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Acts Of Kindness
Shown To Good
Men Are Never
Thrown Away.

TUESDAY — Partly cloudy &
warmer. Mostly cloudy tonight.
High 61, low 45.

WEDNESDAY — Fog in morn-
ing. Cloudy. High of 73.

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Classical Group To Play Here

Collegium Musicum and its acclaimed expertise in Medieval and Renaissance music return Wednesday to A&M in the Town Hall-Young Artists Series.

The University of Texas at Austin ensemble directed by Gilbert L. Blount has been heralded in Texas, California and Mexico for "high artistic and cultural level of performances."

"Truly extraordinary" went the review of another Monterrey newspaper on the Collegium Musicum's performances last spring in various cities of Mexico.

Playing a unique collection of historical instruments the UT College of Fine Arts group will appear in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom. The concert begins at 8 p.m.

Offerings by the Collegium form a musical time-travel bridge that carries a listener back several centuries. A variety of historical instruments are employed to perform music of Adam de la Halle, Philippe de Vitry, Machaut and Telemann, to name a few.

The instrumentation, partly the personal collection of Blount reinforced through private purchases by dedicated graduate students, is used by a group made up of UT faculty, students from various departments and interested Austinites, as well as graduate and undergraduate music students who acquire significant musical experience through the organization.

Among the Collegium's current instrumentation are consorts of Renaissance and Baroque recorders, crumhorns, flutes, viols, Rauschpfeifen, psaltery, Medieval cup bells, Renaissance lutes, minstrel harp and clavichord, to sample a few.

Town Hall Chairman Philip Goodwin said admission to the TAMU concert is by separate series season ticket or single performance ticket available at the Student Program Office in the MSC.



OPEN HOUSE kicked off MSC Week Monday night with different center committees providing booths to recruit new members for the semester. Here, Randy Long, Marjie Dewey and Mark Boerger discuss last minute details for recruiting prior to the beginning of the open house. (Photo by Steve Krauss)

Webb New MSC Council Head

Don Webb was selected as the Memorial Student Center Council president for the 1973-74 school year in the Council's monthly meeting Monday.

Webb, a junior accounting major from Arlington, will oversee all MSC activities and programs. Webb has held such offices as Fish class vice president, vice presidential assistant, vice president of operations, debate team and Student Government Student Services Fee Allocation Committee.

Approved by the Council for executive vice president of committees was Chet Edwards, a junior economics and philosophy major from Houston. He was formerly vice chairman of SCONA 17 and chairman of SCONA 18.

Bill Davis, sophomore accounting major, was approved as executive vice president of projects. Tim Clader, a fourth year chemistry major, will serve as Town

Hall chairman and Ed Jarrett, junior history major, will serve as Political Forum chairman.

In other action, Rochelle Lindsey, chairman of the Food Service Study Committee, reported that Howard Vestal, a management services director, said the prices of two luncheons and dinners have been lowered. He added that the price for a student committee dinner had been lowered to two dollars per person.

Food Services has also lowered the minimum number of people required for receptions from 100 to 30.

The MSC Building Studies Committee made recommendations concerning the rental of cubicles to all student organizations.

The Council approved of all organizations paying rent for cubicle space in the new MSC at the following rates: 1) a full cubicle including two tack boards,

chair, desk, pencil drawer, drawer attachment, cubicle file drawer attachment and shelf with light fixture underneath at \$20 per year; 2) a single file drawer at \$4 per year; and 3) storage space at \$4 for 33 cubic feet and \$8 for 66 cubic feet per year.

The yearly intake of funds with 100 per cent rental will total \$1,700.

Reasons for charging rent to organizations using cubicle space include upkeep, replacement and improvement of furnishings and an organization will be less likely to apply for more space than it really needs.

Also, the "allocation of space will be more likely to receive the degree of scrutiny, review and revision it should receive at the end of each year, both by the MSC Council and by the organization renting the space."

The Student Government and the MSC Council will receive offices free of charge.

