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Shuttle crew performs tasks

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Astronauts Ken Mattingly and Henry Hartsfield, working in monk-like silence, put the space shuttle's mechanical arm through exercises Tuesday, poking an 800-pound monitor around Columbia's cargo bay to sniff for contamination.

The quiet was broken once, over Yarragadee, Australia, when Hartsfield yelled "Damn" in his rich Alabama drawl. He'd hardly talked to the ground at all since launch on Sunday.

"It surprised me, too," said Flight Director Harold Draughton. "I don't know what that was all about."

Day 3 of Columbia's seven-day 113-orbit journey, was "absolutely the busiest day in the whole flight plan," Draughton said. The ship was in fine shape and "we don't have any mean-

ingful problems in work right now," he said.

But there still was, in aviator's parlance, "no joy" on the first Getaway Special, a nine-experiment package put together by Utah college students and placed aboard the shuttle for \$10,000 paid to NASA by a benefactor.

Mission Control sent up some troubleshooting procedures, but Draughton said he hasn't much hope they'll work.

Meanwhile, NASA's George Hardy said the space agency has ships at the site where the shuttle's two rocket boosters sank in the Atlantic after Sunday's launch, ready to use remote television cameras for an underwater inspection. He put the loss at \$36 million and said NASA has no plans to salvage the casings from their 3,500-foot grave.

Library preserves old, rare publications

By ALISON GOLIGHTLY
UD Reporter

Books eventually deteriorate from the effects of old age if measures aren't taken to preserve them.

Although lights, dust and high temperatures are the most common elements that affect the aging process of books, Director of Tech Library Services Ray Janeway said the most likely cause of damage to books in the Tech library would be from insects.

A rare book consultant who visited the Tech library about two years ago told Janeway that Lubbock's climate made it an ideal location for books, Janeway said.

During the past five years, officials at the Tech library have discussed the possibility of obtaining funding to complete a room on the third floor of the library to store the library's old and rare book collection.

The library has about 1,500 books that are either fragile or rare, Janeway said. The new room would provide shelf space for the book collection.

Funds for the creation of a separate room for the old and rare book collection are limited, Janeway said, because of the recent decision by the state legislature to allow voters to abolish the ad valorem tax fund in November. The fund provided money for construction projects at non-Permanent University Fund (non-PUF) state universities.

"We don't have a whole lot of leather (books), but we try to oil some of them," said Janeway.

Good quality paper and binding also are helpful in preserving books, Janeway said.

The library's collection of rare books currently is in areas of the library susceptible to water damage.

Assistant librarian of the Tech Law Library Grace Lee said a student assistant who works at the library is in the process of oiling the library's leather-

bound books.

The Tech Law Library uses a chemical recipe from the Library of Congress to oil its books, Lee said.

The formula used by the law library to oil leather books consists of several chemicals that must be melted and frozen until the mixture resembles hand cream, Lee said.

First, the solution is put on the books. Then the solution is allowed to soak into the leather of the book for about a week. The last step involves polishing the leather binding, Lee said.

The law library has a rare book room that houses its collection of rare books.

The room is locked and the lights are turned off unless the room is in use to prevent damage, Lee said. The public is allowed to use the rare books, but the books cannot be checked out from the library.

The books should be oiled once a year. However, the books are oiled according to the financial resources available to the library, Lee said.

Books printed and bound in the late 1800's and the early 1900's are the most susceptible to damage because most of them are bound in leather, Lee said.

However, a formula developed by a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) scientist Peter Buechler may be an inexpensive answer to the problem of preserving leather-bound books.

The chemical emulsion formula currently is being evaluated by the Library of Congress and the Canadian National Museum, Buechler said.

So far, the formula has been tested only on leather, but it is possible the formula also can be used on vinyl, Buechler said.

"The conditioning of leather is important because it prevents the leather from drying and cracking," Buechler said.



Photo By Adrin Salder

Mirrored image

Rain puddles have kept Tech summer school students skipping and jumping across campus lately, as the rains come in the late evenings and leave these remnants around on the following days.

This shot captures the mirrored image of the bell towers on the Administration Building.

ERA demonstration Thursday

Supporters of the Equal Rights Amendment will meet noon Thursday at the plaza of the Lubbock Civic Center for a rally sponsored by more than 15 local organizations, including the Lubbock League of Women Voters, the Lubbock chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW), the American Civil Liberties Union, West Texas Democrats and the American Association of University Professors.

