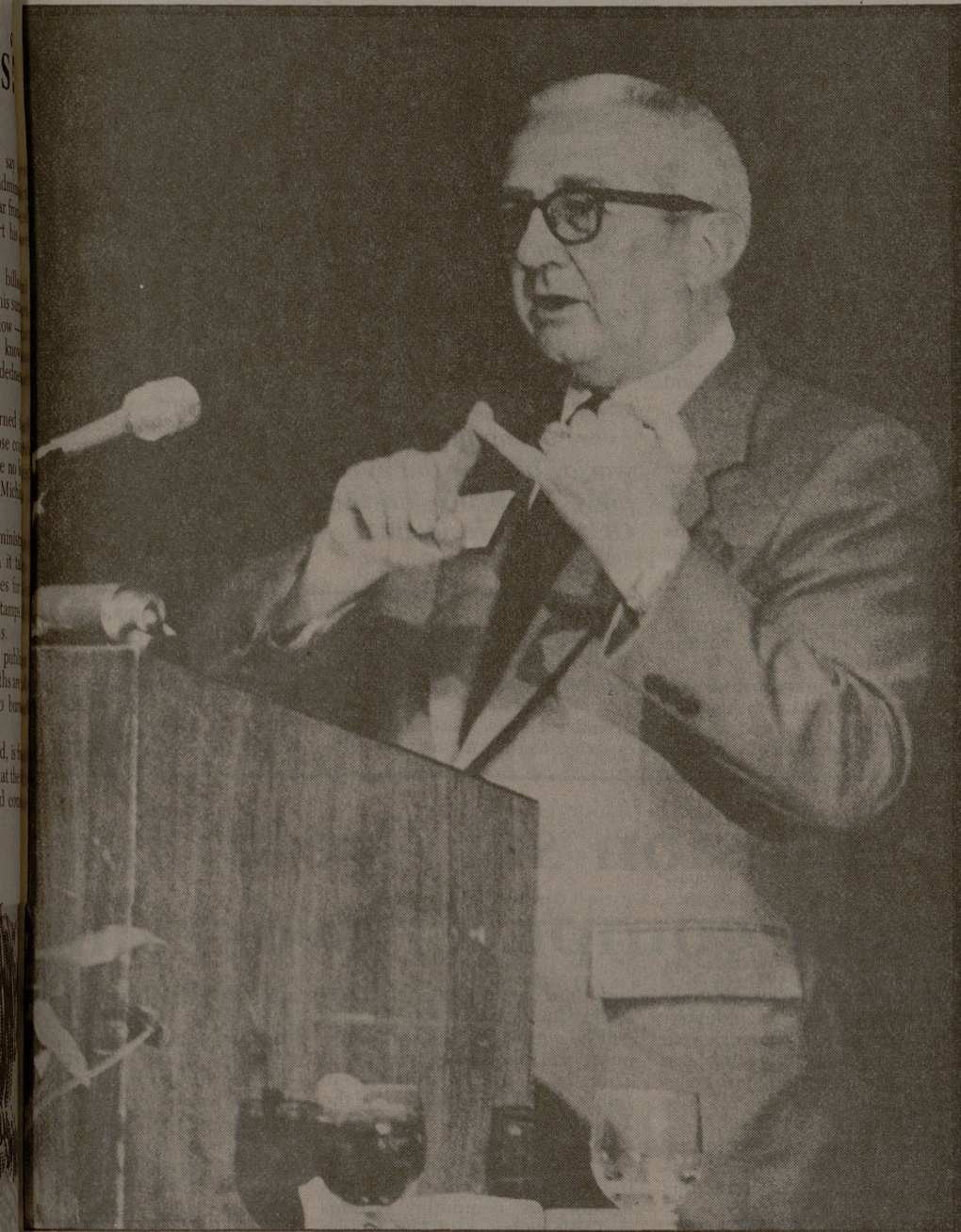


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Target 2000 Committee to direct A&M system growth



Board of Regents Chairman
H.R. "Bum" Bright

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The Target 2000 Committee, designed to set goals of growth for the Texas A&M University System, was outlined by the Chairman of the Board of Regents H. R. "Bum" Bright Monday night.

