Segregation of forces requested

ANMUNJOM, Korea — North Korea osed today that its troops and those of United Nations Command be sepad physically in the Panmunjom truce ge to prevent clashes like the one in two American army officers were

laj. Gen. Han Ju-kyong, the chief th Korean delegate to the Korean Mili-Armistice Commission, proposed that guards for each side be separated by the ary demarcation line running through center of the demilitarized zone been North and South Korea.

he demarcation line bisects the joint rity area at Panmunjom, an area about yards in diameter, and also runs igh the center of the main conference n in which the armistice commission

Han proposed that the North Koreans y north of the line and the Americans outh Koreans stay south of it.

he North Korean general also repeated sage he delivered last Saturday from sident Kim Il-Sung terming the fight Wednesday "regretful" and saying that the sides should make efforts... that incidents may not recur in the fu-

S. Rear Adm. Mark P. Frudden, the ted Nations Command's senior delee to the commission, called the proposal

and the accompanying expression of regret "a positive step." But he said it was still "unsatisfactory," and he pressed North Korea to be more specific.

The commission met at U.S. request for

the third time since North Korean guards killed the two Americans last Wednesday as they headed a working party of South Koreans and Americans pruning a 40-foot tree in the joint security area. Frudden told the North Koreans the U.N. Command requested the meeting "for one purpose, that our side calls for punishment of those responsible for the murder of the UNC offi-

cers.

"Moreover, we insist on assurances that the safety of UNC personnel in the joint security area will be preserved."

It was the first time in the 23-year history of the Korean armistice that the North Koreans publicly expressed regret over an incident involving personnel of the two sides. Kim's message of regret was delivered in private last Saturday at an unannounced meeting of the commission.

Positive step taken

The United States said then that the message was unacceptable because it did not accept responsibility for the killing of the Americans. Washington modified its stand Monday to term it a "positive step," the same words Frudden used today. South Korean politicians and newspap-

ers on Tuesday accused the United States

of backing down on its firm stand toward North Korea.

Members of President Chung Hee Park's authoritarian government declined official comment. But Seoul seethed with criticism of Washington's statement calling a "positive step" North Korean leader Kim Il-Sung's indirect statement of regret over the bloody tree-pruning dispute in the

truce zone.

Kim Yong-Tai, the South Korean ruling party's assembly floor leader, said the United States had shown "lack of firmness" in retreating from what he called an earlier, tough position.

Rallies staged in Seoul and South Korean provincial cities demanded resolute measures against North Korea.

In Washington, a Pentagon spokesman said yesterday that U.S. B52 bombers have been flying over South Korea daily.

This was the first official confirmation of reports that the giant eight-engine bombers have appeared over the Korean peninsula amid tensions growing out of the slaying of the two U.S. officers.

Pentagon spokesman Alan Woods said the B52s have been conducting bombing practice exercises since Friday and that they have remained "well away from North Korean airspace

U.S. displays force

Woods did not say how many B52s have been sent over Korea, but other Pentagon

He said that, so far as he can determine, this is the first time that the Air Force had exercised its B52s over Korea.

At the same time, Woods reported that the aircraft carrier Midway was conducting exercises at sea well below the 38th parallel

separating North and South Korea.

The Midway, carrying 75 aircraft, was ordered into position off South Korea late last week as the United States increases its airpower in the area.

Two squadrons of F4 Phantom jets and F111 fighter-bombers from Okinawa and the United States were also sent to Korea to strengthen U.S. and South Korean military airpower there.

North Korea charged last week that the clash was deliberately provoked by the United States, and today a North Korean broadcast said it was "meticulously prearranged" by the United States.

The Pentagon says an armed U.S. reaction force normally posted about a mile south of the Korean demilitarized zone was too far away to rescue two American officers who were killed by North Korean

guards last week.

The disclosure came after Rep. John M.
Murphy, D-N.Y., said three Army officers
who left Korea recently "were astounded to
learn that the U.S. reaction force... did not come to the aid of the victims of the

sources reported the daily flight from Guam involved three of the bombers.

attack. The reaction force is usually armed with M16 rifles and clubs," Murphy said he was told.

