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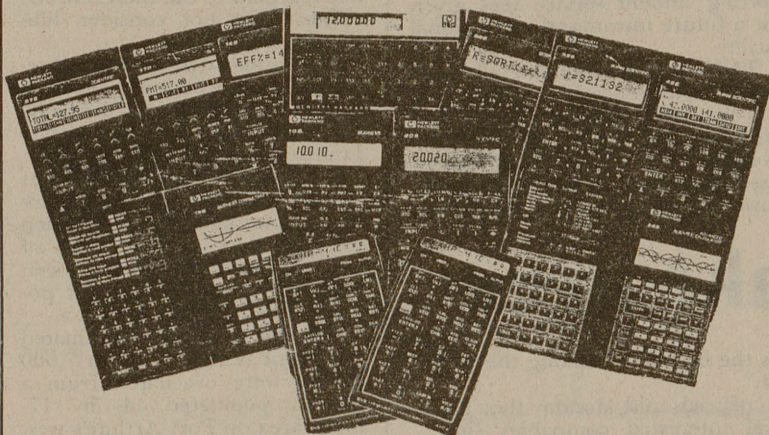
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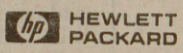
PREMEDICAL/PREDENTAL SOCIETY MEETING

TIME: 7:00 P.M.
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Professor studies morals of bullfights, Christianity

By Denise Thompson
STAFF WRITER

"Like any other creature, the bull is going to die. It is not a question of whether he deserves to die. No creature deserves to die; no creature doesn't deserve to die."
Tim Mitchell, visiting assistant professor of Spanish, said this to summarize the point of his lecture, "Exemplary Cruelty: The Bullfight versus Christianity."
Mitchell, who carried out research in Spain, presented a lecture to an audience of about 30 Monday night concerning the religious obsession of scholars concerning the bullfight.

Although Mitchell's original research topic concerned the poetic violence of Spain's ballads, he said the death of a famous Spanish bullfighter lead him to focus on the morality of bullfighting.
Because most of the scholars studying bullfights suggest the bull is a sacrifice and the matador a priest,

Mitchell said he based his theory on what a bullfight did not mean.
"With their light, I was able to see what the bullfight wasn't," he said. "It wasn't a sacrifice in the conventional meaning of a sacrifice. It wasn't a ritual in the conventional meaning of a ritual. It wasn't about male and female relations or sex roles. I have been able to deconstruct previous scholarship by by 05301demonstrating all of the things that the bullfight wasn't."
Mitchell then focused his thoughts to discerning what a bullfight is. He had to answer several questions before he could reach an answer.
"Isn't bullfighting rather immoral when you get right down to it?" he asked. "What right do the Spanish have to make a fiesta out of animal killing? Does not this sport perpetuate the same ignorance of the victim that Jesus Christ came to reveal? How is it that Spain, one of the most Catholic and God-fearing countries in the world, could harbor this alleged immorality within its bosom?"

Although the questions posed, great deal of concern, Mitchell said he came to one conclusion each time he asked a question.
"The sad truth is, if there was no violence and no victims, men and women would still die," he said. "The bullfight has nothing to do with and nothing to apologize for. No Spaniard is fool enough to think the bull is evil and deserves to be punished. To turn around and claim that the bull is an innocent victim to miss the point altogether."

"Is the bullfight cruel? Of course. But no crueler than death itself. If one thinks that death is of the nature of things, the reaction will be more reflexive. Why does nature wipe out whole populations with disaster? Why does she capriciously make one man an athlete and another a dwarf? As a realistic cultural text about death, the bullfight replicates the blind workings of nature herself."
Mitchell used the lecture as a symposium for feedback before his work is published at the end of the year.

Activists ask state legislature to regulate pesticides in Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — A coalition of environmental and consumer groups, claiming that Congress has failed to adequately regulate pesticides, Monday called on the Texas Legislature to do the job instead.

"The system established by the government to test pesticides to assure they are safe to use has failed, as has the process designed to remove especially dangerous pesticides from the market," Tom Smith of the group Public Citizen said.

