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The unmistakable luminescence of the Moody Towers adds a prominent feature to the UH skyline at night. The Towers

house approximately 1,200 campus residents.

TONY JOHNSON

Check wanted on time sheet

By MIKE PETERS
Cougar Staff

The controversy over the time sheet submitted by Sonny Willis as chief election commissioner of last month's SA elections flared up again Wednesday. Students' Association Treasurer Rick Brass and Sen. Richard Schwartz renewed efforts Wednesday to block paying Willis based on the 161-hour time sheet they charged as being "inflated."

Brass said he had witnesses to show Willis lied to the senate Monday, when he told senators he had never agreed to submit a breakdown of his working hours to Brass.

Brass said Diana Escobedo, Karen DeMarco and Jackie Grimes, all SA office personnel, were present when he and Willis had discussed the breakdown.

Willis denied Thursday he had ever pledged to submit such a statement, as he did when answering the same charge at the senate meeting Monday night.

Schwartz compared Willis' 161-hour sheet with the schedule posted after last year's SA elections by then-chief commissioner Rick Meyer. Meyer was only paid for 64 hours for the same 20-day period.

"Either he (Willis) was damned inefficient or someone is trying to pull the wool over our eyes," Schwartz said.

Willis hinted he might consider taking legal action if he is "continually harrassed" by Brass.

"Nobody agreed to submit a breakdown, we were only told to keep track of our days and hours," Willis said.

"If I had been asked at the time to explain what I was doing with my time, I would have been happy to. But they didn't—they waited until afterward and pulled my time sheet without saying anything to me. They just paid everyone else."



Willis

"Brass got involved in the Ginger Hansel thing, and now he thinks he's Leon Jaworski, investigating everything," Willis said.

Willis referred to allegations that Hansel, a former SA president, charged personal long distance calls to SA. After an investigation UH administrators decided not to take legal action against Hansel.

Sparring verbally with Brass at Monday's meeting, Willis complained that the treasurer held up some of the commissioners' time sheets after Willis approved them. Brass countered that he is responsible for overseeing SA expenditures.

Schwartz said Wednesday he would submit the same motion to the senate he proposed Monday night—that Willis not be paid until he submits a written breakdown of how he spent his working time.

The senate voted not to consider the motion Monday, citing a lack of information. By not objecting, Speaker Sylvester Turner said the senate gave "tacit consent" for Brass to pay Willis for all the hours Willis posted.

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Payout opposed

Area women back advocate

Feminists rallied Thursday to the support of Houston's official women's advocate who once described Confucius as "just the sexist of his time," the Associated Press reported.

The all-male city council has threatened to reduce the salary of Dr. Nikki R. Van Hightower from \$18,000 to \$1 a year.

The 6-1 vote Wednesday followed protests by anti-abortionists that Van Hightower was abusing her office by promoting abortion and the federal Equal Rights Amendment.

They were particularly upset over her participation in an ERA rally last Saturday.

Mayor Fred Hofheinz cast the lone dissenting vote and said the \$1 salary would have the effect of eliminating an office the city needs.

Van Hightower, appointed to the office 10 months ago by Hofheinz, said she is not about to work for \$1 a year.

"My labor is too valuable," said the former UH professor. "I'm shocked by the vote, but I'm not taking it personally in that I feel it is an attack on the entire women's movement."

She added she believes the city council has underestimated public opinion about the office.

Renee Rabb, chapter president for the National Organization of Women, agreed. She warned that "everyone, the council, mayor, and newspapers, will hear from the women's community about this matter."

Madeline Appel, League of Women Voters president, said Houston took a giant step in creating the women's advocate position.

"It is a step backward to the 19th century to now destroy it," she said.

Barbara Strong, of Mayor Fred Hofheinz's office, told *The Daily*

Cougar the mayor said Van Hightower is doing her job, doing it well and he supports anyone's right to voice their opinion on their own time.

Strong said she personally feels "this could have a chilling effect on top talent who might be considering working for the City of Houston. These people searching for jobs will wonder if these jobs will have future livelihood or could city council take them away in a 'wink of eye'."

"The position of women's Advocate is being threatened and that concerns me," Strong added.

Donna Duerk, chair of the Harris County Women's Political Caucus, said she knew Houston had a chauvinist council "but I didn't know it was that bad."

Poppy Northcutt, former woman's advocate, has said it is ridiculous that the city council should slap all women in the face because the women's advocate said something the council didn't like. In addition, she said this is another means by which the council can control city employees. She said she also feels this action was planned and it was strange that council acted so quickly when they never act so quickly.

Van Hightower made her remark about Confucius when she learned that a statue of the Chinese philosopher given to the city bore an inscription that said in part that "... Men have their respective occupations and women their homes..."

Frank Mancuso, council member, said her reaction to the inscription was insulting to the Chinese community.

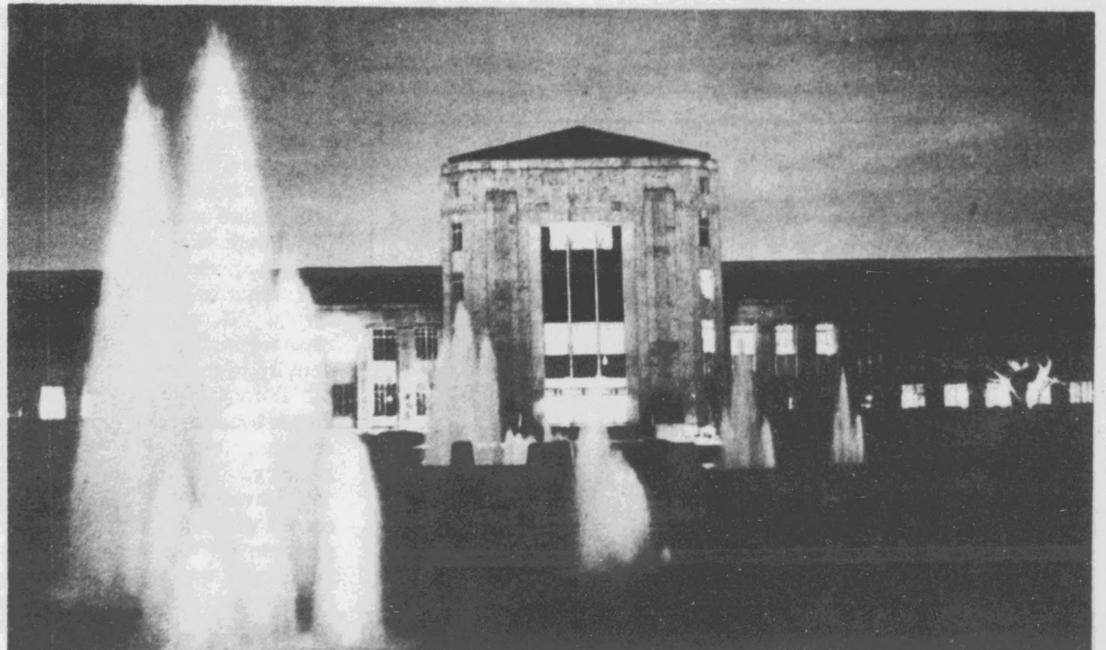
"I personally resent my tax dollars being spent on this person's activities," Mancuso said in voting for the \$1 salary motion.

