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TCU passes exam, receives accreditation reaffirmation

Steve Roth
Skiff Reporter

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reaffirmed TCU's accreditation during its meeting in December.

"Institutions as solid and as strong as TCU are not likely to lose their accreditation," said Chancellor Bill Tucker.

"We were harder on ourselves than they were," he said.

"I certainly wasn't concerned about us losing our accreditation. I simply wasn't. But when you think of the demand of time that a reaffirmation visit takes. I should think we should do more than go through the motions. I think we should look at ourselves as carefully and as precisely as we can. And that I think we did," said Tucker.

According to Tucker, the purpose of accreditation is not to look for problem spots within the university, but to find ways of improving areas in which the school is weak.

"The real value of the self-study was the process, not the outcome," said Manfred G. Reinecke, director of the self-study team and professor of chemistry at TCU.

"We sliced up the university, and each group evaluated itself," Reinecke said. Once the evaluation is over, attempts must be made to use the information, he added.

The purpose of the Committee on Recommendations and Priorities is to lay the groundwork for long-range planning at TCU.

The committee lists five purposes:

1. To become familiar with trends in higher education.
2. To review planning efforts at TCU with an emphasis on potential problems.
3. Examine the recommendations of the 1970 self-study.
4. Review all reports of the self-study.
5. Develop an organization that will insure the implementation of the self-study recommendations.

"The study covered student finances to student parking; we needed

to be sure that some system was set up so that others could follow through on the recommendations," said Reinecke.

Reinecke's job essentially was to organize the way the self-study was to be carried out. He wrote charges to the committees and followed the guidelines of the accreditation association.

Once this was completed, he said he was the one who "poked at people to get things done."

The self-study takes place every ten years and is a major part in the accreditation process.

"Nobody has been asked to do it (the self-study) twice," Reinecke said. "When I took over the job, there were no living self-study directors. I don't know if it was that that did them in or not."

Tucker describes the self-study as "a major undertaking . . . that can lead us to a clearer understanding of our current situation—both strengths and weaknesses—as we face the challenges ahead."

New Zealand's prime minister vows to keep ban on port visits

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP)— Prime Minister David Lange vowed today to continue his ban on port visits by nuclear-equipped ships, despite the United States' withdrawal from planned naval exercises with New Zealand and Australia to protest the policy.

In the past week, New Zealand has twice refused a U.S. request for a port call by an American destroyer, the

U.S.S. Buchanan.

Lange insists that the United States declares whether military vessels carry nuclear weapons before granting port privileges. But the Reagan administration has steadfastly refused to reveal such information, and has said that New Zealand's policy could wreck the ANZUS defense alliance, which groups New Zealand, the United States and Australia.

Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke said, during a news conference in Brussels, Belgium, on Monday that the Americans were pulling out of naval maneuvers scheduled for next month.

U.S. State Department spokesman Bernard Kalb would only say on Monday that the dispute would be taken up when Hawke visits Washington later this week.

But a State Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, confirmed that the Americans were canceling their participation in the sea maneuvers in protest of the port call refusal.

WORLD MONITOR

Nation

Government seeks indictments against organized crime

About 1,000 tapes of recordings from a microphone planted in a reputed mobster's car will enable the government to seek indictments against the heads of all five organized crime families in New York, "NBC News" reports.

The Justice Department is preparing to ask for indictments on racketeering and conspiracy charges as a result of the recordings, according to the report Monday on "NBC Nightly News."

NBC said the microphone was planted in a black Jaguar used by the reputed boss of one of the city's five crime families. NBC said the investigation showed the mob was involved in the garbage disposal business, construction, labor unions, loan sharking, pornography and stolen cars.

State

Murder weapon still being sought

HOUSTON (AP)— Houston police investigating the grisly slayings of four members of a family last week continue to hunt for the weapon used in the slayings.

A 20-year-old man held all weekend for questioning about the slayings of his father, mother and two brothers in their southwest Houston home was released on Monday.

Reginald Lewis was taken into custody Friday and police obtained permission from a judge to detain him without charges until late Monday morning.

Lewis was questioned about his discovery early Friday of the bodies of his father, Henry Lewis Sr., 42; his mother, Mary, 42; and brothers Henry Jr., 22, and Byron, 13. The father had been shot, strangled and body set on fire, police said. The other three victims were shot at close range.

Police said the family either let their assailant in or left the house unlocked.

After Lewis' release on Monday, detectives armed with a search warrant again went through the Lewis home in hopes of finding the murder weapon, according to Lt. H.W. Kersten, head of the team of detective investigating the slayings.

Officers inspected manhole covers and used a large suction hose to remove debris from draining pipes.

Outside

Decreasing cloudiness today with a high near 40 and light, northerly winds.

Court denies inmate's appeal of execution

AUSTIN, Texas (AP)— The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals is refusing to block next Monday's execution of Chester Lee Wicker.

On a 7-2 vote, the court on Monday would not grant a stay for Wicker, convicted of burying a woman alive on a Galveston beach in 1980.

