such an incident as happened during the McCarthy era could

ever happen again in the United States. "We have a more sophisticated electorate than we had before. If it does happen I won't be around to see it."

During the "red scare" Hiss said he believed he was about fourth or fifth on McCarthy's list. "There were at least a million people blacklisted. The names people know about were the famous ones."

"Very few people cleared themselves, and those who did were just allowed to return to small jobs. For example one famous journalist was blacklisted. When he cleared himself he was not given his old job back, but put on the obit desk."

Hiss said out of the entire lists of communists McCarthy compiled, only one communist was found—a dentist. "It really took some courage for a guy to go to a dentist who was against McCarthy," he jokingly said.

Hiss has held up fairly well under the circumstances McCarthy presented him. "I have had a good life. I probably could have made a lot more money, but I'm not bitter."

His main motive now is to get the stain wiped from his past. "If you fall off an ocean liner, you have to start swimming... I'm still staying afloat."

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Town turnout good

The Town-Student election this week had one of the largest turnouts in recent years, with 49 students running for 12 places.

"It's the first time I can remember that more people applied than positions were available," said House President Mike Veitenheimer.

Four candidates won clear majorities and a seat in the Student House of Representatives last Thursday—John McDonald, Benjamin Newsom, Mike Roper and Cathy Ward.

Ten candidates were involved in the Monday runoff for the remaining eight, according to

election chairman Pam Roach.

New members are Kuni Beasley, Donna Elliott, Anita Estridge, Mark Hays, Les Hofheinz, John McDonald, Benjamin Newsom, Lynn Oates, Mike Roper, Sandra Tomlinson, Paul Vantine and Kathy Ward.

Veitenheimer believes two contributing factors caused the increased interest in House activities. The House officer campaign last year, he said, might have "started things going. The campaign generated a lot of enthusiasm."

The second contributing factor is that people are becoming more informed of what student government is doing," he said.

Bigger and better projects for students sponsored by student government can be the result of increased interest in student government, said Veitenheimer.

At the beginning of the year "students were pacified... but not satisfied," Veitenheimer said. "But now we are rapidly approaching unity at TCU."

News Digest

By the Associated Press

OAK HARBOR, Wash.—An intruder armed with a rifle took three military hostages at Whidbey Island Naval Air Station yesterday and demanded an aircraft, base authorities said.

The base public information officer, Lt. James Kennedy, said the station commander, an admiral, was negotiating with the intruder.

POWHATAN, Va.—A 40 mm artillery shell blew up yesterday in an industrial arts classroom at a private secondary school, killing one student and critically injuring five others, police said.

The shell reportedly was brought to the school—Huguenot

Academy—by a student, police said. But it was not known what caused it to explode or where it was found.

LENOXVILLE, Pa.—A chartered bus carrying the Cornell University women's swimming and basketball teams skidded off a snow-slickened highway and overturned in a field, injuring 15 persons.

Ten of those injured in the Sunday night accident on Interstate 81 remained hospitalized yesterday, two of them in serious condition. Five others of the 31 on board were treated at hospitals for minor injuries and released.

