



# The Battalion

## Weather

Friday & Saturday—Cloudy to partly cloudy, winds, Southerly 10-20 m.p.h. Chance for few rainshowers late Saturday. High 86, low 72.  
Kyle Field 2:00 p. m. Slightly cloudy. 84°. Winds, Southerly 10-20 m.p.h.

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## Summer Conferences Set For Incoming Freshmen

By JAN MOULDEN  
Summer conferences for beginning college freshmen will begin June 10, Auston Kerley, director of counseling and testing, has announced.

The conferences will be two-day affairs running each Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday through July 2 and again from July 22 through August 20. Wednesdays will be reserved for testing those students who want to gain college credits by examination.

The conferences are designed to bridge the gap between high

school and college by acquainting new students with programs and facilities at Texas A&M. Each conference is limited to 125 students to assure individual attention and counseling.

"WE WANT the new student to feel he is known and knows others when he returns in the fall," Kerley said. "The program has had great success in past years."

During the conference a student will take placement tests, plan courses, and receive a dormitory assignment.

Students who elect to join the

Cadet Corps will choose Army or Air Force ROTC and be assigned to an organization. They also will be measured for uniforms.

No fee payment will be required during the conferences, but students must pay a \$30 room deposit before taking part in a conference. An itemized statement will be mailed to the student at a later date.

FOLLOWING remittance of fee payment, the student will be mailed a receipt and his schedule of classes.

Air-conditioned dormitory rooms will be available for conference participants at \$3.50 a night. A cafeteria will also be open to serve students who want to eat on campus.

Parents of new students are also urged to attend these conferences.

"Last year we had more than 2,000 parents to attend conferences," Kerley noted. "We are very pleased to have parents visit the campus, with or without their college-bound children."

"AND ATTENDANCE is not limited to new students and parents," Kerley continued. "We would be most pleased to have current students attend any segment of a conference and meet the new enrollees."

Out-of-state students are not asked to attend a summer conference. Their orientation will begin a few days before the start of the fall semester.

"We will hold a special conference Sept. 9 and 10 for students who are from out of state or who were unable to attend one of the regularly-scheduled conferences," Kerley explained.

Recreation activities are also offered to conference participants. The university swimming pool and golf course will be open. There are also facilities for bowling, table tennis and movies.

## Deaths Reach Record In Highlands Battles



AN OUTING ON THE LAKE

President Johnson (wearing cap) at the wheel of an amphibious car drives up to the stern of the family cruiser during an outing at Lake Lyndon B. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson is in front with him. Grandson Patrick Lyndon is being held by a man in the big boat. All others are unidentified. (AP Wirephoto)

## Paris Talks Continue As Casualties Rise

SAIGON (AP)—North Vietnamese troops launched strong attacks today north of Saigon and in the Central Highlands as the U. S. Command announced that more American soldiers were killed in combat last week than in any week of the Vietnam war.

U. S. Command said 562 Americans were killed, 19 more than the previous record in the week of Feb. 11-17. The U. S. Command reported 5,552 enemy killed last week, no record, while South Vietnamese headquarters said 675 government troops were killed, their third highest weekly toll of the war.

A U. S. spokesman said much of the American death toll resulted from heavy action in the northernmost provinces, where U. S. Marines fought several battles last week around Dong Ha, 11 miles south of the demilitarized zone. The week also saw hard fighting in and around Saigon as American and South Vietnamese forces crushed the second enemy offensive within four months against the capital.

Allied forces reported nearly 400 more Viet Cong and North Vietnamese killed Wednesday in clashes from the canal-laced Mekong Delta to the demilitarized zone. And today there were reports of more fighting in the Central Highlands on three sides of Kontum, a key provincial capital, and near Khe Sanh, in the northwest corner of the country.

The Communist command appeared to be trying to keep up the military pressure to strengthen its bargaining position at the Paris peace talks. It sent troops storming at American and Australian positions and South Vietnamese outposts.

Near Khe Sanh, North Vietnamese troops fought U. S. Marines from bunkers for 7½ hours.

