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Political candidate claims Gramm misused facilities

By MICHELLE BURROWES
Phil Gramm, a candidate for the 6th Congressional District, has misused Texas A&M University facilities and the Association of Former Students to further his political ambitions, candidate Chet Edwards said Tuesday.

Gramm is an economics professor on leave from Texas A&M. Edwards said Gramm had obtained a mailing list of former Aggies in the 6th District, and used it to mail out political pamphlets.

Edwards also said that a University magazine, Tierra Grande, published an article on economics written by Gramm. The magazine was mailed at a non-profit postage rate to 44,000 real estate brokers throughout Texas.

Gramm said the addresses of former students are available from the Directory of Former Students.

Gramm obtained a computer-mailing list, Edwards said. Buck Weirus, executive director of the Association of Former Students, could not be reached by the Battalion for comment.

The Tierra Grande article is a transcript of a speech given by Gramm to a real estate conference last May. Gramm said that he gave his permission to print the article in May, three months before he announced his candidacy, and while he was still on the Texas A&M staff.

"He was never asked to publish the article," David Jones, editor of the Tierra Grande, said. "I taped his speech. He had no idea that it was taped."

"I wrote the article from the tape, and sent it to Dr. Gramm in about August, asking if it would be all right to publish it. He accepted," Jones said.

"The idea that I would use this article because I'm running for Congress is absolutely ludicrous, and an assault on the integrity of A&M University," Gramm said.

Edwards and Gramm have both circulated pictures of themselves with Congressman Olin Teague, who has announced that he will not seek re-election to the 6th District seat.

Edwards said the Dallas Times Herald quoted Teague as saying "Phil Gramm has over and over used my name in connection with his campaign and I think that's unfair."

"I talked to Mr. Teague on New Year's Eve, and he told me he would be happy for me to use the picture of the two of us," Gramm said. The picture of Gramm and Teague was taken four years ago. Congressman Teague could not be reached for comment.

Council thinks housing contracts being violated

By CHRIS PICCIONE
The problem of single students living in married student housing is a concern of the University Apartment Council. Members of this council, elected by residents of married student apartments, feel that people living in these facilities are violating the housing contract.

To get a married student apartment, the applicant needs only to sign a contract. The contract states that a "married couple or a family unit of two or more persons with a legal head of household may reside in University-owned apartments."

But the principle tenant must be enrolled in 12 hours each semester. This is checked with the registrar on the 12th day of classes.

Divorced or widowed persons attending Texas A&M with dependents are considered a "family unit," and may reside in married student apartments.

Single students, or students of the same sex, that are breaking the contract, are reported to the apartment council. The council reports this to Nicolas, who said he takes immediate action on the reports.

Students violating the contract are told to move out within 30 days, and no penalty is imposed. Fred Patterson, vice president of operations for the apartment council, said he believes single people are still moving in.

"The apartment system is on a trust basis, but some good old Ags aren't so good," he said. Patterson added that the management ought to require a marriage certificate as part of the contract.

Nicolas said it would be difficult to read marriage certificates of students who come from foreign countries. But Melinda Biersdorfer, another council member, disagreed and said that foreign students have their drivers licenses renewed in English and they could easily have their marriage certificates translated.

Common law marriage, known as marriage without formalities, is legal in Texas. Nicolas said he has encountered only one instance of a couple living together under common law marriage. This couple presented Nicolas with a registration of marriage, a certificate signed by the justice of the peace as evidence of their marriage.

Under common law, this certificate is not necessary. A couple can prove they are married if both partners declare in court that they agreed to be married. A witness must also verify the fact that the couple made a public statement of marriage.

Nicolas would not say if he would require the certificate of marriage from other couples who were living together.

The problem is apparently not as serious as it was thought to be. "Mr. Nicolas takes care of it completely," Patterson said. "These people are Aggies, very conservative, very straight," Nicolas said. "They are here for an education, that's it."

Sewer line may not disturb area residents

By JEANNE LOPEZ

Currently the Northgate sewer line is being installed by College Station and the city of Bryan, but a separate line will be needed for the two cities sewer utility agreements in January 1979.

