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THURSDAY — Cloudy. Wind southerly 10 to 15 m.p.h. Rain in the morning, ending by noon. High 54, low 41.
FRIDAY — Cloudy morning; partly cloudy afternoon. Wind northerly 10 to 15 m.p.h. High 57, low 38.

Bus Committee Proposes Joint Funding Plan For Vehicle Use

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A&M's Shuttle Bus Committee has proposed a new system to fund the newly established shuttle bus system which would combine user fees and student service fees for operation in the 1973-74 school year.

This recommendation was presented to seven members of the Student Government Executive Committee by two Shuttle Bus Committee members in a meeting Tuesday.

The Shuttle Bus Committee supported the plan with the following points: 1) The service benefits the entire student body, directly and indirectly. A side from the direct benefits to the users, the system reduces traffic congestion and an increased de-

mand for traffic spaces.

2) A user fee is justified as regular riders do benefit more directly than others.

3) A positive ecological impact will be experienced with less traffic congestion, less combustion emission and a decreased demand for more parking spaces.

4) Most public transit systems are subsidized so a bus fare is not too expensive.

Currently five buses have been contracted from Transportation Enterprises, Inc. and are operating 55 hours per week at a cost of seven dollars per hour.

The \$61,600 service is being paid for from the Student Service Fees account and the Auxiliary Enterprises Administration account.

"Why should the on-campus

students pay for the bus system if they're not riding it?" asked Fred Campbell, Rules and Regulations Committee chairman.

"Everyone has the opportunity to participate in the activities they paid for with their student services fee, yet on-campus students aren't using the bus," said Bill Hartsfield, chairman of the Academic Affairs committee.

"In order for a system to work you don't charge the user for the service," said Kent Caperton, Shuttle Bus Committee chairman. "In this case as in other transit systems, funds must be appropriated elsewhere to reduce the cost of the fare for riders."

A recent survey by the Shuttle Bus Committee indicates an average of 2,000 students per day regularly use the bus service. If the

user alone supplemented the cost of the system, the cost per rider would be \$30.80 per year.

"I think the shuttle bus system is great as long as it is expanded," said chairman of External Affairs Barb Sears.

According to the Shuttle Bus Committee, the approximate costs to expand the current service would be \$13-14,000 for each additional bus. Possibilities for an expanded service include the Plantation Oaks apartment area, apartment areas north of the campus and a bus to circle the inner campus.

At this time students and student wives are allowed to use the shuttle services.

"I suggest if you do allow non-students to ride, charge them more because they aren't contributing to the student services fee," said Sears. "But how do you get users to pay?"

"This is a big problem right now because you are saying someone paying a little extra can ride the bus, while one who contributes to the student service fees can't," Caperton said.

"Also TTI will check I.D.'s, but they will not handle anything such as tickets or money."

Ed Davis, Shuttle Bus Committee member, will be doing a survey following a committee meeting Thursday which will ask students how much they would spend to ride the bus. Suggestions were brought up in the meeting that users should pay the \$18 parking fee with the possibility they would even pay more than this amount.

Funding alternatives include the student service fees, the user fee, non-appropriated university funds with the primary drawback being the lack of available funds, federal aid or a combination of two or more of the above to lessen the strain on any single funding source.

"At this time we're going to need some help from the Senate to find out what the student body feels," said Davis.

Lt. Gen. Catton To Speak At Commissioning

Gen. Jack J. Catton, a top U.S. Air Force general, will speak at A&M commissioning exercises of new Air Force, Army and Marine Corps officers Dec. 9.

He is one of 14 four-star Air Force generals and commands the Air Force Logistics Command headquartered at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

Commissions and second lieutenant's bars will be awarded to 130 fall semester TAMU graduates. The new officers will receive diplomas at Dec. 9 commencement, with Houston attorney Leon Jaworski as speaker. A luncheon will honor Gen. Catton and Jaworski.

A 32-year military veteran, Gen. Catton was the youngest

brigadier general in the Air Force. The Berkeley, Calif., native received his fourth star while still in his 40s.

A command pilot with nearly 14,000 flying hours, Gen. Catton is qualified to fly the C-5 Galaxy, C-141, C-9, all bombers from the B-17 through the B-52, KC-97 and KC-135 tankers, F-4 fighter-bomber and HH-53 helicopter.

