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Traffic Panel Asks For 1,000-Car Lot

By Pat Little
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A 1,000-car capacity parking lot was proposed at a Traffic Committee meeting Wednesday, according to Don Stafford, assistant dean of Students and committee chairman.

Stafford said the new parking lot will be located north of the System Administration building. In the letter of recommendation to A&M President Earl Rudder, he said, the committee will request completion by Aug. 15, 1970.

The lot will be one of three that will eventually be built in the area of the civil engineering surveying course. Stafford said.

He said a space will be left between the lots and the system building for future dormitory construction.

Any parking lot plans made now are of a long term nature and include provisions for keeping the center portion of the campus free from automobile traffic and turning streets into sidewalks, said Dr. Charles Pinnell, director of planning and analytical studies.

The center part of the campus will be for pedestrian use and except for small feeders, there will be no roads and no through traffic, Pinnell said.

Another traffic problem will confront A&M when the enrollment reaches 22,000, Dr. Virgil G. Stover, transportation planning program director, told the committee: Streets leading onto the campus will no longer be able to handle the traffic.

Stover said overpasses may be built at the intersection of State Highway 6 (Texas Avenue) and FM 60. This, he said, would ne-

cessitate removing a service station on the northwest corner and a grocery store on the northeast corner.

Another way of solving the problem, Stover said, would be

to stagger the hours of the day.

This could include starting classes at 7:30 a.m., he said, with the secretarial staff coming to work at 8. Two lunch periods would also be scheduled, he added.

The committee sent a letter to Rudder requesting that a member of University Planning be made a regular member of the committee, Stafford said.

Afro-Americans Ask For On-Campus Status

By Pam Trobroy
Battalion Staff Writer

Denied official recognition last spring, the Afro-American Society asked the university for a second time Wednesday for permission to hold meetings on campus.

Allen Giles, student chairman of the society, told The Battalion that he submitted the society's request to Dean of Students James P. Hannigan.

Dean Hannigan said that he has referred Giles' request to the university's faculty-staff Executive Committee for consideration.

He added that he does not know when the matter would be considered by the panel. The Executive Committee usually meets on Monday mornings.

The Dean said that he could make no predictions as to how Giles' request would be received by the committee but noted that the society "has some arguments militating against it."

"The organization's name, Afro-American Society, is identical to the one that at this time has fallen into disrepute nationally," he noted.

Hannigan cited as an example the 1963 riots at Columbia University in which a group called the Afro-American Society took part.

There was also a local incident last December, Hannigan noted, in which Terry Lewis Ardery, identified as a Houston worker for the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), was arrested for carrying a pistol on licensed premises.

Bryan Foye, a local member of the Students for a Democratic Society, was quoted in a story in The Battalion as saying that Ardery was to speak to the off-campus group called the Afro-American Society.

Hannigan added a third argument against possible recognition of the group.

"Last spring a group of black

students submitted a list of written demands to (A&M) President Rudder," Hannigan said. "The list was signed, 'The Afro-American Society.'"

He added that one of the demands submitted in the list was the demand that the Afro-American Society be an officially recognized campus organization.

"Of course, arguments in favor of the organization will also be considered by the committee," Hannigan said.

"The main argument for recognition would likely be that an on-campus club could assist new black students in adjusting to a predominantly white campus."

Hannigan noted that the university policy on recognition of campus organizations has always excluded clubs of ethnic, religious

or political nature.

Dr. Manuel M. Davenport, head of the Philosophy Department and adviser to the society, said that the society has tried to meet objections to the organization that the university voiced last year.

"Previously, the university administrators objected to recognition primarily because they said the society was an ethnic and a political organization," he said. "But we feel that we've met their objections; the society is neither ethnic nor political."

"There are many more black students on campus this year, and they want a club to study Afro-American culture," Davenport said. "Almost two-thirds of the 130 black students interested in (See Afro-American, page 3)

China's Asian Goal Theme of GI Talk

Dr. Richard L. Walker, specialist in Far East history, politics and military strategy, will speak on "China's Goal in Southeast Asia" here Monday.

The 8 p.m. Great Issues presentation will be in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom, announced chairman Tom Fitzhugh of Waco. He said the public is invited to hear Walker and admission is free.

South Carolina University's Institute of International Studies director, Walker has been connected with Far East affairs since World War II. He was a Chinese interpreter for U. S. Army Intelligence in the Pacific theater.

