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Top of the News

Campus

A SCHOLARSHIP has been established in the College of Agriculture in memory of Cathy Wagner who died last June from injuries she received in a motorcycle accident at Lake Somerville. The scholarship will accrue from investment income on \$2,500 remaining from funds raised to assist with her medical expenses. The Cathy Wagner Scholarship recipient will be a new student in agriculture, chosen on the basis of leadership, scholarship, achievement and financial need.

A GIFT OF 200 recently-published books were presented today by the Canadian government to Texas A&M University. The volumes are in various subject areas and by a number of publishers. Georgia Nachtman, public affairs officer with the Canadian consulate's office in Dallas, will make the presentation at 2 p.m. in Sterling C. Evans Library 226.

STUDENT BOOK Collector's contest entries are due Friday. The entry form, an annotated bibliography, and a descriptive statement of 25 representative books are required for each entry. Winners will be announced Nov. 19 at a Friends of the Library Ceremony.

THE JENNIFER LYNN WILLE Loan Fund has been established in memory of Jennifer Lynn Wille, who had planned to become a pre-med student this semester at Texas A&M, but was killed in an auto accident last year in her hometown of Seguin. The nearly \$4,000 will supplement the existing loan program. Provisions allow students to borrow up to \$20 for 30 days with a 25 cent service fee. The fund was arranged by director of development Robert L. Walker, who was contacted by the girl's mother, Mrs. Dorothy P. Wille.

THE ED BLOESE Memorial 8-Ball Tournament for men and women will be held Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center bowling and game area. The double elimination tournament costs \$2 to enter and interested persons can sign up at the MSC bowling and game area. Bloese was a good friend and teacher of Aggie billiard players.

APPLICATIONS for editor of The Battalion are being accepted by the Student Publications Board. The deadline for applications is Nov. 19 at 5 p.m. The Battalion editor will serve during Spring Semester 1977. Application forms are available at the Student Publications office, Reed McDonald 216. Qualifications for Battalion editor are a 2.0 overall and major GPR at the time of taking office and during the term of office, plus at least one year of experience in a responsible editorial position on The Battalion or comparable student newspaper, or at least one year of editorial experience on a commercial newspaper or at least 12 hours of journalism including Journalism 203 and 204 or equivalent reporting and editing courses. The 12 hours must include completion of or enrollment in Journalism 402 (mass communications law).

Local

SWINE FLU inoculations will be given at the A&M Consolidated Middle School tonight from 6 to 8 p.m. The vaccine will also be available Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Brazos County Health Department and in the art room of the A&M Consolidated Special Services Building, 1300 Jersey Street.

Texas

DEFENSE ATTORNEYS for Judge Garth Bates in Houston are continuing efforts to dilute the testimony of a robbery defendant who says he paid \$59,000 bribe to the judge to stay out of jail. A tape-recorded telephone conversation was played to the court yesterday in which Bates is heard telling Fontenot, "I'm going to help you."

National

NEW JERSEY voters approved a constitutional amendment Tuesday making Atlantic City, home of the Boardwalk and the Miss America Pageant, the nation's only area outside Nevada to allow casino gambling.

World

MOSLEM and Christian forces in Beirut battled through the night with rockets, artillery and tank guns in the city's heaviest outbreak of fighting since the cease-fire began two weeks ago.

weather

Partly cloudy and mild today and tonight. High today near 70. Low tonight near 40. High tomorrow in mid-60s. Winds light and northerly. No precipitation in sight.



Es un dia hermoso

The clear weather this week has done much to brighten the spirits of persons on campus, but it is often distracting to have to sit in a classroom while there is a bright blue sky and warm temperatures

outside. Dr. Thomas O'Connor's spanish class did their best to take advantage of the nice atmosphere outside the Academic Building yesterday by having class in the grass.

Battalion photo by Kevin Venner

Carter ready for power

Rites of passage to be taken

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Jimmy Carter, the victorious challenger, and Gerald Ford, the vanquished President, both exhausted by their battle for the White House, are planning vacations before the rites of passage that mark the transfer of presidential power.

Carter was meeting today with Vice President-elect Walter F. Mondale, who scheduled a flight to Plains, Ga., for their first conference since the election.

The 52-year-old Georgia peanut farmer and former governor, who spent nearly two years in his pursuit of the White House, said as he claimed his victory in the wee hours of yesterday morning that he was pledging himself to "the unification of our country."

It will be up to the two winners, their staffs and the staff of Ford's White House to work out details of the transfer of the control of government from the defeated Republican president to the victorious president-elect.

