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### Wagon rain short on money

NACOGDOCHES — The trail been long and hard for particigon Train, who say profits are and participation is lagging in 3,000-mile trek across the state. Even hay for horses has been a stly proposition since the wagon-asters hit the trail at Sulphur ings two weeks ago on a six-th journey billed as "The Ride

The wagon train has received no atefunds.

"We are meeting our expenses, and we will continue to do that," said tharles Oliver of Dallas, president the Irving-based nonprofit orga-ization that is staging the trail ride. "But we have no vast resources,"

Huge crowds have been turning out to watch the procession winding through cities along the route but funds raised so far to pay for the procession are barely keeping pace

The parade on opening day consted of 200 riders and 82 wagons, there are now fewer than 100 ers and 45 wagons. Organizers id they expected attendance to deease somewhat after the first few

The wagon train's operating excorporate donations and by roys from sales of concessions and cial wagon train souvenirs, Oli-

He said the journey will cost about million but, so far, his organizamhas raised less than \$300,000.

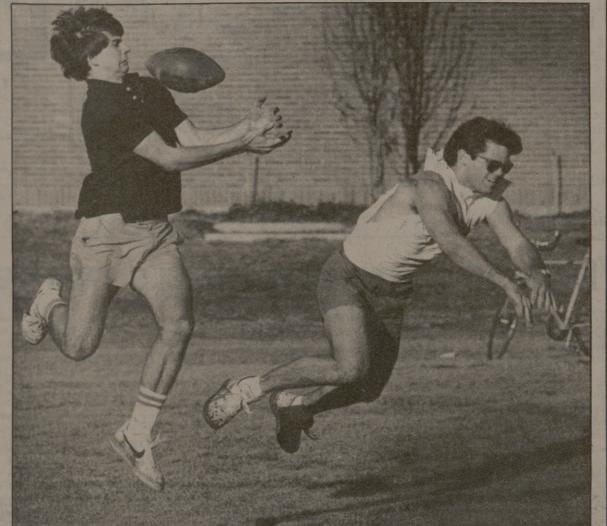


Photo by John Makely

#### **Hanging Around**

Charles Cipionne (right) and Dewayne Curtice, both freshmen at Texas, take advantage of the warm weather in College Station to play a game of

football outside Moore Hall. The forecast for today includes a high in the mid-70s and a 20 percent chance of rain

## 93 reported dead in crash in Guatemala

GUATEMALA CITY — Shuttle flights resumed late Sunday when the weather improved and brought most of the bodies here from the northern jungle site where 93 people perished in Guatemala's worst air crash. Eight Americans were among the victims.

A twin-engine Caravelle jet operated by the private airline Aerovias crashed Saturday as it approached the Santa Elena airport, about 150 miles north of Guatemala City, while flying tourists to the ancient Mayan mine of Tikal ruins of Tikal.

All aboard were killed.

Officials at a hanger at the Guatemala City airport that is serving as a temporary morgue said planes brought the bodies of 33 identified victims there Saturday and late Sunday. They said a Guatemalan air force plane flew to the capital Sunday night with the remains of 42 victims that have not been identified.

Relatives identified and claimed the bodies of the 18 other victims at the Santa Elena airport, according to

the officials The airline earlier put the death toll at 90, including six Americans, but Sunday it said two other Americans and another Guatemalan were among the victims. The cause of the

crash has not been determined. A Guatemalan air force captain said the bodies of many of the victims were mutilated or burned beyond recognition, and they were

brought to the capital in hopes relatives could make identifications.
U.S. Consul Dora Trujillo said

two recovered bodies were believed to be Americans, but positive identification would require further tests.

Firemen helping transfer the bodies said it was believed that the two Americans were John Puffett, an Agriculture Department employee, and Teresa Rodriguez. Their hometowns were not known.

