

Rev buried as thousands attend rites

Mascot respect differs

It seems that mascots at other Texas universities haven't quite gained the same awesome respect as have Texas A&M's Reveilles.

In telephone interviews Tuesday, The Battalion found spokesmen for the University of Houston, Texas Tech, and the University of Texas apparently surprised about Reveille

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By STEVE GOBLE

Managing Editor

Rarely is a Kyle Field crowd hushed by such apparent reverence.

But thousands filled the horseshoe area of the stadium last evening and sat with church-like quietness while stiff military formalities commanded a funeral production.

Reveille III, Texas A&M's mascot for the past nine years, was going to her final resting place. The aging mascot died last May 31 of a recurring illness.

The collie's shaven, sick body was placed in a freezer at the vet school's large animal clinic so that the funeral could be delayed until the student body returned this fall. For

security reasons, false rumors of other hiding places for Reveille were circulated.

Only five people—two at the vet school, one in the Trigon and two in Company E-2—knew the true whereabouts of the frozen corpse.

The cadets of Company E-2, the official mascot guardian, had waited more than three months to bid Rev a final farewell. Others attending the funeral simply admitted to spectator's curiosity.

The funeral production itself went smoothly, with the exception of a dead microphone and Reveille IV's apparent restlessness.

A brief history of the A&M mascot tradition, read by E-2 commander Mike Clark; a poem combined

and read by J. H. Allen, one of Rev's former escorts; a eulogy by Mike Marchand, corps chaplain; and a few comments from Student Y Association President Donnie Albrecht all indicated that Reveille and her predecessors were more than mere animals.

"A tradition, and a symbol of spirit," they said, "she was also a tangible missing link to (carefree) boyhood."

The farewell to Rev III was tempered with reminiscences of the collie's bouts with other universities' mascots, including the University of Texas Bevo.

"It won't be long until this Reveille is forgotten and this new one will take her place," Albrecht said.

While the Singing Cadets opened into "Auld Lang Syne," E-2 paraded Rev's casket to a freshly-dug grave outside the stadium. The pallbearers lowered the black pine box into the six-foot hole dug between the graves of Reveilles I and II.

Each mascot is buried at the north end of Kyle Field, facing the scoreboard at the other end.

Only a few spectators, E-2 itself and various representatives of local and Houston media observed as Victor Harris, Reveille III's first handler, dumped the first shovelful of dirt into the hole. Former mascot corporals Thomas Rideout, Bob Hovel, J. H. Allen and Don Jones followed with the shovel-passing ritual.

Only then did the members of E-2 show emotion, as some looked through tears at the wreath-banked gravesite.

From the field, the Texas Aggie Band broke into "The Spirit of Aggieland," and the crowd (still inside Kyle Field) held a memorial yell practice in honor of Reveille III.

"The Spirit of Aggieland extends to more than athletics," Head Yell Leader Jim Bob Mickler told the crowd. "When the football team plays an away game, Aggies turn out to see them off and to show the team that they have their support."

"We've come here tonight to see Reveille off, and to assure her of our support."

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Weather

Partly cloudy and hot Wednesday and Thursday. 20 per cent afternoon and evening showers both days. High 90; low 71. SE winds 7-12 mph.

Students oppose million-dollar raise

By JERRY NEEDHAM

Staff Writer

"It took 55 rings for directory assistance to answer the phone one Sunday afternoon."

That comment was made by Joe Marcello, president of the Texas A&M University Graduate Student Council, during a public hearing Tuesday night concerning General Telephone Company's local service.

The hearing, held in response to a request for a \$1,073,193 yearly revenue increase by General Telephone, was attended by approximately 75 people.

"We are completely opposed to an increase," Marcello, speaking in behalf of A&M's graduate students, said. "There have constantly been bad connections in both long distance and local calls and many billing mistakes."

Marcello said that, in general, the

service has been extremely bad.

"If an increase is absolutely necessary, we would like to have some guarantees in writing of improved service by General Telephone," he said.

Jeff Dunn, Texas A&M student body president, presented a petition containing 1,484 signatures of College Station residents who have had at least one problem with their telephone service.