Walker travels extensively in Asia for source materials on the present regime on the Chinese mainland and has been a government consultant on Far East matters. His most recent trips, in the summers of 1967 and 1968, included Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Vietnam and the Philippines.

The Great Issues speaker is the James F. Byrnes Professor of In-

ternational Relations at the Columbia, S. C., institution.

A native of Pennsylvania, Walker received his B.A. degree at Drew University, Certificate in Chinese Language and Area from the University of Pennsylvania, M.A. in Far Eastern and Russian Studies and Ph.D. in international relations from Yale, the latter in 1950.

He served on the National War College faculty, lectured at the Foreign Service Institute and speaks frequently at various U.S. government service schools.

The consultant and member of numerous organizations concerned with world affairs and foreign policy problems has written extensively on the Far East. His books include "China Under Communism, the First Five Years" and most recently "The China Danger."

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TOWN HALL OPENER

The popular family singing group The Cowsills turn on entertainment Friday at 8 p. m. in G. Rolie White Coliseum in the first Town Hall presentation for the 1969-70 season. Season tickets are on sale through Friday in the Student Program Office in the Memorial Student Center for the performance and other outstanding entertainment brights during the year.

Cowsills Will Be Opener Friday for '69 Town Hall

An optimist's answer to the generation gap — the Cowsills — puts its message on the G. Rolie White Coliseum stage Friday in the first Town Hall presentation of 1969-70.

The Cowsills family's A&M appearance begins at 8 p.m., announced Town Hall chairman Rex Stewart.

Barbara Cowsills heads the family entourage that is attracting patrons from throughout the southwest. Ticket requests for the Town Hall performance have come from Tulsa and Oklahoma City, Okla., as well as Baytown, San Antonio and a number of other Texas cities.

Also starring with their mother are Bob, 20, Paul, 17, Barry, 15, Johnny, 13 and Susan, 10.

The popular group made a TV special last November, has appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show about as many times as there are family members and has been spinning a number of hit tunes. "Silver Threads and Golden

Needles" is currently in the top 100. The Cowsills family hooked the recording brass ring with "The Rain, the Park and Other Things," its first million seller. "Indian Lake," one of 12 selections on "The Cowsills" album, was a smash hit.

The group that plays and sings

Vote Today

Polls will remain open until 8 tonight in the Senate elections for vice president, sophomore College of Architecture representative, and sophomore College of Liberal Arts representative.

Polling places are the guard room in dormitory 2, the basement of the Memorial Student Center, and the newsstand in front of Sbis Dining Hall.

Students must have identification and activity cards to vote.

folk music, folk rock and popular standards had its foundations for success laid years ago when Bud, the family head, who served 20 years with the Navy, started coming home from various ports of call carrying musical instruments as gifts for his children.

When he retired from the Navy in 1963 the youngsters were performing for church benefits and parties and headed toward professional status. Bud decided to help, signed a recording contract and the first disc, "Most of All," was cut.

It caused ripples, but no waves. Bud tried harder for his family, borrowed a total of \$100,000 to promote his kids and met only moderate success until, late in 1967 when they were almost on the ropes, "The Rain, the Park and Other Things," went over.

The touring family also does "What the World Needs Now," "Consider Yourself," "A Doodlin' Song" and a best-seller, "We Can Fly."

Ross Volunteers To Induct 82 Former Corps Commander To Speak At Banquet Tonight

The Ross Volunteers will admit 82 juniors into the elite unit tonight during their annual initiation banquet in the Memorial Student Center.

The juniors, explained RV commanding officer Marvin Hoelting, executive officer of the 4th Battalion staff, are selected by the RV seniors on the basis of character, military achievement, disciplinary records, academic standing, and extracurricular activity.

The 113-member unit is the oldest campus organization, formed 11 years after the school opened. RVs serve as honor guard for King Rex during the annual Mardi Gras parade in New Orleans, La., honor guard for the Governor of Texas, honor guard for distinguished guests at A&M, and participate in the Battle of Flowers parade in San Antonio each April.

Keynote speaker at the banquet will be Paul Dresser, 1963-64 corps commander. Currently a second-year graduate student at the Harvard School of Business, he is also a captain in the Army

Reserve and a former White House military attaché.

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Hoelting, executive officer on 4th Battalion staff, said RV juniors are selected by the company's senior members on the basis of character, military achievement, disciplinary records, academic standing and extracurricular activity.

