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Veterans want compensation for exposure

By Lisa Touye
Staff Writer

Thirteen Vietnam veterans joined U.S. Rep. John Bryant of Dallas in a news conference Saturday in support of a bill Bryant is introducing to the House next week that would make the Veterans Administration compensate veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange.

Agent Orange is a chemical that was used to clear jungle vegetation for

American troops.

Veterans should be compensated for their exposure to contaminated Agent Orange, said Leo Newland, professor of biology and geology and director of the environmental sciences program at TCU.

The main contaminant in Agent Orange is a dioxin isomer known as 2,3,7,8 TCDD, Newland said.

An isomer is a chemical that has the same chemical formula but just has

the atoms in a different configuration, Newland said.

Bryant, a member of the House Veterans Affairs committee, said in a story in "The Dallas Morning News" Oct. 11, 1987, that the only way to get the VA to compensate the Vietnam veteran is to pass legislation forcing it to.

It is difficult to prove who was exposed to contaminated Agent Orange and who was not, said Newland.

Some obvious cases of contamination include Vietnam veterans' children with deformed feet and hands with no history of such genetic disease in their family, Newland said.

Determining which batches of Agent Orange are contaminated is difficult, Newland said.

2,3,7,8 TCDD is only formed when a certain temperature is reached when combining the two chemicals that make up Agent Orange, he said. No records show which batch

reached the critical temperature so there is no way to determine where dioxin-contaminated Agent Orange was sprayed, Newland said.

Agent Orange was dissolved in diesel fuel because it wouldn't dissolve in water and sprayed from the air, Newland said. When the mixture got on a person's skin, the fuel evaporated but the Agent Orange remained.

The quicker a person could wash off the chemical after being sprayed the

less would enter his body through his skin, Newland said.

"There were times when I got to shower once a week, and there were times I didn't shower for three months," said Bill Baxter, a Vietnam veteran at the conference.

The study done by the VA showed that 24,235 Vietnam veterans had higher death rates from lung cancer and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma than veterans who served in areas of low exposure and the general population.

Medical student to speak

By Deborah Gaston
Staff Writer

A former TCU Army ROTC cadet will speak to TCU's pre-med fraternity, Alpha Epsilon Delta, at 5 p.m. Tuesday about his experiences in a military medical school.

Stephen A. Bernstein, commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army following his graduation from TCU in May 1986, is now in his second year at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland.

The first TCU student to attend USUHS, Bernstein said the military began this medical school in 1976 to train doctors for the military and for public health services.

"We do more than is usually done in medical school because they instill in us a knowledge of military aspects as well," he said. "There is a difference between military doctors and doctors in the military during war. Non-military doctors haven't been trained to realize what war can do to a human body."

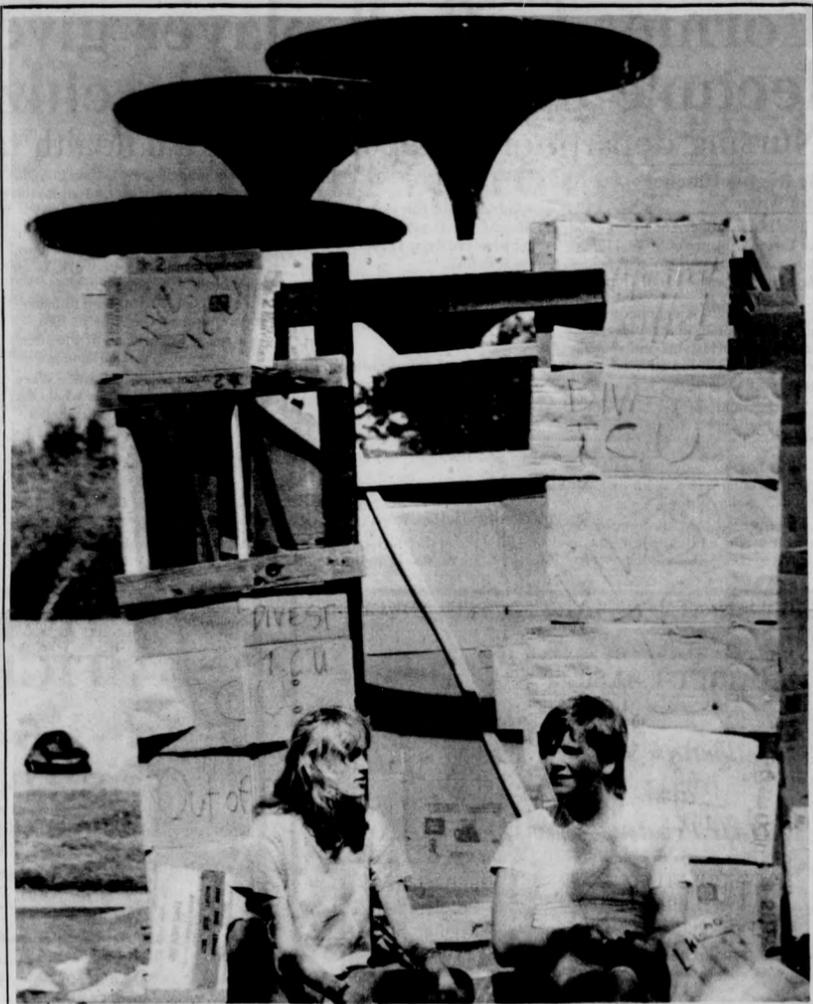
Although he is a medical student, Bernstein is on active duty and receives the pay and benefits of a second lieutenant.

