

'Deer Hunter' good, inaccurate

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When a movie wins the academy award for best picture, the public assumes that it is worth seeing. This year's winner, "The Deer Hunter," certainly is worth seeing, but not for the widely publicized reason.

"The Deer Hunter," some film critics have said, is pro-Vietnam war. But they were making a convenient oversimplification, probably so they could compare the it to anti-war "Coming Home."

"The Deer Hunter" makes no statement about the war. And far from being the subject of the movie,

Review

Vietnam is only one of the movie's settings. Those who expect to learn about the war from it will be disappointed.

If anything, the movie will add to the myths and misunderstandings about the Vietnam war, because what it does show of Vietnam is inaccurate.

What "The Deer Hunter" does portray commendably is a group of Pennsylvania steel mill workers of Russian descent. The film attempts nothing more than to show how they are affected by a war — Vietnam merely happened to fit the time frame.

Couple to split \$7 million

Davises now divorced

United Press International
FORT WORTH — T. Cullen Davis and Priscilla Davis were given a divorce Friday and ordered to divide \$6,949,999 worth of community property, ending five years of separation that has contained perhaps unprecedented cause for bitterness.

The divorce decree, which accompanied the property settlement announced by Judge Clyde Ashworth, will be final after a 30-day waiting period.

Mrs. Davis was given \$3,340,818 in cash and property, plus her automobile, personal items, household pets, and half of her attorneys' fees of \$1.25 million. However, she was ordered to vacate the couple's \$6 million mansion in 30 days, or pay a \$50,000 a month rent.

Davis said he would not appeal the settlement, but Mrs. Davis and her attorneys said they would decide after discussing it. Davis had said the settlement should be \$400,000 and Mrs. Davis had claimed \$50 million.

Regardless, each side expressed some pleasure at the settlement.

"I thought it was a fair decision," Davis said. "But I was not pleased to give her that much money. I didn't want to give her anything."

Priscilla accepted congratulations from friends with a quiet, "Thank you," and told reporters, "I'm still trying to figure it out."

In 1976, Davis was accused of murdering Mrs. Davis' daughter, Andrea Wilborn, 12, and her lover,

Stan Farr, and of wounding Mrs. Davis and a family friend during a shooting spree at the mansion. Last summer he was accused of attempting to hire an FBI informant to arrange the murder of the first divorce case judge, Joe Eidson.

Davis was acquitted two years ago of murdering Wilborn, despite Mrs. Davis' testimony that she saw him do it, but the other charges growing out of that incident are still pending.

Davis' trial on solicitation of capital murder charges ended in a hung jury in Houston early this year, but Tarrant County prosecutors have said they will retry that case as soon as possible.

Davis said he will marry his mistress, Karen Masters. "If she'll have me," and that they will move into the mansion soon after the 30-day period.

Mrs. Davis did not say what she planned to do, other than vacate the mansion within the 30 days.

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PRE-MED, PRE-DENT SOCIETY: Barbeque-beer bash tickets are on sale from 10-2 p.m. in the MSC through Wednesday.

CAMAC: There will be concert by Little Joe, Johnny Rocky and La Familia from 8-10 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

MSC ARTS COMMITTEE: "Going Places," an outrageous road film which traces the unpredictable adventures of two young drifters traveling through France, will be shown at 8 p.m. in Rudder Theater. (R).

PEER ADVISOR APPLICATIONS: Are available in the Off-Campus Center, Puryear Lounge. Volunteers will assist freshmen attending summer orientatin programs. The deadline is Thursday.

STUDENT COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS: Any student can apply for a committee position in Room 221, MSC.

PLANT SCIENCES SEMINAR: Charles M. Rush of the Plant Sciences Department will speak on Panama Disease at 4 p.m. in Room 112, Plant Science Bldg.

PLANT SCIENCES SEMINAR: Dr. J. Dodd of the Texas A&M Research Foundation will speak on "Important Aspects of Research and Grant Proposals" at 7:30 p.m. in Room 112, Plant Sciences Bldg.

GOLF: Women will compete at the Texas Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women today through Wednesday in Commerce.

Tuesday

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES: Will meet at 8 p.m. in the Lettermans Lounge, G. Rollie White.

HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 113, Kleberg.

PRE-MED, PRE-DENT SOCIETY: Dr. Robert North will speak on internal medicine in Room 206, MSC.

"WORKING WOMEN IN TEXAS": This film, sponsored by Phi Delta Gamma, will be shown at 8 p.m. in Room 601, Rudder Tower.

SPECIAL LECTURE: Harlan Cleveland, a diplomat, will speak on "Toward a Global Perspective in Higher Education" at 2 p.m. in Room 301, Rudder Tower.

MOVIE: "Madame Rosa," about a former prostitute who raises a 14-year-old Arab boy, will be shown at 8 p.m. in Rudder Theater. (R)

SOFTBALL: The women's team will compete against Stephen F. Austin in Nacogdoches.

BASEBALL: The men's team will play Sam Houston in Huntsville.

