

## Weather

Mostly cloudy mornings, partly cloudy afternoons and mild Wednesday and Thursday. High today 68; low tonight 49; high tomorrow 75.

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# Fights start on yell leaders

## Kent defends vote at dorm assembly

By JUDY BAGGETT  
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Rajesh Kent, Law-Puryear-Cain representative, was pelted with questions on why he voted to let women run for yell leader at the Puryear Hall council meeting Tuesday.

He was called to the meeting because he voted for women yell leaders even though a poll he conducted showed his constituency to be against it.

Ten per cent of his 700 constituents answered — 37 were against women yell leaders and 33 were for.

"My purpose is not to mirror the views of my constituents," Kent

said. "I believe I should make a decision after I weigh the pros and cons. Rights is a question not up for a majority vote."

Kent said he voted for the resolution because the restriction violated legal statutes of the nation and state. A girl would have legal support and win sympathy votes, Kent said.

"We have not broken the tradition," Kent said. "Once again, we have thrown it out to the student body to decide for themselves. It only allows women to run."

The discussion turned from yell leaders and rested on representation.

"You aren't representing us," said one member.

"The issue is representation," another member said. "People are upset because their views were not upheld."

Again Kent responded by saying, "I represented you by making the best decision possible."

Several members took a stand with Kent and said they would have voted the same way. The question of how he would represent the dorms in the future was raised. One member suggested Kent come to council meetings. By coming to meetings, the council members could tell Kent what the dorm members wanted.

"We have a responsibility to him," a member said, adding that



Rajesh Kent

Kent's constituents should tell him how they feel about issues.

After the meeting, Kent said that the essential problem was the difference in ideas of representation. The council said they wanted him to mirror their views and he did not feel that was the job of a representative.

"I think they've given me a solution to the problem," Kent said, referring to attending council meetings.

## Senators begin movement to call student referendum

By JERRY GEARY  
Staff Writer

New hope is being offered for those students protesting the Student Senate's recent decision to allow women to run for Yell Leader.

Three weeks ago, the Student Senate defeated a resolution calling for a student referendum on the matter.

Now, a petition originated by student senators Cecil Albrecht of Dunn Dorm and Troie Ann Pruett of the College of Agriculture is

being circulated throughout the University community. The petition requests that the Student Body President call a student referendum so students can decide whether or not the word "male" should be deleted from the requirements for Yell Leader.

Under Article 2, Section 6 of the student constitution, if the requisite number of signatures (20 per cent of the student body) is collected, the petition would be presented to Student Body President Steve

Eberhard, who would have 15 class days to call for a student referendum on the matter.

Because of the sensitivity of the yell leader issue, Albrecht emphasized, "The student body should decide on this particular issue. Many senators may not have voted the way their constituents wanted them to."

Albrecht also stressed that the idea for a petition was "a bunch of people's and we (Albrecht and Pruett) just got there first."

## Car hits hangar building

Two men in satisfactory condition



Car crashes into U.S. Army 420th Engineering Brigade Building. Photo by Douglas Winship

By STEVE GRAY  
Staff Writer

Two Houstonians were injured early Tuesday night when their car plowed through a hangar office building at Easterwood Airport.

The two were reported in satisfactory condition at St. Joseph Hospital at 11:00 p.m. Both sustained facial and neck cuts. The passenger sustained a back laceration which required about 30 stitches to close, said hospital officials.

University Policeman G. Norton said the car was traveling west on FM 2347 when the car entered a shell parking lot in front of the office building and struck a low-lying wooden barrier. Norton said the vehicle was airborne moments before crashing into the building after the car hit the barrier.

The impact destroyed two walls in a storage room containing electronic equipment and file cabinets and the tail section of a plane in the hangar.

Police recovered several bottles of liquor from the car at the scene. Norton said the pair, who attend Spring Branch High School in Houston, were in town for a basketball playoff game between Spring Branch and Corsicana at G. Rollier White Coliseum.

## No moral exam accompanies birth control at health center

By JERRY GEARY  
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Rumors regarding women seeking birth control pills being questioned about their sex life and morals are ridiculous, says Dr. Claude B. Goswick Jr., director of the University Health Center.

