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Partly cloudy, cooler

Friday — Partly cloudy, northerly winds 10-20 mph. High 67°, low 48°.

Kickoff Little Rock — 61°, northwest winds 10 mph. 30% relative humidity.

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Britain accepts role in Common Market

LONDON (AP)—Parliament voted Thursday night to take Britain into the European Common Market, giving up a thousand years of independent power status for a role in a united Europe.

The historic decision, Britain's most important foreign policy shift in this century, came when the House of Commons voted 356 to 244 to accept entry terms in principle, a Conservative government majority of 112.

Earlier Thursday the House of Lords, traditionally dominated by Conservatives among the hereditary and appointed peers, ratified Common Market membership, 451 to 58.

Three other applicant nations—Ireland, Norway and Denmark—must still decide whether to accept the entry terms offered them.

Together with Britain and the

six founding members — West Germany, France, Italy, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg—they would form the largest free trade market in the world, with a population of some 250 million people, and rival the economic power of the United States or the Soviet Union.

In the longer term, enlargement of the Common Market could pave the way for creating a political union speaking as a third superpower in world affairs.

The vote approved this motion: "That this House approves Her Majesty's government's decision of principle to join the European communities on the basis of the arrangements which have been negotiated."

Prime Minister Edward Heath discarded the idea that the globe-girdling British Commonwealth

could offer an effective alternative to the common market as an economic, military and political grouping.

And he discounted the idea that Britain on its own can exercise any realistic influence in the world on issues of economic and fiscal policies.

"We are dangerously vulnerable to protectionist pressures if no satisfactory outcomes to the world's problems are achieved," he said.

Former Prime Minister Harold Wilson lashed the Heath government's acceptance of the terms offered by the six-nation continental group.

"The terms involve an intolerable and disproportionate burden on every family in the land," he cried.

He accused Heath of "groveling to his French patrons" and said this had weakened British

interests in the present-world monetary crisis.

Then, responding to the challenges of his opponents, Wilson set out what a future Labor government's attitude would be if it took office after Britain had become a member of an enlarged community.

"One Parliament cannot bind its successors," he said.

"We would nevertheless recognize the signature of a treaty."

"We would give notice that we would not accept the terms negotiated by the Conservative government, the burden of the common agricultural policies, the blows to the Commonwealth..."

Many of the lawmakers were red-eyed with weariness. The House had sat through the preceding night. Altogether more than 220 of the 630 members of the chamber had spoken since the debate began six days ago.

About 3,000 people packed the roadway outside the House of Commons, waiting for the vote.

The crowd was mostly silent, but at its center was a hard core of anti-Common Market demonstrators brandishing Union flags and placards condemning "the bureaucrats of Brussels."

When the vote came over transistor radios among the throng, a great roar went up: "We're going into Europe."

By CSC

Alternative to bonfire defeated

A motion that would insure the Civilian Student Council's support of an alternative to this year's bonfire was defeated at last night's meeting.

The motion was introduced by Brent Burford, Moses Hall president, during a lengthy debate over the CSC's official stand on the bonfire question. It stated that the CSC would not support the bonfire without having another spirit-raising activity for those students disinterested in participating in the bonfire preparations.

The discussion began after Jim Ferguson, the Head Yell leader, described this year's site for acquiring wood. The cutting area, he said, will be in a heavily wooded area north of Bryan where a cooling plant is being built. "The trees are going to be cut and burned anyway," he said.

CSC President Gordon Pilmer remarked that bonfire enthusiasm has been fading and that he would rather go deer hunting than work on the bonfire. He went on to say that the ecologi-



THE ART OF SHOESHINING in Houston has taken a fantastic stride forward, at least in the eyes of this businessman. For a dollar a shoe, you can now get a shine while you watch instead of wait. Raymond Jones, the owner of the new enterprise, says his girls handle about 70 shines a day. (AP Wirephoto)

A&M voter registration planned to open Monday

A&M voter registration drive begins Monday, Senate Issues chairman James McLeroy announced, pointing out that all citizens of Texas must re-register to vote in 1972, regardless of any registration prior to Oct. 1, 1971.

