



BRUCE CLAY, WRITE IN CANDIDATE for City Council elections, speaks with Florence Neeley, College Station finance officer, Friday as he tried to file for the election. Clay has now filed a suit against College Station to get his name on the ballot. (Photo by Hayden Whitsett)

## Suit filed by student over C.S. elections

By JOHN CURYLO  
A suit will be filed in Federal District Court in Houston asking that Bruce Clay's name be put on the ballot for the College Station City Council election Dec. 14.  
Clay said that J. C. Cowgill, an attorney in Houston, would file the suit.  
Four candidates have filed for the unexpired term of James Dozier, which will end in April.  
"I need the court action to be

seated if I win," Clay explained. "Since I would have to have the court action anyway, it's better to do it now so I could have a better chance of winning with my name on the ballot."  
Without the class action in advance, Clay would have to run as a write-in candidate. His attempt to file for the office was turned down Friday afternoon when city officials explained to him that existing provisions of the city

charter require candidates to own real property within the city.  
"We're trying to prove that the real property requirement is unconstitutional," Clay said. "This has been proven already in one similar case in Houston and others elsewhere."  
Reaction among the voters and other candidates is a prime consideration, Clay explained that he hoped he would be looked upon favorably by those involved.  
"If the court order comes down, they'll be forced to put my name on the ballot," he said. "I think that most people will see my point of view, and I'll get some resident vote. They'll see students in light of taxes we pay and our point of view."  
"I want to emphasize that this is not any sort of attempt at a student take over of the City Council," Clay continued. "It's just an attempt to get representation for the students."  
Regarding his opponents' view of having a student running against them, Clay said that he doubted that they would look on it any differently than any other campaign.

Interest in his candidacy has been shown by the local media, but Clay reported that there was also a small article in Sunday's Houston Chronicle. In addition, radio news broadcasts in several areas of Texas have carried stories of his attempt to file.  
Clay tried to file late the day of the deadline. This occurred at the same time as the Student Senate's difficulty in getting Brazos County tax assessor-collector Raymond B. Buchanan to accept some 850 voter registration forms. Clay explained why he was the student to try to run for office instead of someone else.  
"Since I'm not tied up in the voter registration thing, I'm running rather than somebody else," he said. "Being a finance major and a senior, I felt that I could best represent the students."  
Clay is chairman of the Senate's Public Relations Committee. The stand the Senate will take on his candidacy and campaign has not been determined.  
"The Senate hasn't taken any action yet," he said, "although it was announced at Monday night's meeting that I was going to run."

## Military procurement bill receives Nixon's approval

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon signed Wednesday a \$21.3-billion military procurement bill but said he would ignore one of its provisions—the

Mansfield amendment urging him to set a final date for the withdrawal of all U.S. forces in Indochina.  
Nixon said in a statement that the amendment "is without binding force or effect; and it does not reflect my judgment about the way the war should be brought to a conclusion."  
The procurement authorization bill provides for continuation of construction on the antiballistic missile system, as well as other research and development programs. It also includes an amendment removing the President's authority to ban chrome imports from Rhodesia.

Press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler said the Rhodesian amendment, a congressional move to force resumption of the imports, does not go into effect until January 1972. And, Ziegler said, Nixon will take no action nor have any comment while negotiations are under way between Britain and Rhodesia on the future of the white settler rebel government in South Africa.

## For better or worse Cadet Corps policies slacken

By BRUCE BLACK  
Staff Writer  
In December 1968, the freshman haircut policy in the Corps of Cadets was altered to prohibit the conventional "fish-haircut." Maybe the change started here.  
In February 1970, the call to quarters each night was lengthened to halt all physical harassment during study time, and freshmen were given sophomore privileges while eating in Dunbar Dining Hall. One outfit commander resigned his position in protest. Perhaps the change started here.  
In the fall of 1971, staff personnel on all levels started an intentional crackdown on all types of physical harassing of underclassmen as a result of the think-tanks held during the previous semester. Maybe this was the turning point.  
Where the transition began is not clear, but the expulsion of

many "Old Army" traditions and the adoption of new, more lenient policies in the Corps has triggered many comments from several Corps members.  
"When I was in the Corps of Cadets, they moved all the freshmen away from the main campus to the Bryan Field Annex," Col. Thomas R. Parsons said. "There was quite a lot of comment and student action taken about that incident, but things cooled down after awhile. And I think the freshmen got just as much discipline out there as they would have gotten with all the upperclassmen."  
Col. Parsons, now commandant of the Corps of Cadets, has brought about many changes within the workings of the Corps since his arrival at the beginning of the fall semester of 1971, including the elimination of all weekend drills, the adoption of the new class D-uniform (a flight

