

Top of the News

Local

ACCOMPANIED by cheers of "Go Bra-a-zos Valley" and "Come on Texas," Dr. James W. Bassett, the Brazos Valley Joggers Club's standard-bearer in the Boston Marathon, crossed the finish line with a time of three hours and 32 minutes in a run of 26 miles and 385 yards.

A MEETING of the College Station Planning and Zoning Commission will be held tomorrow at 7 p.m.

Texas

OFFICIALS SAY more than half of those tenants at the Central Hotel in Galveston may have died in a fire that flashed through the 60-year-old hotel yesterday. Eight bodies were recovered and authorities said the death toll could reach 25.

TWO MONTHS AGO the rain would have been perfect for Amarillo wheat farmers, but now they could only sit and watch 30,000 nonirrigated acres given over to wind, dust, weeds and insects. What once was a promising dryland wheat crop has turned into a \$1.3 million loss.

BORDER PATROL official Dale Swancutt whose agents were attacked on U.S. territory by 150 angry Mexicans, says an international incident is inevitable if Congress does not act to stop illegal aliens.

A RESEARCHER at Baylor University says the potential is "very great" of gonorrhea because of a new penicillin resistant strain.

National

A RATE INCREASE in the postal service cannot be postponed forever, but it can be put off for at least a year, says Postmaster General Benjamin Bailar. The reason for the good news, Bailar said yesterday, is that the Postal Service has achieved an unprecedented surplus for a full year of operation.

VICE PRESIDENT Walter Mondale, with an assist from congressional Democrats, is taking on Gerald Ford for "personal" attacks against the Carter administration. Mondale launched his counter attack at a White House meeting yesterday involving leading congressmen.

ACTING MAYOR of Chicago Michael A. Bilandic, protege of the late Richard J. Daley, kept alive an 11th Ward tradition by defeating five opponents yesterday in the Democratic mayoral primary — a victory considered tantamount to election.

THE HEAD of the Gulf Oil Corp., Jerry McAfee, has given qualified support to President Carter's energy program, saying

the company is prepared to bend its own corporate goals to the national interest if necessary.

THE U.S. ECONOMY between January and March grew at the fastest rate in a year, despite the setback in January, according to the broadest measure — the Gross National Product.

AN ESTIMATED 21,000 illegal aliens are currently in Kansas and Missouri and the number is unlikely to decline in the future, according to an Immigration and Naturalization Service agent. Although there are an estimated six to eight million illegal aliens in the United States, enforcement is difficult, INS agent George Gail said.

World

FOUR-FOOT PYGMIES armed with bows and arrows have helped Zairean and Moroccan troops win a major breakthrough against invading forces and surround the rebel held town of Mushiata, the government says.

AN EARTHQUAKE struck the central Yugoslav town of Banja Luka and surrounding villages in the Bosnian Mountains early today, damaging buildings and causing frightened residents to flee their homes, authorities said. There were no casualties, according to preliminary reports from the area.

Corps of Cadets names company-level commanders

Company-level commanders in Texas A&M University's 1977-78 Corps of Cadets have been named. The 41 cadets, juniors this year and in most cases first sergeants of their outfits, will be cadet majors.

The new COs by unit in the Air Force ROTC wing are: Squadron I, Charles K. Shepard, Graham; 2, Dale E. Laine, Texas City; 3, Paul A. Pausky, Houston; 4, Michael De La Cruz, Ingleside; 5, Thomas S. Menefee, Alvin; 6, Michael T. Macmanus, Harlingen; 7, Michael J. Precella, Nacogdoches; 8, Thomas L. Earwood, Denton; 9, Gary K. Saathoff, Hondo; 10, Tommie D. Benefield, Lancaster, Calif.; 11, David W. Eisenlohr, Dallas; 12, Glenn M. Rogers, Graham, and 15, Wilkes L. Kothmann, San Antonio.

COs in the Navy-Marine Corps regiment are: Company D-1, James L. Schulze, Dickinson; S-2, Steven M. Keim, Corpus Christi; K-2, E. C. "Ned" Herberg, Eulless; E-2, Terry P. Ekeland, Greenville; H-2, Gary A. Seffel, New Braunfels; N-1, Jehri E. Lawson, El Paso; C-2, William B. Shelby, La Crescenta, Calif.; M-2, James E. Dixon, Bartlesville, Okla.; and P-2, Robert M. Sommers, San Antonio.