Student deputy registrars, with the official capacity to register voters, will be conducting dorm drives in their respective dorms. These and other deputy registrars

will be operating booths at the Memorial Student Center, the Library and the Academic Building which will be open daily from 8 to 5.

"All students should register during the first week," McLeroy said. "However, the drive will continue."

Students may register in the drive to vote in Brazos County or their home county. Due to a

recent court case in Denton, students may choose which county to vote in. The decision in this case makes it easy for a student to transfer his registration to another county.

"Two legal points that need to be emphasized are residence and double registering," McLeroy said. "One must establish some sort of residence in the new county, depending on the law there. Also, it is a felony to be registered in two places."

A student registering at home must vote absentee in all elections, he added. It still is not known if out-of-state students can register in Texas, but this question should be cleared up soon.

The requirements for voting are that the applicant must be 18 by April 1, 1972. After January 31, the deadline for registering, new applicants must be 18 within 30 days of the registration date. Applicants are not officially registered until 30 days after the date of application.

All registrations made prior to Oct. 1, 1971 are invalid for 1972, including national elections. The new registration will be good for three years.

McLeroy said that anyone wishing to help in the drive should contact their dorm president or Gordon Pilmer (845-1515), concerning on-campus civilians, Greg Holman (823-5637), concerning booths, Tony Best (845-1867) for information on the Corps drive.

Rating of Distinguished Cadet is given Air ROTC members

Distinguished Cadet status has been accorded 22 Air Force ROTC cadets at A&M, indicating the recipients have potential for becoming regular officers in the U.S. Air Force.

Col. Robert F. Crossland, professor of aerospace studies, said the Distinguished Cadets are David A. Allen of Irvin; James A. Carey, Carrizo Springs; Wayne C. Edwards, College Station; Michael M. Essmyer and Stanley A. Friedli, San Antonio.

