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Weather

Mostly cloudy and warm today and Thursday with a 30 per cent chance of showers and thundershowers. Southeast winds 8-14 mph. Highs today and Thursday in upper 80s, low tonight in lower 70s.

For weary travelers, there's no room at the Inn

By LISA JUNOD
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Students living in College Station's west dorm next fall may get spoiled by private maid service and piped-in music offered by the Aggeland Inn. This August the Inn will open its doors to turning A&M students as a privately owned dormitory, the only one of its kind in the state. Mrs. Wilma J. Anderson and her partner, Thomas Novak, both of Dallas, have recently purchased the Aggeland Inn and are now in the process of converting to a residence hall.

The dorm will be open to men and women, and will accommodate 360 students on double occupancy basis. Anderson said she expects the dorm to be filled by the beginning of the fall semester.

"We've contacted the housing office, Student Information and the Association of former students, and we've distributed brochures about the project at freshman orientation conferences," Anderson said. She added that most parents are glad to

hear about the additional housing being available close to the campus. Parents will undoubtedly be glad to hear that students living in Anderson's "Aggie Hall" must abide by the same rules that students living in university-owned housing are forced to follow. Security guards will patrol the floors from midnight to 6 a.m. just to make sure that nothing unusual happens.

Following on-campus dormitory rules means "no pets allowed" for residents of Aggie Hall. Anderson said that students may keep goldfish, but "nothing that walks," in their carpeted, furnished rooms. The rooms also feature private baths, somewhat of a luxury for many college students. Each room will also contain a seven-foot closet, optional television hookups and private phones. The dorm will also offer laundry facilities and study rooms on each floor.

Any student armed with the required \$65 deposit can send in his application, pay the first semester's rent and reserve a room for the fall semester. Students living at

Aggie Hall will pay \$600 per semester, a price which does not include access to cooking facilities. Residents may either purchase a university food services meal ticket or fend for themselves in the community. The Aggeland Inn will retain dining facilities for the general public, and will offer an evening buffet and a sandwich bar in the club under new management.

Gary Heiner, who has accumulated a total of 20 years experience working with dorms and hotels, will manage the new dorm starting July 15, Anderson said.

Anderson is not new to the housing business, and has owned property in College Station for several years, including the Casa del Sol and University Terrace apartment complexes. She first got the idea for converting the Aggeland Inn in early February and then began studying other privately-owned dorms across the state. She launched the project in earnest in April, and since then has been working to make the conversion as easy as possible. Anderson said that she anticipates no problems for the fall semester.

Students have rights too

By SARAH WHITE
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Students of colleges and universities have legal rights protected by law, just as any other individuals, said Kenneth Robison, Texas A&M student legal adviser. Entrance into an institution of higher learning does not require that the individual leave behind his personal freedom. Any violation of a person's rights, by the students, the faculty, or the administration, leaves the offender open to law-

suits. Student freedom of expression has progressed from a whisper to a shout since the Tinker vs. Des Moines decision, Robison said. The armband protest of the Vietnam War was declared legal and constitutional because the protesters did not substantially disturb the educational process. Today students may express varied opinions in debate, demonstration, written articles and other creative outlets, providing they do not disturb the privilege of others to gain a peaceful education, he said.

Before a student can be punished for disobedience to school officials he must be treated according to due process of law, he said. He cannot be expelled or suspended on a single administrator's say-so. The offender must be informed of the specific charges against him and be given a hearing where he has the right to counsel and an opportunity to testify and cross-examine witnesses. Deprivation of this process is

subject to legal action, Robison said.

As a consumer, the student should receive what he pays for, Texas Atty. Gen. John Hill said in a recent speech in Austin. College catalogues, brochures, and guidebooks that describe courses and services rendered by the university must be backed by responsible action from the institution, or face charges of fraud.

A case of "academic fraud" can be compiled when a student graduates with a degree that should insure qualifications for employment, but skill tests find the individual incapable of the work. If the skill was advertised in a course description yet never taught, the administration is responsible, and can be sued for fraud, Hill said.

Hill warned administrators assembled at the University of Texas Conference of School Administration to be cautious, handling student affairs with care, or face possible lawsuits from the dissatisfied.

600 attend Journalism workshop

By LeANN ROBY
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Our quiet summer campus has once again been invaded by the uproar and clamor of high school students as the Texas A&M High School Journalism Workshop progresses this week.

