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Cloudy and warm

FRIDAY—Cloudy, intermittent rain showers and thunder-showers. Wind south 15 to 25 m.p.h. High 86, low 72.  
SATURDAY—Partly cloudy to cloudy. Wind north 15 to 20 m.p.h. High 74, low 68.

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## Work toward unity, Sharp tells Senate

By DAVID S. MIDDLEBROOKE  
Newly elected Student Body President John S. Sharp Wednesday night challenged the new Senate to unify the campus and to work for the best interests of the university as a whole.  
Sharp made his comments during the Student Senate's annual awards banquet. Earlier in the evening, senior College of Liberal Arts Senator Tommy Henderson was honored as the outstanding student senator of 1970-71.  
"Anyone who doesn't believe there is a corps-civilian split on the campus is dreaming," Sharp told the audience. He challenged next year's Senate — one which he said is 75 per cent corps in membership — to unify the campus, telling senators they have the power and responsibility to do so.

He reminded them it also is in their power to "split the campus wide open" if they fail to act in "the proper manner." He called upon student publications, particularly The Battalion and The Review, to aid in this unification.  
Henderson was given his award by Jim Stephenson, who is last year's outstanding senator. Stephenson cited Henderson's work on the Constitutional Revision and Rules and Regulations Revision Committees of the Senate, as well as his general interest and help in Senate matters.  
Stephenson also noted Henderson's service the past year as president of the Texas Intercollegiate Student Association.  
Outgoing Senate President Kent Caperton received a watch and praise from A&M President Dr. Jack K. Williams, and a

standing ovation from the audience. Williams mentioned Caperton's "tremendous" work the past year, and praised the Senate and other student government organizations for their work.  
He said Texas A&M has a "tremendous student body and a tremendous student government."  
In a short, emotional speech Caperton thanked his parents and Williams for the help and companionship they had given him, and offered Sharp his help and best wishes for success.  
Caperton also presented a special award to Senate Recording Secretary Bill Hartsfield, calling him "the hardest working, most reliable and dependable" senator, with "unparalleled" service.  
Other presentations were:  
Outstanding Class Senator Award — Randy Ross, freshman;

Layne Kruze, Liberal Arts sophomore; Tommy Mayes, Liberal Arts junior; and Mike Barrett, Science senior.  
Executive Committee Service Awards — John Sharp, Student Life Committee chairman; Kirby Brown, Issues Committee chairman; Jimmy O'jibway, Public Relations Committee chairman; Charles Hicks, Welfare Committee chairman; Eddie Duryea, treasurer; Mike Essmyer, parliamentarian; Bill Hartsfield, recording secretary; and Roger Miller, vice president (he also received a Spiro Agnew wrist-watch).  
Appreciation Awards — David Reynolds, Legal Rights Commission chairman; Hal Gaines, Memorial Student Center adviser; George Strake, who donated \$5,000 to the A&M student body this year; Shy Hicks, MSC Student Program Office secretary for the past three years; and Virginia Ehrlich, recently hired part-time Senate office secretary.



John Sharp, recently elected Student Senate president, gives his first speech to the Senate at their banquet Wednesday night. Outgoing president Kent Caperton and A&M President Jack K. Williams listen. (Photo by Mike Rice)

## Conflict marks foreign student life on campus

By STEVE DUNKELBERG  
Confusion and disappointment are the bywords for most foreign students arriving at A&M for the first time. They don't know how or where to turn, and each new avenue leads to another disillusionment.  
The University sends the foreign student a pamphlet, "Information for Prospective Students from Abroad" that is intended to familiarize him somewhat with A&M. The pamphlet states, in part:  
"A limited number of rooms in university residence halls are available, and applications for these rooms will be limited to undergraduates enrolling in a United States college or university for the first time.  
"If a student in this category definitely wants a room . . . he should make his request for the room as soon as possible. Students living in residence halls must eat at the university operated dining halls."  
Due to this vague wording, many of the foreign students first hear of mandatory room and board regulations when they register at the Housing Office. Hindus, Moslems, and Jews are told they must eat in a dining hall that often serves food that conflicts with their religious beliefs, or make arrangements to have their meals off campus, while still living on campus.  
However, in order to receive

