War's long term impact cited by UTD dean

By REBECCA STRINGER

"While we are all concerned about the U.S. hostages in Iran, our major concern should be the war between Iran and Iraq and the long-term consequences of that conflict," according to Dean Gavin Hambly, an expert on the Near East.

The outcome of the current war will have a greater impact on our lives than any of the many other issues which face the U.S. today, he believes.

The major problem with our perception of events in that area is our lack of historical perspective, because without this perspective there cannot be full understanding of the total situation.

The media do not provide a great deal to help our understanding," he said. "Beyond hearing of a riot in Baghdad, for example, presentations of fact do not tell us much. What we receive through newspapers, magazines and television is only that which is sensational. The day to day affairs in Iran and the religious beliefs of the people in the Middle East do not sell newspapers or make evening news headlines."

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Reagan wins campus straw poll handily

By GERRI K. LEWIS
Staff Writer

Ronald Reagan secured the presidency by a two-to-one margin in a straw poll taken last week at UTD, although nearly 20 percent of those polled are still undecided.

Of 100 registered voters asked in the random survey 40 percent said they favored Reagan, 20 percent wanted to re-elect Carter and 39 percent remained undecided. Only 7 percent chose to vote for John Anderson, the independent runner and 5 percent for Ed Clark, the Libertarian candidate.

Students look at the candidates

Diana Boyle, Senior

Finance major: "I'm really in the long run voting for Bush. I feel Bush will be good for foreign policy. I also think it is very important to balance the budget and I don't think Reagan can do any worse than Carter."

Susannah Patterson, working on a master's degree in Computer Science: "Anderson, because there is no one any better. It's a matter of voting against everybody else."

Mike Paulson, Geology major: "I'm voting for Jimmy Carter because I don't like Ronald Reagan. He scares me. He's too conservative for my taste."

Don Moore, Junior

Geology major: "Reagan's views on ERA. "When asked how he felt about Reagan's promise to appoint a woman to the Supreme Court, he said, "It's all talk until he gets into office.""

Inder Seekri, Junior

Geology major: "I would vote for Reagan because he is more of an action man. We need a change."

Jackie West, Junior

Majoring in International Management: "I can't stand Carter. I really favor a great many of Reagan's ideas. We need to get the country's strength back."
Former faculty member, family killed in crash

Killed in a night airplane crash Friday, Oct. 17, were three members of a former UT-Dallas faculty family.

Dr. James B. Urban, 47, his wife Jimmie, and their son, Birt, 15, were killed in the accident, two miles northwest of Buffalo, Wyoming. The pilot, Mrs. Lisa Weiss, 25, was also killed.

The crash came after 10:30 p.m., during takeoff from the Buffalo airport's 4,500-foot runway. Airport altitude is 4,900 feet, with sharp drops at both ends of the mesa airstrip. The six-place, twin-engine Aero Commander struck a fence at the runway's end, cleared a deep ravine, and flew into a ridge at the far side.

Assoc. Prof. Urban left the UT-Dallas Geosciences faculty Jan. 15 to operate his own oil-drilling company. Pilot Weiss was also employed by the independent family.

Prof. Urban had been a UTD faculty member throughout the university's history. He had joined the faculty of UTD's private predecessor, the Southwest Center for Advanced Studies, in 1967. He was appointed adjunct associate professor in January, and was completing supervision of work by three graduate students here.

He served as faculty chairman of the Geosciences graduate program and also directed the Science Teaching program during his years at UTD. He was acting director of the Institute for Geological Sciences, and a consultant to several major oil companies.

Analyst says Middle ground candidate has best chance to win

By GERRI K. LEWIS

Staff Writer

"The person who stays closest to the middle wins," said Phil Seib, political analyst and commentator for Channel 8 news last week when he spoke to a class of political science students. Seib was invited by Prof. Conny Drake to speak and answer questions about the campaign and politics in general.

Seib has traveled with both Carter and Reagan during their campaigns. He said voters will go with the candidate who seems safer. This may give Reagan an edge because he has been around a long time and Carter does not have the grass roots loyalty that Reagan has with his organization.

"However," Seib commented, "if all the Democrats get out and vote, Carter will have the edge." Seib commented that Democratic leaders fear many voters will not go to the polls and this will hurt Carter.

Of Anderson, Seib said, "Voters get realistic from Oct. 1 on." He said Anderson followers realize that the independent candidate doesn't really have a chance, so they will cast their votes for someone else. This is what Anderson is experiencing now although he is predicting victory over the major candidates.

Marketing Club sets vote in 'M'Veep' election

By JOHN LONG

The day before you vote for president you can vote for vice-president. Not of the U.S., of course, but of the UTD Marketing Club.

The first organizational meeting of the UTD Marketing Club is Monday, Nov. 3, at 12:30 in the Green room. Plans and activities for this semester will be discussed. Introduction of officers and members will be held (who will be the next Walter M. or George B.) also are on the agenda.