According to Gael L. Cooper, workshop director, more than 600 high school students and some 50 advisers are attending the workshop being held in coordination with Taylor Publishing Company.

The purpose of this workshop, which is the largest of its kind in America this year, is two-fold, Cooper said. "First, to reinforce the things the students have already learned, especially the ones who are experienced high school journalists. Second, the workshop is designed to teach the beginners and to give them a start on the right

foot. This will also assist their journalism teachers, who are here as advisers."

The workshops are divided into beginner and advanced sessions. Cooper said the beginner sessions are the largest.

Nearly 20 separate workshops are held each day in newspaper, yearbook, magazine and photographic production. There are approximately 110 students in the photography section, 150 in the newspaper and magazine section, and 350 students are here to study yearbook make-up, Cooper said.

The students get the basic ideas of the different fields in general sessions in small groups during the day, he continued. Then they have a series of optional sessions where they learn the meat of the business and details of specialized fields such as sports writing and copy editing.

Thursday is the last day for the learning programs. Friday is an evaluation day, Cooper said. The students are expected to critique the workshop and make any suggestions as to how it could be improved for next year.

The workshop will be highlighted by an awards assembly in Rudder Auditorium at 11:00 a.m. on Friday. The work the students have done during this week will be graded and awards will be given for the most outstanding production in each individual field. Students will also be awarded



It takes imagination

Battalion photo by Steve Goble

Encouraged by unusually frequent summer rains, numerous mushrooms have been springing up around the campus, dotting the lawns with flashes of white and arousing the interest of curious students who would like to nibble

a few. But some of the mushrooms — like this green-gilled *Chlorophyllum molybdites* — are extremely poisonous. Others, like the lavender mushrooms that grow near the Academic Building, are harmless.

Top Aggies to retire

Four top Texas A&M University System officials — A. R. Luedeker, Tom D. Cherry, John Hutchison and J. A. Amis, Jr. — will be honored at a retirement dinner here July 26 in the Memorial Student Center.

"We envision this dinner as a campus, community and statewide event at which the many friends and associates of all four men will have the opportunity to join in expressing appreciation for dedicated service and jobs well done," Freeman said.

Several members of the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents are expected to join in the ceremonies recognizing the achievements and service of the four men.

Howard Vestal, assistant vice president for business affairs and chairman of the campus-wide committee planning the dinner, said tickets for the 7 p.m. dinner are now on sale at numerous campus locations, as well as at financial institutions throughout College Station and Bryan.

Gen. Luedeker, executive vice president, is retiring after eight years as part of the administration, including seven months as acting president following the death of Gen. Earl Rudder in 1970. Luedeker, a 1932 Texas A&M graduate, was deputy director and general manager of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory at California Institute of Technology before joining the staff of A&M. He retired from the Air Force in 1958 after 25 years to serve as

general manager of the Atomic Energy Commission for six years.

Cherry, vice president for business affairs, has compiled 20 years of service. He rejoined the Texas A&M staff in 1962 after a 16-year career with Trans World Airlines. He previously taught economics at Texas A&M and later served as director of economic research for the Texas Engineering Experiment Station. He earned a master's degree in marketing and finance from Texas A&M in 1938 after receiving his undergraduate degree from Sam Houston State University.

Dr. Hutchison served the Texas A&M University System for 31 years, the last 18 as director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. He joined the extension service as a county agent in 1945, was named extension horticulturist four years later and

was promoted to the position of state agricultural leader in 1954. He earned his undergraduate degree from Texas A&M in 1936. He also holds two master's degrees from Texas A&M and a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago.

Amis, a 1933 Texas A&M graduate, has served as system attorney for the past 20 years. He previously served as assistant attorney general of Texas. Earlier in his career, he served as county attorney in Rains County and as enforcement attorney for the Office of Price Administration in Fort Worth. He is a member of Texas A&M's Class of 1933 and earned his LL.B. from Cumberland University Law School, now the Law School of Samford University in Birmingham, Ala.

Luedeker, Cherry and Amis will retire Aug. 31. Dr. Hutchison retired Feb. 29.