Should College Station voters approve a \$650,000 Northgate Sewer proposal which calls for a separate line, in the April bond election, most residents of that area will not be inconvenienced by the sewer construction which would begin this summer.

There will be no disturbance in the immediate Northgate area," said City Councilman Gary Halter.

The city (College Station) owns the line in Welborn Road to South College Street so actual construction will begin on College Avenue into Hensel Park," Halter explained.

Halter added that putting the sewer line through Texas A&M University-owned Hensel Park is dependent on the approval of the University. He said he feels that the University will approve the construction of the line would serve the married student housing in that area.

The only disturbance there will be is the noise of the foliage," said Halter. Residents on Cooner Street will be inconvenienced because the line is designed to run under the middle of that street.

The current Northgate line is shared with the city of Bryan and is prone to overloading.

College Station has failed to reach a compromise with Bryan on the sewer situation.

College Station proposed upgrading the present line to meet the needs of the residents. Bryan suggested a merger of the two cities to resolve problems.

Councilman Halter blamed the Bryan Council's lack of cooperation on ill feelings toward College Station stemming from a recent utilities suit waged against Bryan.

Health agency gives new service plans

By FLAVIA C. KRONE

The Central Texas Health Systems Agency, Inc. (CTHSA) presents its first preliminary Health Systems Plan and Annual Implementation Plan Tuesday night at a meeting at the Bryan Utilities building.

CTHSA was formed by residents of a 30-county area, designated "Service Area 6," which includes Brazos County. It is a private, non-profit corporation authorized under the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974.

To meet these goals, CTHSA has developed a preliminary Health Systems Plan and Annual Implementation Plan for "Service Area 6." When CTHSA adopts a final HSP and AIP it can receive a permanent designation as the health planning agency for this area from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW).

As a federal agency, CTHSA will have the authority to review specific programs and projects concerning health service and to enforce compliance with the "Service Area 6" plan.

According to Dr. E.L. Payne, a Bryan dentist, CTHSA will be able to regulate almost every aspect of area health care. "Under the law, you can tell me how many chairs I can have, where I can practice, and where I can move my office," Payne said.

Payne and another Bryan dentist, Dr. J. Garland Watson Jr., pointed out that no dentist participated in the formulation of the Area 6 health plan. "We feel that it is unfair to be regulated against without representation on the CTHSA Board of Directors," Watson said.

Under law, the CTHSA's 30-member Board of Directors must reflect the geographical, racial, ethnic, income and sex makeup of the area. The board is composed of both laymen and professionals in the health service field.

Keith Markley, executive director of CTHSA said that the dental, mental health and pharmacology fields are not represented on the board because other requirements had to be met first. However, Markley said that professionals not currently represented have an opportunity to compete for the 10 Board positions which will open up in September.

Board member and local physician Clyde M. Caperton also encouraged the public to participate in the final formulation of the "Service Area 6" Health System Plan.

"To the consumer this is not just a piece of paper. Other laws will use this health plan in implementing funding and health services decisions," Caperton said. "It is important to get consumer input."



Andre Watts

Concert pianist Andre Watts strikes a serious pose during his Tuesday night concert in Rudder Auditorium. Watts, whose performance was sponsored by the Opera and Performing Arts Society, played the works of Schubert, Chopin, Debussy and Liszt. (See review, p. 7)

Battalion photo by Malcolm Moore



Why didn't I brush with fluoride?

Even an African lioness has to go to the dentist. Dr. D. Rychetski, assisted by Texas A&M University student Danni Goldin, performs surgery on this lioness in the Small Animal Clinic of Texas A&M's veterinary medicine school. The animal belongs to a private individual from Austin. Dr. Dean Brown said the school likes to handle exotic animals, because it provides a better program for vet students.

Battalion photo by Esther Cortez

Clayton says Texas' growth should stop

By LAURA O. HENDERSON

Government growth in Texas is so rapid it is alarming and should be halted, says Bill Clayton, the 59th Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

Clayton was presented by the Political Forum Committee of Texas A&M University on Tuesday.

Clayton mentioned various national problems, for example the national debt. He said that everyone's individual share of the national debt comes to \$114,800.

Clayton said he is concerned with the citizens' of Texas participation or lack of participation in Texas government.

