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humid

Clear to partly cloudy. High temperature, 96 to 98; low temperature, 71-74. Scattered afternoon rain showers Sunday.

Education not reported well, editor claims

The Texas press is guilty of not telling the general public about higher education in the state, the editor of the Waco News Tribune said here Tuesday.

"Newspapers and broadcasters are too busy looking at something else and don't tell the education story properly," claimed Harry Provence, vice president of Newspapers Inc., and a member of the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System.

Provence said Texas schools are not receiving top-level press treatment and in most cases reporters assigned to cover education stories "are second stringers."

Newsmen are ignoring the story that "involves the lives and pocketbooks of just about everyone in town," he told new college administrators attending a two-week seminar.

Provence said a good example is that nobody knows what the Coordinating Board does, yet it is shaping higher education for the entire state.

The 30-year newspaper veteran said the public is going to take a close look at education in the future. He suggested the 62nd Legislature's refusal to grant faculty salary raises "may be a straw in the wind."

Provence said there are some who feel money spent on Ph.D. programs should be spent on vocational-technical schools, especially since the demand for doctorate graduates is small while the demand for training workers is high.

Provence claimed the public looks to education with two eyes, one looking for more and better educational opportunities and one looking for self-interest.

The public is disturbed, he charged, by "sky-rocketing changes in the amount of money it

takes to do it (educate their children)."

Provence said local partnership and political muscle created problems felt today. He gave the example of one small city with two large public colleges while most Texas metropolitan areas have no public colleges.

"More and better individual leadership" is needed in higher education today," Provence asserted. "I hope college administrators take the initiative."

Room change deadline told

Room changes for students living on campus will be allowed next Tuesday and Wednesday, Housing Manager Allan M. Madeley said Tuesday.

Students wishing to change rooms must report to the Housing Office between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. either day, Madeley explained, and pick up and process reassignment papers. He said all people involved in a given move must report together to secure new assignments, thus avoiding conflicts.

He said all moves must be completed within 24 hours of reassignment, and any additional fees must be paid at the Fiscal Office before new keys will be issued.

Madeley also said students who fail to clear their old room, check into the new one and report a completed room change to the Housing Office by 5 p.m. Wednesday will be charged \$5 for an improper move.

New AFROTC head named

Col. Robert F. Crossland of Dallas has been named professor of aerospace studies.

His assignment as ranking officer of A&M's Air Force ROTC program becomes effective July 26.

A Southern Methodist University graduate, Crossland will succeed Col. Keith C. Hanna and acting PAS Lt. Col. Thomas W. Comstock as commander of the Air Force detachment that instructs the AFROTC cadet program leading to reserve and regular officers commissions.

Crossland, as PAS, and Army Col. Thomas R. Parsons, newly assigned commandant and professor of military science, will be

responsible to the military services and university for the respective officer training programs.

Parsons is a 1949 A&M graduate.

Crossland earlier this year completed two years on the National War College faculty. A command pilot, he was a tactical airlift division chief, 7th Air Force, in Vietnam during 1967-68. Prior to the Southeast Asia tour, he was director of personnel assignments at Tactical Airlift Command headquarters, Langley AFB, Va.

He wears the Bronze Star, Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and Commendation Medal. A 23-year veteran, he was commissioned through the aviation cadet program.



Col. Robert Crossland



Mrs. Robert Anderson and George Breffelh (center boat) sail to victory during last weekend's Sidewinder sailboat competition. (Photo by Debi Blackmon)

First Sidewinder Regatta held

Winners to represent B-CS

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George Breffelh and Mrs. Robert Anderson will represent the Bryan-College Station area in the Sidewinder National Championship Race Aug. 6-8 in Erie, Penn.

The two won the first annual District 4 Sidewinder Sailboat Championship last weekend at Somerville Lake. The Sidewinder Regatta was hosted by the Texas A&M Sailing Club, Mar-Jon Sailboats of Bryan and the Brazos Valley Sidewinder Fleet. It was the first district championship race held for the Sidewinder class of racing sailboats—a relatively new, light design.

Dr. John Goeschl, head of the regatta's race committee, explained the races were conducted in accordance with the International

Yacht Racing Union and the Sidewinder Class Association rules.

The racing pattern was a basic Olympic triangle course which covered almost five and one-half miles.

"It gave the boats an opportunity to sail not only with the wind, but into it," explained Gary Halter, faculty advisor for the Texas A&M Sailing Club.

The first championship race was held Saturday morning and won by two A&M students — Charles Temple and Gary Gutkowski.

Originally planned as a three-race series, the regatta's schedule was drastically changed when a quirk frontal line swept 35 mile-per-hour winds over the lake during the second race, overturning several boats and causing mild

damage.