The Student Conference on National Affairs (SCONA) showed that as of Jan. 16 total funds available totaled \$20,224.16 on the finance report presented at the meeting.

This figure was the total of the balance brought forward by SCONA 17 (\$2,314.16) and the total contributions to SCONA as of Jan. 16 (\$17,910).

Rod Serling will appear on campus April 10 due to the request of the Great Issues Committee. Serling, writer, playwright and television personality, is famous for such TV shows as "Twilight Zone" and "Night Gallery."

Serling is to speak on "The Impact of the Mass Media on Today's Society."

Ralph Nader was also approved by the Council to speak the Friday or Saturday of the SCONA weekend.

Nuclear Power At A&M Ruled Out By Profs

By VICKIE ASHWILL
Staff Writer

Nuclear power plants seem to be the best-known answer to the energy crisis, but the possibility of this type power plant ever being built on the A&M campus is slight.

"I couldn't justify having a nuclear power plant on-campus with the university's small electrical load," said Dr. Robert G. Cochran, Nuclear Engineering Dept. head.

"The fuel shortage and energy crisis will become more prevalent each year under present circumstances until we can find ways to increase our rate of fuel supply," said Dr. William Jones, Electrical Engineering Dept. head.

The university is presently taking bids on two-million gallon fuel storage tanks. "But," said Dr. John Denison (electrical engineering), "these storage tanks will just keep the university operating a few days longer under crisis conditions and will not really solve any problems."

"The only way to have avoided the nation-wide gas crisis would have been if it had been foreseen at least 20 to 25 years ago," said Denison.

"If it had been humanly possible," Denison said, "and the money, skill, personnel and manufacturing facilities were available, it is possible the crisis could have been avoided, but the time was too short."

The gas crisis has created a tremendous demand for oil, demand for transport for oil and a demand for more fuel storage areas, according to Denison.

"Artificial regulation of gas prices has discouraged gas production and discouraged exploration for new gas sources," continued Denison.

"We're beginning to face a big energy crisis and the realization that the fossil supplies within the United States are dwindling," said Cochran. "Every year, even with our knowledge of geology as it is today, more and more dry wells are being dug."

"Industry seems to be producing fuel about as fast as it reason-

ably can at this time," continued Jones. "It takes a while to go from the present rate they produce fuel to the rate we need it."

"To help solve the on-coming crisis we've got to build all new power plants, as nuclear, and eventually change many fossil firing plants to nuclear."

Today there are 28 operating nuclear power plants within the United States and over 50 under construction or in the planning stages. In the Southwest three companies have announced plans to build nuclear power plants.

This includes Gulf States Utilities with a plant under construction in Beaumont, La. Houston Lighting and Power who has announced two sites for plants in the Sealy-Bellville area and Texas Utilities, which plans to build a plant in the Glen Rose area. It is expected that the first Texas plant will be operating in the 1979-81 period.

"The Southwest is presumably the last area to come around to building nuclear plants because the area is supposed to have so much fuel," said Jones.

"There is not much difference

in the general efficiency of a modern gas power plant and a nuclear plant. Everyone is building them because they are cheaper in generating electrical power than other types of fuel," said Cochran. "Also utilities can obtain long term fuel commitment for nuclear power whereas they can not for fossil power."

Companies such as General Electric and Westinghouse are building nuclear plants. The plants, licensed for 40 years, are 30 to 33 per cent more efficient.

The only difference in power plants is in what produces the heat to create the energy, said Denison.

"Present nuclear plants get their heat by fission. In this process one recovers a very small per cent of the energy contained in nuclear fuel," he said.

"Our long term hope is for nuclear fusion which would make available an unlimited supply of energy," said Denison. "However, this may be far in the future."

Gas is one of the cleaner combustion fuels, said Jones. But even then, a certain amount of pollu-

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Weekend Vandals Slash Tires On Cars In A&M Parking Lot

Six autos belonging to A&M students, were reported vandalized in parking lot PA-23, early Sunday morning.