Gen. Catton became AFSC commander last September. The AFSC provides worldwide technical logistics support to all Air Force active and Reserve force activities, Military Assistance Program countries and designated U.S. government agencies.

His other commands included the Military Airlift Command at

Scott AFB, Ill.; the 15th Air Force, 821st Strategic Aerospace Division, 823rd and 817th Air Divisions and the 65th Bombardment Squadron in the Pacific, shortly after he took part in the first two atomic weapons tests there.

While at Air Force headquarters in the mid-1960s, he was Department of Defense representative and chairman of the National Committee for Clear Air Turbulence.

Gen. Catton's decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit and Distinguished Flying Cross, each with an Oak Leaf Cluster. The DFC was awarded for combat missions against Japan with the XXI Bomber Command in World War II.

New Fish Drill Team Officers To Lead Units In Houston Competition

Texas A&M's Fish Drill Team will enter 1972-73 competition in December with new leadership.

Joseph M. Chandler of San Antonio will lead one of two 35-cadet units into the Dec. 7 Bryan Christmas Parade. The all-freshman team will also compete in the Houston Invitational drill meet Dec. 9.

Chandler, a pre-med major in Company M-1, and Stewart W. Gregory of Centerville were named to two of the team's three leadership slots due to illness and injuries to the previous commander and right guide, announced senior advisor Leonard Hernandez of San Antonio.

They joined guidon bearer Robert P. Spencer of Dallas at the front of the defending national champion drill team.

It performed recently at the TAMU-Texas frosh football game and appeared as a separate unit

in the march-in Saturday to the Aggie-Rice game.

"The team had a good performance at the Shorthorn game, considering the time of year and less than three months practice we've had," commented Maj. Harvey Haas, sponsor.

Two units of 35 freshmen each will compete in the Bryan parade. One will go to the University of Houston meet where the fish have cut their teeth on regular drill competition for the past several years. The FDT has never won the meet, but for the last five years have gone on from the U-H event to capture the National Interscholastic ROTC Drill Championship at the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D. C.

The new right guide, Gregory, is an animal science major and member of Squadron 16 in the Corps of Cadets. Spencer majors in mechanical engineering and is in Company C-2.

Final Rallye Set Friday

Texas A&M Sports Car Club members will crank up Friday for a Semester Finale Rallye.

It will be a three-hour, 100-mile event leaving the Zachry Engineering Center parking lot (No. 50) at 6:30 p. m., announced TAMSSC President Kerry Bonner.

Event Master John Perry will register two-person per car teams at 5:45 p. m. The entry fee will be \$1.50 a car for TAMSSC member, \$2 a car for non-member. Perry, winner with Doug Leach of the Post-Halloween Rallye in which 17 teams competed, said entry requirements are a car ("Any kind, including the family bus"), driver and navigator, a good flashlight, watch or stopwatch, paper and pencil.

Trophies will be awarded winners.

An Environmental Engineering Model

A&M Landfill — More Than Just A Dump

Besides disposing of trash, the A&M sanitary landfill serves as a model for students, environmentalists and government officials.

"The landfill operation serves as a full scale model for environmental engineering students and municipal officials to study disposal methods and equipment applications," O. O. Haugen, superintendent of operations in the Physical Plant Department noted.

Physical Plant Director Logan Council explained unlike most universities that tie into municipal public services, TAMU provides its own refuse disposal and utilities.

"Since we have the facility available, it is a natural for instructional purposes," he added.

Steadily increasing amounts of refuse have forced modernization of landfill equipment to absorb the heavy load. A crawler loader tractor has replaced two other pieces of equipment and has cut operating costs in half, despite the 50 to 75 tons of refuse processed daily.

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

Trash is collected and hauled to the 11-acre site near the University Swine Center in refuse packers which handle 100 cubic yards of loose trash per trip.

Using the cut and cover method, trenches 500-feet long by 30-feet wide are excavated by the crawler loader. Between six and eight loads of refuse are hauled in during the night and early morning, and deposited on the back slope. Each morning the refuse is spread and covered. Cover material is excavated and hauled from the forward slope to cover the compacted refuse. Excavation proceeds at one end while the garbage is spread, compacted and covered at the other.

