

Investments elude state, UH audits

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Study lists securities

Detailed records of UH's short-term investments show that investments made by fired financial analyst Samuel Harwell were to have been approved by assistant vice president and treasurer J. Treadway Brogdon, recorded in the controller's office and audited by the State of Texas and UH's internal auditing department.

However, officials in the state auditor's office in Austin and the controller's office on the UH Central Campus said the "safeguard procedures" outlined in the report were not carried out by Harwell.

The Daily Cougar obtained a copy of the report, entitled "Temporary Investment Procedures" dated June 4, 1975. The report was kept on file in Brogdon's office on the second floor of the Ezekiel Cullen Building.

Although the report is unsigned and has no cover letter, the typist's initials on the eight-page document are "psb." Harwell's secretary at that time was Pat Bonham, according to personnel in the controller's office.

The report said the university's temporary investment portfolio

was summarized each month, and had recorded all UH short-term investments as of April 30, 1975. The Cougar has requested similar reports of UH officials, but as of Wednesday no one had complied with the request. UH staff legal counsel C. Pat Bailey has requested an opinion from Attorney General John Hill to determine whether Brogdon's files are open to the public.

Currently, federal and state authorities are investigating UH short-term investments. These investments were handled by Harwell, who worked under Brogdon. Since the investigation began, Harwell has been fired by UH and Brogdon has taken early retirement.

Brogdon could not be reached for comment Thursday.

Brogdon and other UH officials have said the former treasurer's early retirement is not connected with the university's current investment problems. Portions of his files have since been moved into the offices of Dr. Roger Singleton, UH System executive vice president. The rest are in a storage room in the Ezekiel Cullen Building.

The controversy involves university money which Harwell allegedly invested in high-risk government bonds. The bonds in question are Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae) bonds, formerly called Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) bonds.

The report lists 84 purchased bonds with a total par value (the bonds' worth at maturity) of approximately \$100 million. Fannie Maes make up \$26.5 million of this.

Harwell allegedly "pyramided" UH investments in Ginnie Maes and Fannie Maes. This involves purchasing one bond, then using that bond as collateral on a second bond. Harwell allegedly obtained some of the bonds for about 2 to 5 percent of their face value using



Brogdon

this method.

The report obtained by The Cougar said that from March 1974 to June 1975, UH short-term investment practices had evolved "into a professionally managed program that involves both active trading of the portfolio (as opposed to holding securities to maturity), and dealing in large size transactions directly with major money market firms."

The report also said that up until the time the report was written, that practice "has proven economically advantageous for

the University of Houston."

However, sources with the Securities and Exchange Commission quoted in The Wall Street Journal said enough funds may have been involved in these transactions to affect the Ginnie Maes market. Members of the UH Board of Regents investigating the situation later said they doubted that would prove to be the case.

Federal and state investigators, including the Board of Regents, have said the investigation has been hindered by poor records of the Ginnie Mae transactions. State auditor George W. McNeill went as far as to say that "the problem has not proven to be one of poor record keeping, but one of absolutely no record keeping."

However, the report obtained by The Cougar lists each short-term investment separately by individual bond. The report describes the type of bond, its rate of growth, maturity date and its value upon maturity. The list is a cumulative compilation of all UH short-term investment bonds as of April 30, 1975.

The report also outlines a number of "internal controls upon the UH investment program . . . to safeguard all concerned parties." These safeguards include:

● A written record kept of all investments at the time of the transactions. These records were (See Matures, Page 11)



TONY JOHNSON

Once again?

Will this scene be repeated? Will the UH basketball team triumph in the NCAA tournament as they did in the Southwest Conference Post-Season Classic? Will they overcome Notre Dame, the first obstacle to this goal? Tune in to Channel 2 at 3 p.m. Sunday and find out (the answer to the last question, anyway).

Candidates, Cypriot

Forums to feature politics

The U.S. Ambassador from Cyprus, Nicholas Demetriou, will discuss the political issues which have brought Cyprus and Turkey into conflict at noon Tuesday in the World Affairs Lounge, UC.

Demetriou, who was appointed in 1974, is a merchant, banker and industrialist by trade. He served as Minister of Commerce and Industry in the Cyprus government in 1968 and 1970, and was a close friend of the late Cypriot President Makarios.

Demetriou will discuss the effect U.S. refusal to continue

arms sales to Turkey has had on negotiations.

His discussion is part of the World Issues Month series of events sponsored by Program Council.



All seven candidates running for the 18th Congressional District seat to be vacated by Barbara Jordan are expected to be present at a public debate at noon Saturday in the World Affairs

Lounge, UC.

U.S. Representative candidates Anthony Hall, Mickey Leland, Jack Linville Jr., Judson Robinson Jr., Harrel Tillman and Al Vera have confirmed they will be present for the debate. Nathaniel West, the seventh candidate to file, has not been reached for confirmation but is also expected.

The debate is sponsored by Program Council and KPFT-FM (90.1) radio, who will broadcast the debate live. Mike August, KPFT station manager, will moderate the panel.

Powers wins runoff

Pat Powers swept all 12 polling stations as the SA presidential election runoff votes were counted Thursday, rolling up a 61.4 percent victory margin after finishing second in the presidential race last week.

Powers, currently president of Program Council, received 1,348 of the 2,199 votes cast campuswide, compared to 845 votes for her opponent, SA senate speaker Vic Quintanilla. Quintanilla led the race last week with 741 votes, to 658 for Powers.

The new president screamed with delight when the final box, the UC (which she carried 254 to 239), was announced. "I just can't believe it," she said. "I walked in here expecting to be creamed." Powers was not present when the vote counting began in the Dallas Room, UC. Several friends went to find her and told her she was losing by 15 votes, when she actually had been leading by about the same margin (60 percent) all night.

She and the new vice president, running mate Willis Williams, head the Student Party for University Reform, which captured the position of student representative to the UH Board of Regents, both elective seats on the Student Service Fee Planning and Allocations Committee, and both elective seats on the UC Policy Board in last week's election. Quintanilla's Students Party (SP), however, commands a



Powers

majority (18) of the 34 senate seats. Twelve senators were elected from SPUR, while two other parties took a seat apiece and an independent won another.

