



The Battalion

Weather
 Thursday & Friday—Cloudy to partly cloudy, winds, Southerly 10-20 m.p.h. High 87, low 72.
 Saturday — Kyle Field 2:00 p. m. partly cloudy, 84° winds, Southerly 10-15 m.p.h.



CRUNCH!
A Caterpillar operator adds another slab of sidewalk to the scrap heap as workers continue preparations for building a lounge between dormitories 6 and 8 in the Duncan Area. Students gathered at hall windows and between the dormitories as the tractor methodically ripped up the concrete Tuesday. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Nebraska Primary Gives RFK, Nixon Big Victories

By JACK BELL
 OMAHA, Neb. (AP)—Sen. Robert F. Kennedy rolled to a smashing victory in Nebraska's Democratic presidential primary Tuesday. But defeated Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy spurned the New Yorker's immediate proposal for an alliance against Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey.

Former Vice President Richard M. Nixon walked off with the honors in the Republican contest and California Gov. Ronald Reagan, an absentee from the campaign, surprisingly polled nearly a quarter of the GOP vote. Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller, Nixon's chief rival for the nomination, got meager write-in support.

KENNEDY, seeking a clear cut majority of his party's ballots, had it almost in his grasp as the tabulations mounted on a near-record turnout of voters in a state which gave his late brother, John F. Kennedy, his lowest percentage of support in 1960.

McCarthy, suffering a second

straight defeat at the hands of Kennedy, could poll only around 30 per cent of the vote. Humphrey ran around 10 per cent on a write-in and President Johnson, whose exit from competition came too late to remove his name from the ballot received about half of that. The count from 922 of the state's 2,133 precincts was:

Democratic—Kennedy 38,486, or 53 per cent of the vote counted; McCarthy 22,442, or 31 per cent; Humphrey 7,102 or 10 per cent; Johnson 4,089, or 6 per cent.

Republican—Nixon 56,575, or 69 per cent; Reagan 18,826 (or 23 per cent; Rockefeller 4,348, or 5 per cent.

WHILE Nixon seemed assured of almost all of the state's 16 Republican nominating convention votes, there was no clear trend in the Democratic balloting to fill out that party's 30 vote delegation.

Kennedy renewed in a victory statement his invitation for McCarthy to join him in working

together to change the course of the Democrat party. Both have been critical of Johnson's Vietnam war course and of many of his domestic policies.

Humphrey, who is seeking delegate support without entering the primaries, was the only visible target for such an alliance.

The New York senator pointed this up when he said that "I think Vice President Humphrey has his own position which is associated with what the Johnson administration has been doing over the period of the last several years."

BUT McCARTHY would have none of it. He said he is going it alone into what he regards as the vital primaries in Oregon and California.

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Civilian Dorm Reservations For Next Semester Due Friday

Friday is the deadline for current civilian students to reserve a room for the fall semester, Allan M. Madeley, housing manager, announced today.

All students who have not yet reserved rooms may do so on a first-come first-served basis through 5 p.m. Friday, Madeley said. Students who do not reserve rooms by that time will be in competition with fall students not currently enrolled.

The reason for the May 17 deadline, he said, is that reservations for the summer session will begin on Monday.

Madeley pointed out, however,

that students who for any reason fail to get their first choice of halls can get on a waiting list for another hall by filing a written request with the housing office during the last week of the semester.

Students who want to move to a corner room in a non-air-conditioned dormitory must obtain a room change slip signed by the housemaster of the dormitory concerned, Madeley said.

No additional fees will be charged to students who already have a \$20 deposit on file, he noted. Other students must pay a \$30 deposit to reserve a room.



SUN WORSHIPPER
At least one Duncan resident didn't spend Tuesday afternoon watching the destruction of the nearby sidewalk. This scene was repeated across the campus wherever a blanket could be spread out in the sun. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Election Thrown Out By Senate Committee

New Elections Planned For All Members

Results of Tuesday's Student Senate elections were thrown out this morning by the Senate Executive Committee.

David Maddox, Senate vice president, said that Election Commission Chairman Tony Benedetto gave the Executive Committee the authority to rule on the protests filed by Dick Westbrook, candidate for senior engineering representative, and at least three others.

A quorum of the Election Commission, which usually handles such protests, could not be raised, so Benedetto allowed the Executive Committee, which already had a scheduled meeting for 7 a. m. today, to consider the protest.

WESTBROOK cited what he claimed were five reasons to contest the election, which drew only 423 voters.

"There was no proof required of voters' class or college, which could be remedied if the lists of students were obtained from the Dean of Students," Westbrook claimed.

He also protested the early closing of the polls.

"Precedent set in two previous election had the polls close at 7:30 p.m.," he asserted, "and in any case, no precedent has been set for closing at 6:00 p.m."

WESTBROOK claimed that he knew of several persons who were going to vote for him after 6:00 p.m.

He cited a story in the May 1 Battalion that announced the times for the election as 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

"It is a known fact that large numbers of people vote after 6 p.m.," Westbrook maintained, "and if students have classes all day it was not possible for them to vote."

