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Mild,
windy,
clear

SATURDAY — Clear. Winds
Southerly 5 m.p.h. High 74, low
47.

Kyle Field — Partly cloudy,
easterly winds 10-15 m.p.h. 67
degrees.

SUNDAY — Clear. Winds
Northerly 10 m.p.h. High 71,
low 54.

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Free speech discussed at Vietnam war forum

By HAYDEN WHITSETT

The right to free speech and the announced topic was the subject of debate at the Soapbox Forum on the war in Vietnam Thursday evening.

A previous forum, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., died because of lack of interest. Only 12 students showed up.

Most of the students attending the latter session argued about whether the administration had the right to restrict debate to the forum sessions and whether the forum was effective anyway.

"Let's face it," said Allan Giles, a senior political science major, "the Vietnam war is a dead issue. We're here to have freedom of speech."

"If this forum is any indication of the type spirit students on this

campus have about national issues it's pitiful.

"We've got a long way to go," he said.

Sandy Broeder, a senior education major, agreed with Giles, saying, "In my opinion, subject is secondary. Foremost, we want to be able to have a rally; secondly, we want to discuss Vietnam."

"Maybe Hannigan (Dean of Students James F. Hannigan) is afraid we'll blow something up. I'm for blowing up Hannigan." His statement was followed by laughter and applause.

Broeder later said he did not intend for his remarks to be taken seriously.

Students should stabilize their ideas, Randy Dowdell, a senior sociology major, said.

"Are you hot about the Vietnam war or are you hot about war in general?" he asked. "Figure out what you want, and then go after it."

"The administration," he said, "may be problematic, but that doesn't mean we can't get things done."

The idea of whether or not anti-war rallies are effective anymore also dominated part of the sometimes lagging debate.

"Everybody goes and hears the same damn thing," Bill Maskal, a senior in sociology, said. "You wear the threads, oppose the war, maybe even hassle with the cops."

"Why not vote," he said. "It makes more sense. Or write a congressman."

"Don't destroy the system, take it over. It's the easiest way."

On the war itself, Maskal rated it, and others, like movies.

"World War I would be an A—movie," he said. "Think of all the good flicks about World War I. And World War II, man, that was fantastic they're still shooting Japs on movie sets over that one. Korea wasn't much, but there was some, like M.A.S.H. and others. Call it B—. But Vietnam, man, what a loser. Nothing, no really good flick has come out of there, it's pitiful. Can't you see yourself sitting home some day when your kid runs up and asks you what kind of movie you fought in and you have to say C or D."

"Maybe you'd like that, but not me, man. No D grade flicks for me."

Others treated the subject less

facetiously and quite differently.

"We should just go over there to beat the hell out of those damn gooks," said Tom Nance, a freshman electrical engineering major.

"We shouldn't stop fighting, we should change the way we fight it," he said. "We should win. I don't care about democracy or communism or anything else."

In rebuttal to Nance, Ray Keefe, a sophomore engineering major, said he is certain the United States can win the war.

"The other day," he said, "I read that the communists could destroy the entire world. It bothered me somewhat until I found out we could destroy 12 worlds. So sure, we can win, we can blow up 11 more worlds than they can."



Bill Maskal gives his views during Thursday afternoon's special soapbox forum on the Vietnam war. (Photo by Randy Freeman)

Senate told

Campus Chest collected \$1,000

By DAVID MIDDLEBROOKE

The Student Senate Thursday night, in a short, one-hour meeting, learned the Campus Chest drive so far has collected \$1,000 and was told selection of the 1970-71 Aggie Sweetheart has cost \$500.

Campus Chest Chairman R. B. (Jerry) McGowan (pres. '72) reported the \$1,000 collected by Campus Chest is approximately one-third of this year's goal. He said collections after home football games were not going well, and theorized game results might be a contributing factor.

McGowan said Miss Campus Chest hall and outfit competition will begin in November. He also reported the feasibility of selling pieces of Guion Hall, soon to be razed, to former students and other interested people was being studied. Proceeds of the sale would go to Campus Chest.

Senate Treasurer Eddie Duryea told senators he has paid \$460 in

bills related to sweetheart selection, and expects another \$50 or so to come in. He noted the \$500 expenditure was \$300 less than the \$800 spent last year.

"Still, that's quite a bit," Duryea said. He said in the face of the expense, the Senate might look into the possibility of bringing more of it to A&M.

"The last couple of years, and

this year, we haven't had much to work with, but things are getting better every year," he said, to the accompaniment of laughter.

Room rent in the Memorial Student Center for the Texas Woman's University finalists, Duryea said, totaled \$80, and food expenses came to \$304. In addition, he reported, another \$70

has been spent on Sue Binford, this year's Aggie Sweetheart.

The expenses have been room rent in the MSC and a subscription to The Battalion for Miss Binford, he said. Duryea said the Senate can expect to spend another \$80-100 during the year on Miss Binford.

Mike Essmyer, Senate parliamentarian, said (See Senate, page 3)

Williams becomes president of A&M system on Sunday

Dr. Jack K. Williams officially assumes the presidency of Texas A&M University Sunday.

