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Stealing not considered major problem by Marriott

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Students are stealing food from Marriott Food Service, but Marriott does not consider the problem a major one.

Students interviewed said they steal on a regular basis. "I've stolen a lot. I know at least 20 people who do it, and we've all stolen a couple of hundred (dollars worth) or more," one source said.

Another source said he wasn't sure how much he'd stolen because, "It's hard to tell since you're not paying, but I'd say between \$100 and \$150."

Another source who is a junior says he's been without a mealcard since he was a freshman. "I eat on campus everyday," he said.

Marriott officials say the problem, as far as they are able to detect at their four food outlets, is not severe.

A. Khamirah, manager of Student Center Snack Bar, said stealing is a problem, but not more of a problem than expected.

"The biggest problem we are aware of is students eating inside the serving area before paying. I don't think it makes the prices go up, because it's not that much," she said.

Laura Doyle, a manager at Worth Hills Cafeteria, said some stealing

occurs, but it is "no big deal. It's just a part of business."

Mark Washburn, manager of the main cafeteria, said, "If there is a problem, it doesn't seem to be a big problem."

Terry Hooten, a manager at Eden's Greens cafeteria, said there have been some incidents of theft but not enough to significantly affect food prices.

Eden's Greens recently moved the serving line from an area near the cashier stand to an area closer to the front door, and installed turnstiles at the new entrance.

Jim Bitenc, resident district manager for Marriott, said the old entrance

was causing traffic problems because it is located where the salad bar, soup bar and hot food lines began.

Charles Peveler, assistant to the director of housing, who was in charge of installing the turnstiles, said they were installed to help change the flow of traffic.

"It (stealing) was certainly a secondary problem, but not the primary reason," he said.

Mike Whitehurst, chairman of the Food Service Committee of the House of Student Representatives said, "Eden's has had a problem with theft."

Theft in Eden's Greens is "probably the reason why" turnstiles were

installed, Whitehurst said. "It's not just stealing food, it's silverware and other things too."

Bitenc said the amount of stealing is hard to detect. He said weekly inventories are conducted, but the amounts of food being used make it difficult to tell what's been paid for and what hasn't.

"If stealing is a problem, it is a consistent one," he said. The only way to detect a problem is if profits for one time period are drastically lower than another time period, and the same amount of food was used during both, Bitenc said.

"We do not add a straight percentage (to food prices) to make up for

stolen food," he said.

Bitenc said food prices are figured not only from a percentage mark up on food cost, but a "competitive analysis" of restaurants in the area also comes into play.

"Food prices have not increased in the last year and a half," said Bitenc, who would not say how much the mark up is on food prices.

Colonial Cafeteria, 2600 Berry St., also has experienced problems with students stealing food.

"Now that school is back (in session) we find about a \$20-a-day problem with students walking their checks,"

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Right on track - Students from the Starpoint School get ready to work out on the TCU track.

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Committee chairman appointed by board

Job will not hurt studies, he says

By MARICARMEN EROLES
Staff Writer

Brian Smith, Pete Wright Hall representative, was elected by the House of Student Representatives executive board as the new Student Concerns Committee chairman.

Smith, a freshman premajor from Fort Worth, said he could not get as much done as he wanted just being a voting member of the House, and he decided to run for the vacant position.

The amount of time his new position will require will not interfere with his grades, because he is "pretty well established" in his study habits, he said.

He would like the committee to work toward improving food services in general, and probably look into the problem of having only one bookstore in the university, he said.

"During House someone passed me a note about chlorinating the fountain because it's green all the time," he said. "It's nasty."

In other business, \$969 was allocated to the TCU Hunger Week Steering Committee to send three of its members to the National Hunger Conference.

Charles Jensen, student chairman of the TCU Hunger Week, said it was important for TCU members of Hunger Week to attend the conference

because people who attend look up to TCU's seven-year hunger program to start their own programs.

"The people who would go would be the future leaders in Hunger Week," Jensen said. "It would instigate new ideas and new awareness in this future leaders."

He said he has talked to other students at the conference in previous years who were impressed with the support the House has given the TCU Hunger Week and are trying to get their schools' government to get more involved.

"Ideas spread out more, and we are touching more people that way (sending people to the conference) than donating the \$969 to the night shelter," he said.

He recommended the field experience, started last year, in which a group of students serve food at the Tarrant County Food Bank and the Presbyterian Night Shelter, he said.

Also during the meeting, President Lee Behar and Secretary Jacquie Maupin were appointed as the House nominees for the Homecoming queen and escort election.

Matt Hood, University Relations Committee chairman, said his committee has revised the On the Road Program and has approved a subcommittee chairman to be appointed to organize the program.

Skills program to aid students

By SUSAN BESZE
Staff Writer

As public Texas universities ready themselves to take on the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP), TCU is heading in a different direction to ensure basic skills help to those needing it.

The TASP, which was passed by the Texas Legislature in its last session, requires students to pass an exam testing math and verbal skills before beginning upperlevel coursework or graduating from any state school.

