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Plans for new mall underway

By Cathy Sehapyak
Staff Writer

A new campus mall across the street from Reed Hall could be ready for students' use by the end of 1987.

Rosario Holguin, chairperson of the House of Student Representatives' Permanent Improvements Committee, said another gathering place is needed on the east side of campus.

According to a floor plan by Michael Bards Inc., this mall would extend from Lowden, the dead-end street between Brite Divinity School and Mary Couts Burnett Library, to University Drive. The covered bus stop on University would be replaced by a sidewalk for the mall. A 12-foot, semicircle wall covered with vines and a plaque will stand directly in front of the dead end facing the mall.

The project will cost about \$53,000. The committee plans to allocate \$16,000 to the mall this year and will keep allocating until it's completed. Right now the committee is only waiting for a cost breakdown so it can present a bill through to the House, Holguin said.

"We're going to present the bill to the House before the end of the semester. We have the support of the executive board, and the House has followed the progress of the plan for a long time, so we have confidence the bill will pass. If it does, Vice Chancellor (for Administrative Services) Edd Bivin, the architects and constructors should begin working on the mall's first phase this summer," she said.

The proposed, and thus far accepted, floor plan for the new mall describes the first phase of the project as including paved bricks on the ground, lighting, limited seating (at first), small Yaupon trees, shruberies, concrete sidewalks surrounding the mall and touching University Drive and plumbing for a 4-foot-tall, ground-level fountain jet. The project would be completed a little at a time, she said. The trees already in that area would remain.

Reed-Sadler Mall was completed in four phases due to a limited budget also, Holguin said. For the new mall, money is not an issue, she said.

"It's been taking so long to put this idea into action because we've taken a lot of time to choose a plan that we really like. We'd prefer the mall to take longer and have more expensive, top-quality planning and construction than be rapidly completed, cheap and short-lived.

"We're not exactly sure how it will look, but we know it will be attractive and fit in with the campus scenery. Whereas before there were only people walking to classes in that area, now people will be able to gather. It will definitely give the campus a more collegiate atmosphere," Holguin said.

The purposes for the semicircular wall include serving as a concealer for the dead-end street and closing up the space between the library and the divinity school. Also, since it will be straight across from the columns and flower beds of Reed Hall, it will even out the beauty on the other side of campus, she said.

"I looked into many projects, but we think this is the best idea," Holguin said. "We have to answer to the House of Representatives, the administration and the student body. We also have a budget to deal with."



Weathering the wind - Junior Erin Burden braves Thursday's cold.

Senate overrides veto

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate overrode President Reagan's veto of an \$88 billion highway bill today, 67-33, as rebellious Republicans rejected a last-minute presidential plea for support in a high-stakes showdown with congressional Democrats.

The tense roll call reversed Wednesday's vote in which the Senate initially upheld the veto. It came after Reagan had spent nearly two hours in the Capitol in private meetings with Senate Republicans, urging them to sustain both the veto and, with it, his political prestige.

But with its two-thirds majority, the Senate joined the House in enacting the bill into law over Reagan's objections.

The measure permits states to raise the speed limit to 65 mph on most stretches of interstate highways and includes provisions for more than 100 highway demonstration projects tailor-made for individual members of Congress.

White House spokesperson Marlin Fitzwater denied the defeat would be damaging to Reagan's ability to govern for the next 21 months, saying he thought the president would benefit from having demonstrated his willingness to fight.

Asked to respond to suggestions by some lawmakers that a Reagan loss on so crucial a fight would reduce his presidency to caretaker status, Fitzwater told White House reporters, "I think the context of the president's remarks is that he wanted to show that he's willing to fight. . . . There will be no lameduckism through the remainder of his administration."

"I want to indicate that we fought the good fight," Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole said in a virtual concession of defeat before the roll call began.

Dole said that in his meetings,

Reagan "didn't bend any arms, didn't twist any arms, didn't make any deals. He came here as the president."

In Texas, state officials said Thursday the override of Reagan's veto of the highway bill frees up \$850 million in federal funds for Texas highways in 1987.

That money will support about 20,145 jobs in construction and related activities, said Marcy Goodfleisch, spokesperson for the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation in Austin.

It also may mean Texans will be able to drive 65 mph on some highways by mid-summer, she said.

"We've been waiting for two days," she said, referring to congressional action. "Reaction in the whole department has been very positive because we know we can go to work on projects that are now needed."

She said estimates are that 23.7 jobs are created with every million dollars spent on highway projects. The department will begin letting contracts almost immediately.

"We have been postponing projects for a while now and as early as December started using some major state dollars for these projects that would have been let by federal dollars," she said, citing the new bridge in Baytown in Southeast Texas as an example.

