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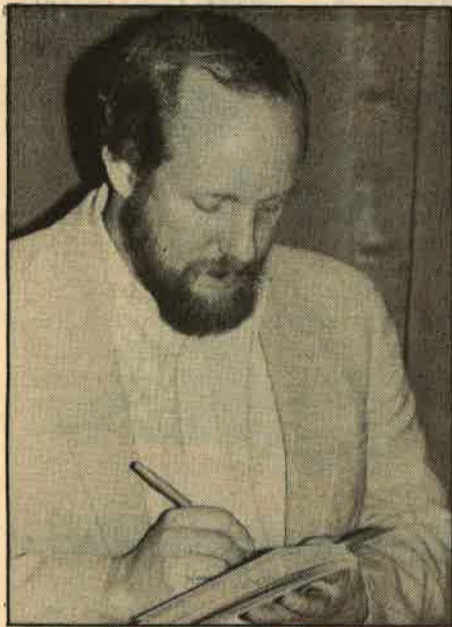
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Author discusses five-year cross-country walking trek



by YO KURABAYASHI

Author Peter Jenkins autographs
a copy of his award-winning
book.

Keyboard specialist to perform Saturday

Michael Iceberg, keyboard specialist, is scheduled to make his fifth appearance at the University in a concert sponsored by the Student Association and the Student Activities Committee Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. in Benson Auditorium.

Iceberg, who studied at the Julliard School of Music in New York, performs regularly at Disney World in Florida and has toured throughout the world, according to Dr. Jerome Barnes, professor of education and sponsor of the S.A.

Iceberg will hold a free preview clinic at 3 p.m. the same day. At the clinic, which will also be in Benson Auditorium, he will explain how his iceberg works. The iceberg is a pyramid that he sits in during performances which contains his synthesizers and other equipment. Greg Foster, co-chairman of the S.A.C., anticipates a large number for the preview clinic.

Although it will be Iceberg's fifth appearance, Barnes and Foster are confident that the ticket sales will be good, Barnes said.

"Iceberg likes to come to Harding," Barnes said. "He prepares for his performances here by continually updating his music." This year Iceberg has added more digital instrumentation to his program. This, coupled with his usually spirited personality, will make an enjoyable concert, he said.

The concert will also be a unique experience for freshman and transfer students who have not seen him, he said. "Iceberg usually draws a crowd of 800 to 1,000 new students each visit. Many people will come back to see him. He also has a loyal following who will travel from Little Rock to see him."

Tickets are on sale for \$3 in the student center and in the media center.

by Liz Herrel
Bison news editor

Peter Jenkins, author of "A Walk Across America," presented a slide show and shared anecdotes about his five-year walk across the country in the first lecture of the American Studies program this semester Tuesday night in Benson Auditorium.

Jenkins presented a 15-minute slide show containing just a few of the 50,000 slides he took while on his journey across the country. The show was accompanied by a variety of music ranging from classical to country to pop.

Before and after the slide presentation Jenkins briefly discussed the details of his trip and related some of his favorite stories about the trek.

Jenkins summed up by encouraging the audience to see the country. "Most of us are going to spend the rest of our lives as Americans," he said.

"I don't think it is so important to find out what you want to do when you are a sophomore in high school and stay on that track," Jenkins said.

After Jenkins graduated from college in upstate New York, he was undecided about what to do with his life, he said. He "discussed" it with his dog, Cooper, and made the decision to walk across the country to see what America was like outside of his Greenwich, Conn. home.

After five months training Jenkins left his college campus in New York and

started his five-year adventure with his dog. "I was bright-eyed and bushy-tailed and ready to attack the world," said Jenkins. "When I started, I absolutely hated this country."

Why did Jenkins hike across the United States? "I walked to find out what America and her people were really like," he said. "It's so easy to get caught up in your own family, your own church, your own school, your own life. You forget what the rest of your country is like."

He started south with a backpack containing a down sleeping bag, a down jacket, blue jeans, a camera and "everything I would need to survive," he said.

Jenkins discovered life outside the city. "One of the great things about the people of the country and the South is that they still take the time to talk to you, and they are great story tellers," he said.

Two of the anecdotes he told the audience took place in the South. He spoke about a confrontation with a fat sheriff in a small town in Alabama who invited him to lunch in his sister-in-law's cafe. The two men shared stories about life in their respective parts of the nation, he said.

While Jenkins was in North Carolina he lived with a black family for five months, he said. He was playing basketball with two of the boys in the family one night in a segregated schoolyard and convinced the boys to camp out with him.

The next night the boys invited him to have lunch at their home, he said. The

boys' mother invited him to stay with the family until he got ready to move on.

One rule of the house was that he attend church with them every Sunday. "They showed me what Christianity was all about," Jenkins said.

For five months Jenkins shared with that family through good times and hard times, he said.

While Jenkins was in the South, the best thing that happened to him was that he found a wife, who continued the rest of the walk with him. Cooper was killed after a year of the trip.

When Jenkins and his wife finally reached Oregon, they invited all the people they had stayed with on the trip to walk the last mile with them, he said. It was the middle of Jan. 1979, and one of the worst winters in a long time, so they did not expect anyone to actually come to make the walk with them. To their surprise, 400 people showed up to walk, he said.

Jenkins gave a free autographed copy of his book to every member of the audience who had a birthday on Tuesday "to show appreciation for coming out to hear me," he said. Jenkins also autographed copies of his book for other members of the audience.

Jenkins, his wife and two children now reside in Springhill, Tenn. on a 150-acre farm just outside of Nashville.

Jenkins plans to join an American group to climb Mount Everest this summer, he said. The group plans to climb from China.



Winter Wonderland

Seniors Ladonna Curtis and Loretta Alessio carefully make their way to class on the icy sidewalks of the snow-covered campus.

by YO KURABAYASHI

opinion

Re-examination needed to achieve proper focus

As students at a Christian school, we face a major challenge. We must continuously decide if we are to be the most ambitious, achievement-oriented students we can be or if we are to be constantly concerned with personal growth and evangelistic outreach. Another alternative is to be both at the same time, and that is the challenge.

To accomplish this we must give our best efforts to the time we spend at the University, and we must also look to the administration and faculty for the direction and leadership which can help us accomplish this goal.

Most individuals here have pledged themselves to a lifestyle which demands their best efforts in whatever they do. Change is not occasional with these people; it is a part of their discipline to recognize flaws in themselves and correct those flaws.

They are referred to as "people" because they are human and bear all the characteristics that humans have. Errors in their lives are not uncommon. Mistakes are made by them. Nonetheless, they persevere to correct the errors, learn from the mistakes and rise above them both to new levels of achievement.

The University is a conglomeration of these people and therefore bears the same characteristics — the errors and the mistakes as well as the ability to overcome them and grow from them.

The University has a great deal weighing in its favor. A hard-working administration, a caring faculty, a devoted staff and a spirited student body head the list of attributes. The negative aspects of the University are far outweighed by the positive. However, the University needs to develop the habit of reevaluation that individuals here already possess.

If it is good for people to review their lives and make changes, and if the University is a conglomeration of people, then it is good for the University to evaluate and change. As long as it looks only at the positive aspects and represents itself with these, the University is ignoring negative aspects, allowing them to fester and misrepresenting itself.

It is prudent to accentuate the positive. It is easy to overemphasize positive aspects when there are as many of them as the University has. It is not wise to ignore the negative. The University, all of it, must meet the negative aspects, face them and conquer them. Then we can once more focus on the many positive aspects of the University.

— M.P.C.



