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## Rudder Given Authority By Board To Scrutinize Coed Applications

### Heldenfels Denies Report Of Secret Board Pact

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Texas A&M Board Chairman H. C. Heldenfels said late Tuesday President Earl Rudder has been given temporary authority to admit women to the university who are ineligible under existing enrollment standards.

But Heldenfels emphatically denied a Dallas newspaper's claim that the Board of Directors secretly agreed to adopt a policy of complete coeducation last week.

"The Board instructed President Rudder to consider each female application personally," Heldenfels said, and to use his own discretion in determining if they should be admitted.

"If for any reason she cannot

get a degree at any other state school in the field she is pursuing, and if she has proper credentials, we feel she should be admitted," he continued.

The policy will remain in effect until the four-man committee selected to study the coeducation question at last week's Board sessions submits a recommendation in April.

Heldenfels explained the modified procedure for female applicants was approved to avoid potential lawsuits rising from charges of discrimination.

He also dismissed charges by Margaret Mayer, Austin correspondent for the Dallas Times Herald who charged Tuesday Board members had privately agreed to implement complete co-

education of the university and also agreed to deny the report if the action was leaked to the press.

"There was no secret meeting and if there was I was not present," he said.

L. F. Peterson of Fort Worth, a member of the committee, termed the accusations "straws in the wind."

"The report is absolutely not right," Peterson emphasized. "If there was a meeting I didn't go, but I'm sure there wasn't a meeting."

Sterling Evans of Houston, another committee member, refused to comment on the Mayer article. The committee chairman, Clyde Wells of Granbury, could not be reached for comment.

Miss Mayer said Tuesday she received her information from a reliable spokesman.

"I think I had a good source," she said.

Heldenfels said he does not wish to see A&M become fully coed and that most Board members share his views.

"I do not favor complete coeducation and the majority of the Board members do not favor complete coeducation," he pointed out. "But most are very much in favor of maintaining the present policy."

Current regulations permit undergraduate wives and daughters of faculty and staff members to enroll at A&M and all qualified female graduate students.

He noted that women not falling under these categories have nevertheless been admitted to the College of Veterinary Medicine and Department of Oceanography as curricula in those fields are not available at any other state school.

The coed question erupted in October when State Attorney General Waggoner Carr ruled current admission requirements were discriminatory in nature and would be difficult to defend in court.

Carr also declared the A&M Board of Directors had the authority to either return to the all-male status abandoned in 1963 or adopt a policy of complete coeducation.



**A&M CONSOLIDATED COEDS INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT**  
Debbie Cooper, 17, of 1101 Walton, and Alice Berry, 17, of 108 Redmond Drive, were injured in a two-car accident on campus at approximately 11 a. m. Tuesday. The two girls, both students of A&M Consolidated High School, were rid-

ing in the Volkswagen on the left. Miss Cooper received facial cuts, while Miss Berry was slightly injured. William J. Kildare, student at Texas A&M from Ogallala, Neb., was driving the 1957 Plymouth on the right.



**MARCH OF DIMES LEADERS**  
A&M President Earl Rudder listens to plans for the Texas March of Dimes from 1966 Poster Girl, Donna Dill. Blond and age four, Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Dill of Hillsboro. The maroon and white puppy she holds was a gift from A&M students. Rudder will be state chairman for the National Foundation's annual fund drive which begins Jan. 1.

### Filing Deadline Extended; 59 Fish Apply For Posts

By DANI PRESSWOOD  
Battalion Staff Writer

Fifty-nine students had filed for 14 freshman offices by late Tuesday, announced Election

Commission Chairman Harris Pappas.

Deadline for filing has been extended to 5 p.m. Thursday.

Students running for offices must have at least a 1.25 grade point ratio at mid-semester and/or 1.0 overall. A 1.5 GPR is required for freshmen seeking Student Senate positions.

Pappas said candidates will meet Friday in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center to be instructed of campaigning procedures used in the election.

The election will be held Dec. 9 and the run-off Dec. 16. All students wishing to file who have not done so are urged to report to the Student Programs Office of the MSC.

Candidates who have filed are: President — James B. Starling, Craig M. Smith, Joseph Sauter, James Mobley, Harley J. Harden, Robert E. Glazener, Russell L. Burgess, Douglas Corey, Raymond L. Armour Jr., John H. Focke III, Thomas K. Hamilton, Emil H. Koenig III, Kenneth L. Reicherzer and John C. Sutherland.

Vice president — Stephen A. Holditch, Harvey L. Cooper, Robert Johnson, George C. Magby, Paul M. Mebane, John Williams, Guillermo Chavez, Jerry Keys, Miles L. Sawyer, Terry M. Stock and Walter W. Williams.

Secretary-Treasurer — John L. Bearden, Kermit L. Stosberg, David E. Thompson, Mack Frazier, Michael E. Murphy, Douglas

M. Scott and Timothy G. Terrell.

Social Secretary — Charles Bradley, Richard K. Newman, Max M. Stratton II and Bill Walther.

Student Senate Representatives (four positions) — George A. Teer, Donald A. Swofford, Michael J. Keeton, Patrick F. Hill, John W. Fuller, Allen G. Elliff, Kenneth J. Edwards, Lorne A. Davis, John E. Clark, John B. Cheatham, George M. Antille, Arthur Lane, Larry B. McWhorter, Larry K. Adams, David M. Howard, William R. Howell Jr. and Larry C. Napper.

