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Airplane disaster kills 166

Airline jet with 166 people aboard crashed in mountainous central Mexico on Monday, the airline said. Reports said there appeared to be no survivors in burning wreckage of the plane spotted from the air.

The Boeing 727 was en route from Mexico City to Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan and Los Angeles when it went down about 170 miles northwest of here, the airline said. It is the worst. ir disaster since a chartered DC-8 carrying 248 U.S. servicemen home for Christmas from the Middle East crashed just after takeoff from Gander, Newfoundland.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Vince Hovanec said airline officials reported 25 non-Hispanic surnames were on the passenger list, but the manifest did not list citizenship. "We have no way of knowing now if there are any Americans aboard," Hovanec said.

A source at the Mexico City airport

commander's office said three helicopters from the Federal Highway Police flew over the wreckage of the Boeing 727-200 and found no indication of survivors. The source, who poke on condition of anonymity, said the wreckage was on fire.

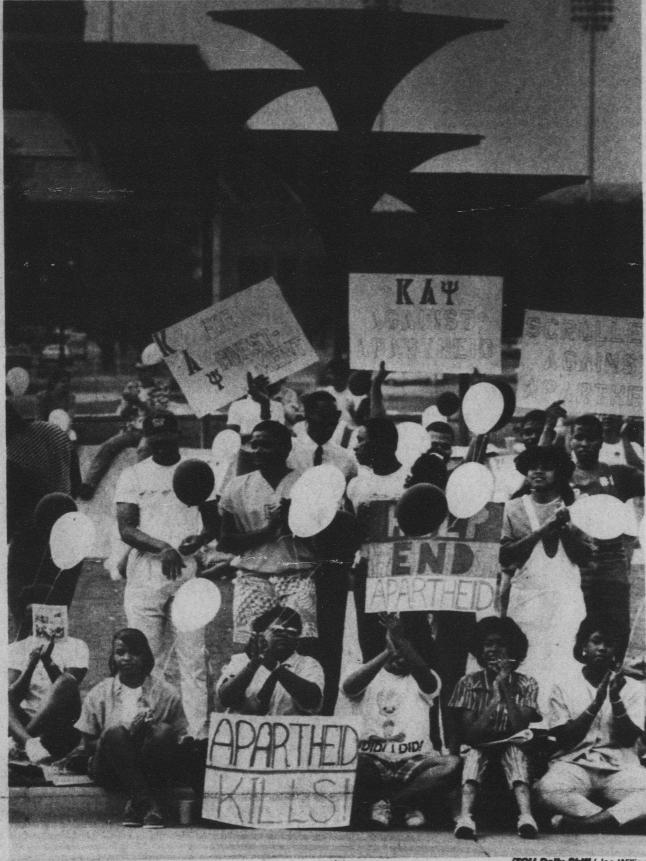
The government news agency Notimex quoted Gabriel del Rio, an adviser for the Communications and Transportations Department who flew over the site, as saying there were no survivors. It said other officials who flew over the area provided imilar reports.

The jetliner apparently was making an emergency descent before the crash on San Andres Hill, near Rancho San Miguel El Alto, in the municipality of Maravatio, the airport source said. Two tapes of communications with the plane were being reviewed, he said.

In an official statement, the airline said the plane left Mexico City at 8:50 a.m. (9:50 EST) and was to arrive in Los Angeles at 2:20 p.m. (3:20 p.m. E51).

"The commander of the plane, captain and pilot Carlos Guadarrama Sistos, with approximately 15,000 hours of flight time and vast experience, reported shortly after 0900 hours to the Mexico center to inform that the plane was losing altitude and later all contact was lost with the plane," the statement said.

Rafael Cuevas of the Federal Highway Police office in Morelia, one of the largest cities near the crash site, said the only land access to the crash site was through a town called Contepec. "It seems as though they've cated it on a mountain," he said in a telephone interview.



