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NTSU president takes top spot at University

Vandiver is named A&M president

By JANE G. BRUST
Battalion Staff
DALLAS — Dr. Frank Everson Vandiver, president of North Texas State University, will become Texas A&M University's 19th president, as announced Wednesday by the Texas A&M Board of Regents. That appointment will take effect Sept. 1.

"I'm greatly honored," Vandiver said. "I have long been an admirer of Texas A&M — I'm aware of its traditions, accomplishments and its potential for the future."

Vandiver, 55, said he will submit his resignation to the NTSU board of regents today.

Texas A&M regents made the announcement in a special meeting held in Dallas.

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were recommended to the board, he would accept the position.

Bright said Vandiver's name was among those 35 names recommended to the board in January by a 22-member search committee but said Vandiver was not among the first 10 candidates considered.

A committee of four — Bright, Blocker, Hubert and Regent Clyde Wells — interviewed at least 12 candidates for the position. That committee recommended Vandiver's appointment.

Bright said Vandiver was chosen on his academic credentials, his individual character and integrity as well as his leadership ability.

He has served one year overseeing both NTSU in Denton (17,000 students) and its sister school, the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth. He also spent 12 years in administrative positions at Rice University including

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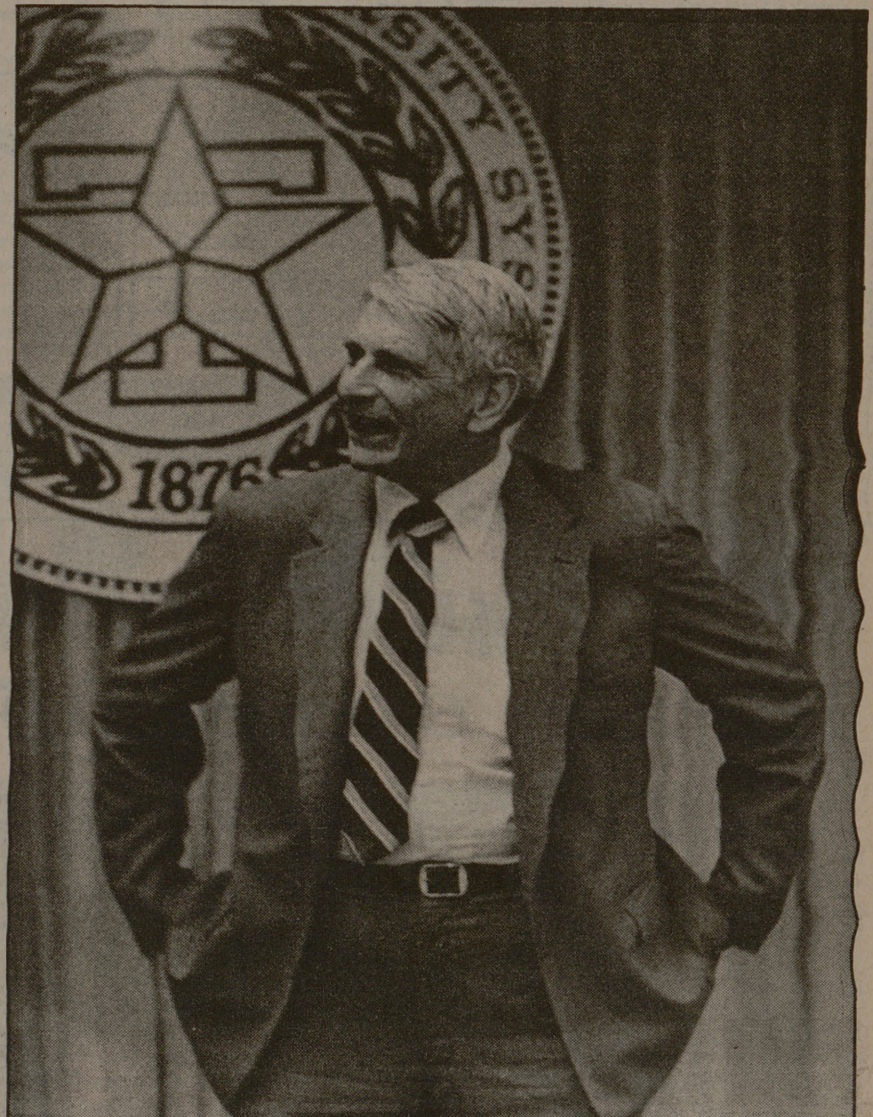
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positions as vice president, provost and acting president.

