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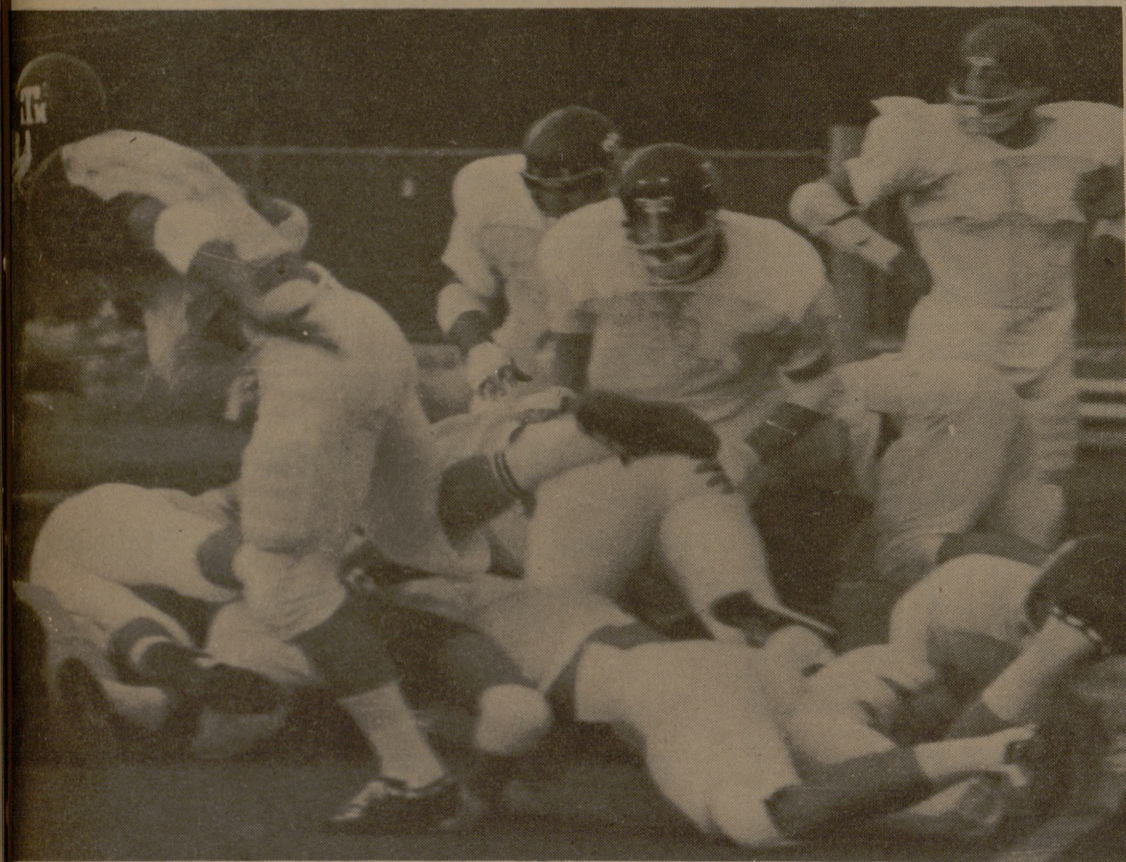
Friday, September 4 1970

Saturday—Partly cloudy, some rain. Winds southerly 8-10 m.p.h. High 95, low 73.

Sunday — Partly cloudy with some rain. Southerly winds 8-10 m.p.h. High in the middle 90s, low in the low 70s.

**Warm,
cloudy,
rain**

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HIGH-SPEED CONFUSION is what appears to be taking place during a workout as the Aggie football team prepares for a rugged season that begins with the Wichita State game Sept. 12 at 7:30 p. m. on Kyle Field. (Photo by Steve Bryant)

Coed dorm, pass-fail favored by students

Non-compulsory board and laundry, an on-campus dorm for women and a pass-fail grading system for some courses were preferred by a majority of students polled last spring by the Student Senate.

The questionnaires containing 20 questions in three categories were offered to students as they registered for fall classes. They were filled out by 3,312 students.

A majority of the students replying did not prefer the legalization of marijuana or U. S. troop pullout in Vietnam.

