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Consol expects tax ncrease next year

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Battalion Staff The A&M Consolidated School Board expects to raise taxes at least 7 is per \$100 evaluation of property "just to stay even this year," Dr. n C. Reagor, school board president said Monday. 7-cent raise would compensate for the loss of \$100,860 due to B. 1060, which exempts certain homesteads and open land from

The exact amount of tax raise cannot be estimated now, Reagor ded, because the 1980 tax roll is not yet set by the tax assessor-

Currently the school district collects \$1.29 per \$100 and assesses operty at 80 percent of its market value. The board committed 80 percent of its \$6.3 million preliminary

adget for the 1980-81 school year to supplies and equipment. The we budget represents an increase of 7.14 percent, or \$424,010 this ear, reported Dr. Donald Ney, assistant superintendent. Most (84 percent) of the increase will be for the payroll, Ney said.

lities and service contracts will make up another 12 percent of the

have a set on the board awarded a milk contract to Oak Farms, a kery items contract to Rainbo and several vocational equipment ntracts worth \$31,301.

Contracts for the use of school rooms by six local churches were ended for the coming school year.

A \$4,973 regional media services agreement, which provides in-ructional materials for classroom use, was passed by the board. Dr. Judy Huffty, instructional resource worker for the district, ed an update on the district's performance in Texas Assessment Basic Skills tests for fifth and ninth graders.

Ninth graders did extremely well in language arts and mathema-s," Huffty said. Ninety percent mastered the exit level tests in g, 87 percent in math and 78 percent in writing, according to test ults. Huffty defined "exit level" as the minimum amount of skills a ndary student should have acquired by the end of the twelfth

The tests are designed to show what an individual knows in relation information or a skill, Huffty said. Results of the tests can be used in ning future instruction methods and can point out in which areas estudents need improvement, Huffty said

Campus Names

Purina awards scholarship

Kenneth Ray Rothe, a junior at Texas A&M University, has been selected to receive the Ralston Purina Scholarship Award for the Fall 1980 semester, according to an announcement made in St. Louis by George H. Kyd, direc-tor of public relations, Ralston Purina Company.

The Ralston Purina Scholarship is for \$650. It is awarded each year to an outstanding junior or

senior in the state universities and land-grant colleges in each of the 50 states, and in three Canadian agricultural colleges and in Puerto Rico.

Schneider to head ag activities

Dr. Vernon E. Schneider has been selected to head expanded activities involving student recruitment, cooperative education, placement and develop-ment for Texas A&M University's College of Agriculture announced Dean H.O. Kunkel. In conjuction with assumption of the student-related responsibilities, Schneider, will relinquish his title as the Roy B. Davis Professor of Agricultural Cooperation, effective June 1. Kunkel said Schneider will

continue to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in agribusiness management in the Depart ment of Agricultural Economics and coordinate agribusiness field study trips to agricultural business firms in Texas, Mexico, Cali-fornia and various parts of the Midwest.

Schneider joined the Texas A&M faculty in 1973 as the first holder of the Davis professorship. The professorship was estab-lished in honor of the late Roy B. Davis, who was designated in 1968 as one of Texas A&M's distinguished alumni.

Mobley to head management Dr. William H. Mobley, professor of organizational behavior at the University of South Carolina, has been named head of the Department of Management at Texas A&M University.

Mobley, who takes over July 1, has been at South Carolina since 1973. Prior to that he worked for five years in the industrial relations and personnel area for PPG Industries, Inc. in Pittsburgh, Penna., the latest assignment as manager of corporate employee relations research. His undergraduate degree in psychology is from Denison University in Granville, Ohio.

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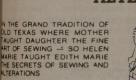
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Battalion Staff group of Texas A&M University ents for independent presiden-candidate John Anderson met day night to discuss their peti-

Anderson for President," a Unity-recognized organization, is sing during the summer to get erson on the Texas November ral election ballot. To do so, need about 41,000 registered rs to sign a petition. coording to Bruce Crooker, one

e leaders of the local organizaover 1,000 signatures have been gathered so far state-

ne of the major concerns at the ker said that Anderson supporin Houston have gotten 100 sign-

