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'NUMBER ONE!' — No doubt about it as the NJCAA National Champion WTC Westerners hoist their top-rated coach, Mike Mitchell, in the Hutchinson, Kansas Sports Arena. (SEE RELATED STORIES AND PHOTOS, PAGES 6-9)

Westerners Win It All In NJCAA Tournament

by Jeff Box

"We're going all the way!" was the comment made by some of the Westerners at the turn of the semester. Few had any doubts of WTC's going to the Region V play-offs. Many picked them to win.

But winning nationals? That was something else! "They just didn't have the experience!"

Nevertheless, the WT cagers showed that ages of experience did not count for everything as the Green Machine rolled up National Championship Number One!

The Westerners traveled to Hutchinson, Kansas for the tournament ranked sixth nationally and one of the youngest teams in competition.

First obstacle was Housatonic Community College of Bridgeport, Conn. Before the game Coach Mike Mitchell described their opponents as "being a lot like South Plains College and Southwest Christian College."

Housatonic fell HARD, like 91-57 worth! Three reasons were the scoring machine called Bob Miller, Eugene Harris, and Nor-

man Barnes with 25, 20 and 17 each.

Offensively the Westerners played a careless game, losing 25 turnovers. Defensively they did reasonably well, but improvement was necessary, according to Mitchell.

San Jacinto of Pasadena, Tex. was the next challenger.

When the gunfight was over and the smoke had cleared, WTC was left standing, a 79-70 victor and advancing to the semifinal round as the hypothetical "Lone Star State JuCo champion."

Fast Team

'San Jac' was one of the tourney's fastest teams. "We had to slow them down and we did. The men did a great job and I'm well pleased!" said Mitchell.

Miller led the scoring department with 35 points and Brian Minor contributed 15 to place the Westerners against De Kalb Community College of Decatur, Ga. in a semi-final bout.

De Kalb had won its last six consecutive games in the last 10 seconds of play. "I've got a condition now," moaned a Georgia reporter.

"We don't know how to lose!" stated De Kalb Coach Roger Couch. "My boys never give up. They never quit, it's not a part of them!"

The Westerners made it a part of the Georgia squad though, teaching them the art of losing to the tune of 63-60. De Kalb was by no means an easy victory for the high-flying Green Machine.

Fighting for the lead three times, once with 2:54 remaining

to play, the Westerners faced another setback in the tilt as Bob Miller played with an injured index finger on his right (shooting) hand. Harris took up the slack by roping 25 points.

The Westerners had made it — the national finals!!! They now faced College of Southern Idaho of Twin Falls, Idaho in a unique game pitting an experienced team (five appearances at the national tournament) against a rookie, north against south.

Both teams played similar offense and defense.

Both had superstars, Miller and Harris for the Texans, and Gary Yoder and Kenny Davis for the Eagles.

AND IT HAPPENED!!!

WTC won the battle and the war, 65-57, becoming one of the few teams to win the National Junior College Athletic Association title their first time around and the first Region V kingpin since 1957 when San Angelo JC went all the way.

"Super!", "Great!", "Beautiful!" were shouts by the Westerners as the buzzer sounded.

Amid tears of joy and happiness, sighs of relief and thunderous applause, the comment heard above all the rest was, "I told ya we'd do it!!!"

Other squads competing in the meet were Utica, Miss.; Westchester, N.Y.; Grandview, Iowa; Lakeland, Ill.; Sheridan, Wyo.; Vincennes, Ind.; Waukesha, Wisc.; Essex, N.J.; Anderson, S.C.; Arizona Western, Arizona; and host Hutchinson, Kansas, the pre-tourney top-ranked team.

Journalists Take TIPA Awards

Three WTC journalism students won places at the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association conference in Amarillo last weekend.

Danny Chastain, publications department laboratory technician and photographer and KSNY radio disc jockey, won first place in radio documentary; Greg Patterson, staff writer and KSNY "DJ", won second in radio spot commercial; and former newspaper and yearbook photographer Pete Canales won second in yearbook feature photography.

All three were cited for journalistic excellence and were recognized during the Awards Luncheon Saturday.

Bob Guthrie, news director for WOAI-Radio in San Antonio, serving as critic judge, said of Chastain's entry: "Although ad-lib, and while not as technically involved, it still informs an audience and does it without boring repetition." His contest was WTC's first top award in the competition.

Good Critique

Although the college's two student publications did not place in the top three, the critic judge, Don Moss, Creative Director of Prism Advertising, Inc. of San Antonio and production director for 12 years of the San Antonio Light, said of the WTC newspaper, *Western Texan*: "Format very good, type styles excellent, halftones improving, quality paper excellent — keep it up, real progress here — WATCH OUT FOR THIS NEWSPAPER NEXT YEAR!"

Bill Dean, Director of Student Publications at Texas Tech University, in judging yearbook entries, said of the *WTC Trailblazer*: "This book employs the 'cluster' pattern of layout throughout and does it

effectively. Copy is generally adequate. Most heads are action heads."

Several journalism and mass communication students attended the three-day affair co-sponsored by Amarillo College and West Texas State University.

Benny Ellington, *Western Texan* editor, appeared on a special panel on "Freedom of the Collegiate Press," highlighted by commentary and a question-and-answer session

led by his brother, Danny, assistant news information director at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Mike McBride, assistant professor of journalism and publications adviser, served as panel moderator and accompanied the group to Amarillo.

Twenty-six junior and senior colleges and universities attended although more competed in individual and publications categories.

Ten Campus Favorites Elected; Mr. Miss WTC To Be Named

Campus favorites were elected last Wednesday and Thursday in voting in the Student Center.

Girls chosen were Paula Bell, Sonja Davis, Sharon Johns, Robin Nail and Teresa Scott.

Jakie Fontenot, Scotty Hoyle, Bob Miller, Robbie Panter and Casey Wills were the boys selected.

From this group Mr. and Miss WTC will be named following voting yesterday and today. Announcement of the honorees will be made Thursday, April 24 during the Spring Formal.

Miss Bell, Snyder sophomore, is a cheerleader, member of the Student Senate and member of Los Vaqueros. An Abilene sophomore, Miss Davis was elected Miss Trailhand, serves as a Senator, and is a member of the Baptist Student Union, Los Vaqueros and Phi Theta Kappa. She was recently named to Who's Who in American Junior Colleges.

Miss Johns, Snyder Sophomore, is a cheerleader and was recently named to fill a vacated post on the Student Senate.

Snyder freshman Robin Nail was named golf sweetheart this year.

Miss Scott, Snyder sophomore, was named to Who's Who in American Junior Colleges and was elected Miss Spirit this year. In addition she is a member of the Student Senate, is secretary of Los Vaqueros and is a member of PTK and Kappa Chi.

Fontenot, Port Neches freshman, is president of Los Vaqueros, Student Senator, was a candidate for Mr. Trailhand and was elected Mr. Spirit.

Post sophomore Hoyle participated in intramural football and basketball and the 'mural rodeo held at the Scurry County Arena. Miller, Seaford, N.Y. sophomore, has garnered an unprecedented number of awards in basketball this season. Among these were Most Valuable Player in the national tournament and first team All-American.

Post sophomore Panter was chosen Mr. Trailhand this year, is treasurer of PTK and vice-

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'NO WAY, BROTHER!' — Westerner Greg Hill (41) fights off a Southern Idaho defender. The Green Machine defeated the Eagles, 65-57, to wrap up the national JuCo title.

editorially...

Community Colleges Need Modern Media Training Programs

benny ellington

"A comment on the contest material overall...it is pretty poor stuff..." This is a quote from the judge of the radio contest at the recent TIPA convention...and the quality of the television contest was so poor that the judge refused to give an award higher than third. He said they were of such inferior quality that his conscience would not let him award a first or second.

Both judges are professional members of the fastest growing facet of the American media.

So what is the problem? Money...can community colleges like WTC purchase color sound camera equipment and staff a television studio? Inflation has caused college and university journalism instruction to lag behind the demands of the industry.

Both of the above judges will be looking for employes during the upcoming year. Both will be turning to graduates of Texas universities and colleges to man their radio and television stations. But most colleges can not educate students in intelligent television production simply because they can not purchase the equipment and supplies.

The situation is also beginning to appear in the print media as well. One of the sessions during the conference dealt with the electronic and technical advances in newspaper production.

