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Top of the News

Campus

THE IMPACT OF PUBLICATIONS on faculty promotion and tenure is the topic of a presentation in Texas A&M's Educational Administration Department on Tuesday, January 25. Jane Armstrong will deliver the program at 9:30 a.m. in Harrington, room 616A.

NFL FOOTBALL FOLLIES will be shown on color television monitors in the MSC lounges and snack bar during the week of Jan. 24. This professionally produced tape combines NFL footage with commentary and music to create an enjoyable sports comedy.

This will be the first in a series of entertaining and informative tapes to be presented each week in the MSC by the MSC Videotape Committee.

OLD MASTERS PAINTINGS from the Blaffer Collection at the University of Houston will be on public display in the Rudder Exhibit Hall today through Feb. 18. A reception will be held this evening from 4-6 p.m.

STUDENT RADIO, KANM at 89.1 on either of the local cables, needs disc jockeys for the fall semester.

Shifts at the station will be four hours each. KANM operates 24-hours a day, seven days a week and has a progressive format.

Students interested should attend the meeting to be held on Friday, Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. The meeting will be at the Ridgecrest Barber Shop at 3605 S. Texas Ave. in Bryan.

Texas

SOUTHWESTERN BELL has lost another attempt to raise its rates by \$295.3 million, the loss this time coming in a state district court. Bell asked the Texas Public Utility Commission for permission to make the increase last year, but was allowed a raise in rates of \$57.8 million.

IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS on both sides of the border at Laredo, announced Wednesday that they may have broken up an organization which provided falsified documents to illegal Mexican aliens.

A **CARDIOLOGIST** from the University of Texas says two new tests have been developed which help identify chemicals in the blood which are present in persons who have had heart attacks.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY officials in Houston yesterday confirmed earlier tentative findings by reporting no imminent environmental danger from the manufacturer of the pesticide Phosvel. Phosvel is suspected of causing nerve damage to some production workers in a Houston area chemical plant.

National

THE ARCTIC WEATHER that has held the eastern half of the country in its grip, threatened to push prices for citrus fruits and juices sky high, by snowing in Florida. The cold that accompanied the snow wiped out citrus crops in central Florida and killed its crop of tropical fish. Miami had snow for the first time ever.

THE DRUG PHENACETIN which was prescribed for Howard Hughes as a pain-killer for the injuries he suffered in a 1946 plane crash, may have caused the kidney failure that eventually killed the eccentric billionaire.

THE FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATION is activating an emergency rule to cut bureaucratic red tape and help keep homes and hospitals warm in areas faced with widespread potential natural gas shortage. The agency said its action will make it easier for utility companies to get waivers for normal restrictions on their use of scarce propane and butane to augment natural gas supplies.

weather

Fair today and tonight with a high in mid-50s. Low tonight in low 30s. Increasing cloudiness and mild tomorrow with a high in low 60s. Precipitation probability zero.

Local man charged with student's murder

An indictment charging Walter Joe Coleman of College Station with capital murder was returned yesterday by the Brazos County Grand Jury.

Coleman was charged with the death of Lawrence T. Baugh, 32, who was killed last Wednesday night, Jan. 12.

Coleman, 18, is being held in the Brazos County jail on \$20,000 bond. Brazos County Dist. Atty. W.T. McDonald said yesterday that Coleman's trial will be held in Bryan but that a date has not been set.

Also known as Mike Garon, Coleman is

being held without bond for violating his 10-year probation for an arson conviction last year.

Coleman is accused of shooting Baugh during a robbery.

Detective Bobby Yeager of the College Station Police Department has led the homicide investigation.

"The Bryan Police Department, Brazos County Sheriff's Office and College Station Police Department have performed most efficiently and professionally in conducting the investigation upon which the indictment is based," McDonald said yesterday.

McDonald also praised Dr. William P. Fife, Wayne Hughes, Tracy Treybig and Dennis Denton for their efforts in recovering Baugh's body from the Navasota River last Saturday morning.

All officers involved in the investigation have been asked to not make any public comments about the case in order to protect the defendant's constitutional rights.

Baugh was a lecturer for the English Language Institute at Texas A&M University and a graduate student in the English department. He died of a gunshot wound to the back of the head.

39th president takes oath

Carter inaugurated today

United Press International
WASHINGTON — Jimmy Carter today intoned the solemn oath of the presidency and asked the American people to go forth with him into the nation's third century with "a new beginning... a new dedication... a new spirit."

In a simple ceremony almost as old as the Republic, the Georgia dirt farmer, echoing the populist theme that swept him to victory over an incumbent, acknowledged the awesome burdens he faces as the nation's 39th president.