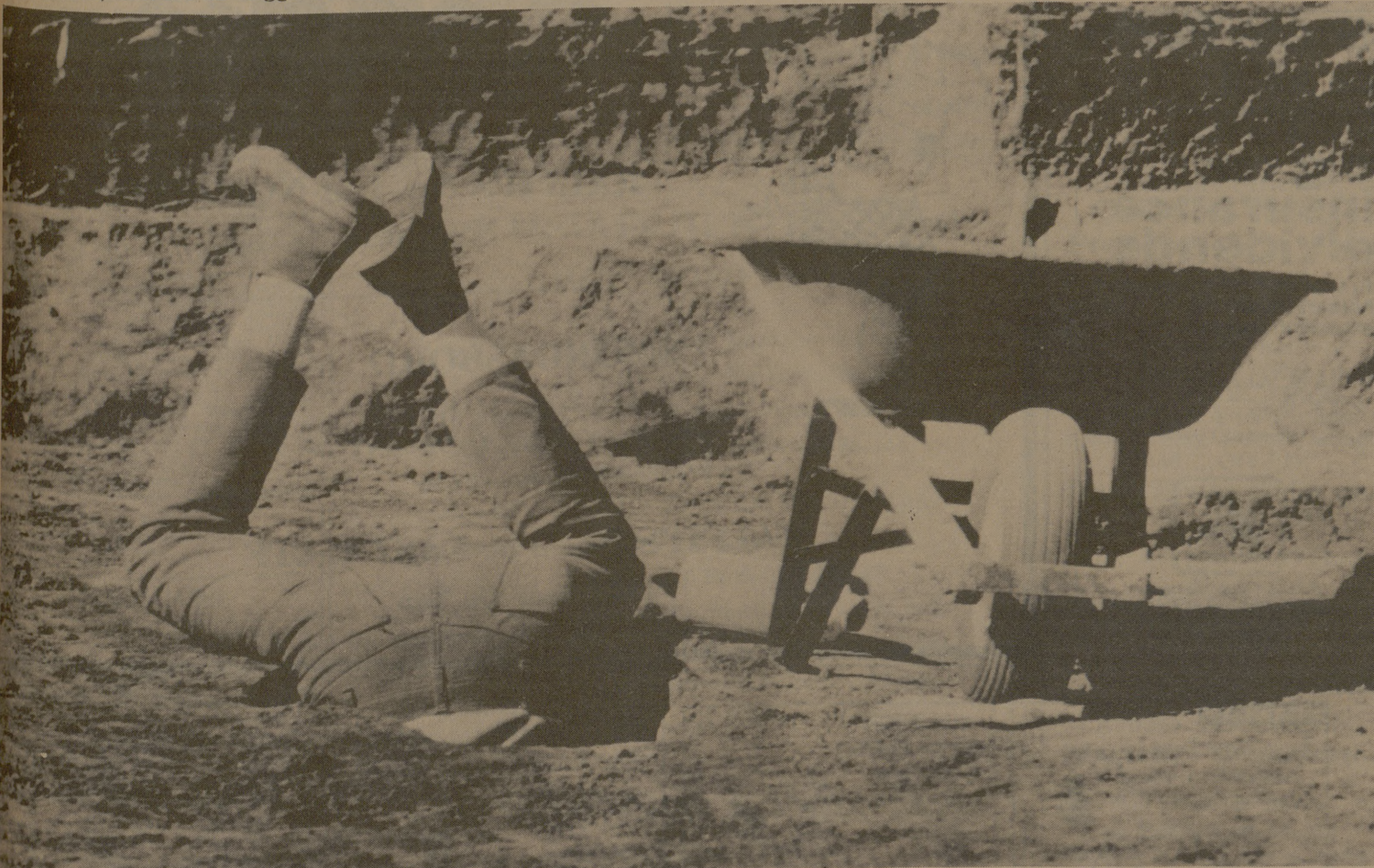
Also, Daniel C. Garner and David L. Moore, Dallas; John E. Hill, Warren F. Richter and William B. Smith, Tyler; James H. Jones, Michael R. Krenek, John W. Kugler, Wayne A. Lutz, James C. McLeroy, Joseph H. Phillips and Charles S. Williams III, Houston.

In addition, Leonard M. Legge

Jr., Fort Worth; John T. Marrs, Monahans; Derron J. Patterson, Navasota; Michael L. Richardson, Angleton, and William M. Theis, Thorndale.

"Designation as a Distinguished Cadet denotes that a cadet has demonstrated, through his performance, the potential of becoming a Distinguished Graduate and possesses the qualities and attributes essential for successful performance as a regular officer in the U.S. Air Force," Colonel Crossland said.

Selection is based on high moral character, leadership qualities demonstrated through achievement on the campus, in the Corps of Cadets and Air Force field training, and high standing in military and academic classes.



THE NEWEST ISOLATIONIST POLICY appears to be under study. Actually Walt Maur, a member of an archaeological team from the University of Iowa, is searching for

remains of an ancient Indian community in southwest Iowa. No lack of enthusiasm here. (AP Wirephoto)

cal aspect of the issue would be extremely important in the next couple years. He feels that a new, more constructive activity should begin that could possibly replace the bonfire in the future.

Pilmer suggested a fund-raising march to help raise Aggie spirit for the Texas football game. Bryan-College Station merchants would, he hopes, donate a small sum of money for each mile walked by each student. The money could be used for scholarships.

The committee members agreed

that the extra activity would not have to take place on the same weekend as the bonfire. They hoped that students would not consider the activity as the CSC's attempt to replace the bonfire, but only as another student project.

