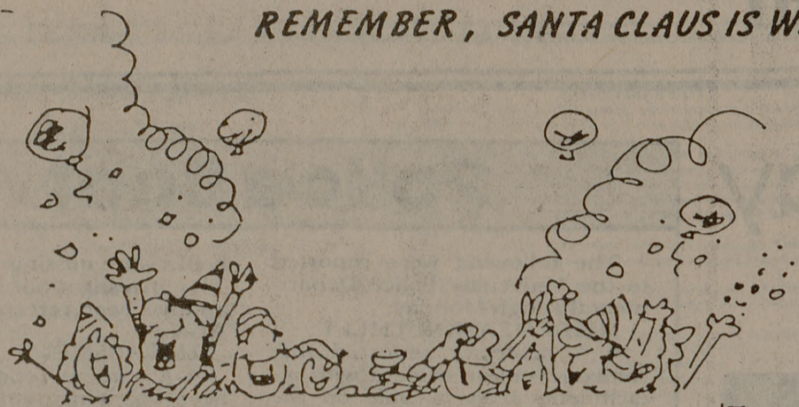


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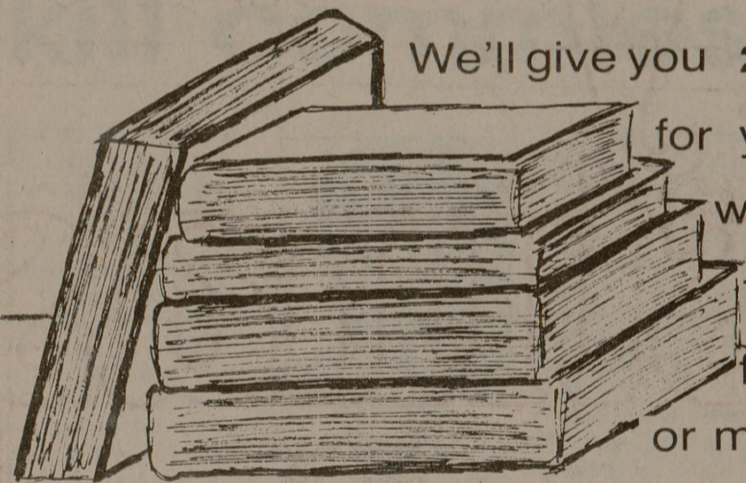
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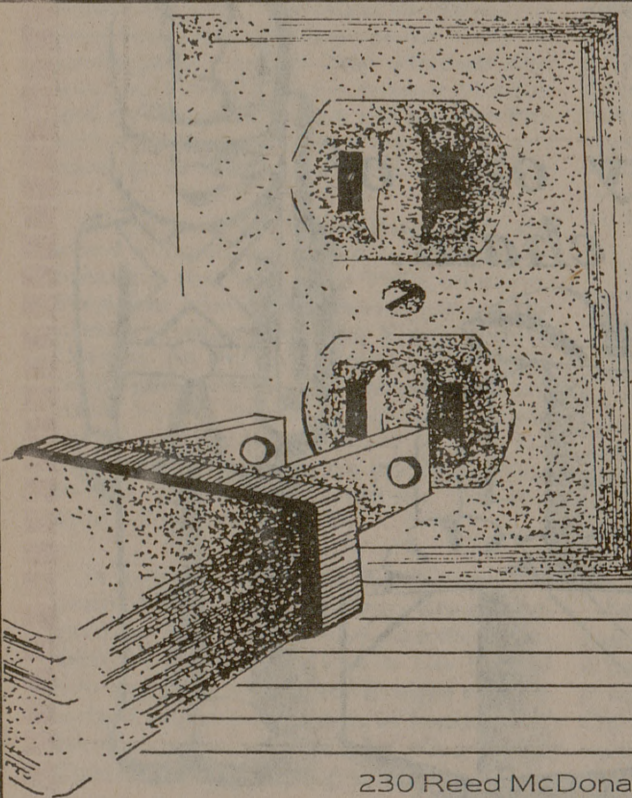


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A&M is national organizer of first global ocean study

By Melanie Perkins Staff Writer

Since January 1984, Texas A&M has been U.S. headquarters for the World Ocean Circulation Experiment — the first global, scientific study attempting to describe general world ocean circulation.

A&M organizes all U.S. science meetings for WOCE, distributes all its written material for the United States, and represents the country's science community in general to the experiment.

Worth Nowlin Jr., associate dean of oceanography, said there is no student participation in WOCE at this time because it's too early — the experiment won't officially begin until the 1990s.

"Students who come through in the 1990s and 2000s will definitely be involved with data from this program," Nowlin said.

A major component of the World Climate Research Program, WOCE will emphasize how the ocean and atmosphere interact in terms of momentum, heat, and water exchanges, he said.

Nowlin, chairman of the US-WOCE Science Steering Committee, said WOCE is different because it's a coordinated global study involving a series of satellites, ships and the efforts of scientists from all over the

world. It addresses a part of oceanography that individuals and small groups may have difficulty pursuing on their own, he said.

Projects within WOCE include worldwide monitoring of sea level changes, obtaining physical and

the U.S. Navy are all participating in the planning of the United States role in WOCE, he said.

Nowlin said it's important to have many countries involved in the project, not only to help with the cost and funding, but also to get access to their territorial waters.

The countries involved in WOCE are: the United States, Japan, United Kingdom, South Africa, France, West Germany, Australia, the Soviet Union, New Zealand, India, China, East Germany, Canada, Spain and Portugal.

