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## Bryan police investigating death of A&M student

The Bryan Police Department is investigating the Friday night death of a Texas A&M student involved in a stabbing incident.

A spokeswoman said Chris Holmans, 24, a senior business major, was taken to St. Joseph Hospital with a 7-inch knife in his chest.

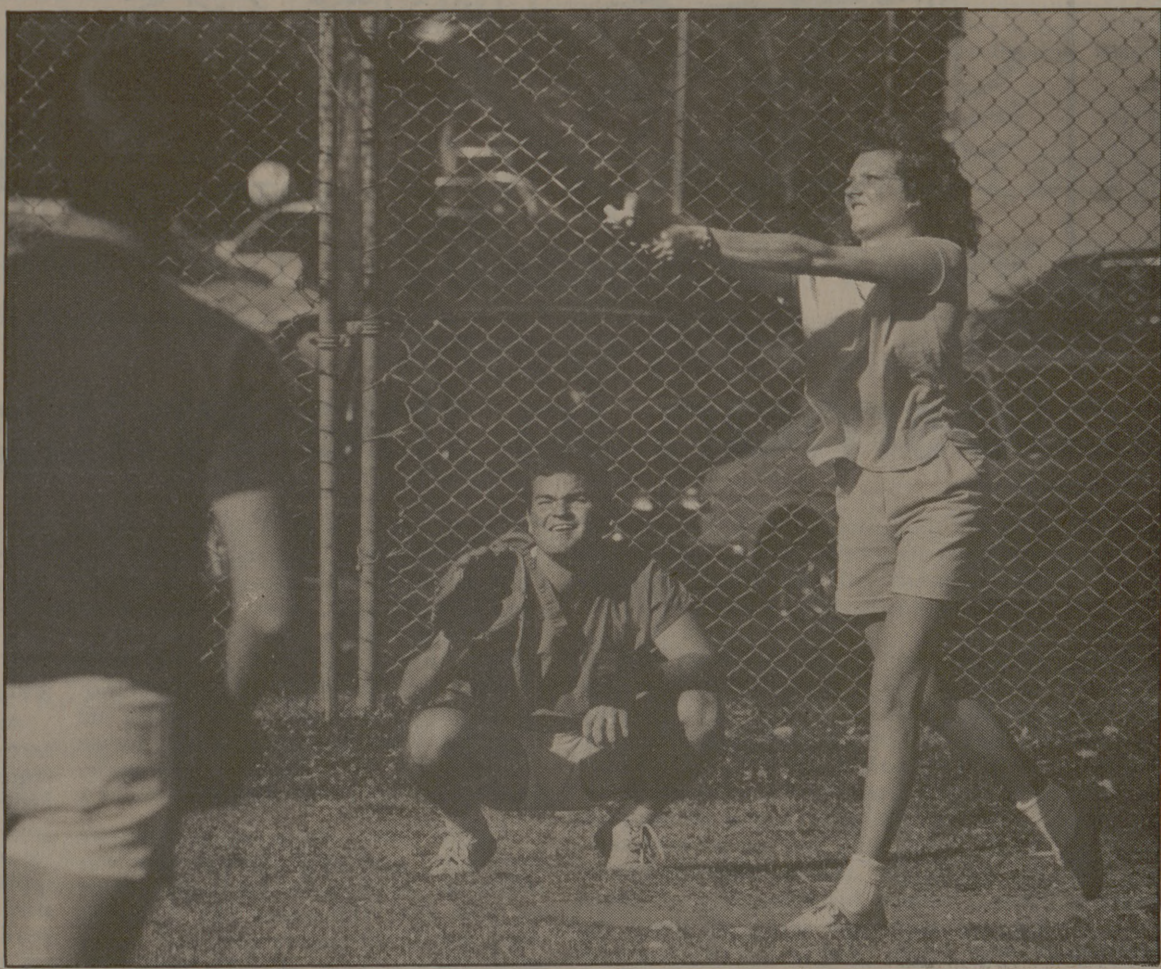
Sgt. Doug Coburn of the Bryan Police Department said it is uncertain whether Holmans died of a self-inflicted wound. Although no ruling has been made on Holmans' death, preliminary police reports termed it a death a suicide.

Coburn said a witness told police Holmans, who lived in an apartment in the 3900 block of Old College Road in Bryan, was seen with the knife in his chest at the complex's atrium at about 10:30 p.m. Friday.

Police said the witness called police and stayed with Holmans until medical help arrived.

