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SATURDAY & SUNDAY — Clear mornings. Partly cloudy afternoons. Late afternoon thundershowers. Wind southeasterly 10 to 15 m.p.h. High 91, low 73.

NEBRASKA KICKOFF — 77° Relative humidity 25%. Wind southwesterly 10 to 20 m.p.h.

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## Bike Registration Process Delayed

### Officials Undecided On Rule Enforcement, Fee Allocation

By MIKE RICE

Editor  
After a full afternoon of running the administration gauntlet, The Battalion learned late Thursday that university officials aren't quite settled in their plans for disposing of bicycle registration fees.

In addition to this, administrators in charge of planning and enforcing bicycle operation rules seem to have different ideas on the manner in which these will be done.

University Police Chief O. L. Luther said he would be as lenient as possible on students given violation receipts, although moving violation rules would be more rigidly enforced than parking regulations.

"I don't see why students should be penalized too heavily if they have no place to park their bikes," said Luther. "We really need to have more bike racks put in. Students don't deserve having to pay a fine for something that isn't there."

Luther said rule enforcement wouldn't begin until around Oct. 15 and even then wouldn't be too strict unless one administrator requested strict enforcement.

"Students who register their bikes and ride them on-campus will be given every benefit of the doubt," Luther said. "The good part about the registration, however, is that it will allow better security and eliminate useless bike theft."

Don Woods, Associate Research Engineer with the Texas Transportation Institute at A&M, said his department designed the proposed bicycle path system with the point of creating more order and control over where bikes are being parked, especially by dormitories, the Zachry Engineering Center and the University Library.

"Students are creating a bicycle nuisance in front of these buildings when they could very well park them elsewhere," said Woods. "For instance, at the Engineering Center, students insist on parking in front of the steps, while there is an empty field beside the center."

At the time The Battalion talked to Dr. Woods, the university was still planning to place all fees collected in the account for parking facilities.

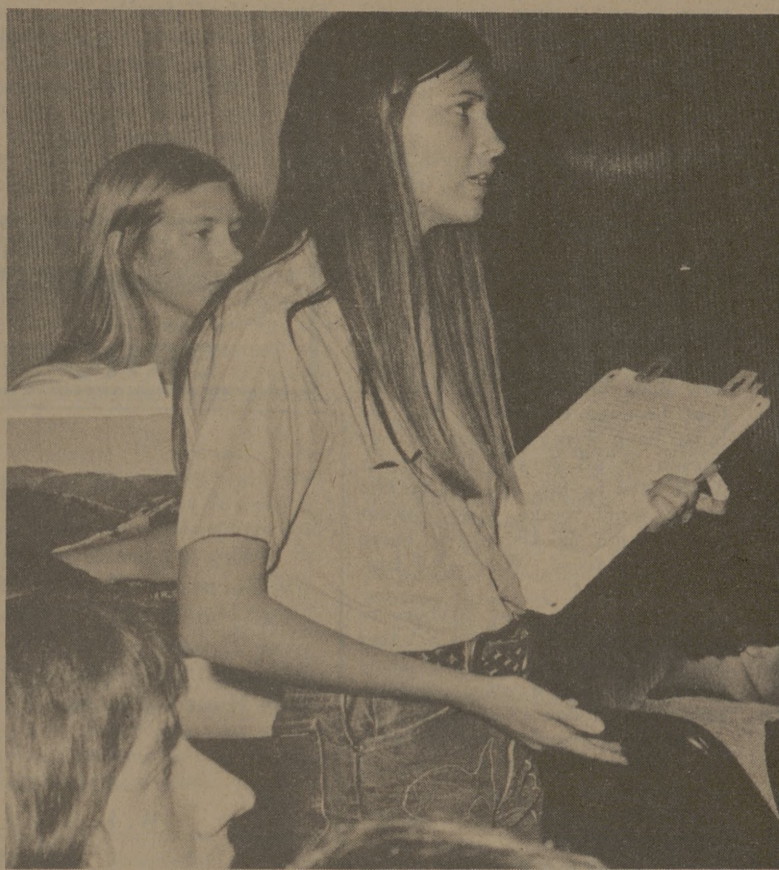
Since then, Dean of Students James P. Hannigan has announced a separate fund will be made for bicycle fees collected.

Asked if a student boycott of the registration would hurt university plans for the bicycle path system, Dr. Woods said it might cause the whole thing to collapse temporarily. Woods said the funds collected wouldn't be near enough to pay for putting up the bike racks and paths, but would put a cramp in construction plans, if eliminated.

Woods said A&M needs the system and the system needs rules. He noted that he feels the path is very desirable.

Luther said he felt the restriction against riding bikes on the campus mall would not be enforced very much until some semblance of bike system began to take shape.

Woods said he thought the regulation should be enforced as soon as possible after bike registration had ended for student riders.