"The Texas Legislature will have to step in where the feds have failed," he added.

Smith's group, along with the Sierra Club, Consumers Union and Texas Center for Policy Studies, said the use of pesticides is increasing.

"Seventeen years ago, the Environmental Protection Agency was directed to evaluate the health effects of the pesticides existing on the market without adequate tests. Today, more than half of those pesticides remain essentially untested, and several pesticides that have been proven to present significant health risks remain on the market," said John Hildreth of Consumers Union.

Ken Kramer, director of the Texas chapter of the Sierra Club, said that Texas doesn't keep accurate records of pesticide use.

California does, however, and Kramer said more than 90 million pounds of pesticides were used there in 1982.

"And Texas has a larger number of acres of agricultural land being treated with pesticides than California does, but not as large a population. Thus, pesticide use in Texas is massive," he said.

Hildreth noted that residential pesticide use is increasing with more homeowners purchasing professional extermination and lawn care services, saying the problem affects more than just rural residents.

"Consumers in cities and suburbs use five times more pesticides per acre than farmers, and residential use is increasing rapidly," he said.

Smith said that Congress' failure means the legislature should "take action to assure the products we all use are safe."

The groups called on lawmakers to require that a pesticide be proven safe before it could be used.

Senate repeals little-known Medicaid law

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate on Monday voted to repeal a law that apparently slipped unnoticed through the 1987 Legislature and raised the ire of the elderly in Texas.

The law, which was never applied, would have allowed the Department of Human Services to recover the property and estates of nursing home patients and other Medicaid recipients after they died. The bill to repeal it was sent to the House with a 28-2 vote.

The idea was to recoup money for the Medicaid program. The provision was included in an 86-page bill whose main purpose was to authorize continuation of the human services agency.

After the DHS in early 1988 published rules to implement the law, concerns were raised by legislators and general public, as well as the elderly. Some attribute Sen. Temple Dickson's victory over former Sen. Grant Jones in the Democratic primary to Dickson's effective campaign use of Jones' vote for the bill containing the Medicaid lien provision.

Bill sponsor Hugh Parmer said, "The first principle this bill illustrates is that we ought to read carefully lengthy bills and be sure we know everything that's in them."

"The second principle is, when we make a mistake ... we ought to be willing to stand up and say we made a mistake. We ought to fix it, and that's what Senate Bill 1 does. It repeals the authority, which we should never have given the Department of Human Services, to place liens against the homes of Medicaid recipients."
Sen. Carl Parker said he was "confused by the logic behind this bill."

"How does protecting an inheritance of young, healthy folks that don't care enough about their parents to take care of them help other old people?" Parker asked. "It just takes money out of the pot that would be available for other needy old people."

Parmer, D-Fort Worth, said, "I think what you will find most of the time is that not only are mom and dad poor, but the kids are poor too, and this old home is about the only thing left that mother and dad have to leave those children."

"It just doesn't make any sense, if you want to expand Medicaid, to make the poorest people in Texas—who are ultimately themselves likely to be the recipients—pay the freight for expanding Medicaid," he said.