Vandiver holds a master's degree in history from the University of Texas at Austin and a doctoral degree from Tulane University in New Orleans.

The chairman also said the new president was hired under the current Sys-

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University's Research and Extension Center in Dallas. The regents met an hour in closed session prior to the official appointment.

After the meeting, Board Chairman "Bum" Bright said the regents met that hour discussing the procedure of appointing a new president as well as the candidacy of Vandiver in particular. Vice Chairman John Blocker said that was the only regent present.

In a press conference held after the meeting, Vandiver, a noted scholar and historian, said he did not apply for the job himself.

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Vandiver met Sunday with Hubert and members of the selection committee, and it was agreed that if he

Samson to continue teaching at A&M

By JANE G. BRUST
DALLAS — After announcing the appointment of a new Texas A&M president Wednesday, Board of Regents Chairman H.R. "Bum" Bright announced Acting President Charles H. Samson's decision to resume teaching.

"Dr. Samson has elected to serve as professor of civil engineering and will, as he has in the past, lend his service to the aims, goals and objectives of the University."

The board met in Dallas to appoint Dr. Frank Vandiver, president of North Texas State University, to the Texas A&M presidency.

Samson said he hasn't had a chance to talk to the civil engineering faculty about his returning to the classroom but he plans to resume teaching some time during the fall semester.

Bright also extended thanks to Samson for his service during the University's search for a president. The chairman spoke on behalf of Texas A&M students, former students, staff and board members in recognizing Samson's dedication to his interim position.

"He is a man of character, integrity and a lot of ability," Bright said. "All associated with the University are deeply grateful for his service."

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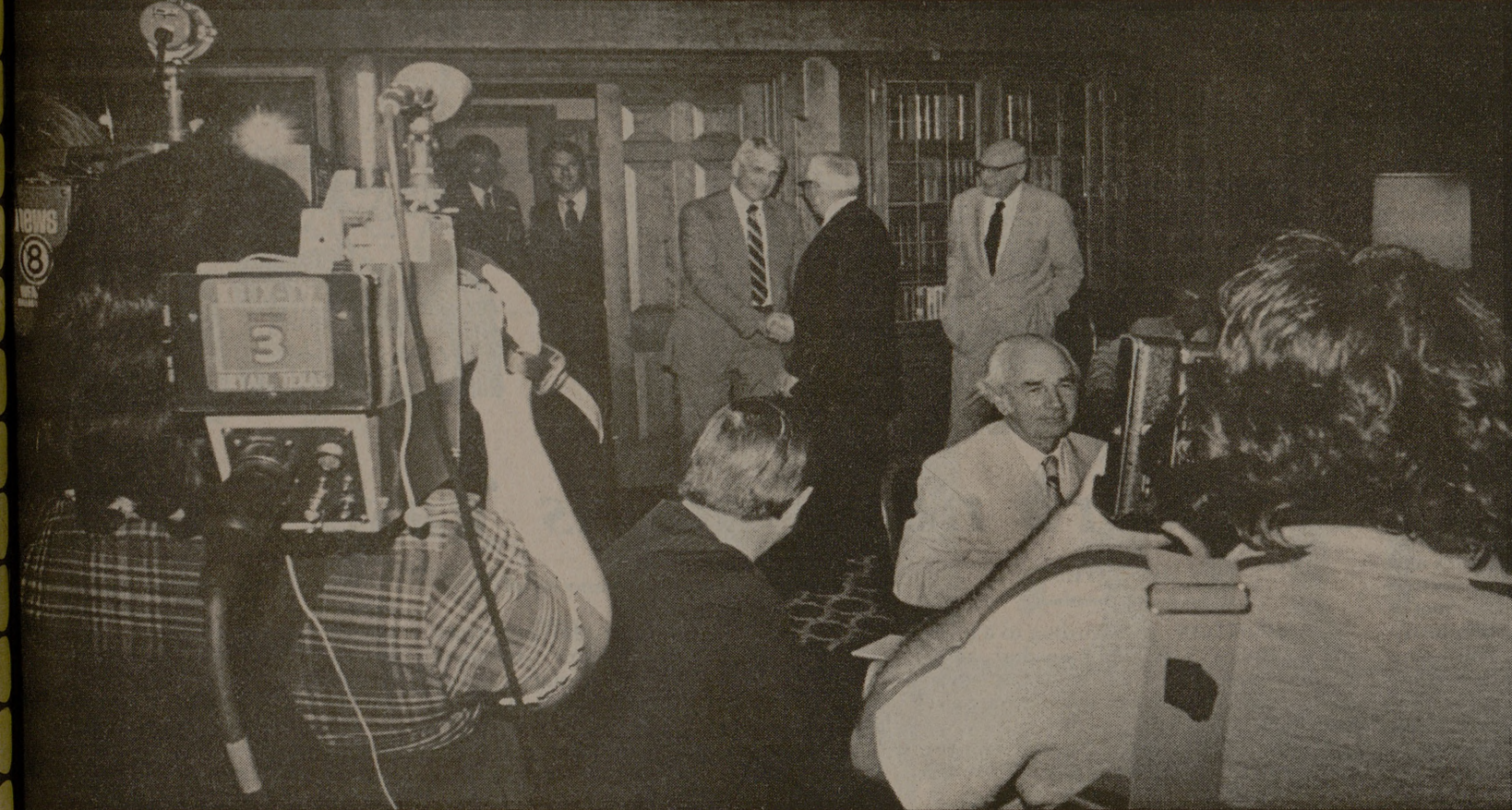
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Members of the media look on while Board of Regents Chairman H.R. "Bum" Bright congratulates new Texas A&M President Frank Vandiver.

