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Fort Worth, Texas

Hijackers hold 400 on cruise vessel

By The Associated Press

Palestinian pirates held more than 400 people under their guns on an Italian cruise ship Tuesday in the eastern Mediterranean, vowing to kill them unless Israel frees 50 prisoners.

There were reports that the hijackers said they killed two American passengers. But port officials in Beirut, Lebanon, said they monitored a radio call in which a man identifying himself as the Achille Lauro's captain insisted that everyone aboard was in good condition and pleaded, "Please, please, don't try anything on my ship."

The Palestinian hijackers were re-

ported to have a large supply of explosives, and said soon after seizing the ship Monday night that they would blow it up if military air or naval forces tried to interfere. Flotta Lauro, the

'We will hit any ship, any plane that tries to approach us! This is Omar, the hijacker of the Italian ship.'

OMAR MUSTAFA, leader of the hijacking gang

shipping line, said 413 people were aboard, including 331 crew members.

The Italian government said it would not give in to "terrorist blackmail," and also said the hijackers

"seem" to be demanding freedom for prisoners in Italy and other countries. Judicial sources have said 13 Palestinian terrorists and suspects are jailed in Italy.

Most of the Americans who had been on the Achille Lauro cruise were among about 600 passengers who disembarked in Alexandria, Egypt, before the Palestinians seized the ship

about 30 miles west of Port Said. Reports indicated about a dozen Americans still were aboard.

Western diplomats in Damascus, Syria, said the Syrian Foreign Ministry told Italian Charge d'Affaires Pietro Cordone, the hijackers claimed to have killed two Americans. "We have no confirmation," said one diplomat, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The ship sailed west from the Syrian coast after it was denied access to the port of Tartus, a diplomat reported. A Western diplomat in Damascus said it was bound for Cyprus, and Beirut port officials said it was in internation-

al waters off the coast of Cyprus. But a Cypriot government source said the ship would not be allowed to dock there.

In an earlier radio conversation with Beirut port authorities, the hijack gang's leader demanded negotiations with Israel.

He shouted: "We will hit any ship, any plane that tries to approach us! This is Omar, the hijacker of the Italian ship. I want to speak to Beirut port authorities."

When port officials identified themselves, Omar said:

"I want to negotiate. I want to negotiate with Israel. I want you to

convey this message. I want to negotiate with Israel. That's all. I want to break off now."

He said nothing about hostages having been killed. Cairo newspapers said the gang leader identified himself shortly after the hijack as Omar Mustafa, code-named Abu Rashad, but nothing more was known about him.

The Beirut port officials and Israeli radio monitors said the man who said he was the captain shouted into the radio later: "I have one message. Please, please, don't try anything on my ship. Everybody is in very good health."

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Relatives torn by hijacking

By The Associated Press

Relatives of Americans being held Tuesday by Palestinian pirates aboard an ocean liner in the Mediterranean described their ordeal as "a nightmare," and noted that some of the hostages were elderly and ill. One relative said simply, "I'm terrified."

"It is quite astonishing they would treat these people as objects of terrorism," said Steven Hodes, whose mother, Mildred Hodes, 64, of Springfield, N.J., was believed aboard the Achille Fauro.

