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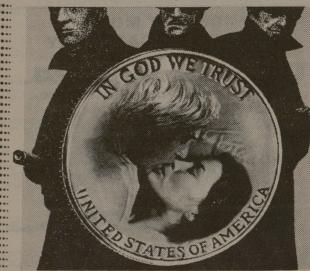
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Local

Writer says US can prevent war

Battalion Reporter
The senior foreign correspondent for Time magazine says the American people will have to get over their fear and hatred of the Soviet

Union to avoid an all-out war.

Strobe Talbot said Thursday night in Rudder Theater that U.S.-Soviet relations were worse than during the 1962 Cuban missile crisis.

Talbot, who has covered foreign affairs for over a decade, added the U.S. probably would have won any confrontation in 1962 because we then had clear military superiority. Now, though, he said, in our present position of "rough parity," the "poker game" would be much more dangerous.

"The current situation makes superpower poker start to look more like two-handed Russian roulette," he said.

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Talbot pointed out hotspots of activity in addition to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan: Communist intervention in Angola, Ethiopa and South Yemen; Russian naval buildup in the Straits of Hormuz and the Pacific; and the Vietnamese threat to Thailand.

He said, however, if "we would look at the world situation through Soviet eyes it would look every bit as bleak" as we see it. He pointed out specific Soviet worries: U.S. consolidation with Egypt's Anwar Sadat, who Talbot said used to be virtually a Soviet puppet; American naval buildup and negotiation for U.S. naval bases in Singapore; increasingly friendly U.S.-China relations; worsening relations with a formerly friendly Iraqi government; and, most of all, the recent labor. formerly friendly Iraqi government; and, most of all, the recent labor

Talbot, whose first Time magazine assignment was to eastern Europe, said the Polish labor strikes must have been "deeply appalling" to the Kremlin.

"They (the Polish labor strikes) are much more ominous to the future of Soviet power than any particular Russian action is to Western

The situation is not as bad as it could be, though, Talbot said. Even though the SALT II treaty has not gone into effect, Talbot said both the U.S. and Russia acting as if it was.

If, however, the SALT treaty is still not in effect a year from now,
Talbot predicted a "no-holds-barred" arms race which neither side
could afford.

Talbot said both countries are in stages of transition and uncertainty the U.S. due to the presidential election and the Russians because of

the old age of their top officials.

Talbot criticized both President Carter and Republican candidate Ronald Reagan for trying to get elected on a "get-tough-with-Russia"

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July figures still above '79 BOX J

Local unemployment down

By CATHIE CREW

The unemployment rate for Bryan-College Station dropped to 4.2 percent in July, a decrease of 0.3 percent from June figures, according to a labor market review from the Texas Employment Commission in

At the middle of July, unemployment stood at 1,710, down 60 percent from the mid-June estimate, the re-view stated. However, this is a l.l

percent increase over figures from

The review stated that the total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers and workers involved in

labor-management disputes.

Total employment for the Bryan-College Station area advanced to 38,800 from 37,180 reported in June.

This figure is 95 percent of the estimated total civilian labor force of 40,510 in the area.

Employment increases in the last month covered in the report occur-red in wholesale and retail trade, wage and salary positions, transportation, communications and utilities and in government employment, according to estimates from the TEC and the Bryan Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor.

The largest percentage increases were reported in transportation, communications and utilities, they aid, which rose workers returned to their jobs after a recent labor-management dispute

Government employment showed the largest numerical gain, rising by 900 workers from June to July 1980. resulting in a 12.6 percent increase According to estimates, non-

agricultural wage and salary workers rose 1,420 in July for a 1,090 increase for the year.

total annual increase of 3.2 percent.

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cent, but overall jobs increased the 1979 total by 2.3 percent.

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4.0 percent; Killeen-Temple Aguerrilla percent; Longview, 7.4 percenting a modern Odessa, 4.5 percent.

Trade was up by 160, a 2.4 percent increase over June estimates and a Tyler, 7.2 percent; and Water imousine, ki

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U.S. Navy Rear Adm. How Haynes will review Texas A&M versity's Corps of Cadets in a p.m. Saturday march-in befo Texas Tech football game. Haynes is a 1953 Texas A&M

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