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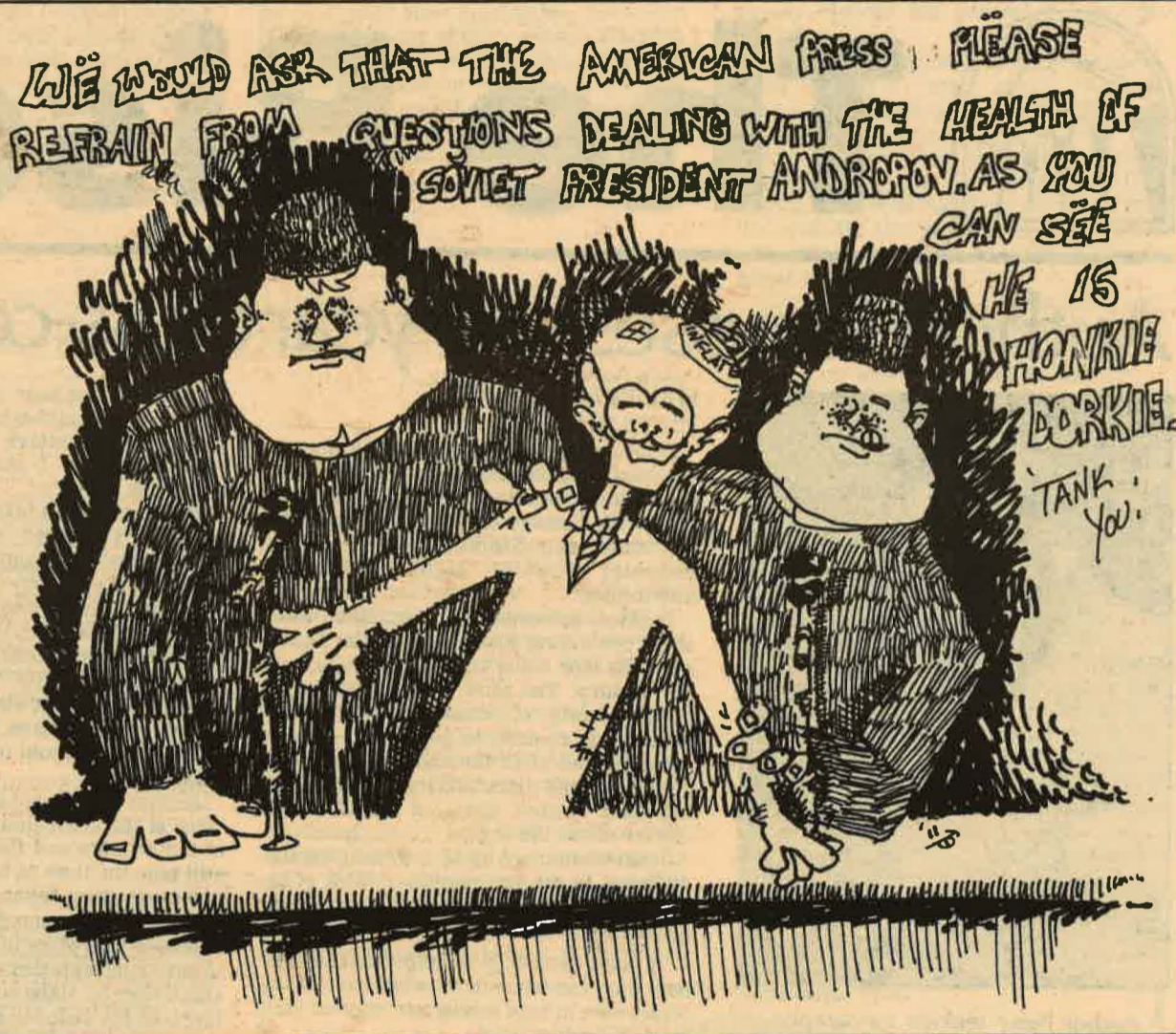
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Kevin Fuchs

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Discipleship is for individuals. Every one of us needs a personal relationship with God. **We may be taught the truth from parents, preachers and friends, but without prayer and Bible study it is at best a second-hand relationship!**

We've all had teachers. We are indebted to many throughout history for our faith. But we must press on. We will never arrive at all truth. But we don't need creeds.

We must never cease to be a movement. If we do the Spirit will leave us and raise up another people. Cry out to God that it will not be so. **We must be pioneers of the future, not guardians of the past!**

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commentary

Yes and Rolling Stones still creating super albums

Led Zeppelin, The Who, The Rolling Stones . . . all these bands are synonymous with one term — "super-group." Being a "super-group" is no easy task. It takes years of developing a sound, a style and a commitment to staying progressive in creating music. Very few artists reach this magic level of creativity. In fact, you might even be able to count them on one hand. But that hand would certainly include Yes.

Now in their 16th year together, Yes has once again established itself as being in a class of its own. The interesting thing about this stage of their career is how this new album, "90125," came to be. In actuality, after the release of their last album, "Drama," in 1980, the band appeared to be dissolving. John Anderson, the vocalist on the previous 14 albums was absent from the Yes lineup. Also missing was Rick Wakeman, the flashy keyboard player on all but three Yes lps.

Chris Squire, who co-founded Yes with Anderson and was the only Yes member on all sixteen albums, realized the group's demise. In fact he started work on a new musical project, Cinema. Cinema would consist of Squire, Yes drummer, Alan White, guitarist Nevor Rabin, and the original Yes keyboardist Tony Kay. The band rehearsed for months and landed a recording contract. When the recording process began the musical tracks were completed without a song. Then it was time for the vocal tracks to be laid down. Rabin was to do the lead vocals. Having three solo albums to his credit, he was definitely qualified, but something just didn't sound right. Squire took a chance and called Anderson in to give a listen to Cinema. He liked what he heard so much that he agreed to join up with his old friends. The old friends canned the name Cinema and opted for Yes.

With the new album's release the group members' friendship is the only thing that remains old. "90125" is the most progressive and listenable Yes album in nearly a decade. Their signature sound still remains intact, but this album has a crispness in its approach. With most of its members approaching their forties,



Offbeat

Mark Hutson

the group's latest lp is refreshing to the longtime Yes follower.

Side one starts out with their first number one single, "Owner of a Lonely Heart." The guitar work on this cut is very un-Yes as far as the previous albums featuring Asia founder, Steve Howe, are concerned. Rabin brings a harder edge to the group's approach to many of the albums nine tracks. This is evident in the next song as well. "Hold On" is a typical example of the Yes sound in that its strength lies in Anderson's voice. Squire's bass and White's drums, as in all Yes songs, provide the canvas for the entire picture. "It Can Happen," as in most of 90125, features the band's ability to harmonize with a distinctive twist. "Changes" closes out side one. This cut more than any other sounds like the Yes of days gone by; it has many intricate musical pieces within it.

An instrumental recorded line called "Cinema" opens up side two. An a cappella intro to the next song, "Leave It," displays the band's overflow of vocal talent. "Our Song" is about the only tune on "90125" without some sort of distinction to it. It is followed by "City of Love," the heaviest song on the album. Closing out "90125" is "Hearts," a mellow tune with a message . . . "One heart's for love-One's for giving-Two hearts are better than one."

It takes fine hearts to make up Yes. And it would seem five hearts were determined to produce something special. That they did.

Rating: ****

What does the "greatest" rock and roll band in the world do after producing the most successful world

wide tour ever and a platinum album? Good question. The Stones just stay busy. Staying busy is something they most certainly do well.

The result of staying busy is their album "Undercover." After twenty years together they manage to stay contemporary while holding onto their blues roots. "Undercover" displays both.

"Undercover of the Night," the first single off the lp, opens side one. This, the most upbeat of the ten songs, features the rhythm combo of Charlie Watts on drums and Bill Wyman on bass. Believe it or not they are 46 and 48 years old respectively. "She Was Hot" is the second cut and the second single from the lp. This cut is the most like the Stones tunes you're used to hearing. "Tie You Up" is a funky blues track with some good guitar work by Richards. "Wanna Hold You" is the only song on "Undercover" which Jagger does not sing; Keith Richards takes over on it. Whenever possible, skip this one. "Feel on Baby," another bluesy cut, also has a touch of reggae.

Side two starts out with a morbid track called "Too Much Blood." Jagger raps about some extracurricular activities of a character of strange motives. This cut features a horn section and an upbeat tempo which smoothes over the storyline. The next cut, "Pretty Beat Up," features a fine sax solo by David Sanborn of jazz fame. "Too Tough," like "She Was Hot," is another typical Rolling Stone tune. Nonetheless it is effective. This style continues through the end of "Undercover" with "All the Way Down" and "It Must Be Hell."

Considering most of the Stones are forty years old or better, I applaud this album out of admiration and gratitude. You never know which album will be their last.

Rating: ***

Note: Albums are rated as follows:

- ***** Indispensable, flawless in context
- **** Excellent, record of substantial merit
- *** Good, appealing to fans of that style
- ** Mediocre, record of some value
- * Poor, remarkably ill-conceived

White beans Race Street craze?



Interchanges

Etta Madden

Colonel Sanders gave us fried chicken. Next came sausage and biscuits. And now we have white beans.

White beans are a southern delicacy. They are so delectable that a local seafood chain has added them to the menu, hoping to boost business. Let's face it. They are especially popular among college students, ranking somewhere between grits and turnips greens.

Ignorant Yankees, Midwesterners, Westerners and Californians take note: white beans are not to be confused with lima beans and butter beans. They are sometimes identified as navy beans, but they are definitely not blue. Although called white, the beans have a pinkish tone. As far as flavor goes, they are indescribable.

What a dilemma this establishment has added to our world of hamburgers and fries! With this new Race Street offering, the routine cruising time has increased three-fold. The decision of where to eat is traumatic.

Searcy residents dread the traffic congestion that will ensue as the good news spreads and cars begin turning in and out at all hours. Instead of making

midnight runs to Frozen Delight, students will soon stop in for a pint of white beans "to go" to satisfy those late night cravings.

