

Report Shows Housing Need For Marrieds

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A critical housing shortage for incoming married students was disclosed in a report by five students working with A&M's Department of Urban and Regional Planning.

The study, researched this summer, found "that there will be a need for more than 300 new additional living units in the fall of 1969 for married students who can afford an average maximum housing cost of \$125."

The report also noted that only 16 apartment units in this rent bracket were scheduled to

have been completed by September.

Students who researched the local housing situation were Jay D. Belford, Sandra Dudley, Florence Grace, Fredda King and Henry Williams. The project work was supervised by James R. Gardner, professor in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning.

Findings of the report were made public at the College Station Planning and Zoning Commission meeting last week.

Although 358 new off-campus apartment units were scheduled to have been completed by Sep-

tember, the report said, only 52 of these are considered "affordable."

"The effective new gain (52) in married student housing is reduced by the temporary loss of 36 units in College View," the report continued.

"College View is university housing now being provided. While these units will be replaced, they do represent a loss of available space as of September. This reduces the effective number of new units to 16."

The "affordable" figure, \$125, was taken from a housing study conducted for the university by a

firm from San Antonio. The study showed that the average income for an A&M married student was \$306.

"It was felt that an estimate of the average student's ability to pay for housing would be one-third of his income plus one-fourth of that amount added to it for payment for utilities," the report explained.

The 306 apartment units that rented for more than \$125 would probably be rented by single college students who can better afford the higher price, since they could share costs by living two or more to an apartment, the re-

port pointed out.

According to figures from Stewart F. Mathis, Housing Office employe, there would be an estimated increase of 320 married students this fall.

Where are these students finding housing?

"In an effort to solve the dilemma of finding an adequate, affordable housing space, some students rely on the mobile home," the report found.

The report said that of the 480 spaces available for mobile homes, 363 spaces had been filled before September. Of those living (See Housing, page 3)

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Student Senate Sets Policy On Tech Game Ticket Sales

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Considering the seating situations in three football stadiums, students senators Thursday set a ticket distribution policy for the Texas Tech game, agreed to send a critical letter to Louisiana State University and heard complaints of an "entirely erroneous" story in The Battalion about possible graduate student seating changes in Kyle Field.

The senate also approved minor revisions in both the student election regulations and the senate constitution and authorized the Student Life committee to appoint a panel to study the need for a legal rights commission.

Concerning student ticket distribution for the Oct. 11 Tech game in Lubbock, senators agreed to allow seniors and graduate

students to buy tickets first on a day to be set by the Athletic Business Office. On the day after, remaining tickets would be made available for sale to all students.

Head Yell Leader Sam Torn told the senate that there were only 100 stadium tickets to the Tech game available to students. These, he said, would be sold for \$3 each.

He added, however, that an unlimited number of \$1.25 tickets would be sold to students who wanted to watch the game from a hillside located near the end zone in the open end of the horse-shoe-shaped stadium.

Torn also told senators about some of the difficulties he had encountered while at the A&M-LSU game in Baton Rouge Sept. 20.

He said that before the game he had obtained permission from an official to allow the A&M seniors to form a "boot line" for the team at halftime.

"But when the seniors started coming out of the stands," Torn said, "this same man told the police to get the Aggies off the field."

The police brandished guns and billyclubs and a few of the A&M students were ejected from the game, the head yell leader explained.

"And the tickets we get without a doubt are for the worst seats anywhere," he said. "Every year, it seems the A&M students have to sit in the corner of the end zone."

The senators unanimously agreed to allow Torn and senate president Gerry Geistweidt to write a letter explaining A&M's view of the situation, and on the approval of the Senate Executive committee, to send it to the LSU president, athletic department and student body.

Three senators criticized the accuracy of a story published in The Battalion Thursday which reported that the Graduate Student Council was concerned about possible changes the senate might make that day in seating the graduate students at home football games.

The story quoted GSC President Tony Benedetto as saying that Head Yell Leader Sam Torn would introduce a motion to the senate calling for graduate students to pick up their football tickets with the freshman class, which, in effect, would move the graduate students from the upper level seats on the sidelines to those in the end zone.

Collier (Doc) Watson, chairman of the senate's Student Life committee, said The Battalion story was "entirely erroneous." He said that his committee was in charge of presenting proposals on football seating changes and that no plans had been made to propose anything at the senate meeting simply because his committee had not met yet.

Watson added that Torn had only mentioned to him that a certain group of students had approached him on the proposal of having the graduate students sit elsewhere.

"This was not Sam's idea," Watson said.

Torn added that Benedetto had told him that he had been misquoted in The Battalion four times.

"Tony's not at fault here," Torn said.

Bill Fried, GSC representative to the senate, told the senators that The Battalion "reported everything but the facts" concerning the council meeting.