Students failing the test will be

placed in skills-improvement programs and later retested.

"I don't foresee the need for such testing at most private schools," said Janet George Herald, associate dean of Admissions.

"A selective admission process and a Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) average of 1070 lessen TCU's need for massive basic skills improvement, but weaknesses in basic skills still exist," she said.

There are students with good SAT's that can still be deficient in certain areas - Harvard and Stanford Universities both maintain basic skills centers, Herald said.

The Writing Center is one TCU response to the state's call for "basic skills awareness."

As a division of Academic Services, the center seeks to encourage the importance of verbal skills to an undergraduate education.

Another direct result of the TASP is the use of the skills test as a replacement for the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST).

The PPST is an exam required by all students entering teacher education programs, including those at independent colleges.

"The PPST has served the School of See Test, Page 2

VP nominee debate may focus on images

By NANCY ANDERSEN
Staff Writer

Republican vice presidential candidate Dan Quayle and his Democratic counterpart Lloyd Bentsen will meet in Omaha, Neb., tonight in what one professor calls "a debate of images, generalities and posturing" rather than a debate of issues.

Jim Riddlesperger, assistant professor of political science, said Quayle and Bentsen will try to "make themselves appeal to Americans."

"They'll be trying to make themselves look patriotic and tough on crime and will avoid controversial issues. But there will still be mudslinging," he said.

The debate, he said, is more of a risk for Quayle than for Bentsen.

"Quayle is perceived as a lightweight. He's also not been on the national scene that long," Riddlesperger said. "This is a real opportunity for him to win American confidence."

"On the other hand, Quayle could end up hurting the Bush ticket - Bentsen already has a very high rating with the American people."

Sophomore Brad Vanderbilt, coordinator of TCU Dukakis/Bentsen '88,

"It would be nice if the issues were more clearly defined,"

ALISON JUBAN,
junior political science major

called the Texas senator "very, very experienced."

"There's a lot of expectations put on him," he said. "Because of the vast superiority in terms of political experience, Sen. Quayle would like to avoid comparison."

Vanderbilt said he hopes Quayle and Bentsen talk about issues rather than just projecting images.

Junior Alison Juban, a member of Young Republicans, agreed.

"It would be nice if the issues were more clearly defined," she said.

Riddlesperger said unlike last week's presidential debate, which had no clear winner, tonight's debate will be easier to call.

"Bentsen should win this one because of experience. If, however, it's a tie, the debate should benefit Dan Quayle and George Bush," he said.

NBC and CBS will both carry the vice presidential debate live at 8 p.m.

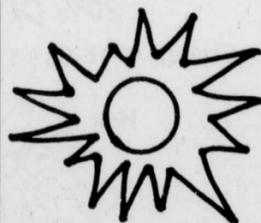
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Outside



Today's weather according to the National Weather Service is mostly fair with high temperatures in the lower 70s and lows tonight in the mid-40s, east to northeast winds at 10 mph.

Thursday's forecast also calls for high temperatures in the lower 70s, with a continued fair for the day and a cool night.



Out of my way! - TCU's Sara Campbell dominates the ball against a Texas player during Saturday's game. See page 4 for related story.

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Director makes changes in continuing education

By ANDREA HEATON
Staff Writer

When Derek Skaggs first came to TCU from Southern Arkansas University in February as newly-appointed director of Extended Education, he saw a university involved in its community.

Skaggs found a need to expand TCU's non-traditional student program through a redirection of its services.

"There's a special relationship TCU has with its community that I hadn't found before," Skaggs said.

In order to serve TCU alumni, as well as the Dallas/Fort Worth area, with quality continual education opportunities, Skaggs challenged himself with a set of service-oriented

goals.

He worked first on a decentralization of the Extended Education Program.

"The emphasis has changed. We are now a service organization offering quality services for both credit and non-credit students," Skaggs said.

Skaggs' work is already evident in the increased enrollment of the non-credit community service programs. TCU had the largest enrollment ever last spring with 1,200 students signing up to take anything from computers to country-western dance.

"What we're all about is life-long learning," Skaggs said. Non-traditional students may complete an unfinished degree or take brush-up courses to enhance a career, he said.

AIDS exhibit being shown first at TCU

By ROBIN SHERMER
Staff Writer

Planned Parenthood of North Texas is offering a month-long exhibit, "Understanding AIDS," in the Student Center lounge to inform students about AIDS prevention.

TCU is the first university to feature the exhibit which is travelling to libraries and schools in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, said Norma Bartholomew, director of community service of Planned Parenthood of North Texas.

"This exhibit was designed to provide AIDS education to people in a way that they can learn at their own pace," Bartholomew said. "It is an interactive display with a computer quiz and other things people can participate in."

The exhibit offers a true/false quiz, a video on the impact of the disease, and knowledge test on a computer.

"Understanding AIDS" first appeared at the Fort Worth Library in April and was funded by the Amon G. Carter Foundation and the Anne Burnett and Charles Tandy Foundation, Bartholomew said.

