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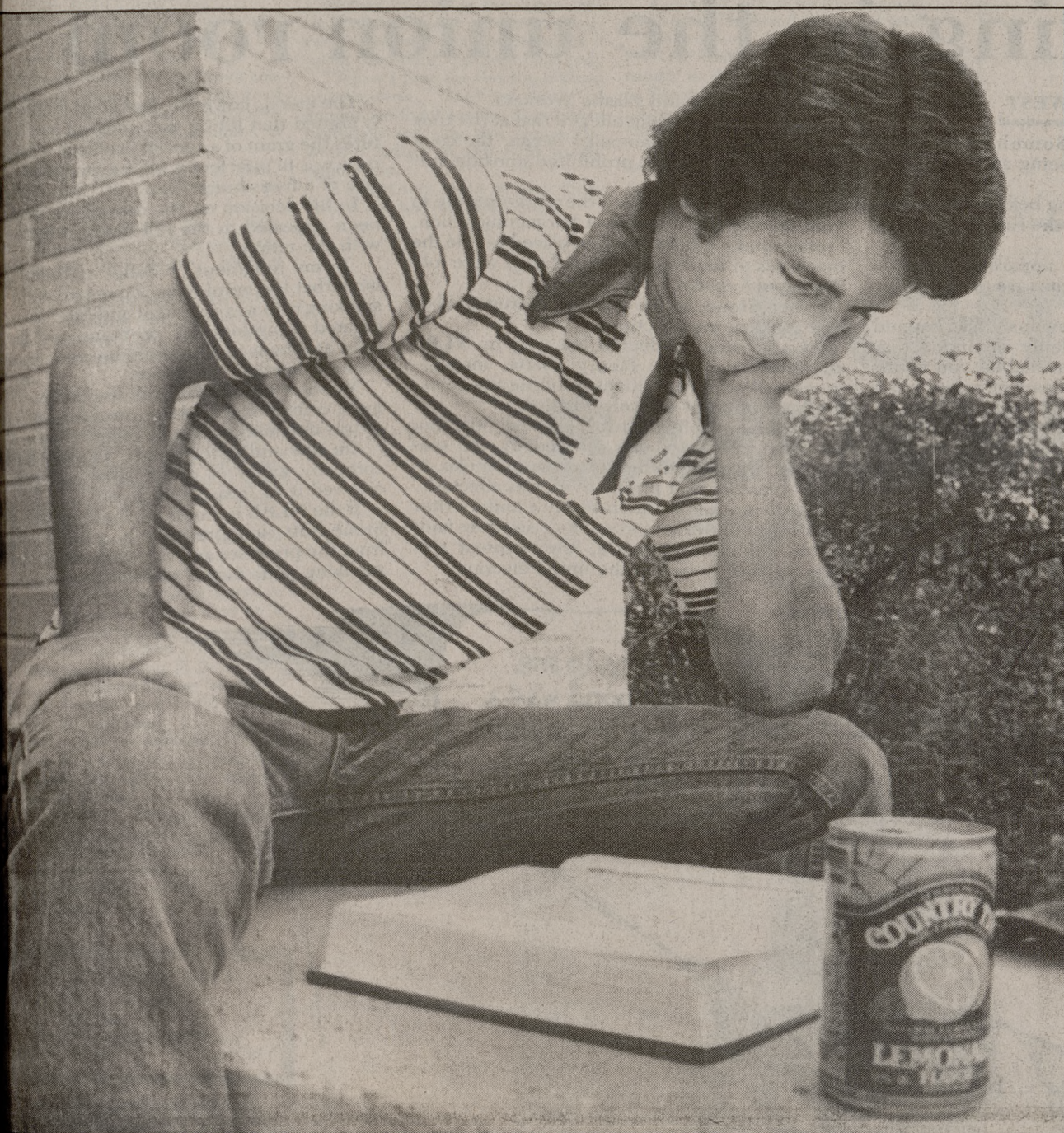
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The Weather

Yesterday	Today
High 94	High 96
Low 72	Low 70
Humidity 68%	Humidity 63%
Rain 0.0 inches	Chance of rain none



Staff photo by Pat O'Malley

Concentration

With an abundance of sunny skies and high temperatures lately, many students have been doing their studying outside. Jeff Currie, an accounting major from Dallas, reads in front of Harrington Classroom Center.

Iran says hostages not released easily

United Press International
Tehran Radio warned early today Iran will not release the 52 American hostages easily, despite Washington's agreement to accede to an "international airing" of Iran's grievances against the United States.

In Baghdad, Iraq Wednesday revoked its 1975 border agreement with Iran, intensifying hostilities between the two countries and increasing the prospects of continued fighting along their common frontier.