Election Commission (five positions) — Stephen A. Collins, Robert O. Segner Jr. and Harold D. Talley.

Pre-veterinary representative to Student Senate — James H. Willbanks, Allen M. Zschech and William W. Zemanek.

### Newman Club Sets Saturday Dance

The Texas A&M Newman Club will hold a Christmas Dance from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bryan.

A sweetheart will be chosen from candidates selected at various schools invited.

The Spades of Austin will provide the music.

Admission is \$1.25 for non-members, 75 cents for members and girls will be admitted free.

### Humanities Conference Scheduled

Eighty representatives from 18 Texas universities and colleges will participate in a "Computers and Research in the Humanities" conference Friday at the College Station Ramada Inn.

The one-day conference is sponsored by the Texas A&M College of Liberal Arts, Department of English and Data Processing Center.

Dr. Lee J. Martip, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, is conference chairman.

Speakers include Dr. Sally Y. Sedelow of the Department of English, St. Louis University; Dr. W. A. Sedelow of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, St. Louis University; Robert L. Smith, director of A&M's Data Processing Center; Philip C. Nettleton, programmer for the IBM Corporation, Beaumont; and Milton A. Huggett, Department of English, A&M; and Dr. Charles W. Hagelman Jr., and Dr. Robert J. Barnes, Department of English, Lamar State College, Beaumont.

Dean Frank W. R. Hubert of the College of Liberal Arts, A&M, will welcome delegates.

Others on the program will be Dr. A. D. Suttle, A&M vice president for research; Dr. John Q. Anderson, A&M Department of English head; Dr. Haskell Monroe, assistant dean of A&M's Graduate College; and L. C. Hubbard, branch manager of IBM Corporation, Dallas.

### Amara Elected Head Of Club

Ezzeddine Ben Amara of Tunisia is the new president of the International Club at Texas A&M.

Other new officers are vice president Abdul Azeez of Pakistan, secretary Orlando Sia Madrigal of the Philippines, and treasurer Adolfo El-Hage of Bolivia.

A vice president for publicity, corresponding secretary and social chairman will be chosen at a Dec. 10 club meeting.

A&M has 542 international students from 51 countries enrolled this semester.

### College Station UF Checks Delivered To Community

The first of 15 College Station United Chest checks have been delivered back to the community.

Dr. Chris Groneman, chairman of the early 100 per cent drive, delivered the check to J. Gordon



**FIRST FRUITS**  
One of 15 College Station United Fund checks, presented by Fund chairman Dr. Chris Groneman, goes to YMCA general secretary J. Gordon Gay. Gay said the \$750 would be used to construct recreational facilities in Hensel Park.

Gay. The general secretary of the YMCA at Texas A&M said the funds would be used to install recreation facilities at Hensel Park.

"Checks to the other 14 agencies are being forwarded this week," Groneman said.

Additional initial checks will go to the College Station Community House, Inc., recreation council, Boys' Club, committee on alcoholism, Brazos Valley Rehabilitation Center, hospital fund, youth counseling service, Salvation Army, boy and girl scouts, Texas Rehabilitation Center, American Red Cross, Texas United Fund and United Service organization, he said.

Funds will come from the \$20,000 budget over-subscribed by citizens of College Station. The surplus \$1,313.77 will be distributed in accordance with recommendations of the budget committee headed by Dr. Paul B. Crawford. Distribution will be made at a January meeting of the Board of Directors.

"It is a real pleasure serving as president of an organization in which so many people are willing to give of their talents to promote the campaign," Groneman said in presenting Gay the check.

"Credit should be given the many citizens participating in the drive with their donations so that we exceeded our budget within the 10 days allotted in October."

### A&M, UH, Rice Libraries Eye Coop Programs

The possibility of cooperative acquisitions by Texas A&M, the University of Houston and Rice libraries has been explored in a recent meeting here.

A&M and Houston librarians met to discuss automation of acquisitions at Houston and observe operation of A&M's automated charge system.

Visiting A&M are Dr. Edward G. Holley, library director at University of Houston; Hanna Hodina, data processing supervisor, and Bob Anderson of IBM. Rice was unable to attend the usual three-way conference.

Cooperative acquisitions by the three schools is in the exploratory phase, R. C. Woodward, acting librarian at A&M, emphasized.

"Discussion is only in the preliminary stage," Woodward said. He pointed out advantage of joint acquisitions would allow the individual library to get more volumes in a particular subject and geographic area.

"Cooperatively, we will be able to have a better collection among the three libraries, than any one library can attain," he added.

### Talent Show Set For Friday Night

The Aggie Talent Show will open at 8 p.m. in Guion Hall. Admission is 50 cents.

Acts for this year's show range from a magic act to a one-man band, comedy routines and selections of country and western music. Along with the acts presented by Aggies, the Talent Committee will present its special attraction the "ATS Mystery A Go-Go Girl."

The best three acts will receive cash prizes of \$25, \$15, and \$10 respectively and the first place winner will represent Texas A&M in the Intercollegiate Talent Show next spring.

### Ag Players Work On Yule Program

The Aggie Players of Texas A&M are working on their annual Christmas show, "The Other Wise Man."

C. K. Esten of the Department of English is directing the play which will be presented in five area churches, Allen Military Academy and Caldwell. Esten is director of the Aggie Players.

"The Other Wise Man" is the group's second major production of the school year. "Death of a Salesman" recently drew the second largest audience, 1,400, to see a Player production. "Macbeth" drew 1,500 in 1958.