Speaking to about 200 members and guests of the Brazos County A&M Club, Bright said the purpose of the committee is to determine a direction for the Texas A&M System.

The Board of Regents, Bright said, is hopeful the plans, goals and objectives of the system will be formulated.

"Everyone, however, has to know Texas A&M University is the crown jewel of the system," Bright said.

He said the mission and scope for the year 2000 is unknown, so a "road map to follow" is necessary.

The committee will map out who and how to educate, and whether or not Texas A&M will be in a position to attract or limit student enrollment in the next twenty years.

Bright said the other members of the Texas A&M System (Tarle-

ton State University, Prairie View A&M University and Texas A&M University at Galveston) have not had a surge in growth like Texas A&M.

A problem, Bright said, is to control growth at Texas A&M while trying to promote growth at the other three schools.

Regent George Mitchell of Houston is the Target 2000 Committee chairman.

The committee has three major components: agricultural service agencies, academic institutions and engineering service and agencies.

Each component is divided into four work groups: the mission and scope of each component for individual agencies, how to deal with students being served (whether it should be mostly graduate or undergraduate students), resources for the faculty and physical facilities, and organization, management and interrelations between the components.

"Organizations are fluid and need to change as the missions change," Bright said.

He said Texas A&M is competing with other institutions for

funding and for the next ten years the university president has to sell the public, state administrators and state legislators.

The committee is to be funded by donations from foundations, corporations and individuals. Bright said the committee has \$150,000 from donations mostly

from foundations, but needs \$500,000.

Bright said he hopes the committee will have the "road map" for Texas A&M developed by December 1982 and that future pride in Texas A&M will equal that of the past.

MSC Free University offers classes in 31 flavors

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Whether your interest is Hatha yoga or country-western dance, MSC Free University probably has a class for you.

This semester MSC Free U, which isn't actually free — fees range from \$2 to \$15 — is offering classes. In addition to the regular classes, such as beginning guitar, social recreational dance, beginning mechanics and human sexuality, Free U is offering some new courses.

"We've got an astrology class, a photography class which the MSC Camera Committee is going to teach ... a juggling class ... and the campus police are going to teach a class on dorm and apartment security," Ann Barrier, MSC Free U chairman, said.

"And we've got a new thing: Career Choice Seminar. We're directing it at freshmen, but it's for anyone who doesn't know what's going on," she said.

Representatives from various university colleges will speak at the Career Choice Seminar, and

try to acquaint students with various academic and career options.

Barrier and Karen Fitzgerald, MSC Free U adviser, stressed that this course is for anyone who has questions about career choice and planning.

Registration for MSC Free U begins Wednesday, at 10 a.m. in 224 MSC. But lines usually begin forming around 9 a.m., Barrier said, and the most popular classes, like country-western dance and guitar, are usually filled by noon. Most people get the classes they want, she said.

Barrier said Free U is expecting between 1,500 and 2,000 people to register.

MSC Free U is open to the public, and the only requirements for student registration are an I.D. number and full payment of fees at registration. I.D. numbers are needed in case of refunds, Barrier said, and student I.D., social security and driver's license numbers are all acceptable.

The length of the 31 classes varies. Apartment and dorm

security classes last one week; Vechi Ryu karate and social and recreational dance classes last 10 weeks.

And like the classes they teach, the instructors are a unique lot, Barrier said.

"Some are students, some are people who work around campus — we've got a man who works out in the golf shop who's going to teach a mechanics class," she said. "Some have taught with Community Education."

This year, Barrier said, MSC Free U found a new source of instructors — a faculty interest and hobby newsletter. The newsletter is available through the Student Activities Office.

She said the committee is always looking for new instructors and courses, and anyone interested should contact the committee. Also, Barrier said, the committee welcomes new members, who are needed to run and organize the semester event.

For more information on MSC Free U classes call 845-1515.

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