Bryan district tax office collects \$51 thousand in June

AUSTIN — Comptroller of Public Accounts Bob Bullock said the enforcement officers of his Bryan district office revealed through audits \$79,192 in additional taxes owed the state and collected another \$51,041 in taxes during the month of June. Bullock said the office conducted 39 audits during June, yielding an average \$208.95 in additional taxes owed per audit hour.

Of the \$51,041 collected by the office during the month, the comptroller noted, \$39,278 had become delinquent.

Statewide field collections by the comptroller's 36 district offices totaled \$4.6 mil-

lion during June, including \$2.3 million in delinquent taxes, Bullock said. The combined audit efforts of the field offices turned up a total \$3.6 million in additional revenue owed the state, he said.

Bullock also announced that the Bryan office will be open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the convenience of taxpayers.

Changes made in curriculum

The Academic Council approved the addition of 119 new courses and the withdrawal of 6 courses last Thursday. Most of the new courses will be offered beginning in the Fall 1977 semester.

The council also changed the hours of theory, practice and credit for 16 courses, approved title changes for 19 courses and approved cross-listing of 4 courses.

Changes in curricula were approved for Agricultural Journalism, Engineering, Environmental Design, Food Science and Technology, and Marketing. An Industry Option will be offered in Food Science and Technology.

Reappointments to the various committees of the council were approved for 22 persons. Twenty-nine people were replaced on the committees.

The council approved candidates for the undergraduate and graduate degrees to be awarded on August 13, and for the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine to be awarded August 6.

Williams undergoes operation

Dr. Jack K. Williams, president of Texas A&M University, underwent cardiac surgery last night at the Methodist Hospital in Houston.

A spokesman at the hospital said the operation was performed because of the persistence of the irregular beating of Williams heart.

Dr. Williams is currently in an intensive care unit at the hospital and is resting reasonably well, according to the spokesman. His condition is serious, but the attending physicians are "cautiously optimistic."

Williams suffered a cardiac arrest while at his home in College Station Friday afternoon and was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Bryan. He was later transferred by helicopter to Methodist Hospital.

He had been recovering at home from a heart attack he suffered in early June. He was released June 18 from his initial stay in the hospital.

City council approves filing fees

By JERRY NEEDHAM
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Applicants who file for zone changes or conditional use permits in the city of College Station will now have to pay a \$25 filing fee plus \$2 for every property owner within 200 feet of the affected land, according to a zoning ordinance amendment passed last week by the City Council.

The \$2 per property owner will be used to notify those property owners that an application for a zone change or a conditional use permit by certified mail has been made.

George Ford, director of public works for College Station, said yesterday that the fees will not totally offset the administrative costs of pursuing a zone change, but they will help in covering the costs.

The administrative costs are primarily those of preparing maps and ordinances pertaining to the affected property.

The amendment also stipulates that the applicant will repay all the fees if any hearings (at the Planning and Zoning Commission or the City Council) are postponed because due to action of the applicant.

The amendment was proposed because several councilmembers felt that it was unfair for the taxpayers of College Station to

absorb the costs when the actions were benefiting only the applicants.

The council also established a trust fund to receive donations for city parks.

The fund was primarily established to allow the A&M Consolidated School District to sell Lincoln Center to the city without taking bids on the property, said Mayor Lorence Bravenc.

The Lincoln Center property totals about five acres, with the city already owning a portion of it.

The trust will also allow those who donate land or money to claim tax exemptions for their donations, said Bravenc.

City councilmen serve as trustees of the fund known as the College Stations Parks and Recreation Foundation.

The Council also approved on the third and final reading an ordinance granting Midwest Video a franchise to operate in College Station.

The franchise renewal is effective for a period of ten years. Midwest pays the city two per cent of its gross revenue plus \$1.50 for every city utility pole which it uses to string cable. The \$1.50 per pole is not included in the franchise but is under a separate agreement.

The Council approved the sale of \$8.84 million in bonds. Mayor Lorence Bravenc, City Manager North Bardell,

and Councilman Jim Dozier are now in New York City making arrangements with a bond rating agency to sell the bonds. The sale is expected to take place in late August with the money reaching the city in September.

The \$8.84 million is part of a \$12.8 million bonds election which was passed June 29 by College Station voters.

The remaining \$3.525 million worth of bonds will be sold between 12 and 18 months from now. The city's bond consultants recommended holding off on these bonds until the money can be used in order to avoid paying interest rates in the interim.