Divestment rally - Students react to one of the speakers at the rally Thursday at the Student Center

Students rally for divestment

By Craig Neddle Staff Writer

Black and white balloons filled the air Thursday afternoon as about 200 students gathered in front of the Student Center for the Divestment

Some students held signs with sayings like "TCU Divest End Apartheid" and "Botha is a Bigot." One student wore sandals, old jeans, a black arm band, and a white t-shirt that read "Punks Against Apartheid," but most students just stood holding

Every once in a while students would chant "Riff Ram Bah Zoo, Divest Now TCU," at the rally, which was sponsored by a new student group called Students for a Democratic South Africa.

Three speakers urged students to become aware of the apartheid problem in South Africa and opposed the TCU administration for not divesting funds from South Africa.

Linda Moore, of the social work department, said the Reagan administration's position on apartheid condemns it and hopes for its immediate end. She said hoping is not enough.

"It's time to take some action," Moore said. "There are a lot of things that we can do, and one of them is to help end apartheid.

More than 300 foreign banks have withdrawn loans form South Africa because the nation is unable to repay the principal on these loans, Moore said, and the pressure is on U.S. banks to do the same.

"The South African businessmen are really concerned at this point about the rioting that's going on in South Africa and the impact that's going to have on the nation's economy," she

The next speaker told the crowd that he felt qualified to speak on apartheid because he knew about discri-

Fort Worth, Texas," said Bob Ray Sanders, news director of KERA.

Sanders said he was born in a segregated hospital-"the one with the neon cross on the side"-and knows the pains of growing up in a "racist place." TCU should not make the mistake of thinking that the apartheid issue

does not affect people here, Sanders "If people here don't think that what's going on in South Africa has anything to do with them, then at

Texas Christian University, you have fools and not educated people," he The final guest speaker at the rally was Jennifer Davis, a white South African native who left her country in 1966 under threat of "banning", a

form of self-imprisonment. Davis

has done extensive work against the apartheid system. She said apartheid has created a standard of living for whites that is one of the highest in the world, and that it

must not be allowed to continue. One of the reasons apartheid still survives, Davis said, is that nations like the United States continue to feed it by sending oil, trucks, and

computers. Davis also discounted the arguement that divesting would hurt black people in South Africa. "They never worried about black people before," Davis said. "It's the black people in South Africa who are calling on them

to take this action. Davis said that black workers in South Africa cannot speak out against apartheid lest they lose their jobs and what few privileges they have.

"If we just say to the corporations, 'Hey, we don't like what you're doing, but here's another million dollars of my money, well why should the corporation believe you? They'll laugh at you," Davis said.

They don't care what you think of them as long as you give them your money," she said.

"I've known its brothers and its sis-

Art department displays works of graphic designer

By Paula Prince Staff Writer

Rudolph de Harak's designs can be seen nationwide on book and album covers, posters, stationery and trademarks, and now the TCU art department is displaying a collection of his designs in the Moudy Building Ex-

hibition Space through April 11. Margie Adkins, art department professor, chose to display de Harak's work because the last two spring shows have been of regional designers ates, Inc.

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De Harak is a self-taught graphic designer who said he is intrigued by Swiss design.

graphic designer in Los Angeles, Cal.

De Harak created covers for Westminster Records on which he displayed the mental image of the structure of the music.

In the 1960s, he designed over 350 book covers for McGraw-Hill Publishers. His style actually altered the course of book cover design in the United States, according to History of Graphic and Design magazine.

De Harak has designed logos for such clients as Gallagher's 33 and

Oyster Bar and Restaurant, both in New York.

De Harak has received many awards and his work has been featured worldwide in publications, museums and exhibitions.

