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of living animals By CARA JERNIGAN Reporter Some research and training at Texas A&M's College of Veterinary Medicine always will require the use

alternatives to use

of living vertebrate animals, but the college uses alternative methods whenever possible, the associate dean for research of veterinary medicine says.

Dr. Raymond Loan says, "We are

aware of the public concern and the high costs involved when using live animals, so we do seek alternatives whenever we can. We only use lab animals when, in our judgment, it is the best way to solve the problem; and when animals are used, they are used in a very humane way.

With the advancements of modern technology, Loan says, tissue cultures and chicken embryos are being used in many cases as alternatives to

research on live animals.

Loan says when a scientist looks at a disease which affects a single cell, a cell culture is used instead of an ani-

"But," he says, "when a disease is at an integrated level, when many factors are playing a role, there is no substitute for live animals."

In the past 10 years, research at the vet school has increased greatly, but the number of animals used for research has decreased, he says. Mathematical models also are be-

ing used at A&M as an alternative to using live animals in research.

Dr. Thomas Cartwright, professor of animal science, says he is able to mathematically model the climate and conditions in a foreign country with the genotypes of American domestic animals to test for viability in

the new area.
"This beats going into a foreign country for 20-30 years and doing

experiments on live animals," he

By mathematically modeling the environments and the genotypes, scientists are now able to test animals at a much faster and more accurate rate, Cartwright says.

Despite A&M's search for alternatives, there is sometimes no replacement for the use of live animals, says Dr. Gisela Dellmeier, research associate in animal science

"I research for the diferent effects on animals under different types of environments," Dellmeier says.

"I don't do a lot of invasive work," she says. "I study animal behavior and stress psychology and there is no type of alternative for this type of research, but the animals I use are treated very humanely

Making sure laboratory animals are treated within the humane guidelines is the responsibility of the Laboratory Animal Care Center. The center is a centralized lab care unit for the entire University, says Jeff Sanford, assistant director for the center.

Sanford says, "The center basically has two functions. First is the daily care and maintenance of the laboratory research animals and second is the overseeing of all the animal usage. The center is the watch-dog for the University."

Sanford says many different types of animals are being used at A&M for reseach, but rodents constitute the majority of the animals used in laboratory experiments.

"We are very concerned with the quality of care of the lab animals and we go to extreme efforts to keep this quality of care at a high level," San-

What's up

WOMEN IN COMMUNICATIONS INC.; will hold eral meeting to elect an officer and pass out the agenda at 5 p.m. in 003 Reed McDonald. News

SULLY'S SYMPOSIUM: will be held in front of Statue at 11:45 a.m. This week Karl Pallm Steffy, and Cynthia Gay (from The Battal speaking briefly and answering questions from ence. For more information call Stacey, 260-0144.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH: will sponsor am course titled "Logically Writing" at 6:30 p. Blocker. The instructor will be Sam Dragga. Formation call 845-3452 or stop by 227 Blocker.

PRE-VET SOCIETY: Dr. Kraemer will be speakin bryo Transfer" at 7 p.m. in 230 Veterinary Med plex. For more information call Chris, 779-8605. STUDENT GOVERNMENT: will hold a Student meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 204 Harrington.

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HISTORY DEPARTMENT: will present the film "The Maguires" at 7 p.m. in 105 Harrington.

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'Gas war' heats up; prices drop in Texas to

BORGER — In a revival of the "gas wars" of the early 1970s, regular gasoline is selling for as low as 75 cents in this Panhandle city and unleaded is going for 80 cents — prices some operators say are among the cheapest in the country.

Dealers are checking on neighboring stations, and telephones are ringing from Borger to Amarillo as Oil in Borger, which runs and supringing from Borger to Amarillo as oil in Borger, which runs and supsome station owners check with supplies Diamond Shamrock gas for anonymous, told the Amarillo

pliers and supervisors to see if prices can go any lower and still be profita-

Two stations, Adobe Store and Lester's Convenient Store, dropped their prices six times in 24 hours two weeks ago, starting at 85 cents and ending up at 54 cents at the end of

David Johnson, owner of McNulty

Adobe, said he prompted the price war in an effort "to end the tradition drop his prices, but that

of higher gas" prices in Borger.

To save 10 to 15 cents per gallon,
Borger residents were driving 10
miles to Fritch or 50 miles to Amarillo to fill up, Johnson said.

"We're having a lot of fun be-

"We're having a lot of fun, be-cause we're getting the customers,"

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Prison break

Rapist still at large 1 year after his escape

Associated Press

PALESTINE Texas Ranger Ronnie Brownlow has carried the same photograph in his shirt pocket for the last year. It is not of his wife or his mother or even his children.

The face in the mug shot belongs to Roy W. Bevan, 29, a convicted rapist who escaped from the Coffield prison one year ago and remains at large.

"We are still investigating (the Bevan escape) but it has been a while since there were any new leads," Brownlow said. Bevan was serving a 50-year sen-

tence for the aggravated rape of his stepdaughter and, concurrently, two 7-year sentences for escape from jail.

Don King, investigator for the Cooke County district attorney, said Bevan is a "wilderness-type" who once spent six months living with his wife and stepdaughter in a tent on the Red River

Psychological testing indicated escape.

Bevan's disappearance from Cofthe typical prison break. The escape occurred sometime between the 3:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. head counts.

A manhunt was not organized because tracking dogs were unable to establish a specific direction of travel away from the prison. Coffield Warden Jack Garner said

he believes Bevan had help both inside and outside the prison in making his escape "but proving that is another story.

"It appears that he drove away from the prison because the dogs never found a trail," Garner said. "There were no vehicles reported stolen so he either sneaked out in a vehicle or was driven out."

Garner later fired two guards for failing to report that Bevan had days. talked with them about planning an

An allegation that the two officers

were bribed was dismissed.

The morning after the escape man dressed in white clothes resembling prison fatigues stole gasoline from a north Palestine convenience

The description given by the store clerk resembled Bevan but was not conclusive, Brownlow said. Bevan is white, 5 feet 7 inches tall, 172 pounds with brown hair, green eyes, and ruddy complexion and has a scar on his left wrist.

In July 1982, Bevan and a jail trusty were recaptured within 48 hours of crawling through a food slot in the cell door, records show.

During a second escape in October 1982, Bevan and another prisoner were at large for about two

King said Bevan's ex-wife still regards Bevan as dangerous.

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