The margin of victory was a narrow one, and a final tabulation of the electoral vote still could not be made more than 24 hours after the final vote had been cast.

While the principals in the fight for the right to lead the United States into its third century accepted the results of Tuesday's election and planned for the orderly transfer of power, vote counting continued in widely scattered areas.

In two states, Ohio with 25 electoral votes and Oregon with six, the results in the presidential race remained too close to call. Carter had a narrow lead in Ohio and trailed Ford by a few hundred votes in Oregon. In both states the leads could be overturned by absentee ballots still being tallied.

But the balloting in neither state could change the outcome of the election, which Carter had won early yesterday. Without counting the two states still listed as uncertain, Carter carried 22 states and the District of Columbia with a total of 272 electoral votes, two more than needed for election.

Carter begins transition; Ford's plans uncertain

Associated Press

For both Jimmy Carter and Jerry Ford it is a time for readjustment.

Carter and his aides begin a transitional period to set up the Democrat's White House tenure. The plans of the man who will move out of the Oval Office in January remain uncertain.

Campaign rancor and rhetoric behind him, President-elect Jimmy Carter prepared to lay plans for the future of America and meet with his vice-president today in this jubilant Georgia town.

Vice-President-elect Walter Mondale, whom Carter elevated to an issue in the late weeks of the campaign by contrasting him with the Republican candidate, was to arrive in Plains this afternoon.

The two men were to hold a joint news conference tonight at the Plains train depot. Carter's local campaign headquarters and the scene Wednesday morning of a joyous and tearful homecoming for the conquering hero of this town of 683 people.

After his welcome at dawn by several hundred townsfolk who waited up all night sweating out election returns, Carter went home to rest and shortly after 10 a.m. CST got a congratulatory phone call from President Ford.

Because of a seige of post-campaign hoarseness in the President's voice, Ford's chief of staff, Richard Cheney, read a telegram sent to Carter from the White House offering help and cooperation during the transition period between the two administrations.

"I deeply appreciate the President's call and his gracious expression of congratulations and cooperation," Carter said in a statement. "I expressed my admiration for him and for the strong, well-planned and effective campaign that he ran."

Carter said he and Mondale would take full advantage of Ford's offer of cooperation. He said his own aide, Jack Watson of Atlanta, who has been preparing for the transition for several months, would contact Cheney and begin discussions right away.

For his part, Carter planned to meet today with several top aides involved in transition planning, with Mondale joining the meeting on his arrival.

Carter has said he will open an office in Washington during the transition period, where he will spend three or four days a week.

Though they have talked on the phone, today will be the first time Carter and

Mondale will have met since the election. Several polls credited Mondale's presence on the ticket with pulling significant numbers of votes to Carter.

After today's meeting with Mondale, the president-elect, according to an aide, plans to take a week of vacation, probably starting tomorrow or Saturday.

President Ford is planning to take a week-long vacation in Palm Springs, Calif., and will probably leave Washington on Sunday, according to his press secretary, Ron Nessen.

Until the inauguration on Jan. 20, 1977, Ford, according to Nessen, will focus on such projects as the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks, the Middle East and efforts to control spending and inflation.

Nessen noted Ford has the responsibility to present a fiscal 1978 budget and economic reports that go to a new Congress in January.

What does the President plan to do after Jan. 20? Nessen was asked.

"I don't think he's really focused on precisely what he's going to do," the press secretary said. "I've heard him talk about an interest in teaching political science at a university."

Vacancies cause shuffling of construction personnel

The sudden death of the construction manager and the retirement of the executive vice-president in charge of construction activities has caused a shuffle of the construction personnel at Texas A&M University, according to Howard Vestal, assistant vice-president for business affairs.

Charles Brunt, former construction manager, died of a heart attack on Wednesday, Oct. 20. Vestal said that Brunt's sudden death at age 40 left the construction personnel temporarily without a manager.

Brunt's duties, which included handling all problems with new facilities under construction, are being handled by Pat Curington, assistant manager of construction, and John Merchant, assistant director of planning construction.

J. O. Adams, director of facilities planning and construction, said, "We're covering all bases; we're not letting anything go. These two men have covered everything."

Curington and Merchant will remain responsible for Brunt's duties until a new construction manager is appointed, Vestal said.

"Within a few weeks we're going to look at all of our options and decide who can do the best job," Vestal said. "I feel sure it will be someone within this organization. We have several competent people."