The bill permits states to raise the speed limit from 55 to 65 mph on most stretches of interstate highways and earmarks more than 100 highway demonstration projects tailor-made for individual lawmakers.

The 65 mph limit would apply to 2,422 miles of interstate highways in Texas, but not to 704 more-urban miles. Trucks would be allowed to drive only 60 mph during the day and 55 mph at night, Goodfleisch said. Goodfleisch said the state highway

commission must await the new regulations from the bill and set a public hearing before it can vote on whether to raise the speed limit on some highways. Legislative action, she said, is not necessary.

The 67-33 override vote pitted U.S. Sens. Phil Gramm and Lloyd Bentsen of Texas. Gramm, a Republican, voted to sustain the veto, while Bentsen joined his fellow Democrats in favor of the override.

"This is a victory both for Texas and for pay-as-you-go government," Bentsen said in a prepared statement. The bill includes a Bentsen amendment that closes a loophole in the 85 percent guarantee program.

He said the bill will mean an additional \$580.2 million for Texas during the next five years "over and above what we would have gotten otherwise. It would have been in jeopardy had the president's veto been sustained," Bentsen said.

Gramm declared, however, that "pork won this battle, but it will not win the war."

In a telephone interview from Washington, Gramm said the bill "clearly is a budget buster" that allocates money on a "pork-barrel formula."

"Finally, the bill cheats Texas," said Gramm, "because this bill gives money to Boston, Mass., as a going-away gift to (retired House Speaker) Tip O'Neill and for a mass transit system in Los Angeles."

Gramm contends there is "no way we can fund the programs authorized in this bill and meet Gramm-Rudman without raising taxes."

But Bentsen maintained the bill is in line with Gramm-Rudman budget deficit targets.

The House voted 350-73 Tuesday to override the veto Reagan made last week.

Fort Worth offers help, havens for homeless

By Susana Goepfert
Staff Writer

There are no doors or windows. Crates adorn the tiny shed. A row of boxes covered by a worn, yellow sheet nestles in the corner, but George calls it home.

George is one of the thousands of homeless people in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

After being laid off from a construction company, George's financial situation began to decline, and eventually all was lost.

He now finds himself poor, starving, divorced and living in an abandoned storeroom.

Although he appeared destitute, George found help at the Presbyterian Night Shelter, 600 E. Rosedale, and is now on the road to recovery.

Of the millions of homeless in America, not all are the same as George. Some are former politicians, models and homemakers.

But, due to lack of public awareness, many homeless people never get a second chance like George.

Many Fort Worth organizations have realized the need to educate the public about problems of the homeless, said Brenda Poole, director of social services at the Salvation Army.

A group of volunteers has started a street paper to be distributed to va-

rious organizations throughout the city, she said.

"We are working as a collaborative group on our own initiative," Poole said.

"The biggest problems hindering the homeless are public ignorance, lack of housing and insufficient information on available housing for these people," Poole said.

Both temporary and semi-permanent housing are available to the homeless. It is just a matter of helping families and single men and women find the programs, she said.

The Presbyterian Night Shelter provides emergency night shelter for men and women. Sandwiches, coffee,

milk and sometimes fruit are also provided free of charge every night.

"As long as each individual abides by the rules, they are always welcome," said Frank Wahwassuck, director of the Presbyterian Night Shelter.

The type of people who use the shelter's facilities varies drastically, he said.

Many receive social security checks, he said, and work on the labor pools that hire people to work per day.

Many homeless people become victimized on the streets, Wahwassuck said. The shelter provides a safe, trusted place to stay with no hassles of

ills, rent or groceries, he said.

"People feel secure here. As long as we continue to do what we say we're going to do, the shelter will continue to run smoothly," Wahwassuck said.

Medical services are provided every other week by physicians of John Peter Smith Hospital. On occasion, the shelter refers some of the homeless to the Salvation Army and local churches.

The Salvation Army also provides an overnight shelter for single men and women at 207 Jones St. Individuals are allowed into the Jones Street shelter on a first-come, first-

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Student Center fire - TCU officials blocked the Student Center late Thursday afternoon when an electrical fire broke out. Students were allowed back in the building a few hours later.

Athletes' privileges come with sacrifices

By Patrick Walker
Staff Writer

College athletes face the less-than-ideal task of juggling lengthy practice schedules and out-of-town games with regimented study often demanded by their classes.

No one said it was easy. Recognizing this, universities nationwide have designed special admissions standards, generous financial awards and other fringe benefits to alleviate some of the pressures these students tackle.