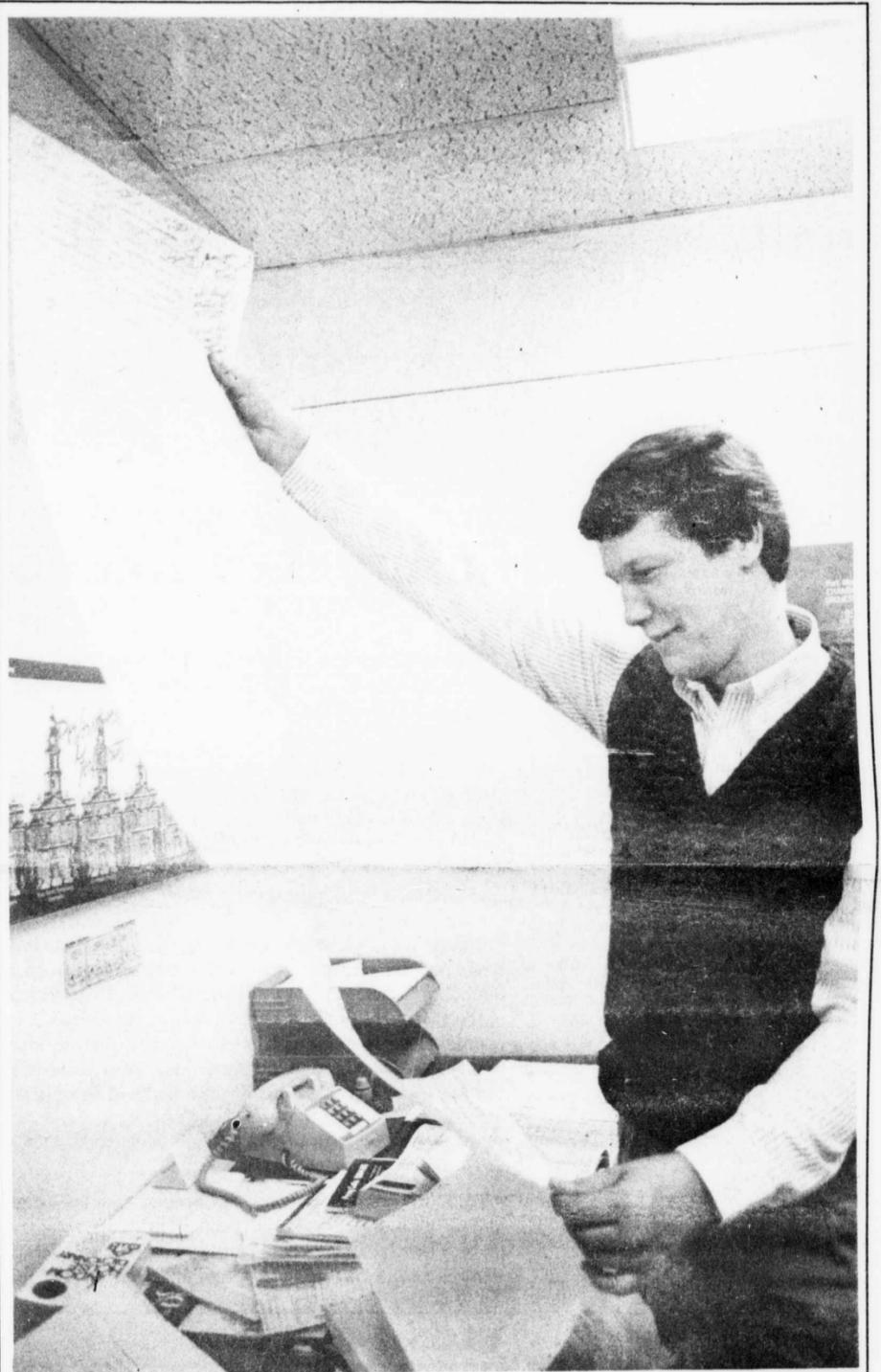
Wicker was scheduled to die by lethal injection last Aug. 11 but won a stay. Monday's execution date is his second. He has been on the Texas death row since March 5, 1981.

Testimony at Wicker's Galveston trial indicated he abducted Suzanne C. Knuth, of Beaumont, from a Beaumont shopping center on April 2, 1980.

She was driven to an isolated Galveston County beach, where she jumped from the car. Wicker, however, chased her down and choked her, unsuccessfully tried to rape her, then dug a hole in the beach and buried her, testimony showed.

Autopsy results indicated the woman was alive when she was buried.

If executed, Wicker would be the sixth Texas inmate to be put to death since 1982. The last to die was Doyle Skillern, executed Jan. 16 for his part in the slaying of a state narcotics agent.



John Hibbs, a political science major from Fort Worth, looks over a computer printout while working in the Office of Admissions. PHOTO BY MOLLY K. ECKERT

Clean air standard endorsed

AUSTIN (AP)— A state ban on smoking in most indoor public places would be an unfair burden on owners of restaurants, hotels and bowling alleys, lobbyists told a House committee Tuesday.

The "Clean Indoor Air Act," authored by Rep. Erwin Barton, D-Pasadena, would allow smoking only in designated areas of public places. It would require separate smoking and non-smoking areas in workplaces.

Barton also asked the House Committee on Public Health to raise the legal age for buying cigarettes from 16 to 21.

Texas Restaurant Association lobbyist Richie Jackson told the committee Monday that small restaurants would have trouble setting aside the no-smoking areas required by the bill. "Free enterprise incentives are the most effective means," he said, adding that many restaurants have set up smoke-free zones because it's good for business.

Herbert Wilson of the Texas Hotel and Motel Association also said the state should not force no-smoking areas on private businesses.

The committee sent the smoking-area bill to subcommittee and took no action on the cigarette purchase age. Several committee members said they would amend the bill to set 18 as the minimum age.

The American Cancer Society, Texas Medical Association, Texas Retailers Association and the Legislative Task Force on Cancer backed the Barton bills as effective measures.

"There's mounting evidence that inhalation of tobacco by non-smokers increases the risk of lung cancer," said James Dannenbaum of Houston, chairman of the task force appointed by House Speaker Gib Lewis to look into cancer in Texas.