Slightly over 50 per cent of those answering said they thought students through the Student Senate should have a voice in the selection of a new A&M president.

A report of the results by Senators Bill Hartsfield and John C. Key stated:

"We believe that the results of the opinion poll could conceivably change if a greater number of students had participated in the poll, especially with respect to those questions in which the difference between "yes" and "no" responses is relatively small. Nevertheless, the results of the canvassing may be construed as a fairly accurate indicator of student opinion regarding those issues with which the students are most concerned and reasonably well informed."

Hartsfield and Key also mentioned that a number of the questions had been criticized as misleading, poorly worded or unanswerable by a simple "yes" or "no."

The results, question by question:

As a student at Texas A&M University do you prefer—

1. Off campus University-governed housing for women? Yes, 53%; no, 47.9%.

2. A girls' dorm on campus? Yes, 82%; no, 18%.

3. A co-ed dorm similar to the new one at T.U.? Yes, 65%, no, 35%.

4. Non-compulsory board (at higher cost for those who eat on campus)? Yes, 61%; no, 39%.

5. Non-compulsory laundry? Yes, 75%; no, 25%.

6. A coop-non-profit book store (realizing that there would be no Exchange Store profits available for club aid)? Yes, 67%; no, 33%.

7. A 'fish' parking lot off-campus across the track? Yes, 63%; no, 37%.

8. Lockers on campus for day students? Yes, 73%; no, 27%.

9. A pass-fail grading system for some courses? Yes, 80%; no, 20%.

10. A University Women's representative as an ex-officio member of the Senate? Yes, 75%; no, 25%.

11. Would you be willing to pay more for room and replace such dorms as Hotard and Leggett with newer ones? Yes, 45%; no, 55%.

12. Do you prefer the legalization or use of marijuana? Yes, 29%; no, 71%.

13. Do you prefer U.S. troop

pullout in Viet Nam? Yes, 44%; no, 56%.

14. Do you feel the students through the Student Senate should have a voice in the selection of a new A&M President? Yes, 56%; no, 44%.

15. Do you feel that the Texas A&M Young Democrats should have taken the liberty to censure Texas A&M? Yes, 31%; no, 69%.

16. The "Aggieland" now costs \$6.00 by being compulsory. If non-compulsory, and less people ordered it, the cost might be as high as \$12.00 and perhaps if circulation drop might cause it to be discontinued. Under these circumstances, would you like to make the purchase of the Aggie-land non-compulsory? Yes, 24%; no, 77%.

17. Do you think the Black students should have a new and separate organization on campus? Yes, 40%; no, 60%.

As it was brought to the attention of the Student Senate at

a recent meeting that the building of the annual Bonfire is a contributing factor to the destruction of the ecological balance of this area and that the tremendous amount of work and planning which goes into bonfire could possibly better be channelled into some more constructive effort which would more adequately represent the true Aggie Spirit, we solicit your opinion on the following:

18. Do you favor continuing the Bonfire as it is presently constructed? Yes, 61%; no, 39%.

19. Would you favor reduction in the size and scope of the Bonfire? Yes, 31%; no, 69%.

20. Would you favor the redirection of the Bonfire effort into a more constructive area, i.e., slum clearance, clean-up projects, etc.? Yes, 45%; no, 55%.

The questionnaire was prepared by Grievance Committee Chairmen Marcus Hill and Jimmy Weaver.

Graduate council president now staff, may lose position

By PAM TROBOY
Battalion Staff Writer

The Graduate Student Council (GSC) tabled a motion Thursday which may remove President Mickey Land from the GSC because of a change in his scholastic status.

Land and Herb Gersbach (BA) told the council that they are now classified as staff member of the university rather than graduate students.

GSC by-laws state that a council member must be a graduate student carrying no less than eight hours. Gersbach is registered for six hours and Land is taking 12 hours.

Legislator plans to propose \$1,150 out-of-state tuition hike

AUSTIN (AP)—Rep. Harold Davis of Austin said Thursday he would introduce a bill in next year's legislature that would raise non-resident tuition at state colleges from \$250 to \$1,400 a year.

Davis told the West Austin Rotary Club the increase would "help pick up the tab for the campus riots in which so many of them out-of-state students participate."

