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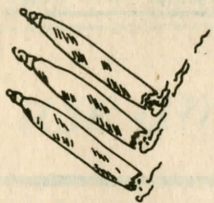
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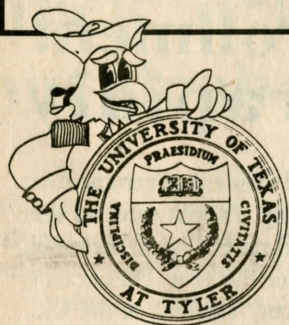
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UTT theater ends one show, begins next performance

'Tribute' touted as exceptional

By Fay Richardson
Patriot Staff Writer

The UT Tyler production of "Tribute," by Bernard Slade, was exceptional.

The play was about a tribute to Scottie Templeton, a man who hated being alone, but was suddenly faced with the loneliness of death. The tribute and reflections took place in a New York townhouse and a New York theater.

The play was presented under the direction of Janee F. McGoff, instructor in drama and speech. The arrangement and acting was performed with ease and flow. The technical director was Dr. James A. Hatfield, assistant professor of drama and director of theatre. Hatfield presented us with a wonderful stage. Hats off to the director and technical director.

The cast was led by James E. Johnson as Scottie, the charming, irresponsible public relations man dying of leukemia.

Johnson delivered exceptional

entire life without taking anything seriously, including love, marriage and fatherhood. Scottie felt that as a father he had been strictly a lounge act. Now that death faced him, he wanted to clean up his image. You felt the hurt and frustration as Scottie tried to become a belated father to his son, Jud. Johnson allowed the audience to laugh at Scottie while feeling pain for his situation.

Michael Prewitt gave an outstanding performance as Jud Templeton, Scottie's shy, intelligent, intense and resentful son. Prewitt allowed the hurt, resentment and anger to be clearly seen by the audience. Jud remembered his father as an eight-year old playmate who moved away without notice. He also referred to his father as a court jester and a glorified pimp. Prewitt's emotions and energy in the scenes allowed you some insight into the pain that can be felt by children from events that occur in life.

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'Doctor' to open April 18; will run two weekends

By Fay Richardson
Patriot Staff Writer

Auditions for "The Doctor in Spite of Himself," a classic comedy by Moliere, are now over and the cast has been selected.

The setting of the play will be moved from Moliere's original time and place to take place in West Texas during the 1930s. The events of the play will unfold during a wedding rehearsal party.

James E. Johnson, theater major, won the lead and will be playing the part of Sganarelle — a wife-beating woodcutter in the original French script — a caterer in the UTT production, turned doctor.

Sherry Smith, psychology major, will play Martine, the caterer's wife who plots to get even for the beatings.

Madame Geronte, a landowner who is having the wedding rehearsal party will be played by Gaynor Edwards, English major. Madame Geronte hopes to find a doctor to

Bush proposal may cut student financial aid

By Joanna Tucker
Patriot Staff Writer

A proposal made by President Bush may eliminate financial aid for some students.

In his budget plan for the 1992 fiscal year, Bush proposed that federal grants and loans should be denied to students who are in the bottom 10 percent of their class, as reported by Scott Jaschik in the Feb. 20 Chronicle of Higher Education.

Bush also proposed that Pell Grant recipients who are in the top 10 percent of their high school class or top 20 percent of their college classes receive additional grants of \$500.

Currently, students are only required to be in good academic standing to qualify for federal aid.

The proposal has fueled disagreement among educators and students.

Stating that the proposal will promote "greater accountability among students," William D. Hansen, Acting Deputy Undersecretary of Education for planning budget and evaluation, does not believe good students will be hurt by the plan.

Hansen said the government is trying to spend federal funds only on "those who are able to prove academic success."

Robert L. Jones, vice president for administration at UT Tyler, took exception to the wording "students need only be in good academic standing." He said it implies that standards are low in the University system and that present qualifications aren't adequate (a 2.0 grade point average is the current standard.)

Jones believes that current law and institutional policies are adequate and that more government guidelines aren't needed.

Jones added that he concurs with educators who oppose limiting access to federal aid.

Bo Duncan, vice president of the Interfraternity Council at Auburn University disagrees with the president's proposal. Students whose academic preparation hasn't been adequate may need a few years

to catch up with their classmates. They may be at the bottom of their classes and yet be working very hard, he said.

Sara Langenberg, editor of The Daily Iowan, said many minority students would be in the bottom 10 percent of their class, not because they are poor students, but because they have had poor high school educations and need to hold down jobs to pay for college. "This is another door being slammed in your face," said Lema.

Ty Clevenger, student body president at Texas A&M likes the president's plan. The threat of losing federal aid would be an incentive for students "whose performance is marginal to get with the program," he said.

The Chronicle quoted Clevenger as saying that many students who are in the bottom 10 percent of their classes "spend too much time goofing-off and partying." He said he knows that because many of them are his friends.

Hansen, representing the Education Department, said the criticisms are overstated. A student who did poorly could enroll for a year without federal aid and then hope to qualify again when new calculations — refigured each year — are made.