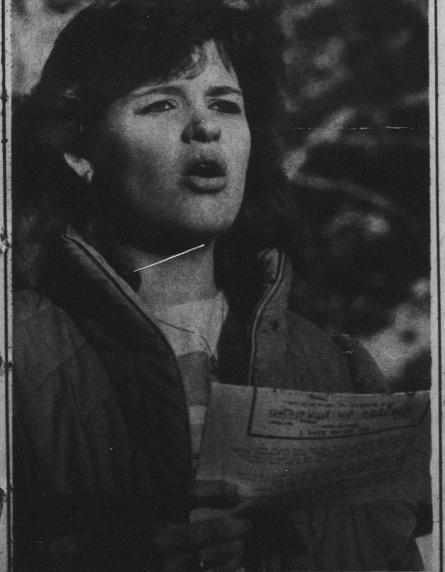
He has also taught and lectured at many institutions in the United States and Europe.

Adkins said graphic designers' works are not usually displayed in the studio, but since a majority of the art Harak's works are displayed.

students are graphic design majors, she felt it would be beneficial for them to see a cumulation of a designer's

"People are not even aware of what a graphic designer does, yet everything we see around us has a graphic designer's work behind it," Adkins

A reception will be held April 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Moudy Building Exhibition Space where De



he Easter sunrise service on the lawn at Sadler Hall. Over 100 braved the hilly weather to attend.

rather than one of national reknown "This year we are fortunate in that

designer," Adkins said.

De Harak began his career as a

In 1952 he moved to New York and formed his own graphic design company, Rudolph de Harak and Associ-

Soviet summit Reagan rejects

WASHINGTON (AP)- Former American arms control negotiators expressed regret Monday at President Reagan's rejection of a U.S.-Soviet summit meeting to ban nuclear weapons tests, calling it a lost opportunity to curb the arms race.

While none of these analysts was surprised by Reagan's rebuff of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's proposal, they were virtually unanimous in characterizing the president's action as a setback and in saying it broke a long-term commitment with the Rus-

And a Soviet official visiting here

said Gorbachev will not be deterred in offering proposals to challenge the Reagan administration to slow the nuclear weapons competition.

"We will be coming up with other initiatives," said Sergei Plekhanov, a department head at the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences. He said that will happen "not because we have been painted into a corner and forced to be nice" but because "there's no other way.

Entering the minority view of U.S. analysts now prominent in the private arms control community, James T. Hackett, former acting director of the

U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, said new U.S. weapons tests were "absolutely essential to maintain the integrity" of the American nuclear

The United States found after ending a moratorium 20 years ago that several of its warheads, including the W-52 tactical ballistic missile, "didn't work at all" and had to be replaced.

But four former U.S. officials and negotiators, Paul Warnke, Spurgeon Keeny, Gerard Smith and John B. Rhinelander, said in separate interviews that Reagan was wrong to reject

"Secondly, I think the continuing-

and growing-emphasis on the dangers of drunken driving, coupled with

strict enforcement of DWI laws by

police agencies, has had a definite im-

pact on the number of traffic deaths,"

He said that in 1985, the number of

DWI-related traffic deaths in Texas

fell by 60 from the previous year to

Adams noted, however, that while overall the number of traffic deaths

Gorbachev's invitation to hold a summit in a European capital to ban further testing on both sides.

meeting

Like Hackett and Aspin, they all appeared to assume the Soviets would now end their seven-month moratorium and the United States would follow its March 22 explosion with further tests in the Nevada desert.

"I'm certainly not surprised," said Warnke, chief U.S. negotiator in the Carter administration. "Since 1981, the Reagan administration has made it clear they have no interest in a comprehensive test ban.'

The Divestment Rally last Thursday was a success by TCU standards. But it also proved that TCU's students, faculty, and administrators have a long way to go. See page

The TCU baseball team is into the swing of its season. This past weekend it played Texas. The tex lost two games and won one. For more details see page 4.

WEATHER

Today's weather will be warm and cloudy with the high in the up-per 70s or lower 80s. There is a chance of thunderstorms for night and the rest of the week

w straps fatalities Seat belt AUSTIN (AP)- Texas' new seat belt

law and stronger efforts to curb drunken driving contributed to the state's lowest traffic death rate since 1976, Department of Public Safety director Col. Jim Adams said Monday.

