

## U.S. businessmen gather in Moscow for trade talks

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MOSCOW — U.S. Secretary of Commerce Malcolm Baldrige arrived Sunday for a three-day trade meeting attended by about 400 American businessmen hoping to use the spirit of the Geneva summit to clinch new contracts with the Soviets.

Welcomed at snowy Sheremetyevo Airport by Vladimir N. Sushkov, the deputy foreign trade minister, Baldrige said he was attending the meeting because the Reagan administration views trade as "a very good building block for our relations."

The meeting begins Monday and the contingent of senior executives representing 192 U.S. firms will be the largest group of American businessmen ever to gather in Moscow at one time.

In the past, Reagan has drawn sharp criticism from the Kremlin for his trade policies, including restrictions on imports of high technology and his 1982 embargo on imports of U.S. technology to build a Siberian natural gas pipeline.

But none of that acrimony surfaced as Sushkov and Baldrige chatted cordially before television cameras, expressing hope that superpower trade will increase as a result of this week's meeting, the first in Moscow since 1982.

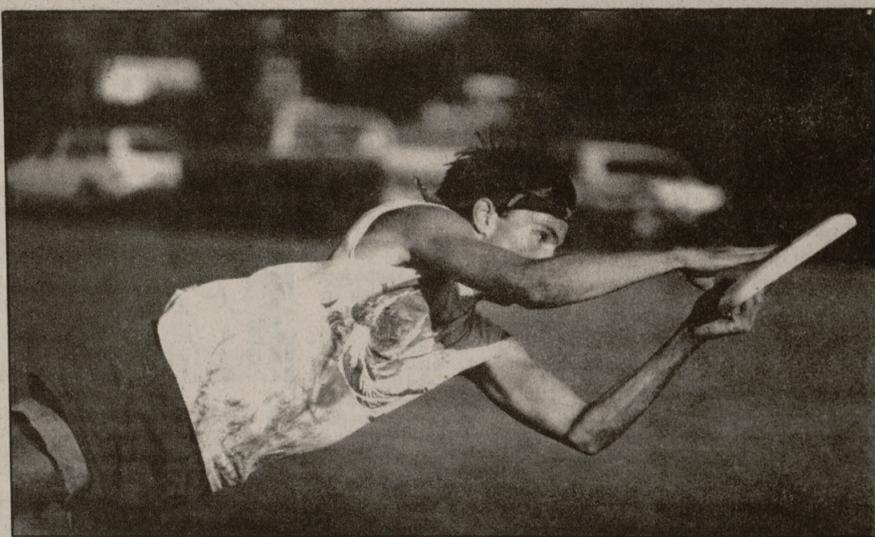
Dwayne O. Andreas, U.S. co-chairman of the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council, Inc., which is sponsoring the meetings, said they were taking place under "a new wave of optimism" following the summit meeting Nov. 19-20 between President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

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## Ultimate Catch

Scott Epps' flying catch secured a victory for the Texas A&M team in the Ultimate Frisbee Invitational Tournament hosted by the A&M club over

the weekend. A&M defeated a team from the University of Houston, 17-15. Eleven teams from around the state competed in the tournament

Photo by JADE BOYD

## Ags line up for Cotton Bowl tickets

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tites. They also plan to make runs to fast food restaurants.

But two A&M students and their group of campers won't have to miss out on a hot, homemade meal.

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have a portable grill with them. They also won't be at the mercy of the elements when they sleep because they have tents to sleep in.

Despite the generally positive and enthusiastic attitude of the large and growing group of devoted Aggie fans, some students aren't satisfied with the method being used to sell the 8,000 student tickets.

Nickerson and her troop are

among those unsatisfied students.

"We think this is ridiculous," Nickerson said. "There has to be a better way to do this, especially with finals coming up," she said.

Ridiculous or not, people are having fun, including Fairfield.

"Even if it is stupid (to be in line already), you sometimes have to say 'What the heck,'" he said.

## Brazos County health officials say number of AIDS cases on the rise

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said a handful of people have come in to the health center for AIDS blood tests.

But due to the confidentiality of the test results he is not aware of any positive findings.

Goswick also said he is unaware of any students at A&M who have AIDS.

