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Management department leads U.S.

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Criteria developed by Human Re-ions Journal place the Texas A&M partment of Management first in nation. It is also listed as the top partment in the South through idelines established by the Human lations Journal and the Academy Management Journal, another holarly publication. Using the ademy journal's criteria, the A&M anagement department ranks third

Terrorism of

Houston's oil

HOUSTON (AP) — Although nany of the 150 chemical plants

and refineries lining the Houston Ship Channel are stepping up

security measures, an expert says 75 percent of the companies are

inadequately protected from pos-sible terrorist attacks. Michael Guidry, a former hos-tage negotiator for the state of Texas, said, "It's not time to get

cared about terrorism. It's a time

to get educated about terrorism. It's time to form a plan and resolve

any potential problems."
Guidry is studying security

problemin Houston-area indust-

rial complexes for a report sche-

duled for release this summer. He

said Houston's oil industry makes

he area a likely target for possible

Lt. Cmdr. Pedro Filipowski of

"We can't ignore the possibility

faterrorist strike at a U.S. water-

ront," Filipowski said. "To be

nonest, I am bewildered there has not been one. There are easy

the U.S. Coast Guard in Galveston also cautioned the channel area

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nationally, behind only Harvard and Texas A&M, as we've been able to

Professor Michael Hitt, head of the department, said the department had been working hard to achieve national visiblity.

'Obviously we're very pleased to be listed as the top management department or even among the top three departments, particularly con-

attract outstanding scholars."

The report, which will be presented at the Southern Management Association's November meeting in Atlanta, ranks the nation's top 22 management departments. The study was conducted by Scott Young, Warren Blumenfield, Caron St. John and John Angelidis of Georgia State University.

A&M, Houston, Southern Methodist University and the University of Texas at Austin departments were included among Texas universities listed in the top 11 rankings for the

The criteria developed by the two publications consider the number and quality of scholarly articles that were published from each departsidering the quality of the competition," he said.

"The ranking supports the quality work by our management faculty and sidering the quality of the tompetition," he said.

Texas A&M and the University of Houston were the only two Texas schools ranked nationally. Texas Texas Texas A&M and the University of publications in which they appear. Results were based on publication from 1981 to 1984.

Rains relieve Texas droughts; farmers foresee new problems

DALLAS (AP) — Heavy rainfalls that have flooded wide sections of Texas over the past few weeks have replenished some drought-stricken reservoirs and left behind a mixed blessing for farmers who feared another dry summer.

During the weekend, most of the state took a breather from severe weather that has steadily soaked the state since May 25, claiming at least

Ironically, the same storms are giving life to Texas crops that appeared to be headed for a dry summer, said Bill Braden, a spokesman for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A&M University.

The National Weather Service recorded 6.52 inches of rainfall at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport during May and 2.41 so far in June. The May total was 2.25 inches above normal, said Fort Worth meteorologist Tommy Trimble, but far from the 1982 record of 13.66.

Trimble said the total is not unusual but the continuous high humidity, the rain and the high number of clouds are

With the drought of 1984 still fresh in the minds of many Texans, the rains are considered a precious

garden area west of San Antonio," Braden said. "I wouldn't go so far as to say the moisture is enough to get us through the summer, but it's enough to get us into the summer.

The rains also have increased the Edwards and Ogallala acquifer levels and filled numerous reservoirs, lakes, basins, creeks and rivers, offi-

Last week, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced it would be re-leasing water from 18 of 23 operating lakes, which cover about two-thirds

Sally Werst, a corps spokeswoman, said the lakes have reached flood pool stage and waters must be released downstream to prevent them from spilling over.

Max Woodfin, a Texas Water Commission spokesman, said Falcon relief" for the corn, so Lake, located on the border with Mexico in far South Texas, rose ab-

But officials are wondering if the rains may be a factor in a major fish kill that started at Falcon Dam and continued about three miles downstream, Woodfin said.

John Williams, a spokesman for

cerned, by and large (rains) have said for the first time in four years the been beneficial (for crops) except in a Authority opened the flood gates at few areas, particularly in the winter Lake Buchanan, which has reached its maximum elevation level.

> Williams said the rains have given the Authority and its customers the benefit of additional capacity from hydroelectric power plants.
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> Braden said West Texas benefitted

> most from the rain. Farmers waiting for a little more moisture before planting can now go ahead, he said. The rain also has helped Texas grasses and pastures for cattle grazing.

> But Joe Pena, a Texas agricultural extension agent in Uvalde, said about 1,500 acres of onions may rot in the fields because rains have made the soil too muddy for harvest. Pena also said some cantaloupes

must be harvested because the rain has speeded their growth and they could burst before they're picked. But he said the rain was a "welcome relief" for the corn, sorghum and

Braden said there will be some losses to the North Texas and South Plains wheat crop because of wet

"It's difficult to say if the overall is a negative or a positive," he said. "We have been in a drought, so therefore the rains were very welcome.

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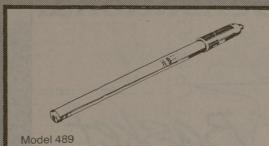
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