Texas traffic deaths declined by 5.9 percent last year as 3,682 people died, 231 fewer than the previous year. Adams said the death toll last year was

the lowest since 1976. The death rate per 100 million vehi-cle miles traveled also dropped-five years ago it was 3.9, but in 1985, Adams said, the death rate was 2.6 per 100 million miles, the lowest ever recorded in Texas.

"I see two principal reasons for this saving of lives," Adams said. "When the safety belt law went into effect on Sept. 1, 1985, we began noticing a monthly drop in fatalities. The four-

When the safety belt law went into effect on Sept. 1, 1985, we began noticing a monthly drop in fatalities. The fourmonth average decrease in front seat fatalities was 14 percent. COL. JIM ADAMS,

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decreased, the number of motorcycle riders killed in accidents rose 1 percent to 364. "Of those motorcyclists killed, 76 ercent were not wearing protective sadgear," he said.

Adams said.

989, a 6 percent drop.

The law requires that motorcyclists under 18 years old wear helmets, but does not apply to older motorcyclists.

()PINION

Divestment rally offered interesting opinions



W. Robert Padgett

bothered to attend TCU's first public demonstration in almost three years were presented an interesting array of speakers and opin-Less than 200

Those

people congregated in front of the Stu-

dent Center for the divestment rally. Figured into an undergraduate enrollment of about 6,000 students, that number appears weak. However, considering the campus was TCU, 200 was a sellout.

"I'm real surprised at how many people showed up," said KERA news director Bob Ray Sanders, who spoke at the function. "I can't remember the last time TCU had any kind of demonstration.'

Rally organizer Greg Butchart said, "For TCU, that was a good-sized crowd."

And, for those who bothered to listen, the rally's guest speaker, Jennifer Davis, offered an interesting, if not completely accurate, view of the divestment controversy.

Davis is a white South African who left her native land in 1966 because of fear of reprisals by the white-minority government. She has since lived in New York, and has been one of the most vocal critics of the apartheid system.

She said she has not returned to South Africa since 1966. "The government won't let me go back," she said. Therefore, to accept everything she says as the most accurate information would be a mistake.

Others have seen first-hand the situation in South Africa in the last 20 years, while Davis has relied on friends and, sometimes, members of the media for her information.

For example, she lambasted American oil not go before the board. companies for supplying fuel to the minority government, thereby keeping it in power. But, the Los Angeles Times reported a month ago that Arabs, particularly Saudi Arabia, are illegally selling the South Africans a substantial amount of crude oil.

Therefore, South Africa runs not solely on U.S. oil, as Davis suggested.

Davis is by no means a moderate opponent of the present South African regime. She advocates complete representative democracy-one man, one vote-and the withdrawal of all foreign companies from the nation.

Talk like that will get someone thrown into iail, and possibly executed, in South Africa, where promoting divestment is a form of

Davis' speech meshed well with those who believe, as she does, that U.S. corporations should pull out of the country.

"U.S. corporations are not part of the solu-tion, they are part of the problem, and they need to get out," Davis said while standing at the podium overlooking a scattered crowd.

However, not all who attended the rally held the same convictions as Davis. While most everyone there believed apartheid is abominable, many feel divestment is not the answer to the South African question.

The people who feel this way, and who attended the rally, at least heard a new perspective in Davis' oratory.

One facet of this institution that did not, but should have listened to Davis' speech is the Board of Trustees. The board has, rightfully, refused to divest TCU capital invested in American companies that do business in South Africa.

Butchart said he inquired if Davis would be allowed to address the Board of Trustees meeting, which was scheduled the afternoon of the rally. He said he was told Davis could

Now, it's one thing to draw a conclusion after hearing all the evidence-while always seeking additional documentation that supports or discredits your claim-but another to simply formulate a policy without evidence.

