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Warm,
cloudy,
humid

Continued golf weather.
Thursday — Partly cloudy, afternoon rain and thundershowers. Easterly winds 5-10 mph. High 87 degrees, low 71 degrees.

Day student applications due for summer

Students desiring day student permits for the summer sessions may now apply for them, Associate Dean of Students Don R. Stafford announced Tuesday.

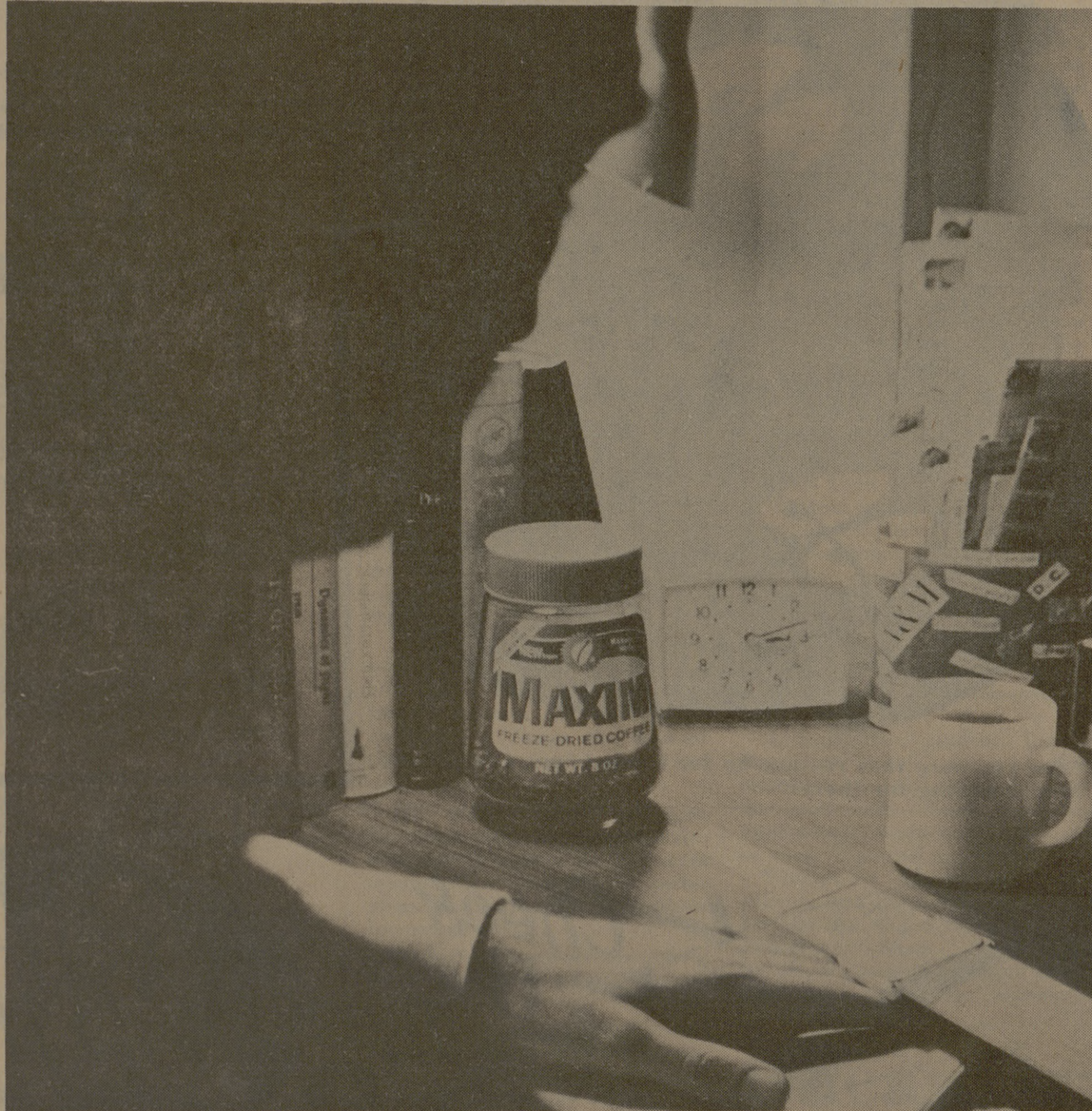
Stafford said civilian students now living in residence halls who want to be day students for the summer should initiate their application with their residence hall adviser.

Cadets living on campus who desire day student status this summer should apply at the Housing Office, Stafford said. All students now living off campus must also renew their permits, Stafford emphasized. They should do so as soon as possible, he said, by stopping by the Housing Office.

He noted that male, single undergraduate students must live on campus unless living with their families. Exceptions will not be made, he said, except in very unusual circumstances.

He urged students who are eligible for a day student permit, including those living in university apartments, to obtain permits early and save time when registering for summer school.

After May 29, he said, permits must be obtained during summer school registration in Sbis Dining Hall.