Aerovias had rented the Frenchbuilt plane from the Ecuadoran air-line Saeta to fly tourists to Santa El-ena, about 25 miles south of the Mayan ruins in Peten state. The Santa Elena control tower last contacted the pilot at 7:58 a.m. Saturday, 33 minutes into the 40-minute flight from Guatemala City. The control tower said there was no indication of any problem with the

Jorge Escobar of the National Weather Center said the crash oc-curred in "good weather, the winds were calm and the visibility unlim-

Some crash victims had come to Guatemala for Tuesday's inaugura-tion of President Vinicio Cerezo, elected Dec. 8 as the nation's first ci-vilian president in 16 years.

They included Aristides Calvani, 67, a former foreign minister of Venezuela who once headed the Christian Democratic Party there. His wife, Maria Adela, and daughters Graciela, 23, and Maria Elena, 25, also were on the flight.

Officials wants to avoid another Yurchenko case

## FBI may take over defector cases from CIA

WASHINGTON — The Reagan dministration, unhappy with the las handling of former Soviet GB agent Vitaly Yurchenko, may thuce the CIA role in defector ses and give primary responsibility the FBI, informed sources say.

"I think it's a great move," said a ior White House official, who tended that defectors invariably we been able to establish much er relations with FBI personnel an CIA officers.

The official, who insisted on anonity, said the proposal has been der consideration for some time m to the Soviet Union last Novem- refused to discuss the issue

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— Donald Jameson, a former CIA official.

tody White House spokesman Edward Djerejian acknowledged that the procedures for dealing with defec-tors are being reviewed but declined nd was given additional impetus by comment on the options under con-

Discussing Yurchenko, Donald Jameson, a former CIA official who has had extensive experience with defectors said, "Nobody could have handled that case worse than the

Yurchenko, who defected in July, fled from his CIA handlers on Nov. 2 and returned to the Soviet Union four days later after turning himself

in to the Soviet Embassy. He is regarded by U.S. officials as a genuine defector, although, he ber after three months in CIA cuscular claimed he was abducted, drugged, claimed he was abducted, drugged, cates giving FBI the leading role for tortured and held incommunicado dealing with defectors. by the CIA before his escape.

Sen. Malcolm Wallop, R-Wyo., who has taken a special interest in the defector issue, said the CIA has rthenko's surprise decision to re- sideration. FBI and CIA spokesmen made defector resettlement a "deadend career assignment." He advo-

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Nicolae Horodinca, a Romanian defector, expressed profound disillusionment with the CIA, contending that the agency broke promises to provide him with a job, a house, life insurance and medical insur-

The CIA makes zombies of defectors," said Horodinca, who has had no contact with the agency in more than four years.

Asked for comment, the CIA said it never discusses its treatment of de-

At present, the CIA has statutory responsibility for defectors but FBI personnel often become involved on an ad hoc basis.

According to one analyst, the bureau is much better equipped than the CIA to assist defectors who settle outside Washington because of the FBI's nationwide responsibilities and

superior manpower. He added that transfer of responsibilities to the FBI also makes sense because defector resettlement work has higher status in the FBI than the

#### All-U Night to feature athletes

Coaches and players of spring sports will be introduced tonight at 7:30 during the second annual spring All-University Night in G. Rollie White Coliseum

Thomas Buford, head vell eader, says that while spring All-University night will be similiar to the fall semester's, it will be "less formal.'

He says assistant athletic directors John David Crow and Lynn Hickey will speak.

The Aggie Band will play, and yell practice will conclude All-University night, which Buford says should last about an hour.

## Tutu participates in events honoring King's birth Sunday

South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu joined Sunday in vents honoring the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. as Americans of all races remembered the slain civil rights leader on the eve of ne first national holiday marking

A candlelight memorial service vas planned Sunday night at King's tomb in Atlanta, in advance of Monday's official holiday. His widow, Coretta Scott ng, was to place a wreath at the

omb Monday. Tutu was among those scheduled to participate Sunday in an nternational conference in oppoition to South Africa's apartheid ystem at Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church, where King was pas-tor. He also spoke earlier at Ebenezer's Sunday morning service.

