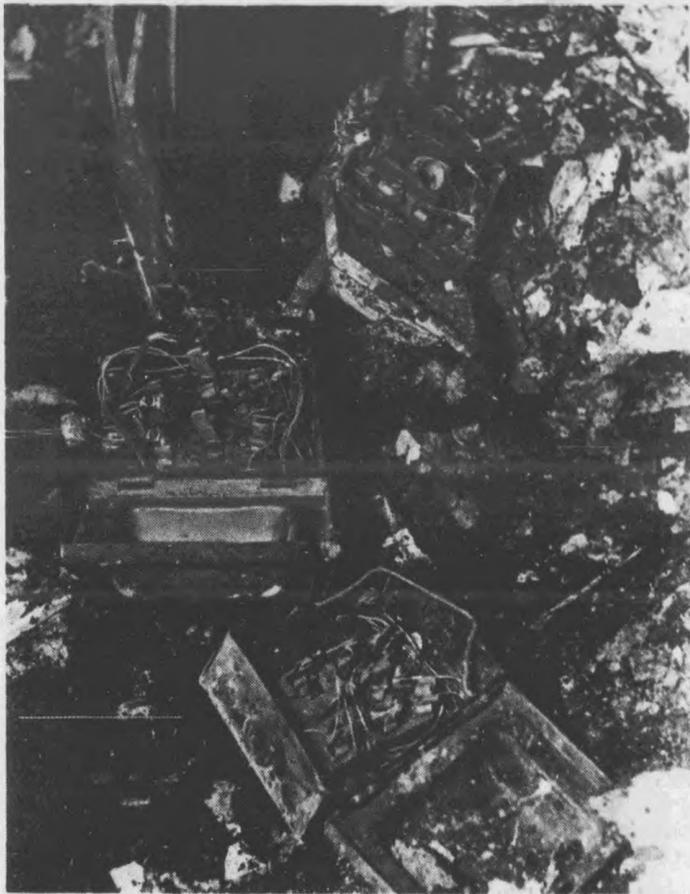


Fire hits downtown campus



By ROBIN WRIGHT
Cougar Staff

As UH maintenance crews were cleaning up the aftermath of a fire which damaged the Central Campus UC basement Tuesday, Houston firemen were battling a one-alarm blaze at the UH Downtown Campus (UHDC).

The downtown fire, which erupted Wednesday around 1:30 p.m., caused no injuries but

SHORT CIRCUITS in these fuse boxes were the cause of the UH-DC fire, according to the official report. Workers at the UH Downtown College survey the debris in a storage room gutted by the fire Wednesday, the second on UH property in two days.

completely destroyed a second floor storeroom which had contained rolls of carpeting, stacks of ceiling tile and other building materials. The room had also housed four or five old doors and some glass blocks used in large windows.

The fire was started by a short in the electrical fuse boxes on the south side of the storeroom, Sr. Capt. G. F. Lowdermild said.

Building electrician Cy Kane told firemen that there had been no current running through the fuse boxes, but arson investigator Joe Finley said the cause of the fire would be officially listed as an electrical short.

The downtown fire is similar to the Central Campus blaze, which fire officials believe was touched off by an electrical short in a freight elevator control panel.

Much of UHDC's electrical wiring came under attack recently in a fire department report which detailed numerous city fire code violations by UH. The fire department had called much of the building's wiring unsafe and had expressed concern that it could easily set off a fire.

Directly above the storeroom were several pipes, some of which had been part of the building's fire sprinkler system. The system has been cut up and abandoned over the years and a Central Campus employe said the pipes were not functional. The employe said the fire damage would have been much less had the pipes been operational.

Maintenance worker Ben Moore, one of the first UHDC employes to arrive on the scene, said, "The smoke was so thick in the parking garage that you couldn't see six feet in front of you when you stepped off the elevator. The rugs in the room were really smoldering and flames were shooting out of the windows.

Classes had just let out and the students were getting into their cars and scattering like wild."

James Knoebel, UHDC building manager, said the fire was discovered by a faculty member. "We tried to contain it with extinguishers until the fire department arrived. They got here about three minutes after we called in the alarm."

Knoebel said he did not yet know the amount of damage the fire caused, but said damage to their mechanical parking lot floor cleaner alone would run around \$7,000. Several automobiles parked very near the storeroom when the fire broke out were not damaged, which Lowdermild attributed to the fire department's quick arrival on the scene.

