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Cloudy
and
warmer

Wednesday — Partly cloudy skies, high 52°, low 35°. Winds northerly to northwesterly 5-10 mph.

Thursday — Increasing cloudiness. Cold front passage at 3 p.m. Cloudy, colder with rain. High at noon 60°, dropping to near freezing at midnight.

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Rugby bout set between TAMU, Argentina team

The Rugby Club of A&M takes on a touring team from Argentina Wednesday at 2 p.m. on the Drill Field.

The Club Champagnat of Buenos Aires, the first foreign team in history to tour Texas, challenges the defending champion Aggies of the Texas Rugby Union. The Argentine team will be in town until Thursday, having arrived Monday. They are being housed in Walton Hall on the A&M campus.

Saturday, Jan. 22, the small but mighty Argentine team played its first game, defeating the Houston Rugby Club, 29-6, in Memorial Park. The Club Champagnat players were outweighed by 15 pounds per man, but they thrilled the crowd in overwhelming Houston.

The team was in Galveston over the weekend. After College Station, they travel to Austin and Dallas.

Roger P. Soos, coach of the A&M Rugby Club, announced that there will be no admission

charge for Wednesday's game. A public address system will be set up to explain the game to the fans. The Aggies will be putting a 20-game winning streak on the line against the Argentinians.

The weekend of Feb. 12-13 will see the Aggies travelling to New Orleans to compete in the annual Mardi Gras Invitational Tournament against teams from Canada, the East and West coasts, and from Tulane University. The Aggies are the only team invited from Texas.

February 19 marks the beginning of the season proper, with games against Austin Gold and Black Clubs, St. Edward's of Austin and Dallas and Harlequins Rugby Clubs of Dallas, comprising the Northern zone of the league.

The winner of this zone will compete on April 29 against the Southern zone champions of the Texas Rugby Union title. Included in this season are two tournaments, one in Galveston and another in Austin.



Those Argentinians can be rough was the Saturday lesson for Al Leskinen, a junior at Texas Maritime Academy in Galveston. The match was rugby, always a game hard on men and the team was from Argentina. The same group is now at A&M and will be taking on the local rugby club Wednesday at 2 p.m. on the Drill Field. See the accompanying story. (Photo by Robert Williams)

Naval ROTC unit authorized for A&M's Corps of Cadets

A&M has been authorized a Naval ROTC unit, probably to be established by the summer of 1973, President Jack K. Williams has announced.

He revealed the authorization by the Chief of Naval Operations, Adm. E. R. Zumwalt Jr., at a Corps Christi A&M Club meeting Thursday night honoring Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Ormond Simpson.

President Williams noted the detachment will be part of the regular Corps of Cadets, with Navy members wearing the traditional Aggie uniform bearing the Naval ROTC patch. The Navy detachment will number up to 300 cadets.

General Simpson, a 1936 A&M graduate, and U. S. Rep. Olin E. Beauge, a 1932 TAMU graduate of College Station, assisted in making application for the NROTC unit.

"This is good news because it adds a dimension to the tremendous Corps of Cadets of A&M," the president commented. "We look forward to being one of two universities in the United States having uniformed Corps of Cadets with openings available to all three military branches."

TAMU and The Citadel at Charleston, S. C., will be the only institutions with Air Force, Army and Navy ROTC programs leading to officer commissions. A&M currently has a Marine Corps Platoon Leaders Course

(PLC) involving 53 cadets, of whom several are in the Corps. "This indicates the university is totally behind the military program," observed Col. Thomas R. Parsons, commandant. He pointed out that cadets of the Texas Maritime Academy located at Galveston have participated in Corps of Cadets events on campus.

The Corps, commanded this year by Cadet Col. Thomas M. Stanley of Mt. Pleasant, consists of 14 Air Force ROTC squadrons, 20 Army ROTC companies and the Aggie Band. Total strength is near 2,300 cadets.