"It seems to me that if we're going to have a public monopoly, it should be responsible to the public," Dunn said.

About ten other persons, some from Bryan and Kurten, also spoke against the proposed increase. No one spoke in favor of the increase, but several complimented General Telephone's Division Manager B. A. Erwin for his cooperation with local residents on their service problems.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bob Bell said the city is working very closely with a rate consultant to ascertain what would be a fair increase to grant to General Telephone.

Bill McMorris, an Amarillo phone rate consultant, has been hired by both Bryan and College Station to help work out an agreement with General Telephone.

"It is basically the authority of the city to regulate the rates," Councilman Jim Dozier said. "The law in Texas regarding this matter is that the telephone company is guaranteed a fair and reasonable rate of return on the fair value company's facilities."

Dozier said the law is vague, at best, in determining what is a fair and reasonable rate of return.

General Telephone claims the

rate of return on invested capital as of June 30 was 5.43 per cent. The company has requested a rate increase to 8.40 per cent to counteract inflationary costs.

Erwin explained that the proposed increase was determined by deciding the company must receive a certain amount of profit from their operations.

In this case, Erwin said when the rate of return on invested capital was computed, an 8.40 per cent return was calculated.

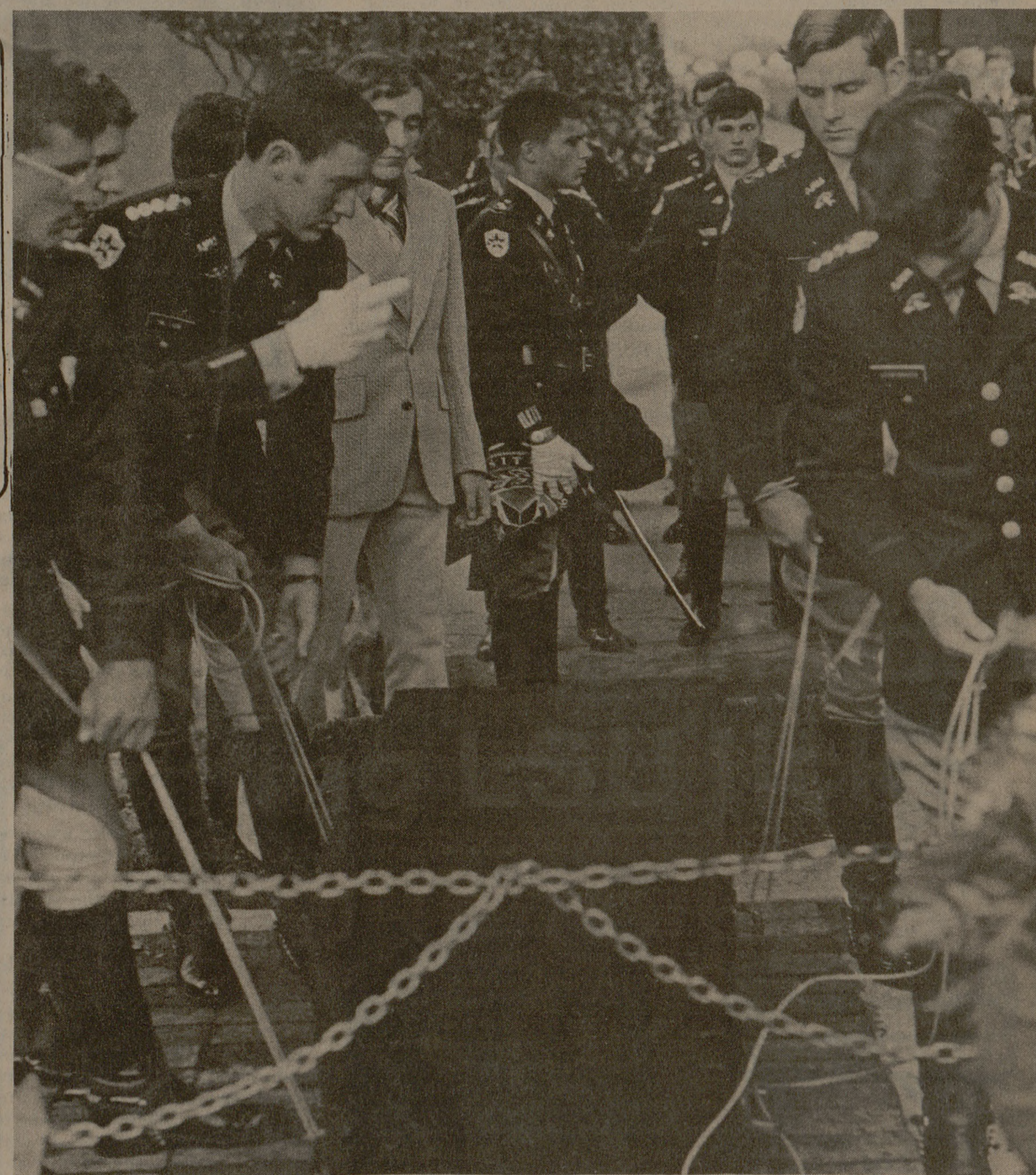
The requested rates are designed to produce a total annual increase in local service revenues of \$1,073,193.