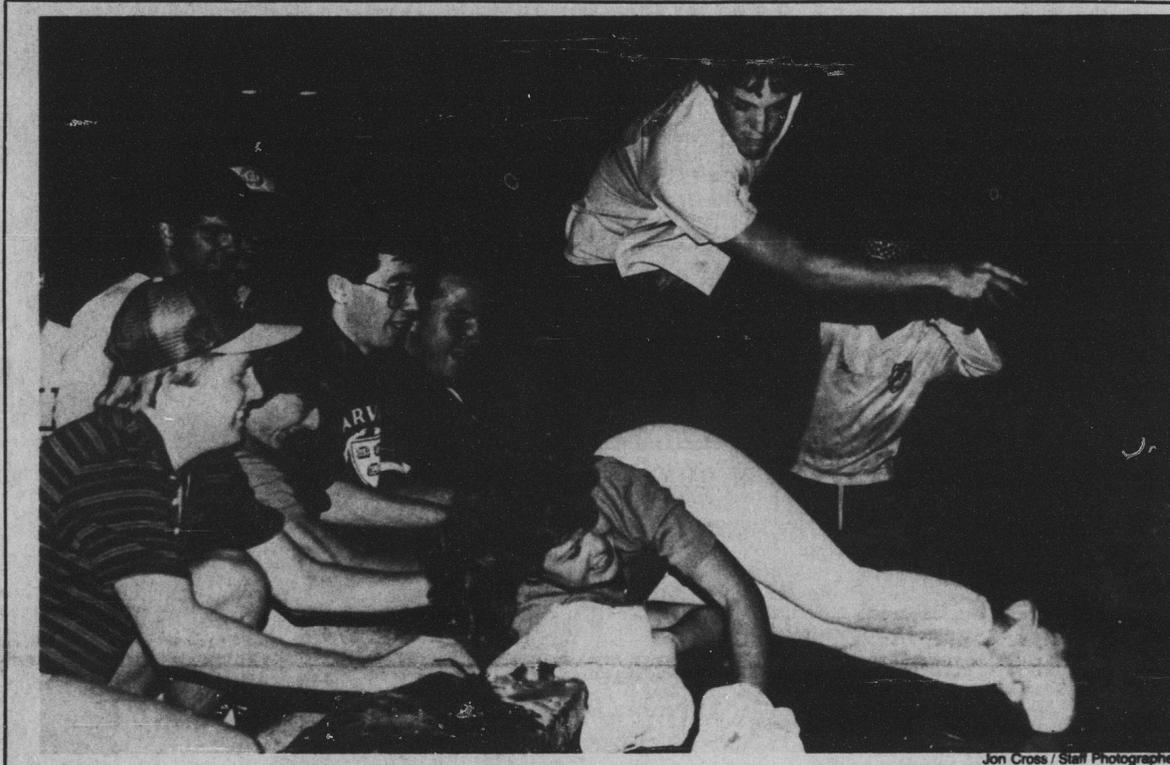
It was not known how many Americans were among the more than 400 people aboard the cruise ship hijacked Monday, but White House spokesman Larry Speakes said about a dozen U.S. citizens were being held. Most of those aboard are Italian.

The hijackers, who commandeered the ship after a stop in Alexandria, Egypt, threatened to kill their captives unless Israel frees 50 prisoners. Unconfirmed reports said two passengers had been murdered, at least one an American.

Hodes said his 66-year-old father, Frank, was among about 600 passengers who left the ship at Alexandria for a sight-seeing tour of the pyramids before rejoining it at Port Said, Egypt.

"This is a real nightmare for us," said his daughter, Carol Hodes, who talked with her father by phone from a Cairo hotel Tuesday morning.

"It's very scary because these people don't play by any rules of civilization," she said of the hijackers, who identified themselves as members of the Palestine Liberation Front, a dissident faction of the Palestine Liberation Organization.



Taking the plunge - Tom Laney and friends "help" Trish Semft go for a swim in Frog Fountain Sunday night after a "panty raid."

2 Britons released in Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—Two British women who were kidnapped in Moslem west Beirut 13 days ago, were released Tuesday. They appeared shaken, but apparently unharmed.

The women, 28-year-old Amanda McGrath, a teacher at the American University of Beirut's intensive English program, and Hazel Moss, 45, a former restaurant manager, were freed near the Commodore Hotel in Moslem west Beirut late in the evening.

Associated Press reporters who saw the women said they showed no obvious signs of having been physically mistreated.

Both immediately called their families in England.

"I am fine. We've just been released," McGrath told her father. "I wasn't hurt."

The two said they did not know who their captors were.

Still missing are a British journalist and 11 other Westerners, all men, kidnapped in west Beirut since March 1984. Six are Americans, four are French and one is Italian.

Irving woman admits abducting daughter

DALLAS (AP)—A mother who changed her name and hid from law enforcement officials in four states so she could keep her 5-year-old daughter remained jailed Tuesday, while her child was back in Georgia.

Until Saturday, Sherry Long Duplain and her daughter, Brandy Nicole Long, led quiet lives in Irving, a Dallas suburb. She worked as a secretary and Brandy went to kindergarten.

But after running from authorities

under aliases for almost four years, Duplain decided to turn herself in Saturday night after she learned officials had found her and planned to arrest her.

"I need her with me," she said Monday, the day of her 30th birthday, at the Dallas County Jail. "And I know that when I get out she won't be there."

Duplain was being held in lieu of \$25,000 bond on a Georgia arrest warrant.

In Milan, Ga., Brandy's father, James Tyrus Long Jr., was jubilant.

He flew to Dallas Saturday to get his daughter, who he hadn't seen in more than three years. He said he followed dozens of false leads, and placed his child's picture on posters, shopping bags and milk cartons.