The St. Joseph assistant director of nursing said Holmans was "alert and oriented" when he arrived at the hospital. The spokeswoman said Holmans died during surgery from loss of blood caused by the wound.

Funeral services for Holmans will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Dallas.



## Breaking Training

Catcher Mark Yelurton looks on as Samantha Nauck hits a pitch during practice for the Century Singers softball team Sunday afternoon on the intramural fields near Wellborn Road.

Photo by JOHN MAKELY

## U.S. senators to start debate on Contra aid

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The running congressional battle over aiding Nicaragua's Contra rebels shifts to the Republican-controlled Senate this week where leaders of both parties are searching for bipartisan accommodation.

President Reagan said Sunday he may have to agree to minor changes in his \$100 million Contra aid package in order to swing votes his way.

Senators who contend Reagan has been too quick to abandon diplomacy in his effort to curb Nicaragua's left-wing Sandinista regime say that so far he has offered only a badly flawed "fig leaf compromise."

They predict that unless the administration commits itself to a serious effort to achieve a negotiated solution in Central America — before arming the Contra rebels — the Senate fight over the \$100 million

aid package will be as fierce as that in the House, where the Reagan plan was rejected 220-210.

The Senate will begin debating the issue Tuesday and is expected to vote by Thursday.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., and Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, are preparing to insert into the legislation promises made verbally by Reagan last week that if the aid is approved he will give the Contras only "defensive" arms for the first 90 days while pushing negotiations.

Lugar said that the plan would allow extension of the 90-day period under some circumstances, and would include assurances that human rights abuses by the Contras would be curbed. And he said "there might even be economic aid to Nicaragua."

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## Only 1 of 3 women remains in A&M band

After making history as the first three women admitted into the once all-male Fightin' Texas Aggie Band, only one remains in the ranks with the rest of the 285 male cadets.

Andrea Abat and her trombone are still hanging on. One of the original three quit at the end of last fall, and the other threw in the towel at the beginning of this semester, Abat said.

They dropped out because of the rigorous physical demands that are made of band members, she said. In fact, the 18-year-old Houston freshman said women considering membership in the band next year should think about just how physically demanding it can be.

"Every single day we're running and we're doing pushups," she said.

On the most recent physical test, the 6-foot-2 freshman said she scored 285 points out of a possible 300.

She is almost impossible to notice when she's marching in formation with the other cadets since her long, blond hair is pinned up under her hat.

Abat admits having her share of days when she is fed up with the rigors of life in the school's 2,000-member Corps of Cadets, but plans to

stick it out for the duration of her college life.

"I'm aiming for the leather on the legs," she said, referring to the military riding boots worn only by senior cadets. "I just applied for a three-year scholarship with the Army. Hopefully I'll hear something soon."

Earning the scholarship would obligate her to stay in the Corps and then spend at least six years in active military duty.

Her father, Paul Abat, said many people ask why his daughter chose to be one of the first women to join the band.

"The real reason she joined is because she just wanted to be in the Aggie Band," he said. "She didn't want to be special. She wanted to be another fish."

"If someone thinks she ruined a tradition, I just tell them to pick out the one (in the marching formation) who ruined it. At least eight out of 10 are wrong."

Her mother, Mary Lou Abat, said she was worried about how her daughter would be received into the tightly-knit band.

But now the Abats say they feel their daughter has been treated in a better and fairer manner than they had thought.

## People show anti-U.S. sentiment

# Pakistani government 'in last days'

Associated Press

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan — People by the tens of thousands shouted anti-government and anti-U.S. slogans Sunday and opposition leaders said President Mohammed Zia ul-Haq's pro-American government was in its last days.

The Movement for the Restoration of Democracy, an alliance of 11 opposition parties, held one of its biggest rallies since martial law was lifted Dec. 30.

About 60,000 people marched through this city of about 1 million and listened to anti-government speeches. The opposition staged dozens of smaller demonstrations across the nation to commemorate Pakistan Day, celebrated as independence day here.

One speaker asked the huge crowd that waved the red, black and green opposition flags, "Did we create Pakistan so the army could rule? Did we create Pakistan so the people could be whipped? Did we create Pa-

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— Afzal Zahda, a leader of the Peasants and Workers Party

kistan so the people could be oppressed."

Speaker after speaker asserted that Zia's military government will fall soon for lack of support, and said this entire nation of 88 million people hungers for the return of democracy.

The United States was repeatedly criticized for supporting Zia, the army chief of staff who seized power in a bloodless coup in 1977.

Afzal Zahda, a leader of the Peasants and Workers Party, said, "If we want democracy in the country we must rid Pakistan of American influ-

ence, we must struggle against the Americans.