suit which can be worn to labs and some classes in place of the regular corps uniform) and a change in the military science curriculum.  
The trend, Parsons said, is toward a Corps of Cadets which is run more along the organizational lines the student will find in the armed services when he graduates and is commissioned as a second lieutenant.  
But the main controversy is still over the policies of disciplinary action.  
Last year the gig-system came into being as a result of the 1970 think-tank series. The system works on the basis that a cadet is issued a number of "gigs" for a certain offense, and if he has obtained over a certain amount during a week's time, he is required to do a special detail or participate in a drill before breakfast one morning.  
"The only complaints I've received about the gig-system thus far have been from individuals who believe they got more gigs for a certain offense than they should have," Parsons said.  
But there are other complaints. "I think the new discipline system is grossly overcomplicated," Ronald Keleman, a senior history major and outfit personnel officer, said. "It's extremely difficult to implement such a policy and be fair to everybody. I think it's more trouble than it's worth."  
"I think it's getting better," Thomas M. Stanley, Cadet Corps commander, said. "A lot of good things have come out of the think tank. Discipline in the Corps has always been a problem, but I

think that we're going to make the gig-system work."  
Something is working for the Corps. Retention of freshman cadets has increased about 75 per cent since last year, Parsons said.  
Ninety-nine freshmen have been dropped from the corps thus far this year, but 72 have joined since the beginning of the fall semester. Col. Parsons attributes this increase to a number of factors.  
"Better recruitment from members of the Corps is, of course a great help," Parsons said. "But there are some new factors involved."  
For the first time, I-D draft deferments are being issued to all persons enrolled in an ROTC program, whereas only contract-holding juniors and seniors were eligible before. In September 1971, all II-S deferments were repealed to university freshmen. Any freshman enrolling in the Corps will automatically receive a I-D, Parsons said.  
Still another encouragement to join has been the new military pay increases. Contract pay is expected to go up to \$100 per month shortly, Parsons said. He expects word within a week.  
But Parsons still believes pride is the greatest factor in the Corps.  
"Take our tradition of saying 'howdy' to everybody we pass on the campus," Parsons commented. "This is a tradition which has been on this campus from the beginning. This is a fine tradition."  
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## Women asking dorm rooms must fill out housing form

All single women at A&M interested in living in the new women's residence hall next fall must fill out an "expression of interest" form by Dec. 1, announced Housing Manager Allan Madeley.  
"This new form supersedes all requests and inquiries previously submitted," Madeley said, "and is a prerequisite for receiving a room reservation card."  
Coads who did not obtain the

form during the pre-registration process may obtain one from the Housing Office in the YMCA or at the Dean of Women Office in Academic Building Room 103.  
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## Being black and in the Corps

By LINDA ZEHL  
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"I feel that the Corps is 99 per cent white oriented. I don't really think the Corps has anything to offer to a black person — almost none," commented Willie Nixon, a black junior in the Corps.  
"A&M is based on many traditions that evolve around whites. The Corps is the most staunch upholder. To me, it doesn't bend any way toward helping the freshman black student coming here. The organization doesn't take into consideration the black's adjustment to an almost all-white atmosphere," he said.  
Held within the bounds of his uniform, Willie Nixon appears quiet and self-contained. When he talks, Willie affects a monotone despite his rich, smooth voice.  
When Willie joined the Corps in high school, he was a little more gung-ho. Today, his reasons for joining the Corps seem to have been lost in the search for black identity.  
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On the side of Texas A&M.  
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"For one thing, I was in the band in high school for eight years, and secondly, I heard how hard the Corps was so I took joining it as a challenge," he said.  
Since entering college, Willie has gone through adjustments in his opinion toward racism. "My views have changed immensely since I graduated from High school. I was completely ignorant of what was happening in the world. I always had the opinion that everybody was 'good' and that racism was more of a heresy matter. Because I was attending an all-black high school, I really didn't notice racism. Now that I've come to A&M, I have begun reading more books and newspapers and have become more aware of the problems existing — including racism."  
In attribution to the Black Awareness Committee, Willie explained, "If the BAC was organized as well as it is now, my freshman year would have been much easier for me. Because all of the black action was off-campus then, I didn't have any contacts with other blacks."