"My job in the military is to go to medical school," he said.

While at TCU, Bernstein was president of Clark Hall Council, treasurer of Alpha Epsilon Delta and was named Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. He graduated Summa Cum Laude with a double degree in biology and chemistry.

In August 1987, he was an honor graduate at the U.S. Army Air Assault School.

Bernstein will be speaking in the Sid Richardson Building, Lecture Hall 4.



Dana Blakenship and Neil Climer protest against apartheid.

TCU Daily Skiff / Rob Robbins

TCU must risk religious values for apartheid

By Rob Robbins
Staff Writer

Tie-dyed T-shirts and faded jeans are symbols that make fun of conventions of society—not issues themselves, said David Artman, president of Students for a Democratic South Africa.

Artman and 18 supporters held a "Radical Protest Rally" against apartheid and TCU investments in South Africa last Thursday with a makeshift shantytown as their stage.

Artman said the rally was termed radical by SDSA because of the ridicule received from "The TCU Daily Skiff" after its protest during Fall Convocation where members wore conservative suits and ties.

People missed the point, Artman said. "It's the issue—not the clothes you wear," he said.

The protest began with the singing of "Let's Get Together" followed by a community reading stating the point of the rally.

Featured speaker Bob Ray Sanders, news director of KERA-Channel 13, began by expressing his disappointment that no black students attended the rally.

"Tell them that I said that it is a shame for them to be such cowards and not approach this university and this administration in talking about apartheid," Sanders said.

It is always "Christians" who defend oppression; yet apartheid is still working at TCU, he said.

"How many black faculty members do they have out here? Count them

on one finger and ask if apartheid still works," Sanders said.

The TCU Board of Trustees is only sitting around trying to decide if it is to risk all of its religious principles and do something that is right for a change, Sanders said.

"I know it's hard—I know it's hard for religious people to do things right," he said. "Witness Pat Robertson and Jim Bakker."

"I could go on with a list of other people but witness half the board of this university. It's hard to do things right when you're religious because you have been so used to doing things that are wrong," Sanders said.

Sanders added he was proud, however, from the standpoint that at least two or three times a year TCU has its consciousness raised.

Even a dozen students can do something about apartheid, he said.

Sanders praised Antony Lyons and Charles Brown, who last year walked into a Fort Worth City Council promoting divestment.

"In the city of Fort Worth two did it. Fort Worth now has one of the strongest anti-apartheid ordinances in a city," he said. "It wasn't easy but two did it. Surely 12 can change TCU."

Sanders said another problem the Board of Trustees faces is concern about money.

"I understand it—everybody has to be concerned about money," he said.

But somebody needs to tell people divesting from South Africa to protect their money against a economic de-

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Health Enrichment Week seeks to educate students

ROAD Workers, Weiss help promote responsible drinking

Editor's note: This is the beginning of a four-part series for Health Enrichment Week. Because of the sensitivity of the alcohol and drug articles, students' names have been changed. Tomorrow's article will focus on alcohol and the reasons students do and do not drink.



By Melinda Hartman
Staff Writer

Students can learn about nutrition, exercise, stress management and AIDS—as well as alcohol and drug abuse—during Health Enrichment Week, which this year will take the place of Alcohol Awareness Week.

Alcohol Awareness Week was first started after six student leaders died in alcohol-related accidents in 1984, said Lori Weiss, adviser for TCU's Alcohol and Drug Education Program.

A student group called ROAD (Responsibility of Alcohol and Drugs) Workers helped Weiss plan Health Enrichment Week.

The group's purpose is to encourage responsible drinking, and its message is "think before you drink and if you choose to drink, be responsible in

your usage," Weiss said.

Senior Heather Masterson said ROAD Workers is mainly an informative group, particularly about drugs.

"Our intention is not just to be an alcohol awareness group, but to start a wellness program," she said.

Masterson said her group decided Alcohol Awareness Week was "a turn-off."

Events planned for Health Enrichment Week include an all-campus volleyball tournament beginning today in the Rickel Building at 4 p.m., all-campus aerobics Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in front of the Student Center, and the Wheel of Wellness game Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Jarvis Hall.

In addition, the Fort Worth Police Department will hold a drug display and presentation beginning at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Student Center Rooms 207 and 209.

Besides planning Health Enrichment Week, Weiss said, the ROAD Workers are considering providing a hotline to help students who have a problem with drugs or alcohol and need information.

TCU's Alcohol and Drug Education program is one of 90 in the country that has been given a two-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

The grant for \$63,294 will be supplemented by TCU funds, said Don Mills, assistant vice chancellor for student affairs.

Weiss said she plans to use the money to conduct a campus-wide sur-

vey to discover current usage patterns and attitudes of students concerning alcohol and drugs.

The money will also be used to train natural helpers in dealing with drug abuse. Most students with an abuse problem would rather go to natural helpers like students, faculty and staff than deal with authority figures like police officers, Weiss said.

The natural helpers program will be based on a model developed by the Fort Worth Independent School District. It has never been tried before on a college campus, Weiss said.

Though not a recovering alcoholic or drug abuser, Weiss said she can relate to the students she counsels on alcohol and drugs.

"You don't have to have gone through an experience to know about that experience," she said. "Alcohol was interesting and it peaked my curiosity, so I pursued a specialty in that area."