"I've hoped and prayed for this moment for so long," he said of finding the 5-year-old.

"When she woke up, she told me she loved me," said Long, 32, in a

telephone interview.

"I have to pinch myself to make sure this is all true—that my little girl is back home after all these years. The only thing that kept me going was I knew Brandy needed me."

Long, the owner of an auto parts store, said he has since remarried and has a 2-month-old boy, James T. Long.

The ordeal with Brandy began, Duplain said, when she took her daughter in 1981 while she was still legally

married to Long, who refused to give her a divorce after their October separation.

She said Long had threatened to take Brandy—the only child from their three-year marriage—away from her several times before she moved with Brandy to her mother's house in Fitzgerald, Ga.

After her husband visited the house when Brandy was 19 months old, Duplain said she left with the child.

"I couldn't stand thinking I might lose her," she said. "When he fell asleep on the couch, I took Brandy and ran."

Georgia authorities had tracked Duplain through Florida, North Carolina, Alabama and Georgia, but she always "managed to stay one step ahead of us," said Telfair County Sheriff Ron Walker.

The search moved to Dallas in September when Walker learned from sources that the child might be in the area.

TCU filmmaker rolls on

Goal is to entertain world through movies

By Alea Cooke
Staff Writer

For some people, making movies is just a hobby. For Blake Evans, making movies for a living is his dream.

Evans, a senior radio-TV-film major, has his mind set on a future in the movie industry.

'I didn't want to do something you read about in the newspaper.'

BLAKE EVANS, radio-TV-film major

"I would like to be a cinematographer, which means a director of photography," Evans said. "It is the beginning credit on all those introductory credits."

Evans said there are "about 100" cinematographers in the world and to become a member of the American Society of Cinematographers is quite an accomplishment.

Evans, who plans to graduate from TCU in May, said he hopes to be accepted by the American Film Institute in Los Angeles for graduate study.

He said if he is accepted, he hopes one of his mentors will be Vilmos Zsigmond, an American cinematographer whose work Evans admires.

"They (American Film Institute members) accept 25 people a year into their cinematographer's school and Vilos Zsigmond is one of their

teachers," Evans said. "Every year he selects an American film cinematography major and puts him on his crew."

Zsigmond has been a cinematographer for such "beautifully photographed pictures" as "The River" and has won an Academy Award for his work in "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," Evans said.

One of the things Evans said he admires most about Zsigmond is his willingness to share his talents with other prospective cinematographers.

Evans said of Zsigmond's attitude: "He's like, 'I earned a very good living from this profession and I would like to give a little bit back to the profession by teaching.'"

Evans is currently filming his second 16mm film titled, "The Boy Who Saved The World." This 20-minute film has been in the works since March.

He said the idea for the script of his newest film came while he was searching through a book of short stories given to him by his grandfather several years ago.

"The very last story in the whole book was, 'The Boy Who Saved The World,'" and it came from a 1957 *Boy's Life* magazine," Evans said. "As I was

reading the story it really grabbed me and it was really humorous."

Evans, who has made "countless" Super-8 films, said he wanted his second 16mm film to have a different concept than his first, called "Monday."

He said his first film was a science fiction flick. TCU students were given the opportunity to view the film before the Films Committee's showing of "Gallipoli" last semester. Evans said he was pleased with the positive response of the audience to "Monday."

Evans said he was looking for a more realistic approach in his second film but at the same time wanted a unique story.

"I didn't want to do something you read about in the newspaper," Evans said. "I would rather attempt to do a narrative story and entertain people with something that is fresh."

Although Evans is a little secretive about the story line of his new film, he does admit the script is based on Ronald Morton's original story.

Evans said he and friend Larry Sharp, a TCU graduate in radio-TV-film involved in Evans' project, were both responsible for the writing of the script.

Evans said he and Sharp would write scripts during the summer and mail them to each other for comments and suggestions. He said the two were "making the best of a bad situation,"

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Giving directions - Blake Evans walks his young actors through a scene of his latest movie.

INSIDE

Because of its closed society and nonexistent public opinion, the Soviet Union is much less susceptible to terrorist acts than is the United States or other Western democracies. The terrorists, therefore, can make no impact on the majority of people in the Soviet Union, so the acts are essentially in vain. Opinion, Page 2.

TCU head coach Jim Wacker had trouble speaking in public for the first time anyone here can remember at the Frog Club Tuesday afternoon. Sports, Page 4.