Frank Jackson, of the Texas Medical Association, said "anything that discourages people from smoking will save the state money."

Texas retailers back the public place smoking ban as a good way to protect merchandise. Consumers now wind up paying for goods damaged by smoke and ash, said Mickey Moore, Texas Retailers Association lobbyist. The law would be a relief for "merchants who are reluctant to offend customers" by asking them not to smoke, he said.

Texas Association of Business lobbyist Ronnie Volkening said the ban could be costly for employers who might have to hire engineers to help set up the "artificial segregation" of smokers and non-smokers.

Joe Ratliff, vice president of the Texas Association of Tobacco and

Candy Distributors, said government should not be involved in such efforts.

"In trying to regulate social policy there haven't been very many successes," he said, calling for a "courtesy campaign" to prevent smokers from bothering non-smokers.

It is pointless for legislators to pass laws mandating healthier lifestyles, Ratliff added.

"You might as well tell the commissioner of health to tell us to fall out in the morning in our pajamas for exercises," he said. "You cannot pass a law and say 'Don't do this' and suddenly all the health problems disappear."

A ban on smoking in grocery stores would be "almost totally impossible," according to Texas Retail Grocers Association lobbyist Johnnie B. Rogers. He also testified that grocery checkers would waste time checking identification if the legal age for buying cigarettes is raised to 21.

J. Manley Head, representing the Texas Bowling Centers Association, said, "There's no way in the world we could put up non-smoking areas in a bowling house."

In unanimous votes, the committee sent to the House bills setting up a Texas Cancer Council and requiring reporting of cancer data to a state registry.

OPINION

New friend found in IBM computer

By David Alan Hall

I have no doubt that, as you read this column, the words printed here appear the same as usual. But things have changed for me in the past week—I've abandoned my trusty Smith-Corona typewriter and replaced it with a shiny new word processing system.

This change was mostly the result of pressure from my colleagues—many of them made the jump to word processing long ago. But I'm a traditional writer, when I'm working on a short story or novel, I like to sit at the typewriter and actually see my words on paper.

I find security in having my work in front of me, and I was suspicious of the idea of storing my precious novel in the sinister bowels of some maniacal computer. One wrong move, I thought, and my novel's life would end with a bang (I would supply the whimper). I was close minded and convinced it would take quite a show before I would ever consent to using a computer to do something as artistically genuine as the craft of storytelling.

Of course, the computer gave me quite a show. I was introduced to Wordstar, a nifty word processing program for the IBM personal computer. I discovered the joys of continuous typing—no more stopping at the end of lines or every time I made a mistake or came to the end of the page. I just kept typing and the computer took care of everything else. And when I was finished, I simply hit a lovely little button and a machine printed my words on paper. Joy at last!

I had my witty work on something tangible, and once I sat down with my little red pen and viciously edited the sterling prose, I simply went back to the computer and spent about 15 minutes typing in the revisions. Then I hit the lovely little button again and the printer spit out my revised writing, nice and neat and error free, even justified on the right side.

I had moved paragraphs around in the blink of an eye. Entire lines crumpled at my mighty fingertips. I felt powerful sitting there, and the computer saved me about seven hour's work on my chapter.

I'll admit it's going to take some getting used to, but this computer stuff has won me over. There are even programs that analyze sentence structure and find and correct misspelled words.

If you're still skeptical, and I suspect some of you older writers are, then try this on for size. An average column like you're reading now usually takes me about five hours to write, revise, and retype. This column was drafted in about 30 minutes and revised in about half the time, which means one of two things: Either I've improved my writing about 2000 percent in the last seven days, or there is something to these computer gadgets after all.

So much for the traditional values of Yours Truly. I guess there is something to these computer gadgets after all.

Hall is a sophomore English/RTVF major

QUESTION:

"WHEN WILL COMANCHE PEAK PRODUCE SAFE ECONOMICAL ENERGY?"

ANSWER:



Safety needed for Comanche Peak

When \$670 million is spent on anything around the Dallas/Fort Worth area, eyebrows inevitably rise and minds are suspicious as to what the money is for.

That's how much more the Comanche Peak Steam Electric Plant—fashionably known as Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant—will cost now that opponents of the plant have helped delay completion and subsequent licensing for at least two more months.

The decision came last week when a special Nuclear Regulatory Commission task force indicated through a sample of 200 liner plate inspection records that officials of the plant in southeast Tarrant county were unable to maintain an effective quality control record. Falsification of documents and irregularities of inspection records of the fuel pool area were among the faults of the plant's quality-control cited by the task force.

Also, the controversy centers around stainless steel plates that line the pools and canals. The main job of the plate—5 feet by 15 feet—is to keep radioactive water from seeping into concrete, or more dangerously, into the

ground. Obviously, the plates are essential to the plant's safety.

And, just as blatant is the need for ensuring that the plant will perform effectively—and safely—when it is finally put into operation.

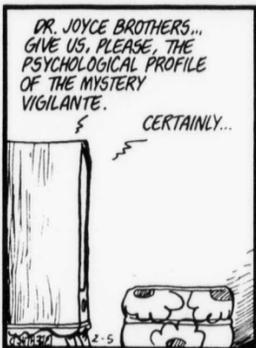
The plant owners say that the nuclear plant opponents are simply nit-picking about anything that is not perfect with the plant, and that the taxpayers of Texas will ultimately pay the price with added utility costs.