Being the equal opportunity organization that the Marketing Club is, there will be another meeting scheduled for the same day at 5:30. So, if you can't make it at 12:30, be sure to come at 5:30 so you can cast your vote and be informed of upcoming events. Perspective members are cordially invited.

One dark horse candidate for V-P is rumored to be running on an ERA platform. On the premise that "accountants don't get no respect," this ERA is the Tatum Rights for Accountants.

Intending to rectify the "Big 8" interviews at the now-defunct Losers' Club or sit-down dinners at the drive-thru window of Jack-in-the-Box, this candidate wants to broaden the scope of those unappreciated business students. Accountants, like America, aren't going to be pushed around anymore.

Another V-P hopeful believes that many of the great truths of life and business are in the lyrics of country & western songs. Business, this candidate contends, is understood best when understood least.

DESTINY - A tyrant's authority for crime and a fool's excuse for failure. Ambrose Bierce

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Interview Importance is Topic

The importance of the campus interview for employment was the topic of Tom L. Cunningham's talk at the fall initiation banquet of the UTD Accounting Honor Society. Cunningham, a partner in the firm of Ernst and Whinney, presented the talk at Canyon Creek Country Club on Oct. 12.

The on-campus interview, he said, is usually 30 minutes in length; 20 to 25 minutes are used for the actual interview with five to ten minutes allotted for establishing rapport and the closing mechanics. During those 20 plus minutes, the student must market himself, keeping in mind that he is competing with others at his own university and at approximately a dozen other universities in the Dallas area.

To be well prepared, the student should check with the university's Placement Office file on the company to be interviewed, read the Wall Street Journal, talk to classmates and professors, check the library files for annual reports and read business magazines.

Cunningham also pointed out the importance of the resume. It should be grammatically correct, with no spelling errors, and the one-page format is preferable. He advised using the placement office or a resume service.

He further recommended reading Dress for Success for advice on how to make a good impression in the prospective employer's office.

"Remember, you're special and you have to let the company know in what way," he concluded.

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The ten-speeds come fully equipped with lights, first aid kits and emergency procedure manuals. Anyone checking out a bike will be given a chain, lock and key in case they want to stop anywhere on campus. ID cards will be returned when the bikes are checked back into the P.I. lobby.

"There is no established bicycle route yet," said Davis, "We're going to see where people ride.

ON HAND for the Accounting Honor Society's fall initiation banquet were (l-r) Elizabeth Gibbe, Marcella Anderson and advisor Marion Wood, standing, and Judy Shroeder and Anne Peloof. (Photo by Wade Jones)

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About change at UTD

By MIKE RINGLEY
Student Congress President

One thing I have always heard students complain about is that their voices are not heard by the university administration. Some students feel that they do not have any authority to change the university policies or conditions which directly affect them. This can often happen because students may not attend meetings or events that are designed to gather feedback.

The Student Congress is an organization that was created to help address these concerns. We are made up of students who are elected by the student body to represent their peers. We hold meetings on a regular basis to discuss issues affecting students and work with the university administration to find solutions.

Through our meetings, we have been able to address concerns such as improved student orientation, more departmental participation in student affairs, and the need for better communication between students and faculty. We have also been able to develop proposals for changes in university policies.

I believe that the Student Congress is a valuable resource for students who wish to voice their concerns and participate in the decision-making process. We encourage students to attend our meetings and share their thoughts and ideas with us.

Remember, you do have the authority to express yourself.
Letters

Dear Editor,

I have talked to the campus police department about the parking of small cars in the front rows of all the parking lots. I believe that anyone who pays their money to park should be given an equal chance at parking as close to campus as possible.

I drive a midsize car and am forced to park 10 to 15 rows back, and while I walk to class I see two, three or four rows in "small car parking" standing empty.

This parking plan was surely thought up by someone with some sort of special pass or someone who doesn't drive at all. I think the problem can be solved by either having the lots split in two with one side for small cars and the other for the majority of us, or else just opening up the lots to first come parkers.

Tired of walking,
Jim Harrison

Macbeth opens Nov. 7 at university theatre

By CAROLE LESTER

Staff Writer

Witches, ghosts, and drops of blood. All this and more can be found in the UTD theatre department's production of Shakespeare's Macbeth, which opens for a two-week run Nov. 7 at 8:15 p.m.

The title role is being played by Visiting Professor Richard Wordsworth, noted English actor, with Carolyn Gillespie portraying Lady Macbeth.