Chancellor Bill Tucker said university policy prohibits anyone from outside the board to address a board meeting. If that's the case, then an informal gathering should have been arranged.

leges and universities consider the resolution, more pressure will be placed on TCU to di-

Right now, only a few students and administrators are calling for divestment, but more probably will in the near future. In fact, the Trustee Student Relations Committee discussed divestment and issued a report to the

As divestment becomes a more prominent issue in the United States, and as more col-That's a start, but the board must take a direct role voluntarily before it is forced to do

> Only after a thorough inquiry can a refusal to divest be perceived as truly credible. At least hearing Davis' speech, and other oratories at the rally, would have been a first step in that process.

W. Robert Padgett is contributing editor of the Skiff.



Diplomacy needed, not childishness

Yes, Moammar Khadafy may very well be insane. Most Americans think he is at least a nuisance and a pain, if not dangerous.

The United States considered him a bully when it planned military maneuvers in the Mediterranean Sea, and focused its action on the area near the Gulf of Sidra, a small part of the sea known to be international waters that Khadafy claimed was Libyan.

U.S. military was supposedly preparing to confront a

But what it was really doing was taunting the unstable leader of a small, militaristic country.

After a couple of days of practicing for war a few miles from Libya's coastline, it's not surprising that the erratic leader took a swing at the United States.

And after a couple of anti-aircraft missiles were firedharmlessly-at U.S. jets, it's not surprising the United States retaliated, and with more serious results.

The whole scene was very predictable, which is why it should never have taken place.

The encounter was much like two spoiled children in a sandbox. One says, "Ha, ha! You can't have this," so the other scuffles with the first to prove it can indeed have

Is the Gulf of Sidra so strategic to U.S. forces that it's worth risking the lives of our men to scuffle over? We think not. These children's toys are much too dangerous to be employed in so minor a difference.

Were the United States ever to really need access to that gulf, it could then gain and protect it, claiming valid reason for its presence.

But in this instance we see no hero state confronting the block bully for everyone's good. We see two children fighting over a toy. And the bigger of the two is the United

And even worse, after making a sizable dent in Libyan

forces, the bigger of the two children hits Libya again-this time without provocation.

What is the United States' excuse for firing at Libya patrol boats and a radar missile site on the second day of conflict? The United States excused itself with the statement that Libya had shown itself to be an antagonist nation (Were we ever in doubt?) and deserved it. So who's the bully?

After all, what if this country were in a similar situation? Just pretend the states bordering the Gulf of Mexico were one country. If 30 Soviet ships decided to engage in military maneuvers just outside the gulf, wouldn't the gulf country become rather nervous?

And then if some of those ships or naval planes crossed into the gulf, seemingly for no reason, might that country become just a little trigger happy? We think that in this recent confrontation, it's rather

difficult to determine just who's the bully and who's the

And the risk the United States took with the lives of U.S. men is inexcusable.

Although no toll was exacted on U.S. forces in the Gulf of Sidra, the United States has antagonized a powerful but unstable man, who in turn has promised revenge on not only the United States but its European allies who allow military bases in their countries.

So it seems that although the United States proved its might, no one is really the winner. In fact the situation would have been better left alone.

So the next time the champion of democracy, namely the United States headed by President Reagan, attempts to prove a point, we urge actions fitting the role of a diplomatic power rather than a child squabbling in sandbox. Such actions would doubtless serve to prove a point more effectively than the strong-arm tactics recently used.

finish off that nut who holds press conferences Khadafy gets message on farm equipment. Maybe the CIA can hide a time bomb in a

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Where does Moammar Khadafy get off telling Americans what "Line of Death" they can cross? Well, he got his message: three missile boats down and two more damaged. At least now we know our missiles work and we didn't waste our money on them

Once America helped make the world safe for democracy, now sea travel through the Gulf of Sidra is safe, too. All we need now is to -Richard H. Moore send in some special forces or John Rambo to Senior, Broadcast Journalism major

Groups deserve recognition

I realize that the Skiff writers took a spring break along with the rest of us and I don't begrudge them their break in the least. However, I am upset that they didn't recognize other groups of students who cut into their spring break to represent TCU.

The first group is the more well known. The TCU basketball team played at the University of Florida in the second round of the NIT last Monday night, barely missing semi-final play in Madison Square Garden. They lost 77-75 only when a Florida player sank a miracle shot in the last second of play.