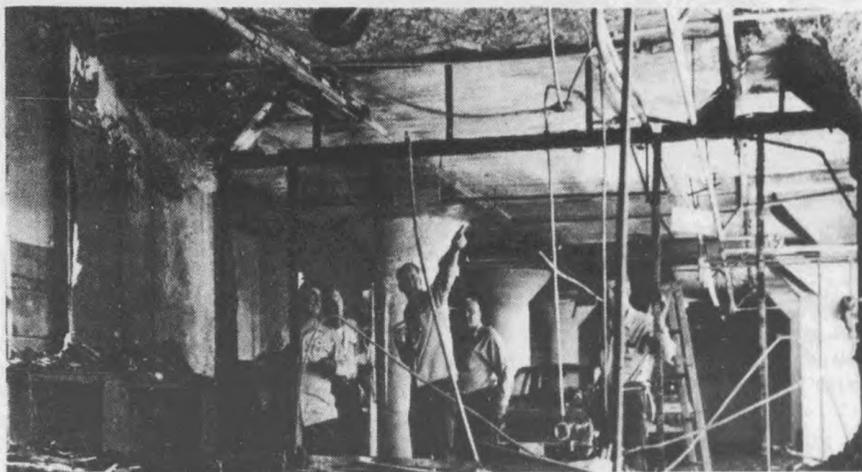
Firemen were still busy at 3:15 p.m. using electric backpack vacuum cleaners to remove water. Maintenance men removed the smoldering remains of the carpeting, which firemen said would have to be watched in case they reignited.

Damage caused by either fire has not yet been figured, though the UHDC blaze will probably send estimates higher than the Central Campus fire, which destroyed a freight elevator control panel, damaged a telephone equipment room and ruined some food stored in the UC basement.

Homecoming

Homecoming activities continue today with video highlights of the UH football team being shown in the UC Satellite throughout the day.

Construction also begins by Alpha Phi Omega on the towering bonfire across from entrance one on Calhoun. The bonfire will be ignited tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.



Rights, rules go hand-in-hand

By LINDA MACK
Cougar Staff

UH students have the same rights and protections within the confines of the university as outside, but they must also follow the same rules. "UH is not an ivory tower or a no-rules kind of place," Joseph P. Kimble, UH Security (UHS) director, said.

UHS officers may not indiscriminately stop students and search them. A student may be stopped and frisked only on the basis of probable cause. "If a criminal offense occurs and the suspect fits the description, that would be a probable cause for stopping him for questioning. If he has suspicious bulges in his clothing, that would be probable cause for searching for a weapon," Kimble said.

UHS does not have an automatic right to search a student's car if he is stopped. UHS generally follows the "wingspan" doctrine if someone is stopped while inside an automobile. Officers will search the area within a person's reach for weapons or for evidence that might be easily destroyed. The "wingspan" could include the area under the front seat, the glove compartment or behind the window visors.

An officer may not open a student's car trunk

without permission of the student or without a search warrant unless there is probable cause. An officer, suspecting the car fits the description of one in a criminal offense may, however, search it without permission of the student or without a warrant.

If UHS asks to open a student's trunk, he refuses and the officer opens it anyway, the student may identify the officer by his badge number and file a complaint with the UHS office. If someone witnesses the vocal refusal, his name may be used for future reference.

If a UHS officer questions a student prior to an arrest, the student is read the "Miranda Warning," informing the student of his constitutional rights. All UHS officers carry the warning in their pockets. When the warning is read, the student must then determine whether to continue answering questions without legal counsel. If an arrest is made, the student is informed verbally of the charge. The Miranda Warning does not constitute an arrest.

Kimble said that UHS generally uses a diversion process for misdemeanors. "If a guy gets drunk in Moody Towers and breaks a window, we refer him to the Student Life Office and the Student Court instead of taking him downtown. Routine incidents are better handled internally."

A student arrested for a felony is handcuffed

because "the person may try to run or assault an officer," Kimble said. Handcuffs for misdemeanor arrests are not necessary "unless the student is violent."

UHS officers carry loaded guns on campus. Kimble said officers use their guns only in protecting the life of someone on campus or in protecting the officer himself. "We don't fire warning shots, nor do we wave our pistols around to intimidate people," Kimble added.

Student Life policies state: "Persons on the premises of the university or utilizing its services may be required to furnish acceptable proof of identity."

UHS may ask for identification of someone on campus if trespassing is suspected, especially around the dormitories. "If we see someone at odd or suspicious times or under odd or suspicious circumstances, we will talk to them. If we didn't ask for identification, transients would literally camp out here," Kimble said.

Regarding the use of marijuana on campus, Kimble said people who flagrantly disregard laws in public places will be arrested. "We don't sniff keyholes. If we have reason to believe there are narcotics in a dormitory room, we will obtain a search warrant. If narcotics are found, the student will be arrested, just like everywhere else."



MOTOSCOOTILUS

Scooters bug pedestrians

By BOB TUREAUD

They creep and crawl. The giant Cushman Motoscootilus. Nature has given them a coat of bright orange and blazoned with "University of Houston" on their sides. Unique in the insect kingdom, they roll on tiny wheels, are flightless and emit carbon monoxide and other noxious fumes.

over campus at will, usually muttering to themselves and are equally at home on street or footpath. Being social insects, they like to follow along behind a group of students and make their "beep beep putt putt whir whir" noises. It's a brave person indeed who will fail to yield the right-of-way to one of these fearsome creatures.