Wednesday

ROADRUNNERS CLUB: Will meet for its weekly run at 6 p.m. in front of G. Rollie White Coliseum.

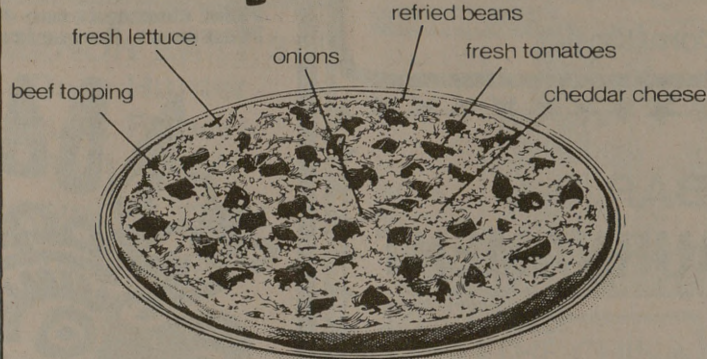
HILLEL CLUB: Will meet at 6:30 p.m. for a hot dog cookout (\$1.50) before the meeting at 800 Jersey.

AUSTIN HOMETOWN CLUB: Will meet and elect officers at 7:30 p.m. in Room 504, Rudder Tower.

SAN ANTONIO HOMETOWN CLUB: Will meet and elect officers at 7:30 p.m. in Room 301, Rudder Tower.

KAMU-TV BENEFIT: StageCenter's "The Sunshine Boys," will be at 8 p.m. in the StageCenter theater at 204 West Villa Maria. The \$3 tickets will benefit KAMU-TV.

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United Press International
OKLAHOMA CITY — Authorities searching the area where children last week discovered the head of an unidentified woman have found a severed hand but no body.

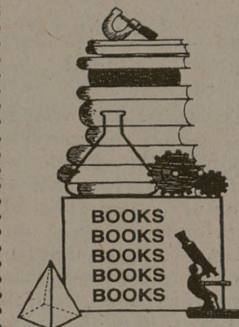
Detectives also found a bloody shoe and some blood in the street about two miles away from the spot

where a 10-year-old boy said he saw a dog playing with the severed head Thursday, but said a connection between the blood and the slaying could not be determined until tests are completed Monday.

Police said efforts to identify the woman by checking missing persons reports and posting two photo-

graphs of the head at the city jail have been unsuccessful.

The woman was described as having a light brown complexion and straight black hair. Tests by a medical examiner are expected to provide more information about the woman's death and identity.



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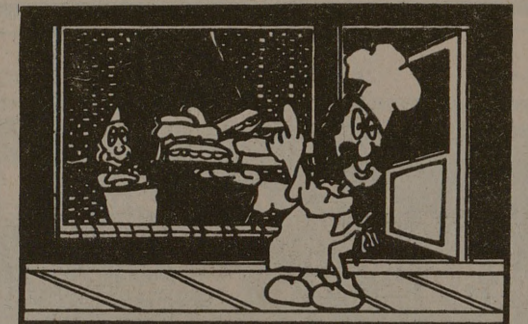
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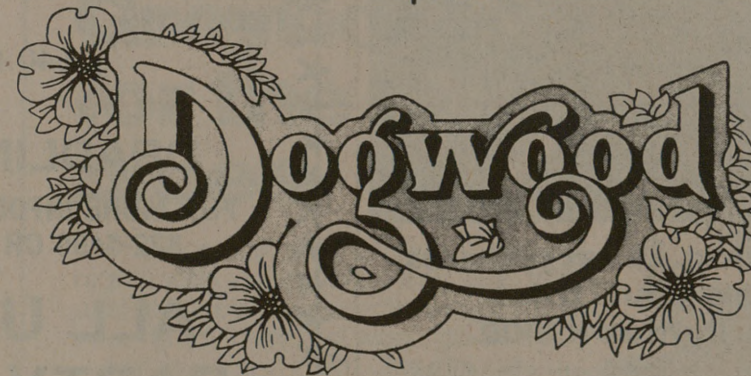
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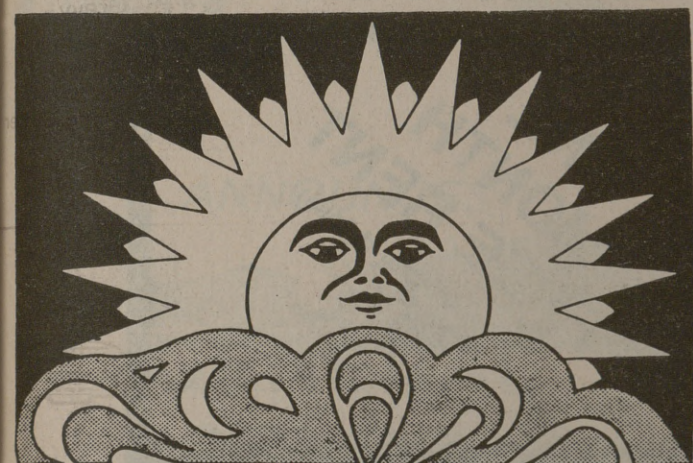
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