"A New Day: Beyond ERA" will rededicate participants' commitment to a national equal rights amendment, said Ruth Lauer, League of Women Voters president. The rally is scheduled to coincide with other similar demonstrations in cities throughout the United States.

Ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment by the Thursday deadline is virtually impossible because of the measure's recent defeats in state legislatures in Florida,

Oklahoma, Illinois and North Carolina.

Members of sponsoring organizations have said they will use the rally to rededicate themselves to the goals of the ERA if the amendment is not ratified and to create a permanent grassroots coalition to work for women's rights.

The one-hour rally will feature "mini-talks" by local speakers including: State Rep. Froy Salinas (D); Tech political science professor and NOW coordinator Lin Hughes; Tech women's cross country coach Jarvis Scott; Tech law professor Rod Schoen; Joan Crawford, member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, sorority for black women; Lauer; and Common Cause national governing board member Mary Nell Mathis.

Rally parking will be located in the Civic Center parking lot.

TODAY

NEWS

Tech director Sankar Chattarjee presents his evidence on the Continental Drift Theory, with his mar-supial finds in Antarctica an essential connecting link in his hypothesis. See page 4.

WEATHER

A 20 percent chance of thunderstorms today increasing to a 30 percent chance tonight.



Photo by Darrel Thomas

College preview

Gifted students participating in a Tech Continuing Education program for young people between the ages of 10 and 15 listen to a lecture

on Turkish Oral Narrative by Turkish Archive curator Barbara Walker.

Tech provides multi-discipline program for gifted, talented young students

By ALISON GOLIGHTLY
UD Reporter

Although most students graduate from high school before going to college, a group of more than 100 youngsters ranging from the ages of 10 to 15 years are at Tech this week for a preview of college life.

The youngsters are participating in the "Shake Hands with Your Future" program sponsored by the Tech continuing education department.

The program is a "multi-discipline, multi-age program" for gifted and talented students throughout Texas and New Mexico, Associate Director of Continuing Education Susan Schafer said.

The program, which began last summer, offers a variety of classes or "quests" to the students as well as afternoon activities and nightly entertainment, Schafer said.

Participants in the program are selected on the basis of IQ scores and letters of recommendation.

Schafer said 450 to 500 students were nominated to participate in the program. However, only about 260 students were selected to participate in one of two sessions offered at Tech this summer.

The youngsters select three "quests" to attend each day during the two-week session.

Some of the "quests" offered cover computers, genetics, money management and creative writing.

Although the program is sponsored by the continuing education department, Schafer said some of the funding comes from various organizations and scholarship money.

Participants in the program stay in a dormitory on campus during the session.

Counselors are each assigned a group of 10 to 12 youngsters to supervise and plan the following day's activities.

The major problems with the program are the lack of funding and

students' homesickness, Schafer said.

Katherine Ray, a ninth-grade student from Lubbock, said she likes the program because "you get an idea of what it will be like to be off on your own."

Although one counselor said she would like to see the students divided into two age groups, Brownwood high school junior Al West said he believes the age of the students doesn't matter because the older students take care of the younger students.

"A lot of the younger kids are around older kids anyway because they have been moved up in school," he said.

The program may be extended to older students in the future depending on the response of the older students to the program, said program counselor Synde Garner, a junior education major.

Although some of the staff is paid, most of the staff members are volunteers, Schafer said.

Neat Majority tries to tie neatness to students' throats

Russell Baker

NEW YORK — My campaign to build national support for the school necktie amendment is generating an immense outpouring of public enthusiasm. I am particularly grateful to all those who have sent in their \$50 checks for the "Neatness Now" necktie. To those who haven't gotten around to it yet, I would only say this: Until our nation reclaims its right to foster a neat appearance in the schoolroom, we will continue to produce entire generations who throw their empty beer cans on your lawn.

I should emphasize the "Neatness Now" necktie is not to be worn. It is to be mailed to your congressman. It is your way of sending him a message. Obviously the more "Neatness Now" neckties you send a congressman, the more clearly he will hear you. This is why we recommend you order at least a dozen, which we are offering at the bargain bulk price of \$595, or \$5 less than you would have to pay if you bought 12 neckties separately.

Not surprisingly, the emergence of the Neat Majority

ty as a powerful new force in America has roused the forces of godless sloppiness.

We are not so stupid we think we can force the American child to go to school kempt. All we say is, kempt or unkempt, he and his little friend, she, must wear neckties.