The second group is the TCU track team. The first weekend, while everyone else was enjoying their vacation, they were running at Indoor Nationals in Oklahoma City. Then, last week, they were at Louisiana State Uni-

isticated weapons to a Looney-Tune like Kha-

John Deere and ship it on over to Tripoli.

People worry about the Soviets joining the

fight, but those missiles Khadafy's Klowns

fired were the same ones the North Viet-

namese fired defending Hanoi in the late

1960s. Even the Ruskies won't sell new soph-

versity and placed first in the 400, 800 and 1600 meter relays.

There is also the TCU women's swim team. From Tuesday to Saturday, the team was at the Women's NCAA Championships in Fayetteville, Ark. Currently several members of the women's and the men's teams are competing at Senior Nationals in Orlando,

And finally, the TCU baseball team played three games against Baylor last weekend.

I hope I haven't missed any of the teams. I realize that the Skiff didn't have the staff here to cover the events. However, I got most of my information from a phone call to the Sports Information Office, and I felt that these people deserve recognition for the vacation time

-Connie Rensink Sophomore, Marketing major

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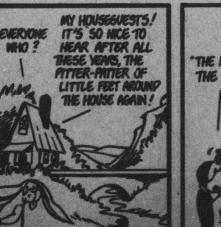
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veloped by a TCU alumna to help inner city students see that college is a reachable goal.

Mildred Sims, principal of Kirkpatrick Middle School, said the field trip was designed to reinforce the goals and abilities of her students based on what they saw and heard during the

"We wanted them to see the campus and know that someone cares about them and their future," she said. For many of the students who live on Fort Worth's north side, TCU was just a name that they had heard on

Audrey Abron, assistant director of admissions and coordinator of the field trip, said TCU has a commitment to the community and this tour was a

Tom K. Stewart of the Shell Oil

Company will be at TCU Wednes-

day to discuss corporate public rela-

tions. Stewart's speech which is

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Staff Writer

part of the "TCU family effort" to ful-fill that commitment.

"We wanted them to meet people TCU students and staff) and know that someone cares," Abron said.

The opening presentations were given by Abron; Peggy Barr, vice chancellor for student affairs; and Ned Boehm, dean of admissions.

Administrators reinforced the theme that someone cares about the students and college is attainable.

Boehm told students they held the future in their hands. "You are the future of our school,".

he said. "Colleges depend on students who want an education.' "What you're dreaming now is our

future. If you choose to go to college, we'll be here to help you," Barr said. She explained that when college selection begins, students should con-

sider size, academic rank and cost. Sims, who was one of the first black students to attend TCU in 1969, said the field trip was not for recruitment.

will share his first-hand experi-

ences on how his corporation is handling a crisis situation," said

Michelle Michaud, president of the

Stewart was appointed manager

of a newly-created department,

Corporate Communications, at the

beginning of 1986. The department

combines editorial and graphics

services, media relations, consti-

tuent and community affairs. Stewart has been with Shell Oil for 31

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TCU chapter of PRSSA.

"We're trying to inspire them to

achieve no matter what the obstacle.
"They (the students) realized that

even if you don't have a lot of money. college is still possible through scholarship if you study," Sims said.

The family effort also included the lege," Sims said.

services of Marriott, which donated boxed lunches, and Tom Perry, an assistant football coach.

During the tour of Daniel-Meyer Coliseum, Perry discussed drugs and the responsibility of student athletes with the fifth and six graders.

The students also received TCU frisbees at the Rickel Building, a gift package from the University Book Store and pom-pons from Student Book markers were given out at the

library and Ellen Griffith, a computer science student, gave the visitors a computer demonstration. Also toured were the Skiff offices

and the Moudy Building gallery. The tour was led by freshmen Fernando Cano and Todd Mitchell, soph-

Neddle and junior Yvonne Webb They are more enthusiastic about their schoolwork (now), and more excited about the idea of going to col-

Sims also said she thinks the tour was successful because every aspect was planned to emphasize the importance of academic achievement.