But wouldn't financial cost be measurably insignificant in the event of a leak of radioactive water in the metroplex's water supply or radioactive steam into the atmosphere? Plant owners are objecting to the findings because there was actually something to find wrong with the plant. Not until opponents can no longer find flaws with the reactor will it be acceptable for Comanche Peak to begin full operation.

No one can be expected to commend spending nearly \$700 million more on a project; what can be commended is the opponents' commitment to the safety of the people of the Lone Star State.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



VIEWPOINTS

Should Texas have a mandatory seatbelt law?



Elissa Shier
Freshman
Radio/TV/Film
Melbourne,
Florida

"I think so, it would help prevent accidents. My mom had an accident and the first thing the insurance company asked her was, 'Did you have your seatbelt on?' She did, and it saved her life."



Brian Roesler
Sophomore
Business/English
Minneapolis,
Minnesota

"I think they should, but how could it be enforced? You can only preach safety to people so much and then people have to do it on their own."



Suzanne Riederer
Junior
Commercial Art
Dallas, Texas

"No, it would be too difficult to enforce. But, I think they should keep making cars with seatbelts that automatically fasten around a person."



Bryan Jamail
Sophomore
Finance
Austin, Texas

"Yes, I was in a 40 mph head-on crash. I didn't have a seatbelt on, the steering wheel saved me. I was hurt bad, but I was lucky that I wasn't killed."

LITES

Royal scuffle brings lawsuit

LOS ANGELES (AP)— Three freelance photographers have filed a \$15 million damage suit against rock star Prince alleging that he ordered his bodyguards to attack them when they tried to photograph him a week ago.

The suit filed Monday in Los Angeles Superior Court says the assault occurred outside a Sunset Strip restaurant following the American Music Awards Presentations on Jan. 29.

The suit by photographers Vincent Zuffante, Richard Kolnsberg and Kevin Winter names Prince, four bodyguards, the restaurant, Carlos 'N' Charlies, and Warner Communications, producers of Prince and the Revolution.

Zuffante suffered permanent disfigurement and eye damage in the scuffle, according to the suit.

Prince spokesmen were unavailable for comment Monday night.

Hoax won't change Donahue

NEW YORK (AP)— Phil Donahue will continue to do his television program live despite a hoax in which seven people pretended to faint, said a spokeswoman for the talk show.

"We've been live for 17 years and we have no plans to change that now," spokeswoman Penny Rotheiser said Monday. "We're going to tighten up our security on ticket distribution," she said, refusing to give details.

It was revealed Friday that seven members of the "Donahue" audience who fainted during a live broadcast Jan. 21 were part of a hoax orchestrated by trickster Alan Abel.

Abel said the hoax was a protest of poor-quality television and a statement supporting live TV.

First arrest brings apology

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)— X-rated movie star Marilyn Chambers has apologized to the police, her fans and her mother after what she says was the first arrest in her life.

Chambers, who was booked Friday for investigation of soliciting prostitution and engaging in lewd conduct in a public place, told reporters Monday that the arrest was "a big shock for me."

The star of such films as "Behind the Green Door" was taken into custody after she allegedly allowed members of the audience at her live show, "Feel the Magic," to touch her nude body, according to plain clothes officers who arrested her.

She was released on \$2,000 bail after being booked Friday night on the two misdemeanor charges.

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New House president spells out plans

Graham Underwood
Skiff Reporter

While the unsolved murders of several Fort Worth women have frightened many community members, Jack Larson, Student House of Representatives president, said the bad publicity has made his job easier. In an interview Monday, Larson said the deaths have made students more willing to work with the Student House in solving campus security problems. "Apathy hasn't gotten in the way because safety concerns have caused more than enough volunteers," Larson said. The Student House's primary security effort will be a 24-hour escort service. The service is still in the planning stage, but Larson said the Stu-

dent House hopes to improve the service by instigating an interview policy for all potential escorts. Larson also said the service should be centralized in the activities office so that escorts would be easier to locate. Additional lighting has not been proposed for any campus area. An ad hoc committee reported to the Student House Tuesday on the possibility of a late-night study area. Larson said two other issues, a faculty evaluation system and academic advisement procedures, were also major concerns of TCU students. "Students don't ever see what happens to their comments. They don't know if professors ever read them. Students aren't given enough time to fill the forms out. Some professors stay in the room while evaluations are

being filled out. These are some of the complaints I've heard students give," Larson said. Larson also said the advisement process for business majors and pre-majors needs to be more personalized and faculty reviews of student schedules should be more thorough. The overall goal of his administration, Larson said, is to make TCU students more aware of issues off campus. This semester, for the first time, the Student House will send a delegate to the Student Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Texas. The Austin-based lobbying organization is concerned with legislative decisions affecting students, such as the drinking age. Like his predecessors, Larson said he anticipated student apathy, adding that he has ways to fight it.

"If we show them (students) student government cares about them in all concerns of their life, from financial aid to permanent improvements to campus security, I think they'll work with us," Larson said. "Another way to fight it (apathy) is to keep them more informed. We need to make sure all of the reps are at meetings, representing all groups of students," Larson said. After a landslide victory over Wayne Watson in November's election, Larson is not sure why he had the support of so many voters. His platform proposed no radical changes in the Student House's traditional policies. Larson said his election triumph was totally unexpected. "It was a nice surprise," Larson said.