The campaign was marked by a series of charges of election code violations against both parties, including mass distribution of SPUR leaflets in the law school carrels (a charge which was dropped early Thursday), use of the SA duplicating machine to produce SP fliers (Student Court ruled that access to the machine was not physically limited, and other candidates besides SP vice presidential candidate Vanessa Johnson could have used the machine if they wanted to), and complaints about other campaign materials.

OPINION

editorials — reader viewpoints

Last week's fair

Politics hurts internationals

By CHRISTINA MELIS

Once more, the "International Fair" is over, and once again the irony of the event disgusts me. It started with a grossly misinterpreted theme: "Unity through Diversity."

Unity? Never before have the international students been so disunited; it only demonstrates that once more, this fair, which should set an example of friendship and goodwill among countries, can be very easily manipulated to serve one's own purposes. This year it was turned into a shameful battleground by those who don't know the meaning of peace, and obviously are not interested.

Diversity? Except for some sincere students who were gracious in their presentations of welcomes and informations, the majority of students were belligerent, rude, offensive and altogether immature.

For those of you who know little about the International Fair, here is some information as to what it is. It is a non-political exhibition of costumes, arts, sights and sounds of different countries, meant to bring about a greater un-

derstanding of other cultures and friendships among the many foreign students who attend UH.

That is what the International Fair is supposed to be. What happened? The fair's organization was left to those who value power too much and those who love titles

commentary

such as "chairman" but do nothing to deserve the titles. These are the people who give the International Student Organization a bad name.

To quote Ms. Amis Wilder, the person in charge of the fair, when asked about the possibility of a non-political fair, she said, "How can you separate politics from culture?"

It's a little late to ask since she was in charge of it all the time, but allow me to comment on this: events should have followed the theme; no one should have gotten carried away (as they so openly did) with politics; the fair should not be manipulated by the many groups which did.

I would, furthermore, like to suggest the sequel to next year's

fair: The International Fair, 1979.

Theme: "Politics and Culture—bring your own guns."

Calendar of events:

- Sunday: Opening—come throw a tomato at your favorite counsul.

- Monday: Noon lecture—"How to manufacture a Molotov cocktail in one easy lesson."

- Tuesday: "The Fabric of Nations—come tear a flag or two."

- Wednesday: Talent Show—Boos Galore.

- Thursday "Outstanding Student"—Interrogation and torture techniques explained.

- Friday: Grand Ball—elaborating on the art of segregation and ostracism.

That is one alternative: no hypocrisy.

The one I like best, though, is: let someone with a backbone do what has been proven to be a difficult task.

And please, let's try to gain back the respect of our fellow students, who by now cannot understand how such an immature group has been allowed so much money to be spent on such a ridiculous affair.

Hormone contraceptives help planning in modern society

By BILL WINTERS

Although not the most widely used method of birth control in the world, "the pill" is certainly the most preferred approach in the more industrialized nations. In ages past, there was no effective means of preventing conception, save abstinence. However, in agrarian societies there was value in the large family, but in today's modern society things have changed (hopefully for the better) and a large family is now a financial liability.

The endocrinologist has made a most valuable scientific contribution with the development of female sex hormone oral contraceptives. Early forms used in limited human trials were based on a formula composed of male sex hormones and had serious drawbacks to their use. Growth of facial and body hair were some of the unwanted effects. But as science advanced, so did "the pill," thus the advent of the modern estrogen and progestin types; i.e., female sex hormones. Other uses besides contraception make these hormones

valuable. For instance, one short-term application of certain estrogens is in reducing the "hot flashes" and other unpleasant results of menopause. The dosage in these cases should be the lowest possible and tailored to the

traindicated in several disease states.

Risks must be measured against benefits by the physician and patient; hormone contraceptives are considered to be safe for most women with regular

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... is a column devoted to drug information which will appear periodically on the editorial page this semester.

specific substance and patient. The benefits of estrogen to prevent "aging" associated with the menopause has not been proven and estrogens should only be used for a short time to relieve specific undesirable changes of the menopause.

DES (diethylstilbestrol) has been effective as a "morning after pill," but its use should be limited to emergency situations such as rape. Other estrogen products have been of some limited value in the slowing of bone decalcification in older women. Estrogens should not be used in pregnancy due to possible damage to the fetus, and they are con-

doctor's visits and pap smears. It is also to be noted that it is pharmacy's role to provide drug information to the patient; however, it is the patient's duty to correctly comply with the physicians's directions in taking medication.

DOONESBURY



by Garry Trudeau

Daily Cougar seeking reporters

The Daily Cougar is now hiring writers for all departments, particularly news and features. Interested

students should call the appropriate department editor or David Hurlbut, managing editor, at 749-4141.

Letters Policy

Letters to the editor must be typewritten and should not exceed 250 words. Submissions up to 500 words long may be accepted for publication as commentaries. Anyone is welcome to use a typewriter in the Cougar office if needed.

Both letters and commentaries are subject to basic editing. Both will be run as space permits: the Cougar reserves the right to delete portions of any article because of length.

Letters and commentaries must be accompanied by the writer's name and student number (or position if a university faculty member or employee.)

Day-after thoughts for election 'Winner'

Page 2 goes to bed at the Cougar pretty early in the day, so we didn't know who won the SA presidential runoff election.

That's too bad, because we would have liked to say, "Good luck, Winner, you're going to need it." The president of SA can have a lot of impact on this campus, with dedication, openness to ideas and visibility—the last of which has been a consistent shortcoming in the past.

We would have liked to say, "Winner we hope that you can provide the kind of leadership that will keep student government on the track of providing needed student services. We hope you will be mindful of problems like parking, the cost of books and food on campus, excessive red tape just about everywhere, lackluster academic advising in many majors and a short supply of students who are able and willing to serve on many committees that would get student input on some of these problems if any students would show up. We hope you can direct more at these problems than rhetoric."

We'd have liked to say, "Winner, reach. There are good people around, even among those who ran on parties that opposed you. Listen to them, use them. Some candidates, like always, probably just wanted to improve their resumes. But some of them really care about the student situation on campus; that's why they worked hard like you did to get into office. But only one person can win in each position; those who lost may still have something to contribute.

We'd like to have been one of the first to say, "Winner, congratulations," hitting the newsstands first thing in the morning. Students have shown a lot of confidence in you by this election, and you probably have a year-long struggle ahead to keep them convinced they were right.