Recent criticism, however, has marauded college administrations for being too lenient with their athletes in scholarship programs and admissions practices. Many educators have charged the profitability of college

sports ensures that highly talented athletes, regardless of qualifications, are guaranteed college admission and often little education during their stay at school.

But Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William Koehler said TCU goes out of its way to avoid such problems.

"I know full well the value of athletes representing institutions on television interviews and things," he said, "but if they represent this university, I want them to be an appropriate representative."

Koehler said the school expects the same class performance and participation from athletes that it does from any student.

The school has no specially lowered

college entrance exam requirements for athletes, although exceptions are sometimes made, he said.

If a faculty or staff member feels a student not meeting admissions requirements is deserving of acceptance, an admissions committee reviews the application, he said.

If this group turns down the student, the faculty member can ask for an exception admission, where the file is sent to Koehler's office to be evaluated, he said.

Koehler looks at the academic needs of the university as well as the potential for success of each student reconsidered for admission, he said.

"Admissions is a very complex thing, without any homogenous

group of students," he said. "We have a very personalized approach at TCU where each student file is reviewed separately, and that's also how I decide these things."

Koehler's decisions account for around 20 to 30 admissions exceptions each year, and 50 percent to 75 percent of those cases involve athletes, he said.

But favorable decisions just give the student-athletes a chance to get in; now they have to perform, he said.

"They get nothing in the academic area once they get in but help and understanding," he said. "I don't think you'll find we give them any breaks in grades or anything."

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SMU might cancel '88 football season

DALLAS (AP)—Southern Methodist Interim President William Stallcup said Thursday he will decide within the next few days whether to scrap SMU's 1988 football season.

"I haven't gotten all the information I need to make a decision," Stallcup said after a meeting of the interim executive committee of the board of trustees. "I'm trying to keep an open mind till I get all the facts."

The NCAA has banned SMU's 1987 football season and, among other sanctions, limited the Southwest Conference school to seven road games in 1988. The penalties, announced in February, stemmed from \$61,000 in payments to 13 Mustang football players.

SMU officials have said the crippling sanctions may leave the school without enough players to field a team in 1988.

"I'm trying to talk to different constituencies of the university to get their feelings on (dropping football)," said Stallcup, adding that interim athletic director Dudley Parker has not yet determined how many players will stay at SMU to play next year.

"How many of our football players might stick around, that's one consideration," Stallcup said.

But even if there are enough players, he said he might decide to cancel the 1988 season out of safety considerations.

"Even if there were enough to field a team, you've got guys playing against numbers four times as large," he said, adding that having a small team with walk-ons who might not be

in top condition increases the risk of injuries.

Stallcup said the potential loss of football revenue in 1988 was not figuring in his decision.

There may be an advantage in bringing the football program "to a complete halt and starting fresh and clean," Stallcup said.

"If we give up the '88 season, we could get off to a better start in 1989," he said.

SMU officials have discussed scheduling fall events such as Homecoming and Parents' Weekend around soccer instead of traditional football. Stallcup said such a decision has not been made, but that he supports the idea.

"I like the idea of playing our sports events on campus," he said. The soccer team plays on Ownby Field on the SMU campus; the Mustangs football team had been playing in Texas Stadium in nearby Irving.

Stallcup called the first meeting of the interim committee-appointed March 20 after the board of trustees abolished the board of governors-routine. He said the committee heard progress reports from several trustee groups.

SMU faculty who attended a meeting of a committee charged with examining university governance on Wednesday said restructuring the governing body should include replacing some trustees.

Some faculty members also expressed fears that they would not have adequate representation in a restructured governing body.

ENTERTAINMENT/ARTS



Hip Pocket Theater "barroom drama" worth two happy hours

By Kym Alvarado
Entertainment Editor

Along the shores of Lake Worth, small pools of stagnating water mixed with an assortment of lake debris slush up against the banks. And then there is Nova's Shady Grove, a barroom of eccentric people caught in their own pool of life's stagnation slushing up against a wall of despair.

Within the seedy confines of the local joint along the lake, a world of emptiness and rejection unravels among a cast of barroom regulars in the Hip Pocket Theater production, "Nova's Shady Grove." Written by Johnny Simons and Douglas Balentine, the play is based on an actual bar that stands in Lake Worth.

The play is a story of forgotten dreams, sorrows and individual revelations of a world that slipped away from a suicidal playwright, Bud, Nova, a ballerina, whose only "ballet barre" serves Miller Lite; and her husband, Roy, a sweat-stained old codger appropriately called "Goatman," a fly's best friend.

Also a member of the bar spuds is Judy (Linda Boydston), the very pregnant waitress. She wimps and pouts her life away as she deals with the reality of her pregnancy, a result of a spin around the lake with Bud (John Murphy). Bud has no intention of marriage.