In fact, said Dr. Goswick, "Anybody who says that just has a guilty conscience."

In order to obtain "The Pill," a woman must make an appointment with the doctor via the receptionist. A major obstacle is that these appointments are booked until April and Goswick says he doesn't anticipate any relief soon.

Why the long wait? Goswick says the number of women demanding birth control pills is more than the personnel examining the patients can handle.

There is not a resident gynecologist on campus, but the campus health center has gynecologist facilities.

"90-95 per cent of office gynecologist work can be done right here," says Goswick.

He also mentioned if a woman happens to have a serious problem, she is referred to Dr. Robert Benbow of Bryan.

Though five doctors are budgeted for the Health Center, only four are presently employed. Goswick is attempting to hire a fifth doctor who is particularly interested in gynecology.

Meanwhile, Goswick is examining all women wanting birth control pills on Wednesdays from 1-5 p.m. During this time, he examines 8-10 patients per week.

In order to alleviate any rumors concerning the process of obtaining "The Pill," Goswick outlined the regular examination procedure.

Initially, the woman is given a pelvic examination followed by a Pap Smear. A routine medical history is compiled along with a pregnancy history and a medical examination.

Questions, such as the length of the patient's menstrual cycle, post-coital bleeding and types of contraceptives used before are the only ones asked. Goswick emphasized that no questions about morals are asked.

"We are not interested in their sex life. Our presumption is that if a girl asks for birth control pills then she is sexually active enough to need them or will be," he said.

The only qualification for receiving birth control pills is that the girl be 18 years old or have a note from her parents if she is under age.

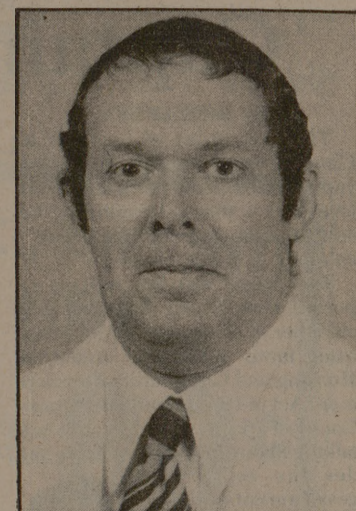
Of those who pass the age requirement, Goswick said, "Their parents will never know" they have obtained the pills.

Other services are available at the health center for women with gynecological problems.

If a girl has a problem or needs advice, she can consult a doctor at

the health center immediately. On Fridays, Pap Smears are given and on Thursdays, a recently established "Follow-up" clinic is held. This clinic was instituted because a year has passed since the campus health center began distributing birth control pills and those girls who have prescriptions for the pills can get another pelvic examination and a new prescription.

In evaluating the problem the health center has had in caring for these women, Dr. Goswick said "We have been in a trial period in order to assess the demand (for the contraceptives) and now we can actually begin to solve the problem."



Dr. Claude B. Goswick Jr.

## April 1 CS election set

Six run for three positions

Filing for the three positions open on the College Station City Council ended Friday with two candidates vying for each open post.

The election will be April 1.

A realtor, Jim Jett, is running against TAMU professor Gary Halter for Place 1. Jett is a former president of the local apartment owner's association

while Halter is in A&M's political science department. Neither have been on the council. Incumbent Fred Brisson announced he is retiring from the council.

In the Place 3 race, Don Dale will seek re-election and face Bob Bell, who ran unsuccessfully for College Station mayor last spring. Dale owns the Dale Con-

struction Co. and Pool's Park, a roller skating rink. Bell is the general manager of KTAM-KORA radio stations.

Incumbent Larry Bravenec, an A&M finance professor, is running against Residence Hall Association president Greg Magruder for Place 5.

Filing in the April 5 Consolidated School Board election closes today.

## Food

State funds not used by most groups

By JIM CRAWLEY  
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Student Government and other student groups that use Student Service fees and self-generated revenue are apparently within the law when they purchase food for their own use.