The vote was on a request by Louis Macey, council member, that the city legal department prepare an ordinance reducing



Van Hightower

the salary. Another vote will be needed when the council receives the ordinance.



The lighted fountains in the Cullen Family Plaza assert themselves in-

creasingly as twilight slowly envelops the Ezekiel Cullen Building.

TONY JOHNSON

Let us know. . .

The Daily Cougar is considering changing its name to The Houston Press.

Do you approve?

Do you disapprove?

Other suggestions for a new name:

Please fill out and drop this by The Cougar office behind the Engineering Building or the Communications Department in Room 621, Agnes Arnold Hall. Suggestions will be taken until March 31.

EDITORIAL

We need input

The "Let Us Know" box is running daily on the editorial page because the name change for The Daily Cougar is still under consideration. The box will run until March 31.

So far the consensus is in favor of a name change, but the proposed name of The Houston Press has met disapproval. Those who disapproved of the proposed name did so because they felt the name should reflect the university image.

When a decision is made to change the name, the Student Publications Committee (SPC) must first approve the name.

The nine-member committee, which is approved by President Hoffman, is composed of a member from The Daily Cougar, The Houstonian, the communications faculty and the faculty-at-large. There are also representatives from the Students' Association, a student-at-large, the chair of the communications department, a member of the professional media and a graduate student.

Next the Board of Regents must approve the proposed change, then President Hoffman will have the final decision.

Once the name has passed through these steps, then the change will be completed.

The proposed name of The Houston Press is not definite. We urge everyone who is either for or against a new name to let us know. If you approve of a change but not of the proposed name then write in the box your idea or a new name.

Antiquated laws

To the Editor:

Sometimes I am amazed by people's ability to totally contradict themselves. We have all these fine people talking about human rights and yet at the same time they are interfering with others' rights.

First of all, Mike Hudgins' letter in the March 9 Daily Cougar is an example. He supports "antiquated laws." I feel sorry for

chicken thieves in Oklahoma who can be hung by the neck until dead. Or what about the blacks? Where would they be now if they had not fought "antiquated laws"?

Or as Hudgins seems to suggest perhaps they should have just been black in private and not gotten any help from anyone else.

Another example, is the reaction to the article "Books Weary Gays." First of all, I agree that the title of the article is totally ridiculous. Perhaps a bit of sen-

COMMENTARY

Women fight council's vote

By CHARRON HODGE

The recent decision by the Houston City Council to reduce the Women's Advocate Nikki Van Hightower's salary to \$1 a year was indeed, as Laura Oren of the Women's Rights Coordinating Council announced, a "slap in the face to all women of Houston."

It is deplorable, even frightening, that women of this community are subjected to the whims and prejudices of a male-dominated council, a body which purports to represent and serve the needs of all this city's citizens. If the council is not attempting to divest women of their representation in the patriarchal hierarchy of city government, then they are relegating woman's work to the value of \$1 per year.

The Houston Post reports that the council's decision was prompted by a complaint that Van Hightower had acted as coordinator of the International

Women's Day rally in Houston on Saturday March 5.

This complaint is unfounded. The Women's Rights Coordinating Council sponsored and organized the rally. Van Hightower spoke at the rally in favor of equal rights for women, a speech which I would consider a function of her duties as Women's Advocate.

If the council has cause to complain, however, it certainly cannot be due to Van Hightower's appearance at the rally; it was Saturday, her day off, and she received no financial compensation for her speech.

Van Hightower's task as Women's Advocate would appear to be that of supporting equal opportunity for women. I suspect that Van Hightower performed her task better than the council expected, and the council, having created the position in the first place, now takes several giant steps backwards by effectively abolishing it.

What I find most amazing is that the council no longer even makes a pretense of supporting egalitarianism in our community. The council would have women remain half citizens, underemployed or underpaid, with no effective voice in the decisions which govern our lives.

We women will not stand divested of our rightful representation in city government. We will not appeal; we will not beg; we will fight together. The University Feminist Organization, the Women's Law Association, the Gay Activist Alliance and the Young Socialist Alliance join me and many other members of the UH community in calling for the reinstatement of Nikki Van Hightower to her original position as a paid employee of the City of Houston.

Editor's note: Hodge is the director of the SA Department of Women's Affairs.



AS I WAS SAYING TO JIMMY — I CALL HIM JIMMY — WHEN WE SPOKE ON THE PHONE THE OTHER DAY, "JIMMY," I SAID "YES, FRED" HE SAYS — HE CALLS ME FRED...

Input

sationalism was involved.

Also, the article itself was worth nothing. It seems to be exciting because you are talking about homosexuals; but, it should be no more so than when heterosexuals are involved. Sex in public is a problem, regardless of who is involved. Unfortunately, it does occur here at UH as well as at other campuses. It is a problem that should be handled, not an event to be headlined.

However, there is another side of the coin. Freedom of press does mean that that article can be written, boring as it may be. In my opinion the letter in the March 9 Cougar in response to the article is as absurd as the article itself.

Nowhere in the article did the writer express any opinion pro or con regarding homosexual activity. He merely discussed reported incidents of homosexual activity in the men's restroom at the library. Ron Jornd got involved because the incidents were reported to him at University Security.

If David Miller is truly concerned with the individual rights perhaps he should consider the individuals who walked in to use the restroom and were confronted with this activity, either hearing it or seeing it.

We are speaking of public restrooms and the public's right to

use them, without this activity. Consenting adults have the right to do what they want in the privacy of their own homes, not in public restrooms.

Concerned individuals should work with the administration in solving this problem. As far as the majority of gays are concerned, perhaps we should spend our time raising the consciousness of our less confident brothers and sisters rather than taking up for their discourtesies.

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Equality noted

To the Editor:

UH Bates College of Law has a Law Review Organization which gives law students a chance to publish materials. To qualify for publication, one must work very hard and put in countless hours. It is a great honor to hold an office in the Law Review.

I was pleased to find out that the Law Review decided to delete some questions that were offensive to women. This action shows that the Law Review is both sensitive and responsive to bona-fide requests.

The offensive questions were on an application form for an editor

office. The questions asked whether the applicant was married and whether the applicant had any children. Although these seem innocuous on their face, this is the type of question which has historically been used to discriminate against women.

I congratulate the Law Review on its decision to adopt a sexually neutral form.

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Program possible

Joint statement by Jay Reeves Ferry, Forum Committee chair and Ebrahim Rahimi, president of Committee for Artistic and Intellectual Freedom in Iran March 9, 1977.

• We both recognize that the March 23 panel on repression in Iran is a good program.

• To avoid any misunderstanding (said Jay Ferry), I feel this program should be presented to the UH community.

• Because of a technical error between us the funds from Forum Committee were cancelled.

• The Forum Committee is capable of financing this program if the members and Administrative Council deem it feasible financially and politically.