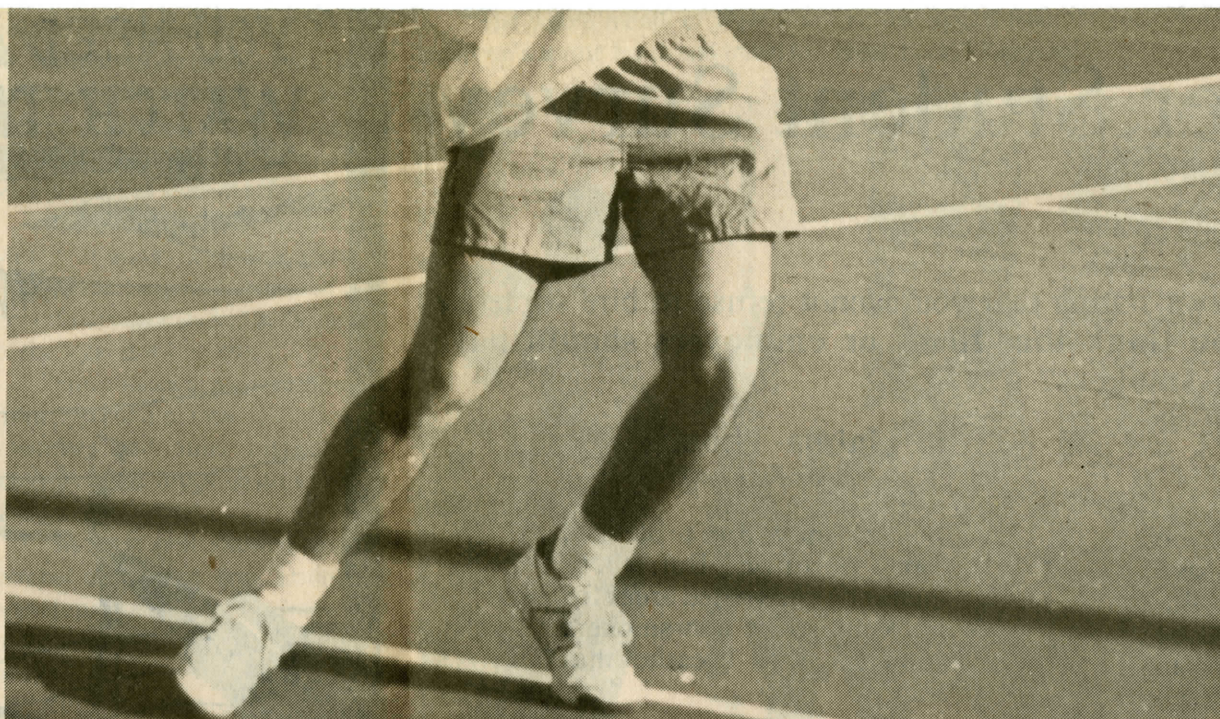
Concerned students should write or contact their Congressmen at the following addresses:

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Return This...

Alex Tyra slams the ball over the net during a practice before their March 9th win at Kerrville. Their win over Schreiner College takes the team halfway to the national playoffs. The men's team were in Arlington this weekend to play in the UTA Invitational tourney. The men will travel to the Ardmore Oklahoma Invitational tourney on March 29-30 and to Shreveport to play Centenary on April 2. The district finals will be played on April 12. (Photo by Becky Nichols)

Anti-war activists vow to press related issues

By B.J. Hoeptner

(CPS) — Even when President Bush announced a provisional cease-fire in the Persian Gulf Feb. 27, it was not the end of the war for Maurice Peret.

"We need to keep our guard up" in case the administration is planning further military action, warned Peret, whose Washington D.C.-based National Student and Youth Campaign for Peace in the Middle East helped stage some of the bigger anti-war demonstrations of the past seven months.

"Are we going to become the Rent-a-Cop to the whole world?" added Bonnie Garvin, another anti-war organizer who in January saw the war's main issue as asking people to die for oil, not as one of America's willingness to become a mercenary force.

While much of the nation exhales in relief that the war is over and exalts in the removal of Saddam Hussein as a major threat to his neighbors, leaders of the campus anti-war movement seem consumed by doubt, worry and wonder about what might happen next.

Some are not even willing to believe the cease-fire.

"My impression," Peret conceded as Iraqi generals were agreeing to meet allied generals to discuss the return of prisoners, "is the war does seem to be drawing down."

In the aftermath, anti-war activists say they want to address new, but related issues.

"We will be looking at the questions that are left unsolved" including the number of casualties suffered by both sides and how long U.S. troops remain in the Middle East, Peret said.

"If you think it's over, you don't know when it started," asserted Caryl Sortwell, an anti-war activist at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Sortwell says she and other protesters will call for a settlement to the Palestinian and Israeli conflict and also address the economic impact of the war at home.

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Most of all, it will be

important to keep students active and involved, Sortwell said.

"If we don't consolidate people who came out (to protest) this war, then we are losers," Sortwell said.

The number of people who did protest tended to vary widely since Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

At first, observers wondered if students would respond at all to the situation as campuses remained quiet even after U.S. troops were sent to Saudi Arabia on Aug. 22.

But as more reserve units were called up, college students, faculty, staff and administrators among them, the anti-war movement gained speed.

The pace of anti-war activity continued to build toward Jan. 15, President Bush's deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait.

With anti-war activists and news analysts predicting a movement that would equal that of the Vietnam years, teach-ins, rallies and sit-ins unfolded on dozens of campuses nationwide.

When the bombing started Jan. 16, so did violence on many U.S.

cure her daughter who was suddenly struck "dumb."

Glen Dawson, graduate theater major, will play Madame Robert, mother of the groom, Horace.

Michael Prewitt, journalism major, will play Lucas, a jealous husband and servant to Madame Geronte.

Jacqueline, the wife of Lucas and the wet-nurse to one of Madame Geronte's younger children, will be played by Lovenia Ford, theater major.

Mike Gorham, English major, will portray Leandre, a young lad who is in love with Lucinde and is determined to make her his own.

Lucinde, the stubborn bride-to-be who refuses to marry Horace, will be played by Mindy Webb, journalism major.

Valere, another servant to Madame Geronte and Lucas' niece, will be played by Dawn Wilson, political science major.

Michelle Cofer, political science major will play Thibaut, a poor farmer's wife looking for a cure for her husband.

Loretta Hamilton, theater major, will play the part of Perrin,

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campuses, including the universities of Washington, Colorado at Boulder, New Mexico, Louisville and California at Santa Barbara and Davis, Ohio State, Willamette and Harvard universities, and Bard College.

CLIMAX IN WASHINGTON

Less visibly, students and faculty members on hundreds of campuses held smaller, peaceful rallies and teach-ins.

The worst that happened were shouting matches between anti-war demonstrators and war supporters who came to listen and who, in many cases, outnumbered the demonstrators.

Such scuffles erupted at campuses from Mankato State University to the University of Vermont.

In fact, there may have never been widespread support for the anti-war movement.