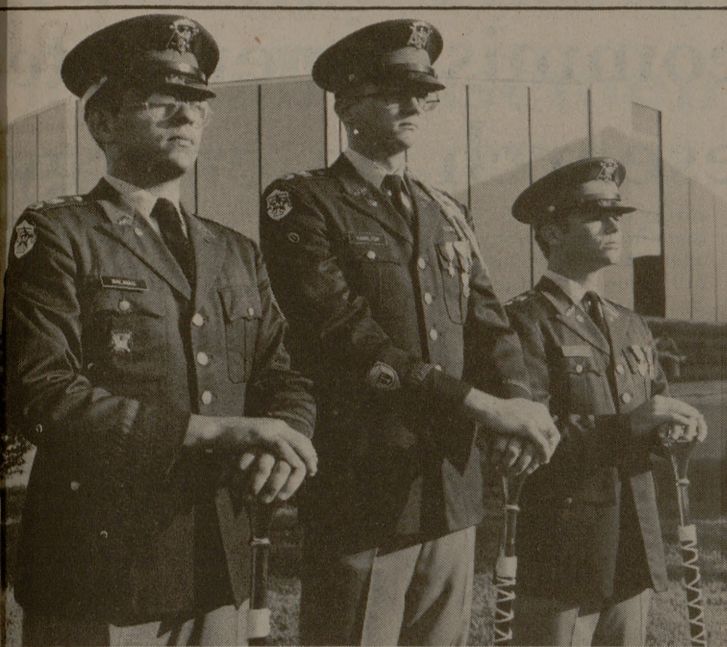
COs in the Army ROTC brigade are: Company A-1, James C. Snyder, Bowie, Md; C-1, Robert M. Stone, Seabrook; I-1, Thomas E. Botard, Kingsville; L-1, Roger

D. Schulze, Fayetteville; B-1, Gene E. Kubecka, Palacios; M-1, Keith R. Williams, Wichita Falls; F-1, John D. Shoemaker, Austin; K-1, Johnny D. Lyles, Bryan; E-1, Stephen T. Spencer, San Antonio; W-1, Roxie Pranglin, Laurel, Miss.; B-2, Ernest J. Hugo, Maxwell AFB, Ala.; D-2, Douglas E. Horsman, Fort Worth; F-2, Joseph K. Marshall, Weslaco, and L-2, Ross W. Hinton, Mt. Pleasant.

COs for the Texas Aggie Band are: A Battery, Artillery Band, Laurence E. Boyd, Angleton; B Battery, Michael J. Close, Abilene; A Company, Infantry Band, Dana R. Foy, Pasadena; and B Company, John D. Dodson, Irving.

Units they will command will include two changes from the 1976-77 Corps. Day student outfits, Company R-1 and Squadron 13, are being combined into Company V-1 next fall. A new unit, Company P-2, is being added to the Navy-Marine regiment.

Company, squadron and battery commands are at the fourth level in the Cadet Corps chain of command. They are under the cadet colonel of the corps, brigade, wing or regiment, and battalion or group command. Company-level commands involve the most direct leadership with underclassmen. In general, the 41 cadets will head units they were in during their first three years in the Corps.



Direction of the 300-member Texas Aggie Band will be furnished on the gridiron, in reviews and parades in 1977-78 by Drum Majors Bruce Hamilton of Dallas, James Earl (right) of San Antonio and Lynn Balinas of Houston. They will have key responsibility for the football halftime drills next year.

Aggie marching band names drum majors

Marching direction of the Texas Aggie Band in 1977-78 will be provided by Drum Majors Bruce Hamilton of Dallas, James Earl of San Antonio and Lynn Balinas of Houston.

Hamilton will be the head drum major. Earl will be Artillery Band drum major; Balinas, Infantry Band drum major.

Hamilton, Earl and Balinas will lead the Aggie Band during the first time Saturday during the Maroon-White spring football game. Seniors turn the organization over to juniors for the contest.

The new drum majors officially move into the posts next fall, after guiding the band around the drill field for the second time at Final Review. Hamilton will be a cadet lieutenant colonel on the Aggie Band staff. Balinas and Earl will be cadet majors.

A mechanical engineering major, Hamilton, who plays trumpet, is Drum and Bugle

Corps sergeant in the band this year. He was Cadet Corps bugler as a sophomore. The Navy ROTC cadet is on four-year military scholarship, is a Distinguished Student, member of the Ross Volunteers and recipient of the American Legion Award for academic excellence.

Earl majors in environmental design. The Infantry Band scholastic sergeant, also a trumpet player, is a member of the Society of American Military Engineers and played rugby for Texas A&M this year.

Balinas, agricultural economics major, serves this year as personnel sergeant of "A" Battery, Artillery Band. The trombone player is a member of the Aggie Stage Band and the Agricultural Economics Club.

Aggie Band drum majors are selected by a committee composed of the director and bandmen. Candidates lead the band in the rehearsal hall and on the drill field during tryouts.