WEATHER

Rain is expected today with a 30 percent chance of thundershowers. The high will be around 80 degrees with the low tonight near 60.

OPINION

Civil liberties defined by union's political view



Stan Wonn

On Oct. 3, Walter Polovchak celebrated his 18th birthday in Chicago. But if the American Civil Liberties Union had its way, Polovchak would have celebrated it in the Soviet Union. Polovchak became a Soviet defector when he was 12 along with his older sister Natalie when his parents were asked to return to the Soviet Union.

He and his sister didn't want to go back, presumably because they liked it here.

The parents didn't object to Natalie staying, since she was almost 18 at the time, but they went to court to force Walter to return with them.

The ACLU took an immediate interest in the case.

Given the ACLU's past record of defending the rights of children, it seemed reasonable to assume they would have supported Walter Polovchak. But they didn't.

Instead, the ACLU supported the attempt by Polovchak's parents to force Walter to spend the rest of his life in a country he hates.

Walter argued that if he turned 18 in the Soviet Union and decided he wanted to live in the United States, he wouldn't be able to do so. In fact, he'd probably be imprisoned.

On the other hand, if he turned 18 here and then decided to return to the Soviet Union, he could do so without much problem.

That seems logical enough. But the ACLU didn't go along with it and entered the lawsuit on the parents' side. The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service supported Polovchak's petition for asylum.

The case dragged on for several years, but in mid-July of this year, U.S. District Judge Thomas R. McMillen ruled in the parents' favor and ordered Walter to return to the Soviet Union with them. The ACLU praised the decision.

Ruling that the INS had violated the parents' rights in preventing them from taking Walter back, McMillen said, "Surely a minor child of tender years does not have the right to control his destiny."

The appeals process took long enough for Polovchak to turn 18 and escape the effects of the ruling. Now he can legally apply for U.S. citizenship.

But the question still remains: Does a child truly have no power to control his or her own destiny?

The ACLU's own record indicates an inconsistency on this question. At the same time they opposed Polovchak, the New Jersey ACLU was defending a child in a similar case. This child, who was resisting a return to Chile, apparently has a right to control his own destiny, according to the ACLU, but Polovchak didn't. Why?

Harvard Law School professor Alan Dershowitz, a noted liberal, said the ACLU's position in the Polovchak case can be understood only in terms of "an unwillingness to criticize communism."

Dershowitz also said that the ACLU and many of its local affiliates "have increasingly become the captive of feminists and leftists in recent years."

To a large extent, Dershowitz is correct. The ACLU's positions on civil liberties issues now reflect less concern for absolute principles and more concern for being politically "correct"—namely, liberal.

For example, the ACLU believes the civil rights of a child under 18 include the right to an abortion, even when both parents are opposed.

If this same child acquires contraceptives from a federally funded clinic, the ACLU believes her civil rights are violated if her parents are notified. Even school dress codes give the ACLU pause. All of these are clearly

liberal positions.

A few years ago, the ACLU represented a 12-year-old Massachusetts girl who, after her parents got a divorce, wanted to live with her lesbian mother rather than with her father. The divorce court didn't think the mother would provide an appropriate environment for the child so it assigned custody to the father.

The ACLU's argument was that, within reason, the girl had a right to decide which parent she wanted to live with.

The courts agreed with the ACLU here.

In all these cases, the ACLU argued, children had the right to control their own destinies by making those decisions for themselves.

How then, can the ACLU argue for Polovchak to return, against his will, to the Soviet Union with his parents?

What it amounts to is a double standard. The organization probably didn't defend the young Polovchak because, like so many of

today's liberals, they were hesitant to criticize the Soviet Union.

Admitting the Soviets persecute their citizens—and other nations' populations—is apparently too difficult for many ACLU members.

In the past, the ACLU had earned respect for being tireless, consistent defenders of civil liberties, even when it wasn't popular to do so.

When the ACLU defended the rights of the Nazis to march in Skokie, the heavily Jewish suburb of Chicago, many members resigned.

The ACLU certainly didn't like the Nazis or their ideas, but recognized that civil liberties didn't, or shouldn't depend on the popularity of an idea.

But now, apparently, civil liberties are only essential to those who fit in with ACLU political perspectives.

Stan Wonn is a senior English major

Christmas arrives early for mailing list member



Stephanie Cherry

Merry Christmas everyone! Excuse me? Yes, of course I know it's only the first week of October. But, my gosh—Christmas is now less than three months away!

