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Warm with
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rains

SATURDAY—Cloudy to partly cloudy. Wind South 10 to 12 m.p.h. High 84, low 68.
SUNDAY—Partly cloudy. Wind South 15 to 18 m.p.h. High 88 low 68.
Saturday Afternoon—Ann Arbor, Michigan. Cloudy, winds West 15 to 20 m.p.h. light rain temperature 55°

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Senate OKs limited pass-fail program

By DAVID MIDDLEBROOKE
Battalion Editor

Student senators Thursday night approved a resolution urging the College of Liberal Arts to establish a limited pass-fail program open to all students taking courses within the college.

Senators also heard a report on the final preparations for the first soapbox forum, scheduled for Oct. 13.

The pass-fail resolution, which received only one "no" vote, set forth recommended guidelines which include:

—Only juniors and seniors with an overall grade point ratio of 2.4 or higher be allowed to take courses on a pass-fail basis, and that no more than six hours credit may be taken on that basis.

—Hours for which a student is given a pass (60 or better) grade will not be counted in computation of a semester or overall gpr, but hours for which a fail (below 60) grade is given will count in computation of a gpr as 0.0 grade points per semester hour.

—Transfer students must have earned at least 30 hours at A&M to be allowed to take courses on a pass-fail basis.

—In the event a student decides to major in a subject in which he has taken a course on

pass-fail basis, the college concerned will decide whether the course can be counted as part of the student's major requirements.

—A student must have the written approval of his academic adviser or department head to take a course on pass-fail basis.

—Professors will not know which students are taking a course on pass-fail basis.

—Colleges may refuse to accept students on pass-fail basis for courses requiring a prior in-depth knowledge of the subject.

—The registrar will retain a record of grades assigned to students on pass-fail, but only for the undergraduate colleges' evaluation of the system. The grades may not be used to evaluate the performance of individuals and will not appear on any transcript.

The last provision is in the resolution because, since a professor would not know who is and who is not on the pass-fail system, all students would be given numerical grades. Those on pass-fail would have their grade translated into a pass or fail.

Prior to voting on the measure, senators were allowed to question Liberal Arts Dean W. David Maxwell concerning the system. Maxwell told senators that if they

passed the resolution he would take it to the Liberal Arts council for action by the faculty.

Tommy Mayes (jr-LA) told senators the first soapbox forum is scheduled for Oct. 13 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the east end of the drill field across from the Memorial Student Center.

David Moore, junior management major from Dallas and corps administrative sergeant, is moderator of the forum, and Sam Drugan (jr-Sc) and Mayes are assistant moderators.

The forum, cosponsored by the Senate and the MSC Great Issues Committee, is designed to let anyone affiliated with the university stand up and give his views in an organized fashion.

Senators were reminded that the Texas Tech weekend (Oct. 10) has been designated All-University Weekend. Theme of the activity is student body unity and support of the football team.

The weekend begins Thursday night with All-University Night in G. Rollie White Coliseum. Acting president A. R. Luedecke, Student Body President Kent Caperton, head yell leader, Keith Chapman and head coach Gene Stallings will speak.

Friday night is set aside for residence hall and outfit functions. Joint hall-outfit functions are encouraged. Town Hall, a dance in the Grove and midnight yell practice fill out the night.

Saturday, the only organized activity is the Tech game at 7:30 p.m. in Kyle Field. At the game, the 1970-71 Aggie Sweetheart will be presented to the student body.

Tommy Henderson (sr-LA) presented a resolution calling for the formation of a Life Commit-

tee subcommittee to deal with the problem of bad relations between the student body and University Police.

The resolution says that "in recent studies of disturbances on campuses throughout the country one of the major problems has been shown to be relations between students and campus security officers. . .

... and there exists a certain amount of ill will among the students of Texas A&M University directed toward the University Police."

The subcommittee will meet with Chief Ed Powell and others on the force to find ways of improving relations between officers and students.

The committee established is a temporary one, and will last only as long as the present Senate is in office.