What's Up

Tuesday

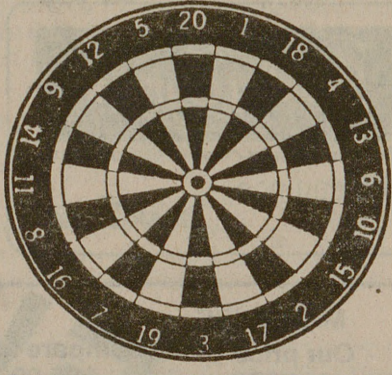
- DATA PROCESSING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION:** Texas Instruments will offer information on careers in data processing at 7 p.m. in the University Inn Penthouse Suite.
- COSGA:** will have a general committee meeting at 7 p.m. in 410 Rudder.
- THE PLACEMENT CENTER:** will have a job search workshop at 5:15 p.m. in 410 Rudder.
- MINORITY ASSOCIATION OF PRE-HEALTH AGGIES:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 607 Rudder.
- WICI:** will meet at 6 p.m. in 215 Reed McDonald.
- FORT WORTH HOMETOWN CLUB:** will meet at 7:30 p.m. in 704 Rudder.
- SADDLE AND SIRLOIN:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 115 Kleberg.
- PRE MED/DENT SOCIETY:** Dr. William Fife will talk about "Hyperbaric Medicine" at 7 p.m. in 204 Harrington.
- AGM:** will have a bowling party at 9 p.m. at Chimney Hill Bowling Lanes.
- AGGIE GOP/COLLEGE REPUBLICANS:** will meet at 8:30 p.m. in 308 Rudder.
- ECONOMICS SOCIETY:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 510 Rudder.
- ARLINGTON HOMETOWN CLUB:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 205 MSC.
- RHA FRESHMAN LEADERSHIP PROGRAM:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 607 Rudder.
- INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 127 Blocker.
- MSC GREAT ISSUES:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 404 Rudder.
- TAMU ANTHROPOLOGY SOCIETY:** will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Flying Tomato.
- INTERNATIONAL WEEK:** committee for Buffet International will meet at 8:30 p.m. in 502 Rudder.
- LE CERDE FRANCAIS:** will meet at 8:30 p.m. in 125 Academic.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** will meet at noon. Call the C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more details.
- DEBATE SOCIETY:** will present their first semester debate resolved: "Texas should abolish capital punishment" at 7 p.m. in 601 Rudder.
- ON CAMPUS CATHOLICS:** will discuss Mary and the Rosary at 9 p.m. at All Faiths Chapel.
- PRO-CHOICE AGGIES:** an informational meeting at 8:30 p.m. at 202 B Lincoln (across from University Cycle). This is a new organization and anyone interested should attend and share ideas.
- RECREATIONAL SPORTS:** will have registration from 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. in 159 Read for a rock climbing clinic, spring break rafting/kayaking trip, handball doubles, basketball 3 point show, billiard singles, canoe trip, mountain bike trip, horseshoe doubles and wrestling.

Wednesday

- AGGIE SPELEOLOGICAL SOCIETY:** will meet at 8:30 p.m. in 504 Rudder.
- EPISCOPAL STUDENT CENTER:** will have Holy Eucharist at 6:15 p.m. at the Episcopal Student Center.
- NEWMAN:** will have a special liturgy and a mid week study break at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Student Center.
- CATHOLICS ON THE QUAD:** will discuss "Sex and the Single Catholic" at 9 p.m. in Lounge B on the quad.
- TAMU SAILING CLUB:** will meet at 7 p.m. at Mr. Gatti's.
- TAMU SPORTS CAR CLUB:** will meet at 7 p.m. in Rudder.
- AGGIES ABROAD:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 305 Rudder.
- BLACK AWARENESS COMMITTEE:** will have an executive officers meeting at 5:15 p.m. in 146 MSC.
- STUDY ABROAD OFFICE:** will have an informational meeting about studying in Denmark at 10 a.m. in Bizzell West. There will also be information given at 11 a.m. about Fulbright grants and Marshall scholarships.
- CAMAC:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 301 Rudder.
- NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK ACCOUNTANTS:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 604 Rudder.
- UNITARIAN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION:** will have an Italian potluck supper at 7 p.m. at 307 Columbia.
- AUSTIN HOMETOWN CLUB:** will meet at 6 p.m. in 704 AB Rudder.
- RHA:** will have President's Round Table at 8:30 p.m. in 704 Rudder.
- OUTDOOR RECREATION CLUB:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 704 Rudder.
- UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES:** will have an Aggie supper at 6 p.m. at ABM Presbyterian Church.
- STUDENTS OVER 25:** will meet at 7 p.m. at K-Bob's restaurant. Bring your friends and spouses.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** will meet at noon. Call the C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more details.

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