KATHY MICHULKA and Jo Holt address the Civilian Student Council Thursday night with a petition they circulated against the proposed bicycle registration. They collected over 300 names in one hour in front of Sbisa Dining Hall earlier that evening. (Photo by Mike Rice)

### CSC Resolution Asked For Postponement Of Procedure

By LARRY MARSHALL  
Managing Editor

Bicycle registration for all students riding bicycles on the A&M campus was cancelled late Thursday night as a result of a resolution passed by the Civilian Student Council at a meeting held that evening.

Dean of Men Charles Powell was contacted after the meeting and assured The Battalion he could get the registration date postponed by contacting the necessary people Friday.

Powell said registration would be postponed until a satisfactory explanation could be worked out to explain where bicycle registration fees would go and what they would be used for. He said he hoped registration could be rescheduled for Wednesday.

The raging controversy over the bicycle registration had gone a step further when the CSC passed the resolution asking for a temporary halt in the registration.

Terry Brown, a member of the "Students of Concern" group at A&M, sparked the resolution's beginning at the meeting when he was allowed to speak on the subject by CSC president Mark Blakemore.

Blakemore then presented information he had received from administrators on the issue at the outset of debate. Previously the funds received from registration would have gone into the Parking Lot Fund, but now a separate fund is being set up. A formal budget for the funds is the responsibility of Business Affairs Vice-President Tom Cherry, Blakemore said.

The major complaints brought forth against the registration were concerned with there being no formal budget for the \$3 fee. Battalion Editor Mike Rice said that at least part of the funds would be used to pay for and install new bike racks on campus. The university presently has \$15,000 worth of these waiting to be installed, he noted.

"About the actual costs of registering, the tag, straps to fasten it on and the card would run about 39 cents. There would

be a little more for clerical costs too," Rice said.

Kathy Micolka and Jo Holt had a petition which they circulated for one hour in front of Sbisa Dining Hall Thursday. They had approximately 300 names. The petition was to be presented to administrators this morning. "About 95 percent of the people we talked to were against the regulation. Apparently many people feel strongly about this," commented Micolka.

The motion was proposed by

John Bethancourt to send the resolution to all concerned parties (i.e., administration and campus police) stating that the CSC is in favor of holding off on bicycle registration until a written itemized budget is approved.

Executive Vice-President Alvin Luedcke has received a tentative plan of bicycle paths and plans for the system. These will take about two weeks to evaluate, then action will be taken on a piece meal basis, reported Blakemore.

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### Civilian Dorms Receive New Visitation Hours Privileges

By LARRY MARSHALL  
Managing Editor

A new visitation policy and report on residence hall improvements highlighted the first meeting of the Civilian Student Council Thursday night.

A new university-wide visitation policy for civilians was announced by CSC President Mark Blakemore. It supercedes all previous ones. The new policy allows for visitation weekdays from noon to 9 p.m. and from noon to 1:30 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights.

These are the maximum hours permissible. The new policy must be approved by a three-fourths majority vote in the hall before it will go into effect, Blakemore said.

In other action, Blakemore said progress was being made in the residence halls' improvement projects. Phase I is considered completed, and Phase II beginning, he said.

Transformers will be installed in Law and Puryear Halls about Sept. 29. Completion will take about three weeks. Transformers for Dorms 1-12 will be installed by Thanksgiving, he noted.

The new carpeting for Law, Puryear and Walton will be laid beginning about Monday. The

carpeting in Hart, Moses, Davis Gary, Crocker and Moore will be installed at Christmas.

Randy Durham of BCS-FM told the council his plan to start a net of residence hall reporters who would submit activities for broadcast to the cable station.

"The station is student-run and oriented, and could be a great help to the students," he noted. At the present, announcements can be aired by calling the station at 822-7336.

"We have expanded to Sbisa and Duncan Dining Halls," Durham commented, "and will be playing music and making announcements during meal hours."

Also in the planning stages are low power transmitters to be hooked to the cable in each dorm having a contract with Midwest Video Cable Company that would transmit on the AM frequency. This would enable people with AM radios to listen, he said.

The Car-Care Center has a building and land, Randy Gillespie reported. He is forming a committee to work out the remaining problems and anyone interested should contact him.

Bill Kemp, co-chairman of the upcoming voter registration drive, told about a planned meeting Monday night in Rooms 2A, 2B and 2C of the Memorial Student Center. The 7:30 p.m. meeting will be to deputize registrars for the drive, he said.

The Midwest Affiliation of College and University Residence Hall conference was reported by Bill Suter.

"The conference was over our heads much of the time," he said, "like other schools would be discussing their problems with 24-hour visitation, now then look at us."

Because of this difference, we are planning a conference for Texas schools, he said. A&M is organizing this presently.