Jack Larson, president of the Student House of Representatives, has plans to act on student concerns during his term in office. PHOTO BY JULIEANNE M. MILLER

Congress challenged to improve on budget plan

WASHINGTON (AP)— Budget Director David Stockman, conceding "problems in many places" in President Reagan's 1986 budget, is challenging a skeptical Congress to try to devise a fairer plan. "There aren't many good alternatives and I think Congress will discover this," said Stockman. He was arguing the case for the president's \$974 billion budget before the Senate Budget Committee today. Republican House and Senate leaders have made it clear they're not about to swallow the president's \$974 billion budget hole and will use the document more as a starting point in their own deficit-reduction efforts.

At least two major programs spared from Reagan's budget knife—defense and Social Security—will be "on the table" along with other federal spending, budget leaders in both chambers said Monday. But Stockman said that, while he anticipated "a very noisy debate on defense," the administration felt it had already gone as far as it could go on Pentagon spending restraint. "Our plan is balanced and it's fair," Stockman told a press briefing. "I have no doubt political resistance and opposition will be strong. And maybe that is an understatement. But there are no alternatives."

Stockman was the only witness before the panel as it began a full week of hearings on the president's budget. Committee Chairman Pete V. Domenici, R-N.M., said that neither Reagan's defense budget nor the president's vow not to touch Social Security benefits was sacred. However, even with further cuts in defense spending and even if Congress goes along with a freeze on Social Security cost-of-living benefits, "we still have to find a big chunk of domestic spending," said Domenici. "There's going to be problems in many places. The politics of this are going to be difficult," Stockman told

reporters after he met Monday with House and Senate budget leaders. Asked whether the administration would be willing to reduce its Pentagon spending request, Stockman said the increase in the budget is "what we think is needed. It's too early to say what we're going to give on." Reagan's budget, which would abolish, freeze or slash scores of familiar federal programs, found few outright champions on Capitol Hill, even among Reagan's usual allies. House Republican Leader Bob Michel described the plan as a "starting point," and said, "I do not endorse every recommendation."

Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole, R-Kan., proposed cutting Reagan's \$30 billion defense increase in half and declared: "It's going to be very difficult to do many of the things he (Reagan) wants to do." Democrats, who earlier this year had kept a low-profile on budget matters, came out swinging. Senate Democratic Leader Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia, called Reagan's budget "unacceptable." Rep. Bill Alexander of Arkansas, the deputy Democratic whip, called it "unrealistic, unfair and wrong" and said it exhibited an administration that wanted "to ravage once again those who are poor."

House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., said Reagan's proposal "takes the pain of budget cutting directly to Middle America," although he reiterated his earlier promise that it would receive "serious consideration" in Congress. The proposed budget would end the \$4.6 billion revenue sharing program to local governments, impose larger costs on the users of Medicare, eliminate the federal subsidy for Amtrak, trim the pay of federal workers by 5 percent and make deep cuts in farm and education programs. The Small Business Administration would be abolished, as would the Job Corps and the Legal Services Corp.

Meese approved by Senate Committee

WASHINGTON (AP)— The Senate Judiciary Committee, on a 12-6 vote, approved the nomination of Edwin Meese III to be attorney general and sent its recommendation to the full Senate. "Not only is Mr. Meese qualified to be attorney general, but he is a man of honesty, competency and dedication," said committee chairman Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., moments before the roll call on Meese's nomination.

Meese was questioned extensively at the hearings about his role in approving federal jobs for his financial benefactors; his promotion to colonel in the Army Reserve; and his acceptance of a \$10,000 payment from a presidential transition organization. The nominee said he did nothing wrong, but promised to be more careful in the future about creating appearances of conflict of interest. In addition to Thurmond, DeConcini and Helin, Republican senators voting for Meese were Charles Mathias of Maryland, Paul Laxalt of Nevada, Orrin G. Hatch of Utah, Majority Leader Robert Dole of Kansas, Assistant Majority Leader Alan K. Simpson of Wyoming, John P. East of North Carolina, Jeremiah Denton of Alabama, Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania and Charles Grassley of Iowa. Mathias is in the Soviet Union and voted by proxy.

Drawing support from the Scriptures, Reagan asks Congress to approve new defense budget

WASHINGTON (AP)— President Reagan, saying "the Scriptures are on our side," has turned to Jesus for a defense of his \$277.5 billion military budget request. Reagan formally handed over his budget requests to Congress on Monday and in two appearances he cited the New Testament passage of Luke 14:31 to shore up his argument for a strong defense against the Soviets. Reagan's new budget plan calls for giving the Defense Department a 12.7 percent increase over its estimated 1985 spending level.

"The defense of our nation is the one budget item which cannot be dictated by domestic considerations," Reagan told a group of business executives that backed the president's economic program in his first term. They came to the White House to be enlisted as supporters in the battle for the administration's proposed budget cuts, tax reform and military buildup. "You might be interested to know that the Scriptures are on our side on this," Reagan said. He then described the passage

in which Jesus talks to the disciples about a king who might be contemplating going to war with 10,000 soldiers against another king with 20,000. The king seeks counsel about how he might fare, but also considers sending a delegation to discuss peace terms. "I don't think we ever want to be in a position of only being half as strong and having to send a delegation to negotiate under those circumstances—peace terms—with the Soviet Union," Reagan said. Ultimately, Reagan said, the nation's security and success at the

arms talks with the Soviets hinge on "the determination we show here to continue our program to rebuild and reformat our defenses." Reagan cited the same text in a separate address later in the day to about 1,500 members of the National Religious Broadcasters Conference. "I don't think the Lord, who blessed this country as no other country has been blessed, intends for us to have to some day negotiate because of our weakness," he told the broadcasters.

