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## Campus Passes Fifth Anniversary

Monday marked the fifth anniversary of MCC at its permanent location on College Drive and North 19th Street. Seeing the present campus may be an ordinary sight to many, but five years ago, an unbroken chain of cars lined the streets on Sunday afternoons so sightseers could view the construction of a "dream campus".

Plans for the \$5.5 million school included 12 buildings to accommodate 1750 students, and parking lots hidden behind rows of trees.

The 160 acres bordering the Bosque River were to be converted to a college campus without destroying the park-like appearance of the property.

When the campus opened in January, 1969, expectations had already been surpassed. For the three preceding years, MCC had been housed on the James Connally Campus (TSTI), with a starting enrollment of 860 students and 24 teachers. Enrollment had swelled to 1277, with a faculty and staff of 75, when the new campus opened. The spring semester usually shows a 10 per cent drop in enrollment, yet every semester before the move MCC's enrollment increased 25 per cent.

The new college received national accreditation in record time with the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges and the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities.

"The fact that we have this membership means that credits earned here can be freely transferred to any college in the state," said Wilbur Ball, president.

A strike in April, 1968, and months of bad weather delayed construction and completion of buildings, but the new location contained 11 buildings and parking lots covering 40 acres by January, 1969.

The Administration, Liberal Arts, Faculty Office, Lecture Hall, Science, Fine Arts, Applied Science, Library, Physical Education, Central Utilities, and Student Center buildings had been completed.

The opening of the campus was celebrated with a week of events, a dedication ceremony and open house.

"The dramatic response to our new community college is convincing evidence of the need for more community junior colleges in Texas and the soundness of philosophy behind them," said Dr. Ball. "But I know in reality that this exciting beginning will be dwarfed by future developments. MCC will continue to grow and serve the community in ways which now cannot be imagined."

A look at MCC today shows a continuing growth, as planned. Registration figures indicate 2,886 students enrolled for the fall, 1974, semester. Only recently, additions have been made to the Student Center, HPE, and Administration buildings. The



PLENTY OF SPACE for the campus to grow---this was MCC in 1968.

Health Careers and Physical Plant buildings are new, and parking lots and development of athletic fields continue to grow.

The marina, amphitheater, baseball field and tennis courts have been added.

"With the ease of transfer, its beautiful campus, its outstanding faculty and its low cost, MCC is an excellent place for any student to begin--or continue--his college career," said Dr. Ron Smith, dean of instruction.

## Sex Discrimination Law Excludes Clubs

The Senate voted to exempt sororities and fraternities from provision of federal sex antidiscrimination laws in higher education. The action, taken before Christmas, protects campus clubs from the threat of integrating the sexes in social clubs.

The clarification came almost two years after the signing of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 which banned sex discrimination in federally-funded educational institutions.

The final draft will be sent to the White House this month (Jan) or possibly later. Up until October, the public, including representatives of the institutions affected, were allowed to submit comments on the guidelines.

Regulations thus far seem weak to most feminist organizations but have drawn demands to water down the guidelines from schools physical education and athletic programs.

The guidelines permit coed teams as well as separate teams if there is a "basic equality in the programs offered." HEW fails to define what "basic equality" means.

"There are other regulations regarding age, race, ethnic backgrounds and the handicapped that must also be met," said President, Dr. Wilbur Ball.

Besides affecting sports, physical education and clubs, Title IX would prohibit administering single-sex scholarships unless they are of foreign origin and provided that all institutions (except some private ones exempt from the law) offer the same counseling materials, preference tests and the same residency rules for both sexes.

Local schools have begun offering girls athletics and beefing up girls physical education budgets. Yet, nationwide in schools, boys' budgets average five times the size of girls'; in colleges, men use 30 times as much money. Women's Sports magazine reports. In a few universities, the men's budget is 100 times as great as the women's in the 1973-74 academic year.

Bake sales, candy sales and car washes finance women's athletic trips while men travel on a generous budget. At Arizona State University last year, female athletes held candy sales and raffles to get to their national competitions. They received expenses of \$5 a day while male athletes received \$15 a day expenses.