Martin asking court delay on house district divisions

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Texas Atty. Gen. Crawford Martin dispatched an assistant to Washington today to ask the U.S. Supreme Court to delay a three-judge federal court order dividing Dallas and Bexar (San Antonio) Counties into single-member state house districts.

Martin said Asst. Atty. Gen. Sam McDaniel would file the motion with Justice Lewis Powell, circuit judge for the area that includes Texas.

The motion contends it would be too difficult to hold elections in the individual house districts in the time available — three

months and five days until the party primaries. Filing deadline for candidates is next Monday.

Martin said the motion also alleges some "pretty bad errors" were made in the plans ordered by the court. Some census tracts were left out of districts, some were included twice and some were "islands" instead of being contiguous with complete districts, he said.

A three-judge court in Austin ruled last Friday that the present multi-member system for big city house districts discriminated against Dallas blacks and San Antonio Mexican-Americans.

Dallas was cut into 18 neighborhood districts and San Antonio into 11 individual districts, each with about 74,000 people.

The Dallas and San Antonio districts were put into effect for this year's elections. The court also said the entire 1971 House redistricting plan was unconstitutional because of population variances among districts. But the court gave the legislature until July 1, 1973, to write new districts.

MSC open house to start Thursday

Memorial Student Center programs and activities will go on display Thursday during annual spring open house from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

MSC Council and Directorate President John C. Dacus announced that students, faculty and the public are invited to the event, designed primarily for students enrolled at TAMU the first time this semester.

"The purpose of the open house is to make students aware of benefits they receive from the student services fee they pay as part of registration," commented Mickey Wiesinger, public relations director.

Not communistic

Hanoi seeks open government in South

PARIS (AP) — North Vietnam spokesman at the Vietnam peace talks, said Secretary of State William P. Rogers "deliberately sought to deform our positions" when he said Sunday night Hanoi insisted on "a government of their choosing, a Communist govern-

ment" which the United States could not accept. Le said Hanoi wants "a large government of national accord" to succeed the administration of President Nguyen Van Thieu. "This government, to be precise," said Le, "would be composed of personalities of various political and religious tendencies."

The major religious groups in South Vietnam are the Buddhist, and Roman Catholic communities. At the White House in Washington, press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler said officials are in the process of reviewing the latest North Vietnamese statement.

He told questioning reporters "we'll have that completed by tomorrow and I'm sure we can be more responsive to your questions at that time."

Le also released the details of the nine-point peace plan which was handed to presidential adviser Henry A. Kissinger at a secret meeting with the North Vietnamese in Paris on June 26. Point 3 called for the Thieu government to be replaced by "a new administration standing for

peace, independence, neutrality and democracy."

This government would negotiate with the Viet Cong's provisional revolutionary government "to settle the internal affairs of South Vietnam and to achieve national concord," the hitherto secret plan said.

Such a position is not new from the Communist side. In the seven-point peace plan presented July 1, 1971, by Mrs. Nguyen Thi Binh, delegation leader of the Viet Cong in Paris, Point 2 called on the United States to stop backing the Thieu government and, assuming this would lead to its downfall, said: "The political, social and religious forces in South Vietnam aspiring to peace and national concord will use various means to form in Saigon a new administration favoring peace, independence, neutrality and democracy." The Viet Cong would immediately start negotiation with this government to form "a broad three-segment government of national concord" to organize general elections. A cease-fire would take effect as soon as the government of national concord

was formed.

The wording was similar to that of the Hanoi plan revealed Monday but went further into details over the cease-fire and other questions of ensuring peaceful conditions in the country.

The Viet Cong has never clarified the composition of the first or second of the projected caretaker governments.

The latest U.S. proposal for interim arrangements came in the eight-point proposal handed by Kissinger to the North Vietnamese Oct. 11, and publicized by President Nixon last Tuesday.

It called for an "independent body representing all political forces in South Vietnam" to organize presidential elections six months after agreement between the two sides in the war. President Thieu would resign one month before the election and a caretaker government would be led by the president of the Saigon Senate.