Meese's nomination was approved largely along party lines with all 10 of the panel's Republicans voting for him and all but two of its Democrats voting against. "The degree of Mr. Meese's commitment to fair and impartial enforcement of laws is in question," Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said before casting his vote against Meese. "Mr. Meese is associated with this administration's policies that undermine the principles of fairness and justice and with an administration which has hung out a sign saying 'white men only.'" Democrats voting for Meese were Howell Helin of Alabama and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona. "Mr. Meese has been through a great ordeal, but he has not responded to the committee as I would have liked him to, nor has he been as forthcoming as I would have liked him to have been," DeConcini said. The Arizona senator said a report of an independent ethics council which found no illegalities but questioned some of Meese's conduct and said the report was akin to a medical report saying "you have some warts and

some skin cancer but nothing terminal." The presidential counselor was first nominated as the nation's 75th attorney general in January 1984, but since then has been through two rounds of committee appearances—last March and last week. There also was a six-month investigation by independent counsel Jacob A. Stein, who found no basis to prosecute Meese but left decisions about his ethical conduct to the Senate. Meese was questioned extensively at the hearings about his role in approving federal jobs for his financial benefactors; his promotion to colonel in the Army Reserve; and his acceptance of a \$10,000 payment from a presidential transition organization. The nominee said he did nothing wrong, but promised to be more careful in the future about creating appearances of conflict of interest. In addition to Thurmond, DeConcini and Helin, Republican senators voting for Meese were Charles Mathias of Maryland, Paul Laxalt of Nevada, Orrin G. Hatch of Utah, Majority Leader Robert Dole of Kansas, Assistant Majority Leader Alan K. Simpson of Wyoming, John P. East of North Carolina, Jeremiah Denton of Alabama, Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania and Charles Grassley of Iowa. Mathias is in the Soviet Union and voted by proxy. Democrats voting against the Meese nomination were Joseph Biden of Delaware, Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts, Robert Byrd of West Virginia, Howard M. Metzenbaum of Ohio, Patrick Leahy of Vermont and Max Baucus of Montana.

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ROTC to serve as official escorts

W. Robert Padgett
Skiff Reporter

TCU students will be able to enjoy the added security of an official, campus-wide escort service starting Monday, TCU Army ROTC cadet Todd Weiler said Tuesday.

Weiler and others associated with the escort service met in Dean Libby Proffer's office Tuesday to discuss the final details of the service. The escort program will be implemented through the Dean's office and the TCU Campus Police. Initially, only the Army ROTC drill team will conduct the service. "It will be just the Army ROTC for the first week or two weeks," Weiler said.

Even though different factions on campus will be organizing for the service, Proffer stressed that there would be only one official escort service.

"The ROTC will be the responsible party, and the others will be incorporated in," Proffer said. "When new people come into the program, they will work with an ROTC cadet" for training, she said.

TCU House of Student Representatives parliamentarian Brian

Lawe said that the escort service would be evaluated after about two weeks. If the service is not used by TCU women, then it will be discontinued. "We're going to give it a two-week run, then evaluate it—make additions and corrections to the program," he said.

Lawe said that, providing House members approve, the House will allocate money to pay for identification badges and printing costs for publicity posters for the service. He estimated the total possible cost for the House would be \$200.

According to members of the Army ROTC, the Campus Police have been supportive of the proposed escort service. Cadet Jonathan Westbrook said that Campus Police chief Oscar Stewart, who also attended Tuesday's meeting, was excited about the program.

"Mr. Stewart's been real supportive," Westbrook said. "It seems like he's been waiting for something like this to come along. He had ideas coming off the top of his head."

The escort service will be limited to the TCU area—primarily the main

campus, Worth Hills area and nearby parking lots—and will not cater to the area bar crowd who wants a ride home from a night out, Weiler said. "We're not providing a tipsy-taxi from the pub," he said. According to a pamphlet describing the service: "Any intoxicated or restless individual will be refused escort and escort representatives will inform Campus Police as soon as possible."

TCU students seem to appreciate the possibility of a new escort service, according to Jackie Gross, a member of the Army ROTC and a resident of Sherley Hall. "The girls (in Sherley Hall), they're really happy about it. The girls didn't like walking across campus by themselves," Gross said.

Proffer said that Housing Director Kay Higgins will conduct a survey of the women's residence halls in the Worth Hills area to determine if the escort service would be used by co-eds there.

The plan of action also stated that the service will begin at 8 p.m. and last until 12:30 a.m. every day. The service's headquarters will be located in the Student Activities office.



Army ROTC members Todd Weiler, Jackie Gross and Jonathan Westbrook discuss plans for the new escort service with Dean of Students Libby Proffer. The service is scheduled to begin Monday. PHOTO BY DAN PETERSEN

Town's residents concerned over proposed nuclear dump

HEREFORD, Texas (AP)— In 13 years, shortly before the turn of the century, this small high plains Panhandle city will mark its centennial.

Hereford residents, however, aren't sure they'll be celebrating the advent of 1998—it's the year the federal government is to have the nation's first high-level radioactive waste repository operating and Deaf Smith County has been chosen as a possible home for the dump.

"We know that if it happens, it's a long way off. But it's still there, the possibility hanging over our heads. That's why we know the next few years will be a battle," said farmer and rancher Tonya Kleuskens.

Kleuskens serves as president of a 200-member dump opposition organization, People Opposed to Wasted Energy Repositories.

POWER already has mounted an intensive protest to the dump, which if put in Texas would be within a nine-square-mile area about 16 miles north of Hereford.

The Deaf Smith County location was selected in December by the Department of Energy as one of three "preferred sites" for the controversial dump. The other locations are in Washington and Nevada.