The new members to be initiated tonight include:

Randall E. Betty, Francis S. Conaty III, James F. Connally, Melvin C. Hamilton, Albert E. Kinkead, Van H. Taylor and Myles A. Yanta, Corps Staff; Frank D. McAllister, Joe A. Pennington, Charles N. Simon and Charles L. Korbell Jr., 1st Brigade Staff; William S. Oefthwich and Jeffery R. Schaub, Company A-1.

In addition, Otway B. Denny Jr. and Fritz Koehler, Company B-1; Thomas D. Bonn, Company C-1; Michael S. Bethancourt and Henry A. Hansen III, 2nd Bat-

talion Staff; Charles D. Nelson, Company F-1; Malcolm F. French, Gary L. Griffith and John R. Stallings, Company H-1; Gary L. Hall, Robert E. Smith and Russell J. Wright, 5th Battalion Staff; Michael P. Hancock, Company I-1; James D. Gras and James M. Hackedorn, Company K-1.

Also, Thomas P. Girdner and Ronald C. Speer, Company L-1; Joseph D. Blaschke, Company M-1; Charles H. Herder and William R. Stockton, 2nd Brigade Staff; Michael D. Cristiani and James C. Horne Jr., 3rd Battalion Staff; Stephen W. Hughes, Company A-2; Thomas S. Henderson, Albert L. Reese Jr., Robert M. Tramuto and Charles B. Williams, Company B-2; James C. Andrews Jr., William L. Braddy and Fred M. Hofstetter, Company C-2; Gary E. Madden, Company D-2.

Others include Robert A. Harms and Roger W. Waak, 4th Battalion Staff; Richard A. Glonski, Tim J. Leftwich, Thomas M. Rideout and Jeffrey L.

Weber, Company E-2; Richard T. Miller and Ernest D. Wueste, Company F-2; Mickey Calverley, Company H-2; Charles V. Brown and Lonnie D. Roberts, 1st Wing Staff; Thomas C. Bain and Richard A. Mallahan, 1st Group Staff; Robert M. Haggard, Sqd. 1; Edward E. Duryea, Sqd. 2; William R. Mullener and Thomas V. Tamez, Sqd. 3.

Also, Perry R. Miyauchi, 2nd Group Staff; Joseph E. Settlemyer, Sqd. 5; William E. Shepherd, 2nd Wing Staff; Steven E. Clark and John A. Weimer, 3rd Group Staff; Robert L. Keeney, George W. Walton and David T. Wesolka, Sqd. 8; Dennis K. Chapman, Sqd. 9; Michael A. Zwartjes, 4th Group Staff; Roy E. Sewall, Sqd. 10; Cecil L. Dukes, Samuel E. Garcia and Dudley C. Wilson, Sqd. 11; David E. Frost and Stephen K. Wesp, Sqd. 12; Sigurd S. Kendall, John Vogelsand and Gregory K. Weaver, Combined Band Staff, and James Hawthorne and Mitchell J. Timmons, Maroon Band.

Freshman Class Is Largest Percentage of Student Body

The freshman class, numbering 3,827, makes up 27.2 per cent of the student body this fall, according to Robert A. Lacey, registrar.

Only 2,355 of these are entering the university for the first time, however, Lacey said. Other class enrollments and percentages are: senior, 2,417, 17.2; junior, 2,616, 18.6; and sophomore, 2,246, 16. Thirty-six fifth-year architecture students comprise 0.3 per cent of the enrollment.

There are also 223 students enrolled in extension courses off campus.

Registration rose nine per cent this year to a record high of 14,034. Last year's fall enrollment was 13,081, and the upward trend is expected to continue next year. Lacey said that the 1970 fall enrollment is expected to hit 14,900.

More girls than ever before are registered this fall. There are 1,138 coeds on campus compared to last year's 979.

Six hundred thirty-seven foreign students representing 68 different countries are also registered this year.

There are 2,892 graduate students, 1,033 of whom are working on their doctorates. Doctoral students (See Freshman, page 3)

WEATHER

Friday — Partly cloudy, wind Easterly 10 to 15 m.p.h.

Saturday — Partly cloudy, afternoon rainshowers.

Kickoff — Cloudy no rain. 71°

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Baylor Weekend Weather Forecast As 'Favorable'

Weekend events including A&M's home football opener with Baylor and associated activities have a decent chance for favorable weather.

