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## Perimeter Parking Will Get Lighting

By Pam Troby  
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Lighting will soon be installed in perimeter parking lot number 49 in response to a Civilian Student Council resolution passed last fall.

The lot, which runs parallel to Farm to Market Road 2154, was the scene of several thefts last year.

The 1967-68 CSC studied the problem, but was unable to initiate any action, according to David Middlebrooke, last year's CSC secretary. When the theft situation became critical last fall, he

said, a council resolution urging installation of lighting was sent to A&M President Earl Rudder and received his approval.

A feasibility study by the Texas Transportation Institute and negotiations between A&M and College Station officials concerning cost-sharing delayed action on the lighting, Middlebrooke said.

The light system should be installed before Nov. 1, barring unforeseen weather problems, according to Charles Brunt, assistant manager of construction for A&M.

"Last year out of 81 cases of

breaking and entering automobile, 24 were in lot 49," said J. D. Gossett, Campus Security patrolman. "The problem should be cut down tremendously with the new lights."

Brunt said that 13 light standards with double lights will be installed in the parking lot and five more with single lights will be installed from the lot to Jersey Ave.

He explained that the double-light poles will light both the parking lot and the highway, while the single-light poles will light only the highway.

"The project is almost com-

plete," Brunt said. "The holes have been drilled, the concrete has been poured, the reinforced steel is in, and the anchor bolts are in place. The only things we lack are the poles and the transformer. Both are delayed delivery items and should be here by Oct. 15."

Brunt also said that the items would be installed upon arrival, and gave "a couple of weeks" as his estimate of when the project should be completed.

The light standards will be 40 feet tall and provide 400 watts of lighting power. Cost of the lights is \$26,000.

## From 81 to 700

### Number of Foreign Students Rising at A&M

By Raul A. Pineda  
Battalion Staff Writer

The foreign student population at A&M has increased more than eight times over the last 20 years, with the number of students growing from 81 in 1948 to more than 700 this semester.

"This is an all-time record for the number of foreign students attending the university," said Robert L. Melcher, foreign student adviser.

According to Melcher, this has been the result of a constant quality improvement in the university programs and the job done in different countries by technicians working under the international programs of A&M.

The new enrollment includes the registration of more than 150 new foreign students, which is also an all-time record, according to Melcher.

The largest group of foreign students ever registered at A&M comes from 65 countries geographically distributed all over the world.

Melcher, who has been foreign adviser during the last 12 years, talked enthusiastically about the outstanding position of A&M in the foreign world, and contrasted

the figures from the registration during the last two decades.

"During the fall of 1948 the number of foreign students at A&M was 81," he said. Last semester we had a total enrollment of 611 and now we have gone over the 700 mark."

The figures given by Melcher show that the increase in foreign students population at A&M has not been a type of blow-up situation, but the result of a constant improvement in the different curricula and a wide recognition throughout the world to the work done by this university.

According to Melcher, during the decade 1948-58 the foreign students' number more than doubled. In this period the enrollment rose from 81 to 175.

The following decade, 1958-68, brought an even greater when the enrollment rose from 175 to 611.

Talking about the outstanding position held by students from other countries, Melcher said that every semester the number of foreign students receiving degrees at commencement ceremonies is bigger.

"Last May we had 67 students receiving B.S. or graduate degrees," he said.

As an average, Melcher said, about 49 per cent of the foreign students are enrolled in agriculture; 49 per cent in engineering, and the other 20 per cent in architecture, business, veterinary medicine and other major fields of study.

According to the foreign advisor at A&M, there is an equal proportion between foreign students working in the undergraduate and graduate schools.

He remarked that the proportion was favorable to the graduate students during the fall semester 1963, when "the total enrollment was 356 foreign students,

194 being graduate students."

Melcher likes to talk about his work and the difficulties when the number of new applications is high.

"The total number of applications every semester is over 1,200, but we classify them and the number of approved ones is about 200."

