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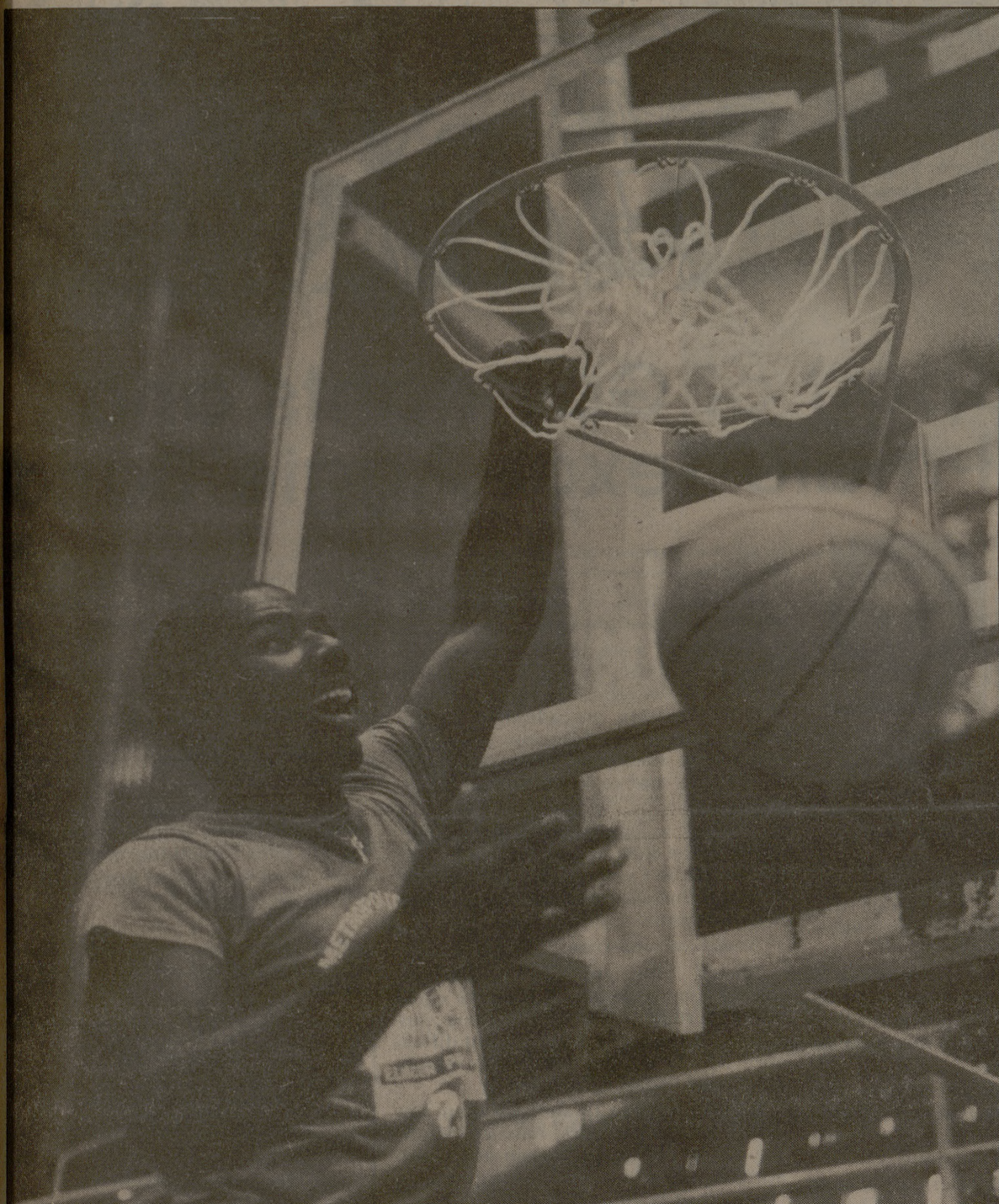
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Dunkin' Holloway

Photo by JULIE COKER

Todd Holloway, a sophomore guard for the Aggie basketball team, sinks one in G. Rollie

White Coliseum Thursday. The Aggies begin formal basketball practice Oct. 15.

