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'Child' suspenseful

Mystery characterizes play

by Patrice Koranek

Battalion Staff Dramatic background music and a fine set were just the beginning of an excellent performance of Sam Shephard's "Buried Child," Sam presented by the Theatre Arts Program in Rudder Forum Thursday night.

The play centers around a family which seems to have undergone a terrible trauma and never recovered. An old couple with two feuding sons one is a lunatic and the other has a wooden leg - live in a ramshackle house. The

United Press International AUSTIN — House Speaker Gib Lewis, under fire from rep-

resentatives claiming he is pro-

liquor, says stiffening penalties against driving while intoxicated

offenders is more important

than raising the legal drinking

age or banning open containers

of alcohol in cars. Lewis Wednesday described

the open container and legal age bills as "frills" in proposed DWI

reforms and said he had heard

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opening scene shows the old man curled up on the living room sofa watching baseball on TV while his wife nags at

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him from an upstairs bed-

Danny Potts plays Dodge, the seemingly senile old man who also is an alcoholic. Potts, in his third production of the season, has the audience believing from the very start that he really is an old man about

Bills to ban open containers

of alcohol in cars and to raise the

legal drinking age from 19 to 21

have been the most controver-

sial of proposals aimed at beef-ing up DWI laws. Lewis refused

to say outright whether he favored either of the proposals,

saying he wanted to see more

laws passed in other states.

statistics on results of similar

DWI approaches debated

to die. Perhaps his best scene is the one where he is about to choke to death; the tension could be felt building.

Peck Phillips, who plays Dodge's son, Tilden, also turns in a good performance. Although Tilden is about 30 years old, he reverts back to childish behavior throughout the play, as did some of the other characters. It is Tilden who brings up the secret of something that happened in the backyard — a mystery which continues until the end of the play.

The acting was good, but

three and a half hours made the play drag. By the last scene the audience was ready for the play to end. However, leaving early was out of the question because of the unresolved mystery in the backyard.

The actors brought out the symbolism of the play to its fullest. At times the audience seemed to lose Shephard's reasoning, but the last scene wove the separate threads into a single thought. "Buried Child" will con-

tinue tonight, Saturday and March 3-5 in the Rudder Forum. All performances begin at 8 p.m.

Lewis, also criticized for

accepting \$5,500 in contribu-

said nearly every member of the

House had received liquor in-

dustry contributions.

Judge orders safe opened to solve will

United Press International LIBERTY — A state district judge considering a family dispute over the mysterious death and subsequent bequest of a Liberty County millionairess has taken custody of a safe deposit box in Pasadena.

State District Judge W.G. 'Dub" Woods, Jr. ordered the safe deposit box opened to answer family questions whether \$10,000 contained in the box was taken legitimately from the estate of Dorothy Campbell.

Campbell, 73, died of a single gunshot wound to the temple Dec. 16, but law enforcement authorities have not ruled on the cause of death.

Campbell's three sons have filed suit to reclaim their mother's fortune, which was bequeathed to her granddaughter, Katherine Zeidan, and her husband, Hafez, shortly before Mrs. Campbell's death.

The lawsuit charges the Zeidans falsely told Campbell

her sons were seeking to have her declared mentally incompe-tent and convinced Campbell of the need to give her \$1.5 million estate to the Zeidans.

The Zeidans' lawyer said the contents of the lock box — and a \$10,000 cashier's check found in it — were gifts from Campbell to

day Campbell died, she telephoned him to ask about the money and was dismayed that it apparently had been converted into a cashier's check to Mrs. cause Campbell died that ni

Smith said he arrange meet Campbell the next day the meeting never took place



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make it to the House floor for debate. Lewis, D-Fort Worth, denied tions from the liquor industry,

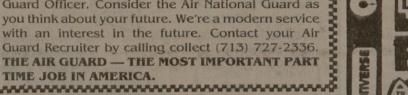
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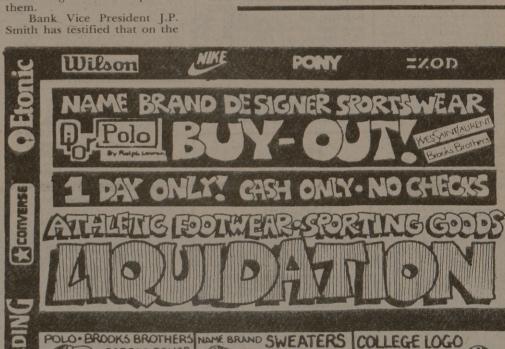
times-that of Earth. Luckly, this United Press International Some bacteria split into two new cells every 10 minutes. If one of these did so for 48 hours, the colony runs out of food and

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