Peggy Barr, vice chancellor for student affairs, said Weiss was hired in October 1986 "in response to the concern that we have across the country in terms of the issue of drug and alcohol abuse."

In addition to counseling, Weiss speaks to different groups on campus about substance abuse.

"At present, if a group is interested in having a program on any topic that is at all related to alcohol or drugs, I can do a program for them. I just need enough notice to pull it together," she said.

• **Alpha Phi Omega**- The Alpha Phi Omega booth will provide information to the public concerning Diabetes. They are working in conjunction with the Texas Diabetes Association. Their goal is to raise public awareness of this disease.

• **Mortar Board**- The focus of the Mortar Board booth is AIDS awareness. They hope that the booth will eliminate some of the myths and rumors surrounding aids.

• **Recreational Sports**- Recreational Sports will provide an information desk featuring their intramural calendar, newspaper and club sports information.

• **Clark Hall**- The Clark Hall booth will host a physical fitness check. They will check blood pressure, pulse, and percent body fat. They hope that participants will come to a greater understanding of how their body works and how to keep in shape.

• **Food Service**- Food Service seeks to increase students' awareness of nutrition rules. Amy Wees, a registered dietician, will be present to provide tips on good nutrition.

• **Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi**- This booth will provide Red Cross CPR and First-Aid classes. The booth's goal is to help people to better handle emergency situations.

Booths at fair provide healty tips

By Brad Vanderbilt
Staff Writer

The Health Enrichment Week Fair will feature several booths of various health related topics.

These topics range from basic dietary tips and information on recreational sports activities to information on such diseases as diabetes and AIDS.

Christine Brinkerhoff, representative of Recreational Sports, said, "We want to promote the Recreational Program and to promote physical fitness."

Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi sororities are sponsoring Red Cross classes in CPR and first-aid at their booths.

Holly Neal, president of Kappa Alpha Theta, said the booth may help students deal with medical crises such as minor cuts and burns. She feels students need such information to handle those situations that "mom used to take care of."

Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity has created a diabetes booth with the help of the Texas Diabetes Association. Alpha Phi Omega member Lindy Nelson said, "We just want to raise the public's awareness of Diabetes and to provide the public some basic information about the disease."

"We would really like to make students aware of the great fitness opportunities here at TCU," said Brinkerhoff.

Week's events

By Melinda Hartman
Staff Writer

Students can see their professors serve balls instead of homework during the all-campus volleyball tournament beginning today at 4 p.m. in the Rickel Building—one of the highlights of Health Enrichment Week.

Chancellor Bill Tucker opened Health Enrichment Week Monday with a happy hour in the Student Center.

The Forums Committee of Programming Council tonight will present a discussion of obscene rock music lyrics and how they relate to health with Tipper Gore, wife of Sen. Albert Gore.

Wednesday begins with a drug presentation and display—including a discussion of the effects and consequences of drugs—by the Fort Worth Police Department. The presentation will be held at 3:30 p.m. in Student Center Rooms 207 and 209.

Jarvis Hall will play the Wheel of Wellness Game at 7 p.m. Wednesday preceding a speech by Lori Weiss, adviser to the Alcohol and Drug Awareness program.

On Thursday Fabjance, the comic prince of magic, will perform roving magic around campus before his magic show at noon in the Student Center Snack Bar.

On Friday, the TGIF Committee of Programming Council will sponsor a party "to show that people can have fun without alcohol," Weiss said.

TODAYpeople

TCU guest dance instructor discusses teaching

By Lucy Calvert
Staff Writer

By the time he was 20 years old, Michael Gleason was too old to start his career.

That's because he wanted to be a professional dancer.

"Everybody told me I couldn't begin a classical (dance) career. And I did anyway. I always sort of buck the odds—whatever they are," he said.

He bucked the odds again when, after retiring at 29, he decided to resume his career. Three years later he retired permanently.

Now, having danced professionally for 17 years, he is trying to start his own company. Gleason spent September and part of October as a guest instructor for TCU's department of Ballet and Modern Dance.

"The faculty's been wonderful, and the facilities are wonderful—the whole situation is great. But when you really come down to it, it's you and the kids in the studio and that's when it matters. They work, they care—and that's what's important," he said.

But if young dancers ask Gleason if they should pursue a dance career, he tells them "no."

"It's like that old joke. If you have to ask how much it costs, you can't afford it."

"It (dancing) has to be something that is burning inside you—that you have to do," he said.

Gleason said a good year's salary for a classical dancer is about \$12,000, but added that other dancing careers—such as dancing in a Broadway show—may pay more.

"You can make almost as much at McDonalds as you can being a pro

dancer and sweat a whole lot less," he said.

Another sacrifice dancers make is their time. When Gleason danced with the Cleveland Ballet, he spent six hours rehearsing and one and a half hours teaching every day.

"Basically, it was like running wind sprints for seven hours a day—six days a week," he said.

But all the hours of practice have paid off for Gleason because he has danced with some of the major dance companies in the country—including the Metropolitan Opera Ballet, the San Francisco Opera Ballet and the Pacific Ballet Theater.

Gleason said that although people made fun of him for being a dancer, he doesn't regret his decision.

"I've spent my whole career around half-dressed women. And I tell ya something, there's a lot worse ways to spend your career."

"I look at it as—I could've been a professional athlete and spent my whole career around half-dressed men, which isn't nearly as much fun," he said.