The years haven't been too good for these lonely characters. However,

they hopelessly hold on to the only thing they have left: dreams.

With the help of Douglas Balentine's narrative lyrics interlaced throughout the story—23 songs total—the play leans toward a mystical revelation of mortality and the innocence of life. We see this revelation when Roy surrenders to the Black Angel of Death (Grover Coulson) and is transformed from a catfish-of-a-man into a red-satin, rhinestone-studded Elvis look-a-like.

Also providing narration for the audience is a lake queen, lord-mouthing bar babe Jaded Rose, played by Dena Brinkley. She provides the narrative voice stepping in and out of the story, linking the audience with the actors. Her character serves as the jester of life, prodding and tormenting the bar ensemble for their failures in life. Brinkley portrays Rose with an eerie, devilish passion. She heckles her way to the souls of an already-tormented bunch of nobodies.

Nova, played by Julie McMahon Ballew, is the ballerina-clad proprietor of the lakeside lounge and Goatman's wife. Her marriage has soured, her leotards are soiled, and her life has pirouetted into boredom and frustration.

Nova's empty existence hardens her to the point of a stone-faced, shallow woman. Nova gracefully slinks across the barroom, never missing the opportunity to extend her grace to psychopathic playwright, Bud. Below convincingly portrays this desolate woman and often provides much



Photo Courtesy of Michael Steenberg
What have we here - Jaded Rose (Dena Brinkley) as a heckling jester of life points to barroom waitress Judy (Linda Boydston) as she deals with her unexpected pregnancy in "Nova's Shady Grove."

of the humor as she haggles her husband Roy with a weathered rasp.

You can't help but feel sorry for old Roy, skillfully played by Jimmy Joe Steenberg. Steenberg is so good that you tend to wonder if they picked this guy up from a lake picnic table and cast him as himself.

Balentine and Simons have provided a twist of electronic drama to this stage play. One of the funniest scenes is watching Roy's trip to the store for beer and chips on the barroom television. Jaded Rose and Nova provide the commentary on Roy's crude and disgusting mannerisms.

Ridiculed and harassed, Roy becomes a pawn of spiritual transformation by the Black Angel of Death, dressed in a white pin-striped suit with an array of feathers and rhinestones. He wears 3-inch white disco shoes and a feathered pimp hat. (I guess there's an angel for

everyone.) Balentine shows his immense talent and originality for folk-rock ballads as he guides the audience through Roy's revelation of his own mortality.

Roy makes it to the "island that dreams forgot, between heaven and hell." He's transformed from a goatman into a holymen. We find out in the second act Roy's revelation doesn't go over well with the bar crowd. Roy's return, adorned in a skin-tight, red lycra suit, which is a frightening sight, allows for more ridicule and insults from the Shady Grove gang.

We find out through another series of visual effects—slides—that dejected Roy crucifies himself on the side of the bait house—how appropriate. Simons' visual effects work well to bring to the stage a peaceful lake-like atmosphere.

The play ends on a note of sweet acceptance. And despite feeling the need to take a bath after being in a seedy bar for two hours, you accept it for its originality and energy.

Balentine and Simons are developing a reputation for folk-rock operettas. As for "Nova's Shady Grove," it's thumbs up for its originality and compelling theme. You don't know whether to laugh or to cry.

Show times are Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 8:30 p.m. for the next three weekends at Upstairs at the White Elephant. For reservations, call 927-2833. Tickets \$7.50 for adults and \$6.50 for the studying kind.

Hard rockers, Stiff, debut new album

By Brian L. McLean
Staff Writer

The long-awaited debut EP from the Detroit-based rock group Stiff, titled *Stiff, Straight Up*, has finally made it to the shelves of record vendors. From the slick cover to the sleek vocals and music, one will see why these guys are a major attraction on the club circuit.

They even caught the attention of MTV this past spring break at Daytona Beach. MTV gave Stiff some well-deserved attention.

Songs included on the five-song EP are "Dancer," "So Far Away," "You're Gonna Lose that Girl" and a favorite, "My Number," written by Phil Collen of Def Leppard for his first band Girl. Craig Goldy of Dio plays guest lead guitar on "Dancer" and rhythm on "Memory."

Tunes like "Dancer," the opening track on side one, and "Number," the catchy concluding song on side two, are sure to make their marks in rock's vinyl vault. The only thing keeping this recording from getting a top-notch rating would be the production by Danny Tarsha.

Goldy co-produced, although he was not credited. (Afraid of a little competition, Tarsha?)

