

# The Battalion

**Weather**  
Mostly cloudy and mild Thursday and Friday with 10 per cent chance of rain both days. S-SE winds 7-10 mph. High today and tomorrow 73; low tonite 61.

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## TOP OF THE NEWS

### Campus

**THE MBA-LAW DAY** Conference will be held Saturday in Rooms 205 and 206 of the MSC beginning at 10 a.m. with a coffee. Speakers will be former Texas A&M students who have done well in the fields of law and business. Representatives from the seven Texas law schools and several of the major business schools are expected to be present. The conference is designed to help students determine whether or not their career interests would be better served by obtaining an MBA or Law degree. Luncheon reservations will be \$8 per person and should be placed before 5 p.m. Thursday at the MSC Director's Office (35-1914).

**THE ANNUAL Engineering Technology Society** banquet will be held in rooms 225 and 226 in the MSC December 10. Harold Hill, the President of Curtis Engine Co., will be the featured speaker. Tickets for ETS members will be \$3; tickets for non-members will be \$6.50. Tickets may be purchased in the Engineering Technology Department Office on the first floor of Ferguson Hall. The deadline for buying tickets is Dec. 10.

**STUDENT PRODUCTIONS' One Act Plays** will be presented December 4-6 at 8 p.m. in the Room Theater. Thursday night "The Respectful Prostitute" by Sartre, "Ile" by O'Neill, "Lou Gehrig Did not Die of Cancer" by Miller, and "Who from Bertha" by Williams, will be presented. "The Man With the Flower in His Mouth" by Saroyan, "The End of the Trail" by Gilbertson, "The Gift of the Magi" by Henry, and "The Eldest" by Ferber will be presented Friday, and "Welcome to Andromeda" by Whyte, "Rats" by Harowitz, "Rise in Flame" by Phoenix, and "Thursday" by Morley will be presented Saturday. All tickets will be 75 cents, and are available at the MSC Box Office.

### Moslem-Christian war

## Looting continues in Beirut

**BEIRUT, Lebanon** — Armed thieves and burglars are picking the spoils during a lull in Beirut's Moslem-Christian war. Three armed men entered a businessman's apartment in the center of the so-called "safe" Hamra Street shopping district one noon this week and started loading up valuables. The maid started screaming. The screams brought guards from the Palestine Research Center around the corner. The guards opened fire, killing one of the robbers and wounding another one. They, too, were Palestinians. That night a gang knocked down the wall of a Chevrolet agency with a bulldozer. They drove off with 23 cars worth more than \$100,000. The next night British Broadcasting Corporation correspondent Chris Drake came home to

his apartment in the "safe" seaside Raouche residential district. Shortly after, the doorbell rang. Through the peephole he saw the building's doorman with two others. He let them in. Waving a Russian rifle and a Luger pistol, the two strangers shouted "Felloos! felloos! — Money, money." Drake was relieved of \$400, and the bandits drove off in a Mercedes sedan. Security forces are struggling with a wave of looting, holdups and thievery, a breakdown of law and order produced by eight months of civil war. Nearly every man and boy in Lebanon has a weapon. Common criminals pose as political activists when confronted by the police, who are supposed to remain neutral in the civil war between religious and political factions. Swagging

### Texas

**TWO MAJORS** in Fort Hood who served two tours each in Vietnam say the U.S. Army is getting rid of them while they are taking medical treatment merely to keep them from getting full pension benefits.

**CORETTA SCOTT KING** said in Dallas last night that American blacks should pressure the government to find out what political forces are at work in Africa. King, who spoke at a dinner in her honor, said that blacks have little knowledge of what is going on in Africa and when anything happens there blacks do nothing. She said that this is unlike the Jewish community that makes its views known about Israel.

### National

**THE NATIONAL LEAGUE of Cities** passed a resolution in Miami Beach yesterday asking Congress to waive its new budget procedures in order to re-enact general revenue-sharing quickly next year.

**EDWARD H. LEVI**, attorney general, unlike most of his predecessors, says he insists on supervising the FBI and is voicing criticism of the agency's past misdeeds. He says his major effort to control FBI conduct lies in a comprehensive set of guidelines now being drafted to prevent future abuses such as those described to a Senate committee Wednesday.