With computerized type setters...computer terminals utilized as reporter tools and "instant recall" copy editing equipment, many large dailies are leaving college and university journalism departments in the dark ages when the sheer technical and electronic equipment revolutionizing newspaper production is considered.

A well-rounded journalist today must not only be an excellent writer but also in some situations be almost a computer programmer or electronics technician if he wants to publish a daily newspaper.

The solution?

Community colleges may have to join the trend sweeping through major universities — more class credit for intern programs, a closer working relationship with regional daily newspapers and university students, "authentic involvement" programs where the students are given class credit for observing and participating in the production and operation of professional radio and television stations.

Since many community colleges can not afford the equipment, they must find some method of offering students exposure to these modern advances in media.

If not, the student who transfers into a four-year institution and must compete with juniors and seniors who have had this benefit will certainly be at a loss.

Eventually, they will wisely and justifiably simply not attend the community college. Their personal career goals would be more adequately met if they enrolled in the larger four-year schools as freshmen.

Journalism Positions, Scholarships Open

Applications for journalism scholarships and staff positions on WTC student publications are currently being taken for next fall, according to Mike McBride, assistant professor.

Present or prospective students may obtain application forms in the WTC Student Center, SC-108. They should be returned by May 1.

Positions on the campus newspaper, *The Western Texan*, are editor, assistant editor, news editor, sports editor, chief photographer, advertising manager and staff writer. Special positions, such as feature editor, staff artist and circulation-exchange editor, are also to be filled.

Applications will also be taken for the post of editor and assistant editor of the campus yearbook, *The Trailblazer*, or magazine. "Because of expenses and demand, I do not yet know which publication we will

be able to afford next year but a decision will be made soon," McBride said.

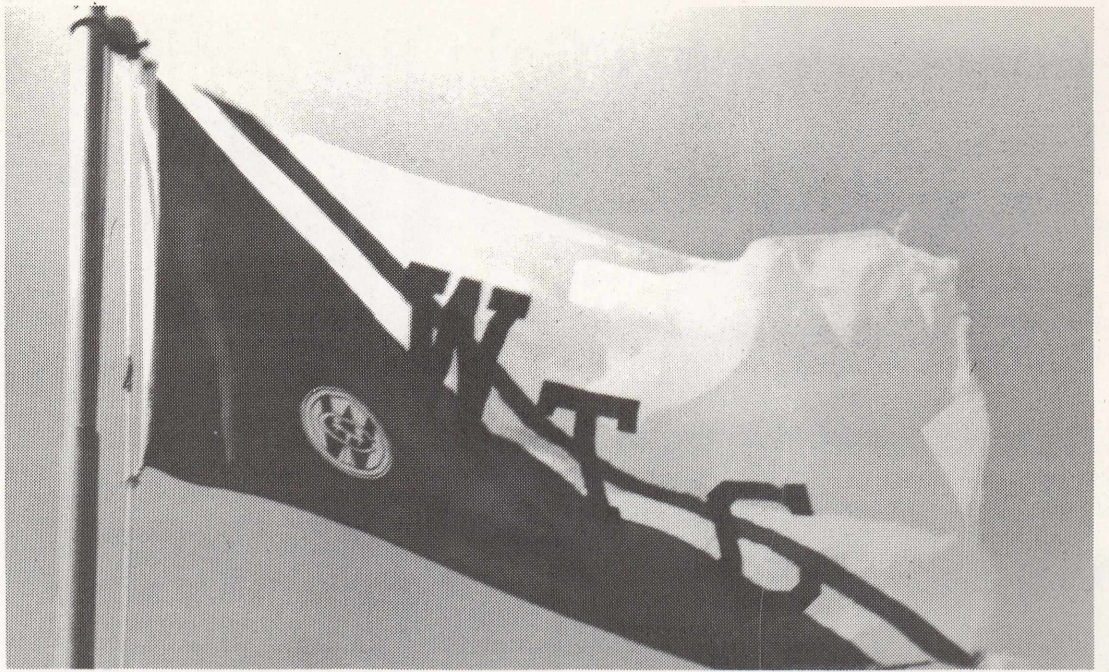
According to McBride, some returning freshmen are applying for key positions but any student is eligible.

Scholarships range from tuition to \$400 for key positions, depending upon interest, ability and need.

General recommendations for major posts include the necessary time to devote to the duty, enrollment in at least 12 hours including journalism, ability to type, passing grade-point average, and being active in departmental functions.

Any prior publications experience is recommended but not required.

Applicants are encouraged to present samples of previous work, if available, to the publications adviser.



RECENTLY DISCOVERED — WTC's school flag is now flying each day after interest was expressed in one of the three flag poles being bare. The Student Senate plans to alter it in the future.



fact & opinion

By Paul Williams

As we look back on the experiences of this past semester, we question what exactly has been accomplished.

With only about a month left of school, many of us are in a mad rush to push those grades up another letter and get ready for a vacation.

What's next? Some of us will graduate or transfer to new, larger schools.

Some of us will continue our pursuit of a specialized profession.

Some of us will remain at the same pace we are and wait until another day or another opportunity before charging out upon the world.

And, of course, many of us will mildly, drop out, sit back, and give up hope.

Certainly we would be a lot better off if we chose one of the first possibilities.

As we're hidden deeply in the stacks of books and mass confusion, in the next few weeks of tests, book reports, extra credit, and sincere pleading, the question lingers in our minds.

Is it really worth it? The worry, the time, the money, and whatever else it costs to go on to school. Why are we really doing it?

As the population explodes and employment diminishes, experience is what many companies are looking for. So we ask whether or not we are wasting our time.

Reports from all over the country prove that the days when a degree promised a job, are over.

But who can argue that any knowledge in any given trade or skill can hurt someone's ability?

Just the fact that one attempts college shows the

employer of his desire to self-improve.

So, whatever your plans. Or if you even have any. Or if you even plan to have any.

Stay with it. Decide what you want. And be certain.

Set yourself a goal and get after it.

Yes, it's getting to be the time of making some very important decisions that will affect the rest of our lives.

Sure, we can put them off and hope maybe if we close our eyes, they will go away.

But better yet, instead of being afraid and ignoring problem decisions, until you do decide what exactly is right for you, use the excellent, immediate opportunities we do have available and get busy preparing for the future.

BOOK REVIEW

'Gods' Provides Reader Message

by Bob West

Are the gods really visitors from outer space?

Erich Von Daniken again poses the question of the origin of the mythical gods in his book, *Gods From Outer Space*. He believes that the gods of our primitive past are really extraterrestrial beings who visited us for a while and claims the visitors brought civilization to our ancestors and were placed on a pedestal for their efforts.

Von Daniken's highly con-

troversial books have struck a note of discord among secular circles. Many people consider him to be crazy. But has anyone else been able to present a better theory with fewer holes than his?

What other conclusion can be drawn from the lines on the Nazca plain? Or from a myriad of cave drawings, stone pictures, carvings, myths and stone statues? Many have tried to tear holes in and disprove his theories but have not laid out a better one. Why can't some people accept new ideas?

Von Daniken and others like

him are trying to bring about a change in the way of thinking of society. They have put forth a better theory of man's road to civilization. It is more believable than all the other so-called "it just happened" theories.

Why can't people believe that we had help along the road to civilization and knowledge? Why? Because they are afraid of the truth.

The way we are going something is bound to happen...and soon. Then we shall see who is or was right.

Letter To Basketball Coach and Squad

Dear Coach Mitchell and Team:

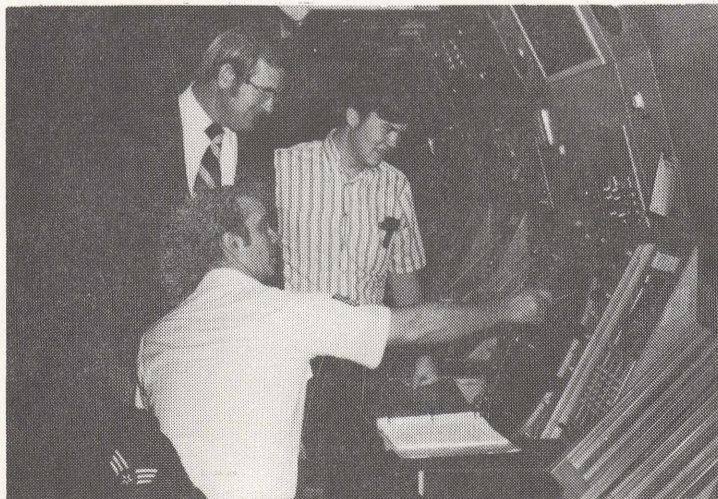
On behalf of the student body at Amarillo College the Student Senate would like to congratulate you on winning the National Junior College Basketball Championship.

