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Drinking dangers exposed

Four sororities host game show on alcohol

By Pamela Utley
Staff Writer

The game show skit was done in fun and the audience laughed frequently, but the answers to the questions asked were often serious.

Members of Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma, Chi Omega and Alpha Delta Pi braved the chill to learn the cold truth about alcohol and the consequences of its abuse.

Alcoholic Truà or Consequences, a skit emceed by Panhellenic adviser Anne Trask, was part of an alcohol awareness program four sororities jointly offered its members Monday evening in the Worth Hills courtyard.

Each sorority and fraternity has its own alcohol awareness program, "but this is the first we've done together," Chi Omega chapter president Sara Atchley said.

"We've made (alcohol awareness) more fun and its easier to remember that way," Delta Gamma

chapter president Amy Padgett said.

The sororities worked several weeks on the skit, Padgett said, and the result was a panel of contestants representing women from all walks of life.

The "Goodtime Girls" dressed in miniskirts, high-heeled shoes and, in one case, fishnet stockings.

The "Liquid Assets" were close cousins to the skid row bums-soused with a bottle of whiskey permanently in hand.

A group of classic nerds with highwater pants, pen collections and hand-held computers called themselves "Emc (squared)."

"The United Bag Women of America" were, of course, bag ladies, and the group with all the right answers was called "The Omniscient Chapter Presidents" composed of Atchley, Padgett, Kappa Alpha Theta president Beth Drollinger and Alpha Delta Pi president Margaret Adams.

According to the Omniscient

Presidents: women can get drunk more easily than men, Americans spend twice as much money on alcohol as they do on education, 90 percent of college students drink (with the highest percentage among Greeks) and drinking too much in one sitting can be fatal.

Paula Alexander Lapshaw, Regional Director of Merit Systems Protection Board, told sorority members the consequences of driving while drunk.

For a first conviction of drunk driving, an offender may be fined \$100 to \$2,000 and may be sentenced to a jail term of 72 hours to two years.

The second offense could cost \$300 to \$2,000 and a 30-day to two-year stay in jail or imprisonment in a state penitentiary for five years.

Lapshaw emphasized this would be on the offender's permanent record. Their insurance "goes out of sight," their record could affect security clearances, and they will

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Tough calculation - One of the "nerds," played by Sheri Spurney, struggles for an answer as Panhellenic adviser Anne Trask asks some questions concerning the use of alcohol during an alcohol awareness seminar put on Monday evening by Delta Gamma, Chi Omega, Kappa Alpha Theta and Alpha Delta Pi sororities.

Soviet hostages in Lebanon reportedly alive

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)- A telephone caller said Tuesday that two of four kidnapped Soviet Embassy employees had been killed, but intelligence sources said they were alive and the purported abductors produced photographs of them.

The instant photos, in color, showed all four Soviets with guns at their heads. An accompanying message said they would be killed unless a Syrian-backed offensive against fundamentalist Moslems in the northern port of Tripoli was called off.

There was no indication in the pictures of the day or time the photos were taken.

The photos were delivered to a Western news agency in Beirut with the statement, which said: "We will start carrying out the death sentence on the first hostage at 9 p.m. (1 p.m. CDT) sharp unless the atheistic campaign against Islamic Tripoli stops."

But as the deadline passed, there was no indication whether any action had been taken.

Leftist militias backed by Syria, the

Soviet Union's main ally in the Middle East, have cornered fighters of the fundamentalist militia Islamic Unification in Tripoli, the port city 50 miles north of Beirut.

Two of the men in the pictures were identifiable as the kidnap victims from pictures in their residence permits, photocopies of which were circulated by the kidnappers earlier in the day. Lebanese authorities verified that the permits were authentic.

The photos and statement purportedly were from the Islamic Li-

beration Organization, Khaled Ben al Walid forces, the Beirut Sector, a Sunni Moslem group linked to the Islamic Unification movement.

The telephone caller, claiming to speak for the fundamentalist organization Islamic Holy War, said earlier Tuesday that two of the Soviets had been killed, but Lebanese intelligence sources said they were alive and had been held in west Beirut since they were seized there Monday in two separate abductions.

The intelligence sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press all the Soviets were alive and that intelligence knew where they were in west Beirut, the Moslem sector of the capital.

They said two were being held by the Hezbollah, or Party of God, and the others by Islamic Holy War, or Jihad Islami. Both are fundamentalist Shiite Moslem groups.

The anonymous caller who said he spoke for Islamic Holy War said the two Soviets killed were the commercial attaché and the embassy doctor. When they were kidnapped Monday, police identified the commercial attaché as Oleg Spirin and the physician as Nikolai Versky.

A representative of the news agency, who spoke on condition his name not be used, said the same man had called several times during the day with statements.

There have been several anonymous

calls since the embassy employees were kidnapped.

All the callers claimed to represent the kidnappers. All demanded Syria halt the offensive against Islamic Unification in Tripoli.

The intelligence sources said they could not do anything about the abductions because west Beirut is controlled by militias.

Official sources said President Amin Gemayel, a Christian, told the Soviet charge d'affaires, Yuri Suslikov, at a meeting Tuesday that the

captives were alive, but said achievement of their freedom was "for others to perform."

That was viewed as a reference to such figures as Nabih Berri, who is Lebanon's justice minister and chief of the Shiite militia Amal, and Moslem religious leaders who have influence with extremist factions.

Some of the religious leaders have been trying to secure the release of six Americans and eight other Westerners held by extremist Moslem kidnapers.

Rajneesh religion dies out

RAJNEESH PURAM, Ore. (AP)- Followers of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh sang and danced around a bonfire Monday night as they burned about 5,000 copies of the "Book of Rajneeshism" and the robes of the guru's former secretary.

The books and the flowing red robes of Ma Anand Sheela, who abruptly left the commune about two weeks ago, were heaped onto four wooden pallets covered with flowers and juniper branches.

The ceremony in the community's crematorium was part of Rajneesh's announced intention to repudiate ideas and projects that he says were conceived by Sheela, who left with about a dozen other top officials.

Rajneesh, 53, has accused Sheela and her "gang" of a myriad of crimes ranging from attempted murder to arson. Disciples in the cult say they have dismantled an elaborate electronic eavesdropping network that included bugs in the guru's bedroom.

