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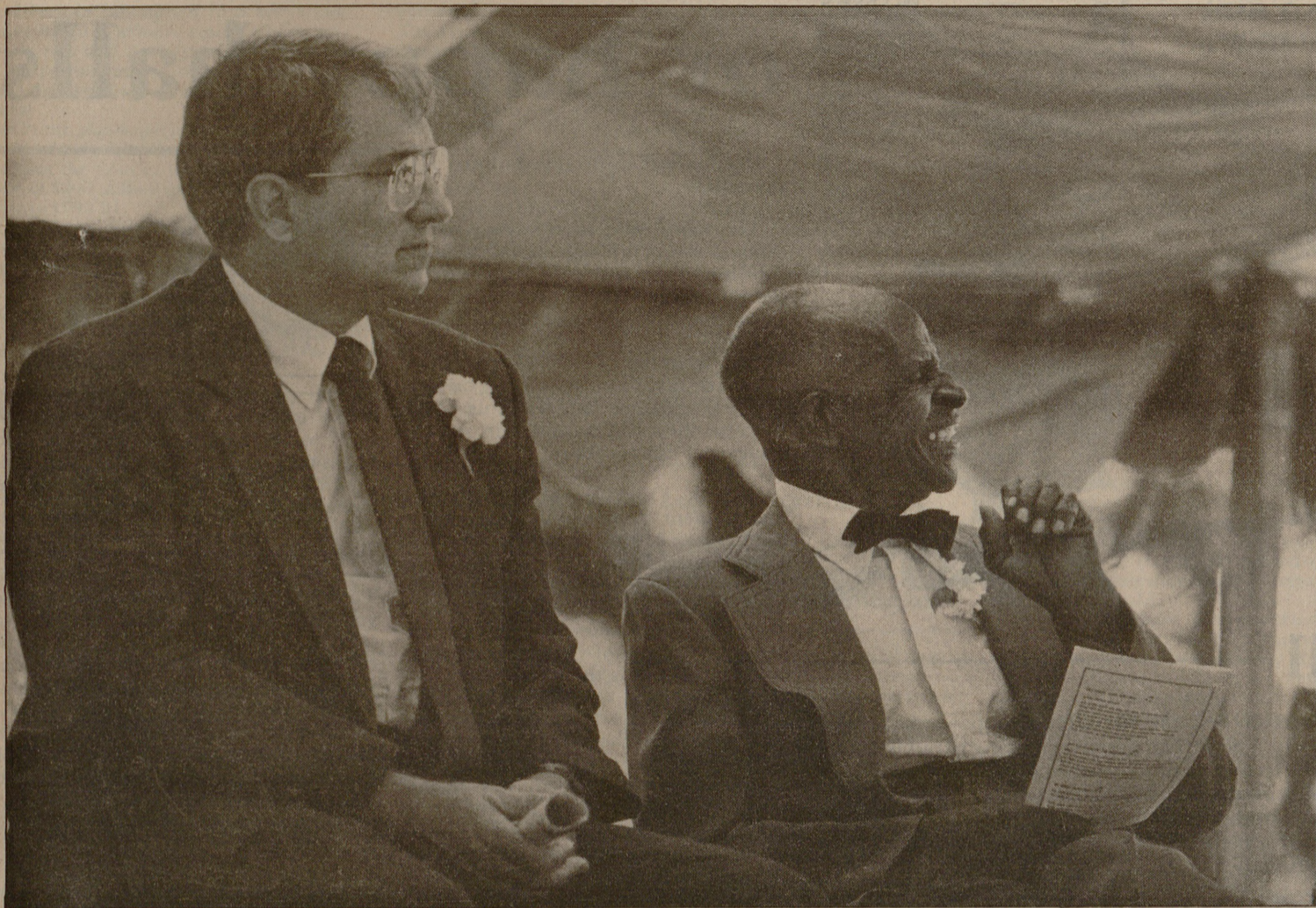
WEATHER

FORECAST for WEDNESDAY:
Sunny and hot, with mild temps in the evening.
HIGH: 90s LOW: 70s

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College Station Mayor Larry Ringer, left, and the Rev. Lee Groce listen to a speech by Felicia James of the A&M Affirmative Action Office during the Bluesfest Juneteenth Celebration at the Lincoln Recreation Center. Juneteenth commemorates the day in 1865 that Texas slaves learned of the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

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Blacks continue freedom struggle, A&M official says

By Holly Beeson

STAFF WRITER

Juneteenth is a time for blacks to celebrate their freedom, but the struggle for equality continues, a spokesman for the Texas A&M Affirmative Action Office said Saturday during a Juneteenth celebration.

