

# The Battalion

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The Liberal Soul Shall Be Made Fat; And He That Watereth Shall Be Watered.

## Weather

THURSDAY — Partly cloudy today with widely scattered showers this morning and afternoon moving to the North-Northeast. Winds are from the S-SW at 8-18 m.p.h. Today's high will be a rather warm, humid 86° with a low tonight of 61°.

## Millions Starve — Energy, Mid-term Resolutions Passed

Alex Dickie

America is concerned about not having enough while 850 million people are on the verge of starving to death, said Alex Dickie Wednesday in a Great Issues talk. Dickie is an official for the Agency for International Development who recently returned with his wife from Kenya. The couple is now traveling throughout Texas telling their story.

"We are the most blessed people in the world," claimed Dickie, "yet almost daily we cry about the fuel shortage."

Dickie, a 1946 A&M graduate, noted that Americans, who comprise only six per cent of the world population, are consuming 40 per cent of the resources.

A Food for Peace program in Kenya was described by Dickie. Children were being served food

After a debate of an hour and one-half the Student Senate passed the mid-term grades issue last night by a vote of 56-14 with three abstentions.

This resolution, introduced by John Tyler (Corps), recommends to the administration that mid-semester grades be mailed only to freshman students, students on scholastic probation and students having a grade of D or F in a course.

The bill also encourages the faculty to post mid-term grades.

Professors Jane McGill and Chris Smeins gave favorable comments for the bill.

"I don't feel I can give an accurate report of the student's progress by mid-semester," said McGill. "I would be glad to give a satisfactory or unsatisfactory grade, but as it is now I just give a blanket grade of incomplete."

"You can't force a student to

be concerned about his grades," said Smeins.

McGill also said that mid-semester grades are sometimes used in determining admission to professional schools. "I do not feel that this is fair," she said.

Academic Affairs Chairperson Steve Eberhard said the bill is not intended to throw out mid-term grades entirely but to help alleviate pressure put on students during "mid-semester quiz week."

If approved by the administration, the plan will go into effect next fall, Eberhard said.

Senators also approved an energy conservation resolution which involves a program to inform students of what they can do to conserve energy.

Greg Smith (arch.) said that many students are not aware of what they can do to conserve energy. Their purpose is to inform, he said.

Greg Johnson (Eng.) said that students living off campus will be encouraged to ride shuttle buses and to form car pools in order to save on gasoline. They will ask all students to be more conservative when using all electrical items, including lighting and stereos.

In other action the Senate passed the published evaluation of professors bill.

This evaluation is an essential improvement of the educational institution, stated the proposal. It is to aid the student in choosing elective courses and to provide some general information about the courses a student takes, required or elective.

Eberhard said that presently the College of Liberal Arts has an evaluation form.

"This will be the form used for the evaluations," he said.

All professors have the option

of whether or not to have their evaluations published. A letter will be sent to all faculty members explaining the background, objectives, mechanics and benefits of the evaluation.

The Student Government will appropriate \$1000 from the Strake Fund to cover the costs of providing the necessary forms and publication. The evaluation sheets will be sold for a small fee and will be distributed in the Memorial Student Center, in dorms and off-campus, Eberhard said.

The resolution of recreational facilities was also passed by the Senate.

The proposal is to form a standing committee to determine and make suggestions to fulfill recreational facilities. It also reviews proposals for recreational appropriations.

Senators passed an emergency measure for temporary lighting on-campus. This bill proposes that permanent lighting be installed along the sidewalks of Jones Street and in front of the old University hospital.

Senators discussed appropriations for the book exchange program. This is a service to help students trade their textbooks and receive maximum benefits of trading.

Tyler said that the exchange "acts merely as a holding agent." The students would bring books in and when the books are sold, a check would be sent to the original owner.

Appropriations of \$160 are needed for the exchange.

Senators also discussed a resolution for the expansion of bicycle paths on Jersey Street and other areas of College Station where it would be beneficial to students, faculty and staff.

Senior Ring Orders Taken Until Dec. 14

Senior rings are now available for undergraduates with credit for 95 semester hours and one academic year of residency.

Credit hours indicated on mid-term grade reports may be used toward the 95 hours.