Speaking on ABC's "Nightline" Monday night, Rajneesh said he was not aware of Sheela's activities. "I was not informed and I was in isolation," he said.

He said the changes in the religion mean "... there is no religion and there is no master, no disciples. I am only a friend and those who love me are living with me."

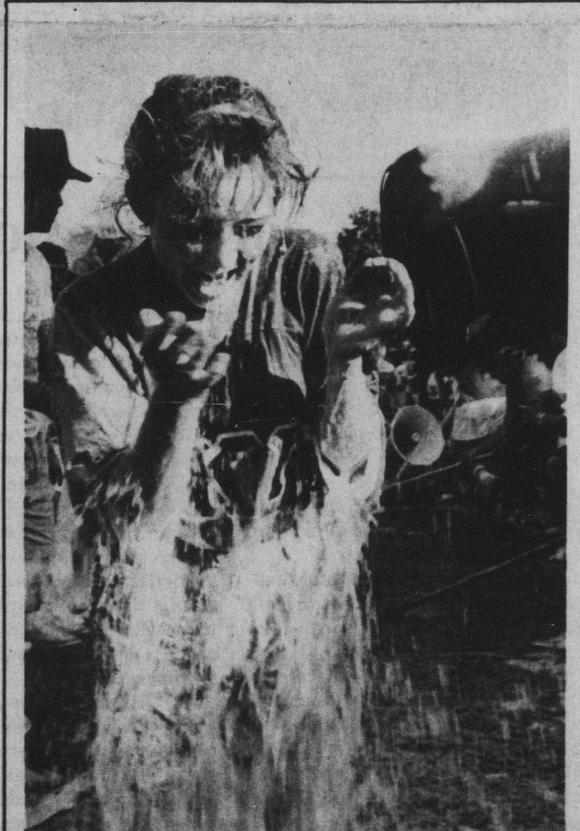
Asked if he thought the group would lose its tax-exempt status as a religion, Rajneesh said, "I don't care." But when pressed further, he said, "We are not a religion, but our activities are religious."

At Monday's fire, Rajneesh's new secretary, Ma Prem Hasya, proclaimed Rajneeshism dead, then used a torch to light juniper logs.

"Step into the holy fire, step into the holy flame," about 2,000 disciples sang, clapping their hands to music by a 10-piece band.

"For the first time in the history of mankind, a religion has died," the guru said in a news conference after the book burning. He called Rajneeshism a religion that "a gang of fascists managed to create" and said, "It was necessary that it be destroyed."

Rajneesh said Sheela was responsible for the "Book of Rajneeshism."



Joe Williams / Staff Photographer

A sprinkle a day - Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority member Nancy Bond gets a needed wash after her participation in the Manday Gravy Train competition Friday.

LOTAS offers students support

By Wanda Hunter
Staff Writer

Carla Witte, Adult Services Coordinator at TCU and faculty sponsor for Little Older Than Average Students (LOTAS), attests to the philosophy that learning is a lifelong process. In addition to her work at TCU, she is also studying.

"I enjoy working with LOTAS because my job is mostly with the adults in the night classes and LOTAS gives me an opportunity to meet the daytime students as well," she said.

Witte assumed the sponsorship for the organization in 1983, when the

founding sponsor left.

A former student, Kathy Randal, created the idea for the organization. Randal, a transfer student from Tarrant County Junior College found there was no base for adult students to communicate. She, with the first

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MOLLY FRAME, LOTAS member

faculty sponsor, Eileen Munson, established LOTAS in 1981.

The organization is a loosely knit one which places no demands on stu-

dents' time, but one from which students derive support, information and a means to voice concerns.

Peggy Barr, vice chancellor of student affairs, will talk with the group during its next meeting.

Each adult student has particular

able to support myself and my children," she said.

During the spring semester Frame was a junior and her daughter was a freshman at TCU.

"I would tell anyone that LOTAS is a beneficial organization and that TCU is not just a university of rich young kids," she said.

Activities in the organization have included discussions with Dean Patricia Tate about graduate programs, faculty art presentations and help with individual programs.

A misconception about the organization is that it is a woman's organization. Both men and women are members.

"I returned to college so that I'll be

2 planes collide in Dallas

DALLAS (AP)- Two private airplanes collided over a rural residential area Tuesday, killing two pilots and three corporate executives as the wreckage crashed within a quarter-mile of several houses, police said.

The bulk of one plane plummeted into an old southeast Dallas landfill, and the other disintegrated about a quarter-mile away after the 1:30 p.m. accident, Dallas police spokesman Ed Spencer said.

Four people—a pilot and three passengers—died in the twin-engine Cessna 441 that dove into the old landfill near the Balch Springs community, police Lt. Kirk Stuart said. The passengers included two men and a woman.

A fifth unidentified person died as a Cessna 152 single-engine plane crashed, but no one on the ground

was injured, Stuart said.

Rosewood Corp. President Don Crist said the larger plane belonged to his company, one of Dallas' biggest hotel and real estate development firms that is owned by Caroline Hunt Schoellkopf, daughter of legendary oil tycoon H.L. Hunt.

Crist said the plane was returning to Dallas Love Field and carried no members of the Schoellkopf family when it crashed in clear weather.

On board were three executives of Rosewood's subsidiaries and a company pilot, he said, adding that identities would be released after relatives were notified.

The twin-engine plane's fuselage split in half on impact, but the wreckage was not fire-blackened. Parts of the two planes fell close to houses within a quarter-mile of the crash

sites. "It could've done a lot more damage than what it did," said Elmer Ragland, a nearby resident. "There are homes both ways from it. Any other time, there would have been a bunch of kids riding around out there. There are a bunch of motorcycle trails out there."

"I saw it on the ground," said James

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INSIDE

Opponents of the controversial Strategic Defense Initiative, inappropriately dubbed "Star Wars," have come up with some convenient arguments against the space defense system. Reasons for continuing SDI research, however, outweigh rhetoric against it. **Opinion, Page 2.**

The dismissal of seven players from the football team has cost more than just points on the gridiron. The Sports Information Office has thrown a significant amount of money down the drain promoting Kenneth Davis, according to Sports Information Director Glenn Stone. **Sports, Page 5.**

WEATHER

It will feel more like fall than winter today, as mild temperatures overtake the recent cold snap. The high today is expected to be in the mid 70s with winds out of the northeast at 10 mph.