Planned Parenthood of North Texas is one of the largest local affiliates in the country with over 28,000 clients last year, said Don Mills, president of the board of Planned Parenthood of North Texas.

"AIDS is a new area for us," he said. "Right now the only way to keep from catching AIDS is to know how not get it and this is a cost-effective way of doing it."

"We are also educating the people who come in our clinics who are in the high-risk groups," Mills said. "We want to help them make good decisions."

In November the exhibit will be at Texas Wesleyan College and in February it will be shown at the University of Texas at Arlington, Bartholomew said.

CAMPUSlines

1988-89 Frog Calls available at the Student Center Information Desk.

Students Against Racism Today (START) meeting at 7 p.m. today in the Student Center room 202. Call 926-2364 for more information.

Fort Worth chapter of American Women in Radio and Television will hold an organizational meeting for a TCU chapter at 12:15 p.m. today at Mama's Pizzeria on Berry St. Open to men and women. Call 460-6002 for more information.

Psi Chi seminar: Graduate Study in Psychology — Secrets for Getting In, today at 5:30 p.m. in the Student Center room 207.

AERho Compact Disk Hour featuring U2. Friday from 8 to 10 p.m. on KTCU 88.7 FM. Featuring unreleased "Hollywood mix" version of Desire. DJ's Tracy Martin and Andrew Wyschmeyer. Call 927-2239 for more information.

Forums Committee meeting 4 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center room 202.

The TCU Criminal Justice Association meeting at 8 p.m. Sunday in the Sociology Building. Guest speaker: Van Smith, U.S. probation officer. Everyone welcome. Call 921-7471 for more information.

Pianist Steven De Groote will perform a recital at 8 p.m. Sunday in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. Free admission.

Harvard Law School Representative will conduct interviews with interested students on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Set up appointments in Career Planning and Placement Center. Call 921-7860 for more information.

Count Basie Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. tonight at Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. Tickets are \$6 with TCU ID, \$8 for non-TCU students and \$12 to general public. May be purchased at Student Center Information desk or at the door.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meeting tonight at 9 p.m. in the varsity room of the coliseum. Open to everyone.

Homecoming Queen and Escort nominations due today by 4 p.m. for all organizations. No late entries accepted. Nominations may be turned the Programming Council office. Call 292-0149 or 921-7926 for more information.

NEWSlines

Jurors deliberate on Lockhart trial

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Jurors Tuesday began deliberating the fate of Michael Lee Lockhart, an ex-convict who claims he shot a Beaumont police officer in self-defense, but whom prosecutors described as caring about no life but his own.

Lockhart, who also is wanted in slayings in Indiana and Florida, is charged with capital murder in the shooting of Beaumont patrolman Paul D. Hulsey Jr. at a motel on March 22.

Because of the extensive publicity in that Southeast Texas city, the trial was moved to San Antonio last summer.

Lockhart gained notoriety when he jumped out of a third-story window at the Bexar County Courthouse in an unsuccessful escape attempt.

Lockhart took the stand last week and said Hulsey provoked an attack that led to his death.

Boy sets off bomb

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A 9-year-old boy had set a pipe bomb afire before the explosive went off, killing him and injuring five other children, a girl injured in the blast said.

Max Herrera was killed in the Sunday explosion in south Fort Worth. Jael Zamora, an 11-year-old girl injured in the blast, said Herrera and two other boys rolled paper around the bomb and used matches to set the paper on fire.

Reggae bands appear weekly in local club

By MICHELLE RELEFORD
Staff Writer

A tropical beat and the sound of laughter wafts through the thick air as steel drums synchronize with vibes to create a new trend in music that's actually been alive for eons.

The reggae sound. One difference, musically, between reggae and pop music is the emphasis on the first and third beats in a measure instead of the second and fourth.

But it's the soul of the music that enchants the spirit of the audience.

Caravan of Dreams hopes to popularize and capitalize on the mystical sound of reggae for its Wednesday night Reggae Fest.

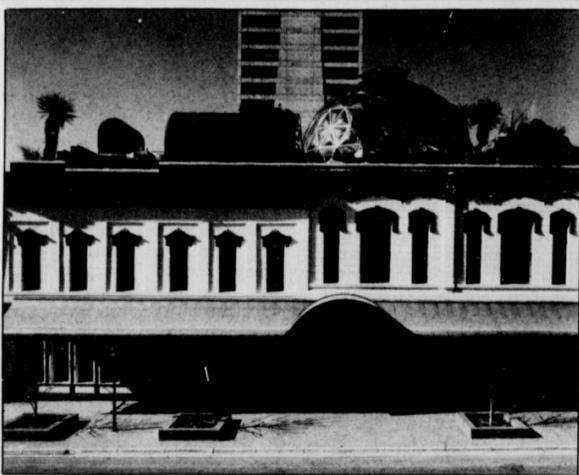
The fest was first publicized in September.

"We're testing it out at this point. If we continue to promote this and don't fill the house, we'll do something else," said Kelly Friend, who works in promotions at the Caravan.

