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Clements chooses Republican judge for justice position

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements chose a 38-year-old Republican state district judge Wednesday to be the next chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court.

Clements said Judge Thomas R. Phillips, who was recommended by resigning Democratic Chief Justice John Hill, was his choice after reviewing some 40 candidates.

"I consider this appointment to be one of the most important that I will ever make as governor," Clements said.

Phillips succeeds Hill, who is leaving the court in mid-term on Jan. 4 to campaign for changing the current system of electing Texas judges to a system of appointing them.

Phillips, who becomes the first Republican in modern times to head the state's highest civil court, said he

expects to disagree at times with the eight Democratic justices.

Phillips said he wouldn't comment on any specific case, but he did say this is a crucial time for Texas' highest civil court.

"I believe that our Supreme Court is at a critical crossroads," he said. "This is a historic time to become a member of this court. It is a time of opportunity and of challenge to make a positive impact, one that is significant and long-term."

Phillips will serve until the 1988 election. The winner of that election will serve the remainder of Hill's term, which ends in 1990.

Saying he plans to seek election next year, Phillips described raising campaign funds as "one of the few distasteful aspects of the job."

Sheriff claims he will deny inmates space

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Federal prisoners here will face rides of three hours or more to court from other counties if Nueces County's sheriff follows through with his plan to deny them space at his overcrowded jail, a U.S. marshal said.

Nueces County Sheriff James T. Hickey told the Marshal's Service last week that, after Jan. 1, he will not accept federal prisoners when the population at the county jail and a new annex exceeds 374.

Prisoners headed for court in Corpus Christi would have to be shuttled to and from the Rio Grande Valley or Houston area, U.S. Marshal B.S. Baker of Houston said.

The Marshal's Service, which contracts with seven other South Texas Counties for jail space, has no jail facility closer to Corpus Christi's federal courthouse than the Nueces County jail.

Hickey cited growing pressure from the Texas Department of Corrections, which is under federal court orders to limit the number of inmates admitted to state prisons. That, he said, has caused a backlog of convicted state prisoners at the county jail.

The sheriff also cited a pending federal lawsuit filed last year against Nueces County officials by 71 inmates, which seeks court intervention in the conditions at the jail.

Baker said he understands Hickey's problems with the chronically overcrowded jail. "He's not in a good situation," Baker said.

Gov. Bill Clements said last week he would hold a "corrections summit" after Thanksgiving with TDC officials and officials from some counties to discuss problems stemming from prison overcrowding.

Counties have complained of the expense of holding prisoners who otherwise would be in state facilities until the overcrowded TDC can accept them.

In Advance

A&M Symphonic Band will perform

By Rick Cummings
Reporter

The Texas A&M Symphonic Band will perform their annual fall concert at 8 tonight in Rudder Auditorium.

Dr. Bill J. Dean, former Aggie Band associate director and symphonic band conductor, said the Bryan Rotary Club sponsored production will consist of 10 selections, ranging from marches to Broadway showtunes.

The feature selections include "An Overture to Candide," by Leonard Bernstein and "Colonial Song," by Percy Grainger, Dean said. There also will be a flute solo by Melissa Underhill, a senior mechanical engineering major, he added.

The finale will be a patriotic medley, with narration to "America the Beautiful," he said.

The band is composed of 82 students, 25 of which received all-

state honors as musicians in high school, Dean said.

"They're just students on the campus who play extremely well and they want to keep their instrument up while they're pursuing their major field of study at A&M," he said.

About 140 students audition for the band each fall, Dean said, and 80 to 85 are chosen.

The band usually plays music by classical composers, but also plays modern music, he said.

The show today should last about an hour and a half, including a 10-minute intermission, Dean said.

Dr. Roger Feldman, an associate professor of veterinary medicine and announcer at A&M football, basketball and volleyball games, will be the master of ceremonies for the program.

Tickets are \$3 for students and \$5 for non-students and are available at the Rudder box office.

