

THE BATTALION

Serving the Texas A&M University community

Vol. 74 No. 175
10 Pages

Wednesday, July 15, 1981
College Station, Texas

USPS 045 360
Phone 845-2611

The Weather

Today		Tomorrow	
High	95	High	94
Low	75	Low	75
Chance of rain	20%	Chance of rain	20%

Texas plans to stop all shipments of unsprayed California produce

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Reagan Brown Tuesday imposed immediate quarantine on the shipment of California fruits and vegetables to Texas to protect the state against pestilence by the Mediterranean fruit

Brown said he expects most other southern states to impose similar quarantines, although some of the states Tuesday they were delaying imposition of such a quarantine of California products that serve as hosts to the fruit fly.

Roadblocks will go up at noon Monday on highways entering Texas from California, and national guard and Department of Public Safety troops may be

used to enforce them if necessary, Brown said.

Fruit and vegetables from areas of California outside that state's Mediterranean fruit fly quarantine area will be allowed into Texas without fumigation if they have certificates from California officials that the products are from counties that are free of the fly, Brown said. If trucks arrive at the Texas roadblocks without certification, they will be detoured to El Paso for fumigation at Texas Department of Agriculture facilities.

Fruits and vegetables from the California quarantine area will be permitted to enter Texas only if they are fumigated before they leave California and have certificates proving the fumigation, he

said. "If we get fruit and vegetables from out of the quarantine area without fumigation and certification, we're going to confiscate the fruit and destroy it," Brown said.

Brown imposed the quarantine after a conference telephone call with agriculture officials in other Southern states, and said all had agreed to impose quarantines with the same restrictions.

Aerial applications of the pesticide malathion began in California Tuesday, but Texas officials contend the spraying should have been started much earlier to prevent spread of the fruit fly.

Some residents threatened to resort to civil disobedience to halt the program

after aerial spraying opponents lost battles Monday in the courts.

Brown said Monday he and officials from 11 other southern states had been asked by the United States Department of Agriculture to hold off on a quarantine of California produce as the department worked to get the spraying under way.

Brown said any delay in the spraying program would result in California produce being allowed into the state only after it had been fumigated. Brown characterized California Gov. Jerry Brown's refusal to fumigate produce before it left the state as "demagoguery of the highest order" because all citrus fruit that goes from Texas to California is fumigated.

Former student given opportunity in White House

By DENISE RICHTER
Battalion Staff

A former student of Texas A&M University was recently chosen as one of 15 White House Fellows appointed by the Reagan administration.

Joe Barton, 31, received a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from Texas A&M in 1972. He and the 14 other White House Fellows for 1981 were selected from more than 1,600 applicants who applied for the positions.

After they are chosen, Fellows spend one year working as "special assistants, usually in the office of the president or vice president, or as an assistant to a member of the Cabinet," said Beryl Hall, spokesman for the program.

Fellows also receive an extensive education through their weekly meetings with leaders in government, business, Congress, the media and the Diplomatic Corps, she said.

Barton said he became interested in the White House Fellows program about four years ago. "It seemed like something that would be very interesting to do and might have some input into the country."

The White House Fellows program was established in 1964 by President Johnson.

Hall said: "It's basically an attempt to bring the best and the brightest to Washington for a year and expose them to the highest levels of government, not only to further their own education but to give them a global view of problems in the world today so they can contribute more fully to their communities when they return home."

bute more fully to their communities when they return home."

White House Fellows are chosen through an "unbelievable process," Hall said in a telephone interview from Washington.

Applications are accepted from August through December. They are read by personnel office employees and are divided into five categories numbered one through five.

Categories one and two are eliminated and the remaining applications are read by all former Fellows.

The top 110 applicants are then chosen and divided into groups of 10. These smaller groups are screened by one of 11 regional panels throughout the country. Each regional panel is made up of city and state officials, former Fellows and businessmen, and is responsible for choosing the top three candidates in the region.

The 33 national finalists are then interviewed by the President's Commission on White House Fellowships, chaired by Vice Admiral James B. Stockdale. Michel T. Halbouty, Class of '30, is a member of this commission.

Although the positions for the 1981 Fellows have not been announced, Barton said if he gets the job he prefers, he will be working in the Office of Management and Budget, headed by David Stockman.

San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros, Class of '68, was another Texas A&M former student appointed to the White House Fellows program. He served as a Fellow in the early 1970s.

Tension eases in British youth rioting

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
LONDON — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher promised the traditionally unarmed British bobbies every modern-control weapon used in Northern Ireland and sent six police chiefs to Belfast today for a crash course in an effort to break the back of Britain's youth riots.

In another step to halt the rampages, Scotland Yard said it has set up a special command center to oversee police efforts in combating the rioting that has injured 518 policemen, resulted in at least 1,730 arrests and caused an estimated \$32 million in damages.

The rioting by white, black and Asian youths, who went on rampages in more than 30 cities over 11 days, eased today with only two minor outbreaks in London reported. Scotland Yard insisted the incidents "definitely were not riots."

In a tough statement in Parliament Tuesday, Thatcher brushed aside arguments on whether unemployment caused the rioting, saying "it is not a time for detailed analysis — we have a problem" and the first priority was to restore order.

Thatcher said before any economic or

social programs would be introduced, the government would give police the full array of anti-riot gear Belfast police have used for 12 years — water cannons, armored personnel carriers, plastic bullets and tear gas.

"We are not going to be able to deal in practice with the economic and social aspects of the situation until law and order is restored and seen to be restored," she said.