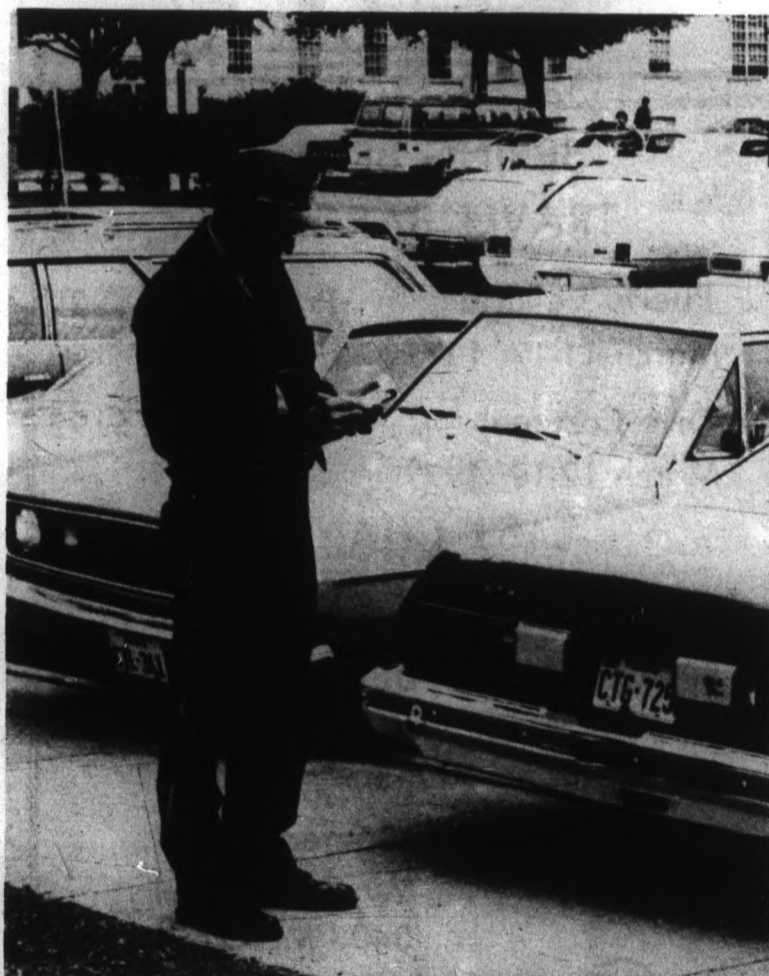


Photo by Charlie Anderson

To protect and serve. . .

Campus Security diligently patrols campus, keeping a sharp eye out for any offenses of the law.

Reader feedback

Liquor not un-Christian

Editor:

Once again, the cry goes out: "Save the 'C' in TCU". This time, the issue is liquor on campus. Unthinkable? Perhaps Un-Christian? Let's see. Consider Psalm 104 (N.B. v. 15), Matthew 11:18-19, Luke 7:33-35, John 2:1-11, I Timothy 5:23, and

Revelation 6:6.

Now, to condone having liquor on campus is not to advocate excess. There's a lot to be said for moderation. There is also something to be said for differentiating between personal preference and Christianity.

Damaris Hodge

SUMMER CAMP JOBS

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Interviewing for Counselors, February 28

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Skiff commended

Editors:

I congratulate you on your excellent stance for student rights. I think it is fantastic that The Skiff has taken a position on

alcohol. This stance for alcohol on campus shows me that The Skiff is moving closer towards the students objectives and wishes.

The position taken by The Skiff on Academic Freedom equally deserves recognition. It is about time that we as adults made our views known. We must state

these views with great enthusiasm and keep hammering them until the movement is successful.

I hope The Skiff continues

taking a position on student rights and doesn't yield under the pressure from the administration.

Clark Harris

Jock dorm defended

Editors:

I am an R.A. in Milton Daniel and found your article in The Daily Skiff (Do jocks live in great Palaces) totally appalling.

Not one piece of information in the article is close to the truth.

For one, if I had a dollar for every man that sleeps until twelve noon, I couldn't afford to eat at McDonalds.

The dialogue of a "typical" conversation is horrendous! I would be willing to bet there is

more intelligence in M.D. than any other dorm. Also "jocks" take great pride in their living quarters. Everyone in M.D. cleans and fixes up their "cribs" daily.

Let's also discuss the jocks majoring in law, business, or psychology. Sure there are a lot of H.P.E. majors, but have you taken courses such as Kinesiology lately. Don't you also feel that the old dumb football player image is a little outdated? You take 18 hours, practice 5 days a week, and memorize an inch thick play book. There may be some truth in the dates, but 4 days a week?

Perhaps the reason you refer to us as "jocks" is because you compare us with the worms in other dorms. Milton Daniel may be louder, and we may bend the rules a bit, but it's a damn site better than those other hell holes they call dorms.

By the way Mr. Walden, why can't we find your name in the Frog Calls? We would love to talk to you!!!

Jeff Hunter

Editors' note:

The staff of the Daily Skiff apologizes to the residents of Milton Daniel Dormitory for an article which appeared in last Friday's Weekender.

Besides having no basis in fact, the author of the story is a resident of Tom Brown Dormitory. It is obvious that the story was written as satire, but even satire should have some regard for truth.

It is true that under TCU's past football coach, Jim Shofner, rules and regulations were rarely enforced in Milton Daniel, but F.A. Dry and his staff have brought about sweeping changes. Assistant Coach John Somsy lives in the dorm and punishment for anyone missing a class is very severe.

Our staff is wondering why a resident of Tom Brown would be taking showers in Milton Daniel. Watch out, jocks!

Letter policy

All readers are encouraged to write letters to the editor on any subject. Criticisms, complaints, questions, suggestions, replies or personal views directed towards the administration, the faculty, student organizations, individuals or the Skiff may be included.

