

Weather

Partly cloudy to clear Wednesday afternoon. Winds from the south-southeast 10-15 mph, gusting to 25. High Wednesday 80°. Low tonight 58°. Cold front with showers Thursday morning, clearing by late afternoon. High Thursday 75°.

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THE EVIL EFFECTS of the Grand Duchess are evident in the faces of these characters from the play, "Greensleeves Magic." The Grand Duchess (upper, left), played by Holly Faison even has a bad effect on Prime Minister Fitzsneeze, played by Jean Fischer. The other victims of her wrath are Princesses Mary (lower, left), played by Dana Herell, and Miranda, played by Theo Moffett. The Aggie Players' production opens tonight at 7 p.m. and runs through Friday in the Rudder Center Forum. Tickets are 50 cents children and 75 cents for adults. (Photos by Alan Killingsworth)

Harsh taxing said encouraged by IRS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Taxpayers can be victimized by an Internal Revenue Service quota system that rewards agents for harshness and penalizes them for leniency, the head of the IRS employees union said Tuesday.

Vincent L. Connery, president of the National Treasury Employees Union, also told a Senate appropriations subcommittee that many IRS shortcomings stem from inadequate pay and training plus "extreme production pressure."

He said initiatives to meet taxpayers needs and ease discontent have been announced by IRS but "no matter how highly they may trumpet these initiatives, they are no more than cosmetic reforms."

Connery said revenue officers often are forced by management to initiate levy or seizure proceedings against a taxpayer rather than permit him to enter into an installment payment arrangement because of the time-consuming paperwork and legwork involved in administering part-payment plans.

"No matter what anyone may say or how many directives are issued by the commissioner, production goals and quotas are the name of the game," Connery said. "Employees who fail to meet management's performance expectations are either denied promotions or, in all too many instances, faced with disciplinary proceedings," he said.

Connery quoted from a memo he said was written by Robert J. Maily, an IRS group manager,

dated Jan. 11, in which Maily told his agents that:

"Enforcement activity was light during the month of December—due to leave and the charitable inclinations of most of us during the holiday season. The holiday season is past, it's a new year—firm enforcement must replace acts of charity."

Connery said that the most important thing to the collection division of IRS is the number of cases closed "with little or no regard to the effects of their orders on the individual taxpayer."

"Revenue officers are oftentimes rewarded for seizing a taxpayer's assets and severely disciplined if they permit him to remain in business and repay his debt to the federal government: part-payment plans do not close cases," Connery said.

Yell leader results contested

Yell leaders election will be contested again today on the grounds that ineligible persons were allowed to vote in the election.

David White, who appealed the election of yell leaders to the Judicial Board Monday night, was awarded a rehearing by the board on the basis that he had more information on the case which might change the decision of the board. The hearing is set for 5 p.m. today.

The board voted Monday five to four, not to grant the appeal or run the election over as requested. The reason given for the decision was that White had not shown sufficient evidence to prove the election could have been changed by the votes cast by seniors.

"My evidence is more complete now," said White. "I think it will prove that the voting irregularities were widespread and significant."

Run-off vote scheduled for campus posts

The final decision on student candidates for many offices will be made Thursday when students vote in the run-off elections.

Run-off elections will be held for the offices of Graduate Student Council science representative, vice president of rules and regulations, sophomore and junior class officers and three of the senior class offices. The senior class offices to be run are historian, social secretary and secretary-treasurer.

In order to vote, students must present their ID's, activity cards and either fee slip or mid-semester grade report. The polling places will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the MSC, Sbis Hall, library and Krueger-Dunn Commons.

Barry Bowden, election board chairman, said that students may vote according to their academic year or the year they entered A&M. He further explained that all students may vote for the vice president of rules and regulations, but other races may be voted on by within the class concerned.

All winners and candidates in run-offs and yell leader candidates must file an itemized expense account with the election board by 6 p.m. Wednesday, or they will be disqualified, Bowden said. The deadline was Tuesday, but has been extended for one day.



Filling the Rudder Center Auditorium with her voice, Marisa Galvany conducts her own concert. A soprano, she has been noted for her voice across the country. Her performance last night was sponsored by the Opera and Performing Arts Society. (Photo by Alan Killingsworth)

Committee delays action on Student Bill of Rights

The Student Bill of Rights was referred to a committee for further study by the rules and regulations committee of the university.

The committee will consist of Dr. John Koldus, vice president of student services, or his appointed representatives, Judge James A. Amis Jr., university systems attorney; Roger Miller, special assistant to the president; Steve Eberhard, president-elect of the Student Government; Barb Sears, Senate external affairs committee chairman and Curt Marsh, chairman of the Senate rules and regulations committee.

The committee will meet at a time determined by Koldus. This action was taken by consensus of

the university rules and regulations committee.

A letter was presented to the committee which had been written by Sears with the advice of members of the present student government executive committee members. The letter spoke in support of the student bill of rights and was signed by every member of the executive committee. Eberhard pointed out that Randy Ross, however, had signed it with reservations.

The committee then began surveying the bill of rights, an article at a time. Many rewordings were agreed upon by the group. Objections were raised by some members about language seeming to put the students and the ad-

ministration in an adversary position.

"I object to the use of the word 'harassment' in articles six and seven," said Miller.

Marsh explained that the use of that word had already been discussed among the students presenting the bill and he could see no objection to changing the wording to something more positive.