Having performed on stages across the country, Gleason found a way to deal with being nervous before facing the audience.

He worked crossword puzzles backstage.

"You're putting your ego on the line every time you walk out there."

"If you fall on your face you're gonna feel like 10 pounds of crap in a five-pound bag."

"But even if you make the slightest mistake, whether it's visible or not, it's as if someone stripped you naked out there in front of pointing and laughing people," he said.

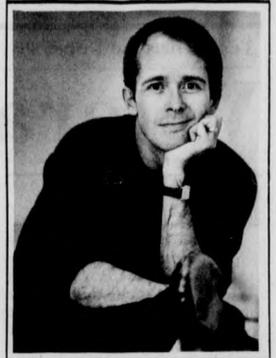
Gleason has had a few of those times himself.

He recalled one time during a performance of "Giselle" when, as one of the lead dancers, he fell flat on his face at the end of a movement.

"There's nothing you can do except stand up and take a bow," he said.

But when he is on stage and things are running smoothly, Gleason said dancing can transport him into a kind of fantasy world.

"You get to be a prince for those of us who were born and raised frogs—which is nice," he said.



Michael Gleason



TCU Daily Skiff / Robert Neel McDonald

All Wet - Fairgoers make a big splash Saturday as they hit the bottom of the flume at the State Fair log ride.

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pression they are divesting for the wrong reasons, Sanders said.

"Somebody needs to get that message to all those investors who have TCU's \$150 million and say, 'Wait a minute—as long as you have money in South Africa, then that money may not be safe,'" he said.

He added that you have to start talking money with religious people "since that's the only thing they seem to understand on the issue of apartheid."

"It's hard to watch people passing by, yawning and saying, 'look at what those idiots are doing today.' You know—giving up a lunch hour and not eating a tuna fish sandwich to be here," he said.

"Keep the faith because it's going to change even at Texas Christian University as it changed with the city of Fort Worth," he said.

Artman said he was encouraged by the participation in the rally.

He added he wants TCU to talk about divesting on the basis of whether or not divestiture is going to be effective to help end the suffering in South Africa.

"The international community is asking this question," he said. "TCU is shrugging its shoulders like a little irresponsible kid and saying 'I don't know.'"

"Let's look and see what those (investments) are in relationship to South Africa and act like a Christian university," Artman said.

Former football player gives TCU lecture on battle with schizophrenia

Nursing department co-sponsors mental health talk

By Regina Hatcher
Staff Writer

The Harris College of Nursing and the Tarrant Alliance of Mental Illness co-sponsored a lecture on schizophrenia in Sid Richardson Hall Thursday.

"Schizophrenia is a chemical imbalance in the brain that is characterized by hallucinations and sporadic behavior," said Ruth Patterson, moderator of TAMI.

The keynote speaker was former Green Bay Packer Lionel Aldridge, who played in Super Bowl I.

Aldridge, a recovered paranoid schizophrenic, spoke about his "Victory over Schizophrenia."

Aldridge began his speech by thanking the audience for caring enough to come. He said that is what

sick people want to know—"that someone cares."

Aldridge said the sickness hit him when he was 33 years old, right after he had retired from 11 years of professional football.

"I started hearing voices and it is impossible to reason with the voices because they are so real," Aldridge said.

Aldridge said it became difficult to do his job as a sports announcer at a local station in his home town of Milwaukee.

"I first went into the hospital in '74," said Aldridge. "My doctor made it a point to keep it quiet—when he finished writing the papers up it looked like I just had a common cold."

Aldridge said the doctor put him on lithium, but he did not want to take

the medicine because he had just gotten off "pep" pills that he took for the games.

"I didn't like the side effects of the medicine because it slowed me down when I was trying to work as an announcer," Aldridge said.

Aldridge said he suffered from schizophrenia from late 1974 to 1981.

"I spent three years on the street going from mission to mission in Fort Lauderdale," Aldridge said. "When you are on the street your whole day is spent looking for food and shelter."

Aldridge said when he was 42 he was placed in a nursing home because people had given up trying to rehabilitate him.

"It was then that I decided you're never too old to get well," he said.

Aldridge said he began conditioning his mind to get well.

"I began to think 'get well' every time I did anything," he said.

Aldridge said he found a doctor that believed in giving a minimum amount of medicine.

"I am still taking 1 milligram of medication a day," he said.

"I gained something from every day of my life and I would not change one minute of it, not one minute," Aldridge said.

Aldridge said he was thankful because now he can see the beauty in everything.

Jean Harris, president of TAMI, said Aldridge would be appearing on the "Today Show," Oct. 13.

Harris added there will be a television movie on schizophrenia called "Strange Voices." It will air on NBC on Oct. 19 at 8 p.m.

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Happy Hour with the Chancellor
(Student Center Lounge)

Tuesday, October 13, 1987

12:00 - 3:00 Health Enrichment Fair
(Student Center Lounge)
4:00 - 6:00 Volleyball Tournament
open to all campus
7:30 Tipper Gore
(Ed Landreth Auditorium)

Wednesday, October 14, 1987

3:30 - 5:00 Fort Worth Police Department Drug
Display and Presentation
(Student Center - Room 207-209)
4:00 - 6:00 Volleyball Tournament -
Second Round of Play
4:30 - 5:30 All Campus Aerobics
(Student Center Porch Area)
7:00 Wheel of Wellness Game
(Jarvis Hall)

Thursday, October 15, 1987

12:00 - 1:00 Fabjance, Comic Prince of Magic
(Student Center Snack Bar)
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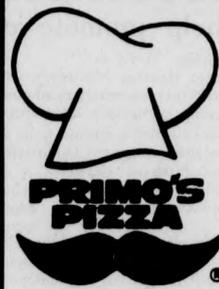
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COMMENTARY

Our View Gipper, hand off to a new nominee

Like the Gipper rallying his team for one last touchdown, President Reagan was in the Oval Office last week, lobbying senators one-on-one in an effort to save Robert Bork's faltering nomination to the Supreme Court.