That these bugs constitute a health and safety hazard should be pretty obvious. While there have been no reported cases of students actually being swallowed up by one of these hideous creatures, who knows what really goes on in the hours between dawn and 8 a.m. class?

The menace is real and the course of action is equally clear. Carry a large flyswatter or rolled up Cougar with you at all times. Then, when you spot one, give the

alarm, "Bogie at 12 o'clock," and engage the beast in mortal combat. Keep swatting until it turns tires up.

It is practically impossible to walk across campus without encountering one of these giant motoscootiluses, usually loaded to the hilt and speeding along hell-bent-for-leather to wherever it is they want to go.

Consider the vehicle. The three-wheel configuration is basically unstable, especially so on a grade or in a turning situation. It rides on three super grabber tires about the size of a Shipley's donut, give or take a little. What tractive and load capacity these mini-marvels possess is hard to tell.

Drum brakes are fitted to the two rear wheels, which by design must be smaller than the wheel diameter. Draw a circle with the large end of a Dixie cup and you'll get some idea of their dimensions.

Suspension is equally exotic. Two tiny coil springs and double acting shocks keep the front wheel firmly planted on the ground; one mini shock per wheel, a live axle suspended by a three leaf transverse mounted spring bring up the rear. This type of suspension was last seen on the 1875 Wells Fargo stagecoach.

The driving position is a study in torture. A rather large steering

wheel angles down at approximately 85 degrees and disappears into the floor board. I wonder if it really is attached to anything.

The driving position can be described as rather unusual. The steering wheel shaft divides the clutch pedal to the left, brake and accelerator to the right. One plants the derriere firmly on the mushy black cushion, places the feet on the appropriate upright foot pedal and hunches forward to grip the upright steering wheel. No wonder all the drivers are only four feet tall. Did you know that they were once over six feet?

Any one of these deficiencies is serious enough in itself; put them all together and you have a vehicle that is unsafe at any speed. Can you imagine one of these things, fully loaded, careening across campus in the rain and having to make an emergency stop? Kind of frightening, isn't it?

If it is necessary for maintenance purposes for one of these vehicles to operate on a walkway, the drivers should reduce their speed to an absolute minimum. The life they save may be your own.

Editor's note: Tureaud is a journalism senior.

EDITORIAL

Adios Joe College

It's homecoming week here at dear ole UH and the campus is simply ecstatic. Torchlight parades, Go-team-Go yells and good old-fashioned school spirit abounds.

The freshmen are streaming banners down Varsity Lane, the sounds of the school song deck the halls and 25,000 students excitedly turned out to elect the most beautiful co-ed on campus as their homecoming queen.

Pretty picture, huh? One that fullfills all your adolescent fantasies concerning what college life was all about, huh?

Well, not exactly.

In reality, only a handful of diligent frat brothers and sorority sisters have bothered to publicize what was formerly the big event in one's college career. Only a minimal percentage of students are striving to uphold one of the greatest of all traditions. Why, it's enough to make Joe College turn in his beanie and join the army!

Some blame it on the times. Others explain UH is a commuter school, a place where getting off campus is often more important than coming on. In 1975 the word "homecoming" takes on a more literal meaning.

It's probably a combination of both reasons along with apathy and economics. In modern times, "Dear Old Alma Mater" has unfortunately become a thing of the past and as Joe College would say, "it get's you right in the old red and white ticker."

—N.G.

LETTERS

SA sale wanted

To the Editor:

I decided to write this letter with the hopes of bringing back to campus a very enjoyable and worthwhile event. I am speaking of the Student Association-sponsored garage sale held here a couple of semesters ago.

When it wasn't brought back last semester, I began to wonder if it was just a one-time event. I hope not. Not only does it provide a means of making some much needed extra cash, it also provides books, records and various other items to the student body at give-away prices.

Maybe this letter will stir up a little interest in the garage sale again and we can look forward to having another one in the near future.

D. Bertram
245198

Guard defended

To the Editor:

Re: 333818

From your letter your lack of knowledge about Shasta is evident. So here is a little information to fill in the holes.

Shasta is not jailed. Every day she is taken outside and has her cage cleaned. Her food is handed to her on a tray, a clean tray. I hope you didn't think we slid it under the door. She gets two pounds of vitamin enriched meat a day. Only two pounds you ask? Talk to a football player and find out how much he gets before a game.

Shasta is nearing her eleventh birthday. The life expectancy of a cougar in the wild is about nine years. With good health she may live to be fifteen.