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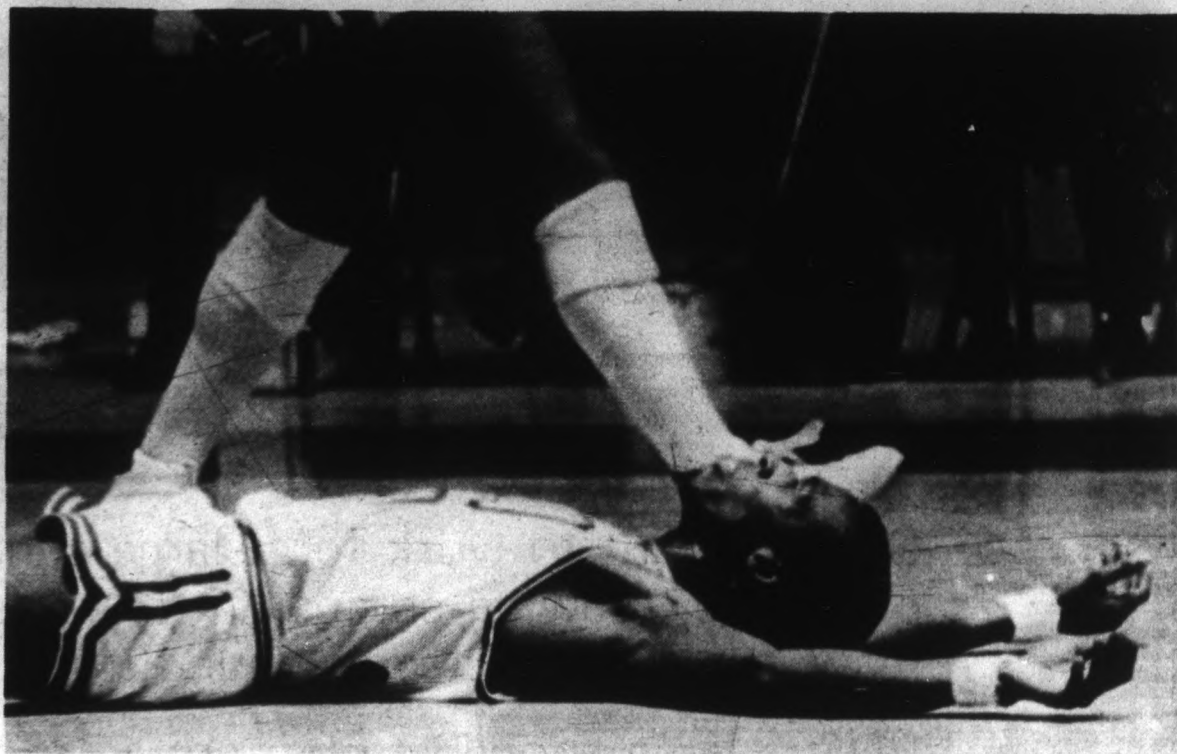
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He's safe!

Horned Frog Terry Bellows (8) slides into home and ties the score 12-12 when TWC catcher Mark Benedetto closed his eyes and let the ball slip away. The

Frogs went on to win 14-12, but the Rams triumphed in the extra inning night-cap 4-3. The Frogs play Sam Houston State here today at 1 p.m.



"Thank God, it's almost over," seems to be the thought of the horizontal Horned Frog Cornelius McFadgon. The Frogs lost to Rice Saturday night 93-72 and in doing so set a SWC record with the

football team for the first team in the conference to lose all conference football and basketball games in one season.

Photo by Dr. Bill Gardner

Baseballers split with TWC; open at home today

Willie Maxwell's come from behind squad opens the 1977 baseball season at home today against Sam Houston State after splitting a double-header Saturday with Texas Wesleyan.

It looked like the Frogs felt sorry for TWC in the first game as they gave them an 11-run lead only to come back at the last minute to win 14-12.

The Rams managed to win the night cap 4-3 in extra innings when Ram designated hitter Jeff McPeak slammed a two-out base hit to bring in the winning run.

"When you are down 11 runs, you show some kind of character when you come back and win," said coach Maxwell, who was making his debut as the Horned Frog mentor.

First baseman Biff LeFevre clobbered a 380-foot homer over

the center field fence to drive in the Frogs first three runs and Bobby Floyd's double made the score 11-5.

Going into the final inning the Frogs trailed 12-10. With the bases loaded Danny Rosellini rammed a single up the middle and David Murphy scored easily from third. Terry Bellows tried to make it from second, but the Ram catcher let the ball slip by and the score was knotted 12-12.

Willie shocked the Rams by calling a squeeze play to add another run after John Shelley's

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The game with Sam Houston State begins at 1 p.m. today.

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Playing in today's final round are a trio of seniors: Bill Murchison of Iran, Kevin Grunewald of Grand Prairie and Nick Giachino of North White Plains, N.Y. They are joined by a pair of Conroe freshmen, Bobby Baugh and Brad Ritter.

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