We feel that you have represented Region V more than adequately and in such a way that everyone can be proud of you.

Having watched you play here at Amarillo College and the Region V Tournament, we realize that you are not only fine basketball players but great sportsmen as well.

Again, on behalf of the students at Amarillo College, I congratulate you on a fine championship and wish you best of luck next season.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Hill
President, Student Senate



WEBB AFB — Students from the Electro-Mechanical Technology course at Western Texas College in Snyder toured Webb's Radar Approach Control (RAPCON) recently. Their instructor, Jerrel Row (back left) and one of the students, David Higgins, are briefed by MSgt. Virgil S. Howarth.



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Dormitory Counselors To Draw Constitution

by Katy LeMond

Prospective residence hall counselors for the 1975-76 school year attended the Texas Residence Hall Association convention at Stephen F. Austin State University March 13-15 in Nacogdoches.

While attending the conference at "The University Among the Pines," the 7-man and 1-woman group gathered ideas for constructing a residence hall constitution to contain conduct guidelines for residents of Western Texas.

Basic format of the hall constitution is being taken from the residence hall constitution at Texas A & M University.

Members of the council responsible for drawing up the hall constitution are Hazel Brown, Gail Burleson, Katy LeMond, Jakie Fontenot, Billy Dillard, Clay Harris and Steve Cox. Assisting with the construction and serving as mediator is Helen Riley, dormitory advisor. All attended the convention.

Final draft of the constitution will be presented to Dr. Duane Hood, Dean of Student Services, by the end of this week for his advice and for later consideration for approval by the Board of Trustees.

Adopted Statement

The Preamble of the CONSTITUTION OF WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE RESIDENCE HALL states: We, the residents of Western Texas College Residence Hall, in order to unite as a body for the organization and coordination of all matters concerning residence hall life and to combine our resources to improve

the social, cultural, recreational, and intellectual atmosphere within the WTC residence halls, do hereby adopt the following foundation of government for WTC Residence Halls.

The constitution includes articles pertaining to organizational name, purpose, organization of government, election of officers, executive committee duties, election and responsibilities of floor representatives, guidelines for membership of the hall council, standing committees, judicial board, advisor election and power invested to him, by-laws and amendment guidelines, ratification procedures and conformity.

Peer Judgment

"We learned that the peer judicial board is working effectively in many Texas colleges and universities. The students who attended the convention are hopeful that it will be possible to establish a judicial organization," said Mrs. Riley. This will allow students on the Judicial Board to apply corrective measures where needed.

A suggested replacement for the current hall "blue slip" not yet approved by the Administration is to issue an offender of the hall rules and regulations an 'appointment card' which will send the accused directly to the head dormitory advisor to discuss the problem area and to let the advisor thereby either refer the student (s) involved to the Board of Directors or to issue punishment.

The constitution will be a first

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FEMALE FAVORITES — Sharon Jones, Robin Nail, Sonja Davis, Paula Bell, and Teresa Scott.



MALE HONOREES — Bob Miller, Casey Wills, Scotty Hoyle, Jakie Fontenot, and Robbie Panter.

LRC Features New 3-M Microfilm Reader

Newest member of the "electronics explosion" currently available in the LRC is a 500 series 3-M brand microfilm Reader-Printer.

With this microfilm, students have an added advantage over the usual microfilm readers — press a button marked "exposure" and a copy of the page shown on the viewscreen automatically emerges from the top of the reader-printer.

Copies are standard size. Two print sizes are possible, depending on the kind of lens used in the reader-printer. Most copies will be negative — that is, white print on black, since most of the microfilm reels are positive.

For the present, this reader-

printer will probably be used only for making copies, as four readers are ready for use by students who want to read material on microfilm, but only one printer.

Features of the 3-M study aid include a motorized system for carrying the film, with fast forward or backward speeds, plus hand controls for lining up the page on the viewscreen.

Copies will cost only five cents. Anything the LRC has on microfilm is available, including all Reader's Guide indexed periodicals back to 1967. There are about 100 of these, including the *New York Times* and the old *Life Magazine*.



NEWLY PURCHASED — Nona Sutton, Learning Resource Center worker, shows how the new microfilm reader works.

Western Art Exhibited

The Scurry County Museum is hosting an exhibit of Western art by W. H. D. Koerner until May 4. These paintings have been shown in major museums and art centers across the United States.

Koerner (1878-1938) gained the reputation as an illustrator

for some of the best-known Western fiction writers of his time, such as Zane Gray. His paintings have appeared in many of the foremost magazines of his day, including *McClures*, *Ladies Home Journal* and *Saturday Evening Post*.

Koerner was famous not only for his suggestive color technique but also for his accurate renditions. He was also a master of the vignette. Koerner always requested that after his illustrations were used they were to be returned to him.

At his death in 1938, hundreds of his paintings were found in his Interlaken, N.J. studio. Koerner's wife kept the studio and paintings intact until her death in 1964. During this time his work received very little notice although they had been popular in the 1920's and 30's.

In 1964 Koerner's daughter assumed care of the paintings. She brought her father's paintings back into the public's approving eye. Since 1964 Koerner's following has grown until the demand for his paintings became immense.

Several Attend UTPB Confab

Counselors and administrators from WTC, Odessa, Midland, Howard County and South Plains colleges attended a junior college counselors' workshop April 11 on the University of Texas Permian campus.

The one-day workshop acquainted representatives from the colleges with UT Permian's various academic programs. It was sponsored by the university's Admissions and Registrar's Office.

Faculty chairmen and deans from each of the university's three colleges made presentations and answered questions from participants. Also, an introductory general session was scheduled to explain academic and admissions policies.

Kite-Flying Contest Planned

The Student Senate sponsored a campus ping-pong tournament Wednesday, with the final round of play scheduled today. Last week, the senate sponsored a foosball tournament.

Entry fee for both affairs was twenty-five cents each and students had the option of entering singles or doubles competition or both.

Committee chairman, Katy LeMond, reported that both tournaments had a "good turnout" and that the names of the winners will be announced later.

Mickey Baird, Director of Student Activities, officiated at

both tournaments held in the gameroom of the Student Center.

Weather permitting, the senate will sponsor a kite-flying contest to be held on the WTC golf practice field, east of the tennis courts April 30.

Entry fee for the contest will be fifty-cents per kite, each entrant furnishing kites and materials. Students wishing to enter may sign-up in the dormitory lobby or the gameroom.

For further information contact Katy LeMond at ext. 257 or Mrs. Baird at ext. 276.



PRETTY GAME — Shirley Cothran of Denton, Miss America for 1975, appeared on campus for a reception last month...but did not get away before trying her hand at a round of pool in the gameroom. (Photo by Kevin Ross)

Applications Accepted For AFROTC Awards

Applications are currently being accepted for students who are interested in entering the two-year Air Force ROTC program at Angelo State University.

In addition to making application for entry into the program, the prospective students may apply for some twenty \$200 scholarships that will be awarded this fall to students with two years of undergraduate or graduate work remaining to be completed at the University.

Eight of the scholarships are provided through funds from the Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Carr Air Force ROTC Scholarship Fund. Established by the Carrs in 1974, that scholarship provides a number of awards each year to cadets entering or already enrolled in the ASU program.

Trailblazer Completed

The 1975 Trailblazer, WTC yearbook, was completed early last month, according to Mike McBride, publications adviser. "Katie Bullock, editor, and I checked proofs on final deadline pages, so it should be ready for distribution by early May."

The book will include a special color introductory section, originally-designed endsheets and cover, and a unique theme. According to McBride, "Katie has really put her talents and interests to the test, and we believe anyone who misses this one will miss the best record of the very best year yet at WTC!"

CONGRATULATIONS WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE On Bringing the NJCAA Championship to West Texas

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FOR YEAR

VA Student Loans Are Available

The Veterans Administration Regional Office in Waco, Texas, is processing applications for new education loans for veterans attending school under the GI Bill. The loans, up to a maximum of \$600 in one academic year, were established by the Vietnam-era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, enacted by Congress last December.