But on the other side of the matter is the white roommate of a black in the Corps. For this we turn to John Curylo, a senior in the Corps.  
"He's different from any other black I've met; but then again, he's different from any other person I've ever met," Curylo said about his black roommate, Ed Williams.  
"He is very open when talking about race or any other subject. He happens to have a real good perception and understanding of people and can see through false faces. All in all, color doesn't have anything to do with Ed's outgoing personality," he said.  
"We do have many differences, but these involve such things as the books we read, the way we react to people and matters similar to this."  
"The only difference in relation to color is the fact Ed listens to soul music which I enjoy anyway," a grinning Curylo added.  
Since the beginning of this semester, the time Curylo has been living with Williams, John has become more sensitive to and

aware of the blacks and their people.  
"Since living with Ed, I have improved my outlook at the whole black race. I've gotten to know more about black history and blacks in general, because we have such a close association," John said.  
"Because Ed attended a predominantly white high school and his father is the principal of a white junior high, Ed had little difficulty in adjusting to the white atmosphere in the Corps and at A&M. Although many blacks have had problems with the Corps' strict attitudes, Ed has made gripes as any other human being would. He doesn't seem to complain — especially because he is black."  
But about Ed's blackness, John has no doubt. "Ed is black through and through," he said. "He is proud of his black heritage and his race. With the natural brotherhood that blacks have, Ed associates with his people continually. At the same time, he's not a militant that wants to burn, baby, burn."  
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## Thanksgiving service planned by "Y" Association members

The Student Y Thanksgiving service will be held in the All Faiths Chapel Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.  
Rev. Larry Grubbs, campus minister of the A&M United Methodist Church, will deliver the Thanksgiving message. The New Tradition Singers, a campus choral group, will provide the anthem and assist throughout the service.

The Student Y is also sponsoring devotional services in the Bonfire areas on Sunday morning. One will be at 6:30 in the stacking area and another at 9:00 in the cutting area.  
All students are invited to attend both Bonfire and chapel services. The entire community may attend the nondenominational chapel service.

## Doherty's burial attended by leaders of university

Funeral services were held in Houston Wednesday afternoon for Wilfred T. (Doc) Doherty, 73, one of A&M's most distinguished graduates.  
Attending the services were university leaders and students, including Corps of Cadets Col. Tom Stanley and a contingent of Ross Volunteers serving as honor guard.  
Heading the A&M group were A&M President and Mrs. Jack K. Williams. Others included Executive Vice President Gen. A. R. Luedcke, President Emeritus M. T. Harrington, Mrs. Earl Ruder, Engineering Dean Fred J. Benson, Col. Thomas R. Parsons, Association of Former Students Executive Director Richard Weirus, Development Director Dorsey McCrory and Assistant to the President and Mrs. Ed Cooper.  
Pallbearers were Gen. Luedcke, District Judge W. C. Davis, Clarence Jamall, Dr. W. O. Milligan, A. G. McNeese, Gordon News, Harold Vance and Roger Wolfe.

Doherty, a life-long resident of Houston and 1922 graduate of A&M, was president of the Robert A. Welch Foundation. He died at 4:45 a.m. Tuesday in the Diagnostic Center Hospital after suffering a heart attack two weeks ago.  
Doherty is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lois A. Doherty; two daughters, Mrs. William C. Kelly Jr. of Alvin and Deborah Ann Doherty of Houston; two sons, James Patrick Doherty and Wilfred Thomas Doherty Jr., both of Houston, and two brothers, Joe S. Doherty of Houston and Raymond M. Doherty of Kaufman.  
Doherty was a member of the A&M System Board of Directors from 1953 to 1959, serving as president from 1955 to 1959. He was named a Distinguished Alumnus of the university in 1966 by the university and the alumni organization.  
He was councilor to the A&M Research Foundation and trustee of the A&M Development Foundation. The W. T. Doherty Petro-

leum Engineering Building on the campus was named in his honor.  
The family has requested that in lieu of usual remembrances contributions be made to the A&M Development Foundation or a favorite charity.

## Dennis to play musical pieces from Paraguay

Zunilda Dennis will play native Paraguayan music on the harp tonight at 8:30 in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.  
Dennis is presented by the International Student Association. The admission is free and all students and faculty members are invited to attend.  
Paraguayan music is peculiar because of its rhythm and the special sound effects of the harp.



TWO MEMBERS OF COLLEGIUM MUSICUM get after it Wednesday night in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom. The University of Texas group presented a musical history of the last 600 years. (Photo by Joe Matthews)