"This is one of the most difficult types of work done by my office and it requires many hours of extra work," he said.

Col. Melcher has received awards from different countries

and a number of associations and clubs organized at A&M.

Among the awards presented to him are certificates, blankets, sculptures and other items from the student associations of Mexican, Pakistanian, Indian and Chinese.

During last semester, the leading country at A&M was the Dominican Republic with 79 students, followed by China, 56; India, Pakistan 50; and Mexico, 44.

The representation from the other 59 countries varies from one to 20 students.

## A&M Profs Invent to Serve Needs of Community: Briggs

By Frank Griffin  
Special to The Battalion

"More and more Texas A&M University professors are inventing things to serve the needs of the community rather than for the sake of inventing," E. Ridley Briggs, president of the B-CS Chamber of Commerce, told members of a community development seminar held in the Architecture Auditorium on the A&M campus Tuesday evening.

Briggs said an example of community-minded university professors is the professor who invented a new research cage, another who developed a new type of heel for shoes which helps children with foot problems, and the low cost housing units manufactured by Hanover Modular Homes.

"They invented because they saw a need," Briggs said.

"The key question is what can my relation to Texas A&M University be?" Briggs said.

"We are on the threshold of a great wave of new technology and you must seek new challenges to change the community environment to what you want it to be," David B. Smith, planning Dynam-

ics Inc. board chairman, and main speaker at the seminar, said.

Smith said faculty members must be encouraged to further cooperation between the universities, the community and industries.

"Faculty members should also be encouraged to cooperate with local government in solving civic problems," Smith said.

"It is becoming that industrial companies are taught all new management techniques. In the future, education could become a lifetime deal," Smith said.

"Do you encourage faculty members to serve on boards of directors?" Smith asked. "Do you encourage them to think about the world of industry and commerce?" Smith added.

"There is no way to have instant success between universities and industry," Smith said. "There needs to be developed an environment that will attract local inventors and industrialists to settle in the community," Smith concluded.

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SULLY GETS HIS FIRST FACE LIFTING

Gung-ho residents of Walton Hall were the first this fall to give the spit and polish treatment to the statue of Lawrence Sullivan Ross standing in front of the Academic Building. They also polished the base of the flag pole across from Sully and gave the once-over to the Liberty Bell replica in the Academic Building foyer. James P. Hannigan, dean of students, commended the residents for their "initiative in maintaining this campus tradition."

## Ex-A&M Employee Faces Charges of Fraud Today

By Tim Searson  
Battalion Staff Writer

A hearing is scheduled to begin in Houston today involving the sale to a Houston tool company of government surplus equipment given to Texas A&M and a former university employee.

Over 100 tools and machines given to the university by the federal government for educational purposes are reported to have been offered for sale by Anthony L. Kramer of Bryan. The FBI had charged Kramer, former special projects co-ordinator for the heavy equipment training school in the Texas Engineering Extension Service, with fraud in the case.

The suit, filed in Houston, names Industrial Machine Tools, Inc., as the other party in the sale. A restraining order has been sought to stop the sale of more equipment by A&M, along with the recovery of any money from previous sales.

Government officials allege that most of the machinery was never used for educational purposes as intended and that some of the equipment was sold without authorization.

When asked what kind of equipment was actually involved, H. D. Bearden, director of the Engineering Extension Service, said, "I know nothing more than

has already been released to the newspapers."

Jim Lindsey, director of university information, stated earlier in the week that the irregularity had been discovered and investigated by A&M officials who turned the matter over to the appropriate state agency.

Kramer, who had served the university for more than 20 years, was dismissed after the discrepancy was uncovered, and placed on a \$10,000 personal recognizance bond in Houston.

Lane Stephenson, associate director of university information, said that any further developments in the case would evolve from the hearing in Houston.