"American imperialism should stop interfering in the internal affairs of Pakistan."

The crowd chanted "Zia is a dog!" and "Down with the Americans!" as speakers called for abolishing the government, the end of military influence in politics and immediate free elections.

Hundreds of riot police armed with rifles, bamboo clubs and shields were stationed around the city.

Zahda charged that Zia's government wanted Pakistanis to fight the

communist regime in neighboring Afghanistan to serve U.S. interests. He held up political and social changes in Afghanistan as an example to be emulated.

"In Afghanistan they have destroyed capitalism and oppression, so the generals want us to fight against Afghanistan. But we do not accept this," he said.

The Pakistani and American governments support and aid Islamic anti-Marxist guerrillas fighting the Afghan communist regime. The United States has become a close ally of Pakistan since Soviet military forces intervened in Afghanistan in 1979, and is now its main source of economic and military aid.

Zia ended martial law Dec. 30, but remains as president and army chief-of-staff. The government is run by his civilian appointee, Prime Minister Mohammad Khan Junejo.

Pakistan Day commemorates the concept of founding Pakistan as an Islamic nation.

## Students flood resort's phone lines

Associated Press

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND — Thousands of vacationing high school and college students are straining the telephone system of this resort island to the limit, officials say.

"We're seeing a 100 percent increase in traffic," says Fred Suarez, district manager for Southwestern Bell. "On a normal day, we process 6,500 calls. Now, we're processing about 12,400."

Within the last two weeks, throngs of students have descended on South Padre Island for spring break. Chamber of Commerce officials say that by Easter Sunday about 150,000 people will have visited the area, leaving behind about \$8 million.

Suarez says spring break, the Fourth of July and the Labor Day

weekend are peak periods for South Padre Island.

But he says telephone traffic this spring break has been dramatic compared to past years.

"We are seeing an overflow of the coin-operated traffic out there," Suarez says. "Where coin people would go and pick up coins every two or three weeks, now they're picking it up every two or three days."

He says there are 170 coin-operated phones and 3,400 private phones at the island.

"But there's also lots of traffic coming in that we haven't even looked at," he says of his processing figures.

Suarez says telephone company officials are monitoring phone traffic.

He says it may take some people a few tries to get through the lines during peak periods.

When the coin-operated telephones are full, he says, the coins will return and the customer will not be able to complete the call, unless it is operator-assisted or a credit card is used.

Suarez says employees are sent out as quickly as possible to collect coins from the telephones.

"We have everything working out there right now," he says. "We have no equipment out."

"We can't afford to have anything out of service at this time."

More visitors are expected Monday and Tuesday during two free rock concerts.

"Telephone traffic will probably get worse because we haven't seen the big influx yet," Suarez says. "It's amazing — we over-engineered for these peak periods."

"Being a resort area, we have the big bursts of traffic that all of a sudden hit you."

## Jewish group: Waldheim listed as suspected Nazi

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The World Jewish Congress says it has found a 1948 U.S. Army document listing former United Nations Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim as a suspected Nazi war criminal.

The document identified Waldheim, a candidate for president of Austria, as a German military intelligence officer, and said Yugoslavia sought his apprehension, the congress said Saturday.

Under the heading "reason wanted," the document said "murder," the group said.

Waldheim, secretary-general from 1971 to 1981, denied any wrongdoing in a statement released Sunday in Vienna by his press spokesman.

"The hints dropped in the now allegedly surfaced document were evidently considered as untenable from the beginning and, therefore, never pursued," the statement said.

A photocopy of the Army document released by the congress was not legible.

Elan Steinberg, a spokesman for the World Jewish Congress, said the copy was made from microfilmed Army records on file at the National Archives in Washington.

Waldheim denied earlier this month that he belonged to Nazi groups before World War II.

He said he served as a translator in a German army unit in Greece but did not know that the unit deported Jews to death camps.

Some of the charges stemmed from an investigation by the World

Jewish Congress, which on March 4 released a photograph purporting to show Waldheim with a Nazi general, Alexander Loehr, in Yugoslavia in 1944.

The statement by Waldheim press secretary Gerold Christian denounced the organization's pursuit of the matter, saying: "Following accusations made by the World Jewish Congress in New York today, Dr. Waldheim stated that they, like the previous allegations, are without foundation whatsoever and are being categorically rejected."

"It is the evident attempt of the WJC to continue the slander campaign toward degrading Dr. Waldheim's reputation."

It said Waldheim "was in no way involved in actions he is (now) charged with."