But the restaurant is making one mistake. Where are the cornbread and skillet-fried potatoes? White beans must be served with lots of pot liquor over hot, buttered cornbread. Skillet-fried potatoes, so saturated with grease that they cling to a paper towel, are another complementary side dish. And where is the fat back? Bits of ham will suffice, but nothing beats the savor of hunks of pork fat. The restaurant has a good idea, but it could be expanded with a few side dishes.

Other restaurants should take note. Think of all the other Southern specialties that have been inadvertently overlooked or intentionally neglected by international chains: hominy, collard greens, pickled pigs' feet, okra . . .

Okra! What a great idea. It could be served in three different styles, boiled, pickled and fried, to appeal to every family member. On Spring Sing weekend, there would be one place to eat that would please everyone. No more arguing over Wendy's and McDonald's. Grandmothers love it pickled. For those who want to swallow it whole, the slimy, stringy green stuff slides right down when its boiled. And anyone can eat it fried when it's doused in ketchup.

Student appetites are not easily satisfied, but with a few more menu additions like white beans, Searcy restaurants will keep our mouths watering.

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Campusology

Today

"On the Right Track," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Benson Auditorium.

Tomorrow

GMAT, 8 a.m., Bible 100.
Michael Iceberg, open clinic, 3 p.m., concert, 7 p.m., Benson Auditorium.

Monday

Final date for enrolling for the spring semester.
Men's and women's club meetings.
Bisons vs. UCA, 7:30 p.m., New Gym.

Thursday

Bisons vs. UAM, 7:30 p.m., New Gym.

Students receive research help via library computer system

by Carol Landerfelt
Bison staff writer

Last August the library purchased a computer terminal which gave the University access to a new system of research, according to reference librarian Buddy Beard.

The terminal is locked in to an information warehouse in New York which stores and indexes data for the purpose of nationwide research.

There are four major areas of information available to researchers: science, medicine, psychology and religion. Some of these contain information from as far back as 1966, Beard said.

The procedure for a student wishing to utilize the new system begins with the

filling out of a data sheet detailing a particular topic, Beard explained. From there, Beard begins work.

He first looks in a thesaurus to find the best possible term to research the topic. Once it is located, he signs on to the computer in New York. It in turn requests what data bank he wishes to search. He then types in a four letter search code which locates the specific data and transmits it to the University terminal, Beard said.

Next the titles of articles containing information on the topic in question show up on the screen. Other basic footnote and bibliography information is also available.

Once this process is completed, the rest is up to the student. The burden is on him to make use of this information by locating

it in the library, Beard said. If the library does not have a particular article, he will contact librarians at other schools and request for it to be sent.

According to Beard, this new system of research saves a lot of time. "Most searches can be done in 10 or 15 minutes, whereas it would take hours to dig up the information the traditional way," he said.

Beard also suggested that the computer system increases the quality of a student research paper.

"The computer research system often tends to be more accurate than student research because a machine doesn't get tired," he said.

When Beard does a search, he likes for the student to be present.

"It is best if the student is with me, because he can provide additional information about the topic that will speed up the process. It also gives him the opportunity to observe the procedure and learn how it works," he explained.

Those students who have taken advantage of the new program have been very pleased with the results.

"I think the program is excellent. I am really pleased to see Harding get it. It is necessary for anyone serious about doing a thorough job," senior David Gendron said. Gendron, who is a psychology major, has used the new research program three times, once for an experimental sociological psychology paper and another time for a physiological psychology paper.

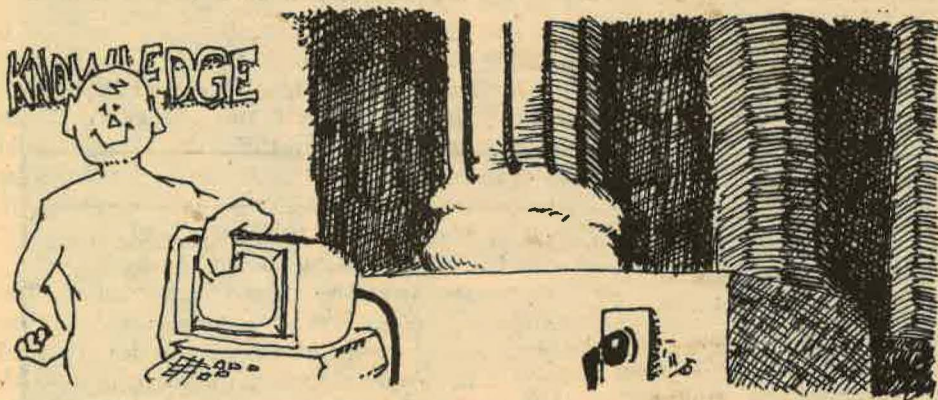
The new computer research program has been advertised in the classroom by Dr. Robert McKelvain, associate professor of psychology, and Dr. Ed Wilson, professor of physical science, both of whom have used the program at other institutions and highly recommend it.

So far, response to the program has not been as good as expected.

"I have conducted 30 searches, mostly for psychology and chemistry students," Beard said.

The student does incur a small fee of usually less than \$30. This includes a telephone cost of \$8 an hour and a general service charge.

It is available to students from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. "For best results, come during the library hours," Beard said.



Campus T.V. station airs Monday; new types of programs are planned

Channel 12, the University-operated Searcy cablevision station, will resume airing on Jan. 30, according to Lou Butterfield, faculty advisor.

Channel 12 plans to add several new programs to their format this semester. A musical variety show featuring local talent and a children's show similar to Sesame Street, will begin airing this semester, according to Mike James, channel 12 program director. The television station also plans to show delayed broadcasts of the Bison, Harding Academy and Searcy High School basketball games, he said.

With a semester of experience under

their belts, the directors of channel 12 are very optimistic about this semester, Butterfield said. "We had a few problems to work out, but that was expected for the first semester."

One problem the directors had was people volunteering to work and then quitting after a few weeks. "We would train people to work the cameras and then they would get tired of working and quit," Butterfield said.

There are positions available for anyone who is committed to work for channel 12. Those who are interested should contact Butterfield in the Ganus Building, Room 208.

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Groups ready for summer missions at home, abroad

University students are planning now to go on campaigns this summer both in the United States and abroad, according to Dr. Don Shackelford, professor of Bible and director of International Campaigns.

Along with International Campaigns, which includes groups going to Scotland, England, Italy and Australia, there will be Venezuelan Campaigns, Campaigns Northwest, Campaigns Northeast and May Campaigns.

The international groups are currently raising money for travel and living expenses for the six-week programs, Shackelford said. Students raise funds by sending letters to friends and congregations asking them to help. International and Venezuelan campaigners must raise an average of \$1,500 dollars, he said.

The International Campaign groups now meet on Wednesday nights to study the history and culture of their countries and to practice singing and methods of personal work.

Leaders of the six international campaign groups are Dr. Kenneth Davis, professor of music, and Mike Jones, a University graduate, to Scotland; James Walters, instructor of Bible and Greek, to England; Tom Eddins, assistant professor of Bible, L. V. Pfeifer, associate professor of Bible and Ted Lloyd, associate professor of physical education, to Australia; and Dr. Carl Mitchell, professor of Bible, to Italy.

"This is as great a work as any student could do in the summer. Students are needed in all of the campaigns," Davis said.

Mrs. Ava Conley, associate professor of Spanish, and her husband Bill are the leaders of the Venezuelan group which consists of nine people who will work for about six weeks.

The Venezuelan group is unique in several ways, Conley said. It is necessary to have had two years of Spanish before going to Venezuela, because the group does no literature distribution or door-knocking. Instead, they teach one-on-one Bible studies in Spanish. Academic credit in Spanish is also available.

The group meets weekly to learn new cultural concepts and songs, have Bible studies and share time together while speaking Spanish.

Nineteen students are currently involved with Campaigns Northwest, according to David Kratzer, instructor of computer science and faculty sponsor for the group.

They will live with families in the Northwest and work with a specific congregation for the entire summer, he said. Campaigners must raise \$250 for travel expenses.

Fifteen students are planning to work with congregations from Florida to Connecticut as part of Campaigns Northeast, according to Richard King, instructor of Bible and faculty sponsor.

The group meets weekly for devotionals and training. The week after final exams they will have a retreat for more intensive training, he said.

May campaigns are sponsored annually

by the College Church during the week following final exams in various Arkansas towns, Shackelford said.

"There is no cost for these campaigns. They do not interfere with summer work. Students can go on a May campaign on their way home," he said.

"It is still not too late to go on a campaign if someone decides he wants to go. I've never had a student who really wanted to go on any campaign who was unable to go in my 11 years of experience with the group. You can't outgive the Lord," Shackelford said.

"You might think you're going to help the people, but you'll never have a more strengthening, uplifting experience. But summer campaigns should only be an extension of your Christian commitment on campus. Crossing the water won't make you something you're not," he said.

Interested students should contact Shackelford in room 113 of the Ezell Bible Building or at ext. 448.

