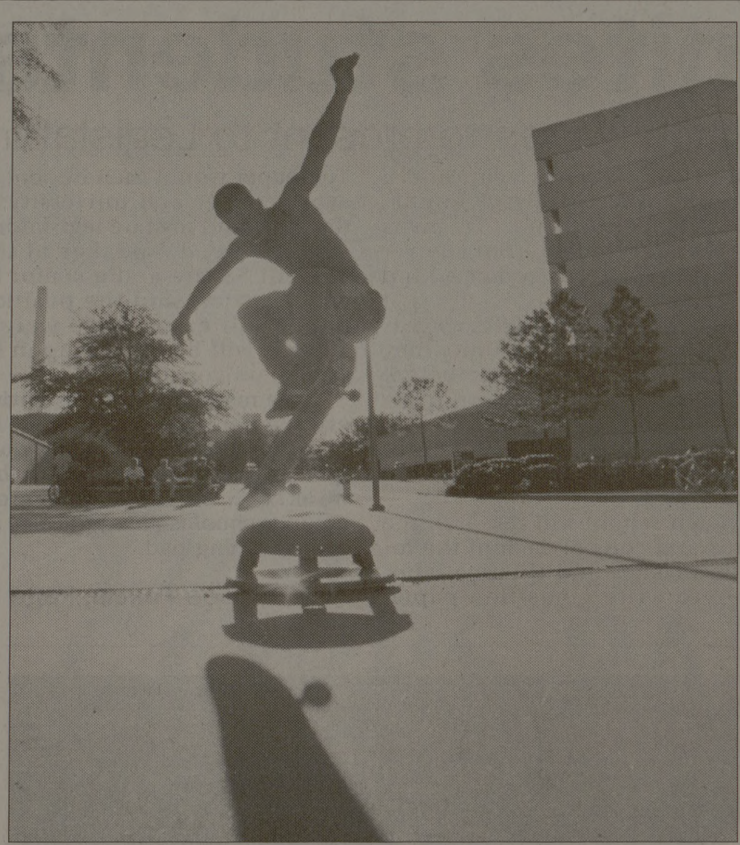


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Hang Time

Jamie Rogers, a junior marketing major, skateboards behind the Blocker Building Sunday afternoon.

► State

Oil royalties help fund UT, A&M education

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — Winning bidders of a silent auction of West Texas oil and gas leases will drill for more than petroleum on those desolate lands. They'll drill for knowledge.

The University of Texas System owns the land, and the Public University Fund will benefit Monday when UT officials open sealed bids from their 90th mineral lease auction since they began leasing the land 71 years ago.

The System will announce the winning bids for the 228 tracts on Tuesday in Austin.

"No other state has that kind of oil available for higher education," said Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, chairman of the Board for Lease of University Lands and an A&M graduate. "It's made Texas A&M and the University of Texas universities of first class."

The rent payments and oil royalties from UT lands go directly into the state's Permanent University Fund, established in 1838 by the Republic of Texas. A 1923 gusher from a Reagan County well, the Santa Rita No. 1 now on display at UT-Austin, turned huge tracts of semi-lucrative grazing land into a 2.1 million-acre mint.

Cattle still graze there, and more

than 1,000 acres of wine grapes also are in production, complete with a full-scale collegiate winery near Fort Stockton. Oil remains king, however.

Thanks to a deal cut between the UT and A&M systems in the 1920s, when UT alumni ruled the Capitol, Texas' endowment fund receives two-thirds of the PUF money, compared to a third for A&M schools.

That's why the UT system's \$5.2 billion portfolio of securities ranks second behind Harvard nationally. But don't cry for the Aggies: they rank seventh at more than \$2.2 billion heading into 1996, according to a study by the National Association of College and University Business Executives.

Most schools invest heavily in the stock markets, and none owns anywhere close to the petroleum interests the UT and A&M systems have.

The PUF funds about 10 percent of the systems' budgets, mostly for capital improvement projects with a little scholarship money left over. It has been criticized in recent years for the merely average return its investments are receiving.

Lawmaker: State funds not for arenas

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas and Houston officials may feel they have secured some local public support toward building new stadiums, but

neither city should expect any state subsidies, a key lawmaker warned.

"They don't have an interest in what's good for the whole state, only what's good for their regional concepts," said state Rep. Kim Brimer, who killed a Dallas-backed bill last session that would have let cities pay for arenas with sales taxes collected at the facilities.

