



Battalion photo by Ed Cunniss
Winston Simms, foreground, works to complete the Timber Ridge apartment complex, one of three which wasn't finished on schedule.

Some complexes still incomplete

By BECKY DOBSON
Battalion Reporter

Students loaded with all of their belongings, including their favorite teddies and the rest of Mom's leftovers, arrived at their new apartments last week to be greeted by a partly constructed housing frames and motel room keys.

Unforeseen delays in the construction of three new apartment complexes in the College Station area left approximately 200 students homeless.

Courtyard, Timber Ridge and Village Green apartments began leasing their apartments last spring. Construction was expected to be finished by mid-August.

Spokesmen for the Courtyard and Timber Ridge complexes gave the same reason for the delay: poor labor supervision and lack of materials.

Richard Lanier, manager of Courtyard Apartments, said that no one was leased an apartment without being informed of the possible inconvenience.

Village Green authorities de-

clined to comment.

Mike Sherman, a junior at Texas A&M, is one of the displaced tenants at Village Green Apartments. Sherman said that the management was very apologetic and accommodating. A storage area was provided for his furniture and motel expenses are deducted from his rent.

Jeff Morris said he signed a lease with Courtyard Apartments in July. When he arrived a month later, he was placed in a temporary apartment. He will have to move again this week when his own apartment is completed. Others leasing apartments at Courtyard say they expect to wait at least a month before they are able to move in. They have been provided motel rooms.

Some tenants at Timber Ridge Apartments were not provided storage space for furniture or motel rooms. Many are living with five or six to an apartment until their units are complete. Cherry Jordan, manager of Timber Ridge said "All tenants should be moved in by the end of this week... hopefully."

Medical series to 'air' at A&M

By DOUG GRAHAM
Battalion Staff

A new medical series will be on the air, but it will not be Marcus Welby on ABC.

It will be lectures and medical demonstrations beamed on a microwave network being built between several Texas hospitals and Texas A&M University in College Station.

The network will connect Veterans Administration hospitals in Marlin and Waco, and the VA hospital and Scott and White Clinics in Temple with the College of Medicine at Texas A&M.

The system is being built with part of the \$17 million the medical school received through the VA Medical School Assistance and Health Manpower Act in 1976.

The system will be used for instructional purposes, said Dr. Robert Stone, Dean of the College of Medicine. He indicated that a link with these hospitals was important in supplying medical students with more clinical experience. This is important because there is no University hospital being planned, he said, and the facilities most readily available to Texas A&M are the previously mentioned hospitals.

Stone said students will attend their first two years of medical school at Texas A&M, but finish at the hospitals in Waco, Temple, and Marlin.

The network will help standardize teaching and keep students in touch, he said.

The color network will be completed in about one year. A two-acre piece of land in Milam County, situated halfway between Temple and College Station was donated by John Culpepper of College Station.

The land contains a hill on which a relay tower will be built.

The importance of the relay tower lies in the nature of microwave communication. Microwaves are line of sight broadcasts which can be cut off, just like beams of light can be, by buildings or intervening hills. A hill was therefore needed for the tower to allow wider transmission. Waves will be broadcast to the tower which will bounce them to College Station, avoiding lower level interference.

When the broadcasts go on the air, don't expect to receive them on your television sets. The frequency of 1,000 megahertz, or roughly one billion cycles per second, is too fast for home television sets to receive.



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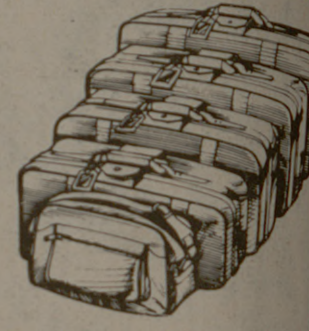
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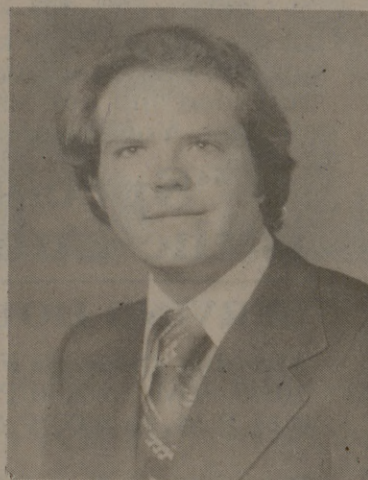


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