Not only is she taken out every day, but has a regular group of visitors known as the UH Cougar Guard. All of us love and care about Shasta, or we wouldn't sacrifice our time (and sometimes a little blood). Any improvements on the cage come out of our own pockets or the money is provided by the University.

We appreciate your concern for Shasta and her home. If you

would like to find out more about the Cougar Guard come to one of our regular meetings (or hunt one of us down on campus) at 7:30 in the Tejas room, second floor of the UC.

Calvin Speer
UH Cougar Guard

Confined feline

To the Editor:

I agree with 333818's letter which appeared in the Sept. 24 issue of the Cougar. The attitude of such people who take pride in their school by means of cruelty to Shasta is not an attitude many schools in this country would tolerate.

I've seen students and faculty combine their efforts in protests

against such immorality in the past and I hope the UH faculty and students will sensitize themselves enough to promote obliterating the practice of keeping an animal caged up on campus. Shasta needs a life of her own with other cougars.

Would the school's paper participate? It would be nice if the paper published a coupon for students, staff, faculty, et al, who do object to Shasta's treatment to sign and turn in to the Cougar Guard service fraternity in support to helping Shasta to a better life.

Terry Downing
UH Staff Member

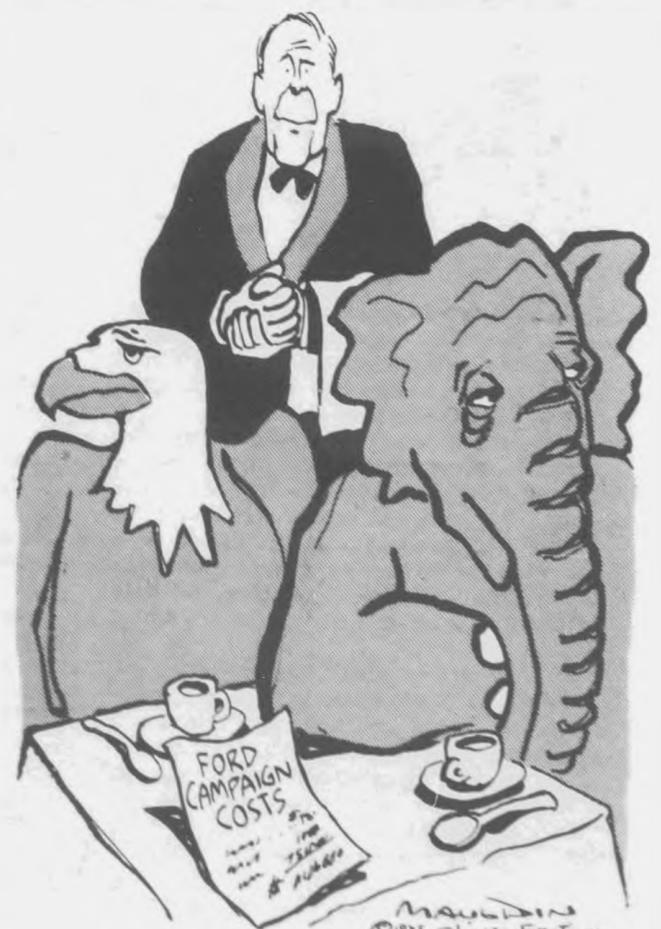
Editors Note: Thanks for your comments and idea. Obviously, not everyone on campus is of the same opinion when it comes to having a live mascot, as the previous letter reveals. The Cougar will certainly consider your idea.

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HIS FACE EXPRESSING his character's emotion, UH drama student Fred Greenlee performs in the mime show Wednesday in the UC arbor. The show was part of Program Council's Homecoming Festival.

Nudes highlight art show

The UH Sarah Campbell Blaffer Gallery will unveil its Bicentennial exhibition for the City of Houston with a preview of "Three Centuries of the American Nude" on Oct. 7.

The exhibition includes more than 100 paintings, prints, drawings and sculpture and was organized by Mario Amaya, director of the New York Cultural Center, with works selected by Dr. William H. Gerdtz, author of *The Great American Nude*, and Leslie Cohen. The exhibition premiered in New York, has been seen at the Minneapolis Institute for the Arts and will conclude its limited tour at the Blaffer Gallery.

The exhibition includes works from the Colonial period by such artists as Benjamin West and John Singleton Copley, through the recent renaissance of the nude figure in the work of pop artist Tom Wesselman and new realist Philip Pearlstein. It focuses on the gradual emancipation of the artist

and his subject from the Puritan and Victorian taboos of our early history, concentrating on the several areas where the treatment of the nude was allowed and even glorified.

The exhibition will continue through November 16, and is open to the public.

Fall Carnival

The final meeting for organizations participating in the UH Fall Carnival is set for 6 p.m. tonight in the Tejas Room, UC.

Fall Carnival committee member Milton Marek urges representatives from these organizations to attend the meeting.

