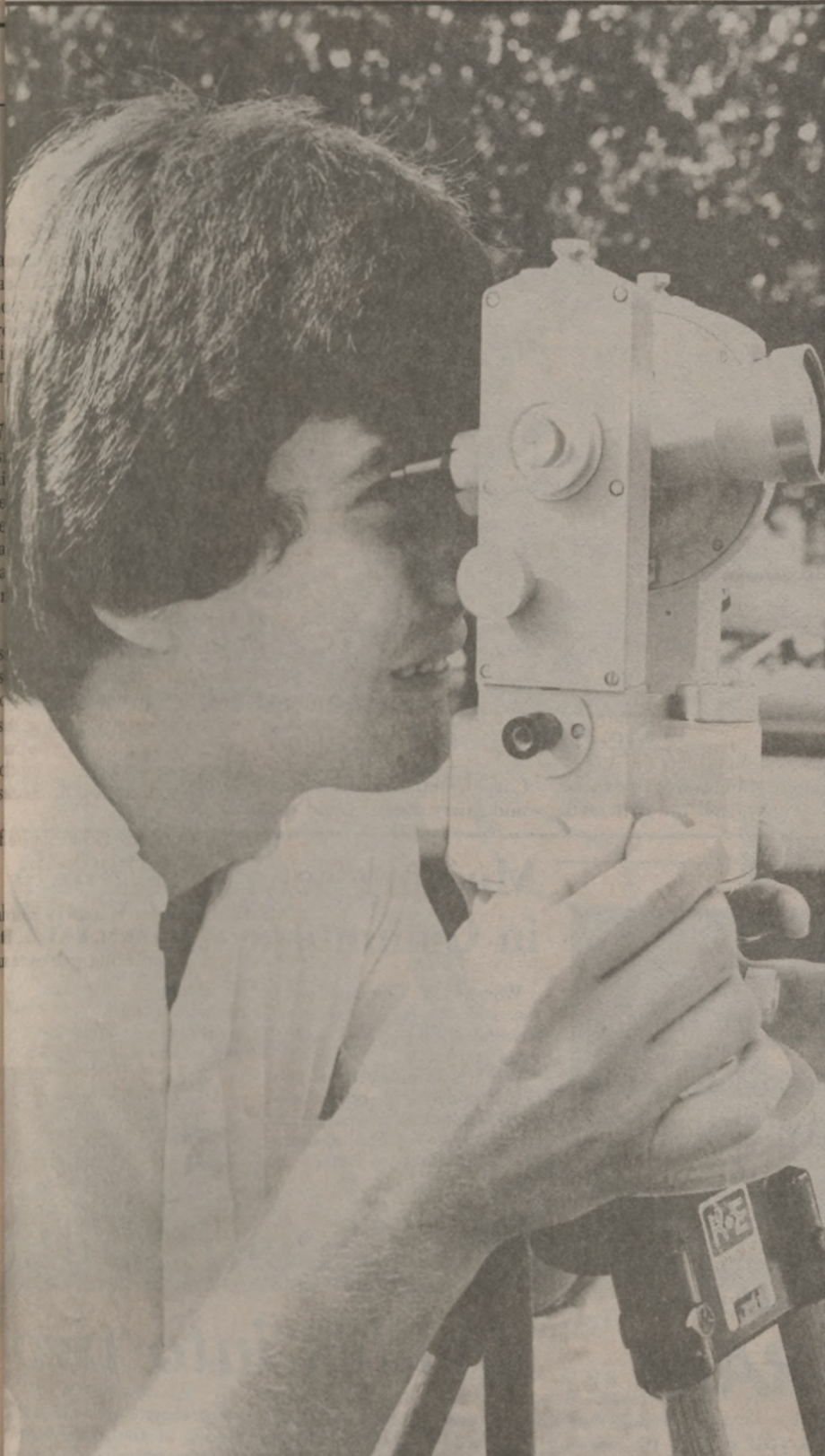


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Greg Curtis works on a surveying project Spence streets is probably the most for CE 201. The area near Ross and surveyed area on campus.