"America must give in to our demands," the radio said, including a U.S. apology to Iran in a list of demands that must be met before the Americans, now in their 320th day of captivity, can be released.

The warning followed a State Department disclosure Wednesday it had agreed to an "international airing" of Iran's grievances against the United States. It said the "airing" should be in an international forum and in the context of the release of the hostages.

President Abolhassan BaniSadr told the French news service Agence France Presse if the inquiry into Iranian charges were conducted it "would satisfy Iran's demands concerning Americans' crimes in Iran."

However, the Tehran Radio broadcast, monitored by the BBC in London, said those "struggling to misrepresent the act of taking the CIA spies hostage as counter-revolutionary and hence to accelerate their release now that the shah is dead, must know our

nation, as the imam (Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini) has said, will not release them easily."

The radio said the United States must show "repentance" for its past actions in Iran, not interfere in the country's affairs, return Iran's frozen assets, "as well as other demands."

The radio added the parliament has the final authority on the hostage issue.

U.S. officials were uncertain whether Bani-Sadr, who faces stiff opposition from the majority fundamentalist hard-liners, had the authority to make the agreement stick.

In other developments, Tehran Radio, in a broadcast monitored in London, claimed Iranian troops destroyed 14 Iraqi tanks in fighting Tuesday near the Iran border post of Safargin, about 360 miles southwest of Tehran.

The radio said 11 Iranians were wounded in the fighting and said Iraqi casualties "are likely to have been heavy."

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced the cancellation of the border treaty with Iran following an emergency session of Iraq's parliament. "As of today, and as far as Iraq is concerned, the 1975 treaty with Iran is canceled," Hussein said.

An Iraqi Defense Ministry spokesman announced hours earlier Iraqi forces along the border repelled attempts by Iranian revolutionary guards to regain lands captured by Iraqi forces in weekend fighting.

Tehran Radio also reported five Iranian Muslim students, "the seventh group to be deported from Britain," arrived at Tehran airport today.

President Somoza killed by unidentified attackers

United Press International
ASUNCION, Paraguay — Unidentified men with machine guns and a bazooka Wednesday killed former Nicaraguan President Anastasio Somoza, his driver and a bodyguard in an attack in downtown Asuncion, police said.

An Asuncion radio broadcast said, "The information we have right now is that the body is inside the car virtually shredded by the explosives and the body is that of Gen. Anastasio Somoza."

"The drivers' body was thrown 60 feet from the car," one officer said. "Somoza's body was all chopped up by the explosion, but what was left was stuck in the car."

The attackers, who struck at 10:20 a.m. EDT a short distance from Somoza's home, escaped in the blue Chevrolet used in the

attack but five blocks away switched to a Volkswagen beetle, police said.

Three other men in a blue Chevrolet wagon at the same time sprayed Somoza's car with submachine-gun fire, police said.

The government immediately closed Paraguay's border with Argentina to prevent the killers from leaving the country.

Somoza was toppled from power July 17, 1979, by the Sandinista Liberation Front, which had waged a guerrilla war for many years against his family's 46-year rule.

Although abandoned by the United States in the last days of the revolution, Somoza first fled to Miami, where he had extensive real estate holdings.

The United States quickly recognized the new Sandinista regime on July 24.

A&M reorganization: look 9 months later

The two men most affected by reorganization last January of the Texas A&M University System share their views of the change in exclusive Battalion interviews Friday.

Chancellor Frank W.R. Hubert and former President Jarvis Miller have almost opposite perceptions of what happened and why.

The change shifted control of the services and agencies, such as the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, from the president's office to the chancellor's office.

Hubert believes his reorganization plan allows the president of Texas A&M to devote his full energy to this campus. Miller, on the other hand, believes the plan has narrowed his former job too much and robs the president of necessary power.

See the full interviews with these two men in Friday's Battalion.

Saudi keeps OPEC unity by raising crude oil prices

United Press International
VIENNA, Austria — In a last-minute compromise to salvage OPEC unity, Saudi Arabia raised its oil price by \$2 a barrel in return for a price freeze from other oil producers. The increase will cost U.S. consumers almost one cent a gallon.

The abrupt yielding of the Saudis to hike their price to \$30 a barrel, from an OPEC price of \$28, came after the special OPEC meeting on approving a long-term Saudi pricing plan collapsed, with the Saudis leading the moderates against hard-line Libya, Algeria and Iraq.

The meeting was one of the biggest failures in the history of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. There were hints OPEC might soon adopt the long-term pricing plan — which would tie prices to inflation — without Libya, Iran and Algeria, in effect, dumping the three hardliners.