Other problems were raised by members of the committee. One was the negative tone of many of the articles.

"I worry about making these articles too specific," said Ed Davis, assistant director of management services. "The bill of rights should be a general statement of philosophy."

Board fires Battalion managing editor

The Battalion lost a key part of its staff structure as a result of a Student Publication Board decision Tuesday.

Steve Goble, managing editor, was officially removed from the university payroll by the Board since he was no longer a student at TAMU. Goble withdrew from the university Feb. 20.

The Board in its March meet-

ing agreed to allow Goble to finish the semester as managing editor. However, on April 2 the Board directed Battalion Editor Rod Speer to dismiss Goble, beginning the following day. Speer refused, saying the board's decision was taken in violation of the Texas Open Meetings Law and that no requirements on the staff chosen by the student editor

were specified in the Rules and Regulations handbook.

Dr. Tom W. Adair, assistant to TAMU President Jack Williams and a board member, said, "If the editor can't put his business in shape then maybe we have the wrong man as editor."

"Knocking out the key position of the paper with only three or four weeks of school remaining would only hurt the efficiency of the paper," said Speer. "Let the rule be set up for next semester."

There are other things that make a student besides going to class, Goble said. Working for The Battalion as a managing editor seemed to be more important than remaining in classes, he said.

"I entered with full intention of finishing this semester," Goble said. "But after the first few weeks of school and working 60 to 70 hours four days a week, I knew I couldn't do both."

William Harrison, assistant professor of journalism, invited Goble to resign and then asked

for the board to vote on his removal from the payroll.

Chet Edwards, a student member of the board, asked that an amendment be included to allow Goble to continue for one week while a replacement could be trained.

"No, I want it effective immediately," Jim Lindsey, chairman of the board and director of student publications, said.

The eight-man board voted to remove Goble, with Jan Faber, a student, and Dr. Robert Albanese, associate professor of management, abstaining.

Correction

The Battalion was mistaken when it said Sen. John Tunney would speak on campus Tuesday. His speech has been rescheduled for Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in the Rudder Center Theater. His topic will be, "Nixon Vs. Congress: Showdown?"

Due to an error in figures received from the election board, The Battalion was also in error in reporting that the two opponents of Barry Buske, Michael Collins and Thomas Donahue, received no votes in last week's elections.

Collins received 35 votes and Donahue 30. Buske won the office of senior senator from the College of Science with 63 votes.

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

Science fiction spree hits campus

Weekend of activities to attract authors and enthusiasts

Texas Science fiction (SF) fans are converging on the TAMU campus this weekend for the fifth year in a row for the festival conclave known as Aggie Con V.

Highlighting this year's convention are the appearances of authors Keith Laumer and Harlan Ellison as well as journeyman authors of Texas origin.

The SF film festival begins Friday at 7 p.m. in the Rudder Center Auditorium with a showing of "The War of the Worlds," based on the novel by H. G. Wells.

The recent film by Doug Trumbull, "Silent Running," with Bruce Dern, follows immediately and leads to an all-night session with Jules Verne's "Things to Come," "The Thing," "Curse of

the Demon," "It Came from Beneath the Sea," and "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," with Frederick March.

A free talk period with several authors is provided Friday at 9 p.m. in the Conference Tower Room 601.

The authors include Laumer, Ellison, Steven Utley, Lisa Tuttle, Howard Waldrop, Joe Pumlilia, Tom Reamy, Buddy Saunders and Bob Vardeman.

Saturday the convention's guests, here at the invitation of the Cepheid Variable SF Committee will conduct panel discussions on topics relating to science fiction. Tuttle, Utley and Ellison will discuss "The Shape of Women to Come" at 10 a.m.

Ellison will read one of his new stories at 11, and TAMU Librarian Hal W. Hall will describe the voluminous collection of SF works being assembled in Special Collections for future searches in this literary genre.

That afternoon Laumer and Waldrop will read their stories, and University of Texas physicist Al Jackson, whose article appeared in Times magazine recently, will explain about "Black Holes and Space Ships over Siberia."

At 3:30 Saturday afternoon the authors will assemble for a lesson an "What to do after you have written a story."

Sunday afternoon they will conduct another of the periodic Texas SF writers' conferences,

the Turkey City Neo-pro Rodeo. Writers with completed or in-progress manuscripts are invited to bring them for discussion and constructive criticism by people who are currently writing and selling stories.

Saturday night's movies include "Them," "Planet of the Apes," "Jason and the Argonauts," "20 Million Miles to Earth," "Robot Monsters From Mars," "Invasion of the Star Creatures" and "Plan Nine From Outer Space."

Science fiction conventions also draw collectors and dealers in books, magazines, memorabilia and films to trading fairs at which may often be found rare and obscure items with as much

curiosity appeal as monetary value. The Dealers' Room at Aggie Con V can be found in the Rudder Tower, Room 601.

The Dallas area professional illustrator's company "The Sketch Pad," run by Don Punchatz, whose work has been seen lately in "National Lampoon" and "Playboy," will conduct an exhibition of their work in the Rudder Tower, Room 407.

Admission to the convention's activities for the weekend requires a \$1.50 ticket, or a \$1 ticket for a single day. Tables in the Dealers' Room are \$3.50. Ticket and Table reservations may be placed at the Cepheid Variable cubicle in the Student Programs Office or with convention organizer Bob Stahl at 822-7796.