### World

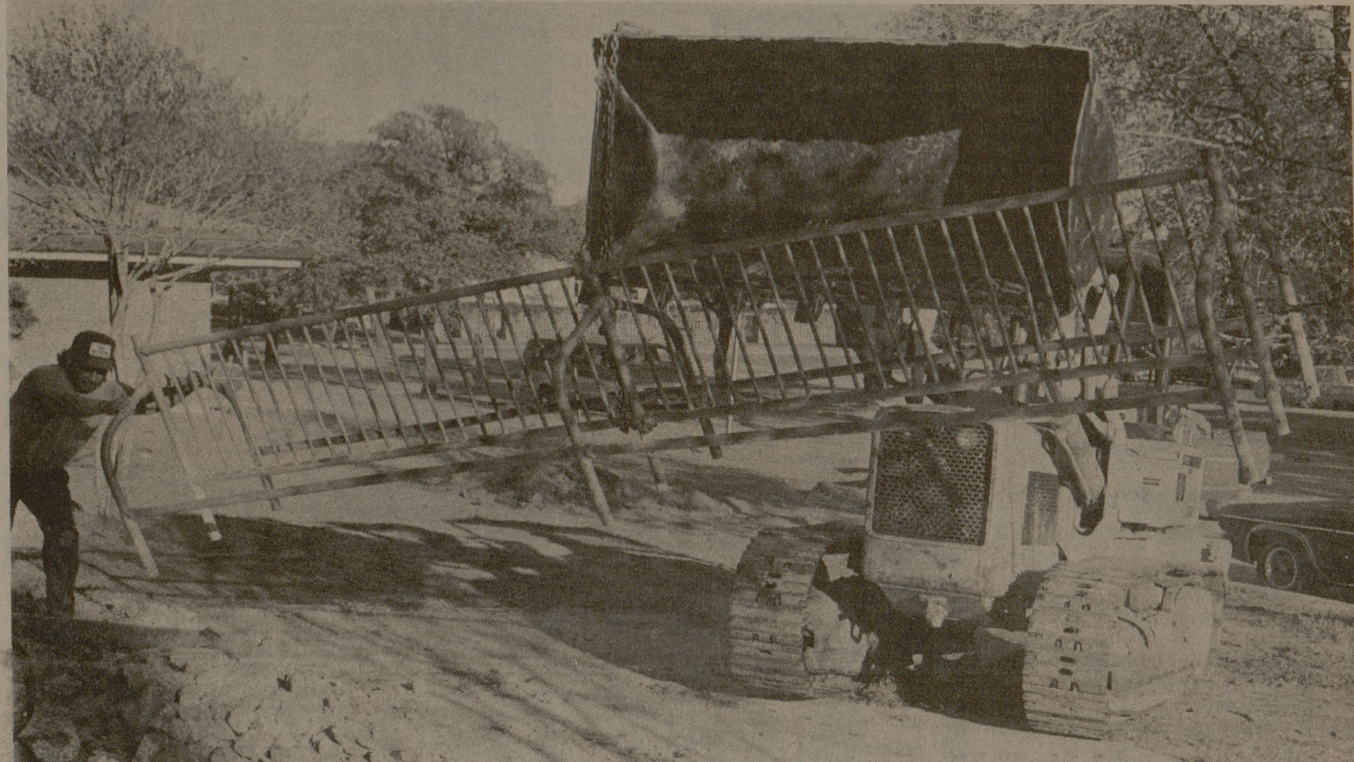
**THE LAOTIAN PEOPLE'S Congress** elected Prince Souphanouvong, the titular chief of the Communist Pathet Lao movement, to be president of the new People's Democratic Republic of Laos, and Communist party chief Kaysone Phomvihane to head the new government as premier, Vientiane Radio announced.

# Hijackers shoot Dutch hostage

**AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands** — Indonesian rebels opened a second front in Holland today, taking over the Indonesian consulate in Amsterdam while others holding a hijacked train in the northern part of the country for the third day shot another hostage, officials said. The rebels are South Moluccan nationalists seeking independence for their islands in the Indonesian Archipelago once under Dutch colonial policy. Police said six men armed with a carbine, a pistol and knives took control of the consulate at midday. A police spokesman said three members of the consulate staff were thought to have been wounded. A large number of people were believed to be in the building which was quickly sealed off by security men and armored cars. Police said members of the consulate staff fled as the gunmen stormed in. It was not immediately known how many escaped. Witnesses said three men escaped from the second floor by climbing down a rope. One of the men was wounded when the gunmen opened fire and the two others were injured when they jumped to the sidewalk, officials said. Police fire forced the gunmen to pull back and all three escapees were hospitalized. In northern Holland, authorities said the five gunmen holding hostages in a stranded train pushed a man to the door and shot him. He fell to the tracks and was believed dead. The hijackers killed the engineer and another man when they seized the train Tuesday and had threatened to shoot their 37 remaining hostages one by one unless they are given a flight out of the country. The shooting on the train occurred just after a mediator, a South Moluccan resident of the Netherlands selected by the gunmen, left the