The 50-year-old former commissioner of the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, will be the 17th president of the state's first public institution of higher learning.

Dr. Williams was named on Sept. 11 to succeed the late Gen. Earl Rudder who died March 23 after guiding the university more than a decade.

Gen. A. R. Lueddecke, who has served as the university's acting president, becomes executive vice president, a new position.

Williams personally asked Lueddecke to accept the position to form a top-level team incorporating their academic, scientific and engineering backgrounds.

For the past two years, Dr. Williams has served as vice president for academic affairs for the University of Tennessee System in Knoxville. Earlier this year,

he assumed additional responsibilities as chancellor pro tem for the University of Tennessee's five-college Medical Units campus in Memphis.

In addition to heading Texas A&M, Dr. Williams will be president of the entire Texas A&M University System, which includes Prairie View A&M College at Hempstead, Tarleton State College at Stephenville and the Texas Maritime Academy at Galveston.

The system also includes the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, Texas Engineering Extension Service, Texas Transportation Institute and the Texas Forest Service, all headquartered at College Station.

Dr. Williams said he anticipates no major changes, at least not in the near future.

"Before I take any action, I need to do some talking and a lot of listening," he noted. "I want to listen and talk to all of Texas A&M's community inter-

ests—faculty, staff, students, former students and others.

"I like the purposes, aims and ideals that undergird Texas A&M," Williams continued. "It is the greatest of the land-grant universities and I want to keep it moving ahead. I feel any university that doesn't study its purposes and goals against the perspective of modern life is only marking time."

The new Texas A&M president said he believes in reasonable student representation in university academic affairs, but added he is firmly committed to strong executive leadership.

Dr. Williams emphasized he is interested in preserving—not destroying—Texas A&M's uniqueness.

He stressed, for example, that he totally supports Texas A&M's ROTC program.

Dr. Williams summed up his view of Texas A&M by stating it is—and should continue to be—dedicated to a concept of education blended solidly with research and public service.

Peace Corps representatives recruiting here

Three Peace Corps representatives will be recruiting A&M students from Friday through Nov. 6 in the lobby of the Memorial Student Center, according to Marlene Garcia, head of the representatives.

The group is mainly interested in agricultural majors and veterinarians. They are also looking for engineers, education majors, architects, business majors, and graduate students.

In the agricultural group, they are looking for four agronomists and an animal science major specializing in beef cattle. The openings for the agronomists are in Honduras, the opening for the cattle specialist is in Ecuador.

Any member of the group, including Robert Elliott and Frank Rodriguez, the other members, is available to speak to any interested groups.

Miss Garcia has served in the Dominican Republic, Elliott in Iran, and Rodriguez in Panama.

8-4 vote ousts GSC president

By PAM TROBOY

Battalion Staff Writer

The Graduate Student Council agreed Thursday by an 8 to 4 vote to accept the resignation of Mickey Land as president.

Under constitutional procedures, Larry McGill automatically assumed Land's office, leaving the vice presidency vacant.

The controversy of whether Land, classified as a full-time faculty member, is qualified to serve as president has occupied most of the attention of the GSC this year.

Land told the council that although he felt he was qualified under the present constitution, he was willing to resign if the members thought it in the best interests of the students.

GSC by-laws state that a council member must be a graduate student carrying no less than eight hours. Land is classified as a full-time faculty member but is taking 13 hours of gradu-

ate work by special permission. The president and vice president must be elected "from and among" the students (See GSC, page 3)

Stallings says rumors untrue

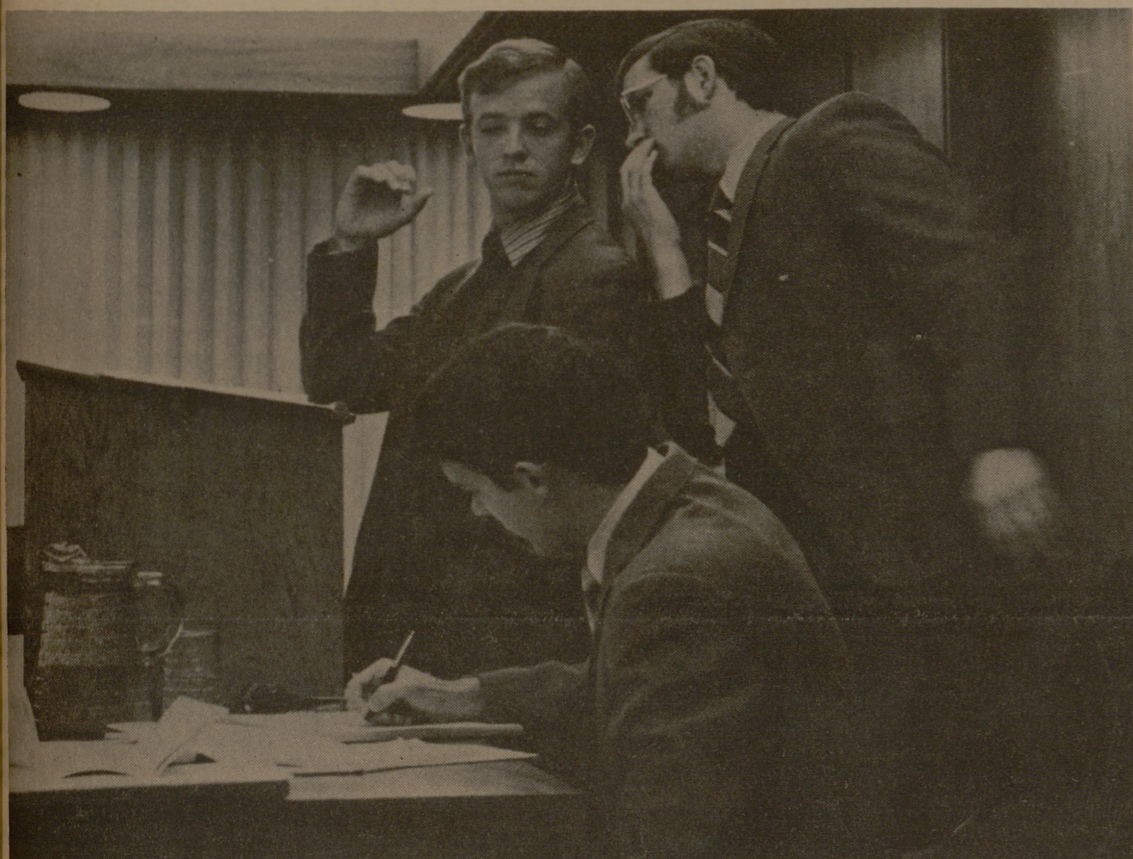
Gene Stallings, head football coach and athletic director, denied Thursday he will resign at the end of the season.