Although a final decision on where to place the repository is at least five years away, exploratory construction work could begin in Deaf Smith

County within the next two years if the DOE's preferred sites are approved by President Reagan.

Such a decision is expected later this year after DOE hearings on the three proposed sites are held.

Despite the lengthy process the DOE is mandated to follow in choosing a dump site, the mere suggestion that it could wind up in Deaf Smith County has most residents concerned.

And the government's proposal already has altered life in Hereford, residents say.

"It hasn't become a controversy. It hasn't pitted friend against friend. But, it is the topic of discussion," Kleuskens said.

Mayor Wes Fisher conceded that the naming of Deaf Smith County as a preferred dump site has caused a "certain amount of division" in Hereford, a farming and ranching community of 16,000 about 47 miles southwest of Amarillo.

When the DOE first mentioned that the area was being considered as a site for the feared repository, Deaf Smith County officials passed a resolution in opposition.

The city, however, has remained neutral, Fisher said.

"The jury's still out as far as the dangers are concerned," he said. "We're concerned about the community but, I think the only thing we can do is remain neutral."

Fisher and other officials agreed that the majority of Deaf Smith County residents appear to oppose the dump.

But, they said, some people are proponents though they probably will not talk about it.

"This is an agriculture community," said county Judge Glen Nelson. "We depend on agriculture for our subsistence. If the agriculture people are opposed, the rest of the people are likely to go along with that."

"And, if they don't, they're not about to talk about it—why create problems?"

But for the opponents, stirring up trouble for the DOE is the aim.

Kleuskens' organization supports a lawsuit filed by Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox against the DOE.

The complaint questions "how Texas got in the list (of potential locations) in the first place," said Steve Frishman, an aide to Gov. Mark White.

Kleuskens said several other questions also need to be answered by the government.

The principal fears of Deaf Smith County residents are the effect the dump would have on the local water supply and on the agriculture production of the area.

And the issues must be resolved not only for Texas, but also for the rest of the country, Nelson said.

Airport blacked-out after Pope's landing

LIMA, Peru (AP)— Guerrilla saboteurs blacked out Lima's airport shortly after Pope John Paul II's plane landed, dynamiting power pylons to cut off electricity to this sprawling capital of 5 million, police and airport officials said.

Moments after the blackout, a huge hammer and sickle—the symbol of the Maoist Shining Path movement—were set ablaze on a mountainside north of Lima.

Airport officials said the pope's

plane touched down six minutes before the runway lights flickered and went out, but that the pontiff's jet still was on the runway when the blackout started.

An emergency generator restored power at the airport within a few seconds, the officials said.

The control tower first reported that the plane touched down as the runway lights dimmed, but later said the pope's jet already was on

the ground.

The chief Vatican spokesman, Monsignor Pierfranco Pastore, said the pontiff's twin-engine plane had landed 10 minutes before the runway lights went out.

Police said guerrillas blew up four power pylons in two small towns outside Lima, causing the Monday night blackout in the Peruvian capital and the city of Huancaayo 200 miles to the east.

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SPORTS

Track rule change denies team a chance for victory

Jim McGee
Skiff Reporter

In most indoor track events, the fastest team usually wins. At the Dallas Times-Herald Invitational track meet this Saturday, that wasn't the case. The TCU men's mile relay team did not make the finals of their event because of a last minute rule change.

The team of Wilson Smith, James Maness, Keith Burnett and Michael Cannon clocked the third-fastest time in the qualifying heats, but did not qualify for the four-team final.

"Some of the teams did not show up," TCU Head Coach Bubba Thornton said. "That was fine—but then they

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changed the process of selecting the finals."

The Frogs finished third in their heat with a time of 3 minutes, 15.06 seconds. The other heat was won by Southern Methodist University in a time of 3:17.50. In any other event, the Frogs would have made the finals, because the winners of each heat and the next fastest times qualify. However, the rules for the mile relay were changed without the competitors' knowledge, and the first two teams in each heat qualified.

"You don't do that in a class meet," Thornton said. "They wouldn't have done that at (National Collegiate Athletic Association) Nationals."

However, Thornton said the incident would work for the best. "Probably that's the best thing that could have happened. We should have run a little faster in the heat," he said.

In other events, freshman Roscoe Tatum finished third in the 60-yard

dash with a 6.18 second clocking. Tatum was .08 seconds off of Olympic gold medalist Carl Lewis' winning time of 6.10.

"I did what I expected to do," said Tatum, whose personal best is a 6.16. "I was just trying to concentrate on my own race and not think about Carl."

In the women's long jump, Donna Thomas finished fourth with a jump of 19 feet, 7 inches. Carol Lewis set an American record in winning the event with a jump of 22-3.