Bass player Rob Stratton took time out during a recent stop at Savvy's to give a little inside scoop on the recording of the record, several problems that arose, and future plans in store for the band.

Why was the hopeful release date pushed back from Thanksgiving?

"We went into Prime Tracks Studio in September and the recording took twice as long as expected. When it came time for mixing, we were playing five nights and were sending one person back for the mixing for two days at a time, and that just doesn't work. Everybody played well enough, we couldn't afford to send the whole band back to L.A. for two days every week during the mix," Stratton said.



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Stratton strings up - Rob Stratton of the rock group Stiff unites with his bass for a jam session at Savvy's.

Is the mix what the band would change if there could be any changes made? Why did Stiff decide to release the vinyl, and was it a mutual decision?

"Yes, the project was made in a sit-down decision, and the reason why we decided to release the record is to force the record companies to look at the band since it wasn't happening before," Stratton said.

Stratton added that if the album sells well, the record companies would realize the band is doing well. Were there any problems during the recording session?

"No, not really any problems. We would've done an LP except Kenny had a torn ligament in his foot. We had to cut eight or nine tracks," Strat-

ton said. "We could only keep five because you could tell Kenny's foot would start bothering him and he'd start dragging. He really jammed considering he was hurt. He really did very well."

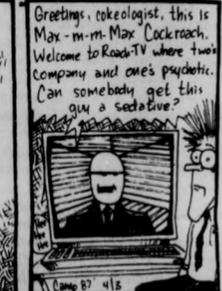
What is the primary goal for Stiff as a band?

"The primary goal for Stiff is to get a record deal. That's the whole purpose for putting out the album—to make people look at it. We're just going to go till we make it," Stratton said.

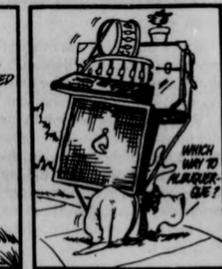
As Craig Goldy said, "Stiff will be a band that all bands in the future will measure their standards by."

After seeing Stiff showcase and strut its stuff with the unique style of melodic, danceable metal it is known for, it is easy to see what he means.

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Shelters help homeless get back on their feet again

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serve basis every night and must leave by 6:30 the next morning. Hot meals and shower facilities are provided. The first three nights per month are free. Every extra night is \$4.

A three-room, 48-hour emergency center is also available for single- and two-parent families on a first-come, first-serve basis at 715 Hawthorne.

The Salvation Army also offers a six-week Family Center Program for single- and two-parent families.

The goal of the center is to teach the entire family how to become self-sufficient once again, Poole said.

During the program, families must work, save money and are required to

attend evening workshops.

Issues that help families rebuild their lives are discussed in the workshops, she said. The sessions cover budgets, job strategies, health, substance abuse and parenting.

"Many of the families at the center have had a problem with substance abuse, which most likely helped put them in their present situation," she said. "We teach them (families) how to become responsible, pay the bills, rent, groceries."

The Union Gospel Mission Family Center, 1331 E. Lancaster, offers temporary shelter to destitute men, women and children, said Margaret Knowlton, manager of the Union Gospel Mission Family Center.

"The biggest problems hindering the homeless are public ignorance, lack of housing and insufficient information on available housing for these people."

BRENDA POOLE, Salvation Army director of social services

"Through contributions and donations, we house, feed and clothe the people in the mission," Knowlton said.

Knowlton said she helps families continue their growth while staying at the mission.

Women and men are encouraged to continue working, while children are persuaded to stay in school, she said.

said. The effort can be tough, Knowlton said.

Most of the women at the mission have been abused by their husbands. Only a few are at the mission because they were fired from work, Knowlton said.

The struggle to help the men seems just as difficult, she said. Most of them have given up on life and are merely trying to exist, she said.

"Something has pulled them down, and they don't seem to have enough backbone to pull themselves up again," Knowlton said.

With help from churches and Christian awareness, the mission has been able to give some men and women a new start on life, she said.

Despite the growing economic problems in Fort Worth and Texas recently, none of the shelters and centers have noticed an increase in the number of homeless people.

Many of the frequent residents of the Presbyterian Night Shelter rely on labor pools for work.

"It seems that work is always available for them," Wahwassuck said.

Although there has not been a noticeable increase in the number of homeless people, calls concerning how to handle bills, rent, food and money have increased, Poole said.

"We are acting as a preventive measure," she said. "If we can keep these people in their homes continuing their lives, they will be that much better off," she said.

Academic requirements same for athletes as students

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While grading standards remain consistent, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Peggy Barr said universities must provide as many opportunities as possible for college athletes to succeed.

"Being an athlete is just not an easy job," she said.

