

## City Council votes \$49,000 for roads

In a special meeting Tuesday night the College Station City Council passed a tentative expenditure program for \$96,358 in revenue sharing funds. The council voted to allocate \$47,358 for the blanket category of "environmental protection," and \$49,000 for the resurfacing of roads.

Bill Lancaster of the Parks and Recreation Committee presented the council with a list of suggested park projects. Lancaster proposed that part of the revenue sharing money be spent on parks. Due to a lack of information and the June 24 deadline on revenue sharing reports, the council could not give the proposal consideration at Tuesday's meeting.

Mayor-protem Fred Brison stressed that placing money under a broad heading leaves the council free to determine exact expenditures at a later date.

Councilman Larry Bravene expressed concern that parks were being "sighted" in city expenditures. He suggested that the city begin a program to acquire more park land and improve existing facilities.

Councilman Jim Gardner agreed with Bravene. He stressed the advantages of spending revenue sharing funds for "special" uses rather than "common" ones. Gardner suggested a possible tax increase as a means of raising money to pave streets, extend water lines and other "every day" items. Gardner suggested the construction of sidewalks on major streets and the purchase of access to Bee Creek Park as possible items for revenue sharing funding.

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## Library director named

Dr. Irene Braden Hoadley of Ohio State University has been named director of libraries at Texas A&M University.

Dr. Hoadley, who will assume her new duties Nov. 1, succeeds John B. Smith who resigned to accept a position at State University of New York at Stony Brook.

For the past year, Dr. Hoadley has served as Ohio State's assistant director of libraries with responsibilities for administrative services. She joined the OSU faculty in 1966 as librarian for general administration and research.

She previously served in the Department of Library Science at the University of Michigan, where she earned her Ph.D. in 1966. She had earlier served on the library staffs at Kansas State University, where she earned a Master of Arts degree, and Sam Houston State University. She earned her B.A. degree at the University of Texas and Master of Arts in Library Science degree at the University of Michigan.

## But it's good to be home

# Trip helped understanding, says Cadet

By RODGER LEWIS

In early May we began to wonder if three weeks of singing in an Iron Curtain country was worth hiring ourselves out to do the oddest jobs in Bryan and changing umpteen filthy tires at the House of Tires.

How do you tell a prospective summer employer that you just can't start work until June 18 because you're in this group called the Singing Cadets and you'll be serenading Romanians until then?

Now that it is over though, hardly one of us can say we regret going. Even if we don't have a job here, we feel like we did some good for world understanding and we sure learned to appreciate the U.S.

At Kennedy airport we transferred from a Delta jet with stereo headsets for every seat to a chartered Czechoslovakian Airlines flying sardine can. The Russian-built plane had gray seats and indoor-outdoor type gray carpeting. We heard a rumor that it could be converted to a bomber in only a few hours.

The stewardesses were ok if you don't mind hairy legs. Every time I almost got to sleep they were putting more food in front of me. Have you ever tried to cut a file of beef only a few inches from your lap while holding your elbows firmly against your ribs?

While in the plane our knees seldom lost contact with the seat in front of us. But the vodka, beer and brandy served between meals seemed to make some of the A&M more comfortable.

The Romanian news man who filmed an interview with us at the Bucharest airport kept asking why we had chosen to come there. After giving him the usual line of promoting friendship, tasting their food and seeing sights the best thing we could say was "why not?"

Our guides from the national tourist agency, Mike Leventer and Nona Stanciu took us to our deluxe Hotel Nord, where we promptly bagged it. We stayed in the best hotels during the entire trip, but not one was as nice as a Holiday Inn.

The rooms were comfortable, but only a couple had carpets and most were dimly lit. In our hotel room at the Black Sea the whole bathroom comprised the shower. If you weren't careful you could ruin the whole floor of No. 1 grit toilet paper while showering.

We really had it better than most of the natives though. As we whisked through villages in our Mercedes busses we could see that houses were being built of the same materials and sizes as they were in 1920. Most of them had three small rooms with a separate kitchen and

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## Brazos County Park

# Proposed park, pavilion get last public hearing

Plans for the Brazos County Park were presented at a final public hearing Wednesday night. The park includes a multi-purpose facility, large and small picnic areas, a band shell and 20 acres of land to be left in its natural state.

The South-West Planning Associates plan is the result of three public hearings and input from the county commissioners court and the Bryan-College Station County Chamber of Commerce. County Judge William Vance called

