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UT, A&M to pool programs

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A series of meetings between Texas A&M University and the University of Texas are being planned to discuss ways of combining programs at the two institutions, University President Dr. Jarvis Miller said at the College of Liberal Arts faculty meeting Tuesday.

This, Miller said, will help strengthen existing programs at Texas A&M.

Texas A&M's enrollment is leveling off, he said, and with this comes a strategic turning point. "We are in-

involved in a major search for ideas," Miller said. "We need a new sense of purpose, a new set of goals."

Faculty input is needed to create these ideas, he said.

Among new programs for fall 1980 will be a New Faculty Orientation Program. This program, Miller said, will consist of new instructors receiving an orientation-like welcome to the University — being shown around campus and being familiarized with the people and facilities they will be working with.

Teaching programs will be a part of this, also, Miller said.

These faculty development pro-

grams have been instituted with funds for government service, he said. Faculty members can work with government services in their fields to receive information that will be beneficial to teaching.

Student counseling (academic) is being expanded, Miller said. "I feel the majority of attention has been put on the student with problems, and not enough has been paid to the above-average student."

After Miller's speech, awards were presented by the College of Liberal Arts Student Council to last year's Outstanding Faculty Award nominees.

These awards were given, Strommer said, because the Liberal Arts faculty members felt that these nominees had done considerable service to the students of, and to Texas A&M, for which they deserved recognition.

Receiving these awards were:

Robert H. Baine, assistant registrar of Admissions and Records; Dr. Warren Dixon, assistant professor of political science; Dr. Jack K. Williams, former chancellor of the Texas A&M University System; and Dr. Merrill D. Whitburn, former associate professor of English at Texas A&M.

Aggies honor late King Ranch head Kleburg bust to be unveiled Saturday

Another work of art will be added to the Texas A&M University collection Saturday with the unveiling of the Robert J. Kleberg Jr. bust by famed sculptor Electra Waggoner Biggs.

The sculpture of Kleberg, the long-time head of King Ranch, will be formally presented at 10 a.m. in the Kleberg Animal and Food Science Center by Board of Regents Chairman Clyde H. Wells. Helen Kleberg Groves, daughter of the late Kleberg, will make a response. Jarvis Miller, Texas A&M University president, will preside.

Biggs was chosen by the King Ranch family and commissioned to create the bust by the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents shortly after the opening last year of the building bearing Kleberg's

name.
The late Robert J. Kleberg headed operation of the King Ranch for more than a half century, during which time he developed the Santa Gertrudis breed of beef cattle. He was also a major influence on agriculture and a proponent of wildlife conservation.

Biggs, also a rancher, has her studio on the Waggoner Ranch in North Texas. Her best known sculpture is of Will Rogers on his horse, located at the Will Rogers Coliseum in Fort Worth. Busts created by her of Presidents Eisenhower and Truman, Knute Rockne and other works are on display around the nation and in Europe.

In creating the Kleberg bust, Biggs faced some problems. Because she was not well acquainted with her subject before his death, she said she

worked with photographs supplied by the King Ranch to produce his likeness.

"Photographs are very often inconsistent," she said. "I have many from different periods in his life, showing different views and different expressions. From these varied

likenesses, I have to create a unified, believable and recognizable whole."

In addition to the unveiling, Texas A&M — University of Texas football weekend activities will include displays and exhibits in Rudder Center depicting Texas A&M's service to the state.

Phillips gives \$75,000 for research

The Phillips Petroleum Co. has presented a \$75,000 gift to the Center for Education and Research in Free Enterprise at Texas A&M University.

An additional \$17,000 was awarded for various programs in the colleges of Engineering, Geosciences and Business Administration, development officials announced.

"This very substantial gift from the Phillips company will provide

major assistance for continued studies by the center in the field of risk management and the effect of governmental regulations on the oil industry as well as help us develop a significant educational program for the public schools," said Dr. Eugene Uselton, center director.

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The study is one of many conducted at the facility, capable of producing 200 mph winds. The wind tunnel, part of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, has been in operation since 1945.

Test products range from researching aerodynamics of aircraft models to how much roll an offshore drilling rig can take in normal and high velocity winds without capsizing. Tests are conducted by students in the aerospace engineering department, faculty researchers and wind tunnel staff.

Manager Joe Brusca said commercial tests for corporations, government agencies and foreign countries are carried out.

Wind loads on solar panels were measured for the U.S. Department of Energy in a project supervised by Dr. David Norton and Dr. Howard Chevalier. Data supplied helped determine the best way to fasten panels to a roof.

One of the tunnel's more famous projects was the space shuttle. The research here was conducted in the early 1970s when the National Aeronautics and Space Administration started the shuttle program.

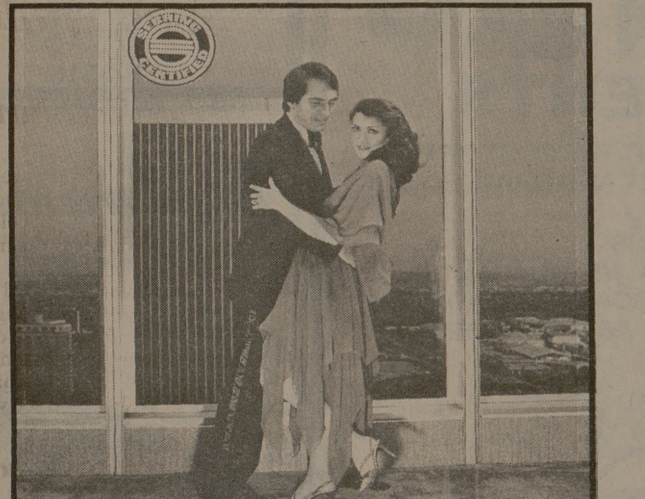


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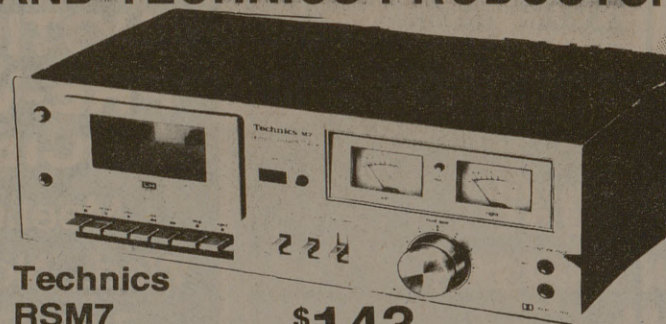
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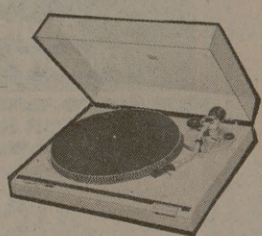
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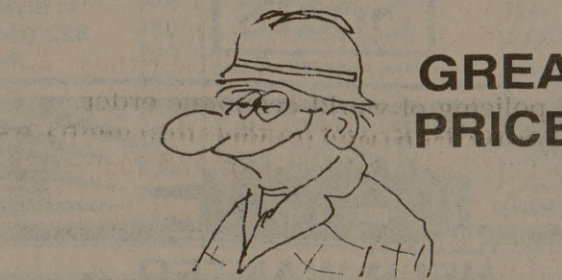
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