Venezuelan Oil Minister Humberto Calderon-Berti said if OPEC ministers again fail to agree on the long-term price strategy in two more meetings, the OPEC majority will act on its own without the hardliners. Under the agreement worked out in the late night session Wednesday, the "marker" or average price, for OPEC crude oil will drop from \$32 a barrel to \$30, and the Saudis will raise their price to the new \$30 marker.

The price freeze, agreed on by other 12 cartel members, will keep official prices for crude oil produced by other OPEC nations at \$32 to \$37 until the organization's next regular price meeting in Bali, Indonesia, Dec. 15.

The agreement contradicted earlier words of Saudi Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad

Zaki Yamani, who said after the acrimonious special planning session, that as long as high-priced OPEC states "don't come down, there won't be any change in our oil price."

The Saudis, who produce a third of OPEC's oil, also contribute a quarter of U.S. oil imports and their \$2 a barrel increase will mean almost a penny more a gallon for U.S. consumers.

Iranian Oil Minister Ali Akbar Moinefar, a leader of the hard-line states who wrecked a bid for OPEC agreement on the long-term pricing system, said, "We in Iran are happy" with the compromise.

In the collapsed meeting, the oil, foreign and finance ministers of the 13 OPEC members were unable to agree in detail on a single point in their final communique.

The impasse came at a time when the organization is facing stiffer competition from non-OPEC producers such as Mexico, energy conservation measures in the West, and a recession that has led to a total world oil surplus estimated at 5 billion barrels. The glut has sent some OPEC prices to as low as \$25.50 a barrel.

Wednesday's price agreement bolsters OPEC by showing some degree of unity, but analysts said it does not affect the deepest divisions between Iran, Libya and Algeria and the other 10 members.

Despite giving in on prices, Yamani refused to budge on Saudi production — one of the bitterest issues in the two days of haggling, with the hardliners led by Iran demanding Saudi Arabia lower its 9.5 million barrel a day production, in exchange for discussion on the long-range plan to tie prices to inflation.

Yell leaders try to preserve senior bootline tradition

By MARY ANN HINNANT
Battalion Reporter

Recent problems with the senior bootline, the curving line of students welcoming the Aggie football team back on the field at half-time, have almost caused this 80-year-old tradition to be eliminated.

However, Texas A&M's yell leaders have come up with an idea to keep the bootline a part of half-time activities.

"We've had problems with bootline in the past and didn't know if there was a way we could have it this year," said head yell leader Mark Outlaw.

According to Outlaw, the main problem with the bootline has been lack of organization among the students.

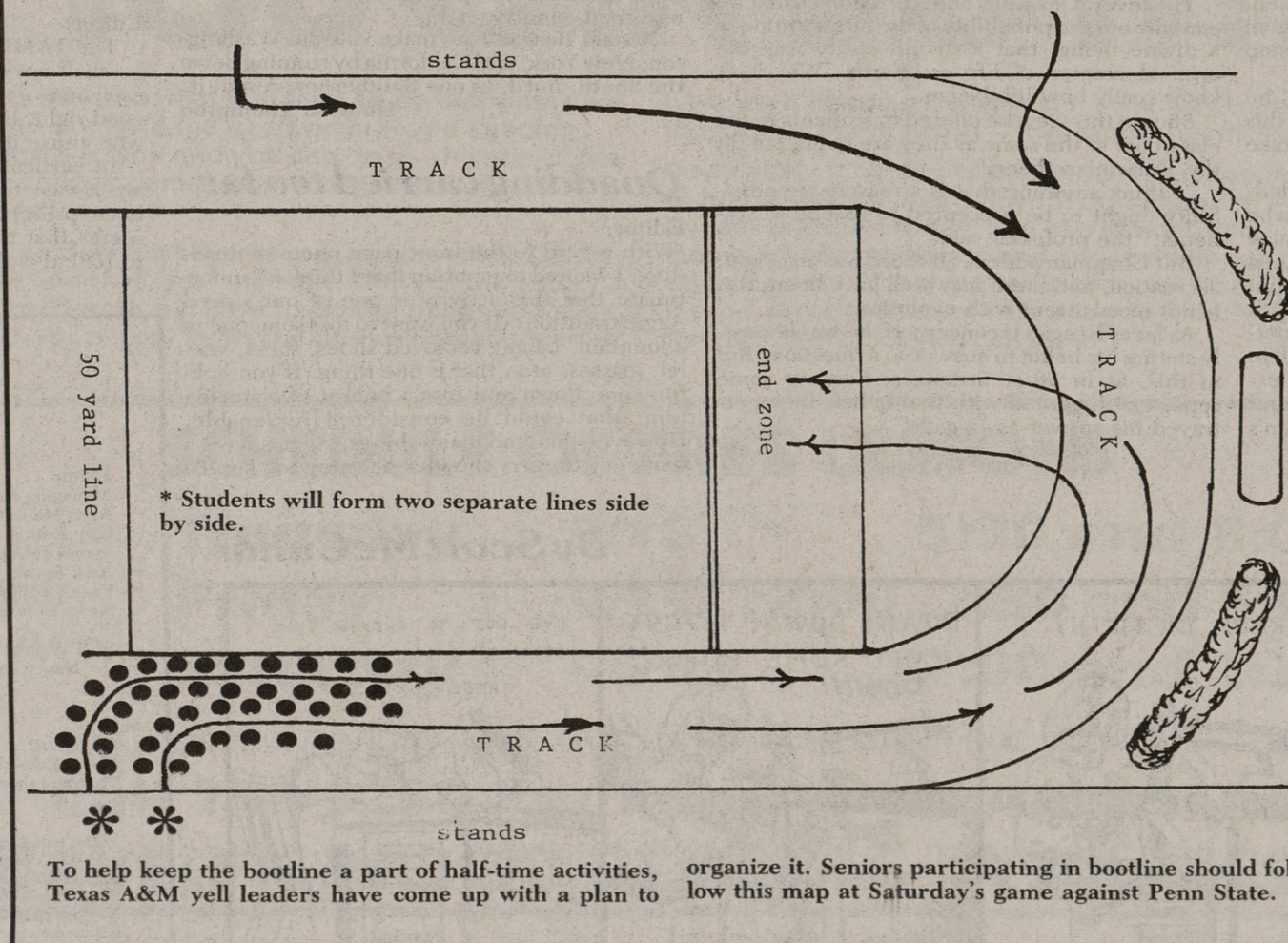
"A&M students often got in the way of the opposing team's half-time performance and became targets for ice throwers and hecklers," Outlaw said. "There was a lot of confusion and the students didn't know what to do."