permission to not pay board, the foreign student must go from door to door explaining his religious views to different administrators.  
"They make it sound like it is a great advantage to live on campus, and you better hurry and get a room," George Halikas, a graduate student from Greece, said. "They don't tell them they have to."  
Ashok Kumar Jaini, a freshman pre-med. student from India, found this particularly humiliating.  
"If our parents think we are mature enough to travel 20,000 miles to a country known for its gunfights and killers, like the killing of Kennedy," he said, "I think we should be treated with more respect and less humiliation."  
Jaini wrote the Housing Office before coming to A&M, and explained that he was an orthodox Hindu, and could not eat beef. He received a reply from Charles F. Hornstein Jr., foreign student advisor, saying there would be no problem, due to the variety of foods served at Sbsa dining hall.  
Like many other foreign students, the first he heard of the mandatory room and board policy was when he arrived at the Housing Office. Here he was told he must pay the board fee and eat at Sbsa like the rest.  
To receive an excuse from paying the board fee the student has to travel from office to office, starting with Hornstein and working his way up to Associate Dean of Student Affairs Don R. Stafford, where he is given the waiver and told to return to Hornstein's office.

If the foreign student elects to accept the excuse from eating at the dining hall it just makes things more difficult for him, for now he has to make trips off campus three to four times a day to eat, then return to the campus. Where to eat is another problem.  
"I had many friends at apartments, Jaini said, "but soon I began to feel as if I was a free-loader."  
Jaini did not choose to be excused. He now eats at Sbsa whenever his diet will permit, otherwise, he goes from place to place off campus finding different places to eat.  
Housing Manager Alan Madley explained that the Housing Office, in cooperation with the Foreign Students Advisor's Office, is initiating a "new policy," which they hope will clear up the situation. A letter from the Foreign Student's Advisor's Office will explain the mandatory room and board policy and the exceptions that can be made for board fees.  
"If we have a lot of people requesting rooms next year," Hornstein explained, "we might be able to allow them to live off campus. But, if the rooms are not filled, we will have to keep these people in the dorms."  
Attitudes hurt the student from a foreign country almost as much as the policies.  
"Everyone feels we should be happy and grateful because we are in their marvelous country and attending their great university," Jaini complained. "They feel that all of us come from dirty, starving countries. If this place is so great, why do they give us the wrong impression?"

## Smith signs voting age amendment

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas' ratification of the federal constitutional amendment lowering the voting age to 18 was signed by Gov. Preston Smith Wednesday.  
"I take pride in the fact that it was my privilege to recommend to two legislatures that the voting age be lowered in Texas," Smith said.

Students from Austin College, St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas Tech, Texas A&M and the University of Texas at Arlington attended the signing.  
The signing was merely a formality as only ratification by a state's legislature is needed to approve a federal constitutional amendment. Texas was 21st among the 38 states needed for the amendment to become law.

## VC shelling civilian areas intentionally, South claims

SAIGON (AP)—South Vietnam asserted Wednesday that North Vietnamese troops have switched tactics and are shelling civilian centers in order to avoid casualties they might suffer in attacks against defended military positions.  
The government advanced this theory amid a general lull in ground fighting but an increase in B52 bomber raids against the much-battered northeast corner of South Vietnam and in sensitive sectors of Laos.  
The government lodged a protest with the International Control Commission against "intensive and indiscriminate" shellings by North Vietnamese forces of civilian centers.  
A Foreign Ministry note to the commission said there were 151 shelling attacks last week in which 20 civilians were killed and 75 were wounded.  
"Extensive casualties suffered recently by North Vietnamese troops have compelled them to revise their strategy," the note

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## Correction

The Battalion erroneously reported Tuesday that Brant A. Dennis in Managing Editor of the Review. He isn't, Ned C. Muse is.

## Spy satellite launched

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP)—Under a mantle of secrecy, the Air Force rocketed a spy satellite into space Wednesday to monitor Russian and Red Chinese missile tests and to provide almost instant alert of a long-range rocket attack.  
The 1,800-pound superspy would sound a 30-minute warning of such an attack. This is double the 15 minutes that present radar systems give U.S. forces to prepare antimissile defenses and to launch bombers and missiles in retaliation.