The celebration, at the Lincoln Recreation Center, marked the 124th anniversary of the day slaves in Texas heard of the Emancipation Proclamation, the document issued by Abraham Lincoln that freed the slaves. Even though the document was signed on Jan. 1, 1863, the news didn't reach the Texas cotton fields until June 19, 1865.

Felicia James stressed that although blacks have come far since 1865, they still have far to go.

"We found out we were free in 1865, but in 1989, 124 years later, are we really free? I think not," she said. "No, we don't have chains around our feet and, yes, we have many more opportunities today than in 1865."

This year's theme, "Forward Forever, Backward Never," is quite timely, she said.

"As blacks, we must move forward — not backward," James said. "If we

don't look back, however, we wouldn't know that blacks made significant contributions to the formation of this great country."

She said that like Martin Luther King Jr., all blacks must have a dream.

"If we didn't have a dream, we wouldn't have any goals," she said. "Hold that dream; for when dreams go, life is a broken-winged bird frozen in the snow."

To keep the dream alive, James said, blacks must strive to be the best through education and strong Christian values.

"We must continue our education past high school," she said. "Education is not just for the young. Old dogs can learn new tricks if you have the patience and support to teach them."

Parents must instill in their children certain helpful values such as dignity, character and honesty, James said.

"Children live what they see," she said. "If you don't place values in your children, how will they survive? Your life should be an example of how to live."

"As blacks, we must have pride in ourselves because surely no one else will."

Prosecutors urge judge to give North prison term

WASHINGTON (AP) — Iran-Contra prosecutors Monday asked the judge to sentence Oliver North to prison, arguing that the former presidential aide lied at his trial, shows no remorse and sees himself as "above the law and beyond reproach."

In a memo filed four days before North's sentencing, prosecutors urged U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell to consider North's "breach of public trust and misuse of public power, the destructive effect of his criminal behavior on the functioning of government . . . his perjury and his total lack of remorse."

A prison term would also help counteract the political appeal that North has gained on the lecture circuit — a popularity that prosecutors argued only "reinforces his lack of remorse."

Independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh charged that "with supreme

faith in his ability to deceive, North took the witness stand and perjured himself" with a false story to explain away a charge that he pocketed \$4,300 in traveler's checks entrusted to him by a leader of the Nicaraguan rebels.

"His unsupported claim that he had a \$15,000 fund in a steel box in his closet echoed the flimsy lies offered by corrupt municipal officials in the days of Tammany Hall," Walsh said.

"North's attempt to use the steel box to explain his cash purchase of a car in two installments graphically demonstrates North's penchant for weaving a tale that by its conclusion is preposterous."

The retired Marine lieutenant colonel faces a possible 10-year sentence for aiding and abetting the obstruction of Congress, destroying or mutilating government documents and accepting an illegal gratuity — a



Oliver North

\$13,800 security system outside his home that was paid for by arms dealer Richard V. Secord.

North, 45, was acquitted of nine other counts, including a charge he stole the traveler's checks.

GOP criticizes Clayton Williams for contributions to Democrats

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN (AP) — Republican gubernatorial hopeful Clayton Williams, Class of '54, on Monday continued to be criticized for making campaign contributions to Democrats, with one Republican saying the contributions were "obscene."

"I am disturbed by Mr. Williams' desire to be our party's gubernatorial nominee while he contributes money to our opponents," said Diane Rath, secretary of the Republican Party of Texas.

In a letter to State Republican Executive Committee members, Rath, of San Antonio, said, "I urge each of you, as I will do, to question Mr. Williams about any other contributions to Democrats."

Williams, a Midland millionaire and namesake of the Texas A&M alumni center, has contributed to Democratic gubernatorial hopefuls Ann Richards and Jim Mattox, U.S. Senate contender Hugh Parmer and members of the Legislature, according to a report by the *Houston Post*.

On Monday, Williams said he made those contributions as a businessman and is willing to take the heat over them now that he's entered politics.

"I made them, and I made them as a businessman and job creator, not as a politician," he said. "I will take my lumps from this now that I am in the political arena."

Williams also said his GOP credentials are long, saying he joined the Republican Party on April 11, 1951, when Democratic President Harry Truman fired Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Williams, who has scheduled his gubernatorial announcement for Wednesday, also said his political donations aren't the issue now.

"This gubernatorial race is about who can win this war on drugs, lead Texas into the 90s and which Republican can win the general election," he said.

Frank Walter, a spokesman for Williams, said Williams was a prolific campaign contributor for Republicans and Democrats alike for years but that his allegiances lie strictly with the GOP.