Barr said TCU tries to focus on the student role of the student-athlete's life. This is fulfilled by academic requirements for eligibility to play intercollegiate sports, she said.

These requirements are what motivate some athletes to achieve academically, Koehler said. But, despite common stereotypes of underachievement, many want more, he said.

"Many are motivated by their need

for an education," he said. "They're not going to be relying on football for the rest of their lives."

Athletic Director Frank Windegger said the main priority of his staff is to ensure the athletes are getting a degree, and "meanwhile, they can be receiving a well-rounded education including skills in their particular sport."

The total average for the school's 360 athletes is 2.65, said Athletic Academic Adviser Dale Pitts. Twelve students had perfect semester grade-point averages during 1986, he said.

No grade-point average is required of the 260 athletes receiving scholarships, Pitts said. All football players, basketball players and many other athletes receive full scholarship packages, which include free room, board, tuition and books.

"But before you question if these amounts are too high, remember the athletic department has gate revenues and television revenues to balance our budget," he said. "It's not like the school itself is giving these scholarships—we try to cover it from our own revenues."

Vice Chancellor for Finance and Planning E. Leigh Secrest said the school budgeted more than \$1 million for athletic scholarships last year. During the 1985-86 school year, \$1.2 million was spent on academic scholarships, according to Financial Aid Director Leo Munson.

Windegger said he would also like to see athletes on full scholarships allowed to get an additional \$75 a month for living expenses. Past programs have included such allowances, he said.

In addition to financial awards, many athletes at TCU are allowed other privileges, such as early registration. About 25 percent of the athletes register two days before advance registration officially begins, Pitts said.

"This happens because of the necessity of the time they are occupied in the sports," Pitts said.

"Besides, if you have to have at least 22 people on the football field to practice and you have all these absences for registration, you can't practice," Koehler said.

Though many students may resent the special treatment athletes receive, Koehler said those in college sports often miss out on some of the freedoms other students enjoy.

"The athletes still allot time to class

and study, but then they don't have the same choices with their free time as others who don't have to practice," he said.

But athletes still may get something from their involvement in sports that others can't, he said.

"These people are learning team dependency, coping with success and failure," he said. "They also are learning at an earlier age how to handle publicity and criticism, self-discipline and sacrifice."

Koehler said he believes TCU's student-athlete policies are paying off.

"When you consider all the demands of each sport, I think the athletes have a pretty high performance level academically at this university," he said.

Munson said recent improvements in the student body may mean high

scholarship expenditures are paying off.

"It appears that we're able to attract a scholar, and we're able to attract an athlete and continually able to attract better of each," he said. "We must be doing something right."

Koehler said the program has become very effective, but good sports is not as important to him as integrity.

"I believe we can have both," he said.

Koehler said a problem some athletes face is where they fit in at college.

"What I don't want to happen in intercollegiate sports is for the athlete to be brought in, used and then forgotten," he said. "I'd like them to learn from both athletics and academics, realizing it's possible."

CAMPUS NOTES

Yearbook staff positions

Anyone interested in serving on the 1987-88 Horned Frog Yearbook staff can pick up an application in the Student Activities Office. Positions include editor, business editor, photography editor and section editors. For more information, call Laura Puckett at 921-7926.

Discount ballet tickets

Discount tickets for tonight's performance of the Fort Worth Ballet will be available today at the Student Center Information Desk. Featured dancers will be Heather Watts and Jock Soto of the New York City Ballet. Normally priced at \$12.50, the tickets are \$8 with TCU ID.

Casting call

Anyone interested in auditioning for a part in TCU senior David Alan Hall's motion picture, "Fragile Expressions," should call him at 926-

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Four major roles—two male, two female—are open, with many supporting parts and crew positions also available.

The movie, a feature-length drama, will be shot in the Metroplex this summer.

Ambassador to speak

Ambassador Ralph Earle II will speak on U.S./Soviet relations Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Earle was U.S. ambassador to the Soviet Union and a U.S. negotiator for the Salt II treaty. Tickets are \$1 with a TCU ID at the Student Center Information Desk. Earle's speech is sponsored by the Forums Committee of Programming Council.

Alpha Phi teetertotterathon

Alpha Phi sorority is holding its annual teetertotterathon from 2 p.m.

today to 2 p.m. Saturday in front of the Student Center. All money raised will go toward heart projects.

Divestment rally

Students for a Democratic South Africa will hold a divestment rally today at noon in front of Frog Fountain. A representative from the African National Congress will speak.

Phonathon cash awards

Students who won cash awards in the Phonathon may pick them up through Wednesday in the Office of Development, Sadler Hall Room 214.