Regional Office Director, Jack Coker, said the effective date for the loan program was January 1. However, he added that all eligible veterans, wives, widows and children will be considered for initial loans based upon the full amount of their tuition and all other costs of attendance anticipated for the entire 1975-76 academic year. This is considered to have started about September 1.

Under the new law those granted loans will be required to execute promissory notes agreeing to repayment of principal plus eight percent interest. Repayment of principal and interest will be deferred while the student is attending classes at least on a half-time basis.

Installment payments must start nine months after the student ceases at least half-time enrollment, with full payment within 10 years and nine months after that date. Part or all of the loan may be prepaid without penalty. Interest will not accrue

on the loan balance until the required beginning date of repayment.

A three-percent loan fee will be deducted from the approved loan amount to provide a fund to insure against defaults under the loan program. Defaults will be considered overpayments and recovered in the same manner as other debts due the government.

The new measure provides

that applicants must have exhausted all efforts to obtain student loans administered by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The student must list all lenders applied to, with dates notified of final decisions. If denied a guaranteed student loan, copies of denial statements from two lenders must accompany the VA application.

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Texas Senate Passes 'Favorable' Resolution

The Texas Senate congratulated the NJCAA champion, WTC Westerners, when they recently passed a resolution commending the team.

State Senator Ray Farabee sponsored the resolution which also acknowledged Coach Mike Mitchell for his efforts.

The statement reads: WHEREAS, Western Texas College in Snyder, Texas, recently won the national basketball championship of the National Junior College Athletic Association, and

WHEREAS, This fine team has put forth effort and dedication necessary to advance to the regional playoffs twice in the past several years, and

WHEREAS, This group of athletes being inspired by the

student body of Western Texas College and guided by Coach Mike Mitchell this season compiled a record of 36 wins and one loss; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 64th Legislature hereby commends these athletes and their school leaders for their achievements in this basketball season which have resulted in the National Junior College Athletic Association basketball championship, and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, That a copy of the Resolution be sent to Coach Mike Mitchell and the members of the Western Texas College basketball team to express the congratulations and good wishes of the Senate.

★ NEWS BRIEFS ★

Leslie Albin, assistant professor of science, was honored by the Scurry County Association for Retarded Citizens during their recent banquet. He was recognized as citizen contributor, and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program was recognized as organizational contributor to their program.

WTC's Board of Trustees will meet in the board room of the administration building at 5:45 p.m. Monday, April 21.

Third Social Science Contest Scheduled

Ninety-three area high school students will attend WTC's third annual Social Science Contest April 25 on campus.

"Students from Abilene, Snyder, Lamesa, Sweetwater, Crosbyton, Stamford, Fluvanna, Hamlin, Ira and Rotan will compete for scholarships, plaques, medals and awards. There are four divisions in the contest which are American, United States, Texas history and current events," said Harry Krenek, associate professor of history.

Registration will be 9 a.m. in the Student Center, and awards will be presented at 2 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre.

Students from Class A and AA schools will be in one division while AAA and AAAA students will compete in another.

Golfers Down Tech Freshmen

WTC's golf team defeated Texas Tech's freshmen Raiders 369-395 April 9 at the Pine Hills Country Club in Lubbock.

Westerner Grant Collins was medalist with a one-under 71. Teammates Mark Hargrove, Kyle Howard and Arnold Madril tied for runner-up, shooting two over 74's. Mel Callender led the Tech squad with 75.

Other WT tallies include Bryan Hargrove and Ross Wortham at 76 and Jeff Richardson at 82.

James Lamb, Fine Arts division chairman, was presented in concert Tuesday evening on campus. He performed original piano compositions, and the college choir opened the program.

Interested persons can still sign up for community services courses currently in progress by contacting Rex Hopkins at 573-8511. Nutrition and Weight Control, Landscaping and Gardening, and Belly Dancing are still open.

Registration for Beginning Bridge, scheduled to begin next Thursday, is also in progress. Deadline for either the nutrition or landscaping course is April 18 and April 22 for the belly dancing classes.

WTC's chapter of Texas Student Education Association received an Emphasis '74 Award at their recent state convention. Julian Suarez, local president, will serve on the state membership committee for 1975-76.

Spirit contest awards were recently presented by Mrs. Mickey Baird, Director of Stu-

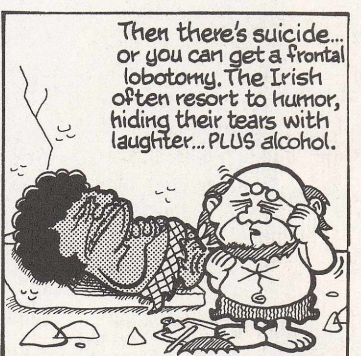
dent Activities, with first prize of \$25 going to the Rodeo Club, and an engraved plaque for second prize awarded to Phi Theta Kappa.

Student organizations attended basketball games as groups to compete for the prizes.

Robert Howell, Sharon Johns, Neely Landrum and Kyle Howard have been named to serve the remainder of the semester on the student senate, filling four recent vacancies.

Dr. Duane Hood, Dean of Student Services, recently attended a meeting of Southern California community colleges to discuss Project SAM (Student Accountability Model). Hood was invited to discuss the proposed Project Follow-up, for which WTC is a sub-contractor.

Carl Barber, EMT instructor, has announced that another course in radio communications will be offered if there is enough demand after the present course is over. Barber may be contacted at 573-8511, extension 221.



'20TH CENTURY AMERICA'

Road Show Currently On Tour



SPARKLING COSTUMES — Members of the roadshow pictured are (front) Donna Mraz, (middle) Emmalie Sleeper, (back) Cindy Hanson, Julie Jones and Paula Baldwin.

"20th Century America", WTC's Road Show and drama department production, is currently touring high schools from Fort Worth to Odessa.

"The show includes slide presentations and contemporary music exemplifying the condition of our times," said Charles Holland, director.

This is the second road show of WTC's history. The first was produced two years ago, marking the beginning of such with various performances in and around West Texas.

This year's performance will be in keeping with the bicentennial, using costumes designed and made by WTC students. The costumes sparkle with red, white, and blue stars and stripes, representing a kaleidoscope of Uncle Sams, complete with top hats.

The performance is interspersed with contemporary recorded music and slide shows, noting the condition of our times, Holland said. "The exciting and challenging aspect of such a production is in the choice of contemporary material such as music and photography which make the audience especially relate to '20th Century America', thankful for our blessings and ever mindful of our problems."

Fast moving and semichoreographed, the show is designed to fit a 20-minute assembly program for high schools.

Cast includes three Snyderites familiar to local theatre audiences: Donna Mraz, Emmalie Sleeper and Paula Baldwin. Other performers, equally well-known to WTC theatre goers, are Julie Jones of Abilene and Cindy Hanson of Fort Worth. Ms. Baldwin, Jones and Sleeper are remembered for their performances in WTC's entry in the American College Theatre Festival, "The

Last of the Red Hot Lovers."

The entire cast was seen in WTC's second production of the year, "The Children's Hour". If you were able to see the dinner theatre recently, you will remember Ms. Jones and Sleeper as the coo-coo Pidgeon sisters.

In addition to the cast, the company is composed of Steve Bratton of Rotan, who operates a synchronized tape-slide presentation utilizing about \$2,000 in equipment; John Wendeborn of Farmington, N.M., lighting technician; and Carol Posey of Rotan, assistant to the director.

Slides, music, lights and projectors are all synchronized on a programmer, controlled by electronic impulse, as part of the show.

"Drama students are having to learn electronics to work in show business," explained Holland.

by Pam Block

Performances of "20th Century America" began March 13 and will run at least once each week, often twice weekly until the end of the semester. Performance sites vary from Rule, where all 12 grades are in the audience, to four major high schools in the Fort Worth area and a performance at Odessa College.

"20th Century America" was performed on campus April 8.

The road show schedule follows:

Sweetwater, April 17, 1 p.m.
Forth Worth, April 21-22 (4 performances)

Colorado City (church), April 27, 7 p.m.

Lubbock (Estacado), April 30, 10 a.m.

Slaton, April 30, 1 p.m.

Roscoe, May 1, 1:30 p.m.

Odessa College, May 3, 8 p.m.

Abilene (Cooper), May 8, 8:30 p.m.

Linksters Capture 2nd In Great Plains Meet

The WTC golf squad garnered second place with a 640 in the 36-hole Great Plains Golf Tournament held April 3-4 at the Amarillo and Tascosa Country Clubs. Amarillo College hosted the meet.