At Union College in New York, for instance, a poll taken by the Concordiensis, the student newspaper, found that 82 percent of

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Desert Storm dooms demos

Conservative columnist George Will gloated last week over the current disarray among Democratic presidential hopefuls. It seems he believes the Democrats have once again assured their defeat in a presidential race, this time by opposing the use of force against Iraq.

Will is probably correct. Of those Democrats who would be president, only Sen. Albert Gore of Tennessee sided with President Bush during the showdown vote in the Senate, and Gore was a reluctant warrior, sitting on the fence until he felt the outcome of the vote was certain. Then, at the last moment, he joined the majority, thereby at least distinguishing himself from the assorted Democratic nabobs in Congress who feared voters lacked the stomach to tangle with Saddam Hussein.

Now the leaders of the national Democratic Party are attempting to bask in the euphoric afterglow of victory, hoping no one will remember. But their Republican rivals are understandably reluctant to let spineless equivocation go unpunished. Even our own Sen. Phil Graham has taken to reminding voters that the Democratic leadership opposed Desert Storm (is anyone surprised?)

George Will also noted that powerful demographic trends are flowing against the Democrats, as the Sun Belt continues to grow while the slush belt reels from a relative decline in population and, consequently, in electoral clout.

Major economic problems, most notably in the form of a drawn-out recession, would seem to be the last best hope for Democratic victory in 1992. But that opportunity will probably slip away; the recession shows signs of waning and surely will do so before the end of this year, giving Bush plenty of time to take credit for the return of prosperity en route to a landslide victory.

Could New York Gov. Mario Cuomo alter the odds and give the Democrats a chance to win the White House? Possibly, for he is a first-rate orator and a shrewd politician (note merely how he has finessed the abortion issue). The possibility that he might attempt a march on Washington offers Democrats their best hope. Yet Cuomo's brooding, Hamlet-like presence would have a difficult time carrying states in the South and West, where the Republicans build their presidential electoral base.

The last Democrat to win the White House was Jimmy Carter in 1976; before him, it was Lyndon Johnson in 1964. It could be argued that both of those victories arose from very special circumstances--Carter's unique ability to attract conservative Southern voters and LBJ's skill at prolonging the honeymoon he inherited after the shooting in Dallas.

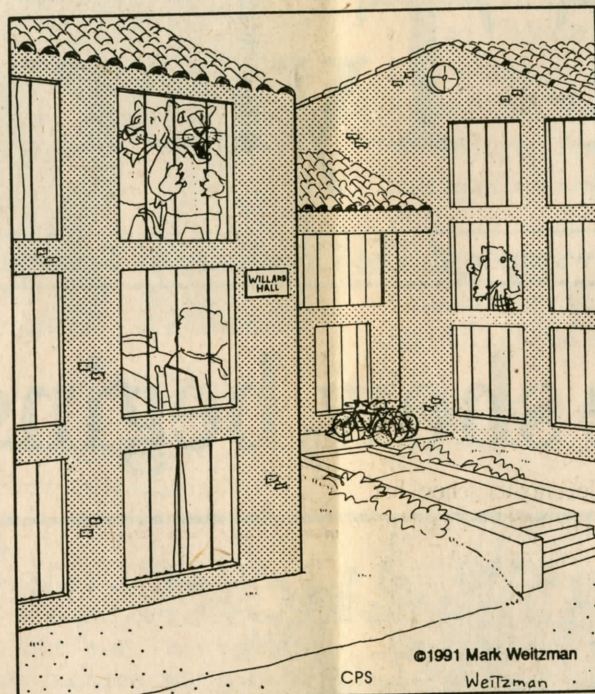
Does the country lose anything because of the Democrats' ineptitude? It surely does. For one thing, a stalemate in Washington is virtually guaranteed by the built-in conflict between a Republican White House and a Democratic Congress; bold, problem-solving initiatives are unlikely to flourish in such an environment. So the country waits. And waits.

Serious debate during presidential campaigns is another casualty of Republican domination of the White House. Every four years, the GOP candidate wraps himself in the flag (recall, if you will, Ronald Reagan's 1984 campaign--It's morning in America!) while the Democrats squabble and finally cough up a candidate who hasn't the foggiest idea how to win votes from non-liberals (remember Michael Dukakis in a tank? Can a New England Rommel carry Oklahoma?).

George Will has reason to gloat. Would that he didn't.

ZOO U.

by Mark Weitzman



"One more semester and I'm out of here!"

International enrollment is climbing rapidly

By Sharron Holmes
Patriot Managing Editor

Texas has the third highest foreign student population in the nation according to Dr. Richard Krasno, president and chief executive officer of the Institute of International Education (IIE).

In a new book, "Open Doors 1989/1990," published by the agency, Asian students are cited as the fastest-growing sector of U.S. foreign student enrollment. In the southern region of the U.S. over 41 percent of all foreign students are from Asia.

IIE, the nation's largest higher education agency, conducts a census of foreign students in the U.S. annually.

The leading place of origin is China, despite recent regulations im-

posed by the Chinese government on overseas study. Taiwan came in second and third-ranked Japan increased 24 percent for the year. Other countries with many students in the U.S. are India and Korea.

Students from the top five countries of origin have nearly doubled over the past five years. The largest increase is from Japan, which has grown 98 percent in the past three years.

The most popular fields of study for foreign students in order are: engineering, business, math/computer sciences, and physical life sciences, according to the IIE.

There are 96 U.S. schools with over 1,000 foreign students each. The largest percentages are at Miami-Dade Community College, the University of Southern California and the University of Texas at Austin.

Sixteen different countries are represented on the Tyler campus according to the registrar's office. Some of those include: Mexico, Iran, Kuwait, Jordan, Israel, Turkey and Sweden.

The IIE Southern Regional Office in Houston supplied supervision and opportunities for over 1,000 sponsored students from 73 countries last year.