The Cougar

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Muslim leader seeks talks as seige still grips capital

WASHINGTON (AP) —While vengeance-seeking terrorists held scores of hostages Thursday, the leader of the rival Black Muslim movement flew to Washington to meet with officials seeking a way out of the siege that gripped police, terrorists and captives.

Wallace Muhammad, the Black Muslim leader and one of the men sought by the terrorists, arrived from Chicago and was to meet with District of Columbia Mayor Walter E. Washington.

A Black Muslim speaker said Muhammad "is concerned about the lives and safety of the people and our whole community is very disturbed by this."

The speaker indicated Muhammad could possibly assist in negotiations with members of the rival Hanafi Moslem sect who were holding as many as 135 hostages in three buildings, one within sight of the White House.

The ambassadors of three Moslem nations also were seeking to negotiate an end to the standoff.

As the siege entered its second day, the terrorists were threatening to behead their captives and demanding that Muhammad and the other men they blamed for the 1973 murder of seven Hanafi members be brought to them.

"We are committed to retribution. Our law allows that," said Khalifa Hamaas Abdul Khaalis, leader of the terrorists and chief of the predominantly black Hanafi sect.

Abdul Khaalis, in one of the dozens of interviews he broadcast by telephone from the besieged eighth floor of the B'nai B'rith headquarters building, vowed revenge for the slayings and said, "There is no justice without the sword."

Muhammad has denied responsibility for the 1973 slayings, for which four Philadelphia Black Muslims were

convicted.

At the B'nai B'rith building, in effect the terrorists' command post, Abdul Khaalis and three to five companions were holding more than 100 hostages.

It was there the raids began, at mid-day Wednesday, followed swiftly by invasions of the Islamic Center, a mosque in the Embassy Row district and the District of Columbia Building, near the White House.

The intruders were armed with rifles, shotguns, automatic weapons, knives and swords.

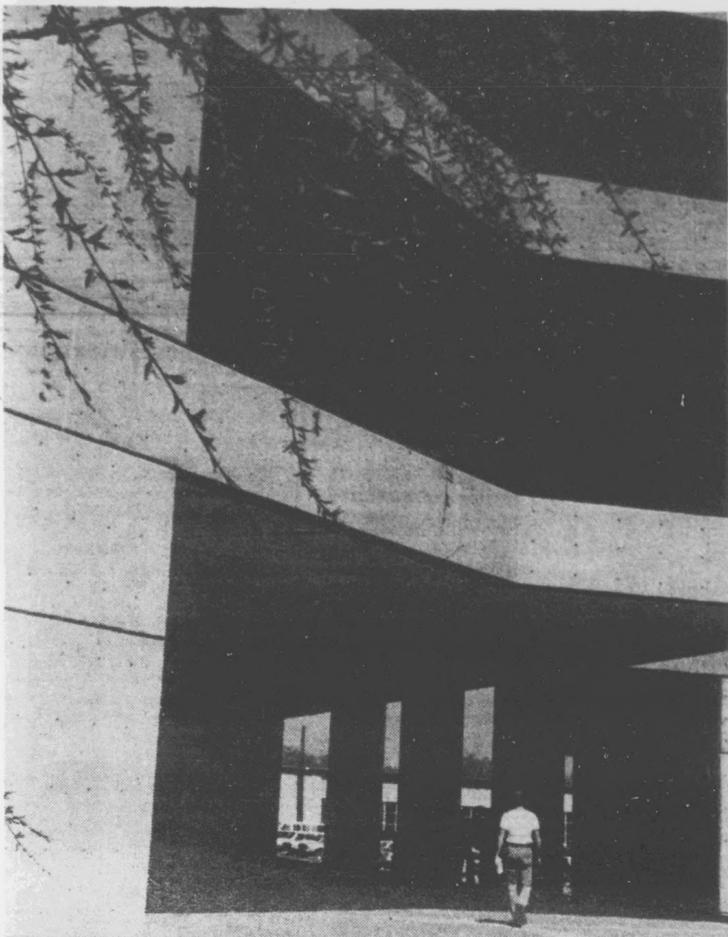
One man, Maurice Williams, 24,

a reporter for radio station WHUR, was shot and killed in the takeover at the district building, the capital's city hall.

Four people injured in the strikes there and at B'nai B'rith remained hospitalized. Seven others were beaten or stabbed and were later treated and released.

There were varying reports on the number of hostages and on the number of black terrorists holding them.

But Abdul Khaalis said authorities must meet his demands, or "the worst is to come ... I'm prepared to die."



KAREN MACK

As the warmer weather of Spring approaches, this willow alongside the Classroom and Office Building begins to produce it's first tender green leaves.

Leakey to talk on early man

Distinguished paleoanthropologist Richard Leakey will lecture at 7:30 tonight in Cullen Auditorium on "Our Human Heritage: Millions of Years of Man in Africa."

Leakey's visit is a UH half century event, co-sponsored by the UH Chapter of Sigma Xi, a society for academic and scientific research.

Leakey, son of famed paleo-anthropologists Mary and Louis Leakey, was raised in Africa and has searched for fossils most of his life. Since the age of 20, he has led his own expeditions into

Tanzania, Kenya and Ethiopia.

His discoveries in East Rudolf, Kenya, have helped reshape existing concepts on the origin of man. According to Leakey, until he found a skull of a hominid (man-like animal) in Africa, Asia was regarded as the cradle of mankind.

The skull he found dates back 1.5 million years and is nearly identical to that of "China's Peking Man" which only dates back a million years. In his work, Leakey combines his knowledge of anthropology, paleontology, geology, botany and zoology as he traces man's physical roots.

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Magaziner drowned after a boating accident in Lake Livingston, Feb. 19. His body was found Wednesday in Trinity River.

Magaziner received his master's degree in urban studies from UH in 1976 and was an instructor in the UH Graduate School of Social Work.



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By ALICE LESTER
Cougar Staff

One of the few things that can cause an entire stadium of Cougar football fans to look away from a third down play is the Goodyear blimp floating placidly by. And riding this strange vehicle is even more fun than watching it.

Now when people catch a plane they don't literally "catch" it. It is parked nice and neat on the runway, its belly opened sideways to let them inside.

Not so with the Goodyear blimp. It has to be caught.

The battleship-gray fish weighs 3,771 pounds. Rubber-coated in polyester, it drifts rather lackadaisically toward the ground. One crew member runs out onto the field carrying a windsock which is held up for the pilot to see. The "America," as the Houston-based blimp is called, must land nose into the wind.

Workers catch ropes

As the windsock billows out, six workers run across the grass to catch two ropes that dangle freely from the nosecone.

The workers divide. Three pull one rope to the right and three pull the other rope to the left, the nose still into the wind. It's a strange tug of war as the gray beast bounces down on one wheel.

On windier days it takes as many as 10 persons to hold the blimp down. On real gusty days, "America" stays safely anchored inside her garage at 20201 North Freeway.

Six passengers can ride with the pilot in the cabin attached to the underbelly of the blimp. Six of us boarded and were airborne in less than a minute.

