

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"At first I thought it was a crap game, but they meet here every night to replay a tape of the T.U. game broadcast!"

Housing Squeeze Critical To B-CS

The most valuable commodity in Bryan-College Station isn't education, single young ladies, or even Old Crow. It's housing.

The predictions for increased undergraduate and graduate enrollment is rosey, but the predictions for the availability of new, or even old low-cost housing is bleak.

A&M President Earl Rudder cited the need for private enterprise to furnish additional housing in a speech last month.

Service officers living in the area while they attend A&M's graduate school have compared the Bryan-College Station housing problem to that of towns located near Air Force or Army installations.—insufficient and expensive.

The plush new apartments which have appeared in the area since last year have a monthly price tag expensive for staff employees and much too expensive for married students.

More low-cost student housing at College View or Hensel rates is needed for undergraduate and graduate students of the near future.

The biggest set-back to private investment in housing projects and personal home buying and building is a forecast for higher interest rates in this area and throughout the nation.

The rate on loans today is between 6.75 and 7.5 per cent, and interest on mortgages may climb to 8 per cent before next year. This stifles the much needed home building incentive, and puts a premium on every available home in the area.

Homes where some students would have never considered living and for good reason are now becoming more attractive, and more expensive.

Nothing could attract faculty and students more than the prospect of modern, adequate housing. A potential gold mine is waiting the builder who can finance more large housing projects.

The higher interest rates, the higher cost of land, high taxes and rising cost of education are all working against home builders and buyers. We look for news of increased construction plans, an ease on "tight" money, and community interest in this increasingly critical housing problem.

— Sound Off —

Editor, The Battalion:

Mr. Roger Baur is to be complimented on the idea of a blood drive to show support of our fighting men in Viet Nam. As a twice wounded veteran of Viet Nam, I can reemphasize the need for blood to replace that which a man wounded in combat loses.

I, personally, was not wounded seriously enough to need whole blood, but I had occasion while being Medivaced by helicopter to assist medics in giving blood plasma to one of my men who had a very bad throat wound in which the jugular vein and a minor neck artery were severed. Due to the fact that whole blood was available at An Khe, the man is still

alive today. I also knew of many other men who would not be alive today, but are alive and safe because of whole blood that was donated.

Other universities in this country protest and riot to draw attention to themselves. Let the Aggies stand tall and proud as they continue to support their country and all it stands for. The life that you save by donating blood might well be a fellow Aggie.

Texas A&M has a long and proud record of responding to our country's call in time of need. Keep up the Proud Tradition of A&M and donate blood to aid our fighting men in Viet Nam, of which there are 648 Aggies.

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Surgeon Will Try Again

Second Human Heart Transplant Fails

By JOHN BARBOUR AP Science Writer NEW YORK (AP) — Doctors transplanted a dead baby's heart

TU Joke Contest Interest Light

Entries in the contest being sponsored by The Battalion, J. E. Loupet, and Wayne Ringer to compile the best jokes and cartoon about tu and her inhabitants are coming slowly, but the ones that have been received will be hard to beat.

The best effort will be rewarded with \$25 first prize. Second and third place winners will receive \$15 and \$10, respectively.

Entries should be brought to The Battalion Office, located in the basement of the YMCA, and deposited in the container provided for this purpose.

Bulletin Board

THURSDAY The Eagle Pass Homestead Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the YMCA.

The Bell County Homestead Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 205 of the Academic Building.

The Mechanical Engineering Seminar Program will hear a discussion of the Kelly AFB Story in Room 303, Fermier Hall at 10 a.m. Speaker will be Curtis J. Grossenbacher, chief of the Overhead Engineering Branch at Kelly AFB.

The Brazoria County Homestead Club will meet in Room 108 of the Academic Building at 7:30 p.m.

The Rio Grande Valley Homestead Club will make plans for the Christmas Party at 7:30 p.m. in Room 207 of the YMCA Building.