The heaviest fighting was around Kontum City where an allied force reported 147 North Vietnamese killed in five hours of action Wednesday during which not an allied soldier was killed.

That battle was seven miles northeast of Kontum City. Today, in the darkness before dawn, North Vietnamese troops about 20 miles west of the city opened up with mortars, rocket-propelled grenades, flamethrowers and small arms on a patrol base and an outpost of the U. S. 4th Infantry Division within 400 yards of each other.

The defenders of the outpost were forced back to the patrol base, which retaliated with mortars and artillery while Air Force twin-engine AC47s armed with rapid-firing guns sprayed thousands of rounds into the enemy positions under the light of flares.

## B-CS Teen-agers To Form Summer Performing Group

Teen-agers in Bryan-College Station have been invited to form a theater company, Premiere Players, for summer productions at Texas A&M.

C. K. Esten, director of the Aggie Players, said the company will be formed at 7:30 p.m. June 4 in the Fallout Theater Workshop of A&M's Guion Hall.

A professional director will head the company, Esten noted. Good theater practice of working, learning and having fun will be observed, he added.

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## Leadership Meet Invitations Sent

By DAVE MAYES  
A select group of 50 outstanding A&M students is being invited to the 16th annual Leadership Conference set for the first week in September near Palestine, according to Leadership Committee Chairman Paul Mebane.

"This year's conference at Lakeview Methodist Assembly has been completely revamped to provide A&M students leadership and group development training by concentrating on human relationships," Mebane said.

He explained that the conference will not be a leadership techniques workshop, as in years past, but rather an "experiment in human behavior and interpersonal relationships."

"THE THEORY behind the conference has been used extensively and with rewarding results by student unions in the Southwest, the Army and industry for leadership training," Mebane continued.

Dr. Earl Koile, professor of education psychology at the University of Texas at Austin, will act as consultant for the conference.

Mebane said Dr. Koile is recognized throughout the nation for

his teaching, research writing and consultation abilities in the fields of psychology and human relations.

Mebane added that only 50 students will be allowed to attend, due to the special nature of this year's conference.

"ALTHOUGH the list of names is not complete," he said, "plans call for inviting the top seven Corps commanders, the 12 Memorial Student Center Directorate committee chairmen, various civilian leaders and from 10 to 15 girls."

A fee of \$30 will be charged per delegate for the four-day workshop, but an organization sponsoring a delegate may pay all or part of the fee for the student, he said.

Mebane pointed out that the fee is only a portion of the total cost per delegate. Much of the financial burden will be borne by special fund drives by the Leadership Committee and MSC Council appropriations.

## Anti-Pollution Study Grant Given To A&M

By BOB PALMER  
The federal Water Pollution Control Administration has awarded a \$95,790 training grant to the Environmental Engineering Department here, Senator Ralph Yarborough's office announced Wednesday.

William B. Davis, Environmental Engineering head, explained that the grant will benefit graduate students from the Biology, Wildlife Science, Civil Engineering and Computer Science Departments.

"The money will be used for graduate student environmental research, with emphasis on petrochemical waste abatement as it applies to water pollution," Davis said.

Davis said the grant will provide money for basic research from which "we hope to get some of the answers for industry."

"We are looking for useable products that can be derived from waste, more efficient ways to treat waste and ways to remove oily substances from waste."

"One area we are looking into is the removal of oil from the water that ships dump into the harbor," Davis commented.

Davis explained that the research will deal with the instrumentation of waste abatement and the finding of mechanisms in the abatement process.

"A large portion of the funds will go to the general training of waste scientists," Davis commented.

Davis said about \$50,000 will go for stipends to the graduate students involved in the research. The rest would be used for increasing the staff, travel expenses, capital equipment and useable supplies.

## College View Changes Proposed

By TOM CURL  
The older campus dormitories were recently improved, but there is yet another area of campus housing that needs work: College View.

Don Burleson, a fourth-year architecture student from Pasadena, has made his spring semester project a study of College View and the possibility of renovating this section of married-students' housing.

"It's something I got interested in because I'm going to be living there for a couple of years and I don't like the way they (College View buildings) look," he remarked.

Burleson plans to be married in August.

