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Jordan's illness doesn't stop Bulls

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Michael the momentum in the series by Jordan showed everyone how the best players win the biggest games.

Jordan, playing despite a flu that had him vomiting until just before game time, scored 38 points and made a huge 3-pointer with 25 seconds left to lead the Chicago Bulls to a 90-88 victory over the Utah Jazz on Wednesday night in Game 5 of the NBA Finals

Jordan scored 15 points in the final quarter and moved the Bulls within one victory of their fifth championship this decade. They can get it Friday night in Game 6 at the United Center as the series moves back to Chicago.

"Sometimes you've got to come out and do what you've got to do," Jordan said. "We wanted it real bad and me as a leader had to do my best, and hopefully the team would have to rally around me.

The Jazz, who had taken over

winning the two previous games, got a lesson in making the big plays at the big moments.

And they learned their lesson the hard way by repeatedly botching things down the stretch to have their 23-game winning home streak broken.

Karl Malone scored only one basket in the

fourth quarter, shot an airball on his final attempt with about a minute left and then failed to commit a foul when Utah needed to stop the clock.

Jeff Hornacek missed a 3pointer with three seconds left that would have tied it and John Stockton, needing to make his first free throw and intentionally miss the second as the Jazz double-teamed.

trailed by three with 0.2 seconds left, missed the first.

Jordan, whose

It was quite a contrast to the way Jordan performed when his team needed him most, even the way he responded to his one mortal

moment. eyes looked so tired and who spent a lot of time bent over tugging on his shorts, went to the free throw

line with 46 seconds left with a chance to put Chicago ahead by one. He made the first and missed the second, then charged into the lane and picked up the loose

ball after it was batted around. The Bulls reset their offense and passed the ball inside to Scottie Pippen posting up, and he threw it out to Jordan when he was about to be

Jordan calmly swished the pointer to give Chicago an 88-851

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Greg Ostertag scored on a dunkt cut Chicago's lead to 88-87 with 15sed onds left, and the Jazz then seemed brainlock under the pressure.

The Bulls inbounded to Pipp in the backcourt and Malone ha chance to foul him and stop t clock. But Malone, perhaps n wanting to pick up his sixth foul, Pippen dribble past him.

Before the Jazz knew it, Luc Longer (had the ball under the basket for adu that restored the three-point lead.

All Utah could do after that was try for a 3-pointer, and Hornace had to attempt an off-balance on with three seconds left.

After Stockton missed his free throw with 0.2 seconds left, the raucous crowd at the Delta Centerfiled out silently, knowing that their fram chise's best chance for its first title had probably passed.

Texas executes 21st inmate of '97 Behringer was convicted of killing a former A&M student

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A man convicted of killing a couple at a Tarrant County lovers' lane during a \$15 robbery was put to death Wednesday as Texas surpassed a 62-year-old state record for most executions in a single year.

Earl Behringer, 33, was pronounced dead at 6:17 p.m., seven minutes after a lethal dose of drugs began flowing into his arms.

It was the 21st execution this year in Texas, topping the previous mark of 20 carried out in 1935, when the state used the electric chair as its method of capital punishment.

Behringer was condemned for the shooting deaths of Daniel Meyer Jr., 22, of Everman, and Meyer's fiance, Janet Hancock, 21, of Mansfield, on Sept. 14, 1986.

The condemned man, who had a Bible on his chest, spoke firmly and quickly in a final statement.

man. I am leaving here a man," he said. Behringer thanked family members and friends and said he had "known the love of a good woman, my wife Then he turned to six members of his victims'

"It's a good day to die. I walked in here like a

families, watching through a window a few feet away, and referred to them by name.

am sorry for any pain I have caused you," he said. "If my death gives you any peace, so be it."

"I want my friends to know it is not the way to die, but I belong to Jesus Christ. I confess my sins. I have been baptized and I am going home to him." He wrapped up his comments by adding, "I am thankful to the Dallas Cowboys for giving me a lot of enjoyment these past years.

As the drugs took effect, Behringer gasped twice and said, "I'm going home," before he pickup truck in a remote area of Mansfield, jus

stopped breathing.

southeast of Fort Worth, when they were ambushed, gunned down and robbed of all the money they were carrying. Meyer was an Army lieutenant who had been

Behringer's victims were parked in Meyer

in the Corps of Cadets at Texas A&M Universit His fiance was an education major at the Uni versity of Texas at Arlington.

Behringer, an Army veteran who also was attending the University of Texas at Arlington, and a companion, Scott Rouse, a high school senior, were arrested within hours.

Rouse turned himself in to police and implicated Behringer, who then was picked up while trying to sell a gun that was linked to the killings.

RING

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The tradition of the Aggie ring started in 1889, wrote author Jerry C. Cooper, but it looked much different than today's rings. It was a circlet with a large "AMC" intertwined across the face and surrounded by four small diamonds.