But we had to close the page down at mid-afternoon. Maybe you'll get the message anyway.

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Judith k. mcginnis

No place like home

Well, my fellow dorm residents have been asking me to write about the food (?) there for quite some time now, and in a lax moment I have decided to do so. Mostly it has been prompted by another dormie's need to prove to his parents (in print) that the food really is that bad.

Now, of course there is no way that the cafeterias at the Quadrangle or the Moody Towers could be reviewed like a regular restaurant. Not only would it be unfair (foodwise), but the comparison of service and decor—well—er, there is none—service or decor.

Upon first entering the Quad cafeteria, one's senses are literally assaulted by sights and smells. Since doors are left agap

before they eat, all Quad residents get a good look at where their dinner is prepared (oh yum). As for odors, the food itself doesn't necessarily smell bad, it's just that so often it smells strong—like you may have to wrestle it to the ground (three out of five falls) before eating.

Next you are greeted by the friendly personnel. Most of the time this is not a bad experience; the people who work at the Quad are quite nice and have a good attitude toward the students. However, in the Towers where all Quad residents have to eat on the weekend, it's another box of crackers. Generally, weekend service personnel at the Towers would rather see your meal in your face than on your plate. Very

endearing.

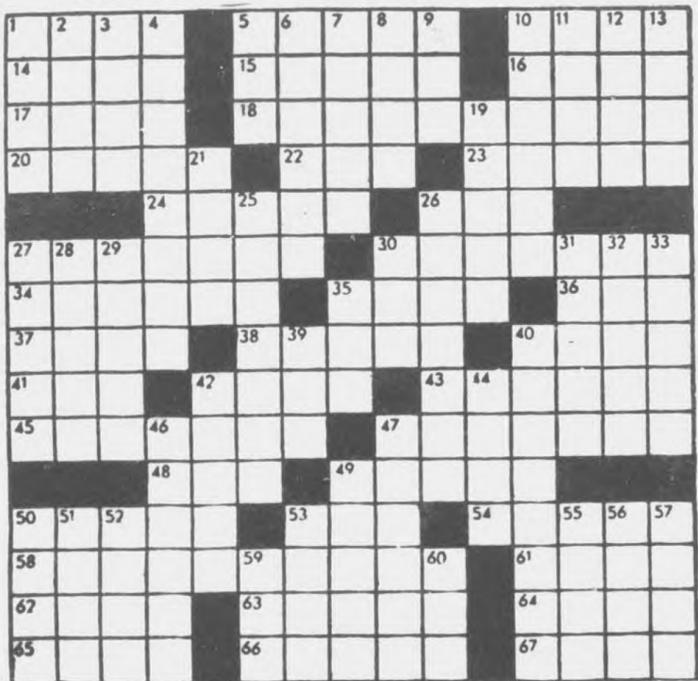
Here's the tough part, describing the food. It is, how do you say it in your country, the pits. I fully realize that this is institutional cooking, but this is no excuse for the fact that students are served far too many carbohydrates and too little protein, and most food is overcooked.

It doesn't seem like it would be difficult or expensive to cut out the plethora of nutritionally useless gravies and pasta fillers in many dishes or to serve more fresh, well-prepared vegetables and fruits.

Few who live in university housing are screaming health nuts, but even fewer particularly enjoy eating bland, nutritionally useless food just to fill a hollow spot in their stomach. At the prices they're paying they deserve better.

So much for the sermonette. And if anyone is interested, the dorm cafeterias are open to the public for breakfast, lunch and dinner, all for a minimal sum. Actually, if you get into having a large breakfast, the dorms are a much better bet than the UC Cafeteria or Satellite. For less than \$2 it's all you can eat.

Daily Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Result of a KO punch
- 5 Not hidden
- 10 Follows for payment
- 14 "Not on ---!"
- 15 Eyelashes
- 16 Gr. goddess of war
- 17 Strike violently
- 18 Amateur film efforts: 2 words
- 20 Church council
- 22 Moon vehicle, for short
- 23 Saying
- 24 No. Amer. snake
- 26 Encountered by chance
- 27 "----- ease": Army order
- 30 Elaborate presentation
- 34 Slow down
- 35 Arizona city
- 36 Garland
- 37 Orderly
- 38 Defraud
- 40 Hole in the ground
- 41 WW-II initials
- 42 Most important
- 43 Beetle

DOWN

- 45 Throws off the tracks
- 47 Indy-500 participants
- 48 Boding evil
- 49 Macaroni dough
- 50 Trombone part
- 53 Japanese coin
- 54 Push
- 58 Astronauts' milieu: 2 words
- 61 American Indian
- 62 --- in the wood
- 63 Speed competitions
- 64 Elysium
- 65 French father
- 66 Unable to move
- 67 Wrest
- 1 Vehicles
- 2 Comply
- 3 Signify
- 4 Legal man
- 5 Alas!
- 6 Shrinking -----: Shy person
- 7 "----- Gantry"
- 8 Oxhide strap
- 9 Scottish cap

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HAITI SPAIN PAS
ACRID HORSE ADE
TRAPSHOOTER SIN
SENT ERRS VISTA
OPEN HONEST
REPEAL GROUND
AWARD TRESS OMA
MERS RIANT AVON
TIRE FIRST AVERT
NOOSES STERNS
NATURE TIER
ARETE SCUD ARAH
PER STEAMENGINE
ENA TONTO CEDAR
SAL SENIOR ODETS
  
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- 10 Dedicate
- 11 Military squad
- 12 Russian "nay"
- 13 Mediocre
- 19 Greek letter
- 21 Pops
- 25 Sound of derision
- 26 The -----: Golf event
- 27 Overfed
- 28 Banal
- 29 Warmth of desire
- 30 Legume
- 31 Winged
- 32 No way
- 33 Layers
- 35 Chess pieces
- 39 Pronoun
- 40 Arrogant
- 42 Track star
- 44 Stone: Suffix.
- 46 ----- camp
- 47 Ray Bolger, for one
- 49 W. Can. river
- 50 No -----: Not possible: Slang
- 51 Small sled
- 52 Where Caesar rode
- 53 Time period
- 55 Presage
- 56 Boy's name
- 57 Scepter
- 59 Hindu title
- 60 Approx. cost