Rules remain unchanged

The Pentagon, meanwhile, said it was standing firm on rules permitting U.S. soldiers inside the truce zone to shoot in self defense only as a last resort and only if a U.S. officer in charge order them to do so.

"These procedures are considered still valid," the Pentagon said when asked about

possible changes in the rules.

Some defense officials indicated concern that any loosening of strict rules might increase the danger that even lesser harassments of Americans by North Koreans, such as reported pushing, shoving and spitting incidents, might escalate into serious

Murphy would not identify the three officers who told him about the reaction force. In a statement prepared for delivery on the House floor Tuesday he said they also told him that U.S. troops who carry unloaded weapons inside the DMZ would be unable to obtain ammunition from a facility "well out of the area" in the event of a "shootout at the site

In response to questions, the Pentagon said the armed reaction force normally is posted two kilometers south of the truce zone and that the Joint Security Area where the killings occurred is in the middle of the two-and-a-half-mile DMZ.

Officials calculated that the reaction force would have been about two miles away and could not have seen the Aug. 18 fighting. The officials said the attack lasted only a few minutes and the reaction force could not have reached the scene in time.

The Pentagon did not say under what circumstances the force would react.
"The United Nations command personnel are uniformly trained to use weapons in self defense only as a last resort

and then only if directed to do so by a U.S. security officer in charge," the Pentagon In last week's incident, Maj. Arthur G. Bonifas was the officer in charge of a work

party attempting to trim a tree in the truce area and he was struck down by North Korean guards apparently before he could give any orders to his men.

Lt. Mark T. Barrett, the other U.S. officer there, also was killed in the melee. Therefore, the Pentagon said, "the suddenness of the attack and the training and discipline of the United Nations command guards themselves combined to preclude the use of sidearms."

The two slain officers, Maj. Arthur Bonifas of Newburgh, N.Y., and 1st Lt. Mark Barrett of Columbia, S.C., were buried Tuesday

rtly cloudy and warm today rough Thursday with a slight ance of afternoon and evening owers and thundershowers. High day low 90's, low tonight high 60's, h Thursday near 90. Probability of owers - 20 per cent today, tonight d Thursday.

The weather

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Today's issue of The Battalion is composed of 48 pages in 4 sections.

The Battalion editors regret that we incorrectly labeled a picture on Page 1C C.W. Freeman. The name line should read W. C. Freeman.

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Anti-strikers kill 13 in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Zulu tribesmen struck back at black militants trying to force compliance with a work boycott, and at least 13 more blacks were reported killed in the Soweto township. White officials claimed that the effec-

tiveness of the boycott on business and industry in Johannesburg seemed to be weakening Tuesday, the second day of the three-day protest against the white government's racial policies. But the number of commuter trains canceled and informal polls of employers indicated that about 60 per cent of the 250,000 blacks from Soweto who work in Johannesburg have taken part in the strike.

Although government spokesmen tried to minimize the effectiveness of the boycott, it was a remarkable showing considering that South African blacks are not zations opposed to the government are out-lawed and most of their leaders are in

The announcement Tuesday night of a one-third increase in bread prices raised the possibility of new protests.

The South African Press Association said at least six persons were killed and more than 100 injured Tuesday when about 1,500 Zulus charged through the streets of Soweto with sticks, stones and short spears and broke into homes in what appeared to be a backlash against the strike

A black newspaper, the World, reported that a crowd of Zulus who worked Monday in defiance of the strike call killed seven black militants in a group that harassed them Monday night when they returned to Soweto from Johannesburg.