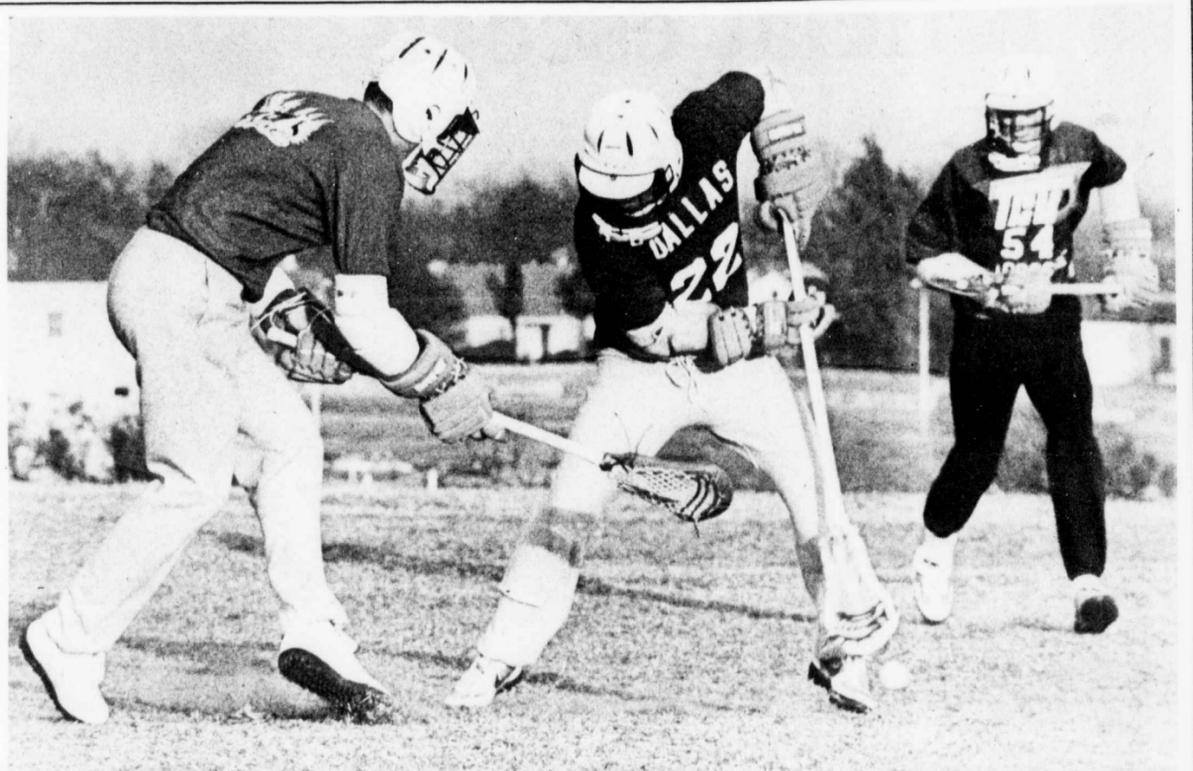
In the men's 500-yard run, Gerald Alexander finished second with a time of 57.49 seconds. Norman Stafford came in fourth in 58.93.

Thornton said he felt the level of competition in the meet was good for the team. "They were competing against the best Americans and Olympic representatives. That's the level of competition we're trying to create," Thornton said.

Several Frogs have already qualified for Nationals. Tatum has qualified in the 60, along with Raymond Stewart. Stewart won a silver medal at the Olympics this past summer as a member of the 100-meter relay team from Jamaica. He also finished sixth in the 100-meter dash in Los Angeles, but is currently out with a strained hamstring. Thomas has met the qualifying standard in both the long jump and the triple jump.



Michael Cannon



TCU lacrosse players Scott Shibley and Pat McGinley fight for the ball during practice last week. Dean Winquist (in the background) keeps his eye on the action. The team will play at Forest Park this Sunday. PHOTO BY DAN PETERSEN

Lacrosse team rebuilding as new season begins

Dan Petersen
Skiff Reporter

Frustration is a good word to describe the way the season has gone so far for the TCU lacrosse team. At least, that's the way one player feels about it.

TCU defenseman Andy Fosheim said last year was easier. "Last year we were a lot better, we had more experienced players . . . unfortunately we lost a lot to graduation and transfers."

Although there are a few inexperienced players on the team, the players said everyone is working a

lot harder to make up for it. "A lot of adjustments have to be made, we haven't found ourselves as a team yet," said Pat McGinley, one of the team captains.

The lacrosse team has been practicing hard, as they hope for as good a season as last year's. The team ended the 1984 season in third place in the conference, coming in behind Sam Houston State University and Texas Tech. The team started official practice Jan. 19, but kept in shape during the off season by practicing once a week.

TCU's record this year stands at 1-1-0 with a loss in the first game to Texas Tech by a score of 16-4 and a

win over Southern Methodist University, 14-9. Texas Tech is the only team in the conference that has never lost to TCU.

During the game against the Red Raiders, TCU lost one of the team's key players. Midfielder Joe Scully broke a thumb, but hopes to resume playing within a month.

The players are optimistic about this season with their new coach, Bill Korvin, a two time all-American from Towson State University in Maryland. "I like the new coach," Fosheim said. "He is more organized and a lot more knowledgeable about the game than our last one."

A small amount of support for the team comes from the university, but the Adolph Coors Company is the major sponsor this year. Coors supplies the money for nets, goals, helmets and other costs, while the players pick up the tab for their sticks, gloves and pads.

Lacrosse fans, although currently few, are steadily increasing in number as the sport gains more exposure. Members of the team agree that fan support is crucial for team spirit. Those few fans yelling and screaming on the sidelines can make the difference between winning and losing, according to those on the playing field.

Lady Frogs finish 13th in Mexico tourney

The TCU women's golf team finished 13th at the Oklahoma State University-Guadalajara Invitational in Mexico on Jan. 25-27. The Lady Frogs finished the tournament with a team total of 957.

"Even though we only placed 13th, it was our best overall performance of the year," women's Head Coach

Scherry Allison said. "This tournament boosted our confidence."

The University of Tulsa took first place in the tournament with a team total of 898. The University of Florida was second with 906, and OSU was one stroke behind with 907.

The Lady Frogs shot 315 the first

day, 331 on the second day, and a 311 on the final day.

"If we can get rid of the three 31's, we'll be up there with SMU, Texas A&M and Texas," Allison said.

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