Thatcher then sent officers from six British cities to Belfast to learn anti-riot techniques from security forces who have dealt with street violence in Northern Ireland since 1969.

Tuesday night, about 50 to 100 black youths in the Forest Gate area of east London taunted police and threw a gasoline bomb at a police van. Three youths were arrested. Another group of 50 black and white youths overturned a car in Fulham, west London.

"These were definitely not riots," a Scotland Yard officer said, adding, "order was quickly restored" — a marked contrast to past violence which lasted for hours and resulted in open street battles between gasoline bomb-throwing youths and police using tear gas.

A&M seeks court ruling on attorney general's decision

By BERNIE FETTE
Battalion Staff

Texas A&M University legal personnel announced Tuesday that they would seek a court review of Attorney General

Mark White's ruling which stated that the identities of some 500 candidates for the University presidency must be released under the Texas Open Records Act.

"We have announced to the Eagle that we prefer the matter have a review by the courts," said James B. Bond, vice chancellor for legal affairs.

John Williams, publisher of the Bryan-College Station Eagle, declined to comment on the dispute.

The Eagle in February requested the list of candidates from the Board of Regents and after the regents refused to release the list, White was asked to determine whether the list was a public record.

White ruled June 16 that the list of 500 initial considerations for the presidency must be released but that the identities of the finalists for the post could remain confidential. The Board then requested a clarification of the ruling.

Susan Garrison, chairman of the attorney general's opinion committee reaffirmed White's ruling last week and again directed the University to release the names of the candidates along with their qualifications.

Bond said there are two major reasons for the University requesting a court review.

The first, he said, is that "there are no legal precedents to draw from in cases of this type."

Bond said the second factor concerns invasion of privacy.

Some of those being considered for the position have the potential for bringing an invasion of privacy suit against the University, he said.

A presidential search committee began its screening process of the nominations and applications for the presidency following Dr. Jarvis Miller's dismissal by the Board of Regents a year ago.

After the committee recommended a list of 34 final considerations to the board, another committee including Board Chairman H.R. "Bum" Bright, Vice Chairman John Blocker, Regent Clyde Wells and System Chancellor Frank W.R. Hubert have interviewed candidates for the position.

Bright said in May that although the selection process is running slightly behind schedule, the board still expects to have a new president chosen by Sept. 1.

Bond said he believes the case will be reviewed by the courts before that Sept. 1 deadline.

University plans sent to Austin

Six construction and renovation projects proposed for the Texas A&M campus are being reviewed today in Austin by the Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System.

Those projects include: a new animal science pavilion, conversion of the existing animal science pavilion into a student registration center, a new horticulture and forest science building, expansion of the Cyclotron, an observatory for the physics department and a new facility for the Texas A&M University Press.

All proposed projects have been approved by the Texas A&M Board of Regents and are now subject to approval by the Coordinating Board.

Engineers pick Samson for office

Texas A&M University Acting President Charles Samson has been elected a vice president of the National Society of Engineers.

Samson will be formally installed this week at the annual meeting of the 80,000-member organization that represents all engineering disciplines. He will be one of the society's five vice presidents representing regions of the nation.

The vice presidency is the second major honor bestowed on Samson within the month. His selection as a Distinguished Engineer was announced by the Texas Engineering Foundation. That award is the most coveted of five grades of membership in the organization.

A registered professional engineer, Samson joined the Texas A&M faculty in 1960 and served as head of the civil engineering department from 1964 until 1979. He has served one year as acting president of the University. He holds academic rank as professor of aerospace engineering and civil engineering.

Parking permits available for faculty

By BERNIE FETTE
Battalion Staff

Parking permits for the fall semester will be available beginning today for faculty-staff members and any students who have not yet registered for the fall.

Director of Traffic and Security Thomas Parsons said the early-purchase plan for the permits has been offered the last two years, but most faculty-staff members still obtain them in the few days before the beginning of the semester.

The purpose of the plan, he said, is to avoid the usual rush near the beginning of the fall semester.

Faculty-staff members have two options for purchasing the permits. They can either register their vehicle in person at the University Police Department or register through the University's mail service.

Parsons said the permits would be returned in two to three days if the registration was done by mail.

Students may purchase the permits

only if they have not pre-registered for the fall and only in person at the University Police Department.

The cost is \$48 for a one-year permit in the reserved staff lots, \$36 for two semesters and \$20 for one semester.

Cost of the random street permits and student permits is \$36 for one year, \$27 for two semesters and \$15 for one semester.

University regulations require that all vehicles must display a valid parking permit by the beginning of each semester.

Last year, 6,177 faculty staff permits were issued, but some of those were duplicates since faculty members can register a second vehicle for a \$4 charge, Parsons said. Taking the duplicates into account, permits were issued for some 4,000 faculty-staff members.

Parsons said there are 4,200 spaces available for faculty-staff, and that almost half of the parking tickets issued each day are for students parking in unauthorized reserved areas.



Artistic copies

Staff photo by Greg Cammon

The MSC Arts Committee will sponsor an unusual art exhibit beginning today in the MSC Gallery. Dana Somoza is considered a pioneer artist in the creation of copier art or "Xerography." This art is created by using color photocopying machines for the cost of only 5 cents per illustration. Somoza's work has been published

in several publications including the New York Times and the Village Voice. Her work is distinguished by her signature, written in gold ink. An opening reception will be held Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the MSC Gallery. The exhibition, entitled "Let's be More Than Friends," will be on display July 15 through August 16.