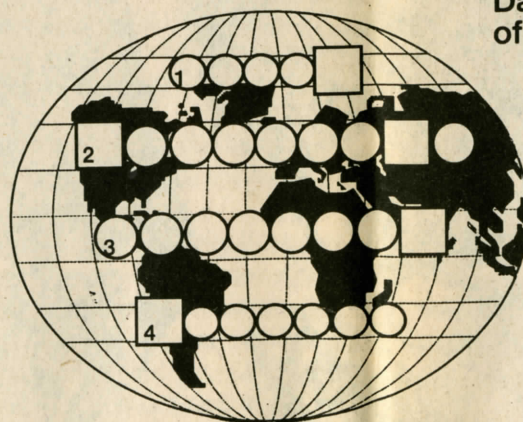
The total foreign student population from the 1989/90 census numbered 386,851.

"The United States continues to be a magnet for students from all rapidly developing nations," said Dr. Krasno. "The contribution that U.S. higher education can make to economic development is better recognized abroad than it is in the U.S. in the nineties. We may have something to learn from our neighbors on the Pacific Rim."

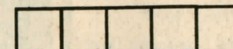
PEACE CORPS WORLD WISE PuZZLE

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INSTRUCTIONS: The U.S. Peace Corps has volunteers serving in more than 70 nations around the world. By solving this puzzle, you will learn about one of these countries. Solve the four numbered puzzle words and then unscramble the letters in the squares to produce the name of the country darkened on the map.



Daniel Arap Moi is the President of this former British colony



1. The U.S. has banned the importation of this product
2. A unit of measurement
3. Large lake named after English Queen
4. Capitol of this nation

Solution: 1. Ivory 2. Kilometer 3. Victoria 4. Nairobi = Kenya

UT Tyler Student Survey

By Stormi Johnson
Feature Writer

Nine states have passed laws stating that you cannot refuse to hire someone because they smoke. Do you think that firms or employers should have the right to refuse hiring smokers?

Johnny Graves
History Major

I think it would be discriminatory if you did have the right to refuse them. But in turn, businesses should be able to limit where they can smoke.

Temeka Hayler
Sociology Major

No, because that's a personal choice.

Denise Murray
History Major

I smoke and I don't think they should refuse to hire smokers as long as the smokers go by the rules and smoke off premises or in designated areas.

Jaime Thomas
Journalism major

No, they don't have a right to refuse. But, there should be designated areas for smoking, so we non-smokers don't have to breathe that crap.

Antonio Fuentes
Interdisciplinary Studies Major

They shouldn't. If they are not smoking on their job then that should be fine. It's like saying I won't hire you because your not Catholic.

Rosalyn Bullard
English Major

No, I think there should be a designated smoking area in every building. Everyone should have the right to choose what they want to do.

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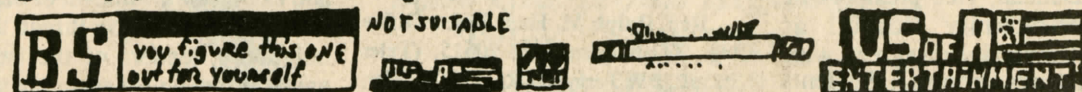
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Christopher S. Walker 1991

Drug use among college students down

Illicit drugs rate lower, but alcohol still rates high

(CPS) — The number of college and high school students who use illicit drugs sharply declined in 1990, a nationwide study contended Jan. 24.

Students' consumption of alcohol remains at about the same high levels of prior years, the annual survey by the National Institute of Health and the University of Michigan also found.

"Clearly our young people are gradually moving away from nearly all forms of illicit drug use," concluded Lloyd D. Johnston, the survey's director and social scientist at Michigan.

Researchers found that about one-third of the 1,200 college students surveyed had used an illicit drug in the past year.

One-third of high school students asked also reported they had used an illicit drug during 1990.

By contrast, last year's survey found that 50.8 percent of all college students and high school seniors had used illicit drugs in 1990.

"We are seeing a continuing decline in the proportion of these populations who are actively using any illicit drug, as well as in the proportions using a number of specific drugs such as marijuana, cocaine, crack, stimulants and sedatives," Johnston reported.

Students' use of alcohol is declining much more slowly than other drugs.

In 1990, 75 percent of college students surveyed said they had consumed alcohol during the past month, down from a high of 83 percent in 1982.

While students apparently are using illicit drugs less frequently, Johnston added it's not because drugs are hard to get.

"Our data strongly suggest that most of the decrease among young people in their use of marijuana, cocaine, crack and PCP is due to change in their demand for these drugs, not a change in supply," he observed.

Students "have increasingly come to see the use of these drugs as dangerous and, probably as a result, peer acceptance of such use has diminished considerably," he said.

However it's too early to become overly optimistic, Johnston warned.

"We must not lose sight of the fact that even today a significant fraction of our young people are involved with these drugs, and that there still remains much to be done."

Student performs in Brickstreet Play

By Joanna Tucker

Patriot Staff Writer

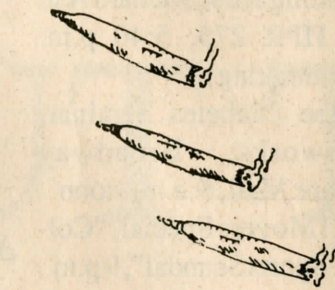
UT Tyler student and theater major James Johnson is performing in "The Miracle Worker" which opened March 15 at Brickstreet Playhouse and runs through April 7.

Performances begin at 8:15 p.m. Friday and Saturday with a matinee at

Junior College after the recent loss of two directors at Brickstreet.

Theater majors Johnson of UTT and Scott Susong of TJC stated that Brickstreet is important to the theater programs of both schools because it provides a chance for students to get professional experience.

"Some students graduate and stay in Tyler," said Susong. "They depend



Further evidence of decline in substance abuse

(CPS) — Yet another school had offered evidence that college students nationwide are cleaning up their acts.

On Feb. 20, University of Cincinnati officials released a pool indicating that today's collegians now feel less peer pressure than their predecessors to drink alcohol and use drugs.

The announcement comes on the heels of two other reports on drug use that had similar conclusions.

