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## Republican sheriff nominee 'in'

After a month of controversy, W. R. "Bill" Owens has been officially placed on the Republican ballot. The sheriff nominee is in, but the GOP county chairman is out.  
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Adamson Pool in College Station will receive a winter coat. See page 11.  
The SPCA is charging that sportsmen are cruel to jackrabbits. See page 8.

## Football is back at A&M

By DAVID BOGGAN  
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It has taken its own sweet time in arriving. Some people probably thought it would never get here. But finally, after two long road trips and an open date, the 1978 home opener for the Texas Aggie football team is here.

Ah, football. That mystical entity that has made many a poor man rich, made many a rich man squandered a few marital relationships and caused the president of the United States to reschedule news conferences.

And football has some unique effects on College Station, too. It fills parking lots, increases the revenue at local restaurants and hotels and creates an unparalleled excitement in an otherwise dreary college town.

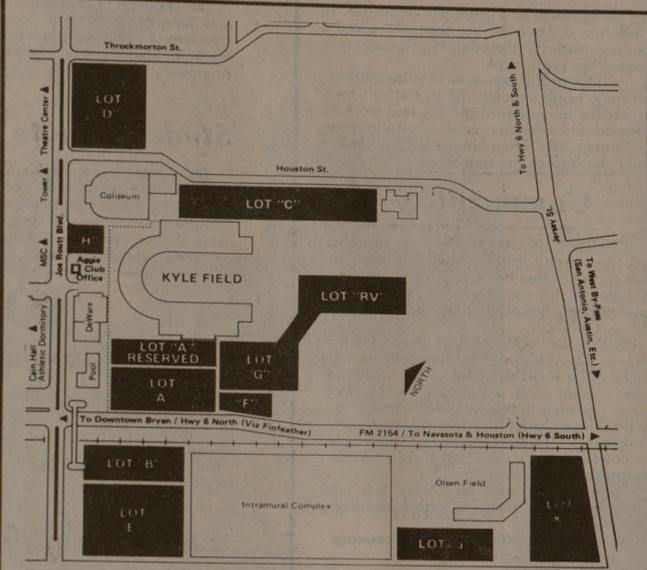
When the two football teams take the field Saturday afternoon for the 1:30 kickoff, the expected 54,000 fans will see two teams that have never played on Kyle Field before.

Memphis State, under Coach Richard Williamson, will be making its initial appearance in College Station, although Williamson was once an assistant coach at Arkansas.

"It's a heck of a place to play," the Tiger coach said of Kyle Field. "I know what goes on down there. I know what to expect."

The other team that will greet the College Station crowd for the first time is the 1978 Texas Aggies. Yes, this team bears some resemblance to Texas A&M teams of the past. But in many respects it is a different team. Anyone who was fortunate enough to see the Aggies' first two games against Kansas and Boston College can attest to that.

The most noticeable difference is on offense. It is a difference that has been analyzed by the fans, the opponents and the press since last spring, when head coach Emory Bellard installed the I-formation in the Aggie attack. For the past six years, the Aggies' offensive reper-



## 1978 Football Parking Map

Visitors may park in the black areas. Students with green or day stickers are not allowed to park there, however. Anyone may park in staff lots. The field behind Duncan Dining Hall also is open to anyone for parking, but autos must be removed by Sunday.

toire has consisted solely of Bellard's chalkboard baby, the wishbone. The combination of the wishbone and the I adds a new dimension to the Aggie offense.

The wishbone allows sophomore quarterback Mike Mosley to do what he does best—run the option. The I allows junior running back Curtis Dickey to do what he does best—run.

A few differences can be noted on the Aggie defense, too, mostly in personnel. Unfamiliar names like Milligan, Little and Carr will become more familiar as the game progresses.

As senior defensive tackle Eugene Sanders pointed out, the Aggie defense this year is playing with an improved attitude over last year.

"We are playing on confidence," Sanders said. "We have the chance to be the best defense since I've been here."

In their 37-10 victory over Kansas and in their 37-2 victory over Boston College, the Aggies have displayed their offensive ability and their defensive confidence. Now, the Aggies and football return to Kyle Field. Enjoy.

# Pope John Paul I dies of heart attack

United Press International  
VATICAN CITY — Pope John Paul I, 65, elected less than five weeks ago to succeed Pope Paul VI as the leader of 700 million Roman Catholics around the world, was found dead in his sleep Thursday night at the Vatican palace.

John Paul's reign of 34 days — he was elected Aug. 26 and died Thursday night — was the briefest in nearly three centuries. The Vatican said he died peacefully in bed, "as if he were still reading," of a heart attack.

"It's impossible. It just can't be true," wailed a Vatican attendant ushering thousands of mourners into St. Peter's Basilica.

"He had opened his arms to all of us and now he is gone so quickly. It's just impossible."

The Vatican said the pope's private secretary discovered John Paul's body at 5:30 a.m. — 11:30 p.m. EDT Thursday. The pope's doctor set the time of death about 6½ hours earlier.

