







Visiting craftsmen and A&M students display their wares

Cladys Stone of Navasota (far left) shows her wiggle worms and stuffed imals during the Arts and Crafts Fair held around the Rudder Founin Wednesday. Misty Gibson, a graduate student in Industrial Educan, looks at a necklace she's interested in through a pottery mirror.

Pottery was a popular commodity at the fair, and Bob Burns, a graduate student in Wildlife Fisheries, relaxes behind his display. Even the campus police officers were interested in what the artists had to show at the

fair. Officer Les Cline (far right) was particularly drawn by the portrait sketches on display. The Arts and Crafts Fair is sponsored by the MSC Summer Programming Committee and continues today until 3 p.m.

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causes deaths, damages

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## Miller asks KAMU to take off program

By SCOTT PENDLETON

Battalion Staff
"Options in Education," "Options in Education," a program broadcast by KAMU-FM, has been discontinued, perhaps indefi-nitely, at the request of the adminis-

Jarvis Miller, president of Texas A&M University, listened to the program Monday night. During the broadcast, he heard a girl talk about performing oral sex and other explicit sexual material

"It was raunchy," Miller said. John Merrow, the producer of "Options in Education," termed the program that Miller heard "perhaps the most important we've done in the four years that the series has been on the air

The subject of the program was children in mental institutions "Today, 70,000 children (ages

Merrow said in a teletype message that National Public Radio uses to communicate with member sta-

0-18) are in mental institutions.

Miller said that he did not order KAMU-FM to stop broadcasting "Options in Education."

He brought the matter to the attention of Dr. John Prescott, vice president for academic affairs. Prescott is having Dr. Leatha Miloy, director of Educational Information Services, study the matter.

"Mrs. Miloy will really decide what happens (to Options in Educa-tion)," Prescott said. He expects to receive her recommendation today

students at Texas A&M who graduated

from high school in the top quarter of their

class increased from 37 percent to 70 per-

cent, Prescott said. During the same

period, the number of students in the

lower quarter of their high school class who attended the University dropped

from 27 percent to eight percent.
Only six percent of lecture classes and

teaching assistants, Prescott said. The

University is able to do this by adding

more faculty members rather than giving

raises to present faculty members. But he said that the Texas A&M faculty generally are paid less than faculty at similar institu-

During the hour-long meeting the ad-

ministration stressed the accomplishments

and value of the University and the need

Before the budget boards make an ap-

said, they will study the University's

budget recommendation in much more detail for several weeks, asking questions

of University officials and traveling to

Texas A&M to study pertinent material.

The governor will use the budget

board's information to make a recom-

mendation to the Texas Legislature, which

will also make a recommendation based on

set, you may not recognize it," Westbrook

Howard Vestal, vice president for busi-

They better give us at least level three

funding, unless they want us to close down

part of the University. We can't operate with anything less," Vestal said.

The state coordinating board determines the Texas A&M budget using a

complicated formula. When the administration meets with the budget boards, this

budget is considered to be level three

Level one would be 90 percent of that

figure. Level two would be 100 percent of

the previous budget adjusted for inflation.

"We desire level four," Vestal said, which includes funds for "whatever we can

justify." He cited badly needed improvements, such as fence and road mend-

ing for 3,700 outlying acres of campus.

These repairs aren't included in the for-

mula with regular maintenance funds.

ness, hopes that he will recognize it.

"By the time the appropriation is finally

its budget board's information.

for more money

A&M, state officials discuss next budget

By SCOTT PENDLETON

administration officials met with bers of the Legislative Budget Board the Governor's Budget Board Wedday to discuss Texas A&M University's

dget for the next two years. arvis Miller, President of Texas A&M ersity, set the tone for the 9 a.m. eting with comments about increasing mands on Texas A&M and the need for eased appropriations.

Burgeoning enrollment has put a major in on our facilities, faculty, and staff,"

he number of students at Texas A&M doubled in eight years. This has ed to create a boom economy in the which causes some of the University's

ne University no longer sets the wage e, Miller said. Employees are being ed away from the University because are no funds available to give them

John Prescott, vice president for emic affairs, struck a more positive

Our growth has been qualitative as as quantitative," he assured the get boards.

ver an 18-year period, the number of

Rangers can't ull trigger n Sugarplum

SEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. t's hard to shoot a bear named

tional Park Service rangers said redy they are going to stop naming bears osemite National Park because of the chological problems the practice causes rogue bears have to be eliminated.

s "blatant foolishness" to name bears mislead people who do not realize a with a cute name may be a dangerous st with a nasty disposition, he said. denceforth, delinquent bears, like man criminals, will be known only by ober — Sugarplum has become "247" Sunset now is "224." There are fewer ections to ridding the world of trou-

aker known only as "bear 247."

All I said was that I didn't want that kind of language on the air," he

picking people out of trees. Our main concern right at the moment is just rescue." At midday, Frank Velasquez, a Sabinal, Texas, cable television employee, said he stood by the Medina River outside Band-era — about 40 miles northwest of San Antonio — watching homes and house trailers float past him.

He said one dwelling had two residents on its roof frantically waving for help.
"I couldn't believe it," he said. "I saw

Torrential rains from a dissipated tropi-

cal storm flooded vast areas of the Central

authorities feared the death count would

rise appreciably once the swollen creeks

"We've got lots of inquiries about people missing and right now we don't know if they've been found," said a Band-

era County sheriff's dispatcher. "They're

and rivers began to recede.

those people sitting on top of the root and there was nothing I could do. I watched them for about 300 yards as they sat there waving their hands.