Mike Essmyer (parliamentarian) told senators he has discussed with Powell disarming University Police officers. Powell was receptive to the idea, Essmyer said, but indicated action would have to be taken by the president's office, where permission to arm officers originated.

Issues Committee Chairman Kirby Brown introduced a resolution to form a student committee to coordinate the high school recruitment efforts of various student groups such as the Corps of Cadets, the Civilian Student Council, University Women and the hometown clubs.

Senators questioned the need for such a group, some wondering if committee members would be able to do the job required. Action on the measure was postponed until the next Senate meeting Oct. 15.

GSC postpones action on Land

By PAM TROBOY
Battalion Staff Writer

The Graduate Student Council Thursday postponed until next week any action on the removal of President Mickey Land.

Land's resignation was requested Sept. 16 on the grounds that he is a full time faculty member, but he refused to resign because he felt the by-laws did not apply in his case.

The council agreed to wait until the constitutional revision committee reports on Oct. 8 before taking any further action on Land's removal.

In other action, Mike Raphael (Mech. Eng.) resigned from the council and his office of vice president because of a job conflict.

Lawrence McGill (Vet. Path.), the only member eligible under the by-laws, was elected to the office. McGill said that he would serve as vice president, but because of previous commitments, he will be unable to serve as an ex-officio member of the Senate.

The problem of Senate representation will also be discussed at the next meeting, Land said.



College of Liberal Arts Dean W. David Maxwell and Director of Admissions Ed Cooper speak at Thursday night's Student Senate meeting. (AP Wirephotos by Bob Cox)

Fewer must sanction speakers in new policy

By FRAN HAUGEN
Battalion Managing Editor

A new speakers policy, which eliminates sanction of the University Executive Committee as the final step in the approval of speakers lists, has been approved by the committee, Acting President A. R. Luedecke has announced.

The policy, effective now, lays responsibility for inviting speakers and their conduct on campus on the university-recognized group inviting the speaker. It also states: "the university reserves the right to cancel any speaking event it deems likely to cause an interruption in the university's orderly activities, as well as to cancel the privilege of inviting the speakers by any group abusing this privilege."

"The conduct and behavior of the speakers must be within recognized bounds of decency and decorum and any infraction dur-

ing a speaking event will be grounds for its termination."

The policy, in the minutes of the August 3 Executive Committee meeting, does not say that speakers lists will have to be approved by any administrator. However, Luedecke said some rules will probably be drawn up making it mandatory for students and faculty to get speakers approved by Dean of Students James P. Hannigan.

Speakers lists previously have gone to Hannigan before going to the Executive Committee.

Hannigan, who did not know whether he would have to approve the lists, said the Executive Committee—which reviewed hundreds of speakers each year—approves 99 percent of the names submitted.

"The University Executive Committee got tired of screening fantastically long lists and accomplishing no real purpose,"

Hannigan said. "Also, students had demonstrated responsible consciousness. As long as they display ability and willingness to handle something, we're delighted to have them do it."

Luedecke said that before a policy was not really spelled out to the student.

"We do not wish for this policy to limit speakers, but we want those inviting speakers to take responsibilities," he added.

The Executive Committee, which consists of Luedecke, vice presidents and deans, worked on the policy for much of the summer, Luedecke said.

"I think the new policy is a big step forward," Kent Caperton, Student Senate president, said. "It removes biasness. It was pretty top administrative action—the type of thing the Senate would like to take credit for but can't. It will increase the possibility that the students will hear a speaker they want to hear."

The policy prohibits convicted felons and persons against whom criminal charges are pending from speaking at A&M unless they are authorized as part of a "duly authorized course."

It also states that Texas laws as it regards candidates for public office and campaigning on public property and all other "applicable statutes," will be obeyed.

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Artist Showcase opens with pianist

Pianist Alegria Arce will appear Tuesday at the opening 1970-71 Artist Showcase presentation of the Memorial Student Center Town Hall committee.

The subject of a glissando rise from studies in Miami to a well-received performance with the New York Philharmonic under Andre Kostelanetz last winter, Miss Arce will perform in the MSC Ballroom.