The Gipper might as well hit the showers, for Bork's chances of scoring a touchdown are nil. We'd rather see a scab player in his place.

After the defeat handed to Bork/Reagan by the Senate Judiciary Committee, the two should face reality by having Bork's nomination withdrawn.

The nomination is opposed by too many senators, both Republican and Democratic. Reagan should save Bork and the nation further pain by withdrawing the nomination all together.

Bork's problem is that, with his stand on issues—especially on right to privacy—he offends too many people he can't afford to offend.

Feminists, for instance. Bork not only has argued that, since there is no constitutional right to privacy, abortion may be banned, but also that women—unlike racial minorities—have no constitutional protection against laws that discriminate against them.

This comes in an age where TCU females have a Supreme Court justice and women aspiring for the presidency as role models.

This also comes at a time when 55 percent of respondents to a "Newsweek" poll last month said they would oppose new state laws restricting abortion if the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade.

Or law enforcement officials. Bork is skeptical of the exclusionary rule, which prevents courts from considering illegally seized evidence.

He has said the sole reason to keep the rule would be to deter police misconduct and "it's time we examine how much deterrence we are getting and at what cost."

How would this affect you, you ask?

Imagine, on a leak from your residential assistant, the Campus Police going through your dorm room in a search for alcohol. They then use the evidence to get you—an underage undergrad—suspended.

You may protest that the Campus Police violated school policy, but that won't prohibit the showing of the alcohol to higher-ups. You'd still be in a heap of trouble.

Sound stupid? Bork doesn't think so.

Perhaps Bork's largest opposition has been in his view on sexual privacy. In his view, sexual privacy is not explicitly mentioned in the Constitution; therefore, legislatures are free to restrict it.

In the 1971 Indiana Law Journal, Bork argued that a married couple challenging bans on birth control has no greater rights than a utility company wanting to escape smoke-pollution laws.

In the age of AIDS, when condom use is encouraged, Bork has not only offended married couples but also homosexuals, whose rights Bork is unlikely to be sympathetic to.

Maybe the only group of Americans Bork has not offended in some way or another are prospective presidential candidates.

Bork has said that limiting federal campaign spending is unconstitutional; therefore, candidates may enhance their nomination chances if they vote for Bork.

But, with 56 confirmed nays in the Senate to his nomination, that won't happen.

The administration needs to nominate someone who will follow the lead of the Burger Court which means moderation, not extreme conservatism. Such a nominee will be more likely to pass the scrutiny of the Senate and please the American people.

Poll after poll has shown Bork is unpopular with the American people. The administration should listen to these views rather than stubbornly holding out on a lost cause.

Bork is standing by some very high-minded principles by not backing down in the nomination process. He says by doing this he will serve as an example for future nominees to not be swayed by the politics of judicial selection.

But Bork and Reagan both need to realize that this is a lost cause. The administration should earnestly begin looking for a replacement for Bork.

Reagan and Bork are hoping for a miracle, that somehow they'll be able to sway the opinion of enough senators to win Bork's confirmation.

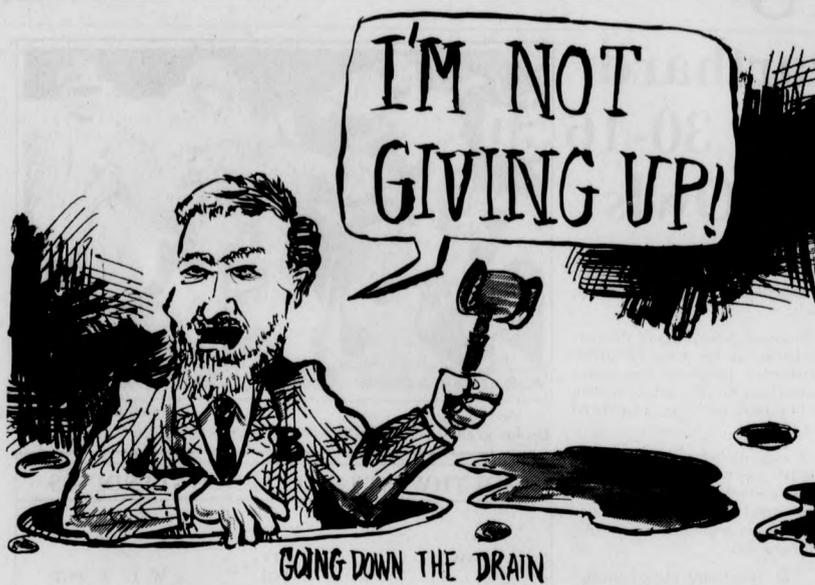
They're throwing a "Hail Mary," last-minute desperation pass. But they're not Staubach-Pearson, and the defense is not made up of scab senators.

