

15th Annual Aggie Blood Drive begins

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The Fifteenth Annual Aggie Blood Drive began today and will continue through Thursday in room 224 of the MSC. Donations will be collected between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

The drive, sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega (APO), Omega Phi Alpha and Student Government, is being conducted by the Wadley Institute of Molecular Medicine

in Dallas. Drive Chairman Doc Wagner of APO said this year's goal is 1200 units, or pints of blood. If achieved this would surpass last year's donation by 200 units.

Students giving blood will have their own and their families' entire blood needs, for the next year, fulfilled. Students who volunteer their blood but whose blood is rejected for some reason, will be able to obtain their blood, if needed, for the next year free of charge.

Wagner said, "If enough Aggies donate,

all students and faculty become eligible" for free blood replacement. Previously, if 1 out of 20 Aggies donated, all students and faculty could obtain blood for one year. An additional benefit this year for donors is the issuance of cards indicating the donor's blood type and factors, for easy reference during emergencies.

Students may come by room 224 of the MSC during the drive and donate. The procedure is "relatively painless" and takes approximately 45 minutes.

Muniz canceled

Ramsey Muniz, Raza Unida gubernatorial candidate, canceled his Monday speech late Monday afternoon. Muniz missed his plane, said Oscar Orta from the Committee for Awareness of Mexican-American Culture.

The Battalion

Thought for the Day
A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds . . .
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

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City Attorney claims petition not admissable

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A petition by Dominik Street residents against a rezoning proposal approved at the Oct. 21 City Council meeting was ruled inadmissible by City Attorney Neeley Lewis.

Lewis said the petition was ruled inadmissible because it was not submitted before the public hearing began.

The law is specific on the requirements for admission of such a proposal, and this did not meet them," said Lewis.

However, "a city attorney's opinion has no more weight than the council wants to give it," Lewis said. The petition was signed by 280 area residents. The city's zoning or-

inance states that if such a petition is presented to the city secretary prior to the start of the public hearing on the rezoning in question, a three-fourths vote of the council would be required approving the rezoning.

City Councilman Larry Bravenec said Lewis may only advise the council. Lewis' opinion is in no way binding on the council, Bravenec said.

Councilman Jim Gardner said he felt the decision by Lewis was binding on the council. He said Lewis was the official legal adviser of the council and should be respected in his opinions.

The rezoning request in question was submitted by Harry Seaback for

a tract of land between Dominik and Highway 30. The original proposal for all apartments on the land was fought by Dominik residents and rejected by the council.

Seaback resubmitted his proposal, providing a buffer of single family residences and duplexes between the Dominik homes and the apartments.

The council passed the later proposal 4 to 3, short of the three-fourths needed if the petition is legal. Mayor O. M. Holt, Don Dale, Homer Adams and Gardner voted for the proposal; Bravenec, Fred Brison and Jim Dozier voted against.

Lewis' ruling was made on a "fine technicality" of the law, said Tom

Kozik, Dominik Street resident. Kozik said the spirit of the law was observed, if not the letter.

"I can't believe 15 or 20 minutes makes that much of a difference," said Kozik.

Kozik said he does not question how the councilmen voted, but whether the petition will be thrown out on a fine point of law.

Bravenec said the requirement that petitions be submitted before the hearing was designed to create orderly meetings. The manner in which the petition was submitted did not delay the meeting, Bravenec said.

"I think the council needs to meet and decide what to do," said Bravenec.

Hunt confesses lies; tells all

WASHINGTON (AP) — Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt Jr. admitted Monday he lied at least 12 times in appearances before a grand jury. But he said that after reading transcripts of the White House tapes he decided to tell all he knew about the break-in.

Testifying at the Watergate cover-up trial, Hunt said, "In the spring of this year I began to read transcripts of the White House tapes. I felt a sense of rude awakening."

"I realized these men were not worthy of my continued loyalty."

The former CIA agent who was convicted of burglary, conspiracy and wiretapping in the Watergate break-in trial, said that when he was subpoenaed this past summer to testify again, he was "faced with the hard decision of whether to continue to lie to protect others or to tell all."

He said his attorneys advised him to tell everything he knew.

Under questioning by Assistant Special Prosecutor Richard Ben-Veniste, Hunt admitted that he had lied at least 12 times since granted immunity from prosecution on the basis of his testimony before a federal grand jury.

He said he lied about his contacts with former White House special counsel Charles Colson and fellow break-in defendant James McCord as well as about his knowledge of the involvement of others in the Watergate break-in.

Defense attorneys will begin their cross-examination of Hunt on Tuesday.

When he leaves the stand, the prosecution plans to call Jeb Stuart Magruder, former deputy director of the Nixon re-election committee, as its next witness.

Magruder already has pleaded guilty to conspiring to obstruct justice and has been cooperating with the prosecutors.

Earlier, Hunt described how his wife was used as a conduit for payments to the break-in defendants.

But the payments proved disappointingly small, Hunt testified.

"The arrears were steadily mounting," he said.