Twin continental engines pointed the balloon's nose upward. We floated out over the freeway without even yielding, just like cars do. The difference was that we were going a sedate 35 m.p.h. several hundred feet up.

We reached 1,000 feet and leveled off. The engines are located right outside the cabin walls, and the noise makes speech impossible.

The pilot, Randy McNerlin, put "America" on idle. You haven't lived until you've idled 1,000 feet up.

"While idling, the ship will begin to slowly descend at the rate of 200 feet a minute since the usual passenger weight of the ship is slightly heavier than air," McNerlin explained.

"That's the Houston skyline some 21 miles to you right," the pilot continued. We all turned to examine a distant multileveled blotch that constituted downtown.

Beneath us, the earth looked like a huge Monopoly board. Broadway had a whole subdivision on it. Baltic and Pennsylvania Avenues had houses.

Congeniality a must

Congeniality among the passengers was almost a must. Inside America, the cabin was four and one-third feet wide and swelling to eight feet wide at the ceiling. From seat button to windshield it was 15 feet long.

There were three seats in the back, two in the middle and two in the front.

"This airship, like any other ordinary ship, has a rudder for left and right maneuvers," McNerlin went on. He then pointed to a wheel beside his seat and smiled. "This wheel turned one way points the nose up (the passengers are slumped back in their seats), turned another way points the tail up (the passengers fell forward and became involuntarily friendly).

"There are 7,560 lights on the Super Skytacular night sign which

are operated by computer. We take the seats out, hoist in the computers and we're in business for night flying," he said smugly. "And there are 80 miles of wiring for the sign."

He puts "America" in gear, and we headed across the Monopoly board toward the blimp barn. It looked like Park Place with a hotel. "We have a cruising speed of 35, the maximum being 45 to 50 m.p.h.

Wind decides speed

"But the wind ultimately decides our speed," McNerlin said. McNerlin and another pilot once took "America" to Dallas. They had a southerly tailwind and the trip took three hours. Coming back they headed into the same wind and the trip took 12 hours.

As we floated noisily closer to the ground we could see the technicians running across the field reaching for the ropes hanging off the nosecone. I found myself cheering for a guy with short legs.

"America" is one of four airships built and maintained by Goodyear. The "Mayflower" is based in Miami, Fla., "Columbia" in Los Angeles, Cal. and "Europa" in Rome, Italy.



RON MCCUISTON

Whoops! Missed again, says Guy Groomer, engineering freshman, with clenched fists as he goes for a frisbee.

Casino party benefits retarded

Las Vegas has few winners and many losers. But when the casinos move into the UH residence halls March 25, it will be a sure bet who the winners will be—more than 150 Houston area retarded children.

UH students will sponsor the casino benefit, according to Eric Richman, one of the organizers of the event. All profits will go to Camp Cougar, a summer program for retarded children held on the UH campus.

Tables will open at 7 p.m. in Oberholtzer Hall on the UH central campus. Tickets will be sold at Oberholtzer Hall and the UC ticket office.

"Casino Night will consist primarily of gambling, live entertainment, two full bars and the chance for people to have fun while raising money for a worthy cause," Richman said. "At the end of the evening we will have an auction. People can use their play money winnings to bid on prizes Houston businesses have donated for the event."

A similar casino benefit was held at UH last spring. It raised

more than \$1,000 for Camp Cougar, Richman said. "This year we hope to raise more than \$2,000," he added.

"Camp Cougar was organized to meet a need expressed by the Houston Association for Retarded Citizens for a summer camp for retarded children. UH offered its facilities, talents and capabilities to meet this need through its

housing, staff and students," Richman said.

The opportunity for UH students to work with the children adds a "significant dimension" to the camp's purpose, Richman said. The camp's staff consists of professionals in the field of mental retardation, community volunteers and UH faculty, staff and students.