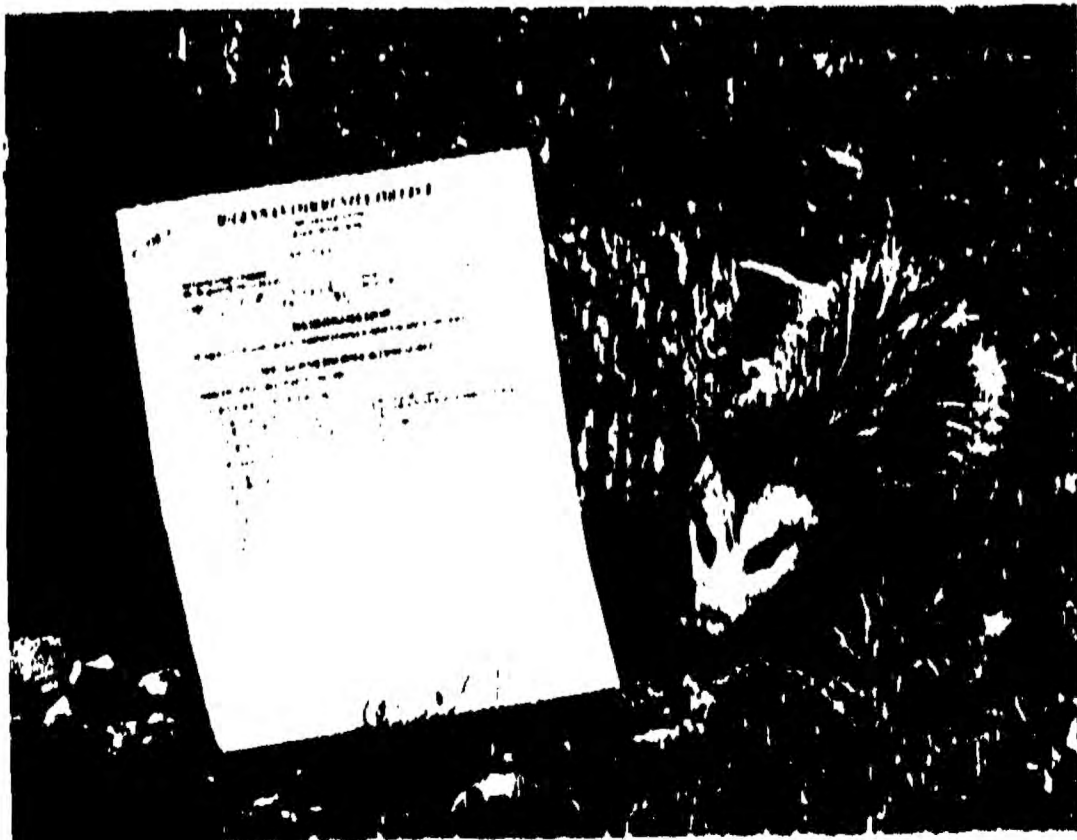


Photo by Jerry Lynn

ORVILLE THE POSSUM hurries to register for the spring semester.

## Speech Tourney Friday

Speech students from 34 high schools and junior high schools in Texas will attend the second annual MCC-Waco High School speech tournament beginning at noon Friday on the campus.

More than 400 students are expected to attend the tournament that will last through 6:30 Saturday.

At the conclusion of the tourney, trophies and certificates will be presented in the Student Center.

Awards will be given in areas including debate, oratory, solo-acting, duet-acting, prose reading, poetry reading, extemporaneous speaking and reading theater.

The Henry and Lydia Klatt Memorial Traveling Trophies will be awarded to the best girl and boy contestants.

There are a new set of classes and labs available to students in various areas of speech. The new forensic activities course includes four practice sessions: Readers Theater Rehearsal Hour, Individual Events Rehearsal Hour, Discussion Practice and Work Hour, and Debate Lab.

During the semester the speech department is making tentative plans to send students to the San Antonio College Debate Tournament, February 8; the Temple Junior College Speech Festival, February 14 and the North Texas State University Speech Tournament.

They also plan to attend the Texas Junior College State Forensic Meet, March 7 and 8; the Stephen F. Austin Speech Tournament, in April and the Baylor Speech Tournament.

# Family Shares House With Ghost

By Gail Windham

When Larry and Betty James, Radiologic Technology instructors, moved to their new house in Mexia several weeks ago, they had already been warned the house was inhabited by a poltergeist.

They were not worried because Mrs. James said the ghost would have to be crazy to stay there with the three James children. So far, the ghost has made no appearances, although the previous owners insist he made his presence known on numerous occasions.