Monday's scheduled observances included "Living the Dream," a musical celebration by several top recording stars and others in Washington, New York City and Atlanta. Performers will include such people as Bob Dylan, Joan Baez, Quincy Jones, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Patti Labelle and more, with Harry Belafonte and Bill Cosby as co-hosts.

In Philadelphia, the city and Jackson's People United to Serve Humanity planned a celebration of brotherhood and freedom. In previous years, the city had sponsored a prayer breakfast in honor of King, and PUSH held an separate ecumenical service

In South Carolina Gov. Dick Riley, Sen. Ernest Hollings, NAACP national President Wil-

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# A&M tops at retaining minorities

Texas A&M has compiled the best record in the state among public institutions in keeping minority stu-dents enrolled and headed tward graduation, reveals a report by the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System.

The report shows that 81.5 percent of undergraduate black students enrolled at A&M in the fall of 1983 returned in the fall of 1984 to begin the '84-'85 school year. The rate was even higher for undergraduate Hispanic students at 83 per-

Fall 1984 is the most current period for which comparative data is available, the Coordinating Board report indicates.

A&M's retention rates for both black and Hispanic students are even better for the current school year than for the period covered by the Coordinating Board report, and more of both categories of minority students are now enrolled, A&M President Frank E. Vandiver says.

'We are proud to be the leader in having minority students succeed to the point that they want to continue their studies and work toward de-

grees," Vandiver says. "That's the concerned a disservice if we enrolled goal for all of our students — to have them succeed and graduate - but we find it especially gratifying to learn that we compare so favorably with the other public universities in the state in helping minority students move toward attainment of their aspirations.

He points out that A&M still has a proportionally small number of minority students in relation to the total student body but he emphasizes that significant increases have been realized in recent years in enrollment of both black and Hispanic stu-

"We hope this new information about our success in both enrollment and retention of minority students will help us in attaining our goals to attract even more qualified students in both categories," he says.

Vandiver says he emphasized "qualified" because that is the key to the University's success — attracting students whose records indicate they have the ability to meet A&M's high standards and then providing maximum assistance to help them during their college careers.

"We would be doing everyone

students whose academic records indicate that they had no chance to nary medicine. perform the rather demanding course work and ultimately be graduated," he says. Among institutions with signifi-

cant numbers of black and Hispanic students, A&M was the only one to have a retention rate of at least 80 percent in both categories for undergraduates. Texas A&M at Galveston, which awards its degrees through the main campus at College Station, retained eight of its nine Hispanic students during the reporting period - an 89.9 percentage.

The University of Texas at Austin placed second in both categories with 76.7 and 79.4 percent respectively. Sam Houston State University ranked third in retention of black students with 72.2 percent and the University of Houston-Clear Lake was third in Hispanic retention with 77.3 percent. The average for the 31 institutions included in the report were 63.1 for black students and 66.3 for Hispanics.

A&M also was the only institution to have 100 percent of its minority students returning for their second

year of professional school. A&M's figures covered medicine and veteri-

Texas Tech, the Texas Tech Health Science Center and the UT Medical Branch at Galveston also had all of their black students return for the second year. The UT Health Science Center at Houston placed second in Hispanic students returning with 98 percent, the UT Health ience Center at Dallas and the UT Medical Branch tied for third with 96.8 percent. The state averages were 85.3 and 92.9 percent respec-

A&M also had the best record in the state in retention of undergraduate white students at 86.5 percent. The University of Houston-Downtown Campus placed second with 83.6 percent, followed by UT-Austin with 83.3 percent. The state average was 72.7 percent.

A&M compiled the best record for retention of white undergraduate students, even though, it had the second-largest number in that category. It had 23,327 returning white undergraduate students in

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