W. C. Freeman, vice-president, will appoint a construction manager in consultation with the Board of Regents, Vestal said. He added that he anticipates no policy changes in construction management.

The duties of the retired executive vice-president, Gen. Alvin Luedecke, are under the direction of Freeman. Luedecke received construction plans from bidders and submitted them to the Board of Regents.

—Susie Turner

We were wrong

The College Station City Council will consider plans for the implementation of ward at a special meeting today at 4 p.m. at City Hall. It was reported yesterday that the issue would be discussed at the next regularly scheduled council meeting Nov. 11.

MSC postal service to continue schedule

Long lines are dwindling, student criticism is fading and the U.S. Postal Service will continue to operate the University Center Post Office service window four hours a day, five days a week.

University officials have turned down a Postal Service proposal for Texas A&M to take over operation of the post office, University Center manager Charles Cargill said yesterday.

The veto was a result of a meeting between University and Postal Service officials last Thursday.

"The U.S. Postal Service will continue to operate AggieLand Station within the present arrangement," Cargill said. "There will be absolutely no change."

The service window is open Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Two employees man the window.

The present schedule went into effect Oct. 12. It was part of an effort to reduce the long lines that plagued the old two hour per day schedule. That schedule had been used since last May.

The new schedule has apparently worked, Cargill said.

"We seem to be doing an adequate job," he said. "We've received no severe complaints about long lines (since the new schedule began)."

A Postal Service study taken earlier in the semester determined that the average student waited in line for 56 minutes before being served.

Though there are no new studies to back it, Cargill said he believes the waiting time has reduced drastically.

"I personally haven't seen the long lines we had before the new schedule began," he said. "Of course, it may be that I haven't been down there when the lines are long."

Cargill said he thought last Thursday's meeting would feature a demonstration by the Postal Service. He said he had been misinformed.

"It was simply a further discussion of the pros and cons of A&M operating the station," he explained.

Cargill said he doesn't expect the Postal Service to submit anymore similar proposals.

"There seemed to be an agreement by the end of the meeting that the Postal Service will maintain the station," he said.

Foreign leaders have mixed feeling on Carter

Associated Press

Greeks banged pots and pans in noisy celebration, South Koreans worried about their future and South African blacks cheered when they heard news of Jimmy Carter's election victory.

But most foreign leaders and commentators yesterday were generally cautious in assessing the effect of the Carter triumph and said it would probably mean no basic change in American foreign policy.

Many Western leaders immediately called their congratulations to the victor, and Prime Ministers James Callaghan of Britain and Pierre Elliott Trudeau of Canada suggested meetings with Carter soon after he takes office.

Foreign observers were quick to find reasons for the election results.

American voters cast their ballots "against the economic, moral and political consequences of the eight-year Republican rule," said an analysis in the Soviet government newspaper Izvestia.

Former Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan said Carter's "religious, almost mes-

sianic" attitude toward Israel reflected the feelings of the American people. And a newspaper headline in Greece, where the U.S. Republicans were blamed for the Turkish invasion of Cyprus, explained simply: "Greek-Americans Bury Ford and Kissinger."

"Carter remains an unknown quantity both abroad and to many Americans," the London Evening Standard said in an editorial summarizing the feeling of many foreign observers.

It went on to say that uncertainty "is disquieting and will inevitably damage business confidence. From the viewpoint of the immediate future in Britain, his success is less welcome than a Ford victory."

In apparent reaction to that uncertainty, the U.S. dollar dropped slightly in value on currency markets across Europe yesterday.

Western European Communists were cheered by Carter's campaign statements that he would not interfere in the domestic political affairs of other nations.

Italian Communist party chief Enrico Berlinguer issued a statement saying the election result "clearly indicates that a will of change has prevailed in the American electorate." Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger angered Berlinguer and others by openly campaigning to keep Communists out of Western European governments.

In Cairo, one high-level Egyptian official said the Ford defeat would delay the search for peace in the Middle East. "With Carter now president, we shall wait and see his peace efforts in the Middle East, if any," he said.

Book lost

The return of an AggieLand sign-out book is requested. The book was inadvertently taken yesterday morning by a person picking up a year-book. Please return it to Room 216 Reed McDonald immediately.



Battalion photo by Joanne Utterback

"For Students Only"

The new program aired by KAMU TV, channel 15 every Thursday night will cover topics that concern the students at Texas A&M University. Fred McClure, A&M student body president (left), answers a question from program host, Steve Reis, on the show which begins at 10:30 tonight.