"The Sidewinder design is a small, light craft that is capable of taking wind up to 30 miles per hour effectively, but Saturday afternoon's sudden wind change was a surprise for the sailors and too strong for them to handle," said John Colp, owner of Mar-Jon Sailboats.

Racing was discontinued for the rest of the day, and was resumed Sunday morning with no mishaps. Several of the previously damaged boats sailed. The first of the competition races was won by Breffelh and Mrs. Anderson sailing the Anderson boat.

Peter Kersting and Allen Denton, Texas A&M students, took third and fourth places in the first race.

After the championship races were concluded, the A&M Sailing

Club sponsored a "watermelon race" won by the Breffelh-Anderson team which was the first to return to shore with one of the watermelons floating in the lake.

Trophies awarded to the winners of the District Championship races were donated by Martha and Jon Colp, A&M Sailing Club.

"Besides the races at Somerville Lake, our club also sponsors a series of sailing lessons at the Municipal Lake in Bryan," Colp said. "Our more experienced club members instruct lessons on shore as well as actual sailing on the lake."

"More sailing races are being planned," Colp said.

Club members sail in many out-of-town races in Houston and Austin.

'Healthy' tan really not, article claims

The sun-bronzed body that so many people equate with fitness and beauty, is a serious threat to health, warns Fitness for Living magazine in its July issue.

Says the article, "The Myth of the Healthy Tan": "Tanning is actually a response to ultra-violet injury and the cumulative damage that results from excessive exposure to sunlight is a major factor in premature aging of the skin. Also, it has been established that mid-ultraviolet rays of the solar spectrum — those that produce pigment — are the main causative agents of skin cancer."

The tanning process, which for so many people starts out with some degree of sunburn, creates danger all along the way, claims the magazine.

"A single, moderately severe sunburn affects the blood vessels feeding the skin so strongly, that it takes 4 to 15 months for them to return to a normal state. Re-

peated sunburn, over a period of years, dries out the skin to the point that elasticity is lost. The color darkens and becomes blotchy brown or yellow. Thus the entire scope of aging occurs to skin exposed to excessive sunlight."

A more serious problem caused by excessive sun is skin cancer.

Reports Fitness for Living, "Skin cancer (brought on by excessive exposure) most often affects blondes, as their skin contains little pigment and are unable to produce more pigment, which is part of the skin's protection against the sun."

For people who spend a lot of time out-of-doors during hot summer days, there are several steps that can be taken to safeguard against the sun's rays. Among them are:

Use suntan lotions. There are several different types: some work by reflecting the sun's rays

away from your skin; others absorb the rays before they come in contact with the skin and some allow only certain rays to reach the skin . . . including tanning rays. However, this too has its drawbacks. Some people suffer bad reactions when a particular chemical on their skin come in contact with the sun's rays.

Choose vacation spots wisely. Radiation is one and one-half times greater in the southern half of the country. And keep in mind that more radiation comes through a higher altitudes because the air is less dense.

Don't rely too much on beach umbrellas to protect you. When sunlight hits the earth's atmosphere, air molecules and dust and water particles scatter the ultra-violet rays. This results in accounting "sky radiation which comes at you from all sides.

When possible, drive or ride in air-conditioned vehicles, where the

windows are shut. Window glass used in a home or automobile permits infra-red heat waves to come through while holding back the rays which cause skin damage.

Confine summer out-of-doors activities to the hours before noon and after 5 p. m. And keep in the shade.

A&M gets first new ship

Texas A&M has been selected to receive the first of a new class of oceanographic research vessels to be built for the Navy.

Each ship is expected to cost about \$3.5 million, including scientific equipment.

A&M President Dr. Jack K. Williams said delivery of the ship is expected in the winter of 1972. The craft will be berthed at the university's new Mitchell Campus on Pelican Island in Galveston.

The University of Hawaii also will receive a ship built under the Navy's new program. Texas A&M will be responsible for out-

fitting and installing scientific instrumentation aboard the Hawaiian vessel, with the work to be done at Galveston.

Texas A&M, the states only institution of higher learning with seagoing capabilities, currently operates three oceanographic vessels, in addition to three craft used for water pollution research in bays and estuaries. The university's Texas Maritime Academy also operates a converted oceanliner as a training ship.

Dr. Richard A. Geyer, head of the Oceanography Department, said the new ship will be 165 feet long and accommodate 28 persons, including scientific party and crew.