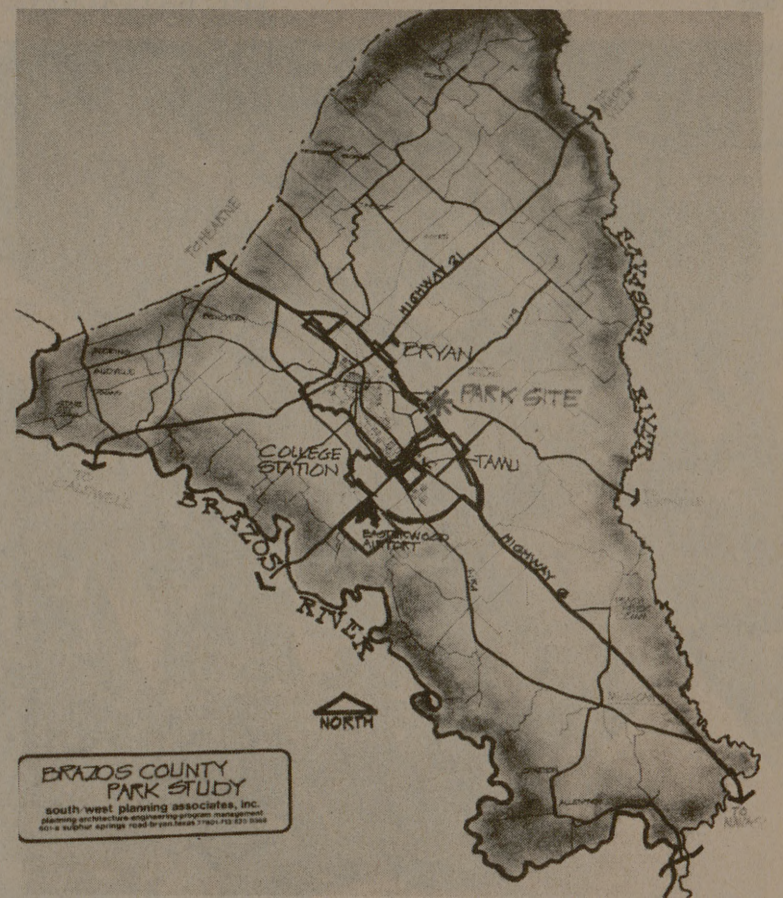
led the term "park" an unfortunate one. According to Vance the county acquired the land to build an "exposition center." Vance said the acquisition of extra land made possible the creation of a "park" site. The only objections voiced at the

meeting were by representatives of the Environmental Action Council. They pointed out that the pavilion will be built on the site of a natural bog. Vance explained that the site chosen was the only one in the park suitable for building. The remainder of the site lies in the flood plain and is ideal for park use.

The remainder of the discussion centered around financing. The total estimated cost of the site improvements is \$1.5 million. Although no definite funding program has been proposed, it is possible to obtain a maximum of one half of the total in the form of grants. Two possible sources of funding are the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation and the Economic Development Administration. According to Vance the remaining \$750,000 would probably be obtained through a county bond issue.

Access to the park will be by means of an extension of Briarcrest Drive to FM 1179. This is to be a two lane, farm-to-market road. Right of way for the road has already been donated to the county by the landowners. Vance stated that the road would cost about \$240,000. This is to be paid for entirely from federal urban transportation funds. Vance said the deeds for the right of way stipulate road construction within two years as a condition for the gift.

Vance said that the county will explore the possibilities of contracting with the city of Bryan for maintenance on the park. Vance views this as the first in a system of Brazos County parks to be built in the future. "The exposition center is very much needed," said Vance.



A LOCATION MAP (above) and the preliminary plans (below) for the proposed Brazos County Park.



TWO NEW WINGS to the Krueger-Dunn complex now under construction will house an additional 1158 students in the fall of '75 at a cost of \$10 million.

## Directors award \$1.8 million for improvement of campuses

Contracts totaling \$1,885,377 for campus improvements at Texas A&M and Prairie View A&M Universities were awarded Tuesday by the Texas A&M University System Board of Directors.

Largest of the awards was \$928,600 to Goolsby Building Corp. of Temple for repairs to several facilities at Prairie View.

Low Hammer Inc. of Denver was awarded a \$759,077 contract as part of TAMU's campus landscape project, and a \$197,700 award went to Site Development Corp. of

Navasota for street renovations at the College Station campus.

Appropriations totaling \$322,000 were authorized for eight other projects. Included were \$160,000 for detailed designs for West Campus streets, drainage and utilities; \$47,000 for campus planning and additional landscape development; \$10,000 for street renovation and \$8,000 for renovation design of the Veterinary Medical Administration Building, all at TAMU. An appropriation of \$90,000 was approved for design of a classroom and laboratory building at the Mitchell

Campus in Galveston, and a \$7,000 allocation was approved for design of interior furnishings for the Arts and Sciences Building at Prairie View.

A Department of Rural Sociology was established at TAMU as a joint endeavor of the College of Agriculture, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The new department will be a non-academic unit and include some of the research and extension functions now handled administratively through (See DIRECTORS, Page 3)

### Today

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**Weather**

Partly cloudy and hot today and tomorrow. Both days high 94°. Southerly winds 10-15 mph. Low tonight 73°.

## VA plans \$9 million for A&M

The Veterans Administration plans to award \$9.6 million to TAMU, in affiliation with Baylor College of Medicine, to support a new medical education program utilizing the VA medical system, Cong. Olin E. Teague informed TAMU officials Wednesday.

Teague said the funds would cover a seven-year pilot program, with \$2.4 million provided for operations the first year.

The TAMU-BCM program is part of an overall project stemming from the Veterans Administration Medical School Assistance and Health Manpower Training Act of 1972.



SINGING CADET PRESIDENT James Randolph obliges a young Bulgarian during a two-hour autographing session at a music school in Timisoara.