"Everyone who is involved in oceanography research is participating in WOCE," Nowlin said.

WOCE will probably end up being a \$2.5 billion project, with American expenditures reaching \$200 million to \$250 million per year during its major operational phase from 1990 to 1995, Nowlin said.

He said \$100 million has already been spent on satellites alone by the United States footing the bill for about half that cost.

According to a US-WOCE report, participation in WOCE is increasing to both countries and individual scientists because it provides access to WOCE data.

The report stressed cooperation and coordination within the framework.



chemical measurements from all over the world, describing the general circulation of the ocean well enough to model it and measuring sub-surface current velocity using drifters tracked by the satellites.

"Oceanography usually involves studies made by little groups here and there," Nowlin said. "That won't work in this case."

The National Science Foundation, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, NASA and

TDC chairman may leave post in 1987

AUSTIN (AP) — Alfred Hughes of Austin says he may step down as chairman of the Texas Department of Corrections board next year — after the Legislature acts on TDC appropriations.

"I intend to serve as chairman through the (1987) legislative session and after the TDC finances are handled by the Legislature I would be willing to step back as just a board member," Hughes said Tuesday.

"I'd love to just step back to board level and coordinate construction in the prison system," he said. "Two years as chairman is enough for anyone."

Hughes, an appointee of outgoing Gov. Mark White, has four more years to serve on a six-year term.

"I think I will eventually be off the board," he said. "I can't see anyone serving all six years."

During his recent campaign, Gov.-elect Bill Clements called for the ouster of all TDC board members named by White.

Clements met Monday with Hughes and all state officials involved with the prison system, including Attorney General Jim Mattox.

Hughes said he and Clements did not discuss his possible resignation.

"I would like to reduce my involvement with TDC considerably and eventually be off the board," Hughes said after the meeting. "I certainly don't intend to serve my six-year appointment. But I do intend to serve until we get on the right track."

After the meeting, Mattox said, "I have proposed to him (Clements) that the prison matter be dealt with in a totally non-partisan-type basis. It is a problem that is so big that even if he and I worked together on it, we're still going to have a very difficult time bringing about a solution to the problem."

Restaurant Report

By Curtis L. Culberson Staff Writer

The restaurants listed below were inspected Dec. 5 through Monday by the Brazos County Health Department. The information is based on food service establishment reports.

SCORED BETWEEN 95 AND 100:

Skaggs Alpha Beta Deli at 301 S. College was inspected by David Pickens. Score — 98. There were two one-point violations cited in the report because the floor in a soda dispensing area needed cleaning and a milk dispenser was dirty.

Double Dave's Pizzaworks Inc. at 4007 E. 29th St. was inspected by David Platt. Score — 96. Two points were deducted in the report because a women's restroom needed towels. There were two one-point violations cited in the report because wiping towels weren't sanitized in bleach water and ice scoops were stored improperly.

Archie's 39c Hamburger Place at 310 N. Texas Ave. was inspected by David Pickens. Score — 93. The report said the inspection was performed in response to a customer complaint. Five

points were subtracted in the report because hamburger patties were stored at an improper temperature. The report said the patties were thrown away in the presence of the inspector. In addition, two points were subtracted because food was stored on the floor of the walk-in cooler.

SCORED BETWEEN 90 AND 95:

Mom's Diner at 1207 E. 25th St. was inspected by David Platt. Score — 91. A four-point violation was cited in the report because of a roach problem. The report said the restaurant has 10 days to exterminate for roaches and rodents and to seal outer openings. Two points were deducted in the report because food was stored in a restaurant restroom door was not self-closing. The report also said a restroom needed towels. The report said the violations concerning restrooms were repeat violations and the restaurant must correct them within one week or its permit will be suspended. An additional two-point violation was cited in the report because items were not covered. The point was also deducted because some single-serving items were stored on the floor.

David Jefferson, a registered sanitarian at the department, says restaurants with scores of 95 or above generally have excellent operations and facilities. Jefferson says restaurants with scores in the 70s or 80s usually have serious violations in the health report.

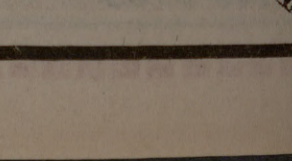
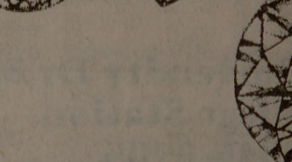
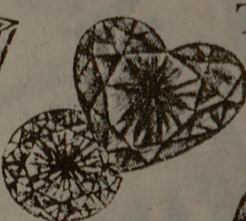
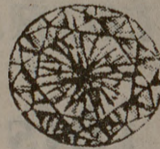
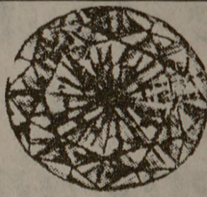
Scores can be misleading, Jefferson says, because restaurants can get the same score by having several minor violations or a few major violations. He says the major violations can be cause for closing a restaurant while many minor violations can be corrected during the inspection. Point deductions, or violations, in the report range from one point (minor violation) to five points (major violation).

Jefferson says the department might close a restaurant if the score is below 60, the personnel has infectious diseases, the restaurant has inadequate refrigeration, there is a sewage backup in the building or the restaurant has a complete lack of sanitization for the food equipment.

The department inspects each restaurant about every six months. Jefferson says a follow-up inspection is sometimes required if a restaurant has a four- or five-point violation that cannot be corrected during the inspection, or if there are numerous small violations.

Inspectors at the department are registered sanitarians.

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