

Weather

Mostly cloudy and warm Wednesday with 50 per cent chance afternoon and evening showers. High today 89; low tonight 72; high Thursday 91.

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Members of the Aggie Players rehearse for their production of 'You're a Good Man Charlie Brown'. Jointly presented by the MSC Summer Directorate, the play will debut July 31. It will be a dinner theater production.

Marijuana arrests increasing locally

By JERRY NEEDHAM
City Editor

The number of arrests so far this year in Brazos County for possession of marijuana are running far above arrests for the same period last year.

John Leflore, Narcotics Officer for the Bryan Police, said, "As far as marijuana, I would say the arrests are probably double over last year. Throughout the month of April I confiscated over 1,000 growing plants anywhere from people's kitchens to greenhouses to pastures.

"Most of the possession charges come about through routine traffic violations and are just lid busts. People don't really hide it like they used to," Leflore said.

A "lid", a slang term for an ounce of marijuana, generally sells for \$10 on the streets.

Bobby Yeager, a College Station detective, said, "We have been filing more cases on misdemeanor possession of marijuana than a year ago, but off-hand I would say arrests haven't varied more than ten per cent."

Commenting on the increased arrests, Yeager said, "I think there is more of it now than there was two years ago and also people are more relaxed about it."

One thing both Yeager and Leflore agreed on is that there is a lot more marijuana in College Station than in Bryan but more heroin in Bryan than College Station. The high volume of marijuana in College Station is attributed to the high concentration of college students.

Brazos County Deputy Sheriff Gary Shaw said, "As far as our de-

partment goes, we have been making fewer arrests this year compared with last year." He was unable to give any reasons for the decline.

Shaw added that most of the arrests are for simple possession of under four ounces and usually occur while stopping cars for traffic violations.

Leflore said people are taking a misdemeanor charge lightly and don't realize that if they are caught with any amount of marijuana while on probation, it is a felony.

"On misdemeanor cases we're getting anywhere from \$300 to \$500 convictions and six months in the county jail probated for a year. Felonies for marijuana at this time generally bring ten years probation," said Leflore.

Last year out of 103 counts charged in narcotics by the Bryan Police, only 42 have ever gone to court. Nineteen of those were dismissed and 23 were convicted including probations and fines. The other 61 have yet to go to court.

Yeager said the prevalent drug in College Station is marijuana but that they do run across several cases of other drug use such as quaaludes, amphetamines and hallucinogenics.

Meteorology head to retire

Dr. Vance E. Moyer, head of TAMU's Meteorology Department will resign that post Sept. 1 and return to full time teaching.

"Teaching is my first love and the only reason I got into the business in the first place," he said.

He is the only head the department has had. The Pennsylvania-born and Penn State-trained professor has been on the TAMU meteorology faculty 17 years.

It will end a period of strain for him, but one which Moyer threw himself into headlong. The period climaxed in November, 1973, with the dedication of the Oceanography-Meteorology Building.

The former Merchant Marine, Austin TV weathercaster and University of Texas professor was project coordinator of the 15-story O&M building. "No other received as conscientious and concerned attention," a close acquaintance remarked.

"Dr. Moyer gave thought to every piece of furniture and equipment that went into it," said Jake Canglose, radar engineer.

Every item in the 414-room O&M building was Moyer-checked, down to whether electrical outlets were "hot." He not only ordered furniture, but saw that it went where it was intended, Canglose said.

"It was a labor of love," Moyer said. "I poured my career into it. . . and came out coated with barnacles

and rust. But I'm damned proud of the building. Everyone in meteorology around the country concedes we have the best."

A Penn State faculty member terms the O&M building "a picture book facility."