Odessa College captured first place, shooting 633. Midland was third with 647; New Mexico JC, fourth, 654; and Amarillo, fifth, 674.

Others were South Plains, 679; New Mexico Military, 691; Howard, 692; Frank Phillips, 701; and Clarendon, 727.

Individually, Arnold Madril paced the WTC squad with 157 and was runner-up medalist. Lelan Chiles of OC led with 154.

Winds gusting to 40 miles per hour and a 20-degree chill factor during second round action kept scores high.

Other Westerner tallies include Kyle Howard, 160; Ross Wortham, 161, and Mark Hargrove, 167.

Grant Collins saw action during the first round, shooting 83. Bryan Hargrove competed only in the second day, shooting 84.

The Westerners led the field following the initial round with 325. OC and Midland held second with 331 each.

The final round at Tascosa was the eighth Western Conference Golf Tournament and was held in conjunction with the Plains meet.

Tascosa action saw OC shoot 302 to WTC's 315. The 13-stroke edge overtook the Westerners' 6-point grip of the previous day, giving OC top place. Midland closed with 316 and fell to third.



GIVEN HONORS — Golf squad co-captains Mark Hargrove and Kyle Howard hold the second place trophy the Westerners won at the Great Plains Meet. Arnold Madril (left) displays the award he received as runner-up medalist.



KAY ALBIN

Albin Named SCC Director

Mrs. Kay Albin was named director of the Senior Citizens Center at Western Texas College, announced Dr. James E. Tully, coordinator of Senior Citizens activities.

Located in the Learning Resource Center, the center is open to all senior citizens as a meeting place. It is open daily, Monday-Friday, for games or special activities. During Older Texans Month, which is in May, an open house will be held in the Center.

Mrs. Albin, who is active in several local organizations, will receive her Associate of Arts degree from WTC next month. She has two daughters, Susan and Kim, both students at Stanfield Elementary School. Her family attends the First United Methodist Church and enjoys camping and bicycling together.

She has worked as secretary for the Division of Science and Math. Her husband, Leslie, is assistant professor of science and was one of the original college faculty members.

Western Texas Will Conduct Second Annual Leader Clinic

Western Texas College will host the second annual Cheerleader Clinic June 16-20 for present and prospective high school cheerleaders.

Students from junior high schools and colleges are also welcome to attend. Advisors may attend with their groups at no extra charge.

Seminars will be conducted by personnel from the National All-

Star Cheerleading Conference and will include sessions on spirit-leader related activities. Sessions will be held daily especially for the advisors.

Campers attending the clinic will be able to choose whether to stay in the WTC dorms or commute daily. Meals will be served in the school's cafeteria.

For more information, contact Mickey Baird, Director of Student Activities, in the Student Center.

NOTICE!!!

Final Exams for Sophomore students who will graduate this term will be held May 5-8. Grades must be turned in to the registrar May 9.

Finals for all other students will be held May 12-15. None will be given on the night of the 15th because of graduation.

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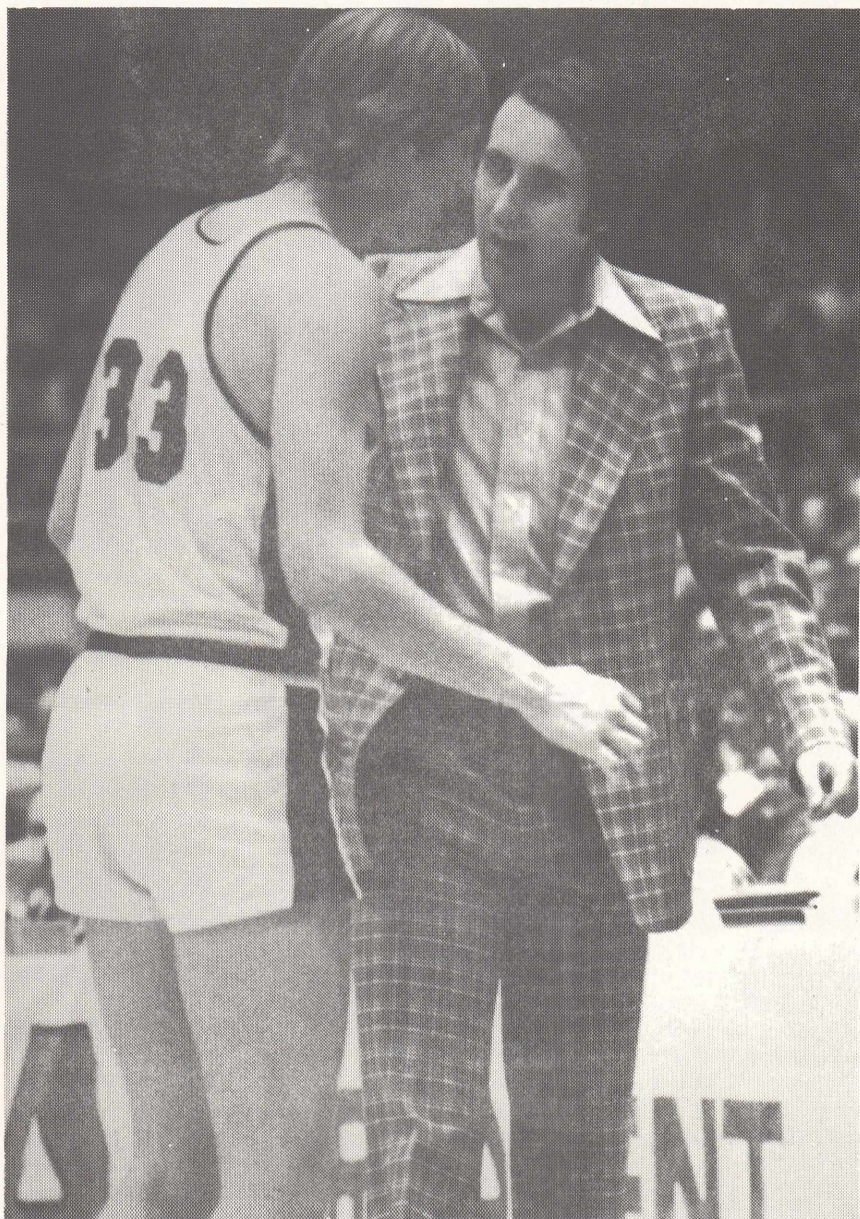
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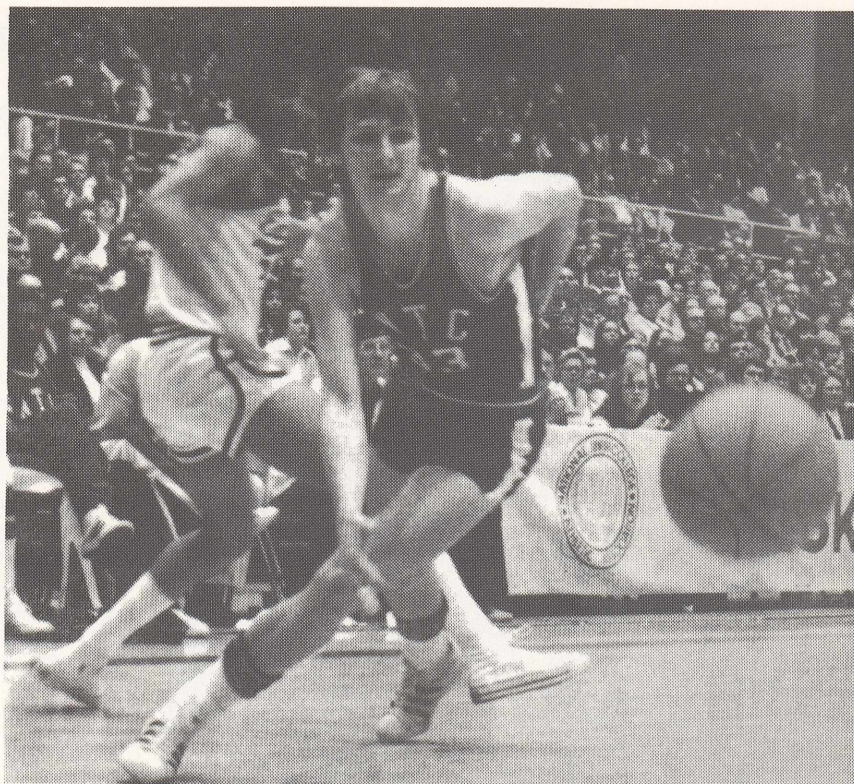
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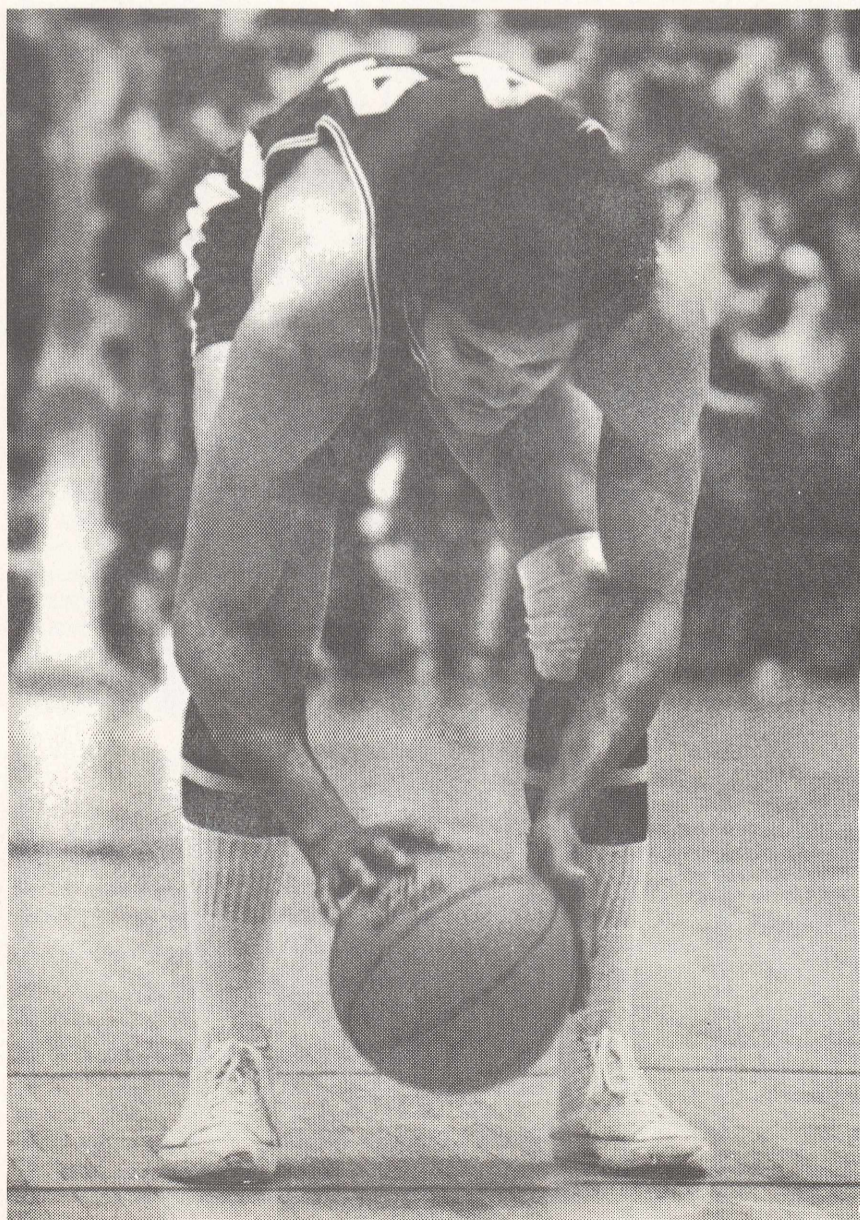
OK BOB — Coach Mike Mitchell informs Bob Miller (33) of an opening he noticed during the last play.