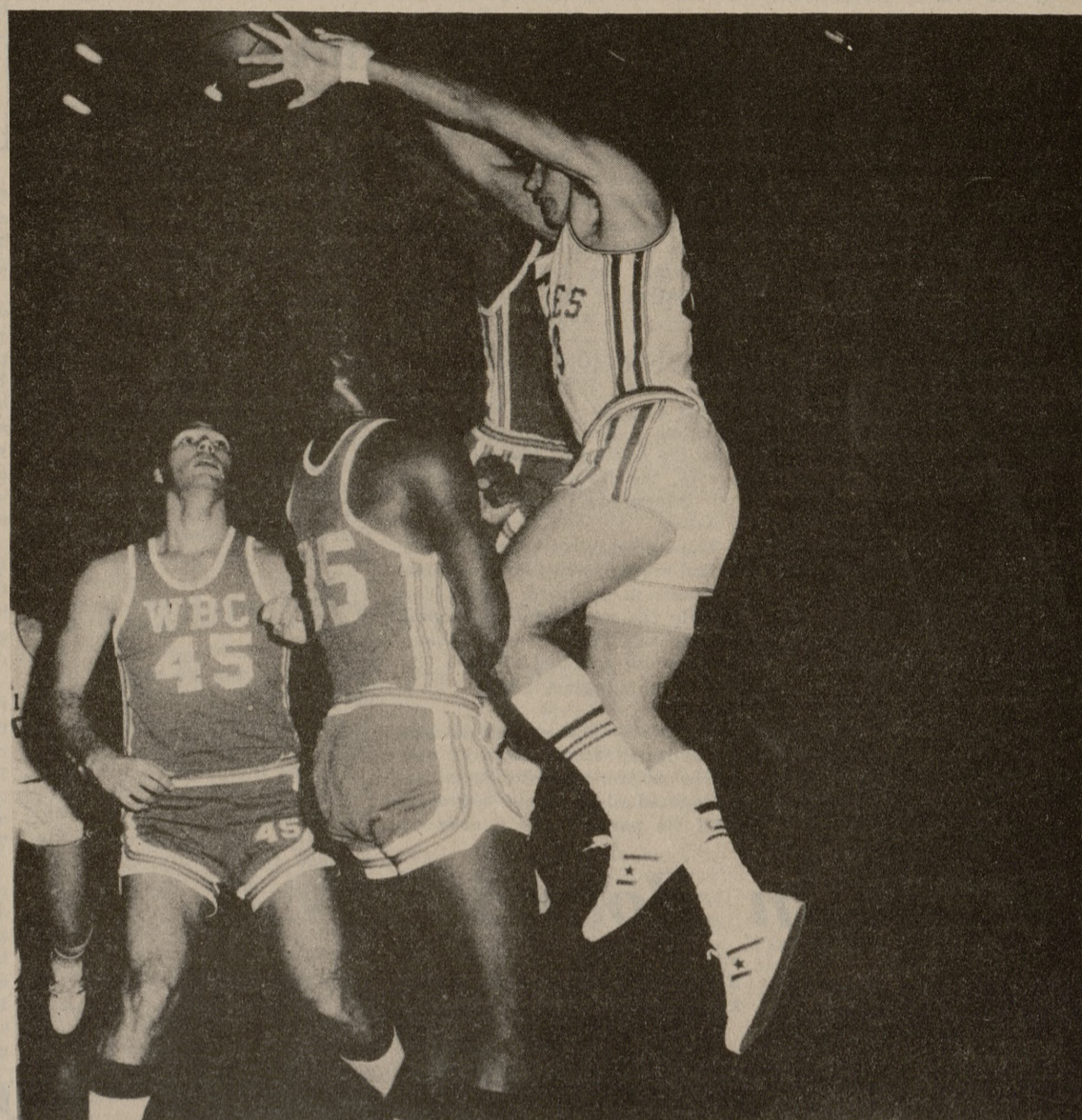
Approximately one foot of dirt is used to cover each day's refuse collection. Another two feet of cover is applied to the 12-foot deep trenches as they are completed. Excess dirt is spread over other portions of the landfill to make a smooth surface. A slight grade is established over the entire site to assure proper drainage.

Another 15 years of use is expected before the site is converted to recreational facilities or other University uses.



A CRAWL LOADER covers refuse at the 11-acre A&M sanitary landfill. The tractor has cut total operating costs in half, despite the 50 to 75 tons of refuse processed daily. About a foot of dirt is placed over the compacted trash.