A poltergeist differs from an ordinary ghost because he (or she) does mischievous things to attract attention. According to stories told to the James', the former occupants would thaw two steaks for dinner, then come home to find three steaks out. They heard noises in the attic that could not be explained--moaning and whistling sounds.

Another story circulated about the house was that a woman died there years ago, and possibly it is her ghost that remains. Other supposed haunted houses surround the James' house, lending a spooky atmosphere.

The house was built between 1875 and 1895 for Judge Pendergast, who was also a banker. From the outside, it looms above

the trees like any typical haunted house, complete with stained glass windows.

The interior contains an interesting array of ornate carvings over doorways hinges have engraved designs. The house has ten rooms, five fireplaces, and three bedrooms, with a wooden spiral staircase leading outside to the garage and porch. Throughout the house are unexplained spaces where walls should meet but do not. Did the judge hide money or bodies in the spaces?

The James' youngest daughter, age 8, begs to sleep with her older sister, especially after hearing ghost stories.

But Mrs. James dismisses the ghost with a laugh. "The noises in the attic are squirrels," she said. "And there is a pipe on the roof that makes a noise like blowing into a jug when it is windy."

Mr. and Mrs. James are more concerned with restoring the house to its original beauty. If anyone discovers a ghost, it will probably be the children. They are all over the house at once, scrambling into the attic and peering up the fireplaces.

Or perhaps the noises in the attic is the poltergeist packing his bags to leave.



Photo by Jerry Lynn

SHADOWS AND GNARLED trees surround the house said to be inhabited by the poltergeist.

## Posing Requires Concentration and Style

By Francy Richings

Sitting or standing in a fixed position for up to 25 minutes doesn't seem that hard; however, the large number of moving parts in the human body tend to prove this false.

Most jobs allow one to move at will, providing the job gets done. Art models, though, do not have this freedom. They must remain completely still anywhere

from 30 seconds to 25 minutes at a time; and certain poses can last up to three class periods, with frequent breaks.

Eddie Davis, sophomore art major, posed for drawing classes last semester. "It's an easy job," he said, "you just lie there or sit there. Sometimes you leg falls asleep."

Modeling doesn't require any experience, but practice helps. New and imaginative poses are helpful to the artist for new views and ways to portray the figure.

The model usually chooses a pose comfortable to him; however, when the model runs out of ideas he "...can always

get help from the instructor, like sitting under tables," said Davis.

Other imaginative poses may involve being draped in lengths of satin or sitting on top of a not-so-stable sculpture stand. Taking on a form somewhat resembling a pretzel is a common "imaginative" pose.

It is easy to think that this work might be boring. It's possible, but with constant comments from the artists and requests for headstands and pleas of "Put your clothes on!" (MCC models pose in bathing suits) it remains partially interesting.

"You get to know people by talking to

them while you're posing," said Davis. "Listening to music and catching up on daydreaming helps to hold a pose," he added.

When a pose is expected to be especially long (more than 25 minutes) the instructor makes chalk marks at contact points between the model's body and the floor or chair so that the pose is as close as possible to the original after the breaks. Even the movement of breathing causes problems at times. "After a while it's not hard to hold a pose because your muscles kind of conform to the pose," said Davis.

## How to Discourage Thefts On Campus

By Gail Windham

Cleverly disguised as nondescript students, thieves have infiltrated the campus. They boldly snatch articles from the Student Center or skulk around offices and classrooms, waiting for the chance to rip off whatever valuables are left lying around.

Last semester, one instructor "lost" a calculator valued at \$225. It is useless to whoever has it now, since the thief was not clever enough to take the power cord.

Another instructor found her billfold missing, along with pictures of her favorite high school sweetheart and the family cat (now deceased).

Jewelry vanishes quite frequently from the HPE building during classes.

Students realize the value of textbooks when purchasing them, but fail to remember their worth later. This accounts for the large number of books carelessly tossed around that disappear. Most thefts are not reported because it would not do any good anyway.

However, there is a solution to the problem of campus thievery. Since the victim is just as guilty as the thief for

giving him or her the opportunity to steal, special precautions must be taken.

Valuables should be locked in a portable vault and carried around at all times. Do not forget the combination or the key, whichever is preferred.

Books should be locked in a briefcase equipped with a burglar alarm. Extra special precautions might include handcuffing the briefcase to an arm.

