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"Your ride leaves early! After thinking for a week, is that the best excuse you can think of for leavin' early?"

## Computers Never Replace Quests

Computers can't take man's place in scholarly quests.

"The machine performs only as instructed and programming does not turn the operation over to the computer," Dr. Joseph Raben of Queens College, City University of New York, informed a Conference on Computers in Humanistic Research at Texas A&M Friday.

"Because of a computer's qualities, it can become an assistant in various researches in which we are interested," the English professor commented. "It can be asked to do numbing, repetitive tasks in short periods of time it would take a scholar thousands of hours to do."

He said the speed, flexibility

and storage magnitude of the computer make it an ideal research tool for the humanist, who often becomes bogged down and loses interest while studying vast manuscripts for stylistic differences.

"What is needed is to combine bursts of energy from man's mind with the plodding, untiring persistence of the computer," Raben said.

The conference continued in its final day with speakers on structural analysis, storing and publishing computer research and a symposium on programming languages and techniques.

Raben reviewed the conference in its last session Friday afternoon.

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## Journalist Named SCONA Speaker

Richard Wilson, a Pulitzer Prize winner in journalism for distinguished reporting of national affairs, has been named roundup speaker for the 12th Student Conference on National Affairs at Texas A&M University.

Wilson, chief of the Cowles Publications' Washington Bureau, speaks at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, giving a summation of the conference in the closing session.

SCONA XII, with more than 150 delegates from 60 universities and colleges throughout the nation and several foreign countries, is scheduled Dec. 7-10 at A&M's Memorial Student Center. This year's SCONA topic is "Europe and the United States: Challenges of Nationalism and Cooperation."

Wilson's nationally syndicated column appears in the Dallas Morning News, the Washington Star and other large newspapers throughout the country. He has covered every national political convention and presidential campaign since 1932. He was a war correspondent in the European and African theaters in World War II.

A former president of the National Press Club, Wilson is chairman of the Gridiron Foundation, a charitable and educational trust for the aid of newsmen and their families.

Wilson is an honorary doctor of letters of Iowa Wesleyan Col-

### Professor Awarded \$37,000 Grant

Dr. Ronald Darby, assistant professor of engineering sciences at Texas A&M University, has been awarded a \$37,000 National Science Foundation grant.

The award will support a two-year study, "The Kinetics of Porous Electrodes," which involves transport mechanisms in fuel cells.

Announcement of the grant was made by A&M President Earl Rudder.

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lege and an honorary doctor of laws of Drake University. A native of Newton, Iowa, he majored in chemical engineering at Iowa State College and in journalism at the State University of Iowa.

The speaker went to work for the Des Moines Register in June, 1926, and has been with the Cowles organization since as a reporter, city editor and Washington correspondent. He has written more than 100 articles for Look Magazine in addition to his three-times-a-week column.

Other awards garnered by Wilson include the distinguished service award for Washington correspondence by Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity, the Headliners Club award of magazine news presentation, and the Raymond Clapper Memorial citation for "brilliant and repeatedly exclusive reporting."

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## MSC Speaker's Death Caused By Guerillas

Robert E. Moran, scheduled to appear April 27 on Texas A&M's World Around Us series, has been killed in Guatemala.

Reports Monday indicated that Moran, who was filming alone in the jungles of Guatemala near the Honduras border, was murdered by guerillas aligned with Communist rebels. The reports hinted that two men were paid \$3 to shoot Moran in the back.

Richard Adams, chairman of the MSC World Around Us series, said he received a letter from Moran's agent two weeks ago explaining that Moran was missing. Death of the much-traveled Salt Lake City resident was announced Sunday.

Adams said an associate of Moran's, Jack Currey, will show Moran's films of the Dominican Republic and supplementary footage at the April 27 presentation.

## Ichthyology Class Notches Record With Prize Catch

A fresh water ichthyology class at Texas A&M University has notched a new record by catching the first species of mountain mullet in Texas inland waters.

The Agonostomus monticola was landed in a recent field trip by 50 junior wildlife science majors and three staff members. Students made the catch from Long King Creek near Goodrich in Polk County.

Collections were made in the upper, middle and lower Trinity River and its tributaries.

