Attention Aggieland Staff Members

The first staff meeting will be Monday September 5 in the Aggieland office at 7 p.m. Staff members are also urged to call the Aggieland office as soon as possible to inform us of any new phone numbers.
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Rioters moved to other prisons while authorities regain control

United Press International

HOMINY, Okla. — Authorities Tuesday transported the last of nearly 750 inmates from a fire-gutted prison, ending a riot that left one prisoner dead and 23 inmates and officers injured.

A Corrections Department spokeswoman in Oklahoma City said the prisoners, who had battled guards and burned buildings since Monday night, were fed, loaded into buses and taken to other facilities.

Department spokeswoman Joyce Jackson said officers had regained control of the Conner Correctional Center, all fires were out, food was taken in and the prison was evacuated. She said the inmates were being taken to other state prisons and none would be housed in county jails.

The center, about 40 miles northwest of Tulsa, was designed for 400 inmates.

Authorities identified the man slain in the rioting as Greg Hodges, 27, who was serving a 12-year sentence from McCurtain County for second-degree murder.

Corrections Department Director Larry Meachum said an autopsy would be required to determine the cause of death, but Dennis James, a hospital administrator in Hominy, said Hodges suffered gunshot wounds to the chest.

All of the inmates were rounded up by 4 a.m. CDT, officials said.

Meachum had said an hour earlier that 130 inmates still were not cooperating. Shortly after midnight a spokesman for Gov. George Nigh said only 200 inmates were under control and another 500 were believed to be loose within the medium-security facility.

John Reid, the governor's news secretary, said the facility housed 748 inmates and the entire prison was involved in the rioting.

Officials said 20 inmates and three guards were injured.

Nigh declared a state emergency and summoned members of the National Guard from Bartlesville and Ponca City and at least 120 Highway Patrol troopers to help quell the riot and regain control of the prison.

Authorities said some of the inmates were armed with knives and makeshift weapons taken from the prison cafeteria. Two buildings were set on fire.

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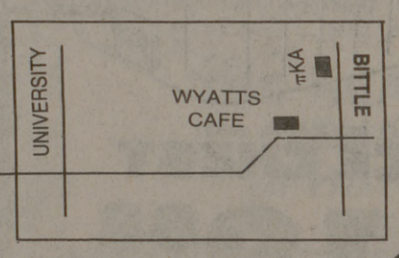

'I never expected this'

Torn t-shirt now a trend

United Press International

SLOB CHIC: Beverly Hills designer Michael Kaplan, who made the slob look chic in "Flashdance," is amazed at the way it has caught on. "I never expected this," he said of the torn T-shirt and slashed sweatshirt look he popularized in the movie. He said the floppy look was done for practical, not trendy, reasons. Jennifer Beals, star of the movie, is built nothing like Marine Jahan, the dancer who doubled for her. The loose-fitting clothes served to camouflage their bodies, making it easier to interchange shots of the two.

"I don't think I really even created the look," he said. "I think maybe I validated something that already existed on a small scale and now it's more widespread." Kaplan, 33, said it also helped that Beals "has such beautiful shoulders."

MARTINA'S SLAM: Martina Navratilova has something more on her mind than winning this week's U.S. Open — she is being sued for $2 million by photographer Art Seitz. Seitz claims that he was covering the match last Sept. 7, when Navratilova was upset about losing in the quarter finals to Pam Shriver, and "viciously attacked and physically assaulted him, causing bodily injury." Seitz is being represented by Marvin Mitchelson through his New York associates, Clair & Daniele. Mitchelson, an alimony-palimony lawyer who prides himself on defending women's rights, said, "This is a woman's wrong." Seitz also is suing the Garrison Security Corp., the Open's security force.

GROWING UP: Carol Burnett stars with Elizabeth Taylor in the HBO film "Between Friends," of which she said, "It shows there is life after menopause." The plot deals frankly with sex because of changing audience attitudes.

"A few years ago," she [illegible] Ms. magazine, "Jack [illegible] walked off his show bec[illegible] NBC deleted the term 'closet' and now people eve[illegible] 'toilets'; they even show t[illegible] on television screens. Be[illegible] then, nobody ever went to [illegible] bathroom on television. W[illegible] growing up. I don't think o[illegible] Up." Ms. Burnett also is gro[illegible] up — past her 50th birthda[illegible]

"I feel terrific," she said. "[illegible]ty was a bummer. But I [illegible] being 50." She isn't afraid to [illegible] periment because, "Succe[illegible] whipped cream" and "I [illegible] learned anything from su[illegible] anyway."

School district ordered to reorganize its debts

United Press International

SAN JOSE, Calif. — The 32,000-student San Jose school district — one of the largest in California and the first in state history to go bankrupt — was under court order Tuesday to nullify its contracts with employee unions and roll back wages to 1981-82 levels.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Seymour Abrahams, citing "the imminent collapse of this whole school system," ruled at the end of a five-day trial Monday that the San Jose Unified School District could not meet its bills and must reorganize its debts.

Lawyers for the San Jose Teachers Association and the California School Emplo[illegible] Organization — two unions [illegible] resenting 77 percent of the [illegible] trict's 2,800 teachers and o[illegible] employees — argued during [illegible] trial that the district had [illegible] mismanaged and was unfa[illegible] singling out employees for [illegible] cuts.

The San Jose Unified S[illegible] District filed for bankrupt[illegible] June 30 under Chapter 9 of [illegible] U.S. Bankruptcy Code, [illegible] tending it was $1.7 millio[illegible] debt from last year and [illegible] another $6 million in debt [illegible] year. The district is the [illegible] largest in the state, which [illegible] 1,042 school districts.

The average teacher in [illegible] district earns $29,000, and [illegible] lose about $1,500 due to the [illegible] back, school officials estim[illegible]

Lillian Barna, district su[illegible] intendent, said she was gra[illegible] by the ruling.

"It means we will be a[illegible] open the schools for the be[illegible] ning of classes next week," [illegible] said. "Without it (the dec[illegible] tion) it would probably [illegible] been impossible to open."

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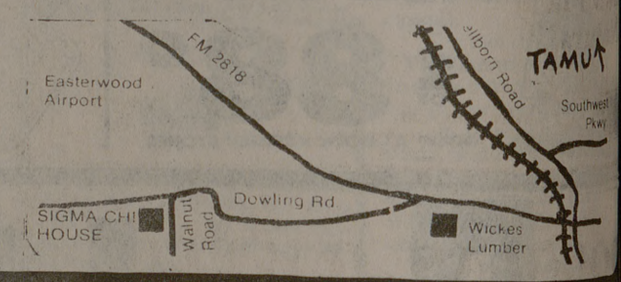

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