

Today's high 64
Today's low 36
Tomorrow's high 65
Chance of precipitation
Today none
Tomorrow none

The Battalion

Weather

Fair becoming partly cloudy
Tuesday and Wednesday. North-
easterly winds and cool.

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Santa's Helpers

Lynn Harper sits on Santa's (Mike Flowers) knee while Marla Gammon (L) and Dana Weatherly (R) wait their turn during the Host and Fashion Show "Winter Wonderland" presented December 7. The show was sponsored by the MSC Student Programs. Photo by David McCarroll.

IRA gunmen refuse food in exchange for hostage

LONDON — Irish Republican Army gunmen holding a man and his wife hostage in the living room of their London apartment for the third day refused today to exchange the woman for food, police reported.

Bill collector talents unite dogs, owners

MOUNT PROSPECT, Ill. — Using his talent as a former bill collector, Bob Franks has become a dog sleuth dedicated to reuniting lost dogs with their owners.

Texas Democrats plan presidential primary

FORT WORTH, Tex. — With a minimum of discussion and debate, Texas Democratic leaders have started the ball rolling for their party's first and perhaps last presidential primary.

Three jail escapees attack state trooper

SNYDER, Tex. — Three jail escapees from Amarillo were behind bars again today after reportedly attacking a 21-year-old state trooper who singlehandedly tried to arrest them.

NOW asks for withdrawal of SC candidate Stevens

WASHINGTON — The National Organization for Women is asking President Ford to withdraw the Supreme Court nomination of John Paul Stevens because he said he would be "more concerned" about discrimination against blacks than against women.

Moluccan captive dies during escape

AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands — An Indonesian injured in escaping from South Moluccan nationalists who seized the Indonesian consulate in Amsterdam died during the night, the Justice Ministry reported today.

TOP OF THE NEWS

Campus

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY'S fall commencement exercises will be Saturday, at 9 a.m. in the G. Rollie White Coliseum.

National

HENRY A. KISSINGER, secretary of state, is holding up a final decision on a trip to Moscow until he has assurances from the Soviet Union that it is ready to break the nuclear arms deadlock.