"Reggae is very hot — we've always done well with it on the weekends," Friend said.

Caravan is trying to secure a weekly musical theme in order to draw a regular crowd on weeknights.

"Our attendance is becoming stronger, and we're trying to book bands that will bring in the audi-



Caravan of Dreams

ence," Friend said.

This month the Wednesday night Reggae Fest will feature local bands as well as some bands from "several continents away," Friend said.

"This month we're concentrating on the 'World of Music,' which includes some music from as far away as Africa," she said.

Chief Twins Seven Seven comes to the Metroplex from Nigeria. Other bands scheduled for the fest are Leroy Shakespear and the Rebels, Reggae Force and Watu Wazuri.

"Watu Wazuri doesn't have a lot of places to play in Fort Worth, so we're bringing them back again and again to

establish a base for them here," Friend said.

"It's reggae, and it is African, so we're promoting it as 'Worldly Music' this month," she said.

"I think more people are becoming aware of worldwide music, not just Top 40. People are tuning into the lifestyles of the beach, and reggae is a part of that crowd," she said.

The crowd she speaks of includes the heart of the college group.

"We're offering half-priced admission with a TCU I.D. and \$1 draft beer. This is open to other local colleges as well," she said.

Friend said no one under 21 will be admitted.

Basie's musical legacy plays on

By KAREN FROST
Staff Writer

The legacy of a music legend is coming to TCU.

The Count Basie Orchestra, directed by Frank Foster, will be in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium at 8 p.m. today.

"The unique Count Basie Orchestra carries the legend and keeps the legacy living on," said Logan Hampton, Student Activities Coordinator of Minority Affairs and Program Adviser.

"Count Basie was the pioneer on orchestrated jazz. His style of piano playing influenced many pianists after him," said Curt Wilson, associate professor of jazz studies.

"His rhythm section in the '30s was probably the most famous rhythm section in big band jazz," Wilson said.

Basie died four years ago, but the 53-year-old orchestra still remains popular in the music industry.

"The band has him (Basie) there in spirit. So they sound just as good," Wilson said.

Veteran saxophonist and Basie's composer-arranger, Foster, now leads the orchestra.

Since Foster worked with Basie from 1953, it is important to him to maintain the Basie concept of music — simplicity, Wilson said.

"With his past experience with the Count, Foster is the man for the job," Wilson said.

"Count Basie had a style and flair all his own; the orchestra still follows it," Hampton said.

"It (the orchestra) has always been the leading force in big band and jazz music, and it still is," Wilson said.

"They are the premiere jazz

orchestra in existence," Wilson said.

The audience can expect to hear classics such as "April in Paris," "One O'Clock Jump" and "Satin Doll," Wilson said.

"They will probably play a variety of arrangements of older songs. The key thing is the Count Basie style," Hampton said.

Basie's music has remained for six decades, despite the popularity of rock and electrical sounds.

Basie was honored for his musical talents at the fourth annual Kennedy Center Special Awards Ceremony in 1981.

In 1982, the Black Music Association honored him with an all-star gala titled "To Basie with Love."

Ticket prices are \$6 with a TCU ID and \$12 for general admission, Hampton said.

Plan lets Army major conduct, earn degree

By JOHN AREND
Staff Writer

At first glance, the U.S. Army, TCU and the Fort Worth Symphony may not seem like they have a lot in common.

But, because of a cooperative effort initiated by two TCU alumni last year, an Army major will have the chance to conduct a professional symphony and earn his master's degree at the same time.

Maj. Frank Dubuy, who has served as either a musical conductor or administrator in the Army for 15 years, is the first TCU student ever to have the opportunity to conduct for the Fort Worth Symphony, said John Toohey, general manager of the symphony.

The concept of the program began when Col. John Giordano, a TCU alumnus and former chief of Army bands, contacted John Giordano, who is the head conductor of the Fort Worth Symphony and also a TCU alumnus, about a possible three-way pilot program, Dubuy said.

"A number of different symphonies were contacted," Toohey said. "But nowhere else was there such an opportunity."

"The program is designed to enable the student to broaden his profession-

al experiences in both conducting and musical administration," Toohey said.

Dubuy made his Fort Worth conducting debut in front of about 4,000 onlookers on Sept. 16 when he led the symphony in a "Pops in the Park" program of American patriotic music, he said.

"I'm hoping to conduct further programs in the future," Dubuy said. "Though nothing is definite yet for the near future because the symphony season has just started."

"We haven't decided on anything specific at this point," Toohey said. "He will most likely be considered for our school concerts in the FWISD (Fort Worth Independent School District) this fall."

"TCU is a good environment for this program," Dubuy said. "You're not just a number like at larger universities, and the student is able to receive much closer attention here."

The Fort Worth Symphony has had administrative interns in the past, but never has there been a cooperative effort where the student could conduct, Toohey said.

"The program is working out well," Dubuy said. "I'm hoping there will be future opportunities like this one."