It's already time to put up the lights, break out the tinsel and set up the tree. And most importantly, we must begin buying those gifts for special people in our lives.

At least that's what merchants and retailers want us to think.

And if J.C. Penney says it's time to start thinking about the holidays, then it must be.

I hadn't thought twice about Christmas gifts a week or so ago. And if it weren't for my receiving J.C. Penney's Christmas catalog then, plus the Christmas mailing from the Columbia record club, the holidays would probably slip up on me unnoticed!

They both exemplify true holiday spirit with their green and white packaging and wishes for a holiday season filled with happiness, warmth and family—not to mention those great parties with plenty of heart-warming drinks and expensive gifts.

Not only that, but the generosity of the two companies is overwhelming. After all, both sent out their catalogs early enough to be of real assistance to shoppers.

I mean, why spend the next three months going from department store to department store, waiting in those long, pushy lines, just to be sure you have the right gift for the right person? Especially when both Columbia and Penney's make it so easy to browse and buy right in your own home.

And if helping us helps them, who's to complain? Surely, we all agree the service they are

offering us is well worth any extra profit the two may make.

And they both offer such wonderful merchandise!

For instance, I can buy my friends those records and tapes they've been wanting but couldn't afford to splurge on. And at prices as low as \$9.98 each (plus shipping and handling!) I know I don't mind paying at least two dollars more than I would if I bought the tapes in a store near here.

And if, heaven forbid, there are still any children out there who don't have a cabbage patch doll yet, the situation can be rectified immediately with the help of old J.C.

These things must be brought to our attention now. It's time to decide the important things: like what kind of cookies to leave out for Old Saint Nick, what color party dress should be worn to that special get-together (or whether a suit or tuxedo is most appropriate) and what kind of alcohol to have on hand to help spread that holiday "spirit" when unexpected guests drop by.

City leaders must soon determine what size trees they want to stand on courthouse lawns.

Radio stations have to begin digging up those classic Christmas carols by Elvis, Bing and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

And downtown merchants need to start thinking about what items will be marked up so they can go down again in time for those Christmas sales.

After all, Christmas is less than three months away. Columbia and Penney's have both done their part to ensure the holidays arrive without a hitch. Now it's time for us to do our thing and start buying.

If not, Christmas just might be over before we know it and those two companies might get their feelings hurt, thinking their offers of assistance were unappreciated.

Stephanie Cherry is the opinion page editor of the Skiff

Good real estate buys now may cause problems later



John Cuniff

With memories of the bad days in mind, real estate people are determined to keep the latest sales boom going beyond expectations.

Spread the buy-now message, urges an editorial in weekly Realtor News, a publication of the National Association of Realtors. Encourage clients to "take advantage of the most favorable economic conditions in a long while."

The advice might be correct, because inflation seems to be under control for the time being. And mortgage rates seem unlikely to move very far in either direction after having fallen 1.5 percentage points in 12 months.

However, while the message might not fall on deaf ears, it could confront empty pocketbooks, because consumers have been spending faster than they've been earning. Debt burdens are up, savings rates are down.

In their effort to avoid the deep dips that periodically wipe out housing markets—and cause massive layoffs among real estate people—the Realtors are appealing once again to the profit motive.