Rev. Hugh Beck of A&M's Lutheran Church suggested an ecological project, such as collecting the litter from a certain area. Fernando Giannetti, Schuhmacher Hall president, jokingly mentioned a Woodstock-like festival to supplement the bonfire. Paul

Ammons, the CSC parliamentarian who thoroughly exercised his power during the meeting, motioned that a study of bonfire alternatives should be made and presented at the next meeting. The motion passed easily.

Earlier in the meeting it was decided that a residence hall newspaper be established to give better coverage to dormitory activities and "give the CSC better PR." Each hall would have its own reporter. Advertising would hopefully pay the expense of publication.

First guilty plea entered in Texas stock scandal

DALLAS (AP)—The first guilty plea was entered to a charge arising out of the Texas stock scandal Thursday, when Sam Stock, a former president of National Bankers Life Insurance Co., said he would not contest one of the four counts on which he was indicted.

Stock appeared for arraignment along with John Osorio, former law partner of onetime Texas Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr and another ex-president of NBL, and Donald E. Alins, once executive vice president of NBL.

Stock, Osorio and Akins pleaded innocent to felony charges of conspiracy to embezzle assets of the NBL employees pension fund. Osorio and Stock also pleaded not guilty to charges of embezzlement and misapplying funds of the Dallas Bank & Trust Co.

The count on which Stock did plead guilty involved his failure to make full disclosure about NBL pension fund investment transactions in an annual financial report.

U.S. District Court Judge William M. Taylor Jr. accepted Stock's guilty plea, but delayed sentence until the whole case against him has been heard. Penalty on the county which he did not contest could cost Stock a \$1,000 fine or six months in prison, or both.

Asst. U.S. Atty. Frank McCowan said that, if convicted, the maximum penalty that could be inflicted on Osorio would be a \$30,000 fine and-or 15 years in prison. Stock could be fined up to \$31,000 and might have to serve up to 15½ years in prison, while Akins could be fined \$10,

000 with five years in the penitentiary.

Taylor, who has charge of assignment of cases in the local federal courts this month, said the trial would be before Judge Joe Estes and might not start until after the first of the year.

Brian Hussaker, for Osorio, pointed out that his client had "some business in Austin" set for Jan. 24 and he hoped the Dallas trial could be set for a later date. He was referring to the criminal indictment against Osorio alleging that he made false statements

to the State Insurance Department.

U.S. Atty. Eldon Mahon said Osorio, Stock and Akins would be tried together on a date to be set by Judge Estes.

The pension fund charge involves the \$641,250 which was to have been paid for 22,500 shares of NBL stock by five of the astronauts. The astronauts backed out of the proposed deal, which had been masterminded by Houston financier Frank W. Sharp, and pension fund money was used to buy in the stock.

Two A&M students to attend 23rd U.S. affairs conference

A&M delegates to the 23rd Student Conference on United States Affairs (SCUSA) at West Point in November will be Roberto J. Lozano of Guadalajara, Mexico, and Lucian A. Dade III of Hopkinsville, Ky., announced President Jack Williams.

SCUSA, similar to A&M's Student Conference on National Affairs (SCONA), will deal with the topic "U.S. Role in World Affairs: Changing Patterns of Power."

Lozano, Dade and alternate delegates James A. Lawson of Fort Worth and Fidel Rodriguez Jr. of Bishop are working on SCONA XVII and are members of the Corps of Cadets.

Major discussion areas will include

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Latin America, the USSR and Eastern Europe, Southeast Asia, the United Nations, arms control, East Asia, the Middle East, North Africa, the North Atlantic and international economics and development.

Lozano, chairman of SCONA XVII's steering committee, is an environmental design senior and on the 1st Wing Staff. Dade chairs SCONA arrangements, commands Squadron 4 and is a senior in industrial technology.

Lawson is a junior in electrical engineering, arrangements vice chairman and Squadron 4 member. Corps scholastic sergeant, Rodriguez works on the arrangements committee and majors in civil engineering. They will attend the Nov. 17-20 SCUSA should either Lozano or Dade be unable to go.