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Processes fostering Spanish ver English appear unlikely to hange soon, says Dr. R. L. Skra-

The acting head of the Socilogy and Anthropology Departnent has studied comparative lay-to-day use of Spanish and English by Mexican-Americans of

His findings were published in an article, "Language Maintenance Among Mexican Ameri-

parative Sociology.

He said numerous factors contribute to the Mexican-Americans' billingual tendency and resistance to full assimilation in the U. S. cultural melting pot. The tendency, he notes, has persisted for more than a century.

Skrabanek cited "La Raza" —

the race — as the concept most strongly solidifying the social structure of these people. La Raza is "perhaps clearly

Americans," Skrabanek wrote. "Broadly defined, the term reans," in the current issue of the fers to a special kind of unity of

Southwest Mexican-Americans International Journal of Com- all Mexican-Americans who are united by cultural and spiritual bonds derived from God.

"Use of Spanish is the primary symbol among Mexican-Americans of loyalty to La Raza."

The sociologist said other factors are a standard socio-economic status, steady immigrations from Mexico and movement between that nation and the Southwest United States.

Also at work, Skrabanek went on, are persistence of a wellunderstood only by Mexican- defined Mexican-American subculture, differing value orientations of Mexican-Americans and the dominant American culture

toward most basic human problems and the people's isolation in ghetto-type neighborhoods.

He said Mexican-American youngsters who grow up speaking mostly English achieve higher education levels, higher incomes and better jobs. They then tend to move away from Mexican-American population pockets,

"This practice severely limits the chance of contact" with the less educated Mexican-American youngster, he said, and takes away "visible and tangible evidence that more use of the English language . . . will result in substantially increasing their incomes, status positions and general well-being."

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named member of institute aerospace engineering major of Alvin, has been appointed to the educational activities committee of the American Institute of

(AIAA), announced Dr. Balusu Kocurek, 22, was appointed as a representative from AIAA's student membership by Martin

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Goland, Institute president. He will serve on the committee chaired by Prof. David C. Hazen, Princeton vice president-education, with appointees from academic, government and industrial communities.

The committee recommends

James D. Kocurek, senior programs for AIAA in the field of education and student activities. It meets several times annually, usually in conjunction with an AIAA national meeting.

Vice chairman of Texas A&M's AIAA student chapter, Kocurek serves on the Student Engineers Council, is treasurer of Sigma Gamma Tau, aerospace engineering honor society and president of Tau Beta Pi, engineering scholarship society.

He was assistant editor of the "Engineer," College of Engineering publication, last year.

Dr. Rao is faculty advisor for the student chapter of AIAA.

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Overhouse named top soph

gies' prize sophomore from League City and Clear Creek High School, was swarmed with honors this past weekend as the Southwest Conference basketball Star team. race came to an end.

Overhouse bucketed 23 points and grabbed 11 rebounds against Arkansas Friday night to close out his sophomore season with the second-highest number of points ever scored by an A&M

sophomore, 345.

on any of the postseason All- urday's Baylor-Tech game. Star units when he was named to

That announcement was made by Joe Vancisin of Yale, chairman of the All-America committee of the National Association of Basketball coaches.

Overhouse was practically a of the year, first receiving the Steve Niles, the Aggies' 7-0 honor on the televised basketball coaches.

Jeff Overhouse, the Texas Ag- senior center, was the only other game of the week selections A&M cager to received mention named during the halftime of Sat-

> Then came Sunday morning the second team District 6 All- and he was named Sophomore of the Year by the Dallas Morning News, Dallas Times-Herald and The Associated Press.

> > These publications and the wire service also named Overhouse to a spot on the second team All-

The Times-Herald poll is selectunanimous choice as sophomore ed by the players and the AP squad is picked by the league's

liminary investigation did not determine what kind of explosive was used.

"But whoever used it knew what he was doing. It was a very professional job," he said. Col. James Kudrna, commander of the Army ROTC program,

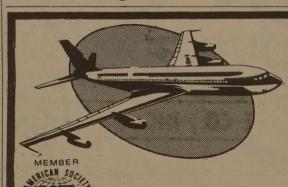
said a telephoned bomb threat was received in October but there had been none since. Kudrna said classes were held in the damaged building Tuesday for cadets who were "disgusted

Seven police officers and sevat the destruction" and the apen firemen investigating the inparent attempt "to deny them itial blast at the ROTC center the right to pursue their education as they wish." second, more powerful explosion

Both the Army ROTC building

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Memorial Student Center Committee at A&M.

Chairman Greg Gray of Houswill be accepted until March 24.

Information sent to student Open to members of photo unions, camera groups and visual groups sponsored by U. S. col- aids departments of Texas and leges and universities, the annual Southwest colleges and universi-

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tee, MSC, College Station, should be limited to eight per person with no more than two per category, Miss Adam added. An entry fee of 50 cents per print is re-

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