"Any food that we buy would be paid from our cash account," said Curt Marsh, student vice president of finance. Marsh added that

**This is the second in a three-part series on state funds being spent for food.**

monies in the cash account come from refrigerator rentals and other non-Student Service fee revenue.

"Gifts and revenue received by groups wholly or partially supported by Student Service fees may be used for expenditures for which state funds cannot be used," said Howard Vestal, assistant vice president for business affairs.

Both Marsh and Student Government (SG) President Steve Eberhard were questioned about the cost of several SG picnics. Marsh assured The Battalion that each participant paid a small amount for the picnic supplies. Eberhard added that he had paid for a cake consumed at one of the picnics last fall.

Most student groups and clubs receive their main operating money from bookstore profits. This raises the question: "Are bookstore profits classified as state money?"

"I'd say that auxiliary enterprises are separate from state funds and their profits can be

used for anything," said Rick Arnett of the attorney general's office.

Vestal agreed with Arnett's statement and added that the auxiliary enterprises such as the bookstore, are self-supporting.

Arnett was asked if membership dues are state funds.

The answer was a qualified "no." Arnett said that no attorney general's opinion had been issued concerning the use of revenue derived by student groups, but that it appeared they are not public monies.

State laws don't specify club dues, but they do cite the legality of depositing non-state funds in the fiscal departments of state colleges. These funds are not state monies, according to the statute.

Another student group using Student Service fees is Student Publications, which consists mainly of The Battalion and Aggieland. Student Publications uses Battalion advertising revenue for its annual banquet, said Jim Lindsey, Student Publications Board chairman.

The current law authorizing Student Service fees states that the governing board may collect from students "the cost of student services which the board deems necessary or desirable in carrying out the educational functions of the institutions."

A recent attorney general's Letter Advisory states, "it is our opinion that the fees collected under Section 54.503 of the Texas Education Code (pertaining to Student Service fees) must be used for student services directly involving or being of benefit or interest to students."

The opinion also said that the final decision would probably come from the courts.

A Letter Advisory has the same power as an opinion.

The question is further muddled by statements from the State Auditor's office and comments by two state university controllers. All three contend that Student Service fees are public monies and thus can't be used to purchase food.

Mike Ferguson, supervisor of senior college audits, said the correct use of student service fees depended on whether all the students were benefiting or just a select group.

"Consequently it's been left to the individual institutions to control and use these funds," said Arnett.

The whole issue over the use of Student Service fees to purchase food is dominated by the lack of a clear-cut decision. Some say that it's okay, others say absolutely not. It appears the answer will come from one of these sources: the attorney general, the state legislature, the courts or the TAMU Board of Directors.

Dr. John Koldus, vice president of student affairs, told The Battalion that he is planning to ask the attorney general for an opinion on this issue, as one has not been requested previously.

Arnett said the attorney general's office would welcome an official request for an opinion on this issue, as one has not been requested previously.

## Due to no-shows

# Committee delays action on services fee requests

By ROXIE HEARN  
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Three cancellations made a light load for the Student Service Fee Allocation Committee Tuesday night.

The committee, a group of 10 students, is headed by Curt Marsh, student vice president of finance, and considers budget requests. It will later make recommendations to the Student Senate.

Budget proposals from the student legal adviser, the athletic department and the choral program (Singing Cadets, Arion's Children and New Tradition Singers) were

postponed. The student legal adviser will be heard Thursday at 7 p.m. and the choral program will be heard next Tuesday.

The University Health Center presented its student health center fee estimate of \$654,948.

Dr. Claude B. Goswick, director of the center, said \$528,258 of that amount went to salaries and wages of personnel.

Among the personnel of the center are four physicians, 15 registered nurses, two licensed vocational nurses, two aides, four custo-

dial workers, four cooks, four receptionists, two clinical assistants and one radiologist who comes in three times a week to read X-rays.

Medical and Hospital supplies and other operating expenses, including utilities will total \$235,831.

The estimated capital expense of the center will be \$2,500.

Goswick called the health center fee "insurance" for the student.

"When you count up all the services available at the center just in case you need them, I just don't think you can find better insurance," he said.