Sims said she wasn't trying to recruit for TCU. However, she would not mind recruiting because of the personal attention she and her students received during the field trip.

She said she can now "scoff at those who say that minorities who attend TCU are just faces in the crowd and are not remembered."

"I've always known that I got a quality education from TCU, but the personal attention that I received today erased any guilt that I may have had. I know I made the right decision," she omores Mari Martinez and Craig said.

Town welcomes band

EASTLAND, Texas (AP)- Woody Herman's concert might be the biggest event this town has seen since Minnie Pearl performed at the Peach and Melon Festival in 1951 in nearby De Leon, officials said.

Herman, the 72-year-old big band clarinetist, was scheduled to perform Monday night at the Eastland High School auditorium.

Woody Herman is one of the last big bands-ever," said Earl Bullock, president of the high school's Band Parents Association, which organized the event as a fund-raiser for the

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It was high school band director Phil Hewett who brought Herman to Eastland as one of only three concerts in Texas that is part of the musician's 50th anniversary tour.

Hewett says he met Herman by visiting him in a hospital years ago after the performer was in a car accident in Kansas.

'My phone has been ringing off the wall," said Hewett, unaccustomed to handling celebrity concerts.

School Superintendent Ray Pruitt said he received calls from as far away as Fort Worth and Dallas inquiring about the concert.

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SPORTS

Dixon still segregated, fights for equal billing

By Duane Bidwell Staff Writer

Carolyn Dixon, associate director of athletics, is one of the few who knows where to look for the Women's Athletics Building at TCU. But she ought to know where to

find it. She named it. When one of her friends was re-

vamping the campus map, Dixon said, "Don't forget the women's athletics building.

It was almost a joke. But Dixon's friend didn't forget, and the unnamed structure was christened. But despite the building's inclusion on the map, people still have to ask Dixon where she can be found.

Her office is in the room-sized brick shed that serves as the Women's Athletics Building. From the outside, its windows look like mirrors, but Dixon can squint through the smoky two-way glass of "her" room to see a patch of the Rickel Building's tennis courts. The Rickel Building itself wraps around two sides of the

In 1976, when she asked to use the building for the women's athletics program, Dixon didn't think she'd stay there 10 years.

"Every year," she said, "I mention the fact that I'm across the street, and I'm still across the street."

The rest of TCU's athletic offices are located west of Dixon's office, across Stadium Drive, in Daniel- said Meyer Coliseum.

Dixon can't help feeling separated from the rest of the department. She doesn't know for sure that her segregation is planned. She does feel the results, though

"Sometimes I may not know about things in a timely manner," she said. "But," she added, "I don't know that for sure, either.

TCU's women's athletics program

recognition. Dixon said that 10 years ago, TCU's women's program had only 35 athletes. Today, she said, 65 women participate in five sports, and TCU will soon be adding another women's sport-probably soccer.

TCU's male athletes, however, have eight sports to choose from. But the women have an impressive record: the golf team has placed both first and second in NCAA nationals and earned a Southwest Conference title; the track team is fourth in the nation in the triple jump; and the swim team is fourth in the Southwest Conference.

Women's sports-like men's baseball, for example-bring no money into the university. These sports rely on the university and donors for support.

"If we were revenue-producing sports," Dixon said, "we could be more demanding."

But women's sports cannot demand more than the Title IX legislation of the 1970s guarantees-the right to a program, support and competition.

"I think our women's program is secure," Dixon said. "TCU has made progress all along. I'd say Title IX made our administration aware that we were trying to be active in women's sports.

TCU has made progress. No longer is the women's basketball team forbidden to use the Coliseum court. "We've been there for years," Dixon

And, while on the road, women don't have to stay in the cheapest motels available, either.

'That was years ago," Dixon said. "We have sufficient budgets for nice

places to stay now. But maybe some things are too easy

for woman athletes. Dixon said TCU's coaching staff is good-but they often aren't "as rough on female athletes as they ought to

men are raised to treat women well. Male coaches, she said, "don't always look at a woman athlete as an

"They look at her as a female," Dixon said.