Williams now home

Texas A&M University President Jack K. Williams was dismissed from the Methodist Hospital in Houston late Tuesday and has returned

Williams has been in the hospital recovering from surgery he underwent as a result of two heart attacks. Reports issued by the hospital within the past two weeks had become increasingly optimistic, with the announcement Monday describing

Williams condition as "good."
On May 31, while Williams was at Methodist for a series of tests and a period of rest, he suffered his first neart attack. Williams was visiting the hospital because he had been experiencing pains and unusual fatigue during the last months of the spring

Williams was released from the hospital on June 18 with his progress described as "quite satisfactory." On July 9, Williams suffered the second attack. He was rushed to St. Joseph's Hospital in Bryan. From there he was transported by helicopter to Methodist.

Williams underwent coronary bypass surgery only hours after receiving cardiac surgery July 13. At that time, the presiding physician was "cautiously optimistic" about Williams' condition.

He was on the critical list until August 9, after suffering a relapse the weekend before. Upon his placement on the serious list, Williams was reportedly "alert, comfortable and gaining strength.'

A move to a private room followed the announcement on August 11 that Williams was in "fair and stable"

Books, books and more Students shift through the stacks at the Texas A&M bookstore. Most were trying to find the proper books without suffering price

Open House previews A&M for new students

New students are going to be re-roduced to Texas A&M University if y attend the Open House August 28 at University Center.

Open House is held annually to give new ents a chance to meet with returning dents, the administration and faculty mbers from their college. Open House also a recruiting ground for student or-

The Open House starts in the lobby of e Rudder Tower, the 11-story structure the University Center. From there tours the three-building complex will leave ery 15 minutes. The Open House begins at 6:30 p.m. and continues until 10:30 p.m. The tours end in room 201, also called the MSC Ballroom, with a reception. At the reception students will be introduced to members of the administration, faculty from their college and student leaders. After the new student has met with these people, he will be encouraged to survey the rest of the second floor area.

The rest of the second floor will house 80 plus student organizations. The new student will have the opportunity to talk to the organization representatives and get information about its services. Many organizations will have sign-up lists so they may contact prospective members later.

Carter slams agricultural embargoes DES MOINES, Iowa — Jimmy Carter arter believes is significant says that if elected president he would the farm belt over Secretary of Agriculture never authorize an embargo on foreign

shipment of U.S. farm products. Carter, confident he has a strong chance of winning in President Ford's native Midwest in November, was to appear today at the Iowa State Fair, his last stop on a fourday campaign trip. Aides said his speech in an outdoor arena farmers.

Earl L. Butz and the Republican administration's farm program.

Carter, who feels his background as a

peanut farmer will help him in the historically Republican Midwest, has attacked Butz as a supporter of big agricultural businesses who lacks understanding for small

elected, there will never be another em bargo that singles out farm products," the former Georgia governor said during the meeting with representatives of such groups as the National Farmers Organization, Farmers Union, National Grange, American Farm Bureau and National Corn Growers Association.

Embargoes on shipments of U.S. grain, particularly last October's embargo on

"Under my administration, if I'm shipments to Russia, have been a sore point money because of them. The administration has said that no farm sales were lost because all available ports and ships were tied up at the time of the embargoes.

> Carter also said that, if elected, he would do what he could to clean up what he called "the dirty situation" in the country's grain inspection system.

Ford concedes South & New York

VAIL, Colo. — President Ford privately is conceding the deep South and New York to Democratic rival Jimmy Carter, administration sources say

The Ford camp feels the former Georgia governor is solidly entrenched in the South, including Texas, but may be vulnerable in Florida, the sources said Tues-

day.

They made the assessment after Ford's first post-convention strategy session with

students at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Student

Barham was director of raw material re-

search and onion seed production of Basic

Vegetable Products located in California

and is also chairman of the national com-

mittee on liaison between industry and so-

ciety with the American Horticulture Soci-

Barham was previously an associate pro-

fessor of horticulture at North Carolina

State University for nine years. While

there, among other projects, he demon-

strated the value and importance of mildew resistance for the North Carolina can-

taloupe crop, developed a bush type acorn

confer again today with campaign advisers.

