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## Extension of drinking hours rejected at city council meeting

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Battalion Staff

Texas A&M University students last night filled the College Station City Council meeting room. The students from Political Science 207, a state and local government course, sat on the floor, lined the walls and crowded around the doorway.

The students left en masse after the council rejected a request from the A&M Student Government to extend drinking hours to 2 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Phil Sutton, vice president of external affairs, presented the request. He said a poll taken two years ago revealed 87 percent of students were in favor of extending liquor hours.

Last year the student government asked the council to extend liquor hours to 2 a.m., but the council decided to extend hours to 1 a.m.

Sutton said he had talked to the police chief, who said there had not been a signif-

icant increase in alcohol-related arrests or accidents because of the later hours.

He also said he had talked to several bar owners, who said they were in favor of extending hours.

Tom Nolan, owner of a local nightclub said he didn't care if hours were extended or kept the same. He said staying open another hour put a hardship on employees in the bar.

He suggested that the council extend hours on weekdays also so bars could stay open on certain nights, such as Thursdays, when night entertainment lasted until 11 or 11:30. He said that he did not think most bars would always stay open late on weekday nights, even if given the chance.

Councilman Jim Gardner moved to recommend an ordinance for extension of liquor hours for two weekdays, instead of all weekdays.

No one seconded the motion.

Councilman Gary Halter moved for an

ordinance for extension of hours on weekends. Gardner seconded.

The motion was rejected, 4 to 2 with Mayor Lorence Bravenc abstaining.

In other action, Mary Bassett, an A&M Consolidated teacher, complained about pornographic material openly displayed in convenience stores.

She carried a brown paper bag which she said contained pornographic magazines.

She handed the bag to Mayor Bravenc, who put the bag under the table. She said she bought the magazines so the council members could see what was being sold on magazine racks in College Station.

She said she has recently seen more open display of pornographic material at drive-in stores and other places.

"It's the children I'm worried about," Bassett said.

Bravenc said he would ask the county

attorney what he could do to "lean on" stores with open displays.

Bassett said, "I'm not saying to control what people buy, but put it out of display."

In a public hearing on a proposed revision to the Comprehensive Plan, a city chart of zoning and projects, Michael Murphy, of 305 Pershing, objected to the zoning of the area south of College Station as residential. The area is about equal in size as acreage in College Station.

Murphy claimed the low density classification would be too costly to the city, because sewage systems and power lines would have to be extended over too large an area.

Halter said if the area is not zoned residential, the area could not be planned and developed as it should be.

In other action, the council revised residential density classifications in the Zoning Ordinance.

## Williams to consider aid

# Funds may be blocked

By RAY DANIELS

Student Services Vice President John J. Koldus said yesterday he would recommend that funds not be allocated for the proposed Early Childhood Development Center.

Koldus discussed the project with Dean of Education Frank W. Hubert after it passed the Texas A&M Senate last month, and found that the College of Education would not support the center with funds or staff.

Koldus said he would not recommend allocation of the funds for this reason.

Hubert was not available for comment.

The Senate recommended allocation of \$41,000 from student service fee reserves to establish the center. The recommendation was made to University President Jack K. Williams, who will consider the proposal along with recommendations from Koldus before taking the proposal to the Board of Regents for final approval.

The Senate proposal included stipulations that legal aspects of the program be investigated and that "the College of Education investigate manpower and financial assistance."

During Senate discussion of the issue, it was stated the College of Education might take over the center after the first two

years of operation, and that education students would help staff the facility.

Dr. Douglas C. Godwin, a member of the committee proposing the center and also of the education faculty, said there had been no commitment he knew of on the part of the college to participate in the center.

Jerry Bryant, an educational administration graduate student, chaired the day care proposal committee.

Bryant said a survey and contacts with other centers indicated the program could be self-supporting after two years.

The committee was not counting on financial support from the College of Edu-

cation but hoped they could take over the center since they had the expertise to run it properly, he said.

The Senate proposal did not commit the College of Education, he said. It asked that research be done into manpower and financial assistance.

Bryant said he was under the impression the College of Education would help with manpower and consider taking over the center. He said his only contact with the college was Godwin.

"We decided to hold off temporarily," Bryant said after meeting with Koldus. "The idea is not dead, and it is still needed."

## Coleman confirmed despite denunciation

AUSTIN, — Texas A&M University's first black regent — a Houston physician — won 25-4 Senate approval yesterday despite a scathing denunciation of him as Texas' biggest abortionist.

Senators confirmed the appointment of Dr. John B. Coleman of Houston without debate after a personal privilege speech by Sen. Walter Mengden, R-Houston.

"Dr. Coleman is probably the biggest abortionist in the state," Mengden said. "Is this the kind of man we want to sit on the board of regents of one of our state universities?"

Mengden noted news reports about senators' interrogation of Coleman April 6 when the physician cried at one senator's denunciation of his opponents as racist.