Physical education has always been a male-dominated area, Dixon said, and that may be why such attitudes

"Women don't get the training for coaching that men do," Dixon said.

Dixon herself entered the field because she wanted to develop a program for female athletes. "I didn't look at myself as a woman

going into a man's field," she said. Despite her own attitude, she still had to contend with the attitudes of

But, she said, "I'm not a rabblerouser. That's not the way I was brought up. I'm just the one who reminds them that we're here.

Dixon said she isn't unhappy with the way women's athletics are treated at TCU. She said she has been able to add things to the program that she 'never dreamed of'-like scholarships, which, in all sports except track, are equal for men and women. Male tracksters still have more scholarships available than do women. There's only one thing Dixon would

"I'd like to be in the coliseum," she

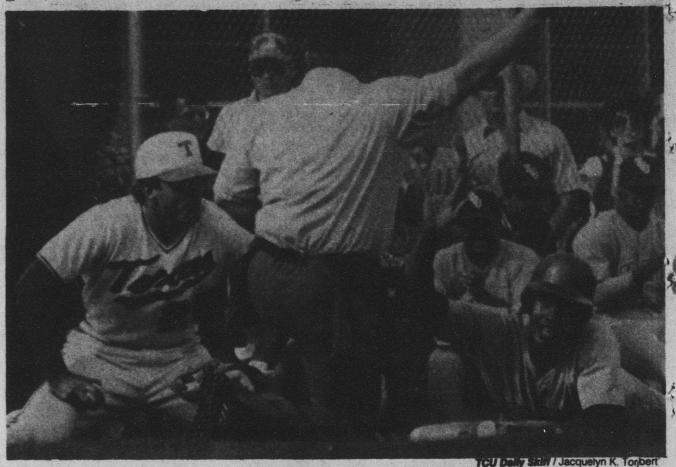
said. "I'd like to have an office down But, she adds, "I'd rather have a

dressing room for the soccer girls than an office down there.

Dixon's priorities are always for the athletes rather than for herself. And those priorities help her enjoy the

"I haven't regretted a day of it," she said. "Things come about slowly, but that's OK.

She smiled. "We're on the campus map now," she said, "and we didn't use to be."



Hi, how are ya? - TCU shortstop Fred Benavides calls timeout after

being called safe during the first game of Saturday's doubleheader

against Texas. (See story in Wednesday's Skiff)

arenas: Just how big!

DALLAS (AP)- The noise from 16,000 excited fans in Reunion Arena was so loud in the final minute of the Duke-Kansas NCAA tournament semifinal game that referee Paul Galvan needed a foghorn to be

As it was, his whistle on a critical charging call was almost drowned out by the din.

"That's the kind of crowd that makes college basketball what it is," Louisville's Denny Crum said.

Crum is an advocate of playing the tournament in small arenas in the debate against an NCAA movement toward holding The Final Four in arenas with at least 30,000

"I prefer a Final Four atmosphere in a smaller arena 10 to 1 over a big place," Crum said. "I think a big place detracts from the basketball. But I know why they want to move to the bigger arenas.

The lineup for the next four years is: the New Orleans' Superdome (61,612) next year; Kansas City's small Kemper Arena (17,000) in 1988; Seattle's Kingdome (40, 192) in 1989, and Denver's cozy McNichols Arena (17,002) in 1990.

Dallas' Reunion Arena seats 16,373, and critics say the ticketbuying public suffers. Many fans were outside the arena Saturdav trying to buy tickets to the semifinal games. Scalpers sold tickets in Dallas for as high as \$1,500 during the

"The Final Four has become so popular we have a great clamor for tickets we can't fill," David Cawood, executive director of the NCAA Final Four, said. "Actually, the percentage of income from tickets is a small percentage of our total income. That is not the primary concern of small arenas. Of course, the best advantage of keeping it in the small arena is the great atmos-