The opposition is just too tough to overcome this time. Even Bork's solid stand won't sway the needed votes.

It's time for Reagan think of what's best for the nation than what's the best face-saving policy. The nation needs a full Supreme Court to tackle the tough issues, and to do that they need a replacement named. Bork just won't be it.

Meanwhile, Gipper Reagan has said his star player will be benched, "over my dead body."

Give it up Gipper. It's time for Bork to hit the showers.



How much will you pay for a missing child?

By Duane Bidwell
Columnist



How much would you pay for a child?

That's not a rhetorical question to the dozen members of a Fort Worth-based search

and rescue team. CESAR, the Children-Education Search and Rescue Association, pays a lot for children. It pays a lot more than does the community that benefits from its services.

CESAR uses dogs and wilderness skills to find missing people, dead or alive, in six states in the south-central United States. CESAR also educates children about safety and crime. The group calls Fort Worth home.

So far this year, more than 3,500 kids from the area have learned child safety from CESAR members. CESAR has entered those same children into a national child registry to help protect them against crime.

And each year, the CESAR team and its dogs participate in an average of 15 searches each year. They can find people in mountains, deserts, fields and under water.

Sometimes, they are looking for a little girl who is lost in the fields.

Other times, they are looking for a dead body. It's not a job the group likes, but it's a job that brings peace to the family of the deceased person.

The group doesn't charge for its services. It believes people have a right to protect their loved ones and to find them if they are missing.

No one can put a price on that kind of service.

But our society does. Each member of CESAR spends about \$5,000 a year to be a member of the group. Equipment is expensive. Dogs need care. People have to be trained.

And when CESAR is asked to search for a person, group members pay their own expenses and transportation, no matter how far away or how inconvenient it is.

They do it because they care about life. But they don't feel like they care enough.

They want to do more. They want to do more searches and reach more children.

But to do that, the group needs some equipment. It needs a four-wheel-drive van. It needs a two-way radio system. It needs a personal computer.

That equipment would make CESAR more efficient. With that equipment, the group might be able to find a lost child before that child dies.

That equipment would accomplish a lot. But that equipment costs money—money CESAR doesn't have.

It's not that people don't think the group does a good job. It's just that a search-and-rescue team isn't something you think about.

But you'd think about it if your child was missing.

Then how much would you pay for a child?

Risks of cosmetic surgery can outweigh the benefits

By Lisa Touye
Columnist



The "Me Generation" is now protesting against mirrors.

Last year about 500,000

Americans age 30 to 40 decided cosmetic surgery was a logical alternative to dieting and exercising to re-sculpt their bodies.

It is a sad comment on our society when people feel such a strong need to change the appearance of their bodies that they resort to surgery. Surgery is an option of last resort, not a first step towards changing body contours.

The surgery of the 80s is suction lipectomy. Suction lipectomy was introduced in the United States in 1982 by doctors in France who pioneered the procedure. Since then the number of suction lipectomy surgeries has skyrocketed. Suction lipectomy was performed 99,330 times in the last year, according to the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons.

The procedure eliminates some of the constant number of adipocytes—fat cells—that are present in the body from puberty. These adipocytes may expand in size but they do not multiply to make more cells. Because the number of these cells is set at puberty, suction lipectomy permanently reduces the number of fat cells.

Suction lipectomy removes fat by suctioning it through a hollow, blunt-ended tube inserted under the skin. The suction tube is connected to a machine that creates a vacuum or negative pressure by about six feet of transparent connective tubing. When fat is suctioned through this tube it appears yellow.

The surgeon moves the tube back and forth under the patient's skin to suck up fat tissue, thus creating new body contours. Surgery takes from 30 minutes to three hours depending on the number of areas fat is suctioned from. Removal of fat from outer thighs costs about \$2,000, hips about \$1,500, jowls about \$1,300 and knees about \$1,200.

Suction lipectomy is not a treatment for general obesity. Cosmetic surgeons say only patients with normal or near-normal weight should be chosen for this surgery. Skin tone is important because the skin will not contract on enough patients with poor skin tone. Doctors say suction lipectomy works best on people younger than 40.

Why is such surgery popular?

It stems in part from the American cultural ideal that slimmer is sexier. High-fashion models, the ideals of beauty, are positively anorexic. The slightly heavier and well-rounded figure popular in the 50s became the thin, waifish figure popular throughout the 70s when the "Me Generation's" health and fitness craze started.

The number of men seeking cosmetic surgery has increased by 35 percent over the last two years. Men often say job marketability and professional image are a reason they seek desirable characteristics. Sadly, the experience that comes with age is not quite so marketable as a youthful face.

About 20 percent of surgery patients reported they were not satisfied with the outcome of their operations. Areas with the highest amount of dissatisfaction were the neck with 30.5 percent, the upper arms with 21.7 percent and the outer thighs with 17.7 percent. The area with the smallest percentage of patient dissatisfaction was the knees with 3.3 percent.

Patients responded they felt 90 percent of their surgery results were excellent or good. Surgeons felt that only 80 percent of their

surgery results fell into the excellent or good range.

Patient satisfaction depends on how well-informed the patient is about surgery procedures and complications. Informed consent of the patient is critical in satisfactory surgery. Quick operations at relatively affordable prices have given some people the idea that cosmetic surgery is not really that great of a risk.

These people forget that cosmetic surgery is just that—surgery. As such, serious complications can result in the patient's death.