Most people are familiar with at least parts of the play of ambition, guilt, and this production offers UTD theatre patrons a chance to see and hear a truly fine performance of one of the Bard's best. Dr. Michael Gillespie, director, offered an insight into his concept of Macbeth when he said, "Macbeth is one of the most concentrated Shakespeare tragedies and it moves forward with a singleness of intent which is not common to Shakespeare's other plays. It also contains some of the most sensational scenes to be found in Shakespeare. It would seem, in many ways, to be one of the easiest of the tragedies to produce but it has a very poor stage record. This may be due to the tendency to overproduce the play, to get carried away with the more sensational bits, and to view Macbeth and Lady Macbeth as two superhuman figures, a lion and she-lion, pent up in a cage. In our production, we have concentrated on what we think is a more subtle and intriguing relationship between the couple and have tried to explore the potential interest of the lesser figures in the tragedy."

"Although we think our production includes a good deal of spectacle, we intend it to be spectacular rather than sensational. Adding to this effect will be the splendid music of Robert Xavier Rodriguez, composed for bagpipes, harp, flute, piccolo and timpani."

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Student Services info luncheons start Tuesday

A series of Brown Bag Luncheons to acquaint students with the services available through Student Services are being held each week in the cafeteria annex from noon through 1:30 p.m.

The Oct. 29 luncheon will feature John Gunter, director of the Effective Techniques Center; Jerry Moore, Career Placement Center director, and on Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon in the Green lobby. The sale is open to the public both days.

ETC needs tutors

Tutors are needed in the Effective Techniques Center (ETC) to help students in all disciplines. Areas in particular need, according to ETC director John Gunter are business-type math, statistics and O.R.

To qualify to be a tutor, a student must have a 3.2 GPA in his or her major and two letters of recommendation, preferably from UTD faculty members. Tutors can earn $3-$10 an hour depending upon their educational level, Gunter said.

Students interested in tutoring should go to MC2.428 and complete an application. Additional information may be obtained by calling 690-2746.

THE SOUND AND CULTURE of Rock and Roll are subjects of the informal photo exhibit currently on view in the Visual Arts Gallery through Nov. 6. Helping set up the exhibit is Visual Arts major Eva Hall. (Photo by Wade Jones)

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PTK sets bake sale

Phi Theta Kappa is inviting anyone with a sweet-tooth to its Alumni Bake Sale this week. Cookies, cakes, and other "deli-cacies" will be on sale Tuesday from 9 to 9:30 p.m. in the fourth level lobby of the Jonsson Center, and on Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon in the Green lobby. The sale is open to the public both days.

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Advertising pays, this is it. They're all adopted and at last report are happily gobbling up healthy portions of Morris' Nine Lives.

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Iraq-Iran history important (cont'd. from page 1)

The U.S. is a new country, Hambly noted, and does not like to be confronted by history. The temperament of this country is historical, rejecting of the past. He believes that Americans are mainly aware of the "present, working for the future" without reference to the past, although past controls are present, whether or not they are recognized.

"To understand the war bet-

between Iran and Iraq, we must know history," he said.

"The Iranian Revolution would not have surprised us," Hambly claims. "If we only looked at the direction the country had taken in years past. Scholars, journalists and many others looked at Iran in terms of the Shah's propaganda, and only few have been in tune with the thinking of the Iranian people. Our CIA and State Department have been involved with Iran for many years. We saw the Shah as a loyal ally, so to consider an alternative to his thinking or to this regime was unthinkable.

"We should have been aware of what could happen, but only a handful of scholars in the 60's predicted that it would behoove us to watch the religious. Our international policy makers have been ostriches. They have not studied Iran nor the countries of the Middle East in sufficient depth."

Today the Middle East is a concern for the entire world, for more than the oil which is present there and the money involved. Super power rivalry and strategic considerations are everyone's concern, Hambly asserts.

Beyond the super power rivalries, however, there are other rivalries. Hambly points to the different Arab states which are vying for power.

"We have Iran versus Iraq, Egypt versus Iraq and Syria versus Iraq. Syria and Libya are aligning themselves with each other in a highly improbable union. Lebanon is being destroyed by faction fighting and Afghanistan has been turned into a Soviet puppet."

Hambly sees Saudi Arabia as not sufficiently advanced to compete as a leader in the Arab world because its leadership is too traditional at this point. Further, he sees the middle classes of the other countries not wanting to be led by Saudi Arabia.

In the middle of all this unrest are Iran and Iraq as the aggressors with the resources of strong military forces in addition to arms being provided by France and the Soviet Union.

While prediction of the war's outcome is difficult, Dean Hambly asserts that Russia will gain.

"If there had not been U.S. hostages in Iran, the U.S. might have come to some sort of accommodation with Iran. But with the situation the way it is, we may have to let Iran fall to Russia, and both Iran and Iraq will be the ultimate losers."

HISTORY - An account mostly false, of events mostly unimportant, which are brought about by rulers mostly knaves, and soldiers mostly fools. Ambrose Bierce
The Will Barnes Band from Whiskey River provided the music for kickers on the mall.

The event, sponsored by the Student Congress, drew lots of dancers and spectators, and the weather cooperated. (Photos by Wade Jones)

Fran Ringley came dressed for the occasion

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