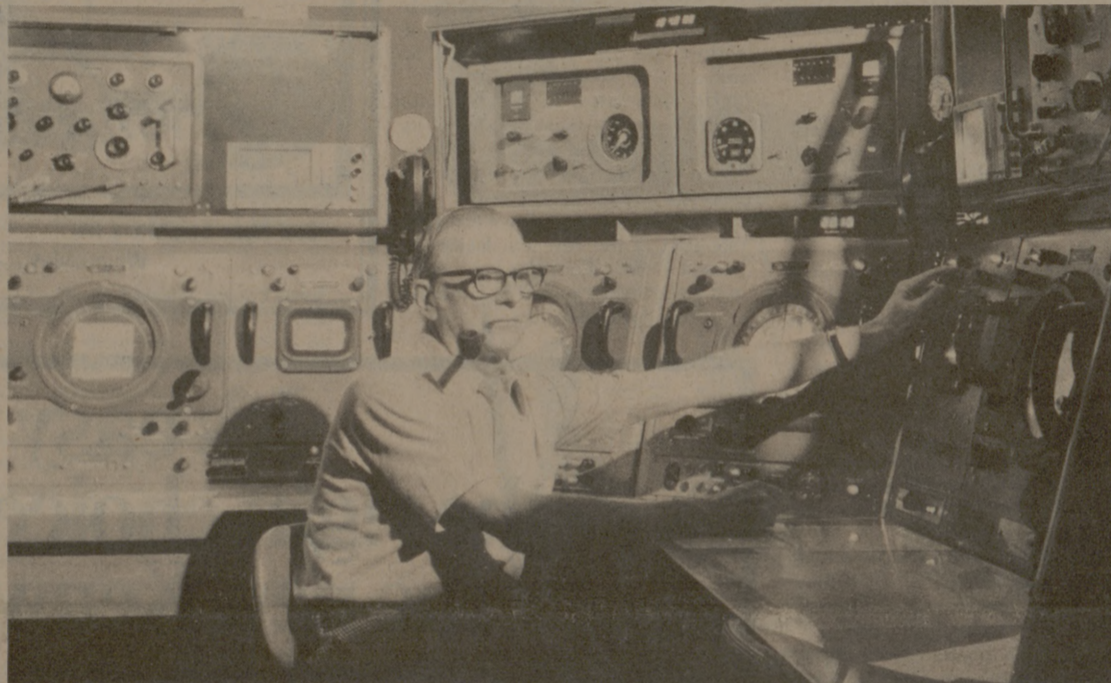
Seven years went into it. Meetings of oceanography-meteorology committees in Moyer's old Goodwin Hall office began when now retired Geosciences Dean Horace Byers appointed Moyer to chair the project. They completely designed the interior arrangement including 121 highly-specialized labs. "The working plans were eighth generation," Moyer grinned. The building is topped by antennae of the multi-frequency weather radar system.

Along with teaching, normal department head chores and building duties ("They were outlined in a handbook given me"), Moyer has given 17 years of largely unseen and unnoticed community service.

As head of the Tornado Warning Division of the Brazos County Civil Defense Office, the former Air Force weatherman puts the radar into operation when severe weather threatens, to help protect lives and property of local citizens.

In reverting to radar section chief in the department this fall, Moyer has plans for the first thing seen by anyone approaching the TAMU campus.

"We've got to modernize the radar," Moyer said. "The output



Dr. Vance E. Moyer

needs to be digitized, with a direct link to a minicomputer. With this arrangement and data on magnetic tape, it can be immediately analyzed."

He said the third channel of the instrument also should be put into operation. The radar system's present scanning capability is at 10 and 3.5-centimeter wavelengths. The

third (employing the other small dish) will be about one centimeter. The system atop the O&M building became operable last July. The department's former system at Goodwin resulted in 56 theses and dissertations, plus other publications.

Moyer noted with pride that three National Weather Service of-

ficials in Washington, specializing in hydrology and radar techniques, came from Texas A&M. So did Stuart Bigler, NWS region director in Alaska.

Moyer also shines in relating that his wife Barbara graduated, cum laude, here last May with a B.A. in history. Mrs. Moyer is now a history graduate assistant.

Campus briefs

Radio seeks help

The A&M Wheelmen bicycle club will hold a night bicycle ride tonight. Interested persons should meet at the Rudder Tower fountain at 7:00 p.m. The ride will be a social recreational event over a short distance at a slow pace. For further information call 845-1179.

Bike ride tonight

Students interested in working with TAMU Student Radio during the second summer session or next fall should sign up in the Student Government Office in Room 216, MSC.

Student Radio is a student-run station at 107.5 on the Midwest Video Cable. Applicants do not need FCC licenses. For further information call 845-5948 or the station, 693-2434.

Meditation scheduled

The International Meditation Society of TAMU will have two meetings this week.

The first meeting will be tonight at 7:30 in room 226 of the library. The second meeting will be tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 in room 226 of the library.

The subject of the meeting will be the revelation of the research and benefits of transcendental meditation.