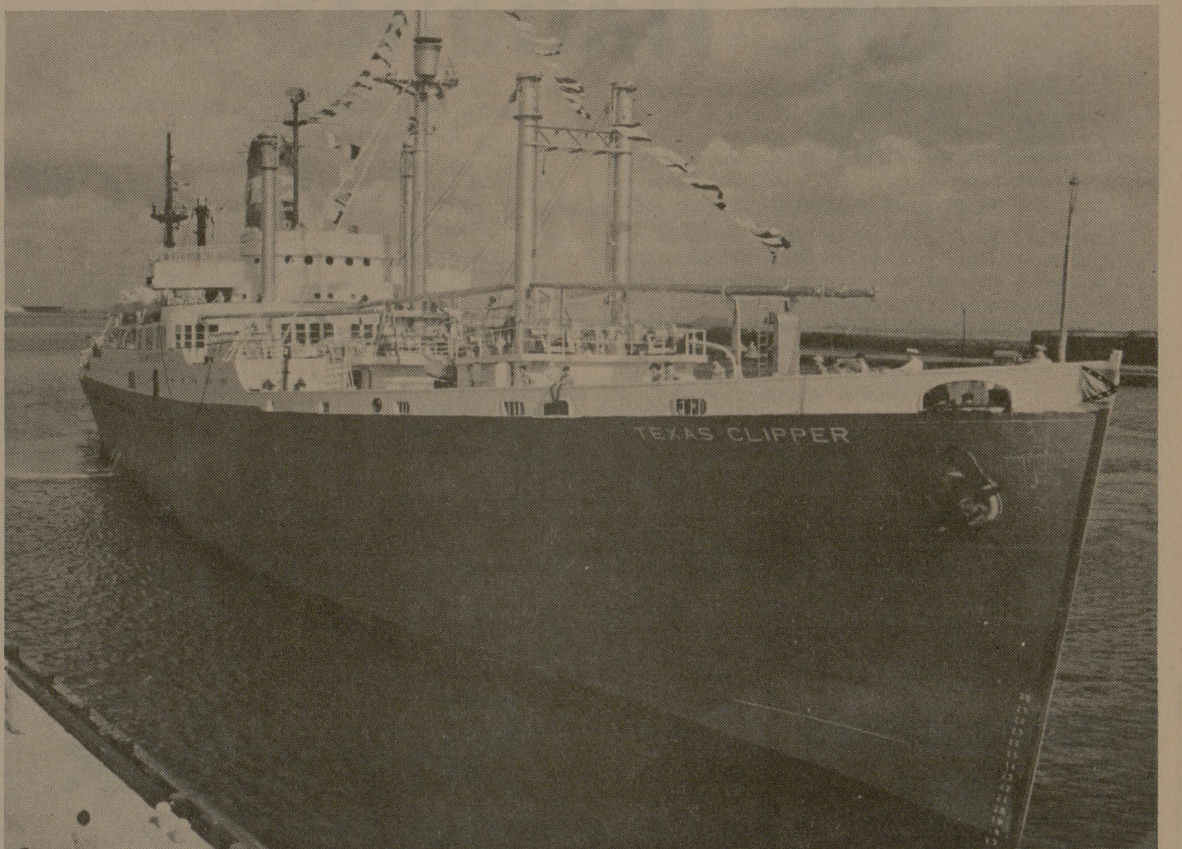
Friday is expected to have some moderate to heavy precipitation during the evening and night that will taper to Saturday afternoon rainshowers, according to A&M meteorologist Jim Lightfoot.

"Hopefully, we'll be through with them by game time," he commented. A&M and Baylor kick off on Kyle Field at 7:30 p.m.

Lightfoot forecasts game conditions to be 70 to 72 degrees, 10 to 15 mph southerly winds and 65 per cent relative humidity.

He said there is a good chance the next frontal system — forming during mid-week off the Pacific coast — will go through College Station and Bryan Saturday afternoon.

"If it does," the Meteorology Department official added, "the weather will clear considerably."



DORM FOR 100 CADETS

Serving as a dormitory for the first time this fall is the Texas Clipper, training ship for the Texas Maritime Academy. Tony Rose, The Battalion's correspondent at the academy in Galveston, gives an account of life aboard the 15,000 ton vessel. See story, page 3.