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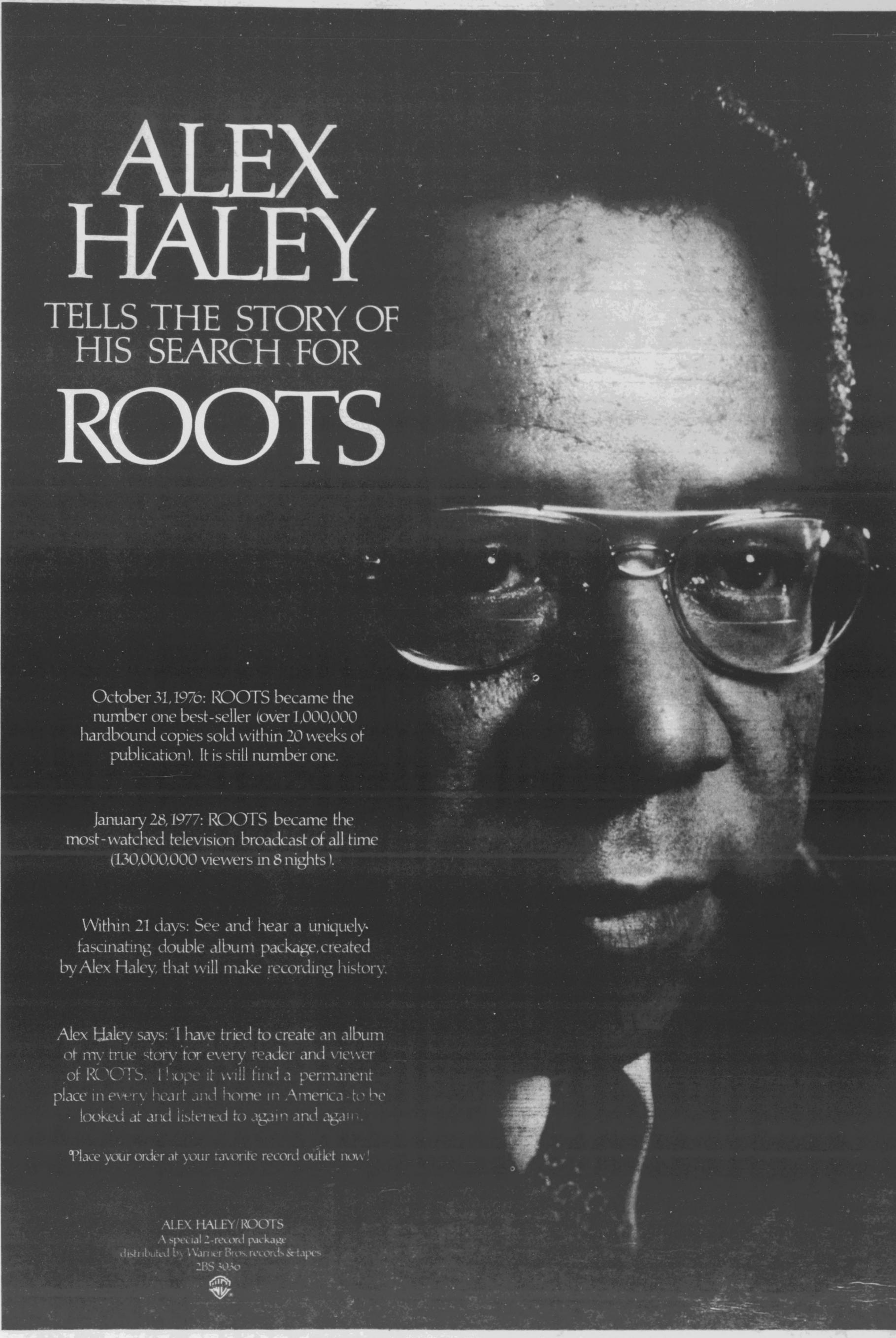
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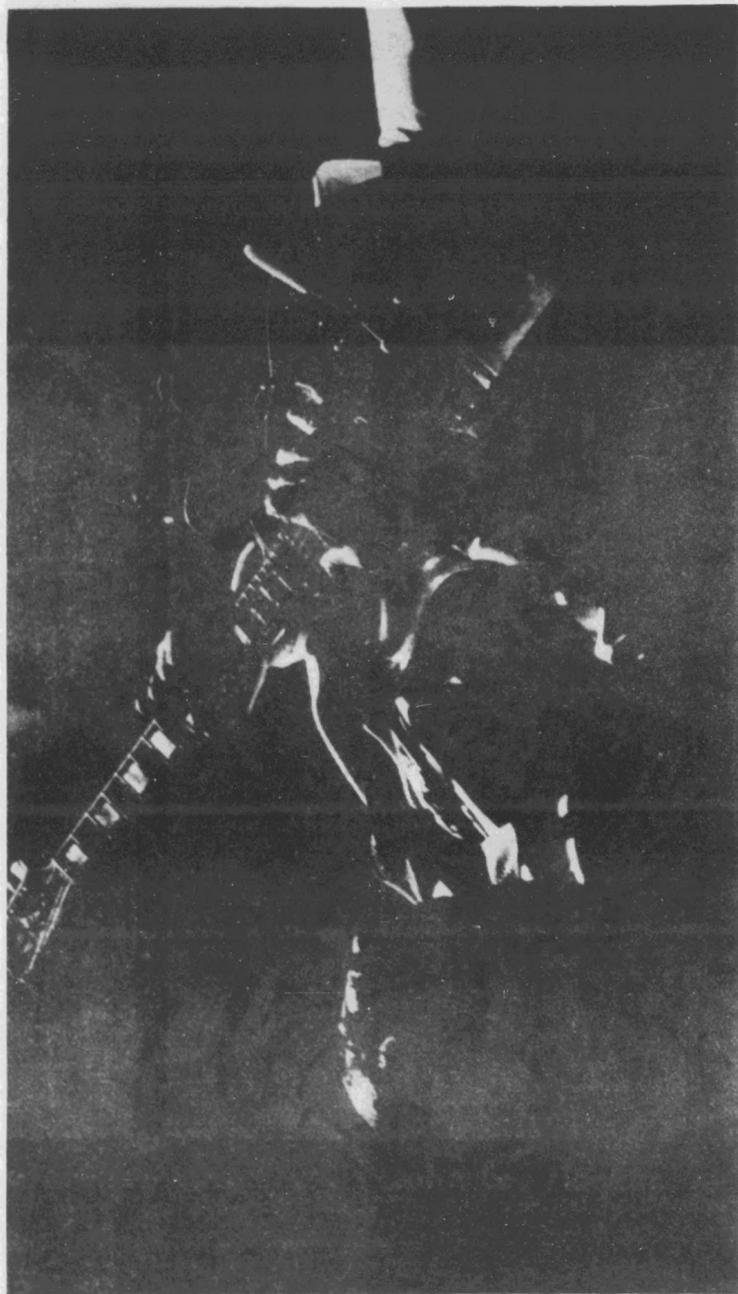


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A gallery of the world's greatest blues singers



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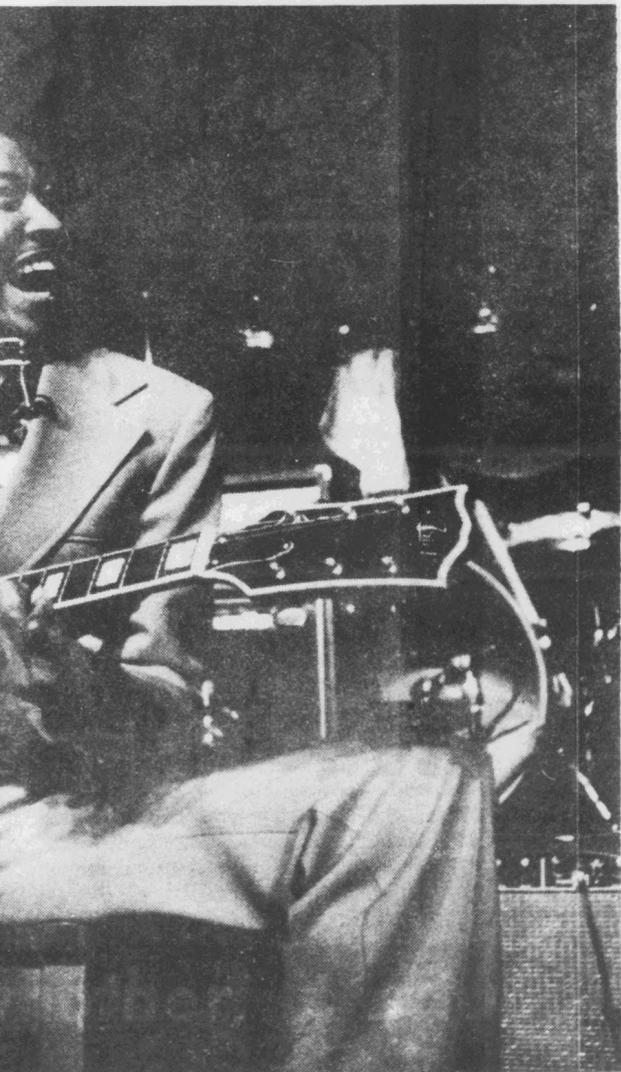
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Taj Mahal



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NIT field shapes up

(AP) "Sixty-five points don't mean a thing because we lost," said a dejected Anthony Roberts, whose record 65-point output could not prevent a 90-89 loss by Oral Roberts to Oregon in an opening-round game of the National Invitation Tournament.

The 6-foot-6 senior connected on 25 field goals and 15 free throws Wednesday night, breaking the NIT record of 53 points by George Mikan in 1945.

In other NIT opening-round games, Virginia Tech beat Georgetown 83-79, Villanova defeated Old Dominion 71-68 in overtime and Houston edged Indiana State 83-82.

Virginia Tech rallied from a 40-37 intermission deficit against Georgetown, and along with the other winners, earned a berth in next week's NIT quarter-finals at Madison Square Garden, against the winner of Thursday's Alabama-Memphis State game. Virginia Tech won the NIT title in 1973.

Villanova trailed Old Dominion's Monarchs for most of the game before inching ahead

late in the second half. The score was tied 65-65 at the end of regulation.

Houston's victory lifted the Cougars into the quarter-finals against Illinois State, which defeated Creighton 65-58 Tuesday night.