Arraignment of FBI agent is postponed, case transferred to LA

United Press International

SAN DIEGO — Arraignment of Richard Miller, the first FBI agent ever accused of espionage, was postponed Thursday, and his case for allegedly selling classified documents to Soviet agents was transferred to Los Angeles.

Miller indicated he would plead innocent during a hearing before U.S. District Court Judge Roger McKee, but his formal plea was delayed until Oct. 15 in Los Angeles.

Miller, 47, held without bail, was arrested Tuesday night at his small avocado ranch in northern San Diego County, where he lived with his wife and eight children, ranging in age from 2 to 18.

He is accused of stealing classified government information on counter-espionage measures and personnel from the Los Angeles FBI office where he worked and of passing it to Svetlana Ogorodnikova, 34, said to

be a major in the Soviet KGB, and her estranged husband, Nikolay Ogorodnikov, 51.

The two Soviet immigrants, arraigned in Los Angeles Wednesday, allegedly offered Miller \$65,000 in gold and cash for intelligence information.

If convicted, all three suspects could receive a life sentence.

FBI spokesmen have indicated Miller, who worked in Los Angeles and reportedly was in financial trouble, had become romantically involved with Svetlana Ogorodnikova.

Miller appeared confident and relaxed at his arraignment. When he saw his wife, Paula, and son Paul, Miller smiled, winked and flashed sign language at them.

"That means 'I love you,'" Paul, 19, said outside court.

Federal public defender John Moot told the judge that Miller

wanted his trial moved to Los Angeles.

"If the De Lorean case taught us anything," Moot said, "that was a healthy respect for legal principles and procedures. Mr. Miller is presumed innocent. He is innocent unless and until the government can introduce evidence and prove otherwise beyond reasonable doubt."

"A criminal complaint is not evidence, and statements by the FBI so far are not evidence until presented in a court of law and subjected to vigorous and competent cross-examination."

Automaker John De Lorean, caught up in an FBI cocaine-smuggling sting, was found innocent of drug charges in August, largely on grounds he was entrapped.

Moot indicated he would help Miller with the case until he retains a private lawyer.

Reagan to get wilderness bill

East Texas protected

United Press International

WASHINGTON — The House gave final congressional approval to compromise wilderness legislation Thursday, sending President Reagan a bill to protect 34,346 acres of East Texas forest from clear cutting and development.

The measure would give Texas only its second wilderness area, nearly double the amount of wilderness in the Lone Star State, and involve less than one-quarter of 1 percent of the state's timberland; and end a longstanding controversy.

On a voice vote without dissent, the House passed the measure for the second time this year and sent it to the president for his signature. Thursday's vote was necessary be-

cause the Senate approved technical amendments to the measure Tuesday.

The widely supported compromise bill prevents development and clear cutting of timber in five areas of four East Texas national forests, Sabine, Davy Crockett, Sam Houston and Angelina.

"I offered this legislation, which will grant wilderness protection to 34,346 acres of the most unusual and scenic woodlands in the world, to guarantee that future generations of Texans and other Americans will have the opportunity to know and enjoy the finest examples of our natural heritage," Rep. John Bryant of Dallas said in urging House passage.

Rep. Steve Bartlett, R-Texas, said

the legislation "represents a very carefully crafted compromise that will clearly benefit the state of Texas."

"It has been estimated that up to 10 million citizens live within a 5-hour driving time of these 34,000 acres," said Bartlett.

The measure first passed the House earlier this year after congressional hearings and a compromise was reached in February between Democrats Bryant and Rep. Charles Wilson of Lufkin.

Wilson had introduced a bill to protect only 9,000 acres in his district while Bryant and Bartlett sponsored a measure to set aside nearly 65,000 acres.

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Programs teach how to drink responsibly

By GLENDA MARROU
Reporter

Learning how to be a responsible drinker is the main function of Alcohol Awareness Week, Oct. 8-12, Jan Winniford, assistant director of student affairs, says.