OPINION

Parents losing child-raising duties to outsiders



Brandie Buckner-Sears

The 1980s have been a zenith for special interest groups fighting to "save" America's children.

Please, don't do me any favors.

When I have children, it should be my responsibility to raise them, teach them, guide them, and, when necessary, discipline them.

With all the do-gooders in the world, my responsibilities as a parent are quickly becoming those of the school, the record and movie companies and the government.

If a mother spansks her child, she's a child abuser; if she's against religion—specifically prayer—in public school, she has no morals; if

she allows her children to listen to rock music, she is promoting sex, drugs and violence.

Phooey. Once there was a time when teachers taught the three R's of reading, writing and arithmetic. Now they teach sex education and woodshop.

Who cares if America's kids can't score above 800 on the SAT? They know where to go for birth control pills.

School prayer is another farce. How is a teacher with 30 students supposed to lead a class in prayer without offending or alienating some members of the class?

It's not that I believe prayer and sex education are unimportant, I don't. I do believe, however, that both are very personal choices and should be dealt with by the family and not the school.

No one knows the moral and ethical conduct I want instilled in my children more than

I do. Therefore, no one else is more qualified to teach them.

Government interference is another problem parents face when raising children.

I may work for years to buy a home in a nice area with a good school system only to have my children bused to the other side of town.

I'm not a racist, and I'm not in favor of segregation, but busing is not the answer. Let's think of the kids first.

I don't know of many adults, let alone 7-year-olds, who could withstand an hour-long bus ride every morning and then be ready to learn.

Texas, in an effort to reform the school system, has been led astray by a bunch of big-business bullies.

Of course, students need satisfactory grades before they are permitted to participate in extra-curricular activities, but I don't need H. Ross Perot to tell me that.

Not every student is going to pass every class with flying colors. The parents should take responsibility for monitoring their child's performance and establishing the punishment if those requirements are not met.

Childcare is another area where government regulators need to butt out.

No one knows the care my children are receiving better than I do. It is my responsibility, not the government's, to ensure that my children are safe and well cared for while under the supervision of others.

If parents are not concerned enough about their children's welfare to police their childcare facility, they have no business having children.

Record and movie ratings are another area where the self-righteous are doing more harm than good. If these people think rating records

and movies will keep a child from its content, they are mistaken.

The forbidden fruit is the most desired.

If kids can't buy a record, they will listen to it on the radio; if they can't get in to see a movie, they'll watch it on a friend's video cassette recorder.

The same goes for alcohol use. I know more adults who abuse liquor than I do adolescents. What kind of example are adults setting?

Age is not necessarily an indicator of maturity, and issues like alcohol consumption, sex education and record ratings should be left up to the parents.

We always hear about the misdeeds of America's youth. But before we start criticizing, we should take a hard look at America's parents.

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New grading system fair to teachers and students



Jim McGee

Johnny is failing high school.

Once he and some others were all grouped together as "failures." Then, numerical grades were given to show Johnny's degree of failure. Now the Texas Board of Education says

even if Johnny does really bad, he can be assigned a 50, signifying something of an "utter failure."

The Fort Worth school board has had to deal with this confusion recently. It must decide what is the best way to keep Johnny in school.

For now, the issue will be decided by the teachers—a wise move by the school board.

It was much wiser than the decision to implement the policy last April without notifying most teachers or PTA officials.

Now the issue has been put up for debate among parents and educators, allowing an open discussion of pros and cons. And logically, an intelligent compromise has been reached.

Failing students is a touchy area, because it plays largely upon the emotions of parents, as well as students and teachers. It is also an important issue, because more than 40 percent of all Fort Worth high schoolers failed at least one class last spring.

The big advantage of the 50 minimum is that it allows individuals who perform poorly during a six-week grading period to bounce back and pass the semester. The policy could keep students from giving up in a subject, and from dropping out of school.

However, many argue the policy encourages mediocrity and apathy among students.

Seniors, with college acceptances already in hand, provide another problem. A senior who made 80s in the first two spring grading periods could disregard the last six weeks of school and still pass, as long as he or she showed up.

So the school board has left it up to the teachers, who now have the freedom to give students 50s, or the lower grades they actually earn. Although the system is not uniform, it does solve the problems created by the issue.

With such a large number of students who are failing, it's important that teachers give the ones who are trying a chance to pull their grades up. But students can no longer slack off with the assurance that they will receive a 50.

Many are complaining that the decision takes the consistency and objectivity out of grading. But the system has never been consistent or objective, and was not meant to be.

Teachers, like students, are individuals, and have varying criteria and methods of evaluation. No teacher can be perfectly objective in assigning grades. Teachers are, however, the individuals who know best how the students perform in the classroom.

They are the ones best trained to evaluate and assign grades, and it should be their responsibility to decide whether a failing student deserves a 50.

Public schools are not uniform, faceless institutions. Until classes are taught by computers, the human element will not be removed from the schools.

Guidelines are necessary to provide a fair system, but fairness is not lost by allowing teachers to use their professional judgment on the degree of a student's failure.

Jim McGee is a junior journalism major



SDI research continuation needed

Few believed in the late 1960s the United States, or any nation for that matter, would ever have the capability to place a man on that mass of rock a quarter of a million miles away in space.

The numerous critics of the NASA moon mission were silenced one day in 1969 when Neil Armstrong proclaimed, "that's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind," upon stepping onto the moon's surface from the Eagle.

Again we are confronted with a proposal of such magnitude that critics are branding it "impossible" and are calling for an end to its research.

The Strategic Defense Initiative, inappropriately dubbed "Star Wars," is one of the central issues in both domestic politics and international relations for the United States.

SDI, only in its initial stages of research, has already been the target of a barrage of attacks from scientists, politicians and representatives of government-sponsored interest groups.

Scientists claim SDI will never live up to the expectations that President Reagan and National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane have preached.

Politicians say SDI is an unnecessary barrier in the development of a new American/Soviet arms control agreement. And certain interest groups have lashed out against the anticipated billions of dollars that will have to be spent for further SDI research.

Arguments for continuing SDI research, however, out-

weigh rhetoric against its development.