"You have given me a great responsibility, to stay close to you, to be worthy of you, and to exemplify what you are," he said.

"Let us learn together and laugh together and work together and pray together, confident that in the end we will triumph together."

Carter, his right hand on a Bible given him a few months ago by his mother, "Miss Lillian," intoned the same 35-word oath of every president since George Washington in 1789, swearing to "pre-

serve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

The oath was administered by Chief Justice Warren Burger moments after Vice President Walter Mondale was sworn in by Speaker Thomas O'Neill.

Carter's address broke no new ground. It was a philosophical speech, gentle in tone but firm in its commitment to human dignity and the American dream. He urged moderation in striving for that dream, lest the natural resources of a great nation be drained.

"More is not necessarily better," he declared.

He rattled no sabers, but said U.S. military strength must be "so sufficient that it need never be proven in combat."

He pledged that America will be "ever vigilant and never vulnerable, and we will fight our wars against poverty, ignorance and injustice, for those are the enemies against which our forces can be honorably marshalled."

Carter, as is his habit, awakened early on his big day. With President Ford at his

side, Carter rode in a black limousine up Pennsylvania Avenue. "The Avenue of Presidents," to the U.S. Capitol for the inauguration ceremony.

Yet to come before the rigorous day culminated at last in the White House were the 2½-hour parade back down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House, and the seven gala parties expected to draw 60,000 celebrants.

Ironically, it was two years ago today that Carter launched his million-to-one presidential bid with a speech in Baton Rouge, La.

Then he was "Jimmy Who?" Now he is "Mr. President."

New prisons facilities needed for Texas, legislators say

Texas needs two new prisons and the Texas Legislature will probably appropriate funds for the facilities this session, two state legislators said yesterday.

Speaker of the House Bill Clayton, D-Springlake, and Rep. Bill Presnal, D-Bryan, both former students of Texas A&M University, cited overcrowding in Texas' prisons as the primary reason for the new facilities. The two units, a prison to be located somewhere in West Texas and a prison hospital in Sugarland, will

cost \$210 million if commercial labor is used or \$136 million if convict labor is used.

Texas prisons have a capacity of 20,785 inmates and the population, growing at a rate of 200 inmates per day, is already 21,000, Clayton said. The West Texas unit would hold 4,875 convicts and the Sugarland hospital would have 375 beds.

"Present and future overcrowding of TDC facilities seriously endangers the lives of security personnel and inmates

alike," Clayton said in a prepared statement. "I am committed to the idea of single-cell confinement."

"We've definitely got to have one," Presnal said. "Population growth has already caught up with us. If we don't build one now, we'll need it next time."

Another Aggie alumni, Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan, refused comment, saying, "I do not know the status of these (prisons) at this time. That is a matter for the (Legislative) Budget Board."

Do not return

Students check out library's discards

Several Texas A&M University students were seen digging through the trash bins outside the University library yesterday. No, things aren't that desperate although expenses this week have caused a shortage of pocket money.