The front tires of the six autos were slashed, and all had a Krueger-Dunn sticker displayed with their parking permit.

Parking lot PA-23, designated for junior and senior parking, had been occupied by senior members of the Corps by mutual agreement of the Corps and Krueger-Dunn residents.

Five of the cars belonged to Dunn Hall residents who had parked their cars in the lot for the weekend. The remaining auto belonged to a Corps junior.

"We don't mind anybody parking in the Corps area during the

weekend," said Campus Police Chief O. L. Luther, "just as long as they remove their cars before Monday so that the boys that are assigned to that lot will have some room to park."

When asked if weekend parking might be restricted to lots that are normally allowed for students to park in on weekdays, Chief Luther said, "We just might have to do that."

The five civilian owners of the vandalized autos are Peter M. Winters, Terry E. Hiefler, Clifford Edwards, Fred C. Campbell Jr. and Polibio Diaz.

Bruce Mills was the only member of the Corps to have his car vandalized.

Grover To Speak Here In Thursday Noon Presentation On Texas Political Revolution

The Republican gubernatorial candidate who narrowly missed being elected in Texas last No-



Henry Grover

ember will speak Thursday at A&M.

Henry C. "Hank" Grover will be the guest of the Political Forum Committee of the Memorial Student Center.

Grover will speak in the MSC Ballroom on "A Political Revolution in Texas," announced Chairman Mike Lindsey. The program will begin at 12:15 p.m., with admission 25 cents per person.

"In suffering a narrow defeat to Democrat Dolph Briscoe in the general election, Grover provided one of the strongest showings of Republican power in Texas since reconstruction," Lindsey pointed out.

"As part of the new political revolution in Texas, he feels that in time the Republican Party will be the dominant political party in Texas," he added.

Now on the staff of Houston

Baptist College, Grover was a three-time member of the Texas House of Representatives (1960, 1962 and 1964) as a conservative Democrat. After switching parties in early 1966, he was elected to the Texas Senate with 67 per cent of the vote.

Grover was re-elected in 1968, with over 73 per cent of the vote.

While in the state legislature, the native Texan served on appropriations, youth affairs, water and conservation, federal programs and relations, commerce and industry, constitutional amendments and other key committees. He was vice chairman of federal programs and relations.

The 13-year Houston public school teacher holds degrees from the University of St. Thomas and Houston and has done advanced study at UT-Austin.

A&M Prof Remembers LBJ

By Kenneth Stroebel

When Lyndon Johnson died, Sid Cox did some remembering.

"Our families came to the same area of Texas more than a hundred years ago," the A&M English professor said of the former President. "We went to school together over at Southwest Texas State, we were in many classes together, we were on the same debate team, we rode back and forth with each other from Blanco County while we were coming and going to school," he recalled of the last surviving ex-President.

In fact, the first time Cox visited the A&M campus, he was organizing student clubs in the

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

Southwest Conference to support Johnson.

So well did Cox know Johnson, that within hours of President Kennedy's death, the Tennessee State archivist contacted him for background information on the new President.

Cox said Johnson had his sights on the White House before he left college and Cox predicted his success because "he was a man of political nature and he understood what sound politics were based on."

"What struck me most about Lyndon Johnson as a person," said Cox, "is the drive that he had. He had direction and he had purpose, he knew where he was going and what he wanted and how to get to it."

Johnson drove himself and his

workers and expected them to be hard-working, Cox admitted. "That might be hard on personality, but that was his way."

"I think that there was a credibility gap between him and large groups, or perhaps between him and the press," Cox observed, but emphasized, "in a small group of people he was very personable."

Cox cited several reasons for Johnson's unpopularity, the first being people's tendency to envy "somebody who does well."

Vietnam was an unpopular war, Cox said, and many blame Johnson for involvement. Of this charge, Cox said Johnson was executing basic policy that was predetermined before his administration.

Cox pointed out, "The presidency has gotten to be such a big job that a man must depend on

advice from people who are supposed to be trusted advisors" and Johnson's decisions were based on this advice.