Law deans to explain test change

LSAT adds essay question

By BARBIE WOELFEL

Battalion Reporter
Effective June 1982, the Law School Admission test, will no longer cover mathematical skills or objective grammatical skills. "The test will still contain multiple-choice questions, but students will be required to write an essay on an assigned topic," said Dr. Hillary Jessup, undergraduate advisor in General Studies and Pre-law Society advisor. The essay will be sent directly to the law schools where the student has applied without any prior grading or commenting, he said. Jessup said the LSAT scoring scale also will be readjusted. Currently, scores range between 200 and 800, but the new system will score between 10 and 50. This

change is being made to discourage the use of small score differences to shape law school admissions decisions, she said. "These changes were made primarily because of the 'truth and testing' law that requires test questions and answers to be made available to those who are examined," she said. The Law School Admission Council, an association of 171 law schools, approved the changes. Four law school deans will discuss in detail these LSAT changes at the Pre-Law Society meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in 145 MSC. Representatives scheduled to attend are: Robbie Hill from Washington University in St. Louis; Katherine Schwab from

Boston College Law School in Boston; Diana Chabrier from New York Law School in New York City; and Noel Augustyn from Loyola of New Orleans Law School. Jessup said Phi Delta Gamma, an interdisciplinary women's organization designed to encourage women to continue in higher education, will sponsor a presentation concerning women in the law profession by these same four deans at noon Wednesday, in 137A MSC. The deans will distribute literature and talk with interested law school students. Representatives from other law schools across the United States also will be on hand

to talk about their programs. "Since the number of students applying for law school has decreased as compared to years past, these representatives hope to recruit and encourage students to apply for law school," Jessup said. The next LSAT to be offered at Texas A&M will be Dec. 5. The deadline for registration in the Academic Counseling Center is Nov. 5. Library teaching facilities are available for students preparing for the LSAT. "The taped lectures and workbooks are designed to help students understand the main concepts covered in the test," Jessup said.

Engineering gets donations

By JOHN BRAMBLETT

Battalion Reporter
The College of Engineering at Texas A&M University will benefit from more than \$530,000 in donations from Exxon Corp. and ARCO Oil and Gas Co. The College of Engineering will receive \$500,000 from Exxon as a part of the corporation's \$15 million program to help engineering colleges deal with a critical shortage of faculty members. An Exxon spokesman said a fellowship program was established to aid faculty with doctoral degrees or those in pursuit of them. Texas A&M received two of 100 fellowship aids presented by the corporation, he said. A fellowship is financial aid of \$50,000 which can be given to students during their three years of graduate studies. The second part of Exxon's program is aimed at keeping young scholars in the teaching profession, the spokesman said.

The problem, he said, is that beginning engineering students can make as much money as some professors. Exxon is presenting the University with four awards worth \$100,000 each. The awards will be spread over a five-year period, making each award worth \$20,000 annually, the Exxon official said. The six awards granted to the University by Exxon are the most received by any college or university, the official said. Exxon plans to present 166 grants to universities throughout the United States. The University of Houston, Rice University, the University of Texas at Austin and Texas Tech University also received grants from Exxon. Arco gave \$38,175 to the mechanical engineering department to purchase a tensile test

machine for the metallurgy laboratory. The machine tests metals for their basic properties. Robert H. Page, dean of the College of Engineering, said ARCO's gift symbolized industry's understanding and concern for the problems college engineering departments face. "ARCO is setting a good example," Page said. ARCO project engineer Richard Urquhart, Class of '78, helped the mechanical engineering department get the equipment. Urquhart received a degree in mechanical engineering.

Forum features Poland tonight

By LISA DICKSON

Battalion Reporter
Former Ambassador to Poland William E. Schaufele Jr. will discuss Poland's current relationship with the Soviet Union in a program titled "Moscow, We Have a Problem: Can Poland Emerge from the Soviet Shadow?" tonight. Schaufele will speak at the Rudin Theater at 8 p.m. The MSC Political Forum, a group concerned with current political issues, is sponsoring the program. There is no charge for admission. Schaufele was Ambassador to Poland from June 1977 to September 1980. The former ambassador is the president of the Foreign Policy Association, a group that encourages understanding of U.S.

foreign policy. He is on the advisory council of the School of International Affairs at Columbia University and the board of trustees of the Intercultural Action Learning Program. In December 1975, Schaufele was appointed assistant secretary of state for African affairs, a position he held until he became Ambassador to Poland. Schaufele served in Germany, Morocco, the Congo (now Zaire) and the west African republic of Upper Volta during his 30 years in the United States Foreign Service. He has been the Senior Adviser to the Permanent Representative and the Deputy U.S. Representative in the Security Council.

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