Eleven deaths and nine cases of major complications were found in an analysis of 100,000 U.S. liposuction procedures in the past five years.

Patients need to be warned about the possibility of death during surgery. Patients have died from fat or blood clot embolisms. Embolisms cause tissue and eventually organism death because fat or blood clots block major blood vessels, thus stopping blood flow to the area.

Patients need to be prepared for the results of surgery. Pain and bruising may last for three weeks after surgery. Swelling in areas where surgery was performed hides the immediate results of surgery. For example, an ankle is usually swollen for a month after suction lipectomy surgery.

Scars from surgery range from the small scars where the tube was inserted to saggy skin around the fatty tissue area. Suction may leave an area with the same amount of waviness that brought the patient to the surgeon in the first place. Patients need to realize they can come out of surgery worse than they came in.

People who look to cosmetic surgery for reconstructing their bodies must realize that risks associated with surgery in general are also associated with suction lipectomy. Patients need to be well informed of the procedures and risks of suction lipectomy.

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SPORTS

Jeffery, Darthard lead Frogs in 30-16 victory over Owls

By Johnny Paul
Sports Editor

Behind a 30-point first half scoring stride, TCU (2-3 overall, 1-1 in Southwest Conference play) defeated Rice (2-4, 0-2) 30-16, ending a two-year losing streak to the Owls.

The Horned Frogs were led by running backs Tony Jeffery and Tony Darthard, who rushed for 197 and 181 yards respectively, behind an injury-plagued offensive line that started two freshmen.

"Boy! That was one of the all-time best. I am really proud of those freshmen we had in there in the offensive line," TCU head coach Jim Wacker said. "Bill Elliott and Mike Sullivan really played well."

For the afternoon, the Frogs rushed for 429 yards as they scored on five of their first six first-half possessions. In fact, the only possession that they didn't score on in the first half ended with a fumble at the Rice 3-yard line.

"When you stop and think that we had two freshmen in our offensive line because of injuries, and that one of them (Bill Elliott) had never played before, I thought we were doing a great job of blocking," said TCU quarterback David Rascoe. "And it was obvious that T.J. (Jeffery) and Darthard were doing a super job of carrying the football."

Jeffery, a senior from Gladewater, Texas, carried the load for the Frogs with 34 rushing attempts. He also scored on touchdown runs of six and seven yards.

"Our best football player on offense is Tony Jeffery," Wacker said, "and we have to get him the ball. We sure can't be criticized for not getting him the ball enough this time."

Coach, you'd better talk to Jeffery about that.

"I didn't know how many yards I had until after the game. When I found out I said to myself, Coach

should have given the ball to me more," Jeffery said, jokingly, about missing the 200-yard plateau by three yards.

However, Jeffery wasn't the only workhorse in the Frog backfield. Darthard, a 199-pound sophomore, busted loose for 181 yards of his own on 14 carries, including carries of 60 and 52 yards.

"It was fun being able to get my first 100-yard game in my hometown, but we needed a win so badly I would have settled for two yards if someone would have promised us a win," Darthard said.

"T.D. (Darthard) played great," Jeffery said. "We all gave him a hard time, though, because he didn't score on that long run." Darthard was pulled down at the 2-yard line after scampering for 60 yards, setting up Bobby Davis' 2-yard touchdown run for the Frogs' first touchdown.

The Frogs' other touchdown came on a 6-yard pass from Rascoe to tight end Ricky Stone. Throw in place kicker Lee Newman's 43-yard field goal, and TCU led 30-3 at the half.

The defense also gave TCU fans something to cheer about in the first half, as they limited the Owls to 114 total yards and produced three turnovers. TCU defensive coordinator Rick Johnson said Floyd Terrell, Falanda Newton and David Spradlin spearheaded the defense.

"We were horrible offensively in the first half," Rice head coach Jerry Berndt said. "We fumbled the ball too many times. We gave them good field position and we couldn't stop them. It was just a tough feeling on the sidelines at that time."

The second half brought 13 unanswered points by the Owls, but it was too little, too late.

"I was proud of our kids for the way they came back in the second half and made a game of it," Berndt said. "But again, offensively we weren't a very good football team today."



Up for grabs - TCU's Scott Ackroyd recovers a Rice fumble.

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Texas Tech	1	2	0	3	3	0	.500
Rice	0	2	0	2	4	0	.333
Houston	0	2	0	1	3	0	.250

Saturday's Southwest Conference Results

TCU 30, Rice 16
Oklahoma 44, Texas 9
Texas A&M 22, Houston 17

"We worked for this one," Spradlin said. "It feels good to win. Everybody on the team expected to win."

Darthard echoed the same sentiments. "It feels good. This was a pressure game for us. Every week from now on is a pressure game for us. We're still in the race for the Cotton Bowl."

Football Notes
Jeffery's 197 yards rushing gave him his ninth 100-plus yard game in his college career. It was also his best since the Brigham Young game (207 yards).

Jeffery now has 2,988 yards rushing while at TCU. He needs only seven yards to move ahead of Kenneth Davis (2,994 yards) as TCU's all-time leading rusher.

Frog soccer splits pair over weekend

By Randy Hargrove
Sports Writer

TCU men's soccer team split a pair of weekend games, defeating Pan American 5-0 Friday and losing to Air Force Sunday 4-3 in overtime.