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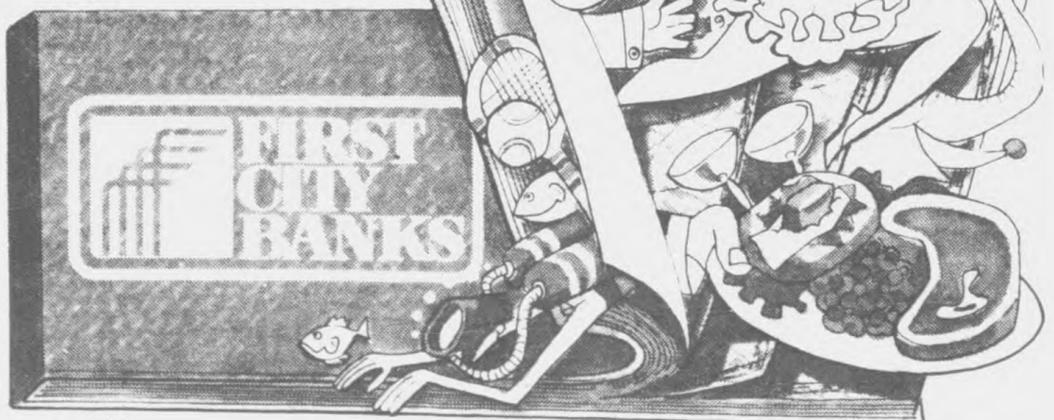
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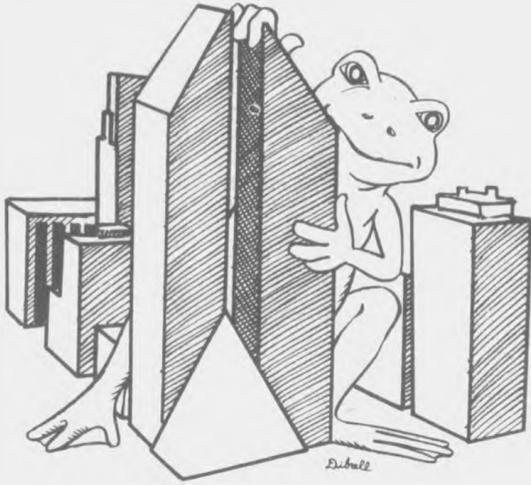
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Toad's illusiveness poses trouble



By PHYLLIS SMITH
Staff Writer

(First of two parts)

Everybody is looking for the Houston toad, but nobody seems to be able to find one.

And while everybody waits for the secretive amphibian to appear, builders are losing money and environmentalists continue working to insure potential

habitats are left undisturbed.

The Houston toad was placed on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Endangered Species List in 1970 and according to federal law, it is illegal to take, hunt, kill or collect them. Anyone found guilty of such actions can be fined up to \$20,000 and-or up to one year in prison.

A critical habitat (an area where Houston toads could live) has been established by the

Department of the Interior. It includes over 80,000 acres of Burleson and Bastrop Counties. Also, 10,916 acres in southeastern Harris County have been included.

The Department of the Interior restricts any issuance of federal funding in these areas. Builders can build in the area, but "at some point the federal government becomes involved with every building," Sondra Breslau, communications director for the Houston Builders Association, said.

The Houston toad is usually found in sandy surroundings where it can easily bury itself. The male is between 2 and 2.6 inches and the female is around 3.1 inches. It has a light brown back with a variable number of dark brown to black spots which usually contain a single or several warts. There is a crest on top of the head and a thickened gland behind the eyes.

Its most distinguishing characteristic, however, is its mating call. The call, made only by the male, is a high-pitched trill which lasts between six and 20 seconds.

There are an estimated 1,000 to

1,500 Houston toads left.

Houston is the first major metropolis to be declared a critical habitat. The question then arises as to what can be done to preserve the species and at the

same time, allow builders to develop their land. These issues will be discussed in the second part of this series Tuesday.

(Continued March 14)

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Booths representing many countries will be selling food and artifacts to those who attend. There will be no admission.

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"Notations," the major work of UH artist-in-residence Jacqueline Gourevitch, will be offered at the Robinson Gallery from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through March 11.

Gourevitch's "Notations" is a serial group of 11 interrelated paintings.

She will also offer a public lecture on her works at 8 p.m. March 16 in the Blaffer Gallery, Fine Arts Building.

There will be no admission charge for either event.

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Poet Denise Levertov will present a reading of her work at 3 today in the Honors Lounge, lower level of the M. D. Anderson Memorial Library, and at 8:30 tonight in Room 117, Science and Research Building.

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Program Council will sponsor a group of Surf Films at 7 and 9 tonight and Saturday in Agnes Arnold Auditorium I.

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Dance Arts Unlimited will present a program at 8:30 Saturday night in Kinkaid School's Blaffer Auditorium.

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campus films

ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST
 Director: Milos Forman; writers: Lawrence Hauben, Bo Golden; based on the book by Ken Kesey; producers: Saul Zaentz, Michael Douglas; A United Artists Film; at 1 p.m. in the Pacific Room, U.C. and at 7:30 p.m. in Agnes Arnold Auditorium 1.

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's

Nest" has a talented director and cast, a serious theme and wonderful production work. But the film doesn't work.

Jack Nicholson and Louise Fletcher are very good in their roles as Randall P. McMurphy and Nurse Ratched, and Will Sampson as Chief Bromden is

very, very good.

The cinematography by Haskell Wexler is a wonderful example of doing a lot with a little.

But the film still doesn't work. You go out of the film not terribly affected, despite the terrible, depressing things you have seen. Several hours later you can only remember details of it.

Any production of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" needed a

bit more than good intentions to make it work. It must have force and emotional effect on an audience to make its point.

The film is well-made—you can't really say that anyone did anything wrong. The problem is that when the makers of a film put the parts they created together, they didn't get the whole that they'd been trying for.

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8 airs 'Hester' Sunday

HESTER STREET
 Director: Joan Macklin Silver; A Midwest Films Inc. Release; 1976; showing at 9 p.m. March 12 on Channel 8.



Kane

"Hester Street" is the first feature film of Joan Macklin Silver, and it is as good as a third or fourth. Silver didn't need so

much to discover how to make a feature film as she just needed a chance to make one.