Marco Roberts, president of Gay Student Services Organization, said he is unaware of anyone in his organization who has AIDS or who has been tested for it.

Bea Sneed, an epidemiologist in

the Texas Department of Health, said her office has recorded seven cases of AIDS in Brazos County since 1981.

Of those seven, four are homosexuals, one an intravenous drug user, one a hemophiliac and the last is unknown.

All are white males. Two of the seven are between the ages of 20 and 29, two are between the ages of 30 and 39 and three are in the oldest age group of 40 to 49.

Christy Reed, an epidemiologist in the Texas State Health Department, said there is a slight chance

that there may be more seropositives in Brazos County but if they were tested for AIDS in a different county they will not be listed with the Brazos County health department.

The state has set up testing facilities in 26 metropolitan areas, including the Brazos Valley. Anyone who wishes to take the test is screened by the staff.

"We want to make sure we're giving the test to people who need it," Reed said. "If you're not in one of the high risk groups, you probably don't need it (the test)."

Reed also said the health depart-

## Athletic Department under investigation for NCAA violations

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said. "I liked A&M and I have nothing to say against them."

Rogers claimed Couch gave him \$5,000 in 1981 when he was a high school junior and another large, unspecified payment when Rogers signed a letter of intent in 1982 to attend A&M. Rogers left A&M after sitting out the 1983 season on a disciplinary suspension.

Rogers said, while in high school, he went directly to the bank where Couch worked to get money. After enrolling at A&M, he would go to a Western Union office adjacent to the campus to get money that Couch wired him, Rogers said.

But Couch denied any improprieties. He said he has sent items to A&M players, including Rogers, from their families. He said that players' families occasionally ask him to bring items to the games, and if he forgets, he has to mail the items to the players.

Linebacker Cal Peveto of Vidor, who played at A&M under head coach Tom Wilson before Sherrill was hired and said he does not know Rogers, also told of receiving large amounts of cash from Couch, getting a loan for a new Pontiac Trans Am through the brother of assistant A&M head coach R.C. Slocum, getting \$400 from Slocum to get his car repaired and \$500 in \$100 bills from Couch to buy new tires.

Kenny Ingram, a former A&M linebacker and heavily recruited player out of Corpus Christi, said he received cash payments of \$50 or \$100 after a couple of games while at A&M in 1979 and 1980.

"Just in lockers and stuff, like

your shoes," said Ingram, who finished his career at Sam Houston State.

Quarterback Marvin Murray, who played at A&M in 1981-82, said he once was washing his car when a man gave himself an A&M alumnus drive and gave him a \$100 bill. The man didn't give his name, said Murray, who added, "I had never seen him before."

Sophomore quarterback Murray, named SWC offensive player of the year this season, drove a 1985 Audi 4000-S on campus, leased through Pro Sports Management Inc., operated by F. Buzz Green, a Cincinnati-based and professional sports agent.

Green said he has a contract with Murray's brother, Vince, a former East Texas State defensive back, now is working in his family's printing business.

Kevin Murray has registered a car, which has a list price of more than \$16,000 with lease payments about \$400 monthly, in his name at A&M.

"The car is not Kevin's," said Sherrill. "It's his brother's. We even met or talked to Kevin when Kevin Murray's agent came out of Texas A&M, but that's where it stands. It's purely a deal with his brother."

Kevin Murray, when asked the Audi, replied, "I don't know what you're talking about."

Sherrill said, "Kevin Murray not have a car" and added that he drives family-member cars

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# McDONALD'S<sup>®</sup> INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS



## IM GAMEPLAN

ENTRIES CLOSE:

**OUTDOOR SOCCER:** Sharpen up your cleats. Entries close Tuesday, December 10. The entry fee is \$20.00 per team and classes include A, B, C and D-Recreation. The team captains meeting will be Thursday, December 12 at 6 p.m. in 164 Read Building. Play will begin January 22 so be sure to sign your team up now!

ENTRIES OPEN:

**BASKETBALL:** All you hoopsters get ready to hoop. Basketball entries are being taken in the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office, Room 159 Read Building. Entries close January 21, but don't wait around. The entry fee is \$25.00 per team. The earlier teams sign up the better choice of times there are to play.