"And besides," he said, "we had asked The Battalion reporter there not to report what we were doing, because we were having an informal meeting."

In an interview with The Battalion after the senate meeting, Benedetto said the "little inaccuracies" in the story were blown out of proportion at the session.

He pointed out, however, that he had only received his information from Torn concerning the possible proposal to change graduate student seating, and that Torn had not said he would introduce the measure to the senate.

Benedetto added that he had been under the impression that the Senate would consider possible seating changes Thursday.

Watson said that his committee would make a recommendation of some type concerning football seating arrangements at the next senate meeting set for Oct. 9.

Benedetto said the GSC would wait until Watson's committee recommendation was known before taking any action to oppose or support it.

In other senate business, senators approved a recommendation by Nokomis (Butch) Jackson, election commission president, to forbid campaign posters to be placed around Duncan Dining Hall.

Jackson said he did not think the posters would be appropriate

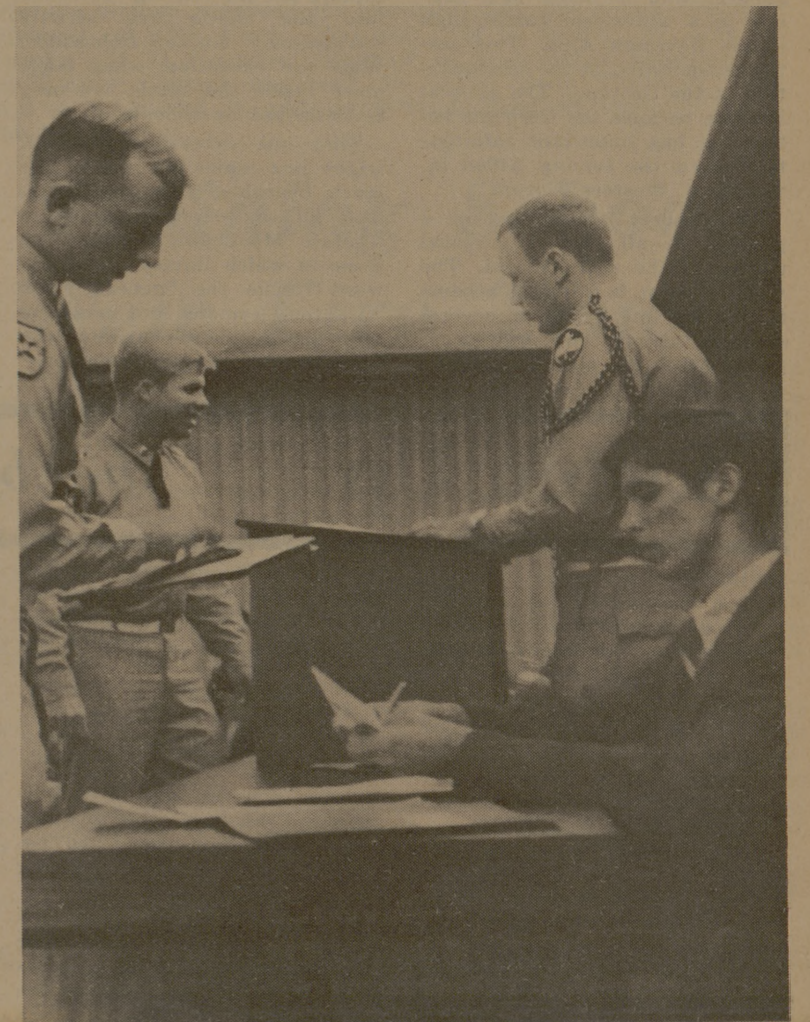
at the time of the dedication of the war memorial, soon to be completed between the wings of the dining hall.

The senate constitution was also amended to allow the "Second Vice President" of the Civilian Student Council to represent the civilian organization at senate meetings. The term had originally read "Vice President."

A similar amendment which would have allowed the Memorial Student Council to send a representative of its choice to the senate, instead of the "Vice President" as the constitution reads, was narrowly defeated.

After the senate unanimously put the committee to study the need for a legal rights commission under the supervision of the Student Life committee, Watson was requested by Geistweidt to present a report on the committee's findings at the next senate meeting.

Geistweidt added that he was not the "throbbing radical" that, in some people's eyes, he appeared to be when he proposed the legal rights commission last week, and that he was only interested in seeing that students obtain their rights guaranteed under the constitution. "We aren't out to help any violent groups," he said.



PRE-MEETING BUSINESS

A senator talks with Student Senate Recording Secretary Kirby Brown (right) concerning a vote proxy before the start of last night's Senate meeting. In the background, Mac Spears, (second from left) Memorial Student Center president, pauses briefly on his way to confer with Senate President Gerry Geistweidt. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Job Info Annual Available in 'Y'

The 1970 edition of the College Placement Annual is now available at the Student Placement Office in the YMCA, announced director Robert Reese.