The Defense Department clamped a secrecy lid on the launching. No advance announcement was made, although information about the launch generally was known in the Cape Kennedy area. The Air Force issued a brief statement after liftoff stating merely that a satellite had been launched by a Titan 3 rocket.  
The rocket left its pad at 3:43 a.m. The Titan 3, is the largest rocket in the Air Force stable.  
The spy satellite is intended to replace a similar payload

which failed to achieve a proper orbit last November when an upper stage did not fire properly. That satellite still is providing some data but is useless as an around-the-clock missile monitor because it is not in a stationary orbit.  
The new payload was aimed to hover 24,000 miles above Southeast Asia. From this outpost its infrared and other sensors would keep constant watch on the launching pads and routes over which Russian and Red Chinese missiles fly.

## Caperton gets UT fellowship

Student Body President Kent Caperton is one of the first students in the nation selected for a \$3,300 fellowship at the University of Texas' new LBJ School of Public Affairs.  
Caperton, senior finance major from Caldwell, plans to earn a master's degree in public administration.  
Approximately 40 students have been selected for fellowships at the facility named in honor of former President Lyndon B. Johnson.

## Notice!

The Battalion goes on a weekly schedule after this issue.  
During the remainder of the spring semester and throughout the summer, The Battalion will be published and distributed each Wednesday.  
Regular Tuesday-through-Friday publication resumes Aug. 31.

## At home, in streets Americans rally against war

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Thousands of Americans carried antiwar sentiments back to the streets of their local communities Wednesday in marches, rallies and stall-ins across the country.  
Crowds at the gatherings against the Indochina war and in memory of students killed last year at Kent State University in Ohio and Jackson State College in Mississippi were smaller than at previous antiwar gatherings.  
Scattered disturbances and arrests were reported in various parts of the country, while in Washington, D.C., where the so-called "spring offensive" against the war began April 24, mass arrests continued for a third consecutive day.  
A rally attended by an estimated 20,000 to 40,000 persons at Boston Common was orderly and festive, although 7,000 police and National Guardsmen were massed in case of violence. Up-

wards of 150,000 persons attended the rally in the Common in October 1969.  
In New York City, about 10,000 people attended a rally in Bryant Park at the end of a day marked by widespread high school and college protest actions. About 50,000 persons attended a similar protest in October 1969.  
Earlier, at Central Park, a gathering of 2,000 high school students came to an abrupt end when fist fights broke out as a group of black youths apparently tried to wrest control of a microphone from white youths. Vendors' carts were overturned and looted during the fighting.  
In College Park, Md., state police — under orders from Gov. Marvin Mandel — used tear gas to disperse about 5,000 students from U.S. Route 1 adjacent to the University of Maryland campus. The blocking of Route 1 has become almost institutionalized as a mode of protest.

At least 14 persons were arrested and three state troopers injured.  
Mandel had dispatched 500 police to the campus. Police said 29 persons were arrested on various charges and four persons were injured, three of them policemen.  
As police used tear gas to put down sporadic rock-throwing incidents late into the evening, the governor declared a state of emergency and called up National Guard units. He also clamped a 9 p.m. curfew on the campus and neighborhoods within a half-mile radius.  
In San Francisco, with the entire 1,800-man municipal police force prepared for trouble, groups of no more than 1,000 demonstrators were frustrated in attempts to block traffic. An estimated 175,000 persons participated in the Golden Gate Park antiwar rally last April 24.  
Police Wednesday reported 76

arrests and three injuries in clashes after a crowd looped back from the Bank of America building to the Standard Oil building, where they advocated disrupting businesses "profiting from the Indochina war."  
At the latest Washington demonstration, meanwhile, 1,200 of 3,000 persons who marched to the Capitol were arrested, bringing to more than 11,000 the total number of arrests in three days.  
Another 1,500 to 2,000 persons — many of them government employees — held a peaceful noon-time rally at Lafayette Park across the street from the White House. Earlier in the day, morning rush-hour traffic moved unimpeded under the watchful eyes of 1,000 marines and Army troops deployed at bridges and traffic circles.  
University National Bank "On the side of Texas A&M."  
—Adv.



BEAUTY EXISTS even in the most common things of day to day life. This Red-winged Blackbird glides effortlessly over cattails in its search for food. (AP Wirephoto)