For those who claim SDI will never offer protection for Americans from a Soviet nuclear first strike: What were the scientific critics saying about the lunar space program when it was first implemented? Some said it wouldn't work. A decade later they were proved wrong.

To the dove politicians: To think the Soviets haven't already begun their own space defense system is ludicrous. They have spoken out against SDI because it is one weapons system in which they don't have the advantage.

American technology is undoubtedly superior to the Soviets', and the quicker we pursue this defense system, the better for the United States. It is important to remember the Soviet Union spends a far greater amount of its gross national product on defense than the United States, which sometimes compensates for the Soviets' lack of technological skills.

Finally, for the representatives of government-sponsored interest groups, whose organizations might receive less money because of increased defense spending on SDI: If the United States pursues SDI research at a controlled pace, spending will remain relative to other aspects of the American economy.

If, however, the United States allows itself to fall behind the Soviets in space defense development, the catch-up cost will make the present fiscal predictions seem minimal.

As the familiar auto filter commercial says: you can pay now—or pay later.

HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 2, the 275th day of 1985. There are 90 days left in the year.

Today's highlights in history:

On Oct. 2, 1835, the first battle of the Texas Revolution took place as American settlers defeated a Mexican cavalry near the Guadalupe River.

On this date:

In 1780, British spy John Andre was hanged in Tappan, N.Y.

In 1869, Indian political and spiritual leader Mohandas K. Gandhi was born.

In 1889, the first Pan-American conference was held in Washington.

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson suffered a stroke that left him partially paralyzed.

In 1941, German armies began Operation Typhoon, an all-out drive against Moscow.

In 1950, the comic strip "Peanuts," created by Charles Schulz, was first published in nine newspapers.

In 1962, the television program "The Twilight Zone" made its debut on CBS.

In 1967, Thurgood Marshall, the first black to be appointed to the court was sworn in as a member of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Ten years ago:

President Gerald R. Ford welcomed Japan's Emperor Hirohito to the United States. The Japanese leader indicated regret over his country's role in World War II and said he hoped his visit would contribute to friendship between the two countries.

Five years ago:

The U.S. House of Representatives voted to expel Rep. Michael J. Myers, D-Pa., who was convicted of bribery and conspiracy in connection with the FBI's Abscam probe.

One year ago:

President Reagan told reporters in Brownsville, Texas, that as commander-in-chief he was fully responsible for the Sept. 20 bombing of the U.S. Embassy annex in suburban Beirut.

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History professor mixes research with teaching

By Denise Van Meter
Staff Writer

The Chancellor's award, given for excellence in creative activity and research, is just one of the honors TCU history professor Dave Edmunds will receive this semester.

Edmunds received the Chancellor's award at fall convocation two weeks ago for his research on the history of the American Indians.

On Nov. 2, the tribal council of the Citizen Band Potawatomi tribe of Tecumseh, Okla., will install Edmunds as a tribal member and as honorary tribal historian.

This honor is based on years of research and donations to the Citizen Band archives by Edmunds.

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al contact during my day—during my week. I think that balances with the research and the writing. If all I do is teach, I get burned out," Edmunds said.

"I'm really into my subject. I love it. So I am very interested in sharing the ideas that I have and I'm interested in interesting other people

with this thing (research). That's what I attempt to do very much in the lectures and in the writing that I do as well," Edmunds said.

Edmunds' research efforts are often facilitated by the students he teaches.

"I use a lot of the material that I find in my research in my lectures," Edmunds said. "Occasionally I'll have students or people ask things in the lecture which will spur me to go look at some other things."

Interested in Indians as a child, Edmunds will be using his knowledge of the North American Indians to help the Smithsonian Institution. He has

been appointed by the institution to a committee to help find a director for the National Museum of American History section of the institution.

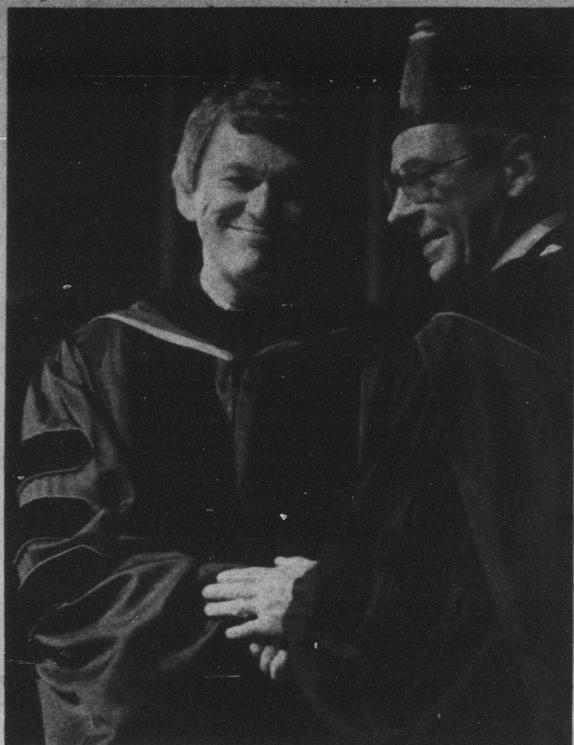
Today at the Smithsonian, Edmunds will deliver a lecture at a major conference dealing with how to put more emphasis on the American Indian in freshmen survey courses.

Edmunds is concerned the writing of today's history texts be presented in a manner that is most beneficial to the student. He seeks to accomplish this in his own writing as well.

Edmunds has been nominated for a Pulitzer Prize for his book, "Tecumseh," and has several projects on the back burner he is currently working on.

One project is for the University of Oklahoma Press. Edmunds is writing a book with a French linguist about the French and Fox Indians on the French regime in the old Northwest.

What could induce early retirement? Only a job with a fishing lure manufacture, testing its product, Edmunds said. And since he cannot find anyone to hire him, he plans to stay at TCU.



Jackie Torbert / Staff Photographer
Making history - Dave Edmunds accepts the Chancellor's Award.

CAMPUS NOTES

Hi-tech voting

The Tarrant County Election Administration Office is hosting a special session to train voters how to operate the new OPTECH computerized voting system. The new computer ballots will be used in elections this November.

