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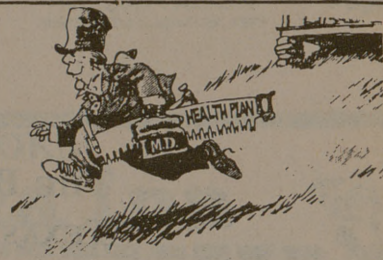
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Council votes to stop funding

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The College Station City Council approved the 1978-79 budget Tuesday night and served notice on both Brazos County and local service organizations that the city will be phasing out its support of these organizations.

The budget reflects a 4-cent tax increase and an 11 percent increase in expenditures over the present fiscal year.

The council as a whole agreed that the service organizations' funding requests should be a county consideration rather than a city one.

"These are functions that should be carried out by the county," Mayor Lorence Bravenec said. The council voted to send letters to the various organizations and the county judge, notifying them of the its intention to phase out support.

Concepts dropped from P.E. plan

By SCOTT PENDLETON
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The physical education department has decided to no longer require all students to take the "concepts" portion of the department's required P.E. curriculum.

"As of this moment, we will not have required concepts," said Professor Emil Mamaliga, head of the required physical education office.

In a meeting Thursday, Dr. Carl W. Landiss, head of the physical education department, and Mamaliga decided to delete concepts from the P.E. program starting next fall. Instead, a new course will be offered that is optional and has very few lecture hours.

Concepts was introduced in 1967 as a physical fitness evaluation and conditioning course. It included a considerable amount of lecture time to give students more detailed information about subjects such as heart disease. All students were required to take concepts as one of their four required P.E. courses.

Mamaliga said unfavorable feedback was one of the reasons concepts was discontinued. Students and staff members felt that there were too many lecture hours in the course.

Mob still roams city in wake of violence

United Press International

MATAMOROS, Mexico — City officials hoped the presence of machine gun-carrying soldiers would deter students from a second night of burning and looting, but gangs of teen-agers still roamed near the barricaded downtown plaza Tuesday night.

An estimated 1,000 persons — in groups of 30 to 40 — gathered near the army barricades around the 15-block area where students protesting police brutality had broken windows and burned buildings Monday night.

Damage was estimated at \$2 million and the downtown city hall was destroyed. The rioters also stormed a jail on the west side of the city, burning it and allowing six prisoners to escape.

There were reports of gunfire and scuffles with soldiers late Tuesday and an American reporter's car was overturned by a mob, but no casualties were recorded.

State and federal troops from nearby cities were put on alert Tuesday as rumors circulated that students from Monterrey were heading for the city to join Matamoros students.

At least three rioters were killed Monday and 15 were hospitalized with injuries after a four-hour battle with police and soldiers with armed automatic weapons.

Gov. Enrique Cardenas Gonzalez arrived from the state capital to view the damage and Gen. Manuel Sanchez Rocha mapped plans to curtail further outbreaks.

Some reports indicated as many as 3,000 soldiers patrolled the city Tuesday, but officials said only 100 additional soldiers were called in.

"We think the whole thing is under control since last night," government spokesman Edmundo Lozano said. He said the additional forces probably would stay two or three days to guard against more violence.

The students had demanded Mayor Antonio Cavazos Garza fire the police chief in retaliation for the death of a 15-year-old boy who allegedly was beaten by police last week.

Cavazos Garza suspended Police Chief Emiliano del Toro Tuesday pending an investigation of the boy's death, but rejected Toro's offer to resign.

Matamoros, a city of 150,000, has had a history of police brutality allegations and three police chiefs have been fired in the past three years.

The most recent case involved the fatal beating of Salvador Barba, 15. Twelve policemen have been fired in the past two weeks for their involvement in his death and the ensuing coverup.



Students pay respects

Bill Coble, a freshman engineering technology major from Dalhart, pauses to study the Silver Taps notices posted on the flagpole in front of the Academic Building. Although Silver Taps is not held during the summer, the flag still flies half-mast to honor Aggie students, faculty and



Battalion photos by Pat O'Malley

staff who have died during the past month. Silver Taps, a 21-gun salute ceremony, is a time when Aggie students gather to pay their respects to deceased fellow students. The next Silver Taps will be held at the beginning of the fall semester.

University of Houston program audit shows fund shortage; investigation starts

United Press International

HOUSTON — A spokesman for the University of Houston Tuesday disclosed that an audit of a program whose dean committed suicide has revealed a fund

shortage of between \$6,000 and \$9,000.