train. The Indonesians then called the mediator on a field telephone and listed new demands, Dutch officials said. They repeated their demand for a bus to Schiphol airport and a plane to fly to an undisclosed destination. Then they asked for more food, drink and medical supplies, five railway lanterns and 10 batteries. Authorities also released a statement apparently typed aboard the train by the gunmen and handed to the mediator. Written in Dutch, it said: "We are doing this because the people in the train and the Dutch people did not approach the Dutch government 25 years ago when great injustice was done to our people. Queen Juliana said on Nov. 25, 1975: 'Each people has the right to independence.' People of Holland, we are not murderers, but we are prepared to fight for our country and kill again for the future of our country and independence and also be killed." The statement was signed by the "Free South Moluccan Youth." The South Moluccan islands passed to Indonesia in 1949 and in 1950 the islanders staged an unsuccessful revolt. Justice Minister Dries Van Agt said the hijackers would not be allowed to leave the country because they killed the engineer and another man when they took over the train Tuesday. The Rev. S. Metiary, a South Moluccan national, delivered the gunmen's demands after meeting with them for an hour. He said one of the men told him: "Now we have started this action, there's no pint in giving up. We're going on." The hijackers were said to be members of a South Moluccan youth organization campaigning for independence for their ancestral islands in the Indonesian archipelago. Police said they believed there were 38 hos-

tages still aboard the train following the escape or release of 25 Tuesday and Wednesday. They said an earlier estimate of 72 hostages resulted from telephone calls from anxious relatives of those aboard. Four passengers were released shortly after the takeover; three others escaped later Tuesday, and 18 ran to safety under the cover of darkness Wednesday night from the unguarded rear section of the train. They said the remaining hostages included 13 women and 25 men, several of them over 60, but no children as officials had previously reported. About 150 police, army marksmen and marine commandos ringed the four-coach train, which was standing in an open field with the bodies of the two dead men beside it. The cordon stayed about 650 yards away. Officials said the gunmen had attached explosives to one of the coaches. Authorities supplied the train early Wednesday with food, medical supplies and blankets. Officials said the train was heated but without lights. Dutch authorities brought in Johan Alvers Mamsama, self-proclaimed leader of the 40,000 South Moluccans living in Holland, to speak with the gunmen. But officials said his 15-minute conversation with two of the young men produced no results. A spokesman for the South Moluccan youth organization said the hijacking was spurred by recent arrests in Indonesia of South Moluccan militants and was intended to draw attention to the plight of South Moluccans living in Holland. The South Moluccans, also known as the Spice islands, are between the Celebes and New Guinea and were the scene of an unsuccessful revolt in 1950 against Indonesia.



**Bike Rack Removed** — Students were able to see their \$1.50 bicycle registration fees at work today as a bulldozer ripped out an old bicycle rack to make way for a new one. Staff photo by Glen Johnson

### Prof evaluation not distributed to 1,000 classes

More than 1,000 undergraduate classes have not yet been surveyed in Student Government's instructor evaluation program. Most of the university's 5,000 undergraduate sections being taught this semester have only three or four class days remaining. The forms are supposed to be distributed by the College Councils in most of the university's departments. The Councils from the Colleges of Liberal Arts, Education, Geo-Sciences, Agriculture and Business have not yet picked up their questionnaires from Student Government. Only the College of Science is cooperating completely with Student Government by distributing the forms in class and having the professors return the questionnaires for processing.