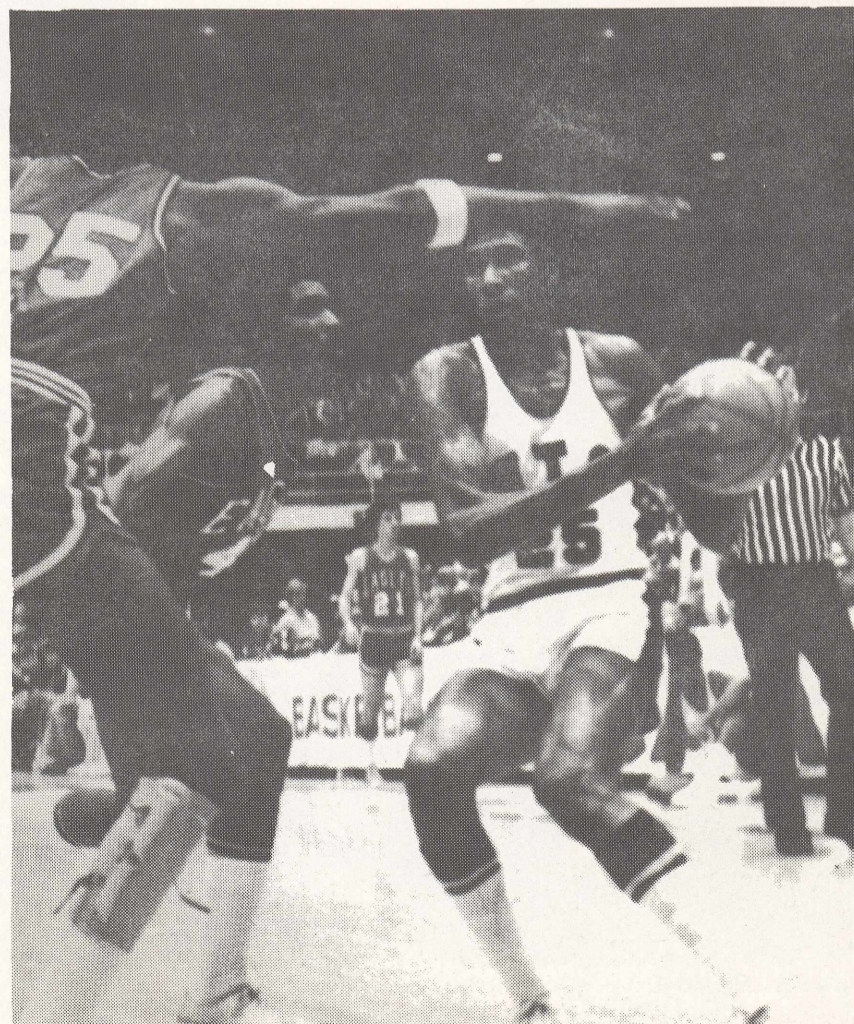
OOPS — Miller (33) notices the ball loose and starts toward it.



HERE'S THE PLAY — Mitchell calls time out to regroup and plan new strategy.



EVER SO SOFT — Brian Minor cautiously gets the feel of the ball before attempting a free-throw.