The sessions will be held at Hulen Mall Friday, Oct. 4 through Sunday, Oct. 6 in the center court. Hulen Mall is open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Capital program

Applications are now being accepted for the fall 1986 TCU Washington Internship Program. Internships are available to students in any major field. For brochures and application forms, contact professor Eugene Alpert, Sadler Hall Room 205, 921-7468. Deadline for applications is Nov. 18.

Scholarly pledge

Delta Tau Delta fraternity has awarded pledge Brian Hoestery its freshman scholarship. Hoestery received the scholarship for outstanding high school achievement.

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Dangers exposed

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be required by law to admit to the offense on job applications.

Trask reminded students of the TCU alcohol policy listed in the school calendar and stressed responsible drinking.

TCU considers "any effort to induce or force a student to drink against his or her expressed desire" a serious offense, possibly resulting in suspension, she said. Trask placed peer pressure to drink in this category.

Trask urged the women to be sensitive to the needs of others and to help them.

"We're sororities. We're supposed to care about each other. And we're student organizations, but we're more than that. We have a sisterhood responsibility," Trask said.

Trask said sorority sisters, or anyone on campus, should confront a friend who has a drinking problem and urge them to seek help. In addition, Trask reminded the audience to never let a friend drive while drunk.

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REGIONAL SCOPE

TDC looks for gang members

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP)—Texas Department of Corrections Director Lane McCotter said Monday he is forming an intelligence task force to identify and isolate members of prison gangs responsible for a bloody turf battle within the nation's second largest prison system.

"We never had the urgency to do something like this before," McCotter said. "We are talking about a small handful of people who have no qualms about killing anyone who gets in their way."

The task force will answer directly to the director and will concentrate on finding and tracking the approximately 900 gang members operating within the 38,000-inmate prison system, McCotter said. Gang members are believed responsible for most of the 27 slayings the prison system has recorded this year. The system set a record last year with 25 homicides.

The three-member task force also will coordinate the gang information

with local police departments and the Department of Public Safety, he said.

"We are aware that there has been a large growth in gangs and we need to track the leaders and help local law enforcement once they leave prison," McCotter said.

McCotter met Monday with state Rep. Dan Morales, D-San Antonio, who last session sponsored several pieces of criminal justice legislation and is a proponent of more prison construction.

"My main concern is with the early releases and the possibility of someone receiving nine for one," Morales said referring to the possibility a prisoner might get nine years credit for one year served in prison.

"This is proof to many people that the criminal justice system is not working," he said.

The prison system has room for about 300 more inmates before it reaches capacity and must start releasing inmates ahead of their parole

dates under new anti-crowding laws passed by the Legislature.

Cuts in the budget of the state probation commission may result in the prison population increasing by up to 3,000 inmates, McCotter said. TDC has no room for such a large increase, he said.

Cramping inmates into already crowded prisons adds to the violence and limits space for isolating trouble-making convicts, McCotter said.

Morales visited three Huntsville-area prisons Monday.

The visits were the first such tours since a three-week security crackdown that began Sept. 9 when 17,000 convicts were confined to their cells and security was increased at 13 of the state's toughest prisons.

The massive confinements came after eight prisoners were slain in eight days and amid rumors that inmates

were planning a systemwide riot.

The measures have cooled gang warfare, which was growing as inmates struggled to recruit new members and gain control of prison racks, such as drug trafficking and protection, according to prison officials. The trafficking is made possible by some prison employees who help smuggle the drugs into the prisons.

Charles Blanchette, warden of the Ferguson Unit near Madisonville, said dope trafficking had almost disappeared since the arrests last month of 12 employees on allegations they were involved in the use or sale of drugs to inmates.

Blanchette said another way to curb the drug trafficking is to require all employees to take urine tests to detect drug use. McCotter has proposed the tests, along with spot searches of employees, in an effort to deter employee drug smuggling.

Owner of Gilley's faced with charges

HOUSTON (AP)—A Harris County grand jury indicted the owner of Gilley's Club, a popular country-western honky tonk, on attempted murder charges against the advice of prosecutors.

District Attorney John B. Holmes Jr. and Pasadena police say the indictments, returned Monday against club owner Sherwood Cryer, are the result of a "witch-hunt."

Cryer is the owner of Gilley's, a country-western club in Pasadena made famous by the movie "Urban Cowboy."

He is accused of firing a shotgun at karate instructor Randall Everett Johnston, 27.

Johnston and another martial arts teacher, Joseph Fitzgerald Acton, were walking outside the Pasadena building where they worked Nov. 26 when the shooting occurred. Neither man was injured.

Cryer said the indictment, which also charges him with aggravated assault, was a "totally political" attempt to retaliate against Pasadena Police Chief David Mullican, who has served as head of security at Gilley's.

"Well, that grand jury has four of (Pasadena Mayor) John Ray Harrison's men on it," Cryer said. "One of them said that the beer joint industry runs Pasadena, so they're all after me. Just check out who's on the grand jury."

Grand juror Gene Milligan of Clear Lake criticized Mullican for the department's failure to follow proper procedures and for not "following up" on the case.

Police officers using trained dogs followed the gunman's trail to Cryer's home after the shooting, but they did not enter the house or arrest Cryer, authorities said.

Mullican said he did not know why Cryer was not questioned.

Texas fair starts Oct. 3

DALLAS (AP)—A helicopter acrobatics act, a diving team and a touring company of the Broadway hit musical "42nd Street," are a few of the attractions at the 1985 Texas State Fair, which begins Thursday.

Gates at Fair Park open at noon Thursday and the fair continues through Oct. 20. This year's theme is "Something New For You."

Events include the traditional favorites such as evening parades, an outdoor ice show, a three-ring circus, fireworks displays, Midway rides and exhibits.

Several new attractions have been added to this year's agenda, including a ferris wheel called the "Texas Star."

The annual State Fair Rodeo is set to run Oct. 18-20 with two shows daily, and will draw top competitors from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association tour.

Five die in plane collision

Continued from Page 1

Webb, who drove to the landfill on his motorcycle moments after the crash. "I saw a man. He still had his seat belt on. He had to be dead."

Robert Trevino, who was at a house east of the landfill, said he heard two rapid-fire explosions, looked up and "only one came down. It twirled down."

Stuart said some witnesses reported seeing two planes, but witness Linda Laird said, "all I saw was pieces of the plane going everywhere. I only saw one plane."