Oregon's Ernie Kent, one of four players assigned to defense Anthony Roberts, shouted "Unbelievable," as he watched the Titans' star continually fire the ball through the basket.

Oregon took the lead after a 40-40 halftime tie as forward Greg Ballard scored 43 points, helping offset Roberts' one-man show.

In the Virginia Tech-Georgetown game, the Gobblers grabbed the lead on a layup by Marshall Ashford with 14:04 remaining. A drive by Ron Bell and two free throws by Phil Thieneman built the margin to 55-50.

Ashford hit 16 of his 24 points in the second half. Georgetown got a game-high 28 points from Derrick Johnson. The Hoyas twice closed the gap to two points in the final three minutes.

center court



by mike madere

After the graduation of former Cougar cager Elvin Hayes in 1968, people snickered at the thought of another athlete clad in a red and white UH uniform matching, or coming close to his matching, Hayes' total of 2,887 career points.

But now the folks are beginning to wonder. Otis Birdsong is steadily closing the gap.

Birdsong's point total after his junior year was 1,742. With one year to play, he was a distant 1,142 points away from the Big E's mark. Averaging 30.4 points per outing in his senior season, Bird has accumulated 1,004 points in 33 contests this year. Add that to his previous three-year total and it comes out to 2,742 career points at UH.

Now 138 points away from catching Hayes, Birdsong could tie the standing record by swishing 36 points in each of the three possible remaining games, that is of course if Houston can reach the finals of the National Invitational Tournament next week in the New York City.

Bird has rewritten the record books all season long, but becoming Houston's all-time leading scorer is the least of his concerns. Becoming the NIT champion would appeal to Birdsong more than setting a scoring record.

Having suffered a disappointing blow by being dismissed from the 1976 United States Olympic basketball team in the final cut, Bird knew his best interests would be for the Cougars to get some post-season action, something he had not yet experienced yet in his collegiate roundball career. Play-offs tend to attract publicity and pro scouts.

Yet, even if Houston hadn't been given a NIT bid, Birdsong, named first-team All-American by UPI, Sporting News and U.S. Basketball Writers Association, managed to receive plenty of much-deserved publicity. The reasons Bird has become one of the top collegiate basketball players are evident when looking at the stat sheet.

As Birdsong set new Southwest Conference precedents for most points in a career (2,716), most points in a single season (885) and most points in conference games only (487), SWC coaches had no other choice but to hold the Bird in high esteem.

TCU coach Johnny Swaim says, "Birdsong has the ability to get off a shot through the smallest crease. We thought we had him covered pretty good, but he still would score."

Texas mentor, Abe Lemons, in his first year of coaching in the SWC, became well acquainted with Bird as the All-American swished 78 points in the two-game Houston-Texas series. "You'd have to put a 24-hour guard on Birdsong, and I'm not sure that would work," Lemons said.

"Birdsong is good enough to beat you by himself," said Arkansas coach Eddie Sutton. "I've never known anyone who can score like he does and still hit 60 per cent from the field. He doesn't take bad shots and he's a very unselfish player."

Unselfish indeed describes Birdsong. Along with hitting over 30 points a game, Birdsong is also giving out his share of assists. Birdsong is Houston's second-leading assistman on the year with 127. Also, Bird leads the team in the steals category.

After tutoring Birdsong for four years, UH coach Guy Lewis is well aware that the Winter Haven, Fla. native is more than a shooter. Lewis often tells Bird to shoot instead of passing the ball off to a teammate.

"Birdsong is one of the most amazing shooters I've ever seen, but more important than that, he's a team player," Lewis said. "He is unbelievably unselfish to be a 30-point scorer. Sometimes he's too unselfish."

Finishing as the nation's fourth top scorer and leading the United States in scoring at the Pan-American Games two summers ago are high



Birdsong adds two

moments in Birdsong's career. But bigger and better things lie in the future—for Bird is sure to go in the first round of the National Basketball Association (NBA) draft.

Birdsong has all the needed tools: size, quickness and a deadly shot. But don't forget defense, the factor that either makes or breaks a ball player. Bird does that well too.

"When Birdsong graduates he will be a top draft choice because he plays defense too. That's where a lot of college players miss the boat. He's a complete player," said former Houston Rocket coach Johnny Egan.

Birdsong will fit right in the NBA. No doubt, Elgin Baylor, Bill Bradley, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Jerry Lucas, Jerry West, Rick Barry and Cazzie Russell are big names in the professional basketball world. Bird's current career point total (2,746) outweighs the collegiate point totals of those players.

Cougar basketball loyalists are going to miss that base-line jumper which they have become so accustomed to throughout the Birdsong era. But Bird will be around for UH fans to watch. Not in red and white, but in a NBA uniform.

See you in the Summit, Bird. Welcome to professional basketball.

Oilers leaving Dome?

The National Football League Houston Oilers are asking a selected group of season ticket holders how they would feel if the Oilers shifted their home games from the Astrodome to Rice Stadium.

Oiler senior vice president Ladd Herczeg confirmed Wednesday that the Oilers have mailed questionnaires to about 1,000 of the Oilers' 33,000 season ticket holders.

"This is a random sample of both family and business accounts done by computer," Herczeg said. "It's being done only in the in-

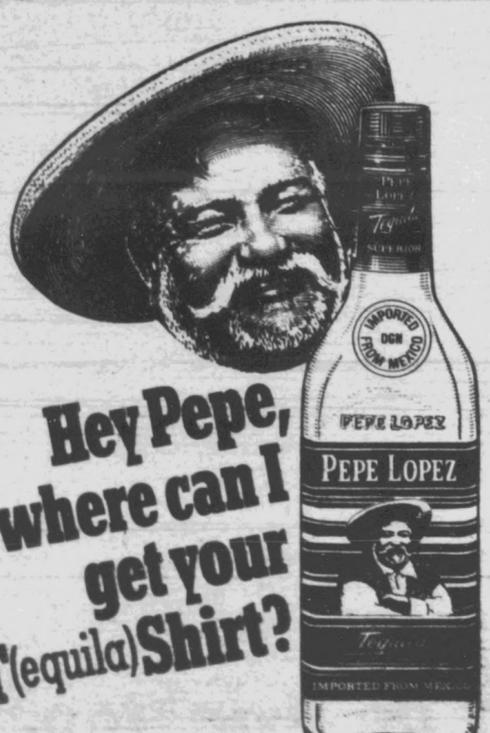
terest of the fans."

Oiler owner K.S. "Bud" Adams has asked Astrodome officials to consider expanding the Astrodome, which has a 50,000 capacity. Astrodome officials say such an expansion is not feasible.

The Oilers played in the 72,000 seat Rice Stadium from 1965 through the 1967 season before moving to the Astrodome.

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Intramural basketball is winding down to its last weekend of eliminations. League champions will be decided Sunday and all-school playoffs will be March 16-17. Softball will be in the limelight for the next several weekends, as the season opens Saturday at 11 a.m. There is competition in co-rec bowling, golf and soccer this week, also.