Stallings' contract with A&M extends through the 1972 season but there have been rumors that he would resign or be dismissed at the end of the season.

The Aggies have lost five games in a row after winning the first two.

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"On the side of Texas A&M."

—Adv.



Senate President Kent Caperton (left, standing) and Vice President Roger Miller confer during Thursday night's Senate meeting while secretary Bill Hartsfield records Senate debate. (Photo by Hayden Whitsett)

Dean gives editor more orders

By FRAN HAUGEN

Battalion Managing Editor

College of Liberal Arts Dean W. David Maxwell has returned two stories on black students, originally scheduled to appear in the first issue of The Review, to Editor Janie Wallace with instructions to delete or validate sections of students' opinion.

Miss Wallace resubmitted the stories to Maxwell after she took out parts that he earlier this month said were untrue or unsubstantiated.

The stories in question are "Black Students Rap," a dialogue of 15 black students, edited by Miss Wallace and "A New Dimension in University Responsibility," commentary by Allen Giles.

Maxwell said he initially "flagged things that stuck out," but did not "make an exhaustive listing" of what he felt was irresponsible in the articles.

Miss Wallace then took out the parts Maxwell objected to and submitted the articles to the

Student Publications Board Oct. 9. The board told her to resubmit the articles to Maxwell.

Maxwell said the board's action made it clear to him that "I alone would have to say what constituted irresponsibility."

"I am censoring," he said, "if by that you mean not letting be published what I consider unfair or unsubstantiated. If you want a less perjorative term, I'm 'reviewing' The Review."

Maxwell said it is his job as dean to oversee the editorial content of the publication.

"I'm not happy with the situation, it's not what I would desire for myself," he said, "but that's the way things are if or until the situation changes."

Maxwell said he is objecting to empirical opinion, opinion which can be verified, which is printed without any verification.

If it is someone's opinion that the water tower is upside down, I don't think you should print that it's upside down, because

you can verify that it's not, he said.

"It was the basic irresponsibility of The Review not to check things that could be checked," he said. "If the incidents alleged

(specific cases of racial discrimination by faculty members) actually have occurred or do occur the aggrieved students might not realize this university and this (See Review, page 3)

Voters to decide amendments' fate

By MIKE STEPHENS

Battalion Staff Writer

Texas residents who vote in Tuesday's general election will be able to vote on seven proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution as well as their favorite candidate for office.

The first amendment on the ballot will be a proposal to add county and city judges to the State Judicial Qualifications Commission. This relates to the removal, retirement, or censure of Justices, Judges and Justices of Peace under prescribed circumstances. It would provide for due process of law for all accused judges.

The second proposal concerns the law which prohibits open saloons. It would lead to the making of new laws regulating the sale of mixed alcoholic drinks. Whether or not to sell the mixed drinks would be left up to local voters.

The third amendment would authorize the legislature to provide by law for the establishment of a uniform method of assessment of ranch, farm and forest lands, which shall be based upon the capability of such lands to support livestock and to produce farm and forest crops. It would give tax benefits to corporations

Mock election set by Political Forum

A student election will be held Monday to determine who A&M students feel should win the major election involving Texas political offices.

Students also will be polled on current issues including the liquor by the drink controversy and the right of 18-year-olds to vote.

The election, sponsored by the Political Forum Committee of the Memorial Student Center, will be held from 8 a.m.—5 p.m. Voting booths will be set up at the Sbsa newsstand, outside the north door of the library and the post office in the Memorial Student Center.

Students will be required to show activity cards. There will be no age requirement for student voters.