

Greased pig chase to be held Thursday

The MSC Recreation Committee is sponsoring a greased pig chase in the Animal Science Pavilion (next to the library) at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. About 25 teams are expected to enter the race. Each team should have four members and must pay a \$4 entry fee. The purpose of the chase is to promote spirit for the Arkansas game. There is no charge to spectators.

American freed after Iran arrest

ST. LOUIS — He has left Iran twice — once because of violence and this week for his "personal safety" — but the Missouri construction company foreman says he is willing to return to work in Iran. William Tinker, 48, who had been held under "house arrest" for nearly a week by Iranian guards, was greeted by his tearful wife and two sons Monday at Lambert-St. Louis airport. Tinker lives in Elvins, about 60 miles south of St. Louis. In a telephone interview earlier Monday from the offices of the Houston Contracting Co., Tinker said that at 7:30 a.m. last Monday a group of Pas Dar Iranian guards came into his

office in Ahwaz and told him he was under arrest. Tinker and officials of the Houston Contracting Co. were vague about how Tinker was released. "Just through my own personal channels," Tinker said at the airport. When he was arrested, Tinker said he did not know that the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, 14 hours from Ahwaz by car, had been taken over by Iranian students. "The guards searched the office and my briefcase," Tinker said. "They asked me if I had a weapon and I told them I did not need a weapon in Iran. They then took me back to my cabin and told me I was under house arrest and would have

to remain there. "They said it was just for my own personal safety," Tinker said. Last January, Tinker was driven from the same compound by violent demonstrations that eventually deposed the shah. But Tinker said he is willing to return to Iran to finish a pipeline his company is building. Tinker's wife, Dean, said she knew her husband could handle his captivity well. "While it should not have happened to anyone, Bill is the best kind of guy to handle this type of situation," Mrs. Tinker said. "He is very cool and has a great deal of macho in this kind of thing. I was sure he would handle himself well and get

out of there." Tinker said he was not physically restrained but was required to stay inside for the first few days last week. On the fourth day, he was allowed to visit some of his workers and to return to the warehouse office to do some work. He also was told that day

he would be released in a few days. "The only problem I had was that I had to do my own cooking," Tinker said. "I probably lost a few pounds over that." Although he did not fear for his life, Tinker said he was concerned for his safety.

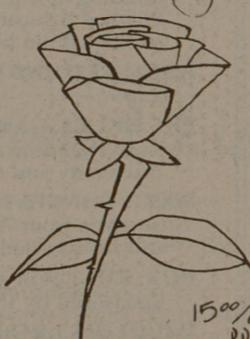
Provides cooling for South

Senate passes heating bill

WASHINGTON — The Senate voted Tuesday to give poor southerners money to pay for air conditioning, part of a \$7 billion program for fiscal year 1981-82 designed primarily to help northerners cope with winter heating bills. On a 68-27 vote, the Senate rejected an amendment by Sen. Richard Schweiker, R-Pa., to drop air conditioning from the energy assistance provided to poor people. Last month, some members of the Human Resources Committee tried to eliminate the air conditioning provision but lost 8-7. At that time, Sen. Gaylord Nelson, D-Wis., charged that the heating aid plan outlined by the administration was weighted too heavily toward the South and he called it "a Florida primary formula." Congress already has approved and sent to the White House \$1.35 billion in emergency aid to help the poor heat their homes this winter, fiscal 1980. The bill approved in the Senate Tuesday would authorize \$3 billion for fiscal 1981 and \$4 billion for fiscal 1982.

Senate aides said the aid package is expected to be offered as an amendment to the windfall profits tax measure that will be considered in the Senate this week. The aid program would be financed by revenues the government expects to get from a tax on oil company profits. Under the program, 18 million households would get money — ranging from \$100 to \$500 a winter — to help pay utility costs. Not counting regional adjustments, a family of four with an income up to \$11,500 would be eligible for the aid in the next two winters. This season's aid ceiling would be about \$8,375 for a similar family. Schweiker argued the air conditioning aid should be dropped, saying, "We are trying to meet a life-and-death situation in the winter. That should be the first priority." But Sen. Harrison Williams, D-N.J., the bill's sponsor, said the legislation allowed "modest and limited" air conditioning aid only for people whose medical conditions — heart and respiratory disease patients, for example — make them susceptible to illness caused by heat.

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