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Forum

What are some benefits of summer campaigns?



Brad Burt, a junior from Dallas who participated in Australian campaigns.

"We always hear of the great need that there is to take the Word to people everywhere — both at home and abroad. The greatest single benefit for me was understanding that need firsthand and being able to deal with those people directly."

David Phillips, a sophomore from Lenoir, N.C., who participated in the summer campaigns in Italy.



"In Catholic Italy, our efforts seemed to be greatly needed and appreciated by the small and often isolated native congregations. We were, as they put it, "a shot in the arm," a boost to keep them going. "The experience was valuable for campaigners in that it helped them understand better what the first

century church must have been like in its simplicity and in its adversity."



JoEllen Noland, a senior from Tinton Falls, N.J., who went on Italian campaigns.

"Italian campaigns really opened my eyes to the universal bond that ties Christians together. Wherever we went, the church overwhelmed us with love and acceptance, despite the language barrier and cultural differences."

Mary Eudaly, a senior from Rolla, Mo., who participated in campaigns in England.



"I learned how to relate to people in other cultures and I enjoyed the time I spent with members of my campaign group. It's a great opportunity to meet Christians all over the world and to make lasting friendships."

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Nigerian program offers practice in medicine, missions for

by Linda Ford
Bison staff writer

"We dress the wound, God heals it," is the motto of the Nigerian Christian Hospital (NCH) in Eastern Ngura Country, Imo State, Nigeria. This summer, for the first time, senior nursing students will be receiving credit for working at NCH, according to Dr. Nancy Clark, assistant to the nursing dean.

Clark said students participating in the program this summer will receive four hours credit toward graduation. The total cost of the program is \$2,500 excluding the cost of tuition. In addition to working in the hospital, the students will take clinicals in pediatrics and obstetrics under the direction of Clark.

Clark will be heading the group of seven senior nursing majors in addition to taking her husband, Bill, assistant manager of American Heritage Cafeteria, and their son Kris. The students presently participating are Lisa Barton, Tammy Brown, Debra Burkett, Marc Ebling, Corrie Glenn, Kim McCaskle and Tanna Lentz, Clark said.

The students will be divided into groups of three and four, each staying in Nigeria for six weeks, according to Clark. She said the nationals felt there were not enough housing facilities for all seven of the nurses to stay at once. The first group will leave for Nigeria on May 28 and the second group will come back to the States around Aug. 12.

The students going to Nigeria will be plunged into an alien culture where sickness and poverty are common. To prepare themselves for their new experiences Clark and the students attended an orientation on medical missions in Nigeria held in Dallas on Jan. 13, 14 and 15, Clark said.

Because of the inavailability of modern medicine in Nigeria, the students will frequently see advanced stages of such illnesses as malaria, anemia, hookworm, gastroenteritis, filariasis, skin infections and tuberculosis, according to a NCH brochure. Ebling said the orientation was very enlightening in this area.

"If you were unsure about going, it could definitely convince you not to go. They had some pretty gruesome slides," he said.

"We are going to see a lot of diseases not prevalent in the United States," McCaskle said. "But there will be many opportunities for mission work."

Mission work is one of the major reasons some of the students want to go to Nigeria this summer, Clark said. "Some students are interested in third world countries in missions. This will give them a preview."

McCaskle said she had been considering medical missions for about three years when Clark told her class about NCH last October.

"I had planned on doing mission work and I thought this would be an opportunity to see if medical missions really work," she said.

Lentz was also excited by the missions aspect of NCH.

"As soon as they mentioned it I wanted to go. I've been thinking of medical missions, and this would give me an idea of what it is like," she said.

Ebling, who is planning on going to Papua, New Guinea some day, is sure he wants to go into medical missions.

"I planned on going into missions, so when I heard about Nigeria I decided to go. This is a stepping stone for me," he said.

At orientation the students also learned that Nigerians are very superstitious. According to Brown, it is accepted practice to go to a "witch doctor" for treatment of an illness.

Lentz is concerned about the culture differences. "It really messes with your mind to think about going into a different culture," she said.

However, Barton said the students will have to accept the cultural differences. "The main thing we

have to remember is we are the foreigners over there and we can't force our culture on them."

Not only are the health and culture of Nigeria much different than the United States; their political situation is less stable. One reason Clark went to the orientation was to learn about the government, she said.

Since Nigeria gained its independence from Britain in 1960 there have been five military coups and two civilian governments. The last coup occurred just last month. However, Clark was told the new military government will not be a threat to the Americans working at the hospital. "We're not anticipating any problem, but you are always cautious with developing countries," she said.

The students were also confident about the safety of living in Nigeria. "From the reports we hear it was a peaceful takeover, and Dr. Farrar went there a week ago," Brown said. Dr. Henry Farrar of Searcy is the current resident American doctor at NCH.

Glen Boyd, president of African Christian Hospitals, the organization which seeks support for NCH, said the political situation in Nigeria seldom interferes with the hospital. The only time the hospital was affected by politics was during the 1967-1970 civil war in which over one million people died.

At the beginning of the war the non-Nigerian members of the staff had to leave the country. During the three-year war the hospital was used as a military aid station and later as a Red Cross unit, according to Boyd. When the staff returned at the end of the war the hospital had to be completely re-established because looters had stripped the property.

"The coups never did affect us at all. The coups don't bother the villages. About 80 to 90 percent of the people in Nigeria live in villages," Boyd said.

The hospital is in such a rural area that it is the only medical facility in an area containing 100,000 inhabitants. The doctor-patient ratio is 1:50,000. In 1982, the hospital treated 31,000 people, he said.

The 75-bed facility contains an out-patient clinic, male and female wards, pediatric ward, maternity unit, surgery-x-ray unit, kitchen-laundry unit, mortuary and housing for non-Nigerians working at the hospital, Boyd said.

It is located on 119 acres leased from three villages for 99 years. It is also adjacent to the Onicha Bible Training College, according to African Christian Hospital literature.

The hospital is an outgrowth of earlier attempts at health care by American missionaries in the 1950s and early '60s.

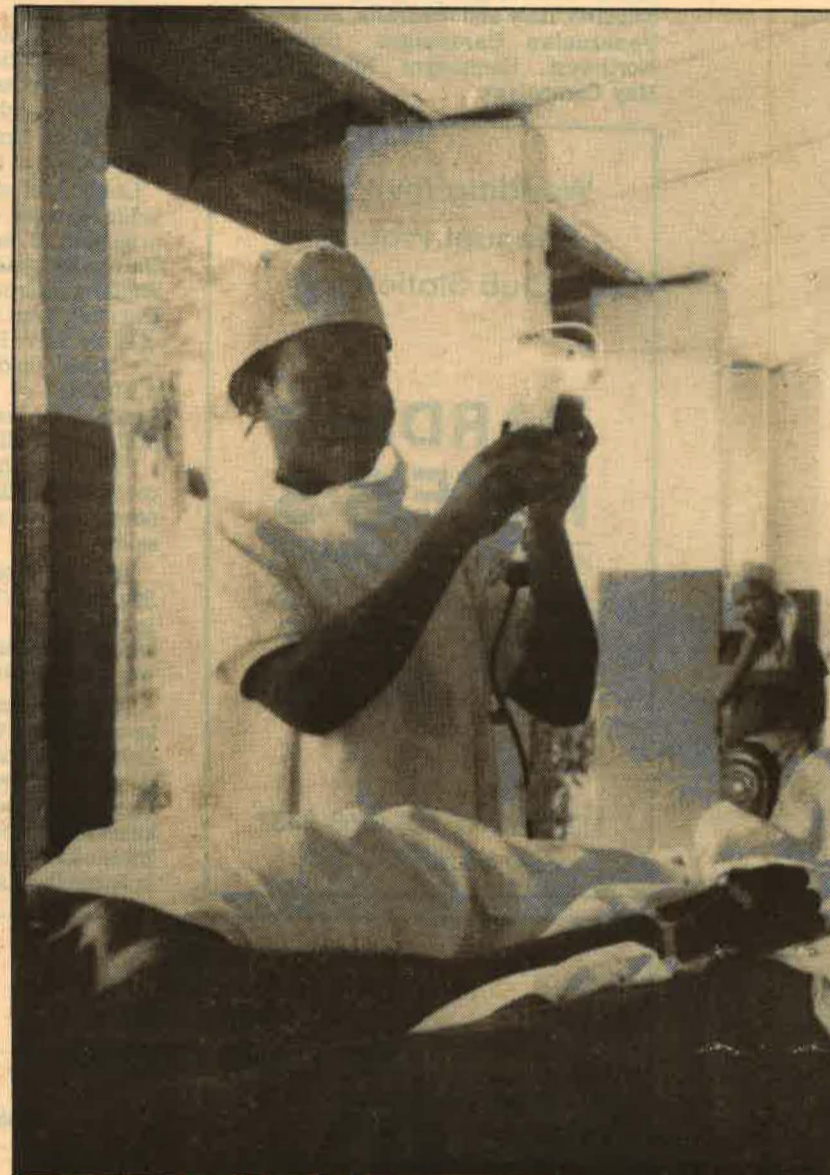
When the hospital was first established in 1965 the staff consisted of a few missionaries, Farrar, his wife and nurses Nancy Petty and Iris Savis, Boyd said. Now, 19 years later, the staff has grown to over 100 people.