THE COLLEGE View buildings originally were barracks at Foster Air Force Base in Victoria. They were moved to their present location after World War II and each of the 58 buildings was then divided into eight apartments. These 464 apartment units are usually rented at all times.

"The original structure is pretty good," Burleson said. "It's what was added that is in bad shape."

Burleson has encountered several problems in his work on the project.

When he started, Burleson found that A&M does not have any floor plans of the College View buildings.

"I tried to locate a set of plans and they (the university) just don't have one," he noted.

THE INTERIOR work done after the war was done by the federal government.

"I'm sure the government has a set of plans, but it might take two or three months to locate them," Burleson remarked.

The student has partially solved this problem by taking measurements himself. But there is still the problem of how the interior walls and floors are constructed.

However, the major problem facing Burleson is a plan that will allow renovation without a prohibitive rise in rent costs.

Units presently rent for \$40 per month unfurnished and \$48 per month furnished.

"I'D HAVE to plan something that won't put them out of the price range they're in now," he said.

Burleson suggested that perhaps any extra rent income be used as far as it could go. With eight apartments in each building, perhaps a portion of the \$320-\$384 monthly income could be used for renovation.

"The changes I have in mind would be relatively inexpensive," Burleson noted.

He said he would like to make improvements such as outside

stairways to reduce noise and increase the size of the units. He also suggested saving floor space with built-in furniture like in the new dormitories in the Sbsa area.

AS TO HOW to institute his plan after he finishes the project, he said he would like to renovate one apartment himself, at a minimum cost to the university and using his own labor. He would then present it to the administration for inspection and possible consideration.

Last semester, the class project of Burleson's fourth-year design course was to draw up a plan for a new Bryan high school. The Bryan school board and several

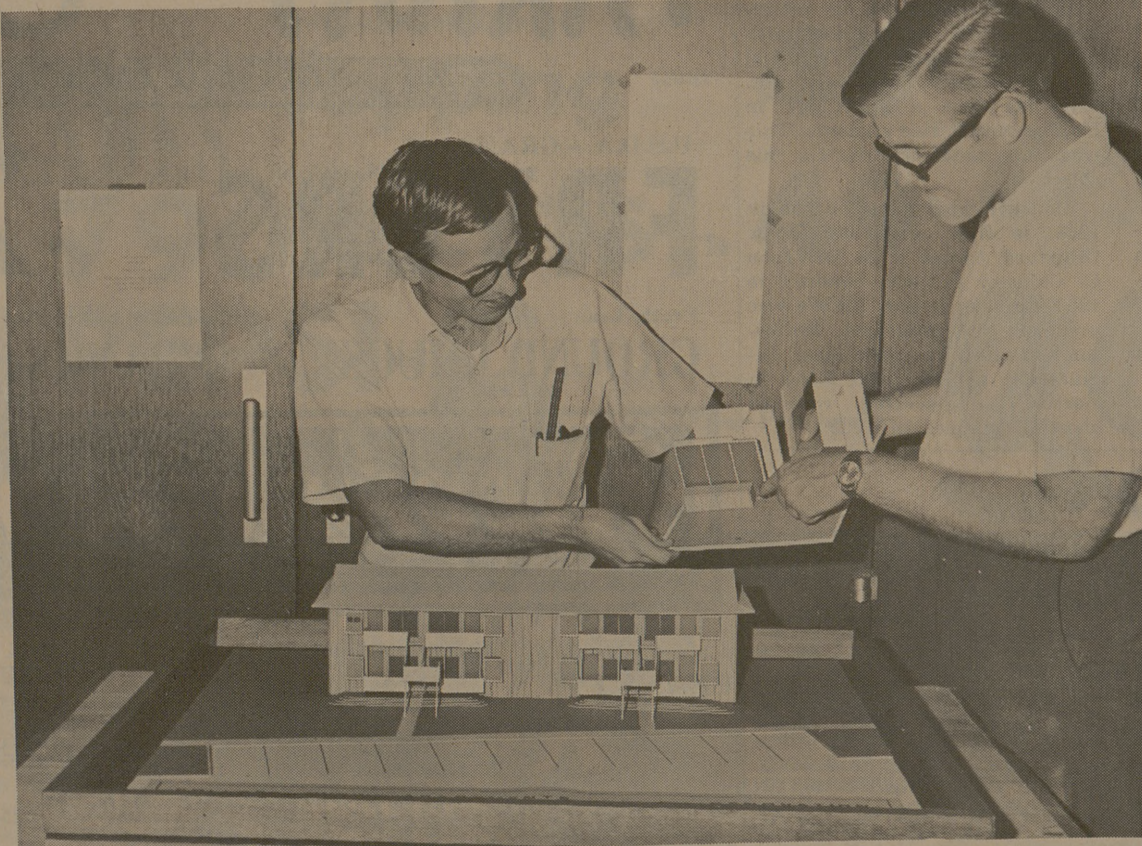
professional architects inspected the students' projects.