The news of the pontiff's death was flashed throughout Rome and Italy and around the world within minutes.

Half an hour after Italian radio broadcast its first bulletin about 7,500 people, mostly nuns and priests, had rushed to St. Peter's Square to pray for his soul.

Cardinal John Cody of Chicago, awakened at his residence, noted the pope had asked many times during his brief

reign for Catholic faithfuls to pray for his divine guidance.

"In his name, I ask today for that same kindness — that all of you might join me in prayer for his good, loving soul."

The Vatican's official announcement of the pontiff's death said: "This morning at about 5:30 a.m. the private secretary of the pope, Father Nagee, entered the bedroom of Pope John Paul I. Not having found him in his chapel as usual, he was looking for him in his room and found him dead in bed with the lights still on, as if he were still reading."

Vatican priests offered mass for the repose of the pope's soul in a dozen chapels of the giant basilica and in the crypt where Pope Paul VI and many of John Paul's other predecessors are buried. Police set up security barriers around St. Peter's Square to control the crowds.

Vatican officials said the pope's body would not be moved into the basilica for public viewing today. They did not say when it would take place.

Pope John Paul, the former Cardinal Albino Luciani, was elected pontiff Aug. 26 in a one day conclave of cardinals that was the shortest this century. His reign also was the shortest of the century.

John Paul — he took his papal name after his two immediate predecessors, Paul VI and Pope John XXIII — reigned over the world's Catholics for just 34 days. The cardinals of the Roman Catholic

church cast only four ballots to choose John Paul. He began his reign with simplicity and humility, refusing the traditional three-tiered papal crown at his coronation ceremonies, and the news of his death drew quick reactions of shock and sorrow from around the world.

"It certainly will throw the church into a little more turmoil," a Catholic pastor said in Wichita, Kansas, "because he seemed like such a popular and easy choice and I don't think there will be such an easy choice this time" to succeed him.

The church's last rites were said over John Paul's body by Msgr. Canisio Van Lierde. With him was Vatican Secretary of State French Cardinal Jean Villot and Vatican Chief of Ceremonies Msgr. Virgilio Noe.

The yellow and white papal flags on the Vatican palace were lowered to half-staff.

Villot, who also is chamberlain of the Roman Catholic Church, immediately assumed direction of its affairs following John Paul's death.

The French cardinal immediately began notifying his fellow church princes around the world of the death and summoning them to Rome for the second time in two months to choose a successor.

Nine days of requiem masses will follow the pope's death and decisions about the selection of his successor will be taken by the cardinals present in Rome under the direction of Villot.

# Aggie Cinema hires cop to control crowds

By MARK PERRIN  
Battalion Reporter

Aggie Cinema has hired a policeman to watch the crowd at this Saturday's midnight movie and for at least four other midnight movies during the semester.

Gina Casas, chairman of Aggie Cinema, said the policeman was hired because of damages to Rudder Auditorium during the midnight movie on Sept. 15. Two broken chairs, ripped carpet, tobacco stains,

cigarette burns, empty beer cans and two full quarts of liquor were found after the showing of "Kentucky Fried Movie" which was attended by 1800 people, Casas said.

Leaves were ripped off of plants and the light bulb from the theater entrance was stolen, she said.

Two people got up on the stage near the screen during the movie, Casas said. The movie screen in the auditorium is valued at \$20,000, she said, and if someone were to damage it during an Aggie Cinema presentation, Aggie Cinema would be held responsible.

All midnight movies except one have been moved to the Rudder Theater. This will cut the number of people who can see a movie at one time from 2,300 to 700, Casas said.

Schedules may also be altered because of the recent damage to the auditorium. Aggie Cinema may not be able to afford recently released movies and may have to limit film festivals because they will not make as much money now that crowds will

be smaller, Casas said.

Weekday showings may also be cut because the profits from weekend movies help pay for the classic and international movies that are shown during the week, she said.

Aggie Cinema reserves the right to ask people to leave without a refund. They also will refuse to sell tickets to intoxicated persons.

The decision to move most of the movies from the auditorium to the theater was agreed upon mutually by Aggie Cinema and the theater staff, who operate the projectors.

Casas said Aggie Cinema's main purpose was to serve the students and now they would be forced to cut down on the number of people who could see a film. Two showings of a film on the same night are planned for many of the movies, but this would be fewer people than could see it in one showing in the auditorium.

Films for midnight shows will be chosen more carefully in the future, Casas added.

# Israel defense minister to go to Egypt plans negotiations for new peace pact

United Press International  
JERUSALEM — Defense Minister Moshe Dayan will go to Egypt in October to start peace negotiations authorized by the Israeli parliament by ratification of the Camp David accords, the state radio said Thursday.

The announcement came after the Knesset overwhelmingly approved the Camp David accords Thursday, paving the way for the Jewish state's first treaty with an Arab nation in what President Carter called a "great step forward" to peace.