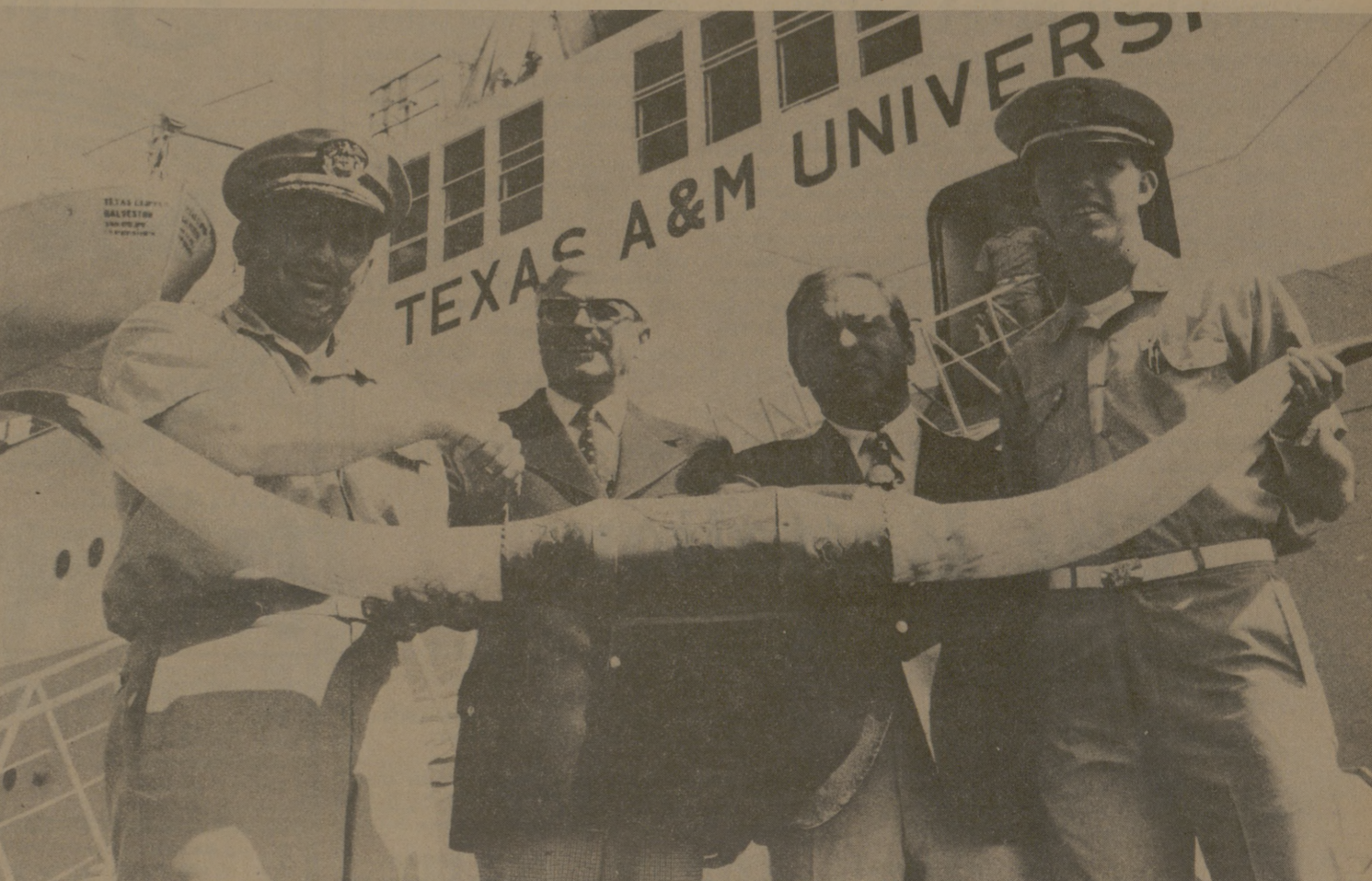
The twin-screw steel-hull craft

will cruise at 12 knots with a range of approximately 8,000 miles.

Geyer said the new ship will be used for long-duration cruises, such as currently assigned exclusively to the 180-foot R/V Alaminos. The department's two smaller vessels are used for studies in coastal waters.

"This new vessel will greatly enhance our capability to conduct a comprehensive program as we continue to expand our deep-water programs in the Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean and Atlantic," Geyer said.

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CAPT. ALFRED PHILBRICK (left) and cadet John Meeks of the Texas Maritime Academy present a set of Texas longhorns to officials of Denmark's Rebild Society, a group of Danish-Americans who meet in Aalborg each year to celebrate U. S. Independence Day. TMA students

and staff visited Denmark as part of the academy's annual summer cruise. Meeks, executive officer of the TMA Corps of Cadets, is from San Marcos. The horns were provided by Paul Hedeman of Houston.

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