

# The Battalion

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## HEW Bill May Get Second Veto

# Nixon Offers \$449 Million; House Leaders Not Interested

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WASHINGTON (AP)—President Nixon has offered to sweeten the pot by \$449 million in his fight funds, but it apparently won't be enough.

Democratic leaders are willing to risk another veto, if necessary, in their effort to force a re-shuffling of national priorities that upgrades education.

"It may be necessary to pare it down," said House Majority Leader Carl Albert of Oklahoma, "but we're not going to capitulate on the education bill."

Nixon's new proposal, sent to Congress Tuesday, makes official a compromise he put forward last week to help get the necessary votes to sustain his veto of a \$19.7 billion education-health money bill.

The \$449 million Nixon is now willing to spend over his budget amounts to a 63 per cent cut in the \$1.2 billion Congress added to the vetoed bill. Some of the key Democrats who helped add the original funds, say they will fight any cut that amounts to more than 10 per cent.

The battle is now being fought in a House appropriations subcommittee where little progress was reported Tuesday after another session. Members said there was only an outside chance that a bill would be ready for House action before Congress takes a week-long recess starting Feb. 10.

In a letter outlining his new proposal, Nixon said the extra \$449 million "does not contribute unduly to inflationary pressures which today are of serious con-

cern to the entire nation." He vetoed the \$1.2 billion increase because of its impact on inflation.

Nearly half the added funds—\$238 million—would be for the impacted area aid program which Nixon has sharply criticized and for which he has declined to budget any money for next year unless it is drastically revised. His new proposal would increase the appropriation for this year to \$440 million.

The program, which provides funds for school districts in which large numbers of children of

federal employees are enrolled, has wide support in Congress. A total of \$600 million was provided for in the vetoed bill.

Nixon would also boost spending for vocational education by \$70 million to a new total of \$300 million, still \$52 million short of the amount in the bill. The other Nixon increases would be spread over a variety of health and education programs.

Whatever compromise the Appropriations Committee arrives at it is unlikely to satisfy the liberal Democrats who led the fight

for the \$1.2 billion last year. Most of the increase was put in on the floor over the opposition of the committee.

Majority Leader Albert, who commented on the controversy in an interview, said he didn't think Nixon would veto another bill, but the Democrats would not be deterred by such a threat in any event.

"After all," he said, "the majority of the members voted to override the veto and we still are in control. If you come to an impasse who's going to give?"

## Suffering from Cerebral Hemorrhage Rudder: Condition Serious

HOUSTON—Texas A&M President Earl Rudder is suffering from a cerebral hemorrhage and is in serious condition, a Methodist Hospital spokesman said late this morning.

Hospital administrator Ted Bowen said the 59-year old general is in the hospital's special neuro intensive care unit where he is undergoing treatment by a special team of neuro specialists.

Rudder, who became ill Thursday, was taken from a Bryan hospital to Houston's St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital Friday.

He was believed suffering from a heart ailment but was transferred Monday to Methodist Hospital when it was learned of the brain condition.

A spokesman at A&M said Rudder suffered no heart damage.

Methodist Hospital said it would issue news bulletins should his condition change.

Rudder led a contingent of U. S. Rangers who scaled a high cliff in the face of withering enemy gunfire during the D-Day landings on the coast of France. He was promoted to brigadier general in the U. S. Army Reserve in 1955 and was at one time commander of the 90th Infantry Division of the Reserve.

Rudder was named vice president of A&M in 1958 and promoted to president of the university a year later.

In 1965 he was named president of the entire Texas A&M System, which includes Texas A&M University, Tarleton State College, Prairie View A&M College, the Texas Forestry Service, the Texas Maritime Academy at Galveston, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the Texas Engineering Extension Service, and the Texas Engineering Experiment Station.

## Moon Origin Lecture Monday

Dr. Gordon J. F. MacDonald, vice chancellor for research and graduate affairs at the University of California, Santa Barbara, will lecture on "The Origin of the Moon" Monday at A&M.

## Culpepper Denies Fight Charges

By Richard Campbell  
Aggie assistant basketball coach Jim Culpepper has formally denied all charges that he and Texas Tech head basketball coach Bob Bass exchanged punches during halftime at A&M's 84-66 loss last night in Lubbock.

Culpepper denied wire reports that he and Bass threw punches at each other after a Tech player reportedly tossed the basketball at A&M's Pat Kavanagh at the buzzer to end the half.