Dozier, a member of the city's phone rate subcommittee, said the rate increase must be agreed upon by Bryan, College Station and General Telephone. He said from that

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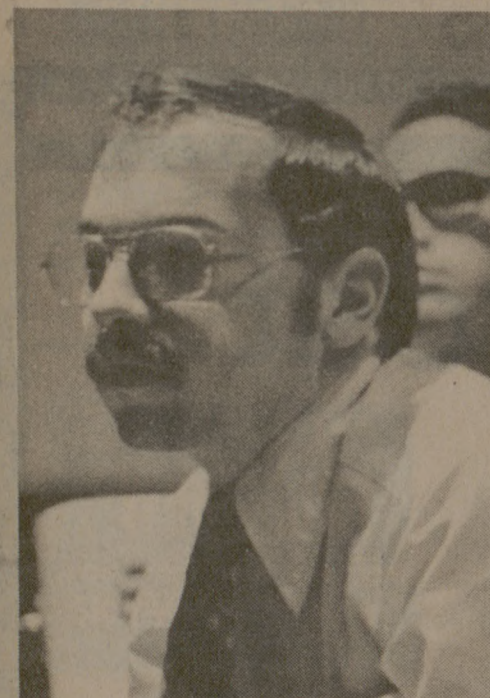
Company E-2 observes a solemn moment as Reveille III's casket is prepared for interment. Her replacement, Reveille IV, also seems a bit melancholy during the ceremony. The relationship between man and dog has always



Tradition: The New Watches The Old

been strong, and the Reveille tradition at Texas A&M emphasizes this feeling. Pallbearers, left to right, are Mike Pauling, Mike McCabe, Jay Dietz and Rock Shoemaker.

Staff photos by David McCarroll



Joe Marcello



Jeff Dunn

Enrollment won't hike fees

The 18 percent increase in student enrollment this year will not result in fee increases.

Inflation might.

Increases in fees will be more dependent on inflationary pressures than on more students, said Dr. John Koldus, Vice President of Student Services in an interview Tuesday. "Hopefully the extra funds from increased enrollment will balance off the inflationary increases."

The University Health Center fees will probably not be increased even if inflation continues to rise, Koldus said. The fee, which is now

\$14 per semester, has a legislated maximum of \$15. At this point the center has been keeping level with the rise in costs, and has been able to expand its services with the addition of a new administrator, he said.

Room and board prices will also not be affected by increased enrollment, Koldus said. Dormitories and eating halls are auxiliary services paid for solely by students. They receive no state funds.

Bond payments on the dormitories are unaffected by inflation, Koldus said, but salaries, supplies and utilities are not. If prices go up in this area, the major reason would be because of a raise in salaries or of a hike in fuel prices, he said.