Nor are we affected by The Sloppy Quarterly's argument that not wearing a necktie to school didn't stop George Washington from becoming the father of his country in later life. If George Washington had worn a necktie to school, the father of our country might have learned that the word "shall" is not spelled "fhall."

These attacks upon us are not all confined to rhetorical blather, however. Just the other day our offices were visited by an agent of the U.S. Postal Service, an organization that permits its couriers to effect the completion of their appointed round without wearing neckties.

Our visitor was curious to know why none of the persons who had mailed in \$50 has yet received a "Neatness Now" necktie. The answer, of course, is that our bookkeeper left without notice for Brazil last week, taking all the checks with

him. Fortunately, he is a man who always wears a necktie, so we expect him back any day now.

This explanation failed to satisfy our visiting tool of the permissive conspiracy. He insisted upon inspecting our blueprints for the "Neatness Now" necktie, after which he asked, "If these things can be made for \$1.13 per necktie, what's the idea mailing them out at \$50 apiece?"

You might think that, working for the post office, he's heard postal rates had gone up since 1931. "It still doesn't cost \$48.77 to mail a necktie," he said.

There was no point in talking to him. If he'd worn a necktie to school when he was a boy, he would have known that \$50 minus \$1.13 is not \$48.77, but \$48.87. Had he known that, he might have been able to grasp that any enterprise must earn a large margin of profit to finance the campaign donations necessary to make a congressman take notice of great spiritual causes like the school necktie amendment.

He has threatened to return soon with warrants. I imagine he will change his tune when his superiors learn the White



House is finally showing interest in my amendment.

The contact was made just yesterday. I am not at liberty to name the caller, but it was clear he was close to the president when he said, "Ron told me just last night that he's for all the neatness the country can afford."

I knew then they were feeling the heat in Washington. "Let's talk turkey," I said. The long and short of it is, the White House might go for a compromise: any child who doesn't want to wear a necktie wouldn't have to, but he would have to sit in the principal's office and read "Silas Marner" while the

other kids were having show-and-tell.

The Neat Majority doesn't want me to sell out that cheaply, do you, folks? If the answer is no, keep those checks coming. Your "Neatness Now" neckties are on the drawing board.

N.Y. Times News Service

Tech, state student aid should replace possible federal void

Keely Coghlan

Financial aid. Most Tech students receive some kind of aid, grants, loans or scholarships, from the university, the state, the federal government or private donors.

The biggest source of financial aid at Tech in terms of dollars is the federal government.

About 50 percent of the Tech students who received aid last year received aid from the federal government in Pell Grants, Supplementary Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOGs) and federally guaranteed student loans. But federal financial aid accounts for about 75 percent of the financial aid available to Tech students.

But the era of federally insured student loans may soon be coming to a close if President Reagan succeeds in drastically cutting college financial aid to students.

Some students do not repay their loans. There always will be persons who take advantage of any program, no matter how foolproof.

"How sharper than a serpent's tooth is the ingratitude" of a son or daughter who fails to repay a loan made in good faith for an education.

But how much sharper is the ingratitude of an American president who fails to see that the future of a country depends on its youth.

Reagan, a self-made man, seems to have been fed on Horatio Alger rags-to-riches stories. But the true agent of social mobility and the American

Dream today is education.

Another version of a college aid bill may pass Congress without Reagan's veto. But the appropriations are sure to be far less than that provided in years past.

If the problem with guaranteed government loans to college students is in collecting, the easy solution is to hire more collections agents.

And as for the money spent for the higher payroll, the cost certainly could not be greater than the cost of a new jet fighter or other Pentagon toy.

Since Reagan seems determined to decrease the amount of federal financial aid available to students, the slack must be picked up somewhere.

Most students are already working, at least part time, to pay expenses. Expecting students to work

longer hours while going to school is not practical many times because of either grades or the already-tight job situation.

Texas could begin to fill in some of the holes the lack of federal funds will leave by providing state scholarships to students with certain grades or skills, a practice which works in California.

But that hardly seems likely since the state legislature has yet to create a permanent endowment fund for state universities other than Texas A&M University and The University of Texas at Austin.

The only other solution is the creation of more endowed scholarships and loans for Tech students. Otherwise, only the very poor and the very rich will be able to attend a university.

