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asterwood Tower, this is y 6446Quebec requesting out departure from runway Matagorda Island.

OK 46Quebec, you're clear ght out for Matagorda Island on vay 16. Have a nice day."

is conversation may sound a bit te to the majority of students at A&M University, but to a per of the Texas A&M Flying o, it translates: "Goodbye Col-Station, hello beach!"

hought the Flying Texas Agnave been a recognized club on us only since 1972, a predeceshe Aero Club, was active here g the 1950s. The club started the help of three interested ssors who purchased aircraft ased them to the club. Graduthe Flying Club invested more own money in the planes and ing equipment. Today the club

United Press International EW YORK — New York City hty Mayor Philip Toia was leav-his office Monday when a

ted police officer galloped up

n, handed him the reins to his , and ordered, "Hold these!"

cop, his gun drawn, then ran

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training equipment and the other investments we have, we hold more liquid assets than any other club. liquid assets than any other club." And the Flying Aggies have another thing that most other clubs don't — a waiting list. There are 100 members in the club, and at present there are about 10 waiting for an there are about 10 waiting for an opening.

'To be a member of the Flying Club, you must buy a share into the club," Falbaum said. These shares are \$125 and are resold when memberships change. There are additional fees for plane usage and flight instruction.

The Flying Club was not just orto provide an opportunity for those who want to learn to fly. Each year about 50 members earn their pri-

later. "Then I didn't know whether I'd be kicked by the horse or hit by a

A few seconds later, the police-

man emerged and ran down the

stairs of the nearest subway station

where, witnesses said, the robber had fled.

vate licenses. Certified instructors, "THIS MAKES US financially both student and faculty members, one of the biggest clubs on campus, will help train members for both former club president Randy Fal-baum said. "With six aircraft, the private and commercial licenses. The aircraft are available to those club members who already have their certification for their use

football games are the most popular attraction. Snow-skiing weather brings on trips to Vail and Taos, and the warm weather of spring invites trips to the Texas beaches.

A yearly spring function is the fly-in to Matagorda Beach. All of the club planes and a few other private ganized to draw pilots together, but planes fly to the coast for an all-day party

> The Flying Club meets the first Wednesday of each month. Anyone wanting more information should contact Mark Pohler at 845-2282 or Dr. Howard Chamerberlain at 845-6914.

### Now you know

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Tsunami — incorrectly called "ti-dal waves" — have been clocked at the surface of water 30,000 feet deep at 670 mph.

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## **Community Education offers** courses from autos to acrylics

#### **By REGINA MOEHLMAN**

Battalion Reporter If you've always wanted to learn Oriental dance, sign language, oil painting, or cake decorating, then Bryan Community Education has something to offer you.

"The primary reason for the pro-gram is to meet the interest of the people in the community," said Marvin Dixon, director of Community Education

For the spring, Community Education is offering classes in auto mechanics, bridge, crochet, guitar, gymnastics, judo, oil and acrylics, macrame, needlepoint, photography, physical fitness, Polynesianhitian dance, sewing, Spanish, welding and tennis.

Registration for the classes began this week and runs through April 2. Brochures, which contain class descriptions, schedules, fee lists, and registration forms are being distrib-uted to local banks. The Community Education office will mail brochures upon request. Its phone number is 779-2337.

Enrollment in the classes, which begin the week of April 2, is limited and early registration is encouraged.

#### must be sent in with registration forms. Students must also pay for

any materials used in the classes. Besides hobby and craft classes, Community Education offers night classes for high school credit in subjects such as algebra, history, biol-

New classes do not begin until September 1979 and will last 10 weeks. Tuition for credit classes is \$20 plus book fees.

Also, Community Education par-

Fees ranged form \$4 to \$12 and ust be sent in with registration rms. Students must also pay for ing, health, home management and citizenship. The classes are free and open to anyone 16 years of age or older. New classes will begin in October 1979

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## New department won't remedy education's woes, official says

One might think problems facing education across the nation could be solved more easily if a proposed department for that field in the President's Cabinet becomes a reality.

But Dr. Kenneth H. Ashworth, Texas commissioner of higher education, contends this is not so, in his new book, "American Higher Education is Decline.

It would benefit education for Health, Education and Welfare to remain consolidated, Ashworth said, predicting that, as a separate department, education would not get more attention from the White House. And policies would not be

better coordinated with other government programs, Ashworth said in his book being published this month by the Texas A&M Univer-

sity Press. 'All of education across the nation will merely face a stronger, more autonomous administration without anyone above the education secre-tary to appeal to," he noted, adding that the president would then be

the court of last appeal. The chief administrative officer of the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, said there are many reasons to oppose creation of a Department of Educa-

tion, which, he warned, could be-come a "full-blown ministry." "The overriding one is to pre-

clude the government from enlarg-ing its education-related bureaucracy and from making that bureaucracy more independent in applying its policies over the private and state education systems," Ashworth said.

In addition to warning of con-tinued and heightened federal intervention, Ashworth cited several areas of concern for higher education, many of them related to a deterioration of quality and purpose.

Classes are held on week nights and Saturdays and will last six weeks.

The classes are taught by local teachers, A&M students and community volunteers.

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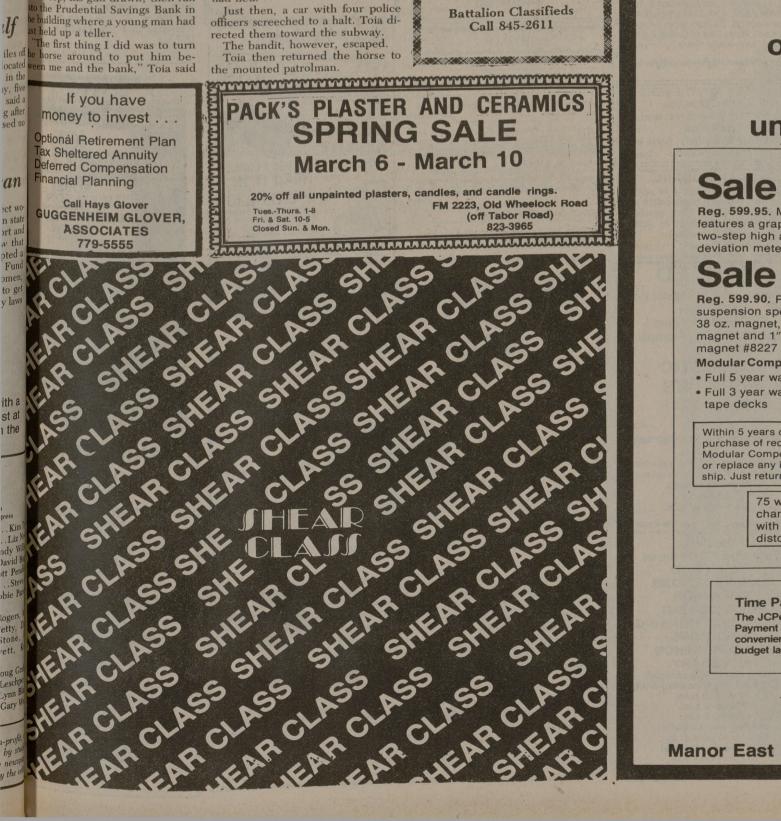
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