-Auditions-

Auditions for the Program Council production of Shakespeare's "Measure For Measure" will be held at 7:30 tonight in the Attic Theatre, Room 330 of E. Cullen. A two-minute preparation from Shakespeare is advised, but not necessary. Charles Clubb will direct the play.

TEXPIRG

"Check TexPIRG," a service of the UH chapter of the Texas Public Interest Research Group, seeks to inform and aid the

public in consumer-related issues. If you have a problem, come by or write the TexPIRG office in the UC underground annex.

I am eight months pregnant. I want to have my baby and return to work as soon as possible. Does my employer have to give me maternity leave?

Under guidelines issued by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) an applicant or employee may not be discriminated against because of pregnancy.

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Maternity leave is provided by the guidelines issued by the Office

of Federal Contract Compliance (OFCC), which require that if your employer has no leave policy, childbearing must be considered by the employer to be a justification for a leave of absence for a reasonable period of time. Following childbirth, and upon signifying your intent to return within a reasonable period of time, you must be reinstated to your original job or to a position of like status and pay without loss of service credits.

If you wish to file a complaint with the EEOC of the OFCC, you can come by the TexPIRG office in the UC Expansion for the addresses, or call 749-3130.

I received a phone call from a salesman offering me a free magazine subscription. How can magazines afford to do this? What's the catch?

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The basic pitch for unethical salesmen does not vary much. You are offered the magazines for "free" or some nominal sum. However, you must pay postage and handling.

You should always compare the total price of the subscription if you obtain it from the magazine publisher against the total you would be paying the salesman's organization. Many times your postage and handling payments for "free" magazines will exceed the normal subscription price by a substantial amount.

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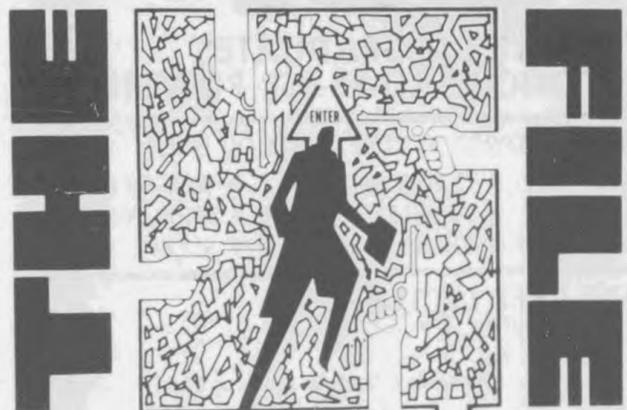
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Can you solve this puzzle
of pursuit and escape

Solution on Page 7

Johnson rejoins Cougar ballclub

By BRIAN WICE
Assistant Sports Editor

Only four days after announcing his retirement from the University of Houston football team, Johnny Earl (J.J.) Johnson asked for and was granted reinstatement to the Cougar football squad by Head Coach Bill Yeoman Monday afternoon.

Johnson had withdrawn from school after informing Yeoman of his intention to leave the squad in a private meeting between the two

Friday morning. The 6'-0" 190 lb. sophomore from Hempstead cited personal reasons for his withdrawal last week, his announcement coming on the heels of a stunning upset of the Coogs by cross-town rival Rice.

"He's coming back on our terms," Yeoman noted when asked what arrangement had been worked out between Johnson and the coaching staff. "He's gonna work hard and just try to help this team be a winner."

Yeoman is still undecided about

letting Johnson suit up for this Saturday's Homecoming clash against Southwest Conference foe SMU but if and when Johnson does suit up, it will not be as a field general. As of Wednesday, Johnson had been moved to split receiver and he is slated to see some work at the running back position as well.

A standout on last year's junior varsity squad, Johnson led all quarterbacks in the rushing department with 56 yards on 19 carries.

Cougar Exclusive

The amiable Johnson saw limited action in the season opener against Lamar, in which he displayed occasional flashes of brilliance that caused area talent scouts to label him "a natural athlete."

But Johnson experienced nothing but futility, as did his other 81 teammates against Rice, and he contributed a crucial fumble of a fourth-down snap after UH had scored and was driving for a second touchdown.

The breaking point came last Thursday when Coach Yeoman asked Johnson to suit up for last Monday night's junior varsity game with the LSU Baby Bengals. Johnson balked at the suggestion and tendered his resignation the following morning.

Johnson, upon being reinstated Monday said that he expected to see quite a bit of junior varsity action for the remainder of the Kittens' season and that he was not adverse to suiting up for the JV contests.

Obviously burdened by other



BOB WATKINS—Cougar Staff

JJ ON THE GETAWAY. . . UH back-up signal caller Johnny Johnson takes off against the Villanova Wildcats in varsity action as a freshman last year. However, this year as in last, Johnson has only seen limited action.

pressing problems, such as the injury situation confronting his Mad Dog defense and a tough SMU squad coming into town Saturday, Coach Yeoman played down the significance of the events surrounding Johnson's

withdrawal and subsequent return.