Among those rescued at Bandera was the 1977 Miss USA, Kim Tomes, 22, of Houston, who spent four hours in a tree with her mother, two sisters, brother-in-law and nephew. She said the water struck

in the early morning while she and her family were vacationing at a dude ranch near the town.

More rains were expected later in the day that would again push the river out of

Texas Hill Country Wednesday, sweeping away homes and cars and forcing hundreds of residents to high ground for safety.

At least two elderly persons died in the flash floods which began late Tuesday. But Evacuations were conducted in a half dozen other hill country towns during the day. The DPS said communities south of the deluged towns also were on the alert for rising waters.

The rainstorms were the aftermath of tropical storm Amelia, which weakly pummeled the Gulf Coast Sunday and

mesquite and cedar thickets west of San

superb - p. 3.

Farmers and ranchers had at first welcomed the precipitation as saving grace to rain-starved crops and pastureland. But the year-long drought left many creek beds hard as concrete.

As the deluge continued — some areas reported rainfall of up to 20 inches — cattlemen began moving their stock away from the creek beds when the National Weather Service issued the expected flash flood warnings.

The first reports of massive flash flood-

#### Floods force evacuation of popular summer camps

camps along the Guadalupe River had to the flooding developed, DPS troopers be evacuated because of flooding Tuesday. A DPS spokesman said children were

evacuated from Camps Cristalles, La Junta and Hermann Sons, but no evacuation was necessary at Camps Arrowhead, Mystic, Heart of Hills, Stewart, Waldemar or Kic-

We've been besieged by calls from Guadalupe River.

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AUSTIN — Department of Public dren in the camps," said DPS spokesman Jim Robinson. "Early this morning before sheriffs deputies went to camps and told them to move to higher ground if necessary. All the people there are OK. The safety of all the camps has been checked

by DPS and National Guard helicopters." Robinson said there have been no reports of any casualties from flooding on the

valleylocked Southwest Texas city of about 11,000 located 90 miles west of San Antonio. Texas A&M University employee Barry Jones said he stood in the yard of his hillside home and watched a 5-foot-high wall of water turn the normally tranquil

Leona River into a roaring torrent. "I was standing outside working in my yard and all of a sudden I heard trees cracking," he said. "My dog went beserk. In a matter of seconds it was 8 to 10 feet

The flood waters reached to within a block of the Uvalde County Courthouse at the center of the city, but receded by midnight. Police said more than 150

families were evacuated. Meanwhile, two of the hardest hit communities — Bandera and Medina were virtually cut off from the rest of the

The only open telephone line left in

Bandera -- the largest town in the county with 1,020 — was the sheriff's and the dispatcher said only one road remained open. "We've got an Army helicopter and a

private one out circling and looking for people," she said.

The Department of Public Safety also dispatched helicopters to Kerrville and

Medina as well as Bandera.

Medina, located about 13 miles northwest of Bandera, was reported completely cut off by high water from both the Medina and Sabinal rivers.

Fear rising over U.S. farmland buyers 17 percent of lab classes are taught by

### Bill to identify foreign land owners

WASHINGTON — A bill requiring foreign owners of U.S. farmland to report their ownership to the federal government was approved Wednesday by a House Agriculture subcommittee.

But afterwards Pat Westbrook of the The legislators reacted to concern legislative budget board said the meeting among some farm groups that purchases of was basically for the benefit of the public farms by foreigners, mostly Europeans, with stronger currencies than the dollar were driving up the price of American propriations recommendation, Westbrook

It has been estimated that foreign interests purchased \$800 million to \$1 billion worth of U.S. farmland last year.

Previous studies of the issue, including a recent General Accounting Office report, have been limited by a lack of infor-

Rep. John Krebs, D-Calif., a prime sponsor of the bill co-sponsored by 73 House members, said the bill would provide information which is fragmentary.

The bill is far short of what could have been a more extreme reaction to foreign purchases: legislation to prohibit foreign

The measure would require that purchases of U.S. farmland by foreign individuals, corporations or domestic corporations controlled by foreigners be reported to the secretary of agriculture. Reports also would be required by foreigners who already own farmland.

Resident aliens would be excluded from

The required report would include a buyer's name and address, his citizenship or the location of a corporation, a purchase price, intended use for the land and a de-scription of the land, including the number of acres.

Penalties for failure to report or false reports would be fines of up to 25 percent of the value of the land.

The agriculture secretary would be required to analyze the effects of foreign purchases on American family farms and rural communities and the effectiveness of the law's reporting mechanism.

A similar bill was introduced in the Se nate by Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., and Malcolm Wallop, R-Wyo. The Senate Agriculture Committee has not considered a similar bill. A committee aide said the

legislation might be premature, but that the senators had an open mind.

Administration officials, involved in some ongoing farmland surveys, also have called the legislation premature.



What's up doc?

Battalion photo by Becky Leake

Frank Griffin, a first-year vet student from Gruver, Texas, takes time out from his studies to get acquainted with a friendly Doberman. Friday

marks the last day of the second trimester and the end of finals for first-year and second-year students in the School of Veterinary Medicine.