All-University Night to be held Monday

Excitement and Aggie spirit will fill the air at 7:30 Monday in G. Roland White Coliseum when Texas A&M students gather for All-University Night.

Mike Thatcher, head yell leader and emcee for the evening, said the event will be presented primarily for the freshmen and the Aggie football team.

"We hope to get everyone really motivated, and seeing all the enthu-

siasm should help the team," he said.

Thatcher said that All-University Night is designed to be "an orientation to Aggie Spirit."

A yell practice will be held and the Aggie Band will also be on hand to perform at the event.

Thatcher said that Head Coach Tom Wilson, Athletic Director Marvin Tate and Vice President for Student Services John J. Koldus are slated to address students.

Women's right to vote is celebrated

Group advocates passing ERA

By KATHY O'CONNELL
Battalion Staff
Amidst the long line of Texas A&M students waiting to register for fall classes, a small group of women and men gathered Wednesday in front of the Rudder fountain to celebrate the anniversary of the woman's right to vote.

The women waved green and white pennants with the slogan "ERA Yes" as they sang the chorus of a modified version of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" — "Mine eyes have seen the flame of women's rights... move on over or we'll move on over you. For women's time has come."

"A Celebration of Women's Equality Day," sponsored by the Brazos County

National Organization for Women and the Association of Women in Science commemorates the 61st anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. The amendment, ratified on Aug. 26, 1920, gave women the right to vote.

Dr. Sara Alpern, assistant professor of history at Texas A&M University and the Brazos County Mother of the Year, said the history of the suffrage movement and the history of women are not synonymous.

The suffrage movement, Alpern said, began with the movement to abolish slavery. Because of a "prescription for women in society," that said it was un lady-like to speak in public, the suffrage movement evolved.

Ironically, Alpern said, when women delegates from the United States went

to London in the 1800s for an anti-slavery rally they were not allowed to speak out against slavery. This in turn sparked the suffrage movement, she said.

Dr. Greta Fryxell, professor of oceanography and the 1978 Outstanding Woman of Brazos County, said women in science are usually "considered less than competent."

Of the approximate 13,000 members of the National Science Academy, Fryxell said there are approximately 35 members or 2.5 percent whom are women.

Fryxell pointed out that women do have a place in the history of science. "We have Marie Curie," she said, "and let me remind you that her first name is

Marie, not Madame."

Mary Calk, current president of the Texas National Organization for Women, said the ERA amendment is needed to set a standard against discrimination of sex.

"The greatest reason for the ERA," Calk said, "is the 59-cent wage gap between men and women. Who gets the 41 cents? It's no wonder that the chief labor force (men) oppses the ERA."

With the deadline for the ratification drawing near June 30, 1982 — Calk encouraged the women in the audience to support the ERA. She asked for volunteers to work in the three states that haven't yet ratified the amendment.

paper resumes regular schedule

The Battalion will resume its regular publication schedule beginning Monday, August 31. The Battalion is published Monday thru Friday during the semester. Monday's Back-to-School

edition of The Battalion will feature six sections including information on Texas A&M activities, traditions and features on campus life.