Letters to the Editor

'Blame' misplaced

To the Editor:

Recently, Attorney Wanda Wray unsuccessfully defended Jodie Mack Oliver against charges of murdering a young Lubbock girl. In an article appearing June 23, Ms. Wray speculated on the possibility of an appeal for her client, and, in so doing, indicated she felt the mother of the victim was "wrong" in leaving her two young daughters alone while she worked.

In addition to being an extreme example of "blame-the-victim" syndrome, or, in this

case, the mother of the victim, Ms. Wray's comment demonstrates an appalling lack of awareness of what is an everyday fact for working parents, particularly single parents — that is, the almost non-existence of adequate and affordable day care.

During the trial, Ms. Wray questioned the victim's mother on the propriety of leaving her daughters unsupervised. The mother responded by stating she could not afford the \$200 per month necessary to provide adequate day care. This mother is not alone. In information provided by the Depart-

ment of Labor, it is estimated that 80 percent of the mothers who must work cannot afford or find adequate day care. Many of these are single parents who are the sole support of their children and themselves. While some of these women are well-educated and well-paid, the vast majority hold low-paying jobs in the clerical or service areas. To these women, the so-called protective family laws which protect the right of married women to be housewives and mothers and which require divorced men to support their children are meaningless words on a page.

Without commenting on the guilt or innocence of Ms. Wray's client or the overall fitness of the victim's mother, it can be said that Ms. Wray's statement was indeed a value judgment: one which ignores economic reality, and does a real disservice to many working parents.

Sharon Webb

When bikes collide

Dear Mr. Rawlinson:

I'm thankful that you met Officer Strange, the Tech bicycle

patrolman, at a time when only you and bicycle-safety regulations were in collision. (A third element — an unlucky pedestrian — could easily have been a part of that confrontation; precisely such a quarrel over "sidewalk space" occurred on the Tech campus two weeks ago, with painful consequences for the pedestrian.)

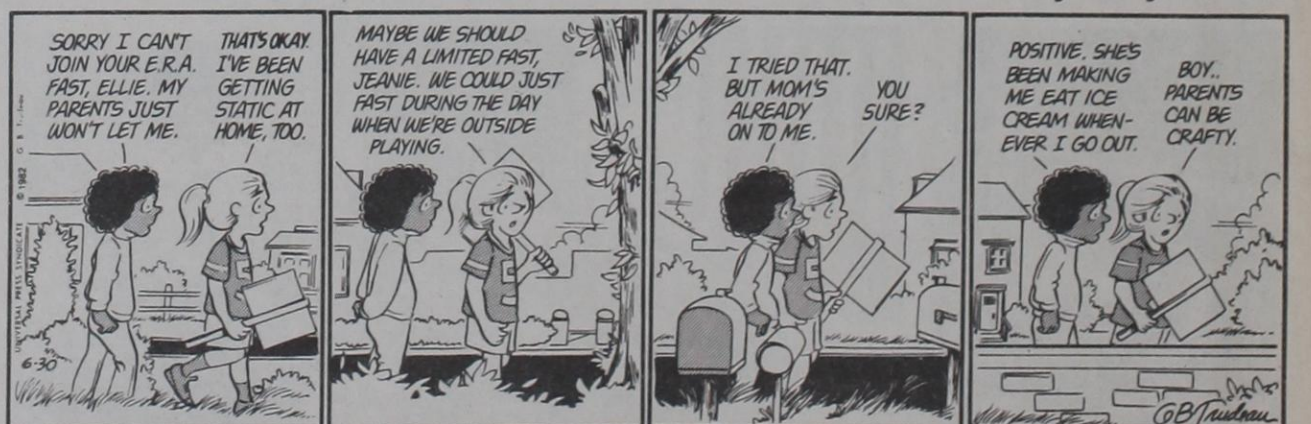
Those of us — the majority at Tech, I suspect — who walk to work and-or to classes on the campus are grateful to Officer Strange and to Chief Daniels, as well, for their vigilance in

our behalf. Among those especially appreciative are students who are visually impaired and who are dependent upon the courtesy of others to extend their own vigilance in their courageous walk toward a university education.

(Incidentally, the word is "sidewalk," not "sideride;" a cyclist walking his bike on the sidewalk becomes a pedestrian, one for whom sidewalks were intended.)

Barbara K. Walker, Curator Archive of Turkish Oral Narrative

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by Garry Trudeau

NEWS BRIEFS

Judge allows Haitians' release

MIAMI (AP) — A federal judge Tuesday laid down conditions for the "forthwith" release of most of the 1,900 Haitians in detention camps across the United States and in Puerto Rico.

