

A Texas A&M fullback seemed destined in 1975 to enter record books and high tax brackets with a spectacular career, but lately that dream has fizzled. Former Battalion sports editor Paul Arnett writes on page 13.

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A baby jaguar was in no danger from his human audience Tuesday night, but his fellow members of the animal kingdom are not so lucky. Pressure from humans is eliminating about one species a year. See page 10.



*'The Orange Blossom Special'*

Battalion photo by Andy Williams

Bryan Duckworth, a senior agricultural education major from Houston, relaxes for a few minutes on his porch north of the Texas A&M University cam-

pus. Duckworth says he's been playing for about three years. He also plays a less cowboy-like instrument -- the mandolin.

## Gas bill backers sure of final Senate passage

**United Press International**  
WASHINGTON — The natural gas pricing bill faced its first big test in Tuesday's Senate vote, with backers believing passage now is almost assured more than a year after President Carter proposed his own version.

The Senate was voting on a motion, sponsored by a broad-based coalition headed by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, to send the bill back to the House-Senate conference committee that worked nearly a year on it.

Backers claimed a comfortable margin of

55 to 60 votes against banishing the bill to conference, and declared they had nearly the 51 vote pledges they need for final passage. The Senate set that vote for Sept. 27.

Senate Democratic Leader Robert Byrd, D-W. Va., said vote pledges put the bill "on the verge" of assured passage.

Metzenbaum said his purpose for wanting the bill recommitted was to cut out all the controversial pricing provisions and leave it as an emergency bill with federal authority to shift supplies of gas around the country in dire shortages.

Byrd said that move would render the bill "dead, dead, dead," because the congressional session has little time left before an expected Oct. 14 adjournment.

The bill as worked out in conference committee — from two vastly different versions passed by House and Senate — would phase out federal controls on newly produced gas by 1985. Between now and then, it would allow considerably higher production prices, and would extend the controls to sales of gas within the state of production.

## Academic Council approves calendar, new curricula

By MARILYN FAULKENBERRY  
Battalion Staff

Quick decisions and little discussion marked the first fall meeting of the Academic Council Tuesday afternoon. The council unanimously approved all recommendations proposed by the Curriculum Committee.

University President Jarvis Miller also discussed the Health, Education, and Welfare Department investigation of Texas A&M and allegations of University discrimination against Prairie View A&M made by State Representative Senfonia Thompson.

Miller said there has been no reply from HEW since the investigation, though the organization did request additional infor-

mation from the University administration.

Thompson has made statements to the media that Texas A&M has been discriminatory against Prairie View in allocation of funds. Miller said that is true only when the University Fund is considered and that when all funds are included, Prairie View has fared better than Texas A&M on a per student basis. Miller said that University Chancellor Jack Williams prepared a detailed rebuttal to Rep. Thompson.

Miller also gave the official enrollment after the last day of drops with no record of 30,255. There are 19,530 men and 10,425 women, approximately a 2 to 1 ratio. He also said that the freshman class has 3,248 men and 1,968 women, contrary to the popular rumor that women now outnumber men here.

The academic calendar for 1979-1980 was approved, with the fall semester starting Sept. 3 and ending Dec. 21. The spring semester will begin Jan. 14 and end May 9, with spring break from March 10 through 17.

The council also approved new curricula for bio-environmental and plant soil science, elementary education in educational curriculum and instruction, and geology.

New courses were also approved for accounting, agricultural economics, biology, geophysics and wildlife and fisheries sciences. The courses Educational Curriculum and Instruction 182, 382, 482, and Geology 105 were withdrawn.

Many of the council's decisions involved Texas A&M's rapidly growing education department. The council changed the titles of all Educational Psychology courses to Special Education and changed practice-theory credit hours for courses in Education Curriculum and Instruction for Geology 209.

The grading system for Educational Curriculum and Instruction 227, an early field

course for sophomores, was changed from letter grading to satisfactory and unsatisfactory, because of the difficulty in grading the course work.

The council passed guidelines for awarding degrees posthumously. In the past the degrees have been awarded on an arbitrary basis. A posthumous degree will now be awarded to any undergraduate whose death occurs while enrolled for the final course work required to complete his degree, and for any graduate student who has otherwise met all requirements for the degrees concerned before his death.