This would add \$30 million a year in revenue, Davis said, but he also stated he did not know

The council voted to let Gersbach remain a member until the end of the scholastic year. Unless his status reverts back to graduate student, he will not be eligible for reelection.

The council named Land as acting president until the next meeting Sept. 17 when a vote of the full council will be taken.

In other action, Wayne Brungard, chairman of the communications committee, said that the new handbooks should be available in "two or three weeks."

The pamphlet will cover information of interest to graduate students that is not found in any other university publication, he

said. The Former Students Assn. will print the handbooks and Dean of Students James P. Hannigan has approved \$100 from the Parents Fund to meet costs, Brungard said.

He also said that an orientation session for all new graduate students will be sponsored by the council Sept. 15 at 4 p.m. in Biological Sciences 113.

New professors join department

The addition of two new faculty members to the Department of Mechanical Engineering has been announced by Dr. C. M. Simmang, head.

The new assistant professors are Dr. William A. Munter and Dr. C. E. Nuckolls. Both have research assignments with the Texas Engineering Experiment Station also, Simmang said.

Munter, whose fields are fluid mechanics, thermodynamics, and heat transfer, received his Ph.D. from the University of Oklahoma in 1969. He taught at that school and worked for Dresser Engineering and Noble Drilling Company previously.

Nuckolls also taught at Oklahoma and received his Ph.D. there in 1970. He has industrial experience with Sandia Corporation. Fields of interest are mechanics and design.

Sewers installed 2 streets affected

Campus streets, which have been scarred for so long by the installation of new sewerage lines, are well on their way to recovery, according to Harold Carter, A&M construction manager. Only one street is currently closed.

The two streets most affected are Ross and Spence, where new cooling water lines are being installed. A portion of Ross is currently closed. Construction is now in progress along the area adjacent to the west side of Spence.

The lines, the cause of all the confusion, are part of a new waste treatment system for the campus. The system will also include a new treatment plant, to be located near Easterwood Airport. Current estimates set the completion date for sometime next spring.

The cooling water lines, which are being installed in Ross and along Spence streets, will provide cooling water for the air-conditioning of new dorms.

Price goes on, remains unseen

By DAVID MIDDLEBROOKE
Battalion Editor

Students buying books at the Exchange Store have noticed something different—prices are not visible on most of the books.

By holding the book under an ultraviolet light, however, checkout clerks can readily see how much to charge the student.

The reason: the price is stamped on a book with a special ink visible only under the UV light. The system is a new one, still in the process of being fully employed, DeHart Howard, book manager, told The Battalion.

DeHart said the method was being used to cut losses. Many books are sent back to the publisher, he said, either because the title was over-ordered or was dropped from the required book list.

Under the old pricing system, DeHart said, where gummed tags with the price on them were attached to the book, the tags had to be removed before the books could be returned.

"We lose money coming and going," he said. "If there is the least little mark on the book, the publisher won't take it back. We could sell the books to whole-

salers, but we make next to no profit."

With the "invisible" price on the book, publishers have no reservations about taking the books back, DeHart said, and time and labor are saved because nothing has to be removed from the books—they're just packed and shipped.

DeHart noted prices are marked on some of the cards attached to the bookshelves, giving the course number the book is for, the title and the author. He admitted this is not the case for all books yet, but said the problem will be corrected within another month, when the back-to-school rush subsides.

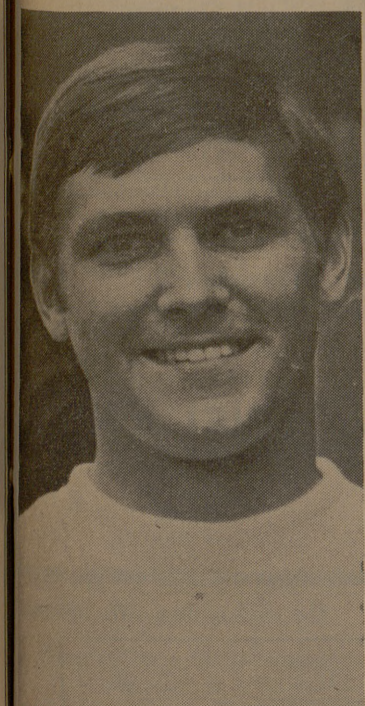
He also said UV lights will be placed in the aisles soon, so even if the price is not marked on a book's card the shopper can put the book under a light and read the price.