U.S. spokesmen have said that Viet Cong representatives could be members of the electoral body and there could be Viet Cong presidential candidates.

Protesting Sunday deaths

North Ireland's guerrillas strike

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP)—Rebel guerrillas in Northern Ireland struck back with bombs, bullets and defiant parades Monday over the killing of civilians in a clash with British troops.

The Irish Republic to the south recalled its ambassador from London and a gasoline bomb set the British Embassy in Dublin ablaze.

In Parliament in London, Roman Catholic militant Bernadette Devlin assaulted British Home Secretary Reginald Maudling — punching and scratching him and pulling his hair.

When the gasoline bomb exploded at the British Embassy in Dublin, hundreds of chanting demonstrators were marching outside. They were protesting the battle Sunday in Londonderry which took the lives of 13 civilians. The Sinn Fein, political wing of the outlawed Irish Republican Army, called the protest.

Troops came under repeated fire Monday in Belfast's Catholic strongholds during violent reaction to the Sunday shootings. A soldier was seriously wounded when a guerrilla bullet penetrated his armored car. School children

divided into snow-packed gutters when they were caught in a cross-fire, but none was hurt.

The Irish Republic recalled its ambassador in London, Donal O'Sullivan. An Irish Embassy spokesman called the move "the strongest protest we can make" without rupturing diplomatic relations with Britain.

In London, Miss Devlin, a member of Britain's Parliament as well as a leader of the Roman Catholic minority in Northern Ireland, interrupted proceedings as Maudling was explaining the circumstances in which a force of British paratroopers opened fire during Sunday's demonstration in Londonderry.

"I have the right as the only representative who was a witness to ask a question of that murdering hypocrite," she shouted.

Miss Devlin, who stands only about 5 feet tall, then rushed across the House of Commons and attacked Maudling.

She was pulled away by other members of Parliament and hauled from the chamber.

Earlier an anonymous telephone caller in London claimed that a two-man suicide squad had been

assigned to assassinate Prime Minister Edward Heath to avenge the civilians killed in Londonderry.

The caller told The Associated Press the killers had been chosen at a meeting of Saor Eire, a leftist offshoot of the Irish Republican Army. A spokesman for Heath said the necessary steps

would be taken.

The Irish Republican Army—the IRA—has vowed revenge for the deaths in Londonderry.

Strikes protesting Sunday's shootings paralyzed much of Northern Ireland's industry. Londonderry limped along in near shutdown. So did some other smaller Northern Ireland towns.

Free University registration scheduled Thursday in MSC

Registration for the Free University will be from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday night in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

The course instructors will be present to explain their course and establish meeting places and times.

People who do not go to Thursday's registration may still attend classes.

The locations and times for the courses will be published later.

Four more courses have been added to the Free University.

Sculpture and Creative Design

will be taught by Rodney Hill from the Environmental Design Department. Roy Pledger, from the same department, will provide guidance in "Photography."

Advice on self-defense will be given by Karl Mesloh. This class is open to coeds.

A philosophy discussion group will be led by Phi Club President Randy Durham.

For more information call Bill Heeter, 845-6804; Layne Kruse, 845-3750; or the Student Programs Office, 845-1515.

New doctors added to staff of campus hospital facility

Appointment of three doctors to the staff of the A&M hospital has been announced by President Jack K. Williams.

Dr. W. H. Powe Jr., currently a staff member of the student health center of New Mexico State University at Las Cruces, will join TAMU Aug. 1 and become head of the hospital when Dr. Kenneth L. Nelson retires as director Aug. 31.

Dr. James Samuel Watkins III of Baytown joined the TAMU hospital last month, and Dr. Robert E. Lee Gowen of Houston began work today.

Dr. Williams said the appointments are part of an overall plan to enhance medical services to TAMU students. He noted the plans also include construction of new facilities.

Dr. Powe has been associated with New Mexico State since 1964. He previously had a general practice in his hometown of Greenville, S. C. He is a graduate of Furman University and the

University National Bank "On the side of Texas A&M." —Adv.