"Alcohol Awareness Week is a nationally acclaimed program," she said. "During this week, colleges and universities across the country schedule events on drinking laws and how to be responsible drinkers.

No one is lecturing on not drinking, it's just a reflection on what a responsible and irresponsible drinker is."

People who drink should be aware of their limits. They should be conscious of their drinking, and know when to quit. They also should plan ahead if they know they'll be drinking, and get someone else to drive them home.

At A&M, the Alcohol Awareness Program is sponsored by the Depart-

ment of Student Affairs and Omega Phi Alpha, a service organization on campus.

Monday, in the Memorial Student Center hallway, a Department of Public Safety officer will be available to answer questions on DWI laws, and arrest and breath test procedures.

"Since January 1, many DWI laws have changed in Texas," Winniford said. "Before the change, a person could refuse the breath test with no

problem. Now, a refusal can be admissible in court as guilt, and it also revokes your driver's license for three months."

"Mouse Maze" and "Booze Cruise" are two computer games that test decision-making skills. Tuesday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the MSC hallway, the games will be available to simulate real drinking instances. The computer will tell if the player reacted as a person would under different levels of intoxication.

A free, non-alcoholic beverage bar will be offered Wednesday in the Rudder Fountain area, and Friday in the Blocker Building. This bar, sponsored by OPA, offers an alternative to alcoholic drinks. Book-markers with the different recipes also will be distributed.

Thursday in the MSC, a resource table representing MADD and the TAMU Wellness Program will be available. The Wellness Program evaluates attitudes towards acad-

emics, society, mental capabilities and physical health.

In addition to these scheduled events, the Department of Student Affairs will have an alcohol resource table in the hallway of the MSC. Every day in The Battalion there will be an ad focusing on the different topics of the week. The ads will show DWI laws, drinking tips, drinking facts and myths. Posters and newsletters also will be distributed in the dorms and on campus.

Attendance student's responsibility

By DAINAH BULLARD
Staff Writer

Students at Texas A&M who miss several weeks of school because of illness or injury often are faced with an overwhelming amount of make-up work. They have three choices: make up the missed classes, which is an enormous task if several weeks of school are missed; don't make up the missed classes, and risk failing the semester or drop out of school for the semester, and start over again later.

Jan Winniford, assistant director of student affairs, said the University does not require a student to withdraw from school because of absences.

"There is no set number of allowed absences," Winniford said. "University policy states that class attendance is the student's responsibility. If students miss class, we recom-

mend that they negotiate with their professors, and make up missed work and such."

Winniford said certain problems, such as confinement due to illness or the death of a close family member, are deemed excused absences. Unexcused absences are settled between the student and his or her instructor, she said.

Students who choose to withdraw from the University because of illness, injury or other reasons are referred to University withdrawals, a division of the Department of Student Affairs.

Kathy Rutherford, a spokesperson for University withdrawals, said students withdrawing from A&M are required to answer a questionnaire.

"We do require that students give a reason for withdrawing, in case we can give assistance or direct them to

assistance," Rutherford said.

The questionnaire is divided into several reasons for withdrawal. "Other" — a category which encompasses all personal problems — was the most common reason for withdrawal from A&M during the spring 1984 semester. Medical problems were the second most common reason, followed by lack of motivation, too much stress, financial problems and employment conflict, Rutherford said.

During the spring 1984 semester, 101 students withdrew from A&M, she said. Ninety-seven students withdrew during the fall 1983 semester, with withdrawal rates peaking during the flu season.

Additional forms must be completed by the student and signed by the student's dean, the fiscal office and the financial aid office, Rutherford said. The paperwork is a for-

mality to inform the dean of the student's withdrawal, and to insure that the student has no outstanding debts or loans, she said.

Students may withdraw from A&M with no problems, but after the fourth week of classes, they withdraw with no money as well.

The A&M regulations handbook states that students withdrawing prior to the first day of classes receive a 100 percent refund on tuition and fees. The refund rates decline steeply, with students receiving an 80 percent refund during the first week of classes, a 70 percent refund during the second week of classes, a 50 percent refund during the third week of classes and a 25 percent refund during the fourth week of classes.

Students may receive refunds

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