On Tuesday — the first day to file bills for the next Legislature — Brimer, an Arlington Republican, will offer a bill that would bar the use of any state money for stadiums.

It also would give cities several arena-finance options, from a citywide sales-tax increase to taxes on parking, tickets, rental cars and hotel rooms.

Like Houston, Dallas wants to divert some state money in the form of sales taxes collected at stadiums. The cities argue that professional sports means big money for the state.

► Nation

Intimidation added to list of charges

BALTIMORE (AP) — Army instructors charged with raping and harassing female recruits at a training center are also accused of threatening them — sometimes with death — to keep quiet.

"I'm going to knock you out and get away with it," drill sergeant told a trainee according to newly released documents.

Four drill instructors captain at the Army Ordnance Center have been charged with criminal charges and administrative counts. The 15 others have been suspended in the widening investigation.

The five men facing charges which range from rape to improper love letters to trainees, were accused of harassing at least a dozen in their first weeks of training. The average age of the was 21.

Army investigators plan to interview as many as 1,000 who were trained at the center since the beginning of 1995.

After the charges were announced Thursday, the Army set up a hot line for anyone who reported sexual abuse at the post, and 1,528 calls were received by late Saturday.

At least 50 calls were from women, including many who reported a variety of improper behavior ranging from crude remarks to severe sexual abuse. About 60 other callers complained of problems at other Army installations nationwide, Army officials said.

► This day in history

(AP) — Today is Monday, Nov. 11, the 316th day of 1996. There are 50 days left in the year. This is Veterans Day in the United States, Remembrance Day in Canada.

On this date: In 1620, 41 Pilgrims aboard the Mayflower anchored off Massachusetts, signed a compact calling for a body politic.

In 1831, former slave Nat Turner, who had led a violent insurrection, was executed in Jerusalem, Va.

In 1918, fighting in World War I came to an end with the signing of an armistice between the Allies and Germany.

In 1966, Gemini 12 blasted off from Cape Kennedy, Fla., with astronauts James A. Lovell and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin Jr.

In 1972, the Army turned over its base at Long Binh to the South Vietnamese army, symbolizing the end of

direct U.S. military involvement in the Vietnam War.

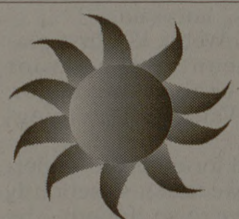

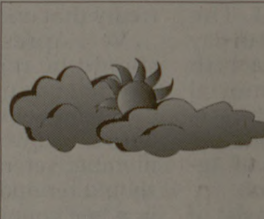
In 1983, President Ronald Reagan became the first U.S. chief executive to address the Diet, Japan's national legislature.

One year ago: With a partial government shutdown looming, President Clinton and Republican congressional leaders clashed over Medicare and bickered over who to include in compromise budget talks.

► Today's birthdays

Former State Department official Alger Hiss is 92. Author Kurt Vonnegut Jr. is 74. Comedian Jonathan Winters is 71. Singer Marshall Crenshaw is 42. Rock musician Ian Marsh (Human League; Heaven 17) is 40. Actress Demi Moore is 34. Actor Philip McKeon is 32. Rock musician Scott Mercado (Goo Goo Dolls) is 32. Actor Leonardo DiCaprio is 22.

► Weather

Today	Tonight	Tomorrow	Highs & Lows
			Today's Expected High: 80°F
Mostly sunny with south winds 5-10 miles per hour.	Partly cloudy with south winds 5-10 miles per hour.	Partly cloudy with south winds 10-15 miles per hour.	Tonight's Expected High: 58°F
			Tomorrow's Expected High: 80°F
			Tomorrow Night's Expected Low: 61°F

Information courtesy of TAMU.

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The Department of English Writing Programs Office announces forcing hours for graduating seniors for English 210 and 310.

Spring 1997 degree candidates must bring a signed letter (on departmental stationery) from their academic advisors to Blocker 224. No forces will be done during pre-registration period. To be forced, you must come into the office on the dates and times listed below.

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Forces into these classes are limited. Spring 1997 Semester

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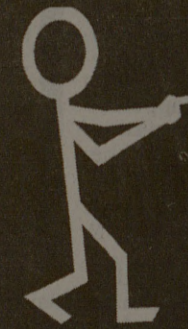
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