"Unfortunately they were not tears for the 3,683 babies that he has personally killed in abortions he has performed since 1973, nor were they tears for the 28,408 babies that his abortion clinic has killed since 1973," Mengden said.

Mengden compared approval of Coleman to German acquiescence under Nazis to the forced sterilization and extermination of millions of people.

"In the 1930's it was German doctors — not Nazi officials — who sterilized millions who they deemed undesirable and — it was legal — quietly killed 275,000 epileptics, mental defectives, World War I amputees and children with physical defects," Mengden said.

"Once a person can rationalize an act of killing, it is impossible to draw the line at other types of killing for convenience," he said.

Sens. Bill Braecklein, D-Dallas, Frank Lombardino, D-San Antonio, and Grant Jones, D-Abilene, joined Mengden in voting against Coleman, but made no comment.

Coleman's supporters also were silent during the Senate session.

"I felt if anything needed to be said the

vote would say it," Sen. Chet Brooks, D-Dallas, said afterwards. "I'm sorry he was subjected to an attack of that sort. It was completely unfair to his medical practice and to him as a human being."

At the April 6 hearing before the Senate

Nominations Committee one critic charged Coleman's abortion clinic performs illegal abortions on women pregnant longer than seven months.

preme Court grants legality to something make it also moral," he asked.

## Prosecutor blames Texas law for mistrial

United Press International

FORT WORTH — A prosecutor in the aborted murder trial of millionaire T. Cullen Davis blames its abrupt ending as much on Texas law as on the juror who forced the mistrial.

"This is the kind of horror story that could provide legislation for alternate jurors, a system which Texas doesn't have," Tarrant County District Attorney Tim Curry said yesterday.

Texas District Court Judge Tom Cave terminated the trial Wednesday — eight weeks into jury selection — because an already selected juror visiting a sick relative in Chicago made unauthorized phone calls in which the trial was discussed.

"The judge did what he had to do. It was not our fault, not the judge's fault and not the defendant's fault. The system is good, but sometimes it breaks down."

Curry said under an alternate juror system a single juror could be dismissed while the rest of the panel could be retained.

Cave said he thought he could avoid declaring the mistrial until he studies case law on the subject.

"I thought it may be a discretionary matter," he said. But he said his investigation into the clandestine calls by juror Elizabeth Lynn Panke did not leave him a broad course of action.

"Article 36.22 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure reads in part: 'No persons shall be permitted to converse with a juror about the case on trial except in the presence and by the permission of the court.'" Cave said in his mistrial announcement.

"New trials, in the case of felony, shall be granted for the following causes, and none other . . . Where a juror has conversed with any persons in regard to the case."

Cave's investigation substantiated that Mrs. Panke made calls, discussed the case and expressed a "derogatory" opinion as to Davis' guilt or innocence.

## Agricultural leader honored

By MARY HESALROAD

Reagan V. Brown, newly appointed Texas Agriculture Commissioner, was awarded a certificate of appreciation yesterday by the Association of Former Students.

Brown, class of '43, appeared at Texas A&M University as a Political Forum speaker.

In his speech, Brown said the Commissioner of Agriculture does not decide what is good or bad for agriculture in Texas. "Our agency is basically regulatory," he said.

He stressed that the department would work in complete cooperation with different groups-commodity groups, farm organizations and agribusiness firms.

"Through these we'll gather information, put it together and then they'll make the decisions. We believe in freedom," Brown emphasized.

Brown said he thought people would benefit more from the American way of doing business, relying on competition. "Under this system, all of us do better. We have more bathtubs, more paved roads and ship channels."

Then Karl Marx came along with a different idea "and I think he got hit in the head with a wet cob," Brown commented.

He said that under Marx's system, the government decides who lives where and how much they get.



## Corps honors commandant

Corps of Cadets units at Texas A&M salute Col. Thomas R. Parsons at a Wednesday evening meal formation passby. The commandant and professor of military science concludes six years in the Trigon and 28 years military service in June. Friends of the Corps also honored the 1949 Texas A&M graduate. (UNS).

## Col. Parsons honored for work with Corps

Commandant Col. Thomas R. Parsons was honored Wednesday for his work with Texas A&M's Corps of Cadets.

Corps units saluted the retiring Army officer in a passby to the evening meal.

Friends of the Corps presented Col. Parsons a marble etching during dinner, and the Tom R. Parsons Scholarship was announced at a reception afterwards.

Many University officials, led by President and Mrs. Jack K. Williams, Executive Vice President and Mrs. W. C. Freeman, Dr. John Koldus, vice president for student services, and Gen. O.R. Simpson assistant vice president, witnessed the presentations.

"Where but Texas A&M would a military officer be thus honored,

and most of the administration be present," remarked one of the commandant's friends.

Col. Parsons retires in June, ending six years as commandant of cadets and professor of military science at Texas A&M. He will become director of security and traffic for the University. A 1949 Texas A&M graduate, the artillery officer has 28 years military service.