Clayton said there are rapid increases in state budgets that are frightening. He added that state appropriations from the federal government for Texas in 1963 were less than \$3 billion. Today they are \$16.5 billion.

Clayton said participation by the people is important. He said problems could be

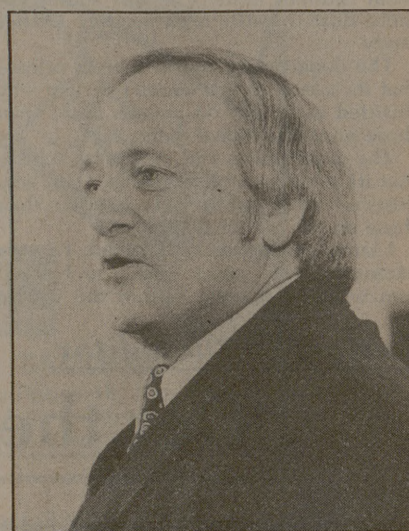
changed if people involve themselves enough. "They can turn the bad news to good news."

Clayton said that interest in government is not enough. "There's more to it. You have to participate."

Clayton said the voters opportunity for participation is this year. There will be elections for governor, statewide officers, a United States senator, federal congressmen, 150 house members and half of the Texas Senate. "And we ought to be involved," said Clayton.

"We don't have to look too far back to recall our families and our own friends who gave everything for our way of life," Clayton said. "We should be willing to give a little."

Following Clayton's speech was a question and answer session. When asked how Texans can improve their image and keep on good terms with other states, Clayton answered, "When you've got things the best, everyone's going to be down on you."



Bill Clayton

Conference encourages leadership

Women need to speak up

By MICHELLE SCUDDER

Women at Texas A&M University are not actively speaking up, says Sue Greenfield, assistant professor in the department of management, who will be speaking at the upcoming Women's Leadership Conference.

The workshop, which is designed to encourage women students to explore their opportunities for leadership in campus activities, is sponsored by the Student Activities Office.

"I hope the workshop will help the participants feel better about themselves and help them to have a little more confidence and aggressiveness," Dr. Carolyn Adair, director of Student Activities said.

Emphasis in the workshop will be on the value of leadership now and later in life, what deters women from seeking leadership positions and ways to overcome these obstacles. There will also be discussion of women leaders in history, and assertive and leadership skills. Women professors and staff of the University will speak at the sessions. Students will moderate each session.

"I think the opportunities for women's leadership on campus are unlimited for women who want to get involved," said

Sandy Boothe, graduate assistant in Student Activities. "We're encouraging women who might not be thinking about leadership positions to think about them."

Various leaders on campus have mixed feelings about the workshop. Student Body President Robert Harvey said, "I am not ready to concede the fact that the University needs to go out and encourage any particular segment to seek leadership roles. I wish they had brought this to the student leaders' attention before bringing it to public attention. It kind of created a nasty feeling in my mind."

Vicki Young, vice president for Student Services, said "I assume the reason for the workshop is because inherently women, due to their upbringing, have inhibitions about assuming leadership roles. I have found evidence that women are being deterred on Texas A&M's campus."

Kathy Henderson, who will be a panelist at the workshop, president of the Student "Y," said, "I think a woman at Texas A&M wouldn't necessarily try for a position if a man was running too."

Roxie Pranglin, commander of W-1, the female company in the Corps said, "We're not quite that accepted leadership wise." "My own exposure is limited to the four months that I have been at Texas A&M,

but I do see a need and desire on the part of the women to seek leadership roles," Greenfield said. "They felt invisible as far as the administration is concerned. This is probably the only major university without a women's center. It seems the members of the Corps tend to dominate class discussions, due to their leadership training. Now women need leadership training also."

Acting president of the Women Student's Association, Beth Hartman said, "The potential for women's leadership is there but it is going to take awhile for people to accept it. Some of the males are still adjusting to the idea of women being on campus."

"We're trying to make women more visible on this campus. We're not at all women's libbers, we're just advocating the right to be the same."

The workshop will consist of five sessions on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. beginning Feb. 6.

Recognized student organizations were invited to nominate participants, but participation is open to anyone interested, until Friday at 5 p.m., as long as space is available. Students may sign up in Room 221 of the MSC.