Dr. Richard J. Baldauf, Wildlife Science Department acting

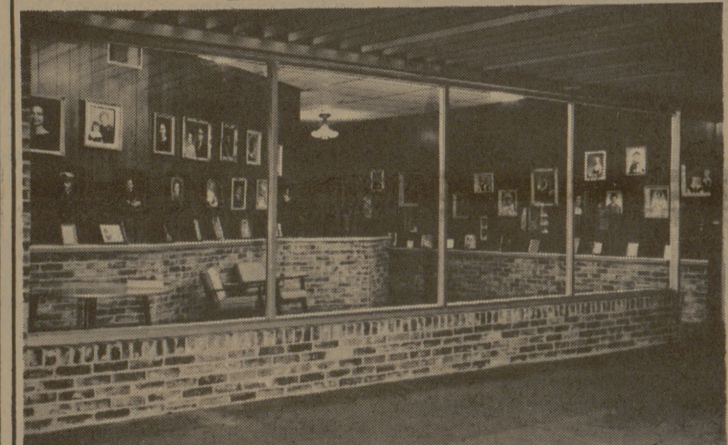
head, said the catch of a mountain mullet is not new to one of the staff members on the trip, Dr. Kirk Strawn. In 1946, Strawn was credited with catching the first species on the North American Continent.

Baldauf said mountain mullet are common in Mexico and the Caribbean. The fish grows to about one foot in length, he said, and apparently spawns in the ocean and migrates to fresh water streams.

Two rare minnows also were collected for the first time from the Trinity by the A&M students.

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## Profs Represent A&M In Houston

Seven professors will represent Texas A&M at a National Council of Teachers of English meeting in Houston Nov. 24-26.

English Department head Dr. Lee J. Martin heads the group to attend the Thanksgiving weekend meeting. Also attending will be Professors H. E. Hierth, E. E. Stokes Jr., Harry Kroitor, J. S.

Jernigan, H. S. Creswell and Robert Archer.

The convention will focus attention on composition and literature teaching problems in secondary schools, colleges and universities.

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## On Campus with Max Shulman

(By the author of "Rally Round the Flag, Boys!", "Dobie Gillis," etc.)

### "M" IS FOR THE MANY THINGS YOU'LL TEACH HER

Nobody will dispute—surely not I—that raising children is a task which requires full time and awesome skills. Nonetheless, a recent nationwide survey has revealed a startling fact: mothers who go back to work after their children are safely through the early years are notably happier, better adjusted, and more fulfilled than mothers who simply remain housewives. Moreover—and mark this well—the children of such working mothers are themselves happier, better adjusted, and more fulfilled!

All very well, you say, but what's it got to do with you? Isn't it obvious? If you are underachieving at college, get your mother a job.

What kind of job? Well sir, your mother is probably between 35 and 50 years of age, so certain occupations must immediately be ruled out. Logging, for example. Or whaling. Or carhopping.

But don't despair. There are other kinds of jobs—not many, to be sure, but some. However, you must not stick Mom in just any old job. You must remember that after the excitement of raising you, she would be bored to tears as a file clerk, for instance, or as a doorman. (A doorman, as we all know, is someone who brings handfuls of water to track layers. With the recent invention of the pail, doormen are gradually falling into technological unemployment.)

But I digress. I was saying, find Mom a job worthy of her talents, something challenging that uses her vast wisdom and experience but, at the same time, is not too hard on her obsolescing tissues. That's what Walter Sigafos did, and the results were brilliantly successful.

Walter, a sophomore at the Upper Maryland College of Wickerwork and Belles Lettres, majoring in raffia, approached the problem scientifically. First he asked himself what his mother did best. Well sir, what she did best was to keep hollering, "Dress warm, Walter!"

At first glance this seemed a skill not widely in demand, but Walter was not discouraged. He sent out hundreds of inquiries and today, I am pleased to report, his mother is happily employed as wardrobe mistress for the Montreal Canadiens.

Another fortunate venture was that of Frank C. Grams-mire, a junior at the Oregon State Conservatory of Music and Optometry, majoring in sties. Frank, like Walter, did a survey in depth of his mother's talents. Chief among them, he found, was her ability to make a roast of beef feed the whole family for three days. So, naturally, Frank got her a job at the Museum of Natural History.

What has one to do with the other, you ask? Isn't it obvious? Anyone who can stretch ribs like that belongs in paleontology.



I cannot conclude this column without saying a few words about Personna Super Stainless Steel Blades. The reason I cannot is that this column is sponsored by the makers of Personna Super Stainless Steel Blades, and they are inclined to get peckish if I omit to mention their product.

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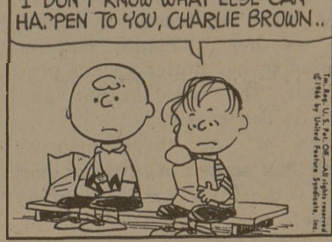
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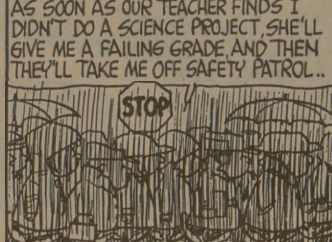
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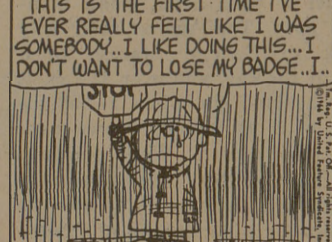
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