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You Can Only
Make Others Better
By Being
Good Yourself.

FRIDAY — Clear today and
tonight. High 67, low 36.
SATURDAY — Clear. High of
70°.

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Batt Editorial —

Scraping Bottom

Many students seem to be alarmed and upset over the A&M Board of Directors recent decision to keep women on campus at A&M where they belong, in the 'finest possible facilities.'

Women, don't be alarmed! After all, the total dollar figure on your fee receipt is bound to increase sooner or later, and probably sooner. But don't worry, the board of directors is keeping you in the finest possible facilities. Right?

The above may seem a slight bit ridiculous to come, but to others the reality of it should bring to some, (and probably has) a hard and bitter pill to swallow.

Those scraping the bottom of the barrel now to live in the Krueger-Dunn facilities may find themselves unable to attend A&M if education costs continue to increase as A&M President Jack K. Williams has predicted they will.

We think the board should take a harder and closer look at the situation than just informally discussing the matter. The matter is deserving of the full board's attention and having the opinion of only the six of nine board members present at last week's meeting should be considered an insult to the students involved.

Why is it dorms like Fowler, Schumacher, etc., are fit for girls to live in during summer semesters while they aren't designed properly for them to reside in during long semesters?

If these could be used for women to live in regularly, just think of the increased female enrollment which would result from more women coming to live on campus, not to mention the change in residential atmosphere on the north side of the campus.

If removing men from Dunn Hall is done and concentrating women in one area is added to that, we feel this would be a giant step backwards for a university beginning to show a faint glimmer of social progress.

Though we don't necessarily advocate the splitting of dorms between men and women as is the situation in Dunn Hall, we do think the residents of Dunn have illustrated that it is high time men and women can live within at least dorm's reach of each other at A&M.

People were afraid of airplanes when they were first invented, the masses were against the use of the horseless carriage and now an old-fashioned board of directors is trying to keep women from living in good housing at reasonable costs.

Change!

Coronary Problem Cited In Death Of A&M Senior

An A&M senior, scheduled to graduate Dec. 9 died at approximately 1:45 p.m. Thursday of what university officials termed a coronary problem.

University Police identified the student as Wayne Webb, 22, of Rt. 4, Pulaski, N. Y. Webb, a recreation and parks major, died in his room at Dunn Hall.

He had complained of stomach and chest pains to a friend, who

called Webb's roommate, Mike Aswad of Binghamton, N. Y., at the Recreation and Parks Building across from Dunn Hall.

Aswad attempted to revive Webb using mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, police reported. An ambulance had been called, but Webb was dead at the scene.

Webb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen J. Webb of Pulaski, N. Y. Services are pending.

Committee Sets 1973-74 Shuttle Bus Routes

Proposed route changes for the spring semester and funding for the 1973-74 academic year were discussed in a meeting early Thursday of the A&M Shuttle Bus Committee.

Kent Caperton, committee chairman, and Ed Davis presented a schedule to the committee where-

by the bus service for Route 2 would be expanded to serve the Plantation Oaks apartment area. This expansion would be within the current contractual arrangement of 55 hours per week with Transportation Enterprises, Inc.

"We have received more requests from the Plantation Oaks area for expanded service and trying to serve them is totally justifiable," said Caperton.

The recommendation, passed unanimously by the committee, will alter bus service beginning Jan. 15, 1973 as follows:

- Route 1:
One bus from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 - Route 2:
Four buses from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Three buses from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
One bus from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Don Woods suggested the

Apartment Council be notified before changes are definite in order to get its opinion on the changes.

The five buses will not run on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Future funding of the shuttle system as discussed earlier this week with the Student Government Executive Committee would be a combination of Student Services Fees and a user fee.

Based on an estimated 2,000 users, the user fee would be approximately \$18 per year averaged out to 5.6 cents per ride.

"Members of the Executive Committee suggested the cost should be more than this because users reduce their gas costs, vehicle wear and have added convenience," said Davis. "We suggest the \$18 price because when students register, they will be more likely to pay the lowest fee, whether it be for parking or the shuttle bus."

"It must also be remembered that the user fee is only covering a small portion of the total cost," said Ron Holder of Texas Transportation Institute.

With this type of funding sys-

Senate Votes To Hire Legal Advocate; Discusses Car Care Center Funding

By VICKIE ASHWILL
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The hiring of a legal advocate for TAMU students was approved Thursday night by a majority vote at the shortest A&M Student Senate meeting this year.

The Senate Legal Rights Commission conceived the idea of a student lawyer over a year ago when it was found necessary to request professional legal counsel on many of its cases.