### Petition Presented To Williams

Alarmed and uninformed students began circulating a letter to The Battalion Thursday afternoon in protest of the now-postponed bicycle registration.

The students, Kathy Micolka, Jo Holt, Jim Cambon and Dennis Tocquigny first started working in the residence hall areas before they found themselves in competition with Sbisa dinner hours and moved in front of Sbisa.

The petition read: "We feel the university owes the students a complete explanation of the proposed bicycle registration. Exactly what is the 'bicycle plan' and what are its goals? Who made the decision to register the bikes? What will the fees be used for? Why weren't we, the students, given a voice in these decisions? How long will students be required to register bikes? How is such a plan going to minimize traffic congestion on campus?"

"We believe it's about time that the university consulted students before proposing and implementing arbitrary rules, regulations and fees."

The students collected over 300 signatures for presentation to the Civilian Student Council. The letter of petition was too long to be run with signatures, but was presented in A&M President Jack K. Williams' office this morning.

### Freshman Yell Leaders Named

Freshman yell leaders Mike Smith of Winter, John McWilliams and Harry Leatherwood of Houston, Chris Lewis of Conroe and David Bishchoffhausen of Irving have been selected for the 1972-73 school year at Texas A&M University.

Smith is the head freshman yell leader, announced Dr. Gary M. Halter, chairman of the yell leader and bonfire committee.

Selections by the committee followed tryouts earlier this week.

The five "fish," as freshmen are known at TAMU, will lead yells at five frosh football games this fall and preliminary basketball games. They open the season Sept. 28 at the Texas A&M-Rice game on Kyle Field.

All but Leatherwood are members of the Corps of Cadets. A pre-dental major, Leatherwood is a Fowler Hall resident.

Lewis and McWilliams are in Squadron 7 and major in zoology and biology, respectively. Bishchoffhausen is a Company B-1 cadet from Irving. Smith studies agricultural engineering and is in Company K-1.

### Three Weekly TV Shows Make Debut

Three new weekly television programs, "Platform," "The Political Forum Show," and "Kaleidoscope," will begin broadcasting next week. The programs are a project of the Public Relations Organization of the Memorial Student Center.

"The new shows are another extension of the MSC to the students," explained Gary Reger, PRO chairman. Layne Rees, PRO media director, said "the shows will provide information and entertainment by, for, and about the Aggies."

He also said "Platform," which debuts at 7 p.m. Tuesday on Midwest Channel 9, will be a two-way communication between student leaders and viewers by phone.

Layne Kruse, Student Government president, will be the first guest and will answer phone calls about any question a student may have that he can answer. In addition, he will converse with the show moderator about issues in general in student government.

"The Political Forum Show" will feature a "hotline" format, but a different level of guests will be used, according to Political Forum chairman Mike Lindsay.

Prominent state and national figures will be available for viewer questioning. Dr. George Beto, a strong advocate for prison reform, will be the show's first guest at 7 p.m. Wednesday, on Midwest Channel 9.

## Academic Affairs Programs Following Smooth Schedule

By VICKI ASHWILL  
Programs and studies currently being underwritten by the Academic Affairs Committee of the

Student Government are progressing at a smooth pace, said Bill Hartsfield, chairman.

The free tutoring service being

sponsored by Phi Eta Sigma and the Academic Affairs group, is in operation and students wishing to sign up may do so on lists posted in each dorm, he said.

Other finalized projects include the Free University, consisting of 14 courses including Human Sexuality, Income Tax and the Law. According to Hartsfield, these courses enable the student to have a broader education with no pressure for grades.

One project has now placed more students on university committees such as the Academic Appeals Panel, Library, Honors Program and Curriculum committees. Furthermore, students will now be members of the Academic Acceleration Committee (a study of the policy of credit by examination) and the Ad Hoc Calendar Committee.

"We believe that we have established a line of communication with the administration in this very vital area of academic affairs," stated Hartsfield, concerning the placement of students in university committees.

The past summer found the Academic Council accepting several of the Senate's suggestions regarding academic regulations such as an instructor is no longer the "sole" authority for grades but the "primary" authority. In addition, a student now receives a copy of his grades as well as his parents. If the students is 21 or married, his grade reports are sent to only him unless he requests it to be sent elsewhere.

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KRUEGER GALS illustrated their 'Fightin' Texas Aggie Spirit' this week with the banner they hung from the top of the dorm. They're urging the Aggie footballers to flatten the Cornhusker's in Saturday's A&M-Nebraska game in Lincoln. (Photo by Steve Ueckert)



EMORY BELLARD, head football mentor for the Aggies, was honored with dinner, handshakes and a pass-by put on in the Corps area quad Thursday. Bellard also got to meet many corps students throughout the evening in Duncan Dining Hall, as with senior Russell Phillips. (Photo by Steve Ueckert)