"Hester Street" tells the story of Russian-Jewish immigrants who come to America in the 1890s, and crowd into the Lower East Side to escape persecution of Eastern Europe.

Gitl, played by Carol Kane, arrives in America three years after her husband Jake. Jake, played by Steven Keats, is already established: with an apartment, a job and a girlfriend.

Jake is impatient with Gitl and is consciously trying to shed his Europeanism and become purely American. Gitl can't quite become American fast enough to suit him.

The turning around of Gitl from a mousy victim of Jake's whim to the stronger of the two personalities is funny and human.

Now the film is being presented for free at 9 p.m. Sunday on Channel 8. Anyone who can get to a TV should see it.



Rodger's Co. to dance

Rod Rodgers Dance Co. will perform at 8 tonight in Culler Auditorium on the UH Central Campus. In the dance above Rodgers (second from left) and



david quigley

Silence

I have a plant that sings me to sleep at night. Never has anyone, I suspect, heard sounds so sweet. "Goodnight, goodnight," it sings. "Good night to youuuuuuuuuuu."

Ordinarily, because of a promise made to an old prospector, I would never have brought up my musical flora and fauna. The old prospector sold me Henrietta, my plant, and made me promise never to divulge the source of such a curious alarm clock (did I forget to tell you Henrietta also sings me awake in the morning?) until after his demise. Over the weekend his demise was greatly expedited. He was eaten by a farsighted beaver.

Wilhelm, the old prospector, knew what a popular little item these singing plants could become, and wasn't quite ready to tackle such potential fame and fortune to face. He was afraid the fame he'd be courting his entire life might not be worth the wait on final inspection. He was the type of guy who always took the most obvious turn when life presented him with a corner.

This is why Wilhelm was a prospector and spent his entire life cracking rocks with a hammer. But unlike prospectors in old westerns, he wasn't looking for gold. He was looking for the inside of the rocks. Wilhelm found if he kept his expectations to a minimum, then his level of disappointment would remain relatively small.

But back to my talented plants. The reason I am now breaking my silence has nothing to do with Wilhelm's unfortunate accident: it is because Henrietta has had a litter. Yes, I am now living in an overgrown jungle of plants that have show-biz in their little stalks. They sing. They dance. They do impersonations. They are driving me nuts.

But despite their annoying traits, I like to think of my plants as a simple method of bringing the arts into the home. The arts have long been something one must go out to experience. This is a particular disadvantage, especially if one doesn't want to go out and is sitting around one's underwear. Now, thanks to a quirk of nature, you can have the arts attractively collecting dust in your living



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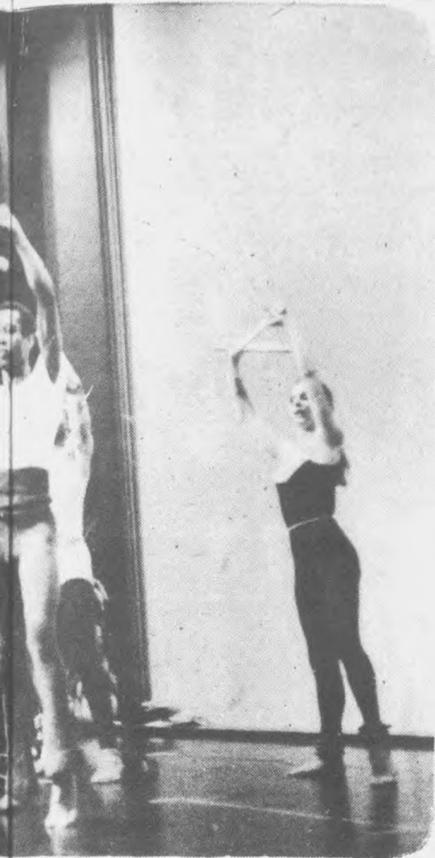
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growing roots

room. Put some real life in that room for a change. I will sell them to you cheap. Talk to your plants and have them sing back to you. Have a fern perform Swan Lake while a rubberplant puts some real meaning into Shakespeare. And they will do all this while neatly sitting in their own decorator pots.

Who said vaudeville is dead? Certainly not anyone who has seen my ferns Franny and Moe. I had never heard so many tired jokes delivered with such life before. Har, har, do they know how to turn a good joke.

The salad I had for dinner recently delivered the most stirring rendition of Beckett's "Endgame" I would have ever thought possible. Everyone would ask who the strong baritone voice playing the part of Ham belonged to. "It's just my lunch," I would say.

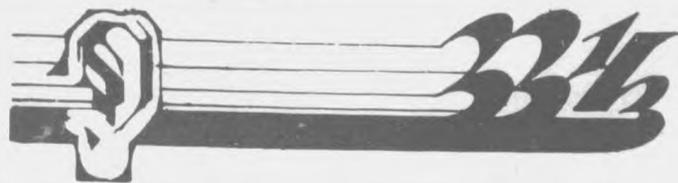
While my plants perform for me, I sit back and bark orders. "More arpeggio. Pick up the tempo. Let's have a little more life in that tap dance!" I yell. But despite such expert coaching, my plants are still slipping up. High notes are dropped and dance steps are missed. I almost suspect they are fouling up on purpose. A rebellion seems to be under way.

Oh no, they are coming for me. They are whipping their vines and cracking their leaves. "Get back! Get back, I say! No, no, I won't sing for you! You can't make me sing! Get away with that top hat and tails! I'm not going to sing and dance for the amusement of a clump of weeds!"

You better stand back from the page, brave reader. Crack crack. They are getting better with those vines. Crack. There's only one thing left to do. The tables have been turned. I have a show to perform. Hand me that microphone. One, two. "Oh, I'm singing in the rain tra la. Just singing . . ."

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Perhaps it's almost a senseless venture to review the Wha-Koo album, only because the original Wha-Koo really doesn't exist anymore. Wha-Koo is really just David Palmer's (ex-Steely Dan sideman) band, and since the record was released, only three of the seven original members (including Palmer) remain in the band. The Wha-Koo is greatly changed in regard to personnel but indications are that the band will retain the same essence.

The title cut, "Berkshire," is the best cut on the album. "Berkshire," a coined term for insanity, has a steady musical texture and a gimmicky delivery in the same manner as Tom Petty's "Break Down." He takes a basic rock beat, precisely crafted vocals and an acoustic guitar and combines them in a well put-together arrangement.