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said Anita Lemond, manager at Colonial Cafeteria, referring not only to TCU students, but Paschal High School students also.

"We don't add a formal percentage or allowance to our prices for stealing because it's not that big of a problem," she said. "We estimate \$1,500 a year goes to stealing, and that's expected."

Lemond said, "We determine food cost in this way: We buy it, cook it, determine exactly how many servings we can get from it, and then we mark it up."

"If we don't make at least 30 percent by the time that labor and other costs take away from our profit, the product is unprofitable, and we don't offer it," she said.

"Probably the reason (Marriott) doesn't know exactly how much money they lose to theft is because the inventory in a cafeteria requires an awful lot of effort," Lemond said. "You have to know what comes in, what was left, and you have to know this on a daily basis."

"Sometimes inventory control is more expensive than taking the loss of theft as something that's expected, unless the theft is out of control," she said.

Bitenc said Marriott conducts weekly inventories, but because so much food is sent out of one central area, it's hard to tell what has been stolen.

Washburn said portion control is stressed in the Student Center Cafeteria.

Don Nichols, professor of accounting, said, "Sometimes in business it's not worth it to put the money in for some kind of theft control."

"You have to put in money to save what's stolen," he said.

Students say stealing is easy, and one source said there are three main methods.

"We have the 'human barrier' method where all the guys line up in front of the cashier, and one walks by with a tray full for everyone."

"Then there's the distraction method where one guy distracts the cashier, and all the rest of us just walk by her."

"We also take the up-front approach where you look the cashier straight in the eye and just keep walking," he said.

Another source said the easiest ways are to "just walk past the register or have someone help you out. We stuff things in baggy pants or, in Eden's, just hand things over the rail."

"They can't watch everyone," he said.

One cashier in Staples Plus, the Snack Bar store, who did not want to be identified, said, "I don't think there is a big problem with stealing. There used to be a girl who worked here who would let people steal, but she is gone now."

A cashier in the Student Center Cafeteria, who did not want to be identified, said, "We have a problem with students just walking out without paying. Usually it's when both sides of the cashier stands are not open. Students will just walk out the side that's closed without paying."

"If an employee is caught stealing, he is fired. When a student is caught stealing, we ask him to pay," she said.

"Most students are just in a hurry and probably just forget. They're all real nice when we ask them to come back and pay," she said.

Bitenc was surprised to hear about the sources and said he didn't think that was a fair representation of students but that it was an isolated few.

He talked about two students whose ID cards weren't working properly.

The cashiers had allowed them to eat as long as they made it up later, and they did.

"Most students are honest," he said.

One of the sources, who has stolen mostly sodas, said he doesn't feel guilty because the food prices are too high.

Another source said he feels a little guilty because "I know what I'm doing is wrong and that people have to pay for it, but it's a paradox because it's the high prices that make me steal."

"I know plenty of people who have a lot of money. My old roommate, in fact, does it (steals) just to get away with it," one source said.

"To a lot of people it's just a game," another source said.

"I don't think any of those people would go into a Beggan's, for example, and feel no remorse about walking a check," Bitenc said.

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Education well and currently embraces the motives of the TASP, said Douglas Hastad, interim dean of the School of Education.

"The change will bring about an increased level in the test itself. The

reform is a result of higher education becoming more evaluation conscious," Hastad said.

The test will be piloted among 10,000 students the week of Oct. 17 at the University of Texas at Arlington.

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Commentary

Problems must be faced

By LUCY CALVERT
Columnist



What event got the United States directly involved in World War II? Who said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country?"

What is the greenhouse effect? These were questions I had to answer on a test Monday night. They were part of a special hosted by Barbara Walters called "American Kids: Why They Flunk."

The program tried to find out why today's high schoolers are, generally speaking, failing the basic subjects: history, literature, math and science.

Tests administered by the National Educational Advancement Board were given to seniors in four high schools across the country. The high schools ranged from the privileged, middle to upper class schools to poor schools in the inner city. Here are a few results from the tests.

Two-thirds of those tested had never heard of the literature classics *Moby Dick* and *The Old Man and the Sea*.

When asked to locate the District of Columbia - our nation's capitol - more than half didn't put it in the right place. It wound up in such exotic

places as Central America, France and Egypt.

One-third of this year's seniors don't know who the vice-presidential candidates are.

When asked to date the Civil War, one boy said, "I have no idea. . . I don't care." A senior girl thought the Holocaust was "that Jewish holiday that happened last week."

Do these answers surprise you? They should. They scare me.

If these people are the future of this country, then you and I are in a lot of trouble.

Why, you ask? Why should it make a difference to me? After all, I am out of high school. Besides, if these kids don't know these things, that's their problem.

It is our problem because the 17- and 18-year-olds who graduate this year are going to be the leaders, laborers and professionals 10, 20 and 30 years from now. Those who drop out of school (and the numbers increase every year) are going to be tomorrow's welfare recipients. They may be tomorrow's criminals.