Spring dance concert

Professor of ballet Fernando Schafenburg will make his farewell in the Spring Ballet and Modern Dance Concert, which will run tonight at 8 p.m. and at 2 p.m. Saturday. Schafenburg is retiring after 22 years at TCU.

Admission to the performances is free with a TCU ID.

Hulen Mall salutes Frogs

A salute day to congratulate the basketball team for its Southwest Conference championship and to honor departing head coach Jim Killingsworth will be held at Hulen Mall Saturday.

Mayor Bob Bolen will present a proclamation to Coach Killingsworth and the team at 1 p.m. in the mall's

Center Court. TCU cheerleaders and Super Frog will also be there.

PC committee applications

Applications are now available for students interested in chairing the new Programming Council Thank Goodness It's Friday ad-hoc committee. Applications can be picked up in Student Activities Office and are due

April 13. Interviews will be April 14 and 15.

For more information, call Laura Puckett, 921-7926.

Showgirl tryouts

Tryouts for TCU Showgirls will be Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. Students must wear leotards and tights.

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SPORTS



Gooden's problem deserves no sorrow



Johnny Paul

ter being told Wednesday morning he had failed to pass a voluntary drug test taken last week.

Dwight, I also wonder how that could be. I want to know why a 22-year-old superstar would become involved with cocaine. I wish it were an April Fools' joke, but with the way athletes have become entangled with drugs these days, I know better.

It's a sad situation for baseball and its fans. The game would be better served by a clean Gooden, one who is capable of going 24-4 with a 1.53 ERA on his way to a Cy Young season.

Although spring training statistics don't weigh heavily on the minds of established superstars, Gooden compiled a 1-2 record with a 7.31 ERA this spring. That's not exactly vintage Gooden, but his problems don't stop when he steps off the mound into the game of life.

Since January 1986, Gooden has been involved in five separate incidents that should have pointed out something was wrong.

The most recent incident resulted in Gooden being placed on probation. Last December, he and four companions were arrested following a fight after Florida police stopped his Mercedes for a possible traffic violation.

He was charged with battery on a police officer and resisting arrest with violence. Gooden pleaded no contest on both counts.

As Gooden's personal life was unraveling, one would think that someone who cared about him would have known something was wrong. They should have known.

Mets' second baseman Wally Backman said there was "no reason for anyone to have suspected Dwight was using anything."

Wally, are you stupid, blind or both? Getting into hassles with rental-car agents, missing a World Series

ticker-tape parade and getting in trouble with the law doesn't tell you something is wrong?

Either you're naive as hell, or you just don't care. That seems to be part of the problem—no one really cared about his problems. That doesn't mean Gooden isn't to blame, because it's all his own fault.

No one twisted his arm and made him try cocaine. He knew better. He knew when he first tried it what it could do to his career.

No, I don't feel sorry for Gooden. As a matter of fact, I'm tired of hearing of cases like his. Anyone blessed with a natural talent like his should have never put himself in a position like this.

Gooden was on top of the world before succumbing to drug use. He was successful. His 58-19 record over three years is testimony to that fact.

He was rich. He was earning \$1.5 million per year. In fact, Gooden will still be earning that \$1.5 million while he undergoes rehabilitation. That's not bad money for lying around in a hospital.

Maybe I'm being a little tough on Gooden, but I don't care. I'm so sick and tired of hearing of athletes being strung out on cocaine.

Have they forgotten they serve as role models to youngsters across our nation? Have they forgotten their responsibilities to their teammates? Or is it that they just forget about their responsibilities for that one moment for an artificial high?

Whatever the reasons for their drug problems, save it. I don't care to hear it. In fact, I don't ever care to hear it.

I don't feel sorry for Gooden—not in the least bit. Actually, I feel sorry for myself. While he's cooped up in some drug rehab, I'm the one who's going to miss seeing Gooden throw his 90-mile-per-hour fastball.

I'm the one who's going to miss looking for Gooden's boxscore in the morning paper to find out he threw a three-hit shutout with 14 strikeouts.

I'm the one who's going to wonder if Gooden will ever come clean and provide me with the season he had in 1985. Yes, I feel sorry for myself and all other baseball fans. At one time Doctor K was the best. I'm hoping for a cleaned-up Gooden to return in about two months and provide the excitement he once did.

But with today's professional athletes, I'm not counting on it.

Spring sports activities abound



John Paschal

sports:

■Swimmer Todd ZumMallen will swim in the NCAA championships this weekend in Austin, thus becoming the first TCU swimmer in five years to qualify. ZumMallen will compete in the 100-meter breast stroke Friday and the 200-meter breast stroke Saturday.