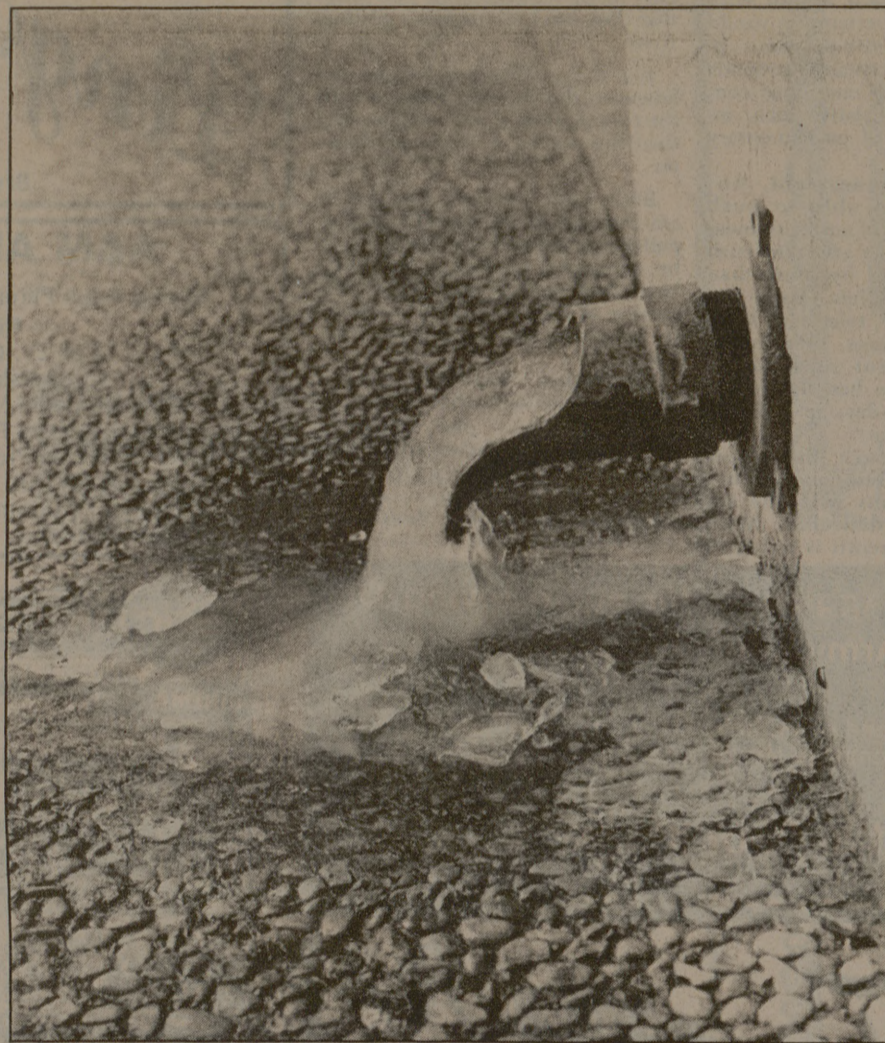
The students were shuffling through boxes of discarded books, magazines and pamphlets from the library and treating themselves to free literature.

The jumbled pile contained a wide variety of topics and interests, including such titles as "Printer's Ink Directory of House Organs," "Reviews of Modern Physics," "Environmental Satellite Imagery," and dozens of copies of "Daily World" newspaper.

"I think this is atrocious," an instructor in the biology department said as he observed a dozen students rummaging through the dump cans. He said he felt the books should be recycled.

Recycling unwanted books was tried in the past but the people that were picking up the books were unreliable or could not handle the large amount to be disposed, Puckett said.

"Just because it's old doesn't mean it's going to be valuable," he said. "It costs money just to store those books."



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Iced Over

Water pouring from the downspout drain on Harrington Center froze into a curious ice formation when the temperature dropped to 19 degrees early yesterday morning.

Briscoe's proposal will slow college spending increase

United Press International
AUSTIN, — Gov. Dolph Briscoe repeatedly has warned runaway spending on higher education would bankrupt Texas unless it was stopped.

His budget proposal would not stop the spending increase on colleges and universities, but it would slow it considerably.

Briscoe's \$16.1 billion budget recommends increases totaling \$226.3 million for senior colleges and universities, junior colleges and medical education. That is less than half the \$553 million increase recommended by the Legislative Budget Board for the same institutions.

The executive budget, quietly delivered to legislators' offices yesterday while senators were out of town and House members met only briefly, recommends large spending increases for highways and

public schools, but is lower than the boards spending proposals in most other areas.

"Looking at the general appropriations, it looks like he might have squeezed down a little tighter than we did in most areas," said Rep. Bill Presnal, D-Bryan, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee. "It looks like he might have been a little harder on higher education than we were, and I thought we were pretty tough on them."

University officials have complained about a provision in the bill requiring full time college instructors to teach a classroom minimum of nine hours a week. Briscoe's budget raises the minimum to 12 hours weekly.

The \$15.3 billion legislative budget bill

does not include any funds for a revision of public school financing, or the massive new highway funding the governor recommended.

Briscoe's proposal includes \$893 million in additional state aid to local school districts, and an \$825 million increase in highway funding. The governor said his proposals could be funded from available revenue and leave a \$400 million balance.

The governor's budget is \$3.6 million lower than the legislative proposal for judiciary funding and \$176 million lower for funding of health, welfare and rehabilitation agencies.

Briscoe recommended a 3.4 per cent pay raise for state employees, but asked for no salary increase for himself, maintaining his \$66,800-a-year pay through the next biennium.

Signs confusing

If anyone ever tells you that they live on Welch St. in College Station, don't believe them.

The paved roadway that runs south from Angus St., one block south of Jersey and east of Fairview Ave., is listed on the Bryan-College Station city map as Welch Ave.

But according to Elrey Ash, city engineer, the road should be listed as Welch Ave. Then where are Welch Blvd. and Welch St. located? . . . Apparently, they are all one and the same roadway.