This matters to you and me because when we become a part of the work force, our taxes are going to support the dropout on welfare. Our homes will be burglarized, our children threatened by today's future criminals.

You think I am overexaggerating? You think I am being a reactionary? Think about this: The high school seniors in 1988 are using textbooks

that freshmen used in 1970.

The yardstick we are using to measure achievement is getting shorter. The pool of competent, well-educated citizens is shrinking. When you consider the long-term implications of this, the prospects are pretty frightening.

These people are, by and large, going to be harder to employ because they are harder to train because they are becoming increasingly illiterate.

That means higher unemployment rates. It means more people on an already strained welfare system. It means more homeless and marginally-housed citizens.

It also means an increasingly ill-informed voting citizenry. Would you want someone who didn't know what the Holocaust was about picking the next leader of the free world?

The ABC special cited three problems that are producing a generation of illiterates: lack of values, lack of discipline, and lack of goals.

If you have younger brothers and/or sisters, it is especially important that you take an interest in their education. Find out what they already know and don't know. Ask them if they think it's important. Why do they think it's important?

Your little brother or sister may be the next member of Congress. They will be making laws that have a profound impact on our lives and those of our children. Are your siblings ready for that? Are we ready for them?



Another chance for Chile in democracy referendum

By MARICARMEN EROLES
Columnist



Victor Jara - Chilean folk singer, left-wing militant and a professor at the Technical University of Santiago in Chile - was taken with all the other professors and all the students at gunpoint from the university campus, in September 1973.

He was taken to the Santiago soccer stadium and remained there with a group of students and professors until someone from the army recognized him.

They smashed his hands with their rifle butts until they were completely useless, while they were taunting him, "See if you can sing now."

Then Jara was executed.

This is one of the many scenes the survivors of the stadium, and most of the Chilean population think of today - 15 years after the coup that ousted the constitutionally elected President Salvador Allende.

It is what they think about now that Gen. Augusto Pinochet, the self-elected Chilean president, has decided to grant Chile the right to have an election.

Today, Chileans will get a chance to vote on their future. If they vote "no" in the referendum, Pinochet must call multicandidate elections within a year. If they vote "yes," Pinochet will be granted another eight years in power.

In Allende's last speech, while the presidential palace was being bombed by the military, he promised his people that the only way he would leave the position they had entrusted him would be dead.

Allende was true to his promise.

The coup started before Allende's election victory was even ratified when Rene Schneider, commander in chief of the army, was murdered in October 1970.

When he took power, Gen. Pinochet declared a state of internal war, which differs from a state of emergency in that murder by the armed forces is permitted and encouraged.

This state of internal war has only recently been lifted to show to the world an artificial sense of democracy and protection of human rights before the election. Exiles have also been allowed to come back to their country - and among the returnees is Isabel Allende, a prominent Latin American writer and the daughter of the former president.

Chile is not one of the biggest countries in Latin America, but it is the one that before 1973 could boast the longest democratic tradition, dating back from the end of the colonial era.

So to most Chileans, the coup meant more than just a change in the presidential figure, it meant a violent affront to their democratic heritage. It was a hard blow they have suffered for 15 years.

Now they are ready to regain that heritage.

"One could not believe it (the coup), even though we had heard the words of President Allende very early that morning," said Assistant Professor of Modern Languages Arturo C. Flores - a student at the Universidad Austral de Chile during the coup of '73.

"I lost two of my good friends who were executed - people I went to class with," he said.

University students in Chile have a more developed political conscience than the American students, and they were the first to fall, Flores said.

The School of Philosophy and Letters in his university were closed and the students expelled and jailed, even those who were not active in any specific party, he said.

Books by all the Russian authors, by several Latin American writers and by Chile's renowned poet Pablo Neruda, also a friend of Allende, were publicly burned and later prohibited.

"When the army came into the university, we had to come out with our hands up and the machine guns in our ribs," Flores said.

"We had to see how they beat the chancellor, and how they mistreated our women colleagues, like in the best days of Nazi Germany."

In 1978, eight bodies were found in Lonquen. They belonged to eight "campesinos" arrested and executed. The church, a protector of the oppressed since the coup, worked to bring the assassins to the law, but they were members of the ruling armed forces, and they are still free.

These are the images most of the people who live in exile or in Chile will have going through their minds when they prepare to vote today.

These images are too strong to succumb to the images Pinochet wants to present of Chile's economic recovery and growth, which has come from a substantial cut in wages and high unemployment.

Per capita income, after adjusting for inflation, is still 2 percent below what it was in 1980. In 1986, per capita GNP stood at 1970s levels, according to the *Christian Science Monitor*.

Foreign investment has increased. Indeed, foreign investors were partly responsible for the coup in 1973 when they tried to protect their monetary interests against the will of the Chilean people.

The opposition has mounted an intense voter registration drive. Out of the 8 million potential voters, 7 to 7.5 million have registered.

Recent polls show 47 percent of the voters backing the "no" proposition and 20 percent of the voters backing the "yes" proposition, leaving 23 percent undecided.