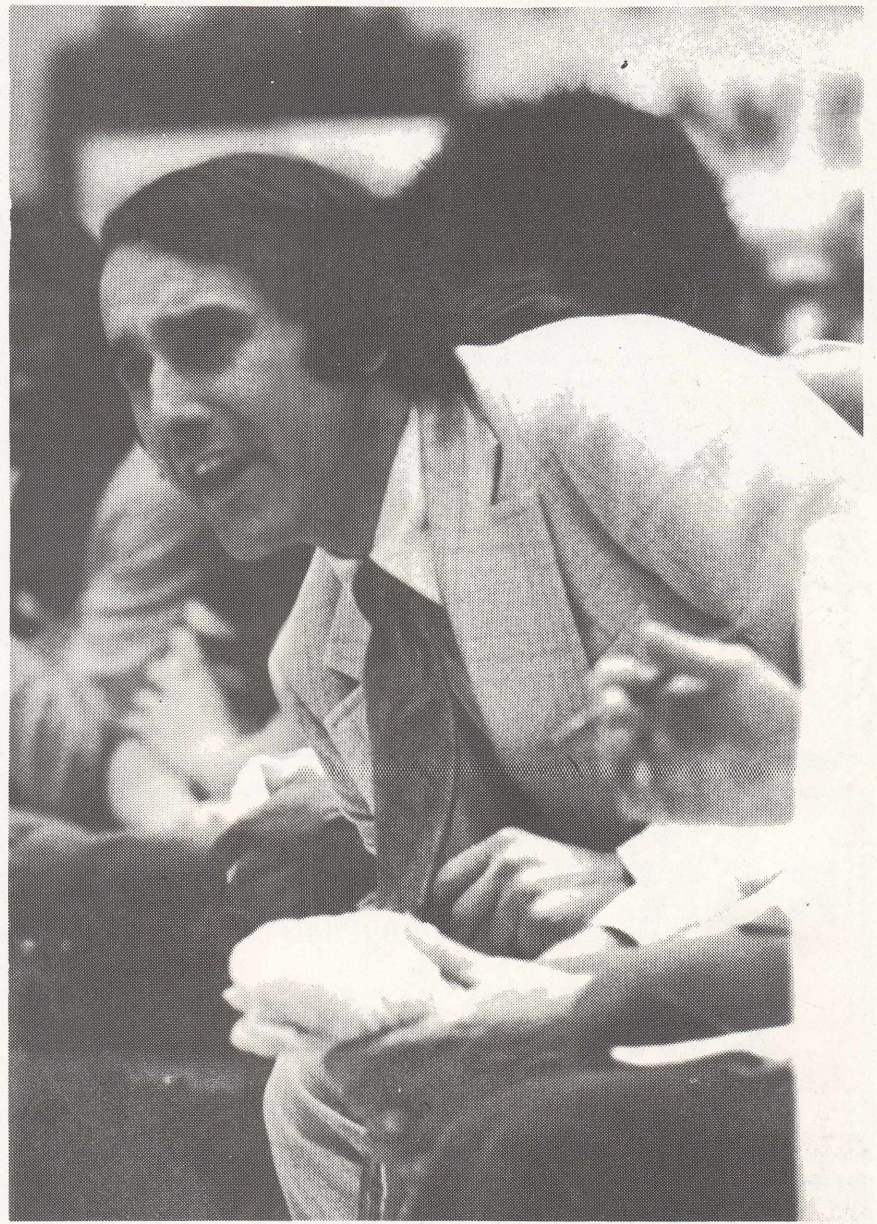


WHERE DID EVERYONE GO? — Eugene Harris (25) is surrounded by two Southern Idaho players during the championship tilt.

WTC Coach Experiences Frustrations



DID YOU SEE THAT? — Coach Mike Mitchell points out an obvious foul.



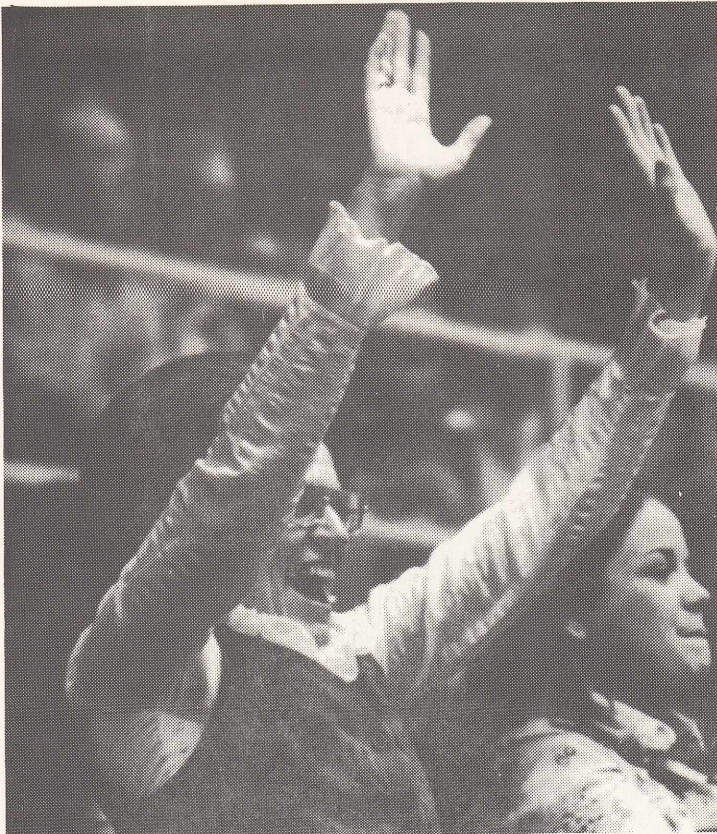
LET'S GO — Mitchell tells his squad to get back down court.



SETTLE DOWN — Mitchell attempts to calm his team and tells them to simply play as they are capable.



C'MON REF — Mitchell points to the line where an opposing team member has just stepped out of bounds.



HAPPY FAN — Elois Pruitt, Health-Physical Education secretary, shows her emotions when the Westerners capture the National Crown.



COME ON, LET'S GO! — Terry Posey, WTC Cheerleader, encourages the cage squad on to victory.

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Cage Squad To Play In Brazil

by Jeff Box

Let no one say that when the Westerners do something they don't do it all the way!

The cagers won conference with an undefeated tally and won nationals on their first go around, one of the few teams to accomplish either of these feats.

Not only do they do all that but they walk away with more than a couple of the nation's highest honors. And they aren't finished yet!

In two weeks, May 1, the five starters and the two top reserves on the unit (Greg Hill and Tyrone Clopton) along with five all stars from other NJCAA teams will leave for Brazil for an international tournament and two exhibition games.

The US squad will return May 16 from the Southern lands. So if you happen to see them between now and the first, tell them "Adios! Buena Suerte!" (That's goodbye and good luck.)

Staying with the topic of support, I've noticed something interesting in the month since nationals. During the regular season the Westerners failed to gain wholehearted backing from the majority of people.

The invitation, 'Let's go see the Westerners play', was answered by, 'Well, there's this great show on and...'

Go to some of the Westerner or Duster games for that matter this season and you could count the number in attendance without hitting a three-digit number. And it was usually the same group of fans who attended the battles. To a degree the same group, by the way, who went to regionals and nationals, paying their own way.

Now that the season is over and both squads were victorious, many are heard to say, 'We were with them all the way.' All the way where?

My congratulations to those loyal fans who did back the teams and to the cheerleaders. Though they seemed disorganized at times and discouraged with the backing, they stuck to it.

WTC was fortunate to have some really great talent this year. If the guys and gals were any less than they were, they could not have been winners with the backing they had. Things might be worse next year and the final records could depend on how much support they receive.

Did you notice about 11 girls strutting around campus this last week enjoying the beautifully bad weather? Well, they're the Dusters showing off new letter jackets they received Friday. The coats are really sharp looking, probably the best looking on campus.

For their first year of competition the ladies did a great job. Temple, who barely defeated the Dusters by nine points early in the season, eventually won the NJCAA Women's National title by one point against Oklahoma.

Wednesday, April 22nd, a banquet honoring the school's athletes will be held in the Scurry County Coliseum. Tickets are \$5 each. According to Athletic Director Sid Simpson, "That was the lowest possible price. It's high, but it will be worth it."

Guest speaker will be gubernatorial candidate and orthodontist Jim Granberry. He will not be here to gain votes since he already lost the race. Nor will he be pulling teeth, legs maybe! "He is supposedly a really good humorous speaker, and that is what we want."

Tickets may be purchased at either of the Snyder banks or by contacting the athletic department.

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Coach, Players Gain Recognition

The Westerners turned a dream into reality last month when they won the 1975 National Junior College Athletic Association basketball crown.

Amid tears, congratulations and shouts of triumph, the WTC quint came home caravan-style with a bag full of honors.

Coach Mike Mitchell and 6-5 soph guard Bob Miller led the list. Mitchell was chosen National Coach of the year and Miller was selected the tournament's Most Valuable Player. Both men received similar honors at the region meet in Amarillo.

Mitchell was also selected to coach the West squad of the NJCAA East-West All-Star game held in San Antonio April 7. Miller and Eugene Harris scored 15 and 6 respectively, helping the West to a narrow 82-80 decision over their counterparts.

At halftime, Miller was presented with the Wills Wagstaff Award, given annually to the junior collegian named Outstanding Player of the year in the country.

Both men were also named to the national tournament's all-tourney team.

Other team members include Randy Boyts, Hutchinson, Kan.; Alonzo Bradley, Utica, Miss.; Kenny Davis, Southern Idaho; Mike Dickerson, De Kalb, Ga.; Al Green, Arizona Western; Ray Williams, San Jacinto.

Tex.; Al Thompson, Westchester, N.Y.; and Gary Yoder, Southern Idaho.