The church in Nigeria has also grown since a successful Bible correspondence course was sent there over 30 years ago. There are now over 1,000 congregations containing over 100,000 members. In addition, over 100,000 people are participating in correspondence courses, Boyd said.

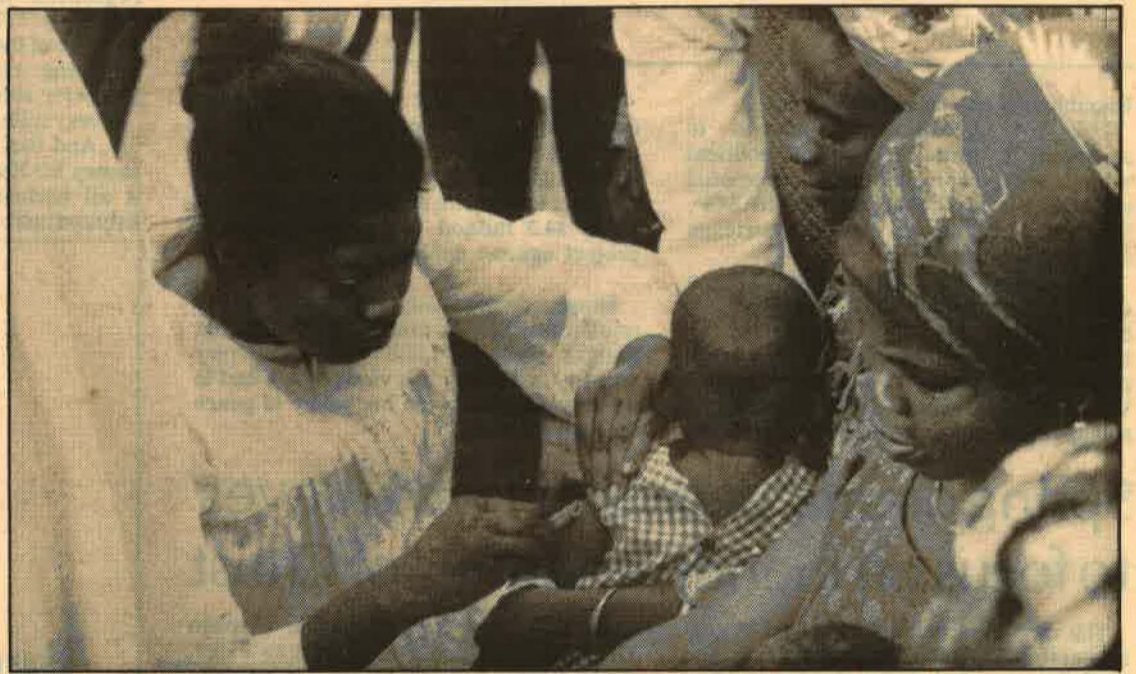
Nigeria is the most populous country in black Africa with about one-fourth of all Africans within its borders. The dominant religions in the country are Islam, Christianity and Animism.

Though the church is growing in Nigeria, there are still many who have never heard the word of God, according to NCH literature.

Perhaps Ebling, when explaining why he decided to become a nurse instead of a doctor, best summed up the purpose of NCH and the summer nursing program. "I feel like nursing in third world countries is best because their problems are hygiene and they need teaching," he said. "Nursing would allow me on the mission field sooner."



or nursing students



Members of the hospital staff transport a patient from surgery [top left]. The staff preaches in outlying villages on Sundays and offers free inoculations afterwards. A Nigerian mother waits patiently [top right] so that her child may be inoculated [above]. All rooms in the hospital open to an outdoor walkway [below]. A NCH nurse [left] checks a patient's blood pressure.



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Glen Boyd
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University student represents U.S. in European conference

by Eddie Madden
Bison features editor

Mike Simpfinderfer, a junior American Studies major from Searcy, recently spent 14 days in Europe discussing U.S. disarmament and missile deployment as a representative of the U.S. Youth Council and the College Republicans. He and 12 other Americans representing the 18 member organizations of the Youth Council were the guests of the West German Youth Council.

Simpfinderfer, the national secretary of College Republicans, said he was chosen because of the work he does with the

Simpfinderfer said the conference was much like a U.N. meeting, with the participants sitting at a U-shaped table, speaking through interpreters and listening on earphones.

During the two-day seminar, much of the discussion on peace and disarmament centered around U.S. actions such as the deployment of missiles in West Germany. And many of the questions were aimed at him as a member of the Republican Party.

"I took a lot of heat," he said. "I knew it was going to be tough. These people are really leftists . . . and Reagan scares them."

He added, "I also had to articulate a tough line so they couldn't maneuver us into agreeing to be against deployment."

The main point of agreement between the participants at the seminar was that there is a need for better communication between countries to reduce the chances of nuclear war due to miscalculation.

The need to prevent terrorist activities and to keep nuclear weapons out of the hands of terrorists was also agreed upon, he said.

At the grass roots level, when they went to the schools and talked to students they found that the issue of U.S. deployment of Pershing and cruise missiles in Europe was split, as opposed to the unanimous decision of the youth council, Simpfinderfer said. During the random polls, they found that most of the people consider freedom to be their greatest possession, the one thing they would die for. And when asked who in the world will do the best job at preserving freedom, most said they would look to the United States.

The group was allowed to take a very regulated trip into communist East Germany. "You're not allowed to take pictures of the wall from the east side or of anything remotely military," Simpfinderfer said.

Every mile traveled had to be accounted for. And they could change West German money for East German, but had to spend it all because what was left was confiscated and could not be changed back.



The group visited Bonn, Cologne, and Munich, as well as West Berlin. Six members of the group also traveled to the American Embassy in Paris to meet with four French youth groups.

Simpfinderfer said the trip made him more aware of the freedoms Americans have, but he added, "We should never allow ourselves to become so isolated that we don't understand what's going on."

"We've got to have a dialogue with these people," he said. "We can't put walls up on our shores and ignore the rest of the world."

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— Mike Simpfinderfer

Republicans on the national level.

The U.S. group was supposed to represent a cross section of political views, with representatives associated with the Young Democrats, the NAACP, the Urban League and Young Americans for Freedom, he said.

The purpose of the trip was to develop a dialogue between the youth organizations, Simpfinderfer said. The program of the trip included meetings with various youth political groups, a two-day conference with the West German Youth Council, and a grass roots survey of the West Germans.

He explained that the West German council is greatly opposed to deployment, and they unanimously passed a series of points against U.S. deployment. The West German and Berlin governments have put about \$4.5 million into a special peace project against deployment.

Simpfinderfer claimed that he was an unofficial spokesman for President Reagan. He said, "I had to articulate very vocally the President's viewpoint. I had to be very aggressive on his policy of peace through strength."

Spring drama 'Between Two Thieves' to focus on friends, enemies of Christ

The cast has been selected and is now rehearsing for *Between Two Thieves* one of the two major spring drama productions, according to Robin Miller, instructor of speech and director of the play.

Between Two Thieves is a character study of the individuals who were involved in the trial of Christ and many who were significant in his life and ministry. The play seeks to find the reasons that Christ was executed and decide if there was ample evidence.

The cast for the show is fairly large and includes sophomore David Asbill as John, senior Dan Billingsley as Caiphas, fresh-

man Tim Covington as David, Stephen Grimsley as Judas, Scot Harris as Peter, junior Connie Hill as Rebecca, senior Rona Lyon as Sarah, senior Becky Maupin as Mary, junior Robin Stark as Pilate, sophomore Todd Thompson as Elias and assistant professor of speech Dan Tullos as Joseph.

Miller feels the play is important because it examines who Christ is and why he died. The play also brings in parallels to everyday life in the twentieth century, he said.

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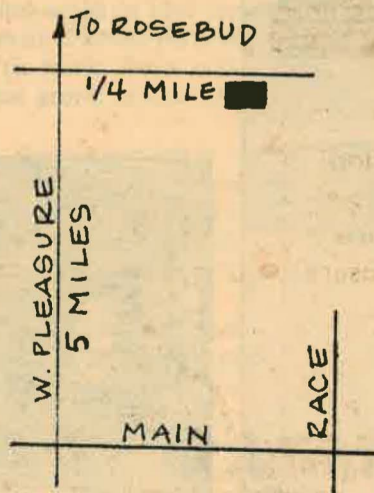
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Three national exams are scheduled

Deadline for registration for the National Teachers Exam and test dates for the Graduate Management Aptitude Test and the Graduate Record Exam are within the next two weeks.