Qualified students may leave their names with Mrs. H. Brownlee, in Room 7 of the Coke Building.

Orders will be taken through Dec. 14, 1973, between 8 a.m. and noon.

Rings will be delivered about Jan. 22.



Unicyclists give basketball new angle (See story page 6) (Photo by Gary Baldasari)

## Powers of Senate Punishment Asked

By VICKIE ASHWILL

Student voters once again find themselves faced with an election where they must vote for or against constitutional amendments.

This time it's not the Texas Constitution but the TAMU Student Body Constitution and the election is set for Nov. 13.

Of the three amendments, the third one (Article III, Section IV-j) is the most vague, said Randy Ross, Student Government president.

The proposed addition states: "The Student Senate can punish its members for disorderly behavior, and with concurrence of two-thirds present and voting, expel a member."

"The amendment is based on the U.S. Constitution," said Academic Affairs Chairperson Steve Eberhard. "We deliberately did not want to spell out an exact definition for 'punish' or 'disorderly behavior.' This matter was brought up several times on the floor of the Senate and no decision was ever reached."

Eberhard said the definition for the controversial words would be set by the Senate when and if the problem ever arises.

"I feel the constituents should be able to recall their own senator," said Ross. "It is an unrealistic method of punishment."

Treasurer David White argued for the amendment by saying there needs to be some means to recall a senator other than depending on his constituency.

"Hopefully, it will never have to be used, but the majority students don't vote in elections and they don't care," said White. "There needs to be some policy where the Senate can police its own members."

Ross said the whole amendment was ambiguous. "I do not think we need a constitution on the same level as the U. S. Constitution but it needs to be on the level of the students."

"The spirit of the whole thing would be for the impeachment process to take two-thirds vote to pass even for punishment just short of expulsion," said Eberhard.

Eberhard also said the amendment would balance out the constitution in that the legislative body can impeach appointed members of the executive branch of SG.

The two remaining amendments concern the removal of a senator for conduct or scholastic probation.

These two additions read as follows:

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(Article III, Section II-b) The amendment presently reads, "No person elected within the provisions of this Constitution may be removed because of scholastic reasons unless he is placed on scholastic probation." The proposed addition states "... in which case he shall be removed from office immediately."

(Article III, Section II-i) "Any person elected within the provisions of this Constitution who is placed on conduct probation shall be removed from office immediately."

"The action was probably prompted by one senator who was on conduct probation," said Ross, referring to Larry Matula, senator from the Leggett-Hart-Milner living area. Matula resigned from the Senate Oct. 22 due to his scholastic problems. Ross will appoint a successor.

Ross said the only persons presently affected by conduct or scholastic probation are those holding student offices and, according to the University Rules and Regulations handbook, these students will be removed from office.

"Senators are not considered in an office as such," said Ross. "That is why we need this technical change in the Constitution."

When persons run for senator all regulations clearly imply that scholastic and conduct probation are substandard for senators, said Eberhard. "We think that senators may justifiably be expected to maintain at least minimum standards required by the University."

"It is now up to the students to decide whether or not a student on conduct or scholastic probation should remain in the Senate. The Senate approved all three amendments, 51-7, with two abstentions—this is their viewpoint," said Ross.

## Illness Hurts Blood Drive

The Aggie Blood Drive collected almost 400 units in the first day of its two day drive.

The Student Government and assisting organizations hope to collect 1,000 units. Mike Bunch, Alpha Phi Omega president, said colds caused by the wet, chilly weather had hurt the drive somewhat.

The Wadley Institute is taking blood in Rooms 225 and 226 of the MSC and will continue through 5 p. m. Thursday.

Registered donors are urged to appear at their assigned times but students and faculty members need not be registered to donate.

## Plans Made for Coed Priority in K-D Lot

The TAMU Traffic Panel finalized plans to reorganize the parking areas for Krueger, Dunn, Corps of Cadets, dorm 10 and dorm 12 residents Wednesday.

This plan, unanimously approved by the committee, has been approved by Dr. John J. Koldus, vice president for student services and will go into effect next Thursday at 7 a. m.