Spencer said one plane had come from the Redbird Airport 15 miles away in south Dallas.



Love bugs 'hook up' on Houston roadways

HOUSTON (AP)—Many Houston motorists are bugged by a tiny type of fly that travels in pairs and often ends up splattered on automobile windshields, an entomologist says.

It is "love bug" season in Houston, and this year the insect seems to have swarmed upon the city with a vengeance, said Phil Hamman, a professor at Texas A&M University.

The bugs—known by the scientific name Plecia nearctica—typically descend upon Houston and surrounding communities in May and September. But Hamman said this year a tremendous number has been reported in Houston.

"I've had more inquiries about those little bugs lately than in all the 20 years I've been an entomologist," he said. "It must be some unusual set

of environmental conditions which is causing large numbers to occur."

Hamman said Houston's hot, humid climate is ideal for the bugs to breed.

The love bug spends most of its adult life copulating in flight, which means it often unwittingly flies into automobiles, trucks and other vehicles.

"They are slow, rather sluggish fliers," said Hamman. "Mobility becomes difficult when hooked up like that."

The bugs have been known to collect on radiators—causing them to clog and overheat. They leave a milky, acidic substance when they splatter against windshields and can easily damage a vehicle's paint job, entomologists say.

Texan strikes gold at Nugget

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP)—A 62-year-old Dallas bank teller won \$1.8 million after investing only \$9 in a slot machine in downtown's Glitter Gulch early Monday, saying it ended any worries over Social Security.

"I just know I won't have any Social Security problems," Ann Bailey joked when asked what she would do with the money she won before dawn at the Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino.

"Do you plan to quit gambling?" Golden Nugget chairman Steve Wynn asked as he presented the winner a check.

"No, but I may quit work," she laughed.

Still obviously shaken by the new wealth, Bailey said fate played a hand in her giant jackpot.

"Someone else was playing the one (machine) I was headed for," she said. "So I thought 'I'll just give this one a whirl.' Four nuggets came up and I couldn't figure out what had hap-

pened."

She hit the winning jackpot on the third pull at the dollar progressive machine.

The divorced mother of two called her son and daughter, then spent a couple of hours trying to sleep, "but mainly just tossing and turning."

She called her employer later Monday morning to break the news, and said he was flying out to Las Vegas later in the day.

Bailey said she spends one week in the spring and two weeks in the fall in Las Vegas, and limits her gambling to slot machines and an occasional whirl of the roulette wheel.

Wynn said Golden Nugget hotels in Atlantic City and Las Vegas have paid off three big jackpots in as many weeks. The Atlantic City casino paid a \$1.7 million jackpot two weeks ago and a \$980,000 prize last week, Wynn said.

"I don't want the world to despair,"

Wynn added. "We still have many more of that size."

Wynn said Bailey's \$1.8 million pull was captured on a videotape that keeps a record of play at all large jackpot machines.

"She came around the corner (of the casino), pulled the machine three times, then came right off of her chair and out of camera range," Wynn laughed.

Bailey said friends visiting the city with her thought she had suffered a heart attack when she tried to tell them of the jackpot.

Asked if she planned to retire, Bailey took a deep breath and replied, "I don't know; this really hasn't soaked in yet."

Wynn predicted the winner would keep a cool head with her winnings.

"Most of these people live it up for a while (with their earnings) but then have enough good sense to return to a normal life."

Drivers blowing before going

DENVER (AP)—Drivers who don't always know when they've had one drink too many can now attach a device to their ignition that prevents them from starting their car if their breath contains too much alcohol.

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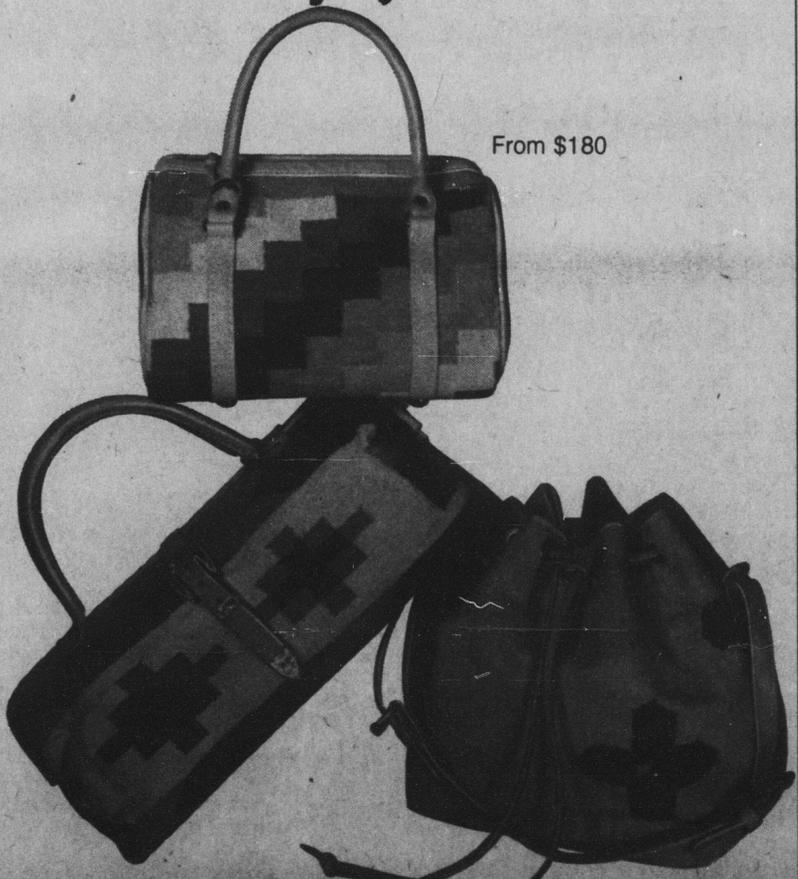
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By the Associated

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The TCU Daily Iowa as No. 1 this

The Hawkeyes 57-3 Saturday a notches from Nebraska's weekly Skiff poll Auburn's 38-20 loss Oklahoma's 13-7 setback.

Iowa, 3-0, received votes from sportswriters. SM over TCU, jumped to second. Oklahoma

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SPORTS

Dismissals cost more than talent

By Grant McGinnis
Staff Writer

There have been a number of big changes on the TCU football team recently, some more serious than others.