"I don't feel that it's that big of a deal," commented Yeoman. "We should be talking about those 81 other guys who go out and do their jobs."



QUICK STEPPING Q.B. . . In a losing cause against cross-town rival Rice, Johnson keeps on the option play and prepares to cut upfield behind an unidentified teammate's block.

TONY BULLARD—Cougar Staff

KEY MEET

UH ready for Louisiana

By LARRY ROTHENBERG
Sports Editor

UH track coach Johnny Morriss and his club leave for Lake Charles at noon tomorrow to keep a date with a Louisiana connection. This is, by the way, a long distance connection.

Competing in perhaps their

toughest four mile event of the young cross country season, the Cougar track team will face seven of the Southwest's top distance clubs. McNeese State, Southwestern Louisiana, Northwestern Louisiana, Lamar, Northeastern Louisiana, Louisiana Tech, LSU of New Orleans and Houston will all vie for first place honors.

"These are some really fine clubs," Morriss claimed. "But I think that our boys are in much better shape than they were last week. We didn't expect Alabama and Texas A&M to be in that (the LSU Invitational) meet so we really didn't prepare for it."

Morriss feels that the Coogs will be ready this weekend in Louisiana. "Our two top runners from last year, David Brennan and Tom Birch, weren't ready for that type of competition," Morriss noted. "However, I think that they

are in better shape now even though they still need to work back into top flight condition."

"Our goal right now is to prepare for the big meet in Arlington," Morriss promised. "The UT Invitational will have all the Southwest Conference teams plus Oklahoma and Oklahoma State competing. It's gonna be a real big event."

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Dr. Hook spreads madness

By CHERYL GERSCH
Cougar Staff

Throw your studies out the window, take off your shoes, turn on the tube and let "Crash's Jam" let you in on the Houston music scene.

New to Channel 26 and hosted by radio personality Dennis (Crash) Collins, "Crash's Jam" will highlight local talent with special emphasis on what's happening in Houston's jazz-rock-country-bump-and-boogie musical arena.

If the first show is indicative of what Crash has cookin', Houston viewers may be in for quite a treat. Premiering last Friday night at 10:30 p.m., the jam starred Dr. Hook and the Medicine Show. In town for an appearance at the Texas Opry House, the group contacted Crash because they "wanted to play on TV." Thus "Crash's Jam" spread even more of Dr. Hook's magical madness throughout Houston.

The group's musical magic included "Everybody's Making It Big But Me" and "The Millionaire" from their new album and "Queen of the Silver Dollar"

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Two dance bands are scheduled for Homecoming Activities from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday night. Pop group Earth plays rock n' roll of the '50s, '60s and '70s in the Houston Room (UC) and Cold Fire plays jazz and soul in the Cougar Den.

by Shel Silverstein. To further demonstrate their varied performing capabilities, the group sang, "It's Just a Little Chili Out Today, I Hope It's Hot Tamale" and an almost tearful acoustic version of the Marine's Hymn.

Host Crash attempted a straight, talk-show type interview with the group, but Dr. Hook's zany, insane antics could not be suppressed. To complete the interview, the band took off Crash's shoe and hung it on a microphone. Comparing the jam to "Something between Don Kirshner's Rock Concert and the Cher show," producer Bruce Lambin outlined some of its goals.

"Each show will be distinctive in its music," Lambin said. "For a country show we might use Hickory (a local country-rock flavored band) or two or three bands per show with jams at the end." The show's loose format also allows for periodic half hour specials with people who come into town.

"We are a TV generation which has been programmed to believe that what is on TV is better than what isn't on TV," said Lambin, who hopes to use the legitimate effects of television to promote the Houston music industry.

"Crash's Jam" will try to interview people in the industry, people who have something to say, to give the audience an idea of what goes on in the business. Plans are also underway for

simulcasting the show with radio station KLOL beginning in late October.

"People are beginning to get more aware of the local scene," Lambin said. "The show will help expose the people in Houston who can play."

"Incredible," said Crash after exposing the hair-raising humor of Dr. Hook to Houston television viewers. As for Dr. Hook: "This is Crash's show, we didn't have nothin' to do with it."



DR. HOOK ON 'CRASH'S JAM'

'Night They Robbed Big Bertha's' lacks socially redeeming value

By JOHN DAVENPORT
Cougar Staff

"My God, Martha, they've robbed Big Bertha's! We're gonna track down the slimy thieves that done it and string 'em up from the highest tree we can find!"

This is the prevailing attitude of the townspeople on the night they robbed Big Bertha's, "The Night They Robbed Big Bertha's," now showing at the Park 1.