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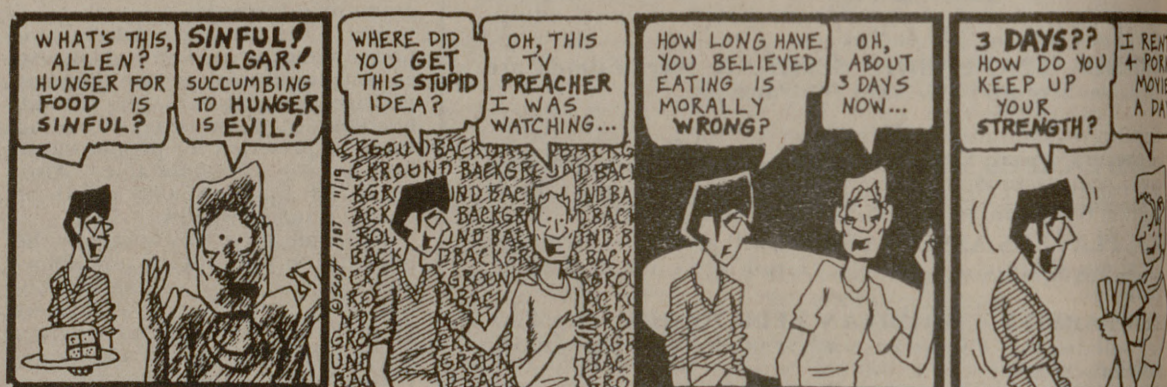
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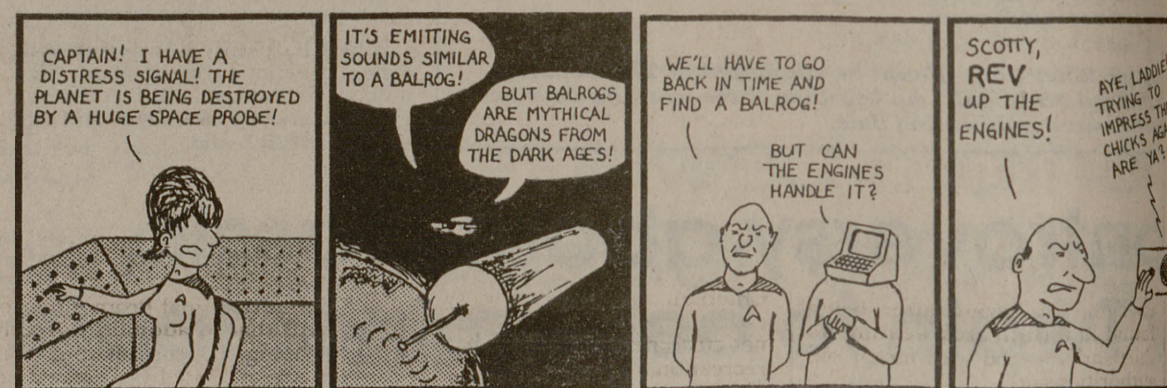
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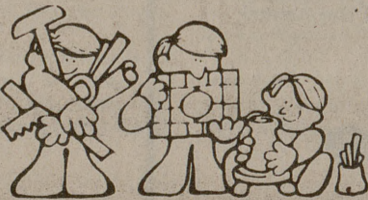
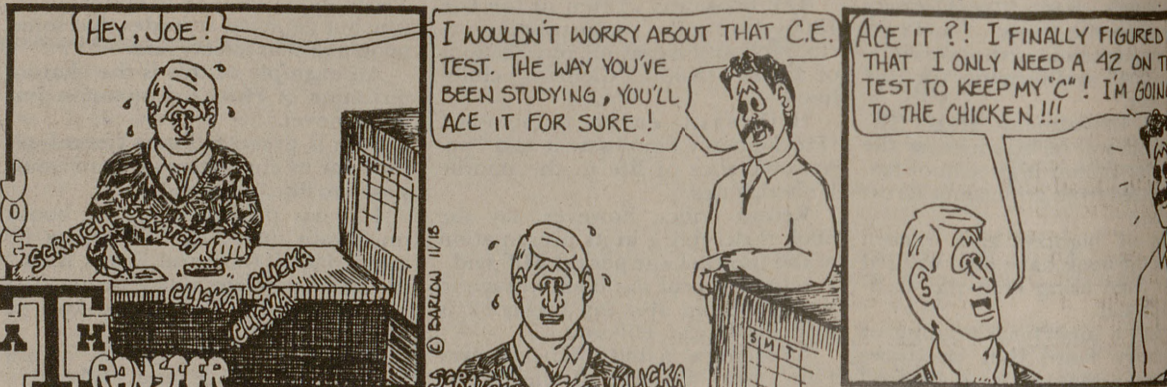
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Pinecone Wreaths	Mon, Nov 30 6-9pm	Student \$18
	Tues, Dec 1 6-9pm	Nonstudent \$20
	Sat, Dec 5 9-12pm	
Cornhusk Wreaths	Tues, Dec 8 6-9pm	Student \$12
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Ornaments

Gingerbread Men	Mon, Nov 30 6-8pm	Student \$10
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Flashed Glass Ornaments	Tues, Dec 1 6-9pm	Student \$10
		Nonstudent \$12
Stained Glass Ornaments	Wed, Dec 9 6-9pm	Student \$10
		Nonstudent \$12
Etched Ornaments	Thurs, Dec 3 6-9pm	Student \$8
		Nonstudent \$10
Quilted Country Ornaments	Mon, Dec 7 6-9pm	Student \$10
		Nonstudent \$12

Gifts & Decorations

Appalachian Gift Baskets	Thurs, Dec 3 6-9pm	Student \$15
		Nonstudent \$17
Ceramic Reindeer	Tues, Dec 1 6-9pm	Student \$14
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Christmas Potpourri	Thurs, Dec 10 6-7:30pm	Student \$14
		Nonstudent \$16
Decorative Key Baskets	Mon, Dec 7 6-9pm	Student \$15
		Nonstudent \$16
Ukrainian Eggs	Wed, Dec 2 6-9pm	Student \$12
		Nonstudent \$14
Picture Frames	Thurs, Dec 10 6-9pm	Student \$12
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Gift Wrapping & Bow Making	Tues, Dec 1 6-9pm	Student \$8
		Nonstudent \$10
Wooden Teddy Bears	Wed, Dec 9 6-9pm	Student \$10
		Nonstudent \$12
Gingerbread Houses	Tues, Dec 1 6-9pm	Student \$20
	Wed, Dec 2 6-9pm	Nonstudent \$22

It's Party Time

Waltzing	Mon, Nov 30 6-7pm	Student \$5
		Nonstudent \$6
Egg Rolls	Wed, Dec 9 7-9pm	Student \$18
		Nonstudent \$20
Make-Up and Colorization	T/Th, Dec 8 & 10 6-9pm	Student \$30
		Nonstudent \$32
Creative Party Preparation	Thurs, Dec 10 6-9pm	Student \$8
		Nonstudent \$10
Festive Yule Logs	Tues, Dec 8 6-8pm	Student \$12
		Nonstudent \$14
Messina Hof Premieres	Wed, Dec 2 6-7:30pm	Student \$10
		Nonstudent \$12

Other Classes...

Career Counseling	T/Th Dec 1, 3, 8, 10 6:30-8:30pm	Student \$14
		Nonstudent \$16
Interviewing	Wed, Dec 9 6-9pm	Student \$6
		Nonstudent \$8
Resume Writing	Wed, Dec 2 6-9pm	Student \$6
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