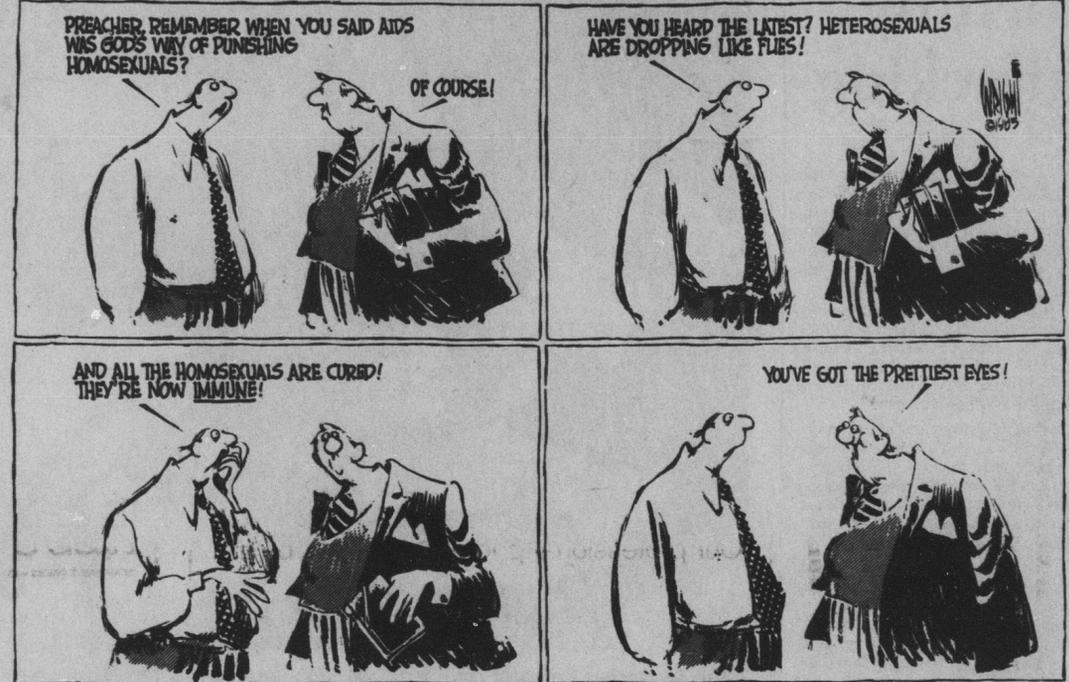
Those empty pocketbooks, however, might make it difficult for buyers to exploit the market for profit.

Installment-credit debt reached a record-high burden of 18.5 percent of income in July, and perhaps 19 percent in August. The latest savings rate was an anemic 3.4 percent, far below the eight-year average of 6.1 percent.

While the current low interest rates might be encouraging people to buy, in spite of their debts, they might also be producing a problem for the future. Many of the current sales, it is felt, are being "borrowed" from the future.

Jack Carlson, Realtor chief economist and executive officer, notes that the interest rates "are encouraging people to go ahead now with purchases they otherwise might have delayed until later this year or next year."

John Cuniff is an AP business analyst



Terrorist acts against Soviets futile

Some of the more right-wing, hard-line Americans might have expressed a sigh of, "It's about time!" when word about the kidnapping of Soviet hostages in Beirut emerged.

True, Western, democratic nations have been victims of late of Islamic Jihad (a fundamentalist Moslem paramilitary operation, which translated means, "holy war") terrorist activity in the Middle East.

And true, the Soviet Union has flexed just as much muscle in that particular region of the world as has the United States, and should receive just treatment by groups opposing imperialism in the Middle East.

However, the Islamic Jihad will discover, just as other anti-superpower or, specifically, anti-Soviet groups have in the past, that terrorist action against the Russians is futile.

What is the purpose of terrorism? To manipulate, through means of fear and intimidation, an opponent. With the exception of the three remaining Soviet hostages—there were four, but the kidnapers killed the cultural attache Wednesday—no one connected with the Soviet Union has reason to worry about terrorists.

Unlike the United States and other democracies that operate with a free press, the Soviet Union has not to any accurate extent publicized the kidnappings.

If the terrorists cannot generate public interest in an action involving its opponent's citizens, the purpose of that action has been defeated.

The holding of American embassy personnel by the Iranians in the late 1970s and the recent hijacking and

subsequent imprisonment of the TWA passengers received extensive network coverage in the United States.

Interested groups and individuals pressured the Reagan administration to secure the TWA hostages' release as soon as possible and at any cost. The terrorists succeeded in implanting additional fear about the Middle East into the minds of the American public by the terrorists' bold action.

The Soviets, on the other hand, have no reason to act swiftly to secure their citizens' release. Because the Soviet public knows very little about the entire incident, the terrorists could kill the remaining hostages and the citizens of the U.S.S.R. would never hear another word about it from either Tass or Pravda.

And by not reacting at all to the terrorists' demands (namely of which is to remain steadfast with its policy toward Syria, which is sponsoring raids in Lebanon against the Islamic Jihad), the Soviet Union has discouraged further terrorist action.

In addition, the Soviet response to the kidnapping and murder can be more severe (indiscriminate strafing and bombing of Islamic Jihad controlled areas in Lebanon) than could be the American response to the TWA hijacking because of the absence of an active public opinion.

Certain limitations exist in a free, democratic society. One of these is a higher susceptibility to terrorist action abroad because of a free flow of information and a strong public opinion.