In the election contested by Westbrook, Don B. McCrory and Doyle Sanders each received eight votes, while Westbrook was named on six ballots.

MADDOX said that even though several other protest reasons were given by Westbrook and the other candidates who filed formal protests, these two were the only reasons considered valid by the Executive Committee.

According to Maddox, the Executive Committee had proof that some voters were guilty of crossing over. Benedetto was not available for comment this morning.

Maddox said the election had been rescheduled for Tuesday, May 21.

"ANY RUNOFFS will be Wednesday due to a lack of time," he added. Maddox explained that runoff would be conducted only in case of ties, since only a plurality is required to win.

The new Senate will convene for the first time next Thursday.

Representatives of the College of Veterinary Medicine will be determined in a special election to be arranged by that college.

Business Administration representatives will be elected in a special election next fall after the Business Administration department officially receives College status.

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Extension Service Announces Course On Water Waste

An advanced waste water treatment course for City of Bryan water works employees is set May 20-24 by Texas A&M's Engineering Extension Service.

Classes will be held in Bryan's City Hall, announced instructor James A. Wilson of A&M's Water Utilities Training Division.

Topics include waste water treatment processes, including screening and grit removal

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COLLEGE ELECTION VOTERS
Election Commissioner Gerald Geistweidt, (right) checks registration on three voters in Tuesday's Student Senate College representative elections. They are (from left) Ronnie Hussong, Patrick Rogers and Larry Hunter. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Medal Of Honor Awarded To Four Viet Veterans

By FRED S. HOFFMAN
 AP Military Writer
 WASHINGTON (AP)—A solemn President Johnson inducted

Spring Dance Set Saturday For Graduates

The 1968 Graduate Student Spring Dance is scheduled Friday from 8 p.m. to midnight in the Bryan Columbus ballroom, a Graduate Student Council representative announced this week.

Music for the dance will be provided by the Acme Band, a group composed of A&M students.

The band is described as a "swinging, up-to-date" group.

"Members of the council auditioned this band and found their music is the type which will appeal to the graduate level student," noted Wallace Migura, publicity spokesman for the Graduate Council.

Migura said the Columbus ballroom, at the corner of Palasota Drive and Groesbeck, was re-decorated and is larger than previous dance sites. Set-ups and ice will be free until 9 p.m., the Council said.

Tickets for the affair are \$2.50 per couple and may be purchased at the MSC Student Programs office or from any Graduate Student Council member.

"Expected attendance is 250 couples," Migura said, "but we urge all graduate students to attend."

Appropriate dress will be coat and tie, he added.

four Medal of Honor winners into the Pentagon's new "Hall of Heroes" Tuesday and voiced hope that the current Paris talks will lead to "peace with honor."

Johnson decorated a soldier, an airman, a sailor and a Marine with the Medal of Honor—all for extraordinary heroism at personal peril—as he helped dedicate the hall. There the names of 3,210 men who have achieved the nation's highest decoration are displayed.

Speaking to some 5,000 people thronging the Pentagon's inner court, Johnson said:

"AS WE meet here, other men—in Paris—are beginning the very hard negotiations that we hope will one day silence the guns in a free Vietnam.

"Diplomacy's painful work now is to forge, from the fires of hostility, the way in which men can live without conflict and in mutual accord.

In sequence, Johnson hung the Medal of Honor suspended from pale blue ribbons, around the necks of:

ARMY SPEC. 5 Charles Chris Hagemeister of Lincoln, Neb. Marine Sgt. Richard Allan Pittman of Stockton, Calif., who got into service after battling a draft board 4F rating for bad eyesight.

Navy boatswain's mate 1st Class James E. Williams of Darlington, S. C.

Air Force Capt. Gerald O. Young of Anacortes, Wash.

These decorations brought to 37 the number of Medals of Honor conferred on U. S. fighting men in the Vietnam war.

Among the thousands who watched from the grassy court were some 60 family members of

Sophomore Advisors Announced For '68-'69 Fish Drill Team

Four freshmen have been named sophomore advisors of the 1968-69 Fish Drill Team.

They include John T. Whipple of San Antonio, Robert M. Patten of Houston, John A. Hamilton of Galveston and Francis S. Conaty III of Annandale, Va.

The selections were announced by Malon Sutherland of the commandant's office, team sponsor.

Members of the 1968 national championship team, they were among the 20 FDT cadets who won every meet in which they marched.

The drill team won championships at West Texas State, A&M, Texas and Louisiana State in addition to the National Intercollegiate ROTC Drill competition at Washington, D. C.

"Selecting sophomore advisors is a difficult decision to make

the four new medal winners, other men who have won the Medal of Honor in past wars and senators and House members.

STANDING IN the background, yielding the spotlight to the young fighting men were the four-star members of Joint Chiefs of Staff and the highest civilian officials of the Defense Department.

After the courtyard ceremony, Johnson climbed a short flight of stairs into the Pentagon where he snipped a red, white and blue satin ribbon, officially dedicating the small chapel-like room where the names of men who have won the Medal of Honor over the past 106 years are arranged on silver plates against dark mahogany paneling.

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