IT'S THAT TIME—A&M students (some, anyway) find late hours becoming common as they prepare for the semester final examinations coming up next week. For many, it will be do or die. (Photo by Monty Stanley)

Checkout, summer sign-up procedures told by Madeley

End-of-semester civilian room clearance procedures and those necessary to reserve a room for the first summer session have been announced by Housing Manager Allan M. Madeley.

Madeley noted that all students clearing their rooms, no matter what the reason, must be out of the rooms by 4 p.m. May 29. At that time, he said, all halls not being used for summer school will be locked.

To clear, he explained, a student should obtain a room clearance card from his resident adviser. Students living in Davis-Gary, Legett, Walton, Law, Puryear, Hughes and Moore Halls must turn completed cards and room keys over to their resident adviser, Madeley said.

Students in other civilian halls, he added, must turn the card and key into the Housing Office.

Failure to clear properly and on time, he warned, will cost the student \$5.

Room keys for summer rooms will be issued at the Housing Office beginning May 28, the manager said. A student will not be issued a key to a new room until he has been properly cleared from his old one, he said.

He said that Leonard (7), Harrell (8), Whiteley (9), White (10), and Walton (ramps I, J and K) Halls will be used for summer school.

Schumacher will also be used he said, but only for veterinary medicine, graduate and international students.

Madeley said that students already living in one of the halls to be used this summer who wish to continue living in their room for summer school should have reserved their room between

Monday and today. Those not living in one of the halls should make reservations Thursday or Friday, he said.

He noted that since room reservations for the summer session are beginning after the deadline for reservation cancellation, a student should not reserve a room if there is a possibility he will not attend the first summer session.

Cancellation of a room reservation, he reminded for any reason other than the convenience of the university will result in the student forfeiting his room deposit.

Male undergraduates must live on campus unless living with their families, he said, adding that few exceptions will be made.

He urged students who are eligible for day student permits and who desire them to make appli-

cation as soon as possible. Permits are available at the Housing Office until May 29, he said. After that, they must be obtained during the registration process at Sbis Dining Hall.

Last Batt this week

This issue of The Battalion is the last one for this week, as we (finally!) go on an abbreviated schedule as finals week approaches.

There will be one Batt next Wednesday, and every Wednesday from then through the summer.

There will be no more women's pages until next fall. Good luck to those finals.

Student unrest may have hurt voting age bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—The recent outbreaks of campus violence may have endangered one of the students' prized goals—lowering the voting age to 18.

With a House vote on the 18-year-old vote due next month, sponsors are worried a backlash effect may be building as anti-war sentiment continues to disrupt the colleges.

There is also concern the strongly anti-Nixon stance of the protesting students will make it harder to pick up the 40 or so Republican votes needed to pass the measure.

"I'd have to say its going to be tougher now," said Rep. Tom

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Railsback, R-Ill., who is leading the effort to build House Republican support for the bill.

Rep. Abner J. Mikva, D-Ill., a Democrat working actively for the measure, shares Railsback's concern. "Before all this," Mikva said, "studies showed that the students weren't in anybody's bag. In states where there is a lower voting age, they haven't changed the voting patterns much. But now Mr. Nixon has good reason to believe they are against him."

President Nixon already has come out against the Senate-passed bill, which calls for lowering the voting age by federal statute. Nixon has said it should be done by constitutional amendment.

House GOP Leader Gerald R. Ford is supporting the President's position, which makes Railsback's job even tougher. Mikva said the 40 necessary Republican votes were in hand a few days ago, but there is some

doubt about the GOP support now.

The backlash effect of student demonstrations and riots can be seen in letters coming into the House Judiciary Committee.

A man in Hackensack, N. J., said no country where students have political power is in very good shape, and a man in St. Louis wrote, "The past week has shown to the nation the irresponsibility and the lack of making qualified judgments by the students of this country."

On the other side, the mass of students crowding the Capitol corridors the past several days, lobbying for various antiwar amendments, have made a good impression on Congress.

Many have had their hair cut. They are neatly dressed, courteous and orderly, and show a keen

awareness of what is going on.

"They have behaved in an exemplary fashion," said Rep. Emanuel Celler, D-N.Y., who, as chairman of the Judiciary Committee, will handle the age-vote bill on the floor.

"They have shown their interest in politics and their belief in the democratic process by coming here," Celler said. "It would be a devastating blow if they were rejected now."

The students' interest in political activity should cause concern among members who are thinking about denying them the vote, said Rep. Andrew Jacobs Jr., D-Ind., who strongly supports the lowered voting age.

"There are a lot of them," said Jacobs, "and they'll work for your opponent for nothing. Why agitate the tiger?"

Large graduation crowd expected

An overflow crowd is anticipated for commencement exercises at 9 a.m. Saturday in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Dr. C. W. Landiss, Convocations Committee chairman, has issued a reminder that admission to the coliseum will be by ticket only.

Closed-circuit television will be transmitted to the Memorial Student Center Ballroom to accommodate guests unable to gain admission to the coliseum. Tickets will not be required for admission to the ballroom, Dr. Landiss said.