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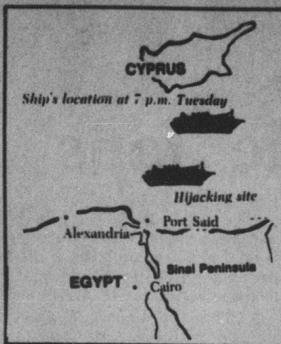
He did not give his name, but the vessel's master has been identified as Gerardo de Rosa.

Cordone, the Italian charge d'affaires, said Italy had refused all contact with the hijackers. "We're aligning ourselves with the American position—that is not to negotiate with terrorists," he told reporters.

Italian Defense Minister Giovanni

Spadolini said in Rome: "We are counting that in the end reason will prevail. We affirm that we will not cede to any terrorist blackmail."

Prime Minister Shimon Peres said in Jerusalem no government had asked Israel to free prisoners. He did not say what the answer to such a request would be, but an Israeli official said privately, "We will not negotiate with terrorists."



Ship's location at 7 p.m. Tuesday

Hijacking site

Alexandria Port Said

Sinai Peninsula

EGYPT Cairo

Floods wipe out island town

PONCE, Puerto Rico (AP)—Hundreds of residents of a devastated shantytown watched anxiously Tuesday as National Guardsmen and U.S. Army engineers dug through tons of wood and mud in search of their relatives and neighbors missing in mudslides and flooding. Sixty-six people are known to have been killed.

Authorities said hundreds of people were missing and thousands were in shelters after the tropical deluge.

Gov. Rafael Hernandez Colon called it "the worst tragedy ever to hit our island."

National Guardsmen said 18 bodies had been recovered from Mameyes, a half-mile-square, impoverished neighborhood and the hardest hit community on the island. Some 400 wood-and-tin homes came crashing down the hillside in a wave of mud early Monday, after a tropical front dumped seven inches of rain in a 10-hour period on the south coast.

The front developed into Tropical Storm Isabel after passing this island's western tip late Monday, and the Bahamas government issued a storm watch for some islands Tuesday.

Isabel had maximum sustained winds near 50 mph by early afternoon.

The weather here was sunny and clear by then, and hundreds of people watched the excavation at Mameyes.

National Guard officers at the scene said they were moving slowly in the excavation because they didn't want to trigger more mudslides.

"There could be up to 500 people under these tons of wood and mud," National Guard Col. Johnny Rosado said.

Evans pursues Hollywood

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since Sharp was in Fort Worth and Evans was at home in Enid, Okla.

"We're very happy with the script and feel we have a very strong foundation," Evans said.

Evans said Morton's story experienced a few changes when it came time for writing the script.

"We changed a lot of things in the story," Evans said. "We changed the ending—actually we changed the ending several times."

"The Boy Who Saved the World" is based on a 12-year-old boy who is depressed because he and his family have just moved to a new town. The story unfolds as the boy meets three other boys and the four set out for some adventures of their own.

Evans said he and other members of his film crew went to area middle schools searching for the perfect young talent for his film. The search was complete after 25 screen tests, Evans said.

"A lot of kids were very interested and I was surprised," Evans said.

Because the children are in school during the week, the cast and crew spend weekends filming. Evans said they usually spend nine hours shoot-

ing on Saturdays and six hours on Sundays.

"The kids are a lot of fun to work with," Evans said. "But you have to have a lot of patience."

Evans said he hoped the film could be produced and completed for no more than \$2,000. He said his first 16mm film cost a little under \$2,000.

Evans said he is splitting the cost of his current film with Sharp. He said any time a film runs more than 20 minutes, the producers begin to face "incredible budgets."

Evans and his crew, which consists of Sharp, Katherine Watkins, Andrew Boyer, Christina Mosheneh and Gilbert Cruz, are showing great progress in "The Boy Who Saved The World."

"This semester we're about halfway finished with the film and we've put in a lot of hard work," Evans said.

Evans stressed what he and his crew would like to accomplish from the film. "We're trying to do something that is going to capture some piece of art," he said. "We're trying to do it in a manner where we can be proud of what we've done."

Evans said his interest for the theater and stage probably began in high school when he was stage manager at the school theater.

"I used to work in the theater and I enjoyed being behind the scenes because I'm certainly no actor," Evans said. "I've always enjoyed working with people who have enough nerve to get out there in front of an audience or in front of a camera."

He said his love for the film industry increased after attending a six-week course at the University of Southern California in the summer of 1984.

Evans said the summer classes offered him opportunities he could not get anywhere else.

"It inspired me," Evans said.

"There were 21 people in the class," he said. "We would go to various studios in the Los Angeles area and talk to people in the industry."