He, Who Has A Thousand Friends, Has Not One To Spare.



MIKE FLOYD passes for an Aggie score during the second half of the A&M basketball opener last night. The Aggies defeated Wayland Baptist College 100-60. See story page 6. (Photo by Gary Pfrehm)

Spring Pre-Registration Will End This Friday

A&M students may pre-register for the spring semester this week yet not have to pay fees until Dec. 31.

Don Carter, director of student registration, said all students start the process at their departments by obtaining card packets and visiting the faculty advisor.

The registration headquarters is the Cushing Building. Spring schedules are available at the Registrar's Office in the Coke Building.

Fee slips will be mailed to the student's mailing address prior to the Christmas holidays. Delayed registration begins Jan. 8 and late

registration will end Jan. 19. The spring semester begins Jan. 15.

Fall semester final exams begin Dec. 13 and run through Dec. 19. Grade reports will be mailed by Dec. 21.

All undergraduate students who expect to receive degrees Dec. 9 should check the graduation list on Thursday, Dec. 7, in the Richard Coke Building.

Registrar Robert A. Lacey said the roster will be posted by 8 a.m. two days before commencement.

The list will include undergraduate candidates who have completed all academic requirements for degrees to be conferred Dec. 9.

'New Breed' Of Congressman Coming

U. S. Cong. Donald W. Riegle (R-Mich.) will discuss "Government Responsiveness" in a Thursday Political Forum presentation at A&M.

Member of the House Appropriations Committee, the 34-year-old representative has fought to get people-helping legislation into the books since his election to Congress at 28.

"Young, people-related, vigorous and concerned" is a Washington, D. C., radio station's evaluation of Riegle.

The "new breed" congressman

has been an effective critic of the war in Vietnam. He worked for legislation that would allow automakers to pool resources on emission control research and give the aged relief from federally-imposed economic hardships, recounted Political Forum chairman Mike Lindsey.

Riegle's TAMU appearance in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom will begin at 12 noon Thursday. Admission will be free to students with activity cards and 50 cents for non-students.

Cong. Riegle wrote "O Con-

gress" a year-long (1971-72) diary kept while Congress was in session, and is working on a doctorate in business and government relations at Harvard Business School. He studied business administration and economics at the University of Michigan and earned a double M.B.A. in finance and marketing from Michigan State.

The Flint native was at one time a promising junior computer executive. He quit after being sent home from work for wearing a blue shirt instead of a white one.

The Washington Post credited the junior Republican representative for "making a significant contribution to the process that must precede any intelligent reappraisal of American policy in Vietnam."

Riegle's anti-war stand led to

a rift with President Nixon, who urged him to run in 1966. Riegle became one of a small band of liberal anti-Nixon Republicans. He soon found himself dropped from the White House invitation list.

His concern for the elderly took the form of legislative efforts to reform the Social Security Act to eliminate the outside earning limitation for recipients, increase the benefits payment to \$750, improve income tax laws to relieve the aged of unnecessary tax burdens and allow full deduction of all medical expenses for taxpayers over age 65.

Riegle was elected by The Nation magazine as one of the two "best Congressmen for 1967." His book "O Congress" is in the top 10 of the New York Times best seller list.

'Student Discipline' Topic Featured At University Machinery Discussion

"Student Discipline" will be the topic of a panel discussion at 8 p.m. tonight in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center.

The discussion is part of a series on University Machinery sponsored by student government and Great Issues.

The panel will consist of James P. Hannigan, dean of students; Charles Powell, dean of men, and Dr. Richard E. Wainerdi, chairman of the University Discipline Appeals Panel.

The members of the panel will speak on their roles in the university discipline system.

The Discipline Appeals Panel hears appeals of any disciplinary action involving suspension or dismissal of a student from A&M.

There will be a question and answer period after lecture. Coffee will be served in the Social Room of the MSC after the discussion.

All students are invited to attend.

Return Date Nears For University Library Prints

Prints in the University Library's lending collection become due Tuesday, reminded circulation librarian Melvin J. Dodd.

Students checked out most of the 80 framed, ready-to-hang color prints of works by renowned artists in September on a semes-

ter basis. The art pieces should be checked in at the main circulation desk. The collection will be announced for spring semester loan in mid-January.

Borrowers are responsible for lost or damaged prints. Replacement cost ranges from \$25 to \$40.