**PRESEASON BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT:** Here's your chance for a little competitive practice. The Preseason Basketball Tournament entries are open until January 21. Sponsored by the Sports Officials Association, the cost per team is only \$5.00. Play will be January 23-25 so be sure and sign up your team.

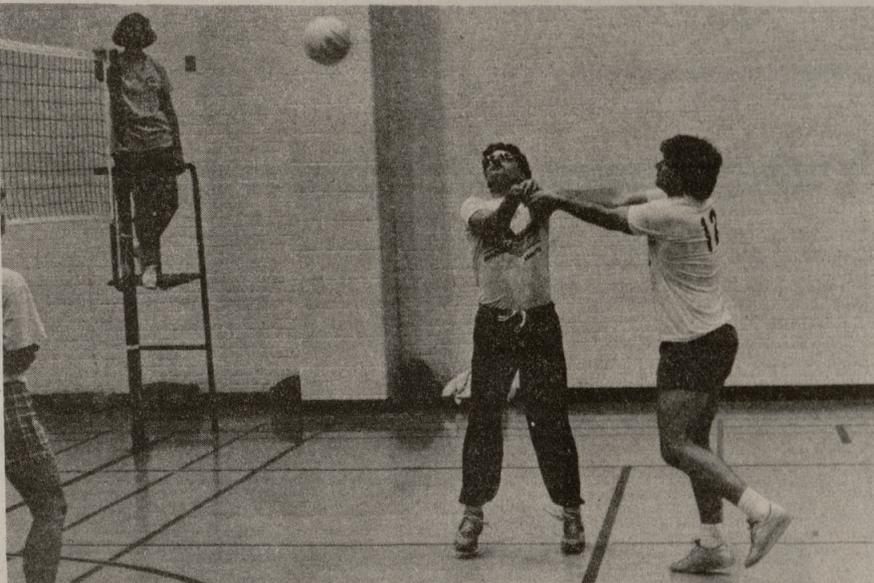
**SCHICK SUPER HOOP TOURNAMENT:** Entries are open for the Schick Super Hoop 3-on-3 Tournament. The divisions are Men's and Women's and the cost is only \$5.00 per team. Entries will close January 20 and play will be January 21-22. This tournament is sponsored by The Sports Officials Association. The top two Men's A teams will be given the opportunity to advance to the regional level of national 3-on-3 competition.

## SPORTS CLUB NEWS

The TAMU Racquetball Club fared well in a tournament recently held at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. Team members Curtis Acheson, John Wyatt, Scott Heath, Tracy Deitrich, Curtis Muncy, and John Gallucci racked up 25 points to the SHSU team's 18. MVP for the tournament was Scott Heath who earned 6 team points by going undefeated in the tournament.

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Mike Land and his Mad Dog teammate 'bump' their way to the final games of volleyball.

## OFFICIALS NEEDED!

The Intramural-Recreational Sports Office is still looking for individuals who may be interested in officiating Outdoor Soccer and Basketball. A training program is set up to train all officials so lack of experience should not keep individuals from applying. Scheduling is flexible and is made to meet individual schedules. This is a great part-time job to earn extra money.

Interested individuals should contact Mike Waldron or Chris Koperniak in the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office, Room 159 Read Bldg, 845-7826.

## ARCHERY SINGLES CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the Champions of the Archery Singles competition held Tuesday, December 3.

**Class A** Men's--Jeff Taque  
Gary Boecker  
Women's--Kathy Craig

**Class B** Men's--Mike Malone  
Women's--Annelise Weiner

## LOCKER RENEWALS

Individuals who rent recreational lockers must renew them by January 21, 1986, 6 p.m. to avoid having the locker cleared. All lockers not renewed will be cleared beginning January 22, 1986. Individuals may renew their locker at any time in the Intramural-Recreational sports Office, Room 159 Read Building. Locker rental is \$10.00 per semester.

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WASHINGTON — The American Medical Association on Tuesday for laws banning and promoting smokeless tobacco. After passing the resolution, the association's House of Delegates voted to press for a ban on cigarette sales; an health warning label on tobacco such as che snuff.

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