But whatever these percentages are now, it is definite that Chileans want democracy. Above and beyond any financial and economic advantages, they want to recuperate the democratic tradition they held so dear before 1973.

Letters to the Editor

Blood thanks

Commendation and gratitude are due the TCU community for the success of the Fall Blood Drive.

First on the list must be the 509 students, faculty and staff who gave blood and the dozens who tried, but for some reason could not be donors.

Thanks also to the many who helped with paper work, setting up equipment, encouraging donors, "go-fering" and aiding in general.

The Student Center staff and maintenance people who helped with moving, arranging, lighting and so on are due recognition.

A big contributor to the successful drive was the *Skiff*, whose timely and informative articles and pictures helped immeasurably to keep the drive before us.

Recognition is due the co-chairpersons and their organizations: Jamie Comer and the Residence Hall Association, as well as Brad Clark and Arnold Air Society. Michael Cappo of the Housing Department was the overall staff chairperson.

Well done! Now, let's beat even that record in the Spring Drive, Feb. 27 through March 2.

Jack Arvin
Coordinator of Residence Hall Services

Nursing enrollment

I rarely respond to newspaper articles. In fact, I never have.

However, I am fully aware of the "power of the pen," and I am writing now in response to the article titled "Harris Enrollment Stable Despite Nurse Shortage," which appeared in the *Skiff* on Sept. 29, 1988.

It was a nicely written article. We appreciate the *Skiff's* interest in nursing. However, the article included a quotation from Dr. James E. Davis, president of the American Medical Association, which stated, "Nursing student enrollments are down 30 percent this fall from last year."

This same quotation had appeared earlier in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*. I do not doubt the accuracy of the quotation; however, Dr. Davis' statement is troubling for the following reasons.

Nursing school enrollment data for fall, 1988, is not yet available. At a meeting in Austin of Deans and Directors of Nursing Schools in Texas last week, most directors were reporting stable or slightly increased enrollments. The official enrollment reports which all deans of nursing submit annually are not due in Washington and New York until Oct. 15, 1988. Many schools do not begin the fall semester until after Labor Day.

The 30 percent enrollment decline cited by Dr. Davis probably represents the decline in enrollments since 1983 - the decline over a five-year period of time. The year 1983, by the way, was the year when hospital administrators and officials of the AMA were warning of a pending oversupply of nurses and physicians, cautioned against instituting new programs and urged "quality over quantity."

It is interesting to note that, according to data from the American Medical College Association, enrollments in medical schools have dropped about 30 percent since 1975, and no one seems concerned.

My point is that Dr. Davis, as he was quoted (I was not there) by the *Star-Telegram* and continues to be requested in many subsequent articles, used completely erroneous and misleading information to argue his case for instituting a new classification of licensed health care worker (RCT).

The repetition of incorrect information is a serious problem and is giving a very false picture of nursing school enrollments, which increased significantly in every decade since 1940 until a peak of 250,553 students was reached in 1983.

Some of us believe that, just like the stock market, enrollments cannot forever increase without an adjustment or decline occurring at some point. I hope when actual enrollment data is available for 1988, the correction of Dr. Davis' information will receive as widespread publicity as his misinformation has.

Such comments have fueled a belief that students are no longer interested in nursing as a career; actually, nursing schools graduated 77,000 students qualified to become licensed as registered nurses in 1986. That number has not varied significantly since 1976, at which time 77,000 students were graduated.