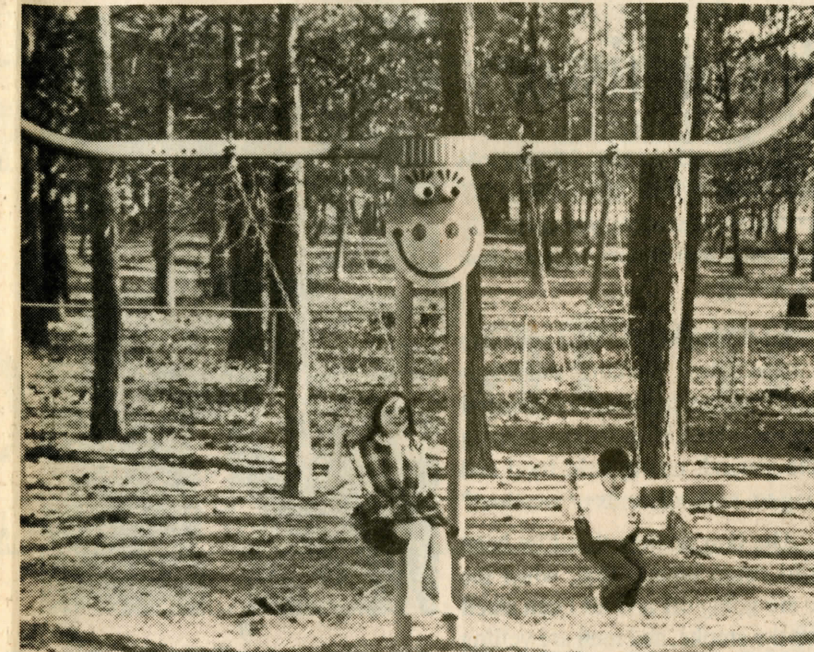
A Feb. 6 study by University of California-Los Angeles Professor Rodney Skager declared that drug and alcohol use declined slightly last year among school kids in California.

Just 13 days earlier, an annual survey by the National Institutes of Health and the University of Michigan found that the number of college and high school students using illicit drugs dropped sharply in 1990.

The Cincinnati survey compared current student attitudes with those of students in 1987.

"The most marked differences were found in student attitudes toward drugs," the report stated. "For instance, in 1987, 28 percent of the surveyed students believed that the campus setting and student culture encouraged the use of drugs."

Since then, of course, politicians have declared a "war" on drugs. In 1990, the study found, only 1 percent thought the campus setting and student



Emily Caplinger swings in unison with her brother, Jacob, in the UT playground. Emily attends a science class taught by senior science students on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons here at UT. (Photo by Becky Nichols)

Not too late for trip

By Stormi Johnson

Patriot Feature Writer

If you haven't made plans for your spring break, it's not too late. After talking with several area travel agents we found there is still time to feed your spring fever and find your place in the sun even at this late date.

"We can still find you something," said Sharon Howell of Travel Masters.

Popular areas they have booked this year are Galveston, South Padre Island, Mexico, the Caribbean, Florida and Colorado.

Howell suggests considering the most cost effective travel package.

"A cruise, a Jack Tar Village or Club Med is the most cost inclusive," she said and added "it is the best travel value in the market."

All World Travel's, Elaine Lynch also has found South Padre, Galveston and Colorado popular spots this year.

"New Mexico though has had a good showing this year. There have been good airline fares to Albuquerque," said Lynch.

She did say less people were traveling this year because of the war, but that now things are picking up.

March is busy," she said.

At Starting Point Travel skiing trips have been a big seller.

"Colorado is a hot spot," commented travel agent, Mary Beal. "It is a little late for spring break this year, but next year you should start booking early."

For the person who hasn't booked yet and wants to go Ms. Beal suggested looking in the Dallas paper the week before for specials.

Janet Reynolds of Travel Banque says she can still get you on a cruise.

"A lot of cruise deals are still available starting at \$500.00 per person for four people to Mexico, Virgin Islands or the Bahamas," said Reynolds. "With spring breaks so scattered out we've had good success."

The Scuba Center can arrange a dive package to just about anywhere for you.

"On dive packages you get two dives per day included, but not on the day of arrival or departure," said Neal Tapps.

His suggestions included dive packages to Mexico and the Caribbean.

"Cozumel is the most economical

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Scottie's ex-wife, Maggie Stratton, was played by Gaynor Edwards. Edwards delivered a very believable performance of a woman who had a soft spot for Scottie. She was very resourceful in her efforts to help Scottie and Jud reconcile their differences.

Shelley Wallace gave a great portrayal as Sally Haines, a model who liked both Scottie and Jud. Sally tried to help the father and son in their relationship, but had her work cut out for her in trying to break through Jud's resentment.

Danny Moss played the part of Lou Daniels, Scottie's boss and long-time friend. Moss gave the audience a very good performance of a serious-minded but concerned friend to Scottie. Lou felt that Scottie could make people forget their troubles and believe almost anything.

Dr. Gladys Petrelli was played by Lovenia Ford. Ford gave a stunning performance of a frustrated doctor trying to convince a stubborn Scottie to get treatment for his illness. Scottie was not just her patient, he was her favorite patient. They had an inside joke concerning Scottie's hemorrhoid operation. When he came out of the anesthesia he demanded to see the 'baby,' wanting desperately to have something to show for all that pain.

Cassandra Regian gave a wonderful portrayal as a hooker named Hilary who was a friend to Scottie. At one point in the play, Hilary entered as a nurse sent to take care of Scottie, and later revealed her true identity during a surprise that culminated in Scottie's 'tribute' at the theater. Regian did a great job in reversing roles; one minute a rejected nurse, the next his beloved friend. Hilary described Scottie as a man who treated everybody exactly the same; whether they were the doorman, his wife, his family, a movie-star, or a ten-dollar hooker.

The play gave the audience an evening of entertaining comedy with a message. They laughed at the situations, felt pain and frustration over the circumstances,

2:30 p.m. on Sunday. Ticket prices are \$10 for regular performances and \$7.50 for the matinee.

Johnson portrays James Keller, the older brother of Helen, who agrees with teacher Annie Sullivan that his blind sister is a spoiled brat.

Annie Sullivan, the role that won Anne Bancroft "Best Supporting Actress" in the movie version, is played by UT Tyler graduate student Kathy Weaver.

Arne Nelson, vice president of Midtown Arts Centre, is directing "The Miracle Worker."

