



# The Battalion

**Weather**  
Wednesday — Cloudy, rain showers and thunder storms, winds Southerly 15-30 m.p.h. High 78, low 66.  
Thursday—Partly cloudy, winds West-erly 10-20 m.p.h. High 76, low 54.

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## Election Results Affirmed Despite Student Protests

### Candidate Lists Given Approval

By MIKE PLAKE  
Battalion Staff Writer

Fundamental changes and clarifications of election procedure for future student elections were approved last night in a special open meeting of the student election commissioners.

Current student dissatisfaction with last Thursday's class election proceedings proved to be an underlying cause for the special meeting.

ONE OF THE candidates who failed to finish in the run-offs, John R. Gingrich, (a candidate for Junior class President), lodged a formal request from the floor that the election results not be accepted by the commissioners.

Gingrich said a new election should be held because of improper procedures which took place in the Memorial Student Center while students were voting.

He cited an example of students passing lists of candidates among those in the waiting line. He said this was a case of formal campaigning within the MSC on

... The elections should be re-held."

THE PEOPLE turned away, Election Commission Chairman Anthony Benedetto said, either had beards or wore no socks.

"Later, however, after consulting with Dean Hannigan, it was decided that students be required to comply with current civilian clothing regulations, which are listed in the University Regulations," Benedetto said. "People who wore beards that were in anyway connected with their religion or culture, however, were permitted to vote."

Goldman's argument, that the election be invalidated because of the clothing regulation enforcement, was voted down.

The act of formal campaigning, formerly interpreted by members of the election commission, was also discussed. A majority decided that "There will be no formal campaigning on election day in the polling place or within 50 yards thereof. Formal campaigning by the candidate or mass distribution of literature by the candidate or his supporters will not be permitted."



RANGER AND FRIEND

During the past basketball season, Ranger III occasionally showed up in G. Rollie White Coliseum. Here, Campus Security Sgt. M. A. Maddox was called on to take charge of the bulldog after Ranger's antics delayed the A&M-SMU basketball game. (Photo by Mike Wright)

## Ranger III Dead

Ranger III, pet bulldog of President Earl Rudder's son Bob and unofficial Aggie mascot, drowned Saturday and was buried beside his predecessor Sunday.

The 22-month-old bulldog reportedly jumped out of a boat while on a family outing at Carter Lake, five miles south of College, where the Rudders are building a cabin.

Robert Gonzales, Corps public information officer, reported the events as Mrs. Rudder had recounted them to him.

"The first we heard of Ranger's death was 10 a. m. Sunday when someone called the guardroom and asked for a representative of the Corps to be present at the burial," Gonzales said.

By the time Gonzales and Hector Gutierrez, Corps Staff supply sergeant, reached the Rudder home, Ranger had been buried and President Rudder was taking Bob out for some hunting.

"Mrs. Rudder met us at the door," Gonzales said. "She said that Bob was about to go out on the lake in the rowboat Saturday afternoon when the president told him to take Ranger along."

She pointed out that Ranger had been out in the boat several times before and had always stayed in the boat.

"Ranger had been playing along the lake's edge all day, splashing up water and trying to catch it in his mouth," Gonzales recounted. "Apparently he tried the same thing in the boat."

"When Ranger fell out of the boat he shoved it away. Bob quickly turned the boat around and jumped in after him into the eight-foot-deep water."

"President Rudder also dived in, but the heavy bulldog, who can't breathe through his nose, came to the surface only once, then sank," Gonzales continued.

Ranger III now lies next to Ranger II, across a ravine from the front of the Rudder's campus home.

"We treated Bob to evening chow in Duncan," Gonzales said. "He was feeling pretty low and we tried to cheer him up."

"Bob says he wants to get another dog," he went on, and he would only want a bulldog."

Ranger II was officially presented to Bob in May, 1966, by that year's Aggie graduating class. Seven weeks old at the time, the registered English bulldog replaced Ranger II, which died Dec. 9, 1965, following surgery.

The original Ranger, named in honor of the Ranger battalion which Rudder commanded during World War II, died shortly before the family moved to College Station in 1968.

While Ranger II technically belonged to Rudder's son, the dog was adopted by numerous Aggie dormitory students.

He roamed the campus at will and was often absent from the president's home for extended periods. Among his favorite hangouts were Sbsa and Duncan Dining Halls, where he was assured of friendly pats and plenty of chow.

Ranger III was always more accessible to the stu-  
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RANGER'S GRAVE  
... beside his predecessor's



CORPS JUNTA

Leaders of the "bloodless coup" that overthrew Corps Staff Monday march to morning chow in front of their respective Wing and Brigade colors. From left, they are Bill Morgan, First Brigade commander; Carl Feducia, Second Brigade commander; John R. Baldrige, First Wing commander, and Rich Engel, Second Wing commander. Note "Cofederacy" flag at left. (Photo by Mike Wright)

### For MSC Committees

## Spring Personnel Drive Begins

By DAVE MAYES  
Battalion Staff Writer

Students wishing to join one of 11 Memorial Student Center MSC Directorate's Spring Personnel Drive, according to Joe M. (Mac) Spears, vice president-elect of operations.