A new zoning category entitled administrative-professional was established by the Council. This category is designed to accommodate selected commercial businesses which provide services rather than sell products. Less traffic generation would be expected from the businesses included in this category.

After a closed session at the end of last week's meeting Bravenc announced that the city would proceed with setting up ward boundaries in order to implement the ward system of electing councilmen.

The city, on behalf of a group of citizens who protested the April 3 election which instated the ward system in College Sta-

tion, is also proceeding with a lawsuit to have that portion of the election invalidated.

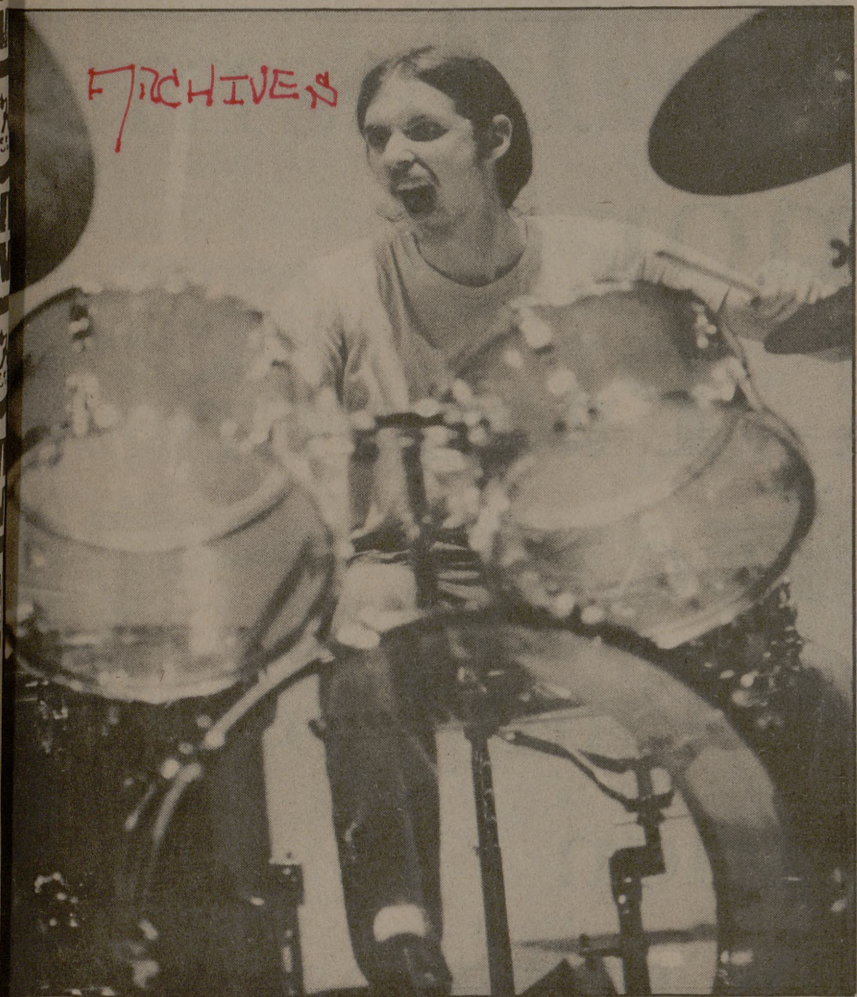
The group of 700 citizens signed a petition protesting the ward system, which was approved by a majority of less than one per cent of the voters in the April election. Their protest was based on the grounds that the wording on the ballot was unclear and the instructions on the ballot did not adequately direct the voter to that item.

The Council was also strongly influenced by the results of a non-binding straw vote taken during the June 29 bond elections. Less than 32 per cent of the voters at that time favored the ward system.

The ward system as approved calls for the city to be divided into six wards, each of which would elect one of the six city councilmen. The mayor would be elected from the city at-large.

The suit will be filed in 85th District Court in Bryan. A spokesman in the District Clerk's office reported yesterday that a date for the contention has not yet been set.

Councilman Jim Gardner has remained opposed to the city's seeking to invalidate the election. He voted against conducting the straw vote and against pursuing the matter in court.



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Wicked rock

An Austin band, "Rex Liberty," played for the dance Thursday night at the Grove. Although the crowd was small, the bandsmen were feeling fine and put on a good show. After all, they were paid in advance.