The GMAT will be given in Bible 100 at 8 a.m. tomorrow. Although it is too late to register, walk-ins will be admitted to the exam. There will be a \$20 walk-in fee plus a \$30 examination fee. Students should bring their I.D. cards to the test.

The GRE will be given on Feb. 4. The registration deadline has already passed, but walk-ins will be admitted. The walk-in fee will be \$20 and the test fee is \$29.

The NTE registration deadline is Feb. 9. This exam is for all students certifying to teach. This date will be the last time to take the exam for students graduating in May or August. Students certifying in more

than one area are encouraged to take this exam.

The test date for the core battery exam will be March 24. The area exams will be given in April.

All education students are required to take this exam in order to graduate.

43 students selected for Who's Who honors

Forty-three seniors have been selected by the faculty for induction into Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges. The students were nominated by the faculty and the student association based on academic performance and service to the University.

They are: Joyce Aebi, Sherry Alkire, Kyle Beaty, Lizabeth Bell, Mary Billingsley, Michael Brown, Blair Bryan, Byron Carlock, Mary Carr, Brian Casey, Michael Corrigan, Marci Crump, Glenn Dillard, Charles Dupre.

Michelle Ellis, Hugh Gaskill, Tammy Graham, Wesley Hamm, Lori Henley, Susan Holmes, Mary Hudson, Wade Huffman, Jeffery Johnson, Cheryl Lewis, Rees Lloyd, Etta Madden, Mary Martin, Tonya Mitchell, Michelle Olree, Alan Pryor.

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A short guide to current national news.

Reagan Funds

Although President Reagan has delayed declaring himself an official candidate, his fund-raising appeal is already running strong. The Reagan-Bush campaign's first mailing has produced almost \$3 million, a return one aide called "phenomenal." This initial mailing got an 8.5 percent rate of return, well above the 4 percent level usually considered very good. Also, the appeal reached only the first 600,000 names on Reagan's target list of 2.2 million donors, gathered from Republican campaign committees and other GOP rosters. A second mailing will go out after Reagan makes his formal announcement Jan. 29. Reagan plans to postpone active campaigning as long as he can, perhaps to enhance his presidential aura and conserve his energy.

Steeling The Capitol

As a result of last November's Capitol Hill bombing, a security overhaul has begun in the House and Senate chambers. The seats on the floor of the House of Representatives have been reinforced with concealed steel plates. In the Senate chamber, the interior windows in the Republican cloakroom that were blown out in the bombing are being replaced with steel panels covered with plaster. The House chamber walls have also been reinforced.

Execution Etiquette

Convicted murderer James David Autry lay strapped to a gurney for 63 minutes last fall, while saline solution dripped through the needles in his forearm and a crowd outside the Huntsville, Texas jail chanted, "Kill him! Kill him!" A court granted Autry a reprieve before his executioner administered poison through the needles.

As a result of this ordeal, the Texas Board of Corrections has adopted more humane rules of execution etiquette. From now on, a condemned inmate in Texas will not have to endure intravenous tubes until shortly after midnight on execution day, when appeals are exhausted and the lethal dose can be administered immediately. The death chamber will be air-conditioned and enlarged. And outside barricades will keep demonstrators beyond shouting range. The end result, of course, will remain the same.

Long Book

Helen Hooven Santmyer, an 88-year-old resident of a Xenia, Ohio nursing home has just completed a 1,344-page novel about small-town America. What's so special about . . . And Ladies of the Club? She began writing the novel in 1929. And the Book-of-the-Month Club has endorsed the book as "an absolutely stunning story." When questioned about her 50-year project, Santmyer replied, "I'm kind of lazy."

"And," she added, "it's a long book."

KHCA broadcasts new programs to appeal to diversified audience

Campus radio station, KHCA is airing some new programs this semester, according to Lou Butterfield, faculty advisor.

KHCA has been known as a Top 40 station in the past, but plans have been made to make KHCA a station for all types of listeners, according to Alan Kelm, operations manager of the radio station. The plans are to play everything from country to classical music this semester.

KHCA is playing the listening music that is required by the music appreciation classes. "It can be a real hassle waiting in

the library to listen to a tape. Now students can turn on their radio and listen in their rooms," Kelm said.

Other new programs being planned are a new wave show and a new release show. "We're playing new songs. We have played a song in September that is just now making the Top 40," Kelm said.

The station is also playing delayed broadcasts of Bison basketball games this semester.

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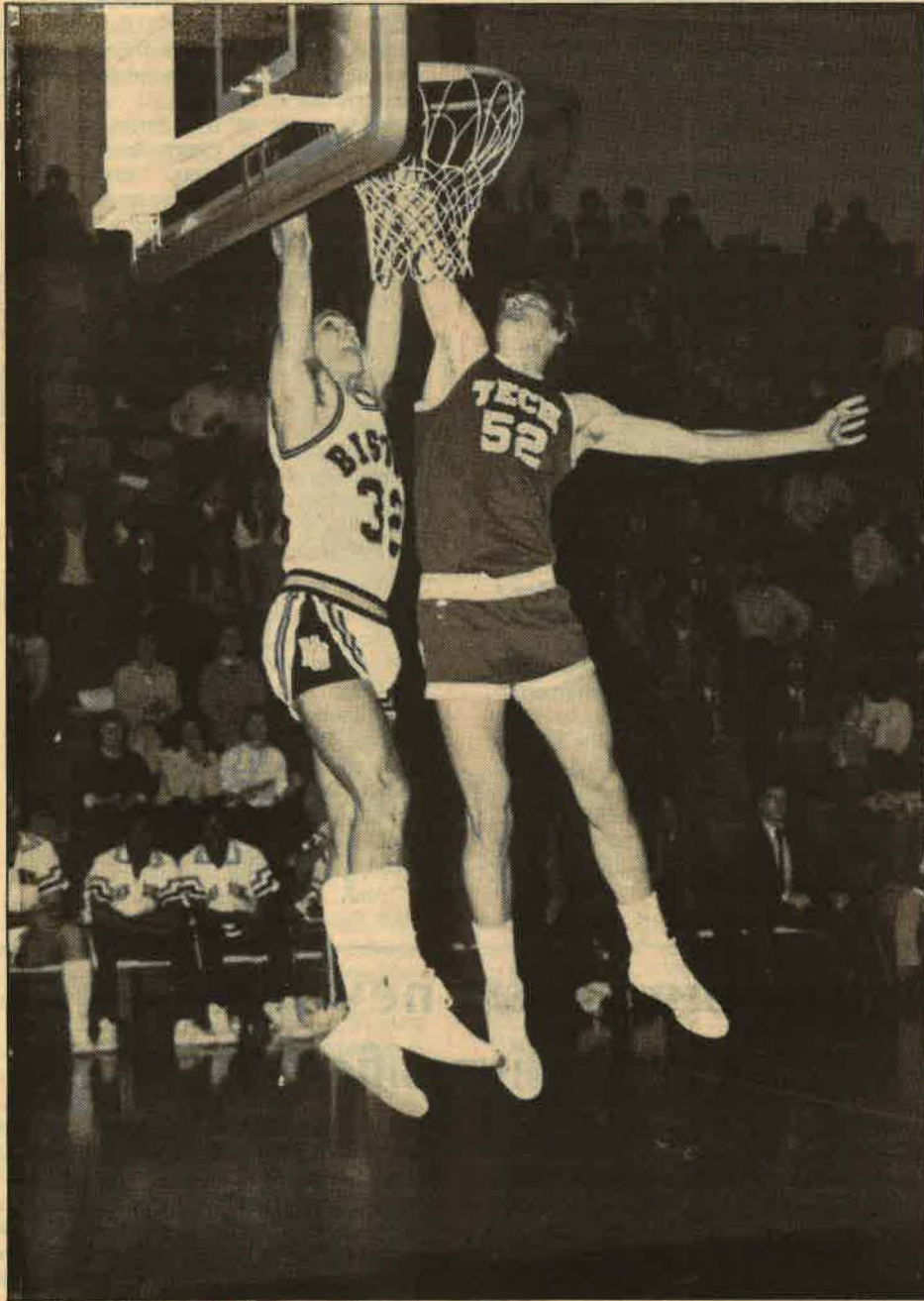
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sports

Three-game 'nosedive' drops Bisons to 3rd in AIC



by YO KURABAYASHI

Junior forward Rich Foster puts one up and over a Wonder Boy defender.

Unable to pull out of a three-game conference nosedive, the Bison basketball team fell to the Arkansas Tech Wonder Boys 64-52 Monday night in the University gym.