"Sixty cases needing the services of a lawyer have been brought to the Commission so far this semester," said Paul Turner, chairman of the commission. "We want the lawyer to be full time because we feel there will be a substantial load limit to keep him busy. He will also be given the authority to restrict the case load if the need arises."

The lawyer's salary, to be taken from the Student Service Fees, will be approximately \$12,000 per year. The cost per student under the proposal is less than one dollar per year for the lawyer whereas individual expenses for an attorney may be as much as \$40 per hour.

The student legal advocate will be able to counsel and litigate students, their dependents and recognized student organizations requesting aid.

"The student legal advocate will be on a one-year contract as a pilot project," said Layne Kruse, Student Government president. "If we can see the project is not being used or working out, we can close the service after one year."

The Senate also approved an additional \$2,500 for Student Senate use to be taken from the Student Service Fee Reserve Fund. The budget is considerably less this year as a \$5,000 grant received in the two previous years was not received this year.

"The Exchange Store Advisory Committee did not feel the Senate

should get money from the Exchange Store Allocations in order that more clubs may receive allocations," said Virginia Ehrlich, Student Government treasurer. "Therefore they suggested the funds be taken from the reserve fund."

"The reserve fund from last year is up to about \$6,500," continued Ehrlich. "And we will try to turn the \$2,500 supplementary fund into an annual request."

Kruse also brought up the fact that University President Jack K. Williams was given approval by the System's Board of Directors to ask the State Legislature to levee the hospital fee separate from the Student Service Fee.

In essence, this would take \$12 out of the Student Service Fee, making it \$18.

"I'm not in favor of an increase in fees at this time," said Kruse. "However, I'm in favor of this

legislation to allow more control of student service fees by the Student Senate."

Civilian Student Council First Vice President Randy Gillespie asked that the senate recommend the allocation of \$4,454 from the student service fees for the funding of a car service center.

"Students have long needed a place to work on their cars," said Gillespie. "The grease racks presently located in Hensel Park are

being torn down due to construction."

The car service center would be located near Easterwood Airport in a quonset hut given to the student government by Tom Cherry, A&M vice president for business affairs, last year to be used as a car service center.

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Dorms To Ratify RHA Constitution

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The Civilian Student Council voted Thursday night to present its new constitution which converts the organization into a residence hall association to students for ratification.

The constitution would create a new body, called the Texas A&M University Residence Hall Association (TAMURHA). It would serve essentially the same function as the present council, except deal exclusively with residence halls and drop the civilian designation.

The major controversy concerning the new constitution centers around funding for the association. The new constitution states:

Section I. A semester membership fee shall be collected in coordination with the payment of University fees from each member of the TAMURHA.

Section II. The TAMURHA shall be allocated a minimum of fifty cents per member. The remainder shall be apportioned to the residence halls on a per-student basis.

The residence hall fee will be determined by the new association at a later date. It will be approximately \$5 per student, which is commensurate with the \$5 fee already being paid by residents in programmed halls.

Strong sentiment against having the mandatory fee was expressed by several members of the Council. John Shepherd, president of Dunn Hall, commented about the growing number of mandatory fees being assessed students at A&M. He felt that making this funding mandatory would prejudice students against the association.

The possibility of an optional fee was brought up, but this

would hurt the overall program and not be basically different from what we have now, pointed out CSC President Mark Blakemore.

"The main thing we are considering here is a funding method for the association," stressed Blakemore. "This is not telling the individual halls what they can and cannot do with the money."

If the hall decides to return the whole amount to its residents,

they could do so after taking out the 50 cents per student for membership in the TAMURHA.

"They may decide to keep it and use it for activities or dorm improvements. We are not telling them what to do with the money," stressed Blakemore.

Following the discussion, a motion was made to present the constitution to the halls for ratification. The motion passed the Council by a 15-2 vote.

Beginning Friday, copies of the

proposed constitution will be distributed in the halls for students to review it. A copy of the present CSC constitution will also be available.

The individual hall councils will then vote on the constitution next week.

"If ratified, the constitution will not go into effect totally until next year, but we will fall under its guidelines as much as possible for the remainder of this year," said Blakemore.

America Needs A Renaissance Government, Claims 'New Breed' Congressman Riegle

Whether self-government and democracy will work in the U.S. is open to question, a new-breed congressman said Thursday at A&M.

Michigan's Donald W. Riegle claims America needs a Renaissance in self-government that will "get new people into the act."

He suggested to a Political Forum audience of 350 that projections of present trends lead to a "frightening" situation.