Howard Vestal, Assistant Vice President of Business Affairs, ag-

reed with Koldus:

"The number of students eating in the dining halls is not particularly a pressure. If it becomes necessary to raise student prices, it will result from inflationary pressures. Just last year, there was a 25 per cent salary increase for personnel making less than \$10,000 per year. The raise in fuel prices also doubled the cost of utilities."

There is no maximum on the cost of parking permits, Koldus said, however he sees no reason for an increase at this time.

"If the cost of asphalt, steel and concrete level off, then possibly we will be able to even decrease the cost," he said.

In the case of lab fees, the only reason for an increase would be a

rise in the cost of expendable supplies. Again, the number of students enrolled does not affect the price of the fee because the \$8 now being charged is the legislated maximum.

Building use fees will not increase, as they too are now the maximum allowed.

Student Services fees, Koldus said, are harder to predict. Although an increase in students will demand an increase in services, there is not a hike in the foreseeable future, he said. The maximum allowed by the legislature is \$30 and students are presently charged \$19.80 per semester.

As of the 5th day of classes, enrollment totaled 24,953.

Accused woman 'wanted attention'

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme told a Manson trial attorney during a jailhouse visit that she never intended to shoot President Ford, the lawyer said Tuesday.

Attorney Dave Shinn said he visited Miss Fromme on Monday and "she said, 'I wasn't going to shoot him. I just wanted to get some attention for a new trial for Charlie and the girls.'"

Also disclosed was the identity of the man who owned the gun used in the attempted assassination of Ford in Sacramento last Friday.

An FBI source said Harold Eugene Boro gave Miss Fromme, 26, the .45-caliber automatic pistol that was seized by a Secret Service agent. The source described Boro as a 66-year-old grandfather who was "Sugar Daddy" to the Manson girls.

Shinn said Miss Fromme, who is charged with attempted murder of the President, also told him she will ask to represent himself as her own attorney.

Miss Fromme and other followers of convicted murderer Charles Manson have demanded frequently that he and his women codefendants be given a new trial in the 1969 Sharon Tate murders.

Shinn, a Los Angeles attorney who represented Susan Atkins at that trial, said he was in Sacramento on other business and visited Miss Fromme as a friend.

Shinn said Miss Fromme also

plans to ask for a change of venue to San Francisco for her trial.

Boro, who now drives a Cadillac, once owned a red Volkswagen, according to neighbors in this Northern California Gold Rush town where Boro moved last July. He had lived in Sacramento.

The FBI spokesman said he didn't know whether the red Volkswagen which Miss Fromme used was a gift from Boro. He said he believes it was registered in Miss Fromme's name.

Relatives of Boro in Jackson said they were "shocked as can be" at the news. They said they had no idea where he could be reached.

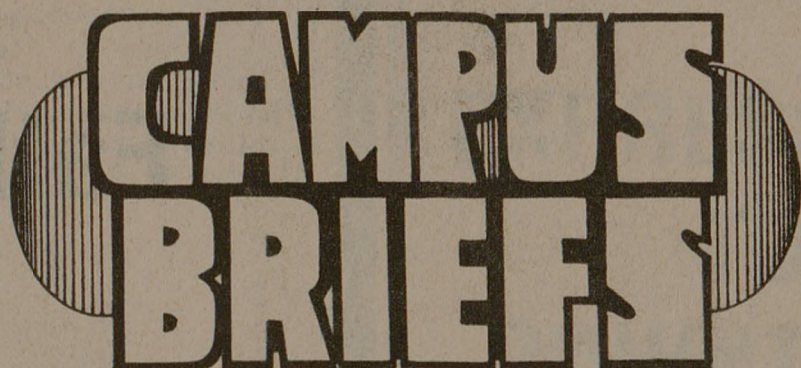
"He's a very quiet man and never was interested in women or anything," said his white-haired aunt, Mildred Boro. "We sure didn't expect to hear anything like this about him."

Washington columnist Jack Anderson reported that Boro, a retired Air Force worker, told the FBI he bought the .45-caliber pistol from a friend and showed it to Miss Fromme, whom he had befriended.

He reportedly denied giving it to her, but said one day she grabbed it and ran off with it.