Government attorneys immediately asked for a stay of the order, pending an appeal to the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta.

U.S. District Judge Eugene P. Spellman said he wouldn't rule on the government's motion until Wednesday.

Spellman's order calls for the release of about 1,900 Haitians in camps in Florida, West Virginia, Texas, New York, Kentucky, Louisiana and Puerto Rico, provided they have sponsors and meet certain other conditions.

Belushi case reopened

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police were told Tuesday to open a homicide investigation into the drug-related death of John Belushi almost four months after the 33-year-old comedian was found dead.

The flurry of new activity was triggered by a published interview with Cathy Evelyn Smith, who was quoted by the *National Enquirer* as saying she injected Belushi with the lethal dose of heroin and cocaine last March 5, Deputy District Attorney Mike Genein said.

Gas prices jump

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gasoline prices have climbed an average 8.1 cents a gallon since Memorial Day — the second biggest jump since President Reagan removed price controls, the American Automobile Association reported Tuesday.

Even with the spurt to an average of \$1.31 a gallon, prices still remain 6 cents lower than they were on July 4 a year ago, the AAA said.

Arms-control talks expected to be long

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — U.S. and Soviet negotiators sat down at the bargaining table Tuesday to launch a historic new search for ways to reverse the nuclear arms race.

The chief American delegate at the START arms-control talks, Edward L. Rowny, said he expects long, slow and deliberate negotiations — in his words, more a chess game than a "Pac-Man" video game with "instant results."

In the hour-long opening session of what the Americans have dubbed the strategic arms reduction talks, Rowny read a letter from President Reagan saying the American people "will not accept an agreement unless it is equal and verifiable and contributes to stability."

Moscow's official Tass news agency, on the eve of the talks, said the Soviet Union "sincerely wishes attainment of an accord with the United States."

But the United States and the Soviet Union are in basic disagreement on how their nuclear forces currently compare and what the treaty should accomplish.

Potential goals for START include substantial cutbacks in the approximately 7,500 nuclear missile warheads possessed by both the United States and Soviet Union, and in other facets of the superpowers' nuclear arsenals — the numbers of missiles and long-range bombers, the destructive power of warheads, the pace of future weapons research.

Except for limited

restraints imposed by past arms control agreements, these massive stockpiles will grow and even more powerful and accurate weapons emerge while the negotiations proceed in this placid lakeside city.

Apart from Rowny's reading of excerpts from the Reagan letter to Victor P. Karpov, the principal Soviet negotiator, the opening session dealt mostly with schedules and other procedural matters. A second round will be held Wednesday at the U.S. mission.

One of the first decisions taken by the two delegations was adoption of a rule of "confidentiality."

Procedure kills tumors

BOSTON (AP) — Cancer specialists say they have achieved promising results by aiming high doses of radiation directly at spreading tumors while the growths are exposed during surgery.

The treatment, called intraoperative radiation therapy, allows doctors to use enough radiation to kill the cancer without damaging nearby organs.

At Massachusetts General Hospital, one of the centers pioneering the treatment, doctors say it has worked best so far on locally advanced cancers of the rectum and lower colon. The experimental procedure has stopped these hard-to-treat cancers with the same degree of success obtained from using traditional methods on early, easily removable tumors.

"The primary advantage is that by using this technique, you can get in a much higher dose of radiation," said Dr. Joel E. Tepper. "The whole history of radiation therapy is that anytime we have developed new techniques to get higher doses, we

have been able to improve our cure rate. If you give enough dose, radiation can destroy essentially any tumor that exists."

Tepper heads the hospital's intraoperative radiation program, which has used the therapy on 82 patients in the past four years. A report on the operations on 36 of these people was published in the June issue of the journal *Cancer*.

With this treatment, doctors surgically remove as much of the cancer as possible. Then they use a clear lucite cylinder to surround the remaining tumor or the place where it is likely to recur. This prevents the radiation from damaging nearby organs.

The doctors then zap the spot with a high dose of electrons. The effective dose is about 70 percent higher than doctors use with ordinary radiation therapy, which attacks the cancer with X-rays delivered through the skin.

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Reagan renews Voting Rights Act

WASHINGTON (AP) — Calling the right to vote "the crown jewel of American liberties," President Reagan signed on Tuesday a quarter-century renewal of the landmark Voting Rights Act of 1965.