John Davenport, chief spokesman for the university, said the money was missing from the Center for Continuing Education.

George Young, dean of the school, committed suicide two weeks ago, shortly after Houston station KULF broadcast an investigative series on the school.

Davenport said District Attorney Carol Vance had been advised of the shortage of funds and all information had been turned over to his office. Vance indicated he would begin his investigation immediately to determine if there should be any criminal prosecutions.

Davenport said the audit of the center

showed at least 11 payments had been received as tuition for real estate courses at the school but there was no indication of where the money went. The 11 tuition payments were made between Jan. 1 and June 1 of this year.

Tuition payments were under Young's jurisdiction at the school.

Dr. Barry Munitz, chancellor of the center campus, confirmed between \$6,000 and \$9,000 was missing.

"We can't find at this point where the cash is," he said.

Ex-representative ruled fit to face trial

United Press International

WASHINGTON — Otto Passman could become the first ex-congressman to be tried on charges relating to alleged South Korean payoffs to congressmen.

A federal judge has ruled that the former Democratic representative from Louisiana is competent to face charges of bribery and tax evasion, despite health problems.

U.S. District Judge Barrington Parker said Passman, who spent three decades in Congress and was chairman of the powerful House Appropriations subcommittee on foreign aid, could stand trial on allegations he received \$213,000 from South Korean businessman Tongsun Park and failed to pay taxes on some of that amount.

Before reading his decision, Parker arraigned Passman on the two indictments. To each, Passman, in a barely audible voice, replied: "I'm not guilty, your honor."

Former Rep. Richard T. Hanna, D-Calif., the only other congressman charged in the case, pleaded guilty March 17 to charges of conspiring to defraud the United States. As a result of his plea, the government dropped 39 other counts against him. The government said Hanna received \$246,640 from Park.

Defense attorneys argued that Passman, who was 78 today, is "a broken-down old man" who has neither the memory nor the emotional stability to stand trial.

'Over the Hill Gang' may beat confessed heist rap

United Press International

BOULDER — The police call them the Over the Hill Gang: six middle-aged housekeepers who confessed to heisting 10 bicycles from a college dormitory — and it looks like they'll beat the rap.

Detective Rick Johnson said the six women, housekeepers at the Williams Village dormitory of the University of Colorado, admitted using bolt cutters to break locks on 10 bicycles left in racks by students at the end of the semester.

Johnson said Tuesday that investigators believe 15 to 20 bikes were taken, but only 10 have been recovered. They were valued at \$80 to \$200 apiece.

"We call them the Over the Hill Gang," Johnson said. "The women said the students were careless with their property,

and so they decided to take it for themselves. One woman said she gave three bikes to underprivileged children in her neighborhood."

Deputy District Attorney Kill Kowalski said no charges have been filed in the case, and he doubts the case could be prosecuted successfully.

"It's hard to prove which maid took which bike," he said. "And with the Robin Hood aspect of the case it would be tough to convince a jury to convict anyone."

Johnson said only three students filed theft reports on missing bikes, and one of those has been recovered.

A dormitory administrator, Jim Whitney, said the six women, 44 to 58 years old, included long-term employees. He said one had been a housekeeper at CU for 19 years.



Battalion photo by Pat O'Malley

Shower time

Actually, Scott Weaver isn't looking for a free shower in the Rudder Center fountain. He's looking for rocks which block the fountain's water intake valves and cut off its water. Scott is a senior history major from DeLeon, working for the University facilities department this summer. Keeping the Rudder fountain clean is one of his duties.

First session enrollment highest yet

If classes seem larger this summer than they did last summer and if the lines in the MSC look longer, it's because a record number of students are attending summer school this year.

Approximately 600 more students registered for the first summer session this year than last year. The unofficial count for the summer is 10,644 students, Don Carter, associate registrar of admissions and records, said. Last year 10,045 students attended summer school.

"I've been here since 1973 and enrollment has grown every semester since then," Carter said.

While the total number of students enrolled at Texas A&M continues to increase, the rate of growth seems to be decreasing, Don Woods of the office of planning and institutional analysis, said.

Woods said that enrollment at Texas A&M has continued to grow, but has been slowing down since about 1974. Based on fall enrollment statistics, Woods gave the following figures:

STUDENTS ENROLLED
1975 24,876
1976 27,547
1977 28,833

GROWTH OVER PREVIOUS YEAR
17.1
10.7
4.7

Projected enrollment for the fall, 1978 semester is 29,928 students, representing an increase of 3.8 percent over last year, Woods said.