Dwayne Keyes, U.S. attorney in Sacramento, said that account generally was correct, but he refused to elaborate.

Boro is among witnesses from whom a federal grand jury is scheduled to hear testimony Wednesday.



Meetings scheduled

Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity, will hold rush Thursday at 8 p.m. in room 140 of the Memorial Student Center. Guest speaker will be John West, and refreshments will be served. For further information call 846-2037 or 845-1582.

Wildlife Biology Association will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in room 601 of the Rudder Tower.

Finance Association will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in room 607 of the Rudder Tower.

Junior Class Council will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in room 701 of the Rudder Tower. All juniors are invited to attend.

Snow Ski Club will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in room 510 of the Rudder Tower to make plans for the January 11-16 trip to Breckenridge, Colorado. Dues and trip deposits will be collected.

Motorcycle Club will meet Wednesday, Sept. 17, at 7:45 in room 502 of the Rudder Tower. A petition concerning university parking facilities and fees will be discussed.

A&M Wheelmen will meet every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at the Rudder Tower Fountain for a short bicycle ride.

Robin's Aero Squadron, Texas A&M University's hang-gliding club, will meet at 9 p.m. in room 301 of the Rudder Tower.

Marketing Society will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Casa del Sol party room. All marketing majors are invited.

Black Awareness will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in room 504 of the Rudder Tower. The committee is open to all interested students, staff and faculty. A slide show will be presented at the meeting.

Senior Class Council will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in room 410 of the Rudder Tower.

Aggie Bass Club will meet Wednesday at 7:30 in room 302 of the Rudder Tower.

American Society for Metals will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in room 203 Zachry. Brian Fanslow of Cameron Iron Works will speak on the melting of alloy steels used in the nuclear and aerospace industries.

Senate to consider limiting LSU tickets

By DEBBIE KILLOUGH

Staff Writer

A resolution limiting LSU football game-ticket distribution will be considered at the Student Senate Meeting tonight.

Should the resolution pass, only students with season ticket books will be able to get a ticket and no blocks will be permitted. A student will only be able to get two tickets. This will allow as many A&M students as possible to attend the LSU game.

LSU has allowed A&M 5,504 tickets and only 798 remain reserved for distribution to students beginning Monday.

This year's first meeting of the Student Senate will be at 7:30 p.m. in Room 601 of Rudder Tower.

In other Senate business, Jeff Dunn, student government president will give a legislative program speech to the Senate. Dunn will outline senate objectives for the 75-76 school year.

"We are going to try to increase the number of student government projects that will save students' money, to end arbitrary rules and

give students control of their lives," Dunn said.

The Senate will then vote on university committee changes that were made during the summer. Several committee members resigned due to low grades or dropping out of school.

For nominations to the University Disciplinary Appeals Panel, Dunn will recommend Cyndi Davis and Margaret Woodall. Tico Foley, Denise Barfield, and Chris Bochkolt have been nominated for the Council on Teacher Education Committee, and Pedro Sanabria for the International Student Advisory Committee.

For the Environmental Safety and Health Committee John Temperilli has been nominated, and Kathryn Hrncir for the Library Council. The Book Store Advisory Committee was formed this summer and the three students appointed; up for approval, are Mary Ellen Martin, Raj Kent, and Fred McClure.

Also up for approval is the summer expenditures: \$2,000 for student radio, \$1,000 for the academic

program evaluation, and other minor items in the 1974-75 fiscal funds.

Another resolution will be to allocate money for two information boards, one to be placed in public places, like the MSC and the library. The boards will display information about the student government, answers to student questions. There will also be a place on the board for student suggestions and gripes. Dunn said that the boards would help the Senate respond to student needs.

A third resolution to be considered by the senate is one which would end a contract with American Publishers, Inc. This company is responsible for printing campus maps. Reasons the resolution include are the rates are too high and it would be better to print the map locally so the money can stay in the College Station-Bryan area. American Publishers is located in San Diego, Calif.

Lastly, the two contracts with Midwest Cable and Community Cable for student radio cable casting will be up for approval tonight.