After witnessing the four-minute signing ceremony in the White House East Room, some of the nation's most prominent civil rights leaders vented their criticism at Reagan for failing to take a leadership role in the year-long battle for passage of a compromise extension.

But the president sought to minimize their differences.

"The right to vote," he said, "is the crown jewel of American liberties, and we will not see its luster diminished."

"Yes, there are differences over how we obtain the equality we seek for the American people," Reagan conceded. "And sometimes, amidst all the overblown rhetoric, the differences tend to seem bigger than they are. But actions speak louder than words."

The bill, which guarantees free access to the polls for minority voters, most directly affects nine states and portions of 13 others by requiring them to get federal approval to amend election laws.

After signing the bill, Reagan stood up and announced, "It's done," the crowd of more than 350 people applauded.

But later, some of those who fought hardest for the legislation told reporters that Reagan could claim little credit for its passage.

Benjamin L. Hooks, executive director of the NAACP, congratulated Reagan "for belatedly, at least, coming along with the civil rights act." But he said he had no confidence that the administration would carry out the law.


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Fidrych tries to make his comeback

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PAWTUCKET, R.I.— The fastball came in at knee cap level, slower than six years ago but sinking enough to represent a challenge.

The batter swung over it for an inning-ending strikeout, and the gangly right-handed pitcher sprinted off the mound toward the home team's dugout like a commando. The record crowd cheered him all the way to a homemade sign above the dugout that read: "Welcome Back, Mark."

Later in the glare of television lights inside the green-carpeted clubhouse, it almost seemed like 1976. While a swarm of reporters, broadcasters and cameramen jockeyed for vantage points around him, Mark "The Bird" Fidrych sipped a can of beer in front of his locker. The same Fidrych whose first minor league manager told him, "Your name is too hard to pronounce, so I'm going to call you Bird for that goofy character on 'Sesame Street.'"

The same zany Mark Fidrych whose Harpo Marx plumage still falls in ringlets of frizzy blond hair over his ears and forehead. The one and only Mark Fidrych who captivated the baseball world as a 21-year-old rookie in 1976 by talking to himself out loud, repairing the mound on his knees, congratulating teammates for good fielding plays — and winning 19 games for the Detroit Tigers.

But this wasn't Tiger Stadium or any of the other major league ball parks where nearly a million customers paid to see "The Bird" en route to his rookie-of-the-year award in 1976. This was McCoy Stadium, home of the

Pawtucket Red Sox, in whose employ one night recently Fidrych began what even his most patient fans concede probably will be his final attempt at a baseball comeback.

Six years ago, Fidrych was a golden eagle riding an updraft of public adulation that had him a national celebrity. But "The Bird" has been mostly a lame duck since the middle of the 1977 season, when tendinitis in the right shoulder sent his career into a tailspin that reached its low point last year with his release by the Tigers.

Acquired by the Boston Red Sox during the offseason, Fidrych, a 27-year-old bachelor from Northboro, Mass., has been following a rehabilitation program designed by Dr. Arthur Pappas, an orthopedic surgeon who is the team's physician. And the mood was optimistic as Fidrych greeted reporters after his first day's effort with: "Hi, guys. It's been a while, hasn't it?"

He had just pitched five and two-thirds innings of respectable ball in his debut for Boston's Class AAA farm club of the International League, being lifted after two easy outs in the sixth only because Manager Joe Morgan wanted to let the standing-room crowd of 8,998 savor the occasion with unhurried ovation. The size of the crowd, on a raw and drizzly night, left no doubt about "The Bird's" continuing box-office appeal.

Instead of the ordinary 2,000 or so, attendance was the largest for a Class AAA team in the 40-year history of the stadium.

"It'd be great for baseball if he could make it to Boston," said Dennis Racey, a pipe-loader from Warwick, R.I.

It'd be great for baseball if he (The Bird) could make it to Boston - Dennis Racey

"He's the kind of unselfish player the fans want to see. They don't want to see players making a million dollars and not doing nothing."

The most important result in Fidrych's Pawtucket debut was not that he allowed the Toledo Mud Hens five hits and three runs, nor that his new club won the game with a three-run homer in the ninth. The key development was that "The Bird" was feeling no pain afterward, a condition that had nothing to do with the small amount of beer he had consumed.