Wha-Koo is easy to listen to. Ferris Ashly, their producer, made sure there was no flippant instrumentation. There is a sophistication in the arrangements which would almost categorize them as an adult band. This album took two years to record, and one can really marvel at how deliberate all the elements in the songs are and how sharply the production is executed. The production is, however, the only brilliant element on the album. David Palmer's voice, which has been effectively utilized on previously recorded albums, only convincingly shines on Berkshire.

Lyrical, the songs are not strong, and even though the music is played well, the songs just aren't energetic or fresh enough to



Palmer

take notice of. Wha-Koo makes listenable current rock 'n' roll, but it just doesn't measure up. Good songs make good albums, and none of the songs reflect any important need to be performed.

"Fabulous Dancer" has dynamic harmonies by Danny Douma and David Palmer, and the soaring vocals match the high-pitched guitar solos.

It will be interesting to watch Wha-Koo's progression and see what Palmer's influence and high standards will create, but for now, it's safe to turn your attentions elsewhere.

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When asked about the officiating at one UH basketball game by a reporter earlier this season, UH coach Guy Lewis said, "Well, you know I don't like to say things about that after a game, but I said what I felt out on the court."

As these photographs by "Houstonian" and Daily Cougar photographer Tony Bullard illustrate, Lewis certainly does.

The architect of 425 Houston basketball wins against 194 defeats, Guy Lewis is among the winningest collegiate basketball coaches of all time. After playing for UH's first coach, Alden Pasche, in Houston's initial basketball seasons of 1946 and 1947, Lewis became an assistant coach under him until Pasche's retirement in 1956. After facing losing seasons in his first three years, Lewis has never again had a team below .500.

Lewis has coached the Cougars to 10 appearances in the NCAA playoffs, including four in a row twice—1965, '66, '67, '68 and 1970, '71, '72, '73—and two appearances in the National Invitational Tournament. Combining his 12 appearances as head coach, one as assistant coach and two as a player, he has been a part of every UH post-season entry since UH began its basketball program.



Photos by TONY BULLARD
Courtesy of The Houstonian

Netters sweep SW Texas, 6-0

The UH men's tennis team whipped a weakened Southwest Texas State team 6-0 Thursday in a dual match at UH's Hoff courts.

The Bobcats disqualified a pair of ineligible players prior to the match and thus had to reshuffle both doubles and singles alignments.

"They are a much better team in reality than what they exhibited today," UH coach Lee Merry said.

The Cougars, somewhat depleted themselves with the absence of Dennis Cahill who is out with influenza, took all matches but one in straight sets.

"We're still really pleased about beating Arkansas," Merry said. "We needed the win and it marks the second revenge match we've won this year." Arkansas had

defeated UH last year 9-0, and UH avenged that defeat Wednesday with a 5-4 win. Earlier this year, UH also downed Pan American by a 5-4 count after the Broncos had whipped UH 9-0 last season.

UH faces 19th-ranked North Carolina today at Hoff Courts at 1 p.m.

singles

Nduka Odizor (UH) def. Dave

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doubles

Hoffman-Buchalter (UH) def. Edwards-Smith (SWT) 4-6, 6-2, 6-1; Odizor-Rusli (UH) def. Mueller-Rekoft (SWT) 6-2, 6-4.

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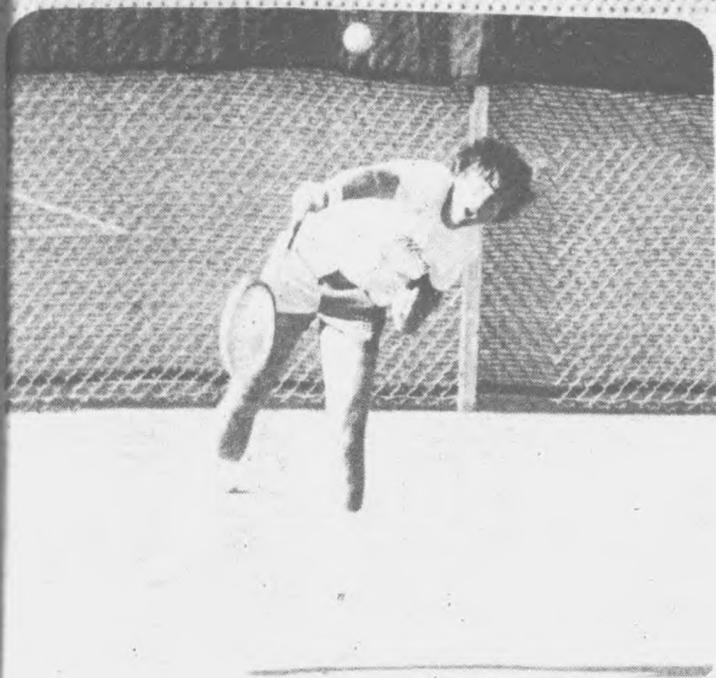
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Notre Dame readies defense for UH

By DAVID MUNDY
Sports Editor

UH will face experience, defense and possibly a little bit of greenness Sunday when they face Notre Dame in the first round of the NCAA tournament on the Oral Roberts University campus in Tulsa, Okla.

The 10th-ranked Irish are among 12 teams who received tournament bids among their

opponents, posting a 7-6 record against them in compiling a 20-6 season slate. Two of those victories came over 23-2 UCLA, the nation's No. 2 team. Notre Dame also has a victory over No. 3 Marquette to their credit.

The Irish are led by a pair of seniors, forward Dave Batton and Don "Duck" Williams. Batton is currently averaging 14.3 points per game, while Williams is averaging 14.

Batton also leads the Irish in rebounding, pulling down an average of 6.9 per game.

That pair is backed up by freshman sensation Kelly Tripucka and sophomore guard Rich Branning. Tripucka, a 6-foot-7-inch forward-guard from Essex Falls, N. J., hit 62.1 percent of his shots from the field this season, a mark which bests any UH player's field goal percentage. Tripucka averaged 10.9 points per game. Branning, meanwhile, posted an 11 point average and passed out 98 assists—the Notre Dame team high.