In 1894, Edward C. Jones created a new design after consulting with classmates. It had an intricately intertwined "AMC" placed on a rectangular crown, with "18" above crossed sabers on one side and "95" above crossed rifles on the other side.

The ring's 1899 redesign lasted 30 years and incorporated some symbols still found on today's rings. An eagle, its breast covered by a shield with stars above verti-

when the Texas Legislature changed A&M's name from Texas A&M College to Texas A&M University.

The history of the Aggie ring continues to evolve with each student who wears it.

The Rev. Sam Hose of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in College Station said he once performed a wedding in Austin, where Aggie rings served a very practical purpose.

Hose was wedding two University of Texas graduates at St. Mary's Cathedral in Austin when he realized the couple did not have their wedding bands. The best man and maid of honor were Aggies, so he asked for their senior rings, blessed the rings and gave them to the couple to exchange.

"It got quite a lot of applause from the Aggies in the crowd," Hose said. Bleiker said the Aggie ring al-



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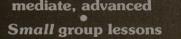
Texas A&M President Ray Bowen said Tuesday that the applicant "probably would have gotten in anyway.

"Besides, we like Mr. Lanev," Bowen said. "He's not the sort of person who would make a frivolous recommendation, and you want a kid at the university who has therespect (of the House speaker)."

Bowen also intervened in 1996, at West's request, for a student from Mexico who did not meet admission standards. Federal privacy law prevents

schools from releasing studen identities or other information about them.

A bill died in committee during the recent Legislature that would have barred public uni versities from considerin some recommendations from public officials or donors. also would have prohibited state colleges and universities from considering an applicant's ties to alumni. Rep. Glen Maxey, D-Austin, who sponsored the bill, said he would reintroduce it next session





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cal stripes, was placed at the top of the ring. Space was left at the bottom for the class year. This design also featured a cannon and gun on one side and a Texas

wreath on the other. During this period, a saber replaced one of the crossed rifles, and the eagle and the cannon occasionally faced different directions.

The ring design of 1935 is very similar to today's design. The words "Texas A&M College," which were placed around the crown of the ring in 1933, were changed to "A&M College of Texas." The Texas and United States flags appeared on the ring for the first time.

The only change in the Aggie Ring since 1935 occurred in 1963,

He said this might have a stronger impact on the

staff than the faculty because many staff members

are still trying to complete their education, while

many of the faculty have earned their degrees.

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ways draws people's attention. "Anytime you go anywhere in

the country, people see it (an Aggie Ring) and they're from A&M,' Bleiker said. "It's like a magnet."

Assistant sports information director Steve Miller, Class of '95, said even people who did not attend A&M notice the rings.

Miller recently traveled to San Francisco with the A&M baseball and tennis teams. He said although none of the players were wearing Aggie clothing, people asked them if they were from the same school.

When the Aggies asked the strangers how they knew, the people replied, "We noticed you were all wearing the same gold ring."

> the cost will not influence their decision to pursue their education.

> Jeff Griswold, a visualization production specialist, took courses at A&M last year while working at the Visualization Lab. He said he probably would have paid the fees if required.

"If I would have had access to the same things student had, I would have gone ahead and paid it," he said. "It probably wouldn't have made a difference to me.'

Piwonka said A&M worked to get legisla-

"We should all be able to write letters of recommendation if we know the person and can vouch for their aptitude, their stud habits," Maxey said.

Bowen said he has limited preferential admissions since ar riving at A&M three years ago.

Source: The Texas Aggie

tion passed that would give A&M the author ity to decide who is exempt from fees.

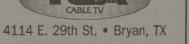
'The University did go to bat for the facu ty and staff," he said.

Wylie said the Administration and the Fac ulty Senate are in agreement over the issue

'The System is very much concerned abo the well-being of the faculty and staff," he said

This ruling does not affect other fee waive such as graduate student non-resident waive and competitive scholarship waivers.

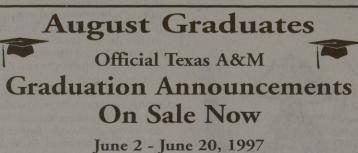
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Bus goes out of control, kills four

NORMANDY, Mo. (AP) - A student driver lost control of a public bus as she pulled into a stop Wednesday, plowing into a crowded train platform on the University of Missouri-St. Louis campus. Four people were killed.

Firefighters had to use air bags to lift the bus off one victim. Two were struck so hard that their shoes were found where they had been standing.

Two died instantly, police said, while the other two were declared dead a short time later at a hospital in this St. Louis suburb.

Another person was seriously injured but her life was not in danger, authorities said. Two others cluding the bus driver - were treat ed for minor injuries.

The bus was pulling into a stop when it jumped a curb about 9:15 a.m, striking the train platform where some 18 to 20 people were waiting for the MetroLink train, said Police Chief Jerry Burke.

Witnesses said the bus ap proached the platform too fast te B leaving people little time to get out leaving people little time to get out of the way.

Burke said the cause of th crash won't be known until the bus is examined, which should take days.

