



That sinking feeling

T.R. Keller, a sophomore student from St. Bonaventure, plummets off the five-meter platform at the outdoor pool yesterday afternoon.

'White slips' mailed, computers get busy

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Computerized registration is going on as scheduled with the mailing of white slips earlier this week, the director of registration and scheduling said yesterday.

James J. Wager said students were mailed schedules along with instructions on what to do whether the schedule is complete or incomplete and will receive them within the next few days.

Students living in the Centre County area during the Summer Session may now pick up a copy of their schedules in Shields Building, Wager said. Schedules are available Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Registrar.

The Registrar's Office prefers that these local students who receive incomplete schedules register in 112 Shields building rather than call a toll-free number, he said.

According to a statement released by the Registrar's Office, the registration process is on schedule and is "way ahead of what they were at this time last year," Bill Mahon of University Public Information said.

The computerized registration process began when students submitted a registration request form, or scan form, either last spring or before July 6. The student's requests were then matched up with available spaces, Mahon said.

More than two-thirds, or 20,000, of the students expected to attend the University Park campus during the Fall Semester were

sent complete schedules this week. The remaining students with incomplete schedules were also mailed instructions on how to complete registration, Mahon said.

If a student has a complete schedule, he must only submit his estimated bill to the Bursar, Wager said. These students will also receive instructions stating that schedule adjustments and changes may be made only during the drop/add period which begins on Aug. 23, Wager said.

Students who reside outside the Centre County area and received incomplete schedules were instructed to call a toll-free number. These students may call between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. from now until August 16 and submit their estimated bill to complete their registration, he said.

All estimated bills must be submitted by Aug. 3, Wager said.

A third category of students — incoming freshmen for the Fall Semester — must participate in on-line registration Tuesday, Aug. 21 in the Intramural Building, Mahon said. The students will register through 25 computer terminals set up in the building.

Some minor problems with the computer have caused adjustments in the mailing process, Wager said.

"(The computer) has developed some problems . . . things that didn't progress as we would have wanted. For students here this summer, we are not in the position to mail their schedules to their local addresses as we wanted to," Wager said.

Reagan courts the Democratic South

By TERENCE HUNT
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AUSTIN, Texas — President Reagan yesterday portrayed Walter F. Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro as insensitive to the South, and he implored conservative Democrats to "Please don't let them bury the American dream in their graveyard of gloom and envy."

Reagan, in his first campaign foray since the nomination of the Democratic ticket, charged that "The national Democratic leadership is going so far left, they've left America."

"I'm sorry they seem to see only misery, feel only fear, and never stop pining for their days of tax and tax and spend and spend," Reagan said, characterizing the 1984 election as "the sharpest, most important choice in modern times — greater freedom or coercion."

"The leadership of the Democratic Party gave Texas the back of their hand," said Reagan, in an apparent reference to Mondale's choice of Ferraro over popular Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas.

Bentsen called that charge "ridiculous." And Mondale asserted that Reagan was getting "a little bit desperate."

Reagan, referring to his Democratic challengers, said "Please don't let them bury the American dream in their graveyard of gloom and envy,

endless tax increases, deeper dependency, planned protectionism, certain sacrifices and veiled quotas."

"We don't need that kind of progress, do we?" he asked. The president uncorked his charges at a political rally in a key battleground state with 29 electoral votes — more than one-tenth of the 270 needed to win the White House. Since Texas was admitted to the Union in 1845, no Democratic nominee has won the presidency without carrying the Lone Star State.

Reagan, on a stage filled with balloons and American and Texan

flags, spoke to a crowd of thousands in sweltering heat at an outdoor park. The audience repeatedly applauded and cheered but booed when Reagan mentioned House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, D-Mass.

There were several small pockets of hecklers who tried unsuccessfully to interrupt with shouts and chants.

Reagan ended his appearance by asking, "Are you better off today than you were four years ago? Is America better off then she was four years ago?"

As the crowd roared "Yes," Reagan said, "Then I'm going to

assume you don't want to go back to the days of America being second best."

Reagan appeared alongside Vice President George Bush, a onetime Texas oilman who still calls the state his home. The president flew to Atlanta later in the day, and will continue to court Southern voters today before going to New Jersey for a campaign pitch to Catholics and women in an area near — and like — Ferraro's district.

In Atlanta, the president gave a 15-minute pep talk to Republican leaders from throughout the South who met earlier for five hours in a strategy session.

'Secret tax hike' charges continue

By DAVID GOELLER
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WASHINGTON — Congressional Democrats, reacting to President Reagan's assertion that he has "no plans" to raise taxes in 1985, said yesterday that White House aides have confided for months that one is inevitable.

"There's no question we're going to have to have a tax bill, and he (Reagan) knows it as well as everyone else," House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, D-Mass., told a news conference.

The speaker, who accused Reagan of telling "tall stories" by saying his policies have not hurt the nation's needy, said a broad-based tax hike is needed because the government spends \$500 million more each day than it takes in.

"Everyone from the White House has been saying, after the election we'll have to straighten it out,"

O'Neill said, less than a day after the president told a nationally broadcast news conference that "I have no plans for a tax increase" to attack the budget deficit.