Now that the effects of losing seven players have become evident on the playing field—the defense surrendered 56 points Saturday night—some of the off-field consequences have begun to come to light.

Saturday's game program is one such example. More observant fans may have noticed that one of the unlucky seven—Ron Zell Brewer—was pictured on the front cover.

When Brewer was dismissed, it was too late to change the program. For this week's contest, however, changes have already been made. In keeping with this season's theme of regional covers, Kenneth Davis' picture has been replaced by someone from the same part of the state—Garland Littles of Cuero.

All indications are that Littles will still be with the team by the time Saturday comes. He will probably

start against the Razorbacks. If, for some unknown reason, he too is dismissed from the squad, TCU sports information director Glen Stone is likely to lose his marbles.

"Luckily, he's playing well," Stone said of Littles. "I don't think there's anything in the world we can do about the rest of the program, though."

Program changes account for only a minor portion of the expenses incurred as a result of the departure of the seven players from TCU. Stone estimates that nearly \$10,000 had been spent on promoting Davis' run for the Heisman Trophy, a loss that can't be recouped.

"I think it cost us more in terms of great opportunities for national exposure," Stone said. "We had never planned a high-budgeted promotion, anyway."

A video had been put together to promote Davis' Heisman quest. It was distributed to media outlets all over the country at the outset of the season. "I did cringe when I saw the bill for those promotional tapes," Stone said.

Special letterhead paper had been

ordered to use on weekly mailing updates of Davis' progress throughout the season. It was scheduled to go to press the day after the dismissal of Davis and the others was revealed. Stone managed to cancel the order in time.

The TCU recruiting guide, a glossy public relations piece, is now virtually useless according to Stone. The promotion was centered primarily around Davis and the other starters involved in the dismissals. The guide was intended to last for the next two seasons but will now have to be redesigned.

The billboards around Fort Worth with Davis' picture may remain since they were not intended to promote him in particular. Stone said they may be taken down if the space, which was given to TCU, is sold to new advertisers.

As for the popular Temple Tornado posters being given away by the sports information office, they no longer present a problem. "Fortunately we were out of all our posters," Stone said. "They are collector's items now, I guess."



Cover me - The times are tough for Sports Information Director Glen Stone, who has to change program covers because of the recent suspensions of seven players.

Joe Williams / Staff Photographer

Iowa, Fry forget past, look forward to future as No. 1 football team

By the Associated Press

The University of Iowa, which once set an NCAA record of 19 consecutive non-winning seasons from 1962-80, is ranked No. 1 in the Associated Press college football poll for the first time since 1961.

The TCU Daily Skiff also rated Iowa as No. 1 this week.

The Hawkeyes walloped Iowa State 57-3 Saturday and moved up two notches from No. 3 in Tuesday's weekly Skiff poll following top-ranked Auburn's 38-20 loss to Tennessee and Oklahoma's 13-7 squeaker over Minnesota.

Iowa, 3-0, received five of six first-place votes from the Skiff panel of sportswriters. SMU, a 56-21 winner over TCU, jumped from fourth place to second. Oklahoma, which played

its first game of the season last weekend, dropped from second to third in the Skiff poll.

Meanwhile, Auburn plummeted from first place to 13th while Tennessee and Baylor made the Top 20 for the first time this season. Southern Cal and Maryland were the only two teams to drop out of the Top 20.

Michigan was fourth, followed by Florida State, Nebraska, Ohio State, Arkansas, LSU, Alabama and Florida.

The jump to the top for Iowa capped a rise from virtual obscurity in Hayden Fry's seven years as head coach. The Hawkeyes were fourth in the 1985 preseason poll and third, fourth or fifth in each regular-season poll. They defeated Drake 58-0 and Northern Illinois 58-20 before crushing Iowa State.

Ironically, Fry pleaded following

'Don't put us No. 1. That might be the kiss of death for us.'

-HAYDEN FRY, Iowa head coach

the Iowa State game. "Don't put us No. 1. That might be the kiss of death for us."

When advised of Iowa's new ranking on Monday, he chuckled and said, "That's a little bit unbelievable at the University of Iowa. When we came here seven years ago we were in the worst 10."

Then, he added, "Seriously, I think it's super-great. I really don't put a lot of value in early-season rankings, but I'd like to see us there at the end of the

season. We're honored to be No. 1, and we'll try our best to stay there."

Iowa plays Michigan State at home this Saturday.

Iowa was No. 1 six times previously in the 50-year history of the AP poll—three times in 1960 and three in 1961. The Hawkeyes were first in the 1961 preseason poll and also in the first regular-season poll before they played a game. They remained No. 1 after beating California 28-7 but fell to second the following week despite a

35-34 triumph over Southern Cal.

The Hawkeyes kept winning but kept dropping. They slid to fourth after beating Indiana 27-8 and slipped to fifth following a 47-15 rout of Wisconsin for a 4-0 record. The pollsters must have known something because Iowa finished the season with a 5-4 record. That was its last winning season until 1981.

The string of 19 non-winning seasons has since been broken by Rice, which had 21 in a row entering the 1985 campaign.

Michigan shot from 16th to fourth by blanking No. 9 Maryland 20-0. The Wolverines are the only team in National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I-A competition to allow no touchdowns this season. They will play at Iowa in three weeks.

Florida State rallied from a 20-10

fourth-quarter deficit to nip Kansas 24-20 and remain No. 5.

Nebraska jumped six notches to No. 6 with an awesome display of football prowess in the Cornhuskers' 63-0 victory over Oregon. Nebraska amassed 444 yards rushing and 145 yards passing in the game.

Ohio State remained in seventh place by whipping Washington State 48-32 and Arkansas held onto the eighth spot after trouncing New Mexico State 45-13.

No. 9 Alabama doubled Vanderbilt's score, 40-20, while Florida fell four places to round out the Top 10 after beating Mississippi State 36-22.

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Akers says Longhorns benefit from road win

AUSTIN (AP)— Coach Fred Akers of the University of Texas said Monday the Longhorns' 38-34 victory over Stanford taught his team how important poise is in winning football games.