After 77 pitches, many of them with reasonably high velocity, the right shoulder that has baffled doctors and frustrated Fidrych since 1977 was feeling not a twinge of pain. It was still pain-free the next day, when "The Bird" reported to the stadium at 8 a.m. for calisthenics and weight-lifting, and on Monday when he tried to talk Pappas into letting him pitch batting practice.

In the game, Fidrych threw 82 pitches during a five-inning appearance. Attendance at the stadium, which has a seating capacity of 5,810, was 5,767. Three of the four hits Fidrych allowed came in the first inning, when Richmond scored three times. But he retired 12 of 14 batters during one stretch, and he would have received credit for a victory if Pawtucket hadn't lost the game in the ninth. Once again, the most encouraging result was that his arm didn't hurt.

"The Bird" has come back to the majors before in his up-and-down battle with pain, only to see the pattern repeated as the shoulder tightened up. Will this time be different?

"So long as we can keep him pain-free, there's hope," says Pappas, whose medical supervision of Fidrych began last October. "He's throwing now without pain, and he describes this as an unusual feeling."

From October to February, when he reported to spring training with the Red Sox, Fidrych worked on a program designed to regain proper action in his shoulder muscles. Spring training was used to integrate those muscles so that he could regain his previous

pitching form. Until he was summoned to Pawtucket two weeks ago, "The Bird" had been throwing in a rookie league in Florida.

"To compensate for the pain," says Pappas, "Mark changed his pitching form. Many of his muscles were not working in proper interaction."

When a person raises an arm over his head, Pappas noted in illustration, two-thirds of the motion occurs within the shoulder socket. The remaining third occurs where the wingbone rotates upward. Fidrych had lost part of the normal shoulder-joint motion, thus reducing his effectiveness as a pitcher.

In the doctor's view, a pain-free Fidrych "will only get stronger, both in his individual pitches and in his endurance." That could mean a return to the majors this season. But Pappas estimated that it would be a year to 18 months

before "The Bird," if his comeback succeeded, "reached the plateau" that would represent his full potential.

The message he has been giving himself is this: "Slow down, body. Don't rush the delivery. Let the arm catch up with the body."

"He's gotta go out there and throw," says Morgan, a 51-year-old former minor leaguer.

If he gets enough of them out, the phone call could come from Manager Ralph Houk of Boston, the same man who managed Fidrych during his rookie year with Detroit. What would happen if "The Bird" ever pitched for the Red Sox against the Tigers in Detroit?

"First of all," said Jay Mariotti, a Detroit sportswriter on hand for Fidrych's Pawtucket debut, "you'd get 50,000 people at Tiger Stadium. And most of them would be rooting for the Red Sox."

Cagers drafted...

Two former Tech basketball players, Jeff Taylor and Clarence Swanegan, were drafted Tuesday by two Texas NBA teams.

Taylor, a 6-6 guard from Hobbs, N.M., was drafted in the second round by the Houston Rockets while Swanegan, a 6-4 forward from Galveston, was drafted in the fifth round by the San Antonio Spurs.

Taylor, who averaged 15.8 points per game and played all of his four college years at Tech, said this moment was what he had been working for all his life.

"I feel really good about going in the second round," Taylor said. "This has been something I have been looking forward to and something that I feel I have

really worked for."

Tech head coach Gerald Meyers said he was pleased about the teams that picked the former Tech cagers.

"I knew they were going to be drafted, but I didn't know when or where," he said. "Now that I know where they are going I feel they both have a strong, legitimate chance of making it in the NBA."

"I think that Taylor is one of the most underrated guards in the country," Meyers said. "A lot of people don't play for the team like Jeff does."

The last Tech players drafted in the NBA were Ken Williams in 1980 and Jeff Williams, who plays for the Dallas Mavericks, in 1979.

At Wimbledon...

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Billie Jean King, the grand dame of tennis at 38, continued her astonishing Wimbledon comeback Tuesday by upsetting Wendy Turnbull of Australia 6-2, 6-3 for a place in the quarterfinals.

The bespectacled American, still a bouncy competitor 21 years after she first played in a Wimbledon championship, was rolling back the years and showing her old form. She hasn't gone past the quarterfinals since she last won the singles crown in 1975.