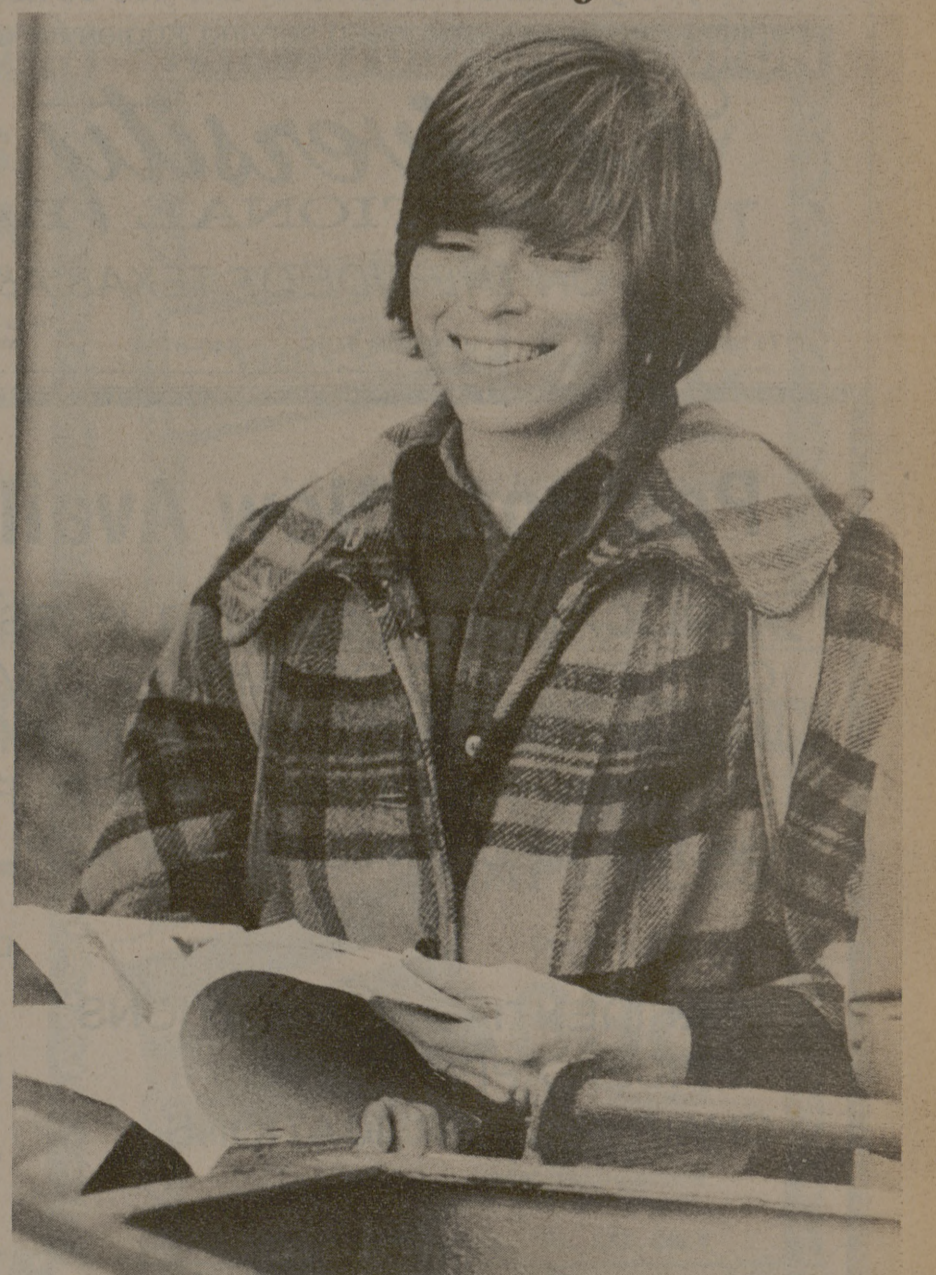
Ash said that the road that runs from FM 2818 to Holleman Drive is Welch Blvd. but two of the eight blocks are marked as an avenue.

Ash said the road from Holleman to Angus St. should be marked as Welch Ave. and for the most part, this is correct, but one block is marked as Welch Ave. and another as Welch St.

There are even two 600 numbered blocks within two blocks, one is the 600 block of Welch Ave. and the next block is Welch St., which is also marked 600 on the sign.

So if you are trying to locate a friend on Welch St., Welch Blvd. or whatever the name of the road is, you may want to locate a guide.

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Glenna Dean thumbs through manual