"The drive, set for 7:30 p.m. tonight in the MSC Assembly Room, will give students a chance to talk with committee chairmen at individual committee booths," Spears said.

Throughout the evening, Benjamin Sims, president-elect of

the MSC Council and Directorate; Keller Webster, executive vice president-elect of operations, and Wayne Prescott, executive vice

president-elect of programs, will give short talks on the purpose of the MSC student programs, the organizational structure of the Directorate and the functions of various Directorate committees.

"WE HOPE to make this spring drive an annual affair," Spears continued.

"By having a personnel drive the second semester," he said, "we hope to recruit freshmen who have seen enough of the committees in action to have some idea of which committees they most want to join."

Spears said that sophomores and juniors will also be needed to staff many committees initiating next year's programs beginning the last week in April.

"We are especially concentrating on the civilian students this spring," Spears said.

"WE HAVE sent 2,000 letters through Mr. Edwin H. Cooper, director of civilian student activities, for distribution to the civilian dormitories."

Spears added that Cooper anticipated a large civilian turnout as a result of the Directorate's publicity efforts.

"We will be looking for about 30 freshmen and sophomores to help raise \$18,000 during the Easter and June fund drives," Harry Lesser, vice-chairman of the Student Conference on National Affairs (SCONA), commented.

"Great Issues will be doubling the number of programs it will present next year so we can use anyone who is really willing to work," David Maddox, chairman-elect, said.

Directorate committees participating in the Spring Personnel Drive are Great Issues, SCONA, Travel, Radio, Camera, Chess, Flying Kadets, Recreation, Bridge, Dance and Contemporary Arts.

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## Police Charge Third Student In Burglaries

Burglary charges were filed Friday by Texas A&M security officers against a third student after several thousand dollars worth of university property was stolen during the past five months.

Campus Security Chief Ed Powell said his office also filed felony theft charges against another youth believed responsible for taking a television set and radio from a dormitory room last week.

Charged with burglary was Franklin Rodney Kuppersmith, 19, sophomore psychology student from Mobile, Ala.

Theft charges were filed against John H. Holt Jr., 22, of Livingston, a junior majoring in industrial technology.

Both students are free on \$1,000 bond each, Powell said. Their cases were filed in the Brazos County Justice of the Peace Court of B. H. Dewey.

Powell said Kuppersmith is suspected of involvement in a portion of the burglaries for which Jerry F. Janecka and Erwin G. Kirkvold were charged last Friday. Janecka is a 19-year-old engineering student from Hillsboro. Kirkvold, also 19 and an engineering student, is from Sioux Falls, S. D.

Janecka and Kirkvold, both currently free on \$4,000 bond each, are suspected of burglarizing at least six campus facilities dating back to before Thanksgiving.

Powell said Kuppersmith has been formally charged with only one burglary, the Memorial Student Center Dec. 4.

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election day, which is prohibited by the current voting regulations.

HE ALSO said it gave those candidates whose names were on the lists an unfair advantage over other candidates who had no lists being passed.

Gingrich's motion failed to pass as the commissioners accepted the results of last week's election.

The issues which followed during the remainder of the meeting concerned changes in the present regulations and clarification of rules given in the regulations.

One item of argument was a written statement from Steven Goldman. He wrote that "approximately 54 students were turned away . . . after waiting an hour-and-a-half to vote. . . . I vigorously protest this action.

## Fourth Army Chief To Speak To Engineers Here Wednesday

Fourth U. S. Army Commander Lt. Gen. L. J. Lincoln will talk on the effect of advancing military technology on engineering development here Wednesday.

General Lincoln's Engineering Lecture presentation, "Engineering Frontiers—Military View Point," will be at 3:30 p.m. in the Architecture Auditorium, announced Dean Fred J. Benson.

The general, in his 35th year of Army service, has viewed highly complex engineering required by U. S. fighting forces.

The 1933 West Point graduate earned a civil engineering degree at Princeton, instructed at the academy and received an honorary science doctorate from Ferris State College.

Military service has taken him to Hawaii, Southeast Asia, Korea and the Mediterranean for prominent parts in engineering projects from Pacific atomic tests to major construction in nine countries extending from Morocco to the Khyber Pass and the Black Sea to Eritrea.

Lincoln, 57, was district engineer in Denver and Kansas City. During his three-year tour at the latter, Kansas and lower Missouri Rivers flooding required the district to play a key role in flood

fighting and extensive early emergency activity.

A general 12 years, he was commander of the Army Engineer Center and commandant of the Army Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Va., and had world-wide Army logistics, at Department of the Army headquarters at the Pentagon.

He was appointed commanding general of the 4th Army, Fort Sam Houston, last July.

General Lincoln wears the Distinguished Service Medal with cluster, Legion of Merit, Republic of China's Special Breast Order of Pao Ting and France's Legion of Honor.



GEN. LINCOLN

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AIR FORCE SWEETHEART

Diane Devore, a Lamar Tech junior majoring in elementary education, was named Air Force Sweetheart at the Air Force Ball here Saturday. She was escorted by Marshall T. Gaspard, a senior mechanical engineering major. In the background is a portion of the Ball's "Snoopy and the Red Baron" decoration theme. (Photo by Mike Wright)