Miller told the council that the Board of Regents will meet next Tuesday, and that bids will be accepted on the Kyle Field and physical education facilities expansion at that time.

He said the Board has also decided that the University administration will take a much stronger involvement in programs at Moody College in Galveston. The Board of Regents also approved a 5.1 percent increase for faculty and staff.

### 5,000 expected at Career Day

Approximately 5,000 high school students will be at Texas A&M University Sept. 30 for Career Day '78. The Langford Architecture Center will feature representatives from the Academic Counseling Center, the ROTC, Moody College, and the Colleges of Architecture and Environmental Design, Business Administration, Education, Liberal Arts and Medicine. The Colleges of Agriculture, Engineering, Geosciences, Science and Veterinary Medicine will have exhibitions located in different buildings on campus. Participants will be able to purchase tickets to the Texas A&M-Memphis State football game for \$2 each.

## Israeli vice-consul surprised peace agreement was reached

By BECKY DOBSON  
Battalion Reporter

A vice-consul for Israel said Tuesday night he was surprised that an agreement was reached by leaders from Israel and Egypt at Camp David this weekend.

"We think that not only does the world not understand the Israeli mind, but just as little is understood of the Arab mind."

"In Camp David the almost impossible was achieved."

Arthur Avnon, spoke to approximately 150 persons in a presentation sponsored by the Memorial Student Center Political Forum, in Rudder Tower.

Avnon, who lives in Houston, said concessions were made by both the Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egypt's President Anwar Sadat. The agreement made at Camp David, Md., in-

cluded "big concessions that nobody thought these two parties would make," he said.

Begin has conceded to remove Israeli settlements from the Sinai Peninsula and the Gaza Strip. Avnon explained that the Sinai Peninsula has been given back to Egypt as a peace offering other time in the past, yet peace was never realized.

Relinquishing control of the Gaza and Sinai lands was a major concession not only because of Jewish settlements there, but also for security reasons. Historically, a pass along the Gaza Strip has been used by Egyptians to invade Israel. Now Israel has agreed to remove troops from this area in an effort to gain peace.

Israel has also outlined plans for an interim government on the West Bank of the Jordan River.

Avnon said that Egypt has its own problems. Egypt has a very strong position with neighboring Arab countries. The big question Sadat must answer is whether he wants

to make peace with Israel, and simultaneously cause problems with other Arab countries.

Avnon said he suspects that Sadat will argue with the Arab countries that "Egypt decided when to join their wars and Egypt will decide when to make peace."

Avnon outlined his theory of why Sadat agreed to negotiate with Israel;

Egypt has been involved in all of the wars between Israel and the Arabs since 1948. This has not been the case with any other of the Arab countries. Egypt has suffered the most. Therefore, Sadat came to the conclusion that he can get more from Israel by peaceful means than by war.

Avnon said although his country has been plagued by wars since its beginning 30 years ago, it has still managed to create a competent society. Its solar energy research is among the most developed in the world, he said, and swift advancements also have been made in agriculture.



Arthur Avnon

## Candidate's wife spreads the word

By SALLY BLAND  
Battalion Reporter

Susan Baker, wife of Republican candidate Jim Baker, looks forward to the possibility of her husband being the first Republican Attorney General of Texas since the Reconstruction.

She visited the Texas A&M University campus Tuesday to gather support for Baker's campaign before the November general election. It was part of a 3,000-mile, 60 county drive that she has led throughout the state.

"We just need to let the people know what Jim has accomplished and is capable of doing," she said. "In order to do that, we need to spread the word over Texas about Jim and that entails a lot of traveling."

She said her husband's qualifications alone should secure his election to the office.

"His adult life has been spent as a partner in the law firm of Andrews, Kurth, Campbell and Jones in Houston," Mrs. Baker said. "His opponent, Mark White, has had eight years experience compared to Jim's 18 years experience."

"Jim is on the management committee of the law firm, served as Undersecretary of Commerce in 1975 and in 1976 was Gerald Ford's national campaign manager," she said.

As Undersecretary of Commerce, she said Baker supervised 35,000 people. On the management committee, she reported he oversees the activities of approximately 100 attorneys.