Dean Patricia Scarse
Harris College of Nursing

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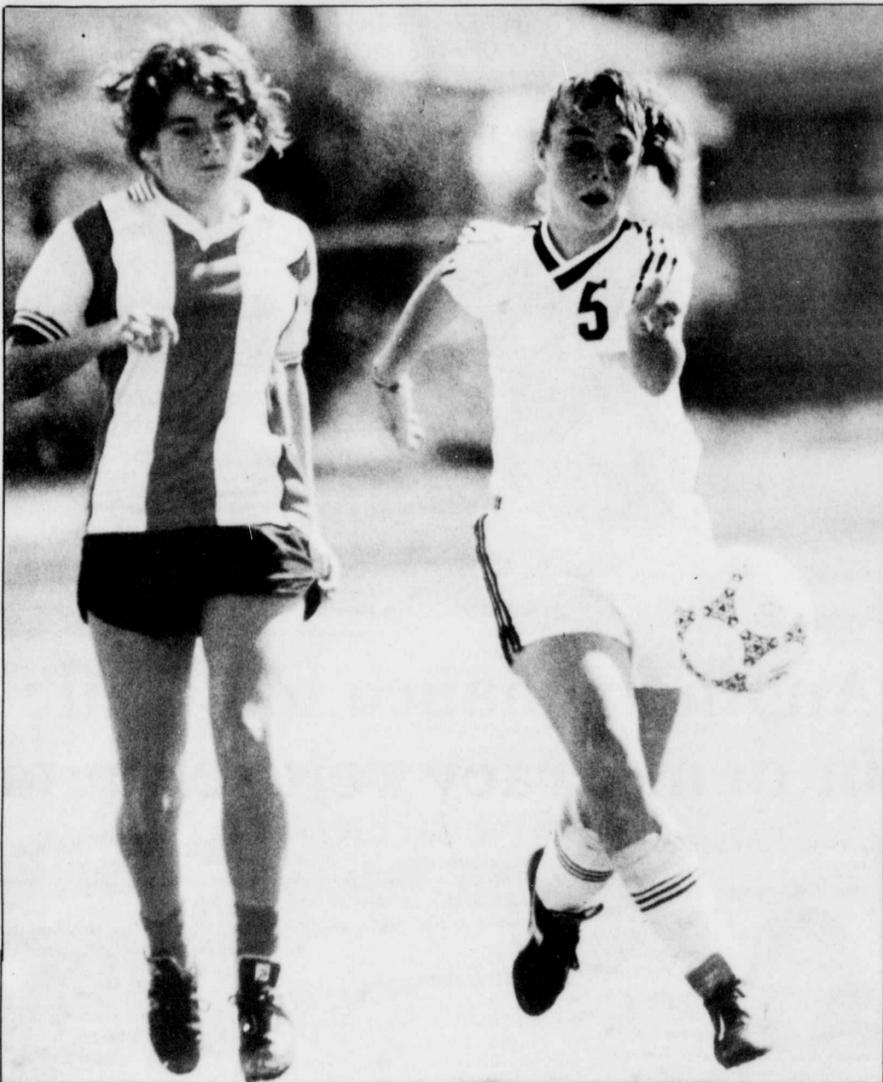
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Sports



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Catch me if you can! - TCU Fullback Denise Stanley outruns a Texas player for the ball during Saturday's game

Lady Frogs win 4-0 at home

By SCOTT HUNT
Sports Writer

The University of Texas Lady Longhorns came into Fort Worth Saturday undefeated, but they headed back to Austin with their first defeat of the year.

The TCU women exploded in the second half against UT for three goals in a 4-0 win.

"They had a great game on Saturday," head coach David Rubinson said. "Anytime you can beat UT, it's nice to do it. All in all, 4-0 is good enough for me."

The Frogs (5-4) put away the Longhorns (2-1) in the second half as they got goals by junior midfielder Sarah

Campbell and freshmen Kim Champney and Ashley Aebersold.

"We made some mistakes and had to make some adjustments, and we did that," Rubinson said. "The second half we put more pressure on them. The half was pretty much ours."

Junior forward Christi Brewton said she felt the game could have been even more one-sided.

"They ran an offside trap the whole game," she said. "They were trying to catch us offside, but our front line is so much faster than their defense it was a foolish thing to do. The score could have easily been 10-0."

Freshman forward Jennifer Cook got TCU on the board 32 minutes into

the game with a goal from 10-yards out for a 1-0 TCU lead at halftime.

In all, TCU outshot UT 30 attempts to 6. The defense played well enough so that Horned Frog goalkeeper Maribeth Forrest only had to make one save for the shutout.

"We are playing up to a level," Rubinson said. "There are not a lot of weaknesses or a lot of letdowns."

"We just need to finish," Brewton said. "With 30 shots we need to put more on target."

TCU had to play the game without the services of senior Jane Freese who had an ankle injury, but Rubinson said he hopes to have her back for the Frogs' next game.

Women's team finishes fifth in Golf Invitational

By MICHAEL DIXON
Sports Writer

After its third straight top-five finish of the fall last weekend at the Dick McGuire Invitational in Albuquerque, N.M., the TCU women's golf team emerged as one of the top teams in the country.

The Lady Horned Frogs battled severe greens and chilly weather last Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the University of New Mexico golf course on their way to a fifth-place finish in a field that highlighted 18 top teams from around the country.

"It was a good tournament for us," TCU coach Kristi Arney said. "Going in I said if we finished in the top five I would be happy. We beat five teams ranked ahead of us in the preseason top 20."

TCU's Ellie Gibson and Barbara Pestana both finished in the top 10, making it the third straight top-10 fin-

ish for both of them and establishing them as two of the top players in the SWC.

Gibson, who won the OU/OSU Kickoff Classic last week, had rounds of 76-74-76-226 and finished in a tie for fourth with Margaret Platt of Auburn and Michiko Hattori of Texas. Mette Hageman of Arizona won medalist honors with rounds of 76-73-74-223.

"I played all right but didn't play as well as last week," Gibson said. "I didn't go in expecting to win. I wouldn't have played as well as I did had I gone in expecting to win this week."

Pestana, who led the individual race after two days of play, shot a 79 the last day and finished in a four-way tie for seventh at 227.

Gibson feels confident about this year's team, a team that is young compared to last year's conference champion Texas.

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5. Notre Dame
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7. West Virginia
8. South Carolina
9. Nebraska
10. Oklahoma
11. Clemson
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13. Oklahoma St.
14. Florida
15. Georgia
16. Wyoming
17. Michigan
18. Oregon
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