The Irish rely heavily on defense, shown by the 67.4 points-per-game average allowed their opponents. Notre Dame averaged 80.4 points per game as a team.

The Cougars, meanwhile, will go with their Nassau Connection—seniors Cecile Rose and Charles Thompson, both from Nassau, the Bahamas—who are averaging 17.7 and 17.3 points per game, respectively.

The Irish will post a distinct height advantage over UH. Bill Laimbeer and freshman Gilbert Salinas are both 6-foot-11-inches tall, while three other players—Batton, Bruce Flowers and Orlando Woolridge—are 6-foot-9-inches tall. Houston's tallest man, Mike Schultz, is 6-foot-9-inches tall.

UH holds a 3-2 record against Notre Dame, winning once in the Astrodome in 1969 and defeating the Irish twice in NCAA playoffs. Notre Dame's wins in the series both came during the regular season.

The Cougars will take an eight-game winning streak into the NCAA playoffs, while Notre Dame will try for their second in a row following a 66-59 loss to Dayton.

One of the main factors in Sunday's game could be the bench strength of the teams, however. The Notre Dame bench has seen as much action as the Coog reserves, but have played a lesser role in the Irish season. The UH bench, meanwhile, has sparked a number of Cougar wins, including the 92-90 victory over Texas in the SWC Classic finals. If the starters get into foul trouble, Houston may have the edge in the game.

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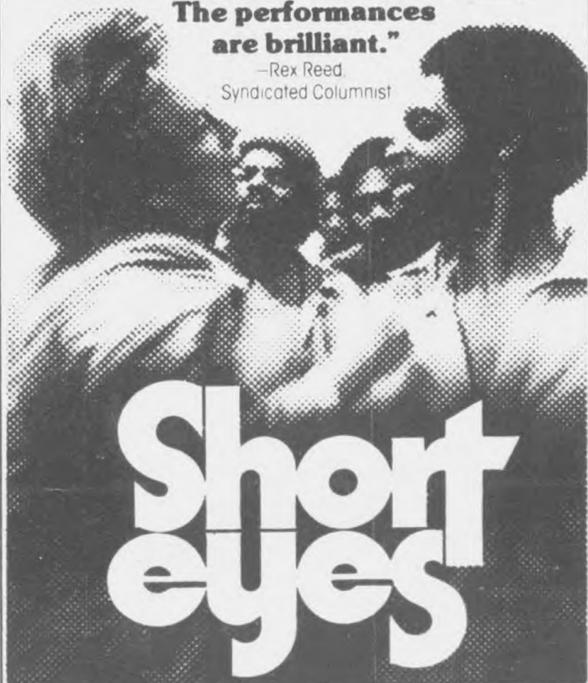
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Matured bonds worth \$26.5 million

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 forwarded to the controller's office, according to the report;
 ● Confirmations from banks and other firms mailed to the controller's office, then forwarded to Harwell for permanent filing;
 ● The University Cash Position Report, which summarizes monthly investment activity. However, assistant controller James Bishop said he was unfamiliar with such a report;
 ● The Office of Internal

Auditing, which periodically audited Harwell's investments;
 ● Brogdon's approval of all transfers of funds.
 ● Limiting transactions to approved institutions. These included First City National Bank of Houston, Texas Commerce Bank, Cullen Center Bank and Trust, MacGregor Park National Bank, Spring Branch Bank, and two out-of-state firms, United California Bank and Salomon Brothers;
 ● Auditing of Harwell's in-

vestments by state auditors.
 Harwell was prohibited from handling personal investments with any bank or firm with which he did business for UH.
 The man who was UH controller during this time, Harold W. Scott, resigned last month. His boss, vice chancellor for financial and management services Douglas Mac Lean, is currently on a six-month leave of absence, but apparently will not resume his former position upon his return to UH sometime this June. Scott, Mac Lean and other UH officials have said these actions are also not related to the university's investment problems.

attention of Sam Harwell," Bishop said.
 State Auditor George McNiel confirmed that no records of short-term investments were maintained in the UH controller's office. McNiel said his auditors did not come across the report.
 "We looked at the accounting records in the controller's office, not at someone's report," McNiel

said. "Unless someone specifically brought it to the attention of the auditors, I don't think they would have seen the report."
 Al Haggard, UH internal auditor, said he was not familiar with the report and refused to comment. "I'm not at liberty to discuss short-term investments," he said.

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However, assistant controller Jim Bishop said the "safeguard procedures" outlined in the report were not carried out as far as the controller's office is concerned. "Theoretically, that's what should have happened, but it didn't," Bishop said. "The internal controls sound great as you read them, like they came out of a textbook. But they just were not done."
 Bishop said no records were forwarded to the controller's office by Harwell concerning his investments. He also said bank confirmations which the controller's office received were forwarded to Harwell and were not retained or recorded in his office.

"Everything, even the bank statements, was addressed to the

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Today

UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP will have a fellowship meeting at 7 p.m. in Room 116, C&O Bldg. Open to all.

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY INC. will sponsor a fund-raising dance from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Houston Room, UC. Admission: \$1. Open to all.

CATHOLIC NEWMAN ASSOCIATION will sponsor a Friday Soup Kitchen from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Catholic Newman Center. Donation: 50 cents. Open to all.

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY INC. will sponsor a bake sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the lobby of Agnes Arnold Hall. Proceeds go to future service projects.

TEACHING FELLOWS ASSOCIATION will meet to discuss proposals on parking at 3 p.m. in the Palo Duro Room, UC. No admission charge. Open to all.

HOTEL AND RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT SOCIETY will meet at noon in Room 180, the Solar Room, Continuing Education Center. Open to all.

READERS THEATRE will present "Mosaico Hispanico," contemporary Latin-American short stories at 7:30 p.m. in Room 210, Agnes Arnold Hall. No admission charge. Open to the public.

UH GERMAN CLUB will have a stammtisch from noon to 1 p.m. in the Mariner Room, UC Satellite cafeteria. Open to all German-speaking people.

CONCILIO will have a Coalition for Social Action meeting from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the Aegean Room, UC Underground. Open to all interested.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION will sponsor "Sharing Promises in Christian Excitement" worship service at noon in the Baptist Student Union. Dr. Burt Purvis will speak. Open to all.

ASPA will meet and present a speaker from the Placement Center at 1 p.m. in Room 201, Technology II. New membership welcome. Open to all.

