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Builders will eat 12,000 cookies

Female bonfire help 'refreshing'

By BELINDA McCOY
Battalion Staff

Tradition changed last year at Texas A&M University, and now women are allowed to help build the annual Texas Aggie bonfire.

But some women prefer to let the men do the "dirty" work, and so female Aggies have found another way to help with the tradition. They serve refreshments to their male counterparts.

The bonfire committee of the Student Y Association at Texas A&M is one organization of women helping with the bonfire. Their service to the workers is furnishing them with cookies.

Michelle Piatt, chairman of the bonfire committee of Student Y, said women have been providing refreshments for the workers for several years.

"No one knows exactly the date (when women started providing refreshments), but it was somewhere in the mid '60s when a lot of women started coming here (to Texas A&M)."

Last year, Piatt said the organization spent over \$1,500 on concessions for the workers — money which came mostly from the Student Y activity fund.

So this year, for the first time, the Student Y sent requests for home-



Belinda Barnum, Linda Johnson, Martha Cantrell and Laurie Dunn dish out coffee and cookies to bonfire workers from Moses Hall.

The girls work the same hours as the builders. More than 12,000 cookies will be distributed before the bonfire burns Nov. 25.

made cookies to every club affiliated with the Federation of Texas A&M University Mother's Clubs.

So far cookie donations — 200 dozen — have come in from Dallas, Amarillo, Beaumont, Lafayette, Tyl-

er, Abilene, Baytown and Williamson County. The cookies are usually brought by the mothers when they

come to town for a football game. In addition to cookie donations, nine mother's clubs have made monetary contributions to the bonfire committee.

But despite contributions from mother's clubs, the Student Y still has to order an additional 12,000 cookies from a company in Houston, Piatt said.

The Student Y is presently having the same shifts as the bonfire builders — from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Three women are assigned to each shift. When the builders begin their hour shifts, so will the women.

Another student organization which plans to help serve refreshments to the bonfire workers this year is Off-Campus Aggies.

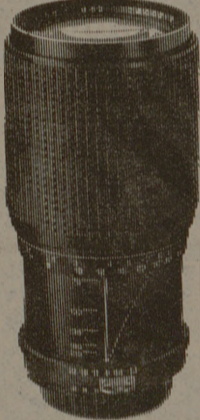
OCA plans to bake cookies for workers, said Kim Hoskins, a member of OCA's bonfire committee. They will be operating under a program of "bonfire buddies."

In this program, each girl assigned an off-campus student is helping with the bonfire and she bakes cookies for him.

"We're trying to get going," Hoskins said, but she added that it is hard for them to get organized because the large number of apartment complexes creates a communication problem.

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United Press International
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Vandiver, 54, a noted historian and scholar, succeeds C.C. Nolen, who resigned in April 1979, hours before he was to testify before a legislative committee about charges of financial mismanagement at the university.
The committee later ruled Nolen apparently violated state law regarding transactions involving school funds, but a Denton County jury later declined to indict him.
The new NTSU president usually serves a three-year term. He is the third in Texas with the University of Texas and Texas A&M University.
Vandiver quit school in the grade to pursue independent study and after receiving a Rockefeller fellowship, re-entered formal school at the graduate level.
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