The best almost-upset of the day was by Vitas Gerulaitis, seeded third among the men, who lost the first two sets but came back to beat Tomas Smid, the big serving Czechoslovak, 6-7, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

The players face a tough

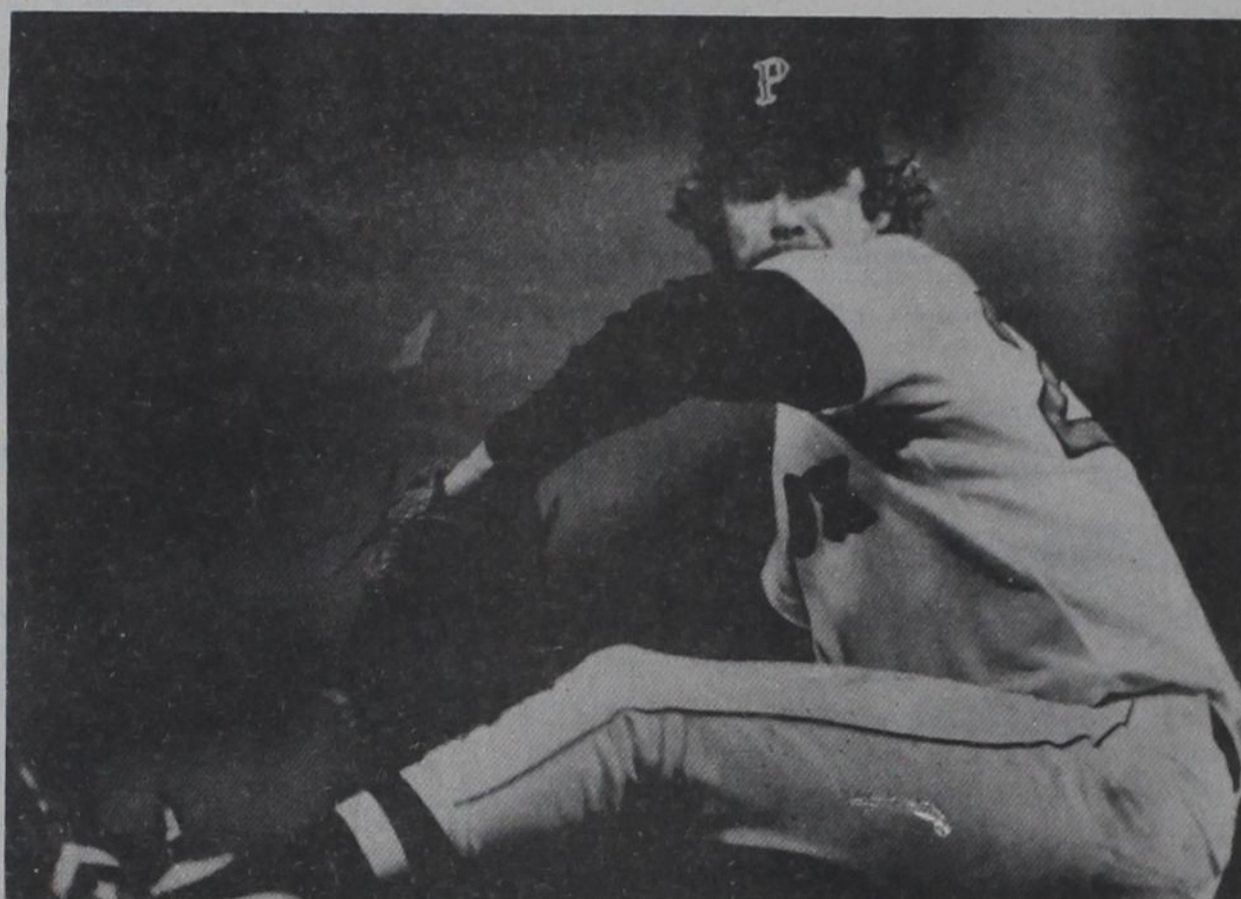
time in the next five days, with almost one singles match to play each day plus doubles.

The quarterfinals lineup shaped up like this:

Navratilova vs. Russell; Anne Smith vs. Bettina Bunge or Candy Reynolds; King vs. Austin and Potter vs. Lloyd.

The men's quarterfinal pairings:

John McEnroe (1) vs. Hank Pfister; Nick Saviano vs. Kriek (5); Sandy Mayer (4) or Tim Mayotte vs. Buster Mottram (15); Brian Teacher (11) or Stefan Simonsson of Sweden vs. Wilander (7); Russell Simpson of New Zealand vs. Edmondson (12); Tanner (14) vs. Gerulaitis (3); Gene Mayer (6) vs. Steve Denton (16), and Paul McNamee of Australia vs. Jimmy Connors (2).



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