Society members also announce that Bob Semands of Houston will be present in place of their regular instructor who is in France for further training.

Hearing scheduled on phone rate increase

The first of two public hearings on the telephone rate increase being asked by General Telephone will be held at the College Station City Hall tomorrow night at 7.

College Station telephone customers who desire to give their opinions of General's service, whether pro or con, are requested to attend the hearing.

The second hearing, to be held in September, will enable students and those who miss the first hearing to air their views.

Bill Erwin, General Telephone's division manager, has requested

that all opinions be in writing to facilitate easier handling.

The City Council has the authority to approve an increase in the phone rates and has requested that city telephone customers attend to help the council determine whether a rate increase is justified on the basis of services rendered.

The revenues requested by General would raise the rate of return on invested capital on telephone rates from 5.43 per cent to 8.4 per cent. The last increase in local telephone rates was in June 1973.

Bryan takes compromise on utility rate increase

By JERRY NEEDHAM
City Editor

At their bi-monthly meeting last Thursday, the College Station City Council offered the City of Bryan a second counterproposal for utility rates.

The new proposal accepted Bryan's request for an increase in electric and sewer service rates and offered a rate of 38.5 cents per 1,000 gallons of water. Bryan had asked for an increase to 42 cents per 1,000 gallons.

The new rates went into effect July 1 and will expire Dec. 31, 1975. This interim agreement was based on the understanding that a new contract will be entered into between the two cities that will take effect on Jan. 1, 1976.

College Station residents' utility bills for July will include a 12.34 per cent increase in electric rates, a ten per cent jump in water prices and a 25 per cent increase for sewer service.

After a meeting between subcommittees of the two councils two weeks ago, there were indications a compromise would be made.

Gary Halter, College Station Councilman, said, "There was no willingness on the part of Bryan to compromise and no desire to submit the problem to an impartial arbitrator."

"The Bryan Council, in essence, told us that if we did not accept the agreement, they would take us to court and even if we won they would cut us off in four years."

"The Bryan Council was willing to go to court and the majority of the College Station council was not. With this new deal we give them six months to negotiate in good faith."

Halter said a new contract would define what cost means. He said, "My point is that Bryan is wanting to

treat College Station as a single family in Bryan but they do not maintain the distribution system, send bills, read meters and pay for other services."

"College Station does this after paying the rate that utilities are delivered to Bryan residents."

College Station Councilman Bob

Bell said he felt such a satisfactory contract could be worked out within six months. He said, "A long-term contract is something that I feel sure the College Station Council will be willing to discuss."

Halter added, "The controversy has not been resolved, it has just been postponed for six months."

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FTS expects visits by members of the TAMU System Board of Regents. The board will be here in regular meeting next week.

Charles Page of the FTS staff said a rocket line thrower, the "jaws of life," lightwater and helicopter fire fighting are demonstration items.

Developed by Smith-Wesson, the rocket line thrower will be used for evacuating firemen from the drill tower. Large area-lighting flares, also a Smith-Wesson product, will be launched late in the show.

The Firebird helicopter, with other equipment from Fort Hood, is tentative.

A tower rescue also is pending for the demonstration, along with a P4 crash truck for aircraft fire rescue from Fort Hood.

The "jaws of life" is a hydraulically-operated device for prying open a wrecked car.

Lightwater, a 3M product, will be boom-applied to a loading terminal fire. Page noted boom application of the film-forming foam is a new development.

A Kynol fire suit, from Briggs/Weaver, will be shown. More heat and fire resistant than other suits, it is a spinoff from NASA space research.

New extinguishers, including one that uses a gas which will sustain human life, will be demonstrated. A rescue employing an air bag, from Ernest Holmes Co., to raise a wrecked truck also is pending.

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FTS personnel under Chief Henry D. Smith are making final preparations, including coordinating instructors from throughout the United States, lining up supplies and checking equipment donations.

After the July 20-25 municipal school, FTS will conduct the July 27-Aug. 1 industrial school and Aug. 3-8 school for Spanish-speaking firemen.

Redesigned MSC officially opened

The newly remodeled original building of the MSC was officially opened yesterday with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Among those participating in the ceremony were Vice-President for Student Services, Dr. John Koldus, Ms. N. Jane Logan, president of this year's MSC Council and Directorate and other MSC staff and student members.



Ms. N. Jane Logan, left, and Dr. John Koldus