Earl Hinton, 5-8 starter for Grandview College of Des Moines, Iowa was selected as the meet's outstanding Smallest Player.

Marcello Singleton of Utica received the Sportsmanship Award.

"I feel we did real good," said Mitchell. "The guys all worked hard, did well, and deserved everything they got!"

MVP Miller expressed his feelings. "I wish they had more of those awards for the rest of the guys!" The 6-5 sophomore from Seaford, N.Y. was also named to the first-string NJCAA All-American team.

Other honorees include Ricky Green, Vincennes, Ind.; Sam

Smith, Seminole, Okla.; Al Green; Larry Dassie, Dodge City, Kan.; Williams; Karl Simons, Corning, N.Y.; and Bradley.

The second string consisted of Jeff Butler, Robert Morris, Pa.; Ray Murray, Independence, Kan.; Terry Gugat, Mesa, Colo.; Davis; Willie High, Lawson State, Ala.; Jimmy Collins, Western Wyoming; Kent Glover, Polk, Fla.; and Dickerson.

Third team members are Clarence White, County College of Morris, N.J.; Yoder; Thompson; Clay Johnson, Penn Valley, Mo.; Melvin Jones, Henderson, Tex.; Karlton Hilton, Anderson, S.C.; Paul Webb, Hiwasee, Tenn.; and Mark Heyse, Lakeland, Ill.



JOYOUS — Bob Miller speaks to the crowd after being named Most Valuable Player in the national tournament.



ALL-TOURNEY — Eugene Harris receives a plaque and a handshake from a Hutchinson host after being named to the All-Tournament team.



BEST IN NATION — Coach Mike Mitchell raises his Coach-of-the-Year award.

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Western Second In SP Meet

Western's linksters place second in the ninth WJCAC golf tournament, held April 9 at Levelland, shooting a 304, 20 over-par.

Odessa College garnered top honors with 298. South Plains College and New Mexico Junior College tied for third with 306 each.

Howard College had 308, Midland College, 319, New Mexico Military Institute, 321, Amarillo College, 322, Frank Phillips, 328 and Clarendon, 339.

Leading the Western pack was Arnold Madril with a 74, fourth best tally of the meet. Leland Chiles was medalist shooting 72.

Other Green tallies include Bryan Hargrove, 76, Grant Collins and Mark Hargrove each with 77, and Kyle Howard 78.

With only one conference bat-

tle remaining. April 25 at Hobbs, N. M., the Westerners are holding third place in loop standings with 71½ points.

OC is in the loop lead with 82 points, followed by NMJC with 77. Fourth is MC with 62.

Individually, WTC claims four players in the first ten slots. John Stinson of OC leads the group averaging 74. Randy McClelland, second and Terry Franklin, third, both from NMJC, are averaging 74.66 and 74.77, respectively.

WTC's M. Hargrove and Madril are tied at fourth with 75 each. B. Hargrove is sixth with 75.28 while Howard is seventh with 75.62.

Jimmy Stewart, NMJC is eighth with 75.75. Bobby Smith, OC, and Carlton Blewett, NMMI, are tied for ninth at 75.88 each.



TALENTED LINKSTERS — Members of the 1975 golf squad are (front) Terry Bruner, Ross Wortham, Grant Collins, Marty Pate, Bryan Hargrove and Arnold Madril. (Back) Also, Carter Wiggins, Jeff Richardson, Mark Hargrove, Robin Nail (sweetheart), Kyle Howard and Golf Coach Bob O'Day.

Golfers To Participate In Regional Tourney

The Region V Golf Tournament will be held April 28-29 at the Lake Waco Country Club in Waco. The 54-hole event will be hosted by McLennan College.

"Every Western Conference school qualified for the meet as well as McLennan, Schreiner, Hill and Grayson Colleges from the Northern Conference," said WTC Golf Coach Bob O'Day.

Each team will consist of one squad of five and two reserves. The four lowest scores on each 18-hole round will be counted. 36 holes will be shot the first day with 18 being shot the second.

The first place team consisting of five men will go to the national play-offs along with the first five medalist players.

In preceding years only one medalist and two teams from each region made nationals. Since '72, when the WTC golf program began, the one man for Region V has been a Westerner.

Max Tenorio went in '72 and '73 and Danny Walters made the trip last year. Tenorio played for West Texas State at Canyon and Walters is a Texas Tech.

"So far as I know, we're the only team to qualify a man for nationals the first three consecutive years of existence," said O'Day.

Odessa College is the tourney favorite with McLennan close behind. "They're both good, tough teams and to beat them we'll have to play an excellent game," declared O'Day.

Odessa is led by John Stinson, presently leading the con-

ference individually and a junior college All-American last year. "John is a good player," said O'Day. OC is the loop leader and has been playing top-notch golf all year.

With one Western Conference tilt remaining it appears OC has the crown nearly sewn up. Unless Odessa does an about-face and garners sixth place or less and New Mexico JC captures first, OC will be the king.

"McLennan is led by a kid named Foster. I don't know much about him except that he was runner up to (Danny) Walters last year and that he is good," O'Day commented.

"They (McLennan) have played some really good tournaments this year and they are going to be tough."

The Westerners, NMJC, Midland and Schreiner are the tourney's dark horses. These are strong squads who have an outside chance at the play-off berth. But a super effort will be called for to take it.

WTC has yet to play at the Lake Waco Club. "It's supposed to be a very good and difficult course," remarked O'Day. "Water comes into play a few times. It's long, very long and hilly. It's a real championship field and should make the match tougher than it already is."

"Right now I have no idea who we'll take to Waco. It'll depend on who's hot and who's not."

Presently, Mark Hargrove and Arnold Madril are leading the WTC team. Both are tied for

fourth place in the conference with a 75 loop average.

Bryan Hargrove is also ranked in conference, holding sixth position with a 75.28 average. Kyle Howard is close behind with 75.62 in seventh.

Grant Collins has been playing well lately and could possibly make the trip.

Nationals will be held the first week of June in, where else, HUTCHINSON, KANSAS!!!

★ FAVORITES

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president of Los Vaqueros. Wills, Lueders freshman, was a candidate for Mr. Trailhand and is a member of PTK.

The formal will be from 8-12 p.m. in the Scurry County Coliseum. Dr. Robert L. Clinton, WTC President, will make the presentation of Mr. and Miss WTC.

This year's theme is Spring Circus. Music will be provided by Orion of Austin.

★ LOANS

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All financial resources must be reported by the student, including other educational loans, grants, scholarships, VA educational assistance and cash assets. The year in which the loan application is submitted will be the base year for reporting income.

Coker also said the school must certify the student's course of study and tuition and fees for all students and any room and board charges.

No loan may be approved for intersession or other enrollment periods of less than 10 weeks.

Students at WTC can contact R.H. Booth Wednesday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.. VA veterans representative in Snyder, or call 573-8511, extension 270 for further information to apply for a VA student loan.

★ DORMITORY

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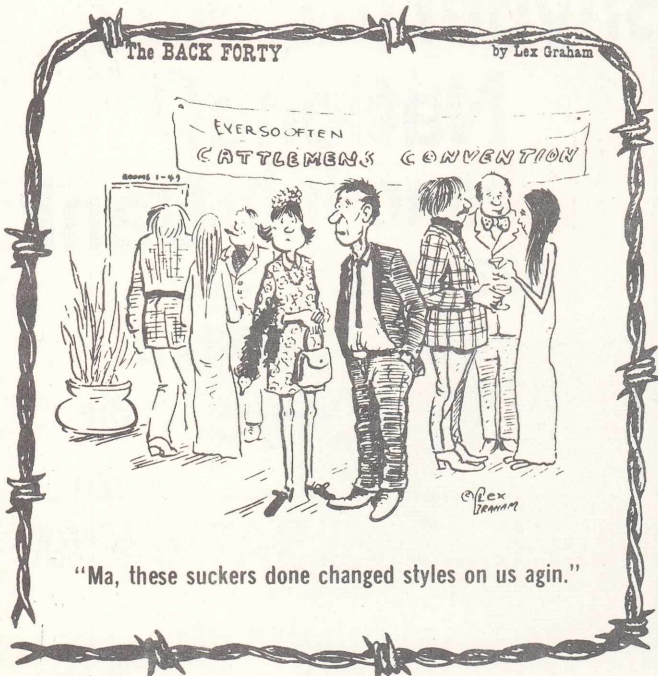
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