"I really do not know what happened concerning the ball throwing incident," Culpepper said. "At all our games away from home, I always go to the scorer's table at halftime to pick up the visitor's scorebook. That was where I was, waiting for the

The 8 p.m. presentation in the Chemistry Building is open to the general public, announced Dr. A. D. Suttle Jr., A&M vice president for research.

Prior to accepting the University of California position in 1968, Dr. MacDonald was executive vice president of the Institute for Defense Analyses.

He is a member of the National Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. MacDonald also is a mem-

ber of numerous top governmental and related groups, including the National Science Foundation's Advisory Panel for Weather Modification and NASA's Lunar and Planetary Missions Board, Science and Technology Advisory Committee for Manned Space Flight and Science Advisory Committee.

MacDonald, who holds three degrees from Harvard, taught at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of

California at Los Angeles. At UCLA he was director of the Atmospheric Research Laboratory, associate director of the Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics and chairman of the Department of Planetary and Space Science.

Suttle said MacDonald's A&M visit was arranged by Dr. W. T. Doherty, president of the Robert A. Welch Foundation, and Dr. W. O. Milligan, the institution's director of research.

## Elections on Senate Agenda

A special meeting of the Student Senate will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday to consider consolidation of the spring elections, according to Kent Caperton, senate vice president.

The regular Senate meeting was cancelled earlier, he said, but circumstances necessitated the Thursday session.

The University Executive Committee had previously ruled that

there be a 10-day waiting period between the close of filing and election day, Caperton explained.

"This meant that the three elections scheduled for the spring semester would drag on for more than three months," he said. "Filing for the first would begin Feb. 27, and the last election would be held on May 14."

In a Monday meeting, the Elections Commission recommended that the Senate approve a plan

consolidating all elections into one, Caperton said.

He noted that the Executive Committee will be unable to act on the proposal in time unless the Senate passes a resolution this week.

The elections which would be affected are for class offices, Senate and Civilian Student Council offices, and Senate representatives.



... Mountains covered with snow ...



... Skiing lessons from a friendly instructor ...



... A spill in the snow ...

(Photos by Payne-Harrison)

## Batt's Ski Buff Reports In Courchevel: Once Attained, A Treat

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Getting there is half the fun? That had been so, the Ski the Alps '70 trip to Courchevel, France would've been in for a long time.

It all started Friday evening, Jan. 23. Our charter flight was to leave Houston Intercontinental Airport at 9 p.m. Everyone had just finished exams and was stamping at the bit to get on the silver bird and wing away to the skiing.

However, due to circumstances beyond our control, our flight was held up and we had a little wait. Like about seven hours.

What does one do in the Hous-

University National Bank  
On the side of Texas A&M."

ton airport for seven hours? If you would like to know the number of tiles in the ceiling of the Attache Lounge, I can tell you.

Finally we got off the ground at 4 a.m. and shortly thereafter our stewardess, who bore a remarkable resemblance to Fuzzy Thurston, announced, "Due to the length of our flight from Houston to Geneva, Switzerland, we will be refueling in Bangor, Maine."

"What the h— is a banger-mane?" I heard someone say.

"Bangor, Maine, dummy," came a reply, "it's a place."

And indeed it was. While the aircraft was being refueled we spent a lovely 45 minutes in the Bangor airport terminal which was done in a corrugated aluminum decor group.

—Adv. Something like eight hours

later we landed in Geneva. Since we landed in the evening it was too late to make the three hour bus trip to Courchevel so we spent the night at the Intercontinental Hotel in Geneva. It was a very pleasant experience after having been brought up on Howard Johnson's most of my life.

The next day we had an early breakfast and piled into the buses for our trip to Courchevel. For most of us, it was our first trip to Europe and we were anxious to get our first glimpse of France. We were greeted with some of the most beautiful country any of us had ever seen.

The rolling hills of the French countryside look like manicured putting greens. No roadside junkyards, no outdoor advertising, just mile after mile of portrait-like fields.

We arrived at our hotel, the

Croix du Verdones, and kissed the ground after nearly having cardiac arrest from our first experience with European drivers.

Our bus driver kept playing Parnelli Jones on the hairpin turns and kept passing Opel GT's and mini-coopers right and left.

We moved into our rooms, our small rooms, and then had lunch. After living on rather bland A&M food for several years, French cooking was quite a change!

The food was good, and it was spicy, and I think we all ate too much.

Courchevel is divided into four villages — 1350 (meters), 1550, 1650, 1850. We were at 1650, where the more intermediate slopes were. Courchevel 1850 is where the runs get a little hairy. The more daring ones in our group skied there while the peons

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... And a welcome rest after a brisk skiing session.