Curtain for the Artist Showcase opener is 8 p.m., announced Town Hall chairman Bill Leftwich.

Miss Arce's program will range from sonorous Beethoven to the lightly-tripping Chopin. Selections from Scarlotti and Ravel will also be performed.

The petite pianist will appear through arrangements with the Edgar M. Leventritt Foundation. She won second in the Leventritt Competition in May, 1969, a placing Miss Arce considers advancing.

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tageous. "We get three years of apprenticeship, of learning how to be a performer without the pressures that descend immediately on the winner," she explained.

After placing high in national auditions of the Music Teachers National Association, she won competitions sponsored by the Austin, Amarillo, Midland-Odesa and Miami Symphonies, with which she appeared as soloist.

Miss Arce also won the Houston and Oakland Symphonies' Young Artists Competitions and graduated with honors from the University of Texas where she studied with the late Dalies Frantz, Leonard Shure and William Doppman.

Student activity card and Town Hall season ticket holders will be admitted to the Tuesday performance at no additional charge. Single admissions available at the MSC Student Program Office are \$3 for faculty, staff and patrons, \$1 for A&M students and their dates and \$1.50 for other students.

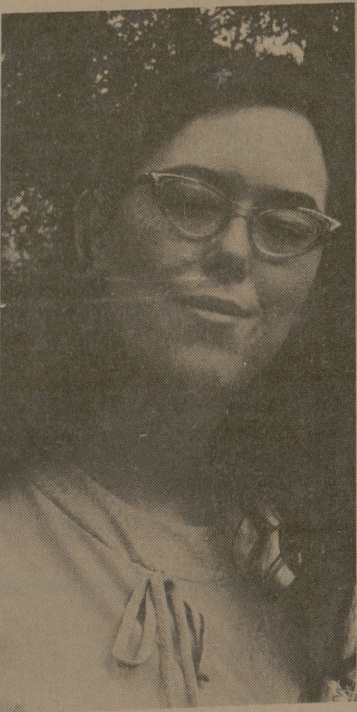
The inquiring Battman

What's your view on women's liberation movement?



Dave McMahon
Graduate Student

I always carry an extra pack of matches with me at all times in case I meet some girl who wants to burn her bra. I think they are going to regret it in the long run. (Photos by Patrick Fontana)



Grace Cane
Freshman

Women should have equal opportunity in jobs and pay, but I like having a boy open a door for me.



Shirley Kotara
Freshman

I think that women's lib is ridiculous — it's tradition that men are the leaders in our society. Why fight tradition?



David E. Frost
Senior

I think the movement is a necessary evil. If women want more rights, etc. then let them accept more responsibility in American society, let them be used for national betterment instead of personal advances.



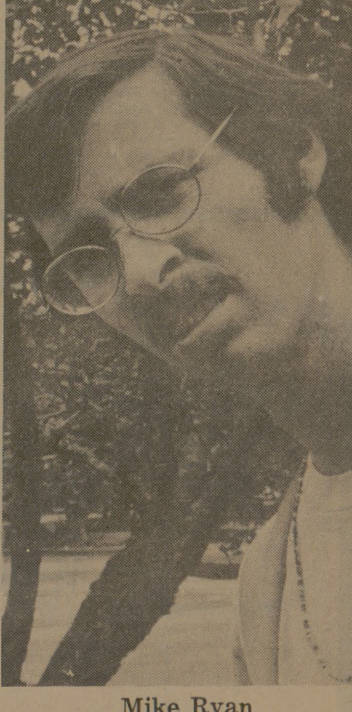
Jody Calaway
Sophomore

I believe in equal pay for equal work, legalized abortions, and day care centers for working mothers. As far as all that other garbage goes, I could care less.



Theda Bara Ellis
Junior

I support their first two proposals fully: 1. Day care centers; 2. Equal pay. The last proposal of legalized abortion; I have my withdrawals.



Mike Ryan
Graduate Student

Both good and bad points. Good in that women who are as capable in certain fields like computer programming should be paid like men. Bad in that some tend to carry it to the extreme. I still like women to be women.