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## Students clash over divestiture of South African investments

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Opponents and supporters of A&M's possible divestment from holdings in South Africa faced each other during the Texas A&M Debate Society's discussion Tuesday night.

Two speakers gave presentations for each side of the issue of divestment.

A&M has approximately 4 million dollars invested in multinational corporations that have holdings in South Africa.

David Luckenbach, a sophomore political science major from Corpus Christi, spoke in favor of University divestiture, saying A&M must help South Africans suffering under apartheid.

"This University faces a choice,"

Luckenbach said. "The choice is whether or not to continue the sad practice of hypocritically paying lip service to our dislike of apartheid or to stand up for the right of our fellow human beings to live in a free society."

Harald Tenwolde, a senior speech communication major from the Netherlands, presented a speech opposing divestment, saying the resulting chaos would only hurt the South African blacks the United States is trying to save.

"By divesting and crippling their economy, we're also hurting those blacks, and that's not what we want to do," Tenwolde said.

"Is it responsible to cut short the progress, however slow, and break the economic structure of a country that is already in trouble?"

Tenwolde, who used to live in South Africa, said all blacks there at

least have a home in which to sleep, and the majority of them would cherish that more than political rights.

"You say people in South Africa have homes, but they don't have the freedom of speech," he said. "If you asked a person on the street there if he'd rather like a home to sleep in or be able to speak, he'd say a home."

Tenwolde stressed education of

both blacks and whites in South Africa is the key to bringing down apartheid, not by taking giant steps like economic divestiture.

Members of the audience then had a chance to get up and present their views on the subject. One woman disagreed with Tenwolde's argument that South African blacks would rather have a home than freedom of speech.

## Court overturns conviction of Adams for death of cop

DALLAS (AP) — Randall Dale Adams, who once was three days from execution for the slaying of a police officer, was freed Tuesday under a court ruling that he didn't get a fair trial.

"This is something I've dreamed about for 12½ years," Adams told reporters after his release on a \$50,000 personal recognizance bond.

He said he'll try to erase his family's pain and "from there on I will try to be happy, and I think that will be easy to do."

Assistant District Attorney Winfield Scott said he intends to retry Adams for the 1976 shooting of Dallas patrolman Robert Wood, but may reduce the charge from capital murder to murder.

Adams said he'd welcome a chance to clear his name.

"I've always stated that, yes, I wanted another trial. The one that they gave me was unfair. I have been saying that for 12 years. I now have a few judges in Texas that have agreed with us," he said.

Filmmaker Errol Morris, whose documentary "The Thin Blue Line" questioned Adams' conviction, said he was relieved by his release after more than 12 years in prison.

"I felt that I pursued a three-year investigation into this murder. I

Some new evidence came out on film," Morris said in a phone interview from his Cambridge, Mass., home. "It's unique that a film came out not telling about a murder investigation, but it is a murder investigation."

Adams plans to spend a few days with his attorney, Randy Schaffer, in Houston, then join his family in Grove City, a suburb of Columbus, Ohio.

His mother, Mildred Adams, said her mobile home there is decorated in anticipation of his return.

"I've got yellow ribbons up and signs that we love Randy, and welcome home," she said.

Adams' release came after a visiting state district judge Tuesday denied prosecutors' allegations of bias against the judge who originally recommended Adams be freed or granted a new trial.

Prosecutors tried to get District Judge Larry Baraka removed from the case, saying he favored Adams.

The prosecutors succeeded in getting the bond raised to \$100,000 cash late Monday, which kept Adams in prison another night.

But on Tuesday, District Judge Ron Chapman revoked the higher bond after talking to Baraka in chambers.

## House studies ethics of Wright's dealings with printing firm

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Jim Wright funneled more than \$50,000 in business from his congressional office to a Fort Worth printer who at the same time was paying him \$55,000 in royalties on a book venture, according to House records.

Public records in the House clerk's office show Wright paid Carlos Moore's company, Madison Printing, for various printing jobs from his taxpayer-funded office account during the two years beginning in August 1985.

At the same time, Moore was making royalty payments to Wright from sales of his book, "Reflections of a Public Man," which Moore published under an agreement that gave Wright unusually high royalties.

The book deal is one focus of the House ethics committee's current investigation into Wright's finances.

Before 1985, Wright had done considerable business with Moore through his political campaign committee but had done almost no business through his congressional office.

House rules bar official expense payments to anyone with whom a member has "a professional or legal relationship." House general counsel Steve Ross said Tuesday he did not believe Wright's arrangement with Moore violated that standard.

"An author's royalty does not make the author and publisher business partners," he said.

The ethics panel continued meeting behind closed doors Tuesday in its second day of deliberations on the six ethics counts against the Texas Democrat. Rep. John T. Myers of Indiana, the committee's senior Republican, said he believed the process would not be concluded until early April.

"I just don't see how we can finish this massive report and get it out this week," Myers said.

Committee Chairman Julian Dixon, D-Calif., confirmed that the panel also was looking into Wright's investment in a Florida real-estate deal that yielded him substantial profits and involved the chairman of a troubled thrift institution.