Brickstreet is housed in an historical building that originated as a Works Progress Administration project, a program implemented during Roosevelt's presidency to provide relief for unemployed Americans.

Brickstreet is part of an area known as the Midtown Arts Centre, an idea originated by Noel David Pullam.

The antique brick building is home to Brickstreet Playhouse and the Backstage Cafe, a European-style dinner theater, an art and antique gallery and a jewelry shop.

The rustic atmosphere of the building lends itself well to theater.

Copper artichoke chandeliers designed for Brickstreet by metalsmith and sculptor Bill Muscato, add to the unique aura surrounding the theater.

Concern has been expressed about the future direction of Brickstreet by Theater majors at both UTT and Tyler

on Brickstreet to provide them with the opportunity to remain active in theater," he said.

Manager, Barbara Crysdale said the policy of Brickstreet Playhouse is to provide the best theater possible for the community.

Unlike repertory theater which is closed to outside actors, Brickstreet has open casting calls and will continue to invite all members of the community to try-out, she said.

Mature middle school students as well as high school students are needed, she said.

Nelson, Crysdale and Music Director Sheila Kimlico all emphasized that prior acting experience isn't a criteria for being selected for a role.

Crysdale did state that to do a musical required a search for someone who had the voice for the role.

Crysdale emphasized that Brickstreet would not close its doors to non-professional actors.

culture encouraged drug use.

"Students are deciding not to use or experiment with drugs, and there is less peer pressure to use drugs and alcohol," said Tom Hadley, assistant vice provost of student affairs.

Hadley attributed the decline to a variety of things, including assertive educational programs about the dangers of substance abuse and the raising of the legal drinking age.

"Students are getting the message from pop culture, their schools, their churches and other institutions. They've seen drugs destroy family members or peers."

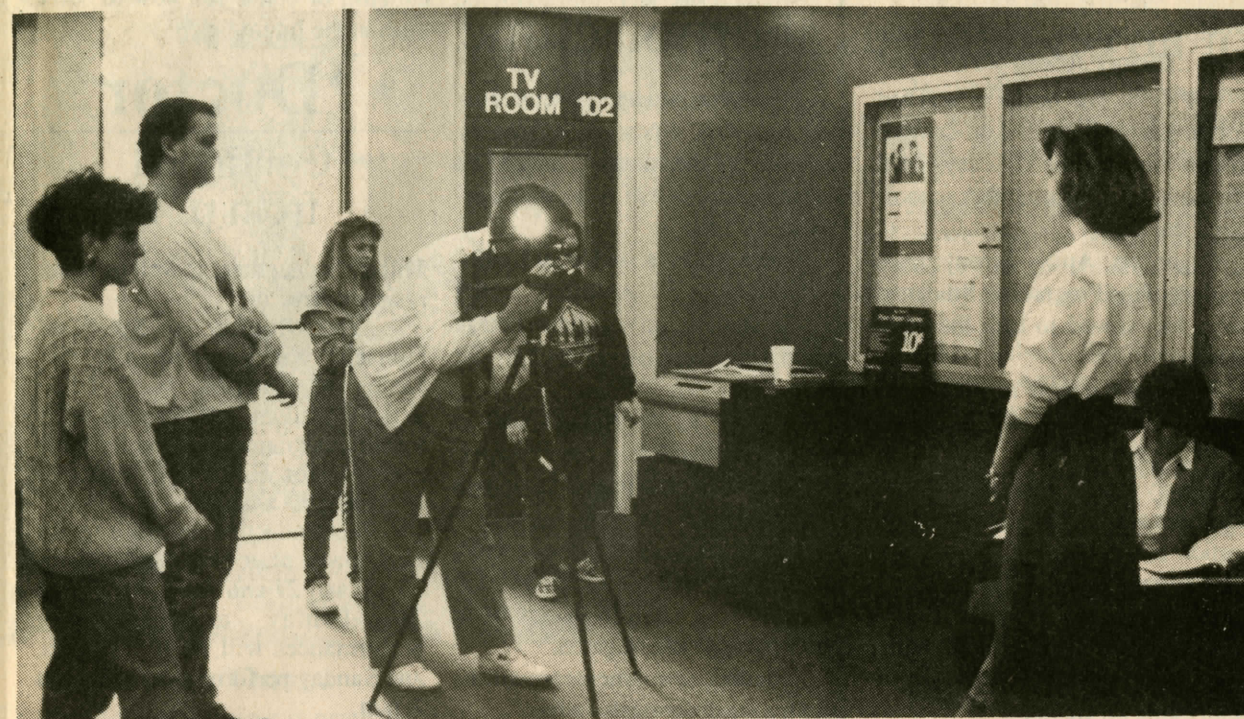
The new poll showed that 49 percent considered drug testing an appropriate step to prevent drug abuse in the workplace, up from 44 percent in 1987.

Also, 74 percent said they would submit to a drug test if required to secure a job. That was up from 68 percent in 1987.

"The whole month of March is someone's spring break and travel in

and the biggest bang for your spring break buck," Tapps said.

and rejoiced with the outcome of acceptance.



Students work on a group assignment for a psychology project: Social Learning Theory on Modeling. Left to right: Sonya Warren, John Gerner, DeLaine Benton, Don Mullen (camera man), Beverly Jackson, Carla Fulford, and Jackie Brightwell (seated). (Photo by Becky Nichols.)

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'Cook,' 'Exit,' adults only videos

By Rachel Biscomb

Patriot Copy Editor

Since the war began, video rentals have gone up according to Blockbuster Video.

Though the war coverage is important and a blessing to some, many people find too much of the news depressing and rent videos for a kind of escape.

The new releases always seem to rent first.

Of the new releases "Glory" and "The Hunt for Red October" are not to be missed. They're full of action but not to the point of lethargy.

With a strong stomach and an open mind see "The Cook, The Thief, His Wife and Her Lover" or "The Last Exit to Brooklyn." These two movies are totally different but can be described with the same gloomy, eccentric, artistic, erotic adjectives. They are beautifully filmed works of art. The content is strictly for adults.