Williams was also criticized Monday by Richard Harvey, a 1988 Republican nominee for the Texas Senate.

Harvey, of Tyler, said Williams gave \$1,000 to the Texas Senate Democratic Campaign Committee, which funneled money to his opponent, Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall, who won.

Peng honors 3 soldiers killed in massacre as martyrs

BEIJING (AP) — Premier Li Peng said Monday that none of the nations criticizing China's suppression of dissidents would have shown as much restraint, and he honored as martyrs three soldiers killed in the crackdown.

"For more than 50 days our government, army and party were restrained," Li told the families of the dead soldiers at Communist Party headquarters, apparently referring to the weeks preceding the June 3-4 crackdown.

"Some countries have attacked us, abused us and created rumors," he said. "Can their governments be so tolerant? You won't find one that is."

Since troops attacked central Beijing to crush seven weeks of protests, more than 1,000 people have been arrested and at least 11 have been sentenced to death.

Western intelligence sources and Chinese witnesses say up to 3,000 people were killed in the crackdown.

Morning News journalist expelled from China

DALLAS (AP) — The Chinese government ordered a free-lance journalist working for the *Dallas Morning News* out of the country by revoking his tourist visa Monday, a newspaper official said.

Joseph Kahn, 24, went to China on May 30 and has filed up to 15 stories for the *Morning News* since then, said Managing Editor Bill Evans.

"We, the *Dallas Morning News*, are extremely disappointed in the Chinese government's action in revoking Kahn's visa," Evans said. "He's done an outstanding and thoroughly professional job there."

Evans said he spoke Monday morning with Kahn, who had been notified of his expulsion. Kahn was given 72 hours to leave the country and was expected to de-

part by about 9 p.m. CDT Monday for Hong Kong, Evans said.

In revoking his visa, Evans said, the government cited Kahn for inciting unrest, spreading rumors and identifying himself as a British correspondent.

"This is simply not true," Evans said. "He has not agitated. He in no way incited anyone. And he didn't identify himself as a British journalist."

In recent weeks, Kahn's stories for the *Morning News* detailed the riots that led Chinese officials to declare martial law and clear Beijing's Tiananmen Square with troops who massacred hundreds, perhaps thousands, of protesters demanding democratic reforms.

ple's common concern and prompt the government to improve its work."

Wan, who has a reputation as a moderate, called the session before the June 3-4 crackdown. Some students had hoped it would approve some of the democratic reforms they were demanding.

But the congress's press office said the session was postponed because Beijing had not yet returned completely to normal. No new date was set.

The legislature may be waiting until the Communist Party holds an anticipated Central Committee meeting to formally oust party General Secretary Zhao Ziyang. Zhao reportedly already has been stripped of his power for opposing the crackdown.

He and party propaganda chief Hu Qili are the only top officials believed purged. Wan has supported the crackdown publicly.

Former prof indicted for failure to keep records on drug research

By Kelly S. Brown

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A former Texas A&M University professor has been indicted after failing to produce records documenting the usage of narcotics in his research measuring the biological effects of cocaine.

Michael Trulson, who was a professor at A&M from 1984 until Spring of 1988, was named by a Brazos County grand jury June 8 in an indictment charging failure to keep controlled-substance records.

Department of Public Safety Investigator Von Allen said an arrest

warrant has been issued for Trulson, who they believe to be working in the Dallas area.

Allen said narcotics officers in the DPS began the investigation in March of 1988 after being notified by university officials of a possible problem with Trulson's inventory records.

Trulson was doing research in the anatomy department working with cocaine, morphine, LSD and heroin, Allen said.

Dr. Jackson Wagner, head of the anatomy department in the College of Medicine, said he did not feel it was appropriate to comment on the case.

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Department of Public Safety Investigator

Allen said that by law, individuals who work with controlled substances are required to register with the U.S. Federal Drug Enforcement Agency, and maintain records of the dates the narcotics were ordered and received and how they were used.

The records are to be kept for two years, Allen said.

Trulson did not abide with the FDEA regulations on at least two counts, Allen said.

"First, we noticed his license had expired in November or December of 1987," Allen said. "And then Trulson couldn't show us any records after we confronted him on

two occasions in March of 1988."

Ed Walraven, with the University's news service, said part of Trulson's research involved studying the biological effects of cocaine use.

"His research basically centered around health-orientated areas," Walraven said. "The drugs were used on rats and mice."

Walraven said Trulson did most of the research by himself, with maybe one or two graduate students assisting.

Allen said failing to maintain controlled-substance records is a second degree felony, and that if Trulson is convicted, he faces a maximum of 20 years in prison.