Among trends the malcontent Republican member of the U.S. House of Representatives cited were election of President Nixon by only 55 per cent of the voters, an apparent lock-in of Spiro Agnew for the 1976 nomination and drift of power to the executive branch of government, among others.

"The mood of the 1972 election was very discouraging to me," the 34-year-old son said. "Voters were rejecting McGovern, not supporting Nixon. Fifty-five per cent voted, which means 45 per cent didn't want to or weren't going to be bothered by voting."

Riegle interpreted the turnout as a loss of faith in self-government in general and politics specifically. He believes that has been the situation in the last three general elections in America.

"Government is not working the way it should and has become insensitive to people," the anti-Nixon son stated. "Why not decent candidates where it would be a delight for either to be elected? There is no reason it should not be that way."

Riegle sees no hope for 1976. "The deck is stacked," he analyzed, "for the Republicans to nominate a Spiro Agnew-type candidate with Spiro Agnew-type thinking. Nothing guarantees the Democratic candidate will be a sound, sensible, moderate individual."

"If we don't get that kind of alternative, it seems likely Spiro Agnew will be elected," commented the six-year legislator who was in Houston earlier this week to promote his book, "O Congress."

Riegle predicted the Republican Party will become more conservative and the Democratic Party more liberal, while what is needed is a combination of both camps in each party to keep them centered.

Reasons for the increasing polarity, he said, include the cost of running for public office which limits the field to rich people or people with rich friends and politics dominated by members of the legal profession.

"Of the 535 members of Congress, 301 are lawyers," Riegle pointed out. "That's too many lawyers. The country needs other kinds of backgrounds. Diversity is missing today. Congress should include people from all walks of life, young people and women. Congress' average age is the mid-50s. Committee chairmen are in their mid-70s."

Riegle believes public-financed campaigning is part of the answer.

Gift Wrapping Service Offered By Student 'Y'

A Christmas gift wrapping service, offered by the Student "Y" Association, will begin Monday said YMCA President Corky Houchard.

"We offer it as a convenience to the students," said Houchard. The service, which wrapped 1,200 Aggie Christmas gifts last year, is free to the members of the Student "Y" Association and for 25 cents a package for non-member Ags.

The non-profit service is staffed by female volunteers and will operate until Dec. 15.

"We can wrap a gift just about any way you want it," said Houchard. "We also can wrap just about any gift in one day."

The gifts should be taken to the YMCA office.

Student Senate Investigates Telephone Rate Increase

The proposed telephone rate increase in the Bryan-College Station area is being investigated by a Student Senate subcommittee.

The committee, chaired by Terry Brown, is circulating surveys among student residents of College Station to determine feelings on the issue. The hike would affect only off-campus students.

The results of the surveys will be tabulated by the committee, said Brown. "I have received about 100 of these surveys so far, and about 85 per cent are against."

The committee will prepare a resolution supporting the students' position and present it to the Student Senate at the next meeting.

"If the Senate passes it, we will take it to the College Station City Council meeting when the issue comes up," said Brown.

"I am optimistic about the council giving careful attention to a Senate resolution," commented Brown.

"I think the increase will get the usual three readings in the Council and very careful attention. I hope it will not be hur-

ried through in one meeting like the Bryan Commission did with the utility increase," commented Brown.

