

## Woodpeckers devour Texas electric poles

United Press International  
SAN ANTONIO—There is something about utility poles that woodpeckers like and the Southwest Research Institute is trying to eliminate

According to utility company statistics, woodpeckers chew up millions of dollars worth of poles each year. But since federal law protects the chiselbeaked birds, the poles have for years gone unprotected.

The Southwest Research Institute is trying to develop chemically treated poles, which would put a bad taste in the woodpeckers' mouths. They call the procedure "avoidance behavior."

The study is being conducted for a rural electric cooperatives covering 59 counties in South Central Texas.

The Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative of Gonzales, a managing member of the groups that commissioned the study, estimates that woodpecker damage to the more than 67,000 poles in its nine-county area varies from \$75,000 to \$100,000 a year, more than is caused by wind, lightning and ice storms combined.

The birds damage poles by probing the wood for food and by excavating large cavities for roosting or nesting holes. In addition, nests attract snakes which sometimes fall across lines, causing power-disrupting short circuits.



### 'Beat the Hell out of Rice!'

These students, among a group of about 500 who rallied on former head football coach Emory Ballard's front lawn early Saturday morning, join in an enthusiastic Aggie yell. The rally had been called to show student

support for Ballard, who resigned suddenly last week. Ballard came out to thank the students, then quickly retreated back into his home.

Battalion photo by Lee Roy Leschper Jr.

## Churches unite in hunger relief

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WASHINGTON — The relief agencies of America's three major religions have joined in an unprecedented effort to combat a world hunger crisis said to kill more than one-third of all children in developing countries.

The three agencies — the Protestant-Orthodox Church World Service, Catholic Relief Services and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee — have launched a "Thanksgiving Hunger Fund" to help feed the world's poor.

It was the first time the three faiths have joined together in a unified, fund-raising effort.

"We consider it our immediate duty to make the right-to-eat possible for all members of the family of man," said Bishop Edwin Broderick of Catholic Relief Services.

Broderick said "few Americans are aware of the magnitude of world hunger — a crisis that he said is expected to kill some 15 million people of starvation or hunger-related diseases in 1978.

The coalition said one-third of all children in developing countries

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die from malnutrition before age 5 and more than a million suffer brain damage each year from lack of food.

"At Thanksgiving, it is fitting that we act on the true meaning of the holiday and share our gift of food," said Dr. Paul McCleary of Church World Service, the relief arm of the National Council of Churches. McCleary said "hunger is a non-partisan, ecumenical problem which must be addressed on the broadest possible scale."

Together, by pooling our resources and expertise, we can develop new and more effective channels for increasing the world's food resources and improving the quality of life," he said.

The Thanksgiving Hunger Fund will use radio and television public service announcements in an effort to get Americans to donate \$10, the cost of a Thanksgiving meal, to help alleviate hunger.

The funds will go into long-term programs aimed at increasing food production and eradicating the causes of world hunger, organizers of the project said.

Officials said 15 percent of the money is targeted for programs in the United States and "only a fraction" will be used for administrative expenses.

The Thanksgiving Hunger Fund will provide information to the American public about the realities of world hunger and what can be done about it," said Donald Robinson, president of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

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