Well how would you feel if one of your town's leading citizens was disgraced in such a way? Big Bertha's is the social and cultural mecca of the area, and some shyster and his cohorts have the audacity to rob the place. Is nothing sacred?

This movie has no socially redeeming value. It doesn't even deserve the R rating it carries. So what if its humor is just a tad tinged with sex? So tinged, you could choke on it.

Needless to say, there are no "name" actors involved. At least none that you can recognize. You may be able to identify a couple of characters that you've seen in television commercials. I doubt that any identity crisis will result

from seeing a one-time advertiser of toilet paper cavorting about the countryside.

But what's a few honest sexual fantasies among friends? Dressing up like the Lone Ranger and chasing a girl around the

room never hurt anybody. So go, enjoy! Bertha's good people.

Oh, yes. In case you were wondering, Big Bertha's is a cathouse. We will now pause for a brief dissertation on the merits of free enterprise.

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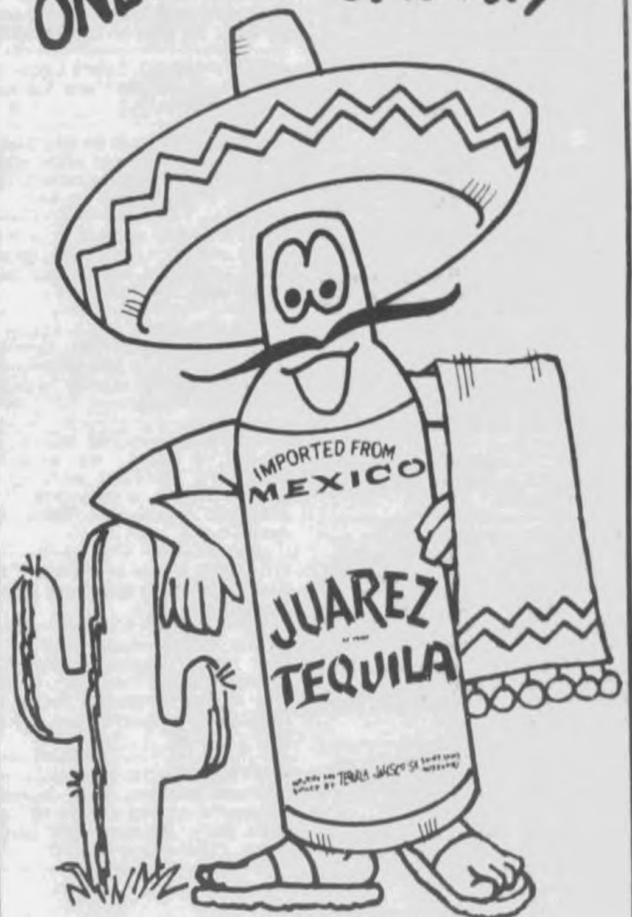
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Maybe it was an inner feeling of determination pushing her on, or maybe it was just the attitude of knowing that she could master whatever came her way. Whatever it was, neither the small town nor the wheelchair could keep Mary Ann Board from seeking her goals.

As Coordinator of Handicapped Student Services, Board serves on the UH staff and is in charge of coordinating services for UH handicapped students.

Board contracted polio when she was two, one month before the polio vaccine was administered to children. She was the first child in Mineola, Tx. to contract it. No new

techniques for special education



BOARD
had been established in that small town, so Board attended school

with children who were not in wheelchairs or otherwise handicapped.

There was no special treatment for me at home or at school and people expected as much out of me as they did from the other children," Board said. "Others were used to me and I to them," she said. With an open and warm feeling that puts one at ease immediately, Board said she was never coddled because she was in a wheelchair.

"Possibly because I was handicapped, I felt I had to create a niche for myself, and consequently excelled academically," she said. High grades stirred Board into becoming the secretary of the local National Honor Society.

Board graduated from UH in 1969 with a B.A. in psychology. "But I felt I had to go on to graduate school, so I could better prepare myself to make my own living," she said. "I wasn't going back to Mineola, because there are really no opportunities in a small town," she said.

After applying twice to graduate school, Board was accepted. Somewhat discouraged at

first, but probably more determined than ever to finish, Board won this challenge in May of this year when she received her M.S.W. from UH.

There wasn't much of a lull after graduate school, since Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) had just issued a grant for services to handicapped students. It was perfect timing for Board, who quickly put in her application.

"There were between 20 and 30 applicants for the position of coordinator," Board said. "And that was narrowed down to five. From those five the administration had to choose two and the final decision was made by Harry Sharp, vice-president dean of students," she said. Applicants for the coordinator position had to go before a committee composed of handicapped students, the Associate Dean of Students, a Texas Rehabilitation Commission counselor and a graduate student from the office of the Associate Dean.