■One of the first things new

Here's a glance at a few of the things that have been happening or will be happening this week in TCU

men's basketball coach Moe Iba did once he settled into his new position was to order eight pairs of new basketball shoes for each player. More important matters—more precisely, naming a coaching staff—are still pending. Iba said it will be another week before he announces the two new members of his staff. Charlie Fenske, Killingsworth's top assistant for 14 years, is considering remaining with the staff as an assistant.

■The football team, sporting a new 4-3 defensive look (the team ran a 5-2 defensive scheme last year) and a drop-back passing phase to the offense's usual veer attack, will have its second full-scale scrimmage of the spring Saturday at 10:30 a.m. In the team's first scrimmage last Friday, freshman red-shirt running back Loren Soetenga—a walk-on from Wisconsin and the only TCU player who is not a

native Texan—sustained a broken leg and will definitely miss the rest of spring practice. . . . Saturday's scrimmage will be held on the grass football field in between the stadium and the baseball field, because workers are still in the process of replacing the subsurface of the stadium.

■Six members of the TCU Flyin' Frogs track team have already qualified for the NCAA outdoor meet by meeting or surpassing NCAA qualifying standards. Five members of the 400-meter relay team (Raymond Stewart, Greg Sholars, Andrew Smith, Tony Allen and Roscoe Tatum), which clocked a 1987 world's best time—38.98 seconds—Saturday at the Florida Relays, have qualified for the NAAs. (The reason there are five runners qualified is that Allen and Stewart have alternated.) Allen also qualified individually for the 400-

meter race with a 45.92 last week in his first outdoor race of the season. Rebecca Allison qualified for the 1,500 meters with a 4:20.2 time. Tatum and Stewart will be members of the invitational 100-meter field this weekend at the Texas Relays in Austin. The 800- and 400-meter teams will also compete.

■TCU rightfielder Lew Williams raised his SWC batting average to .588 with nine hits in 10 official at-bats in last weekend's three-game series against Rice. Williams, incidentally, reached base in all 16 of his plate appearances, walking five times and reaching base once on an error. . . . The Frogs (17-19, 1-5 in SWC) travel to the University of Houston this weekend for a series against the Cougars and their new head coach, Bragg Stockton, who resigned last spring as TCU head baseball coach.

Astros' spring training put to the test this season

HOUSTON (AP)—Houston Astros Manager Hal Lanier had hoped for a smoother spring training.

The problems started with home run slugger Glenn Davis missing the opening of camp in an angry contract dispute and key relief pitcher Charlie Kerfeld threatening to leave because of his contract talks.

Shortstop Dickie Thon reported to camp but left, continuing to experience vision problems from a 1984 beaming incident. Lanier had hoped Thon would become the everyday shortstop.

Lanier's two top priorities going into spring training—finding a left-handed relief pitcher and a backup catcher—were only partly successful.

Jeff Calhoun and rookie Dave Meads emerged from six candidates as the two leaders in the running for

left-handed reliever. Lanier had hoped Mark Bailey or Robby Wine would emerge as a backup catcher, but neither player stood out.

The Astros tried unsuccessfully to sign free agent Tim Lincecum and will open the season Monday night against Los Angeles in the Astrodome with essentially the same team that won the National League Western Division last season.

Houston's Mike Scott, the 1986 NL Cy Young Award winner, will be the opening night pitcher, facing the Dodgers' Orel Hershiser.

No team has defended its NL title in nine years, but a jinx is the least of Lanier's worries.

"We've got to forget what we did last year because everyone else will, once we get between the white lines,"

Lanier said. "Everyone will be pointing to us because we won it."

Davis and Kerfeld eventually settled their contract differences with General Manager Dick Wagner, and Lanier hopes there will be no lasting hard feelings.

"Hopefully, when you have a hard time signing people, they will forget about it when they do sign," Lanier said. "When it's over, you've got to get ready for the season."

The Astros will go into the season with their starting pitchers having a good spring. They'll be headed by Scott, who normally starts slowly in the spring.

"This club has got to have good starting pitching, and we need 40-plus saves from our bullpen," Lanier said.

Scott, whose no-hitter last Sept. 25 clinched the pennant for the Astros, will be followed by Bob Knepper, Nolan Ryan and Jim Deshaies.

Ryan, who pitched with a painful ligament injury in his elbow last season, has not been in pain this spring. "If everybody has the same year they had last year, we'll win it by 10 games again," Scott said. "Nolan is the key. If he stays healthy, he's the best in the game."

Right fielder Kevin Bass, recovering from arthroscopic shoulder surgery, has returned to the lineup and is expected to be ready for the start of the season.

Bass was among several Astros with career best seasons last year. He hit .311, fourth best in the National League.

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