Ford told reporters Tuesday that he favors four debates of at least 90 minutes each in which "tough questions are asked by tough reporters." He suggested that the first debate be held no later than Sept. 10 and said, "The sooner we get started the

The debates should focus on four areas: defense, domestic, foreign and economic policies, said Ford, who acknowledged he has not communicated his suggestions to the Carter camp. He said he was relying on reporters to do that.
In Seattle, Wash., Carter's press secre-

tary complained about Ford's public utterances on the proposed debates.

cess," said Jody Powell. "We had always assumed that there was time to sit down and discuss proposals for debate in a mature and businesslike fashion. We don't

tempt to play partisan politics or gain partisan advantage from these discussions." Ford said talks with Carter's camp would

begin later this week. The Ford camp apparently feels that an early debate on defense policy would give the President an advantage because Ford dealt with these issues extensively in his successful campaign against GOP chal-

lenger Ronald Reagan. Carter, who has suggested a Sept. 28 date for an initial debate, may desire more time for prepara-

At this point, informants said, Ford hopes to limit his active campaigning to the debates and selected appearances before major audiences. This would allow him to maintain a presidential stance throughout the campaign season.

Horticulture becomes department

With the start of the new school year, exas A&M University will also have a new demic facet with the establishment of Department of Horticultural Sciences, ective Sept. 1

Dr. Warren S. Barham will be professor nd head of the new department, an unced Dean of Agriculture Dr. H. O.

"I am very favorably impressed with the ension service and research program at &M," said Dr. Barham. "I'm biased but e wouldn't have to be biased to see the ality of A&M and its students. People ound the world are acquainted with their

search work. Horticulture has been offered through ne Department of Soil and Crop Sciences nce 1959. Officials say the demand for duates in horticulture has expanded apidly from 59 students five years ago to an

mated fall enrollment of over 500. The responsibilities of the new departnent will include the supervision and oordination of experiment station and exension service activities as well as the inructional program. The department will ve a research load of over \$400,000 at college Station and program leadership of ver \$2 million in research located at cen-

rs throughout Texas. Two degree programs will be offered in

horticulture and floriculture. These programs include the use, propagation, marketing and selling of edible crops and ornamental plants. Students are trained in nursery and greenhouse production along with the retail florist business.

'We are facing a new frontier in horticulture in Texas," said Robert Rucker, professor of floriculture. "We have the land, water, climate and people which will all go together to produce a great industry.

Texas is already number three in the nation in horticulture but could rapidly get to number one," he said. "Disease problems are rapidly being solved. The potential of the industry hasn't been scratched and we have an almost unlimited growing season from the Rio Grande Valley to the High Plains.

"The real future increase in horticulture will be in Texas," said Dr. Jarvis Miller, director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. "We can produce all the important horticultural products within the borders of the state. If Texans can get organized properly, we can provide the marketing, processing and production. The creation of this new department at A&M can focus the attention and scientific resources needed to make this all possible.

The first organizational meeting of the

students, staff and faculty of the Hortcul-

squash that was awarded an All American Bronze Award, and developed and introduced two scab and mildew resistant slicer cucumber varieties for the North Carolina mountain production area.

A summary of his onion breeding program produced an average 43 per cent increase in pounds per acre; a solid increase average of 34 per cent; reduction in cost per dry pound averaging 46.4 per cent; and a move in the harvesting day from 16 to 21

The sources said Ford will focus his efforts first on the Midwest and move from there into the Northeast and California.

"An attempt to conduct discussions by press release holds little chance for suc-

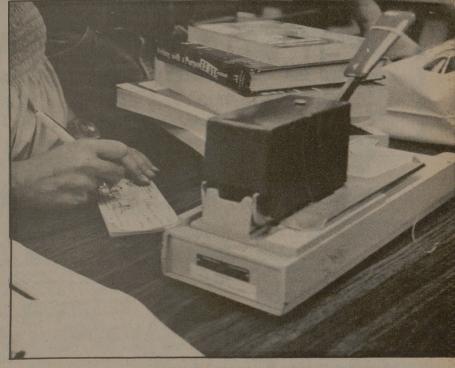
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After finally finding the proper texts, the real ordeal begins trying to pay for them.