The grant was awarded in June and Board stepped into the coordinator position in July. The areas covered by the grant include career counseling of han-

dicapped students, transcription service for students who are blind or unable to write, assistance for students from chair to car, research on technical devices that will make it easier to transfer handicapped students; a recreation program that is being developed by the health and physical education department and Board's position which is coordinator for all areas of the program.

"I have to be sure that all aspects of the service are running smoothly," she said. "In addition, I meet with students on an individual basis, work with UH Security (UHS) on removing architectural barriers and recommend new services as the need arises."

"The grant ends in June 1976, but we can re-apply for two more years after that. As long as the grant is available, I'll probably stay here," Board said.

Aside from her staff duties, Board is in the primary planning stages of establishing scouting programs for handicapped children. "I want to organize Boy Scout troops for children in the

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Sensitivity sessions aid Cenikor 'family'

(End of Two Parts)

By **MIKE DeSTEFANO**
Cougar Staff

The Cenikor games are the center of the whole learning process. Games are scheduled every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and every member attends. Members are divided up into groups of eight to 14 persons. The games have no leaders and the older members have no more status than any other player.

The group sits in a circle in order to be facing each other and for the next hour, each person is subjected to an intense examination of his or her behavior and must defend this behavior. The intensity of the game helps sharpen each person's ability to communicate with other people.

There are no rules to the games, except that truth is to be sought and no physical violence is to be allowed. Tempers are often heated and voices often raised, yet the players are not allowed to express themselves in such a manner outside the game.

Another important part of the Cenikor learning program is the seminar. Each evening after dinner, general meetings are held covering every conceivable subject. The individual is filled with information and is expected to retain it. This information can be applied to realities as they

happen in every day existence.

A proverb or maxim is written on the board and a speaker is selected to conduct the seminar in an orderly manner. Individuals raise their hands and expound on their ideas of the word. It is amazing how many different interpretations are arrived at.

The cardinal rules in Cenikor are no physical violence and no taking of chemicals. There is also an unwritten rule of no "I don't care" attitudes. When one of these rules is broken, the violator is taken into a room with several older members and is verbally chastised for an hour or so. He may not defend himself. Later, he is put in a chair and asked to sit for X amount of time with a sign labeling him as a "child." This treatment is referred to as a verbal haircut.

If misbehavior continues, a few of the older members physically shave the subject's head. It is another part of the learning process and has proved effective.

Looking into the future, Cenikor hopes to double its membership and add such improvements as medical and dental facilities as well as classrooms in which to continue the learning process.

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Four-day schedule eyed

By DAN DAMON

A proposed four-day class schedule for UH summer sessions is now under study by the Educational Committee of the Faculty Senate.

"The proposal could conceivably be implemented next summer, if it goes through channels fast enough," Dr. James Poteet, associate professor of history and chairman of the committee, said Monday. If approved, the proposal will go through the Faculty Senate, the Academic Committee and finally the University Council.

The College of Business used a four-day schedule for the past two summers. Response from students and faculty on the schedule was overwhelmingly favorable.

The four-day school week was instituted as an energy-saving measure. Commuter students saved one trip to the university per week.

The proposal to investigate a four-day schedule was submitted by Dr. Lawrence Curry, assistant professor of history.

"The extra day could be used by students and faculty for uninterrupted study and research," Curry said. "Academic fatigue might be reduced by four days of school, followed by a three-day weekend."

Curry and Poteet are interested

in student and faculty comments on the proposal. They may be contacted in the history department.

The proposed schedule would also cut down on student class loads and could conceivably give summer students an extra day for warm weather recreation.

Faculty members would also have more time for class preparation.

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Texas Institute of Rehabilitation and Research (TIIR).

"Many times the children are very bored and have no visitors. When this happens, they have time to dwell on their problems. I would like to offer recreational diversion on weekends," Board said. "Scouting gives the child the opportunity to feel important and to know there are goals within his reach." Also, when a child leaves TIIR he can be put in touch with a troop of scouts in his area of town.

Working in the Student Life Building, Board comes in contact with many different people all the time. She feels handicapped persons should be treated as individuals and not grouped together or thought about in

generalized terms.

"I think it's important that people see the handicapped person as an individual. I wish people could see past the orthopedic problems of the handicapped and get to the person. Many times people think there is something wrong with a handicapped person's mind, because the body is encased in a wheelchair. But that just isn't so."

"I like to put people at ease by bringing up the subject of my being handicapped first," Board said. And as the native Texan talks, all the warmth and personality within her seems to radiate. Her soft-spoken manner highlights the conversation as the wheelchair seems to fade into the background.

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Today

PSI CHI (national honor society for psychology) will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 633, S&R.

POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDENT ORGANIZATION will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Spindletop Room, UC.

CHI ALPHA will hold Body Life at 7 p.m. in the San Jacinto Room, UC.

UH WESLEY FOUNDATION will hold a worship service at 7 p.m. in Room 201, A.D. Bruce Religion Center.

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