



Cotton Royalty

Tommy Engelke and Karen Kay Stokes, king and queen cotton, sit on their thrones at the

41st Annual Cotton Pageant Saturday night.

Photo by Steve McGowan

Third world bloc said nonexistent

The third world bloc does not exist as such, said a high United Nations (UN) official speaking at TAMU Saturday.

Sola Ogunbanwo, assistant Secretary General for political questions, said the existence of a group of small and developing nations which always vote the same way is impossible. The countries involved vote in a manner that is consistent with

their country's policies and many times these third worlders disagree. Ogunbanwo spoke in the final day of International Students Week.

He discussed the problems of the third world nations as opposed to those found within the large industrialized nations.

Problems cited include the present drought in Africa, the world

food shortage, the "underequipping of the developing nations" and the oil crisis.

The assistant Secretary General explained the UN's position in the Middle East as that of a "peacekeeping force." The reason for the force is the furthering of humanitarian ways.

The UN could and will provide

humanitarian services in the current Vietnamese war, said Ogunbanwo.

Questions from the audience centered around permanent membership of the U.S. and other countries on the Security Council. Ogunbanwo explained that there will be attempts at the next session of the UN to change this situation.

Presnal advocates utilities commission

A State Utility Commission is needed, even though it will not be a "cure-all" agency, State Representative Bill Presnal said in a press release last week.

He said he thinks that the Utility Commission will help consumers by lowering rates. He admits that because of the energy crisis, rates couldn't be as low as they have been in the past. The purpose of this new commission, he added, is to establish control over

rates charged by the utility companies.

Several proposals are being considered by the House Committee on State Affairs, which is holding public hearings this week. One provides for a commission which would have absolute control over utility companies in the entire state.

Another proposal grants control to County Commissioners Court which would dictate utility rates on the local level.

CS streets renovated

If you're living on Neal Pickett Drive, Berkeley, Westover or Carol Streets, you're probably wondering what all the noise is about.

George Ford, assistant director of public works, said the city has received numerous calls about the heavy street construction in the area. Ford said Thursday those streets, built in the early sixties,

have been cracking and the city is repairing them.

"What we're doing is cracking up the concrete and then compacting it with a roller," Ford said. "Later on we will top them with hot-mix asphalt concrete."

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MVP awards go to Davis, Mercer

Barry Davis and Jerry Mercer were named Saturday as co-winners of the Most Valuable Player award for the 1975 Texas Aggie basketball team at the annual awards banquet.

Davis and Mercer were both starters on the Aggie team that won the Southwest Conference and led the way for the first 20 victory team in Aggie history. The award is decided by a vote of the team members.

John Thornton, who Shelby Metcalf called the "best captain we've

had here at A&M," received the captain's award.

Metcalf also gave Aggie senior Mike Floyd an 11 by 14 picture of his last second shot against Arkansas.

The presentation of awards was made at a banquet honoring the 1975 SWC champs Saturday night at Briarcrest Country Club.

Coach Shelby Metcalf made the presentations at the end of the three hour banquet that saw all Aggie team members awarded with team pictures and resolutions from the Texas A&M Board of Directors and the Texas House of Representatives acknowledging the Aggies accomplishment.

Associate Athletic Director Marvin Tate was the master of ceremonies. Speakers for the evening were: Texas A&M President Dr. Jack K. Williams, Athletic Director Emory Bellard, Athletic Council Chairman Dr. Charles Sampson, Assistant basketball coach Norman Reuther and head basketball coach Dr. Shelby Metcalf.

Metcalf who is known as the "King of the one liners" was at top form Saturday as he had a joke for each basketball player as they received their award.

The 250 people on hand also were treated to a season highlights film covering the Aggie home games leading up to the championship.

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