The loss dropped the Bisons' conference record to 4-3, placing them in a third place tie with the University of Central Arkansas going into last night's game against Southern Arkansas in Magnolia. The Bisons will have a chance to improve their ranking as they host the Bears of UCA this Monday night.

One of the major causes for the sudden downfall the team has experienced is the loss of 6'5" forward David Allumbaugh, according to Head Coach Jess Bucy. Allumbaugh, one of the keys to the inside game for Harding, broke a finger and was unable to play in the Bisons' three losses.

"Allumbaugh did a real good job for us at high post," Bucy said. "Now we just haven't got the kind of inside game that we had with him in there."

Bucy plans to move Dwight Weaver, the junior college transfer who has led the Bisons in offensive rebounding this season, to the high post position to replace Allumbaugh.

In Monday's loss to Tech, Rich Foster led the Bisons with 14 points and two rebounds while Allen Gibbons scored 12 points and pulled down 12 rebounds. Other high scorers were Weaver with 12 points and Kenny Collins with 11 points.

In the Bisons' three losses, including a 54-42 beating by conference-leading College of the Ozarks, and a 74-62 loss to Ouachita Baptist, Foster's outside shooting has accounted for 46 points.

"Right now we're just not playing well. We've been getting behind by a lot of points early in the game, and then we come back, but we just seem to run out of gas toward the end of the game. We're going to have to change some things if we want to start winning again," Bucy said.

The changes that the Bisons make will have to come very quickly if the team is to have a chance in the conference race, according to Bucy.

"A lot of our problems are mental," Bucy explained, "and now is the time that our guys are going to have to grit their teeth and really play tough. In the next few games, I think we're going to find out what we're made of."

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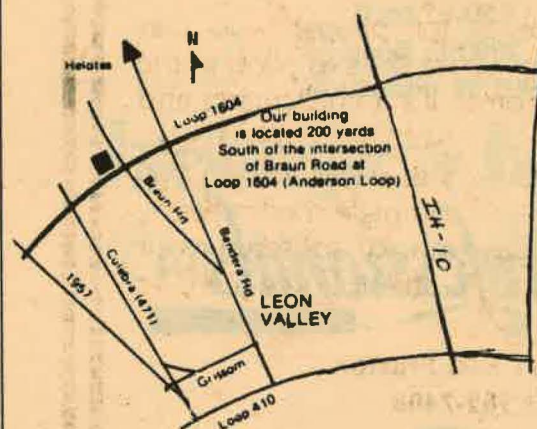
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Students assist track coach with study of training methods

by Shawn Goodpasture
Bison staff writer

Finding the best technique for improving athletes' jumping ability is the goal of a study being conducted by assistant track and field coach Cliff Sharp.

The survey, which began last week, involves over fifty participants in two-hour sessions over a five week span. The fifty are divided into five groups, each group performing a different training method.

The survey is specifically designed to improve the jumping abilities of both the track team and the women's volleyball team, Sharp said. The one advantage of the survey is that the most effective method can be discovered by practicing all the training methods at the same time.

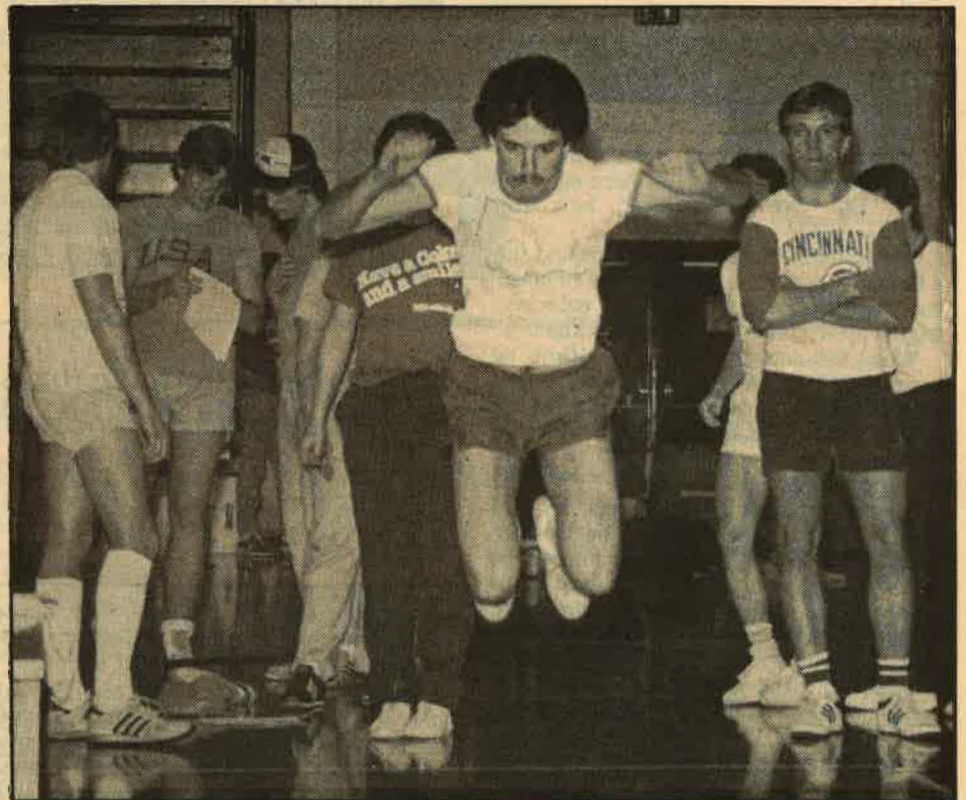
Sharp has been quite pleased with the help given by the student participants. "Our students will always help you out," he said.

Before the two-hour sessions began, a pre-test was administered in which jumping explosiveness was measured by a standing hop, a triple hop, a vertical jump and a flat-foot one step.

Two of the five groups are doing calisthenics and weight lifting, respectively. One is practicing plyometrics, which involves jumping on and off a box while the muscles are held tense. Another

group is being tested in jumping against resistance. They jump off a platform to which they are strapped at the waist with surgical tubes. A fifth group serves as the control by playing intramural basketball, which is considered the usual level of physical activity, Sharp said.

After the six weeks have passed, the measurements of the participants' jumping performances, recorded by Wilt Martin, associate professor of recreation, will be compiled for presentation in an article concerning the survey. The article will be co-authored by Sharp and Dr. Bill White, team doctor for track and basketball. It will be submitted for possible publication in such national athletic journals as *Athlete and Coach* and *National Strength and Conditioning Journal*.



by YO KURABAYASHI

Freshman Brian Anderson shows his jumping capacity with a standing hop

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Bisons vs. UAM
Thursday at 7:30 p.m.
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Decreased attendance, enthusiasm not merited by basketball losses



Sports
Spectrum
Brent Alexander

After my last column, I don't see how I can get away without saying anything about the Bisons and how they could go through the basketball season with few, if any, losses.

However, I don't take back anything I said in the column because I still believe it all to be true. You can't win your first four conference games against Henderson, UAM, Arkansas College and Hendrix without having some talent.

We have the same players now as we had at the beginning of the season — with the exception of David Allumbaugh, who played very well in the first two or three games and is sidelined with a hand injury — but they don't look like the same team on the court.

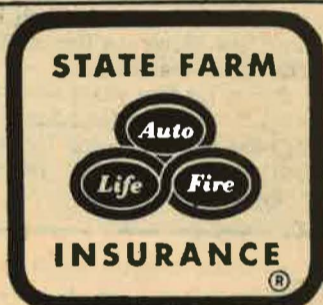
No one has all the answers to the recent losses to Ouachita and Arkansas Tech. (Ozarks' defense swarmed us and their players just beat us.)

I noticed Monday night, especially in the

first half, that there seemed to be a lack of excitement in the crowd, which probably showed up in the players, who didn't seem at the right level to have a good game and were probably bothered after coming out in the first half with their shooting colder than a well-digger's ear.

I was especially excited to see the large crowd at Arkadelphia for the Ouachita game. Just because we lose a couple of games, I hope that it doesn't affect the crowd support and student interest in the team. I noticed that the crowd was down a little bit at the Arkansas Tech game Monday. I hope that it's because a lot of people went to the second service at College Church and not because we follow the Bisons only when they're winning.

Wasn't it ironic that as Joe Beam spoke of Job and the hardships that were laid upon him although he was "an upright man, one that feareth God and turneth away from evil," those mean men with beards who wear black and silver and have a picture of a pirate on their helmet, said that they would run over their mothers to win the Super Bowl and were pounding in the heads of the Washington Redskins? And that nice "family" of players had a special church service Saturday so they could play football on Sunday.



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Love for environment, teaching delay instructor's departure

by Etta Madden
Bison co-editor

He had a reputation. Each year he said that he was leaving, but he never left.

Randy Maddox came to the University after his freshman year at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Cambridge. He planned to study here only one year. But five years later, he's still around.

Unlike many others who are around for a fifth or sixth year, Maddox has finished his degree. He now teaches calculus, trigonometry and intermediate algebra.