The LaGrange Homestead Club will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 223, Dormitory 18.

The San Angelo-West Texas Homestead Club will meet in Room 108 of the Academic Building at 7:30 p.m. Christmas party tickets will be distributed.

TUESDAY The Entomology Wives Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the home of Mrs. J. S. Mogford, 520 Helena.

The Texas Student Education Association will have the club picture for the AggieLand made at 7:30 p.m. in Rooms 2C-D of the Memorial Student Center.

Unitarians Hear Philosophy Prof

Dr. Manuel Davenport, head of the Department of Philosophy at Texas A&M, will speak on "A Defense of Existentialism" at an 8 p.m. Sunday meeting of the Unitarian Fellowship at 305 Old Highway 6 South.

Dr. Davenport holds A.B. and M.A. degrees in philosophy and religion from Bethany Nazarine College and Colorado College and received his Ph.D. degree in Philosophy from the University of Illinois in 1957. The new Head of the Philosophy Dept. at Texas A&M arrived this September after spending the previous ten years teaching Philosophy at Colorado State University.

Dr. Davenport has achieved numerous honors and awards in his field, among them are included awards for faculty achievement and teaching as well as grants for Albert Sweitzer Research studies.

into the breast of a 2½-week-old boy Wednesday, but after 6½ hours, the heart failed.

Dr. Adrian Kantrowitz, the chief surgeon, his face grim, announced the failure. "We do not know at this time why this transplanted heart failed," he said.

IT WAS THE world's second reported human heart transplant, and the first reported in the United States. Only four days ago, South African surgeons transplanted the heart of a young woman, who had just died, into the chest of a 55-year-old grocer. He was doing well and reportedly might go home in three weeks.

But in Wednesday's operation at Brooklyn's Maimonides Hospital, the baby boy who received a tiny heart died at 1 p.m. Attempts to revive the child were unsuccessful.

Asked if he were planning to

try again, Dr. Kantrowitz said: "We certainly are."

BOTH INFANTS, he said, were in the operating room and doctors waited several hours for the donor baby to die. The donor baby died at 2:30 a.m., and doctors began procedures within minutes.

The 22-member surgical staff operated for 2¼ hours beginning at 4:15 a.m. But after the operation, they were guarded about the outlook, and would say only that pulse and blood pressure were relatively stable.

Dr. Kantrowitz, who pioneered operations in implanting "helper hearts" to assist a patient's ailing heart, told newsmen of the "enormous emotional drain" of the day. Members of his team, he said, were "disheartened and feel sad."

THE BABY THAT received the heart was born with a defective valve on the right side of his

own heart. Kantrowitz said the defect could not be operated on.

The defect, called a severe tricuspid atresia, impairs the heart's ability to pump dark, oxygen-poor blood through the lungs where it is freshened. When the baby was born, he was cyanotic, or blue, from lack of oxygen.

"We scoured the country for two weeks asking for children born with brain lesions incompatible with life—and anencephalic children where the brain is almost totally destroyed and where the child generally dies after two days following birth," Dr. Kantrowitz said. He said 500 hospitals were contacted by telegram in the search for a donor.

HE LEARNED OF such a child—another boy—born Monday in Philadelphia. The parents, whom Dr. Kantrowitz described as "intelligent and understanding," gave permission for the

operation, he said.

Taking the heart from the 1 day-old boy, the doctors performed the operation.

"What we want to do essentially is make one whole infant from two who cannot survive," Kantrowitz said.

Asked by newsmen how difficult it was to operate on infants, he said: "Certainly it is more difficult emotionally, and I think more difficult technically."

Kantrowitz said it was unfortunate that research experiments like this get into the press headlines. He had not, he said, intended to make any statement, and he added that he had fended off inquiries from reporters during public appearances Tuesday. But, he said, transplants are of great world-wide interest "and there's apparently no way of avoiding this unfortunate publicity."

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