The book manager also pointed out the store has been rearranged, giving more space to book stocks. This was done last spring, by Exchange Store employees, after hours and during weekends.

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

Has the Battalion fairly represented the civilians?



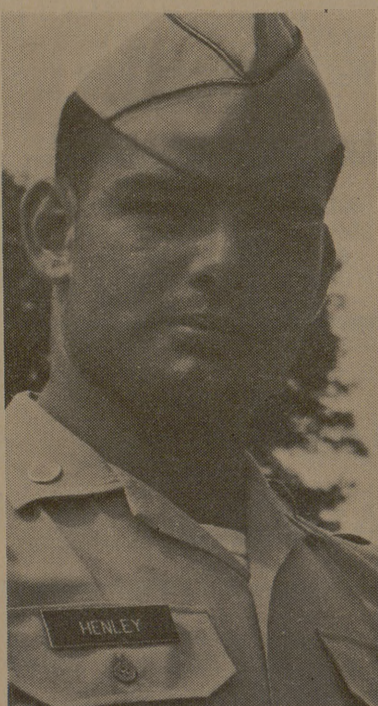
Mike Dingus senior

"I've seen very little coverage on civilians in the past and expect the same in the future."



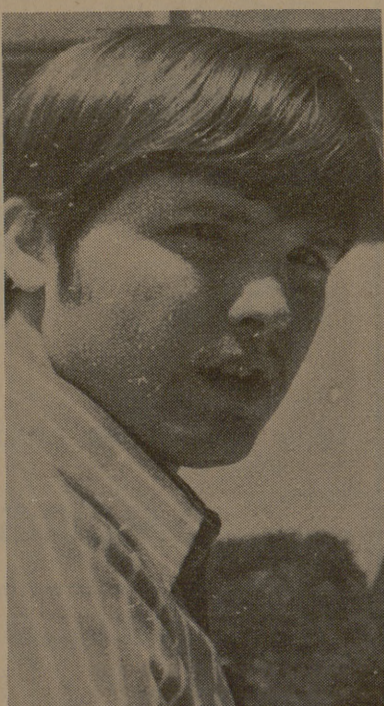
Dave Mayfield graduate

"I think it is the purpose of any school newspaper to cover all aspects of student life fairly and equally. Unfortunately, The Battalion has sometimes believed in the 'separate but not always equal' theory of reporting."



Gary Henley senior

"It was slanted, if at all, toward corps activities; however, civilian activities are not overly numerous or exciting as of yet."



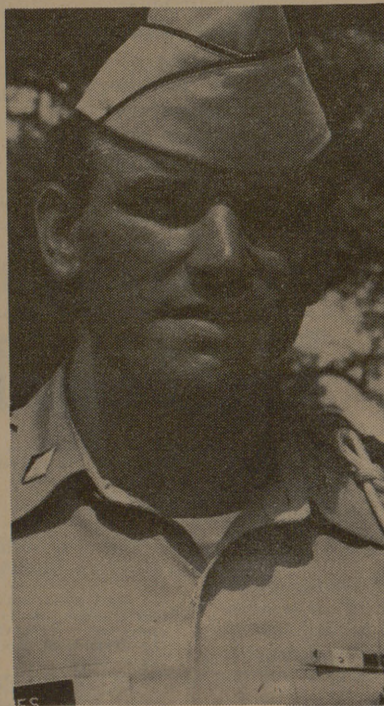
Emmet H. White fifth-year

"I think the coverage has been very superficial and lacking in depth in all areas. Last year was a marked improvement over the past four years."



Mary Dillingham junior

"It has been lousy. The only coverage is usually derogatory, especially about women."



Steve Hughes senior

"I think coverage favors civilians to a certain degree because of certain corps activities that almost require coverage; i.e., civilian activities are created. This creates the impression that coverage for civilians is personal."



Chip Brees junior

"Coverage of civilians has been less than adequate. The batt is not representative of the student body as a whole; it is slanted toward administration."