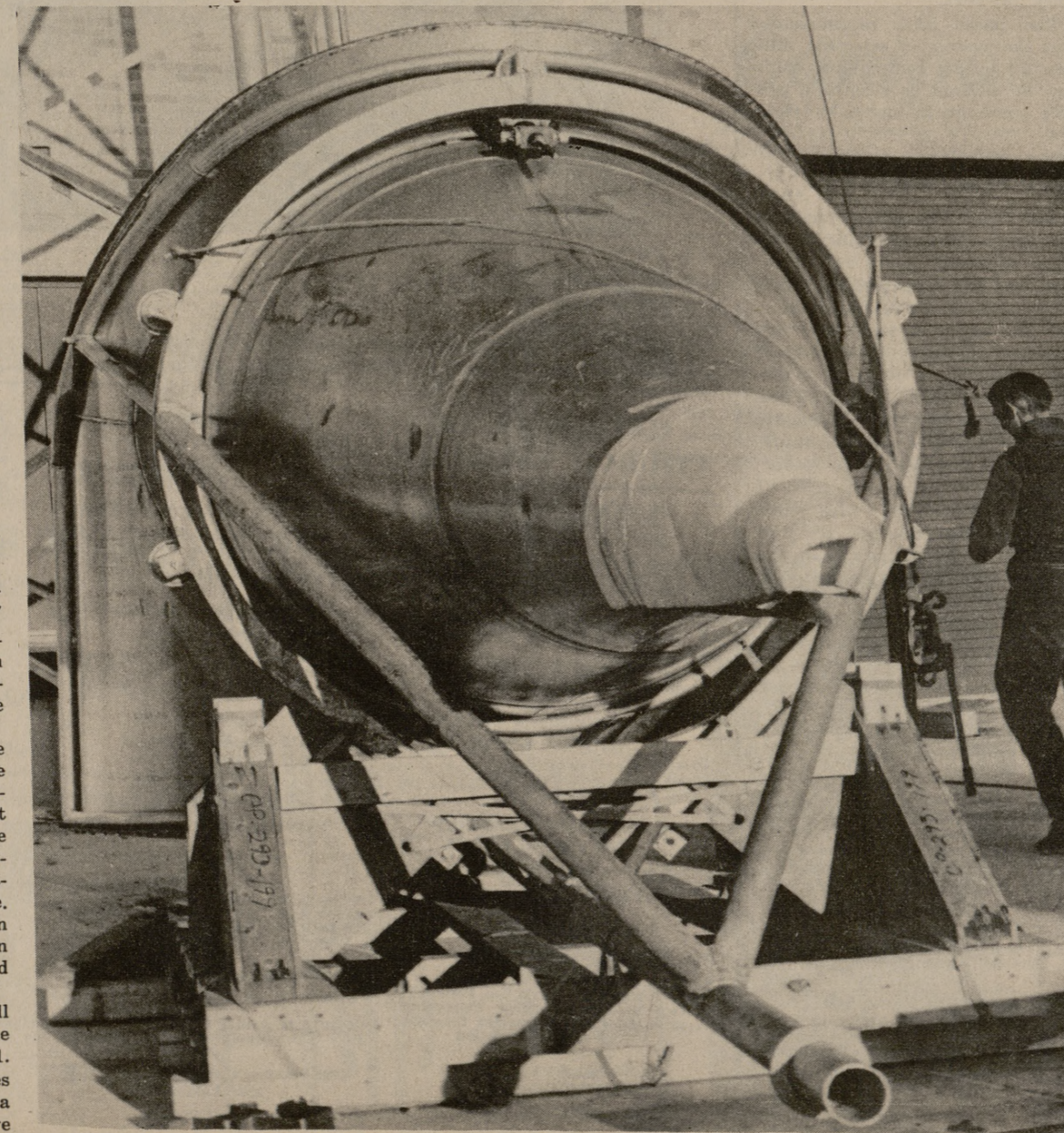
General Telephone's reason for the hike is that it has not raised rates since 1960. The company is also planning a new installation and improved services.

Opponents of the increase state general poor service as the main reason for being against it. They do not want to pay more money without an improvement in service.

Booths will be set up next Wednesday and Thursday for off-campus students who have not been contacted. These will be in the Memorial Student Center and the Library.

For students interested in attending the Council meeting when the rate will be discussed, the committee has provided a blank at the bottom of the surveys. Students should put their name and telephone number down and they will be contacted.

Members of the committee are Brown, Randy Richards, Rochelle Lindsey, Tom Taylor and Gary Drake. Brown can be contacted at 845-1780.



UFO AT A&M? Not hardly. Turn to page two to find out what the strange object is.

Textbook Exchange Service To Start

A Student Government project now provides students with a way to save money when they buy or sell textbooks.

The Textbooks Exchange Service, a project endorsed by the Student Senate, will eliminate the middle man, or retail store in textbook exchange and save money for both the potential buyer and seller.

A student wishing to sell a textbook will call and give information regarding the book and a price, if he wishes. His name and phone number will be given to prospective buyers interested in the book. When a book is sold, the buyer and seller call and their names are taken off the lists.

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"On the side of Texas A&M."
—Adv.

The actual trading and pricing of the books is done between the students. The Student Government provides only the phone numbers.

Chuck Cargill, manager of the Exchange Store, endorses the project and has provided a complete list of books to be used next semester. He says he feels the Exchange Store exists as a service to the students and the textbook exchange is a similar service.

The project is to be carried on Dec. 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12 from noon to 6 p.m. and will be continued Jan. 15-19.

Omega Phi Alpha members will provide volunteer service and the number to call will be 845-5111.

"If there is a lot of responses to this," said Fred Campbell, a coordinator for the project, "we will continue and possibly expand this in the future."