## Federal offices hit by bomb blast

**MIAMI** — Guards were posted at all government buildings in Miami early today after four federal offices were rocked by bomb blasts Wednesday night, police said. One other bomb was defused. No injuries were reported. Several officers narrowly escaped harm when one bomb, found during a city-wide search for other explosives after the first blast, went off before an attempt was made to dismantle it. That blast was at a local Social Security office. It caused minor damage, mostly broken windows. Similar damage was reported at the local FBI headquarters and two post offices. Police said they were searching for a man and woman seen speeding away from one of the post offices. But investigators said they had no idea who was responsible for the bombs. Various Cuban exile groups have claimed responsibility for a number of bombings that have occurred in the Miami area in recent months. By early today, however, no one had claimed responsibility for Wednesday's blasts, which came about a year after a similar wave of bombings. Those bombings, also unclaimed, were on the anniversary of the death of Cuban freedom-fighter Antonio Maceo on Dec. 7, 1898. Officers said the first explosion Wednesday came at 8:18 p.m. when a small pipe-bomb went

off outside a three-story building housing the Miami offices of the FBI and the Justice Department. An FBI spokesman said several bureau employees were inside at the time. The bomb was set behind a newspaper rack outside the building's lobby. Police Sgt. William Maltz characterized the device, made with a 2 1/2-inch galvanized steel pipe, as "a wake-up" bomb. "It's just to let us know they're around," Maltz said. The second explosion occurred at 8:50 p.m. outside the downtown post office. The third came 10 minutes later at a post office branch. The fourth detonated outside the Social Security office at 9:40 p.m. An unexploded device was found near the Florida State Employment office when a derelict picked up a brown paper bag he thought might contain a wine bottle, police said. The man took it with him until he discovered it was an explosive device; he then called police. A pedestrian was the victim of a hit-and-run accident near the scene of one of the bombings, but police said the incidents were not related. Bomb-squad experts carefully examined two other bags found on sidewalks during the search but they contained only trash.

## Career in space not for Michelle

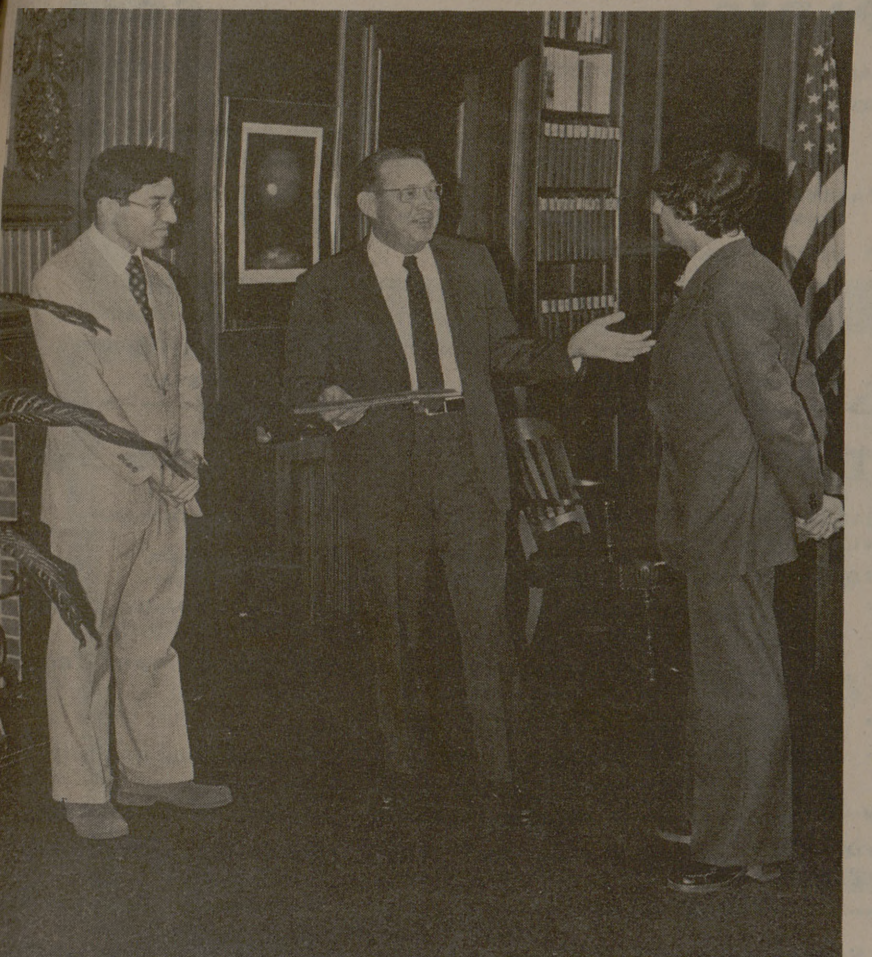
**EL PASO, Tex.** — Michelle McCarthy, a laughing three-year-old girl from Lordsburg, N.M., returns home this week after a successful operation that turned part of her colon into an esophagus that will help her lead a normal life. The only problem, doctors said, as they bid farewell to Michelle, is that she will have to eat in a sitting or standing position and she can never go into outer space. Michelle, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCarthy, was born without an esophagus, an occurrence in one of every 5,000 births, but her condition was spotted right after birth and she was rushed to Providence Hospital here. Doctors inserted an eight-inch tube through the newborn's stomach going directly to the abdomen and made a hole in her throat to drain fluids and allow her taste buds to get used to food when she finally could eat. Then for the next three years, Mrs. McCarthy fed her child by pouring milk and bits of food into the tube stomach. On Oct. 3 Michelle returned to the hospital for a two-stage operation. The doctors who performed the operation declined to release their names. One said that the first stage of the operation consisted of having a 12-inch section of her colon disconnected and placed into her stomach. Five weeks later in the second phase of the operation doctors connected the colon transplant with Michelle's throat. Doctors said they waited three years for the operation because they wanted Michelle to grow a bit and to allow more room for surgery in the throat area. Monday Michelle had her first real meal. Since then she has had three meals and two snacks a day and nurses said that chewing was the hardest part since she is not used to it and she tires easily.