Wealthy students might want to hire a bonded courier to transport valuables around the campus. Others may prefer a bodyguard to accompany him or her at school.

A less acceptable but highly effective method would be the use of a small gun, pointed at would-be thieves but only fired in case of emergency.

Or, outsmart potential thieves by inconspicuously concealing books and things in large, inside pockets of a trenchcoat.

But the simplest solution is the Watchful Eye. Do not lay things down and then walk away. Keep everything one wants to stay in possession of where they can be watched. An alternative to this is locking up valuables when they cannot be locked after.



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CAUGHT IN THE ACT -- this innocent-looking hand is pilfering an unguarded book.

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# On the Ball

# Catfish Leaves Bay for New York



By Louis Haak

In case you have been Rip Van Winkling it since the final exams, there is a great deal of sports news that has probably passed you by.

Catfish Hunter, the 1974 American League Cy Young Award winner has changed teams from the Oakland A's to the New York Yankees. The star righthander became a free agent when Oakland owner, Charles O. Finley, breached his contract, making Hunter a free agent. Hunter signed for a record breaking contract of \$3.75 million in salary and other benefits.

The Trojans of the University of Southern California were named the national football champions by United Press International's panel of college coaches. The Trojans defeated the Ohio State Buckeyes in the Rose Bowl 18-17 on a 38-yard pass play from Pat Haden to J. K. McKay with only two minutes left in the game.

Coaches always seem to play musical chairs at the end of each football season, and this year is no exception. Ara Parseghian of Notre Dame will take a one year vacation. I wish I could take a year off and relax, but I guess he had too many Ford station wagon commercials and guest appearances for an insurance company to make to devote his full time to the Notre Dame football team.

Texas Tech finally filled their head coaching job by stealing Steve Sloan from Vanderbilt, the very university which they

played in the Peach Bowl this year. Sloan replaces Jim Carlen who resigned to become head coach at South Carolina. You might remember that Tech tried to pirate Grant Teaff away from Baylor just weeks earlier.

After Notre Dame's victory over Alabama, 13-11, there are rumors that Bear Bryant might retire from coaching football, but I doubt that he will, considering the success of his teams in the past, their bowl eight losses not withstanding.

Baylor, everybody's Cinderella, finished the season the same way they started it, with a loss to a high-classed football team. The first loss was at the hands of Oklahoma and, as most people in the Southwest know, the last was to Penn State. There is a parallel in both games in that Baylor came out of both games with their heads held high and a better team for their defeat.

Even if you watched the Baylor-Penn State game closely New Years Day, you probably missed John McClain, sports writer for the Waco Tribune Herald. He was there, though, and flashed across the television screen briefly as he stood next to the Baylor bench. Knowing McClain as I do, I can tell you that he probably spent as much time watching Jane Chastain (CBS-TV's answer to male chauvinism) as he did the game, but can you blame him.

Coach Dan Devine left the Green Bay Packers to take over the head coaching job at Notre Dame. Devine was under heavy local pressure to win and win big. He could not meet the challenge, and the local fans began to take action. In what is possibly the most degenerated action I have ever heard of, someone in Green Bay killed Devine's dog and hung it in his yard.

Bart Starr accepted the head coaching job at Green Bay, where he played under Vince Lombardi in the glory year. Celebrity quarterbacks seldom make successful coaches.

The latest such casualty was Norm Van Brocklin, who received his traveling papers from the Atlanta Falcons during

the 1974 season. Van Brocklin had lasted the longest of any quarterback turned coach-12 years.

Hank Stram was fired from his position as head coach of the Kansas City Chiefs. He had seven years remaining on his million dollar contract, and the contract will be honored according to Lamar Hunt, owner of the club. Stram is the only coach the Chiefs have ever had and the five wins in their 14 game schedule this year was not enough to save his job.

Joe Thomas, head coach of the Baltimore Colts, stepped aside at the end of the season and a search is on to replace him. There is a rise in unemployment in the coaching ranks that is comparable to the national rate.

Grant Teaff was named the Coach of the Year by members of the Football Writers Association of America.

The Auburn Tigers defeated the Texas Longhorns 27-3 in the Gator Bowl. The loss dropped the Longhorns from the U.P.I. football poll of the top 20 college teams.