Single parents organize to share common problems

Single parents in Bryan-College Station may soon share their problems through an organization called Parents Without Partners, Inc.

The international, non-profit, non-sectarian, educational organization is devoted to the welfare and interests of single parents and their children.

There is interest in developing a chapter in the Bryan-College Station area. With a minimum of 25 members, the group may obtain a charter from the organization's Washington, D.C. headquarters.

Having custody of children is not a requirement for membership, and parents may be widowed, divorced,

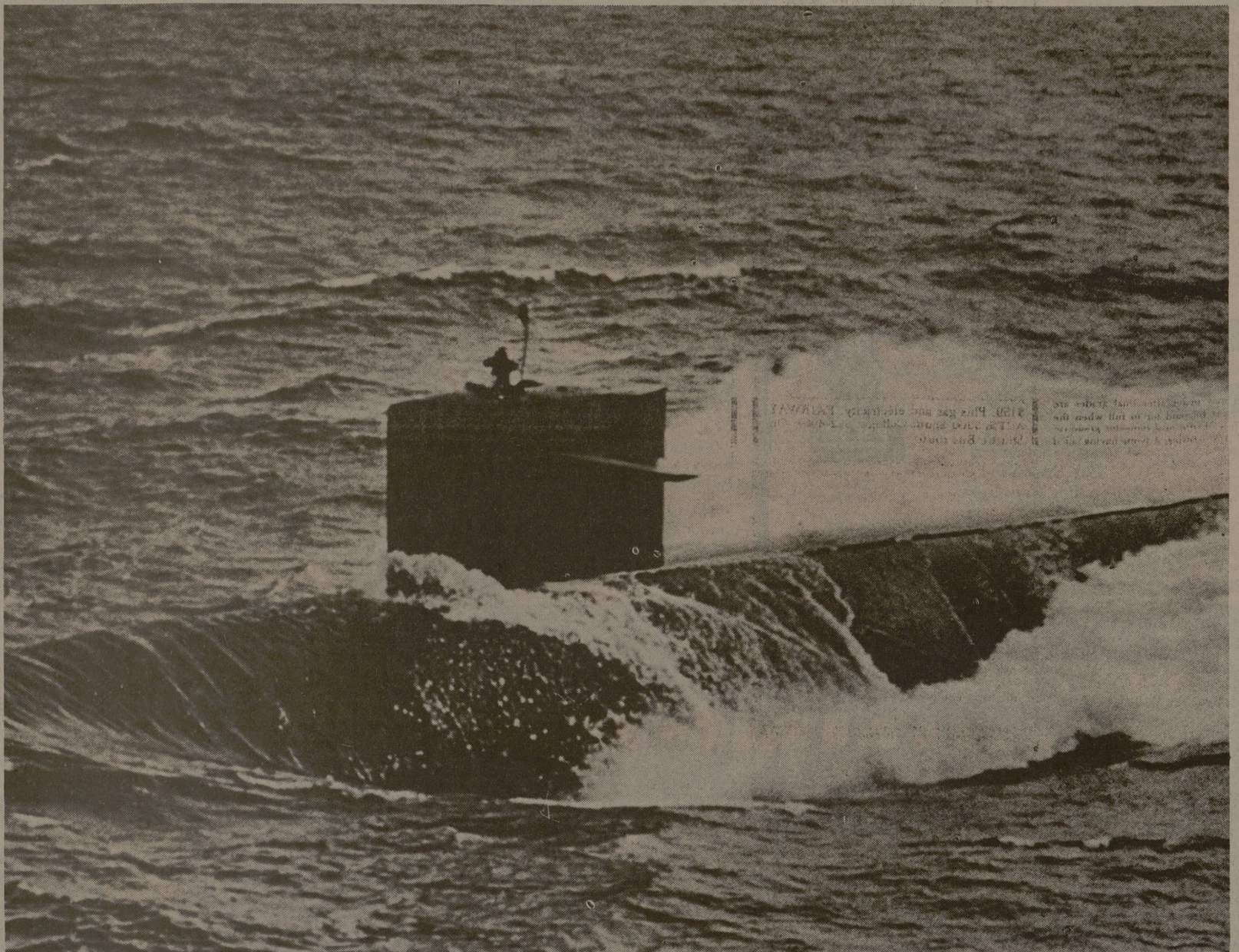
separated or never married. There is no age limit for members.

The organization sponsors monthly educational programs with professional speakers and panelists, and organizes discussion groups, recreational and social activities for both adults and children.

Problems such as income tax, remarriage, sex education for children and parent-child relationships are dealt with through this program.

The first meeting will be held in the Bryan Building and Loan Texas Room at 8 p.m. on Friday.

For more information call 822-4245 or 822-0313 after 5 p.m.



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