A record 1,535 students applied for spring graduation.

Commencement speaker will be Durward B. Varner, chancellor of the University of Nebraska and 1940 Texas A&M graduate.

Gen. William C. Westmoreland, Army chief of staff, will be featured speaker for commissioning ceremonies at 1:30 p.m. in the coliseum.

Tentatively, 229 students will receive commissions, with 156 awarded by the Army, 65 Air Force, seven Marine Corps and one Navy.

Westmoreland also will be the reviewing officer for the Corps of Cadets' Final Review at 3:30 p.m. on the main drill field.

Graduation ceremonies will include presentation of five Distinguished Alumni Awards.

One of the awards will be given posthumously to the late Gen. Earl Rudder, president of Texas A&M the past decade. The widow of the 1932 graduate will accept the plaque.

Other recipients of the award are James H. Galloway Jr. of Houston, Marion J. Neeley of Fort Worth, Dr. Sam Houston Sanders Jr. of Memphis, Tenn., and William C. Tinus of Maplewood, N. J.

The awards are jointly presented by the university and its Association of Former Students.

Nixon's challenge

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

To the 1970 Graduating Class
Texas A&M University

You graduate at a time when established institutions and ideas are being questioned as they have never been questioned before in our history. Much of this questioning is being done by the members of your generation, and it is your generation which ultimately will have to provide most of the answers to those questions.

I hope that as you look for those answers, you will remember the obligation of every educated man and woman to draw careful distinctions between those ideas which must be readjusted and those which should be preserved. The fact that many accepted ways of thinking seem artificial and unjust does not warrant the rejection of all established standards. Nor should our proper respect for the past and our legitimate desire for stability lead us to defend thoughtlessly that which is outmoded and obsolete.

Your challenge will be that of reconciling continuity and change, of giving new applications and fresh expressions to our traditional values—especially our concern for the dignity and integrity of every individual. By meeting that challenge you can make this time of rapid change a time of substantial growth and fulfillment—for yourselves, for your community and for your nation.

As I extend to you my personal congratulations and best wishes, I look to the future with greater confidence because I know of the exceptional qualifications you bring to the exceptional demands of our time.

Richard Nixon

Construction will tie up traffic soon

If A&M faculty and students think they have a hard time driving around the campus now, they have only to wait two weeks when traffic in some areas of the campus will be at a standstill.

Construction projects in progress and scheduled for starts within the next three weeks will "create some on-campus traffic problems," observed A&M land-

scape architect Robert Rucker.

He noted, however, that concrete work on the Academic Building - Library - Agriculture Building mall should be completed by the first week in June.

Landscaping of the mall should be completed no later than the start of fall classes Aug. 31, Rucker said.

"The first thing Monday morning the general contractor began taking the track and soil out of Kyle Field for the AstroTurf surface," Rucker said.

He expects the grounds preparation to take about 70 days and the artificial playing surface will be completed by the Sept. 12 grid opener with Wichita State.

Drainage work on the west side of the stadium was started earlier this month.

One of the biggest projects is the extension of the A&M power plant and chilled water lines, Rucker disclosed.

June 1 the utility lines will be brought down Ross Street, the street that runs from the Ex-

change Store to the Architecture Building.

Collection lines for the new sewage treatment plant under construction also will be laid starting June 1.

"All of these projects are very essential to the development of the university," Rucker stressed.

"We will have some scars, but they will heal quickly," he said.

Rucker added that some of the projects will result in traffic inconvenience during the first part of the fall semester.

They're everywhere

Police capture Houston pair with helicopter aid

HOUSTON, Texas. (AP)—Two Houston men were in jail Tuesday, after they discovered they couldn't get away from the cop in the sky.

C. M. Anderson, one of eight policemen now in training here as part of a new helicopter patrol, was on a training flight when he heard a radio pickup order for two men in an old blue car.

They had just left a liquor store where they had allegedly cashed two checks.

In less than three minutes, Anderson zoomed over the scene and spotted the car. An officer on the ground, J. S. Coley, also spotted the duo and the two wanted men

leaped from their car and took off running in different directions.

Coley, alone in his car, chased one man while Anderson hovered over the scene and called for more troops.

Patrolman M. C. Fisher was in the next car to arrive.

"Drive east up the alley," Anderson told him by radio. "Stop your car. There he is, coming up on your left wearing a green shirt."

The panting man, David Fountain, 22, rounded the corner to be greeted by the waiting officer.

The helicopter cop had not forgotten the second man. When a third patrol car arrived

Anderson directed officer C. G. Wright to an apartment stairway where Vincent O. Robinson was standing.

The two men were later charged with burglary, felony theft and passing forged checks. Police claimed the checks cashed in the liquor store were stolen from a former employer of one of the arrested men.

Anderson said he was delighted with his eye in the sky role in catching the two men.

"It was all too beautiful... like a military man directing things on a sand table," he said. "It's amazing how easy it is."