So the yell leaders, with the help of Student Government, have come up with a possible solution for making the bootline a more organized event. To keep chaos to a minimum, seniors participating in the bootline should assemble on the south side of the track (closest to the score board) and then follow the directions of the yell leaders to form two lines starting at the dressing room entrance. The line will then curve around the track's west side to the north end zone.

There have also been some problems with people who are not seniors participating in the bootline, Outlaw said.

"The bootline is a senior tradition and we ask that only seniors participate," Outlaw said.

"The students must be willing to cooperate," said Eric Langford, Student Government vice president of student services. "We are doing everything we can to preserve bootline, but there has to be some sort of organization."



Football causes room shortages

By DAWN SCOTTE FERGUSON
Battalion Reporter

The signs read, "No Vacancy." The desk clerk sadly shakes her head saying, "Sorry."

It must be home football game weekend again.

Bryan and College Station suffer from a severe hotel and motel room shortage during home football weekends. Aggie fans planning to stay in Bryan or College Station during home game weekends are advised by many local hotel-motel managers to make their room reservations well in advance.

The Bryan-College Station area has more than 1,400 rooms available among the various establishments.

An informal Battalion survey of local motels showed few motels have vacancies for any of the home game weekends this season.

Of the two types of reservations — guaranteed, which are pre-paid and made six months to four years in advance, and regular, in which the person must arrive by a specific time or the room is given away — most were guaranteed.

The MSC Guest Rooms have no vacancies for home game weekends this season, a spokesman for the hotel said. All the reservations were made a year in advance.

Rooms in several other hotels in the area also have been reserved far in advance. "All 107 rooms of the Inn are reserved at least one year in advance of the football season," said Betty Young, general manager of the Ramada Inn in College Station.

The newly constructed Motel 6 has 110 rooms and a desk clerk said all the rooms were booked, but only one-third of the reservations were guaranteed.

For some late-comers looking for a place to stay, one alternative is looking for rooms which come open unexpectedly at the last minute.

"As a general rule, all reservations are guaranteed, but there can be cancellations at the last moment so we tell people to keep checking," said Peggy Kirkcaldy, desk clerk of the Ponderosa Motor Inn.

Charles Schaddox, manager of La Quinta Motor Inn, advised people hoping for a cancellation to be in the lobby around 6 p.m.

But Young, who has been manager of the Ramada Inn for 14 years, said, "When an Aggie fan plans to attend a home game, the only grounds for cancellation are sickness or an auto accident."

Is the situation going to get any better in the future?

"It's difficult to find a place to stay during the football season, but it's not feasible for new hotels and motels to build here based on five weekends a year," a spokesman for the group said.