"I last saw him a little over two months ago," Cox recalled. "Our names, along with those of other prominent former students, were unveiled on a plaque at the rededication of the Old Main Building at Southwest Texas State."

Of Johnson's untimely death scant days before a Vietnam peace resolution was initiated, Cox said, "I'm convinced that Lyndon knew that he was not going to live long." He remembered, "I saw him on that occasion for the last time and I thought then that he was dying."

Two months later when the nation lost a President, Sid Cox lost a friend.

New Toothpick Use Found

By LARRY THOMPSON
Staff Writer

Hobbies are as American as mom, apple pie, and obscenity.

While most people collect stamps or coins, Lloyd Morris collects toothpicks. Not only does he collect toothpicks, he builds with them.

Morris got the idea when he saw a small bridge built by a friend. It inspired him to build his own.

His first effort was also a bridge, a truss bridge the height of a toothpick and two feet long. The project took about four days.

Morris' most recent accomplishment is a suspension bridge patterned after the Golden Gate Bridge. The bridge is five feet long, three feet high, and four inches wide.

Approximately 3,000 toothpicks were used to construct the bridge

which took six weeks to build.

Morris, a sophomore Civil Engineering major, thinks his hobby complements his engineering.

"It gives me a practical example of stresses and mechanics," he stated, "My studies also helped me on the truss work."

Since he plans to go into construction work, Morris might be building full scale bridges in the future.

Morris' next project is a replica of the Eiffel Tower. He plans to build it as close to scale as possible. It will be six feet tall.

The detailed work will probably require at least two months for completion. Approximately 5,000 toothpicks will be required to build the tower.

For the unveiling ceremonies, Morris will paint part of the Tower with black light paint and display it under a black light.

About thirty people attended

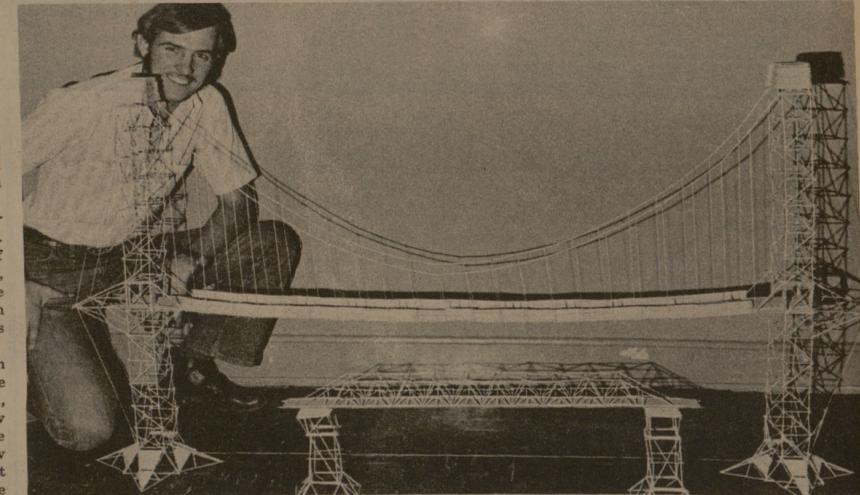
the last ceremony, when the bridge was unveiled. The replica of the Eiffel Tower will probably draw an even larger crowd.

While model building is just a hobby, Morris finds it so interesting that he works on it about four days every week. He used to work four hours at a time when he first started.

As for what to do with the replicas, Morris plans to keep them unless someone wants to buy them.

Living in Puryear Hall, he faced the problem of moving the models home without breaking them. To accomplish this he built the bridge so that it can be taken apart and plans to do the same with the tower.

Unless someone buys them, Morris will keep the models at home. Or, in his words, "I'll put them on display in my mansion when I get rich and famous."



TOOTHPICKS and the American way were coupled together by Puryear Hall's Lloyd Morris in the construction of A&M's only five-foot long model of the Golden Gate Bridge. Six weeks and 3,000 toothpicks were required for its construction. (Photo by Steve Ueckert)