The committee's special outside counsel for the Wright case, Richard Phelan, had looked into the deal but avoided interviewing all potential witnesses in an effort to keep the probe quiet. After the deal was reported by ABC News and the Wall Street Journal on Monday night and Tuesday, the committee may seek to interview additional witnesses, he said.

Wright and a Fort Worth business partner, George Mallick, bought into the Winderwood development near Orlando, Fla., after Richard Swann, chairman of the American Pioneer savings bank in Orlando, began to develop it in 1985.

Swann — also an official of the U.S. League of Savings Institutions, a lobbying arm of the thrift industry — said he did not at first know Wright was Mallick's partner and that when he did learn of the link, he carefully avoided asking the speaker for favors.

Through their corporation, Mallightco, Mallick and Wright bought a one-sixth interest in the 20-acre housing development. Documents setting up a blind trust for Wright in 1987 list the value of the investment at \$104,000. A spokesman for Wright said Mallightco put up \$39,000 for its share of the deal.

At the time, Wright was lobbying federal regulators on behalf of Texas savings and loan institutions, an activity that is the basis for one of six ethics allegations against him.

## Commons Dining Center closes for renovations

By Juliette Rizzo

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The Commons Dining Center has been closed for interior renovations and will reopen prior to Fall 1989 to serve students.

Students with meal plans who utilized the Commons facility have the option to eat at Sbsia or Duncan Dining Halls.

Duncan, the Corps of Cadets dining facility, is open seven days a week with the same weekend meal schedule as the Commons. Sbsia's schedule is also the same as the Commons.

Breakfast for civilians at Duncan is served from 7:15-10:15 a.m. Lunch is served from 10:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Dinner is served from 4:15-6:10 p.m.

The only difference in the eating

schedule for civilians is that breakfast and evening meal times are scheduled around Corps formation times.

The Corps has formation and marches to breakfast at 7 a.m. Monday through Friday. Evening march-in to Duncan is at 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

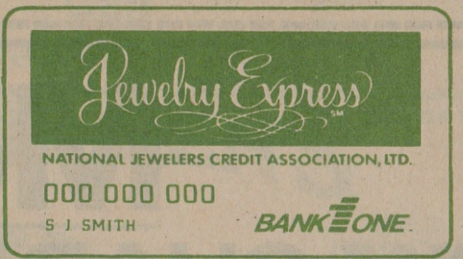
Formation begins 10 minutes before march-in and civilians should be aware that the sidewalks in the area are occupied and blocked by the Corps during this time. After march-in, the Corps generally takes 15 minutes to obtain their meals and be seated.

Civilians can sit anywhere in the dining area prior to dinner. At dinner, when the Corps has assigned seating, civilians are requested to sit in the north end of the east wing of Duncan, which does not interfere with the Corps' normal table assignments.

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1.00	1,650	3,300
.95	2,395	4,700
.93	1,595	3,200
.92	1,650	3,300
.91	3,195	6,400
.90	1,750	3,500
.89	1,350	2,700
.88	1,940	2,700
.85	1,685	3,300
.84	2,150	4,200
.83	1,595	3,200
.81	2,250	2,250
.76	1,360	2,700
.72	1,275	2,600
.70	1,235	2,500
.64	895	1,700
.64	1,325	2,700
.62	795	1,500
.60	795	1,500
.57	795	1,500
.56	895	1,700
.55	695	1,300
.55	695	1,300
.53	795	1,500
.52	895	1,700
.52	795	1,500
.51	1,250	2,500
.51	795	1,500
.50	695	1,300
.50	795	1,500
.47	750	1,450
.46	650	1,250
.46	495	900
.30	335	700
.22	185	400

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.21	\$165	\$300
.21	215	450
.19	165	300
.18	155	290
.16	118	250
.15	111	240
.14	95	200

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1.37	4,850	9,000
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.47	695	1,350

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.99	2,375	4,500
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.70	1,395	2,950
.62	1,275	2,500
.58	1,195	2,300
.58	995	2,000
.53	1,225	2,500
.51	1,095	2,000
.50	1,050	2,000
.10	105	200

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2.14	\$5,850	\$11,700
1.75	5,425	11,000
1.67	4,950	9,900
1.43	3,780	7,000
1.24	4,285	8,000
1.21	2,375	4,600
1.21	3,475	6,500
1.01	2,675	4,900
.64	1,295	2,600
.60	1,150	2,300
.58	995	1,900
.52	665	1,300
.45	325	600
.10	95	200

Carat	MARQUISE Our price	Compare at
2.04	\$11,875	\$25,000
1.67	4,975	10,000
1.56	4,775	9,000
1.35	2,650	5,200
1.23	3,350	6,700
1.17	3,850	6,800
1.04	2,585	6,000
.92	2,075	5,800
.90	2,275	4,600
.83	2,575	6,000
.79	1,895	3,200
.72	2,130	5,000
.71	2,095	4,100
.70	1,795	3,100
.70	2,250	4,500
.64	1,385	2,600
.62	795	1,600
.55	850	1,700
.47	625	1,300
.45	795	1,400
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