"He's had wonderful legal experience and super administrative experience," she said. "We need someone who has had lots of practical experience. We need an independent who doesn't have to worry about his political backside. My husband is against big government and will sue



Susan Baker

Washington in order to retain control over our energy supply," she said.

Mrs. Baker said her husband has developed an in-depth crime plan under which a specific crime would draw a specific sentence.

"He feels there is great disparity in the crime laws and wants justice and fairness brought to the sentencing process of criminals," she said.

Mrs. Baker will continue her campaign drive by visiting more than 40 counties before the election on Nov. 7.

### UH students protest

## Chancellor to ask for investment policy

**United Press International**  
HOUSTON — The chancellor of the University of Houston central campus has told a student protest group he will urge the board of regents to draw up a policy relating to the school's investment policies toward organizations dealing with South Africa.

A group of UH students are demanding that the school sell its investments in corporations with operations in the racially divided union.

"None of us have taken a position," Munitz said. "I would very much like to get some sort of committee including students to work with the board investment committee to get some board policy."

## Governors warned of inflation

**United Press International**  
HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. — Southern governors, who learned during the first session of their annual meeting that inflation is the country's No. 1 problem, are being briefed by energy officials.

A group of top business executives and economists told the governors Tuesday at the third day of the Southern Governor's Conference that efforts must be made quickly to bring rampant inflation under control.

"Less than 10 percent of the people in this country expect inflation to be brought

under control in their lifetimes," said Walter Hoadley, executive vice president of the Bank of America in San Francisco.

Another economist, Alan Greenspan, said that federal spending is the root cause of inflation. He specifically criticized the growth in public spending programs for welfare and retirement.

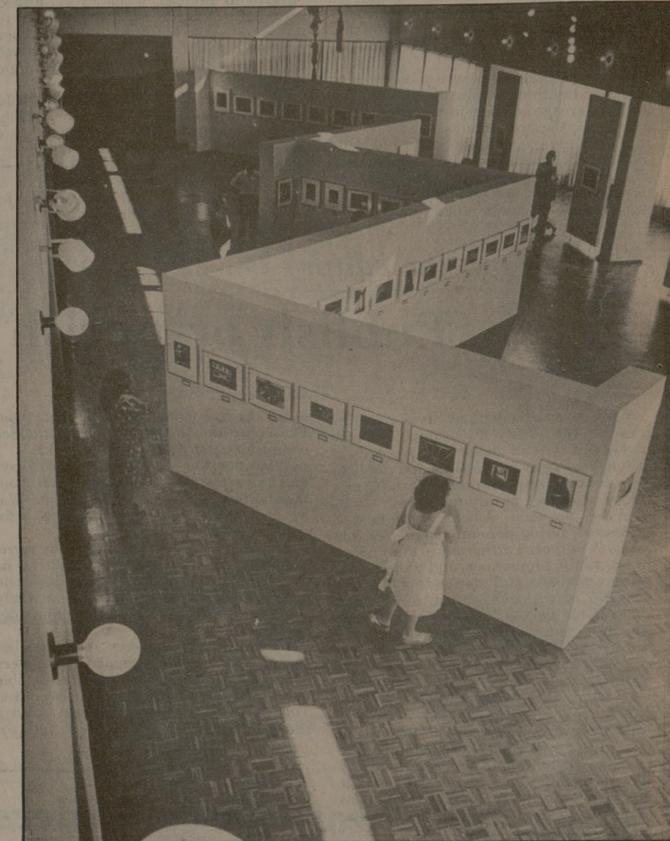
Leaders of the UH Coalition Against University Investment in South Africa said Monday some \$6 million worth of stocks — roughly one-third of UH's entire endowment portfolio — is in companies with ties to South Africa.

Willis Williams, student association vice president, said those holdings lend economic and moral support to the white minority government.

The UH group's effort resembles drives at dozens of colleges across the nation. Munitz said he had contacted other schools to see what their positions were.

"I'm not even sure legally what our options are," Munitz said.

Another speaker, Michael Evans, president of the Chase Econometrics Associates Inc., warned the governors they should not feel secure simply because property taxes are generally lower in their region.



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### A true picture show

Ansel Adams, one of the leading photography craftsmen in the world, has some of his work on display in the Rudder Exhibit Hall. Ansel is perhaps best known for his black and white landscapes of the Southwest. The exhibit will continue through Oct. 18.