Eight teams are competing in the first spring semester soccer tournament. Games for the round-robin tourney, played each Saturday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Little Jeppesen, will continue through the latter part of April. Currently, the top three teams are the Jokers, the Hellenic Students Association, and TAPE. Last year's champion, Chemical Engineering, is at the bottom of the ladder.

Co-rec bowling continues this weekend, and golfers tee off

Wednesday and Thursday fighting for a spot in Friday's all-school matches.

Melissa Stephens captured the women's singles title in paddleball, as well as the doubles title with her partner, Sylvia Ortiz. Jay Solinger and Bob Merritt won men's doubles, and Solinger is the singles champ.

Kathy Echols (Quad) and Rick Seale (HRMS) won the women's and men's billiards. Elena Rodriguez captured all-school honors in table tennis singles, and the Quad duo of Sue Callender and Beth Belser are the double champs. Goodman and Qamar won the co-rec title for HRMS. The Furburgers' Bashkar won men's singles and Qamar and Chow (HRMS) won men's doubles.

In basketball action, many teams played more than one game this weekend. The Funkadelics went two-for-two as they put down

Big 10 Barracuda, 62-24. A. Williams' 41 points and C. Hutchings' 23 points eased the Funkadelics past Slaughterhouse Five, 78-30. Patton's Pinko Pounders, led by Mark Jeffrey's 21 points, defeated the Misfits, 52-45. The Pounders also beat Six Pack in an overtime contest, 47-41.

J. Gosset had a hot hand for the Trojans as he scored 21 points in a victory over Crescendos II, 60-45. Gosset and teammate, Fabacher, hit 16 apiece as the Trojans rolled by the Printing Staffers, 71-25.

The Ebony Pearls coasted by HPER Women 29-10 and squeaked by Quad Squad I, 11-9. Delta Zeta eliminated Phi Mu, 20-10, and Linda Logsdon's 10 point effort helped the DZ's defeat Alpha Chi Omega, 14-4.

Angel Dust won two this weekend by defeating the Rockets, 49-39 and stopping Old Dirt Road 44-43 as the final buzzer sounded.

Neal Danehy's 21 points lifted Delta Sigma Phi over Kappa Alpha Psi, 42-39. Tom Ivy's 24 points helped Theta Tau beat Unregistered Pharmacists, 48-34, but Ivy's 16 points against the Zeroes were in vain as Schmidt from the Zeroes scored 20 to boost the Zeroes to a 39-32 victory.

Mark Shaeffer paced Sigma Nu to a 39-36 victory over Sigma Chi. The dynamic duo of Bob Ireton and Randy Marx combined for 26 in OB I's win over Quad rival, the Veneries.

Other scores were: JRELB B 40, Fujimos B 39; Fighting Iris 41, JRELB B 25; Paper Chasers 39, Uncle John's Band 21; Commodores 76, Slaughterhouse Five 30; Trotters 62, Magnum Force 47; JRELB 51, Friends 49; Uncle John's Band 39, Optometry 26; Fujimos 52, Trotters 48; and New Birth 50, JRELB 16.

Intramural Basketball Schedule

FRIDAY TIME	GYM
4:30 Commodores vs. Funkadelics HPE Majors "B" vs. Dean's Team	1 2
5:30 Bushwhackers vs. Trojans Wine Psi Phi vs. Fighting Iris	1 2
6:30 Crescendos vs. Patton's Pinko Pounders Hippardites vs. Paper Chasers	1 2
7:30 Old Dirt Road vs. Angel Dust (PB) HPER Majors vs. Zeros	1 2
SATURDAY	
10:30 Lambda Chi Alpha vs. Sigma Nu Ebony Pearls vs. Quad Squad 1 (PB)	1 2
11:30 Omega Psi Phi vs. Delta Sigma Phi	1
12:30-5:30 PLAYBACKS (if necessary)	
SUNDAY	
1:30 Club League Semi-Finals Club League Semi-Finals	1 2
2:30 Dorm Championship	1
3:30 Pro Club Championship	1
4:30 Fraternity Championship	1
5:30 Club Championship	1

Intramural Softball schedule

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1977

TIME	FIELD
11:00 Bushwhackers vs. Venries Hardballers vs. Old Milwaukee D.A.'s P.P. Staffers vs. Delta Sigma Phi HRMS vs. Bad News Barristers	1 2 3 4
12:00 2nd Floor Moody vs. Cool's Fools Alpha Angels vs. Phi Kappa Theta "Mad Dogs" Los Aztecas Women vs. Ms Fesance Sweathogs vs. J.D.'s	1 2 3 4
1:00 Bad Attitude vs. Titans O.B. Gangbangers vs. 14th Floor Rogues vs. Mish Mash Beta Bell Busters vs. Leviathan	1 2 3 4
2:00 Los Aztecas vs. Cream Peanut Butter Squad vs. V.S.O. Quas vs. Desperados Blue Fire vs. Big Ten	1 2 3 4
3:00 Commodores vs. Red Tide Optometry Dueces vs. Phi Kappa Theta "B" Bad News Chicks vs. Tower Power Bench Warmers vs. A.S.M.E.	1 2 3 4

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 1977

1:30 Fighting Iris vs. ROTC Lambda Chi Alpha vs. Beta Theta Pi Delta Sigma Phi vs. Delta Upsilon Unregistered Pharmacists vs. Peculators	1 2 3 4
2:30 Fuburgers vs. E-Z Rollers Theta Tau vs. Bio Grads Zero's vs. Drama Phi Sigma Kappa vs. Alpha Epsilon Pi	1 2 3 4
3:30 4th Estate vs. Inseminators Moody Eight vs. Tommy's Buggs O.B. II vs. HRMS II Pi Kappa Alpha vs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon	1 2 3 4
4:30 Ebony Pearls vs. BSU Women Phi Mu vs. Zeta Tau Alpha HPER Majors II vs. Crescendelles Delta Zeta vs. Delta Gamma	1 2 3 4

SPORTS WEEK:

FRIDAY

College baseball — Texas Tech at Houston, 3 p.m.

College men's track — Gulf AAU Decathlon Championships, Jeppesen Stadium, 10 a.m.; NCAA Indoor Championships, Detroit, Mich.

College golf — Houston in Border Olympics, Laredo.

College men's tennis — Houston at LSU.

College soccer — Houston at North Texas State Invitational.

College women's basketball — Houston in Regional SWAIAW tournament, Monroe, La.

Pro basketball — Rockets at Indiana, 7:05 p.m.

Pro hockey — Cincinnati at Aeros, 7:35 p.m.

SATURDAY

College baseball — Texas Tech at Houston, two games, 1 p.m.

College men's track — Houston in Rice Invitational; Gulf AAU Decathlon Championships, Jeppesen Stadium, 9 a.m.; NCAA Indoor Championships, Detroit, Mich.

College golf — Houston in Border Olympics, Laredo.

College men's tennis — Houston at USL.

College women's basketball — Houston in Regional SWAIAW tournament, Monroe, La.

College soccer — Houston in North Texas State Invitational.