## Loch Ness Monster? Lawyer shows slides

**CONCORD, N.H.** — A researcher has shown a photographic slide of a rust-colored object purported to be the legendary Loch Ness monster. The object appeared to have two front appendages, a long neck and a head. The slide showing was the latest in a series of revelations both in the United States and Great Britain in recent weeks concerning a group of pictures taken underwater by an American photographic team last June at Loch Ness in Scotland. The team was headed by Boston patent attorney Robert Rines, who is also dean at the Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord. He showed the slide to a group of about 50 students and friends Wednesday night. The slide depicted an object with distinct features, including the frontal appendages, a trunk Rines said was 12 feet long and a neck Rines said was 8 to 1 foot long. "We think it will electrify the world," Rines said. He said there were other, clearer photographs, some of which were shot at the considerably

closer range of 4 feet. He said the monster was "looking right at us with its mouth open." Rines showed the slide in Concord two days after an announcement was made in London that a scientific symposium scheduled for Dec. 9 and 10 to see Rines' pictures was canceled because of what the sponsors called excessive publicity in Britain. First word of Rines' discovery and photos came on Nov. 22 in a copyright story in the Boston Globe. Since then, a number of scientists who have seen one or more of the pictures, have commented publicly. Most have praised the clarity of the pictures. Wednesday night's showing of one of the slides was the first to a lay audience. Rines said the slide was taken by an underwater camera at a depth of 45 feet with a strobe light. Rines was angered by the publicity given the photographs, particularly in the British press, and had asked that the description of the slide shown Wednesday night not be made public. A spokesman for Rines emphasized in a telephone interview that Rines and other members of the Academy of Applied Science — the Boston

group which undertook the Loch Ness photographic expedition — were leaving it up to the scientific community to determine exactly what the objects photographed are. British naturalist Sir Peter Scott, who has seen the complete set of Rines pictures, announced in London on Monday the cancellation of the symposium of eminent scientists who were to examine the photos. The decision, "in no sense reflects in the smallest degree on the nature of the evidence or the integrity of those who obtained it," said Scott, chancellor of Birmingham University. Scott told reporters shortly after word of the photos leaked last month that the Rines photographs helped convince him the Loch Ness monster is a living prehistoric reptile which may be 40 feet long. This week, Prof. Herbert J. Howe, a Purdue University paleontologist, said he believed the monster may be a prehistoric reptile dating 70 million years. He said the Rines photographs may reveal the monster is a plesiosaur or ichthyosaur, types of reptiles believed extinct for more than 50 million years.



### Williams Gets Membership

President Jack Williams received honorary membership to the Pakistanian Student Association. Wajahat Mirzar, president of the organization, and Syed Hussein El-Edroos, vice-president made the presentation. Photo by Glen Johnson