"The Freshman" is a new look at the mafia king-pin type movies. It's an upbeat, smart, witty movie. Not many other comedies are worth mentioning. "My Blue Heaven" is harmless.

Some new action movies are "Dick Tracy," "Another 48 Hours," and "Total Recall." They're high on scenery and low on intelligent conversation, leaving much to be desired.

Some good love stories are "Stanley and Iris" and "Longtime Companion."

"Stanley and Iris" is a clever, touching movie with the uncommon happy ending.

"Longtime Companion" is not the traditional love story. It deals with a group of gay men who must deal with the losses of friends and lovers to the AIDS virus.

Since the new releases are usually checked out, here's a list of some of the better movies you can usually find.

They are in my opinion the most literate, amusing, horrifying, eccentric, and entertaining movies of all time.

"The Graduate," "The Big Chill," "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof," "Star Wars," "Death of a Salesman," "Papillon," "Splendor in the Grass," "Hair," "Whatever Happened to Baby Jane," "Bonnie and Clyde," "Rosemary's Baby," "M*A*S*H," "A Clockwork Orange," "The Way We Were," "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," "The Goodbye Girl," "Blazing Saddles," "A Summer Place," "Amadeus," "Blue Velvet," "The Fly," "Breakfast at Tiffany's," "The Shining."

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Mc Mahan lives bit of history

By Dwight W. Hall
Contributing Writer

Volley after volley is fired.

Men are dropping on all sides to lie wounded and dying on the ground.

Private Larry McMahan prepares for the advance as the captain raises his saber, and one hundred Confederate soldiers charge into the guns of the Union army.

After the battle is over, orders are issued to reform the company, and all of those wounded and dying soldiers suddenly rise from where they had fallen and rejoin their comrades.

This may sound a bit confusing, but this isn't really the Civil and Larry McMahan isn't really a Confederate private. He's a member of a historical reenactment group known as the Texas Rifles.

The Texas Rifles is a group with members all over the state that reenact all aspects of everything from the War of 1812 to the Plains Indian wars.

"I guess you could say that everyone who does living history, at least to the extent that I do, is a historian," said McMahan. "If you're not really intent on learning all you can about history, it isn't likely that you'll enjoy this hobby."

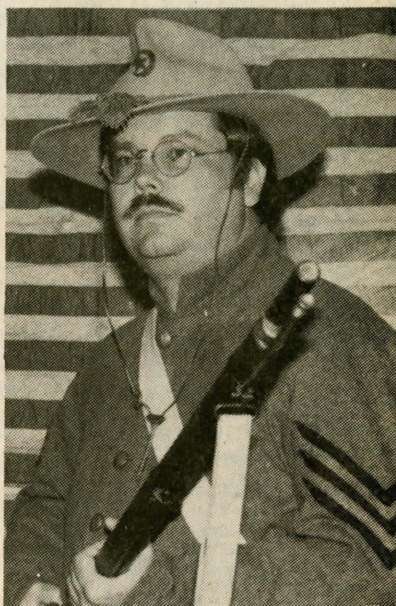
As you talk to this 37-year-old former bank officer and current UT Tyler education student, you definitely get a feeling that history is more than just a hobby.

McMahan, who decided to go into education when banking started to slide, "I've been asked, on several occasions, what it is I get out of sleeping on the ground, eating cold food and putting up with all kinds of weather."

"The best answer that I've been able to come with is that, when the guns are going off and all I can smell is powder smoke, and men are yelling and falling all around me, I get the best sense of what it was really like for the ones who really fought in that war. I mean short of anyone actually dying."

History is also a family affair. His wife Jo, who is a special education teacher in Tyler, and five-year-old daughter Kelli frequently travel along and portray life in a primitive army encampment. McMahan is proud that he has the cooperation of his family, when many other reenactors' families are much less supportive.

After the bank he was working at as a loan officer failed in 1989, McMahan decided to devote his full



Pvt. Larry McMahan

attention to his education. He received his bachelor's degree in history in 1990, and started working on his teachers certificate.

"I could see the banking crisis coming for several years before it actually hit East Texas. There were too many bank examiners, with no experience and too much power," said McMahan. "It didn't take much to see that things would fall apart eventually. That's when I decided to go ahead and finish my education."

He believes that after he receives his certificate and begins teaching history, he can incorporate some of the things he has learned in the pursuit of his hobby into the classroom.

"I'm convinced that history can be made interesting for everybody. It doesn't have to be dry and dull, read the chapter and answer the questions at the end of the book. You can bring other things into it and have some pretty interesting round robin discussions," said McMahan.

History isn't the only thing that Larry McMahan does, though it does take up a large portion of his time, but when you talk to him that's definitely the impression you get. Larry also serves on the board of directors of the Carnegie History Center and is currently treasurer.

"I guess history, or the pursuit of it, will always be my main theme in life. There's always something that

Campus Calendar

March 19

- Visiting artist, Richard Ash III, HPR 275, 5:40 p.m. (Printmaking)
- Free Diabetes Seminar, Lifeworks, Broadway Square Mall, 9 a.m.-noon
- Bill Moyers Special, "College Sports Scandal", 9 p.m., PBS

March 20

- Student Association meeting, UC Game room, 8:45 p.m.
- Physical Education lecture, BUS 158, 7 p.m.
- Handicapped Students Association meeting, UC Game room, 4 p.m.

March 22-31

Spring Break!

March 23- April 7

Azalea & Spring Flower Trail

March 23

- Chamber Orchestra Concert, UC Open Area, 8 p.m.
- Azalea Trail 10k and Fun Run, Bergfeld Park, 8:30 a.m., (Entry Fee) Call 1-800-535-9799, enter #7223

March 28-30

- Texas Intercollegiate Press Association Convention, Fort Worth

March 29-30

- Men's tennis team, Ardmore Oklahoma Invitational tourney, Ardmore, OK

April 1

- Classes Resume
- Deadline for Copy in the April 9th Issue of the UT Tyler Patriot

April 6

- Chamber Orchestra & Concert Chorale, UC Open Area, 7 p.m.
- East Texas Symphony, Bergfeld Park, 7:30 p.m.