What developed between the time he went to MIT as a freshman architecture student and his graduation with a B.S. in math? Students don't often transfer from prestigious institutions like MIT to small, private church-related ones.

Coming from Sulphur Springs, an east Texas town of about 16,000, he was introduced to a totally new environment, he said. Living in a coed suite in a coed dorm was only one of the adjustments he had to make. Maddox laughed as he explained how he got up early each morning to avoid running into the girl in his suite in the bathroom they shared. "And I stayed out late each night," he said.

And he had to learn quickly about different values. "I'd never been around Jews. I didn't even know what a bagel was."

As Maddox described it, he found himself in the midst of "the most heathen institution in the world" and "16,000 of the most bizarre people in the world. Of course, they were typical as far as the world is concerned," he said. "But I realized that in four years I would become

like them unless I had something concrete in front of me."

With that realization he decided to head for Searcy. "I knew what I wanted before I came here. And I took advantage of everything this place had to offer," he said, praising the opportunities available at a Christian school.

But Maddox has been "discouraged with something in the students here," he said,

they were hopeless materialists, but they were fantastic teachers."

But not every graduate begins teaching his first year after graduation. Not every graduate has the ability to teach students just a few years younger and work with faculty members as much as forty years older than himself. Maddox's age has given him no problems, he said, but he doesn't volunteer it unless someone asks.

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"If students don't see that what they're learning is going to help them make money, they're not interested," he concluded.

Because Maddox likes to study, he fears being labeled a "math nerd." "I don't want to be thought of as a person with an unbalanced personality," he said.

He doesn't work calculus problems in his spare time; he likes to have fun just like anyone else. Maddox plays the piano and the cello. He also has continued his work with architecture and is a fan of Frank Lloyd Wright.

"During high school I drew stacks of plans," he said. "Most of them were far out, typical of high school students. There's no way they could be built."

Maddox is currently working on a plan for a house that he will probably build, he said.

He's not sure where he will build the house, because he's not sure where he will be. Maddox plans to teach one more year before continuing graduate studies in topology at the University of Texas at Austin. Topology, he explained, is an abstract form of geometry. After finishing his Ph.D. he will return to teaching.

Although he has always said he was going to leave, Maddox is certain he will leave after next year. The longer a math major waits to do his graduate work, the less likely he is to finish it, Maddox said. He explained that math majors begin to get job offers which are financially more attractive than teaching.

But during his five years here, Maddox has decided to teach. He admits that he always said he was going to leave the University, and in order to continue teaching, he must do it.

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explaining that he believes they abuse their opportunities for spiritual growth. "So many of them are playing with fire."

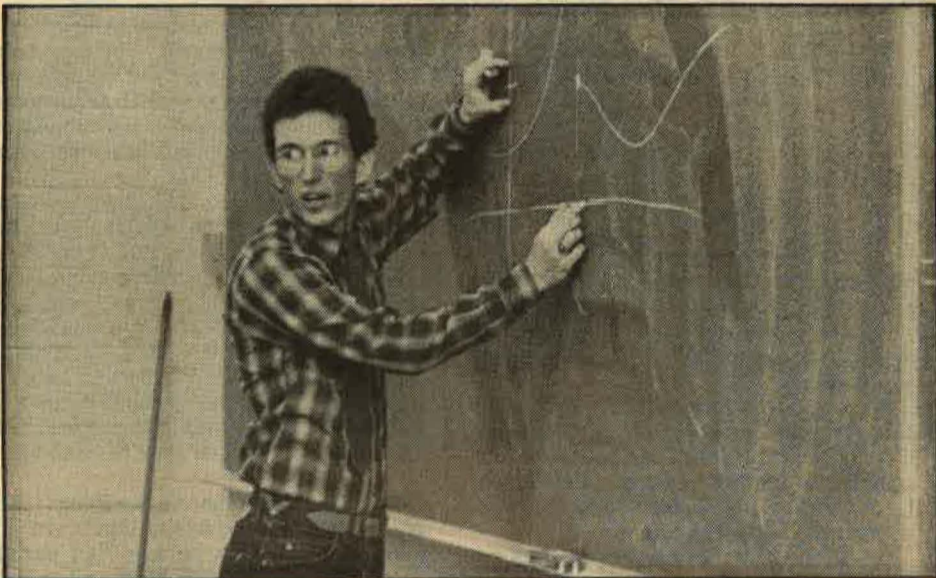
He knew what he wanted in his spiritual life when he left MIT, but Maddox was uncertain about his career. The University has no degree in architecture and he liked math. "I didn't know what else you could do with a math degree," he said, so he decided to teach.

His decision to teach was also influenced by some of the teachers he had at MIT. "I had some fantastic teachers. One was a colleague of Einstein. Another, Philip Morrison, helped with the development of the nuclear bomb," he said. "Of course,

He finds it amusing when asked by bookstore employees if he is currently enrolled.

Maddox praised the faculty for welcoming him. He immediately felt at home in the math department, but was a bit apprehensive before his first faculty meeting. "I wasn't sure how I would be treated, but I was treated very well. Every faculty member here wants to be on your side. They really want to be," he emphasized. "You don't find that at every school."

Although he has had good relations with students, he does have one pet peeve, he said. "It's really frustrating to me that people don't study. It never crossed my mind that people wouldn't want to study if they were enrolled in school. It frustrates



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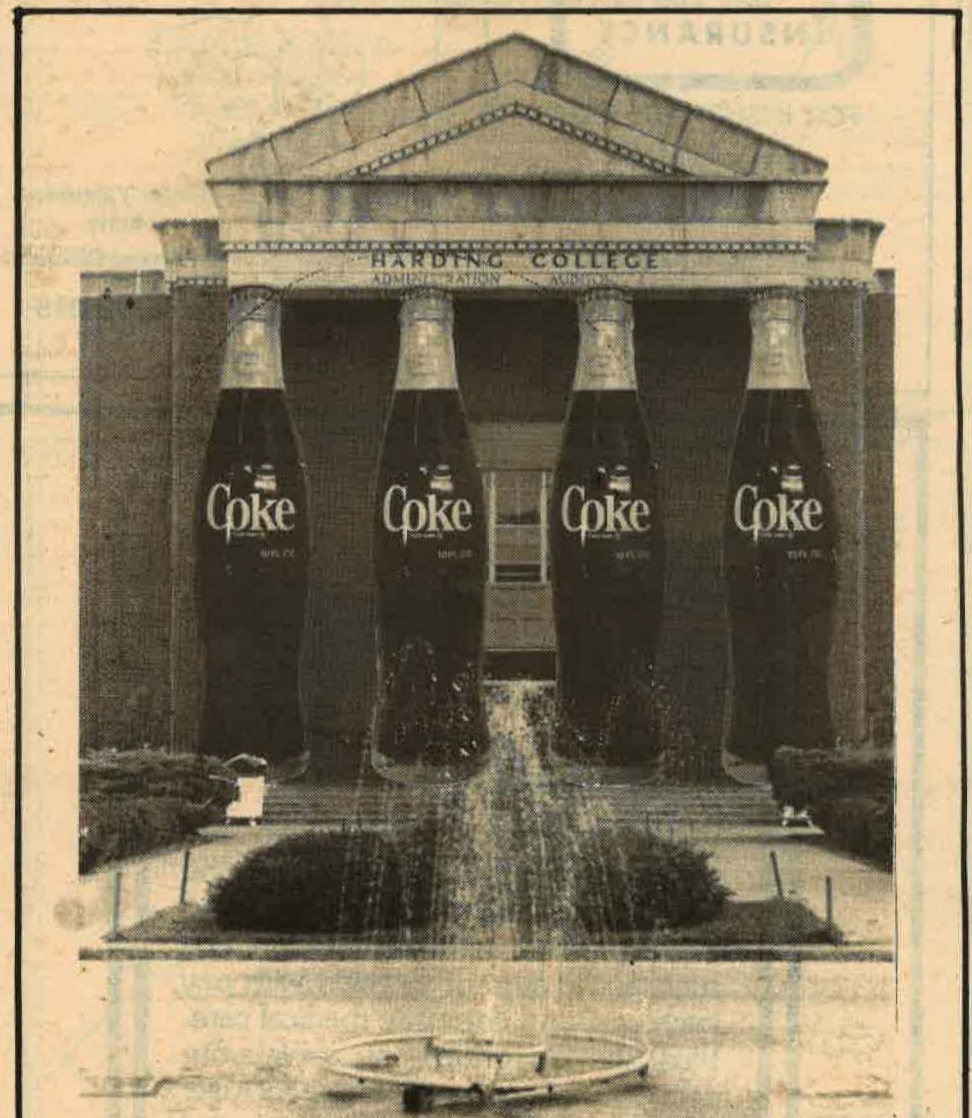
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