Remember Bobby Fisher, the man who put chess into the international spotlight a few years ago? The Philippines have offered a record \$5 million in prize money for a world championship chess match between Fisher and Anatoly Karpov of the Soviet Union. The announcement of the match was made by the International Chess Federation. The opponents have until April 1 to respond.

If Fisher refuses to play he will have to forfeit his title and if the Soviet challenger refuses, a new challenger will be sought. So look out for the U.S.-Soviet relations to be pitted on the chess boards once again.

The rules will have to be agreed upon and that will take some time if you expect Fisher to play. Fisher generated controversy over everything from the chair he was to sit in to the brightness of lights in the room and refused to appear before television cameras in the last world championship match with Boris Spaskey.

Houston Astro pitcher Don Wilson and his five year old son were found dead in their carbon monoxide filled home Sunday. Wilson, a National League All-Star in 1971 and a member of the Astros pitching staff nine seasons, was found slumped over in his car inside the attached garage of his home. His son was found in a bedroom above the garage. Wilson, 29, finished last season with a 11-13 record and a 3.07 earned run average. Wilson had pitched two no-hitters during his career, and had a career record of 104-92 and 3.12 ERA.

Congratulations to Coach Johnny Carter for his efforts in saving the basketball team from extinction, due to grades. Coach Carter did extensive work with the scholastic portion of his player education this year in addition to his teaching of basketball skills. Coach Carter did not lose a player, but gained one instead.

Carlos Blackwood from Panama became eligible at the semester break and will make a welcomed addition to Coach Carter's lineup. Athletic director Jimmy Clayton said that Blackwood is an aggressive player from what he has seen of him in practice this year. Look for Blackwood to join Malcomb Patten in Carter's pressing defense in the future, provided Patten's leg is sufficiently healed, following the holidays.

Coach Don Tatum lost three women tennis players due to grades, but he was able to recruit two replacements. The new players are Phyllis Golden, freshman and Becky Carpenter, freshman. Congratulations to Bob Cervenka, sophomore tennis star, for recruiting these players.

Miss Golden attended Midway High School and was a member of the tennis team for two years. She placed first in doubles competition her junior year, and second her senior year.

Miss Carpenter also attended Midway High School and was a member of the tennis team for one year. She was Miss Golden's partner in their senior year.

# Pipeline

## P.E. Locks

All locks will be cut off Physical Education lockers on Friday if students have not removed them, said Ray Murray, PE coordinator.

Locks on faculty lockers will not be removed. The student lockers must be open for new classes. Students may remove locks during working hours Wednesday and Thursday.

## Work Study

Students wanting spring work study jobs should apply immediately to the Financial Aids Office on the first floor of the Student Center.

Jobs are available in several areas including work in the new Student Center games area, secretarial help, office assistants, grounds and maintenance, and cafeteria workers, said John McNelly, Placement Officer.

## Honor Society

Phi Theta Kappa will be serving as guides and help with registration procedures for the spring semester.

President Jerry Lynn said, "We plan to do this and other campus activities as a service to the college though we are known primarily as a chapter of a national honor fraternity."

They are also planning to attend the state convention in Corpus Christi this spring.

## Photo Contest

Sophomore Jim Munson, Highland Herald photographer, won a second and third place in a photography contest Nov. 22 at Mary Hardin-Baylor College.

Munson placed second in the open division of the contest, and third in the architectural division.

"I take pictures because I want to get an idea across to people," said Munson, a photography major. "I want people to look at a picture and feel what I feel."

## Student Wages

Student wages increased to \$1.70 per hour Jan. 1. Campus workers had been paid \$1.02 per hour and increased on a percentage scale when minimum wages increased to \$2.10.

MCC and Baylor University are two institutions given special permission to pay sub-minimum wage.

The total amount available for work study salaries has not changed. The government allows the lower wage because it recognizes that the college can keep more students on the payroll at \$1.70 than it could at \$2.10 an hour, said Emory Dubose, financial aids director.





Photo by Jerry Lynn

TOM BOX PASSES off to a team-mate against TCU.



Photo by Jim Munson

CRAIG BAGGETT EYES a rebound against TCU.



Photo by Jim Munson

BLAKE RASNER MOVES against Navarro in early season action.

# MCC - Navarro Classic Thursday Clan Takes Christmas Classic

By Louis Haak

The Highlander basketball team was able to go home for the holidays with one of the best non-conference records in the school's history--9-2.

The Big Orange is averaging 97.9 points a game and allowing 80.2. With six players averaging in double figures.