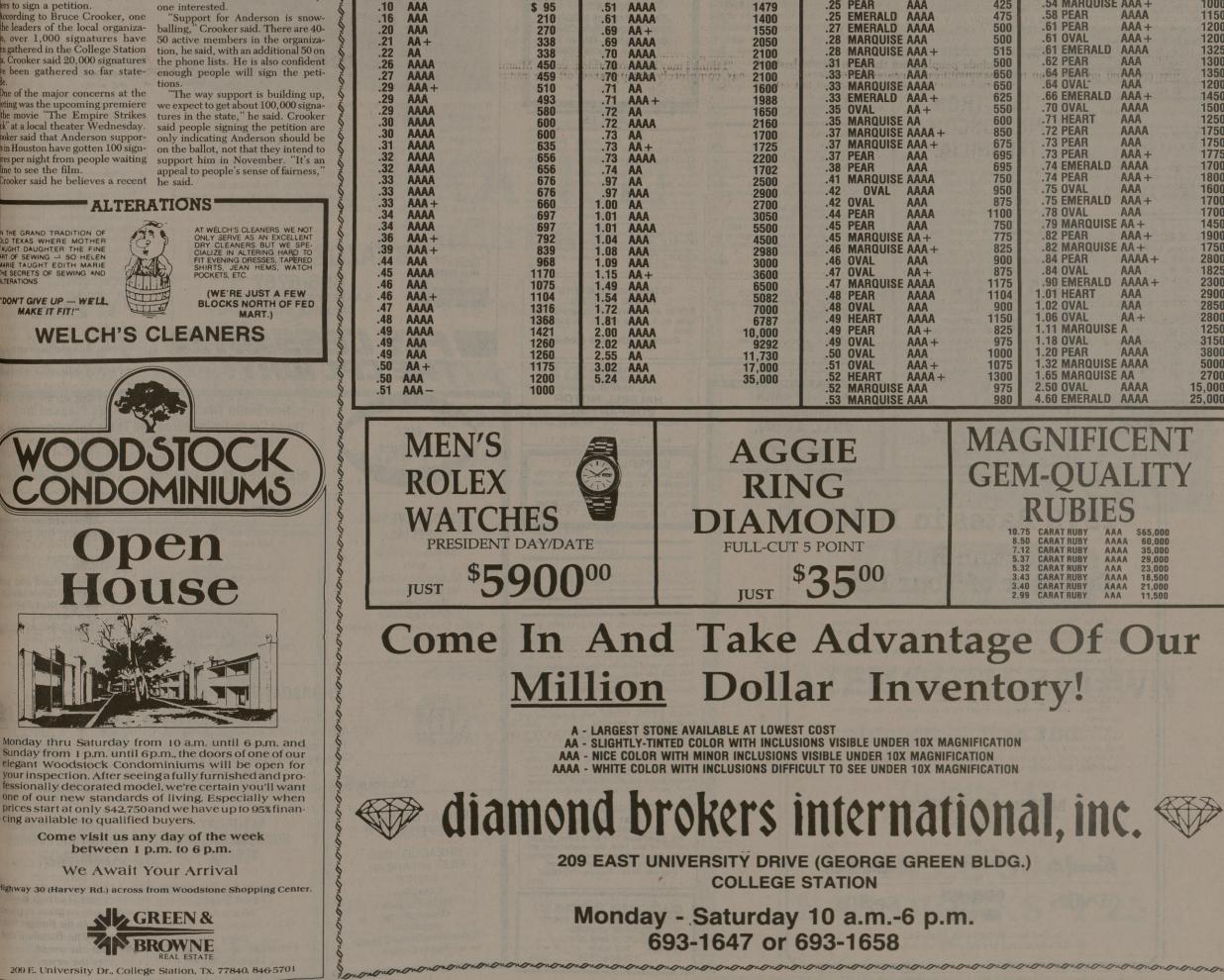


eme Court ruling protecting the right of people to distribute leaflets in a shopping mall should apply to the Anderson organization as well, although he doesn't anticipate any trouble

p.m. every day this week to get signatures for the petition and to give information about Anderson to anyone interested.

"Support for Anderson is snow-balling," Crooker said. There are 40-50 active members in the organizagathered in the College Station Crooker said 20,000 signatures the phone lists. He is also confident enough people will sign the petitions

"The way support is building up, we expect to get about 100,000 signating was the upcoming premiere ne movie "The Empire Strikes " at a local theater Wednesday. we expect to get about 100,000 signa-tures in the state," he said. Crooker said people signing the petition are said people signing the petition are only indicating Anderson should be on the ballot, not that they intend to resper night from people waiting line to see the film. Crooker said he believes a recent Support him in November. "It's an appeal to people's sense of fairness," he said.



"We have yet to have a complaint lodged against us," he said. The organization will also have a table in the MSC from 11 a.m. to 1

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