## The Life Style of a Mafioso—Part II Divorce a Danger to the Mafia

By Bernard Gavzer  
News Features Writer

The danger of divorce was clear to the Mafioso when Anna Genovese brought suit against Vito Genovese in 1952. She wanted \$350 a week support for her laughter and the two children she had with Vito. He could easily afford it, her suit said, since he brought home \$30,000 a week from the numbers racket. Until Anna spelled it out, no one close to the inside ever publicly said how much money anyone had.

The late Mike Coppola, better known as Trigger Mike, went into retirement in Miami Beach where it was generally thought he was a dedicated tender of orchids. He had running trouble with his wife, Ann, who unlike any other known wife, daughter or mistress of a Mafia man, kept a diary. This diary was discovered after her suicide in 1962, and one of its revelations dealt with the time Mike left a package at a restaurant and was anxious to recover it. When he did, he showed Ann its contents—\$219,000. From the lottery, he explained.

The head of a Mafia family treats it as though it is his natural family. His paternalistic role makes him responsible to

his family members and their children and relatives, in some cases. The De Cavalcante transcripts concern one situation in which Sam the Plumber as he was also known because of a legitimate business he operated became distressed because one Frank Ferrone told his wife he loved another woman. The wife was the daughter of an imprisoned DeCavalcante member. Sam automatically took it as his duty to oversee her welfare, even though she was married.

A man discussing this with Sam promised to see that Ferrone does not go bad. He adds that if Ferrone does not see the light, through normal persuasion, he will "break his leg or his head."

Despite a kind of puritanism, there apparently is no injunction against "playing around." But even here there is a style.

"It is according to position," says a Boston investigator. "The family boss could have some cheap little blonde but surpris-

ingly you'll find that they have mistresses for whom they express love. Maybe it's because almost all of the top people are in their 60s and 70s."

"The younger guys, the ones at the bottom, the ones called soldiers or button men," says the investigator, "can be seen with what they call broads. These women are flashily dressed, good looking and might otherwise be high-priced hookers."

One high ranking Mafioso who was usually described by his neighbors as a "nice" man, impressed one neighbor as "a devoted husband who came home late every afternoon to take care of his sick wife." Another said of his comings and goings: "You could set your clock by them." But then, they could not have known how much time he spent with his mistress, a woman in her late 40's. She lived elsewhere in the city, and also had a nice house on a lake shore, and a Cadillac, and other things.

The wives are not ignored by

any means. At certain functions, they are fixtures: wakes and funerals, weddings and even some baptisms.

Ann Coppola wrote in her diary that wives, mistresses and children are privately recipients of all the symbols of great wealth. Ann Coppola wrote in her diary that Mike had given her \$250,000 in jewelry, furs and fine clothes. But, she complained, it was not out of love but because he wanted to prove to his peers how successful he was.

Anna Genovese, in her divorce suit, praised her husband as a man who lavished things on her, denying her nothing. But he could also be violent, she said. Once, in a fit of temper, he set her hair on fire. Genovese lamented then: "What she step on my heart for?"

Apparently unforgiving, his will made public recently cut her off without a cent, provided \$5 for Anna's daughter, and left 90 per cent to his daughter and the remainder to his son. Genovese reportedly was worth \$30 million, but the dollar amount of the estate won't be made public until next May.

Sometimes the private munificence has an unintended humor. Last July, it is reported, a teenage daughter of a Mafioso went to a summer resort with three girl friends to spend the day. While everything had been paid for in advance, daddy had also slipped her some spending money. When she went to pay for some hamburgers, she found the

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ONE FOR WAITING

A Vietnamese child licks his first ice cream while his parents vote to elect hamlet officials in Thoi Thanh in the Mekong delta area of South Vietnam. The government's Revolutionary Development Team, which supervised the elections, brought in the ice cream for children of the voters. (AP Wirephoto)

### WEATHER

Thursday — Cloudy to partly cloudy. Wind Easterly 5 to 10 m.p.h. High 87, low 64.

Friday — Partly cloudy. Wind Southerly 10 to 15 m.p.h. High 84, low 67.

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