Texas overcame a 34-31 Stanford lead with a 75-yard touchdown drive in the fourth quarter Saturday and then stopped Stanford at the Texas 34-yard line to preserve the victory.

The Longhorns open their quest for a Southwest Conference football title here Saturday night against Rice, which edged Lamar 29-28 to snap an 11-game losing streak.

Although Texas has won 19 straight games from Rice, a crowd of 75,000 is expected for the 7 p.m. kickoff. Texas is 2-0; Rice 1-2.

"We did a lot of good things (against Stanford)," Akers told his weekly news conference. "We wouldn't dare design a game that way but, after the fact, it really could make us a better football team. We learned some things about ourselves that we didn't know. I was very pleased with it."

"I mean we've got areas that we really need to improve in, certainly, but I think that we will, and the things that you learn from come-from-behind wins on the road you can't teach out there on the practice field."

"I think we showed excellent poise in that touchdown drive, big plays when we had to have them. And when we had to stop them to win the ball game, we did, and that's got to be helpful in building confidence," Akers said.

Freshman fullback Darron Norris, who ran 11 times for 154 yards (including a 62-yard touchdown romp), was chosen by Longhorn coaches as the most valuable player on offense. Senior linebacker Ty Allert was the

MVP on defense. Allert had 15 tackles, including 14 unassisted stops.

Charles Hunter ran 21 times for 97 yards and two TDs while Bret Stafford ran for 86 yards on just six carries, one of which was a 74-yard gallop.

Todd Dodge threw for 138 yards on only six completions. He connected with Donovan Pitts on a 55-yard TD pass.

The Texas offensive line was led by 270-pound center Gene Chilton, who graded 97 out of a possible 100, and 265-pound left guard Bruce Blackmar, who graded 96.

"There's no way we could be doing the things we're doing without some experience in that offensive line," Akers said.

Asked if Stanford's passing offense was as good as he's seen in college, Akers replied, "Yes. That quarterback (John Paye) really put the ball in places that most people don't get it. A couple of times I thought he was throwing the ball away, and he just put it right absolutely on the money. He gave them a chance every time he threw it to catch it."

Akers said Rice sophomore quarterback Mark Comalander, at 6-feet-4-inches, is bigger than Paye but not as experienced. However, Akers said, Comalander is "going to get better and better as the season goes on. He's doing a good job now. He knows who's supposed to get the football. . . . He can find the one that you're not covering quickly."

Asked if he would like to play a running team instead of Rice to get ready for the vaunted Oklahoma wish-bone when Texas takes on the Sooners on Oct. 12, Akers said, "I can't afford to think about them yet. Rice right now is going to be our goal and our aim."

And here's to you, Mr. Eddie Robinson

DALLAS (AP)— Eddie Robinson, who can become college football's winningest coach Saturday night in the Cotton Bowl with a victory over Prairie View A&M, said Monday he was inspired by the man whose record he might break.

"You had to love Coach (Paul) Bryant," said Robinson. "To me, he was to football what John Wayne was to the movies. The man had a flair. He inspired me."

Robinson tied Bryant Saturday night as college football's winningest coach with a 23-6 victory over Oregon State, a member of the Pacific-10 conference. Both men's records stand at 323 wins.

Robinson, in his 44th year of coaching at Grambling, will carry a record of 323-107-15 into the Prairie View game. The Tigers have had 25 consecutive winning seasons under Robinson.

Grambling goes into the game with a 3-0 record while the Panthers are 1-3, including a 14-12 loss to Southern University last week.

Grambling crushed Prairie View 42-0 last year and has won 17 of the last 18 meetings.

The lure of coaching in the National Football League never appealed to Robinson. "I don't think I could make it with the guys in pro ball. My life is more with the young people," he said.

Prairie View Coach Conway Hayman said he knows why Robinson never left Grambling.

"He has 50 kids who weigh over 250 pounds," said Hayman. "That's why he never left Grambling."

Hayman said the Panthers won't play dead for Grambling.

"I don't want to be the guy who lost number 324 to Eddie," said Hayman. "He has been my idol forever. But I don't need that label."



We're No. 1 - SMU head coach Bobby Collins appears to be indicating that his Mustangs are the top-ranked team in the nation, but he's not quite right. Even though SMU beat TCU Saturday night, the TCU Daily Skiff and The Associated Press picked Iowa for the top spot.

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Heisman Update lists the performances of some of the top players in college football. Last week's statistics are listed in the top row. Season statistics are listed in the bottom row.			COMPLETE	ATTEMPTS	YARDS	CARRIES	YARDS	INT.'S	T.D.'S	TOTAL OFFENSE
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Please apply in person with references in hand at the Americana Hotel Exhibit Hall entrance located at 1st and Houston Streets in downtown Fort Worth. Full and part-time positions are available with excellent pay and benefits. Phone calls will not be accepted.

We invite you to become a member of our team as we open our doors this winter at the **CITY CLUB** of Fort Worth.

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The majority attend Horned but how many assigned seats? In an interview Wednesday, no in the seats des dent ticket. "There is alw seat, but even if ably wouldn't sit John Muir, a ju N.Y. The majority said seating is no and that there ar where students Kristin Pete from Glen Ellyn man she tried someone else w "It really didn cause I always w friends and you you go get your time," Peterson Tommy Love ger, said ushers aisle if students seats, but up to no major compl "The students the tickets, say where you put n seats anyway," Love said ove has evolved b other students

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WASHINGTON searched a form home and car in N pads, microdots s phernalia under evidence of a plo defense informati emment. The search, w tween last Friday came known as Wednesday that L. Howard, 33, v

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BEIRUT, Leb pers of four So ployees killed on Wednesday the Syrian-backed m sive against Mos in the northern p An anonymou claimed a second killed, and anothe tremists planne embassy. The battle rag Tripoli, where m have been killed since Sept. 15. T by Syria, Mosco Middle East, hav

Leftists attack M

ists cornered wit sea and Syrian ar battle. The body of cu Katkov, 32, was shot once in the h was sprawled on near the Cite 5 adjacent to the 3 refuge camp, whi shellfire in Leb civil war. An anonymou speak for the Isla nization gave the in a telephone ca agency. "We have car ence against one we shall execute the other if the against Islamic T he said. The abducted Monda cidents in west Moslem sector. The Islamic M tion, a Sunni M