The Frogs jumped out to a quick 1-0 lead against Pan American, when freshman Jimmy Lloyd scored at the 5:51 mark of the first half.

Lloyd added a second goal at the 39:50 mark, when he took a pass from Andy Machin and scored from 12 yards out for a 2-0 TCU lead.

TCU increased its lead to 3-0 when junior Rex Roberts netted a 10-yarder at the 51:93 mark of the second half.

The game was a defensive struggle for the next 35 minutes, as both teams were unable to push across any scores.

The defensive struggle ended when Kevin Faciane connected from 17 yards away at the 88:00 mark to increase TCU's lead to 4-0.

Faciane added TCU's fifth goal soon after to seal the victory for the Frogs.

TCU head soccer coach David Rubinson said that while TCU dominated the Pan American team, the Frogs didn't play one of their better games.

"We looked sluggish," Rubinson said. "We won and won handily and didn't play well. That's a positive sign."

In Sunday's action, TCU fell behind the Air Force Academy early, rallied to tie the game in the second half, then lost in overtime 4-3.

Chris Foster got the ball rolling for Air Force, scoring three goals in the first 22 minutes of the match for a 3-0 Falcon lead.

TCU started to inch its way back into the game when Todd Groth scored at the 49:03 mark of the second half, cutting the Falcon lead to 3-1.

Lloyd added TCU's second goal at the 68:00 mark to bring the Frogs' within a goal at 3-2.

TCU tied the game and sent it into overtime at the 73:00 mark, when Robert's shot sailed past the Air Force goaltender.

The overtime consisted of two 10-minute periods.

The first overtime remained scoreless until the 8:53 mark, when Air Force's David Hansen scored to give the Falcons a 4-3 lead.

TCU had one last chance to tie the game in the second overtime, but Air Force's Pete Lawhead covered a shot as time expired.

Lloyd said the Frogs' slow start could be attributed to two different factors.

"I don't think we were prepared mentally for the first half," Lloyd said.

Lady Frogs take Texas in 2-1 rally

By Randy Hargrove
Sports Writer

TCU women's soccer team overcame a 1-0 halftime deficit Sunday afternoon to defeat Texas 2-1 at the TCU soccer field.

TCU fell behind 1-0 in the first half, when the Lady Longhorns scored at the 32:10 mark.

The Lady Frogs tied the score at 1-1 at the 51:00 mark, when Sarah Campbell took a pass from Libby Tappan and angled a shot past the Longhorn goaltender.

The Lady Frogs' constant offensive pressure in the second half didn't result in the go-ahead goal until one minute was left in regulation play.

Jane Freese gave the Frogs a 2-1 lead at the 89:00 mark, as her shot squeaked past the Longhorn goaltender.

Head coach David Rubinson said the wind played a key role in the game.

"The wind with the girls is such a factor," Rubinson said. "When you go against the wind you have to be cautious. We didn't play with the same aggressiveness against the wind."

Rubinson said having the wind in the second half allowed the Lady Frogs to alter their game plan to apply more offensive pressure.

Rubinson said the Lady Frogs used two attackers in the first half, but when TCU had the wind in the second half, three attackers were used.

"We just pinned them (in their end of the field) in the second half," Rubinson said. "We had a tremendous effort. The girls were unlucky not to score more goals. They had terrific chances."

With the victory, TCU improved its record to 4-6. The Lady Frogs have now won three of their last four matches after a 1-5 start.

Smith, Banducci face SMU in Rolex finals

By Troy Phillips
Sports Writer

TCU's No. 1 doubles team of Neil Smith and Clinton Banducci lost Sunday in the finals of the Rolex Southwest Regional Singles and Doubles Championships to an SMU team that they had defeated earlier in the year.

Alex Nizet and Tim Trigueiro fought off Smith and Banducci in a match that went to a third-set tiebreaker. SMU won 6-2, 6-3 and 7-6, taking home the doubles title by winning the last two sets. Trigueiro, the tournament's No. 1 seed, defeated teammate Nizet in the singles final.

While dominating SMU in the first set, Smith and Banducci filtered in the second set. The match would go down to the wire from there.

"They were returning their shots too well," Banducci said. "We just couldn't hold on in the second set."

After a discouraging second set, Smith and Banducci jumped out to 4-1 lead in the third, but SMU gradually closed the gap.

With TCU up 6-5, Smith served for match point and the title, but SMU scored three straight points to send the match into a 12-point tiebreaker. TCU jumped out to a quick lead in the tiebreaker, but again SMU capitalized on its opportunities, winning the tiebreaker and the match.

"We had so many chances in the third set and just lost it," Smith said.

"They're a tough team—easily in the top 10. We play really intense with everybody, but since they're right

across the road, it's especially intense."

TCU men's tennis coach Tut Bartz said he was pleased with Smith and Banducci's performance, but sorry that they couldn't win it down the stretch.

"I'm not disappointed in the way they played," Bartz said. "They're getting better, and I'm just disappointed for them not being able to push it across. They gave a good effort and had their chance to win."

In singles, Smith lost to Mauricio Silva of Trinity in the quarterfinals.

Banducci lost in the second round to Patrick Flynn of Texas.

Trigueiro and Nizet will automatically receive bids to the 1988 Rolex National Indoor Intercollegiate Tennis Championships at the University of Minnesota in February.

Bartz said Smith and Banducci might receive bids as wildcards.

"They'll play better in the future because of this match," he said. "I'm real pleased with their progress."

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