Prosecutors at the trial of five former Nixon administration and campaign aides entered into evidence an accounting Hunt's wife, Dorothy, gave to his attorney, William O. Bittman, of the distribution of \$53,500.

The accounting, dated Sept. 19,

1972, showed that nearly all the money went for attorneys' fees and bail.

Hunt told how two days after the June 17, 1972, Watergate break-in he went to his office in the Executive Office Building next to the White House and "gave a cursory glance around to satisfy myself that nothing had been disturbed."

Then he passed a message to the secretary of Charles W. Colson, special White House counsel, telling her, "I want Chuck to know my safe upstairs is loaded."

He described the contents as including bugging equipment, faked State Department cables, a psychiatric profile of Daniel Ellsberg and notebooks listing people involved in political intelligence activities being conducted by the

Nixon re-election committee.

Earlier, Hunt had testified that he was told that the "big man" had approved a political intelligence plan calling for illegal break-ins and wiretapping.

Asked who the "big man" was, Hunt replied:

"There was only one big man involved in the entire planning episode. The big man involved stature-wise was the attorney general, Mr. John Mitchell."

Hunt, convicted of burglary and conspiracy in the Watergate break-in trial, said it was another of the break-in conspirators, G. Gordon Liddy, who told him Mitchell had approved the intelligence operation.

Asked how he knew Liddy meant Mitchell, Hunt said Liddy always

referred to the then attorney general "as the big man and also as the big boy."

His answer drew a laugh from Mitchell, one of five defendants charged with conspiring to block investigation of the Watergate break-in.

The other defendants are former White House aides H. R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman, former assistant attorney general Robert C. Mardian, and Kenneth W. Parkinson, one-time attorney for the Nixon re-election committee.

Over protests from defense attorneys, U. S. District Judge John J. Sirica agreed to a prosecution request to call Hunt as a court witness, which meant that both prosecution and defense attorneys could ask leading questions in an attempt to get him to tell all he knows.



INSIDE THE TOWER presents an unusual view of the new A&M watertower. This was taken at the base of the water section of the tower which is where the tower begins to flare. (Photo by Douglas Winship)

B-CS fund drive overlap criticized by drive official

By STEVE GRAY
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Local United Fund (UF) drive efforts are being hampered because of the overlapping operations of two separate campaigns, a top UF official said Wednesday.

James W. Stegall, president of the board of directors for the Greater Bryan United Fund, Inc., said consolidation of the two drives

(Bryan and College Station) would increase the campaign's efficiency and minimize confusion among contributors.

"There's no reason not to have one drive," Stegall said, "because we (Bryan UF) serve the same agencies as the College Station campaign. They take in money and pay the same agencies we do."

Stegall pointed out that confusion

arises when persons are asked to contribute to both drives.

"We have people in Bryan that work in College Station and vice-versa. There's constant confusion on whether they should give to one or the other," Stegall said.

"For example, there's the possibility that a husband thinks that his wife is going to give to the Bryan drive while he gives to the College Station campaign. It could turn out that both give to one or the other," he said.

Two attempts to combine the two campaigns have been made in the past, said Stegall. Neither have been successful, however.

"I really don't know why the idea hasn't been supported," Stegall said. "It isn't fair to the people of the two communities or the agencies because it seems that both drives are pulling in different directions."

"I think it's rather foolish to have two boards running up and down the streets of Bryan and College Station trying to raise funds," Stegall said.

The last attempt to consolidate the two drives was in early 1967, said Stegall. Contributors in both cities were asked at that time to approve the plan. Residents in both cities turned down the proposal by an overwhelming majority.

"I think, by and large, directors for both drives would be in favor of consolidation. The idea has been talked about from year to year," Stegall said.

Bill Landiss, College Station drive chairman, said he does not know much of the story behind the consolidation efforts. This is Landiss' first year on the College Station UF board.

"I'm just too new in the UF campaign to say we should definitely combine the two drives or stay separate," he said.

However, he said it would have a lot of advantages. "People would only have to give to one central drive. But, on the other hand, the drives were set up by people in their respective communities. It would take a lot of effort to sell the idea to both groups before such a combination could be successful," he said.

Both local drives are operating smoothly, according to Landiss and Stegall, both volunteer chairmen. The goal for the College Station drive this year is \$30,000, up \$1,000 from last year.

"We have reached 50 per cent of our goal as of today (Wednesday), much of it coming from the university," Landiss said. "We shouldn't have any problem reaching our goal, even though much of the money didn't start coming in until mid-October."

The College Station drive started Oct. 1. Landiss said the drive will continue until the goal is reached. Stegall said Bryan residents and workers have been receptive to their campaign, which also began Oct. 1.

"We have presently raised \$85,000 of our \$131,690 goal," Stegall said.

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Weather

Partly cloudy Tuesday afternoon with southerly winds 10 mph. Increasing cloudiness Wednesday. High both days mid-80's. Low tonite 62°.



TEXAS STUDENT LOBBY delegates discussed a variety of issues at the TSA convention held at A&M last weekend. In this session led by Frank Fleming, University of Texas student body president, delegates debated the pros and cons of liquor on campus. (Photo by Douglas Winship)