Israel's 120-member Knesset ended its longest debate ever by voting, 84-19, with 20 abstentions, to give up 20 settlements in the Sinai in exchange for the beginning of negotiations with Egypt — a decision

legislators called the most momentous since Israel was born in 1948.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin, who signed the summit accords with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, said the "yes" vote means peace talks with Egypt can begin as early as next week. A treaty — Israel's first with an Arab nation — could be signed by Christmas, possibly even before Thanksgiving.

"Happy are we that we reached such a night," Begin said in an emotional address that capped the raucous 17-hour debate — the session lasted from Wednesday morning until about 3:40 a.m. (9:40 p.m. EDT Wednesday).

"This is a historical turning point of great importance," Begin said.

Carter, who engineered the twin accords in 13 days at Camp David with Begin and Sadat, received the news of the vote in a scrawled note passed to him during a political fundraising party. He announced to overwhelming applause: "We've made a great step forward in the negotiations."

"That's sure proof of the tremendous courage of Prime Minister Begin and the Israeli members of the Knesset, who now have formed a possible partnership for the rest of our lives with their neighbors, the Egyptians, under the leadership of President Sadat," Carter said.

Sadat stayed up late to await the results of the morning vote at his summer residence beside the Nile, 15 miles north of

Cairo. He gave up early Thursday as the Knesset speeches droned on, but an official spokesman delivered the Egyptian government's reaction.

"The Knesset approval is a victory for the Camp David agreements and basically a triumph for President Sadat's initiative in visiting Jerusalem last November."

The spokesman said the vote to abandon the settlements was spurred by Sadat. He said Israel's "change of attitude in such a short time is almost unprecedented in history."

The Egyptians announced Wednesday an Israeli communications team would arrive in Egypt Thursday to set up a "hot line" with Jerusalem for the peace talks.

At the United Nations, Britain supported the twin "frameworks for peace" — one for a treaty with Egypt and the other for a comprehensive pact in the Middle East. But France said "great uncertainty" surrounded the accords.

Hundreds of Israelis who will lose their homes in the Sinai settlements as a result of the Knesset's vote were massed outside the Knesset to protest the decision.

During the debate, a bomb made up of more than 12 pounds of explosives blew up near three movie houses less than two miles from the Knesset building.

One person was slightly injured, and many display windows and car windshields were broken, throwing layers of broken glass on the street.

## Signs banned in Kyle Field

A Texas A&M University policy prohibits signs in Kyle Field. The policy was adopted because signs can inhibit the vision of spectators and can be dangerous if they fall on spectators. They also can be a source of irritation to those seated in the immediate area.

Attendants and ushers will serve to remind all spectators of the policy.

# Gramm says U.S. should back new energy sources

By KEITH TAYLOR  
Battalion Reporter

Phil Gramm, Democratic 6th district congressional candidate, said Thursday night that interstate sale of natural gas should be deregulated so "yankees don't get Texas gas for one-third of what we pay at home."

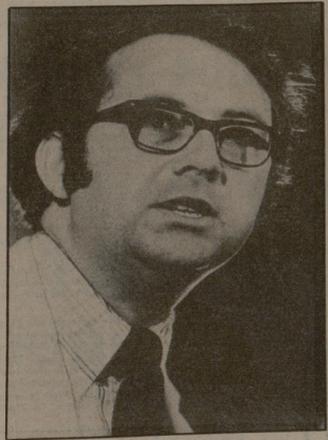
Gramm was speaking to the Young Americans for Freedom on the Texas A&M University campus.

The United States needs a program to expand the production of energy, he said adding that "our problem is a lack of putting resources to work."

Gramm said the energy resources the United States has should be used. He also said the United States needs to invest in new energy sources with a premium on solar energy. He urged government to act to provide energy at a price people can pay.

Gramm said the national budget should be balanced and offered a plan to achieve that goal. He said government spending should be limited to the amount taken in through income taxes.

He said a slower rate of government spending could cut taxes by \$20 billion by 1979, and that government spending growth should be limited to 7 percent a year, the same rate as income tax growth.



Phil Gramm

"The government should live within the same constraints as any American family," he said.

Advocating a breakup of bureaucracy, Gramm said government should be returned to the state, county and local levels.

"There is too much power in Washington to reduce discretionary power of the federal government," he said.

He said he was in favor of President Carter's reform of bureaucracy, but that he does not believe it will help solve the problem. He said there is room for hope because people are beginning to realize that "big government does not work."

He gave recent tax revolts as an example that people want to decentralize government power.

Gramm said the American farmer is faced with the problem of being too productive. He said that the advancement of farming methods has created a glut in the markets and caused farmers to lose money on their crops. He said while the American farmer is overproducing, the world is going hungry and that the world should open up to the United States agricultural market.

The falling value of the dollar on the world market can be stopped, he said, by the United States depending less on foreign energy sources, balancing its budget, and cutting the tax rate to stabilize the dollar.



Times may have changed, but Aggie Yell Practice has remained the same. This photo from "We've Never Been Licked," shows Midnight Yell Practice held in front of the YMCA building on Coke St. in 1943. See related story and picture, page 10. Photo courtesy University Archives