Reagan, however, seemingly left the door open when he added that "you would have to look at the tax structure" if a substantial deficit remained after all spending cuts were carried out.

This brought a sharp rebuttal from Democratic presidential candidate Walter Mondale, who has pledged both to raise taxes and cut spending in order to cut the federal deficit by two-thirds in his first term.

"I've been hearing fish stories all week, but tonight Mr. Reagan told a big one," Mondale said in a statement from northern Minnesota, where he is on a fishing trip.

"He said that no tax increases would be necessary, but then proceeded to open the door for unfair taxes after the election," said Mondale, who accused Reagan of planning a "December surprise if he is re-elected."

House cuts subsidies for Synthetic Fuels Corp.

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The House moved yesterday to strip the crippled Synthetic Fuels Corp. of billions of dollars and recover what's left of a \$20 billion check it wrote four years ago to wean the nation from imported oil.

On a 261-148 vote, the House overturned its Rules Committee and demanded a floor vote on amendments to take back between \$9 billion and \$10.25 billion of the \$13.2 billion in uncommitted federal subsidies for squeezing oil and natural gas from shale, tar sands and coal.

While the vote was technically on a rule whether to consider the billions of dollars in cuts favored by the Reagan administration, defenders of the corporation acknowledged that it was a major defeat.

"These amendments, in effect, would cut out the lights at the SFC," said Richard Durbin, D-Ill.

Supporting the effort to drastically cut the government synthetic fuels effort was the same coalition of budget-conscious fiscal

conservatives and environmentalists that last year succeeded in scuttling the Clinch River Breeder Reactor in Tennessee. The administration is seeking the return of \$9 billion, but that was not enough for its allies in

The House rarely overturns recommendations of its Rules Committee on handling amendments to legislation. The last time was in November on the budget-cutting and loophole-plugging Tax Reform Act.

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the House, who want to delete a proposed expansion of a Union Oil Corp. shale project in Colorado to make the take-back \$10.25 billion.

"The members of Congress have demonstrated that they cannot support wasting billions of dollars on the premature commercialization of ventures plagued with economic, technical and environmental uncertainties," commented Robert Roach of the Environmental Policy Institute.

In its four-year history, the corporation has handed out only two grants — \$120 million for the Coolwater coal gasification project in California and \$620 million for a Dow Chemical Co. project in Louisiana.

The agency was paralyzed in April, just when it was on the verge of signing contracts for nearly another \$5 billion in subsidies, by the resignations of five of its seven directors amid charges of cronyism, mismanagement

and unethical conduct.

President Reagan, who campaigned against former President Carter's launching of the program in 1980, used the resignations to press for return of two-thirds of its unspent money.

The White House has repeatedly refused to consider filling any of the vacancies on the corporation's board to give it the required quorum to operate without action first on the budget cuts by Congress.

"Despite the leadership's efforts, it's clear that the majority of the House agrees that we can cut back without jeopardizing a sound synthetic program," Chris Warner, a deputy assistant energy secretary, said after yesterday's vote.

The amendments, to an \$8.5 billion Interior Department appropriations bill, would still leave the corporation between \$3 billion and \$4.2 billion to hand out in the form of loan guarantees and price subsidies for a half dozen oil shale, tar sands and coal gasification projects around the country.

The corporation was established after the 1979 revolution in Iran.

Wachob repeats challenge for 'head-to-head' debates

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After receiving a negative response the first time, Democratic Congressional candidate William Wachob has again challenged incumbent Republican William F. Clinger Jr. to a series of "head-to-head" debates before the November elections.

In a press conference Tuesday, Wachob said there is no precedent for such a series of debates in past 23rd-district races "but there hasn't been a race or campaign with this much interest."

Wachob, state representative from Elk and Clearfield counties, first broached the idea of a debate in a letter to Clinger dated June 15. At the press conference, he released copies of Clinger's response citing possible scheduling problems of a series of debates because "Congress will be in session during periods of July, and August and the entire month of September."

In a counter proposal, Clinger suggested a single debate sponsored by "public television

and/or a group of radio stations and newspapers."

Wachob said he would accept the proposal as a last resort but added, "it is essential to hold head-to-head debates in every county. One debate simply cannot deal with the range of issues that are involved in this campaign."

He said a debate in each of the 12 counties in the 23rd district is necessary because each county has its own issues.

"Geographically, our district is one of the largest east of the Mississippi River. There are many shared concerns . . . but there is also a great diversity of concerns and needs," he said.

Wachob also rejected the idea that there would not be time enough for a series of debates because "both legislatures will spend ample time in recess before November." He also cited a recent newsletter in which Clinger expressed a desire to address his constituents' clubs, school and church functions.

"Obviously, to make this offer in a mailing that is sent to more than 500,000 people, Rep. Clinger must have a great deal of time set aside for public appearances," he said.

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weather

Becoming cloudy today with periods of rain arriving. High of 74 degrees. Cloudy tonight and tomorrow with the rain continuing. Rain may be heavy at times. Low tonight 59. High tomorrow near 70.....by Glenn Rolph