April 8- May 10

- Senior Art Exhibition, UC 101, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Free to public)

April 9

- Issue #5 of The UT Tyler Patriot on the newsstands

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Protesters uneasy about future declarations of war

students supported American involvement in the war.

Yet anti-war crowds and efforts continued to build in intensity, climaxing on Jan. 26, when an estimated 75,000 people congregated in Washington, D.C., to call for Bush to call U.S. troops home.

It was the last big protest of the war.

Some thing the anti-war movement ended earlier, when the bombing began on Jan. 16.

"After Jan. 16, opposition to the war was deemed illegitimate evermore," said Dale Hathaway, a political science professor at Butler University in Indiana.

Most recently, a national day of protests called by the National Student and Youth Campaign for Feb. 21 reportedly drew smaller crowds that expected.

The was "wasn't sustained long enough for there to be massive amounts" of casualties, said Angel

Now, as the U.S. emerges from the war victorious, many anti-war activists fear the U.S.'s success in the Persian Gulf war will encourage support for future wars.

"What's happened is people in the country feel very good about using our military might," explained Butler's Hathaway.

"Our military victory sort of proves to people that we must've been right," he added.

Meanwhile, some pro-war activists say they will not rest until the troops are home and Saddam Hussein has been convicted of war crimes.

"Hopefully we're not going to lose a lot of momentum," said Mai Spickelmier, president of the College Republicans at the University of Houston and a pro-war activist.

Spickelmier's group hopes to hold a support-the-troops rally and letter-writing campaign, she said.

HSA to meet tomorrow

By Janice Johnson
Patriot Staff Writer

The Handicapped Student Association announced that Donna Hamby of Goodwill industries will speak at their next meeting, March 20, at 4:00 p.m.

Her topic will be on *Disabilities and Social Security* and will be held in the UC game room.

Chris Fenton, vice-president of HSA and ACM computer club secretary, is coordinating a trip to Dallas Southwestern Bell facility for the two clubs.

"This trip is tentatively planned for the week following spring break," said Fenton.

The HSA held their previous meeting on Feb. 27.

HSA President Jim Hanson, expressed, "thanks to all the students, staff and faculty members for the help that has been extended to the handicapped students at the university."

Laura Hughes, HSA advisor, reminded the students of the "MISTER" group for the mobility impaired which meets on the second Sunday of each month.

A conference on the Disabilities Act will be held in Dallas at the end of May.

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Student vows to continue efforts for an on-campus abortion clinic

(CPS) — The leader of a failed effort to establish the first on-campus abortion clinic in the U.S. says he'll soon move his efforts to other schools around the U.S.

Organizer Andy Ternay, past president of the Progressive Students' Union, has vowed to take the issue elsewhere.

"Making it a more national issue will draw a more powerful group behind us," Ternay said.

Ternay plans to organize an effort earlier this school year to establish an abortion clinic on the University of Texas at Arlington campus.

UTA students rejected the effort, voting 1,430 to 746 against allowing first-trimester abortions in the student health clinic on campus.

A week later, the Student congress voted down a resolution to send the proposal to the school administration, which had promised to reject it anyway.

In elections, students on other campuses have often opposed letting women have the option of abortion, much less having a clinic on campus.

At Virginia Tech, for example, students voted down a student government resolution that opposed further restrictions on abortion.

Despite winning the few campus-wide student abortion elections that have been held, anti-abortion activists complain student governments are biased against them.

"Too many student governments think they can impose their morality on the rest of the campus," said Scott Obernberger, head of American Collegians for Life.

Obernberger, a student at Catholic University of America, noted CUA's student government nearly denied funds for a campus pro-life group.

"Typically, it's very difficult to receive funding," said Obernberger, who knows of about 300 campuses with pro-life groups.

Pro-choice groups, he maintained, get funding "without question." On the other hand, pro-life groups are at "the very least interrogated."

"Student governments around the country are notoriously unfair."

can be learned from history. Either how other people solved problems in the past, or better yet, how to solve them in the future."

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Thibaut's daughter, as well as being assistant director.

"The Doctor in Spite of Himself" will be directed by Dr. James A. Hatfield. Mary Ellen Wright, graduate theater student, is serving as dramaturge and research assistant for Hatfield in order to formulate the adaptation.

The production dates are set for two consecutive weekends, April 19, 20 and 21 and April 26, 27 and 28. Friday and Saturday performances will be at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday performances will be at 2 p.m.

April Fool's Day

April 2

• Men's tennis team, Centenary College, Shreveport, LA

April 4

• Spring Arts Lecture series, 4th Floor of the library, 7:30 p.m. (Dr. Alessandra Comini, "Gender or Genius? Different routes to Expressionism")

Lariscy of the Student Coalition. That fact limited the number of protesters, she said.

But interest is waning. People want to get back to normal lives," Spickelmier admitted.

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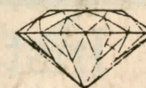
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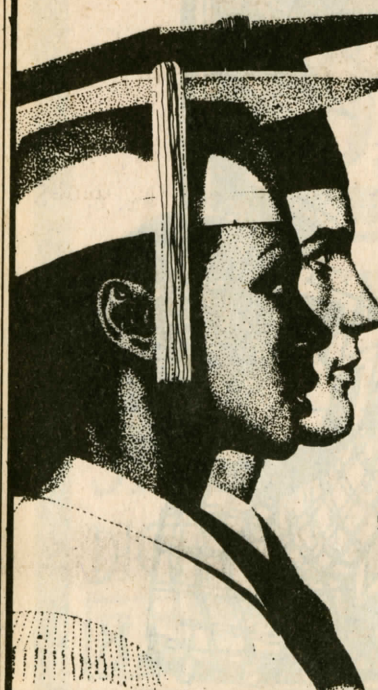
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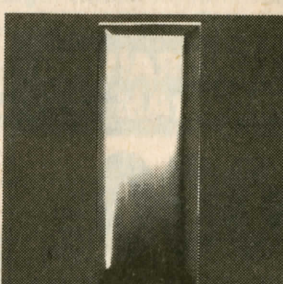
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