The original intention of this plan was to protect Krueger residents, said Col. Robert L. Melcher, administrative officer to the vice president of student services. "The sooner this plan goes into effect the better it will be for the women students," he said.

The Oct. 10 meeting of the Traffic Panel resulted in the following recommendation to Koldus:

"... that women students in Krueger-Dunn be given first priority for assignment of parking spaces in the Krueger-Dunn portion of Lot 24; second priority is recommended for male students on a seniority (credit hour) basis. Any remaining students unable to park in the area assigned to Krueger-Dunn would be required to park elsewhere, specifically in Lots 48 and 50."

Melcher's office revised the plan which will now allocate rows one, two, three, four and 16 spaces

in the west end of row six to Krueger residents.

"Krueger residents will be given a number 24 to put above their present K-D sticker sometime next week," said Melcher.

Krueger has 179 registered cars and the new parking plan will give the women students 182 spaces in Lot 24. Under the present system, both Krueger and Dunn must compete to park in 406 spaces in a situation where 571 K-D stickers were issued.

"There are only eight K-D stickers unaccounted for," said Melcher. "The rumors are just not true when they say students have been able to pick up these stickers by just walking into the office."

The remaining proposal gives the 192 cars registered to Dunn juniors and seniors 184 spaces in rows five, seven, eight, nine and 24 spaces at the east end of row six.

Juniors and seniors in dorms 10 and 12 and the Corps of Cadets have 877 spaces issued to the 852 registered cars.

This allocates rows 10 through 18 in Lot 24 to Corps maroon permit holders and rows one and two to both Corps and dorms 10 and 12 maroon permit holders.

Additional spaces for maroon permit holders residing in Cadet dorms and dorms 10 and 12 are

40 newly marked spaces within Lots 24 and 40 on the east and west sides. These students may also park in the 39 marked spaces on Bizell Street south of Lewis Street and in the 67 spaces on Throckmorton Street to be shared with day students.

"We found in a survey taken on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday that there was an average of 33 vacant spaces from Lewis Street to Jersey Street," said Melcher. "These will be put on a first come, first serve basis for day students and dorm residents."

Rows three through 14 in Lot 40 are for holders of green sophomore classification permits for students in Dunn dorms 10 and 12 and the Corps. These persons will be issued a figure 40 in order to designate them from other green stickers, said Melcher.

Holders of green permits, freshmen classification, residing in any of these areas with the exception of Krueger will park in the remaining spaces in Lots 48, 49 and 50, according to Melcher.

Ted Paup, committee member, said the Corps staff approved the plan and would take steps to get it going.

Melcher said the president of Dunn gave his approval and that incidentals on the side had also given their ok on the matter.



Alex Dickie

for a shilling (14 cents) a serving. "The workers would start stirring the food and the kids would flock around," he said. "They were divided into two groups, those with the shilling and those without. They tried to send the latter group home."

"I watched them and they didn't leave; they went around the corner and cried."

Dickie and AID attempted to teach health, agriculture and education. Family planning was stressed but not forced on the people.

Eleven countries have spent more of their gross national product for international development than the U.S. which spent three-tenths of one per cent explained Dickie.

He added 95 cents of every foreign aid dollar is spent in the U.S. AID and similar organizations must struggle to get their programs through Congress and must then fight for appropriations if they're passed."

## Lobby Poll Asks Student Opinions

The National Student Lobby Annual Referendum has been reprinted on page two of this issue for students to complete and drop by the Student Government Office, Room 216 Memorial Student Center; or the Battalion, Room 216 of the Reed McDonald Building.

The referendum polls students on issues ranging from funding levels for federal student financial aid to sex discrimination and priorities for government spending.

In addition to determining general lobby policy for the coming year, results will also determine priority issues for students lobbying at the third annual lobby conference in Washington next February.

Barb Sears, who is on the NSL National Board of Directors, noted that students need not belong to the organization to fill out the poll. There is membership application provided at the bottom of the poll, if students want to join.

"We want to get as large a cross-section of student opinion as possible in order to present legislators with hard, documented information on what problems students face and what issues they are concerned with," said Sears.



University of Texas Brings Jazz to Aggeland (See story page 3)

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