The annual is compiled for student placement offices by the College Placement Council, Inc. A&M is a member of the organization.

The annual includes tips on interviewing, company information

and a brief description of each company's products or services.

Reese noted his office also has a list of more than 400 companies and the dates they will recruit on campus. Impending recruiting announcements will be published in The Battalion and on the student's major department bulletin board, he said.

Reese urged coeds and students scheduled to start military training after graduation to use the placement services.

Company interviews for January and May graduates start Oct. 1.

Reese reminded upcoming graduates to sign up as soon as possible. Interview reservations are now being accepted for the first two weeks of recruiting, he pointed out.

A&M's free placement service includes compiling a personal file with references and a copy of the student's academic record.

Tryouts Soon for Fish Yell Leaders

Fish yell leader tryouts will be held Monday and Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the Grove, Sam Torn, head yell leader, announced Thursday.

Torn urged all freshmen interested in being a yell leader to turn out for the tryouts.

Yell Practice May Be Stopped, CSC is Told

By Pat Little
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University officials are considering discontinuing yell practices if restrictions are not put on profanity being used at the sessions, according to Larry Schilhab, Civilian Student Council president.

Howard Perry, civilian student activities director, said this morning that, to his knowledge, no serious consideration was being given the idea. If current trends continued, however, they could lead to such thought and, possibly, action.

Schilhab made the statement during the first CSC meeting last night in the Memorial Student Center. He advised residence hall presidents to discourage students in their halls from using foul language at the events.

"There are women at these yell practices," he pointed out. "So far I haven't taken my wife to one because of the language used."

Schilhab went on to say he believed there should be a unified student body at yell practices, not civilian students and Corps students. "Gene Stallings (head football coach) wants this in our school, and we all want a united Twelfth Man," he said.

One effort was made yesterday to breach the wall between civilian and Corps students. Davis-Gary Hall co-sponsored a steak-fry with Squadron 6 at Hensel Park, according to Gordon Smyth, Davis-Gary president.

"I feel the ice has been broken and continued efforts will bring about a lasting Aggie unity," Smyth said. He added that he and Bill Hall, commanding officer

of Squadron 6, agreed that the outing was a significant first step in bringing the two A&M groups together.

"Hall presidents should not sit on both the CSC and the Residence Hall Committee," said Mark Olson, Moore Hall president. "The hall vice presidents should be the ones to sit on the committee."

Although most of the council agreed with Olson, Schilhab said a final decision will not be made until Wednesday when the executive committee meets.

The Residence Hall Committee will serve to coordinate activities between the civilians, make plans of varying nature, and to help find solutions to problems confronting the civilian students, he said.

Dave Mayfield, MSC Travel Committee member, was present to ask the council's help in promoting a proposed ski trip to Courchevel, France.

"The University of Houston and A&M are working together on the project and will have a 300-seat plane, of which we will use half," Mayfield said. "It will

cost the student \$298 for the round trip and we will stay eight days," he continued.

Schilhab praised the council members for the apparent improvement of freshman orientation this year. "This year's freshmen know more of what is going on, what they are doing and where they are going than those in previous years," he said.

A request by Deputy Corps Commander Buddy Mason for orientation of civilian students concerning the Corps of Cadets received no comment from council members.

One councilman complained that some students who were playing football near the flagpole in the Sbisa area recently and almost almost ran over the person lowering the flag and told him to move. Schilhab said that residence hall presidents should inform students in their halls that they should stop and "stand in some manner of attention" when the American flag is being raised or lowered.

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Pair of Senior Boots Get 'Light' Treatment by Wife

A pair of Aggie senior boots is slated to perform a task not usually asked of the leather footwear.

The boots are usually apt to turn up in such widely separated locations as Lincoln, Neb., and the United States Military Academy in New York gracing the legs of proud cadet first classmen.

The pair in question was sold to Lt. Col. Gerald J. Harber, a former Military Science Department staff member who received a master of computer science degree at A&M last year. They were sold to him by a friend of an A&M class of '69 member.

The colonel's wife plans to turn the boots into table lamps.



"BEAT THE HELL OUTA NEBRASKA!"

Students line the first row of the upper deck in Kyle Field and hump it during the yell practice held last night before the Aggie football team departed for Lincoln, Neb. A&M takes on the Cornhuskers at 1:30 Saturday afternoon, with

both teams looking for a win after defeats last week. Afterwards, the Civilian Student Council heard a report that yell practice may be discontinued. See related stories, pages 1 and 4. (Photo by Mike Wright)

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