Corps Commander Robert Harvey of Houston presented the marble etching at Duncan Hall. The large memento bears the inscription: "For Col. Thomas R. Parsons, U. S. Army; Commandant of Cadets, 1971-77; Texas A&M University; Presented by the Corps of Cadets on Behalf of the Friends of the Corps."

## Harvey wins top post; small percentage voted

Robert Harvey defeated Stan Stanfield yesterday's runoff election by 1,141 votes to become the 1977-78 student body president.

Approximately 3,907 persons, 14 percent of the Texas A&M University student body, turned out in cloudy, rainy weather to cast votes.

In other executive office run-offs, Allison King, with 1,783 votes, won vice president of rules and regulations by defeating Jim Connor, who had 1,593 votes. Vicki Young won vice president for student services by defeating Jeb Hensarling, 1,789 to 1,693 votes.

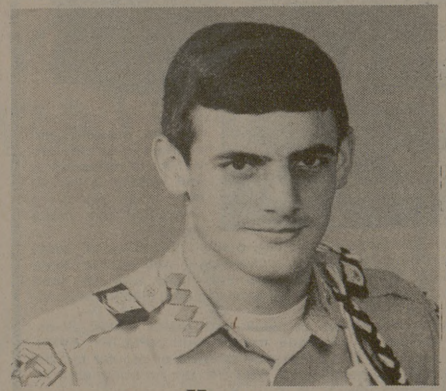
The 3,907 votes cast in this year's election runoff are almost a 100 percent increase over last year's runoff in which ap-

proximately 2,000 persons voted. Only 5,500 votes were cast in last year's primary election.

Susan Price, outgoing executive director of Student Government, said one reason for the increase in votes was concern over a story in *The Battalion* in which the Corps was suspected of bloc voting. She said Texas A&M students were finally taking an interest in events in general.

John Oeffinger, former president of the Memorial Student Center, said another reason for the increase was accessibility of polling places. He said polling places at shuttle bus stops were a big help.

"The more you provide ballot accessibility to the people, the more they're going to vote," Oeffinger said.



Harvey

## Results listed

Executive Officers:	
Student Body President	
Robert Harvey	2496
Stan Stanfield	1355
P. Rules and Regulations	
Allison King	1783
Jim Connor	1593
P. Student Services	
Vicki Young	1789
Jeb Hensarling	1693
Class Officers:	
Class '78	
President	
Andy Duffie	726
Richard "Toke" Tocquiny	488
Vice-president	
Fred Pfeiffer	684
Mary Spivey	429
Class '79 President	
Johnny Lane	627

Tim Crockett	544	Kathy Simmon	3
Vice-president		College of Liberal Arts	
John Channing	604	Cathy Agrella	3
Jane Eike	525	Lew Fadele	0
Treasurer		Joe Rickel	0
John Troisdair	571	Jackie Walters	2
Vicki Benton	550	Robert Perryman	2
Class '80 President		College of Geosciences	
Jeff Mason	664	Larry E. Sullivan	1
Ken Lewis	494	Robin Radlein	0
Vice-president		College of Science	
Cathy Cox	591	J.R. Kenedy	4
Bill Hyatt	515	Debbie Sheffy	4
OSCA:		T. Ham	3
V.P. Programs		T. Lackadoo	1
Randy Carsch	494	David Breeden	2
Jeff Mason	288	Chris Bracken	0
V.P. Tenant Relations		Tina Lee Curlson	1
John Kelly	380	Senators:	
Keith Klatt	282	Veterinary Medicine	
Graduate Student Council:		Ken Diestler	5
College of Education		J. B. Brown	0
Donnie Albrecht	5		

Engineering	
Joe Young	15
Ron Smith	1
Barry Mannefield	2
Richard Scroggs	8
Mike Cook	7
Agriculture	
Ronnie Howard	6
David Fain	9
Bill Sutton	0
Mike Outlaw	5
Rod Bowling	1
Jay Clary	1
Rue Wilkinson	3
Bill Little	1
J.P. Telford	2
Dennis Crenwelge	3
Dan Burow	1
Science	
J.R. Kennedy	7
David Breeden	5
John Cupp	3
Off-Campus Graduate Senators:	
Mary Beth Borst	12
J. Lackadoo	2
Richard Ortero	0
C. D. Jrom	0
Jesus Rodriguez	0
Thomas Sewall	6
John Franklin	1
Robert Wagoner	4
Karen Tawkeheim	1
R. Scheusslerlaux	3
Tom Gillman	5
Ron Dickson	1
Charles Snyder	8
Cathy Agrella	1
Darrel Cuhn	1
Ed Morgan	4
Jay Wellman	4
Joe Kiel	3
Beatrice Egle	1
Cletus Bayer	3

## Weather

Continued mostly cloudy and mild today, tonight and tomorrow, with a 60 per cent chance of rain continuing through tomorrow. High today will be 76 degrees, low tonight 65. Southeasterly winds will be 7 to 10 m.p.h. today.