"College View is a real eyesore to A&M," Burleson said.

"LOTS OF people come down that highway on football weekends and the first thing they see is a group of old Army barracks."

Burleson emphasized that the project has no official sanction from the administration and is simply a class project. However, when the project is completed, he would like to present the plan to the administration or perhaps to the Married Students' Council.

"College View just needs some work to bring it up to the standards of the rest of the university," he concluded.



PROPOSED COLLEGE VIEW RENOVATION

Don Burleson, (right), explains a model of his renovation project for the College View apartments to another fourth-year architectural design major, Tom Wittenback. Burleson hopes to adapt one of the married students' apartments along these plans and thus start a project to renovate the entire complex. (Photo by Mike Wright)

## Two Degree Candidates Chosen Distinguished Grad Students

Gary Chester Smith and Glen Wayne Ivie, who will receive Ph.D. and master's degrees here May 25, have been selected for Distinguished Graduate Student Awards by the Association of Former Students.

The awards, based on scholastic and research achievements, will be presented Friday morning by Richard Weirus, the association's executive secretary.

Smith, 30, will receive his doctorate in animal science. He earned a B.S. degree from Fresno (California) State College in 1960 and M.S. from Washington State in 1962.

HE IS married, has four children and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Smith of Visalia, Calif.

Ivie, 23, will receive his master's in entomology. He earned

his undergraduate degree from Texas A&M in 1966 and plans to study for a Ph.D. at the University of California at Berkeley.

He is married and the son of W. D. Ivie, Route 1, Purdon.

Graduate Dean Wayne C. Hall noted that both men have already had several scientific articles published.

Dr. O. D. Butler, head of the Animal Science Department, praised Smith's research ability. "Results of his research," Butler predicted in a letter nominating Smith for the award, "will bring about a complete revision of the current U. S. Department of Agriculture lamb carcass quality grading system."

"THE POSSIBLE changes are likely to result in several million dollars annual increase in production marketing efficiencies for the producers and feeders of lamb in the Southwest," Butler continued.

The straight-A student also ranked high in his teaching duties as a graduate assistant.

Smith is a member of Sigma Xi, national honorary society for researchers; American Society of Animal Science; American Meat Science Association and the Institute of Food Technologists.

DR. PERRY L. Adkisson, Entomology Department head, cited Ivie's publication success in his nominating letter.

"He has shown extraordinary creativity and productivity for a graduate student at the master's level," Adkisson noted. "He has presented papers describing results of his research at national meetings of the Entomological Society of America and the Southwestern branch meetings of the society."

The department head said Ivie, a distinguished student as an undergraduate, has authored or co-authored five scholarly papers and is presently completing a sixth.

## '65 Grad Killed In DMZ Action

Army 1st Lt. John C. Dougherty of Houston, a 1965 Texas A&M graduate, died in action in Vietnam May 9.

A platoon leader of the 1st Cavalry Division, he was in Southeast Asia just over a month when killed near the Demilitarized Zone.

Dougherty studied marketing here and was operations officer of 5th Battalion Staff.

He is survived by his wife, the former Linda Albers of Houston; his father, a retired Army lieutenant colonel; two brothers and a sister of Terre Haute, Ind.

The lieutenant had planned a military career, following his father in service.

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