

Park for beauty, pleasure now shabby, neglected

By ELLIE LAPORTE
"For beauty and pleasure."
These words, written on a plaque
Hensel Park, are also written on a
set of proposed park renovation
plans which were submitted a year
ago to President Jack K. Williams
by the Hensel Park Commit-
tee.
Dr. David J. Reed, associate profes-
sor in the recreation and parks
department and chairman of the
committee, said the university-
owned park had become "a shabby,
neglected part of the campus."
Reed added that renovation was
necessary because "the park is al-
ready getting so much use, the pres-
ence of it is intense." He estimated
that there are 60,000 to 70,000
visitors to the park each year.
The park, located on South Col-
lege Avenue north of the married
student apartments, has three group
pavilions, barbecue facilities, a re-
creation room, some primitive trails and
a small baseball field.
The 28-acre proposed renovation
consists of two phases, Reed said. In
the first phase of the project a visitor
parking lot would be built. Now
visitors are allowed to park any-
where in the area. Access paths to
the pavilions and carts will be added
to aid visitors carrying large

amounts of supplies to their picnic
site.
Also included in the first phase of
the renovation proposal are commit-
tee recommendations for two new
covered picnic shelters designed for
family use rather than the present
areas designed for large groups, a
drinking fountain, a new entrance
sign more in character with the
park, and a solid waste disposal sys-
tem.
The second phase of the renova-
tion will include footbridges con-
necting the park with married stu-
dent apartments, an observation
platform over Pin Oak Creek, which
borders the park, an irrigation sys-
tem over 50 per cent of the de-
veloped portion of the park, a chil-
dren's play area, some landscaping
and renovation of the pavilions,
which Reed called "grim places now
— dirty and unsightly."
The committee recommended
that about \$200,000 be spent for the
renovations over a four-year period.
The target completion date is 1981.
However the committee is currently
awaiting approval of the project by

the Texas A&M University Board of
Regents.
The renovation proposals began
as a class project for students in
landscape architecture and recrea-
tion and parks classes, Reed said.
The students did background work
and submitted their plans and ideas
for improvement to the committee,
which selected the final alternatives
and sent them to President
Williams.
Reed said renovation will help to
increase the educational and in-
structional value of the park, which
could be used as a prime laboratory
for horticulture, landscape architec-
ture, recreation and parks and many
other classes. The park is currently
being used by one geography profes-
sor as a lab, Reed said. In addi-
tion, the recreation and parks de-
partment uses the park as a place to
train student interns in park man-
agement.

"There are a lot of universities
that would give their eyeteeth to
have a park so potentially useful,"
Reed said.

Brown honored; cuts birthday cake

By SCOTT PERKINS
Friends and supporters of Rea-
gan Brown turned out last night
at the Bryan Civic Auditorium to
help the Texas Agriculture
Commissioner celebrate his
birthday.

Brown, a 1943 graduate of
Texas A&M, has been associated
with the Agriculture Extension
Service throughout most of his
career. He was appointed com-
missioner in March 1977 to fill
the unexpired term of former
commissioner John C. White.

The commission post will
again be decided in the 1978
general election.

Attending the celebration
were various local businessmen
and city and state politicians,
including State Senator William T.
Moore, State Representative Bill
Prensal, and State Democratic
Chairman Calvin Guest.

Addressing the crowd, Moore
said, "If there is any hope for the
country to overcome the deficits

in the balance of payments, we in
Texas have got to contribute our
part by giving our agricultural
products to the rest of the world.
I think Reagan Brown will add a
tremendous amount to this pro-
gram."

The event, sponsored by the
Brazos Valley Friends of Reagan
Brown, included an informal re-
ception and the cutting of a
three-foot-tall birthday cake be-
fore moving into the auditorium
for tributes from the various offi-
cials.

"We are extremely proud to
have someone from this commu-
nity serving as the Texas Agricul-
ture Commissioner, and respon-
sible for the state's largest indus-
try," said J.E. "Jocko" Roberts,
chairman of the organizing com-
mittee.

During the proceedings,
Brown picked out various mem-
bers of the audience as he re-
minisced about his days as a
"fish" at A&M, and his early
career.



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