Evans said his main goal with all his films is "to entertain."

"If people can really enjoy my films, then that's great," Evans said. "It's so neat for me to see people not looking at the door but watching my film for all of those 20 minutes."

For now, Evans said he would continue to put his best efforts into "The Boy Who Saved The World" in hopes that one day he can be known as "The One Who Entertained The World."

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SPORTS

Wacker lauds 'unbeleeevable' fans

By Grant McGinnis
Staff Writer

Public speaking is one thing Jim Wacker has never had any trouble with—until Tuesday.

Wacker reluctantly took to the podium at the weekly Frog Club booster meeting to try and explain "what the cob" has been happening to his Horned Frogs in recent weeks.

"I'm only here because it's in my contract," Wacker said with a straight face. The coach couldn't resist a laugh, however, and added his usual disclaimer, "and if you believe that, we're all in trouble."

The reason for Wacker's lack of en-

thusiasm was probably obvious to any of the 40,000-plus who took in Saturday's crushing 41-0 defeat at the hands of Arkansas. How does one explain a 6-first down, 116-yard performance that resulted in the second week of purple embarrassment in a row?

"The biggest problem, the most important problem is the guy you're looking at," Wacker said. "We've been consumed by all kinds of outside influences and I've just gotten too wrapped up in this."

Wacker apologized for his shortcomings and pledged to award the faithful in the near future. "What is really unbeleeevable are the fans and

supporters of Texas Christian University. You're amazing," he said. Wacker also confided that he had expected to be hung in effigy at the gathering.

Wacker said things had already begun to change around the TCU football offices since Saturday's loss.

"We've warned our players 'look out,'" Wacker said, "because we're going to start coaching the way it takes to win football games in the Southwest Conference."

"I have no doubt the staff of football coaches I have can coach football. They've proven that time after time after time," Wacker said.

Wacker said he expected more

from his players, too.

"We've got enough good football players to execute better than we've been doing," he said. "We've got to get them back to playing the kind of football they're capable of playing."

NOTES—Two former TCU athletes were honored at the Frog Club Tuesday. Long jumper Donna Thomas and baseball player Mike Ramsey were honored as Southwest Conference Scholar Athletes for their combined athletic/academic achievements.

The weekly most valuable player awards were also given. David Rascoe and Chris Becker were named offensive and defensive MVPs, respectively for the SMU game.



Jim Wacker

TCU DAILY SKIFF TOP 20

1. Iowa (1)
2. Oklahoma (3)
3. Michigan (4)
4. Florida State (5)
5. Nebraska (6)
6. Arkansas (6)
7. Alabama (9)
8. Florida (10)
9. Penn State (12)
10. Auburn (13)
11. SMU (2)
12. Air Force (15)
13. Ohio State (7)
14. Tennessee (14)
15. Oklahoma State (17)
16. BYU (16)
17. Georgia (18)
18. Baylor (19)
19. Texas (-)
20. UCLA (20)

Dodge, Hastings best in SWC this week

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas quarterback Todd Dodge, booed by his own fans earlier this season, heard only cheers in a record passing performance that led to a 44-16 victory over Rice.

Dodge completed 11 passes in 19 attempts for 359 yards and three touchdowns, and he thus earned The Associated Press Southwest Conference offensive player of the week award.

Texas Tech linebacker Brad Hastings, who had a school-record 29 tackles in a one-point loss to Texas A&M,

was selected as the SWC defensive player of the week.

Dodge's passing output also was a school record, breaking the record of 306 set by Donnie Little against Rice in 1980.

"It's not the kind of thing you go into a game thinking about. You just try to do the things you have to do to win, and sometimes all those records just happen," Dodge said.

Dodge threw a school record 19 interceptions last season and was booed by the home crowd in the Longhorn

opener against Missouri.

His passing statistics improved in a 38-34 victory over Stanford, and last week he tossed scoring passes of 40 and 80 yards to freshman Eric Metcalf and 96 yards—another school record—to second-year player Donovan Pitts.

"I just threw it as far as I possibly could, and he grabbed it in stride," Dodge said of Pitts' touchdown. "Both the throws to Eric were more a job of his running ability. Having guys like that to throw to makes it easy to set records."

Coach Fred Akers said, "If he had any questions about his ability, I think they were answered. I never had any doubts. This hasn't changed my opinion about him at all."

Dodge, in fact, is closing in on passing records held by all-time Longhorn great Bobby Layne of the 1940s.

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