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MONTELEON Apartments. 6310 Calhoun. Newly decorated, one and two bedroom apartments. Close to UH, \$105 every two weeks, all bills paid. 741-6338 or 747-5063.

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FOR SALE: 1973 Mobile Home 12' x 40', close to campus. Two bedrooms, central air and heat. 772-6661 Ext. 46 before 5 p.m., 747-5553 after 5 p.m. Wayne Guinn.

Personal

SNOW'S UP! Share expense of Vail condo. \$30 per person. March 12th-19th. All or part. Rick 228-9211 Ext. 2984, days.

FREE small friendly dog. Needs good home. Male, housebroken. Call 783-8475 after 5 p.m.

Lost & Found

REWARD \$50. Lost ladies Omega watch Saturday between Arc. Building and UC. 661-2512.

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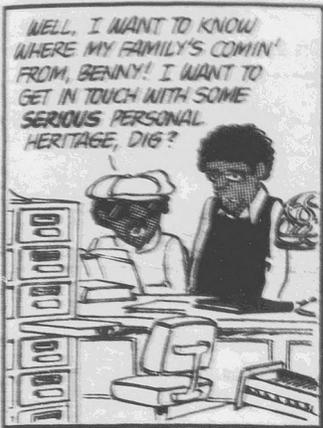
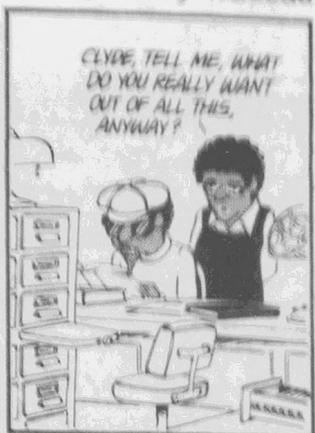
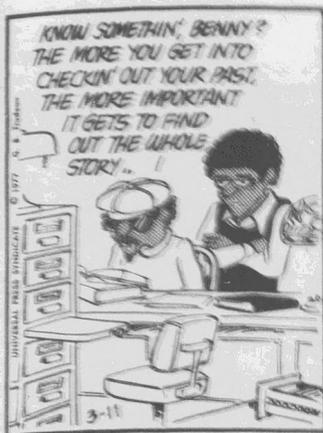
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SET OF WHEELS for Mazda RX-4. Home 747-5095, office 527-7244 T. Butler.



Election commissioner time sheet questioned

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The time sheet was sent to payroll Wednesday, beginning the 10-day procedure for processing a UH paycheck.

Schwartz chastised the senate Monday, expressing "disappointment that this body has shirked its responsibility" because Willis was a friend.

"The question boils down to our definition of work. To me, work is specific actions taken to fulfill or realize your specific end."

Comparing Willis' time sheet to Meyer's, Schwartz said both worked long hours (about 16) on the two election days. However, for the three weeks before the election Willis posted 96 hours, compared to 33 for Meyer.

"What did he do to further this election that took him three times as long as his predecessors?" Schwartz asked.

"I think Sonny came to school thinking he could sit around with a badge on and be paid for it," he continued. "I'm trying to see that this kind of thing doesn't happen."

Willis denied Schwartz' assertion, saying, "I worked all those hours. I expect to be paid for all of them, or not at all."

Turner said Wednesday the discrepancy between the two time

sheets is explainable, since Meyer had run SA elections before, and had an experienced staff.

"This year we got off to a late start with the election, with a lot of inexperienced people. Sonny would have had to do more work since he didn't have the experience to draw on," Turner said.

Turner said it would be hard to go back over five weeks and prove how Willis had spent his time. "But I take a person at his word until proven otherwise," he added.

Schwartz agreed verifying Willis' work would be difficult. "But on the other hand, I don't think there is that much work to be verified. Schwartz said he would "do a little investigating" to determine the election chief's activities as much as possible."

Schwartz said he would also introduce an amendment to the election code to tighten procedures for the future. His proposal would require the chief commissioner and his entire staff to submit a breakdown of how their time was spent.

"Establishing the accountability of the commissioners is the main issue," Schwartz said. "When you see a time sheet like this, it looks bad."

CAREER PLANNING & PLACEMENT CENTER INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

- Monday, March 14**
Automated Systems
Texas Instruments Inc.
- Tuesday, March 15**
Corpus Christi ISD
Mustang Tractor & Equipment Co.
Rotan Mosle Inc.
Texas Dept. of Mental Health
& Mental Retardation
Texas Instruments Inc.
Xerox
- Wednesday, March 16**
American National Insurance
Arendale, Young & Searcy
E-Systems
Goldman, Sachs & Co.
Gulf Oil Corp.
Hydro-Services Inc.
Lubrizol Corporation
The Southland Corporation
State Life Insurance Co.
Xerox
- Thursday, March 17**
American Graduate School
of International Mgmt.
Southwest Financial Group
Tinsley's
- Friday, March 18**
Metropolitan Life Insurance

On hypertension

Nobel winner to speak here

By JENNY RECORD
Cougar Staff

A Nobel Prize winner will conduct a series of lectures and seminars on hypertension during his stint as a UH visiting professor this month.

Dr. Ulf von Euler, who won the Nobel Prize in medicine and physiology in 1970, will lead seminars in the UH College of Pharmacy until March 21. His

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Today

ANTHROPOLOGY FORUM will hold an open house from noon to 3 p.m. in Room 506, CO. Refreshments will be served and the winner of the "name the skeleton" contest held earlier this month will be awarded \$25.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION will hold a testimony meeting at noon in Room 105, A.D. Bruce Religion Center.

City requests best

The Clear Lake Chamber of Commerce wants to set Guinness World Records at the annual Lions Club Village Fair May 7 and 8 in the Galveston County Park Pavilion.

The chamber is interested in obtaining ideas and sponsors for these record events. The events will be held in the Galveston County Park Pavilion between noon and 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The events will be self-sustaining in costs and the chamber will provide space and witnesses for record purposes.

Participation is free and open to the public. Applications are available at the Campus Activities desk, UC Underground. Deadline for submitting applications is Monday.

visit will be highlighted by a public lecture on hypertension at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Houston Room, UC.

Von Euler, professor and retired chair of the Department of Physiology at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden, won the prize for his study and identification of an adrenaline-like chemical which relays signals from adrenergic nerves.

This chemical, called noradrenaline, reacts with the nerve cell to accomplish various actions such as "producing ideas in the brain or producing saliva in the mouth," von Euler said.

Von Euler's discoveries have been useful in the treatment of high blood pressure, especially in diagnosing tumors which produce high blood pressure.

"The diagnosis is made by measuring the output of noradrenaline, which contracts blood vessels," von Euler said.

His work has led "indirectly to new drugs— knowing the chemical nature of noradrenaline meant finding other compounds which would inhibit it and thus



von Euler

affect the organs of the body," von Euler said.

"Since this chemical transmission is also present in the brain, some drugs for mental disease are related to it," he said.

Von Euler also plans to do some experiments on neurotransmission while at UH to find out what regulates the release of noradrenaline from the nerve.



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