UH ORGANIZATION FOR THE HANDICAPPED will meet at 1 p.m. in the Caspian Room, UC Underground.

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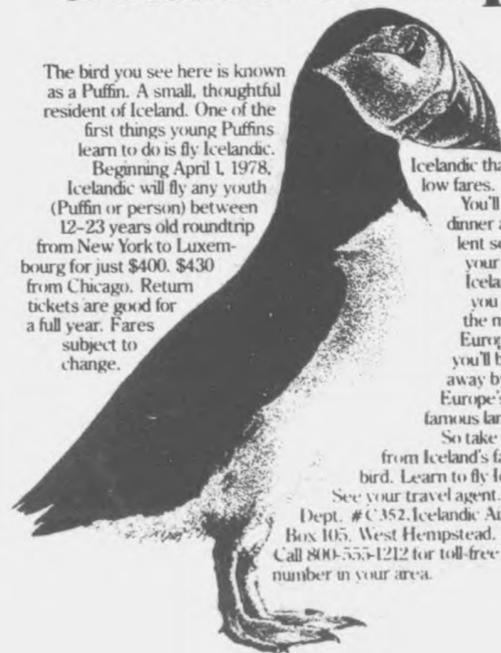
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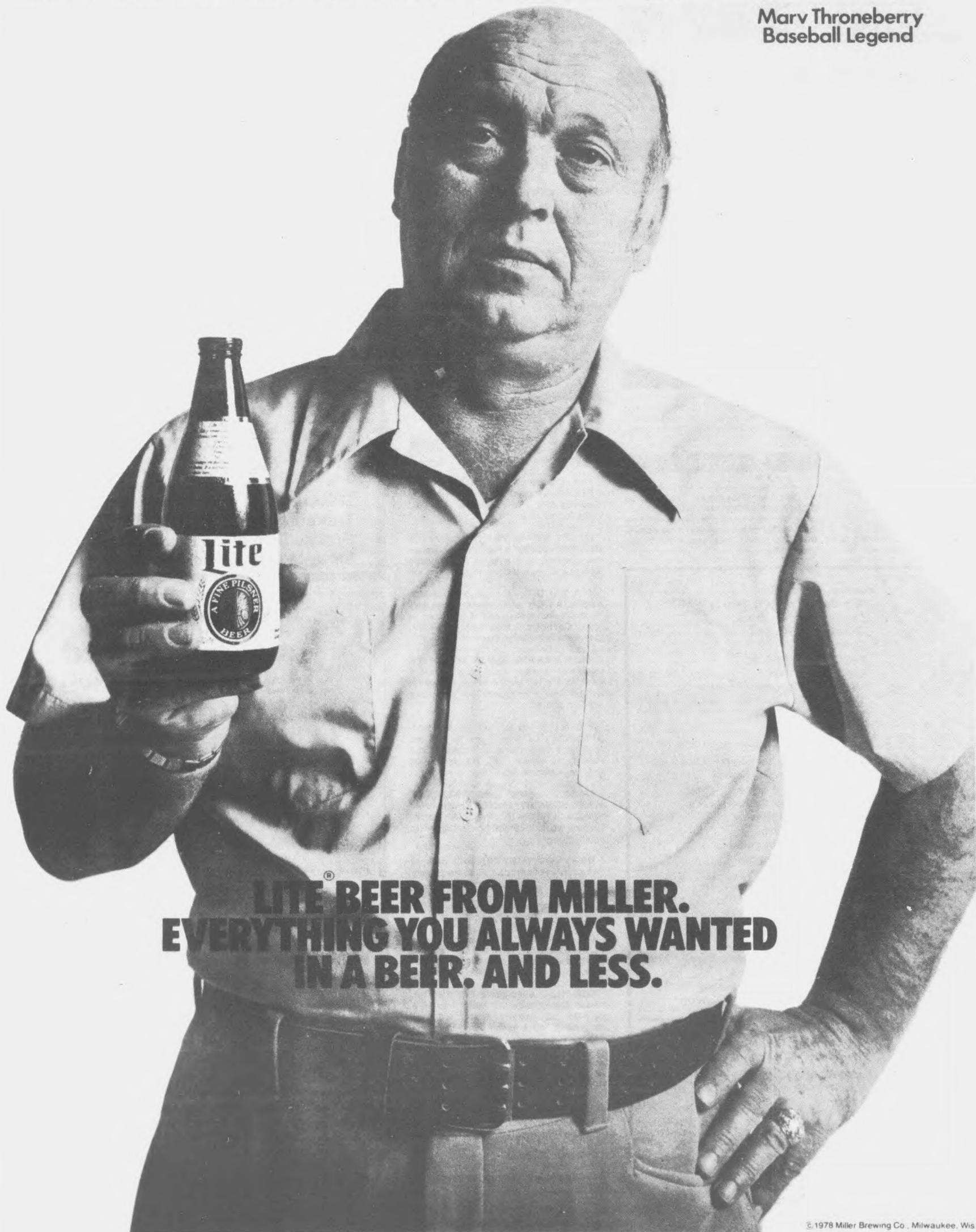
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 Capitol National Bank
 Crawford & Russell
 Entex Inc.
 Halliburton Services
 Long John Silver
 Michigan Wisconsin Pipeline Co.
 The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co.
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- Tuesday, March 14**
 Aeronautical Systems Div.
 American Hospital Supply Corp.
 Arendale, Young & Searcy
 Capitol National Bank
 Electronic Data Systems Corp.
 Gulf States Utilities
 The Mariner Corp.
 The Pontchartrain Hotel
 Prudential Insurance
 1776 Inc.
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- Wednesday, March 15**
 American Hospital Supply Corp.
 Aramco Services
 Electronic Data Systems Corp.
 Exxon Company, U.S.A.
 Factory Mutual Engineering
 Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam
 Rotan Mosle Inc.
 Saga Food Company
 The Sheraton Corp.
 Stauffacher & Kalmans
- Thursday, March 16**
 Bureau of Reclamation—Dept. of the Interior
 Cento Industries
 Conroe I.S.D.
 Firestone Tire & Rubber
 Harris Data Communications
 Magic Pan
 The Merichem Company
 Patterson Dental Co.
- Friday, March 17**
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