John Derrick is scoring at a 21 pint per game clip. "Weasel" Johnson is popping at 19.4 pace. A. C. Kuykendall is scoring 15.3 points per game. Danny Kaspar 13.2, Craig Smoak 11.1 and Ivan Gordon 10.2.

The Highlanders are hitting 46 per cent from the field and 54 per cent from the charity line.

The Highlanders next action will be in the Navarro Classic on Thursday and Friday in Corsicana.

The Highlanders will open conference action on their home court against Weatherford Jan. 13.

## MCC 79 — Cubs 83

The Baylor Cubs defeated the Highlanders for the first time in four years, 83-79, Dec. 19, in the Heart O' Texas Coliseum.

The Cubs out-rebounded the Highlanders 48-40, and shot a blazing 52.3 per cent from the field. This is the first time this season that the Highlanders have been out-rebounded.

"Weasel" Johnson led the Big Orange scoring attack with 26 points. Johnson also had 8 assists and 6 steals. He scored 20 of his 26 points in the second half.

This defeat was the second for the Big Orange with the first being at the hands of Navarro Junior College.

## Cubs 93 — Leopards 89

The Baylor Cubs used a last second basket by Jeff Miller to send their game with the Temple Leopards into an overtime period that they won 93-89, Dec. 20, in the first game of the MCC Christmas Classic.

The Cubs trailed Temple 56-77 with only eight minutes left in the contest, but used a full-court press to force the Leopards into numerous mistakes.

Jeff Miller's 35 points in this game earned his move the following week to the varsity with Coach Carroll Dawson's Bears. Miller got into the Lafayette game for the Bears in the Poinsettia Classic at Greenville, South Carolina. Miller led the team with 18 points with only 12 minutes of playing time.

## MCC 95 — Jaguars 72

Coach Johnny Carter's Highlanders defeated th Jacksonville Jaguars for the second time this season 95-72 to get back into their winning form on Dec. 20 in the MCC Christmas Classic.

A. C. Kuykendall scored 17 points in the first 10 minutes of play to help lead the Highlanders to a 50-38 halftime advantage. Kuykendall finished the contest with 21 points to take the top spot among Highlander scorers.

"Weasel" Johnson contributed 18 points but did most of his offensive damage with his 15 assists. This was a season high among Highlander palyers. Johnson also had 6 steals for his night's work.

The Highlanders dominated the Jaguars on the boards with a 52-39 advantage.

John Derrick led the charge on the boards with 18 rebounds to his credit. Derrick also chipped in 16 points and had seven blocked shots.

Craig Smoak fired six field goals for 12 points, and Ivan Gordon collected five goals for 10 points.

## Jaguars 83 - Leopards 81

The first game of the evening was a barn burner with Jacksonville pulling out a close game over Temple 83-81 on Dec. 21 in the MCC Christmas Classic.

The Jaguars used two free throws in the final seconds to take third place in the classic.

The Jaguars scored 6 points in the final minute of play with Tyrone Williams hitting the game-winning points.

## MCC 99 — Cubs 95

The Highlanders squeaked by the Baylor Cubs 99-95 in overtime on Dec. 21 in the final game of the MCC Christmas Classic.

The win gave the Highlanders a 2-1 edge for the year over the Cubs in what has developed into one of the hottest rivalries on the Highlander's schedule.

With the win, the Big Orange took their own classic here before breaking for the holidays. Like the two prior games with the Cubs, the third game had all the excitement anyone could stand in one night.

The Big Orange used their 1-3-1 zone to take a 43-42 lead at the midway point in the contest.

"Weasel" Johnson missed much of the second half after being injured. He was rushed to the hospital after sustaining an eye injury.

John Derrick led all scorers in the game with 32 points. Derrick also had 22 rebounds and 8 blocked shots.

A. C. Kuykendall hit the go-ahead bucket 07-06 with 10 seconds left in the game. Kuykendall scored a total of 30 points for the night to finish as the second leading Highlander scorer.

Ivan Gordon got the last basket for the Big Orange with a shot following a free throw. Gordon, along with Craig Smoak, finished the night with 14 points.

Both teams finished the night with 43 field goals, but the Highlanders had 15 points from the charity line as compared to 11 for the Cubs.



Photo by Jerry Lynn

A. C. KUYKENDALL prepares to put up a field goal against Baylor.